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DOINGS OF THE DAY.

EVENTFUL HAPPENINGS IN EVERY KNOWN HEMISPHERE.

An Interesting Summary of the Latest News by Wire—Fires, Accidents, Crimes, Politics, Religion, Commerce and Crops, Sandwiched with Minor Affairs.

A REMARKABLE GATHERING.

Friends and Relatives of the James Boys Together.

The Samuels homestead, a few miles from Kearney, Mo., was recently the scene of a remarkable gathering. Mrs. Caroline C. Quantrell, mother of the celebrated guerrilla chief, called on Mrs. Samuels, mother of the James boys, and the two old ladies had a hysterical time of it in talking over the past. Frank James and wife were up from Dallas, Tex., to see Mrs. Quantrell, and Mrs. Jesse James, who is living in Kansas City, was present with her son Jesse. Mrs. Quantrell lives in Canal Dover, Ohio, and is 67 years of age. Her son William was born in Canal Dover in 1837 and left for the Missouri border in 1859. She received two letters from him the year after he left home and never heard from him afterwards except through the press. He was well educated and his father was a school-teacher. She recently visited Quantrell's grave at St. Louis and is collecting material for a biography in which she will attempt to show that he was not altogether bad. The old house is picturesquely located and is surrounded with trees and vines. In one corner of the yard is a mound covered with flowers and sea-shells. A profusion of forget-me-nots fringe it. The two old ladies visited it many times lately. It is the grave of Jesse James.

THREE MEN KILLED.

A Serious Collision of Trains on the Baltimore and Ohio Road.

The Cincinnati express out from Washington collided with a freight train near Dickerson, D. C., killing three trainmen and injuring six others. A mile west of Dickerson Station the road makes a sharp turn and then goes down a heavy grade in a deep cut, the banks being twenty feet or more above the level of the tracks, and it was in this cut that the collision took place. Several of the trainmen saved themselves by jumping. The two engines came together with such fearful velocity that they stood locked together on the track and formed a base upon which was piled in confusion a pyramid twenty feet high, consisting of three wrecked freight cars, two express cars, the mail car, and a baggage car. The killed were: Wm. H. Wiley, a postal clerk, of Fairmount, W. Va.; John Casey, postal clerk, of Washington; George Ridenbaugh, brakeman, of Berlin, Md.

AROUND THE DIAMOND.

League Ball Clubs Contesting for First Place.

The official standing of the various ball clubs in the race for the pennant is given below:

	Won.	Lost.
New York.	82	41
Chicago.	75	56
Detroit.	66	60
Philadelphia.	56	64
Boston.	67	61
Pittsburg.	64	64
Washington.	46	83
Indianapolis.	46	84
Western.	73	39
Des Moines.	39	33
Kansas City.	74	41
St. Paul.	72	46
Omaha.	67	51
Milwaukee.	60	63
Sicou City.	27	49
Chicago.	40	73
Davenport.	31	74
Kansas City.	38	81

A BAD WRECK.

Three Passengers and Four Trainmen Hurt on the Pennsylvania.

The limited express on the Pennsylvania Railroad, while passing Wall's Station, fourteen miles east of Pittsburg, Pa., dashed into the engine of an accommodation train. No person was seriously hurt, but both engines and the combination smoking car were badly wrecked. Three passengers in the smoking car were painfully bruised and the enginemen of both trains also hurt. The passengers injured are: Theodore Wallace of Chicago, shoulder bruised; Samuel Forbes of Edinburgh, Scotland, ankle sprained; John J. Sackett of New York, scalp cut.

A FIRE WITH FATAL RESULTS.

A Drunken Farmer Burns Up His Family and Hired Man.

Carl Beechster, a farmer living three miles from Ohio, Neb., went home drunk. He lit a lamp and upset it in his drunken wanderings around the house. The building took fire and was burned to the ground. He escaped without injury himself, but his wife, 3-year-old child, and the hired man, who were asleep at the time, were fatally burned.

A Nine Months' Respite Granted.

John J. Cornelison, whose horse-whipping of Judge Richard Reed in the Superior Court at Louisville, Ky., led to the latter's suicide, has been respite from imprisonment by Gov. Buckner for the term of nine months. He will then return to jail to serve out his three years' term. The respite is on account of illness.

Trouble in Chicago.

A strike occurred among the street-car men of Chicago recently, the trouble originating on the North Side. Low pay and long hours the alleged cause. Hundreds of people were affected thereby.

The Yellow Scourge.

Up to October 6, at Jacksonville, Fla., there had been 282 deaths from yellow fever and 3,103 cases.

MILLS RENOMINATED.

The Author of the Tariff Bill Named for an Eighth Term.

A Waco (Texas) special says: The Democracy of the Ninth Texas District have renominated Roger Q. Mills for the eighth successive term in Congress. There were over fifteen thousand people present, big delegations being in attendance.



ance from every county in the district, and nearly all the principal Democratic leaders of the State, both Prohibitionists and anti-Prohibitionists, were present and made speeches at a barbecue. Mr. Mills, of course, was the principal orator and made one of his best efforts.

UNCLE SAM'S FINANCES.

Statement of the Condition of the Treasury at the Close of Last Month.

The following is a statement of the public debt at the close of business, Sept. 30:

INTEREST-BEARING DEBT.	\$
Bonds at 4½ per cent.	212,340,030
Bonds at 4 per cent.	693,567,750
Refunding certificates at 4 per cent.	131,910
Navy pension fund at 3 per cent.	14,000,000
Pacific railroad bonds at 6 per cent.	6,623,512
Principal.	981,663,179
Interest.	10,454,389
Total.	995,117,561
DEBT ON WHICH INTEREST HAS CEASED SINCE MATURITY.	
Principal.	2,419,635
Interest.	163,720
Total.	2,583,345
DEBT BEARING NO INTEREST.	
Old demand and legal-tender notes.	346,737,823
Certificates of deposit.	12,373,000
Gold certificates.	134,838,190
Silver certificates.	218,616,601
Fractional currency (less \$8,375,934, estimated as lost or destroyed).	6,921,316
Principal.	719,788,930
TOTAL DEBT.	\$1,706,871,723
Interest.	10,618,110
Total.	\$1,717,489,838
Less cash items available for reduction of debt.	\$370,169,336
Less reserve held for redemption of United States notes.	100,000,000
Total.	\$479,169,336
Total debt less available cash items.	\$1,238,320,502
Net cash in the Treasury.	95,444,845
Debt less cash in Treasury Oct. 1, 1888.	\$1,141,875,657
Debt less cash in Treasury Sept. 1, 1888.	1,154,122,682
Decrease of debt during the month.	12,247,025
Decrease of debt since June 30, 1888.	23,769,000

CASH IN THE TREASURY.	
Available for reduction of the public debt: Gold held for gold certificates actually outstanding.	\$ 134,838,190
Silver held for silver certificates actually outstanding.	218,616,601
U. S. notes held for certificates of deposit actually outstanding.	12,730,000
Cash held for matured debt and interest unpaid.	13,037,735
Fractional currency.	1,810
Total available for reduction of debt.	\$ 370,169,336
RESERVE FUND.	
Held for redemption of U. S. notes, acts Jan. 14, 1873, and July 12, 1882.	100,000,000
Unavailable for reduction of debt: Fractional silver coin.	\$ 24,738,695
Minor coin.	107,124
Total.	\$ 24,845,819
Certificates held as cash.	35,916,283
Net cash balance on hand.	96,444,845
Total cash in Treasury as shown by Treasurer's general account.	636,376,235

STARTED FOR CONGRESS.

Late Nominations of Men Seeking Political Preferment.

Connecticut—Fourth District, Edward W. Seymour (Dem.).

Kentucky—Sixth (Carlisle's) District, Robert Hamilton (Rep.) of Covington.

Massachusetts—Fourth District, Joseph H. O'Neill (Dem.); Seventh, Gen. W. Cogswell (Rep.), renominated.

New Jersey—Second District, Chauncey M. Beasley (Dem.).

New York—Fifteenth District, Henry Bacon (Dem.) of Goshen, renominated.

Pennsylvania—Twenty-first District, Dr. H. L. Donnelly (Dem.) of Latrobe; Twenty-seventh, the Rev. William A. Rankin (Dem.) of Oil City.

T. J. Duncan, nominated for Congress by the Democrats of the Twenty-fourth Pennsylvania District, has declined to run.

The Labor party of the Eleventh Illinois District have indorsed Wm. Prentiss (Dem.) for Congress.

Candidates for Congress have been nominated as follows: Rodney Wallace, by Eleventh Massachusetts District Republicans; M. E. Atkinson by Eighteenth Pennsylvania District Republicans.

Iowa—Third District, B. B. Richards, Democrat, of Dubuque.

Tennessee—Tenth District, Col. L. B. Eaton, Republican.

Pennsylvania—Twenty-fifth District, Norman Hall, Democrat, renominated.

Massachusetts—Twelfth District, H. W. Ely, Democrat; Third District, J. F. Andrew, Democrat.

New York—Fifteenth District, M. D. Shivers, Republican.

Louisiana—Second District, R. C. Elliott, Democrat.

WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

Nearly All Articles Score Higher Prices and Clearings Increase 10 Per Cent.

In their review of trade for last week, G. Dun & Co. say:

The great wheat speculation was the absorbing feature of the week, for, though the September corner came to an end with heavy losses for sellers, it left the market in such a state that much higher prices for other options were easily obtained. With December wheat at \$1.18 at Chicago there came heavy selling and sharp reactions. Cash wheat sold for more at Chicago than at Liverpool, and at one time it would have paid to ship wheat back from Antwerp

to New York. At New York sales of wheat amounted to 108,453,000 bushels—more than three times the entire visible supply, and prices closed 8½ cents higher than the previous week. Corn advanced two cents, with sales of 15,000,000 bushels, and oats fell in fraction. The speculative fever was felt in other markets, and pork rose \$1 a barrel, laid 33 cents, and hogs 25 cents per 100 pounds. Coffees rose one cent, with sales of 515,56 bags, and oil nearly one cent, with sales of 6,738,00 barrels. In cotton there was a slight decline of an eighth, with sales of 3,600,000 bales. Reports from interior points were uniformly favorable outside of the influence of yellow fever in the South. At many Western points the color of reports was generally encouraging. There was but complete as to the condition of money in increasing demand, and the volume of business was enlarging. Outside New York the bank clearings showed a gain of 10.5 per cent. over last year. While the number of failures was large, the amount of liabilities for the third quarter of the year shows a great decrease—from \$18,022,556 last year to \$22,114,254 for the quarter just ended. The failures during the week numbered 211.

THE PACIFIC RAILROADS.

Annual Report of the Commissioner, Gen. J. E. Johnston.

The annual report of Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, Commissioner of Railroads, shows that on Dec. 31, 1887, the Union Pacific Company had disposed of 12,944,781 acres of land; total cash receipts from all sales, \$29,395,255; outstanding on account of time sales, \$13,538,861; average price per acre for all sales, \$2.53 for the Union division, \$3.72 for the Kansas division, and \$4.24 for the Denver division. A comparative statement of the funded debt of the Union Pacific Company shows that on Dec. 31, 1887, the amount of bonds outstanding was \$115,508,639, a net decrease for the year of \$1,788,472. The revenue of the road for the year 1887 aggregated \$25,129,515 and the expenditures \$19,297,961, leaving a surplus of \$5,831,534. The debt of the Union Pacific Company on Dec. 31, 1887, was \$222,169,431, of which \$60,868,500 is capital stock. The increase for the year was \$1,801,183. The assets of the road aggregated \$266,451,137, a net increase for the year of \$8,848,316. The net increase in surplus for the year was \$7,057,132.

BUSINESS FAILURES.

They Aggregate for the Third Quarter of the Year 2,361.

The business failures throughout the United States for the third quarter of the year, as furnished by R. G. Dun & Co., amount to number 2,361, with liabilities of a trifle over \$22,000,000. The failures for the year 1887 aggregated the enormous sum of \$73,000,000. For the nine months of 1888 the failures number 7,550, with liabilities of over \$90,000,000, as against 6,851 failures and \$128,000,000 of liabilities in the same period of 1887. In the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland the failures for the three months just closed number 384, with liabilities of \$3,679,000, as against 308 failures and \$2,936,000 of liabilities in the same quarter of 1887. In the nine months of 1888 ended with Sept. 30 the Canadian failures number 1,256, with liabilities of \$11,482,000, as against 1,017 failures and \$13,458,000 of liabilities in the same period of 1887.

THE WHEAT CROP.

Minnesota and Dakota Show a Decrease of 40 Per Cent.

A carefully tabulated statement, giving the actual results of the season's threshing in eighty-three counties of Minnesota and Dakota, shows a net decrease as compared with last year's crop of 40 per cent., which would make the present wheat crop of Minnesota and Dakota 55,000,000 to 60,000,000 bushels. In the Red River Valley and through the frosted region of Northern Dakota there is not half a crop and the grain is poor in quality, the proportion of No. 1 hard being very small. A large proportion will go No. 3, while in many localities half will grade rejected. Hundreds of acres have not been harvested at all. Corn is in good condition, with a largely increased acreage, and other crops have turned out well.

IN A NEW ROLE.