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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.

THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

Extracts from the Annual Report of Secretary Noble.

The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior deals extensively with the question of public lands. The number of agricultural patents issued for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, is 70,141. The following table shows the patents issued by the Land Office during the year:

	Acre.
Agricultural, 70,141	11,791,110
Coal, 155	17,096
Railroad	425,046
Swamp	259,721
State selections under educational grants	132,350
Indian and miscellaneous	159,390
Total	12,784,715

The final entries made during the year covered 9,982,362 acres; the original entries 9,982,100 acres, and the railroad and other selections 4,611,500 acres. The total amount of cash sales amounted to \$8,378,410. The Secretary estimates that nearly \$100,000,000 will be required for pension payments during the next fiscal year, and says: "It is recommended that a pension be granted to every soldier and sailor who was honorably discharged, and who, being dependent on his daily labor for his support, is now or may hereafter be disabled. There were on the rolls on the 30th of June 489,725 pensioners. The names of 51,921 pensioners were added and 1,755 dropped when restored, making 490,750 pensioners during the year. The number of 16,500 were dropped, leaving the net increase 37,168. The amount paid for pensions during the year was \$88,275,113, an increase of \$9,499,251 over the previous year. The Secretary recommends that the law relating to disability be revised and that pensions to dishonorably discharged soldiers be prohibited. The Secretary says the Indians should be made self-supporting, and that this can be done by educating their youth. The trust funds held for Indians amount to \$22,754,402. The Secretary recommends that the law relating to the debts of the Pacific railroads be taken relative to the debts of the railroads. The value of the mines in the country is indicated by the following figures: Pig iron, \$107,000,000; silver, \$59,195,000; gold, \$33,175,000; copper, \$22,833,954; lead, \$15,324,951; zinc, \$5,500,855; quicksilver, \$1,413,125; nickel, \$15,518; aluminum, \$65,000; antimony, \$20,000; platinum, \$2,000; total, \$256,245,403. Non-metallic minerals were produced to the value of \$328,914,328, making a total of \$511,659,931. Oklahoma is estimated to contain 60,000 people, and it is recommended that Congress be asked to pass a law creating a Territorial Government. The number of applications received for patents was 42,047, and of patents granted 22,941. The receipts were \$1,186,577 and the expenditures \$909,637. In addition to the topics considered above, the Secretary speaks of the work of the geological survey, the Government charitable institutions, and Yellowstone Park, and concludes with the statement that the Maritime Canal Company of Nicaragua has commenced work on its charter.

CONGRESSIONAL MATTERS.

Important Measures that Demand Early Attention.

Among the important matters which will engage the present session of Congress are the following:

Abolition or regulation of trusts; establishment of postal savings banks; organization of postoffices aboard transatlantic steamships; increase of the number of judicial circuits; to relieve the pressure of unfinished business on the Supreme Court; abolition of lotteries as far as Congress can accomplish that object; payment of Indian depreciation claims of western pioneers and the organization of a special tribunal to adjust those claims; grants of subsidies to the American merchant marine; the Blair educational bill; an investigation of the affairs of the Pension Office and the Civil Service Commission; settlement of the dispute over the seal fisheries; total exclusion of Chinese and other objectionable immigrants.

FIRE IN A ST. PAUL HOTEL.

Two Men Suffocated to Death by the Smoke.

At St. Paul, Minn., at 4:30 in the morning fire broke out in the Washington House, opposite the Union depot, and it soon became apparent that there were several persons in the building. A rescuing party forced its way into the building and soon reappeared, bringing the bodies of two men. Life was extinct in both cases, death having resulted from suffocation. The victims were Lorenzo Rinaldo, an Italian, who arrived at St. Paul Saturday from Butte, Mont., and was on his way to Italy. The other was a young Swiss, named Christopher Pult. The loss on the building is \$25,000; insured for \$10,000.

OCEAN STEAMERS COLLIDE.

The Iowa and the Ligurian Crash Together in the Mersey.

A Liverpool cable says: The British steamer Iowa, bound hence for Boston with freight and passengers, collided in the Mersey with the cotton-laden steamer Ligurian, from Alexandria, and also with the Spanish steamer Munin. The Ligurian was abandoned, but her cargo of cotton kept her afloat and she was subsequently beached. The Iowa and the Munin were docked. The Iowa was beached prior to docking. Her bows were seriously damaged. The Ligurian has cut her bulwark below the water line.

Nineteen Sailors Drowned.

Japan advises that the American ship Cheesborough was wrecked Oct. 30 by running on a rock of Shuchi-ri-Hama and nineteen of the crew drowned. The vessel was bound from Hokkaido to San Francisco with a cargo of sulphur. Out of a crew of twenty-three only four were saved.

Canadian Customs Order Suspended.

A Victoria, B. C., dispatch says: The customs order prohibiting the entry of Canadian bonded freight shipped over American lines into Victoria in American bottoms has been suspended until Dec. 21, pending a request by Victoria that the order be rescinded.

Foreign Notes.

Emperor William has sent to Count von Moltke a crown of brilliants and the decoration of the Order of Merit.

The Cambrian Flannel Company's factory at Llanidloes has been destroyed by fire. The loss is \$250,000.

BUSINESS FOR THE WEEK GOOD.

Probable Effect of the Two Heavy Fires—General Reports Most Encouraging. R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

Two heavy fires, with aggregate losses estimated at \$15,000,000 or more, may have an influence upon several branches of trade which can not yet be estimated. Heavy concurrent losses may shake some insurance companies and affect the finances of firms burned out. But the general prosperity and the large accumulation of available capital will probably render the influence of these disasters comparatively narrow and brief. In other respects the situation is quite encouraging as it has been for some weeks past. The volume of business has passed, and the pressure in money markets, though not ended here, has seemed to be abated elsewhere. The reports are without exception favorable on the whole. Western cities without exception find trade good, though grain is moving slowly at Milwaukee, and mild weather affects sales of winter clothing. Money is fairly active, but nowhere stringent at Western points reporting, and the accounts regarding collections are better than usual. Speculative markets have not been active. Wheat has declined nearly a cent and corn about one-half cent. Cotton is unchanged. Coffee has not moved, but oil has dropped nearly a cent. Pork products are a little lower and sugar is stronger in tone. Rubber has advanced a little. A great boom in iron abroad, with a speculative excitement rarely witnessed and rapid fluctuations in prices, causes some apprehension, and yet prices are firm in Philadelphia. The business failures number 240, as compared with a total of 277 the week previous. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 232.

NORTH DAKOTA'S SECOND SENATOR.

Lyman R. Casey, of Jamestown, Elected for the Short Term.

A Bismarck (N. D.) dispatch says: Lyman R. Casey, of Jamestown, a brother of T. H. Casey, the Minneapolis banker, has been elected United States Senator by the Legislature in joint session, and will be the short-term colleague of Senator "Gil" Pierce. There is great rejoicing among the people in the city over the election, as the successful man is popular with all classes.

Lyman R. Casey was born at York, N. Y., in 1837 and moved to Ypsilanti, Mich., at an early age. He prepared for the university at Ann Arbor, but failing health compelled him to give up his university course. For ten years he was engaged in the oyster trade at Buffalo, Baltimore and Detroit with Platt & Co., and then in the hardware trade at Detroit, being one of the firm of Taft, Casey & Kellogg. In 1872 he went abroad and traveled in Europe for five years. He married a Miss Platt, of Baltimore, and has three children, a daughter in school at Detroit, a son on the farm at Melville, and one with Platt & Co., Baltimore. In 1882 he went to Dakota in charge of the interests of the Carrington & Casey Land Company, making his headquarters at Jamestown, where he has since resided. Senator Casey is a Farmers' Alliance man, and is Chairman of the Farmers' Alliance Irrigation Committee.

BAD FOR COUGHLIN.

Two of Dr. Cronin's Knives Found on the Ex-Detective When Arrested.

To complete the chain of evidence against Daniel Coughlin for the murder of Dr. Cronin, the State produced the Doctor's pocket knives in court. They were taken from Coughlin on the night of his arrest. When suspicion first pointed toward Coughlin, and he was arrested, Detective Barney Flynn searched Coughlin as all other prisoners are searched, and found among other things two pocket knives, one containing two blades and the other four. Flynn made no report of the find, but put them in a box at headquarters. On Sept. 16 Flynn was transferred from the Central Station, and he placed the knives and Coughlin's revolver in the deposit vault of the Fidelity bank. It never occurred to him that the knives belonged to any other person but Coughlin, and he paid no attention to the matter. On Thanksgiving night Officer Flynn acquainted Captain Schuetter with the fact that he took two pocket knives from Coughlin's person when he searched him. The knives were shown T. T. Conklin and he identified them as Dr. Cronin's. One of the knives Mr. Conklin carried himself for two years and he then presented it to Dr. Cronin. The other knife was also given to the Doctor by Mr. Conklin.

CATCH OF THE ARCTIC FLEET.

The Last Vessel Returns to 'Frisco—The Season's Business Very Poor.

The last of this season's Arctic whaling fleet, the bark E. F. Herriman, has arrived at San Francisco. She had been reported lost, but made one of the best catches of the entire fleet, 1,000 barrels oil and 13,000 pounds bone. Arctic whalebone is now quoted at \$4, and at this rate the bone is worth over \$50,000, to say nothing of the oil. This season's fleet was composed of fifty-one vessels, forty-six sent from this port, including three tenders, and five direct from New Bedford. One of the tenders (the schooner J. A. Hamilton) was wrecked; also the steamer Lucretia and the big bark Ohio. The little bark Ohio was wrecked last year. Of the forty-eight vessels now returned, several came in ballast. Their total catch was 12,019 barrels of oil, and 216,755 pounds of bone. It was the poorest business in ten years.

A BIG MORTGAGE.

The Oregon Improvement Company Provides for an Issue of New Bonds.

The Oregon Improvement Company has filed with the Recorder at San Francisco a consolidated mortgage, dated Nov. 1, 1889, of all its property to the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, of New York, for \$15,000,000, to secure the payment of bonds of the first issue. The new bonds issued bear interest at 5 per cent, payable semi-annually and mature in fifty years. The property mortgaged includes the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, Pacific Coast Steamship Company, Puget Sound Railroad, and real estate in California, Washington and Oregon, besides mining and other shares.

LAW FOR NO MAN'S LAND.

Judge Brewer Decides that It Is Under the Jurisdiction of the Texas Court.

At Topeka, Kan., Judge Brewer, in the United States Circuit Court, has rendered a decision by which the Stevens County men under indictment for the murder of Sheriff Cross and his Deputies in No Man's Land are to be sent to the United States Court for the eastern district of Texas for trial. Judge Brewer declared to be unconstitutional the act of Congress known as the Muskogee act, which placed No Man's Land under the jurisdiction of the Texas

court. The twelve indicted men will at once be taken to Paris, Texas, for trial.

APPOINTED AS CONSULS.

President Harrison's Choice for Commercial Agents of the United States.

President Harrison has appointed the following United States Consuls:

Beckford Mackey of South Carolina, to San Jose, Costa Rica. He was transferred from Paso del Norte, Mexico. Hirau J. Dunlap of Illinois, to Breslau, Germany. Mr. Dunlap is editor of the *Champaign Gazette*. William E. Gardner of Wisconsin to Rotterdam. Mr. Gardner has been for several years connected with the *Evening Wisconsin*, Milwaukee. Deloss H. Osborne of Arizona, to Nanking, China. John B. Osborne of Pennsylvania, to Ghent, where a vacancy exists. Mr. Osborne is a son of the Congressman from Wilkesbarre. William Monaghan of Ohio, to Hamilton, Ont. Mr. Monaghan was appointed commercial agent at Chatham, Ont., last June.

FRANK HITCHCOCK APPOINTED.

United States Marshal for the Northern District of Illinois.

The President has appointed Frank Hitchcock, of Peoria, United States Marshal for the Northern District of Illinois.

Chicago Defeats Michigan.

The University eleven of Chicago defeated the University of Michigan at a game of foot-ball at the Chicago Base-ball Park Thanksgiving day, before a fashionable audience of 2,000 people, by a score of 20 to 0.

at Youngstown, Ohio, Dec. 12 next. They propose to issue a stallion book and keep a registry of that breed.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT HER LOVER.

Josephine Welsh, a young woman living at West Elizabeth, Pa., while carelessly handling a revolver, shot and instantly killed her lover, Charles Weite. The young couple were to have been married soon.

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MEXICO WANTS MANUFACTORIES.

The legislature of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, has authorized the Governor to grant new manufactures established in that State twenty years' exemption from contributions and taxes.

CANADA DOESN'T WANT THE MORMONS.

The government organ at Ottawa, Ontario, fears that Mormon immigration into Canada will finally cause mischief, and urges hostile legislation against unwelcome visitors from Uncle Sam's domain.

THE SUGAR TRUST APPEALS.

Notice of an appeal from the decision of the general term of the New York Supreme Court sustaining the order of Justice Bartell dissolving the North River Sugar Refining Company has been filed.

Friends of Mormonism Excited.

In Arizona the friends of Mormons are reported to be greatly excited over the recommendation of Governor Wolfley that the test-oath be reinstated in that Territory.

Landslide in New York.

A landslide on the New York Central Railroad near Troy, N. Y., covered the tracks and stopped travel. Four houses on the bank were moved and are in danger.

Destructive Flame at Williamsburg, N. Y.

Fire at Williamsburg, N. Y., destroyed five one-story buildings and two five-story. The damage was estimated at \$250,000, covered by insurance in different companies.

MINERS INTOMBED BY A LANDSLIDE.

A tremendous landslide occurred at Senftenberg, Brandenburg, which has choked up two shafts and intombed a number of miners, whose rescue alive is doubtful.

RO-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE ERIE.

John King has been re-elected President of the Erie Road. The annual report shows gross earnings of \$27,004,406; net earnings, \$7,817,352.

FLINT GLASS WORKS BURNED.

The flint glass works of T. C. Wheaton, at Millville, N. J., have been destroyed by fire, causing a heavy loss. The insurance is \$6,300.

PROPOSED NORTHERN PACIFIC EXTENSION.

A Winnipeg, Man., dispatch says: The Northern Pacific Railroad has decided to build into the Souris district at once. About forty-five miles will be built this year.

ANOTHER POSITION FOR GEN. ALGER.

General R. A. Alger has been elected a director of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company in place of ex-Governor John C. Brown, deceased.

FOOT-BALL CONTEST.

In the championship foot-ball game between the University of Pennsylvania and Wesleyan at the Berkley Oval, the latter was victorious by a score of 10 to 2.

FOURTEEN KILLED IN A COLLIERY EXPLOSION.

An explosion took place in a colliery at Bochum, Germany, by which fourteen persons were killed and four injured.

PRINCETON DEFEATS YALE.

In the foot-ball game Thanksgiving Day, Princeton defeated Yale 10 to 0, thereby winning the inter-collegiate championship.

A FAILURE IN THE CLOTHING TRADE.

Isidor H. Sultzbach, a retail clothing dealer at Philadelphia, has failed, with liabilities between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

LEAVES UNCLE SAM'S EMPLOY.

Miss Lydia J. Ray, of Illinois, a clerk in the Land Office at \$1,000 per annum, has resigned.