

WEEKLY COURIER.

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JASPER. INDIANA.

THE Cologne Gazette declares that typhus fever is raging in the famine-stricken districts of Russia.

UNITED STATES MINISTER TO ENGLAND LINCOLN was obliged to take to his bed, on the 11th, suffering from influenza, but the attack is said to be of a mild nature.

In the New York senate, on the 13th, Mr. Carter introduced a bill appropriating \$300,000 for the preliminary work of the state exhibit at the Columbian exhibition.

GEN. SCHOFIELD received a telegram from Gen. Merritt, on the 12th, in which he stated that affairs at Tongue River agency, Mont., were assuming a more peaceable aspect.

It is expected that four different committees of the house of representatives will soon be put to work investigating the effect of the McKinley tariff law upon trade and commerce.

THE county court of Shelby county, Tenn., has ordered an appropriation of \$20,000 for the representation of that county at the Chicago World's fair, provided the state raises \$100,000.

CARDINAL MANNING, who for some time past had been ill with influenza, was reported, on the 13th, to be in a critical condition. His physicians gave but little hope of his recovery.

ADVISERS from Peking are to the effect that the returns for 1891 show an increase in the foreign trade greater than for any year since Chinese ports were opened to foreign commerce.

In the Ohio legislature, in joint session on the 13th, Lieut.-Gov. Harris presiding, declared John Sherman duly elected United States senator for the term of six years beginning March 4, 1893.

The railroad companies entering the city of Washington have reached an agreement to charge one fare for the round trip from any point to the city during the National G. A. R. encampment.

Up to date fifteen disconsolate grass widows have put in claims to widowhood to John Anderson, who is held in Cleveland, O., under charges of bigamy and the robbery of his latest matrimonial victim.

HENRY EDWARD MANNING, cardinal priest of the Roman Catholic church and archbishop of Westminster, died in London on the 14th. He was born at Totteridge, Herefordshire, England, July 15, 1808.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS AIKEN, professor of philosophy and science in its relation to the Christian religion, and of oriental and Old Testament literature in Princeton (N. J.) college, died, on the 14th, of the grip.

EIGHTY deaths from influenza are reported as having occurred in Paris on the 10th. The announcement created considerable uneasiness in that city, indicating, as it does, the increasing violence of the epidemic.

A DECREASE of 23,500,000 roubles in the revenues and an increase of 3,500,000 roubles in expenditures, is exhibited by the Russian budget for 1892. It is expected that the deficit will amount to 7,450,000 roubles.

THE question of allowing Mexican troops to enter United States territory in pursuit of Garza and his band is pending, but the officials of the state and war departments refuse to say what action is likely to be taken in the matter.

LOUIS CLOVIS BONAPARTE, a son of the late Prince Lucien Bonaparte, was charged upon a warrant at the west London police court, on the 12th, with conspiring with Mr. Wm. Alexander Thomson to defraud Rosalie Clovis Bonaparte out of a diamond necklace and other jewels valued at \$100,000.

THE court-martial held in New York, which had been trying Maj. Charles Throckmorton, Second artillery, United States army, for issuing fraudulent vouchers and cheques, met in secret session on the 11th. A verdict was found and forwarded to Washington. The penalty for several of the specifications made against the major is dismissal from the army.

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND left St. Paul, Minn., on the 14th, for New York, en route for Liege, Belgium, where he will attend the international Catholic conference. He will be abroad four months and will visit Rome. The archbishop's visit is also rumored to be in connection with the vacant cardinalate, and his appointment thereto is among the probabilities.

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR CHRISTIAN EDWARD, duke of Clarence and Avondale, eldest son of the prince of Wales and her presumptive to the British throne, whose happy betrothal to Princess Mary Victoria of Teck was so recently announced, died at Sandringham, a little after 9 o'clock on the morning of the 14th. He was born at Frogmore lodge, near Windsor, on January 8, 1864.

FURTHER particulars from Columbia, Mo., show the loss by the university fire to have been greater than at first reported. The geological cabinet, valued at \$15,000, and containing many rare specimens, was destroyed. The physical laboratory lost apparatus worth \$4,000. The manual training school escaped comparatively unharmed. The military department lost \$5,000. Ample accommodations for class-rooms have been secured, and the work of the university will proceed without further interruption.

CURRENT TOPICS.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

In the senate, on the 13th, the vice-president presented a communication from the interior department asking an immediate deficiency appropriation of \$150,000 for the support of the Sioux Indians. Mr. Perkins (Kas.) presented a communication from the United States minister to Mexico. Mr. Ryan, suggesting a return of the trophies of war captured from the sister republic during the Mexican war. Mr. Teller introduced a bill looking to the calling of a world's silver conference. In the house Mr. Breckinridge (Ky.) introduced a resolution for the repeal of the retaliatory duties clause of the McKinley law, and authorizing the president to open our ports free to those countries which admit our products into their ports. A large number of measures were introduced among them several relating to free coinage and amendment of the tariff law.

In the senate, on the 13th, the vice-president laid several messages from the president, relating to Indian affairs, before the senate. Mr. Dolph, from the committee on fortifications, presented reports on two bills one of them to "provide for fortifications and other seacoast defences, which carries an appropriation of \$100,000,000, to be expended during the next eleven years." The first bill passed was that for the relief of the heirs of James C. Booth, deceased, formerly master and referee in the Philadelphia mint. In the house Mr. E. B. Taylor reported from the committee on the judiciary a bill providing times and places for holding the circuit and district courts in several districts of the northern and central of Iowa, which was passed. Bills for the consolidation of customs collection districts and to encourage and develop silk culture in the United States were presented.

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