

## Baxter Springs News.

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GENERAL COMMENTS.

**FAST** beds of nickel have just been discovered in Canada.

THE difference is frequently split in a bargain that is driven.

THE national republican convention meets at Minneapolis June 7, 1892.

GRASS widows do not have to wear the weeds. They usually live in clover.

A CALIFORNIA editor pursued an office so intently that one half his beard turned white.

ACCORDING to the Baltimore American, Baltimore has not had a bank failure for fifty-seven years.

JOHN C. VAUGHN, formerly a resident of Kansas and a candidate for United States senator against Solomon P. Chase, is now an inmate of a home for old men near Cincinnati. He is 83 years old with several years before him. He was beaten by Chase by only two majority.

MAINE has only nineteen cities within its borders. Portland is the oldest city and Deering the youngest, having just thrown off town government. Cape Elizabeth, Brunswick, Skowhegan, Dexter, Farmington, Camden, Caribou and Houlton are thinking favorably now of city government.

THE deeds of property in Odessa, Texas, provided against the sale of liquor, and that the property should revert to the town company in case of a violation of the clause, but in one deed the clause was omitted and the purchaser of the lot is selling so much liquor that only an injunction can stop him.

HAVING squandered the money of one American heiress and divorced her, the Duke de Dino, who is a son of the Marquis Tallrand-Perrogord, is now engaged in squandering the money of the second. Puck must have had these people in mind when he suggested, "What fools these mortals be."

FOUR hundred intimate friends of a rich man in England were invited to attend his funeral, but only twenty-nine went. Eight days afterward the lawyer of the estate announced that according to the will each person who attended was entitled to a bequest. £20 to each woman and £200 to each man.

MR. HENRY CAREY BAIRD has presented to the West Point Military academy a portrait of the late General Charles F. Smith, painted by T. H. Smith of Philadelphia, a competent artist. General Smith was a soldier of genius, fidelity, and distinction, and it is most fit and proper that his portrait should be added to the West Point gallery.

THERE is a big opportunity for a musical musician in Butte, Mont. Hundreds of whistles at the mining works announce the hours three times a day. A facetious individual suggests that the whistles be arranged on the principle of the callopie, and that they play "Yankee Doodle" in the morning, "Comrades" at noon and "Home, Sweet Home" at night.

THE Woman's Christian Temperance Union at its recent session at Boston went for its cigarette with a vengeance. It is found that the habit has not only gained a foothold among the boys and men of the country, but that girls are contracting the habit. The extermination of the cigarette is demanded upon, its use being worse as a whole upon society than opium or whisky.

MR. HAROLD FREDERIC some time ago made the startling assertion through the New York Times that our consular and diplomatic representatives in Russia took sides against the Russian Jews, with the Jew-baiters, and made use of their official positions to inspire statements in the public press cruelly injurious to the unhappy Hebrews and in defense of their persecutors. The state department having expressed incredulity as to these charges Mr. Frederic, in a long article in the New York Times, reiterates them, and proposes to offer satisfactory proof, if the state department is anxious to get at the facts. A thorough investigation should be made and if a shadow of foundation is found for the story some one should be brought to account.

## ORDERS COMBINING.

### Many Interesting Changes in the Constitution.

Arrangements Made for Representation at the Industrial Conference in Washington—Decided Upon.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., November 30.—The alliance and F. M. B. A. are practically amalgamated. Though each has refused to adopt resolutions looking to consolidation, the two are just as firmly united as if the formal resolutions had been adopted. The arrangement looks to the disappearance of the F. M. B. A. before its next national meeting. Last night and to-day the alliance initiated into its membership many of the most prominent members of the F. M. B. A. These are to go back to their homes to proselyte among the sub-lodges. The alliance has agreed to admit sub-lodges of the F. M. B. A. into the alliance upon the payment of \$1 for blanks. It is expected that before the time for the next annual meeting of the F. M. B. A. nearly all the lodges will have joined the alliance.

The supreme council of the alliance this morning endorsed the Knights of Labor boycott on the Rochester clothing exchange.

The branch resolution instructing alliance congressmen not to enter the caucus of either of the old political parties finally passed with an amendment instructing them not to vote for any man for speaker who does not support the Ocala platform.

H. B. Duncan of South Carolina, was endorsed for appointment to the interstate commerce commission, vice Bragg, deceased, and a committee was appointed to urge upon President Harrison the justice of appointing a representative of the agricultural interests on the commission. President Polk, J. B. Beverly of Virginia, and Hugh Mitchell of Maryland, constitute the committee.

The investigation of the relations of the national union and the state agents' association was deferred.

Several changes were made in the constitution. The first relates to the business agents who have heretofore been members of the council. By this agents are disqualified from membership. The reason of this is that it may become necessary for the council to sit in judgment on the agents, and it is not considered proper that the agents should be members of the body that is to inquire into their illegal misdoings.

The second permits females to pay the per capita tax and thus become a basis for representation, the same as males.

The third refers to the matter of eligibility for membership. Hitherto persons of mixed occupations could join the alliance. This clause was repealed, and in its place was adopted a provision that membership should be restricted to farmers and farm laborers. An amendment was proposed to admit city mechanics, but was voted down.

Another change refers to the matter of procuring legislation. Hitherto there has been a national committee of legislation composed of the presidents of the various alliances. This is abolished and provision made for the selection of a committee of five to act as an advisory board to the president. The reason for this is that presidents of state alliances are not lawyers, and are not selected with reference to their legal acquirements or knowledge of legislative demands, and hence in nine cases out of ten they are incompetent to meet the requirements of the position.

The charges made by McAllister of the anti-sub-treasury committee against Dr. Macune were after a brief discussion laid on the table.

The committee on resolutions reported the following as a substitute for the branch resolution introduced last Thursday, and it was adopted:

"Realizing that the action of the members of the Fifty-second congress who were elected by the aid of the alliance constituencies will have an important influence upon our beloved order, we respectfully request all representatives in said congress so stated to decline to enter into any party caucus called to designate a candidate for the office of speaker unless adherence to the principles of the Ocala platform is made a test of admission to said caucus."

The committee appointed to confer with the anti-sub-treasury people made their report, which was adopted. It reviews the correspondence, and states: "Dr. Yeaman, the spokesman for the anti-sub-treasuryites, affirmed that the only object and motive on their part was to bring about an understanding of the differences, and to present to the supreme council their objection to the Ocala platform. He was requested to proceed, which he did by reading a lengthy demurrer to our financial and railroad plank."

The report then declares that the anti did not comply with just requests, and concludes: "The refusal of Dr. Yeaman to join in public discussion involving his protest and the Ocala platform settles one fact, that it was not the desire of the anti-sub-treasury men to inform or convince this supreme council of error. Your committee recommend to the brotherhood that for the future no attention be given or recognition granted to anyone claiming to be an alliance man while at the same time affiliating with the band known as the U. S. Hall, McAllister and Yeaman anti-sub-treasuryites."

The committee on confederation recommended confederation with the K. of L., F. M. B. A. and a dozen other orders, and advised the election of delegates to the February assembly of these confederated orders. The report was adopted, and one delegate from each state was chosen to represent the council.

The national legislative council was made to consist of the president and sec-

retary of the council, and three members to be elected. The president has also the right to call into consultation the presidents of the various state alliances.

A resolution was passed favoring the granting of pensions by the issuing of full legal tender money to all honorably discharged union soldiers who were disabled or are in needy circumstances.

### Fonseca Abdicates.

WASHINGTON, November 30.—Minister Mendonca received a cablegram from the Brazilian minister of foreign affairs to-night, which officially confirms the cable dispatches from Brazil about the resignation of President Fonseca, and stating that Vice President Peixotto had succeeded him. Minister Mendonca said that the receipt of the news gave him great pleasure, as there had been no bloodshed, and tranquillity will now prevail, and the change will establish harmony among the Brazilian people. He said that Fonseca was not a man to cause bloodshed, and would willingly sacrifice the honor and glory of his high position rather than cause a civil war, and as the uprising in Brazil was a national movement, the people not being in accord with the policy of Fonseca, he bowed to the inevitable and retired. He also believed it to be the desire of the people of Brazil to support the deposed congress, and that President Peixotto would be in thorough accord with it. Minister Mendonca is expected further advices from Brazil in regard to the present cabinet, and what changes may take place in it.

## PARNELL AND WIFE.

A Statement Showing That Their Relations Were Without Sin.

DUBLIN, November 29.—The report of the settlement of the Wood will case has caused much talk in this city. The Parnellites have been confident that Parnell would clear his name. The exact nature of his exculpation has been only whispered among the leaders since his death, but the correspondent has now secured the story from one of the late leaders nearest friends.

When Mr. Parnell first met Mrs. O'Shea she was far from happy with her husband, but as the laws of divorce in Great Britain are very strict, there was no chance of her getting a divorce from the captain. She is a most charming and intellectual woman, and her admiration for the Irish leader gradually ripened into love. Parnell soon reciprocated the affection, but both he and Mrs. O'Shea had too high a sense of instinctive morality to commit any sin.

For a long time this went on, the lady not caring for and uncared for by her husband, and loving and loved by Mr. Parnell. If she had been free or a widow the Irish leader would at once have married her, but tied as she was to Captain O'Shea, a strong, healthy man, there seemed to be no hope of her regaining her freedom. In Great Britain a man may be guilty of indiscretion, and all the wife can obtain is a judicial separation; to get a divorce she must also prove either desertion, cruelty or drunkenness. These being the facts, there remained but one thing to do, which was to force Captain O'Shea to sue for a divorce.

Mr. Parnell evolved from his brain a scheme by which the desired end should be obtained without either himself or the lady losing his or her own self respect, whatever the world might say, and although the method in which the divorce was evolved might be termed a miscarriage of justice, caused by a conspiracy, this is all that it was. The plan was as follows: Mr. Parnell was to be caught in all kinds of compromising situations until Captain O'Shea's suspicions were aroused. He was to continue the same until the husband sued for a divorce, and then refuse to appear as a witness, in which case a divorce was almost sure to be granted. Everything was carried out as arranged, and on the occasion when O'Shea, who acted in good faith throughout, challenged Parnell to a duel in France, the latter and Mrs. O'Shea were in hopes that the divorce suit would be instituted.

Captain O'Shea, however, did not take action, and the plan was continued, Parnell knowing well that the servants knew him and were acting as spies upon him. At last the desired end was reached, and Captain O'Shea sued for a divorce, brought up his witnesses, and obtained a decree nisi. In no case, however, could any witness swear to the actual committing of sin, though the actions and situations of the pair were sufficient in the eyes of the law to show prima facie evidence that they were guilty of the accusations. The decree nisi was granted, and still Parnell, who would not tell a lie, and therefore refused to appear in the witness box, was silent. Had he told the truth before the decree was made absolute, the procurator would have interfered and the decree nisi would have been quashed, which would have ended the hopes of himself and Mrs. O'Shea.

He stood all the calumny, knowing that as soon as the decree was made absolute he could speak out, and no procurator could interfere. He may have broken the tenth, but he never broke the sixth commandment.

It is rumored that Mrs. O'Shea, who loved Parnell devotedly, intends that the public shall get the full story in a more complete shape than it could be given in a court of law. She will be urged to follow that course by Parnell's family and friends, especially those who know the inner history of their strange intrigue.

### A Car House and Hotel Burned.

PITTSBURG, November 30.—The car house of the Second Avenue Traction company, at Hazelwood, burned early this morning with twenty-six cars and five horses. The Electric hotel, a large frame building, adjoining, was also destroyed. Total loss, \$105,000, insurance half that.

## 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 Finance and Crops.

The water famine has ended in Brooklyn, and that b'ulous burg drinks again.

Rev. James P. Brownson of Washington, Pa., will celebrate his fiftieth ministerial anniversary to-day.

The amount of 4 per cent bonds redeemed Thursday was \$40,000, making a total to date of \$21,780,000.

The Chicago board of trade was the scene of a lively scrap Tuesday, in which blood was drawn, but no arrests made.

The Monon block, Chicago, sixteen stories high, has been sold to a syndicate of four, representing Chicago, New York, San Francisco and Topeka, for \$675,000.

Advices from Canton, China, state that the anti-foreign Chinese in the interior are murdering and otherwise persecuting those friendly to foreigners or missionaries.

Melbourne, the rain maker says he is in no way identified with the Goodland (Kan.) company, which announces the purchase of an interest in his rain producing secret.

Robert Carter, alias Fulton, is in jail at Guthrie, O. T., charged with the seduction and ruin of 15-year-old Agnes Springfield, daughter of a farmer living near Mormon.

The proposed Seviere-Harrison duel at Jacksonville, Fla., has been postponed by the would-be duellists, and placing them under bonds of \$1,000 and \$5,000 respectively, to keep the peace.

Wilson Walker and Joe Thomas of Preston, Ga., were rivals in love, and Monday night Thomas called Walker out from a dance and shot him dead. Thomas was arrested, but escaped during the night.

Joseph W. Keeley, an old soldier of Kosciusko, Ind., has been missing since he had his pension check cashed at Wash on the 14th inst., and his friends suspect that he was murdered for his money.

The remains of Mrs. Gay, widow of the late Congressman Gay of Louisiana, were shipped from New Orleans for St. Louis Tuesday, to be interred by the side of her husband and his father, who are buried there.

Representatives of English capital have obtained an option on all the breweries in British Columbia, and will change some of them to lager beer breweries, all the larger consumed there now being imported.

The women of New Bremen, O. raided a disreputable house in that neighborhood Sunday night, and nearly killed four frail sisters by whipping them on their bare backs with switches, causing blood to run in torrents.

Litigation between the Jaybird and Woodpecker factions of Fort Bend county, Tex., was ended Tuesday by the acquittal of Hope Gannaway, charged with the attempted murder of H. H. Frost, leader of the Jaybirds.

A report has reached Yokohama, Japan, that a body of Russian troops has crossed into China by way of Siberia. War between those countries is not anticipated, but Russia will insist on large territorial concessions.

Edward S. de Cobain, member of parliament, and deputy grand master of Irish Orange lodges, is rusticated in Boulogne sur Mer, France, evading prosecution for a beastly crime. Parliament will now be called upon to expel him at its next session.

J. T. Lee and A. J. Hansen, the 16-year-old kids who attempted to rob a Dubuque street car Monday night, and wounded the driver, Locker, were arrested in a box car at Oelwing, Iowa. Locker is very low, and it is thought he will die.

A farmer named Little, living near Hayden, Ind., while digging a well, recently discovered at a depth of forty feet, unmistakable evidence of the glacial period, in the shape of well preserved trunks of trees, the likes of which do not grow in that section at the present time.

Storekeeper Blair of Rio, Ill., has been robbed so often by burglars that he keeps no money in the safe, and leaves it unlocked. A couple of professionals visited the store Monday night, drilled holes in the door and then blew it open, only to find that it was empty, and that the safe had not even been locked.

Wilkes James, the son of a prominent farmer living near Atlanta, Ga., was shot and killed Tuesday by his jealous rival, Ned Jenkins. Both young men were suitors for the hand and heart of a young lady of the neighborhood, and meeting on the highway, engaged in a duel to the death. Jenkins surrendered to the authorities.

The "French colonel," Captain Anderson, and other aliases, has been convicted of complicity in forgeries committed by his partner in crime, Everard Smith, at London, England, and sentence postponed. He is supposed to be a noted American criminal, who has worked the confidence game in this country and the European continent for years.

The latest Washington report is that Assistant Secretary of War Grant is likely to be promoted to Secretary Proctor's place.

Lord Lytton, known in the literary world as "Owen Meredith," was stricken by death while writing a poem in his bedroom in Paris. Messages of condolence have been sent from all parts of Europe.

It is stated that the famine districts in Russia is half as large as the United States, and contains 4,000,000 people.

Neither President Harrison nor Secretary Foster are expected to have anything to say officially about the silver negotiations.

The remains of the late Governor Hoy of Indiana, have been removed from Indianapolis to Mount Vernon. The ceremonies were impressive.

In a letter to Congressman Warner of New York, Senator Carlisle speaks in terms of commendation of Congressman Mills' temper and executive ability, and urges democrats to stick to the tariff issue.

Congressman Crisp's friends are as confident as ever, and Congressman Springer's stock takes an up turn in the speakership contest.

All prospects for a settlement of the Indiana miners' strike have been given up, and both sides are prepared for a long, hard fight.

Armed bands have devastated a district in northern China, pillaged and burned the Belgian missions, massacred a hundred converts and the priests and done other mischief. The outrages are laid to robbers.

President Peixotto of Brazil has issued a manifesto annulling the dictatorship, raising the state of siege, and summoning the old congress to meet December 18. A message from Para reports all serene there.

Eugene Bell was arrested at Platteburg, N. Y., Tuesday, charged with the inhuman crime of violating his 16-year-old daughter.

## ABDUCTED.

The Favorite Child of a Kansas City Millionaire Kidnapped by a Domestic.

KANSAS CITY, November 26.—This place was startled this evening by the announcement of the bold kidnaping of the 2-year-old son of David T. Beals, president of the Union national bank, and a millionaire capitalist of this city, well known also throughout the west.

Just as the family was finishing dinner this evening, the waitress remarked that she would go out after the evening paper, which is always delivered on the veranda of the house. She had been gone only a few minutes when Mr. Beal heard an outer door slam. This, while not being unusual at all, somehow excited Mr. Beal's suspicion, and he went into the hall he found that his little son was not playing about. The child had been playing in the hall with two of Mr. Beal's grandchildren. Upon being questioned they said that Lizzie had taken the child out of a side entrance. Search was immediately made for the servant and child, but up to the present time no trace of them has been found. A reward of \$5,000 was at once offered for the return of the child, and "no questions asked."

KANSAS CITY, November 23.—In response to a reward of \$5,000 and "no questions asked," Beal Junior was returned to his home this evening about 9 o'clock, by an unknown man, and the reward of \$5,000 was promptly paid. Lizzie Smith, the servant girl, was arrested about the same hour by Captain Burns, in an out-of-the-way house, where she was evidently waiting while her pals returned the boy and received the reward.

### Fatal Handling of Guns.

LEAVENWORTH, November 30.—Yesterday afternoon William Edgell, aged 18, and his brother were shooting at a target back of their home, at Fourteenth and Kenton streets. William handed a rifle to his brother to hold while he arranged the target. In some way the rifle was discharged and the ball entered William's breast near the heart. He will probably die.

The same afternoon Edward Shortridge, aged 18, was with the hunting party in Stone's pasture, near the same locality. He was following George Kay, another boy, down a hill, and slipped, falling against Kay, his right hand striking the trigger of Kay's gun. The weapon was discharged and Shortridge received the load of bird shot in his right lung. He layed half an hour. The charge tore a hole in his body as large as a man's fist.

Shortridge is the son of a farmer living on the Bauserman farm south of this city.

### MATT CARPENTER'S SON TO WED.

Preparations for the Nuptials—Miss Emma Waht Falk the Bride.

MILWAUKEE, November 30.—Over 1,500 invitations have been extended for the wedding of Miss Emma Waht Falk, daughter of Mrs. Franz Falk, to Paul Dillingham Carpenter. The event will be a notable one in Milwaukee society. The best man will be P. Tecumseh Sherman, son of the late General W. T. Sherman. Archbishop Kater will perform the ceremony, which is to be attended with high mass at St. John's cathedral, both Miss Falk and Mr. Carpenter being recent converts to the Catholic church.

### Bell Boy Arrested.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Since November 1 the rooms of the several guests at the Hotel St. Mare, on Fifth avenue, have been entered and robbed of jewelry valued at about \$5,000. Leroy Turner, a colored bell boy, was arrested yesterday while pawnning a lace pin containing twenty-eight diamonds which had been stolen from the room of Mrs. Edith Wheelock of Chicago. In Turner's possession were found a gold watch, a valuable bracelet and a lot of pawn tickets. Most of the stolen property was recovered from the various pawn shops.

### A Nephew of Secretary Blaine Killed.

TACOMA, Wash., November 30.—Robert J. Walker son of Mayor Walker of Helena, Mont., and said to be a nephew of Secretary Blaine, walked out of a window on the second floor of a hospital here while delirious yesterday morning and was killed.