

The People's Pilot

RENSSELAER, : : INDIANA.

The News Condensed.

Important Intelligence From All Parts.

CONGRESSIONAL.

In the senate the Hawaiian question was again discussed on the 13th and a resolution calling upon the president for further information in the matter was referred to the committee on foreign affairs. In the house the bill for the admission of Utah to statehood was passed without division with an amendment prohibiting polygamy forever. Mr. Hatch's new anti-opium bill was introduced. It reduces the tax levied by the former bill one-half.

SENATOR VOORHEES introduced a bill in the senate on the 14th for the collection of silver dollars and the retirement of small denominations of gold and paper. The house bill to repeal the federal election laws was reported and placed on the calendar. Adjourned to the 15th.

In the house the bill to improve the methods of accounting in the post office department was passed. An effort to proceed with the bills admitting New Mexico and Arizona as states failed owing to the lack of a quorum.

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DOMESTIC.

W. A. RICHARDS, agent of the Sun Insurance company of San Francisco, disappeared with \$10,000 belonging to the company.

ROBBERS broke into a jail at Paris, Mo., and stole a large sum of money from a drunken prisoner.

JOHN ARMSTRONG was hanged at Athens, Tenn., for the murder of French Sharp in April last.

The large stable of H. L. Denenick at California, Mo., was destroyed by fire, together with eight valuable horses.

RENOUCED by Ida Hall, his sweetheart, Edward Handfield shot her fatally at Denver and then killed himself.

FIRE burned William H. Fear's dry goods house in Troy, N. Y., the latest in the city, the loss being \$400,000.

OWING to failure of the government to pay overdue lease money the Kaw Indians in Kansas were said to be starving.

THE New York board of health declares consumption to be contagious and asks for a hospital for its exclusive treatment.

INFLUENCED by a dream Mrs. Radie Hewitt, of Mount Summit, Ind., refused to marry William Norton on the wedding day.

THE Sun Vapor Street Light company at Canton, O., went into the hands of a receiver, with liabilities of over \$300,000.

E. L. DICKER, the big cigarette manufacturer at Durham, N. C., failed for \$500,000.

An express train on the Pennsylvania road was wrecked near Nanticoke, Pa., and twelve persons were injured.

SEVEN men were injured, three probably fatally, by the falling of a section of the roof of an icehouse at Bellaire, O.

THE Bank of Rushville, Neb., was closed by the state banking board.

THREE miners were fatally injured by a falling cage in Ward's mine at Moberly, Mo.

THE J. W. Warren & Co.'s hardware establishment at Troy, N. Y., was burned, the loss being \$200,000.

VICAR GENERAL McCABE, of the Providence (R. I.) diocese, was found dead in bed at the parochial residence.

DURING the year now closing nearly 13 per cent. of the entire railway mileage of the United States, representing over 12 per cent. of the entire capitalization, has gone into the hands of receivers.

BARBER shops in Kansas City, Mo., will hereafter be closed on Sunday.

EX-CONGRESSMAN JOHN CESSNA died at Bradford, Pa., in his 73d year. He was a member of the Forty-first and Forty-third congresses.

CHAIRMAN CARTER of the republican national committee issued a call for a meeting of the executive committee at the Arlington hotel, Washington, January 11.

EARTHQUAKE shocks were felt at Carmi and Albion, Ill., and at Evansville and Mount Vernon, Ind. No damage was done.

GREAT suffering was reported among the farmers in northwestern Nebraska on account of failure of the crops during the last three years.

FOR killing father, sister and step-mother Charles J. Luckey was hanged at Brockville, Ont. He protested his innocence.

THE Farmers' national congress at Savannah, Ga., elected D. F. Clayton, of Iowa, as president.

JOHN Y. MCKANE, the Gravesend (N. Y.) chief of police, was sentenced to thirty days in jail and a fine by Judge Barnard for offenses against the elective franchise at the last state election.

AFTER a separation of fifty years William C. Burner and Mrs. Childs, a sister, met at Lima, O.

ANGELO ZAPPA was hanged at Pittsburgh, Pa., for murdering Frank Helmsstetter in July, 1892, in a rowing out of a quarrel between the wives of the two men.

THE Arcade and several blocks at Buffalo, N. Y., were destroyed by fire, the loss being estimated at \$750,000.

By direction of the president Secretary Carlisle called for twenty-four resignations in the treasury service.

THE Indiana supreme court holds that residence property can recover damages caused by the presence of a saloon.

THE exchanges at the leading clearing houses in the United States during the week ended on the 15th aggregated \$1,915,882,558, against \$1,118,437,567, the previous week. The decrease, compared with the corresponding week in 1892, was 22.7.

THE fourth span of the great bridge over the Ohio from Louisville, Ky., to Jeffersonville, Ind., fell and thirty-three workmen were killed and many others were injured.

THERE were 339 business failures in the United States (including seven banks) in the seven days ended on the 15th, against 386 the week previous and 279 in the corresponding time in 1892.

THE Crane iron company of Philadelphia failed for \$700,000.

IN the Indiana gas belt over 20,000 men were out of employment and their families dependent on charity for support.

EXECUTIONS took place as follows: Arthur Courtney and Henry Taylor (colored) at Princess Anne, Md., for the murder of Capt. Cooper, and Dick Robinson at Sedalia, Mo., for the murder of a German domestic named Johanna Schollman.

EFFORTS will be made by the police to keep out the horde of tramps now flocking to Chicago.

A WRECK on the New York and Pennsylvania road about 6 miles north of Dunkirk, N. Y., resulted in the loss of eight lives and the injury to others.

HARRISBURG, Ill., was struck by a tornado which uprooted houses, uprooted trees and did other damage.

THE available stocks of wheat in the United States and Canada, according to Bradstreet's, are 107,826,000 bushels.

FARMER JACOB FOX, living near Lima, O., signed a thirty-day note for \$5,000 believing it was a contract for a piano.

An old lady named Mrs. Jettie Eitel was sent to the deaconess home at Evansville, Ind., and cried herself to death.

TREASURER ARMSTRONG, of Tipton county, Ind., was found guilty of embezzling \$30,000 and sentenced to a year's imprisonment.

IN a fight between cattlemen and "drifters" near San Angelo, Tex., four men were killed.

A STONE wrecked an express train at Bamford Station, Pa., and sixteen persons were injured.

THAT female teachers are driving males out of the profession is shown by the report of the school superintendent of Iowa.

TRADE throughout the country was said to be very dull, distress among idle operatives was conspicuous, and contributions in aid of the suffering unemployed were a feature of the holiday season.

EFFORTS were being made to save the neck of Wilson Howard, held at Jefferson, Mo., for over thirty murders.

ON her official trial trip the United States cruiser Olympia made a record of 21.67 knots an hour.

PETE NOLAN, a pugilist, had both ears chewed half off in a fight at Cincinnati with Jim Waters, a circus man.

THE aldermen of Mankato, Kan., passed an ordinance fining anyone whistling "After the Ball" fifty cents.

ONE HUNDRED volumes of the original edition of Prof. J. D. Dana's work on "Crustacea of America" were consumed in a fire at New Haven, Conn. They were valued at \$100,000.

HENRY G. GIVENS (colored) was lynched near Nebo, Ky. He was accused of poisoning stock.

By a wreck on the Seaboard Air Line road near Athens, La., twelve passengers and several trainmen were hurt.

MRS. ADLER, near Brighton, Ia., threw her husband into a well and then filled him with bird shot.

A. H. PHILLEY was swindled by "Kidney" Meyer and Joe Blum at Sioux City, Ia., and he shot and killed both men.

THE grip was epidemic in Connecticut. Reports showed that there were more than 1,500 cases in the state.

THE National Carbon company's works in Cleveland, O., were burned, the loss being \$175,000.

THREE persons and 300 hogs and 100 cattle were killed in a wreck on the Chesapeake & Ohio Southwestern road near Louisville, Ky.

SOUTH BUFFALO, N. Y., was flooded by the overflow of a creek and 2,500 persons were homeless as a result. Thirty miles of streets and all adjacent land were under water.

THE Terminal Elevator company's buildings at Buffalo, N. Y., were burned at a late hour. Loss, \$1,000,000.

THE American Federation of Labor in session in Chicago reelected Samuel Gompers president by a majority of ninety-two votes.

IN many localities in Texas cattle were perishing by thousands. No rain had fallen for five months.

IT was estimated that the cost of the Lehigh valley railway strike to the several brotherhoods would reach \$105,000.

LOUIS MAY, his wife, Bessy Paul, his father-in-law, and James Hilliard and Henry Williams, of Freeport, Fla., were capsized while crossing Choctawhatchie bay in a skiff and all were drowned.

P. E. HALDEMAN, superintendent of a coal mine at Piedmont, Va., was killed and robbed of \$5,000.

THE president's Hawaiian policy, with all the accompanying correspondence since March 4, 1893, with a special message, was spread before congress. The president gives his reasons for the belief that the overthrow of the queen was the result of the active efforts of ex-Minister Stevens. Having asserted that the United States was responsible for the revolt, the message deals with the moral obligation of this government to right a wrong. The president says Mr. Willis was instructed to advise the queen that this country desired to repair the wrong done her by restoring her to the throne, providing those engaged in the revolution were not punished, and that the queen declined to accede to the condition of amnesty.

THE visible supply of grain in the United States on the 18th was: Wheat, 80,129,000 bushels; corn, 6,652,000 bushels; oats, 3,384,000 bushels; rye, 598,000 bushels; barley, 2,732,000 bushels.

THE Benwood ironworks, the Top mill and the Wheeling plants of the Wheeling Iron and Steel company were closed at Bellaire, O., because the men struck against a reduction of wages and 3,000 workmen were idle.

WAR between the sheepmen and cattlemen has broken out afresh in Colorado and many sheep have been slaughtered.

EDWARD PAYSON WESTON, the old-time pedestrian, started on a walk from Bowling Green, N. Y., to Albany, a distance of 143 miles.

DURING the lake season just closed 16,000,000 barrels of flour were received and handled at Buffalo, N. Y. The value of the product was between \$30,000,000 and \$40,000,000.

WALLACE, Deaton, Shelton and Bronson, who robbed the International express at Duval, Tex., confessed in court and were sentenced each to thirty-five years imprisonment.

ABRAHAM STEERS, a New York lumber dealer and manufacturer, failed for \$415,000.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

THE official canvass of the vote at the November election in New York gives the republicans both branches of the legislature, and the constitutional convention will be composed of Republicans, 110; democrats, 65. Maynard (dem.) for court of appeals was beaten by 101,064.

CHARLES ROBERT THORNE, the veteran actor and manager, died in San Francisco, aged 79 years.

MRS. PORTER, widow of Admiral Porter, died at her home in Washington, aged 74 years.

MRS. MATILDA HARPER (colored) died at Peoria, Ill., at the age of 105 years.

DR. DAVID THAYER, who aided John Brown in his plans to free the slaves, died at Boston. He was 80 years old.

JOHN L. PORTER, designer and builder of the famous rebel ram Merrimack, died in Portsmouth, Va., in his 81st year.

MRS. SARAH FARLEY VAN NOSTRAND, died at her home in East Millston, N. J., aged 105 years, 3 months and 10 days.

GEORGE H. BAERCOCK, inventor of the shrapnel shell and the chromatic printing press, died at Plainfield, N. J., aged 62 years.

A. D. JONES, of Raleigh, N. C., consul general at Shanghai, China, died on the steamer at sea while on his way home on leave of absence.

SALLIE MCALISTER, whose weight was 700 pounds, died at her home in Springfield, Ky. She had been exhibited in museums.

UTAH's liberal party, the last vestige of the anti-Mormon organization, has disbanded.

FOREIGN.

MEXICAN soldiers were defeated by revolutionists near Culiacan, Juarez and 100 regulars and twenty-five rebels were killed.

A PASSENGER train collided with a freight train near Sosnowice, Poland, and eleven persons were killed.

CHOLERA has broken out in the city of Namur, capital of the Belgian province of the same name.

FOURTEEN persons were killed and fifty injured in a railway collision near Zoznoska, Russia.

A PLEASURE yacht with fifteen people aboard capsized in the harbor at Sidney, N. S. W., during a squall and seven of the party were drowned.

FLAMES in several towns in Japan destroyed 340 houses, and in a tornado at Nayasaki 2,235 houses were wrecked and 43 persons were killed.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES WILLIAMS, living on a farm near Port Credit, Ont., were murdered by a farm hand.

LATER.

A BILL was introduced in the United States senate on the 19th to impose a discriminating duty on tea imported from this side of the Cape of Good Hope. The bill to repeal the federal election laws was discussed. The nomination of Wayne MacVeagh, of Pennsylvania, to be ambassador of the United States to Italy was received from the president. In the house a resolution was offered and referred to the committee on rules for the appointment of a committee of seven to investigate the Hawaiian question and the privileges of the house in such matters. The Wilson tariff measure was reported, and the urgent deficiency bill was passed.

HERMAN KLEVING, a carpenter out of work, fatally cut his wife's throat and his own in Cincinnati.

IN the Virginia legislature Gen. Eppa Hunton was elected United States senator for the short term and Thomas S. Martin for the long term.

THE banking firm of Joseph Steiner & Sons at Greenville, Ala., failed for \$100,000.

HALF the police force of Ironwood, Mich., was under arrest for stealing goods sent to the starving Gobeckian miners.

ROBBERS held up the attendants in a gambling house in Chicago and got away with \$4,000.

WHILE sleigh-riding at Burbank, S. D., Miss Dolly Hemphill and Miss Kate Stefani were fatally shot by their escort, a man called "Shorty" Babcock, who then killed himself. No cause was known.

THE private bank of Olmsted & Storms at Galesburg, Mich., has suspended.

UNITED STATES war ships will be sent in number to Brazilian waters to maintain the principles of the Monroe doctrine.

JOHN P. HOPKINS (dem.) defeated George B. Swift (republican) for mayor of Chicago by a plurality of 1,461.

THE firm of Kleine, Timberman & Co., dealers in woolen cloths in Cincinnati, failed for \$125,000.

L. P. RYAN and wife, aged 81 and 73 respectively, were found murdered at their home near Winchester, O.

HUNTER WILSON was killed and his wife fatally wounded by robbers in Baxter county, Ark.

MORE than sixty girls, from 14 to 18 years of age, have disappeared from Lynn, Mass., within the last three or four weeks, and it was thought they had been enticed away and hidden in Boston.

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DANIEL BOXWELL's little child was accidentally scalded to death in a tub at Huntington.

JOHN CRAIG's 18-month-old child fell out of a window at Noblesville and was fatally hurt.

THE marshal of Red Key, while walking along the tracks of the Panhandle railroad, saw a package lying near the end of the ties. He examined it and found it to be the body of an infant wrapped in paper. It was frozen. It had evidently been thrown from a passing train.

AT Portland the grand jury returned indictments against Joe Gemmill, Nim Williams, John Farris and Wm. Johnson, charging them with murderous assault. They are accused of attacking Will Elder, a dairyman, and nearly killing him.

THE Anderson Cathedral Glass Co. began the operation of its plant at Gas City a few days ago, after an idleness of more than five months. This plant was formerly operated by the American Glass Co.

JOSEPH HENDERSON, of Muncie, had his twelve-dollar pension suspended for further evidence last summer. He furnished the additional proofs and was restored to the rolls. He has now been cut to an eight dollar pension without any reason given.

MRS. JAMES MORAN, aged 72, was buried at Martinsville the other day. She was born in Ohio, and had resided continuously for forty-seven years in the house in which she died. She leaves five children—Mrs. F. D. Rindell, E. L. Moran, Milton Moran and Miss Jennie Moran, of Martinsville, and Mrs. J. N. Reames, of Urbana, O.

MR. J. M. WOODS, a prominent business man and secretary of the Citizens' Gas Co., committed suicide at Knights-town by shooting himself with a revolver. He had been sitting by the fire reading till nearly 2 o'clock, when his family was aroused by hearing a pistol shot. They rushed down stairs and found him sitting in his chair stone dead with a bullet hole in his right temple. He leaves a wife and son.

JOHN PIERSON, of North New Jersey, street, Indianapolis, reported to the coroner that while walking along the bank of Fall creek, near Meridian street, he had found a box containing the bodies of two infants.

MAX JACOBS, a clothing merchant of Napanee, assigned. Liabilities \$10,000. Assets \$14,000, \$5,000 of which is in book accounts not very available. Heavy losses in wool and slow collections the cause.

THE Terre Haute police have been notified of the operations of a man giving his name as Rev. A. M. Taylor, who, it is alleged, offers pianos for \$3 in advance, but never delivers the instrument.

THE wool growers of Wabash county are greatly alarmed at the prospect of the removal of the duty on wools provided in the Wilson bill, and, without regard to party affiliations, will take steps to enter an emphatic protest. Messrs. J. K. Haas and Ben Wolf, leading democrats, and among the largest wool growers in the county, together with Hon. C. Cowgill and J. W. Busick, have issued a call to the sheep owners to meet at the courthouse in Wabash on December 23, to formulate a protest which will be forwarded to the Indiana members of congress. The call, as published, sets out that the adoption of the Wilson measure means the destruction of the wool growing industry, representing an investment of \$300,000,000.

MICHAEL EZEKIEL, a prominent Hebrew citizen of Indianapolis, committed suicide in a most horrible form. He first cut his throat and then shot himself in the forehead. Ezekiel had been suffering from paresis for some time. He was forty-five years old and leaves a family.

AT Richmond, J. W. Fuller, alleged bank swindler, under \$3,000 bonds for attempting to cash a fraudulent \$5,000 draft, will plead guilty. There are fifteen cases against him in nearly as many states.

NEAR Noblesville John Badgely, aged thirty, a farmer, was instantly killed by foolishly trying to climb a falling tree, a limb striking him on the head and crushing his skull. He leaves a wife and one child.

A L. & N. switchman struck at Evansville because the ten per cent. reduction was not restored.

MARION STONEROCK and Hiram Devo, two well known young men of Bennett's, near Peru, were arrested for the stealing of all the fish in the private pond of James Brown. Seines were used.

WHEN the Louisville, Evansville and St. Louis train from the east arrived at Princeton the other night a babe of two weeks was found deserted, lying on a seat in one of the coaches. The little one was turned over to a police officer, who took it to his home, where it still remains. It is thought the mother deserted her child at the shops just east of the city. There is no clew to the mother.

AT Taylorsville, the other morning, Bennett Gohn, aged 32, was found hanging by the neck, dead. He had attached a play line to a beam and around his neck and jumped off a box, breaking his neck. He was a hopeless cripple and had grown despondent.

WILLIAM STEFFLER, of Muncie, has entered suit against the Common Sense Engine Co. for \$10,000. Fire from an emery wheel destroyed the sight of his eyes.

THE administrator of the estate of the late William M. Coburn, a farmer, has filed a damage suit against the Big Four Railway Co. for \$10,000. Coburn was killed at Elkhart.

IN the Columbus circuit court, on a plea of guilty, Judge Ford gave Samuel Fisher and Louis Lazell one year each for stealing one dozen chickens from John Crump some months ago.

JOHN W. SMALLWOOD and Ida May Smallwood, both of Terre Haute, were wedded at Marshall, Ill., the other day. They were a divorced couple, the woman having secured a decree only a few weeks ago on account of cruelty. She is but nineteen years old.

JAMES R. SOVEREIGN.

The New Grand Master Workman of the Knights of Labor.

The new grand master workman of the Knights of Labor, after a brief return to Des Moines, has gone east again and is now in Philadelphia making arrangements to sell the K. of L. property there in accordance with the instructions of the general assembly of the knights preparatory to removing the headquarters of the order either to Washington or Baltimore. "I propose," said Mr. Sovereign, when asked about his plans with reference to his work in the responsible position to which he has just been elected, "to go over the coun-



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