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The News Condensed.

Important Intelligence From All Parts.

CONGRESSIONAL

Second Session.

In the senate no business was transacted on the 12th owing to the funeral services over the remains of the late Senator Kenna.... In the house a bill was introduced increasing from one to two dollars per barrel the internal revenue tax on fermented liquors. A vote was taken to attend the funeral of the late Senator Kenna.

In the senate a bill was introduced on the 13th to extend to the North Pacific ocean the provisions of the law for the protection of fur seals and other fur-bearing animals. A resolution was adopted calling on the secretary of the treasury for a copy of the opinion of the law officer of the department under which he is disbursing the 5,000,000 sovereign coins in aid of the Columbian exposition, conditioned on Sunday closing.... In the house filibustering against the consideration of the private war claims bill resulted in nothing being accomplished.

In the senate on the 14th the Nicaragua ship canal question was discussed.... In the house a bill to ratify an agreement with the Cherokee nation of Indians was considered and a bill to admit Utah as a state was introduced.

On the 16th speeches were made in the senate against the bill to amend the constitution in favor of a constitutional amendment limiting the president to one term, and in defense of the constitutionality of the anti-option bill.... In the house a resolution calling upon the executive departments for information as to the number, and amount of war claims allowed or disallowed by departments was adopted. A motion to suspend the rules and pass a bill to settle the claims of Arkansas and other states under the swamp land grants failed to secure the necessary two-thirds vote and was defeated.

DOMESTIC.

FLAMES at Chateaugay, N. Y., destroyed almost the entire business portion of the town. Loss, \$175,000.

The wife and daughter of Jacob Ringer, a farmer near Alma, Wis., died from eating diseased pork.

WEALTHY Farmer Judd, of Tyrone, Ia., mourns the loss of a hired tramp, \$800 and a shotgun.

Fire swept clean one street in the business district of Alliance, Neb., involving a loss of over \$100,000.

CUSHING academy at Ashburnham, Mass., a noted educational institution and preparatory school, was burned, the loss being \$180,000.

It was reported that a gigantic lumber combine had been formed by Maine and Massachusetts parties which would practically control the lumber business of the United States.

ADVOCATES of a canal to unite the great lakes and the ocean met in Washington. Between seventy-five and 100 gentlemen were present, representing the commercial bodies and the lake interests of the country.

THE westbound Maysville accommodation train collided with a freight train at Dover, Ky., killing the engineer, fireman and six passengers.

The National Bicycle Association of America was formed in Philadelphia. It is allied with baseball and its purpose is to give regular bicycle meetings with cash prizes.

A FIRE in the heart of the retail district of Kansas City, Mo., caused a loss of \$245,000.

WILL BROWN, aged 18 years, and Alice Smith, a 15-year-old girl, surprised their friends at Springfield, O., by eloping and getting married.

TWO NEGROES, Ed and Dick Moorman (brothers), were hanged by a mob at Gaston, Ky., for murdering and robbing a farmer.

An avalanche swept down the mountain side in Salzow, Wash., and buried two miners, James Switzer and Martin Flaherty, under 150 feet of snow.

An ice bridge of frozen foam was formed at Niagara Falls and frozen so solid that a number of persons crossed it. This was the first time in 100 years that these boiling waters had frozen over.

ALL but one of the 150 rare manuscripts presented to Knox library in New York by Banker John S. Kennedy have been pronounced forgeries by the British museum experts.

The trial of Hugh Dempsey, district master workman of the Knights of Labor, J. M. Davidson and Robert Beatty, charged with poisoning non-union workmen in the Homestead steel mill, began at Pittsburgh.

THERE was considerable excitement in Jackson over reports of outrages committed by white caps against wealthy Jews in southern Mississippi.

At the leading clearing houses in the United States the exchanges during the week ended on the 13th aggregated \$1,370,808,981, against \$1,066,549,436 the previous week. The decrease as compared with the corresponding week of 1892 was 3.1.

THE Hotel St. Louis, the first large hotel ever built in Duluth, Minn., was destroyed by fire, the loss being \$100,000. William Baudre and Charles Preston, railroad men, perished in the flames.

EIGHTEEN persons were badly injured by the telescoping of a Chicago & Eastern Illinois accommodation train by the Chicago & Erie express at Fifty-fifth street in Chicago.

THREE more negroes were lynched in Monroe county, Ark., on account of the Atkinson murder at Cotton Plant.

The four negroes named Charles Brooks, Frisby, Comegys, Fletcher Williams and Moses Brown were hanged at Chestertown, Md., for the murder of Dr. James H. Hill April 23, 1892. Three of them were 16 and one 18 years of age.

HENRY SARGENT CODMAN, landscape artist of the World's Columbian exposition, died suddenly at St. Luke's hospital in Chicago.

In a railway wreck near Minshall, Ind., George Stith, engineer, and William Warren, fireman, were killed.

An avalanche with a snow-plow in front dashed into the rear of a Chicago & Northwestern train at Story City, Ia., injuring twenty-one people, but killing none.

In the United States during the seven days ended on the 13th the business failures numbered 306, against 340 the previous week and 330 for the corresponding time last year.

THE steamer John Warner blew out a fire at Chattanooga, killing two deck hands, and twelve others were scalded more or less seriously.

TWENTY-FIVE persons narrowly escaped death from asphyxiation by illuminating gas at Pittsburgh, Pa.

BEN LAFARGUE, son of the state superintendent of education, was lynched in Avoyelles parish, La. He killed a negro some weeks ago.

A PASSENGER train on the Iowa Central was derailed near Burlington, Ia., killing two unknown passengers and injuring fatally Rev. Mr. Miller, of Wayland, Ia.; Elmer Reece, of Morning Sun, Ia., and E. S. Drummer, of Wyoming, Ill.

FLAMES at Brewster, N. Y., destroyed several business buildings, causing a loss of \$100,000.

THE Winnebago Indians at the reservation near Black River Falls, Wis., were suffering terribly from the cold, the mercury being 40 degrees below zero.

IN a quarrel at Dallas, Tex., Albert Grant shot Fannie Howard and then killed himself.

JAMES KELLY and Tobe Hines, two farmers living near Truxton, Mo., engaged in a quarrel that resulted fatally to both.

E. C. ALLEN fatally shot his wife and shot and killed Bert Van Tassel in a restaurant at Rice Lake, Wis. He alleged that the two were criminally intimate.

DIPTHERIA and scarlet fever were epidemic at Danville, Pa., and all public gatherings had been prohibited.

The pope has decided to establish a permanent apostolic delegation in the United States, and has nominated George Satolli to be the first delegate.

MISS ETHEL CARY, an estimable young lady aged 22, shot and killed an unknown man at Crawford, Tenn., who attempted to assault her.

Mrs. M. M. ANDERSON, of Pulaski, has been elected assistant sergeant-at-arms of the Arkansas legislature. This is the first time a woman has been elected to that position.

INTENSELY cold weather was reported from all portions of the country, the thermometer ranging from 26 degrees below zero in the north to 10 below in the south. At Knoxville, Tenn., and vicinity over a dozen persons froze to death.

ROBBERS fired a temple at Kam Li, China, which was filled with natives who were watching a theatrical performance, and 1,400 lives were lost.

A LAW passed by the Colombian congress decrees ample funds for the gradual exchange of paper money for silver.

A BAND of brigands made a descent upon a church at Pego, Spain, killed a priest named Suarez and one of his assistants, and then stole the altar service.

THE emigrants who left German ports for the United States in 1892 numbered 108,820.

THE weather throughout Europe was intensely cold. In Russia the mercury fell to 69 degrees centigrade below zero, and in Siberia to 79 degrees below zero. In Hungary it was 40 below.

A TRAIN on the Congo railway collided with a wagon loaded with dynamite near Matadi, an explosion followed and fifty persons were killed.

THE body of a woman cut in 178 pieces was found in a coffee sack in the street at Moscow. Nothing had been learned as to the identity of her murderer.

THE French steamship St. Marie ran down an Italian bark off Villa Franca during a heavy fleet storm and the bark went down with all her crew of thirteen men.

FRANCES ANNE KEMBLE (Mrs. Pierce Butler), once a well-known actress, died in London, aged 84 years.

J. N. MITTELBURGER, treasurer of St. Charles county, Mo., was said to be \$10,000 short in his accounts.

GRANDVILLE STEVENSON, second engineer, and Henry Thompson, third engineer of the British steamship Glenbervie, were suffocated on that vessel in New York by coal gas.

A four story warehouse in Philadelphia collapsed, and seven men were caught in the ruins, three of whom were killed and one injured.

THE first regular session of the twenty-fifth annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage association was opened in Washington.

IN the United States the visible supply of grain on the 16th was: Wheat, 82,081,000 bushels; corn, 13,260,000 bushels; oats, 5,903,000 bushels; rye, 1,044,000 bushels; barley, 2,185,000 bushels.

KORNEL LOTH, the murderer of Mrs. Demasek, met death by electricity at Clinton prison in Dannemora, N. Y.

IN the trial at Pittsburgh of the Homestead poisoning case Patrick Gallagher, the cook upon whose confession the charges of poisoning were made, said that Hugh Dempsey, master workman of the Knights of Labor, gave him powders to place in the coffee and tea that was to be given to the non-unionists.

C. R. RYAN & Co., wholesale grocers at Memphis, Tenn., failed for \$150,000.

THE new \$100,000 courthouse at Dubuque, Ia., was dedicated with imposing ceremonies and a banquet.

GISEBERT WAESCHER, of Chicago, arrived in San Francisco after riding horseback overland from Chicago. It took him ninety-eight days to travel the 3,000 miles.

A MAIL car on the East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia railroad was totally destroyed by fire near Selma, Ala., and all United States mail and southern express matter was burned.

MICHAEL J. KELLY, famous catcher and right fielder of the old Boston baseball team, made his debut as a theatrical star in New York.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL

LEWIS BAKER died suddenly at his home in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., in the 101st year of his age. He leaves three sons—Alexander, aged 80; Nicholas, aged 77, and Cyrus, aged 72.

UPON canvassing the returns of the election on November 8 in Arkansas it was shown that the amendment to the constitution requiring an elector to exhibit a poll tax receipt before he can vote at an election was adopted.

DR. SAMUEL LOGAN, aged 63, one of the oldest and most prominent physicians in the south, died suddenly in his office in New Orleans.

THE official canvass of the vote cast in Nebraska at the recent election showed that the republican governor and other state officers were elected and Gov. Crouse was duly inaugurated.

WILLIAM H. WICKHAM, mayor of New York city during 1875 and 1876, died in that city, aged 65 year.

GERALM HARVEY, known throughout Indiana as the oldest odd fellow in the state and the founder of the first newspaper in Grant county, died at Marion at the age of 88 years.

STATE SENATOR FRED BORN, the oldest member of the Wisconsin legislature, died at his home in Cedarburg at the age of 77 years. He had served in the legislature almost constantly for forty-five years, having been elected to the first state senate in 1848.

HORACE SMITH, founder, with D. B. Wesson, of the celebrated firm of Smith & Wesson, revolver manufacturers, died suddenly of heart failure at his home in Springfield, Mass.

JAMES COMSTOCK, a veteran of the Mexican war, died at Carthage, Mo., aged 70 years.

THE COLD WAVE.

Jack Frost's Power Felt in All Parts of the World.

WABASH, Ind., Jan. 16.—At 6 o'clock Sunday morning the thermometer registered 20 below zero, the coldest in over twenty years. The increased cold was felt before midnight and steam was kept up in all the factories. Stock is suffering severely, and there is no doubt that all fruit is killed. A high wind is blowing from the southwest and another cold night is imminent. The natural gas supply is abundant and of good quality.

LEBANON, Ind., Jan. 16.—Through misunderstanding of orders between employees of the natural gas company the supply of this city, which comes through a pipe line 20 miles in length, was shut off about 11 o'clock Sunday morning with the thermometer 15 degrees below zero. There was great suffering among the people. Church services were discontinued and most of the population went to bed to keep warm. The supply came on again at 3 o'clock.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 16.—The Ohio river is frozen completely over at this point and river traffic is entirely closed. This is the first time in fourteen years that the river has been frozen over, and the coldest weather for eight years has been suffered Sunday, the thermometer registering 5 degrees below zero at 7 a.m. From Newburgh, 12 miles above here, to Henderson, 13 below, there is a solid gorge of ice, in some places piled several feet high.

JOLET, Ill., Jan. 16.—The city is threatened with a coal famine. Freight trains on all the roads have been abandoned because of the snow blockade, and the supply is nearly exhausted. For nearly a week dealers have been doing out coal to their customers in small quantities, hoping to be able to replenish their stocks soon, but the outlook is just now very dubious.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Jan. 16.—The mercury broke its record for this season Saturday night by getting down to 22 degrees below zero mark. In fact Saturday night was the coldest in this city in eight years. Saturday the coal supply of both Champaign and Urbana was exhausted, and a great many families are suffering on account of lack of fuel.

GREENSBURG, Pa., Jan. 16.—A little child of David McCracken, of Log in's Ferry, was frozen to death Saturday. The baby was 2 months old. Mrs. McCracken, wrapping the child up, started to walk to Parnassus, a distance of 2 miles. When she arrived there the babe was frozen stiff.

MASCOUTAH, Ill., Jan. 16.—The mercury from St. Clair, Washington, Clinton and adjoining counties in the great wheat-growing section of southern Illinois indicate that the growing crop has been badly injured by the December drought and the exceeding cold weather of the last two weeks. An accurate estimate of the damage cannot be made at this time. The thermometer registered 9 degrees below zero here Sunday, the coldest in years.

CAPES CHARLES, Va., Jan. 16.—Snow fell early Sunday morning, covering the peninsula from 11 to 14 inches deep. The mercury is at 10 degrees. It was the coldest day since 1857. Steamers between Cape Charles and Norfolk are making their trips with much difficulty on account of the ice. At Smith's island ice extends a mile and a half into the ocean.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 16.—Sunday was bitterly cold. The Cumberland is frozen from bank to bank and during the day was visited by thousands looking at the unusual sight. Ponds near the city have been crowded with skaters, a scene rarely seen here.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 16.—Dispatches to the Sun from all parts of Maryland show that the mercury marks below zero in the eastern shore counties, as well as in the western and mountainous section of the state, Salisbury reports 10 degrees below zero, and in the country round about birds, fowl and rabbits are found in large quantities frozen to death. There is much suffering among cattle in the marshes and many will die. The Wicomico and Nanticoke rivers are frozen solid for miles, and in many places the ice is banked up 5 feet high in the lower Wicomico.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The weather throughout Europe is intensely cold. In Russia the mercury is reported to have fallen to 69 degrees centigrade below zero and in Siberia to 79 degrees below zero. Wood fires are kept burning in the streets of St. Petersburg for the benefit of wayfarers. Even the double windows of houses are coated. In the south of Russia the mercury indicates 45 degrees of frost. All river and canal traffic in Germany is interrupted. Navigation on the Baltic has almost ceased. The pontoon bridges on the Rhine have been raised in. In some parts of Hungary the thermometer is 52 degrees below zero centigrade, and in Constantinople train cars and cabs have stopped running and snow has blocked all traffic in the suburbs. Even telegraphic communication in Turkey is generally interrupted. Many deaths from cold have occurred.

THE national League for Good Roads met in annual convention at Washington.

FIRE completely destroyed the home of the Calumet club in Chicago, entailing a loss of \$250,000 on the building and contents. Martin A. Redfield died from the effects of the flames and a domestic named Kittie McCabe was missing.

MARTIN MILLER, aged 30, was killed and his wife Kate, aged 43, fatally injured by their sleigh being struck by an engine near Belfast, Pa.

SIXTEEN of a wandering band of gypsies were frozen to death near Koniggratz, Bohemia.

UNITED STATES senators were elected as follows: Michigan, Francis B. Stockbridge (rep.); Indiana, David Turpie (dem.); Tennessee, W. B. Bate (dem.); New York, Edward Murphy (dem.); Massachusetts, Henry Cabot Lodge (rep.); Connecticut, Joseph R. Hawley (rep.); Maine, Eugene Hale (rep.); Delaware, George Gray (dem.).

A FREIGHT train crashed into a large sleigh-load of people at Lonsdale, R. I., killing eight of the occupants and injuring a dozen others.

A TRAIN took fire near Samara, Russia, while running at full speed, from an overturned stove, and forty-nine persons were burned to death, and many others were injured.

GEORGE T. WEIRS took the oath of office in Trenton and was duly installed governor of New Jersey.