

Syracuse Register.

SYRACUSE, INDIANA.

The Central American republics have formed a confederation with a central government. These are Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua.

British lords are warned that American girls have struck a new lead in matrimony. An American girl is to wed the king of one of the cannibal islands.

Ellen Terry, the actress, has been forbidden by her physician to worry about anything. Now the only difficulty is to find some place where she can get the prescription filled.

Prof. Graham Bell is developing an invention by which he can use a sunbeam instead of a wire for telephoning. Messages sent over a sunbeam ought always to be cheerful news.

One of the things that "touches" us most frequently as we struggle through life, says an exchange, is the dud book agent who sold us an Art Portfolio in 200 parts on monthly payments.

The lobster factories along the Maine coast have closed for the season. Taken all together the season was not successful, on account of the numerous large gales which have visited the coast this season.

What new thing in deadly weapons will reach us next? A revolver which can be ignited which carries 12 cartridges in its handle, all of which can be fired in regular order by the movement of the trigger.

A society of young women has been formed in New York whose members pledge themselves not to marry into any family any members of which are addicted to strong drink. If one of those young women meets a young man with a billion dollars and a bottle, she will have the struggle of her life to keep the pledge.

The annual consumption of sugar by the people of this country is about 60 pounds for every man, woman and child. In the case of the young person much given to chocolate candies and ice cream the consumption probably reaches 275 to 300 pounds per annum, and the sugar frequently costs the accompanying young man as much as 60 cents a pound.

There is nothing so easy to forget as the meaning of holidays. They begin as occasions for the celebration of certain events and end simply in opportunities for public enjoyment. The great mass of the people look on such days as occasions for bicycling or attending athletic meetings or simply doing nothing. The few who stick to the original idea in the vast minority.

If parents would be a little more cautious and not leave matches where small children can play with them, there would be less frequent cause for tears, and for water in large quantities. Not a few disastrous fires and a good many deaths have occurred from this cause, and now the sport of little people has occasioned the destruction of almost an entire town—Tignish, on Prince Edward's island.

Next year will occur the centenary of that graceless piece of headgear commonly called the "stove-pipe" hat, which first came into common use in Paris in 1797. How such a stiff, ungainly head-covering has managed to maintain its popularity is, indeed, singular, but as common-sense ideas in clothing seem to be getting the upper hand, it may not be long before the "stove-pipe" may be knocked into a cocked hat.

Overcrowded Japan turns e'er eyes toward the vast unpeopled territory of north Australia. Though English officers predict that trouble would follow Japanese colonization in the great island, it is probable that one of the greatest exodus of the age will shortly set in from Japan to the north Australian coast. The wild people, people must have room, and they will follow the precedents of old history by taking it wherever it is open.

The practical joker is at his old tricks and gets funnier and funnier every week. He used to be content with firing rifle and pistol balls through people's heads, explaining afterward, with a merry laugh, that he did not know the weapons were loaded, but he rather outdid himself in Bridgeport, Conn., when he poured kerosene over a negro and touched a match to him. The man died in agony, but he was a most amusing spectacle while he was burning.

The unusual sight of female pall-bearers was witnessed at Port Jairis, N. J., the other afternoon at the funeral of Mrs. Helen Gillson Hisman, wife of Frank Hisman, of that place. Mrs. Hisman was a member of the Royal Templars of Temperance, in which organization she took an active part. The members of the order attended the funeral services at the Methodist church in a body, and selected six women to officiate as pall-bearers. They carried the casket to and from the hearse, the church and the grave, performing the same service heretofore allotted only to men.

Balloon experiments were made recently by the Austrian government to test whether serviceable observations could be made at a safe distance from the enemy's fire. A balloon 33 feet in horizontal and 46 in vertical diameter was sent up from a point 5,500 yards away, from a battery and was kept at a height of 2,600 feet. Eighty shells, containing over 10,000 bullets, were fired at it, but only three small holes, which did not affect its working, were found when the balloon came down. The inference is drawn that in actual warfare balloons can be used to advantage at that distance.

It is an old and untrue saying—untrue a good many treasured axioms—that the hair of a dog will cure its bite. But they have found an equally homoeopathic remedy for snake bites in the bile of the snake. At least, a Florida physician says that a patient of his was stung by a rattler, and after sucking the wound and applying ammonia, he made an incision and poured the bile of a snake into it. There was no swelling of the injured part or suffering or inconvenience, and the man is well. This is useful to know, but it deprives some citizens of an earnest hope, because the old remedy for snake bites is whisky.

Epitome of the Week.

INTERESTING NEWS COMPILATION.

FROM WASHINGTON.

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The American board of commissioners for foreign missions show in their annual report that the total receipts for the year were \$743,104,39, and the total expenditures \$627,969,58, leaving a balance of \$15,135,01.

A mint bureau statement shows that the silver coinage during the month of August aggregated \$2,650,000.

At the leading clearing houses in the United States the exchanges during the week ended on the 18th aggregated \$906,208,258, against \$759,029,234 the previous week. The decrease compared with the corresponding week in 1895 is 16.5.

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Moderate IMPROVEMENT.

Business Continues Slowly on the Upward Move Toward Prosperity.

New York, Sept. 19.—Broadstreet, in the weekly review of trade, says:

"The moderate improvement in the last few weeks continues, and is emphasized by further indications of a general recovery, resulting from the reduction of surplus stocks of cotton goods, increased demand for seasonal fabrics, continued confidence among manufacturers of iron and steel and there will be an early recovery in mind, and in improvements in request for staple goods in the South Atlantic and gulf states."

"The volume of sales of general merchandise shows a marked increase, which is felt among wholesale merchants, is one of more confidence in the comparatively early improvement. Unexpectedly large sales of dry goods are reported from Boston, Chicago and St. Louis, indicating that they may continue throughout the month. At the more important northwestern centers larger sales of hats, shoes, hardware and drugs are reported, although the total is less than in the like portion of last year. Much of the gain at the West is due to the rapid increase in the cotton crop being gathered and marketed. At San Francisco general business is somewhat more active, particularly exports of barley. Trade has increased, and is at leaden weight.

"Business centers, in which state rains have damaged the grain crop, Willamette Valley (ore.) wheat raisers are selling wheat freely at current quotations."

"The total number of business failures in the United States this week is 55, which is seven more than last week, 67 more than in the corresponding week last year, 97 more than in the last week of 1894, 31 fewer than in the corresponding period of 1893, and not quite twice as many as in the like period of 1892."

JOHN BOYD THACHER NAMED.

New York Democrats in Convention Nominate him for Governor.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 18.—The democratic state convention finished its work Thursday, indorsing in the resolutions adopted the Chicago platform and candidates and nominating John

WEST AND SOUTH.

The official returns from the state election in Arkansas give Jones (dem.) for governor 71,645; Remmell (rep.), 26,410; Files (pop.), 11,280; Miller (pro.), 1,043; Jones' plurality, 45,234.

At Miller, Ind., the first test of the flying machine invented by William Fauvel was made, and was successful, more than fulfilling all expectations.

The following congressional nominations were made: Wisconsin, Seventh district, A. C. Larson (dem.); Iowa, Second district, Alfred Hurst (dem.); Michigan, Second district, T. E. Burkhart (dem.); Illinois, Fourteenth district, J. K. Sheen (pro.); Ohio, Fifth district, J. B. Tannehill (dem.); Nebraska, Sixth district, W. L. Greene (pop.).

Nine spectators were injured by falling wreckage, two fatally, at a prearranged railway collision near Crush, Tex.

Flames destroyed the whole business portion of Freeport, Ind., and many business residences.

The receiver of the Chicago, Indiana & Eastern railroad has stopped all trains and indefinitely suspended the operation of the road, which has been running at a loss.

In the Ninth Illinois district the democratic nominees Charles Knudson for congress and in the Sixth Wisconsin district the populists named W. F. Gruegewald.

In Terrell county, Ga., Lum Warren, a negro who assaulted Mrs. John Bass, was lynched.

The doors of the Midland state bank at Omaha, Neb., were closed with liabilities of over \$100,000.

Scott Johnson and Frank Ward, miners at Oronega, Mo., fell 150 feet down a shaft and were killed.

In a fit of jealousy Carrie Jennings (colored) stabbed Monroe Bell (colored), aged 32 years, to death at Louisville, Ky., and then fatally shot herself.

At Toledo, O., James A. Ashley died at the age of 74 years. He was in Congress continually from 1855 to 1865 and was governor of Montana from 1865 to 1872.

The box factory of Hobb, Wall & Co. was destroyed by fire in San Francisco, the loss being \$100,000, and Night Watchman Ross, 55 years old, was found at the scene of the fire.

The death of Elijah S. Curtis, a veteran of the late war, occurred at Bacon, Ill. He was the largest man in Illinois, his weight being 300 pounds.

In Illinois fusion of the democrats and populists on presidential electors, state ticket and congressmen was completed at a meeting of the democratic state central committee.

A mob lynched Ben S. Morris, one of the two negroes who murdered S. C. Buckman, a prominent cattle dealer of Watonga, O. T.

The democratic state committee of the National league for the week ended on the 20th were as follows: Baltimore, 702; Cleveland, 631; Cincinnati, 608; Boston, 556; Chicago, 555; Pittsburgh, 516; New York, 488; Philadelphia, 484; Brooklyn, 448; Washington, 440; St. Louis, 299; Louisville, 288.

Fire nearly swept away the little town of Poplar Grove, Ill.

The largest retail clothing dealers in St. Louis, F. W. Humphrey & Co., failed for \$125,000.

During a fight in Ozark county, Mo., between lumber thieves and officers four of the thieves were killed and one deputy marshal fatally wounded.

The millionaire banker and philatelist, Enoch Pratt, died at his home near Baltimore, Md., aged 88 years.

With one exception he was the oldest active bank president in the United States.

At Fernandina, Fla., the filibustering steamer Three Friends was seized by the government.

Congressional nominations were made as follows: Illinois, Seventeenth district, E. G. King (dem.); Michigan, Ninth district, A. F. Tibbitts (dem.); Minnesota, Seventh district, F. E. Lomen (dem.); Alabama, Second district, J. C. Fonville (pop.); Virginia, Second district, W. A. Young (dem.).

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