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BREEZY BRIEFLETS.

INTELLIGENCE GATHERED BY WIRE FROM FAR AND NEAR.

An Entertaining and Instructive Summary of the Doings in the Old and New World, Embracing Politics, Labor, Accidents, Crime, Industry, Etc.

TWO ARRESTS MADE.

An Ex-Philadelphian and a Chicago Detective Held for the Cronin Murder.

Peter McGeehan, who mysteriously disappeared from Philadelphia three months ago, and was next heard of in Chicago, where, it is alleged, he threatened the life of Dr. Cronin, has been arrested. The arrest of McGeehan is thought to foreshadow other arrests, because it is known that he has been under the surveillance of the Pinkerton detectives ever since the disappearance of Dr. Cronin on the 4th inst. Though he was constantly shadowed, it was deemed wise not to arrest him until other important evidence was obtained to demonstrate how far-reaching was the conspiracy which had for its object the murder of Cronin. Detective Coughlin, of the Chicago police force, is also held, being unable to satisfactorily explain his first statements to his Captain regarding his hiring a livery rig in which Dr. Cronin is believed to have been taken away on the night of the murder.

RIOTING IN OKLAHOMA.

The Military Called Upon to Protect a House - Builder.

At Guthrie, Oklahoma, E. A. Weed, claimant to a lot also claimed by Mr. Hayes, engaged a large force of men and began to erect a building over and around the other claimant. The aggrieved party was soon re-enforced by a large party of friends and idlers, and soon a crowd of 500 persons was collected. After the contestants had engaged in a wordy quarrel, at a preconcerted signal the frame of the building, which consisted of the floor beams and foundation sills, was picked up by the crowd and carried into the street. In doing this, part of the men carrying the frame stumbled over a pile of lumber, and men and timbers were piled in a confused mass. While the disturbance was at its height, United States Marshal Needles arrived and commanded the crowd to disperse. Meeting with opposition, he sent for the troops. There was much excitement and several fights, but as soon as the bluecoats were seen coming the turbulent element quieted down, and soon the carpenters were at work, with the military formed in a hollow square around the site of the proposed structure. One man, named John Gilchrist, was clubbed by a soldier for not obeying the sentinel's orders.

THE CROP OUTLOOK.

General Rains Improve the Prospect for Wheat.

The recent rainfalls over the northern portions of the winter wheat region and throughout the corn and wheat regions of the Northwest have improved the growing crops in those sections. The weather has been favorable for all growing crops throughout the Northwest and the central valleys. The crop prospects have been greatly improved in the States of the Ohio Valley by the timely rains, but some damage resulted to fruits in this section from late frosts. Throughout the States of the corn and wheat belt the weather has improved the condition of the principal crops, although frosts caused some damage to early corn and vegetables in Minnesota.

CIRCLING THE BASES.

The Various Ball Clubs That Are Racing for the Pennant.

Relative standing of the base-ball teams that are working for the championship of their respective association is as follows:

National, W.	L.	W. c.	American, W.	L.	W. c.
Boston...16	6	727	St. Louis...26	10	722
Philadelphia...14	9	608	Brooklyn...19	12	612
New York...14	11	560	Cincinnati...19	15	558
Cleveland...14	13	518	Athletic...14	15	517
Chicago...13	13	500	Kn's City...17	16	515
Pittsburgh...11	13	423	Baltimore...14	16	466
Indiana...9	13	375	Columbus...10	21	322
Washington...6	13	285	Louisville...8	24	250

Western, W.	L.	W. c.	Inter-St. W.	L.	W. c.
St. Paul...20	3	839	Des Moines...14	9	499
Sioux City...16	8	666	Quincy...13	10	565
Omaha...16	9	640	Springfield...11	11	500
Denver...11	12	478	Evansville...11	14	440
Minneapolis...10	14	416	Burlington...11	14	440
St. Joseph...8	13	387	Peoria...10	12	454
Des Moines...7	13	317			
Milwaukee...6	13	253			

FATHER AND SON DROWNED.

Two Baptist Clergymen, of Arkansas, Lose Their Lives by a Boat's Capsizing.

The drowning of Rev. John and J. R. Moxley, father and son, is reported. They were fishing in a lake some six miles from Batesville, Ark., when the boat capsized, throwing both into the water. They sank before assistance could reach them. Both were well-known Baptist ministers, the latter having recently entered the ministry.

WHERE THEY WILL SUMMER.

Plans of the Cabinet Officers for Their Coming Vacations.

The members of the Cabinet have completed arrangements for their summer vacations so that some of them will remain at their posts while others are off. Secretary Blaine and family will go to Bar Harbor, Windham and Tracy to the Adirondacks, and Postmaster General Wanamaker will go to Long Branch.

Funeral of Dr. Cronin.

Over 8,000 society men marched in the funeral procession of Dr. Cronin at Chicago. Thongs of people were on the streets and gazed in curiosity at the solemn procession.

PRESIDENT HARRISON'S CHOICE.

Prominent Offices Being Filled by Late Appointees.

The President has made the following appointments:

Receivers of Public Moneys—Thomas D. Bumgarner of Arkansas, at Dardanelle, Ark.; Henry C. Pickles of Delaware, at Folsom, N. M.; and Frank Lesnet of New Mexico, at Roswell, N. M. Registrars of Land Offices—William P. Alexander of Colorado, at Del Rio, Col., and John H. Mills of New Mexico, at Roswell, N. M. Indian Agents—James Blythe of North Carolina, at the Eastern Cherokee Agency in North Carolina, and John Fisher of Wyoming Territory, at the Shoshone Agency in Wyoming Territory.

John W. Meidrum of Lamoni, W. T., to be Secretary of Wyoming; John E. B. Doherty, of Iowa, to be Receiver of Public Moneys of Dakota; John H. Cisney of Warsaw, Ind., to be Indian Inspector; James C. Luckey of Oregon, to be Agent for the Indians of the Warm Springs Agency in Oregon; Malachi Krebs of Petersburg, Ind., to be Special Agent to make allotments of lands in severality to Indians upon the provisions of an act of Congress approved Feb. 8, 1887.

F. G. Kinckson of Pennsylvania, to be Second Comptroller of the Treasury; S. B. Holliday of Pennsylvania, to be Commissioner of Customs, Treasury Department; David Martin, to be Collector of Internal Revenue for the Philadelphia District; William R. Day of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio; Charles S. Zane of Utah, to be Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Territory of Utah; Tom W. United States Attorneys: Abial Lathrop of South Carolina for the district of South Carolina; Joseph N. Stripling of Florida for the Northern District of Florida; Harry R. Jeffords of Arizona for the Territory of Arizona; John W. Herron of Ohio, for the Northern District of Ohio. To be United States Marshals: John R. Mizell of Florida for the Northern District of Florida, and Charles P. Hitch of Illinois for the Southern District of Illinois.

BUSINESS IMPROVING.

The Outlook Is Better in Almost All Lines of Trade.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

The reports are more encouraging. There are decidedly better crop prospects and a better feeling in the branches of industry and trade which have been most depressed. Iron, coal, and wool look better, and cotton, grain, in cotton is expected. Greater activity and better prices in the stock market reflect a feeling of increased confidence in the business outlook. Wool is a shade stronger, because prices asked by growers are much above the markets, but there is little if any change yet in the attitude of manufacturers. Cotton is stronger, and exports as well as receipts now fall far behind last year's, but the crop reports from the South are generally favorable. There is a better feeling, but as yet without improvement in prices, in the iron and steel trade. Accounts from iron cities without important change anywhere. Money is everywhere in sufficient supply. The Western distributing centers are all encouraged by exceptionally favorable crop prospects, which are also felt in speculative markets. A little improvement appears in exports. The increase in imports is about 17 per cent. It is an evidence of reviving foreign purchases of securities that gold does not go out more largely. No signs of monetary disturbance appear. The failures number 229, as compared with 232 the week previous. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 225.

NO MONEY FOR THE SOLDIERS.

The Pension Appropriation for Next Year Insufficient.

The pension appropriation acts for the current fiscal year appropriated \$88,400,000, including \$8,000,000 to meet a threatened deficiency. Chief Bell, of the agents' division of the pension office, says it is true that this amount has all been drawn from the Treasury, but that more than \$16,000,000 remains in the hands of the 18 pension agents with which to meet the quarterly payments which fall due on June 4. It is thought that this amount will nearly suffice until July 1, when the appropriation for the next fiscal year will become available. Mr. Bell says that the appropriation for the next fiscal year, \$80,400,000, is too small, and that there will be a deficiency of about \$15,000,000. Gen. Black, he says, did not ask for enough money to prevent a deficiency even on the basis of expenditures then existing.

ACCIDENT IN A SHAFT.

An Iron Bucket Falls Over 1,000 Feet and Crushes Six Men.

In the Pettibone shaft of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, near Kingston, Pa., ten men were blasting a rock at the bottom of the shaft, 1,130 feet from the surface. They loaded the big iron bucket with rock and gave the signal to the engineer at the top to hoist. When the bucket was ten feet from the surface the wire rope broke, and the bucket and contents went down the shaft. Ed Jones was killed, the iron bucket crushing every bone in his body. The following are fatally injured: Sam German, James Coyle, Cornelius Cann, George Wert, George Gussley. Those escaping with broken limbs had their heads crushed. All the injured have died.

A BIG ENDOWMENT.

What John A. Rockefeller Will Do for the Baptists.

The report from Boston that John D. Rockefeller has offered to endow the proposed Baptist university at Chicago to the amount of \$600,000 has been confirmed at the office of that gentleman. It is reported among the leaders of the Baptist denomination that he will increase his gift to something like \$3,000,000 if necessary. It is said to be the desire of the combine to repurchase the university property, which was formerly held by the Chicago Baptists, and make it the site of the university. The fund must reach \$1,000,000 before definite plans are agreed upon, but no difficulty is expected in raising the balance.

DEATH OF LAURA BRIDGMAN.

The Famous Blind and Deaf Mute Ends Her Interesting Career.

Laura Bridgman, the famous blind and deaf mute, died at the Perkins Institution for the Blind at Boston after a short sickness. For more than fifty years she has been a living example of what could be done in the way of instructing those thus deprived of their physical senses. She was an object of deep interest to philanthropists and scientists. She was born at Hanover, N. H., Dec. 21, 1829. When she was 2 years old severe illness deprived her of sight and hearing, and consequently of speech. Notwithstanding this, she acquired a good education and spent a happy, useful life.

CYCLONE IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Many Buildings and Trees Blown Down Near Scranton.

A destructive cyclone has passed over the northwestern section of Lackawanna County, Pa. The greatest fury of the

storm was about midway between the villages of Clark's Green and Clark's Summit, where the farm-houses of Simeon Montgomery and several barns were blown to pieces. Whole orchards were destroyed by the fierce wind, and trees were uprooted all along the path of the storm, which was of short duration. So far as known, no lives were lost.

TEXAS COTTON.

Correspondents Report a Most Encouraging Condition of the Crop.

The first of a series of cotton crop reports from Texas, to be issued during the critical period of cotton grain-growing, embraces replies from 125 points in 106 counties, covering the entire agricultural portion of the State. It is by far the most encouraging report ever issued at this season of the year. Never has the prospect for cotton looked better. All of the replies are extremely favorable, and if the present conditions continue a very large crop will be easily made.

STRICTLY ORTHODOX.

The Southern Presbyterian Assembly Has No Use for Evolution.

The Southern Presbyterian General Assembly, at Chattanooga, Tenn., spent considerable time in discussing the Charleston Presbytery's action on the Woodrow evolution case. Much warmth was exhibited in some of the speeches. The final result was that the Presbytery was practically sustained by a large majority for its utterances against Dr. Woodrow's evolution teachings. The Executive Committee on Foreign Missions was ordered removed from Baltimore to Nashville.

FOUND WATERY GRAVES.

Six Men Drowned by the Sinking of a Steamer.

During a fog the steamer Beresford collided with the steamer German Emperor off the Goodwin sands, in the English Channel. The shock of the collision was tremendous, and the German Emperor sank almost instantly, and six of her crew were drowned. The Beresford managed to keep afloat, though somewhat damaged, and succeeded in reaching Gravesend. She brought twelve of the German Emperor's crew.

AFTER OUR FLOUR-MILLS.

British Capitalists Anxious to Invest in Them.

It is reported that a movement is on foot among English capitalists to secure control of some of the largest flouring interests in America, among them the Pillsbury properties in Minneapolis. Negotiations have been under way for some time, but so far no conclusion has been reached. The plan is not to create a flour trust exactly, but to syndicate some large and valuable milling and elevator properties.

To Protect Alaskan Fisheries.

Secretary Windom has signed the sailing orders of the revenue steamer Rush, directing that she sail immediately to Ounakaska and then cruise diligently in Behring's Sea for the purpose of seizing vessels violating the fishery laws or the President's proclamation of March 21. The revenue steamer Bear, which is now fitting out at San Francisco for an expedition to Point Barrow, Alaska, has also been designated to assist in the protection of the Alaskan fisheries, and will follow the Rush in a short time.

Inspectors of the Military Academy.

The Board of Visitors to the Military Academy at West Point has been appointed. It consists of the following:

On the part of the Senate—Hon. C. K. Davis of St. Paul, Minn., and Hon. J. W. Daniel of Lynchburg, Va. On the part of the House—Hon. S. M. Robertson of Baton Rouge, La., Hon. S. S. Yonder of Lima, Ohio, and Hon. George W. Sheets of Marion, Ind. By the President—Prof. Leroy D. Brown of Reno, Nev., Prof. C. M. Princeton of Perry, Iowa, Rev. Dr. B. W. Chidlow of Cleves, Ohio, Rev. Arthur Edwards of Chicago, Dr. Nathan S. Lincoln of Washington, Capt. Charles King, U. S. A. (retired), of Milwaukee, and Gen. Lew Wallace, of Indiana.

Will Fortify Puget Sound.

The Canadian Government has received a cablegram from the imperial authorities saying that work on the Pacific coast defenses will be begun this summer. Mr. Foster, Minister of Finance, said it was the intention to make great improvements on the Pacific coast, especially at Esquimalt, and added: "If the Americans object to our establishing batteries commanding the entrance to Puget Sound, why let them build forts on the opposite side of the straits."

Baptist Publication Society.

At Boston, Mass., the American Baptist Publication Society held its sixty-fifth annual meeting. The report of the Board of Managers shows the society to be flourishing, and the trustees of the Nugent Home for Baptists, at Germantown, Pa., announce that the endowment fund for the home has reached \$400,000, and they are now ready to receive all Baptist ministers and their wives over 60 years of age.

Wrecked on a Desert Island.

The steamer Alki has arrived at Seattle, W. T., with intelligence that the bark Lizzie Williams, carrying a crew of twenty-six men and ninety-seven Chinese, was wrecked at Tugidak Island, a barren and uninhabited shoal, April 12. Six Chinese and two seamen were drowned. The vessel and cargo, worth \$130,000, are a total loss.

Money for Cornell University.

Announcement is made that in case of the loss of the McGraw-Fiske bequest, Henry W. Sage, the Ithaca millionaire, will pay the cost of the library building of Cornell University—over \$200,000—and will, besides, enrich it with an endowment of \$300,000, in which case Mr. Sage's gifts to the university will reach about \$1,000,000.

Bad State of Affairs at a Hospital.

George Hill, an ex-patient of the Cook County (Ill.) Insane Hospital, testified before Judge Prendergast, who is investigating that institution, that one Levi was maltreated by attendants so that he died. Hill's arm and wrist were broken while he was a patient, and were never set.

Will Succeed Township.

Returns from all parts of the Nineteenth District of Illinois (Townshend's), embrac-

ing a large proportion of the precincts, indicate the election of Judge J. R. Williams, Democrat, to Congress by a majority of about 2,500.

In Favor of Ives and Staynor.

The case of the State of Ohio against Henry S. Ives and George H. Staynor for swindling the stockholders of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad was decided in the State Supreme Court in favor of the defendants.

She Is Poor but Proud.

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