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CURRENT NEWS.

EAST.

Gold closed in New York, on October 26, at 115 1/2.

A number of prominent gentlemen from the West and Northwest recently upon invitation of the Centennial managers visited Philadelphia to inspect the progress of the exposition buildings.

Butterick & Co., of New York, publishers of fashion plates, have made an assignment. Liabilities, \$200,000; assets said to be small.

Mr. Frederick Hudson, for many years managing editor of the New York Herald, was fatally injured while out riding near his home in Concord, Mass., on the 21st, by a train of cars striking the wagon and throwing its occupants down an embankment.

A large meeting of persons in favor of having the Bible read in the public schools was held at the Cooper Institute in New York on the evening of the 21st.

E. L. Hicks, a prominent citizen of Wyoming, Penn., met Archibald Anderson, an engineer, one dark night recently at a lonely ravine near the town. Hicks, mistaking Anderson for a desperado, but without the exchange of a word, fired at him, inflicting wounds from which he died on the 21st.

A Canadian named Lapage is now under arrest at Concord, N. H., on suspicion of being the murderer of Miss Langmaid. There is evidence that he has been heretofore guilty of crimes of the most revolting character, and it is generally believed that he is the guilty party in this case.

The closing of Barnum's Hotel in New York was announced on the 23d, caused by the suspension of its proprietors.

There was quite a large number of business failures announced in New York during the week ending on the 23d, but none of them of very great magnitude.

Moody and Sankey began their revival meetings at the Brooklyn (N. Y.) rink, on Sunday, 24th. The large building was crowded to its utmost capacity, and thousands went away, unable to obtain admittance.

A carriage containing five persons was precipitated into the Schuylkill River, opposite Manayunk, Penn., on the 24th, and Henry Gelter, his mother and child were drowned.

Uri Carruth, the Vineland (N. J.) editor, who was shot by Landis on March 19th, died on the 24th.

Thos. H. Ferris and Edward Haggerty, two New York City politicians, had a little dispute the other day, during which Haggerty pulled his revolver and shot Ferris, inflicting a fatal wound.

At Cheshire, Conn., on the night of the 22d, Mr. and Mrs. Murray were burned to death in their house. They were only recently married.

In the town of Mercer, Maine, on the 22d, Mrs. Walton, divorced wife of Hiram Walton, who was living with Streeter Tracy, was shot dead by Tracy in a fit of jealousy. Tracy then fled to the woods and killed himself.

Hon. David P. Noyes, of Burlington, Vt., died on the 25th, aged 86.

Dr. Linderman, Director of the Mint, estimates the gold and silver product of the country next year at \$100,000,000.

The boiler in the paper mill of Morrison, Bare & Co., at Roaring Springs, Penn., exploded on the 25th, destroying the mill and seriously injuring ten men.

In the Brooklyn City Court, on the 22d, the District Attorney moved a *recurso prosequi* in the cases of The People against F. D. Moulton and Theodore Tilton, for libel against Rev. H. W. Beecher, and Judge Nelson ordered that the cases be dismissed.

The six great anthracite coal companies of Pennsylvania, it is announced, have determined upon a partial suspension of mining operations immediately and a general suspension in December.

WEST AND SOUTH.

A man named Dugan, who was under arrest for the murder of his son-in-law, Inman, in Arkansas County, Ark., was taken from the Sheriff at St. Charles, on the night of the 17th, by a mob of masked men, and riddled with bullets. Dugan had been convicted of the murder of Inman and sentenced to be hanged by the Circuit Court, but the Supreme Court had ordered a new trial and the prisoner's counsel had procured a change of venue to Monroe County. It was while the prisoner was being transferred to Monroe County that he came to his untimely end.

The trunk lines of railway to the East have adopted the following advanced rates of fare from Chicago, to take effect November 1: To New York, \$22; to Boston, \$25; to Philadelphia, \$30; to Baltimore, \$19.50; to Albany and Troy, \$20.15; to Harrisburg, \$19. This is an advance of about \$2 on the old rates.

The West Virginia Press Association, numbering some 30 persons, started for Colorado on the 20th on a buffalo hunting expedition.

Mr. Charles Collins writes from Washington to the Sioux City Times that a general Indian war is apprehended this fall. The Indians, he says, are generally dissatisfied with the way the Black Hills treaty terminated, and it is a matter of regret with them that they did not commence then by killing the Commissioners. Gen. Cook, commander of the Department of the Platte, he informs us, has for some time been preparing for a conflict with the Indians, and will be ready when the necessity arises.

The Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians, nearly 3,000 in number, have started for the Staked Plains on their annual buffalo hunt. Only the aged and infirm are left at home. Game is reported unusually plentiful. They are accompanied by a Lieutenant and twenty-five cavalry as an escort, and to prevent unscrupulous whites from selling them crooked whisky and cheating them out of their buffalo robes.

Gen. Sol. Meredith, of Indiana, died at his residence near Cambridge City, on the 21st, from cancer of the stomach, supposed to have resulted from an injury received during the war.

A man named Kiser committed suicide in Chicago, on the 21st, by jumping from the top of the Water-works tower, a distance of 170 feet.

A shooting affray occurred in the public square at Franklin, Tenn., on the 21st, in which Col. John L. House, a prominent citizen, was killed, and his son, a young man, seriously wounded. The shooting was done by O. F. Griffin, a policeman, and in the opinion of the Coroner's Jury it was not justified by the circumstances of the case. Griffin was placed under arrest.

The bodies of an old man and three boys, all Italians, were discovered by the police of Denver in the cellar of a tenement house in that city on the 21st. All four of the bodies had their throats cut, and the murders had evidently been committed some time previously, as the bodies were nearly putrid. The house had been recently vacated by some Italian musicians, who will be arrested as soon as found.

Hon. R. T. Davis, eldest son of the late Senator Garrett Davis, and a prominent lawyer of Paris, Ky., died from an overdose of chloral on the 21st.

Marshall Crain, the murderer of William Spence in Williamson County, Ill., has been found guilty and sentenced to be hanged on January 21st next.

According to a Chicago dispatch of the 21st, a grand offensive and defensive combination has been entered into between the various Eastern railroad lines, of which the recent advance in passenger rates is an outgrowth. It is believed efforts will soon be made to increase these rates still further, and that freight rates will be immediately and largely increased as soon as the lake navigation closes.

At the California election, held on the 20th, Carr, Republican candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction, was elected by a large majority. A dispatch says that the result generally showed a total disregard of party ties, but is considered a great triumph of the friends of good government.

Dr. Ballard, formerly of Texas, residing near Marion, Ark., was shot and killed by a man named Andrews, on the 20th. The murderer surrendered himself to the authorities.

The Post-office Department has decided to order railway postal-car service between the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis, via the Pan Handle and Vandalia route, passing through Indianapolis. The railroad companies are directed to immediately provide the requisite cars, and the service will be begun as soon as the Department can make the necessary arrangements in regard to clerical labor and alterations of schedules. By this means it is calculated that the present postal facilities of a very large part of the Ohio and Mississippi River valleys will be greatly augmented and improved.

A Washington dispatch of the 22d says that Governor Ames has written a letter to the Attorney-General, alluding to the pacific relations of the opposing political organizations in Mississippi, and expressing sincere gratitude to the representative of the Attorney-General, now in that State, who has brought about this condition of affairs, and has assured a peaceful campaign and a fair election.

The town of Vermillion, near Sandusky, Ohio, was almost wholly destroyed by fire on the morning of the 22d. Eleven business blocks in the heart of the town are in ashes. The loss is estimated at \$75,000. Insurance light. Two men were arrested charged with setting the place on fire.

The fine building of the Freeport Watch Factory, at Freeport, Ill., was destroyed by fire on the night of the 21st. This establishment had been in operation only six months. Loss on building and property, \$150,000. The fire was undoubtedly of incendiary origin.

Henry Brown, colored, was hanged in St. Louis on the 22d for the murder of Philip Piarr, an inoffensive German farmer living in the suburbs of the city, on May 25th last. In addition to the crime of murder, Brown perpetrated a horrible outrage upon Mrs. Piarr, and was fully identified by her upon his trial. He died protesting his innocence of the latter crime, and alleging that he only struck Piarr in self-defense.

J. E. Graham, a heavy grain speculator at Davenport, Iowa, failed on the 22d. The Davenport National Bank loses about \$13,000 by the failure.

Fred. Swett and Joseph McClurg, both of Pittsburgh, Pa., were recently drowned in the Kankakee River, near Hanna, Ind., while out gunning.

Gov. Allen of Ohio has gone to Pennsylvania for the purpose of taking part in the canvass of that State.

Pinney, the absconding United States Paymaster at San Francisco, is a defaulter to the amount of about \$1,000,000 in round numbers. The Government loses only a portion of this sum, however, the balance being assessed upon private individuals.

A horse-thief, supposed to be from Newton County, was found hanging to a limb, in Pope County, Ark., a few days ago.

Ben. Boyd, who is said to be the most expert engraver and successful counterfeiter in the United States, was captured at Fulton, Ill., on the night of the 21st, by United States Detective Tyrrel; and two other notorious counterfeiters, Driggs and Stadfeld, were captured at Centralia, Ill., about the same time, by Elmer Washburne, Chief of Detectives. Counterfeit plates and a large amount of the "queer" were captured in both cases.

Nebraska has voted in favor of a new Constitution.

An overloaded boat, containing eight per-

sons, was capsized while crossing the Mississippi River at South St. Louis, on the 24th, and all but two of the party were drowned. The names of those lost were Perry Glover, Stephen Lewis, Bettie Slaughter, Sallie Smith, Louisa Jackson and her little boy, 3 years of age; all colored.

A farmer named Little, residing near Tipton, Cedar County, Iowa, was murdered by two men on the night of the 21st, and his house robbed of \$1,700, the proceeds of the sale of his farm on the previous day. The murderers escaped, but the neighbors were in hot pursuit and threatened to lynch them if overtaken.

At the Waco, Texas, Fair, R. A. Ford rode 60 miles in 2 hours and 49 minutes, using 42 horses, all of the common Texas breed. This is said to be the fastest time by 3 minutes on record.

Dr. B. F. Sherman, of Chillicothe, Mo., and Samuel Parker, of Macon, both well known citizens, on the 22d went to the neighboring village of Bevier on some business. Having ordered their dinners, it was proposed to go and take a drink, and there being no licensed dram-shops in the town, they proceeded to the drug store of A. W. Shanks. All three went into a back room, where Shanks produced a common ale bottle, from which Parker and Sherman drank. They then left the store, but had not proceeded over ten rods when they both fell to the ground and almost immediately expired. The contents of the bottle were analyzed and found to consist of whisky and hydrocyanic acid, the deadly poison being in such proportion that 60 drops of the mixture was sufficient to produce death.

Hon. S. M. Fite, elected Representative to Congress from the Fourth District of Tennessee, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. John W. Head, died at Hot Springs, Ark., on the 23d.

The obsequies of the late Gen. George E. Pickett took place at Richmond, Va., on the 24th, with imposing ceremonies.

The Chicago Insurance Agency Association, which has done an extensive business in the Northwest, has failed.

The first returns from the Colorado election, held on the 25th, indicated that the Republicans had carried the Territory, and that they will have a considerable majority in the Constitutional Convention.

Col. John A. Joyce, late United States Revenue Agent, has been tried at Jefferson City, Mo., for collusion with the whisky ring, and found guilty on several charges. His attorneys have moved for a new trial.

Gen. John D. Stevenson has been appointed United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Missouri.

A very destructive fire occurred at Virginia City, Nevada, on the 26th. It broke out about daylight, in a house in the southeastern part of the city, and spread rapidly in all directions, the Fire Department being apparently unable to check its progress in the least, from want of water. All the city north of Smith street was destroyed, comprising the principal business buildings. The extensive works of the Ophir, Consolidated Virginia and California Mining Companies were all burned. It is estimated that nearly ten thousand people have been rendered homeless and destitute. Relief was at once sent from San Francisco, and Wells, Fargo & Co. instructed their agents on the coast to receive contributions and forward them free of charge.

The entire business portion of the town of Austin, Miss., was burned on the night of the 25th. Total loss about \$50,000, on which there was but little insurance.

The statue of Stonewall Jackson, presented to the City of Richmond by a number of English gentlemen, was inaugurated with imposing ceremonies on the 26th.

Lane, Democrat, has been elected to Congress from Oregon.

Col. Thomas McKissock, late General Superintendent of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad, has been appointed General Superintendent of the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern Railroad in place of Col. W. R. Arthur, who recently resigned that position.

J. R. Graham, a prominent grain dealer of Northern Iowa, has absconded from Davenport, leaving his creditors about \$100,000 short, most of which was secured by fraudulent elevator receipts.

There was a severe snow storm throughout Northern Iowa on the 26th.

FOREIGN.

Two hundred houses, a synagogue and five schools in Widsy, Poland, have been burned. Some persons perished and three thousand are homeless.

The city of Iquique, Peru, has been nearly destroyed by fire.

The London Times of a late date notices the fact that a Manchester firm have begun to import calicoes from the United States. "The fact is significant," it says, "and as the importers say that the goods are of a much better quality and appearance than ours, Manchester, it appears, has found a competitor at last; but that must depend upon the price."

A number of vessels went down during the recent gales along the English and Scottish coasts. At least 40 lives were lost.

A London dispatch of the 25th says: Between the 14th and the 22d inst., 55 persons lost their lives by shipwreck on the Eastern coast of Scotland. Thirteen perished by the floods at Nottingham, and six at Burton on the Trent. The floods are subsiding.

Russia has finally decided to become an exhibitor at the American Centennial Exposition, but will limit the list of articles to be exhibited to Russian specialties which are little known abroad. Nevertheless they are confident of making a creditable appearance.

The Prince of Wales arrived at Cairo on the 25th.

A Panama dispatch of the 26th says that the National Government had overturned the State Government and imprisoned President Arosemena and several of his subordinates. The change was effected without disorder of any kind. Greytown had been attacked by hands of men and the Governor killed. Troops were sent to the relief of the city.

ZACK CHANDLER.

Comments of the Press on Grant's New Secretary of the Interior.

OLD AND NEW.

[From the New York Tribune.]

Nothing happens, except the unforeseen. What seemed yesterday so amazing (in spite of the authentic reports) as to be incredible, is to-day an accomplished fact. Zachariah Chandler is sworn into office as the successor of Mr. Delano!

Just as the new Secretary of the Interior steps into place the lies and mysteries which accompanied the retirement of the old one seem to be dispersing. We understand now the whole history of Mr. Delano's removal. The frauds which pervaded the Department under his administration have long been known to the entire country. It appears, however, that so long ago as last spring the proofs of specific rascalities committed by Chief Clerk John Delano, together with strong circumstantial evidence that the Secretary was aware of them, were laid before the President, and Mr. Delano's resignation was demanded in consequence. Young Delano's offense was levying tribute from the Government contractors in Wyoming Territory, the agreements for his benefit being made out in the name of a mythical John L. Merriam, just as Mr. Henry Clews stipulated to pay a quarter of his profits to a supposititious "James Van Buren." To avoid the appearance of retiring under fire, Secretary Delano held on until last month, and when he finally departed the President gave him the usual letter of recommendation and thanked him for the "ability and integrity" with which he had discharged every public trust committed to him. He is not likely to make any further figure in political life, and we need not trouble ourselves to inquire how far he was aware of the things done under his eyes and in his own office. But no one will deny that if Mr. Delano was an incorruptible and high-minded officer he must have been a phenomenally incompetent one.

Will his successor be any better? The gross absurdity of Mr. Chandler's appointment is no laughing matter. If the President had searched the United States from coast to coast he could not have found a man more likely to perpetrate the abuses of Mr. Delano's administration, and to add others of his own. The Interior Department is essentially a business office which ought to be managed on the strictest business principles. It has the control of very large sums of money, and more than any other division of the Government it has to deal with rogues, thieves and liars. Mr. Chandler's best friends are well aware that his habits of life and his disposition of mind entirely unfit him for the close and continuous work required from the head of such a department. On the stump, twisting the tail of the British lion until that miserable beast howls with anguish, Mr. Chandler is always a noble figure. In the midst of a knot of working politicians at the rooms of Judge Edmunds in the Washington Post-office, discussing the state of the country and the plans of the campaign, he will be in his element, and there are topics upon which he can talk to the President with all the fervor of a congenial soul; but for the management of large administrative business he is most unfit, and we greatly mistake the penetration of the Indian Rings, the Land Rings, and the Timber Rings, if they are not already rattling with delight at the news of his appointment.

This is probably the worst nomination Gen. Grant has ever made. The nomination of Caleb Cushing for Chief-Justice shocked and outraged the whole country, but it was not so bad as that of Mr. Chandler. Cushing was grossly unfitted for Chief-Justice, but at least he was not intellectually incompetent. The circumstances of his character and career make Mr. Chandler's nomination as disgraceful as that of Mr. Cushing, while he has none of Cushing's ability wherewith to redeem it.

A few months ago, when the prospects of the Republican party were particularly black, Gen. Grant made several Cabinet appointments which commanded the approval of the entire country. But no sooner has the folly of the Democracy in Ohio and Pennsylvania produced a slight reaction than he throws away whatever advantage he may have gained in that brief spasm of reform, and crowns all his previous blunders by one of the worst appointments he ever made in his life. It is as if he were bent upon persuading the country that it is as dangerous to trust Republicans in the White House as Democrats in Ohio.

THE SORT OF A MAN ZACK CHANDLER IS.

[From the Springfield (Mass.) Republican.]

It is a very Grantish selection. This ex-Senator is very rich, very coarse, very fond of pleasure, a thorough materialist in fiber and life, and has had things said about him in the newspapers. These are qualifications not met with every day, united in the same person.

There are any number of worse and more dangerous men in public life than Zack Chandler. He will be, in several respects, an improvement upon Mr. Delano. There is nothing of the hypocrite about him. He won't steal himself, and he won't, knowingly, allow his relatives to steal. If he were "to take a notion," he has business ability enough and force enough, to make an efficient Secretary, so far as the routine of work is concerned.

But the odds are heavily against his taking a notion of that sort. By temperament and a life-long habit, he is a partisan of the narrowest and most intense

type. If he accepts, he will run his department, primarily, as a political machine. If he doesn't willfully connive at and tolerate stealing for the sake of party, he will be too much engrossed in politics to see it. He hasn't a reforming hair in his head. He will be an accession to the anti-reform faction in the cabinet.

In the discouragement and disgust it will occasion, his appointment will probably quite offset whatever gain in prestige and morale the party had derived from its hair-breadth escape in Ohio.

THE RESULT OF THE OHIO ELECTION.

[From the New York World.]

As the first result of the Republican victory in Ohio, we have the appointment of Zach. Chandler to the vacant place in the Cabinet. This is an illustration of the interpretation which a bad Administration puts upon a vote which can be twisted into an approval of it. General Grant evidently reads the verdict of a party triumph not as the party orators interpret it, "Go on and do better," but according to the literal meaning, "Go on and do as you please." As an example of how nicely the Administration is reforming itself from within, the appointment of Chandler is refreshing. He is the man whom the Republicans of Michigan last winter declared to be unworthy to represent the State in the Senate. He was the author of that eminently moral sentiment that the Union would be good for nothing without a little blood-letting. He is therefore a curious constitutional adviser for a President professing a policy of peace and justice. If the Force bill had passed, the appointment would have been appropriate.

A PAIR PREDESTINATED FOR ONE ANOTHER.

[From the New York Sun.]

The Times says it has already exhausted its stock of information about Zack Chandler when it says he has the reputation of being a first-rate storyteller and an amusing man to sit up with o' nights. But is not this enough? Are not these the best of qualifications for securing the sympathy and confidence of Grant? Moreover, Zack is rich; and it is reported that he keeps good whisky on hand and aboard, Grant and he, therefore, can discuss affairs of state while they are emptying the black bottle. Over a game of poker, also, they can confer as to the best means of promoting the welfare of the Republican party, and utilizing the Indian ring in behalf of the third term. Not even Secor Robeson can equal Zack Chandler as a boon companion for Grant. They are a pair predestinated for each other. Why should not Ulysses have his Zack? He could never be happy with a cabinet of Bristows and Pierponts. He needs a sympathetic companion who has a cast-iron stomach.

The Rev. Charles Fisher, of Hartford, Conn., has married 1,600 couples. He would have retired from the business long ago, but the kissing of brides as become such a confirmed habit with him that he can't quit it without an attack of the delirium tremens.—Courier-Journal.

Frank Hathaway and David Landon were instantly killed by the explosion of a portable steam engine at Homer, Mich. Two horses were killed at the same time, and two other men badly scalded.

THE MARKETS.

Table of market prices for various commodities including BEEVES, HOGS, SHEEP, FLOUR, WHEAT, OATS, RYE, HAY, BUTTER, EGGS, LARD, WOOL, CINCINNATI, MEMPHIS, and NEW ORLEANS.