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NUGGETS OF NEWS.

Important Happenings in Every Quarter of the Civilized Globe.

The Very Latest Intelligence Flashed Over the Telegraphic Wires.

A DAY IN THE HOUSE.

The House of Representatives, on the 9th inst., voted appropriations for handsome public buildings at Jackson, Mich., and Ottumwa, Iowa. The tariff discussion was also resumed. A spirited discussion arose on first. Mr. Blood spoke favoring the placing of tax on the free list, and Mr. Struble spoke against the bill. Mr. Struble said that manufacturers are rapidly springing up in the West, and free trade would put a stop to all such industries.

GEN. SHERIDAN.

The Physicians Find the Patient's Heart Is Not So Badly Diseased as to Preclude All Hope of Recovery.

A thorough examination of Gen. Sheridan was made by the physicians on Sunday. It was found that there was extensive trouble of the mitral valves of the heart, and that owing to a change in their structure they did not fully close the aperture, and thus allowed blood to be forced back into the heart. This trouble was ascertained positively, and the rushing of the blood back into the heart could be distinctly heard. It was thought that the aortic orifice might also be diseased, but the General's breathing was still too heavy to allow this to be definitely determined. It is said, however, that the disease of the heart is not such as to entirely preclude hope of the General's recovery. The liver was found to be of larger size than was feared. Albumen and calculi were found in the kidneys, but as they have been acting quite freely it was not thought that they are seriously affected. On the whole it can be said that the consultation was of an encouraging nature. The case is, however, a desperate and critical though not altogether a hopeless one. On Monday the General was resting comfortably, and his chances for recovery were regarded as better than at any previous time.

Base-Ball.

The following table shows the relative standing of the clubs composing the four principal associations in their race for championship honors:

League	Won	Lost	American	Won	Lost
Chicago	26	11	Brooklyn	32	10
Det.	24	13	St. Louis	22	13
New York	22	12	Cincinnati	24	16
Boston	23	17	Athletic	21	17
Philadelphia	17	18	Baltimore	20	18
Pittsburgh	14	22	Cleveland	16	23
Indianapolis	13	24	Kansas City	11	26
Washington	9	28	Louisville	11	30

COL. KING-HARMON DEAD.

He Passes Away at His Estate in Ireland.

Col. E. R. King-Harmon, member of Parliament for Kent Isle of Thanet and Parliamentary Secretary for Ireland, died, aged forty-seven years. The death of Col. King-Harmon was very unexpected. He had been suffering from diabetes for several months, and a short time ago took a trip to the Cape of Good Hope, in the belief that he would derive benefit from the voyage. He was much better while on shipboard, but sustained a relapse within a few days after his return to London and became prostrated. His physicians ordered his immediate removal to his estate at Rockingham, County Roscommon, Ireland.

DRAGGED OUT TO DIE.

James Foster, a Negro, Taken from a Kentucky Jail by a Mob.

At Henderson, Ky., twelve miles below Evansville, Ind., James Foster, colored, was taken from jail by a mob and hanged. Foster was arrested at the instance of John Howard, charged with outraging the latter's 8-year-old daughter a few miles from Henderson. Foster, on being arrested, strenuously denied his guilt, but the evidence was convincing. He was taken to the woods and strung up.

Knights of Labor.

The National Convention of the Knights of Labor iron-workers which was in session at Pittsburgh last week, adopted resolutions endorsing General Master Workman Powderly for re-election, and pledging Robert D. Layton the support of the furnace men for Secretary. This latter action may bring about a serious internal conflict in the General Assembly.

Lives Lost in a Death-Trap.

A tenement house was burned at Lowell, Mass., Sunday night, and it was found after the fire that three of the inmates had perished in the flames. The dead are: Eugenia Vallerand, aged 18; Peter Vallerand, aged 8; Delia Vallerand, aged 5. Another of the family and another occupant named Boisvert were fatally hurt. The house was a death-trap.

Decrease in Wheat Acreage.

The Department of Agriculture reports that the apparent reduction of wheat acreage as compared with last year is about 1,750,000. The percentage of reduction for the entire winter-wheat region is placed at 12. The acreage of barley is nearly the same as last year. Rye is practically the same as last year. The area of cotton appears increased in every State except Florida.

OHIO TRAIN ROBBERS FOILED.

A "Big Four" Baggagemaster Shot Three Times and Fatally Injured. A daring attempt was made to rob the "Big Four" train, which left Indianapolis early the other evening. The train stopped at Delish, a small station about eight miles from Cincinnati, and when about a mile further on its way, and moving quite slowly, five men jumped on board. Three of them boarded the baggage car and two entered the cab of the locomotive. The baggagemaster, Joseph Ketcham, tried to eject them. The three men jumped upon him, but he fought to save the valuables in the car. Suddenly there were five shots, and Ketcham fell to the floor of the car. In the cab of the engine the two other robbers were meantime battling with the engineer, James Boyd, and his fireman, who were trying to compel them to jump off. There was a pitched battle, in which the robbers were beaten off the engine. Conductor William Lefer was also attacked by the ruffians. The robbers were preparing to rifle the car. There was another fight, in which the robbers were put off the train without securing any booty. Ketcham will die. Mounted parties are scouring the country, and the capture of the desperadoes is not improbable.

LIQUOR WINS A BIG VICTORY.

The Supreme Court of Michigan Kills Part of the License Law.

The liquor law adopted by the last Michigan Legislature has received another blow from the State Supreme Court, says a Lansing dispatch.

The decision this time invalidates the provision which declares that brewers and saloonkeepers shall be liable on liquor bonds, and is the result of a test case brought by Frederick Kuhn, whose bond was rejected by the Detroit Common Council because his sureties were both brewers. Kuhn's counsel claimed that the provision of the act forbidding any persons engaged in the sale of liquor from becoming sureties on saloon bonds was unconstitutional and void because in conflict with the provision of the State Constitution that "No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law," and also in conflict with the fourteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States, that no State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States, nor shall any State deny to any person within its jurisdiction equal protection of the laws. The court concurs with both of these objections, and declares the provision void. Other provisions of the act go to the sufficiency of sureties and facilities for collecting judgment from them, and are reasonable restrictions upon the right to carry on the business. The provision prohibiting a person, because of the business in which he is engaged, from entering into contracts of a certain kind which are open to all other persons would be a violation of the contract principle. The right to make such contracts is included in the right to liberty, and it is also a right of property. The right to pledge one's estate is as much a right to property as either title or possession. This practically leaves the regulation of the traffic where it was before the new law was made, except that the tax is higher.

T. H. GARRETT DROWNED.

The Baltimore Millionaire Perishes in a Collision at Sea.

T. Harrison Garrett, a brother of Robert Garrett, and manager of the banking firm of Robert Garrett & Sons, of Baltimore, was drowned in the Patapsco River. His yacht, the Gleam, in which he and a party of friends were going to Baltimore from Annapolis, was run down by the steamer Joppa and sunk, being struck amidships and almost cut in two. All hands on the Gleam were rescued except Mr. Garrett, who was seen by a passenger on the Joppa to fall overboard. Mr. Garrett was manager of the firm of Robert Garrett & Sons, which was founded by Robert Garrett, his grandfather. He leaves a fortune of several millions of dollars.

JAMES FREEMAN CLARKE DEAD.

The Great Divine Expires After a Short Illness—Sketch of His Life.

The Rev. James Freeman Clarke, the well-known Unitarian divine, died at his residence in Jamaica Plain, near Boston, aged 78 years. Although he had been in poor health for two years or more his condition was not considered dangerous until within a few weeks. His death resulted from a complication of diseases. James Freeman Clarke was one of the best-known clergymen and reformers in the United States. He was a native of New Hampshire. In 1840 he started in Boston a church of his own—the Church of the Disciples—to which he ministered up to his death.

BURNED IN THEIR BEDS.

Eleven Persons Lose Their Lives in a Burning Hotel.

Rockdale, Texas, has been stricken with a death-dealing fire. It originated in a brick building occupied by the Mandine Hotel. Of the thirteen persons in the hotel eleven perished. Those known to have been lost are Mrs. W. A. Brooks, wife of the proprietor of the hotel; her four sons, aged 4, 6, 9, and 15 years; J. T. Briscoes, wife, and two children; Isaac Crown and a traveling salesman, supposed to be named Pemberton Pierre, representing George Zigler, of Philadelphia. D. M. Oldham, representing F. Connor & Co., of Galveston, escaped uninjured, and W. A. Brooks, proprietor of the hotel, was pulled out of the room occupied by his family.

FEARFUL WINDSTORM IN CANADA.

Houses Blown Down While the Inmates Narrowly Escape with Their Lives.

The severest wind and thunder storm known for many years passed over Montreal, Can., and district, doing much damage, particularly in the country districts, where much valuable timber was destroyed and many houses were blown down. At Compton the house of O. Perrault was demolished and Perrault's wife and five young children were instantly killed. Several other disasters are reported from various points, and it is feared the loss of life will be heavy. Two wooden houses in St. Jean Baptiste, north of the village were blown down, but the occupants escaped. It is feared the storm did much damage to vessels on the river and lower lakes.

DEATH OF GEN. STOUGHTON.

A Prominent Warrior, Statesman, and Politician Passes Away.

Major General W. L. Stoughton, warrior, statesman, and politician, died at his residence in Sturgis, Mich., recently. He went

to the war as Lieutenant Colonel of the Eleventh Michigan, having resigned his office of United States District Attorney to help save the Union. He was promoted to Colonel and Brigadier General for gallant and meritorious services, and afterward brevetted Major General. He lost a leg at Stone River. After the war he was Attorney General of Michigan two terms and member of the Forty-first and Forty-second Congresses. He was buried with military honors.

A LAKE VESSEL MISSING.

The Schooner Blanche with Her Crew Believed to Have Sunk.

A Toronto telegram says the schooner Blanche, of Lakeport, has without doubt sunk with all hands. She left Oswego May 28, with a cargo of coal for Brighton, Ontario, and has not since been heard of. Another schooner which left Oswego on the same day was struck by a heavy squall, accompanied by a thick fog, which lasted three hours, and it is supposed that the Blanche went down in this squall. She belonged to A. Campbell, of Lakeport, and her crew consisted of Captain John Henderson, Mate William Leeds, two sailors, and Anne Smith, cook, all belonging to Lakeport.

AN ACTRESS' GOOD LUCK.

Marion Hartranft, a Variety Star, Left a Fortune by a Chicago Lady.

Miss Marion Hartranft, a member of the Lily Clay Gaiety Company, playing at the London Theater, in New York, has resigned her position, and proposes to retire from the variety stage. A telegram received contained news which prompted her to take this step. She has fallen heir to an estate valued at \$30,000. The substance of the information is that an eccentric old lady, living on Peoria street in Chicago, had died and bequeathed her entire estate to the actress. Miss Hartranft is the descendant of an old Pennsylvania family. She is 22 years old, and went on the stage through necessity. She is a niece of ex-Gov. Hartranft, of Pennsylvania.

KILLED BY A BURSTING ENGINE.

A St. Paul Explosion, Resulting in Three Deaths and a Dozen Men Injured.

Three men were killed and twelve injured by the explosion of a portable engine on the outskirts of the wholesale district at St. Paul, Minn. The killed were J. H. Duffey, proprietor of the Eagle Iron Works; J. D. Nevins, of Nevins & Sons, contractors; Phillip Fisher, the engineer. The seriously wounded, all workmen, were; John Quinn, three ribs broken and hurt internally; John Mehagan, badly scalped; Pat Wallace, internally hurt. The others escaped with slight hurts. J. H. Duffey was from Bloomington, Ill., where he was an Alderman eight years ago.

LICHTENSTEIN'S BIG SHORTAGE.

The Treasurer of a Building and Loan Association in Wilmington, Del., Shown to Have Misappropriated \$33,250.

It has been made public that the accounts of M. L. Lichtenstein, late Secretary and Treasurer of the Perpetual Building and Loan Association of Wilmington, Del., show a shortage of \$33,250. Lichtenstein confessed judgments in favor of the association for \$40,000, upon which execution has been issued. These and his sureties are expected to save the association from loss. Lichtenstein has a good record in both business and political circles, running back more than twenty years.

A REMARKABLE VOYAGE.

The British Bark Balaklava Reaches San Francisco One Year and Seventy-four Days After Leaving London.

The British bark Balaklava has arrived in San Francisco from London after the remarkably long voyage of one year and seventy-four days. Her misfortunes were many. There is not a sailor aboard who shipped on her from England. Ten sailors were washed overboard and drowned in a storm off Cape Horn. While at Valparaiso for repairs the remainder of the crew deserted. The bark was again caught in a storm after leaving that port and lost two men.

A MURDEROUS ASSAULT.

Al Wheeler, a Discharged St. Louis Waiter, Hits a Man with a Bottle and Causes Perhaps Fatal Injuries.

The Hotel Moser, at St. Louis, was the scene of a treacherous assault which is likely to result in murder. The parties to the affray were the head waiter, George Cosmodyce, a white man, and his assailant Al Wheeler, one of the colored waiters, who, the police say, was compelled to leave Chicago, where he attempted to kill a waiter in the Palmer House about four years ago. He hit the head waiter on the back of the head with a wine bottle filled with water. Wheeler escaped.

SHORT IN HIS ACCOUNTS.

The Treasurer of Merrick County, Neb., Found to Be an Embezzler.

Colonel W. H. Townsend, Treasurer of Merrick County, Neb., has been found to be an embezzler, his shortage amounting to about \$35,000. A committee of experts appointed by the County Commissioners to examine his books have finished their investigation and reported.

DILL GE-HAY.

The First Indian Prisoner Ever Admitted to the Ohio Penitentiary.

The first Indian prisoner ever received at the Ohio Penitentiary arrived at Columbus from Arizona and was registered as Dill Ge-Hay. The prisoner is sentenced for ten years for having killed another Indian on the reservation. Dill Ge-Hay was accompanied by two other United States prisoners, both mail robbers. "Dock" Smart is on a life sentence for robbing the mail and placing the agent's life in peril; also George Mills, the other robber, gets five years of Buckeye discipline.

TEN YEARS FOR PETE M'CARTNEY.

The Aged Counterfeiter Can Soon Compare Louisiana and Illinois Penitentiaries.

Pete McCartney, the noted counterfeiter, has been sentenced at New Orleans. He went

Cartney was convicted of passing counterfeit bills and raising \$1 bills to \$10 and \$50. When he was arraigned he said a few words in behalf of himself, and claimed that the evidence in the case was not sufficient to convict him. Considering the age of the prisoner he was not given the full extent of the law, which is fifteen years. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$3,000 and suffer imprisonment at hard labor in the United States Penitentiary for the term of ten years.

ASSIGNED TO THE GALLOWS.

July 13 Fixed for the Hanging of Brooks, Alias Maxwell, Who Butchered Preller.

In the Supreme Court in session at Jefferson City, Mo., Chief Justice Norton fixed the day for the execution of Hugh M. Brooks, alias Maxwell, the murderer of C. Arthur Preller, at the Southern Hotel, St. Louis, for the 13th of July. At this time last year the execution was fixed for the 3d of last August, but the case was carried to the United States Supreme Court. There is no further appeal for the case, and executive clemency is all that can be hoped for by Brooks' friends.

A COLORADO DEATH.

"Commodore" Stephen Decatur, Brother of Gov. Gross of Colorado, Dies in Colorado.

"Commodore" Stephen Decatur, one of the mysteries of the West, died at Rosita, Col., a small mining camp in the Sangre de Cristo mountains, at an advanced age. Decatur's real name was Stephen Decatur Gross, and he was born in Sussex County, New York. His elder brother is ex-Lieut. Gov. Gross, of Illinois, President of the Chicago Tribune Company.

SHOT BY MOONSHINERS.

Witnesses Against Illicit Distillers Attacked by a Party of Ambushed Men.

Officers report a desperate state of affairs in Clay County, Ala. A few days ago an attempt was made to murder Allen Riggsby, who had been a witness in several cases against moonshiners. He lived in Clay County, and was fired on by an unknown party in ambush. He was struck by seven buckshot in his arm and body. The revenue officers report that the moonshiners are killing or intimidating witnesses, so that they can have a big run in the illicit distilleries.

A TERRIBLE DISASTER.

Eighteen Persons Killed and Forty-one Injured by a Train in Mexico Crashing Through a Bridge.

A railway accident occurred just outside of Tampico, Mexico, in which many lives were lost. A construction train was derailed near a bridge by a cow and a donkey which were on the track. The train crashed through the bridge, and went down an embankment. The dead and injured were taken to the City of Mexico. So far as known,