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General News Summary.

From Washington.

For the information of merchants, manufacturers and others who may be disposed to take part in the representation of natural and industrial products of the United States at the Sydney and Melbourne exhibitions, the Secretary of State announced on the 29th that "the organization of the Commission for both exhibitions is as follows: Commissioner, Oliver M. Spencer, Consul-General of the United States at Melbourne, Vic. Honorary Commissioners, Augustus Morris, Sydney, N. S. W.; Samuel C. Lord, Melbourne, Vic. Dr. C. C. Cox, of Washington, has been appointed Secretary of the Commission, and will sail from San Francisco on the 4th of August. All persons having occasion to do so can communicate with the Secretary of the Commission to the care of the State Department, where the mail will be regularly made up."

The total amount of National Bank notes redeemed at the United States Treasury during the last fiscal year, on account of failures, going into liquidation and reducing circulation, was \$7,356,457.

It was reported from Washington on the 31st ult. that the Mint at Carson City had been reopened, and coined gold would be recommended as soon as the necessary bullion could be procured at market rates. The Treasury was making arrangements to avoid the necessity of running the Philadelphia Mint night and day during August to make up the deficiency in the coining of standard silver dollars in July.

The public-debt statement, issued on the 1st, shows the following: Total debt (including interest of \$19,634,000), \$2,316,198,878. Cash in Treasury, \$282,905,573. Debt less amount in Treasury, \$2,033,265,600. Increase during July, \$6,056,344.

There was paid during July for arrears of pensions the sum of \$8,694,600, which exhausts the special fund held for the redemption of fractional currency.

Information was received by the Secret Service Division of the Treasury Department in Washington on the 3d that photographic counterfeit five-dollar notes on the Globe National Bank, of Boston, Mass., letter C, and the Dedham National Bank, of Dedham, Mass., letter D, had made their appearance at San Francisco.

The total amount of refunding certificates received at the Treasury Department up to the 3d for conversion into four-per-cent. bonds was \$34,100,750.

The East.

Six carrier pigeons were liberated at Columbus, Ohio, at 5:30 on the morning of the 27th. One of them arrived at New York City at 11:15 a. m., and a second at 2:30 p. m., on the 28th.

The National Educational Association began its eighteenth annual session at Philadelphia on the 29th. Mayor Stokely and Edward Johnson delivered addresses of welcome, and John Hancock, President of the association, responded.

On the 30th ult., Prescott J. Pillsbury, Cashier of the Lawrence (Mass.) National Bank, was arrested for embezzling \$65,000 of the funds of the institution, and lodged in jail in default of \$250,000.

It was stated by Professor Chandler, of the New York Board of Health, that the scurvy fever caused more deaths in New York State last year than the yellow fever did in the South, yet failed to excite public apprehension, or to make people ordinarily careful to prevent the infection.

On the 31st ult., the yacht Josephine capsized in the vicinity of Clayton, on the St. Lawrence River, and five of the passengers were drowned. Sixteen were rescued.

The members of the Boston Commercial Exchange have resolved to follow the example and advice of the New York Commercial Exchange in adopting the central system as the basis of trade. On and after October next they will use the central system in all their transactions, so far as existing laws will permit, and they have resolved to petition the State Legislature to make such changes as are necessary in the State laws to conform to the change agreed upon.

At its session in Philadelphia on the 31st ult., the National Educational Association adopted resolutions advocating the donation of a portion of the public domain for the endowment and maintenance of institutions in the States and Territories for the higher education of women. A committee was appointed to bring the subject more thoroughly before Congress and the people.

The following were the closing quotations for produce in New York, on August 21: No. 2 Chicago Spring Wheat, \$1.04@1.04%; No. 2 Milwaukee, \$1.04@1.04%; No. 2 Eastern Mixed, \$3.25@3.25c. Corn: Western Mixed, \$1.04@1.04%; Eastern Mixed, 83.50@83.50c. Lard, 6.00@6.05c. Flour, Good to Choice, 4.80@5.00; White Wheat Extra, \$4.75@5.25. Cattle, \$6.25@10.00 for Common to Extra. Sheep, \$3.25@5.25. Hogs, \$4.20@4.50.

At East Liberty, Pa., on August 24, Cattle brought: Best, \$5.00@5.25c.; Medium, \$3.00@4.00. Hogs sold at \$4.50@5.25 for Good. Sheep were quoted at \$3.00@4.50 for Good.

West and South.

The State Central Committee of the Iowa Prohibition party have nominated Rev. D. R. Dungan for Governor, to fill the vacancy caused by the declination of Professor Carpenter.

On the 29th, Hon. Bland Ballard, Judge of the United States District Court for Kentucky, died at his home in Louisville, of heart disease or apoplexy.

John Kranz, of East Farmington, Polk County, Wis., drove into a neighboring lake on the 29th, to water his horses. In the wagon were his six children. The animals became frightened, ran into a deep hole, upset the vehicle, and Kranz and five of the six little ones were drowned.

Dr. A. H. S. Boy, of Livingston County, Ky., on the 30th ult., through mistake, gave his two young sons, who were ill, poison for santonine, and the boys died in less than an hour after taking the fatal doses.

A call has been issued for the meeting of the Nebraska State Republican Convention for the nomination of State officers. The place selected is Omaha, and the time, October 1.

GENERAL TERRY received a dispatch from General Miles on the 31st ult., stating that, after the fight on Beaver Creek, the hostiles engaged fled northward, leaving their property scattered along the trail for fifty miles. Their main camp stampeded and retreated across the line into British territory. General Miles thought he had force enough to hold in check forces that Sitting Bull could bring against him.

The next Minnesota Republican State convention is to be held at St. Paul on the 2d of September.

At Chicago, on August 24, Spring Wheat No. 2 closed at 83.50@84.00c. cash; 83.50@86c. for September; 85.00@85.50c. for October. Corn closed at 2.25@2.25c. for No. 2; 2.40@2.45c. for September; 2.40@2.45c. for October. Cash Oats No. 2 sold at 25.50@26c.; 26.25@26c. per seller September; 26.25@26c. October. Rye No. 2, 51c. Barley No. 3, 51c@55c. for cash. Oats Mass. corn closed at 25.12@25.15. Lard, cash, 5.25c. Beefs—Extra brought \$4.80@5.15. Choice, \$4.40@4.60. Good, \$4.00@4.25.

4.25; Medium Grades, \$3.50@3.90. Butchers' Stock, \$2.40@3.00. Stock Cattle, etc., \$3.40@3.90. Hogs—Good to Choice, \$3.20@3.80. Sheep—Poor to Choice, 2.50@2.75.

The Yellow Fever.

The report on the 28th showed thirteen new cases and three deaths in Memphis. A census of the city had just been taken, showing the number of persons then in the city to be 16,110, of whom 4,883 were white and 11,227 colored; adults, 10,551, and children, 5,559; number who had had yellow fever, 5,747; who had not had the disease, 7,367.

One of the three cases reported in New Orleans on the 27th died on the 28th, and an additional case was reported in the same locality. The entire neighborhood for four blocks around was thoroughly disinfected, and the utmost precaution was taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

A SPECIAL of the 29th to the Chicago Tribune says five clear and undisputed cases of the fever were reported in New Orleans on that day, two in the same neighborhood where the death occurred on the 28th, one further up town, and one in the heart of the city—the last case having been brought in from Morgan City. The work of disinfecting the city was going on rapidly.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., and Vicksburg, Miss., quarantined against New Orleans on the 29th.

A MEMPHIS refuge (a child) died at the St. Louis Quarantine Hospital, of yellow fever, on the 29th. Another genuine case of the fever (a broker from Memphis) was developed in Cincinnati. The daughter of the Chief of Police of Memphis was reported sick of the fever at Raleigh, Tenn. On the same day there were two additional admissions at the New York Quarantine Hospital.

A CIRCULAR on disinfection was issued on the 26th by the Executive Committee of the National Board of Health, in which they advise thorough scrubbing and moist cleansing, to be followed by the fumes of burning sulphur at the rate of eighteen ounces per 1,000 cubic feet of space to be disinfected.

There were twelve additional cases and only one death reported in Memphis on the 31st. The fatal case was that of a man named Hatcher, who had the same disease in 1873, and also last year, this being the third attack.

One hundred and seventeen deaths from yellow fever occurred in Havana, Cuba, during the week ending on the 26th ult.

A FIREMAN belonging to a steamer from Havana died of yellow fever at the Quarantine Hospital in New York on the 31st ult.

One case was reported at quarantine near New Orleans on the 31st ult., and two suspicious cases of children in the city. Dr. Choppin said there was no danger of an epidemic in New Orleans.

TWO MEN connected with ocean steamers were sent to the New York Quarantine Hospital on the 1st, having the yellow fever.

The number of new cases in Memphis on the 1st was seventeen, and four deaths were reported. The Committee of Safety held a meeting and passed a series of resolutions relative to the refusal of many colored people to locate in the camps outside the city. It was claimed that no unjust discrimination was made against the colored people, and that the plan adopted had the approval of the State and National Board of Health. There were nearly 1,000 people already in the camps.

Reports were received in New Orleans on the 2d from Mississippi City to the effect that the fever was spreading in the latter place. Four cases of yellow fever and three deaths had been reported in New Orleans during the week.

One death from yellow fever (an imported case from Memphis) occurred in Louisville during the week ending on the 2d.

There were eighty-two new cases of yellow fever reported in Memphis during the week ending on the 21. Total number to date 216, and total deaths sixty-five. Twelve new cases and two deaths were reported on the 3d. The colored people were still opposed to the camp system, and would not go out of the city unless forced to by the hands of hunger.

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