

SYRACUSE. INDIANA.

DR. MARY WALKER has retired from public life, but the bicycle is accomplishing what she left undone.

It may not be generally known that the Hudson river is salty as far as Poughkeepsie, 75 miles from its mouth.

Diamonds valued at \$14,000,000 were taken from the mines at Kimberley, South Africa, during the year ending October 31.

The swell visiting card in China is a mobbing piece of red paper with 4 inches wide and 5 inches long, with the name in black characters.

Miss Scott, of Denver, routed three burglars and then fainted. She will go on record as one of the few women who ever earned a fainting fit.

Miss Anna Gould has the heart of a Coney Island summer girl. She has already turned down three princes, one count, one judge and an actor.

The historic world is holding its breath. Lotta has turned her attention to painting, and, if successful, the stage will know her no more.

A black breast statue covered with fine inscriptions has been found off the side of the great palace of the kings of Babylon, where Belshazzar held his feast.

The old Poplar Point lighthouse, at the harbor of Newport, R. I., was sold at auction for four thousand dollars. Lighthouses do not come so high when Uncle Sam sells as when he builds them.

In proportion to the population France has more money in circulation than any other country. In France it averages \$40.50 per capita; in the United States, \$24.34; in England and Germany, \$18.42.

At one stroke the Italian government has suppressed fifty-five labor associations. Some of the societies were centers of dangerous propaganda among the working classes and menaced the public peace.

Mohammedanism seems bent upon the destruction of Christianity in Armenia. The recent massacre of 10,000 people is only one of ten in a series. Six occurred prior to 1875, one in 1880, and the others in 1876, 1877 and 1884. Armenia now has a population of about 5,000,000.

A gigantic lion's head of the finest Greek marble, seven feet high and in excellent preservation, was recently unearthed by some workmen at Kertch, in the Crimea. It is supposed to belong to the seventh or eighth century before Christ. It is to be sent to St. Petersburg, and exhibited there.

It is gratifying to know that American shipyards can turn out first-class ships for the merchant marine as well as men-of-war. The St. Louis, launched recently at Philadelphia, is the largest ship of that class ever built in Western waters, and the St. Paul, which will be ready for launching August 1, is a companion craft.

When the late Oliver Wendell Holmes was in the zenith of his career an anonymous writer sent to him a few lines of verse and asked Mr. Holmes opinion as to the worth while of the writer, continuing to write poetry. "Yes, by all means," replied the autocrat. His correspondent was Bret Hart, then a California newspaper reporter.

The Altruistic colony which was started in Ohio last spring to carry out Mr. Howells' ideas of a socialistic and ideal state has broken up after a short and troubled career. All the patent ways of ushering in the millennium come to naught in the same way. It is a pretty hard world for the habitual dreamers and the dreamers, but they will have to put up with it. No one and no system can relieve them of their cares and sorrows.

Mush and milk surprise parties are popular in some eastern localities. Those who give the party swoop down upon the guests with a surprise with a box of corn meal and a jug of molasses. The mash is set to boil, the molasses is turned into taffy and abundantly pulled, cakes are baked, apples pared, and the mash is eaten along with fresh milk and rich cream. The mush and milk surprise furnishes a maximum of fun for a minimum of expenditure.

William Hammond, of Eldred, Sullivan county, N. Y., keeps 400 dogs. To properly support this canine army he has a bakery and meat-chopping machine, which in combination use up ten barrels of flour and half a ton of meat a week to make dog biscuits. These dogs do not all belong to Mr. Hammond. They are the property of sportsmen in New York, Brooklyn and Philadelphia. Hammond is a professional trainer of hunting dogs. He is handling and breaking these dogs in the woods and covers of Sullivan county for service in the field and chase. Twenty hired men assist him.

The death of Anton Rubinstein in his Russian home marks the passing of one of the greatest figures in modern music. As a pianist he was reckoned the peer of Liszt and was remarkably prolific and potent as a composer. While he has been before the public for half a century he was at the time of his death in his prime as far as bodily vigor and artistic usefulness were concerned. For years he had stood alone on the great heights, and now it is natural in the shadow of his bier to say there is no musician to take his place. Time, however, will develop a new David to take up the harp.

Galusha A. Grow, of Pennsylvania, may claim to be the champion majority-getter of the United States. He served continuously from the same district from 1851 to 1893 with majorities ranging from 8,000 to 13,000. Last February, as congressman at large, his plurality was 188,394. At the last election he carried his majority over all democrats, prohibition and social labor, his plurality, the largest majority ever received by a candidate in the United States. Hastings, the governor-elect, of Kansas, did not reach the record breaker. His plurality was 841,377.

INTERESTING NEWS COMPILATION.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The chief of the bureau of navigation in his annual report shows that the merchant marine of the United States comprises 23,388 vessels of 4,644,024 tons.

First losses in the United States during the ten months ended October 31 aggregated \$109,396,175.

The arrangements were nearly completed for beginning construction of the American Methodist university in Washington.

The secretary of state has authorized Ministers Denby and Dun to conduct negotiations for peace between China and Japan.

Paymaster General Edwin Stewart of the navy in his report for the fiscal year ended June 30 last shows that the total amount expended during the year was \$81,370,144.

In his annual report H. O. Morgan, treasurer of the United States, says the net ordinary revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30 were \$297,722,019, a decrease of \$88,007,409 as compared with the year before. The net ordinary expenditures were \$367,528,674. Including the public debt the total receipts were \$724,004,538 and the expenditures \$808,808,552.

The chief of the secret service of the treasury department in his annual report shows that during the year the total number of arrests made was 687, nearly all of which were for violations of the statutes relating to counterfeiting United States money. The amount of altered or counterfeit notes captured during the year was \$21,504.

The fraternal congress opened its eighth annual session at Buffalo, N. Y., with fraternal beneficiary organizations represented having 2,000 members and an aggregate insurance of about \$2,430,000,000.

Mayor-elect Stryker and Dr. Parkhurst were the guests of honor at the 125th annual banquet of the New York chamber of commerce.

Fire destroyed an annex to E. S. Jaffray & Co.'s dry goods store in New York, the loss being \$300,000.

In New York the official vote gives Levi P. Morton (rep.) a plurality of 153,889 over John A. Dix (dem.).

Blaines, R. F. Wilde & Co.'s coal pockets at Charleston, Mass., caused a loss of \$125,000.

At Macedon, N. Y., Rev. C. L. Padgett was given judgment for \$10 against Mrs. William Bennett for a funeral sermon.

A train over the Pennsylvania road covered the 120 miles from Morrisville and Harrisburg in 104 minutes.

In session at Buffalo, N. Y., the national fraternal congress elected new officers. The president of the congress was John C. F. Wright, of New York.

At Springfield, Mass., Rev. Frank L. Goodspeed was installed as pastor of the First Congregational church. He is the eleventh pastor in 257 years to occupy the First church pulpit.

In Syracuse, N. Y., Robert Fitzsimmons was exonerated by the coroner's jury of any criminal intent in the death of Con Rice.

The defeated populist candidate for governor of Alabama, Reuben F. Kolb, issued a manifesto calling on his supporters to aid him in securing the executive office of December 1.

An accident at the new chamber of commerce building in Toledo, O., Friday afternoon, killed three men and injured several others.

Thompson, the northwest weatherer was the coldest for the season in eleven years. Thermometers in St. Paul registered 10 degrees below zero.

The Portland (Ore.) savings bank closed its doors with liabilities of \$1,040,000.

Near Cincinnati, O., an attempt was made to wreck the fast east-bound train on the Lake Shore road. A track walker discovered the obstruction before the train came along.

The death of Paul Conrad, president of the Louisiana and Honduras Lottery companies, occurred at New Orleans from heart disease.

At Jefferson City, Mo., Marlon Hedgpath, who robbed a Frisco train of \$200,000 in 1892, was sentenced to twenty-five years imprisonment.

Sharper's swindler William T. Jones, a wealthy stock dealer of Louisville, O., died of heart disease, aged 86 years.

Is Grand Forks county, N. D., a case of leprosy was discovered, the patient being confined in a lonely cabin.

At the twenty-first annual session in Cleveland Miss Frances E. Willard was unanimously re-elected president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance union.

At their meeting in New Orleans James K. Sovereign was re-elected general master workman of the Knights of Labor.

An explosion in a mine at Collier's Station, W. Va., killed seven men and injured four.

John S. Johnson lowered four records at Louisville, Ky. His time for the mile, flying start, was 1:47.35.

The death of Adam Vanell, who served through the Blackhawk war with Abraham Lincoln, occurred at St. Paul, Minn., aged 94.

W. Downing and A. Halloran, prisoners in the jail at Tallahassee, Fla., fired the building and were cremated.

In Kansas three counties failed to cast 200 votes at the recent election and will lose their representatives.

At La Grange, Ill., Rev. H. S. Harrison, editor of the Advance, a Congressional weekly, was struck by a train and instantly killed.

Slight shocks of earthquake were felt at Tacoma, Wash.

In France at the recent election the democratic majority, as compiled by the secretary of state, is 2,173.

The new superintendent of the United States naval academy at Annapolis, Md., Capt. Philip H. Cooper, issued an order prohibiting hazing.

It was said that J. L. M. Pierce, of Yankton, S. D., had disappeared with \$1,000,000 secured from English capitalists on spurious paper.

COLORED women in Chicago robbed J. D. Brown, a farmer living near Aurora, Ill., of \$2,300 by the panel game. The Knights of Labor in session at New Orleans decided that lawyers and barkeepers were not eligible to membership.

TRANS murdered William Wickwicz and his sister, who lived 5 miles south of Galesburg, Mich.

Six students and the dean of Cornell university at Lincoln, Neb., were arrested for grave robbing.

INDIAN boys at the Seminole high school at Gaffney, S. C., set the building on fire for the third time within two years.

WILLIAM HARVEY GIBSON, the celebrated orator, died at his home in Tiffin, O., after a brief illness, aged 74 years.

At the recent election the official vote of Wisconsin for governor was: Upham (rep.), 196,452; Peck (dem.), 142,143; Powell (pop.), 23,613; Cleghorn (pro.), 11,090; Upham's plurality, 54,307.

PLACES at Eldon, Ia., destroyed the Rock Island chutes, 1,000 tons of coal, several cars and two residences. Total loss, \$120,000.

In session at Indianapolis republican state senators decided to reappoint the state congressional districts.

The Oklahoma territory executive committee called a statehood convention to be held at El Reno November 28.

While attempting to separate Thomas and Michael Neill, fighting in the street at Cheyenne, Wyo., Charles Brutler killed them both.

The noted art collector and philanthropist, William T. Walters, died at his home in Baltimore, aged 74 years.

In national convention at New Orleans the Knights of Labor decided that none but the American flag should be carried in their parades.

At the age of 109 years Mrs. Mary Kennedy died at Ashland, Ill.

The women of the Christian Temperance league of Keokuk, Ia., criticized Mrs. Cleveland for christening the steamer St. Louis with wine.

A DECREE was issued by the Danish government forbidding the importation of live cattle and dressed meat from the United States.

APPROPRIATE ceremonies marked the removal of the remains of the late earl in the cathedral at St. Petersburg.

In 1890 Montreal is to have a world's fair. A London syndicate has agreed to furnish the necessary funds.

It was said that Canada was willing to give Uncle Sam free use of her canals if he would pay for their maintenance.

The government of Japan declined the mediation of the United States, holding that China should make direct overtures for peace.

Over 400 deaths were caused by the earthquakes in southern Italy and northern Italy.

The famous pianist and composer, Anton Gregor Rubinstein, died at Petrof, Russia, of heart disease, aged 64 years.

YAGU Indians raided the village of Soyopa, Mexico, and three women and two men belonging to the household of Peter Hernandez were killed in cold blood.

In Barcelona, Spain, Jose Salvador Franch, the man who threw the dynamite bomb at the Liceo theater on November 7, 1893, killing twenty persons and wounding fifty others, was executed by the garrote.

Plotting with the royalists, C. H. Wetmore, a Chicago reporter, was expelled from Hawaii.

The Chinese officials sent an officer to Japan to arrange terms of peace. It was said the government was willing to pay \$175,000,000.

GEORGE BRILL and Frank Payson, American prospectors, discovered an old Spanish gold mine of fabulous richness 60 miles north of Sierra Mojada, Mexico.

A DECREE granting amnesty to all political offenders in Brazil was issued by President Marquis.

In searching for a missing brother a Mexican discovered near Churintzia the bodies of thirty persons who had been murdered and hidden in a cave.

LATER NEWS.

The exchanges at the leading clearing houses in the United States during the week ended Oct. 29 aggregated \$1,019,939,895, against \$1,019,302,338 the previous week. The increase, compared with the corresponding week in 1898, was 7.8.

CANON, Ia., was visited by fire, one of the principal business streets being swept away.

DISPATCHES from Chee Foo announced that the Japanese had taken Port Arthur, the great Chinese stronghold.

Forest fires in the Okaw river bottoms near Pana, Ill., burned ten dwellings.

E. S. HAMILL, founder of the Cleveland (O.) Leader and a member of congress, died of heart disease, aged 86 years.

EARTHQUAKE shocks were felt in Connecticut at Croton, Mystic Lynn and Mattie. No damage was done.

Five students of a medical college at Kansas City, Mo., were arrested while robbing a grave in a neighboring town.

Mrs. BRIDGET DUFFY, 101 years old, died in Denver, Col.

The Brown national bank at Spokane, Wash., suspended paying its note to be killed in order to secure her life insurance, was condemned to hang at Mandan, N. D.

Violent windstorms swept portions of Mississippi and in the vicinity of Meridian great damage was done to houses and trees.

While drying dynamite before a fire at Charleston, W. Va., workmen caused an explosion and two men were killed and two injured.

UNCLE SAM'S TREASURY.

Morgan Makes His Annual Report to Secretary Carlisle.

State of the Government's Funds—Reduction of the Gold Reserve—Retirement of Treasury Notes—Facts Concerning the Circulation.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The treasurer of the United States, Hon. D. N. Morgan, has submitted to Secretary Carlisle his annual report. The following is a synopsis of the document:

Revenues Reduced. The net ordinary revenues for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, were \$297,722,019, a decrease of \$88,007,409 as compared with the year before. The net ordinary expenditures were \$367,528,674. The total receipts on all accounts were \$724,004,538 and the expenditures \$808,808,552.

At the close of business on June 30, 1893, there stood on the books of the department charges for the treasury, including the total of \$1,462,474,003 as total to be accounted for, and deducting the expenditures, leaves a balance of \$601,300,000.

In addition to these balances, however, there were other liabilities, arising from the postal revenues, from disturbing officers and from the redemption of outstanding certificates and treasury notes, leaving \$1,061,944,730 and \$1,154,730 as the balances on account of the general fund.

Impairment of the Gold Reserve. He states that the lowest point touched by the reserve was \$22,182,000 on August 7, 1894. Prior to July, 1892, the gold reserve was \$48,500,000. The reserve has since then never having been any considerable demand for the redemption of notes.

When gold exports were made the total was obtained from the treasury for gold certificates, of course without impairment to the gold reserve. The redemption of the treasury has been called upon to furnish nearly the whole of the requirements for exportation and there have recently been considerable demands for other gold.

The treasurer remarks that the impairment of the gold reserve rendering necessary the issue of bonds in February was caused chiefly by the demand for gold for the redemption of treasury notes. Even when the supply of paper had become so reduced that the treasury was obliged to pay out large sums for the redemption of the notes, the gold was freely returned in the revenues.

The proceeds of this loan were \$8,000,000 in gold coin and certificates, but during the month of February this was reduced to \$10,000,000 of notes in gold, presumably to meet subscriptions to the loan, so that the net gold proceeds were about \$8,000,000. This, with a small amount of gold from other ordinary sources, brought up the reserve during the month from \$65,000,000 to \$100,000,000, while the net assets of \$100,000,000 were reduced to \$70,000,000.

Expenditures over receipts for the month increased from \$125,000,000 to \$177,000,000. The deficit for the month of the end of the first week in August the reserve was affected by deficient revenues and withdrawals of gold for export, the movement of the reserve being continued by the necessity which the treasury was under of furnishing to exporters new full weight after the supply of gold had been exhausted.

Retirement of Treasury Notes. With reference to the retirement of treasury notes the treasurer says that prior to August, 1892, the treasury had been able to provide for the redemption of treasury notes in gold. The treasury had been rendered homeless by the earthquakes. Many bodies were upheaved in the cemetery of San Procopio, at the time it was disturbed by the earthquakes, and a number of bodies remain in sight and will have to be reinterred. Fearful scenes have been witnessed in the stricken districts, where numbers of people have been wounded and in several cases horribly mangled. Some of the sufferers had limbs torn off, which caused their death before they could be removed from the streets. The military and volunteers of all classes of the inhabitants are working with energy building huts and providing food for those who are most in want.

FIFTY THOUSAND HOMELESS. Fearful Suffering Caused by the Earthquake in the Island of Sicily.

ROME, Nov. 24.—Dispatches received here from Reggio say 50,000 persons in that district have been rendered homeless by the earthquakes. Many bodies were upheaved in the cemetery of San Procopio, at the time it was disturbed by the earthquakes, and a number of bodies remain in sight and will have to be reinterred. Fearful scenes have been witnessed in the stricken districts, where numbers of people have been wounded and in several cases horribly mangled. Some of the sufferers had limbs torn off, which caused their death before they could be removed from the streets. The military and volunteers of all classes of the inhabitants are working with energy building huts and providing food for those who are most in want.

BACK TO PRISON. Convict Who Escaped Fifteen Years Ago Gives Himself Up.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—After wandering a fugitive from justice nearly fifteen years, Samuel Carson, an escaped convict from the Jefferson City (Mo.) penitentiary, surrendered himself to Capt. Porter, of the United States secret service in this city, Friday afternoon. Carson is broken down in health and is tired of being "continually in fear of arrest."

Moreover, he has learned within the past two weeks that he had fallen heir to a fortune of \$100,000 by the death of his parents. Now he wants to go back to serve out the remainder of his term, five years, and then pass the remainder of his days in peace.

STOLEN VOUCHERS. Mysterious Disappearance of Evidence in the Howgate Case.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The trial of Ex-Capt. Howgate is threatened with serious complications by the discovery that the vouchers signed by Howgate and supposed to be fraudulent are missing from the office of the second auditor of the treasury, where they had been held for use by the government in prosecuting the case against Howgate. The amount involved is \$130,000.

Will Leave the Bench. ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 24.—James G. Hill, chief justice of the Minnesota supreme court, has announced his intention of resigning on account of failing health. He is now 65 years old, and has occupied his present position, with a brief intermission, since 1892. C. M. Stuart, recently elected to the position, will be called upon to fill out the unexpired term.

Left \$500,000. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Nov. 24.—Thomas D. Gilbert, who died Sunday, left an estate estimated at \$500,000. His will was filed for probate Friday. He bequeathed \$5,000 to the Union Benevolent association and divides the rest between his widow and about forty relatives.

Pay for Informers. WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Secretary Carlisle has directed that a half dozen informers be paid sums ranging from \$25 to \$125, as the informers' share in cases arising out of the violation of the alien contract labor law.

Fate of a Brave Old Man. GUTHRIE, O. T., Nov. 24.—J. L. Keith, aged 70, was fatally injured by Elmer Stout, aged 17, who had attempted to assault Miss Keith on her way from school. The old man heard the girl's screams and ran to her rescue but was knocked down and killed to death by the young scoundrel.

Cheese Factories Close. GREEN BAY, Wis., Nov. 24.—Five hundred cheese factories in Door, Brown, LeWauvee, Marquette and Outagamie counties have shut down operations for the season until next May.

THE PENSION ROLL.

Expected to Decrease in Numbers After Next Year.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The subcommittee on appropriations, having in charge the preparation of the bill appropriating money for the payment of pensions due in the year ending June 30, 1899, heard Commissioner Lochren in advocacy and explanation of his estimates for that year at the capitol Friday.

As the result of the conference it was announced by Chairman O'Neill that the subcommittee would report to the full committee a bill appropriating for pensions \$140,000,000 and for other expenses \$1,881,000.

The commissioner stated that in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1894, the sum paid out for pensions was \$138,504,461, which was less than the amount appropriated by \$25,500,713. The estimate for pensions proper in 1895-6 is the same as the amount paid last year, and \$10,000,000 less than the estimate of this year.

"In the year 1895," said the commissioner, "thirty years after the close of the war, the pension roll must in the course of nature reach its highest limit in numbers, and thereafter begin to decrease. The falling off in the presentation of claims is shown by the fact that the number of pending claims in the bureau has decreased upwards of 90,000 during the year. The large proportion of new claims filed are for increase by pensioners now on the roll. New claims well proved and easily recognized merit are still being brought in by surviving soldiers who have long refrained from asking government bounty and by widows and dependents of such soldiers. In 1891 the number of claims filed was 983,799; in 1894, 40,148.

Hall's Cathartid Cure. Is taken internally. Price 75c. It takes more courage to endure than it does to act.—R. M. Horn.

The best cough medicine is Fick's Cure for Consumption. Sold everywhere. 2c. We cannot do any man a greater wrong than to mislead him.—R. M. Horn.

THE MARKETS. NEW YORK, Nov. 24.

LIVE STOCK—Cattle... 13.70 to 15.20
Hogs... 4.75 to 4.87 1/2
Wool... 1.00 to 1.10
FLOUR—Minnesota Patents... 3.00 to 3.10
Wheat—No. 2 Red... 1.00 to 1.10
Corn—No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Oats—No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Rye... 1.00 to 1.10
Barley... 1.00 to 1.10
Pork—Mess... 12.00 to 13.00
Butter—Western Creamery... 15.00 to 16.00
Cheese—Swiss... 1.00 to 1.10

CATTLE—Shipping Steers... 8.00 to 9.00
Butcher Steers... 3.00 to 4.00
Texas Steers... 2.00 to 3.00
Hogs... 1.00 to 2.00
Sheep... 1.00 to 2.00
Butter—Creamery... 14.00 to 15.00
Eggs—Fresh... 10.00 to 11.00
Pork—Mess... 12.00 to 13.00
Lard—Steam... 6.00 to 7.00
Wheat—No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Corn—No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Oats—No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Rye... 1.00 to 1.10
Barley... 1.00 to 1.10
Pork—Mess... 12.00 to 13.00
Butter—Western Creamery... 15.00 to 16.00
Cheese—Swiss... 1.00 to 1.10

GRAIN—Wheat, No. 2 Spring... 1.00 to 1.10
Oats, No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Corn, No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Rye, No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Barley, No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Pork—Mess... 12.00 to 13.00
Lard—Steam... 6.00 to 7.00
Wheat—No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Corn—No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Oats—No. 2... 1.00 to 1.10
Rye... 1.00 to 1.10
Barley... 1.00 to 1.10
Pork—Mess... 12.00 to 13.00
Butter—Western Creamery... 15.00 to 16.00
Cheese—Swiss... 1.00 to 1.10

CATTLE—Texas... 2.00 to 3.00
Native Steers... 2.00 to 3.00
HOGS... 1.00 to 2.00
SHEEP... 1.00 to 2.00
CATTLE—OMAHA... 2.00 to 3.00
HOGS—Light and Mixed... 4.00 to 5.00
Heavy... 3.00 to 4.00
SHEEP... 1.00 to 2.00

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 24.

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Native Steers... 2.00 to 3.00
HOGS... 1.00 to 2.00
SHEEP... 1.00 to 2.00
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