

THE NEWS SUMMARIZED.

Washington Gossip.

A number of Washington correspondents propose to start a new newspaper on an original plan.

N. C. Tawing of Wisconsin was among the candidates for naval cadships who were successful in the examination.

Adjutant General Dream is authority for the statement that there is no foundation whatever for the published reports that antagonism exists between Secretary Endicott and Lieutenant General Sheridan. He says their relations are of the pleasantest character.

The acting postmaster general has appointed the following fourth-class postmasters in Iowa: Gilbert station, B. J. Grinnell; Charlotte, William F. Houlihan; Preston, N. Godes; Calamus, A. H. Cruse; Dixon, Henry J. Wulff; Itaska, James M. Pendergast; Cascade, James H. Hayes; Durant, Joseph Weaver; Mackburg, J. D. Love; Raymond, W. S. Deitrick; Iron Hills, J. J. Tracy.

Two treasury notes bearing date Feb. 23, 1842, were sent to Treasurer Jordan with the following request: "If worth anything send check, if worthless return them." The notes were ragged. They were made payable to the order of J. Smith, bear 6 per cent. interest and have one year to run. If they are worth anything they are worth \$53 each. It is the opinion of Treasurer Jordan that they are genuine.

It is understood that Gen. Sheridan is about to address a letter to Secretary Endicott in response to the recent publication of correspondence in reference to the command of the army. Gen. Sheridan will reply that, while holding his present opinion and in the absence of a decision by unquestionable authority, he will have to continue to exercise his functions as commanding general as he understands them.

A prominent officer of the government expresses the belief that the suit brought in New York against the civil service commission is in reality a friendly suit instigated by the civil service advocates, with a view to securing judicial affirmation of the legality of the civil service act. He adds: "Prominent civil-service advocates contemplated the institution of such a suit last spring. He had been invited, before his appointment to office, to assist in its prosecution. It was the purpose then to carry the case to the supreme court of the United States, to secure a final judgment by the highest judicial authority."

The Washington Star says: "A Star reporter was informed that the next requisition for salaries for the officials of the Alabama claims court will be presented on the 26th inst., and that Controller Darham has determined to stop the payment of the salary of Mr. Cresswell, counsel for the commission. The ground upon which the controller takes this action, it is stated, is that, as none of the officers of the court are bonded, the government can only protect itself for any improper disbursements by holding their salaries; that improper expenditures have been authorized by Counsel Cresswell, and that the government has the right to reimburse itself for any money unlawfully paid out by withholding Mr. Cresswell's salary. In other words, the salary of the counsel is to be held up until it can be determined whether or not Mr. Cresswell is responsible for any of the disbursements which the first controller held were not authorized."

Personal Gossip.

Theodore Thomas and his wife are traveling in France.

Gov. Hoadly opened the Ohio campaign at Hamilton in a speech occupying two hours.

Rev. Richard A. Byrne, for several years pastor of the Catholic church at Lawler, Iowa, dies at Dubuque.

Bob Haylor, the heroic engineer of the Indianapolis, Bloomington & Western accident, dies from his injuries.

Archibald Forbes, the English war correspondent, will soon be married to a daughter of Quartermaster General Meigs.

Mrs. Russell Stevens, sister of the countess of Dufferin, died at sea while on her way from Canada to England. The body has been left at Londonderry.

Charles Roberts, of "Orion," has just been appointed professor of English literature in King's college, Windsor, Nova Scotia. A young writer, Mr. Roberts already reaps fruitage from his literary labors.

Mr. Oswald Ottendorfer, editor of the New York Staats-Zeitung, has presented his native city of Zwettau, in Austria, with the sum of 200,000 florins, to be devoted to the erection of a hospital and orphan asylum.

Commodore Kittson is without doubt the most unlucky turfman in the country. His luck this season has simply been horrible. He started out with four of the fast horses in the world, at their respective stables of going, and now all four are in the stables, laid up for repairs.

Thomas Knight, a boiler maker of Baltimore, expects to soon draw the interest on \$50,000 or \$50,000 well invested in New York city, with promises of sharing in an estate valued at over \$1,000,000 in Baltimore, inherited from his uncle, Columbus Knight, who died at sea eight years ago.

Capt. Howgate, the long-absent signal officer, has again been heard from, after all that has been said about his movements in the United States, in Canada and in South America since his departure. It is now claimed that the missing captain has spent most of his time with relatives in England.

Casualty Record.

At Cleveland, O., a block on Ontario street, occupied by R. Cohen, milliner, R. Cohen & Co., cloak dealers, and the Star Boot and Shoe company, was damaged \$42,000 by fire.

The New York Daily Commercial Bulletin of Sept. 4 estimates the fire losses in the United States and Canada during August at \$5,500,000. This is a decided improvement upon former records, the average aggregate of fire losses in August for ten years past being \$7,000,000.

Criminal Calendar.

Charles Thiele is arrested at Wausau, Wis., on the charge of wife murder.

The jury in the Henderson murder case, at Brooklyn, Dak., brought in a verdict of manslaughter in the second degree.

Jerome O'Connor, the promising son of Jere O'Connor, the oldest politician in Milwaukee, suicided in front of his father's house, using his revolver.

H. Bersayer, aged seventy, who fatally shot the boy Michael Smith for stealing

apples, was taken from the Englewood police station to the Thirty-fifth street station, Chicago, and narrowly escaped lynching en route at the hands of Smith's friends. The crowd finally grew so large that Bersayer was taken to the county jail under a heavy patrol.

A young man named Winney, living with his step-father, George Daniels, three miles north of Cedar Rapids, shot Daniels with a shotgun during a quarrel over a board bill, and killed him. He then came to the city and gave himself up, claiming that his step-father had rushed at him with a club and threatened to kill him, and that he shot him in self-defense.

Foreign News.

Earl Dudley, who is the guest of the Emperor Dom Pedro of Brazil, will go to Canada this month and spend six weeks in the Rockies hunting.

Spain is thrown into a passion of indignation by the news that Germany has planted her flag on the Island of Yap while a Spanish man-of-war was looking on.

Sir H. D. Wolff, the British envoy, has asked the sultan to use his influence to establish a firm government in Egypt, and thus enable England to withdraw her troops from that country.

Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, member of parliament for Colne, who was under foreign secretary during the administration of Mr. Gladstone, by order of his physician, will not enter the next parliament.

Prince Waldemar, youngest son of Christian of Denmark, will keep up the reputation of his family for brilliant matches by wedding the Princess Marie, eldest daughter of the Duc de Chartres, one of the wealthiest young women in Europe.

The Vienna New Free Press pays a long tribute to Hon. John M. Francis, late American minister at Vienna, closing with: "The great number of friends whom he leaves behind in Vienna will long remember him and his amiable lady, and bid them a hearty good-bye."

Count Benemar, the Spanish minister, has expressed to the government Spain's regret at the insult offered to Germany by the populace of Madrid, and has promised, on behalf of his government, that the leaders of the mob will be punished, and that Spain will do her utmost to prevent a repetition of the insult. This statement is regarded as terminating the incident.

The preliminary shooting practice in the division contest of Fort Snelling was completed, and the matter of the ownership of the Robertson badge was settled in favor of Lieut. Goodin, Seventh infantry, a member of the team from the department of the Platte. The fight between Lieutenants Goodin and Sage for the possession of this prize was very close, and a very pretty one clear to the finish.

The London Times' La Granya dispatch dated Aug. 9, notifying that government of the intention of Germany to annex the Carolines. In this note Germany made a specific presentation of the claim of a third party provided Spain was able to show, by acts of protection, that the right of sovereignty was vested in herself. In that event Germany would be willing to withdraw all claims to the islands.

At a meeting of Catholics at Munster, Prussia, Dr. Windhorst, the Prussian Catholic leader, said the pope still ruled the world. The holy chair must be made independent of the powers. "We now," he said, "stand steadfast for the pope through life or death. The speaker asked for three cheers for pope Leo, which were given with enthusiasm. Several resolutions were passed demanding the unconditional repeal of the chief May laws, especially those dealing with religious orders and the education of the clergy."

A semi-official note describes the hoisting of the German flag at Fax as preliminary and without prejudice to the annulment of the agreement between Germany and Spain. Prince Bismarck, who is at Parozin signifies no intention of leaving there. The statement that Spain had refused the question of ownership of the Carolines is not confirmed nor believed, for the reason that such refusal would probably result in decisive action by Germany for the retention of the island. War is regarded as entirely out of the question.

Miscellaneous News Items.

Oil has been struck at Zaliski, Ohio, at a depth of 2,113 feet from the surface, boring through a cave 200 feet deep.

St. Paul business men say that the opening of the gambling houses will necessitate a stricter watch on their clerks.

Pompadour is allowed to wear his hair in the penitentiary. He is studying botany under the tuition of Mr. Alexander Fisher.

Mayor Vaughan, of Council Bluffs, paralyzes local sports by issuing a proclamation closing saloons, gambling houses and houses of ill fame.

The chairman of the Iowa State Prohibition committee has issued a call for an estate convention at Cedar Rapids Sept. 23 to nominate a candidate for governor.

Speaking of the death penalty, the Toronto Mail says: "The experience of Minnesota is worthy of the attention of those who hold that the death penalty should be abolished."

At a meeting called at New Haven by the mayor to raise money for the Grant memorial fund, only the mayor and the junior of the hall were present. The call for the meeting had appeared in all the city papers for a week.

At a public temperance meeting held at Madison, Wis., President John Bascom of the state university denounced high license, to be voted for throughout the state Sept. 15, as a sordid subterfuge to delay the progress of the prohibition sentiment.

W. H. Welch, formerly of the Dubuque Herald, has purchased the Des Moines State Leader, and will at once put it in good shape with new type and new presses. He has the means and is a successful business man. Under its former mismanagement it sunk about \$20,000.

Kossuth, Marx & Co., wholesale dealers in jewelry and importers of diamonds, in New York, failed, and the partners, Kossuth, Adolphus and Jacob Marx, made an assignment for the benefit of creditors. The total liabilities are reported at from \$400,000 to \$500,000, with large assets. No estimate of which would be given either by the firm or assignee.

The Iowa state board of health, in a circular, calls the attention of local boards and physicians especially to the alarming outbreak of smallpox in Montreal, and the necessity of great vigilance to prevent its appearance in this state. All suspicious cases simulating smallpox should be promptly isolated and prompt measures be taken for protection by vaccination and revaccination.

DAKOTA TERRITORIAL NEWS.

A largely attended meeting of citizens was held at Mandan, and resolutions passed calling for the immediate removal of Judge Francis from the bench.

The Russell-Miller Milling company has been organized in Valley City, with a capital of \$100,000, which will operate the flouring mills there and at Bismarck.

At a prize fight at Nishe between Ed McKeown, champion heavy-weight of Manitoba, and an unknown furnished by John S. Barnes of St. Paul, the latter proved himself to be a hard-fighter, and after four hard rounds had been fought the battle was given to the unknown on a foul. Barnes' unknown was Denny Kelleher, who made such a hard fight a few months ago with "the Marine."

Officials of the Aberdeen land office decide that the claims of Lyman C. & James R. Dayton, of Minneapolis, to a quarter-section on the edge of that city are unfounded.

Major Myrick, judge advocate of the department of Dakota, is ordered to join his command after Oct. 1.

New postmasters in Dakota:—Lenox, M. Schultz, vice Trent, removed; Centerville, J. E. Davis, vice Edge, removed; White Lake, J. Deng, vice Pratt, removed; Olivet, G. W. W. Baker, vice White, removed; Meno, T. Bray, vice Heil, removed; Hurley, R. Rees, vice Allen, removed; Marion, J. Ryan, vice Boeber, removed; Frankfort, E. P. Graves, vice Walbridge, removed; Volga, C. Keith, vice Brown, removed; Carrington, C. D. Smith, vice Halsey, removed.

Sheriff Hagart had twenty-one stacks of wheat and one of barley burned on his farm. The flames also consumed his stock shed, some nine hundred feet long. The entire loss will reach \$6,000; no insurance.

Two men, one named George Emory and the other James Bouton, were killed by lightning on E. E. Redmon's farm, two miles south of Mapleton.

Since the tragedies at Sturgis the liberty of the soldiers at Fort Mead has been greatly restricted and everything is very quiet.

Judge McConnell announces a term of court in Traill county, beginning Sept. 24.

A Congregational church is under construction in Bon Homme.

A little cloud passed over where they were threshing near Mapleton, when the men took refuge in the barn. Lightning struck the barn, killing the head feeder and another one of the crew, and injuring two others quite seriously. Twelve or fifteen men were in the barn and all felt the shock.

J. H. Teller, territorial secretary of Dakota, in St. Paul, expressed himself ready for decapitation, but thinks Gov. Pierce will be permitted to serve out his term.

A young man by the name of Betts has been arrested at Ipswich by the sheriff of Aurora county, charged with belonging to a gang of horse thieves near Plankington, in the Wessington hills. Seven others of the gang are now in jail at Plankington.

Unknown parties attempted to wreck the passenger train between Canton and Lennox. They placed three oak ties on the track, but it happened that a freight train preceded the passenger, and the engineer having been warned, was on the lookout, and stopped his train before any serious damage was done. The passenger train came along half an hour later, and, although the vagabond tramps had replaced the ties on the track, the engineer evaded accident.

The case of the Marquis de Moses has been removed to Bismarck, on a change of venue granted by Judge Francis.

Rev. Schaffner, the Baptist minister of Dickinson, convicted on the charge of assaulting a deacon of his church with a hatchet, with intent to do great bodily harm, was sentenced to six months in the penitentiary of this city. The friends of Mr. Schaffner are very much chagrined, at the verdict of the jury, and claim that the case is one of the most flagrant persecutions.

Constable Kruse, assisted by Chief Murry of Winnepeg and Chief Sturdy of Emerson, arrested in the Canada hotel at St. Vincent a man named Ed Kelly, alias "Bulldoz," on a charge of murder. Last December Robert Baird of Missouri, Mont., was in possession of some \$7,000 in money, on his way from Montana to some place not definitely ascertained yet in British Columbia. He was met on the Canadian side by a man whose description Kelly answered, and murdered and robbed of the money. The murderer has succeeded in eluding the detectives ever since.

"You can find anything in the Bible," says the independent, "if you look for it. See this about Grant, from I. Samuel, xvi. 18: 'Behold I have seen a son of Jesse * * * that is a mighty valiant man, and a man of war, and prudent in matters, and a comely person, and the Lord is with him.'"

OTHERWISE AND PERSONAL.

An ingenious individual in England has calculated that during the course of every year railway servants get no less than £300,000 in tips from the public.

At one time during the Revolutionary war the currency of the country had so far depreciated that a barrel of flour was worth \$1,575, and John Adams paid \$15,000 for a suit of clothes and a hat.

The French were compelled to capture posts variously estimated at from 106 to 158 in number, before occupying Dong Song. Everywhere the CHINESE held out tenaciously against the rifle fire, but gave way before the shell.

The present year has been an unfortunate one for Greece. The all important currant crops suffered severe damage, owing to inclement weather, and there is a crisis in the financial world, and depressions in commercial affairs.

EVERYONE who goes to Vienna is obliged to fill up a document telling whence he came, whither he is going, his age, his religion, and a few other little confessions. This paper is given to the police, who are thus able to trace any missing individual.

JOHN LEVERIDGE, born in New York city in 1790, admitted to the bar in 1812, and a soldier in the war of 1812, is the oldest member of the New York bar. He is still, at 95 years of age, in active practice, and has a son, 68 years of age, who is also a lawyer of repute.

A PEPPER famine is said to be imminent. The average consumption of the world is 22,300 tons, most of which comes from Malabar, Lampang, the Straits, and other points of the east. During the coming year the available supply will not exceed 20,500 tons, and may be still further reduced to 15,000 or 16,000 tons by the Dutch blockade of the Acheen coast.

HERE is a good question for debating societies: A correspondent of The Scientific American asks if the electricity which produces the electric light is a manufactured article, or is a natural element simply collected and stored. The paper says that it may be said to be manufactured, as it is produced by the expenditure of power in a machine. It adds, however, that it is probably a condition or state of natural elements.

An old chain bible was recently replaced, with much ceremony, in the position it originally occupied upon what is known as Cranmer's desk, in Canterbury cathedral. Upon receiving the bible, the bishop of Dover said that the event in which they were then engaged was one that would recall to their minds the commencement of one greater era in the history of Christianity, inasmuch as the position in which he had just replaced that volume was undoubtedly constructed in the reign of Henry VIII., and was the place from which the first English bible was read in the English church for the benefit alike of the clergy and laity.

It is said that a winter in Washington makes a person dissatisfied with the society of every other city in the country, since in them the clubs are in possession of young insurance agents, stock-brokers, and business men. As The Atlanta Constitution puts it: "Old men are rated stupid; literary and intellectual men are put down as nuisances. In general society it is worse. Men and women over 30 are left in the corners. The young dancing dudes and the budding debutantes run everything. But in Washington the literary people, statesmen, travelers, and scientists are strong enough to give tone to society. You meet them everywhere. It is refreshing to find one city in the land where men of brains and position can not be driven to the wall by long-legged dudes and young girls just from the dancing-school."

The gardener of Johns Hopkins estate in Baltimore county, Maryland, has cultivated figs for the past twenty-five years with success, having never failed to secure a crop. He gives the method of treatment as follows: From the 10th to the 20th of November we dig a trench around the bushes, cutting away about half the roots they have made the late season, when the bushes are growing vigorously, and less when they are not so robust, bending down the branches to the ground in the form of a cross and covering them with earth from the trenches from three to four inches in thickness, and in spring uncovering them from the 1st to the 10th of April. They bear fruit abundantly, ripening about the 1st of July, and continuing to bear until November, and later if not destroyed by frost.

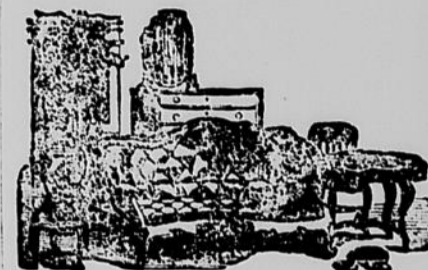
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