

BY ELI D. AKE. IRONTON, MISSOURI.

The convention of the Irish National federation was held in Dublin, on the 15th, the meeting being crowded with delegates from all parts of Ireland.

The forty-fifth annual communication of the grand encampment of Indiana, I. O. O. F., convened in Odd Fellows' hall in Indianapolis, on the 15th, with a large attendance.

It was given out in Berlin, on the 15th, on reliable authority, that the emperor had assured Caprivi that he will not personally separate from him in the event of the defeat of the military bill.

Mrs. COLQUITT, wife of the senator, was stricken with paralysis at her home in Atlanta, Ga., on the 17th. Senator Colquitt has been confined to his bed, from a paralytic stroke, since last July.

The Belgian government has protested against the sending back of thirty-seven glass-blowers who arrived in New York, recently, en route for Pittsburgh, and who were held under the alien contract labor law.

There were fully 150 delegates in attendance upon the sixth annual convention of the American Agricultural colleges and experiment stations held in New Orleans on the 15th. All of the leading colleges were represented.

The Brodie Publishing Co., with offices in New York city and Washington, D. C., was attached, on the 15th, by Freeman & Bros. for a debt of \$19,000. The Brodie concern is all the printing for the republican campaign.

At Hirschfeld, Hesse-Nassau, a Roman Catholic priest named Thiel has been arrested on a charge of lese majeste, for having spoken in a derogatory way in a sermon of the Kaiser's attendance at the Luther celebration in Wittenberg.

The Lonsdale company and the firm of B. R. & D. Knight, of Providence, R. I., notified their employees, on the 15th, of an increase of wages, to go into effect December 5. The amount of the proposed increase is not given out.

The Paris Figaro states that the United States of Colombia has extended the time of the Panama canal concession for one year, and urges the French government to abandon the idea of prosecuting the directors of the canal company.

The establishment of Koek & Loeber, jobbers in willowware and paper in Milwaukee, was destroyed by fire on the night of the 16th. The loss on stock will probably reach \$100,000, and on the building \$10,000; fully covered by insurance.

The president, on the 15th, appointed William Brewster, of Providence, R. I., minister to Italy; David P. Thompson, of Oregon, United States minister to Turkey, and Edward C. Little, of Kansas, United States consul-general at Cairo, Egypt.

"COUNT" EUGENE DE MITKIEWICZ, the famous promoter of the concession schemes, appeared at the Tombs police court in New York, on the 17th, for examination on a charge of having obtained money under false pretenses. After a hearing the case was dismissed.

The first business failure in Homestead, Pa., since the strike occurred on the 17th, S. Nogles, who had been in the clothing business there for six years, was forced to close up, but it is thought the cause was not a satisfactory adjustment and resume business.

MANUFACTURERS of desks from Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, New York, Pennsylvania and Michigan met at the Emmer house, Chicago, on the 15th, pursuant to adjournment at Indianapolis two weeks before, to perfect a permanent organization for the betterment of the trade.

The Alabama house of representatives held a caucus on the night of the 15th, and passed resolutions excluding all who did not vote for Cleveland. Twenty-four members withdrew forthwith. Four other members were not present, and it is not known how they stand.

The suits of the farmers along the Mahoning and Shamokin creeks in Pennsylvania against the Reading Coal and Iron Co. and individual operators, in which over \$1,000,000 is involved, will be amicably settled. The cases were the outgrowth of dirt washing down the streams and on to the lands of the farmers.

A DISPATCH to the London Times from St. Petersburg states that a bulletin was issued, on the 15th, recording twelve new cases and five deaths from cholera in twenty-four hours. Most of the cases are on the island north of the Neva, where the water supply is bad. Cases of influenza are also reported as being numerous.

Much anxiety was caused, on the 14th, by an exhibition of anarchy in the French army. While troops were waiting at the Campaigne station in Paris a private insulted and struck an officer, telling him to get on the ground and saying: "Long live anarchy." "Down with the army and its officers." It is believed that his purpose was to cause an outbreak in favor of anarchy. He will probably be shot.

The Swansea (Wales) Tin Plate's association, which recently discussed the advisability of seeking new markets, met again, on the 15th, and resolved to defer "out of sympathy for American canners who supported Mr. Cleveland" the pushing of the tin plate industry in new markets. It was also resolved to appoint a committee to watch the development of the American tariff as affecting the tin plate trade.

The startling discovery has been made that the supposed priceless jewels and sacred relics owned by the late Rev. Father Mullinger, at Pittsburgh, Pa., and which played such a prominent part in the thousands of religious conversions performed by the priest, are bogus imitations. The supposed priceless stones are glass, and the alleged gold altar in St. Anthony's chapel is nothing but wood covered with cheap gilt.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

As a specimen of a fickle dame I commend to Miss Lott, of Mississippi, who successfully eloped with three men, deserting the first two while they were hunting for a person and going off with a third. The man is not in to show whether she married the last one or not.

The World's fair souvenir coins are to be advertised and the world informed that they may be secured at the uniform price of one dollar each. It should be easy to dispose of the whole lot at this figure, though to do so before the fair may not be easy. The fair once opened there will, of course, be a great demand for the coins, not merely as souvenirs but because a showing of them will be a requisite of all collections.

DR. THOMAS NEILL CREAM, the Canadian poisoner, was hanged in Newgate jail, London, on the 15th.

FREDERICK EVANS, alias Helmbold, the pretended prince of Teck, was sentenced, on the 15th, to one year's imprisonment at hard labor. He is said to be of respectable American parentage, and was formerly convicted of fraudulent practices.

Notices were posted in the Carnegie mills at Beaver Falls, Pa., on the 15th, stating that applications for work would be received until the 19th, and that the old men would be preferred.

The entire plant of the St. Paul plow works, located at Gladstone, Minn., was destroyed by fire on the 15th. Loss, \$110,000; nearly covered by insurance.

WHAT promises to be a successful orange trade with England was inaugurated, on the 15th, by the departure of an Atlantic liner from Jacksonville, Fla., with a large cargo of the pick of the trees.

GEORGE ROSKRAMS, register of the treasury, who had been confined to his hotel in Washington for two weeks suffering from nervous prostration not responding as usual to medical treatment, causing his friends to fear that he would be stricken with paralysis, slight symptoms of which appeared, was reported, on the 16th, as being much better, the dangerous symptoms having disappeared.

The Russian government has decided to raise the duty on raw cotton to 140 copeks per pod for imports by sea and 155 for imports by land.

KANSAS WHITES will open the German settlement in person, and show that he regards the military bill as his personal measure.

The Tri-State Medical association of Arkansas, Mississippi and Tennessee, opened its annual session at Memphis, Tenn., on the 16th. In lieu of an address the president, Dr. Webb, read a paper entitled: "A Plea for Women."

The 16th was observed as a national holiday throughout the Hawaiian kingdom, it being the birthday anniversary of the late King Kalakaua.

GEORGE BURTON, a grocer of East Liverpool, O., who had been on a spree for a week, returned home, on the night of the 17th, and accused his wife of being drunk and threatened to kill her if she did not tell where she got the drink. Mrs. Burton protested on her knees that she had not tasted drink, but the inhuman husband pulled out a revolver and shot her twice in the region of the heart, inflicting mortal wounds.

T. J. WENDELL and Henry Buck, expressmen, were driving on the road a mile east of Wheeling, Va., on the 17th, when their horses became frightened and threw the wagon over a cliff twenty feet high. Both were killed and Wendell and Buck were frightfully crushed. Their injuries are probably fatal.

An explosion of gas occurred, on the 17th, on the collier Pretoria, bound from Glasgow to Bordeaux. The vessel soon after foundered, and the captain and five of the crew were drowned.

On the 17th the president appointed Louis McComas, of Maryland, to be associate justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, vice Montgomery, resigned.

It is announced in Washington with the utmost positiveness that President-elect Cleveland has decided to appoint George S. Cabot, of Brooklyn, N. Y., commissioner of pensions.

S. V. WHITE, the well-known New York speculator, has commenced to pay off his Chicago indebtedness in full. His western creditors consented some time ago to accept fifty cents on the dollar in settlement, but Mr. White is continuing to pay the remaining fifty cents, with interest.

MR. AND MRS. IRA WARD, of New Haven, Conn., on the 17th rounded out their three-quarters of a century of wedded bliss. They greeted many friends and relations, who gathered to help celebrate the diamond wedding of the happy old couple.

The secretary of the Army of the Tennessee, at its session in St. Louis, on the 17th, elected Gen. G. M. Dodge president and selected Chicago as the place of meeting next year. The members and invited guests partook of an enjoyable banquet at the Lindell hotel by way of a wind-up of their reunion.

Mrs. WILLIAM WOOD, the wife of a prominent farmer, died at Martinsville, Ind., on the 17th. She was married when 14 years old, and though only 35 when she died she had been a grandmother for two years.

A BIG discovery of gold has been made at the Caribou mines, about thirty miles from Truro, Nova Scotia. It surpasses anything yet discovered in the province, and is expected to turn out the biggest and richest gold mine ever opened in Canada, as the lead gradually increases in richness and thickness, and shows every indication of continuing to a great depth.

The business failures occurring throughout the country during the seven days ended on the 18th, number for the United States, 205, and for Canada 35; or a total of 240, as compared with 210 the previous week, and 285 for the corresponding week of last year.

Twenty persons were dangerously poisoned at Columbus, O., on the 18th, by eating canned meat. Although none of them died, there was much apprehension for a time, as their sufferings were intense. An investigation was instituted.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

On the 17th the wife of Leonard Hills, of Holland, N. Y., put a wet dynamite cartridge in the oven to dry before her husband used it. Shortly after the cartridge exploded with fearful result. Ralph, a son of about 10 years, was killed, and Mrs. Hills was so badly injured it was feared she could not recover. The house was shattered.

AGITATION is proposed to be started in Montreal, Can., shortly, with a view to the admission of United States cattle into Canada. If the government grants such permission it is probable that dead meat factories will be established, and next summer will also see American cattle exported to the old country via Montreal.

WILLIAM MATHEW, the young baker who murdered his bride six months in Wheeling, W. Va., on April 5 last, was hanged there on the 18th. He professed religion and expressed a hope to meet his wife in Heaven. His neck was broken by the fall.

The police of Berlin, on the 18th, raided a number of houses suspected to be haunts of anarchists. They succeeded in capturing several anarchists, and seized all the papers they could find.

PARIS anarchists threaten the English embassy with dynamite in revenge for the extradition of England of Francois, an accomplice of Ravachol.

BENJAMIN MULLER, a Russian Jew, died at Bellevue hospital in New York city from anthrax, a disease in which the veins and muscles become infested with animalcules.

The recent desecration of soldiers' graves at Wilbur, Ind., by painting the tombstones red was only a small part of a broad and preconcerted outrage in Morgan and Hendricks counties. Five other cemeteries were similarly visited and were similarly abused. The headstones over the graves were broken in a range of twenty miles in the western part of Morgan county and eastern part of Hendricks was painted red and flags over the graves were dipped in the paint.

MILTON SAYLOR, formerly congressman from Ohio, died very suddenly at his boarding-house in New York city on the 17th. Mr. Saylor was about 60 years old. The cause of death is said to have been heart failure. Mr. Saylor had lived in New York for several years, but it is understood that his wife and family live in Cincinnati.

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A FEARFUL prairie fire in the southwest part of Woodruff county, Ia., was finally gotten under control, on the 18th, after a continuation of twenty-four hours. It burned over an area of twelve miles long and in places several miles wide. The town of Sloan narrowly escaped burning. The loss on buildings, grain, bridges, etc., will be fully \$50,000.

The Rev. Charles C. News and Courier has had an exhaustive examination made of the condition of the cotton crop of the south. It shows that the crop is short far beyond the calculation of experts; that the greater part has been picked and rushed to market, and that the late crop will amount to practically nothing.

Mrs. ELIZABETH CANNON, residing six miles north of Mason City, Ia., committed suicide on the night of the 18th. She arose from her bed, stripped and went out into the cold, and when found, thirty rods from the house, was frozen stiff.

C. W. RIDGEWAY, general manager at Helena, Mont., of the Rocky Mountain Telegraph Co., a connection of the Postal company, is missing, and is said to be several thousand dollars short in his accounts. A widow accompanied him in his flight.

GEN. ROSECRANS, register of the treasury, was removed to Fort Monroe, Va., on the 18th, in the hope that the change will remove the present danger in his case of paralysis. He has lost the use of his hands, and is almost helpless.

FROM testimony adduced before Coroner Kramer at Allentown, Pa., on the 19th, in relation to the death of Wm. F. Kiek, who died in jail on the eve of the date of his execution for murder, it seems reasonably certain that death was the result of arsenic poisoning.

A TERRIFIC conflagration raged in Cardiff, Wales, on the 19th, destroying the Merchants' exchange and thirty offices and warehouses, the latter nearly all full of goods. The marquis of Hute, who owns the greater part of Cardiff, is a heavy loser.

NOTHING has been heard up to the 19th, of the profligate Pontiac, the sister ship of the Gibraltar, who recently went down with all aboard in Lake Michigan. The Pontiac cleared from Marquette, Mich., on the 17th, and it is feared she is lost.

The pension of \$7,000 voted to Wm. H. Beers, formerly president of the New York Life Insurance Co. by the company's board of trustees, was, on the 19th, declared invalid by the general term of the supreme court of New York.

FIRE, on the morning of the 19th, destroyed the warehouse of the Graham Paper Co. in St. Louis, used for the storage of rags and paper stock. A number of small dwellings in the vicinity narrowly escaped destruction.

A CAVE-IN occurred in the Hazeldell colliery at Centralia, Pa., on the morning of the 19th, and seven or eight men were imprisoned in the mine. Two others were taken out badly injured.

The president, on the 19th, appointed ex-Gov. Gear, of Iowa, assistant secretary of the treasury to succeed Judge Crouse, who resigned to make the gubernatorial canvass in Nebraska.

FREDONIA, TENN., was almost entirely destroyed by a tornado on the 18th. No lives were lost, but every building in the town, with two or three exceptions, was wrecked.

HIGHWINDS, on the night of the 18th, fatally shot Chin How Han, a Chinese shrimp dealer in San Francisco, because he refused to pay blackmail.

On the 19th the president appointed Wm. M. Stone, of Knoxville, Ia., to be commissioner of the general land office, vice Thomas H. Carter, resigned.

THE ALLIANCE DISRUPTING.

The Two Wings Clash and the Populist Faction Captures the Gathering—The McCune Faction Withdraws from the Convention and May Form a Non-Populist Organization—The National Alliance Demands.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 19.—The knot in the Farmers' Alliance convention culminated in a bolt, and yesterday morning those opposed to the people's party capturing the body held a caucus and concluded to form a new association embodying the doctrine of the alliance, but holding aloof from politics. The Taubeneck crowd having captured the convention the delegates refused to attend the morning session. At noon they got together and effected a temporary organization and began to shape matters for the issuance of a manifesto. The correspondent for the United Press found Dr. McCune in his room, and that gentleman made the following statement:

"I withdrew from the convention hall because the national committee of the people's party have come here and by every possible method are attempting to secure control of the alliance. They have used foul means to secure hold of the body and have gone so far as to set up a state for the purpose of attacking the large two-story residence of Peter Kardell, which is of solid stone, and crumbled it to fragments. Mrs. Kardell was seriously injured. The two-story frame house of John Hahn was unroofed and otherwise wrecked.

A large double brick, owned by L. Kaffenberger, and occupied by S. D. Perry as a dwelling, office and composing room of the Red Bud Democrat, was entirely destroyed.

By a miracle Mr. Perry's family escaped serious injury, and crawled out from the mass of brick which had fallen on them while in their beds, coming forth almost naked and painfully bruised.

The new brick house of John Long was the next unroofed. Claus Peterson's agricultural warehouse had the second story cut away as by a knife. The residences of John Landholdt, Joseph Voght and Mrs. D. Offarding suffered severely for hip pockets. Scott was pulled away.

Gov. Buchanan made a remark that was not pleasing to a delegate and the latter rushed at the governor with a baseball bat used by the sergeant-at-arms to keep the peace. He was pulled away.

The following demands were adopted by the national alliance:

(A)—We demand the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the legal ratio of 16 to 1.

(B)—We demand that the amount of the circulating medium be increased to at least \$200,000,000 exclusive of legal tender notes.

(C)—We demand a graduated income tax.

(D)—That our national legislation shall be so framed in the future as to build up one industry at the expense of another.

(E)—We believe that the money of the country should be issued as possible in the hands of the people; and hence we demand all national and state revenues shall be limited to an amount sufficient to meet the government economically and honestly administered.

(F)—We demand that postal savings banks be established by the government for the safe deposit of the savings of the people, and to facilitate exchange.

The last, including all the national resources of wealth, is the heritage of all the people, and should not be monopolized for speculative purposes, and alien ownership of land should be prohibited. All lands now held by railroads and other corporations in excess of their actual needs, and lands now owned by aliens should now be returned to the government and held for actual settlers only.

Transportation being a means of exchange an efficient means of government should own and operate the railroads in the interest of the people.

(A) The telegraph and the telephone, like the post office system, being a necessity for the transmission of intelligence, should be owned and operated by the government in the interest of the people.

The election of officers was begun at 11 o'clock and ended two hours later. H. L. Loucks, of South Dakota, was re-elected president; Marion Butler, of North Carolina, vice-president; T. H. Taylor, of Nashville, Tenn., secretary; Ben Terrell, of Texas, national secretary.

Members of the executive board: L. Leonard, Missouri; Mann Page, Virginia; I. E. Cain, New York; and H. C. Deming, Pennsylvania.

The third party slate has not yet been broken.

PARIS, Nov. 19.—After a long exciting debate the chamber yesterday, by a vote of 319 to 228, decided to discuss the articles of the government bill proposed by the cabinet.

A Hurricane at Baltimore. BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 19.—A hurricane of unusual violence swept the Chesapeake bay at noon yesterday and played havoc with the buildings along the water front and with the vessels moored in the bay. The wind reached a velocity of almost 50 miles an hour. The harbor was well filled with vessels of every class and a great deal of damage was done to them. A number of vessels were blown from their moorings and came into collision. No loss of life is reported.

No estimate of the losses caused by the hurricane can be made as yet.

A Canning Canadian Forger Arrested in 288 Cases. HAMILTON, Ont., Nov. 18.—During the past few months the bank of Hamilton has been swindled out of between \$40,000 and \$65,000 by means of forgeries, one of the culprits being Davidson of the nursery firm of C. H. Davidson & Co., of Burlington, who after committing the crime left the country.

Government Detective Murray was given charge of the case and learned that Davidson was in Mexico. Murray started in pursuit and a dispatch has just been received announcing the arrest of the forger.

TRADE AND TRAFFIC.

The Business Situation According to E. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review—The Distribution of Products Continues Very Large and the General Tone of Business Healthy—Business Features.

NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—E. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: No important change appears in the condition of business. The distribution of products continues enormous. Production by manufacturers is greater on the whole than in any previous year, and the general tone of business is healthy. There is no serious depression in any of the principal lines of trade. In speculative circles, however, some apprehension of monetary pressure at no distant day appears, and anti-option bills may be passed at the opening of the session in December. There is a feeling of uneasiness in the market, and the situation in cotton goods is highly encouraging with advanced prices. The shoe trade is in good shape with bright prospects, and lumber remains active by the open season for building. At Pittsburgh demand for pig iron is good, and finished products moving freely. Plate glass is very dear, but other glass trade unchanged. 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