

THE CAPITAL CITY

AVERAGE DAY'S RUN OF RUMORS AND INCIDENTS.

The Fraud Cabinet Kindly Agrees to Carry out a Bill if It Becomes Law—Exodus Evidence Confirmed—The Inter-State Commerce Bill—Bright Eyes Exclaims and Standing Bear Protests—Senate Committee Report in Favor of the Plans for Stealing Indian Territory.

The House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—On motion of Mr. Forney the Senate appropriation bill were non-concurred in.

Mr. Wells, from the committee on appropriations, reported back a bill making an additional appropriation of \$155,000 for the support of certain Indian tribes for the present fiscal year. It passed.

Mr. Frye, from the committee on an inter-oceanic canal, reported a resolution calling on the secretary of the navy for all information and correspondence touching an inter-oceanic canal now in the possession of his department not heretofore published.

Committee reports of a private nature were then called.

Mr. Johnston, from the committee on military affairs, reported a bill removing the disabilities of Sergeant P. P. Powell and authorizing his appointment as an officer of the United States army.

Mr. Price offered a resolution calling on the secretary of war for information as to whether any railroad company, other than the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company, has made application for the right to use the government bridge over the Mississippi river at Rock Island, etc. Adopted.

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The House then went into committee of the whole on the private calendar.

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GENERAL CAPITAL NEWS.

THE EXODUS INQUIRY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The session of the Senate exodus committee to-day was long, but nearly all the evidence adduced was cumulative, both as regards the statement of facts connected with the condition of the emigrants in Indiana, their condition in North Carolina and previous to leaving there, and the individual opinions of witnesses as to the responsibility of Republican politicians in Indiana and elsewhere for the inauguration and continuance of the exodus.

NATIONAL RAILROAD REGULATIONS.

The inter-State commerce committee to-day adopted Representative Henderson's bill as a substitute for Mr. Reagan's bill.

Henderson's bill was amended in several particulars before it was accepted as a substitute. It provides for a board of commissioners with powers and duties similar to those proposed by the McCord bill and the "Charles Francis Adams" plan. Ten of the amendments extend the jurisdiction of the commissioners over the transportation of all property by railroad from one State or Territory into or through one or more other States or Territories or to or from any foreign country, whether such property be carried by one railroad or by several railroads, running in connection with each other and when such commerce be carried on roads wholly or partly within the State or more.

Another amendment, adopted on motion of Mr. Bliss, requires the commission to inquire into that method of railroad management known as "pooling," and state the result of their inquiry in their first annual report, and whether in their judgment any, and if so, what legislation is expedient in relation thereto. By the bill discriminations and rebates are forbidden. Mr. Henderson's bill was adopted by the following vote: yeas, Messrs. Bliss, Hays, McClain, Deuster, O'Neil, Wait, Henderson, Townsend of Ohio and Russell. Nays, Messrs. Reagan, Kenna, Thomas, Turner of Kentucky, Aeklin, Beal and Clardy. The bill was ordered to be reported to the house with the request that an early day be assigned for its consideration. The last section of the bill appropriates \$25,000 for carrying into effect its provisions from the date of enactment to June 30, 1881, and provides that no pending litigation between railroad companies shall in any way be affected by the provisions of the act.

THE GRACIOUS CABINET.

At a meeting of the cabinet to-day there was a general discussion regarding the character of the 3 1/2 per cent. refunding bill agreed on by the ways and means committee yesterday. The only opposition felt was as to whether the bonds would sell at par. Some members, however, thought the credit of the country was so well established as to insure ready sale of 3 1/2 per cent. bonds. It was agreed to do the best that could be done with the measure in event of its passage by Congress.

BRIGHT EYES AND STANDING BEAR.

At the Senate investigation to-day into the removal of the Cheyennes and Poncas, the attention of "Bright Eyes" was called to a paper purporting to be signed by the heads of nearly all the Ponca families requesting the President to remove the tribe to a new reservation in the Indian Territory. Bright Eyes exclaimed, "Why, White Eagle has told me a dozen times he never signed any such paper. Why, that is monstrous." Standing Bear was then shown the paper. He read it over, smiled incredulously, and made several gestures of disgust, accompanied by expressive grunts, but finally said: "That's a white man's way of writing one thing and telling another." He then explained the circumstances attending the signing by the council of chiefs of the paper supposed by them to be a refusal to leave their reservation.

SPEAKER RANDALL DENIES.

Speaker Randall when his attention was called this morning to a statement that he had promised to give Mr. Finley the floor Monday next to move to suspend the rules to pass the bill to equalize the bounties of soldiers and soldiers who served in the late war, denied positively that any such promise was made by him or that he had given any encouragement that he would recognize an individual member to move a suspension of the rules in preference to committee seeking recognition for such a purpose.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Senate sub-committee reported to-day the full committee a measure providing for the organization of a territorial form of government for the Indian Territory.

The Senate committee will vote upon the gag case on Monday next.

CHINESE OSTRACISM.

The Sand Lots "Workingmen" Out Again—Indications That the Anti-Chinese Clause of the New California Constitution Will be Contested in the Courts.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 13.—The workingmen met again to-day and visited the offices of some of the minor manufacturing corporations and were promised replies to-morrow. President Stanford, of the Central Pacific, to-day addressed a letter to the committee, stating in substance that there were only seven Chinese in the employ of the company in the city; that the company was retaining on duty only those Chinese who were not really required, because they did not wish to discharge old employees; that the company would respect the laws as construed by the courts, and in the management of its business would be governed, under laws, entirely by consideration of what it deems the wisest policy. An answer was also received from the president of the Selby smelting works, who bluntly said that he considered the law unconstitutional and would not obey it until the United States bade him submit.

The assembly to-day passed a bill to enforce the clause of the constitution at issue, by a vote of seventy-three to two, and the Governor promptly signed it. A dispatch announcing the Governor's action was read at the sand lots during the meeting, and was greeted with prolonged cheers for the bill and for the Governor. The workingmen will again parade to-morrow. Many members of the Legislature voted for the bill merely for the purpose of bringing about some settlement of the matter, as it will doubtless come before the courts at an early day.

MINNESOTA NEWS.

Nine marriage licenses were issued in New Ulm during the month of January.

Last week, two convicts were taken from Dakota county to the State penitentiary.

Last year, \$50,000 were expended in Marshall, Lyon county, in building improvements.

The grand jury stood eighteen to four in favor of a new court house and jail at Fairmont, Martin county.

Last week, in Hastings, two young men procured marriage licenses to marry the same girl. Tableau!

Martin county has but one term of court a year, and the *Scandinavian* thinks it a good thing for the county financially.

The fees and mileage of the grand jury in Martin county, at the present term of court, amounted to \$354.70.

A new school house is to be built in District No. 5, in the town of Cottonwood, Brown county, next summer.

Kristopher Jansen, a famous poet and scholar of Norway, is advertised to lecture at several prominent points in the State.

The Long Prairie *Argus* says: Mr. Davis, who lives across the lake from Osakis, caught a cross fox which is worth \$40.

C. H. Jensen, of Lake Park, Becker county, committed suicide, last week, by hanging. His mind was disordered by illness.

One day last week George Palmer drove his mare from Long Prairie to Sank Center, a distance of twenty miles, in one hour and thirty-five minutes.

Bishop and Mrs. Whipple have left their home in Fairbault and gone to Florida to spend the remainder of the winter, on account of the impaired health of the latter.

Mrs. Max Fink and another lady of St. Paul visited New Ulm last week, soliciting contributions for the German orphan's asylum in St. Paul. They received something over \$100 from the good people of New Ulm.

Senator McMillan has introduced a bill into the Senate for the relief of William Pfender. It appropriates \$835.50 to reimburse him for property lost by burning of government buildings at Fort Ridgely, Minn., in 1865.

Building experts have recently examined the walls of Carleton college, Northfield, left standing by the fire, and pronounce them so far unimpaired and strong enough to remain for the rebuilding of the edifice, without being taken down.

The Tyler, Lincoln county, *Tribune* says: "Tyler wants a barber, a shoemaker, a clock-cobbler, a wagon maker, a harness-maker, a good physician, a furniture store, a hardware store, and 200 men to take up claims." Those who can furnish the desired articles will make a note of it.

Duluth Tribunes, Feb. 6: On Monday last Mr. R. A. Gray met with a terrible accident at his planing mill. In working with one of the machines he made a miss-move in some way, when his hand was caught in the planer, and his fingers mangled. His thumb, small and middle fingers were taken off, and his hand otherwise greatly cut up.

Montevideo (Chippewa county) *Leader*, Feb. 7: N. O. Norman, who resides near town, was considerably injured on Tuesday, by being run over by his wagon, on First street. Mr. Norman was walking ahead of his oxen, when he slipped down, and the team passed over him, one wheel passing across his breast, and the oxen's feet bruising his face.

N. Naddy, of Lake Park, Becker county, employed a tramp, last week, and after two or three days apparently faithful service, he suddenly disappeared, taking clothing and other property from his employer. He was pursued, overtaken, severely thrashed, and the stolen property returned. To wind up, he called for the services of a physician to dress his wounds, alleging that he had been robbed and beaten by highwaymen.

A Foolish Wager.

[Princeton Union.] One evening last week, a young man named Elmer Severance, who was working at Smith & Carter's camp, bet one of his companions a quarter that he could place a dipper of cold water on the stove and hold his finger in the dipper until the water began to boil. The wager was accepted. Severance held his finger and the dipper quite a while, but was obliged to withdraw it before the water had reached a boiling pitch, hence he lost his bet. On examination it was found that the finger was completely cooked. It pained Severance so that he was obliged to quit work and come to town for medical treatment. The probability is that the finger will have to be amputated.

Sale and Lease of Railroads.

St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 13.—The St. Joseph & Albany narrow gauge road has been bought by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and will be made a standard gauge and extended to Mount Airy, Iowa. The property, fifty miles of road, will be transferred to-morrow.

Talmadge, of the Union Pacific, and Carson, of the Hannibal & St. Joe, were here to-day. The former road has leased of the latter that part of the line between St. Joseph and Atchison and Missouri Pacific, and trains will begin running into St. Joseph on the 23d inst. The lease is for twenty-five years.

GEN. GRANT.

Sails Safely for Mexico, After Experiencing a Railway Accident in Cuba.

HAVANA, Feb. 13.—Gen. Grant and party sailed this afternoon for Vera Cruz by the steamer City of Alexandria. The same authorities who received Gen. Grant on his arrival here accompanied him to the steamer. The party spent one day on the plantation of Los Canos and left there last night, starting from La Union station at 10 o'clock on a special train. Half an hour later the engine struck a cow and the train went off the track, luckily without serious consequences. The fireman was wounded. The train was running on an embankment ten feet high at the time of the accident. The passengers had to wait till 3 o'clock for another train and arrived in Havana at 6 o'clock in the morning.

E. B. Washburne Withdraws from the Race.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—The *Inter Ocean* has the following double-headed editorial: "The persistent efforts of certain journals hostile to Gen. Grant, in trying to make the people believe that the Hon. E. B. Washburne is a candidate for the Presidency, has become annoying to that gentleman, and he authorizes the *Inter Ocean* to announce that he is not, and under no circumstances will be, such a candidate. He is for Gen. Grant first, last and all the time. He further says that the friend who wrote this paper the other day that he was a candidate for Governor of Illinois was more jealous than wise."

GEN. PORTER.

The Debate on His Case to Begin on Monday—The Present Status of the Matter.

[Washington Special.] Notice was given in the Senate to-day that the Fitz John Porter case will be called up for discussion next Monday. In regard to this matter three separate reports have been made, and though they ostensibly represent the views and sentiments of all nine members of the Senate military committee, it is ascertained they only thoroughly represent the views and opinions of the individual who made them, namely Senators Randolph, Logan, and Burnside. As to the latter's report, made yesterday, there is considerable criticism. He has the reputation of being a very conservative man, but it has been left to him to insinuate that Gen. Porter waited until the Democratic party got a clear majority in Congress before making an effort for vindication. Gen. Burnside claims that "a second court-martial would give a reliable opinion that would command the respect of military men all over the world, and give Gen. Porter the justice which is due to him. Any vindication short of that would do him and his descendants no good. Consider, for instance, the action of Congress upon this bill, if it should be against him. In other words, if this bill should fail to pass, then he will have had no vindication; in fact, it will add to his condemnation. If it should pass in a modified form, then it could be said that he did not deserve the full measure of his sentence, but yet deserved condemnation of some kind. If it should pass as it has been reported by the majority of this committee, and fail to pass by a substantially unanimous vote, it will be a disgrace to the name of Porter, and his descendants. Gen. Porter has been trying to get upon this case, and never until this particular period, and under the present peculiar circumstances, has he been able to get it; and now he gets a bill passed, without favorable recommendation of the President, by a simple majority of Congress, and in violation of a well-established principle of government, that sentences of courts-martial should not be annulled by Congress." It is said that Porter does not want a second trial, and, as suggested by a member of Congress to-day, if a second trial should be legally given, it might result in Porter's being shot. "But," said this member, "even if a second court-martial should be allowed, Porter could snap his fingers at its orders, for, in point of fact, it would have no authority over or power to compel Porter to stand trial. He is outside of the jurisdiction of any military tribunal, and would not subject himself to another trial, as proposed by Burnside, because he must know that there would be the slightest chance of getting a vindication of the fulsome character that he seems to want or expect." A Democratic Senator is prepared to offer, at a proper time, as a substitute for the bills now pending, a proposition to reinstate Porter in the rank of colonel of the regular army, to which rank he would have been entitled, and then place him on the retired list, with the pay of a retired colonel, from and after the passage of this act, thus avoiding the objectionable feature of the other bills, which propose to reinstate him in a higher rank than he was entitled to.

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SINS AND SORROWS.

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Murderers Convicted—Death's Harvest—Railroad Bridge Washed Out and Part of a Train Jumps into the Gap—Persecution in Maine—Defaulters and Embezzlers—Fataally Burned—The Dead of the Day—A Disgrace to River Men.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 13.—It has rained incessantly since 5 o'clock yesterday evening—part of the time quite heavily. The Ohio river is rising rapidly along the whole length, from Pittsburg to Cairo. The snow melted by warm rain at the head waters of the Ohio will cause an unusual rise there, and high water may be expected in a very short time. The rain fell here from the time of beginning yesterday till 10:20 to-night is reported by the signal service observer to be 2.08 inches. The *Commercial* special from Stanford, Ky., says a violent wind and thunder storm passed over the eastern part of Lincoln county last night, blowing down Garnett's undertaker shop and one of the buildings at Crab Orchard Springs, and unroofing the main building at the Springs.

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THE GLOBE HOROSCOPE.

As it Cuts its Light on the Chicago Market. [Special Telegram to the Globe.]

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—Cables lower, as was predicted last evening. Wheat opened at the lowest point of the day, and the active traders were disposed to sell it still lower. Whenever two of these symptoms show color, the clique have to step in and spoil the bear dance, which they did daily, taking all offerings of both options for March and April. I called attention to the continued pounding of April, causing the premium to drop from three quarters of a cent to one quarter cent per bushel. This the gang took advantage of, taking everything, but rather making the cheap April option the favorite, the premium closing back to the old price, three quarters of a cent, with very heavy transactions. Curb \$1.23 1/4 March; 1.23 1/4 to 1.24 for April.

THROUGH A BRIDGE.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 13.—A *Times* special says the train on the Dayton & Southwest-rail road, which left Chillicothe at 6:15 this morning, fell through the first bridge west of Chillicothe, instantly killing Wm. Connors, the engineer, and Frank Kueet, the fireman. No one else injured.

AN EMBEZZLER CONVICTED.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 13.—The jury brought in a verdict of guilty in the case of Edward C. Palmer, charged with having as president of the Louisiana Savings bank and safe deposit company embezzled the funds.

FATAALLY BURNED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—Last night a fire in the residence of Edward Costello, terribly burned his wife Bridget, who, with her husband, had been engaged in drunken orgies. She died this morning at the county hospital.

FATAL BURNING.

A Woman at Jordan Loses Her Life by a Lamp Explosion.

On Friday evening, February 6, Mrs. John Beckins, of Jordan, was fatally burned and died from her injuries the next morning. The Jordan (Scott county) *Advocate* gives the following account of the sad accident: Early in the evening Mrs. Beckins retired to bed with her children, leaving a lamp burning near by for her husband, who was away from home. She soon fell asleep, and was suddenly awakened to find her clothing and the bed on which she lay on fire. She sprang out of bed and hurriedly attempted to remove her children, fearing the house would burn, forgetting in her maternal solicitude the fire friend that was enveloping her own body in its shroud and crisping the flesh to the very bone. One child, a brave little boy, vainly attempted to tear the burning garments from his mother's form, burning his hands badly in the effort. Neighbors saw the light of the fire, and hastening to the scene soon succeeded in extinguishing it. But they were too late to save the poor mother, whom they found terribly burned, from the foot of the bed. Her hair and eyebrows were curled inward to the palms. The fire is supposed to have been caused by an explosion of the lamp, as it was found in a shattered condition that indicated that it had been blown to pieces. Dr. Walter was called, but very little could be done to relieve her sufferings until death ended her agony.

THE MORTON CASE.

The History of the Appointment Written by a Personal Friend.

[Washington Correspondence Cleveland Herald.] "The Senate, in executive session, rejected the nomination of John M. Morton, as collector of internal revenue for the San Francisco district," is the laconic statement that most all readers of the newspapers in this country read yesterday morning, and, as they read it, gave it no further thought or notice. But did the real history of the case appear to their eyes, it might, perhaps, give them considerable surprise to learn that this matter of John Morton's nomination in the Senate has been one of intense personality and embarrassment during the last six weeks, both to the President and to the Senate.

Mr. John M. Morton is the oldest son of the late Senator, about 37 years old, of prepossessing personal appearance, and very modest and diffident in his speech. He is at present United States consul at Honolulu, Sandwich Islands, to which position he was