

Iron County Register

BY ELI D. AKE. IRONTON, MISSOURI

ALL of the anarchists recently arrested in Paris will be tried together at the next assizes, proof of their mutual complicity having been established.

TWO AMERICAN line steamships now under construction at the Cramps' ship yard at Philadelphia, have been named after the western cities of St. Louis and St. Paul.

THE committee of the German reichstag to which was referred the Russo-German commercial treaty, accepted the measure as a whole by a vote of 16 to 12 on the 8th.

STEPHEN GER, a German, was assassinated while standing in his own doorway on the Charleston pike, near Jeffersonville, Ind., at 2 o'clock on the morning of the 6th.

BERNARDO A. THIEL, bishop of Costa Rica, and several other prominent Catholics, clerical and lay, have been arrested at San Jose, charged with plotting revolution.

THE Italian chamber of deputies, on the 9th, by an overwhelming majority, voted to prosecute Deputy de Felice-Giuffrida, of Catania, for alleged complicity with the Sicilian anarchists.

CONGRESSMAN M. C. BLANCHARD was, on the 7th, appointed United States senator by Gov. Foster of Louisiana, to fill the unexpired term of Senator White until the legislature meets in May.

MISS IDA VAN ETTEN, an American writer, who has been living for several months at the Continental hotel in Paris, died, on the 5th, it is said, of starvation, amid the most pitiful surroundings.

A MOVEMENT to hold a big convention of workmen in Washington on April 6 and 7 to protest against the passage of the Wilson bill by the senate, was inaugurated in Philadelphia on the 9th.

MR. Wm. POTTER, ex-United States minister to Italy, who has been succeeded by Ambassador MacVeagh, had an audience with King Humbert, on the 8th, and presented to his majesty his letter of recall.

THE court of inquiry into the loss of the man-of-war Kearsarge met at the Brooklyn navy yard, on the 8th, but adjourned again to the continued illness of Capt. J. N. Miller, one of the members of the court.

UP to the 7th the treasury department received on account of the late bond issue \$58,261,512—\$38,335,000 in gold and \$19,926,500 in legal tenders—all but \$20,000 principal and premium for which the bonds were sold.

THE three pool rooms of Minneapolis, Minn., were closed, on the 5th, under the new ordinance prohibiting gambling. It was expected that one of the rooms would reopen, when it would be pulled and the legality of the ordinance tested.

ACCORDING to a cable dispatch to the secretary of the navy from Commander Longnecker on the United States steamship Ranger, the last act in the Honduras revolution has been played. Peace has been arranged upon terms satisfactory to all parties.

SENATOR MARTIN, of Kansas, has introduced a general pension bill which increases the pension of every person now on the rolls at eight dollars a month on account of service in the Mexican war, including the widows of all soldiers who served in that war, to \$12 a month.

ANY person who can give the necessary bond and satisfy the postmaster-general that he has the facilities for doing the work may this year bid for the contract for furnishing stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers to the government for the four years beginning October 1 next.

THE British column operating in Africa against the tribe the place was defeated, recently, and retreated on Sadiya. A force of 200 sent to the relief of the column was also forced to retreat. A detachment of thirty men was massacred, and the position of the main column was reported to be critical.

AT 5 o'clock on the morning of the 6th the rescuers clearing the gangway of the Gaylord mine at Plymouth, Pa., in which thirteen men were entombed three weeks before, came upon the injured car used by the buried men. The mine officials were confident of the early finding of the bodies of some of the men.

THE disruption of the Spanish cabinet, which had been threatened for months but was deferred by an agreement to patch up their differences until after the settlement of the country's dispute with Morocco, occurred on the 8th. Queen Regent Christina immediately instructed Premier Sagasta to reconstruct the ministry.

A BILL was introduced in the house of representatives, on the 9th, by Mr. McEae, of Arkansas, providing for the abolition of the bounty on sugar and placing that commodity on the free list. If, after a reasonable time has elapsed, the bill is still unacted on in the senate, an effort will be made to place it as a rider on one of the appropriation bills.

AFTER a trial lasting four months and four days for complicity in the murder of Dr. Cronin in Chicago in May, 1888, the jury had once been convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for life, and of which sentence he had served three years, ex-Detective Daniel Coughlin was, on the 8th, acquitted by the jury, and for the first time in nearly five years walked out of court a free man.

THE Portuguese, having obstructed the progress of British parties engaged in constructing a telegraph line between the British sphere and Tete on the Zambezi in southeast Africa, Lieut.-Colonel George S. O. Carr, in command of the British expedition, has landed a party of big jackets in order to protect the men at work upon the telegraph line. The Portuguese fired upon the British landing party and the fire was returned. Latest advices, up to the 7th, state that reinforcements for both parties were being hurried forward.

NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events. FIFTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

IN the senate, on the 5th, the seigniorage bill was received from the house and laid on the table. A resolution was adopted calling on the secretary of the treasury for a statement as to repayment by states of interest paid by the government on state bonds for the Cherokee fund. Mr. Voorhees reported from the finance committee a compilation of the various laws of the government from 1792 to 1891, which was ordered printed. In the house the session was opened with prayer by Evangelist Dwight L. Moody. The day was taken up in discussion of the bill of the administration in pension matters.

IN the senate, on the 6th, Mr. Hill offered a resolution calling on the finance committee to amend the tariff bill so as to increase the revenue to cover the current deficit of \$75,000,000, and to limit the proposed internal revenue to a certain amount. Mr. Stewart spoke on the seigniorage bill. Several senators arose to a question of personal privilege, denying that they had obstructed the work in committee on the tariff bill to secure protection to local interests, as charged in a New York paper. After an executive session the senate adjourned.

IN the house, after unimportant morning business, a resolution vacating several appointments to the naval academy was passed. Mr. Aldrich, secretary of the navy in violation of the rights of congressmen, was passed. The house went into committee of the whole on the pension appropriation bill, and soon after adjourned.

IN the senate, on the 7th, a bill for the reclamation of the Nevada territory was passed. Several unimportant bills and resolutions were passed, and the senate adjourned. Mr. Stewart spoke on the pension appropriation bill, and soon after adjourned.

IN the senate, on the 8th, consideration of the bill for the reclamation of the Nevada territory was resumed, and Mr. Harris asked and secured unanimous consent for a final vote at 2 p. m. on the 15th, provided Mr. Allison's motion to reconsider was lost. The remainder of the open session was taken up in the discussion of the measure. In the house almost the entire day session was devoted to the District of Columbia appropriation bill. Several amendments were rejected, and when the committee rose the bill was reported to the house and passed.

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MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

From Washington. NEW POSTMASTERS.

Melrose, St. Louis county, Michael Boqvist, vice G. G. Campbell, resigned. Annie, Buchanan county, Joseph Devores, vice T. N. Leasure, resigned. Cold Spring, Douglas county, H. C. Malherre, vice William Coats, resigned.

Black Walnut, St. Charles county, Wm. D. W. Jarboe, postmaster resigned. NEW POST OFFICE. Jefferson City, Mo., new post office building, designed by J. H. Johnson, architect. The building is a fine specimen of modern architecture, and will be completed in a few days.

James L. Carlisle, the new postmaster of St. Louis high school, studied law and was admitted to the bar. He has been prominent in democratic circles since his marriage. He has served as police commissioner, deputy city marshal, jury commissioner and recorder of voters. He is an active member of the M. E. church, south.

Geo. J. Vaughn, the new postmaster of Jefferson City, is a native of this state. Congressman Hand told the Jefferson City democrats to elect the postmaster by a primary election, and to elect Vaughn, chosen by a large majority. The president then sent his name to the senate.

The president has appointed Capt. Matthews, of Kew United States navy, to be chief of bureau of yards and docks of the navy department, at Washington, D. C. Matthews is a Missourian, formerly living in St. Louis. It seems that this position has been generally considered as a plum, and that Matthews' delegation had recommended Commander Matthews for the position. Matthews' reasons of their own the president and the secretary decided to appoint Capt. Matthews.

A Big Land Case Decided. Charles P. Chouteau, of St. Louis, has won a heavy suit against Dunklin county, Mo., in the old railroad court. It involves the title to 10,000 acres of what is known as "swamp land" in Dunklin county. Many years ago the county court of Dunklin county granted to the railroad company the right to purchase the land for the purpose of adding the land to the railroad. The railroad company refused to pay for the land, and the county court ordered the land to be sold to the state. The case was decided in favor of Chouteau, and the land is now in his possession.

At the meeting of the house judiciary committee, on the 9th, Chairman Calhoun announced Representatives Boater, Terry and W. A. Stone as the committee to investigate Judge Jenkins' injunction against employes of the Northern Pacific railroad. The investigation promises to have important developments.

The decrease in the number of claims received daily at the pension bureau is shown in a statement prepared by the department. The number of pensioners on the rolls is now approximately 950,000, against 952,000 for the corresponding week of last year. The number of applications has, however, steadily diminished since September 1.

MAJ. GEORGE C. CONNER died at Chattanooga, Tenn., on the 9th, aged 60. He was a native of Ireland. Soon after the war he became a partner of Sheldon & Co., publishers of New York, and later southern agent for the Appletons.

TILMAN H. FISHER, a member of the New York consolidated stock exchange, was suspended, on the 9th, for six months because of alleged questionable business methods. Fisher advertised extensively in the newspapers in the south and west, and promised to make fortunes for his clients on small capital.

SESA FOR ALLISON regards the appointment by Germany of a commission to investigate the silver question as an incident of great significance, particularly because the commission, with the exception of one, or at the most two of its members, is composed of bi-metalists.

MR. AND MRS. GLADSTONE have received autograph letters from Queen Victoria, both messages being couched in language of high appreciation of the services rendered to the country by Mr. Gladstone.

The boiler at Foley & Fallers' machine shops in Pittsburgh, Pa., exploded on the 9th, killing Otto Keller, the engineer, and probably fatally injured Frank Fallers, a member of the firm.

The president, on the 9th, appointed Walter J. Wilson, of West Virginia, son of Chairman Wilson of the house ways and means committee, and Lewis G. Stevenson, of Illinois, son of Vice-President Stevenson, among other assistants paymasters in the navy.

LATE NEWS ITEMS. The senate was not in session on the 10th. In the house, after unimportant preliminary business, the District of Columbia appropriation bill was further considered and passed—111 to 11—carrying a total appropriation of \$5,296,773—half payable by the government. The sundry civil appropriation bill was then taken up, becoming the unfinished business on the calendar.

WASHINGTON'S birthday was generally observed among the Americans in Hawaii. Minister Willis invited the officials of the government to notice the day, which they cordially complied with by closing public offices for the afternoon. The celebration was arranged nominally by the American league. Salutes were fired by the Philadelphia, Naniwa and the Champlain.

The statement of the associated banks of New York city for the week ended on the 10th showed the following changes: Deposits, decrease, \$145,245; loans, increase, \$56,000; specie, decrease, \$162,500; legal tenders, increase, \$337,400; net deposits, increase, \$1,262,500; circulation, decrease, \$106,300.

COMMANDER MONTELL's new French expedition in Africa will be concentrated on the upper Mobangi river. It will leave the Mobangi country more than a thousand strong. The route of the expedition is supposed to be directed to the region of the upper Nile.

The aggregate of corn in farmers' hands in the plus states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kansas, Nebraska, and Nebraska, is 61.1 per cent. of that in farmers' hands in the entire country, or in quantity 360,000,000 bushels.

STATISTICS issued by Lloyds show that within the last three months twenty-eight vessels have been wrecked in the Atlantic. Nineteen of them carried cargoes of timber and must be dangerous delinquents.

It is rumored at the court of St. James that Cesar Alexander III. will be the queen's guest next summer and that preparations for his visit are already making.

WILLIAM POTTER, formerly United States minister to Italy, left Rome for Naples, on the 13th, en route to the United States.

On the 10th the New York associated banks held \$75,637,775 in excess of the requirements of the 25-per-cent. rule.

QUEEN VICTORIA started for the continent on the 18th.

MISSOURI CULLINGS.

The Clinton republicans nominated a city ticket.

The Louisiana Fair association has been organized. Mike Ryan was fined \$100 in St. Louis for election repealing.

Mary A. Greenby, of Macon, has begun contesting her father's will. The state banks of St. Louis held \$1,238,310.96 in gold coin on February 2.

The Home Savings bank of Lafayette has been incorporated; capital, \$100,000. The post office at Prosperity, Jasper county, was burglarized the other night.

The expenditures of St. Charles county during the past year were \$38,623.42. St. Louis has a humanity club with the motto: "Nothing human is alien to me."

The Farmers' Mutual Benefit Insurance Co. of Lynn county has been incorporated. William A. Keller, a financially embarrassed saloon-keeper at St. Joseph, shot himself.

John Oehler, a St. Louis barber, is supposed to have committed suicide with poison. Miss Susan Noland, for fifteen years a teacher in the Independence schools, died of consumption.

The St. Francois county democrats will elect delegates to the Kansas City convention March 17. Samuel Vaughn, colored, of Warrensburg, was killed by the cars at Center View, Johnson county.

J. Gaston Soudard, aged 41, descendant of an old St. Louis family, was buried a few days ago. Burglars entered S. B. Whitsett's store at Pacific and secured a varied assortment of merchandise.

The Improved Order of Red Men of Missouri will meet at 3900 South Broadway, St. Louis, on the 20th. The republicans of Salem have nominated John S. Ault for mayor and the democrats Angas E. McGlashan.

Rev. John B. Brandt, of Fairfax mission, St. Louis, has received a call to take charge of a church in Pittsburgh, Pa. William Farmer was killed at Atlanta, Macon county, by a rebounding sapling that a tree he felled broke in two.

James Minor, of Huntsville, was sentenced to six years in the penitentiary—three for burglary and three for larceny.

The safe in the railway station at Marble Hill was blown open the other night, but entrance to the vault was not effected.

The water-works contractor and laborers of Clinton have settled their differences and work has begun on laying the new mains. At Independence, the other day, W. T. Johnson, a well-known young man, was given two years in the penitentiary for stealing a horse.

The marriage of Charles Hart McLean, of St. Louis, and Miss Minnie Brandreth, of England, is a union of millions as well as hearts. Gov. Stone, the other day, commuted the sentences of six youthful prisoners in the penitentiary to terms in the reform school at Booneville.

A large quantity of jewelry belonging to Jeweler Jacob Gartner, of Lincoln, whose store was burglarized, was found in a straw stack 7 miles from town. The volume of construction work by clearings decreases for the week only 17.4 per cent. outside New York, and 24 per cent. here, compared with last year's corresponding week for February was 37 per cent. Thus, customs revenue does not improve and for the week has been 81 per cent. less than last year, the decrease in general being 10 per cent.

Money is weak, with further decrease in the demand for commercial loans. Failures are growing less important and somewhat fewer also. For the week ending March 10 the liabilities thus far reported were \$1,886,091, and for four weeks of February \$1,886,091, of which \$6,725,615 were of manufacturers and \$7,097,127 of trading concerns.

The failures during the week numbered in the United States 48, against 193 last year; and in Canada 61, against 22 last year. Scarcely a single one is of importance, and it is believed that the country for the great reverse last year has been so far overcome.

DEPENDENT UPON AMERICANS. And Christopher Furness Wants the British to be Independent of the Interests of Their Own Countrymen.

LONDON, March 10.—Christopher Furness, member of parliament for Hartlepool, acting on behalf of the British residents and owners and commanders of British merchant vessels at Rio, has addressed a letter to the earl of Kimberley, secretary of state for foreign affairs, requesting him to instruct Capt. John Ripon, senior officer of the British fleet at Rio, to assist in the removal of yellow fever patients from the infected port. Mr. Furness has also written to the earl of Kimberley, requesting him to instruct Capt. John Ripon, senior officer of the British fleet at Rio, to assist in the removal of yellow fever patients from the infected port.

Mr. Furness was unsparing in his denunciation of the conduct of the British naval officers at Rio during the last three months. A Young Girl Thief Undisturbed by an Adverse Verdict.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 10.—When the criminal court convened yesterday morning a sealed verdict in the Annie Alexander case was opened. The defendant was found guilty as indicted on a charge of larceny. The young lady, who has been all round tried from childhood, was not in the least disturbed, and when called before the bar smiled in the face of the court.

She was remanded to jail for sentence. Her attorney, Mr. C. M. Farnham, Pa. sensational escapades are almost without number. The Cart Drivers' Strike Ended.

NEW YORK, March 10.—At the street cleaning department yesterday it was announced that the strike of the drivers of the department was over and all the men had gone back to work.

More Sunday Rest for Railway Employes. BRILIN, March 12.—In the reichstag yesterday the railway estimates bill was discussed. Herr Lingens demanded the extension of the hours of Sunday rest and recreation for railway employes.

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DUN'S TRADE REVIEW.

Evidence of Present Improvement Multiplied. With the decline in confidence in the Future—Greater Activity Noted Among the Producing Industries to Replenish Reduced Stocks—The Week's Failures of States.

NEW YORK, March 10.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade, issued today, says: Evidence of present improvement in business multiplied, but confidence in future is still feeble. The decline in confidence is more business and a larger production by industries, for the season has arrived when greater activity is necessary if dealers' stocks are to be replenished, and those who can not make calculations beyond a few months are the more anxious to grow as much trade as they safely can in these months. In some branches of distribution, however, there are indications of a diminishing demand for goods, and the evident preference for medium and low-priced articles, with the known reduction in wages and family expenditures, lead many to feel somewhat less confident that business will soon recover its former volume. The undertakings beyond a short time are not made with great freedom, and larger demand for prices of manufactured goods tend downward.

The most distinct gain is in iron and steel. The output of steel for March 1 was 130,160 tons, having increased 10 per cent. during the month, although it is still 37.8 per cent. less than one year ago. It is also stated that some other furnaces have gone into blast since March 1, and that untold stocks have made their way to the market. The actual consumption in all branches of manufacturing is at least 10 per cent. greater than in November, December or January. Yet the actual consumption in all branches of manufacturing is at least 10 per cent. greater than in November, December or January. Yet the actual consumption in all branches of manufacturing is at least 10 per cent. greater than in November, December or January.

Shipments of boots and shoes from the east are 14.8 per cent. smaller than a year ago, the same to be true of many other lines. Medium or low-priced goods. In textile manufactures and dry goods there are indications of a diminishing demand for goods, and the evident preference for medium and low-priced goods. The demand thus falls much short of expectations, and the market is not so active as it was in January. A reduction in wages in the leading concerns that the markets require more stimulation than usual. In woollens, also, manufacturers are increasing orders, which are little more than sufficient to test the market. But the sales of wool in the chief markets for the week have been only 12 per cent. less than for the same week last year, which is a marked improvement. It is encouraging to find that the mills having any orders are buying at once what wool they expect to need for months to come.

Speculation has been much more active, if not more healthy. The sudden fall in sugar certificates has not tended to impart confidence to the stock market, and while the average of railroad stocks is 60 cents a share higher, and of trusts 2 per cent. higher for the week, the market has been mainly on reports about legislation which varied from hour to hour.

Railroads were 14 per cent. less than last year, against 13.5 for the third week and 13.2 for the month thus far, the decrease on trunk and eastern lines being nearly equal. The average of southern, 13.4; southwestern, 18.4; grangers, 9.3; other western, 27.1; and Pacific roads, 24.4 per cent. It is encouraging to find that the railroads in January were better than for some months, but east-bound shipments from Chicago for the week ending March 10 were only 83.4 per cent. less than last year.

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