

CHICKAMAUGA BATTLEFIELD.

The National Military Park to Be Dedicated This Week.

CEREMONIES TO BEGIN THURSDAY AND END ON FRIDAY.

Will Be the Thirty-Second Anniversary of One of the Most Fiercely Contested and Decisive Battles of the War—Vice-President Stevenson Chosen to Preside—Many Prominent Survivors of the Engagement on Both Sides to Be Present.

CHATTANOOGA (Tenn.), Sept. 15.—Nearly a third of a century ago the battlefield of Gettysburg was dedicated as a National Cemetery. On that occasion President Lincoln delivered an address, which was recognized as the philosophy, in brief, of the great struggle between the North and South.

In this address, in words long since his, he formulated the doctrine that "this nation under God shall have a new birth of freedom, and a government of the people by the people."

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RAGING FOREST FIRES.

Great Destruction by Flames Near Waterford, New Jersey.

THOUSANDS OF ACRES OF TIMBER LANDS BURNED OVER.

A Terrible Windstorm Passes Near Madison, Wisconsin—A Freight Train Blown From the Track and Four People Badly Injured—Considerable Damage Also Done to Farm Houses and Barns in the Path of the Tornado.

WATERFORD (N. J.), Sept. 15.—A terrific fire is destroying thousands of acres of cedar swamps near here to-night. This is the first that has been burning in the Jackson Meadows for the past two weeks, and which has destroyed at least \$60,000 worth of property.

A big wind drove out in wagons, and are still fighting the flames. By backing from the Alco branch of the Jersey Central Railroad they saved the Collins cranberry bog, but the fire is now stretched in the big swamps from Jackson to Atison, a distance of ten miles.

Just before noon the teams with which the fire fighters drove to the scene came near being burned, and it was only by galloping through the suffocating smoke that they were saved.

Cinders from the fire fell in Cedar Brook, seven miles away. To-night it was reported that the out-buildings on Isaac Hartford's place were destroyed, and one Italian from this place has been missing since 5 o'clock.

PLEASANTVILLE (N. J.), Sept. 15.—The villagers of Bakerville and Bargaintown who were threatened by extensive forest fires, which have been burning since men working all last night and today setting back-fires. Some valuable cranberry bogs were burned.

WILLING TO SELL ALL RACES FOR THE AMERICAN FLAG'S CAP OVER. NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—At the meeting of the officers of the New York Yacht Club, held last Friday afternoon and evening, Mr. Iselin submitted the following propositions for their consideration:

First.—To call off the races of September 10th and 12th, and offer Lord Dunraven to sweep two other races, which are now being held in imminent danger.

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ANOTHER OUTRAGE.

Perpetrated on an American Citizen by Spanish Officials.

HIS HOTEL SEIZED AND HIS FAMILY TURNED OUT OF DOORS.

John Repko and His Household Forced to Leave the Hotel at Midnight by Soldiers, Who Seized Everything, Even to the Proprietor's Clothing—The Matter to Be Laid Before the State Department as Soon as Repko Reaches Washington From Florida.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—A special from Bridgeport, Conn., says: Facts about another outrage perpetrated on an American citizen by the Spanish officials of Havana, Cuba, have been made public through letters received in this city by Fred B. Taft, editor of the Herald.

John Repko, a citizen of the United States, was for eight years the proprietor of the Grand Hotel Roma. The Spanish Government, under a pretext of some new law, seized the hotel at midnight and turned Mr. Repko and his family out of doors.

Mrs. Repko, speaking of her husband and the trouble with the Spanish officials of Havana, Cuba, has been in litigation with the Spanish Government for some time.

WORK OF INCENDIARIES. MAGNETIC BURN OF JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER'S BARN. TARRYTOWN (N. Y.), Sept. 15.—Early this morning a fire destroyed the magnificent barn and outbuildings owned by John D. Rockefeller, the oil magnate, which are situated on the Bedford road near Pointo Hills.

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CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW.

He Returns to New York After an Extended European Tour.

TALKS OF HIS TRAVELS IN THE OLD COUNTRY.

Both London and Paris Crazy Over the African Gold Discoveries—Wild Speculation Being Indulged In, and Millions of Shares of Stock Bought and Sold.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Chauncey M. Depew arrived from Europe last night on the steamship Paris. In an interview today concerning his vacation trip, he had the following to say: "We arrived at Southampton at the close of the elections in England, after the smoothest of passages on a summer sea. The progress of American methods in the old country is extraordinary. They say we have treated them better than they have treated us. Five years ago the London newspapers sent me a letter politely requesting the appointment of a time convenient to myself when a representative might call, and afterwards submitted proofs. Editors called and sent up their cards, but asked further questions, principally about American securities. This year the steamer landed at 5 o'clock in the morning. At 1 I went down to breakfast, to find a reporter by my chair, saying in the well-remembered New York way: 'Are you Mr. Chauncey Depew? Well, then, I want a column upon these subjects upon which I am instructed to go. You are Chauncey M. Depew, are you not? There were a dozen questions covering the elections, social, industrial prospects and the politics of both parties. It was impossible not to respond to each of them. The interview in whole or part appeared in all the English papers.'"

Yellow Fever Spreading. ST. LOUIS, Sept. 15.—A special from Coahuacalco, Mexico, says yellow fever has made its appearance there and the epidemic is spreading to other points on the isthmus. The disease is of a very severe character and is causing many deaths among the natives.

Invalid French Soldiers. MARSEILLES, Sept. 15.—The steamer Shamrock has arrived here from Madagascar with 143 French soldiers, who were invalided home, on board. In addition to these, she landed 300 invalid troops from Algiers. Forty soldiers died on voyage.

Death of an Inventor. ELMIRA (N. Y.), Sept. 15.—Truxson S. La France, the well-known inventor and organizer of the La France Fire Engine Company, died suddenly in this city today of paralysis of the heart.

Mark Twain Arrives at Sydney. SYDNEY (N. S. W.), Sept. 15.—Samuel S. Clemens (Mark Twain) has arrived here.

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