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CURRENT TOPICS.

ITALY has 270,000 inmates of the poor houses.

JAPAN talks of exporting coal to California.

THE alms houses of France have 290,000 inmates.

MINNEAPOLIS makes 7,000,000 barrels of flour a year.

LONDON has 271 public parks containing 17,876 acres.

THERE are in Austria 290,000 persons receiving state aid.

GERMANY has 320,000 paupers in the public alms houses.

A SOLE of chamois skin inside the shoe will relieve cold feet.

PAVING blocks are made of blast furnace slag in England.

BLUE-EYED men, observes a writer, are the most sentimental.

THE charitable bequests in London every year exceed $5,000,000.

GIRL students are taught to sew in the free schools of Germany.

VISITORS to the World's fair left 1,000 umbrellas behind them.

THE official history of the World's fair will contain thirty volumes.

IN South America rain frequently falls in torrents from a clear sky.

SOME of the large crabs found in India measure two feet in length.

THERE are in the United States 73,645 inmates of the public alms houses.

ELEPHANTS range in value from about $700 to something like $2,500.

THE leading professors of the new Chicago university get $7,000 a year.

THE organized charities of Great Britain give away every year over $50,000,000.

THE French government annually appropriates $30,000,000 for various charities.

A SQUIRREL with eleven legs and four heads has been caught in Washington state.

RUSSIA is said to have 350,000 paupers in the various refuges provided for them.

A FIRM at Marietta, Ga., buys old lead from bullets collected on battlefields.

FEMALE bootblacks are reported to be multiplying in Paris and other French cities.

MORE than 4,000 of Uncle Sam's pensioners live outside of the United States.

THE English asylums and homes for the aged and infirm cost annually $15,000,000.

THE charitable associations of France give away in alms every year over $25,000,000.

ONLY women will be employed as ticket agents in the Brooklyn elevated railroad.

THE larges apes have sixteen ounces of brains; the lowest order of men thirty-nine.

CLEVELAND, O., will celebrate its centennial in 1896 with a big inland marine exhibit.

SIR JOHN LUBBOCK asserts that $250,000,000 is invested in building societies in England.

A CONGRESS of hygiene and demography is to be held at Budapesth early next September.

THE earth's lowest body of water is the Caspian sea, which has been sinking for centuries.

THE culture of ginseng in this country, while still in its infancy, is being increased rapidly.

A LAW in Massachusetts prohibits independent military companies from carrying firearms.

THE charity schools of Great Britain are maintained at an annual expenditure of $21,000,000.

THE Pharos lighthouse, Alexandria, was built B. C. 283; height, 550 feet; light visible 42 miles.

A CHICAGO woman punishes a drunken husband by putting a large gentleman goat in bed with him.

ACCORDING to official statistics 8,316 persons died in Germany during the last cholera epidemic.

THE value of property held for charity in Italy is $65,000,000, an average of $12 to each inhabitant.

AN engine constructed entirely of paper machie has been added to the Berlin fire department.

A NEW Krupp gun recently tested at Meppen threw a projectile thirteen miles in seventy seconds.

THE weight of the equipment of the German soldier has been reduced by fifteen or twenty pounds.

PASTEUR'S patients for treatment against hydrophobia sometimes number as many as 120 a month.

THE Caledonian canal, Scotland, is 60 miles long, 20 feet deep, 130 wide at the top and 50 at the bottom.

IN a melodrama recently brought out in London the hero runs a donkey engine all through the first act.

EXILES and convicts are to do most of the work on the new Siberian railway now in course of construction.

AN American photographer, F. E. Ives, is astonishing London by successfully taking colored photographs.

UNCLE "DAVE" BREWER, of Lebanon, Ore., is 84 years old and has living with him his 90-year-old mother-in-law.

JACK FARREL was shot and instantly killed while acting as a peacemaker between two men near Dingess, W. Va.

W. S. BAILEY has been justice of the peace of the wildcat district, Forsyth county, Ga., for fifty-six consecutive years.

EVERY water, save that of springs, contains animal life, but it is not necessarily injurious to health on that account.

THE kernel of the snakenut of British Guinea is almost a perfect representation in a miniature of a boa constrictor.

It is proposed to hold in Baltimore in 1897 an expositon in commemoration of the centennial of the incorporation of that city.

MRS. JOHN MCCARTHY, of Butler, Pa., was strangled by a false tooth lodging in her windpipe in a fit of coughing.

THE oldest inhabited house in the United States is that of Killian Van Rensselaer, opposite Albany. It was built in 1642.

MOSQUITOS inject a poison into the wounds they inflict in order to make the blood thin enough to flow through their throats.

A CHICAGO chambermaid lost her nose, and the doctors gave her a new one by grafting the breast of a blackbird to her face.

A TOWBOAT recently left Louisville for New Orleans with 40,000 tons of coal, said to be the largest tow ever handled on any river.

AFTER many years of hard fighting, the Sunday opening of picture galleries in London has just been conceded by the common council.

APPALLING.

Terrible Disaster in a Fireworks Factory in Virginia.

Twelve Burned and Blackened Bodies Taken from the Ruins—Several Persons Badly Injured, Some of Whom Will Die—Funerals of the Victims.

PETERSBURG, Va., April 9.—Saturday afternoon an alarm of fire was turned in, and this was soon followed by a loud explosion, and in about fifteen minutes thereafter there was a second explosion. These explosions were distinctly heard for a distance of over a mile, and were caused by fire breaking out in the fireworks factory of C. N. Romaine & Bro., in Clandford, a suburb of Petersburg.

The flames were quickly communicated to the other buildings used for the manufacture of fireworks, and there were frequent explosions. At the time the fire occurred high wind prevailed and the firemen had to work at a great disadvantage. The total loss by the fire will be fully $100,000, partly covered by insurance in northern companies. The saddest feature of the whole occurrence was the loss of life which resulted from the explosions and fire. Twelve people were killed in the explosions and many injured.

The deadly explosion at Romaine & Bros., and the great sacrifice of life has been the sole theme of conversation here Sunday. Special reference was made to the catastrophe in all of the churches.

The funerals of Messrs. C. N. Romaine, John S. Bland, James Rowland and Robert Rowland, two brothers; James Perkins and Edward Taylor, all victims of the explosion, took place Sunday, and were largely attended.

The funerals of Messrs. Romaine and Bland, members of the city council, were attended by the city council in a body. The funeral of Capt. Tosh will take place Tuesday morning. He leaves a widow with twelve children. John Harris, another victim, died Sunday afternoon.

Sunday morning another dead body was found near the river bank, but could not be identified. The poor fellow had been hurled through the air and carried a distance of several hundred yards. A jaw bone with the teeth was found Sunday half a mile from the scene of the explosion. Three hearts and any quantity of bones of human beings were found buried in the debris. These were placed in a box and buried. The head of James Perkins was found Sunday morning some distance from the scene of the explosion.

Had the explosion occurred an hour later a hundred or more persons would have been killed.

The condition of Chief Engineer Farley is very critical.

Pursuant to the call of the mayor, a mass meeting of citizens was held in the corporation court room Sunday to take such measures of relief as the occasion requires. Over $1,500 was contributed. The city council will be asked to contribute, and it is expected to make the fund $5,000.

It is estimated that fully 20,000 people visited the scene of the catastrophe Sunday. By the destruction of the fireworks and the tobacco factory, at least 200 people are thrown out of employment.

WOMEN MASONS.

Mary Ellen Lease Is in Chicago to Organize an Order, and Talks of Her Plans.

CHICAGO, April 9.—Mary Ellen Lease, of Kansas, is here. In an interview she said:

"I am in Chicago to organize a masonic order for women. I have decided that the masonic order has been of such wonderful benefit to men—so wonderfully uplifting and educational—that it is certainly a pity to deprive women of the benefits. I do not propose to organize anything antagonistic to the present masonic order but the organization will be made in such a manner that they will co-operate with us and approve it. I wish to organize here first, and then in New York and other principal cities.

"I am already billed to speak in New York for a compensation of $500 a night at Madison Square. The lectures will be followed by the organization and the initiation of members of the masonic degrees. This is really no new departure; in fact, it is old. At one time in Europe, principally in France, the crowned heads all went wild over the scheme of conferring masonic degrees on women. There is no use in saying there is any masonry in the Eastern Star degree. I propose to use the bona fide masonic order."

Asked how much she knew about the masonic rites, Mrs. Lease looked knowing, and said she knew all about it. Asked how she knew, she looked mysterious and said she did not care to tell, but it was not by "peeping," so there.

Sunday Law Violated at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 9.—Notwithstanding the purpose of the mayor to revoke the licenses of saloon keepers who persist in defying the Sunday and 11 o'clock laws, many of the saloons were open Sunday, and four arrests were made for selling liquor. Among them are the barkeepers at the Grand, Spencer and Circle house hostelries. The police, in citizens' clothes, watched the saloons, and their presence was not known till the hands of the officers were upon them.

Burglars' Good Push.

CUMBERLAND, Md., April 9.—Sunday morning, at an early hour, burglars forced an entrance into Umstott & Wilson's large store, at Bellington, W. Va., and blew open the safe. They were expert and went about their work in a scientific way. The safe contained over $700 in cash and checks, besides other valuables of no use to any one excepting the firm.

After the robbery the thieves went to Dr. Wilson's stable and stole his horse. They then stole J. C. Smith's buggy, and drove to Keyser, a distance of twelve miles. They turned the horse loose and left the buggy in the road.

A Rich Gold Strike.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., April 9.—The greatest gold strike of the year at Cripple Creek is reported in the Caledonia. The vein is eight feet wide. The lowest assay shows $9 to the ton. A half ton assayed $400 to the ton. Several feet will run half that amount. Quartz streaks three to four inches wide will give as high as $1,000 to $1,500. The mine has been opened for two years, but attention has been called away from it and its richness has never been dreamed of. It has recently passed from the locator's hands to the Bartlett Gold Mining Co.

THEATER FIRE.

Nine Brave Firemen Go to Their Death at Milwaukee—Without Warning the Roof Lets Them Drop Through Into the Seething, Roaring Flames Below.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 10.—At 4:30 o'clock Monday morning flames were seen breaking out from the rear of the Davidson theater and hotel, a structure valued at $500,000. An alarm was promptly responded to, but not until the roof was a sheet of flames. Immediately on the arrival of the firemen ladders were run up and the men rushed to the roof, six stories from the ground. In doing so, Ollie Rese, one of the men, slipped and fell to the ground, being killed by the fall. All the men from engine-house No. 4 were directed to the rear portion of the roof, right over the stage, where the fire was the worst. These firemen and others took their stations and began work, when, without warning, the roof under the men gave way, precipitating nine of the men 80 feet below into the fire on the large stage of the theater.

All of them were either killed by the fall or burned or suffocated to death. The following are missing, and it is certain they were burned to death or killed in the fall:

George Jansen, Co. No. 1; Assistant Chief August Jansen; Thomas Morgan, No. 1; Frank McGurk; James Freeman, No. 4; —— O'Neill; —— Crowley, No. 14; Capt. Lincham, Co. No. 4.

The following firemen went down with the roof and were rescued. They were taken to the Emergency hospital: Lieut. Curran, of Company 1, Central Fire station, probably fatally injured; Fred Marsh, Company No. 5, foot crushed; Fred Schroeder, John Yeo, pipeman No. 4, burned and back hurt.

The large building was used as a theater on the ground floor and the rear, while the portion above the ground floor to the front was utilized by the Hotel Davidson, with an annex extending to the north, which was not damaged by the flames.

The hotel portion was well filled with guests, but they all were warned in time and made their escape without injury, though a panic prevailed, many of them escaping in hastily-made toilets or scarcely none at all, to the Schlitz House, nearly opposite.

The fire started, apparently, on the stage under the roof. The stage was a very large one. In height it was about 80 feet from the floor to the roof, and the fire had made great progress in the oily scenery and was a perfect oven of flames when discovered. The Lilliputians, with an immense amount of scenery, were filling a two weeks' engagement in a "Trip to Mars" in the house and has for the engagement drawn great houses. The stationary scenery, which was large, and that of the Lilliputians, gave the flames unusual advantage and the thing went like tinder.

Treasurer Rodriquez, of the Davidson, says that the loss of the Lilliputian Co., all told, can not fall below $50,000. The Davidsons, who own the building, and were stockholders in the theater company, lived here formerly, but now live in Chicago.

Pipeman Yeo, at the Emergency Hospital, describes his fall as follows: "We were all on the roof of the building—No. 4's men—when she sank with us. There were near me at the time, Capt. Lincham, Lieut. Freeman, Pipeman O'Neill and Pipeman Witte. Oh, but it was a terrible thing; I'm afraid some of those poor fellows are done for. I never saw or heard from them since. I had a wonderful escape; but, thank God, I am alive, owing to the presence of mind I had when down in the ruins, and the quick work of the relief party that came after me. When I struck the bottom I was pinned down by bricks and timbers, and I wriggled around to get loose. There were flames all around me and plenty of smoke. My clothing was tangled up with something, and so I began to strip off my clothes and that's the way I got loose—undressing myself there in the flames, with the ruins piled over me and still falling. Oh, man! but it was a close rub for me, and if my back is not broke I may be all right. My head is badly burned and cut. How did I finally reach a place of safety? Why, the boys got a line to me, I made it fast and was yanked over a wall into the alley or somewhere."

Boom in Wheat and Barley.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—There was a boom in wheat and barley here Monday. The scenes in the barley pit were the most exciting for years. Dry weather and bad reports from nearly all the important grain centers of the state caused the jump. December closed Saturday at 90 cents per cental, and opened Monday morning at $1.05. The price speedily jumped to $1.08. May barley advanced 7 cents, and the prospect is that there will be another bull movement Tuesday. The clique has got nearly all the barley in sight. There was lively bidding for wheat options.

Haughey Pleads Guilty.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 10.—Theodore P. Haughey, president of the wrecked Indianapolis National bank, which failed for over $1,000,000 last July, Monday pleaded guilty to the principal counts in the indictment against him in the federal court. After the bank failed it was discovered that it had been looted of nearly half a million by Haughey, his son, and the Coffin Bros., owners of the Indianapolis Cabinet works. The court did not pass sentence upon Haughey, merely continuing his bond at $10,000.

His Mind a Blank.

CHICAGO, April 10.—William Sturges, plaintiff in the suit to recover $2,000,000 from John V. Farwell and others, now pending before Judge Tuley, lies at his Hyde Park Hotel, his mind a blank. His fortune is at stake. The nervous anxiety and worry over his business interests have shattered his reason. Physicians who attended Mr. Sturges have given their judgment that he will never recover his mental faculties. All details even of the suit, which has preyed on his mind for years, has been erased from his memory. Mr. Sturges is 70 years old.

Behring Sea Bill All Right.

LONDON, April 10.—The foreign office has received no direct representation from the United States on the point raised in Washington in regard to the behring sea bill, but Mr. Bayard, in a talk with the secretary of state for foreign affairs, was assured that the provisions of the British bill were identical with those contained in the bill drawn up at Washington, but the differences existing in the procedure of the British and the United States courts rendered it necessary that some of the clauses should be cast in a different manner.

BUILDING COLLAPSES.

Four Dead and Five Wounded Taken From the Ruins.

Seven Persons Are Still Missing—The Victims All Colored—An Old Brick Tenement Building Falls Down—The Scenes Attending the Rescue.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 9.—Four cheap coffins laid in a row in the morgue, and five bandaged forms reposing on cots at the city hospital, represent the dead and injured taken from the debris of a tenement building on the northeast corner of DeSoto and Beale streets, at 7:15 o'clock Sunday morning.

There is no doubt that there are more bodies beneath the immense pile of brick, lime, sand and splintered timbers that now covers the place where the building stood, but it is safe to say that no haste that may be made for recovery of the bodies will avail to save life, for all that were not rescued by noon Sunday are beyond the reach of human aid.

The collapse took place at 7:15 o'clock Sunday morning. It was witnessed by several persons on the outside, and several of those who were on the inside survive to relate what little they know of this, one of the most appalling disasters that ever occurred in Memphis. There was a creaking and crackling, a swaying of walls, then the collapse, that came with a crash. A great cloud of dust floated out upon the air, filling the street each way for a block. There was a hurrying forward of the police, fireman and citizens, and then the work of rescue began.

All the persons taken from the ruined building are colored.

The building was erected thirty-four years ago. It was of brick, three and a half stories high, with a slate roof. While it was all one building, it was divided by a thick wall into two compartments. The building has never been condemned as unsafe. It was considered as one of the stanchest of the older buildings in this city.

The scenes attending the rescue were horrifying in the extreme. The bodies that were found with life extinct were all badly crushed, and some of them were almost nude.

The exact number of lives lost will not be known until the debris is all cleared away. There were about fifty rooms in the tenement, about half of which were occupied. Twenty-two people were known to be in the building at the time of the collapse. Of these, six escaped without serious injury, four were taken out dead, five wounded, and the remainder are missing.

OUTGOING SENATORS.

The Terms of Thirty Expire Next March—Coming Fall Elections Are of the Utmost Importance For at Least Two Reasons.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The politicians in the house and senate have already begun to lay their wires for reelection. The coming state elections throughout the country are of the greatest importance to many senators and all the representatives now in congress. The terms of thirty senators expire on March 4 and an entirely new house of representatives is to be voted for on November 6. As the legislatures are also to be elected in many states the state legislative contests will be the most important.

The following is a list of the senators whose terms expire March 4, 1895: John T. Morgan of Alabama, James H. Berry of Arkansas, Edward O. Wolcott of Colorado, Anthony Higgins of Delaware, A. H. Colquitt (deceased) of Georgia, George L. Shoup of Idaho, Shelby M. Cullom of Illinois, James F. Wilson of Iowa, John Martin of Kansas, William Lindsay of Kentucky, Donelson Caffery of Louisiana, William P. Frye of Maine, George F. Hoar of Massachusetts, James McMillan of Michigan, James McLaurin of Mississippi, Thomas C. Power, of Montana, Charles F. Manderson, of Nebraska, William E. Chandler, of New Hampshire, John R. McPherson, of New Jersey, M. W. Ransom, of North Carolina, Joseph N. Dolph, of Oregon, Nathan F. Dixon, of Rhode Island, Matthew C. Butler, of South Carolina, Richard F. Pettigrew, of South Dakota, Isham W. Harris, of Tennessee, Richard Coke, of Texas, Eppa Hunton, of Virginia, J. N. Camden, of West Virginia, Joseph M. Carey, of Wyoming.

In addition to these vacancies for the terms ending in 1899 are to be filled by the legislatures of Wyoming, Montana and Washington. Iowa has already elected Congressman Gear to succeed Senator Wilson.

Glass Works Shut Down.

WHEELING, W. Va., April 9.—The furnaces of the West Virginia Glass Co., at Martin's Ferry, the only glass works in this vicinity which has been in operation since last summer, were blocked Saturday night, and the factory closed for an indefinite period. Two hundred men are thrown out of employment.

Snow in Minnesota.

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 9.—A heavy, wet snow storm prevailed all Sunday at St. Cloud, and a special from there says it will greatly delay seeding operations. In this city a light snow began shortly before dark, but it does not seem likely to last any length of time.

Paralytic Burned to Death.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., April 9.—John Weaver, a well known citizen of Gilmer county, aged 75 years, and partially paralyzed, was burned to death near Tanners. He fell into a burning brush-heap and when he was found was horribly burned and almost dead.

Died, Aged 105 Years.

MARIETTA, O., April 9.—John Moore died Sunday morning, in the 105th year of his age. He was born in Ireland in December, 1789, and came to Ohio in 1817. He was the oldest resident of Marietta.

Actress Held Up.

BELLEVIDERE, Ill., April 9.—While going from the opera house in this city to a hotel Miss Kate Mortimer, an actress playing an engagement here, was held up and robbed of a diamond brooch, two rings and $94 in money, in all aggregating about $1,000. The thieves escaped.

England Will Retain Uganda.

LONDON, April 9.—It is announced that Lord Rosebery has decided that Great Britain shall retain Uganda and that that African kingdom shall have a British local administration.

SENATOR HILL SPEAKS

in Opposition to the Wilson Bill as It Stands With the Income Tax.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The pending tariff bill being laid before the senate as unfinished business, D. B. Hill (dem., N. Y.) according to notice given, addressed the senate upon the subject.

His opening sentences clearly indicated the aggressive tone in regard to the administration which pervaded the whole speech. He said: "The political revolution which commenced in 1890 and culminated in 1892 was an emphatic expression of the popular will in behalf of governmental policies. Measures, and not men, were largely the issues involved in that movement. The enforcement of these democratic policies devolved upon the party in power. It is not denied that some mistakes have occurred. Our foreign policy, especially that relating to Hawaii, it must be admitted, has not met the expectations of the people. A sense of humiliation prevailed when the project for the restoration of a deposed monarchy was unfolded by the administration, and gratification ensued when its abandonment or failure was announced, influenced largely by an aroused public sentiment.

"This blunder, Mr. Hill considered, was the natural consequence of placing the department of state in charge of a republican statesman, distinguished and estimable, though he might be, whose public services have always been in opposition to the democratic party, and whose political convictions upon the disputed public questions of the day, if changed at all, are carefully concealed.

Mr. Hill expressed regret that the president should not have been able to find in his own party, some safe and honored statesman in whom he and his party could have placed confidence, one of democratic instincts and training, whose management of foreign affairs would have reflected credit upon the country, and would have avoided the promulgation of that un-American policy which was sought to be forced upon an unwilling people. In other respects he claimed that the present administration of government afforded scant ground for just criticism.

MILL EXPLOSION.

Three Killed and Three Others Fatally Injured.

CLAY CITY, Ind., April 10.—The boiler in a large saw mill at Lancaster, a small village ten miles east of this city, exploded. Christopher Weber, the proprietor, and Lester and Clifford Rinehart were instantly killed and John Shepherd, Charles Schaffer and Louis Weber were fatally injured. It is thought that Shepherd will die. The mill was completely demolished by the explosion. The two Rinehart boys, 19 and 17 years of age, were unrecognizable. All the unfortunate victims were members of prominent families and the entire village is in mourning. The explosion was caused by the engineer, who allowed the water in the boiler to run too low. The damage will reach $15,000 and with the great loss of life is the worst calamity which has occurred in this section for years.

M. J. O'Brien's Defalcation.

CHATTANOOGA, April 10.—The Catholic knights instituted suit against the individual bondsmen of M. J. O'Brien, their late treasurer, who defalcated in the sum of $76,000, for $22,000. Monday, in the United States circuit court, a compromise judgment was given for the full amount—$3,000 in cash and the rest secured by real estate. This ends the celebrated case. O'Brien, at the time of the defalcation, was one of the leading wholesale grocers of this place. He is now conducting a saloon.

Accrued Pensions.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Senator Palmer Monday introduced a bill providing that the accrued pensions to the date of the death of any pensioner, or to any person having an application pending for a pension, whether the certificate shall be issued before or after death, shall be paid to his widow, or if there is no widow, to his children under 16 years old. This accrued pension is not to be considered as a part of the assets of an estate, or liable for the payment of debts.

The Cholera in Constantinople.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 10.—Cholera of a most malignant type has become so prevalent throughout the city as to cause general alarm. The disease has hitherto been confined to the poor and more congested districts, but it has now found its way into the portions of the city where the better classes reside. The authorities are taking active measures to prevent the further spread of the disease.

Latter Day Saints in Conference.

LAMONIA, Ia., April 10.—Latter day saints are in conference here. A recommendation from the southern Indiana district to ordain James M. Bagerty was granted. The conference voted against calling up the Youngstown, O., request to repeal the restriction put on church history.

Wife Murder and Suicide.

CHICAGO, April 10.—William Faber, a German, 61 years old, living at 535 Thirty-ninth street, shot and instantly killed his wife, Martha, and himself in his home Monday morning. Faber had been out of work for some time. Monday morning Faber and his wife became involved in a quarrel.

Indians Want Protection.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The commission of Indian affairs has received a telegram from Capt. Woodson, in charge of the Cheyenne and Arapahoe agency in Oklahoma, asking that the Indians be granted military protection from whites, who are gathering to avenge the recent killing of W. B. Breeding.

Holman's Prediction.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Representative Holman, in an interview Monday, said that if congress does not adjourn by June 15 the democratic party is doomed to defeat.

To Retire United States Judges.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Senator Martin has two bills before the senate committee on judiciary which he is very anxious to have considered. They provide for the retirement on full pay of United States judges, one of them after twenty years of continuous service, and the other on account of physical or mental disability rendering a judge incapable of service.

Snow Two Feet Deep in Wisconsin.

ASHLAND, Wis., April 10.—Two feet of snow fell here Monday, the storm being one of the severest of the season.

NEWS ITEMS.

The United States cruiser Lancaster has arrived at Suez.

Taff's grain wharf at Woolwich has been burned. Loss $250,000.

Leonard Tressel, defaulting sheriff of Richland county, O., gets two years in the pen.

The body of the twelfth victim in the Gaylor mine, Dan W. Morgan, has been recovered.

Little Effie Williams was burned to death at Auburn, W. Va., by her dress catching fire at a grate.

General strike among Rochester shoe factories is threatened in a demand for restoration of old wages.

S. P. Wolcott, of Ravenna, has been appointed manager of the Ohio reformatory at Mansfield, O.

The New Castle (Pa.) Steel Co. has been invading Canada and found a good market for steel billets.

The dynamite cruiser Vesuvius is likely to go out of commission as a ship throwing dynamite projectiles.

The dwelling of John Newman, near Osceola, Pa., was burned, and his mother, aged 80, burned to death.

Mr. Joy, who was unseated in the national house of representatives, says he will be a candidate for congress next fall.

Mrs. Mary W. Faulkner, mother of United States Senator Faulkner, died at Winchester, Va., aged seventy-seven years.

President Gompers, of the Federation of Labor, has issued a protest against the ratification of the new Chinese treaty.

Gov. Waite has issued a proclamation forbidding entrance to Colorado from Utah of all sheep without a clean bill of health.

The entire business portion of Hancock, Wis., was wiped out by fire. Loss about $37,000, partly covered by insurance.

Wreckers have denuded the old ship Kearsarge. The cannon with which she sunk the Alabama was thrown overboard.

Mrs. Wm. Raymond and three children were drowned near Aberdeen, Miss., while attempting to ford a creek in a buggy.

Excitement prevails in Monroe county, Ala., over the killing of Sheriff John Foster by the colored outlaw, Wyatt Talt.

The passenger steamer State of Michigan, which went ashore Tuesday night on Kenosha reef, was released without apparent damage.

The Republican Editorial association of Tennessee and the State League of Republican clubs were in session at Chattanooga Friday.

Miners in the Waynesburg Brick and Clay Co.'s mines, at Waynesburg, O., went out on a strike on account of a cut of ten cents in wages.

A brilliant reception was given in Rome Wednesday afternoon in honor of the medical congress delegates, with a banquet in the evening.

The board of health has thought it expedient to close the public schools of Geneva, Ind., on account of the prevailing epidemic of measles.

Susie Turnbull, of New Haven, W. Va., deliberately placed a revolver to her head and killed herself. Love affairs of a sensational character.

The strike of the tailors of St. Louis for better wages and shorter time was concluded by the bosses signing an agreement to all the demands of the men Wednesday.

It was semi-officially reported at Omaha, Neb., Wednesday evening that E. Dickinson, present general manager of the Union Pacific, will be appointed receiver of the road.

A freight wreck occurred on the Pennsylvania road near Richmond, Ind. Five flat cars loaded with street cars were wrecked, and Brakeman Johnson was badly injured.

In the little village of Casstown, O., there are five persons, Mrs. Sarah Long, John Long, Samuel Long, Daniel Knoop and Mrs. Caroline Harbaugh, whose average ages are almost ninety years.

Rev. E. L. Southgate has served notice on Charles C. Moore, the noted infidel and editor of the Blue Grass Blade, that a suit will be filed against him in the circuit court for blasphemy.

For the alienation of the affections of her husband, Sylvan M. Levy, a Brooklyn jury has awarded Mrs. Kate Levy $12,000 damages and five per cent. counsel fees from her father-in-law, Moses Levy.

Representative Hall, of Missouri, from the committee on banking and currency, Friday submitted a favorable report on the Cooper bill authorizing the taxation of United States legal tender notes.

Work in the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National military parks has been stopped owing to a strike. The cause is that single men have been assessed fifty cents a month and men of families $1 per month for medical attention.

The Belmont blast furnace, Wheeling, W. Va., which was to have been blown in Wednesday morning, gave notice to the men Tuesday night that on account of the strike in the coke regions, resumption would be postponed indefinitely.

John Schingle, of Allegheny, Pa., went home drunk and made a murderous assault upon his wife and baby. They escaped. Then he threw oil over himself, the bed and about the room and applied the match to himself. He was fatally burned.

At St. Louis, brewers express companies and others are beginning to feel the effect of the horseshoers strike, and if it is not settled within a few days, all teaming will be embargoed.

Mrs. Sarah Morris, of Dogtown, near Eaton, Ind., whose husband and babe were killed by Indians in Montana, she herself being captured and wounded, asks the United States government to pay her $30,000.

There promises to be further developments in the Carnegie armor plate scandal. One of the informers has gone to Washington, it is understood, by prearrangement, to have an audience with Secretary Herbert.

Jim Corbett said at St. Louis Wednesday night that he would forward to Stakeholder Will J. Davis, of Chicago, $2,500 as his next deposit in the Corbett-Jackson fight. If Jackson refuses to fight in America, Corbett says he will demand the whole forfeit money.

Texas division, confederate veterans, began their annual convention at Waco Friday. There were about six hundred on parade. Hon. John H. Regan, the only living member of the confederate cabinet, made an address. Gen. L. S. Ross was for the third time reelected major-general department of Texas.

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