

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Washington News.

Ker got \$5,000 for drawing the defective Kellogg indictment.

The other day Secretary McCook found the old seal of the United States senate, made in 1853.

Mr. Washburn presented the petition of Rev. T. Aysun and Rev. Gillilan of White Earth Indian reservation, asking for the removal of scattered bands of Chippewa Indians in Minnesota and Dakota to White Earth.

The statue of F. A. Muhlenburg, first speaker of the house of representatives, serving from 1789 to 1791, contributed by the state of Pennsylvania, was received in Washington, to be placed in Statuary hall at the capitol.

Morrison's tariff bill was killed in the house on the 6th inst., the enacting clause being stricken out by a majority of four.

Mr. Strait was notified by the commissioner of the general land office that Secretary Teller had affirmed his decision in the case of the Hastings & Dakota railway against Andrew J. Bailey in the Benson district, and that he had directed the local office to permit Mr. Bailey to enter his land.

Postoffices established: Dakota—Cowan, Cass county. Iowa—McCoid, Washington county. Postmasters Commissioned—John T. Irwin, Wiota, Iowa; Charles Foley, Foley, Minn; Josiah Hemingway, Galland, Iowa; Joseph L. Dopp, Towne, Wis.; Louis Reifsteck, Lousburg, Wis.

A Georgia postmaster has sent to Washington a letter, enclosing a circular requesting a contribution of \$24 for campaign purposes. The circular was shown to Postmaster General Grosham, who said he would protect any postmaster who refuses the contribution called for by the circular.

Rail and River News.

The Northern Pacific Saturday, took out a special train of twenty-three cars. The cars were loaded with groceries and mixed merchandise, shipped by Glidden, Griggs & Co. of St. Paul to Thompson Falls, Mont., the new supply point for the Cœur d'Alene mining district.

The Northern Pacific earnings for the fourth week of April were \$437,600, and for the month \$1,438,600. Compared with the same month last year, when the earnings were \$600,411.57, this is an increase of \$778,188.43, or 118 per cent. This is much larger than the several estimates made by Vice President Oakes.

Winnipeg Special: George P. Nelson, chief of the employment bureau of the Canadian Pacific railroad, has been suspended on a charge of accepting bribes from private employment agencies for issuing free passes. Nelson is a nephew of Sir Charles Tupper, the Canadian minister of railways. Frazer, Nelson's assistant, is also implicated and fled to avoid arrest.

Casualties of the Week.

Penell's drug store at Portland, Me., was burned. Loss, \$60,000.

The entire village of Gilman's Depot, on the Port Jervis & Monticello railroad, N. Y., was burned.

Forest fires near Emporia, P. D. recently swept over at least 50,000 acres, destroying, as far as ascertained, four large mills and some thirty other buildings, besides an immense number of lumber logs. People everywhere are fighting fires.

A Cleveland dredge, in tow of a tug bound west, capsize in consequence of breaking its dipper chain, on Sunday, the 4th, in rough water four miles from Black river, and a woman cook, name not known, and her five-year-old daughter were drowned. Seven men aboard were rescued by the tug.

The Northwestern hotel, for twenty years the leading hostelry of Marquette, Mich., was destroyed by fire, together with furniture valued at \$10,000. The building was valued at \$12,000, and is insured for \$10,000. The building was owned by the Detroit Marquette and Mackinaw railroad, and was burned by an incendiary.

Personal News Notes.

Matthew Arnold's pay for lecturing in the United States was not quite \$10,000.

Bob Ingersoll's log house on Dorsey's ranch cost \$8,000, and he will move in July 1.

Gen. William Painter, vice-president of the New York Philadelphia & Norfolk railroad company died in Philadelphia of apoplexy.

Senator Anthony has arrived in Rhode Island. His health is failing rapidly, and his friends anticipate that he will never again enter the senate chamber. His disease is softening of the brain.

Jim Keene, who recently failed, was born at Lynchburg, Va., and began life as a lawyer in San Francisco. His wealth was made wholly in buying bonanza stocks with Flood and O'Brien, and Ralston, the suicide.

Jay Cooke, whose fortune was swept away by the crash of 1873, is to-day one of the wealthiest men of Pennsylvania. He has investments in iron, coal, gold and silver mines and railroads reaching far into the millions.

Crimes and Criminals.

Thomas Simmons, Turtle Creek, Pa., was arrested on a charge of murdering his mother-in-law, an old lady named Catherine Dexter, who died recently.

John Good, a farmer near Morgantown, Ohio was mortally wounded by an unknown assassin, who came on horseback to his bed room and fired through the window, while Good was asleep beside his wife.

The grand jury of Copiah county, Mississippi, in session the 28th, returned a bill for murder against the Penn brothers for killing R. B. Rials. The grand jury, all democrats, including one colored man, found an indictment against E. B. Wheeler for murder. It may be remembered that on the 6th of November, 1883, Wheeler shot and killed J. P. Matthews, a prominent republican ex-sheriff and deputy internal revenue collector. The case acquired a national notoriety through the senate investigation committee. Wheeler was arrested, and recently the court decided the case not bailable. A change of venue was also denied.

General News Items.

Potatoes are 12 cents a bushel in Wyoming, N. Y.

The Florida delegates at large are all for Arthur.

Pebble, Ohio, infirmary contains a young man with a bull's head.

Wheatland, President Buchanan's old home near Lancaster, Pa., is for sale.

Alfred Carpenter has been divorced in New York from his fourteen-year old wife.

Wyoming chose J. W. Meldrum and James France delegates to the national convention. They favor Arthur.

An assignment was filed Monday by Henry I. Hart & Co., New York, upholsterers, giving preferences of \$97,000.

At a Democratic convention at Lisbon, Dak. J. J. Huges was elected delegate to the territorial convention to be held at Pierre on the 15th inst.

North Carolina delegates at large: J. J. Mott and W. S. Dockey (white) and James E. O'Hara and James Harris (colored) were elected. The delegation are all for Arthur.

The democratic central committee of Washington Territory has just appointed K. A. Kuhn and J. W. Offield delegates to attend the democratic national convention at Chicago.

The republican convention in Florida had a split and a bolt. The regular officeholders set was declared as follows: W. M. Sedwith, William G. Stewart, J. D. Cole, and Dennis Eagon.

Boeher put on rubber clothes the other night and immersed several young men in Plymouth church. He says he does not believe in it, but wants to please everybody as far as he can.

The Maine state Prohibition convention nominated for governor, W. T. Enstie; representatives to congress, First District, Anson R. Clark; Second, Reuben S. Hunt; Third, J. E. Leary; Fourth, C. B. Besse.

Rhode Island elected: Gorham P. Pomroy, Frank M. Bates, Ellery H. Wilson and Daniel B. Littlefield were elected delegates at large to the republican national convention. The whole delegation stands: Four Arthur, two Edmunds, and two Blain.

T. T. Bard, W. W. Marrow, George A. Knight and Horace Davis were elected delegates at large by the California Republican convention. Gov. Sheldon of New Mexico, now in Washington, says that New Mexico will send for two delegates to Chicago for Arthur.

Foreign Flashes.

Michael Davitt has abandoned politics. He goes to Australia. The reason assigned for the change of residence is the dispute between Davitt and Parnell as to the nationalization land schemes.

The Louisiana supreme court has decided in the case of John Crossley & Son of Halifax, England, representing warrant holders for a large amount to be paid out for drainage assessments, that the judgements sought to be revived are nullities and cannot be revived. The Crossleys hold \$500,000 of drainage warrants.

Arrests of persons known to be nihilists, suspected of connection with the order, continue. A very large number of artillery officers in Russia have been arrested on the charge of being connected with the murder of Sudeikin. The explanation of these arrests is that Degariff, who assassinated Col. Sudeikin, was at one time in the military service. Several more students have been arrested at Moscow, and the first number of a paper published by students in the Moscow university has been seized. The secretary of the board of justice and the mistress of the school for women in St. Petersburg were also arrested.

Gen. Lord Wolseley has prepared and submitted to the government a plan for the relief of Khartoum, which he claims as feasible in spite of the climatic difficulties attending a summer campaign in the Soudan. He says that if the necessary orders are given now, the expedition which he proposes can positively be on the march by next July. He thinks that the present situation can be maintained at Khartoum until July, but is doubtful if Gen. Gordon and the Khartoum garrison can hold out until the rising of the Nile will permit of such an expedition as has been proposed by Sir Evelyn Baring, and for which surveys have been made by Capt. Molyneux. Mr. Gladstone has taken Lord Wolseley's proposal under consideration.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

After a short campaign all the delegates to the Republican national convention have now been chosen, and their status, as nearly as can be ascertained, is shown in the following table. Many are classified "unknown," for the reason that they have expressed no preference for president and are so stoutly claimed by the friends of the various candidates that they cannot, in fairness, be ranked among the supporters of any. Of the scattering, Connecticut has 12 for Hawley, Indiana 6 for Gresham, Maryland 1 for Grant, and Wisconsin 1 for Gen. Sherman. Virginia will send a contesting delegation of Blaine men.

Table with columns: States and Territories, Blaine, Arthur, Edmunds, Sherman, Slocum, Unknown. Rows list states from Alabama to Wyoming.

Whole number in convention.....820 Necessary to a choice.....411

St. Paul Markets.

Wheat, No. 1 hard, \$1.03@1.05; No. 1, 90c@95c; No. 2 hard, \$1.01; No. 2, 85c@90c. Corn, No. 2, 54c. Oats, \$1.02c. Barley, No. 2, 70c.

Milwaukee Markets.

Wheat, No. 2, 90c. Corn, No. 2, 54c. Oats, No. 2, 34c. Rye, No. 1, 65c. Barley, No. 2, 71c.

Chicago Markets.

Wheat, No. 2 Chicago spring, 91 1/2c@92c. Corn, 53 1/2c@54 1/2c. Oats, 31c. Barley, 72c. Rye, 61c.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

The house, after a long debate, passed the bill covering defects in the Chinese bill. The amendments provide for a passport system substantially identical with that contained in the vetoed twenty-year bill; all Chinese to be required, before entering or leaving the United States, to provide themselves with certificates containing a detailed description of their personal appearance, which must be exhibited to the customs officers at ports of entry or departure; a special cordon of officers to guard the frontier of British Columbia, in order to prevent the unlawful immigration of Chinese from that country; every constable, justice, policeman, sheriff and deputy sheriff along the border to have the power and authority of a United States marshal to make arrests for violation of the restriction law; the appellation of "merchants" under which so many Chinese had recently entered the United States, to be clearly defined and held applicable not to peddlers, hucksters, etc., but only persons actually engaged in business as the word is popularly understood. The bill passed—yeas 184, nays 13. The negative vote was cast by Adams (Ill.), Brewer (N. Y.), Browne (Ind.), Everhart, Henderson (Ill.), Hitt, Kean, Lyman, Price, Rice, Skinner (N. Y.), Smalls and Spooner, all Republicans.

Senator Van Wyck of Nebraska introduced in the senate a bill to restrict foreigners and foreign corporations in the ownership of public lands and any lands in the territories. The full text is:

It is enacted, etc., that it shall be unlawful for any persons or any associations not citizens of the United States, or for any corporation or company organized under authority of any foreign state, prince or potentate to acquire title over the United States to a greater quantity of public lands than individuals of the United States are authorized to hold under the settlement and improvement laws thereof, or to acquire, receive or hold by deed, grant or trust deed, hereafter executed greater quantities of land in the territories than 640 acres.

This bill is intended to protect American stockraisers and farmers from the invasion of large English corporations which have acquired thousands of acres of land in the western territories for these purposes. Senator Plumb of Kansas also introduced a bill still more stringent on the same subject.

The house decided, on Monday, by a vote of 142 to 98, to consider the contested election case of O'Farrell (Democrat) against Paul (Republican), of Virginia. The minority were not allowed time to prepare a report.

Wise a Readjuster member from Virginia, fiercely denounced this action of the Democrats. The minority resolution declaring O'Farrell not entitled to a seat was lost—yeas 140. This was a strict party vote, except that Cook, Democrat, of Iowa, voted with the Republicans in the affirmative. The majority resolution declaring O'Farrell entitled to the seat was then adopted and O'Farrell took the oath.

In the Senate, Wednesday, a bill was introduced by Mr. Edmunds to place Gen. U. S. Grant on the retired list of the army. Mr. Hill forfokeed the bill in favor of the New Orleans, Baton Rouge & Vicksburg Railway company. The discussion of the shipping bill was resumed, and a substitute for one section was submitted by Mr. Vest, and accepted by Mr. Frye, author of the bill, abolishing all tonnage dues on United States vessels on entering United States ports only retaining such dues in like manner on foreign countries discriminating in like manner on United States.

In the house the bill for the relief of Fitz John Porter came up with senate amendments. Mr. Slocum moved to non-concur in the senate amendments. Mr. Bain moved concurrence. Mr. Keifer opposed the bill, declaring it unconstitutional. Mr. Slocum said:

The gentleman from Ohio had attacked Fitz John Porter. The gentleman would be glad of it, because he would regard what the gentleman said against him as a compliment, and it would be so regarded by the country. He (Slocum) had only been surprised that the gentleman from Ohio had not summoned Charles Garfield and Elder to sustain his course as he had done a few days ago (applause) on the Democratic side.

Mr. Bedford said he would take Grant's side as to the injustice to Gen. Porter rather than the words of Mr. Keifer or any other party on the floor. The motion to refer the bill to the committee of the whole was lost, and the senate amendments nonconcurrin.

The iron-clad oath which was provided for at the outbreak of the war and has never been repealed, although numerous attempts have been made to strike it from the statute books, has at last been abolished. The house on Wednesday, concurred on the bill which passed the senate some time ago for the purpose, and it only needs the signature of the president to become a law. This oath has always been ad persons who did not take part in the rebellion, while those who did have taken what is known as the temodified oath.

Senator Van Wyck offered a resolution, which, at the suggestion of Conger, was laid over by directing the secretary of the interior to withhold the granting of patents to or recognizing any claim made by the Northern Pacific railroad adjoining and on account of what is known as the Puyallup branch, built many years ago, until this congress shall take action on the question of the forfeiture of lands-granted said road. A resolution was adopted calling on the secretary of the interior for information regarding the cowboy who shot at Black Wolf's hat on Lame Deer creek, Mont. This refers to the recent ranch burning by Black Wolf's band.

In the house, Thursday, on motion of Mr. Ellis all prior bills were set aside, and the committee proceeded to the consideration of the bill appropriating \$1,000,000 for the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the cotton centennial exposition at New Orleans. Mr. Ellis briefly explained the provisions of the bill and pointed out the safeguards which had been established for the return of the appropriation to the United States out of the receipts. After further debate, on motion of Mr. Hancock an amendment was adopted providing that the appropriation shall only be paid on the treasurer of the United States being satisfied that \$500,000 has been contributed by the World's Industrial and Cotton exposition. The bill passed—yeas 134, nays 87.

Among the bills reached on the speaker's table the 7th inst., was the senate bill to authorize the secretary of the interior to ascertain the amount due citizens of the United States for supplies furnished the Sioux or Dakota Indians of Minnesota subsequent to August, 1880, and prior to the massacre of August, 1882, and providing for the payment thereof. The bill was referred to the committee of the whole on the state of the Union. As it is among the last bills on this calendar its chance for passage is exceedingly small.

Utah republicans passed resolutions for the separation of church and state; favoring a protective tariff and silver and gold as an equal standard; endorsed the administration of President Arthur and Gov. Murray, and favored the legislative commission of Utah and vigorous action for the suppression of polygamy. Gov. Murray and Gen. H. Kimball were elected delegates to the Chicago convention.

William D. Hardin, ex-sheriff of Crittenden county, Ark., was shot and killed at Marion near Memphis, by James Murray, the latter being mortally wounded in the mole and dying in six hours. Hardin was a desperado, having killed one man and been engaged in several bloody affairs. The difficulty between Hardin and Murray grew out of a lawsuit.

At Williamsport, Pa., ex-County Commissioner McKinley Smith, who pleaded guilty to embezzlement, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

DAKOTA NEWS NOTES.

William W. Stockton, a prominent business man of Huron, died suddenly.

It is reported that petroleum has been found thirty miles north of Salem, and about forty miles northwest of Bismarck.

Three prisoners broke jail at Fargo, and no clue has been found. They were in for minor offenses, and made their escape by breaking through a wall. They have probably crossed to Minnesota.

The house of N. M. Thompson, near Huron, was burned by a prairie fire.

The house of Mr. Roberston, near Carrington, was burned, with its contents.

Pillsbury & Hulbert will build an addition to their elevator at Larimore of 30,000 bushels, which will make in all an 80,000-bushel elevator.

In a quarrel at Fort Peirre, Joe Scott fired at Joe Rivers, the ball grazing his head and glancing across the cheek of a Mrs. Beam, plowing a fearful gash. Scott was arrested.

Rev. J. H. Clark, Presbyterian minister, was arrested at Ellendale, for stealing hay. The best citizens of the place, it is said, believe him innocent of the charge.

Rudolph Schuler of Sioux Falls attempted suicide with a revolver. He aimed at his heart, but the ball did not puncture the skin.

Mrs. Shinn, living near Tower City, was terribly burned in putting out a prairie fire, which threatened her home.

N. J. Harvey, run over by a train at Valley City several days since, died Friday morning.

The Dakota Medical association will hold its third annual meeting in Mitchell, Wednesday, May 21.

Mr. E. F. Messersmith, formerly of St. Paul, arrived in Dickinson from his cattle ranch at Killdeer, Mont., with a fine specimen of gold-bearing quartz, found on his ranch.

Two or three of the Indian boys at the new Indian school in Yankton have provided themselves with blankets and turned their faces homeward.

The corpse of a man by the name of Grannaham was found on the Northern Pacific track, near Little Missouri, having been run over and killed by a train.

Mrs. Carrie M. Pierce, the widow of Capt. Pierce, the murdered city magistrate, of Mitchell has removed to her former home in Manchester, Iowa.

William A. Young, a woodchopper, committed suicide by hanging himself near Rapid City.

Ninety-three foreigners were naturalized at the late term of court at Swan Lake.

The grand lodge and encampment of Odd Fellows meet in Mitchell May 14, and the session will continue four days.

The territorial convention of county commissioners will gather in Fargo May 20.

Ground was broken at Mitchell for the University of Dakota.

Grandin is to have a 200-barrel flour mill this season.

At Portland H. Kelling, baggage master on the Maryville & Breckinridge line, was examining a revolver, when it was discharged, the ball penetrating his brain, causing instant death.

Senator Conger and Mr. Outcheon of Michigan have presented to the president the papers of Col. Lounsbury for the governorship of Dakota.

The grand jury at Wahpeton returned twenty-six indictments, among them several charging wheat stealing. Jacob and Isaac Larson and Louis Knudson were convicted on the latter charge.

A horse, buggy and harness belonging to F. P. Webb, in all worth \$300, were stolen from the Methodist church at Huron. Suspicion rests on a boy who had been in jail there a long time, but gave the deputy sheriff the slip a few days since.

As the steamer Grandin was descending the Red river a man named Bucher, a laborer working near Holy Cross, fell off the steamboat and perished. The boat was stopped, but no trace of him could be found. The body was not recovered.

George Stebbing of Woonsocket says that Hank Lewis of Mitchell, Dak., killed his partner in the cattle business in Arizona Territory, over a quarrel about their partnership property, which, among other property, covered 600 head of cattle, in all worth probably \$40,000.

At Salem last fall Peter Fideler attempted to shoot John Norton. The jury, after being out thirty-one hours, returned a verdict of assault. Peter was sentenced to thirty days in jail and pay the costs of prosecution, amounting to \$157.50. The verdict causes much indignation among the people in that vicinity. The Salem Register says, "should Fideler ever attempt to live in McCook county we would like to take out a big insurance risk on his life."

The new court house at Wahpeton is now occupied. It is large and convenient.

Robert F. Sinclair, paper hanger and house decorator at Fargo, has deserted his wife, who is in straightened circumstances.