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BIG NEW YORK BLAZE.

FIRE CAUSES A TWO-MILLION DOLLAR LOSS.

Sank with Two Hundred \$1,000,000 Father Shoots His Son—Fatal Mine Explosion—Rode on the Wind—Killed by a Town Marshal—Lyall's Murderer sentenced.

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 mansard-roof brick and iron building on the southwest corner of Clinton 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

DISASTROUS BLAZE AT PITTSBURG. Half a Million Dollars' Worth of Property Destroyed by Fire.

Gas blew out in the Roscoe Building on East Washington street. The wind carried the flames into the Montgomery flats and from them 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 Candie 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 son-in-law, both of whom died. 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 15th 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.

BURNING OF THE FIVE STORY WELDIN BUILDING.

books, etc., occupying the entire building, is \$125,000; insurance, \$63,000. Loss on Germania Bank Building, \$75,000; insurance, \$50,000; Reineman'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 the 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 his home, his wife, 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 threats and threats against people 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 meal at last. He permitted a barber to shave him, and then prepared for his walk to the gallows. He was pinioned after the death warrant was read to him by the Sheriff. Crawford walked up the gallows step without a break and took his place of 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 witness to the execution.

FARMERS ARE FAVERED.

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 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, and the coke strike and other causes have produced a remarkable shrinkage in the output of iron. The prospect for the building trades is rather dull in New York, but at other cities, particularly in the West, it is remarkably bright. The wool manufacture is doing well, though the prices of goods do not advance; the mills engaged on dress goods and knit goods are especially active, and the women's work is 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 a shade better, because cotton has recovered slightly in price. The business figures occurring during the last seven days number for the United States 239, and for Canada 34, or a total of 273, as compared with a total of 265 last week. For the corresponding week of 265 last year the figures were 252.

FIRE IN AN INSANE ASYLUM.

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

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 capture 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 this reaches 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

Railroad Bill Passed.

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 rattle, he ripped open the lining and discovered \$9,700 in certificates of deposit and bank bills of large denominations.

ITALY.

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. Blains, the

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The Newfoundland Fisheries.

The text of the convention between Eng-

land and France respecting Newfoundland,

which has been signed by Lord Salisbury

and M. Waddington, provides that the com-

mission to which the matter is referred

may, after settling the lobster question, be

asked to examine subsidiary fishery ques-

tions.

Fatal Row at a Texas Dance.

A dispatch from Houston, Texas, says

that while Officer James E. Tener was at

attempting to arrest two negroes in a dance-

house for carrying concealed weapons, he

was shot and instantly killed, and a by-

stander named Frank Michaels was mortally

wounded. The negroes escaped.

Two Sad Suicides.

At Baltimore General Isaac B. Moore kill-

ed himself while despondent. At Virginia,

Neb., Bella Preusch, aged 15, shot and mor-

tally 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 Ital-

ian bark Umberto Prince, 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 Ed-

ward Moore, a farmer, were taken suddenly

ill. A physician who was called found that

they had been poisoned. Two of the child-

ren will die.

Instructions Issued.

The Brazilian Government has issued in-

structions to its revenue officials regarding the

admission of American goods under the

reciprocity treaty.

Killed in Ohio.

At Navarro, Ohio, Postal Clerk W. T.

McLean leaped from a train that became

derailed and was running on the ties, and

was disemboweled.

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 Salesmen Shoots.

At Columbus, Ind., Lambert N. Gold-

smith shot and mortally wounded R. S.

Smith. Both were salesmen for Louis-

ville liquor houses.

Ferocious Bull and Dogs.

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 Min-

nesota elevators is 21,091,659 bushels, a de-

crease for the week of 245,918 bushels.

About the Immigration Bureau.

Congress at its last session created a

Bureau of Immigration, but failed to appro-

priate 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 con-

template 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.