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RESUME OF THE WEEK'S NEWS.

There were 8,614 deaths in Chicago last year.

Four millions of dollars in gold were sent to New York for wheat operation.

Parnell, the Irish agitator, had a magnificent reception in New York on Sunday night.

Railroad stocks have not averaged so high, at the close of a twelvemonth, for many a year.

The estate left by Hon. Asa Packer, the distinguished Pennsylvanian, is estimated at \$7,500,000.

Railroads running north and south announce an increased demand for cars to move the cotton crop.

The receipts of grain in Cincinnati last year were the largest in the history of the city, being 11,263,275.

United States Senator Houston of Alabama, died at Athens, Ala., on Wednesday, and was buried on Friday.

Congress met again yesterday for the first time since the holiday recess. Nothing of great importance was done.

Henderson, Parker & Co. closed up high killing on Wednesday. Total killing for the season 20,019, against 12,000 for 1878.

Barney O'Brien, 16 years old, fell down a shaft at West Stockbridge, Mass., Wednesday night, 120 feet deep, and was instantly killed.

Bishop McClosky has issued a decree making it obligatory for Catholics to send their children to parochial schools, when they exist in the parish.

It is said that the United States now pays out a larger sum every year for pensions than is paid by Germany, Austria, France and Great Britain all together.

The telegraph line on the Cincinnati Southern railroad has been completed, and Saturday the first message passed over the wires from Cincinnati to Chattanooga.

The Grand Trunk, of Canada, are now employing 1,000 men in their workshops in Montreal, where they are now building over \$500,000 worth of new rolling stock.

A California stage driver died in that State on Wednesday, when it was discovered that the driver was a woman. For 25 years she had been known as Charles Parkhurst.

The United States consul at Mauritius reports that the cattle plague continues on the island, and about 20,000 animals have died. Two hundred and forty-three deer have also died.

Bishop Gilbert Haven, of the Methodist Episcopal church, died at the residence of his mother in Walden, Mass., at 8 o'clock Saturday afternoon, after an illness of several weeks.

The Economist says the North British railway shares fell 13 since the Tay bridge disaster. Gas property shows a recovery. The buoyancy of markets in all departments is very decided.

Richard Smith, editor of the Cincinnati Gazette, was arrested upon a charge of criminal libel on Wednesday last. The matter involved the reputation of Wappenstein, chief of police.

The Supreme judicial court of Maine has issued an unanimously signed, Saturday, their opinions in answer to questions submitted by Governor Garcelon. They are in opposition to the action of the governor and council.

The Tay bridge disaster is still earnestly discussed. The investigation is steadily progressing. How many lives were lost is still a matter of uncertainty. Only one thing is known—that not one man escaped from the Frith of Tay.

For the celebrated running horse, property of J. Snell Shawhan, at Paris, Ky., had his jaw broken Saturday. A negro boy, who became incensed at the horse, hit him with a club. The horse will die. He was valued at \$3,000.

Five passengers and six of the crew of the ill-fated Borussia have arrived at Baltimore. They left the sinking ship on the evening of December 2, and were picked up on the 5th by an Italian vessel. They know nothing of the fate of others on the Borussia.

The South African cable has been opened and the connection established. The event is regarded as a confirmation of the success of the late campaign in Zululand. The queen has sent her congratulations to Sir Bartle Frere, Sir Garnet Wolseley and the sultan of Zanzibar.

The clearings of the Chicago banks during last week were \$40,000,000. Friday they were \$12,293,000, and Saturday \$14,846,000. Friday's clearings were \$2,000,000 larger than any previous day in history of Chicago, and Saturday's clearings were \$4,000,000.

The probate of the will of Charles Morgan, of New York, who died, leaving an estate valued at \$12,000,000, was confirmed by the surrogate Saturday morning. The will leaves all the property, real and personal, to be distributed among the heirs, as the laws of New York provide in case of intestacy.

Jonah Seaver, of Wartfield, Vt., was on Saturday sentenced to the State prison for 25 years, for arson. The prisoner made a written confession, admitting he set fire to several places on fire since April, 1877. He said that he acted under an uncontrollable impulse, and always returned to save the property. The fires were all set in barns.

A dispatch from Providence, R. I., says: "Kate Fitzgerald, who attempted to shoot Postmaster Piero of Bristol, some months ago, yesterday failed in an attempt to shoot herself. Mrs. Piero is to be removed, was jealous of Miss Fitzgerald, and attempted to burn her house, and eventually coaxed her into taking her own life by saturating her bed with kerosene and setting it on fire."

It is stated on high official authority that the government of Greece is unwilling to appeal to the Powers for mediation in the pending difficulties between Greece and Turkey. The Government believes that it can best effect a settlement by itself.

The situation in Central Asia is fraught with alarms for Great Britain. The suspension of diplomatic relations with Turkey is another source of annoyance to the British Government.

General Nichols De Pierola was proclaimed dictator of Peru on December 22. The army of reserve at Lima and Callao and the navy accept his Government. He has promised to effect the salvation of Peru.

His cause is presided over by the distinguished jurist, Dr. Pedro Calderon.

President Prado has fled. He arrived at Panama on the 27th. The Peruvian torpedo boat which sailed in November from Panama under Hawaiian colors, has been captured by the Chileans.

At Lyons, Wayne county, Pennsylvania, Saturday afternoon, Mr. Fred Hovey, a hat and cap merchant, was shot by his daughter, Mrs. Fred Hovey, and died immediately. His daughter then fatally shot herself.

Mr. Hovey was one of the most prominent citizens of the town, a merchant of 40 years standing, and a prominent member of the Methodist church. He was about 60 years old, and he and his family filled a respond in the society of the village. His

Hovey lost his life, a few months ago, his brother died. She was to have been married soon. Since the time she has exhibited a marked change of temper. She was devotedly attached to her lover, Mr. Eugene Raines of Rochester, and his death had destroyed her reason. She was a beautiful and accomplished young lady, aged 22.

GENERAL NOTES.

GREECE has lost her most ancient Athenian, at the age of 130. He never took medicine until he was 129.

The stock of the Edison Electric Light company has advanced from \$5 to a nominal price of over \$5,000 per share.

During 1879 there were 789 acres in Philadelphia, causing a loss of \$1,534,911. The insurance on the property destroyed or damaged amounted to \$1,200,000.

NOTWITHSTANDING the competition of American companies, 40,000 sewing machines were made in Germany last year, and probably many more have been made this year.

The Louisville Chronicle says that a common vagrant and drunkard, now is the chain gang of that city under the assumed name of Stompton, was formerly a United States senator from an Eastern State.

An Indian got on a spree near Yreka, Calif., recently stabbed P. H. Scott and killed James Osburn, who went to Scott's assistance. A party of miners captured the Indian, tied him to a tree and riddled him with bullets.

A sale was made in Savannah one last week of 1,285 bags of sea island cotton. This is believed to be the largest sale of long staple that has been made in that city for 25 years. It will realize for the planters of Georgia and Florida about \$125,000.

There are three living descendants of Christopher Columbus: Don Ferdinand Columbus, deputy at Porto Rico; Christopher Colombe de la Cordera, the marquis of Jamaica, and Don Diego Colombe, who is a gentleman of Washington, D. C., and is governed by their own laws in relation to their. The sum of \$5 was recently stolen, and the culprit was immediately tried by a jury of six and found guilty. He was sentenced to receive 50 lashes on his back, and be expelled from the society. The sentence was executed to the letter.

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