

Baxter Springs News.

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GENERAL COMMENTS.

THIS world is indeed a fleeting show.

IRELAND'S powerful weakness is her factions.

GHOSTS are said to be prowling around Fort Leavenworth.

It is now scientifically demonstrated that stray cats spread disease.

NO MAN whose wife is not a misfit should abuse his mother-in-law.

BARON HIRSCH has purchased 1,000 square miles in the Argentine Republic for the colonization of the exile Jews.

A MAN has been arrested in Kansas City for stealing \$600 worth of paving blocks. This might be called highway robbery.

It isn't so much free speech that the Chicago anarchists want as free lunch; they are always holding their meetings in the saloons.

THE Wichita Eagle says perhaps the hog cholera may be along next year and the republican party might as well keep on campaigning.

JUDGE DOSTER seems to have more patriotism than he is given credit for. He says he is well satisfied with the result of the election in his district.

THE Europeans think they are fortunate to have gold to exchange for our wheat and flour, and the American farmer thinks the trade is a good one.

THE general missionary committee of the Methodist church has appropriated to Kansas \$17,000, of which sum \$13,000 will go to the western part of the state.

AMONG our other exhibits at the World's fair—if we have any—will be the stuffed form of Custer's warhorse, Comanche, which died at Fort Riley last week.

THE toy doll manufacturers of Thuringia and Sonnenberg have resolved to exhibit largely and collectively at the world's fair. A great display of small fancy ironware will also be shown.

THE president of the Chemical National bank is George G. Williams. Its vaults are said to hold more money than the treasuries of some nations, and its stock is beyond contemplation, being quoted at 4,500.

THE centennial of American clock making is to be celebrated in Terryville, Conn., in 1893, and the memory of Eli Terry, who in the beginning of the industry founded the town that bears his name, is to be honored.

SOME of the Jewish rabbis of New York refuse to perform the marriage ceremony after the sun has set, but Rabbi Morals says that their refusal is not sustained by any law of the Hebrew religion, and that many other rabbis, both in Europe and in the United States are in agreement with him on this subject.

"THE smallest man in the world," a midget from Holland, 24 years of age, who calls himself "Prince Mignon," is exhibiting in Berlin. This little chap who is exactly two feet high, is a perfectly formed human being, and his performances as an acrobat are really wonderful. He can sing pretty well, makes his little speeches in a clear and ringing voice, and dressed as an admiral or in evening dress, proves himself an excellent actor.

THAT Gambetta's heart was deposited in the monument recently unveiled in his memory, near Paris, has been briefly announced by telegraph. Rumor had it some month's ago, that after the death of M. Paul Bert, Gambetta's friend, to whom the French patriot committed that strange souvenir, the heart had been lost. It had been preserved in a glass vase full of alcohol, however, and kept in an iron safe securely by M. Chaillet, a brother of M. Bert's son-in-law, and it never left that repository until the day the monument at Ville d'Avray was dedicated. Before being covered with brick-work, the vase was inclosed in a metal case, and this in turn in a wooden coffer made out of wood from Alsace. The outer box also contains a parchment attesting that the heart contained in the vase is that of Gambetta.

GENERAL REVIEW

Of the World's Happenings for a Week, in Brief.

Foreign and Domestic Pointers About Individuals—The General Course of Events—The Condition of Finances and Crops.

E. Hickman, an old base ball pitcher, mortally wounded his wife and killed himself in East St. Louis, Illinois, yesterday.

The United States steamship, San Francisco, returned from Chili. Admiral Brown reiterated his assertion that charges made against him in Chili were totally false.

Supervising Special Treasury Agent Tingle, in his annual report, recommends reducing the duty on opium to stop smuggling.

The farmers' alliance convention refused to hear the anti-sub-treasury committee and thus declared for independent political action. President Polk and Lecturer Willets of Kansas were re-elected.

The industrial organization confederation committee has decided not to attempt to name national candidates at the meeting February 22, but to draw up a platform for submission to the old parties.

The Minneapolis flour output last week was 205,585 barrels. The market is quiet but strong. London is a big bidder.

Mrs. Thomas Sinton, wife of a Louisville banker, was burned to death. Her dress caught fire from a grate.

The trustees of the Chicago Baptist university are out with an appeal for \$1,000,000, for a building fund.

Ex-Congressman Gibson has been appointed United States senator from Maryland until the legislature shall meet.

Frank Almy, the New Hampshire girl murderer, has been found guilty and sentenced to be hanged the first Tuesday in December, 1892.

W. J. Florence, the renowned comedian, passed away unexpectedly in Philadelphia last Friday evening. Death was painless and had not been anticipated.

E. E. Wise and H. A. Cristy of Chicago, charged by the commissioners of Reno county, Kansas, with embezzlement of a railroad's funds, have sued the commissioners for \$100,000 damages.

The gas well sunk near Mommouth, Ill., is developing a great pressure of gas.

Three children were eaten by wolves within a few miles of St. Paul, Minnesota.

A breach of promise suit between Brooklyn septuagenarians is attracting much attention.

In Western Kansas a shortage of coal is likely to cause a suffering if the cold weather continues long.

Maude Rivers, aged 12 years, of Memphis, tried to kill herself because her parents forced her to immoral acts.

Napoleon de Montague was killed in a mine while smothering flames which would have caused a terrible explosion.

Jennie Haggan, leading witness in a Greencastle, Ind., criminal assault case, has been found in San Francisco, having been spirited away.

Miss Mary de Garno of Brooklyn, has followed Charles Crane to Dayton, O., and says Charles must marry her. He has disappeared.

Arthur M. Hunter, a New York broker, has given \$500 to his office boy who saved him from drowning after he had gone down the third time.

Indian Territory citizens are endeavoring to secure border jurisdiction for the Territorial federal courts, to save litigants much travel and expense.

Attorneys J. F. Chestney of Natchez, Miss., and Jas. Robinson of Howard county, Mo., were convicted of collecting unlawful fees for pushing pension claims through.

Judge Tuley of Chicago issued an injunction forbidding Mayor Washburne and the police from interfering with the business of Thomas Greif or disturbing meetings at his place.

The farmers' alliance is preparing to establish stores all over the country, to be run on the Rockdale plan and to promote reciprocity of trade between the farmers of different sections.

At Austin, Texas, one J. C. Hill, an escaped convict, surrendered himself at the request of his sweetheart, who promised to wait for him until his term expired. He will probably get a pardon.

After three weeks investigation, the grand jury has adjourned without finding any indictments against the lynchers of Frank Dice at Martinsville, Indiana.

Tom Cooper of Riversdale, Georgia didn't know that a pistol, which he pointed at William Rosser, was loaded, but it went off just the same and wounded Rosser in the hip.

The trial of D. A. McDougald, for the murder of his uncle, Simon Conally, in Robinson county, North Carolina, is attracting great attention.

A misplaced switch at Fairmount, Neb., Tuesday, sent a mixed train crashing into a freight train, causing the death of Conductor Barnhouse and brakeman Hulben.

Judge Ross of the United States court sentenced three Yuma Indians to death at Los Angeles, Cal., Tuesday, for the murder of an old medicine man of their tribe, some time ago.

Thomas J. Wood, jr., a banker, and Dr. James Orr, a prominent physician, were indicted by the grand jury at Dallas, Tex., for swindling the Home Life of New York, out of \$10,000 by insuring a sick man.

Napoleon de Montague, a Frenchman of distinguished ancestry, was crushed to death in a mine at Plymouth, Pa., Tuesday, while attempting to protect the lives of his fellow miners.

The relatives of Maas, the embezzling German banker, has offered his victims 200,000 marks in settlement of his liabilities, and the creditors have agreed to a settlement. He will be prosecuted for embezzlement, all the same.

Joseph Slattery, an ex-priest and exposor of Romanism, has been arrested at Pittsburg, Pa., for selling obscene books. Five hundred books, purporting to be an exposure of the secrets of the confessional, were seized by the police.

In the federal court at Paris, Tex., the celebrated Stevens county, Kan., case, entitled C. E. Cook, et al., charged with the murder of Sheriff Cross and posse, July 25, 1883, in No Man's Land, was called and continued.

The United States grand jury has found several indictments against ex-Postmaster Mullholland of Paducah, Ky., whose embezzlements from the mails amounted to \$700. He stands an excellent chance of spending the remainder of his days behind the prison bars.

At Kansas City J. H. Marr and Miss Willie Baker were married by a common-law service and also by proxy in an effort to head off an obstinate prosecuting attorney, who was determined to punish Marr for betraying Miss Baker.

The Richmond Dispatch says that the south should put Mrs. Jefferson Davis on the same footing that the United States government places the widows of its presidents. It suggests that southern states vote a pension to Mrs. Davis.

A letter intimating that the London Times tried to use Pat Nally, that the attempt failed and that thereafter Nally was cupped to death in prison, is made public.

Nine sailors of the British bark Kate Sanction died from exposure and work at the pumps. The vessel was abandoned by the remainder of the crew, who were rescued by a passing vessel.

Hon. Alvin Duvall, ex-chief justice of Kentucky, died at Frankfort Tuesday.

Walter P. Alexander was instantly killed at Gilmore, Ky., by the accidental discharge of his gun.

Advices from Franklin, Ky., are to the effect that a distinct shock of earthquake was felt there Tuesday night.

News from Gallatin, Tenn., states that a peddler named Cruze was beaten to death and robbed by tramps.

Want Country High Schools.

TOPEKA, Kan., November 22.—Under the new law in this state the townships having sufficient population are permitted to establish union schools in order to secure a more advanced education for the children in the country. In the absence of the county high school children of the country schools have no access to schools of higher grade than the district school. If they attend high school in the city they have to pay heavy fees, and are at considerable expense for board, but having a high school in each township, each pupil could reach it from home without expense. The same plan has been successfully tried in Indiana, and several of the Kansas counties are now preparing to give it a test. The law simply provides that two or more school districts may unite to form high school districts. The preliminary work is that upon a written application of five voters from each district a meeting is held to consider the proposition. It requires a majority of voters in each district to carry the proposition. After the union district is organized it elects three officers, consisting of director, clerk and treasurer, whose duties are similar to the duties of officers of single districts. The county high school is attracting the attention of prominent educators throughout the state, and is regarded as an important step in the advancement of the educational interests of Kansas.

Kansas G. A. R.

TOPEKA, Kan., November 22.—The council of administration of the Kansas department of the Grand Army of the Republic has fixed the time of the next state encampment for February 24, 25 and 26 at Atchison. The department commander was authorized to issue an order warning posts against contributing to the support of a college at Ellsworth, it having come to the knowledge of the council that the project to establish a college had been abandoned by the people of Ellsworth. It was ordered that all posts in arrears for dues for one year or more which report before January 1, 1892, and pay the per capita tax for the six months immediately preceding the report, be retained on the roll, and all back dues be remitted, and all posts so in arrears that cannot be revived on this basis be dropped from the roll. Further, that all posts six months in arrears be published in general orders as delinquent. At a former meeting of the council it was decided to offer prizes for the posts showing the greatest increase in per cent. The prizes offered are: First, a cash prize of \$100; second, a \$75 flag; third, a \$50 cash prize. Under this stimulus the posts are growing rapidly. Many new members are being received, and the Kansas G. A. R. is in the most prosperous condition in its history.

A Louisville Woman Burned to Death.

LOUISVILLE, November 22.—Lydia Sinton, wife of Thomas R. Sinton, cashier of the First National bank, was standing before the grate in her home yesterday morning, buttoning her cloak preparatory to going out, when her dress caught fire. She tried to throw off her clothing and the servant strove to help her, but their efforts only gave the blazing fabric a chance to burn. The house also caught fire and but for the assistance of neighbors would have burned. Mrs. Sinton was burned from head to foot and died a few hours later.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

Weekly Report from R. G. Dun & Co.'s Agency.

The Business Situation Good Despite Some Unfavorable Circumstances—Chicago Reports Merchandise Sale Much Increased.

NEW YORK, November 20.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review will say to-morrow:

Much has happened of late to depress business and shake confidence and yet confidence is not shaken and the volume of business is still close to the greatest ever attained. Prices are settling downward with enormous production, but the fact that such production continues shows that the low prices are not ruinous.

Alarm about the money market has passed and no disturbance is apprehended this year. Industrials are on the whole well employed and it is especially noteworthy this week that there is a better tone in branches of trade which have been most embarrassed.

At Boston improvement is seen in many lines and a more active demand. At Philadelphia a better spirit is seen in dry goods and clothing and other important trades are fairly active. At Pittsburg the iron market is weaker, glassworks are all in operation and coal miners have resumed.

At Cleveland trade in leading branches is good and manufactured iron is in active demand. At Cincinnati general business is active, but heavy lumber failures cause some uneasiness in that line.

Chicago reports merchandise sales much increased, the cold weather having helped many branches, and while receipts of corn, cured meats, lard, butter and cheese and cattle show some decrease, grain appears in flour and wheat, twenty-five per cent in oats, fifty per cent in hides, seventy-five per cent in dried beef and four fold in rye. At Milwaukee, St. Paul, Kansas City and St. Louis trade has distinctly improved with colder weather and is fairly brisk at Omaha and strong in all lines at St. Louis, but the car famine grows worse with a grain blockade northward and a cotton and coal blockade southward.

Wool sales continue of good volume, though western fleeces are rather weak. No important change appears in the boot and shoe manufacture, but better orders and increased employment of works are noted.

Receipts of wheat at western centers continue at the rate of more than 1,000,000 bushels daily and exports are also large but the price has declined 2 1/2 cents on sales of 28,000,000. The speculation in corn is yielding, the price being eight cents lower for spot, while pork products are substantially unchanged and oats half a cent higher. Oil has declined a cent, but sugar is a shade stronger and coffee has risen 1/2 on account of Brazilian troubles, which render commerce with that country peculiarly uncertain.

The money market of the country is well supplied for legitimate needs, but some points report "speculative money tight." Exports of merchandise from New York in three weeks of November have been \$25,251,719 in value, an increase of thirty-three per cent, while imports for November thus far are about eighteen per cent smaller than a year ago, which points to an enormous balance to be settled by other countries in specie.

Whipped and Branded.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., November 21.—Several weeks ago a federal prisoner named Abraham Davis, confined in the Arkansas penitentiary, complained to the federal authorities that he had been unmercifully whipped and branded with a hot iron in the presence of the prison officers, and that such treatment of prisoners was of almost daily occurrence. An investigation revealed his statement to be true. Yesterday United States deputy marshals and a guard of eleven men delivered an order to the authorities demanding that they turn over the thirty-nine federal prisoners confined in the state prison. The order was obeyed and the marshals left with their prisoners for Columbus, O.

A Kansas Stockman's Crime.

FLORENCE, Kas., November 21.—Hugh O'Neill, a wealthy stockman near here, last Wednesday morning made his hired help stay away from the apartments of his wife under threats of punishment, claiming that his wife was ill. He left in the morning. Twelve hours elapsed and he had not returned. Nothing had been seen or heard of Mrs. O'Neill. Investigation disclosed that O'Neill had murdered his wife and locked the body in her room. Officers are hunting for O'Neill. The cause for the crime is not known. O'Neill has been a hard drinker for years, but seemed sober Wednesday morning.

Fonseca's Ships Beaten.

LONDON, November 20.—The cable-grams this morning from Brazil briefly announce that there has been a sharp engagement off Rio Grande at the entrance to the lake or river leading up to Porto Allegre, the capital of the new republic do Sul, where the vessel sent on reconnaissance by Fonseca were defeated.

President Harrison as a Sportsman.

BALTIMORE, Md., November 22.—President Harrison and party will leave Benjes for Washington this afternoon. The president and ex-Senator Sewell have been made members of the Benjes club. Two canvasback and five red-head ducks were bagged by the president yesterday.

THE CONVENTION CONTEST.

Seven Cities Seeking for the Honor of the Republican Convention.

CHICAGO, Ill., November 22.—Great interest centers in the approaching meeting of the national republican committee, when the date and place of holding the national convention will be decided. The following cities are striving for the convention: New York, Washington, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Omaha and San Francisco. Each will be given an hour in which to present its claims.

San Francisco has raised a special fund of \$50,000 with which to pay railroad fare and defray the extra expenses of the delegates by reason of its location so far away. New York has decided to send a committee of fifteen, headed by Colonel Elliott F. Shepard. Chauncey M. Depew will do the talking. St. Paul has joined with Minneapolis to secure the prize. Nearly 200 Minnesotans comprise the Twin city delegation, comprising nearly all the republican leaders of the state, including Governor Merriam, Senators Davis and Washburne, National Committeeman Robert G. Evans, Congressman Johnson of North Dakota, Secretary Johnson of the United States Senate and General A. B. Nettleton. Senator Washburne will be the spokesman. The Omaha delegation passed through this city to-day. It includes Senator C. S. Manderson, Senator A. S. Paddock, John M. Thurston, T. Rosewater and Governor T. J. Majors. It goes backed by a guarantee purse of \$50,000 signed by a score of business men and will guarantee to the national committee the payment of all of the legitimate expenses of the national republican convention, no matter what the sum may be.

She Played a Game of Poker.

KANSAS CITY, November 22.—George A. Meyer, a commission salesman residing at 569 Campbell street, became intoxicated a few days ago. Mrs. Meyer notified Timothy Mulcahey, who keeps a saloon at 817 Independence avenue, to sell no liquor to her husband. Three days ago she went to Mulcahey's again, and upon his refusal to listen to her she seized a poker and proceeded to demolish things generally. At the first blow she put a \$130 cash register hors du combat and then proceeded to smash the glassware. Mulcahey had her arrested for malicious destruction of property and she in turn had Mulcahey arrested for selling whiskey to a confirmed drunkard. Both cases will be given a hearing before Justice Barto this afternoon if Mrs. Meyer is well enough to appear. For the past two days she has been confined to her home with erysipelas, she says, by a bruise under the eye inflicted by her husband.

This afternoon she will bring a civil suit against Mulcahey for damages and will also enter a complaint against him charging him with selling liquor on Sunday.

Oklahoma Statehood.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., November 22.—The commercial club of this city has issued a call for a delegate convention to be held in Oklahoma City, December 15th, composed of delegates chosen from each political division of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory, to discuss the advisability of statehood and the boundary lines of the proposed state. Statehood for Oklahoma has been agitated since early last spring, but when first suggested met with almost general opposition on account of the alleged expense which a change from the territorial form of government would inflict upon the state, but notwithstanding the idea has continued gradually to grow in favor and at this time twenty-three out of the twenty-five newspapers published in Oklahoma are vigorous supporters of statehood. The newspapers of the Indian Territory with few exceptions, also endorse the movement. As yet no expression of opinion has been received from the Indian residents of the so-called five civilized tribes, but invitations to attend the Oklahoma City convention have been extended to the governors and legislatures of each tribe.

Did He Shoot Himself?

EUREKA, Kas., November 22.—Hank Rutter, a well known farmer, was found to-day in the road with two bullet holes in his head. He will recover. Rutter was on his way to town to testify as prosecuting witness in a forgery case. He claims to have been ambushed and shot by persons who sought to prevent him from giving evidence, but there are many indications that the wounds were self-inflicted. Rutter came near dying a short time ago from an overdose of iadanium, which he claimed was taken by accident.

Latest Advice.

BUENOS AYRES, November 22.—Latest advices from Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, say that additional towns in that state have gone over to the side of the provisional junta. Among them are Santiauel, San Luis, Para and Cruzalta.

The enlistment of infantry and cavalry among the people of Porto Alegre, the capital of Rio Grande do Sul, is actively carried on.

Five of the government fleet are reported to have given their adhesion to the junta, which has adopted as its flag a white and red globe.

With the exception of Rio Grande do Sule, all the states of Brazil are tranquil. There does not appear to be the least truth in reports of revolt in Para.

San Luis, the capital of the Argentine province of the same name, about 430 miles from this city, is reported to be in a ferment. Soldiers patrol the streets and the governor's house has been converted into military headquarters.

The Uruguay gunboat Antigua, has gone up the river to guard the interests of Uruguay's territory.