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CIRCLING THE GLOBE.

A WEEK'S IMPORTANT OCCURRENCES CONCISELY SUMMARIZED.

Intelligence by Electric Wire from Every Quarter of the Civilized World, Embracing Foreign Affairs and Home Happenings of an Important Nature.

BAKERSFIELD, CAL., BURNED.

Thirteen Business Blocks and Forty Dwellings Destroyed—Loss, \$1,250,000.

At Bakersfield, county seat of Kern County, California, one of the most thriving cities in the lower San Joaquin Valley, fire wiped out every business house in the town and fifty residences. It started in some wooden buildings, but when once under headway it consumed brick blocks as though they were of cardboard. The loss will be over \$1,000,000, only one-third insured. All hotels, banks, express offices, newspaper offices and stores are gone. The town was given a great boom a few months ago by the sale of thousands of acres of millionaire J. B. Haggin's big ranch and a large amount of his town property. Many purchasers came from the East and extensive improvements were made, while thousands of acres were planted to vines and fruit.

STRIKERS GIVE BATTLE.

A Fatal Riot Between Laborers and the Police.

The striking laborers at Duluth, Minn., the other day attempted to intimidate a gang of workmen who would not stop work. Forty police were guarding the gang of seventy men at work on a sewer trench when a mob of strikers attacked them. It is believed that the first shot was fired by one of the strikers, but anyway it was followed by volleys on both sides. The fighting lasted for half an hour, when Company K came to the assistance of the police and drove the rioters from the streets. The list of dead and wounded so far as known is:

Dead—Ed Johnson, fatally wounded; Tom Fitzsimmons, George Peterson, slightly wounded—Max Mack, Mike Olson, George Coslin, William Benson, Louis Nelson, Severin Nelson, John Shay, Edward Cummings, Rev. Dohl, Ham Martin, A. Palotar, M. C. Langhlin, Captain McLaughlin, Sergeant Clements. Officers' force—Hayden, Donovan, Kilgore, and Volkoviak. Private Farrell.

AROUND THE DIAMOND.

Base-Ballists Competing for the League Championship.

The official standing of the ball clubs that are in the race for the championship of the associations is given below:

National	W. L.	20	American	W. L.	20
Boston	36	19	St. Louis	45	21
Cleveland	36	21	Brooklyn	39	24
New York	32	22	592	Athletic	37
Philadelphia	29	29	500	Baltimore	34
Chicago	29	30	491	Cincinnati	34
Pittsburg	26	31	456	K'ns City	30
Indiana	22	34	392	Columbus	25
Washington	13	40	245	Louisville	12
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Western. W. L. 20. Interstate. W. L. 20. Omaha. 39 16 709. Quincy. 31 24 545. St. Paul. 38 17 688. Springfield. 29 27 617. Sioux City. 29 25 537. Minneapolis. 28 28 500. Denver. 24 30 444. Evansville. 28 29 491. Des Moines. 23 29 442. Burlington. 25 33 431. St. Joseph. 18 33 352. Milwaukee. 18 36 333.

ROBBED A NATIONAL BANK.

Cashier Miller, of Malta, Ohio, Embezzles a Fortune and Disappears.

Hiel D. Miller, Cashier of the Malta National Bank of Malta, Ohio, is a defaulter to the amount of \$32,000, and probably \$50,000. His speculations have extended over a number of years and were carried on by pocketing the discounts of the bank from day to day. This was possible, as he was cashier, paying and receiving teller and clerk, and had the full confidence of the directors. A short time ago Miller was thrown from his buggy and sustained injuries which necessitated a substitute at the bank. One deficit of \$1,000 was found, for which Miller gave his note; but, when others were brought to light, as soon as he was able to hobble around on crutches, he left the city, and is now supposed to be in Oregon.

NEGROES GOING TO OKLAHOMA.

A Prominent Colored Man of Kansas Promises to Locate 100,000 People.

W. L. Eagleton, a prominent negro politician of Kansas, is the prime mover in a scheme to induce the negroes of the South to emigrate to Oklahoma. He has organized an immigration company, composed of some of the prominent colored men of Kansas, which will have agents in all the principal cities in the South. He says he is receiving letters every day from people in the South, inquiring about Oklahoma and how to get there. He expects to have 100,000 colored people in Oklahoma by next July.

RAN INTO AN OPEN SWITCH.

Eight Persons Killed in a Railroad Accident in Germany.

Through the blunder of a switchman, eight lives were lost on the railway near Rochemoos, in Germany. The Frankfort express, while going at a high rate of speed, ran into an open switch and dashed into an empty train which was standing on the side track. Eight persons were instantly killed and eleven others were injured.

Flames in an Ohio Town.

At Geneva, Ohio, a fire occurred, and before it was gotten under control \$25,000 worth of property was destroyed. Eight business places were burned out, including the Postoffice. The fire was caused by a defective flue.

A Greenback Convention Called.

George O. Jones, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Greenback party, has issued a call for a convention of that party to meet in Cincinnati September 12 next.

UNCLE SAM'S BIG DEBT.

It Has Been Reduced During June Over \$16,000,000.

The following is a recapitulation of the monthly debt statement:

DEBT BEARING DEBT.	
Bonds at 4 1/2 per cent.	\$ 132,639,000
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Refunding certificates at 4 per cent.	119,640
Navy pension fund at 3 per cent.	14,000,000
Pacific Railroad bonds at 6 per cent.	64,623,512

Principal.....	\$ 884,477,472
Interest.....	10,574,562

Total.....	\$ 905,052,064
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DEBT ON WHICH INTEREST HAS CEASED SINCE MATURITY.

Principal.....	\$ 1,911,485
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Interest.....	153,988
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Total.....	\$ 2,065,474
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DEBT BEARING NO INTEREST.

Old demand and legal-tender notes.	\$ 346,737,458
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Certificates of deposit.	16,735,000
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Gold certificates.	116,792,759
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Silver certificates.	257,105,445
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Fractional currency (less \$8,375,934, estimated as lost or destroyed).	6,916,690
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Principal.....	\$ 744,284,362
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TOTAL DEBT.	\$ 1,640,673,340
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Interest.....	10,728,531
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Total.....	\$ 1,651,401,891
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Less cash items available for reduction of the debt..... \$ 403,271,227

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

\$ 508,271,227

Total debt less available cash items..... \$ 1,148,130,663

Net cash in the Treasury..... 71,484,042

Debt less cash in Treasury June 1, 1880..... 1,092,902,551

Debt less cash in Treasury July 1, 1880..... \$ 1,076,646,221

Decrease of debt during the month..... \$ 16,255,923

Decrease of debt since June 30, 1880..... 88,396,035

CASH IN TREASURY AVAILABLE FOR REDUCTION OF THE PUBLIC DEBT.

Gold held for gold certificates actually outstanding..... \$ 116,792,759
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Silver held for silver certificates actually outstanding..... 257,102,445

U. S. notes held for certificates of deposit..... 16,735,000
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Cash held for matured debt and interest unpaid..... 12,640,036
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Fractional currency..... 987

Total available for reduction of the debt..... \$ 403,271,227

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..... 25,129,137
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Minor coin..... 225,074

Total..... \$ 25,354,807

Certificates held as cash..... 43,003,994

Net cash balance on hand..... 71,484,042
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Total cash in the Treasury, as shown by Treasurer's general account..... \$ 643,113,172

PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Those Who Have Been Successful in Their Aspirations.

The following appointments have been made:

Daniel Hogan, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Thirteenth District of Illinois; Augustus J. Ricks, of Canton, Ohio, Judge of the District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, to succeed Judge Jay, on account of ill-health; James Jackson, of Alabama, Assistant District Attorney for the Northern and Middle Districts of Alabama; J. C. Chasey, of Indiana, Assistant State's Attorney in the Department of Justice; Simon P. Child, of Illinois, Postoffice Inspector, in place of A. M. Scott, of Illinois, removed.

TWENTY-FIVE WERE LOST.

A Terrible Railroad Accident Near Lynchburg, Va.

The east-bound express on the Norfolk & Western railroad, when near Thuxton's station, about thirty miles from Lynchburg, Va., ran into a washout and was completely wrecked. The locomotive and several passenger coaches were thrown into a ditch, but the sleeper remained on the track. Several of the coaches caught fire after falling, and a number of passengers were seriously burned, while others were injured in the wreck. The killed, so far as ascertained, were:

Charles Bruce of Lynchburg, fireman, scalped to death; Nathan Cohen of Roanoke, en route for Germany via New York; Patrick D. Tracy of Lynchburg, engineer; A. S. Francis of Marion, mail agent; A. M. James of Roanoke, traveling engineer of the road; J. W. Lissay of Roanoke, train dispatcher; Dennis Melon, janitor of the railroad offices, en route for New York to be married; W. C. Stead of Cleveland, Tenn.; a stranger, bound for Paris via New York; L. B. Summers of Abingdon, Va., mail agent; a little girl, supposed to be the adopted child of Judge Thompson of Staunton, Va.; J. W. Duhon, station master of the Eastern Division; J. C. Cassell of the Western Division; J. Rose, Postal Clerk of Abingdon, Va.; John Kilpatrick of Lynchburg; the husband and two children of a lady passenger on the train, whose name cannot be learned.

Conductor Johnson, Bishop Wilson, Express Messenger Ashmore, Mrs. Judge Thompson, Maj. J. C. Cassel, Superintendent of the road, and Baggage master Ford are among those most badly hurt. A number of others, including several ladies from Texas, are slightly injured. Only seven persons in all are said to have been saved. There were about seventy passengers on the train, besides the employees, and as it is absolutely impossible to ascertain the exact number saved, the exact number of those killed cannot be accurately ascertained. There is every reason to fear, however, that the number will reach thirty, if not more.

BY A CONTRACTOR'S NEGLECT.

Collapse of a Crowded Grand Stand at Oklahoma City.

At Oklahoma City, the festivities in honor of the nation's birthday were brought to a sudden and sad ending when the crowded grand stand fell, carrying down nearly one thousand persons and burying hundreds in the debris. When the victims had been taken out, it was learned that no one was dead, though nine persons were perhaps fatally and many badly injured. The only death thus far is that of the 18-months-old child of Dr. J. A. Ryan, of Jimtown, who died a short time after the accident. The injured are:

Mrs. Dr. Martindale of Howe, Tex.; Mrs. Mollie Campbell, of Paul's Valley, injured internally and will probably die; Herbert Glover aged 18, will also probably die; J. W. Minns, Harrison, dangerously; Charles Cottell, Paul's Valley, fatally; Tom Reynolds, Oklahoma, serious; J. T. Vanzandt, Oklahoma, serious; C. Gordlin, Warner, Tex., serious; Marshall McNeil, Oklahoma, arm torn off.

A detachment of troops under Captain Stiles was at once ordered to the scene, and rendered valuable service in preserving order and conducting the removal of victims with something like system. Over one hundred persons were injured, most of them being hurt in the back, caused by falling timbers. Great indignation is expressed at Contractor Aubrey for the un-

safe construction of the stand. He is considered largely responsible for the disaster, as he was warned by his workmen that the stand was not securely braced. He paid no attention to the warnings, and told the men to mind their own business.

THE TRADE BAROMETER.

The Commercial Situation Summarized by a Mercantile Company.

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

Business has been fairly maintained in volume, and is gradually improving in prospects. June was a month of exceptionally large transactions. Prices of commodities, in spite of the rise in some speculative markets, have on the whole fallen during the month about 2 percent, and are now hardly 1 1/2 percent. above the lowest average ever recorded. But there are signs of substantial improvement in the most important branches of industry. The monetary situation remains undisturbed. Returns from interior points are generally favorable. Collections are now more easily obtained. The market is in a state of comparative quietude, and there is no longer any apprehension of a general panic.

There is a relatively larger increase in New England than in any other section—about 23 percent, and next in the trans-Mississippi region, this side of the Rocky Mountains, about 20 percent. In the Middle States, the increase has been but 4 1/2 percent, thence to the Mississippi about 3 1/2 percent, and at the South about 3 1/2 percent. Against a general increase of 8 percent in number there is a decrease of 3 1/4 percent in aggregate liabilities. The markets have not gained greatly during the broken week. Wheat is higher in a general way, and cotton is lower. Wheat is up 1 1/2 percent, and cotton 1 1/2 percent. Corn is up 1 1/2 percent, and oats 1 1/2 percent. Barley is up 1 1/2 percent, and rye 1 1/2 percent. Oats are up 1 1/2 percent, and rye 1 1/2 percent. Corn is up 1 1/2 percent, and oats 1 1/2 percent. Barley is up 1 1/2 percent, and rye 1 1/2 percent. Oats are up 1 1/2 percent, and rye 1 1/2 percent. Corn is up 1 1/2 percent, and oats 1 1/2 percent. Barley is up 1 1/2 percent, and rye 1 1/2 percent. Oats are up 1 1/2 percent, and rye 1 1/2 percent. Corn is up 1