

## SOME GREAT EVENTS.

Transpiring at the Columbian Exposition Daily.

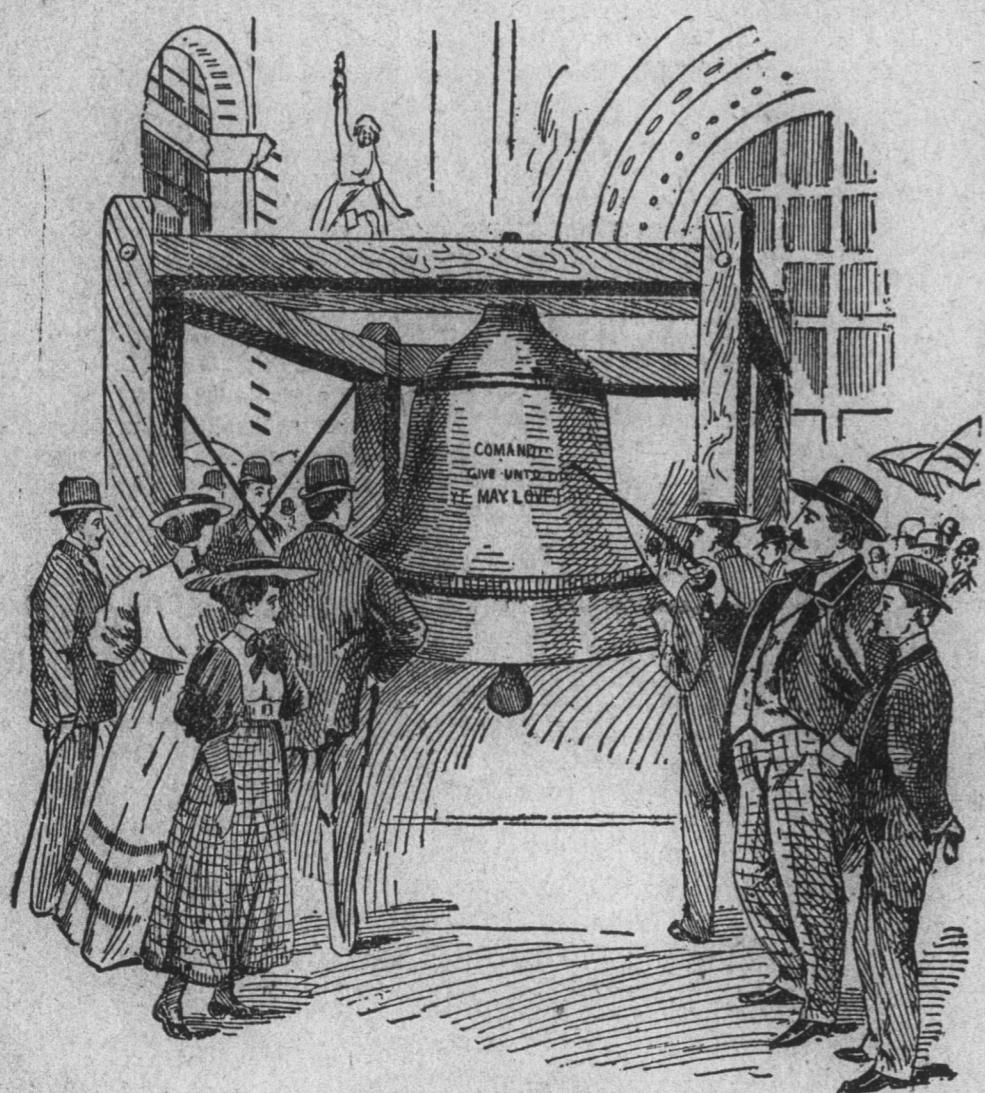
The New Liberty Bell Proclaims Freedom for All Religious Leaders in Congress—State Celebrations.

[Special Chicago Correspondence.]

 S the Columbian fair draws nearer to its close the fun grows fast and furious. That is to say the bustle and excitement grows space. Day in and day out the great programme of events is carried out, and so numerous and varied are its features that

several of the greater events are often crowded into one day. For instance, last Saturday, September 9, the Grand Army of the Republic held a grand meeting in the fair grounds at the same time the Californians were holding high carnival at their state building. Another momentous event occurred on the same day, namely, the dedication of the new Liberty bell, which had just arrived from its birthplace at Troy, N. Y., where it was made to the order of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The grand army men and the Californians took an active part in the dedication of the new bell and the three events were combined, making of the day one of the most memorable periods of the world's fair season.

The bell is one of the finest castings ever made. Not a flaw is in the metal. It is composed of a curious compound of precious and base metals. More than ten thousand dollars' worth of old gold and silver ornaments, coins and jewelry were contributed by the patriotic members of the order. An old cent which was worth one hundred dollars from its historical association was contributed. The tone is very sweet because of the quality of the casting and the metal. It weighs six and a half tons—thirteen thousand



THE NEW LIBERTY BELL.

pounds. Although it is one of the largest bells of the world, it does not approach in size that of the enormous bell at Moscow, which weighs twenty-five thousand pounds.

The bell is six feet high and eight feet in circumference at the mouth. It has a bright luster of a brass nature. There are three inscriptions on it, one at the top ridge, another in the center and one at the lower edge. The upper one reads: "Glory to God in the highest, on earth good will toward men."

The central inscription is: "A new command I give unto ye, that ye love one another." The lower is: "Proclaim liberty throughout the land and unto the inhabitants thereof."

This Columbian liberty and peace bell is attracting world-wide notice, and it is indeed a worthy successor of the old clarion of independence; but it is not nor never will be regarded with the same reverence that is lavished on the decrepit veteran that runs defiance to the forces of Great Britain, when this great nation was but a puny commonwealth taking its first lessons in self-government on the shores of the Atlantic.

The dedication ceremonies of the new bell were very impressive and inspiring, many noted people taking part and delivering eloquent addresses. The bell is suspended from a huge framework immediately in front of the eastern entrance of the Administration building, from which proud position its tones go ringing through the grand Court of Honor and out upon the blue waters of old Lake Michigan.

At the present writing there is in session at the fair the greatest assemblage of religious leaders the world has ever seen, representative exponents of every religious creed under the sun. This meeting is certainly a most extraordinary affair, and it is undoubtedly of great import among the religions of the world. During the sessions of this most remarkable congress the different leaders of moral and religious teachings ventilate their respective views and compare notes on the means of bringing the people of all lands to a higher state of morality and intellectuality. To behold the fraternization of teachers of men so widely divergent in their tenets and views is in truth a marvel for the age to contemplate with the most earnest commendation.

The celebrations among the various

state buildings are still attracting immense crowds. During the last few days New York, Kansas and Maryland as well as California have kept open house to the world, and in each instance the affair has been a great success. The state of Indiana has fixed upon September 27 as Indiana day at the fair, on which occasion the Hoosiers will doubtless create a big splurge.

The big cows and horses have about had their day at the fair, and they are to be followed by the smaller stock animals in their turn. The live stock show has been an unqualified success thus far, and the management is to be congratulated upon the eminently satisfactory manner in which it has conducted the very difficult and onerous affair throughout. Hundreds of prizes have been awarded in the various classes and the whole thing has been without any jarring or ill feeling that was apparent.

### PEOPLE WHO EAT.

Outdoor Dinner Parties Popular Among World's Fair Visitors.

Dining in the open air is one of the enjoyments of the fair. Never before has anyone seen so many people eating in open nooks and corners as may be seen almost any day, except Sunday, at the great exposition. The weather just now is peculiarly agreeable for this sort of gastronomic entertainment. There is usually a cool, refreshing breeze from the lake which seems to act on the system as a tonic and "appetizer," like a cocktail or a glass of sherry before dinner.

The visitors who bring their lunches are legion, and they seem to be eating at all hours and in every imaginable spot where seats can be found. They are nearly always in family groups, oblivious to their surroundings, and fully bent on taking solid comfort. They carry their lunch, as a rule, in boxes or cheap wooden baskets, which can be discarded when the contents have been swallowed.

The live stock pavilion, with its great amphitheater of shady seats, now that it is not occupied, furnishes a most desirable lunching spot for visitors from the country. Over along the lake shore, wherever benches or boxes are found to sit upon, many lunch parties are always to be seen. The terraces at the

## INDIANA STATE NEWS.

REESE GREESON, a young farmer near Centerton, Morgan county, committed suicide by cutting his wind pipe. He was despondent over debts. He left a family.

The Newcastle health board quarantined that city against Muncie, prohibiting the landing of passengers from trains from the smallpox-infected gas town. Orders were also issued for all school children to be vaccinated.

BURGLARS ransacked the stores of C. Clark & Co. and Walter Johnson and the post office of Monrovia. They succeeded in carting off several hundred dollars' worth of goods.

WORD from Kingwood is that the Whitecaps have burned the home of the Lamberts, whose son killed Samuel Hannah, as the outcome of a family feud, and the Lamberts have left the neighborhood.

T. B. RYAN, of Rolling Prairie, LaPorte county, has just returned from New York a sadder but wiser man.

Ryan, who is a prosperous farmer, received several green goods circulars, and, becoming interested in the scheme, made the trip to New York, met the sharpers by appointment and parted with his all. He invested \$200 in the project.

THE case of Perry Gilbert came up for trial in the circuit court at Bedford the other day, but the jury failed to agree and was discharged. The judge fixed Gilbert's bond at \$2,000 to appear at the next term. He is charged with killing Granville Cook at Mitchell during the fall of 1888, and he was captured at Ottawa, Ill., a few months ago.

Gilbert comes from a good family, but commenced to drink of recent years, hence the trouble.

In the circuit court at Columbus Adam Keller, a capitalist, filed a \$10,000 suit against Miller & Wichman, implement dealers, alleging that Miller has been guilty of forgery.

THE anti-Catholic organizations in Indiana have been so active of late that they have brought many people to believe that there is danger of a Catholic movement to secure control of the state government. Gov. Matthews, who was petitioned to suppress the anticipated resolution, has written a letter silencing the absurd reports.

Gov. MATTHEWS, the other day, paroled Martin Moran, an Indianapolis saloon-keeper, who was sentenced a year ago to two years for shooting Tom Kane. The latter never fully recovered. Wm. Lee, of Vigo county, convicted in 1887 and sent up for thirteen years for horse-stealing, was also paroled.

A NOVEL feature of an election for ditch commissioner held in Jasper county recently, was the exercise of the right of franchise by fifty members of the gentler sex. This is the first instance on record in Northern Indiana that woman's suffrage has been practically demonstrated.

FRANK STEPHENS died of small-pox at Muncie, the other day, making the third death out of about seventy cases. There have been no new cases for three days, and the situation is much brighter. The attempt of other towns to quarantine Muncie people by ignoring health officers' certificates was a failure. No Muncie people can leave the city without proper credentials, and the state says they go.

ANOTHER sensational incident was added to the state normal school imbroglio a few days ago, when announcement was made that the trustees had dropped Prof. W. B. Woods, who holds the chair of grammar and composition. Prof. Woods is one of the members of the faculty, being a member of it for twelve years, and his removal has caused a great stir, especially as the correspondence between Prof. Woods and President Parsons, which published the other day, shows that he was removed because of his alleged sympathy with the deposed Prof. Tompkins and the disaffected students.

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tops of buildings, the porches and verandas of state buildings, the shady corners under the peristyle, and above all the green spots on the wooded island, offer special attractions to the picnic parties.

The scenes at these places between twelve and two o'clock are most diverting and sometimes quite amusing. The impromptu tables are filled with all sorts and conditions of people. A party of four, two pretty women and a couple of men in sunney attire, will be seen next to a group of students in queer costume with flowing cravats. Near by a couple who have no time to observe their surroundings will be busily engaged with each other. But most of those who are eating engage in animated conversation about the marvels of the fair all around them, making gestures, pointing out certain buildings which they want to inspect more completely, and sometimes laughing aloud at a witicism offered by some vivacious member of the party.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

### Quite Likely.

"Did I understand ye to read that there was upards of two hundred an' forty thousand folks at that Chicago show in one day, Ezry?" inquired Uncle Tobias Slocum of his son.

"Them was the figgers!" responded Ezra, solemnly.

"An' there wa'n't no crowd, even then?" asked Uncle Tobias, after a pause.

"No crowd anywhere," said Ezra.

There was a long silence, broken only by the fluttering of the newspaper in Ezra's hand, as the breeze blew at the window.

"Well," said Uncle Tobias, at last, drawing a long breath, "I ain't prepared to doubt the papers, an' I know they've got a powerful lot of land set apart for that show, but it does appear to me that if I'd been on hand along with them two hundred and forty thousand folks, I sh'd have calculated that there'd be here an' there a man!"

Youth's Companion.

"Wasn't it awful about Helen swallowing her new engagement ring?" "Oh! no. It wasn't half so hard to swallow as the stories Tom told her about his wealth."—Inter Ocean.

"My hair," murmured Van Arndt sadly as he strove carefully to conceal the bald spot on his head, "reminds me of a fool and his money."—Puck.

## IN A BLAZING THEATER.

Fire Breaks Out in the Canton (Ill.) Opera House During a Performance—One Man Missing—Many Persons Injured.

CANTON, Ill., Sept. 20.—The new opera house at this place was burned to the ground Tuesday night during the progress of a play and eighteen persons were burned, some of them fatally. No one is known to have been killed outright, but one man, Peter Curry, is missing and is thought to have perished in the flames. The estimated money loss is \$100,000. The list of injured is:

P. K. Sean, Pierre Morganson, Wilbur Dobbin, Elmer Martin, John Thomas, John Peckham, James Hock, John Bell, W. C. Wagoner, Dan Wills, Philander Downing, Riley Miller, Ernest McVan, Lawrence Seward, Martin Moran, Fred Walsh, Arthur Stevens, John Brady.

The Baldwin-Melville company was playing "Michael Strogoff." During the battle scene in the third act the fireworks exploded, setting fire to the scenery. Instantly the audience was in an uproar, but the manager hastened to the front of the stage and urged every one to remain in his seat, saying there was no danger. This checked the panic for a moment, and it was this short delay in clearing the house that came near causing terrible loss of life.

In less than a minute after the curtain dropped a sheet of flames burst from the stage, rolled along the ceiling of the gallery and enveloped those in that part of the house who had not yet escaped. Many of those in the gallery jumped to the balcony below, crushing and bruising themselves and those upon whom they fell. Their cries of pain could be heard for blocks. As quickly as possible those who were unable to walk were carried into the various drug stores about the public square on which the opera house was situated and physicians were summoned.

It is believed there are bodies in the ruins, but only one person, a tailor named Peter Curry, who is known to have been in the gallery, is not yet accounted for. There were, however, a number of strangers in the house. In less time than it takes to tell it the opera house was a mass of flames. The firemen were helpless to stay their progress and in less than twenty minutes the roof fell in. The flames spread to the opera house block, completely destroying it. For two hours the firemen worked before they had the fire under control.

The third story of the opera house block was occupied by the masonic lodge. Only the records were saved. The second story was occupied by the offices of the Canton Masonic Mutual Insurance company, Dr. Whiting, dentist, and G. R. Cobleigh a living room. But little was saved from this story.

The first floor was occupied by Woods & Wonderly, dry goods, and Schradzki & Sklarek, clothiers. The greater portion of these stocks were removed into the street. The loss on the opera house block and the goods will amount to \$100,000. The Baldwin-Melville company lost everything, the members escaping with only the costumes they had on. Walter S. Baldwin, the manager, lost \$2,000 in cash, which was left in one of his coat pockets on the stage. Some of the members of the company escaped from under the stage by forcing off the heavy wire grating. None of them were seriously injured.

### TO RESTORE THE MONARCHY.

Days of the Brazilian Republic Thought to Be Numbered.

LONDON, Sept. 20.—An important dispatch is said to have been received in this city from Rio de Janeiro. The dispatch says that Santos is expected every hour to declare itself in favor of the insurgents. It is added that the position of President Peixoto is desperate and no doubt is entertained in Rio of the success of the revolution, which, it is claimed, is almost certain to be followed by the deposition of the deposed Prof. Tompkins and the disaffected students.

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### FREAKS OF NATURE.

Dr. J. C. Brynes, of Dalton, Ga., has a cat which in some respects resembles a kangaroo. The fore feet are much shorter than the hind ones, and it scurries over the ground just like the Australian animal.

A BEWITCHED apple, with a blood-red drop inside, grows on several trees in Norwich, Conn. It is called the "Mike apple," after a farmer named Mike, who over two hundred years ago was supposed to have killed a peddler and buried the body under one of his apple trees.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

# Royal Baking Powder

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"Did you know you were doing wrong when you counterfeited that dollar?" asked the judge of the young culprit. "No, I didn't judge. The fact is the engraving work on that dollar I made is worth two dollars and fifty cents any day."—Harper's Bazaar.

### CHEAP EXCURSIONS to the West.

An exceptionally favorable opportunity for visiting the richest and most productive sections of the west and northwest will be afforded by the series of low rate harvest excursions which have been arranged by the New York Central, which will be held on September 13th and October 10th, 1883, to points in North-Western Iowa, Western Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Manitoba, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and Utah, and will be good for return passage within twenty days from date of sale. Stop-over privileges will be allowed in going trip in territory to which the tickets are sold.

For information call at the address of Ticket Agents of connecting lines. Circular giving rates and detailed information will be mailed free, upon application to W. A. Thrall, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago & North-Western Railway, Chicago.

WHEN a child is learning his letters, it is hard work at first, but, after he gets as far as A, B, C, D, it is then a matter of E's for him.

The man who "has the pull" at a picnic is generally the thoughtful chap who has brought a flask.—Boston Bulletin.

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