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THE NEWS RECORD.

SUMMARY OF THE EVENTFUL HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK.

Political, Commercial, and Industrial News from All Over the Land—Fires, Accidents, and Crimes—The Gist of the News in a Few Lines.

HALF KILLED AN UMPIRE.

Defeated Ball Players on Long Island Brutally Beat and Stab the Official.

A game of base-ball was played at Winfield, L. I., between the Athletes, of Long Island City, and the Excelsiors, of Winfield. The Athletes won. The defeated club took exception to the rulings of Umpire Robert Doyle, and as he was about leaving the ground one of the Excelsior club struck him over the head with a baseball bat, knocking him down. Before his friends could interfere the rest of the defeated club joined in beating him. He attempted to defend himself, and during the fight was stabbed below the left eye and through the right hand. The Athletes finally succeeded in driving his assailants away. Doyle was picked up and carried off. The refractory members of the Excelsior Club waited for him at the depot, thinking he would take the train from there to Long Island City. He is seriously hurt.

AID FOR EVICTED TENANTS.

A Scheme on Foot to Establish a Factory in a Poor Irish District.

A number of prominent citizens of Boston, Mass., are agitating a plan to help the evicted tenants in Ireland by establishing in one of the poorer districts of that country a factory where the evicted persons can find employment in making boots, shoes, clothing and underwear, the money to start the enterprise being raised by popular subscription among friends of the Irish cause in the United States. The originators of the scheme propose to go to Ireland personally to supervise the work of carrying it out, and they will first submit the matter to the judgment of Messrs. Parnell, Davitt, and O'Brien. There will be no attempt to do anything which could possibly lead the English Government to object to the plan.

TWO TRAIN HANDS KILLED.

A Serious Collision on the Northern Pacific Between a Passenger and Freight.

The Northern Pacific west-bound limited passenger train collided with freight No. 18 near Crystal Springs, thirty-six miles west of Jamestown, D. T. Engineer Boss, of the passenger, and Postal Clerk Slattery were killed. Bagagemaster Nichols and Postal Clerk Loundsbury had their legs and arms broken and were badly scalped, but will recover. The trains came together in a curve, and were only ten car lengths away when the danger was discovered. The engineers and firemen of both trains jumped, and all but Boss escaped without serious injury, but the mail, baggage cars, and both engines and most of the freight cars left the track and were demolished. Three car-loads of horses were killed outright.

BASE-BALL BATTERS.

Standing of the Clubs That Are Contending for First Place.

The relative position of the various clubs that are competing for the pennant is shown by the annexed table:

National. W.	L.	W. C.	Inter-St. W.	L.	W. C.
Philadelphia	5	2	St. Louis	13	5
New York	5	3	Kn's City	11	5
Boston	5	3	Baltimore	10	5
Pittsburgh	4	6	Athletic	8	5
Indianapolis	5	5	Brooklyn	7	5
Cleveland	5	6	Cincinnati	10	3
Chicago	4	5	Columbus	10	2
Washington	7	8	Louisville	13	2
Western	W.	L.	W. C.	Inter-St. W.	L.
Ohio	9	2	Quincy	5	6
St. Paul	7	2	Springfield	5	3
Saints City	6	5	Evansville	4	4
St. Joseph	5	5	Deavenport	4	4
Denver	4	5	Pearl	4	4
Minneapolis	5	6	Burlington	2	6
Milwaukee	8	2			250
Des Moines	2	9			181

SIXTEEN ICE-HOUSES DESTROYED.

Terrific Explosion of Dynamite During a Fire Near La Porte, Ind.

A terrific explosion near La Porte, Ind., aroused citizens from their beds and led them to the immense ice-houses of the Washington Ice Company, on Stone Lake, near the city limits. In some mysterious way the tool-house had caught fire, causing a quantity of dynamite stored there to explode, setting fire to and destroying sixteen ice-houses and their contents, together with twenty Lake Shore freight cars. Charles Ahlis, son of the Superintendent, was fatally burned. Losses are estimated at \$50,000, with only \$8,500 insurance in local agencies, the balance being in Chicago agencies, where the companies' offices are.

A VICTIM OF INJUSTICE.

A Crank Fires a Blank Cartridge at President Carnot.

A man who gives the name of Perrin, and who says he is a marine storekeeper, fired a blank cartridge at President Carnot, at Paris, when the latter was leaving the Elysee Palace to attend the centenary celebration at Versailles. Perrin was promptly arrested. He declared that he had no desire to kill the President, but merely wished to expose the fact that he (Perrin) was the victim of injustice.

Foreign News Notes.

Striking miners in Westphalia wrecked a number of shops. The rioters were dispersed by the troops.

Director Hentsch, of the Comptoir d'Escompte, was taken before a magistrate at Paris, and was admitted to bail in the sum of \$200,000.

A NOTED POLITICIAN DEAD.

W. H. Barnum, Chairman of the National Democratic Committee, Passes Away. Ex-Senator William H. Barnum, Chairman of the National Democratic Committee, died at Lime Rock, Conn. He had been confined to his bed but two or three days, but his death had been momentarily expected. He had been very feeble ever since his sickness during the Presidential campaign.

Ex-Senator Barnum was born in 1818, and received only a common-school education. While a boy he found no pleasure in study, but early in life evinced the remarkable liking for business which ultimately gained for him a fortune. His beautiful mansion is situated at Lime Rock, Litchfield County, Conn., about forty miles from New Haven. Mr. Barnum's public political career began with his election to the Connecticut House of Representatives in 1851. He was re-elected the next year. In 1856 he was elected to the House of Representatives at Washington, and again in 1868 and 1870. His popularity may be gauged by the fact that on the last occasion he was the only Democrat in the entire Congressional delegation from his State. Upon the death of Orrin P. Ferry, Republican, Mr. Barnum was elected to fill the vacancy in the United States Senate occasioned by that event. His term expired in 1876 when he was succeeded by Orville H. Platt, a Republican. During the campaign of 1876 Mr. Barnum received valuable assistance from General Hancock for the Presidency in 1876. There was a serious difference of opinion as to who should be made Chairman of the National Democratic Committee. The matter was referred to the candidate for his decision, when he selected ex-Senator Barnum, thus conciliating Mr. Tilden and his friends, who favored the choice of the astute politician of the Housatonic Valley. As a political manager he was cautious and wary, uncommunicative and sagacious.

A NATION'S FINANCES.

Recapitulation of the Public Debt Statement for April.

The following is a recapitulation of the public debt statement for April:

INTEREST-BEARING DEBT.	
Bonds at 4½ per cent.	\$ 148,542,200
Bonds at 3½ per cent.	676,342,100
Refunding certificates at 4 per cent.	120,790
Navy pension fund at 3 per cent.	14,000,000
Pacific Railroad bonds at 6 per cent.	64,625,512
Principal.....	\$ 903,628,602
Interest.....	6,547,318
Total.....	\$ 910,175,920
DEBT ON WHICH INTEREST HAS CEASED SINCE MATURITY.	
Principal.....	\$ 1,931,755
Interest.....	155,176
Total.....	\$ 2,086,931
DEBT BEARING NO INTEREST.	
Old demand and legal-tender notes.....	\$ 346,737,823
Certificates of deposit.....	14,580,000
Gold certificates.....	138,614,789
Silver certificates.....	254,939,203
Fractional currency less \$8,375,934, estimated as lost or destroyed).....	6,916,319
Principal.....	\$ 739,788,754
Total DEBT.	\$ 1,665,349,112
Interest.....	6,702,494
Total.....	\$ 1,672,051,607
Less cash items available for reduction of the debt.....	\$ 841,769,028
Less reserve held for redemption of United States notes.....	100,000,000
Total.....	\$ 514,769,028
Total debt less available cash items.....	\$ 1,157,282,578
Net cash in the Treasury.....	55,677,150
Debt less cash in Treasury May 1, 1889.....	1,101,605,423
Debt less cash in Treasury April 1, 1889.....	\$ 1,114,683,602
Decrease of debt during the month.....	\$ 13,078,264
Decrease of debt since June 30, 1888.....	\$ 63,979,228
CASH IN TREASURY AVAILABLE FOR REDUCTION OF THE PUBLIC DEBT.	
Gold held for gold certificates actually outstanding.....	\$ 136,614,789
Silver held for silver certificates actually outstanding.....	254,939,203
U. S. notes held for certificates of deposit.....	14,580,000
Cash held for matured debt and interest unpaid.....	8,634,250
Fractional currency.....	786
Total available for reduction of the debt.....	\$ 414,769,028
RESERVE FUND.	
Held for redemption of U. S. notes, acts Jan. 14, 1875, and July 12, 1882, \$100,000,000 Unavailable for reduction of the debt:	
Fractional silver coin.....	24,075,567
Minor coin.....	223,906
Total.....	\$ 25,199,473
Certificates held as cash.....	24,345,283
Net cash balance on hand.....	55,678,150
Total cash in the Treasury, as shown by Treasurer's general account.....	\$ 619,000,915
TENDING DOWNWARD.	
Prices Go Lower and Collections Are Bad in Most Places.	
R. G. Dun & Co.'s review of trade for last week is as follows:	
The unprecedented interruption of business by centennial preparations and celebrations has made the week nearly a blank in commercial or financial respects. At New York accumulated orders gave a surface appearance of greater activity Thursday and Friday, but it is not too soon to judge which way the tide will turn, and the reports from other cities, though nearly all hopeful in tone, do not indicate the expected improvement. The situation seems better at Milwaukee, which is at once, good at Cleveland and to most branches, but not so good as to iron; rather dull at Kansas City and St. Paul, and less encouraging at the chief centers of the grain, iron, coal, and leather trades. Collections are "fair from satisfactory" at Milwaukee and not improved at Detroit, but in other lines the situation seems fairly satisfactory. At New York some dry goods dealers complain that collections are "too good"—buyers keep so far within means. Reports about the wool trade are contradictory. 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