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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.

MR. BLAINE'S DAUGHTER DEAD.

Mrs. Alice Coppinger Succumbs at Washington to an Attack of Brain Fever.

Mrs. Coppinger, the oldest daughter of Secretary Blaine, died in Washington on the 2d inst. The Secretary and his family are completely prostrated with grief. The President and Mrs. Harrison were apprised of her death as soon as it occurred and at once called upon Mr. Blaine, and were followed in a short time by the other members of the Cabinet circle. Mrs. Coppinger was married to Major, now Lieutenant Colonel, Coppinger, of the United States army, in 1881, at her father's residence in Washington, and one child survives her. In December last she was attacked by influenza in New York and before being fully recovered was summoned to the bedside of her dying brother, Walker. Pneumonia followed and then congestion of the brain, which proved fatal.

POSTAL CLERKS ASK RELIEF.

Representatives of Seventy-two Offices to Swoop Down on Congress.

A New York dispatch says: A sub-committee of the Postoffice Clerks' Association of New York City have gone to Washington to present to the House committee the claims of the clerks for a modification of the hours of labor and other measures in which they are interested. This move is the outcome of the conference of clerks from Eastern offices held about two weeks ago in that city. The representatives of the New York clerks will meet at Washington those of at least seventy-two other offices, who have agreed to send not less than two delegates each, and will co-operate with them in their work. All the first and second class offices in the East will be represented. The clerks are looking to secure a uniform eight-hour day, a vacation of fifteen days in summer with pay, and a more equitable arrangement of the scale of salaries.

ENGLISH MONEY IN BEER.

The Syndicate Said to Have Paid \$3,000,000 for Four Toledo Breweries.

A Toledo (Ohio) dispatch says: There is every reason to believe that the sale of four Toledo breweries to the English brewery syndicate is an accomplished fact. The breweries are: Grasser & Sons, Lenks, Buckeye, and the Findlay. The money for the first payment has been deposited in the Second National Bank and the papers have been forwarded to London. These sales embrace the entire plant, not merely a controlling interest, and the price, while not yet definitely announced, is understood to be over \$3,000,000.

MENINGITIS EPIDEMIC IN TEXAS.

Thirty Persons in the Vicinity of Belcher Die of This Disease.

News has reached Gainesville, Texas, from the Belcher District, twenty miles west of there, that the meningitis epidemic, which broke out there a week ago, is spreading with alarming rapidity. More than thirty persons have died during the week and many others are beyond the hope of recovery. Out of the whole number attacked by the disease not a single person has recovered. Everything that medical skill could suggest has been done to save life, but to no avail.

DR. M'GLYNN VERY ILL.

His Physical Condition Said by His Physicians to Be Serious.

A New York dispatch says Dr. McGlynn is a very ill man. He is not able to leave the house. Dr. Schrady has ordered complete rest and quiet. The Doctor's illness is due to heart trouble. His condition is very favorable, but he is not permitted to see or speak to any one but his attendants.

ACCIDENT IN A FRENCH DUEL.

M. Dreyfus Shot in the Arm in His Encounter with the Marquis de Mores.

A Paris cable says: "M. Dreyfus, editor of the *Nation*, fought a duel with the Marquis de Mores on the Belgian frontier. M. Dreyfus was shot in the right arm. The ball has been extracted."

Young Abe Lincoln Dying.

It is stated in London that Master Abraham Lincoln, son of United States Minister Lincoln, is slowly dying of blood poisoning, the result of the drastic treatment to which he has been subjected by the French physicians who attended him at Versailles. The assertion is made upon indisputable authority.

Something of a Miser.

Joseph Silver, an old resident of Beverly Mass., died the other day, and since his death \$5,000 in gold and greenbacks have been found stored away in his room. He was supposed to have been poor.

Death of Georgia's Secretary of State.

Nathan C. Barnett, Secretary of State of Georgia, died at Atlanta in the 90th year of his age. Col. Barnett had been one of the notable figures in Georgia's history since 1846.

Indignant South Dakota Legislators.

The members of the South Dakota Legislature are indignant at the reports published in the papers regarding the alleged starvation in that State.

Cremated in a Boarding House.

Fourteen people were burned to death and a number were injured by a fire which broke out early on Sunday morning in a Boston boarding house.

HARRISON'S CHOICE.

A Batch of Appointments Sent to the Senate.

The President has sent to the Senate the following nominations:

State—Augustine Healy of Massachusetts to be Minister Resident and Consul General of the United States to Corea; Lewis Gottschalk of California, Consul at Stuttgart; John F. Winter of Illinois, Consul at Mannheim; Richard Guenther of Wisconsin, Consul General at the City of Mexico; Thomas McDermott of Tennessee, Consul at St. Thomas, West Indies; George M. Pepper of Ohio, Consul at Milan; Treasury—Samuel Bailey Jr. of Ohio, Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Cincinnati; Justice—Charles E. St. John, E. Haggard, District of Minnesota; United States Attorneys—Edwin Colman, for the Eastern District of Wisconsin; Benjamin F. Fowler, for the Territory of Wyoming.

Blanche K. Bruce, of the District of Columbia, to be Recorder of Deeds; John C. Clegg, of Columbia, Supervisors of Census; California—Allen B. Lemmon, Third District; Hamilton Wallace, Fourth; William B. Mosher, Fifth; Indiana—Francis Scholz, First District; Amasa E. Nowlin, Second; Charles Harley, Fifth; Samuel E. Beshore, Sixth; Texas—Hiram A. David, First; Jos. P. Peils, Second; John Nevins, Third; Thomas P. Folger, Fourth; David Redfield, Sixth; Wisconsin—Ernest Demin, First; John C. Metcalfe, Second; Andrew Jackson Turner, Third; Illinois—Frank Gilbert, First; Minnesota—Herbert J. Miller, First; William M. Johnson, Third; Arkansas—Jacob Triebel, First; Ohio—G. Gulley, Second; John W. Howell, Third; Kansas—Thomas Hubbard, Fourth; Montana—William O. Spoor, Washington; John M. Hill, Missouri—Eugene F. Weigel, First; Eugene C. Baugher, Second; Woolbridge J. Powell, Third; William M. Davis, Fourth; John M. McCall, Fifth; Arthur P. Morrey, Sixth; Hobart G. Orton, Seventh; William H. Miller, Eighth; Wisconsin—Harry C. Tillman, First; Charles H. Wisner, Second; Donald C. Henderson, Fourth; James Watson, Fifth; George A. Newell, Sixth.

Justice—William H. Taft, of Ohio, to be Solicitor General, vice Orlow Chapman, resigned. The appointee is now on the Superior Court bench of Cincinnati. Judge Taft is but 30 years of age. State—Robert Adams, Jr., of Pennsylvania, now accredited Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the empire of Brazil; to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States of Brazil; Interior—Thomas M. Beer, to be Supervisor of Census for the Sixth District of Ohio.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The Senate Approves a Large Batch of Appointments.

The Senate in secret session has confirmed the following nominations:

Samuel Bailey, Jr. of Ohio, Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Cincinnati; Frank W. Mead, of New York, Surgeon in the Marine Hospital; N. Wright Gruen, Collector of Customs at Galveston, Texas; United States Attorneys—Charles S. Vaillan, Utah; George D. Reynolds, Eastern District of Missouri; John M. Witter, Nevada; John W. Harrow, Southern District of Ohio; Charles S. Johnson, of Nebraska, District of Alaska; J. A. Connolly, Southern District of Illinois; Lewis Miles, Southern District of Iowa; J. W. Adams, Kansas; G. W. Jolley, Kentucky; George A. Neal, Western District of Missouri; Morris O'Connell, Northern District of Iowa; United States Marshals—Charles P. Hitch, Southern District of Illinois; Joseph P. Wilcox, Idaho; District Judge—Edwin T. New Jersey; John S. Bugbee, California; District of Alaska; Associate Justice Supreme Court of Idaho—Willis Sweet, Registrar of Land Offices S. P. McGuire, Las Cruces, N. M.; Lyman P. Hotchkiss, Eau Claire, Wis.; Thomas V. Baldwin, Folsom, N. M.; Julian H. Bingham, Montgomery, Ala.; Indian Agency—Archer O. Simons, Fort Belknap Agency, Montana; John Fosner, Shoshone Agency, Wyoming; Moses P. Wyman, Crow Agency, Montana; Warren D. Robbins, Nez Perce Agency, Idaho; Everett W. Foster, Yankton (S.D.) Agency; Postmasters—Wisconsin—Henry Beall, Hayward; R. W. Cheever, Clinton; F. R. Whiteley, Florence; J. B. Driver, Burlington; C. F. P. Pullen, Evansville; G. E. Bryant, Madison.

MORE PROSPEROUS THAN EXPECTED.

The Canadian Pacific's Showings for Last Year a Remarkable One.

A Montreal dispatch says: The Canadian Pacific Railway has made a remarkable showing of its prosperity by the publication of its gross and net earnings for 1889. The gross earnings from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1889, were \$15,030,660.33; operating expenses, \$9,024,601.04; net profits, \$6,006,601.04. The net earnings for 1888 were only \$3,870,774.92, showing an increase during 1889 of \$2,135,184.42, enabling it to declare a 1 percent half-yearly bonus on its bonds, the interest of which is guaranteed by the Dominion Government, and showing that during last year the road was prosperous beyond all expectations of its stockholders.

FIENDISH WORK OF MAILED BURGLARS.

A Kansas City Woman Bound, Gagged, and Nearly Frightened to Death.

A Kansas City (Mo.) dispatch says: During his absence from home masked burglars entered the house of Charles Roohan. Mrs. Roohan was alone, and the outlaws after they had bound and gagged her dragged the unconscious woman to the foot of the bed in one of the sleeping-rooms and bound her securely by the neck to one of the bedposts. After taking all the valuables in sight they escaped. Her condition is serious.

LINE OF STEAMERS TO SOUTH AMERICA.

A Regular Service Between Para and Providence, R. I., to Be Established.

A new line of steamers has been established between Providence, R. I., and Para, South America. This venture is the result of the rebellion in Brazil and the recently broken monopoly in the raw rubber trade in South America. Joseph Banigan, President of the Woonsocket Rubber Company, induced the Booth Line to inaugurate the new line by sending the steamer Basil, and another will soon follow.

CABINET CRISIS IN BRAZIL.

The Minister of Agriculture Resigns—Financial Reform the Cause.

There is a ministerial crisis at Rio de Janeiro. The trouble has reference to the questions of financial reforms, which do not at present seem likely to be realized. Senhor Di Metris Ribeiro, the Minister of Agriculture, has retired from the cabinet and a new appointment has been made. Senhor Ribeiro was not well known in Brazilian politics before he was called by General Da Fonseca to the ministry.

THE EARTH SETTLED.

Several Buildings in Plains, Pa., Wrecked by a Sinking of the Ground.

The bottom of a portion of the town of Plains, Pa., about four miles from Wilkes-Barre, dropped out, and with it three single houses and a double block, causing consternation among the tenants and excitement in the town.

THE PLAGUE IN KHORASSAN.

Three Thousand Deaths Reported—The Nature of the Disease Unknown.

A Petersburg cable reports that Persian Khorassan is ravaged by an intestinal

disease of excessive fatality. Three thousand deaths are reported. At Noor, in Meshed, there were 100 deaths daily. The nature of the disease is unknown. As Western Persia was ravaged with cholera in the autumn, and as thousands of people fled to the eastward in the hope to escape from the disease, it is regarded as possible that they carried it with them, and that this may account for the trouble in Khorassan.

STOLE A SCHOONER AND CARGO.

Pirates Seize a Vessel Laden with Pearls on the California Coast.

A San Diego (Cal.) dispatch says: "The schooner John Hancock and her valuable cargo of pearls have been stolen from the Chinese company which is operating on the Lower California coast, and she is now practically in the hands of pirates. The John Hancock left this port a few months ago under contract to be used in search for pearls."

EJECTED FROM OFFICE.

The Ohio Senate Displaces Lieutenant Governor Lampson.

At the conclusion of the hearing in the Marquis-Lampson contest for the Lieutenant Governorship in the Ohio Senate, Lampson (Rep.) was ousted by a strict party vote. The Republican members filed a number of protests against the manner of proceeding, and the conclusion was attended with stormy scenes. Lampson gave notice the case would be carried to the Supreme Court.

Violated the Contract Labor Law.

Judge Thayer, of the United States District Court, at St. Louis, heard evidence the other day in a novel case. Henry A. Schmidt, a merchant tailor, was convicted on twelve counts for violation of the contract labor law in importing tailors to this country to work in his shop. He was fined \$1,000 for each offense, and a total of \$12,000, and now seeks remission of the penalties. Schmidt acknowledges his guilt, but pleads ignorance of the existence of such a law.

Wrecked Two Banks.

The Lenox Hill Bank and the Sixth National Bank of New York City have been closed, owing to the operations of President Claassen of the latter concern, who tried to dispose of \$30,000 worth of bonds belonging to the bank. Claassen and a broker named Pell, involved in the transactions, have been arrested. It is believed that all losses caused by the failures will fall on the stockholders.

The Sale of Lottery Tickets in Kansas.

It has been a mooted question for some time in Kansas whether the sale of lottery tickets in that State is a violation of the state laws. The Attorney General in an opinion on the matter says the Constitution forbids the sale of lottery tickets, but that the Legislature has never seen fit to enact any statute to enforce this constitutional provision.

Formed a Cordage Trust.

It is alleged that all the manufacturers of cordage and binding twine in the country have formed an association which is calculated to do away with former differences between individual companies and create more harmony of interests as well as to improve the general condition of the industry.

Canadian Knights Criticise Powderly.

A Kingston (Ont.) dispatch says: The district assembly of the Knights of Labor, including western and eastern Ontario, have approved Taylor's anti-alien bill shutting out American labor, and also expressed dissatisfaction at Powderly's neglect of Canadian interests.

To Tax English Goods.

The Chamber of Commerce at Lisbon has intimated its readiness to assent to a tax on all English goods. Some merchants have proposed that a voluntary 10 per cent. tax be paid by the consignees of English goods, those declining to pay to be regarded as traitors.

Portugal Will Appeal to the Powers.

The Cologne *Gazette* published an interview of its correspondent at Lisbon with Senhor Pimental, the Portuguese Prime Minister. Senhor Pimental said that Portugal was preparing an appeal to the powers, including Great Britain, based on the provisions of the Berlin Congo treaty.

Secretary Windom's Selections.

The Secretary of the Treasury has made the following appointments in the internal revenue service:

R. V. Broxton, gauger, Seventh Indiana District; B. C. Brockerton, gauger, Seventh Indiana District; H. F. Schmidt, gauger, Seventh Indiana; A. F. Witt, gauger, Seventh Indiana; John Van Wote, storekeeper, First Ohio District.

Minister Palmer Attacked by Dengue Fever.

United States Minister Palmer is sick with dengue fever at Cadiz. The disease, which is prevalent in Spain, is of a very malignant character, the death rate at Madrid, Barcelona, and Seville exceeding that caused by cholera when that disease is epidemic.

Miners May Strike.

A general advance of miners' wages in Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia has been declared for May 1, the miners in these States proposing to join issues and strike if any fail to get the advance. The Indiana operators have officially refused to pay it, and a strike is imminent.

Big Rolling-Mill Strike in Alabama.

The employees of the Birmingham (Ala.) rolling mill, 1,000 in number, have struck. The mill has been non-union for five years, although the union scale was paid, and the trouble grows out of an effort by the men to force the mill into the Amalgamated Association.

Mangled and Cremated.

A passenger train on the Monon route, which left Chicago at 11:55 o'clock Sunday night, was wrecked Monday morning, near Carmel, Ind., four coaches falling into a creek. Three persons were killed, and a woman and two children were cremated in a fire which broke out in the wreck. The track had just been temporarily repaired

at that point, and spreading of the rails is said to have caused the disaster.

Attorneys Assault an Editor.

Dr. J. C. Culbertson, editor of the *Lance and Clinic*, was assaulted with rawhides at Cincinnati by two attorneys, Burch and Johnson, for an article in the *Lance and Clinic* denouncing them for bringing a suit for malpractice against Dr. C. D. Palmer. The attorneys were arrested.

A Nebraska German Paper Suspends.

The Nebraska *Volksfreund*, the leading German paper of Western Nebraska, published by stock company at Hastings, has discontinued publication owing to financial embarrassment. The publishers hope to resume it at an early day.

The Base-Ball Imbroglio.

Suit is to be brought by President Nimick of the Pittsburgh National League Baseball Club, against Mayor William McCallin and others charging them with conspiracy in the formation of the Pittsburgh Players' League Club, and claiming \$40,000 damages.

Powdery Not Seeking Office.

General Master Workman Powdery denies that he is seeking office of any kind, and thinks that the report that he was