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FRESH FROM THE WIRES.

Events of Interest and Importance in Every Quarter of the Habitable Globe.

News Relating to Politics, Religion, Commerce, Industry, Labor, and Other Topics.

THE VERY LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

TERRIBLE RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

Seven Persons Perish by the Explosion of a Car-load of Dynamite.

A CAR-LOAD of dynamite and one of giant powder blew up a train of freight-cars at Locus Gap, Pa., causing the loss of seven lives and injuring about twenty-five persons, three of whom will die. Twenty-one houses were demolished and glass was shattered for miles around. The scene presented an appalling sight, the debris of the freight-cars and the houses, together with here and there little heaps of ashes and charred remains of the dead, disclosing a frightful picture. So great was the upward force of the exploding dynamite that the wheels and axles of the cars were thrown a distance of two hundred yards, and one axle fell through the roof of one of the houses on the lower street on the hill above. Traces of the debris may be found a quarter of a mile away. One of the train men was blown several rods, but was not badly injured. Loss, \$75,000.

TWO-POUND HAILSTONES.

Many People Killed and Injured by Their Fall in India.

DISPATCHES from India announce that Delhi and Moradabad had been visited by disastrous hail-storms, about 150 persons having been killed. The hailstones were flat and oval in shape and some of them weighed as much as two pounds. At Racebati, in Bengal, twenty persons were killed, 200 severely injured and 2,000 houses were destroyed by hailstones.

Base-Ball Record.

THE NATIONAL game has been fairly launched for the present season. Popular interest has by no means abated, and every indication points to most successful season. The following table shows the standing on Monday of the clubs of the four leagues in which Western readers are interested:

League	Won	Lost	American	Won	Lost
Chicago	11	11	Cincinnati	12	4
Boston	11	11	St. Louis	9	4
New York	8	4	Brooklyn	11	6
Detroit	7	6	Athletic	8	7
Pittsburgh	5	8	Baltimore	7	8
Philadelphia	5	8	Cleveland	5	10
Washington	2	10	Louisville	5	11
Indianapolis	2	11	Kansas City	3	10
Western	Won	Lost	Interstate	Won	Lost
Des Moines	4	5	Dubuque	4	0
Omaha	4	5	Crawfordsville	4	1
St. Louis	2	4	Washington	1	1
Chicago	2	3	Danville	3	3
Kansas City	2	3	Rockford	1	2
Milwaukee	2	3	Eau Claire	2	4
St. Paul	1	4	Eau Claire	2	4
Minneapolis	0	5	Decatur	0	4

Flashes from the Cable.

MR. PENDLETON, the United States Minister to Berlin, has fully recovered.

The league branches of Limerick, Ireland, have condemned the papal script.

A WAX figure of Gen. Bonlanger in a shop-window in Berlin attracts constant attention from crowds.

VICTORIEN SARDOU, the dramatist, in an interview said he thought the French Republic would soon be broken up.

REPORTS are that Russia has three corps of soldiers upon her western frontier. Opinion in London is that Russia intends showing an aggressive eastern policy.

Condensed Dispatches.

WILLIAM McCUE, on trial at Wilkesbarre, Pa., for the murder of Thomas Brennan, has been found guilty of murder in the second degree.

NORMAN McDONALD, of Cape Breton, the last known survivor of the battle of Waterloo, in which he fought under Wellington, has just died at the age of 110. He emigrated to Nova Scotia in 1833.

AN EXPRESS package containing \$41,000 in currency, shipped by the American Exchange Bank of New York to the Treasury in Washington, was found to have been strangely converted into brown paper by the time it reached its destination.

JOHN DEAN was murdered at Helena, M. T., in 1879. His slayer has remained undiscovered. Mrs. M. A. Eckert, an old resident, died recently, and before her demise confessed to her nurse how the crime was committed.

THEY ALMOST FOUGHT.

Congressmen Brumm and Bryce Nearly Come to Blows in the House.

THERE was a scene of excitement in the House on the 5th inst., after Mr. Woodburn, of Nebraska, had closed his remarks on the tariff bill. He had incidentally remarked that Abram S. Hewitt, of New York, had apologized to the British minister for having advocated a resolution before the Forty-eighth Congress in regard to the judicial murder of an American citizen in England. Mr. Bryce, of New York, shaking his finger at Woodburn, said the statement as to Hewitt was false from beginning to end, and it was cowardly to make the charge in his absence. Woodburn, good-naturedly, admitted that it was true and he could prove it. Almost every man on the Republican side rose to his feet, and Mr. Guenther, Darien, and several others excitedly called at Bryce at the same time. Mr. Bryce was standing in the main aisle near Mr. Brumm of Pennsylvania. The latter, shaking his fist at Bryce, said he had acknowledged the fact on the floor of the House and apologized for it and said that if Bryce denied it he said what was false. Bryce said it was cowardly to assail a man in his absence. The two men were standing in full arms' length and shaking the fist at each other so threateningly it was expected that they would come to blows.

Mr. Hopkins of Illinois, in an information-seeking tone, which set the House in a roar and which poured oil upon the troubled waters, for a few moments Mr. Bryce and Mr. Brumm were seated together and talking amicably.

WEEKLY BUDGET.

THE EASTERN STATES.

SAMUEL STEVENS, a Connecticut milkman, morns the loss of ten cows in one night. The flooring of the stable gave way and the cows, which were fastened with halters to upright posts, were hanged by the neck until dead.

CLOSE upon the heels of the prosecution of the liquor dealers and a gang of burglars at Union City, Pa., came an attempt to assassinate Prosecuting Attorney Frank McClintock, his wife, and two children. Some unknown person placed two gas-pipe dynamite bombs beside Mr. McClintock's residence, one under his bedroom and the other under the front of the building. The one at the front of the house exploded, but owing to defect in construction only the front of the house was blown up and the inmates were not hurt. The other bomb had been lighted and placed under McClintock's sleeping apartments, and but for the fact that the fuse was only half burned McClintock's family would have been blown into eternity.

THE NEW YORK Commandery of the Loyal Legion elected Gen. Schofield Commander.

THE Massachusetts Supreme Court has denied a rehearing of the case of Mrs. Sarah J. Robinson, the Somerville poisoner convicted of the murder of Arthur Freeman, her brother-in-law. This means that Mrs. Robinson must hang unless the Governor and his council commute the sentence to imprisonment.

THE experience of the New York elevated railroads as defendants in damage suits emphasizes the importance of securing right of way either by purchase, lease, or condemnation proceedings. Large sums of money are being quietly paid out by the Manhattan people in settlement of claims, as recent decisions of the courts establish the fact that damages can be collected for loss of rental to buildings in the past and in the future, and for all damage to the property itself, besides punitive damages for trespass in the original invasion of the streets.

THE strike at the Edgar Thompson Steel Works at Braddock, Pa., has been declared off by the Knights of Labor.

THE WESTERN STATES.

GEN. MARTIN BEEM, the Chicago politician and lawyer, who had been on the ranch of his father-in-law, D. Case, near Stanton, Neb., shot himself through the head. He died within five minutes after he fired the shot. It is believed that he killed himself on account of family difficulties. The day he reached Stanton to join his wife she left for Chicago, and she did not return until the day of the deed. When she arrived his eyes were swollen and inflamed, as if he had not slept for a long time, and he was very pale and weak. He grew despondent when he reached the ranch, and nothing his father-in-law could say or do could cheer him any. It is believed that his reason was entirely dethroned when he blew out his brains.

BILLY CARSON, a son of Kit Carson, the famous scout, shot and killed Thomas J. Tobins in a fight at Fort Garland, Colo. Tobins was a companion of Kit Carson, and almost equally famous. His most noted exploit was the capture of the Mexican bandit, the Espeñolas brothers, single-handed, for whose capture, either dead or alive, the Territorial and the United States Governments had offered large rewards. Tobins started after the men on horseback, and was gone three days. When he returned he brought with him the heads of both brothers in a gunny-sack, and dumped them on the floor of a Government office. He never received the reward.

WILLIAM GARLAND, of Lafayette, Ind., one of the oldest hardware merchants in that State, has made an assignment. His assets are \$7,000; liabilities unknown.

A STORM of wind struck the little village of Lacona, in Warren County, Iowa, demolishing a two-story building used as a store and burying in the ruins a farmer—Leonard Wilson. He was dead when taken from the ruins. Two other men were slightly injured. Several buildings were unroofed.

A CHARTER has been filed at Topeka, Kan., for "The Farmers' Federation of the Mississippi Valley," the farmers' trust. The capital stock is \$20,000,000, with shares at \$10 each. The charter is signed by citizens of fourteen States and five Territories.

HOOVER & ALLISON, merchants of Xenia, Ohio, have failed, with liabilities of \$200,000 and assets of \$300,000. The Second National Bank of the same place, which held considerable of the paper, was forced to suspend.

ALLAN O. MYERS has been convicted at Columbus, Ohio, of contempt of court in publishing objectionable articles during the tally-sheet forgery cases. He was fined \$200 and sentenced to three months' imprisonment. An appeal was taken.

ON the farm of the Widow Freeza, near Arlington, Neb., occurred a horrible catastrophe. Fire broke out in the barn, and when it reached the spot two hours later they found in the ruins the charred remains of seven human beings, distributed among the burned carcasses of the live stock. The entire family, consisting of four adults and three children, had been burned to death, probably in the attempt to rescue the cattle from the burning stable.

FIRE destroyed the Los Angeles Cal. Cracker Company's block and one dwelling, causing a loss of \$65,000, with but \$10,000 insurance. John Schuler, a watchman, is supposed to have perished in the flames.

AT Laporte, Ind., in the trial of Henry Augustine for the murder of Samuel Brown, one of the jury became insane, fancying that the fellow-jurymen were going to murder him, and not improving, the Judge dismissed the jury.

FIRE at San Diego, Cal., destroyed the stores of S. G. Ingles, hardware; Charles Hamilton, groceries, agricultural implements, etc., and Frederic Hamilton, hardware, and slightly damaged other stores. The total loss was \$150,000; total insurance, \$85,000.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

THE Senate has passed the following public-building bills: Sterling, Ill. (Senate bill, \$50,000), Fort Dodge, Iowa (Senate bill, \$10,000), Duluth, Minn. (House bill, \$150,000),

Atchison, Kan. (Senate bill, \$100,000). The House bill for a postoffice building at Indianapolis was also passed, with an amendment increasing the appropriation from \$125,000 to \$150,000.

FOLLOWING is the public debt statement issued by the United States Treasurer on the 1st inst.:

INTEREST-BEARING DEBT.

Bonds at 4½ per cent. \$225,051,600

Bonds at 4 per cent. 731,380,350

Refunding certificates at 4 per cent. 141,300

Navy pension fund at 3 per cent. 14,000,000

Pacific railroad bonds at 6 per cent. 64,623,512

Principal. \$1,038,199,762

Interest. 7,965,343

Total. \$1,045,765,105

DEBT ON WHICH INTEREST HAS CEASED SINCE MATURITY.

Principal. \$2,675,155

Interest. 170,874

Total. \$2,846,029

DEBT BEARING NO INTEREST.

Old demand and legal-tender notes. \$346,737,956

Certificates of deposit. 10,555,609

Old certificates. 91,361,293

Silver certificates. 194,426,932

Fractional currency (less \$3,375,934, estimated as lost or destroyed). 6,941,061

Principal. \$653,222,242

TOTAL DEBT.

Principal. \$1,699,097,159

Interest. 7,756,217

Total. \$1,706,833,376

Less cash items available for reduction of debt. \$ 81,953,532

Less reserve held for redemption of United States notes. 100,000,000

\$ 414,955,552

Total debt loss available cash items. \$1,291,877,324

Net cash in the Treasury. 110,244,969

Debt less cash in Treasury May 1, 1888. \$1,181,632,855

Debt less cash in Treasury April 1, 1888. 1,190,868,155

Decrease during the month. \$ 9,235,300

Decrease since June 3, 1887. 97,795,881

CASH IN TREASURY AVAILABLE FOR REDUCTION OF PUBLIC DEBT.

Gold held for gold certificates actually outstanding. \$99,561,293

Silver held for silver certificates. 194,426,932

U. S. notes held for certificates of deposit. 10,555,000

Cash held for matured debt and interest unpaid. 10,411,373

Fractional currency. 954

Total available for reduction of debt. \$314,955,552

RESERVE FUND.

Held for redemption of U. S. notes, act. Jan. 14, 1875, and July 12, 1882.

Unavailable for reduction of debt—

Fractional silver coin. 25,750,228

Minor coin. 145,160

Total. 25,938,388

Certificates held as cash. 35,269,609