

HISTORY OF A WEEK.

THE NEWS OF SEVEN DAYS UP TO DATE.

Political, Religious, Social and Criminal Doings of the Whole World Carefully Condensed for Our Readers—The Accident Record.

CASUALTIES.

During a windstorm the wall of a building recently destroyed by fire fell upon the house of H. A. Vaughn at No. 745 Cedar avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. Tons of brick crashed through the roof, carrying down a portion of the upper floor. Mrs. F. O. Bradford, of Olmsted Falls, O., a sister of Mrs. Vaughn, was killed in her bed, and Miss Emma Dietrichs, a domestic, was badly injured.

A gale broke the ice on Lake Winnebago, Wis., Sunday and it was driven to the west shore in great masses, piling up to a height of twenty or thirty feet. Trees were uprooted and huge bowlders were moved like pebbles. Boat houses and all structures along the shores were wrecked. In Oshkosh North Park suffered greatly from the moving ice.

The fire which broke out in the business portion of Weston, W. Va., soon after midnight Sunday morning, destroyed property to the value of \$150,000, only about one-third of which is covered by insurance. The property burned was about one-half the business portion of the town, which is the seat of the state hospital for the insane.

Jim and Frank Tilman and Lucy Law were instantly killed by a rock crashing through the house where they were sleeping at Echo, a station forty miles west of Hinton, W. Va., Sunday morning. Two other members of the family were seriously injured. The house was situated at the foot of the mountain on the banks of the New River. An enormous ledge of rocks broke loose on the mountain side passing over coke ovens, tearing up the track of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad and breaking through the house. Henry Law, one of the occupants who escaped, had the presence of mind to rush out and flag an east-bound express train, which was just due, and while thawing a dynamite cartridge at Lewiston, N. Y., an Italian laborer was killed and Seymour Eddy lost both eyes.

FOREIGN.

The Egyptian debt commission paid the first installment from the reserve fund, amounting to £200,000 (\$1,000,000). Thursday of the money required for the expenses of the British-Egyptian expedition up the Nile.

Berlin's boerse committee has granted the special quotation of certificates of 6 per cent. first Northern Pacific bonds.

By an explosion of fire damp in a mine at Brunerton, New Zealand, five persons were killed outright and sixty more were entombed with no hope of being rescued.

A semi-official note has been issued stating that France will refuse to sanction the use of the Egyptian reserve fund for the purpose of the British-Egyptian expedition up the Nile to Dongola unless she receives precise pledges concerning the British evacuation of Egypt.

CRIME.

Charges have been preferred with Gov. Holcomb of Nebraska against Dr. J. H. Mackay, superintendent of the Norfolk Hospital for the Insane. They have been on file several days but the governor declines to give them in full to the press until Dr. Mackay has filed his answer. Dr. Mackay was at the capitol, but Gov. Holcomb was in Broken Bow, and no official action was taken in the matter. The doctor had written a letter explanatory of some of the charges. An official investigation may be ordered.

Near Antlers, I. T. Isaac Reuber killed Sheriff Battiest. He fired twenty-seven bullets into the body.

The governor of Missouri granted a stay of execution to Thomas Punshon, who was sentenced to be hanged in St. Joseph April 3, until May 6.

At Kansas City, Mo., Harry Hill, aged 28, a hotel porter, shot and killed his wife, aged 21, and then committed suicide. Hill had warned his wife against keeping company with a certain woman, who he said was disreputable. He met the two together and the crime followed.

Fred Gorrell, a molder of West Columbus, Ohio, aged 21, shot his wife, who is but 17, and then stood before a mirror and cut his throat with a razor. Gorrell died almost instantly, but his wife will recover. Jealousy was the cause of the affair.

While sitting in front of the San Francisco city hall on a police patrol wagon, of which he was driver, John Martin was shot three times and fatally wounded by his wife. She accused him of neglect, saying he had been away from home for several days, indulging an appetite for liquor.

At an early hour Sunday morning a double murder was committed on a farm seven miles east of Akron, Ohio. Alvin N. Stone, aged 68, and his wife, Serena, aged 63, are the victims, and Ira Stillson, the hired man, is fatally injured. Two daughters, Emma, aged 29, and Hattie, aged 23, are seriously injured, while a third daughter Flora, 16, is the only one of the entire household who escaped the assassin's murderous blows.

Hamilton Crusen, a wealthy farmer near Oskaloosa, Iowa, hanged himself in the absence of his family, after putting the household furniture in disorder and hiding his pocketbook and cutting his clothing, so as to leave suspicion of robbery and murder. He was thought to have been demented on religion.

POLITICAL NOTES.

State and congressional conventions to select national delegates will be held April 15 in Denver by Colorado democrats.

Republicans of Butler county, Pennsylvania, endorsed Senator Quay for president, with Major McKinley for second choice.

Congressional Delegate Dennis T. Flynn was nominated for a third term by Oklahoma Territory republicans in convention at Kingfisher.

Republicans of the forty-fourth Illinois senatorial district will hold their convention May 5 in Mount Carmel. The candidates will probably be Captain Ross Graham, of White county, for senator, and Messrs. Warfield, of Hardin county, and Williams, of Wabash county, for representatives.

C. W. Stafford, South Dakota's oil inspector, has purchased the Sentinel at Aberdeen. This change indicates a lively political fight, as Mr. Stafford is one of Governor Sheldon's lieutenants and the governor is a candidate for Senator Kyle's position.

Republicans of the Wabash and Kosciusko county district nominated Joseph C. Gochenour for state senator.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Superintendent of Insurance Durfee has granted a license to the Life Insurance Clearing company of St. Paul, with a paid-up capital of \$100,000, to transact business in Illinois.

The Ohio brigade, Knights of Pythias, will hold its annual meeting in Cleveland Aug. 24 to 31.

Mrs. Minnie F. Payne, of Fort Scott, Kan., has brought suit for divorce against Albert Bigelow Payne, an author and poet.

John Maguire, of Butte, Mont., has discovered records that lead him to believe that the Chinese knew how to use cathode rays centuries ago.

The Union Car works, to be operated on the co-operative plan, will put up buildings at North St. Louis at once. The capital is \$50,000, and the president is H. W. Rocklage.

Twin sisters and twin brothers were married at Burbank, O. Rev. Nathaniel Lewis performed the ceremony that made Irena V. Repp wife of Vernon R. Stair, and Irena V. Repp wife of Vernal R. Stair.

E. Wilding and J. F. Gilmore, representing a London syndicate, are negotiating for the purchase of the Chino ranch in southern California. The ranch consists of 40,000 acres, and the price offered is said to be \$2,000,000.

C. A. Seaton, boots and shoes, Canton, Ill., failed.

At Menominee, Mich., Childs & Sawyer and Baum & Bessah have failed. No statements are given.

L. J. Lachman & Co., wholesale liquors, at Butte, Mont., have been closed by creditors. Assets are said to cover liabilities.

The citizens of Urbana, Ill., held a mass meeting Monday night and passed resolutions expressive of their feelings on the recent indictment of Gov. Altgeld and the members of the board of trustees of the University of Illinois for alleged non-compliance with the flag law. The resolutions were to the effect that the people of Urbana have a warm interest in the university and full confidence in its management and its patriotism. The flag law was denounced as being "useless and expensive."

Gen. Harrison left for New York Tuesday afternoon. His marriage to Mrs. Dimmick will take place next Monday afternoon. Besides the general's two children, Mrs. McKee and Russell B. Harrison, Daniel M. Ransdell and his private secretary, E. F. Tibbott, will accompany him. The Harrison homestead has been put in order for the new mistress.

Five hundred New York lithographers who struck seven weeks ago will return to work pending the decision of the committee on arbitration. It is said little or no concessions have been gained by the strikers.

The president on Monday sent to the senate the nomination of Benjamin J. Franklin of Arizona, to be governor of that state.

LATEST MARKET REPORTS.

CHICAGO.

Cattle—Com. to prime.	\$1.50	@.46
Hogs—All grades	2.10	@.15
Sheep—All grades	2.90	@.30
Wheat—No. 2	.62	@.63
Corn—May	.29	@.30
Oats	.19	@.20
Rye	.42	@.43
Eggs	.14	@.15
Potatoes	.25	@.30
Butter	.09	@.20

MILWAUKEE.

Wheat—No. 2 spring	.62	@.63
Corn—No. 3	.28	@.29
Oats—No. 2 white	.20	@.21
Barley—No. 2	.31	@.32
Rye—No. 1	.37	@.38

PEORIA.

Rye—No. 2	.36	@.37
Corn—No. 3	.27	@.28
Oats—No. 2	.19	@.20

KANSAS CITY.

Cattle—All grades	2.70	@.425
Hogs—All grades	3.45	@.400
Sheep—All grades	3.25	@.360

NEW YORK.

Wheat—No. 1 hard	.75	@.76
Corn—No. 2	.37	@.38
Oats—No. 2	.26	@.27
Butter	.12	@.22

TOLEDO.

Wheat—No. 2	.70	@.71
Corn—No. 2 mixed	.28	@.29
Oats—No. 2 mixed	.19	@.20

ST. LOUIS.

Cattle—All grades	2.25	@.390
Hogs	3.60	@.400
Sheep	2.80	@.340
Wheat—No. 2	.68	@.69
Corn—Cash	.26	@.27
Oats—Cash	.19	@.20

BUFFALO.

Wheat—No. 2 red	.73	@.74
Corn—No. 2 yellow	.34	@.35
Oats—No. 3 white	.22	@.23

THE TRADE REVIEW.

BUSINESS SHOWS CONFLICTING TENDENCIES.

Certain Lines of Commerce Have Improved, but the General Situation Not Very Encouraging—Hints of Gold Outflow.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

"No important change has occurred in the general condition of business during the week, and, if trades in some respects looks worse, in other respects they look better. Some failures of magnitude have occurred, which have caused much apprehension and unwillingness to lend among bankers, and there have been somewhat less favorable features in the dry goods market, but in iron and steel conditions are slightly improved, and in boots and shoes considerably more hopeful. The labor controversies, mainly in the clothing trade, still cause much interruption of that business. Foreign trade is a little more satisfactory, exports from New York for three weeks showing an increase over last year of 6 per cent, while imports have shown nearly the same rate of decrease, and there are not wanting signs that the domestic markets have been somewhat overstocked by many kinds of foreign goods. In general, the course of domestic prices tends to favor the marketing of staples abroad.

"Wheat has gained about a point, but corn and cotton remain unchanged. Receipts of wheat at western points continue surprisingly large for a most unfavorable season, and make it hard to believe that the crop of 1895 was as small as estimates represent it, for such receipts amounted during the last week to 2,901,724 bushels, against 1,849,432 bushels last year, and for four weeks of March have been 11,884,205 bushels, against 7,411,361 bushels last year. There has been a slight increase in Atlantic exports this week, but in four weeks exports (flour included as wheat) were 5,488,118 bushels, against 6,488,109 bushels last year.

"Cotton had a lively rise with the covering of short sellers, but began to decline again a week ago and has been lagging ever since. The receipts from plantations continue quite as large as in the same weeks of the last short crop year and stocks in sight, with the quantities known to be held by European and American mills, make up an ample supply for the rest of the crop year.

"In the dry goods market the latest indications do not warrant expectations that the mills will continue full production throughout the season. The demand for woolen dress goods is the best feature of the woolen market, and there is about as much difficulty as at any time in men's wear departments, the operations of clothiers being hindered not only by the prevalent strikes but by slackness of immediate demand. The sales of wool have fallen to less than half a week's full consumption. A striking feature this week has been a sale of 350,000 pounds of American wool for shipment to England.

"The iron and steel markets have disclosed a similar feature, for a little Alabama pig has been sold for export by the Sloss company, though few imagine that much business of that sort is possible. The combination of lake ore producers has at last announced its prices for the coming season, \$4 for first-class Bessemer, \$3.40 to \$3.70 for Mesaba and \$3 for non-Bessemer ores, and it is calculated that with coke at \$2 per ton Bessemer pig can be produced at about \$12.25 at Pittsburgh, which is now the current price there. But the slow marketing of finished products is still the main trouble. There has been a little more activity this week and the Carnegie works have sold 10,000 steel rails to Japan, thus scoring a noteworthy success, but in the main the market is as inactive and insufficient as it has been.

"A heavy failure in Texas will also swell the aggregate of returns for the past week, which include 259 in the United States, against 234 last year, and thirty-nine in Canada, against forty-two last year."

OUR NEW BATTLESHIP.

Miss Mary Lord Drake christens the Iowa at Philadelphia.

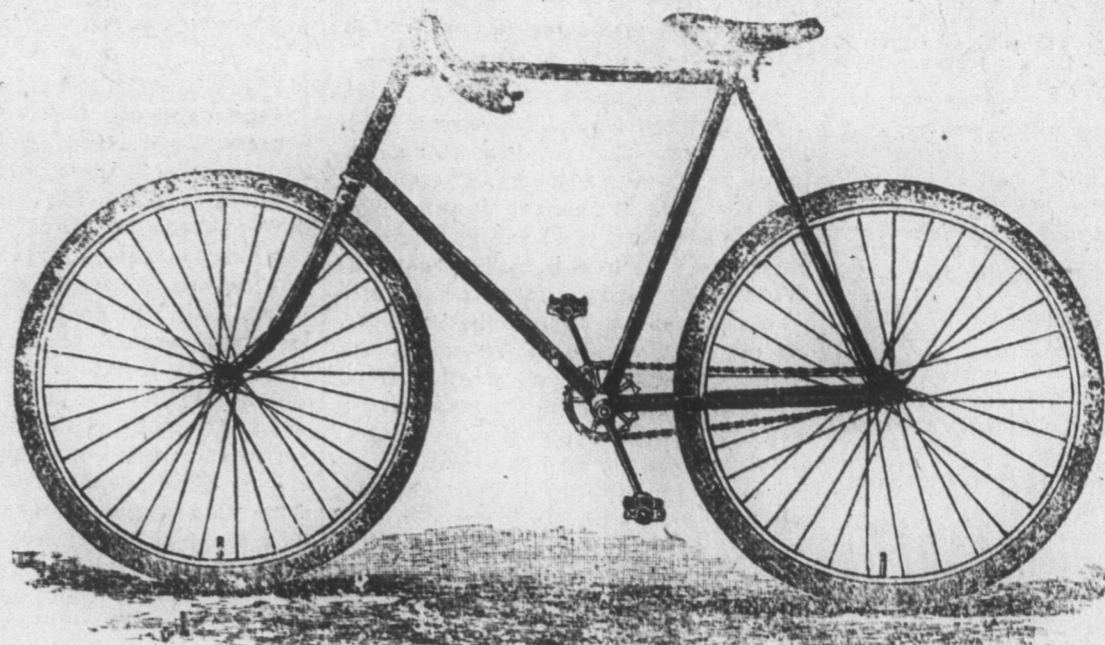
The Iowa, fourth and last of the first-class battleships authorized by congress several years ago, was launched at Cramp's shipyard Saturday amid enthusiastic cheers of thousands of spectators. When she slipped from her cradle and dipped her virgin keel in the waters of the Delaware, Uncle Sam's new navy received the most powerful fighting vessel afloat.

Miss Mary Lord Drake, daughter of the governor of Iowa, named the big naval baby. When Miss Drake christened the ship her father stood beside her and near at hand were the members of his staff and a party of other distinguished Iowans. Secretary of the Navy Herbert was there, with prominent attaches of his office, and so were the chiefs of the different naval bureaus in Washington and members of the house and senate committees on naval affairs. Governor Hastings represented Pennsylvania and Mayor Warwick Philadelphia.

Cruel Treatment of Insane.

Lincoln, Neb. Special: Charges have been preferred with Gov. Holcomb against Dr. J. H. Mackay, superintendent of the Norfolk hospital for the insane. The forty specifications recite that the doctor has been guilty of "official misconduct and willful neglect of duty" and of being "guilty of immoral conduct and speech, of inflicting on the patients under his control unusual, cruel and barbarous punishment." He is accused of beating female patients horribly, and the trial is expected to create a great sensation.

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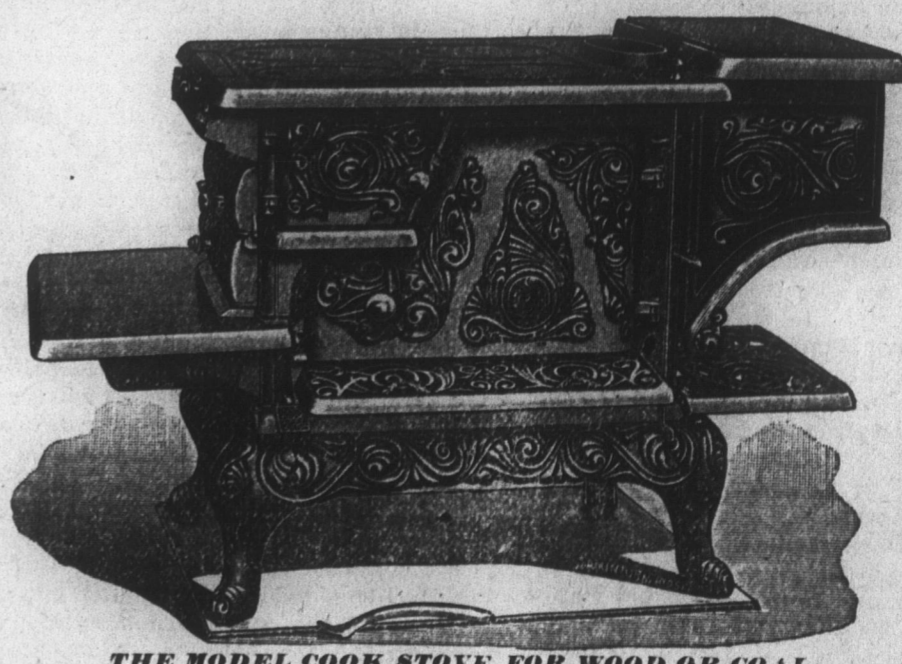
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