

# THE NEWS SUMMARIZED.

## Washington Gossip.

William A. Roberts of Wisconsin has been appointed special agent of the land office.

There are five vacancies of chiefs of divisions in the register's office at Washington to be filled.

Mrs. Mary C. Kail is dismissed from a treasury clerkship because she wrote an offensive partisan Republican campaign song.

It is estimated that out of the seven or eight thousand voting clerks in Washington hardly one hundred will go home to vote this fall.

The president's private secretary, Col. Lamont, has been called to Mechanicsville, N. Y., by the severe illness of one of his children.

The president appointed his brother-in-law, M. B. Bacon of Toledo, to be the superintendent of the new public building in course of erection in that city.

Ex-Speaker Randall says he will not be a candidate for speaker of the house. "I had a very pleasant time last winter on the floor of the house," he said.

President Cleveland declined to appoint as postmaster at Augusta, Ga., the editor of a paper who published scandalous articles regarding Mr. Blaine's marriage.

Commanders of military posts in the department of the Platte are directed to see that the president's order regarding the removal of illegal fences is carried out.

The new granite building for the state, war and navy departments at Washington will be completed in about two years. It has cost thus far \$9,000,000, and it is the largest structure in Washington.

In addition to undertaking to bring the factions on the silver question to a compromise, Representative Warner, of Ohio, proposes to make war on the civil service commission, and will divide his time between that duty and the silver question.

Ex-Congressman Kasson of Iowa, recently minister to Germany, is looking very badly indeed, and his friends seriously fear that his condition is worse than he realizes. He hopes to get away from the city and out upon the prairies in a few days, where he will have new life put into him.

Considerable vexation is felt among Milwaukee vinegar manufacturers on account of an order received from the commissioners of internal revenue at Washington, informing them that the presence of a coil in their vinegar mash tubs is contrary to law, and that the coils will have to be removed.

In order that no precaution shall be neglected to guard against the introduction of smallpox into the United States from Canadian ports, the treasury department has issued special instructions to the commanding officers of revenue cutters to speak all vessels coming from infected ports and to prevent the landing in the United States of all that do not show clean bills of health.

Sergeant-at-Arms of the House Leedom, who was in charge of the Holman Indian committee, says he believes Red Cloud to be a loafer and constitutional dead beat, who is the only one of all the chiefs the committee has visited that steadily refuses to allow his children to attend school and take on the ways of civilization. Red Cloud tells his people that as long as the Great Father knows that they are unable to support themselves they will be provided with rations.

Secretary Lamar has directed the commissioner of railroads, Gen. Joseph Johnson, to send a letter to Charles Francis Adams, president of the Union Pacific, and to C. P. Huntington, president of the Central Pacific, stating that the department had been informed that their companies had been for years paying a subsidy of \$1,000,000 per annum to the Pacific Mail Steamship company, and instructing them to forward to the commissioner a copy of the contract between their companies and the Pacific Mail; also to cease payment of any money to the Pacific company until the matter could be thoroughly investigated by the department.

## Personal Gossip.

Henry R. Seldon, eminent jurist, dies at Rochester, N. Y.

Henry R. Seldon, ex-judge of the court of appeals and ex-lieutenant governor of New York, died, aged eighty years.

The engagement is announced of A. Cammack, the New York millionaire banker and broker, to a Miss Hildreth of Washington. Mr. Cammack is fifty-three years old.

Mrs. Theodore Tilton is often seen in the picture shops along Washburn avenue, Chicago. She dresses plainly; her hair is very gray, her voice tremulous, and her face is sad.

American Methodist missionary Johnson has arrived in London on his return from St. Paul de Louisa. He states that the American Methodist mission there are all well and happy, that the reports that the mission had suffered by death from starvation and disease are false, and were based solely on the fact that Charles Miller, of Baltimore, had died from illness.

## Casualty Record.

Fire broke out in the manufactory of the Smith American Organ company, at Montgomery and Clarendon streets Boston. Loss \$100,000.

During the past few days the Northern Pacific officials have received reports of extensive prairie fires extending along its Dakota and Missouri divisions. These fires have caused considerable damage. The Northern Pacific has been endeavoring to find out the amount of damage done, and also the origin of fires. It was stated that they originated from sparks from the company's locomotives. Investigation proves this to be untrue. So far as heard from all have been caused by settlers carelessly burning their straw.

## Criminal Calendar.

G. W. Smith was arrested at Denver while putting a dynamite cartridge on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad track.

Bishop John Sharp, Utah, director of the Union Pacific, one of the wealthiest and most influential Mormons living, appeared in court and pleaded guilty of unlawful cohabitation. He claimed that his plural marriage was entered into before there was any statute against it, and in good faith according to their religion; but recognized the supremacy of his adopted country's laws, and would live within them henceforth, and would not advise any one else to break them. He was fined \$300 and discharged on payment thereof.

## Foreign News.

Minister Phelps is the guest of the duke of Argyll at Inverary.

## NORTHWESTERN NEWS NOTES.

### Iowa State Fair Premiums.

The State Agricultural society will come out with a small surplus, though they had but one clear day during the week, and were obliged to break up two days short. The receipts, \$26,010.46. All premiums will be paid in full. With good weather the receipts would not have been less than \$50,000. To give the award of premiums would require too much space. The grand herd prizes were awarded to-wit:

J. S. Brown, Gelema, Ill., first prize, \$500; Short horns. In this herd was Nelly Bly, probably the handsomest cow ever shown. T. W. Harvey, Tuslington, Neb., second prize, \$200; Polled Angus. Iowa Herford Company, Indianola, Iowa, third prize; Herefords; W. S. White, Sabetha, Kans., fourth prize, \$50; Short horns.

Fourth prize was best thoroughbred beef cattle of any age. In the dairy test the Holsteins took the cake with Jacobontas, owned by J. W. Sherman of Chester Center, with a record during the fair of 57.5-7 pounds of milk per day; percent of cream, 14; butter, 3.9-16 pounds per 100 pounds of milk. Another Holstein stood second, owned by E. M. Gilbert, Des Moines, Lakoside Maid, with a record of fifty pounds per day. A Jersey, Albino, owned by Dr. Grinnell of Jefferson, showed the highest per cent of cream per pound, and a Polled Angus, Thrift, stood second, but the yield of milk was much less than that of the Holsteins. Thus in three years the Dutch cows have come to the front as dairy cows, with the further advantage of good beef points.

Louis Bengenheimer of West Bend, Wis., was killed by a runaway team recently.

M. D. Carrington has presented the school board of Carrington, Dakota, with a fine school house.

John Chambers, of Sioux City, Iowa, stepped on a nail; lock-jaw resulted, from which he died.

Gus Johnson of Poplar River, Wis., near Superior, drew his gun through a brush heap muzzle first, and was fatally shot.

A two-year-old child of Horace Gardner of Lemars, Iowa, was left alone in the house, found matches and was fatally burned.

Gus Sorle was killed at the Northwestern Lumber company's mill at Hayward, Wis., falling upon a saw and being cut to pieces.

In Jefferson township, Iowa, Dr. Gross shot a man named Goodwin for slandering his wife, and the victim is expected to die.

At Target Lake, near La Crosse, Wis., Albert Mayor drew his gun out of a boat muzzle first, and his arm was blown to pieces.

Mrs. Lake, a lady of Appleton, Wis., has died from injuries which it is thought she received by being struck by a freight train at Appleton.

Nic Hoffman and H. Soutch were seriously, if not fatally injured at Lemars, Iowa, by a dray tipping over on them and being dragged by the runaway horses.

At Eau Claire, Wis., Huebner Robinson and S. C. Lasser's hardware store was robbed of \$300 worth of firearms. The safe and money drawer were left undisturbed.

At Madison, Wis., Dennis Cronin, unmarried, 30 years of age, by mistake drank nearly a pint of crude carbolic acid, thinking it was liquor, and died in half an hour in a stupor.

As Mr. Martin of Milbank, Dak., was returning home late at night, an unknown man threw pepper in his eyes and struck at him with a knife, but he escaped. He thinks his assailant was a woman.

Two men, giving the names of Mike Dinger and William Riley, were arrested at Fargo charged with having robbed a man named Harry Bowman, in a saloon an hour or so before. It is claimed they blew out the light and relieved their victim of \$15.

The total valuation of property for taxation, of the state of Iowa, is \$189,660,081, an increase of \$25,835,615 since 1883, or \$18,886,123 less for the biennial period ending 1883. This indicates that the assessments have not been materially increased during the past four years.

At attempt was made to outrage the nine-year-old daughter of a farmer named Deering, a short distance northwest of Fargo. The child's underclothes were torn off, but the fiend did not accomplish his purpose. Sheriff Haggart was notified and his deputies on the track of a man answering the description.

A halt was called at Helena, Mont., in the construction of the new court house by the discovery of a number of old mining drifts some sixteen feet beneath the walls, and in such a position as to jeopardize the solidity of the work should it be continued. Considerable anxiety was manifested by the citizens as to the extent of the cavities.

The Congressional association at Huron, Dak., had closed its four days' session. Much important business has been transacted. The resignation of Stewart Sheldon, for sixteen years superintendent of home missions for South Dakota, was presented to the executive committee and was accepted, taking effect at the end of the present year. Mr. Sheldon gave his farewell address.

Rev. Father Coppins, of the Catholic St. Gall's church, was brutally assaulted at Milwaukee, while standing in the vestibule of the church during divine services. A stranger crushed past the dense crowd, and struck a few fearful blows, with a heavy cane, at the priest, who fell down. The man then made his escape. Nobody knew him, and no cause for his assault can be imagined.

B. T. Rogers, one of the prominent citizens of Appleton, Wis., died after a sickness of a few days. Mr. Rogers was the owner of the Waverly house, of Appleton, and was largely interested in mines in Northern Wisconsin and Michigan. He was also quite prominent in Wisconsin politics, and was a Blaine delegate in the Chicago convention last year. He was fifty-five years old.

Bears have greatly excited the residents in the town of Lanark, Wis. There were eight in a drove that passed over the road recently. Three in another drove passed through Wallace Warner's field and went into his hog pen and killed a fine hog, but Wallace soon ended their career by killing one. He also killed one the next day near J. Rasmussen's. Out of the drove of eight E. Polley shot one, S. Polley another, and Maj. Holman also one, so there was fun for the boys awhile.

Pierre Fee Press: It is rumored on the streets and verified by arrivals from Fort Sully, that orders have been received at the post to hold two companies in readiness to proceed to the Winnebago and Crow Creek reservations to eject the settlers who still remain. The command has moved for the scene of action and is under command of Col. Dodge, the post commandant. Of course it will be but a mere matter of form, as what settlers remain will offer no resistance.

## Quiet Meeting of the Northern Pacific Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholder of the Northern Pacific in New York on the 17th, though not very largely attended, was participated in by a number of large capitalists, including J. P. Morgan, Elijah Smith, Frederick Billings, Brayton Ives of New York, D. M. Swett of Portland, Ore., J. C. Bullitt, G. S. Fox, and C. B. Wright of Philadelphia. President Harris read the annual report, and called Col. Swett to the chair. Tellers were appointed and the vote for directors was at once proceeded with. The only business presented was the annual report and a resolution offered by Mr. Morgan instructing the incoming board not to incur any floating debt in the construction of any new road or roads. The resolution was adopted. The resolution does not mean that the Cascade division will not be built, but that the company will not run into debt in its construction. The voting proceeded quietly and without the slightest interruption. The expected injunction to prevent Messrs. Morgan and Ives from voting the Oregon Transcontinental stock was not served. President Smith, of the latter company, applied to two judges in this city, Barrett and Donohue, for the injunction but they refused to grant it. The stock in question amounted to 120,000 shares, and it has voted regularly. Mr. Morgan voted 24,000 shares, Mr. Ives 16,000, President Smith 82,000, and the Northern Pacific directors' committee 82,000. C. B. Wright voted 217,000 shares. This stock was all voted for the old board, except by Mr. Morgan, who scratched the name of the representative of the Oregon Transcontinental in the Northern Pacific. The old board was unanimously elected, and the present officers will all be re-elected. The Oregon lease was not referred to, except in a casual way by President Harris, who said it was not time yet to take any action upon it. Thus ended peacefully and quietly what promised to be a contest for the control of the Northern Pacific. The contending parties were President Smith and Director Billings on one side and C. W. Wright and J. P. Morgan on the other.

The bone of contention apparently was the lease of the Oregon Navigation company, but it was really a fight between the representatives of the old Villard interests and those of the Northern Pacific proper.

## A Bloodless Revolution in Roumelia.

The populace of Philippopolis, the capital of Eastern Roumelia, almost to a man rose in rebellion recently, seized the governor general, deposed the government and proclaimed a union with Bulgaria. A provisional government was established. The revolt was so well planned that no disorder or bloodshed occurred, everybody being in sympathy with the movement, except the government officials. The foreigners in the city are perfectly safe from harm, as is also the property of foreign residents. Immediately after the organization of the provisional government, the militia were sworn in, taking the oath of allegiance to Prince Alexander of Bulgaria. It is generally believed in diplomatic circles that Russia arranged the programme of the rising and suggested a union with Bulgaria. No definite statement can at present be made as to what action the signatory powers to the treaty of Berlin will make respecting the matter. Eastern Roumelia was created by the congress of Berlin in 1878, and was given an autonomic government, though forming an integral part of the Turkish empire. The governor general was appointed by the porte, subject to the approval of the treaty powers. It is stated that Prince Alexander of Bulgaria has been assured of the support of Russia, Germany and Austria, and will defy the Turks. The sultan of Turkey has appealed to the powers to enforce the treaty of Berlin. It is not believed that Lord Salisbury will interpose. The Liberals applauded the action of the Roumelians.

## Important Railroad Decision.

About a year ago John B. Sheldon, a country shipper, began a suit against the Burlington & Quincy in the United States circuit court at Chicago to recover damages for alleged charging of extortionate freight rates. He claimed the rates were in excess of the maximum rates as fixed by railroad commissioners. The company filed pleas setting out that it was organized by the consolidation of five or six other Illinois railroads, all of which, save one, had the right by their charters to the amount of charges for carrying freight and passengers. Demurrers were filed to the pleas and argued some months ago before Judge Gresham at Chicago. The court decided that the consolidated company took its character from the charter of the constituent companies, and that one of these companies was subject to legislative control, and that the consolidation was voluntary on the part of several companies. The case stood. Judge Gresham held, just as if the defendant had been organized by the consolidation of but two companies, one independent of legislative control and the other subject to such control, and that in all cases in which doubts arose as to the powers of corporations thereto, doubts should be resolved in favor of the public. The case will be carried to the supreme court. Under Judge Gresham's decision the company will be compelled to conform to the rates fixed by the railroad commissioner.

## Senator Manderson on the Mormons.

Senator Manderson of Nebraska, who has been making an extended tour of investigation through all the Western territories, spent several weeks in Utah in studying the Mormon problem, by attending the trials of polygamists and making other personal investigations. He expresses doubt whether the Edmunds law will be found effective enough to destroy the practice of polygamy, but he says he has no doubt regarding the proposition that the people of the United States and their representatives in congress are determining that such legislation shall be had as will forever put an end to polygamy. He is strongly in favor of additional legislation on the Utah question, and says that further delay is doing injustice to Mormons themselves. He believes a more vigorous bill will be passed at the next session of congress. Senator Manderson considers the Mormons in the light of an alien population who hate our nationality and government, and the wonder is that their hatred has not long ago caused them to break out into open rebellion. Manderson thinks that Bishop John Sharp's act of pleading guilty may have a salutary effect, and the first step toward Utah's redemption.

Thomas S. Stratton, a prominent contractor of Sioux Falls, died of brain fever. He was formerly from Minneapolis and had lived here about six years.

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The first conviction is had in London under the new criminal law for the protection of girls.

Barnum will bring suit for \$2,000,000 damages against the Grand Trunk railway for the killing of Jumbo.

One Proctor has been arrested in British Columbia for the murder of Capt. Burgh, master and owner of the schooner Fleeting-Burgh.

Sir James Anderson proposes that all the submarine cables of the world be purchased by an international government syndicate.

The princess of Wales founded a new English church in Copenhagen, dedicated to St. Alban. Members of the Russian, Danish and other royal families were present.

De Struve, the Russian minister, finds that the czar will not increase his salary, and not having enough to live on in Washington, he is going away, as he has a large family.

A recent American marriage in London, was that of Miss Pearl Carley, daughter of a Louisville member of the Standard Oil company plutocracy, to Richard Howland Hunt of New York.

The populace of Philippopolis, the capital of Eastern Roumelia, rise in rebellion, depose the government and proclaim a union with Bulgaria. No blood is shed. Russia is thought to be at the bottom of it.

Jumbo's skeleton will pass into the possession of the national museum and will soon be brought to Washington by an arrangement made with Mr. Barnum sometime ago, when Jumbo's skin and skeleton was given to different institutions.

An effigy of Louis Riel was hanged at Kingston, Can., by the volunteers in camp at Millston in the presence of thousands of spectators. After a mock execution the figure, which was stuffed with gunpowder, was fired and blown to atoms.

It is reported that it was announced at the cabinet council recently that the Spaniards had occupied Yap, and that the Spanish man-of-war Valient was to replace the Velasco, which has been selected for the service of carrying stores to the station.

John Coulbert, of London, who was arrested on a charge of having abducted, for immoral purposes, a girl under thirteen years of age, was found guilty and sentenced to fifteen months' servitude. This is the first conviction under the provisions of the criminal law.

The appeal of Riel's counsel, Messrs. Lemieux and Fitzpatrick, to the highest tribunal in the British empire, rests mainly on the unconstitutionality of the Northwest act, and the injustice which deprived their client of a trial before a jury of twelve men, as the English law requires.

While Madame Theo the actress was out driving in Paris one of the horses attached to her carriage bolted. Mme. Theofrenzied with fear threw herself from the carriage and fell upon the pavement. She was carried to a shop near at hand bruised and bleeding, and remained for some time insensible. She has a deep gash in one of her arms and her hands are badly cut.

Prince Alexander of Bulgaria has confirmed M. Strausky as provisional governor of Roumelia. The Bulgarian chamber of deputies will be convoked shortly. The army of Bulgaria is being mobilized, and when united with the Roumelia military will, it is estimated, form an effective force of 56,000 men. Russian officers command the bulk of the Roumelian military.

Thomas White, minister of the interior, left Ottawa for the Northwest Territory, to thoroughly investigate the condition of the people, and to inquire into the half-breed claims which gave rise to the recent rebellion. Information has been received by the militia department that imperial silver medals will be conferred on the troops engaged in the suppression of the rebellion. All officers required for the increased strength of the Northwest mounted police have been appointed.

Admiral Minot telegraphed the French minister of war from Tamatar, Madagascar, under date of the 12th inst., that he reconnoitered the country on the 10th to ascertain whether the Hovas were erecting forts at Tarafat. He led a column of troops toward Guesoimaf, on the enemies' right, and discovered a strong force of Hovas skillfully entrenched. An engagement ensued, in which the French loss was thirty-three men wounded, including four officers, and two men killed.

The arrival in London of Gen. Roberts, commander-in-chief of her majesty's forces in India, was made the signal for outburst of discontent among the returned officers of the Suakim-Berber expedition, against Gen. Lord Wolseley. Sir E. Hawley, under the nom de plume of "Scrutator," has published in the Times a series of charges against Wolseley. One of these is that Gen. Wolseley suppressed the names which Gen. Graham recommended for promotion on account of actual services, and substituted for them the names of a number of his personal and court favorites. "Scrutator" says that the reason Gen. Wolseley meekly ignored the services of the officers and officers engaged in the Suakim-Berber expedition was that neither he, the duke of Connaught, nor any of the other military favorites of royalty had any share in that campaign.

Miss Sallie McDonald of Boyle county, Ky., for many years bedridden with spinal complaint, claims cure by prayer.

The Albany Evening Journal announces by authority that senator Everts will not accept the Republican nomination for governor.

The English cutter Genesta has retrieved her, by winning the regatta given under the auspices of the New York Yacht club, near Sandy Hook. It was the annual race of the club, and the prizes consisted of two cups, one given by Commodore James Gordon Bennett for schooners, and the other by Vice Commodore W. P. Douglass, for cutters or sloops.

While the trackmen were burning a fire-break around the depot at Dawson, on the Northern Pacific Railroad company's right of way, it got away from them and set fire to and destroyed that building. The depot stood on blocks about three feet high, under which had accumulated a large quantity of paper and other combustible stuff which took fire, and every effort to save the building failed.

The empty balloon which descended at Monmouth, Ill., and created such a sensation, was one in which an aeronaut named Williams was to make an ascent from the fair grounds at Burlington, Iowa, accompanied by a newly married couple. A strong wind was blowing during the morning, and shortly before the time of departure a rent was discovered in the bag through which the gas was escaping. The bridal party objected to taking passage in an unsafe balloon, and the balloon escaped and went up alone.

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