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FIRE CAUSES A TWO-MILLION DOLLAR LOSS.

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BIG NEW YORK BLAZE.

More than \$2,000,000 Worth of Property Destroyed in Five Hours.

A special dispatch sent out at a late hour says:

A fire that started, no one knows how, in the sub-basement of the masonry-roof brick and iron building on the southeast corner of Bleecker and Green streets, New York City, utterly ruined it, and spreading to two buildings east of it, destroyed them, as well as another in the rear that ran from Green to Mercer street. It will be classed among the largest fires ever known in the city. Over \$2,000,000 worth of value



destructive work of the flames. rolled skyward in smoke and flame in less than five hours. The building in which the fire originally started was owned by the Mandel Bros., real estate men of Chicago, and was occupied by Alfred Benjamin & Co., probably the largest manufacturers of fine ready-made men's clothing in the country. It was a stock company, composed of Isiah Joseph, A. H. Hestander, Eugene Benjamin, David Hochstadt, and special Jesse and Samuel Rosenthal.

Sank with the Sicilians. A Gibraltar dispatch says: The British steamship Utopia from Italian ports bound to New York with 700 Italian emigrants aboard collided with the British ironclad Rodney anchored in Gibraltar Bay and sank soon afterward off Ragged Staff. Boats were immediately lowered from the British ironclad and also from the Swedish man-of-war Freya. These boats rescued 180 persons, who are now on board the various vessels. Many others who were rescued are lodged in Government buildings on shore. It is reported that the crew of the Utopia were saved, but that over 200 passengers perished.

Captain Lyall's Murderer Sentenced. Bhengwar, the Malay sailor who murdered Captain Lyall, of the ship Buckingham, three or four months ago, has been sentenced to death at Liverpool. The ship was bound from Dundee to New York at the time of the murder. The Captain, a young Scotchman who had been recently married and who had his wife aboard the ship, was fatally stabbed in his cabin. The body was buried at sea, and the murderer, on the arrival of the ship at New York, was handed over to the authorities.

Shot His Son Dead. A special from Clarksville, Ark., gives the details of a terrible tragedy occurring near Hartman, which resulted in Harris Gilbert killing his son. Gilbert and a negro were engaged in a game of cards over which they disagreed. A quarrel ensued, Gilbert walked to his house and on return his son stepped between him and the negro to prevent the shooting. Gilbert ordered his son to get out of the way and upon his son's refusal he shot him, killing him instantly. He fled, but officers are in hot pursuit.

A Whirlwind Story. While James Pollock and son were riding in a carriage from Dallas, Pa., they were overtaken by a whirlwind. The men and carriage were lifted bodily and carried some distance and thrown against some trees. Each of them weighed above 200 pounds. They were badly injured. The whirlwind was confined to a narrow compass, and did no other damage.

Buried by an A-lanche. At Silverton, Col., five men were buried fifty feet deep by an avalanche. Three were rescued alive. At Crested Butte, Col., three men were killed by a landslide; it is not known just who.

A Fatal Explosion. A special from Ashland, Pa., says a terrific mine explosion occurred near there. Two men were blown to atoms, another fatally injured, and others seriously hurt.

Killed While Resisting Arrest. A special from Lynville, Tenn., says that the Town Marshal, James Helmick, shot and killed Turner Alexander while attempting to arrest him.

Telephoning from London to Paris. The first conversation by telephone between London and Paris has been exchanged, and was highly successful.

Exempted the Railroad. The Governor of Arizona signed a bill exempting from taxation for twenty years all railroads built within three years.

Refused the Gold. The Directors of the Mint refused Heidelberg, Ickelheimer & Co. and Lazard Freres, of New York, \$1,000,000 in gold bars for export. This is the first time in eight years that the Government has refused to allow gold bars to be taken for export.

May Repeat the Act. Owing to opposition by Secretary Noble it is believed that Congress will repeal the act recently passed appropriating \$2,000,000 for payment to Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians for relinquishment of interests in the Cheyenne-Arapahoe Reservation.

DISASTROUS BLAZE AT PITTSBURG.

Half a Million Dollars' Worth of Property Destroyed by Fire.

At Pittsburgh, Pa., a heavy explosion of gas blew out the entire rear of the J. R. Weldon & Co. building. In a moment the entire five-story building was a sheet of flame. Every stream at the command of the city was turned on without avail, and Allegheny was called on for aid. The Chamber of Commerce Building across the street caught fire and both buildings were completely destroyed. The Weldon five-story building was erected at a cost of \$500,000, owned by David Gregg and the Morrison heirs. Weldon's loss on fine stationery,



BURNING OF THE FIVE STORY WELDON BUILDING.

books, etc., occupying the entire building, is \$125,000; insurance, \$63,000. Loss on Germania Bank Building, \$75,000; insurance, \$50,000. Heineman's cafe, saloon, and building, \$50,000; Kornblum, optician, \$10,000; Cain Bros., shoe store, \$20,000. In addition to these there were other heavy losses suffered by the Dun Agency, Carnegie Bros. & Co., offices, Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade, and the handsome interior of the Germania Bank, all of which will run the total loss up to half a million dollars.

W. H. CRAWFORD HANGED.

The Murderer of Mrs. Mathias Executed at Decatur.

William H. Crawford was executed in the corridor of the Macon County (Ill.) jail, in the presence of 200 witnesses. The crime for which Crawford paid the law's penalty was the murder of Mrs. Lina Mathias. On Aug. 25, 1890, the section was started by discovery of the dead body of Mrs. Mathias lying in an open field, with the throat cut from ear to ear. It was known that Crawford had been trying to force his attentions on Mrs. Mathias, and that his advances had been repelled. He was immediately suspected of the crime, and a posse which started in pursuit captured him at the house of his brother-in-law, but not until he had made an attempt to end his own life by cutting his throat. Believing that his end was near, Crawford confessed to the murder, and after one of the most sensational trials ever known in the county, during which the prisoner had to be constantly guarded to prevent the people from lynching him, he was sentenced to be hanged. The condemned man was one of the most depraved criminals that ever stretched hemp. His last hours were taken up with senseless profanity and threats against people against whom he had a grudge. He would not allow a minister to attend him, and resented all words of pity. He slept soundly and ate a hearty breakfast. He permitted a barber to shave him, and then prepared for his walk to the gallows. He was hanged after the death warrant was read to him by the Sheriff. Crawford walked up the gallows step without a break and took his place on the trap. He had nothing to say, and Sheriff Perl pulled the lever. He was pronounced dead in fourteen minutes, the fall of five feet breaking his neck. Large numbers of visiting sheriffs and county officials were witnesses to the execution.

FARMERS ARE FAVORED.

Prices for Their Products Will Take an Upward Turn.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Foreign influences have again disturbed the money market a little. But there is more active speculation in breadstuffs, pork products and cotton, which have all advanced, and the outlook for farmers has rarely been better at this season than it is now. Of the great industries nearly all are expanding and employing labor fully, but the coke strike and other causes have produced a remarkable shrinkage in the output of iron. The prospect for the building trade is rather dull in New York, but at other cities, particularly in the West, it is remarkably bright. The wool manufacture is doing remarkably well, though the prices of goods do not advance; the mills engaged on dress goods and knit goods are especially active, and the worsted works are on full time, with fair prospects. In the boot and shoe industry shops are all fairly employed. West of Chicago heavy snows and bad weather have had much influence, impeding the lumber trade. Reports from the entire South are shade better, because cotton has recovered slightly in price. The business failures occurring during the last seven days number for the United States 239, and for Canada 34, or a total of 273, compared with a total of 265 last week. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 252.

FIRE IN AN INSANE ASYLUM.

Six of the Patients Turned to Death and Many of Them Escape.

Fire broke out at the Central Insane Asylum, seven miles from Nashville, Tenn. It started in the rear of the male wing, which was destroyed. There were twenty-eight patients in the wing and six of them were burned to death. The other patients were taken to the main hall and placed under guard. The fire spread to the main building, causing a panic among the patients, many of whom escaped. Gov. Buchanan ordered out the State militia to help recapture them. The Governor himself went to the fire.

DRIVEN TO SUICIDE.

Sensational Letter Left by Mrs. L. E. Reinhold, of Indianapolis.

At Indianapolis, an afternoon paper received through the mail the following letter: "When I reach you I will be out of this world. I could not stand it. I had a bad, low husband, who beat and cursed me, and tried to make me believe I was not virtuous. I could not stand it. At the street number where this was written Mrs. Kate Reinhold, the young and attractive wife of L. E. Reinhold, a lawyer, was found dead.

HEAVY LOSSES AT SYRACUSE.

More than \$1,000,000 Damage Done by Two Terrible Fires.

Two destructive conflagrations occurred at Syracuse, N. Y., the aggregate loss approaching \$1,200,000, only half covered by insurance. At 6 a. m. fire broke out in the Hogan Block on West Fayette street and destroyed not only the Hogan Building but also the Ayers, Cahill, Solomon, Kaufman and Fay blocks and the historic dwellings formerly occupied by Mayor Williston. While the first fire was still raging, another

broke out in the Roscoe Building on East Washington street. The wind carried the flames into the Montgomery flats and from thence into the Journal office and the Yates Block. Assistance was summoned from Utica, Oswego and Baldwinsville, and by the heroic efforts of the firemen the flames were confined to the above buildings. Both the Vanderbilt and Candee houses had narrow escapes from destruction. The total losses on the Fayette street fire foot up \$457,000, on which there was \$225,000 of insurance. In the Washington street blaze the losses amounted to \$635,000, partially covered by \$300,000 insurance.

A KENTUCKY ATROCITY.

A Family Is Poisoned over a Dispute About \$17.

At Mount Sterling, Ky., a mob came near lynching the Wigginton family, composed of John Wigginton and his four sons, for the poisoning of William Ferguson and R. C. Watts, his sons-in-law, both of whom died, and Miss Boyd, a grand-daughter of Ferguson's, who is still in a critical condition. The Wiggintons were suspected, and after arrest the boys, the youngest of whom is only 10 years old, confessed. Their father bought 10 cents' worth of arsenic, and sent two of his sons to Ferguson's house. One of them slipped into the kitchen and put the arsenic in the coffee-pot after supper. Next morning the cold coffee was used with fresh coffee, and the family was poisoned. The Wiggintons and Watts had raised tobacco together last year, and there was a dispute between them about \$17 of the proceeds. On this account the Wiggintons wanted to kill Watts.

THE 101 WERE WINNERS.

Gen. John M. Palmer Is Chosen United States Senator.

There have been few more prolonged or more sternly contested Senatorial struggles than the one just closed in Illinois, whereby John M. Palmer is chosen United States Senator. On the 154th ballot his 101 supporters were joined by Moore and Cockrell, F. M. B. A. members, thus electing him by the exact number necessary, 103. Cicero J. Lindley, President of the F. M. B. A., received 100 Republican votes, and Taubeneck voted for Streeter. The closing scenes of the joint assembly were thrilling in the extreme. Wildly enthusiastic members created a pandemonium around others who were so ill that they had to be carried in and out on couches.

Triple Fatality on the Reading Road.

Another disastrous wreck occurred on the Reading Road, through the precipitation of the engine and four freight cars over a sixty-foot stone wall into the creek at Mainville, Pa., crushing Engineer James Fisher to death, drowning Fireman John Wood, and so mutilating Brakeman Clinton Harper that he died a few hours later. The train was running at a rapid rate, and it is supposed that the engine struck a beam-brake dropped from a preceding train and displacing the switch.

Shot by Her Playmate.

At Bridgeport, Conn., Lizzie Cook, four years old, was shot in the head by a playmate of her own age. The children were playing in the bed-room of Mrs. Ellen Cook, mother of the girl, and in a bureau drawer they found an old self-cocking revolver. The two grappled for its possession, and the boy got it. He pointed it at Lizzie's head and the weapon was discharged.

Charged with Murder.

Mrs. Ida Elder, a handsome young woman of 22, was locked up at New Castle, Pa., on a charge of murdering her stepmother, Mrs. Levi Repman, nearly two years ago. Mrs. Repman died at Wampum, in July, 1889, after a brief illness, presumably of heart disease. Evidence has now been obtained. It is claimed to show that Mrs. Elder gave her rat poison, pretending that it was medicine.

Death by Electricity.

The United States Supreme Court affirmed the New York "electrocution" case of Wood vs. Bush, and set it down for argument on the first Monday of April next. In the Jurgo case, a new citation was ordered to be issued directing the counsel for the prisoner to come into court on the same day Wood's case is to be heard, when argument will be proceeded with.

The Grip in Minneapolis.

La grippe claimed its first victim in Minneapolis, Minn., this winter in the person of Thomas Callahan, an aged gentleman from Ohio. La grippe, or rather that which most people designate as such, prevails to an extent which has caused much uneasiness. A careful estimate places the number of cases in that city at fully ten thousand.

Dervishes Killed in an Explosion.

A terrible disaster occurred at the arsenal of Omdurman, Egypt. From the reports received it appears that about one hundred dervishes were killed by an explosion there which destroyed immense stores of ammunition and shattered the arsenal building and everything in the immediate neighborhood.

Slew a Woman.

An atrocious murder was committed at Caldwell, Noble County, Ohio. Elmer Johnson, while intoxicated, went to the store of Joseph Graham. Mrs. Graham was in the store and she ordered Johnson to go away. Johnson turned upon her and stabbed her in the neck. The woman died in five minutes.

Many Firms Burned Out.

Through the carelessness of a boy the five-story brick building at Nos. 103 to 107 Fulton street, Chicago, with all its contents and several adjoining buildings, was destroyed by fire. It is estimated that the loss will be over \$150,000; partially insured. The building was owned by the Atlas Manufacturing Company.

Killed by a Texas Woman.

At Corpus Christi, Tex., Mrs. John Dunn's house was robbed. Arming herself with a Winchester, she proceeded to follow up a Mexican man whom she suspected of the crime. She found him encamped about half a mile from town. When she saw her he attacked her with an ax, whereupon she drew a bead on him and killed him instantly.

Found a Fortune in an Old Coat.

When Judge H. M. Cooley, of St. Paul, Minn., died it was supposed that he died penniless, but his son picked up an old coat he had been in the habit of wearing. Hearing something rattling, he ripped open the lining and discovered \$9,700 in certificates of deposit and bank bills of large denominations.

Railroad Bill Passed.

The bill providing for the construction of a broad gauge railroad from Salt Lake City through Nevada, by way of Beckwith Pass, to the seaboard, passed the California Assembly.

Italy Protests.

Baron de Fava in a dispatch to Marquis Di Rudini, the Italian Premier and Foreign Minister, states that he has protested against the inaction of the local officials in New Orleans, and that Mr. Blaine, the

American Secretary of State, expressed horror at the acts of the New Orleans mob, promising that he would immediately make the orders of the President in the matter and that the decision would be communicated to the Italian Government.

The Newfoundland Fisheries.

The text of the convention between England and France respecting Newfoundland, which has been signed by Lord Salisbury and M. Waddington, provides that the commission to which the matter is referred may, after settling the lobster question, be asked to examine subsidiary fishery questions.

Fatal Row at a Texas Dance.

A dispatch from Houston, Texas, says that while Officer James E. Tenn was attempting to arrest two negroes in a dance-house for carrying concealed weapons, he was shot and instantly killed, and a bystander named Frank Michaels was mortally wounded. The negroes escaped.

Two Bad Suckles.

At Baltimore General Isaac B. Moore killed himself while despondent. At Virginia, Neb., Bella Preusch, aged 15, shot and mortally wounded herself because she had been suspended from school for thirty days for alleged misbehavior.

First Boat of the Season.

The City of Detroit, the first boat of the season, passed Colchester, Ont., on her way from Detroit to Cleveland, taking the south passage in order to avoid the large fields of ice which block the north channel.

Ashore on Romers Shoal.

At New York the entire crew of the Italian bark Umberto Prince, which was ashore on Romers Shoal, was rescued. The bark is going to pieces fast and will probably be a total loss.

An Entire Family Poisoned.

At Martinsville, Ind., the family of Edward Moore, a farmer, were taken suddenly ill. A physician who was called found that they had been poisoned. Two of the children will die.

Instructions Issued.

The Brazilian Government has issued instructions to its revenue officials regarding the admission of American goods under the reciprocity treaty.

Killed in Ohio.

At Navarre, Ohio, Postal Clerk W. T. McLean leaped from a train that became derailed and was running on the ties, and was dismembered.

The Fat Contributor Dead.

A. Miner Griswold, widely known as "The Fat Contributor," editor of *Tenue Siftings*, died suddenly of apoplexy at Sheboygan Falls, Wis.

A Bad Man Gone.

John Wilder, a noted desperado and illicit whisky dealer, was killed by a United States Marshal's posse at Cumberland Gap, while resisting arrest.

Liquor Salesman Shoots.

At Columbus, Ind., Lambert N. Goldsmith shot and mortally wounded R. S. Skillman. Both were salesmen for Louisville liquor houses.

Ferocious Bull and Dogs.

John E. Carr was killed by a bull at Haverhill, Mass., and Birdie Miller, a school-girl, was fatally bitten by two dogs at Friedensberg, Pa.

Wheat Supply Decreased.

The supply of wheat in Dakota and Minnesota elevators is 21,061,650 bushels, a decrease for the week of 245,916 bushels.

About the Immigration Bureau.

Congress at its last session created a Bureau of Immigration, but failed to appropriate any money for its maintenance.

Noted Desperado Captured.

John Mooney, the noted desperado, was captured while sitting in his mother's house at Wheeling, W. Va.

Bank Failure at Williamsport, Pa.

The private bank of F. R. Wood & Co., at Williamsport, Pa., has closed its doors. No statement has yet been given out.

They Call It Treason.

The Dominion Government is said to contemplate the prosecution of some of the prominent annexationists for treason.

Collision of Freight Trains.

Freight trains on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern collided near South Bend, Ind., causing a loss of \$40,000.

Attempted Double Murder.

At Coshocton, Ohio, James Chaney, Jr., cut his own and his wife's throat. Both may recover.

Ex-Gov. Robinson Ill.

Ex-Gov. Lucius Robinson is lying very dangerously ill at his home in Elmira, N. Y. He is in his 81st year.

Bishop Faddock Dying.

At Boston, Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Faddock, Bishop of the Episcopal Church, is in a dying condition.

THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO.			
CATTLE—Common to Prime.	\$3.25	@	6.00
HOGS—Shipping Grades.	8.00	@	4.00
SHEEP—No. 1.	3.00	@	4.00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.	1.00	@	1.01
CORN—No. 2.	.90	@	.61
OATS—No. 2.	.50	@	.51
RYE—No. 2.	.50	@	.51
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.	.50	@	.51
CHEESE—Full Cream, flats.	.11	@	.12
Eggs—Small.	.15	@	.16
POTATOES—Western, per bu.	1.00	@	1.10
INDIANAPOLIS.			
CATTLE—Shipping.	3.50	@	5.00
HOGS—Choice Light.	3.00	@	4.00
SHEEP—Common to Prime.	3.00	@	3.25
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.	1.00	@	1.01
CORN—No. 2.	.50	@	.51
OATS—No. 2 White.	.42	@	.53
ST. LOUIS.			
CATTLE—Common to Prime.	4.00	@	5.25
HOGS—Light.	3.00	@	4.25
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.	.92	@	1.00
CORN—No. 2.	.57	@	.58
OATS—No. 2.	.40	@	.50
BARLEY—Minnesota.	.74	@	.76
CINCINNATI.			
CATTLE—Common to Prime.	3.00	@	5.00
HOGS—Light.	3.00	@	4.25
SHEEP—No. 2.	1.00	@	1.01
CORN—No. 2.	.57	@	.58
OATS—No. 2.	.40	@	.50
BARLEY—Minnesota.	.74	@	.76
DETROIT.			
CATTLE—Common to Prime.	3.00	@	4.75
HOGS—Light.	3.00	@	4.00
SHEEP—No. 2.	1.00	@	1.01
CORN—No. 2.	.57	@	.58
OATS—No. 2.	.40	@	.50
TOLEDO.			
WHEAT—Common to Prime.	1.03	@	1.04
CORN—Cash.	.09	@	.61
OATS—No. 2 White.	.42	@	.53
CLOVER SEED.	4.50	@	4.60
EAST LIBERTY.			
CATTLE—Common to Prime.	4.00	@	5.25
HOGS—Light.	3.25	@	4.25
SHEEP—Medium to Good.	4.00	@	6.25
LAMBS.	4.00	@	6.00
MILWAUKEE.			
WHEAT—No. 2 Spring.	.98	@	.99
CORN—No. 3.	.53	@	.50
OATS—No. 2 White.	.51	@	.52
RYE—No. 1.	.74	@	.74
BARLEY—No. 2.	.87	@	.68
PORK—Mess.	11.00	@	11.25
NEW YORK.			
CATTLE—Common to Prime.	4.00	@	5.25
HOGS—Light.	3.25	@	4.25
SHEEP—Medium to Good.	4.00	@	6.25
LAMBS.	4.00	@	6.00
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MASSACRED THE MAFIA.

ELEVEN MEN KILLED BY A NEW ORLEANS MOB.

Terrible Scenes of Blood Enacted by the Enraged Populace—A Verdict of Acquittal of the Accused Mafia Too Much for the Crescent City—Many of Its Leading Citizens Lead in the Revengful Mission of Death.

Eighty thousand infuriated citizens rose up in their fierce wrath at New Orleans and wreaked summary vengeance on the men whom they considered guilty of the murder of Police Chief Hennessey. The excitement throughout the city over the miscarriage of justice in the case of the alleged Sicilian assassins leaped beyond all restraint. The parish was surrounded, the doors burst open and the Sicilian assassins taken

