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WASHINGTON NOTES.

The friends of General Fremont, in Washington, are said to be considering the propriety of doing something to place him above the necessity in his old age of toiling for his daily bread.

A few weeks since the Commissioner of Pensions suggested to Secretary Taft to formulate rules to prevent any but reputable members of the legal profession practicing before the Interior Department as claim agents.

BROELOW, President of the National College of Pharmacy, at Washington, and thirty-eight students left the institution recently, in consequence of the admission of a colored man.

In a late case reported to the General Land Office from Washington Territory where a squatter was charged with trespass for cutting timber from a claim he had taken, Secretary Taft decided that "the accused, although a squatter, is rightfully on the land if he intends to make his home on it and take under the settlement laws when the land is surveyed, and he is allowed to do so.

THE EAST.

HENRY P. BUTLER, aged twenty-four, supposed to be from Pittsburgh, Pa., recently suicided in St. Louis by taking laudanum.

A BLOODY riot was reported as having recently taken place at the natural gas well at Murrayville, forty miles east of Pittsburgh, Pa., between the laborers of rival gas companies, resulting in the death of one man and the serious injury of four others.

WARRANTS were issued for the arrest of the Weston party engaged in the late Murrayville, Pa., riots, including a number of prominent citizens.

SOME time ago, at Pittsburgh, Pa., Frank Reed and Andrew Wilbert, neither over eleven years of age, quarreled as to which should furnish the fuel for the fire which had built. Reed refused, and Wilbert, using a knife supplied by his older brother, plunged it into Reed's side, from the effects of which death subsequently ensued.

SEBASTIAN MASON, it is stated, will go into the show business.

In making improvements on Cole's Hill, at Plymouth, Mass., recently, the graves of the Pilgrims who came over in the May Flower, and who were buried during the first winter, were discovered. One contained the skeleton of a middle-aged man, five feet nine inches in height. In another grave the skeleton of an elderly man was discovered. These were the only graves of the first settlers positively identified. Tablets will be placed to mark the exact location.

DR. JAMES C. BUCK, a prominent resident of Cranford, Pa., was sentenced to five years and six months in the penitentiary for complicity in the Gordon gang of highwaymen.

The Windsor Theater, in the Bowery, New York, burned the other evening, soon after the audience had left. "A number of adjoining buildings also burned. The theater cost \$300,000.

At the late annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Peace Society, in Philadelphia, the report of the Executive Committee reviewed the work of the year, and cited a number of cases where national difficulties had been settled by arbitration. A resolution was adopted proposing arbitration as a means of settling all social disputes, and that an International Arbitration Tribunal be the best substitute for war.

A letter was read from President Arthur in reference to the suggestion that he ask the attention of Congress to the subject of international arbitration in his message. The President promised to give it consideration. The society resolved to telegraph the President with the hope that he would take it into his message. Mrs. Sarah T. Rogers, M. D., was re-elected President.

REV. WARREN H. CUDWORTH, pastor of the Church of our Savior, Unitarian, dropped dead while taking part at the union service in the Vesper Church, in Boston, on Thanksgiving Day.

It was feared Worcester, Mass., that six fishing schooners with seventy-five men had been lost by the late gales.

The Hotel Clifton, a five-story brick building, corner of Berkeley Park and Columbus avenue, Boston, burned the other morning. The inmates fled in their night clothes without accident. The fire originated in the furnace-room in the basement, followed the elevator well to the roof and spread through each floor into the various rooms which contained a staburner one, but was confined to one building. George B. Taylor, the owner of the building, loses \$45,000. The occupants' losses were slight. The building was insured for \$125,000.

The rear passenger coach of a train on the Boston, Barre & Gardner Railway, was recently precipitated down an embankment near North Worcester, Mass. Between thirty and forty passengers were injured, fifteen quite seriously.

As Harry Castello and his aged mother, Butler, Pa., were driving home to open Thanksgiving the vehicle upset over an embankment and both were killed.

W. J. KAUSE, proprietor of the Allegheny (Pa.) Mill, was recently convicted of criminal libel and sentenced to thirty days in jail and \$500 fine.

The woolen mills at Saxtonville, Mass., burned recently. Loss, \$300,000; insurance, \$150,000.

LAWRENCE FRENEY, aged seventy years, recently starved himself to death at Sing Sing, N. Y.

REV. T. J. COSALY, of Massachusetts, Treasurer of the Farmel Trust Company, recently transmitted to the Treasurer of the fund in Ireland \$17,518. It includes contributions from thirty-five States and Territories. The amount is not included in the report called from London.

The coinage at the Philadelphia Mint during November was \$1,572,410.

The machinery moulders employed by Messrs Bro & Phillips, at Pittsburgh, Pa., threatened to strike unless the owners would grant a 10 per cent. reduction in wages was withdrawn. It was thought likely similar reductions would be made in other establishments, and that there would be numerous strikes.

THE WEST.

The child of Joseph Haggerty, of Cincinnati, died recently and was embalmed. The undertaker left a poisonous mixture to be applied to its face. The two-year old sister drank some of it and died soon after. Both were buried in one grave.

A LARGELY attended meeting of prominent citizens was held at Indianapolis, Ind., the other evening, at which resolutions were passed requesting the National Republican Convention to hold its next session in that city, pledging all the necessary accommodations to delegates and the erection of a large building for the use of the Convention.

The other day a man representing himself as Colonel W. P. Perry, of Pinkerton's detective force of Chicago, applied to C. B. Bush, Superintendent of the Michigan Central Railway, at Jackson, Mich., for a special engine to go to Mason and arrest the murderer of the Crouch family. Not suspecting anything wrong, the Superintendent granted his request. Perry went to Mason, got the Sheriff, and arrested a farmer named Anderson and took him to Jackson. The excitement was so great that the prisoner barely escaped being mobbed. Perry turned out to be a crank and an ex-convict named Howard, and Anderson a respectable farmer. The latter was sent back to his home.

A NUMBER of capitalists of Cincinnati propose to organize a stock company with \$500,000 capital to establish a mammoth cotton mill with a capacity of one thousand looms, for the manufacture of sheetings and muslins.

A FIRE at Minneapolis, Minn., the other morning consumed a three-story building, owned by Lyman Brothers and occupied by Lyman Elliot, wholesale druggist. Loss to Lyman Brothers \$10,000, insured for \$8,000; Lyman Elliot Drug Company \$75,000, insured \$65,000; J. B. Martin \$5,000, insured \$4,000.

The shops of the Gilman terra cotta works, at Eldora, Ill., burned recently; loss \$15,000.

The steamer Elipse was recently lost on Lake Huron. Seven men were drowned. P. K. SIMMONS, ex-cashier of Tompkins' bank of El Paso, Ill., which failed recently, was arrested the other day on a charge of forgery and the alteration of figures in the books.

The large wholesale drug house of Meyer Bros., on Delaware street, Kansas City, was totally destroyed by fire, on the afternoon of the 28th. Loss on stock \$170,000; insurance, \$125,000. The building cost \$25,000 and was insured for \$22,000. Several attaches of the house were injured in getting from the third story, the most seriously injured being Dr. Robert Smith, who fell and had both arms broken.

In the town of Lake, near Chicago, the other day, Fritz Rummel, a butcher, went to a house where Emma Lavenue was employed as a domestic, and after an altercation, shot her in the head killing her instantly. He turned the revolver to his own temple, fired and fell dead.

JOHN BLAIR recently attempted to dry a half keg of powder in front of a grate, near Youngstown, O., and succeeded in getting blown up.

W. D. DODGE, of Deming, N. M., a shoemaker, who had been notorious for late for reckless and boisterous conduct, had a row in a saloon the other morning with Frank Shaffer, a miner, after which he fell heavily to the floor and almost immediately expired.

As a section gang of five men on a hand car were returning home on the Southern Ohio division of the Indiana, Bloomington & Western Railroad near Bethesda, O., they were overtaken by a construction engine run by William Clay and Michael McNickel were killed, William Mortimer severely and others slightly injured.

WILLIAM J. McMILLAN, an old man, while looking at the movements of a switch engine at the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton depot at Cincinnati, recently, was knocked down and run over by a street car and instantly killed.

The big cholera epidemic reported to be doing great damage in the northwest part of Champaign County, Ill., especially along the Sangamon River. Many entire herds have been swept away.

HARRY SHAEFER, while recently drunk, got into a difficulty with a street car conductor and driver at Cincinnati, and shot both. The driver died and the conductor could not live.

At Dixon, Ill., the other evening, Miss Electa Lewis, a milliner, and two little girls were out driving, and the horse became frightened ran into the river and all were drowned.

GREAT excitement is said to exist throughout Western Montana over rich mineral discoveries in Coeur d'Alen Mountains. Miners and prospectors who returned stated that there had been nothing in the history of the Western States or Territories equal to the richness and volume of the newly-discovered fields. The minerals consist of silver, tellurium and free milling gold, one hundred dollars per man per day being taken out of vein rock of gulches, while in the gulches twenty-five to forty dollars per man per day panned out.

At New Washington, O., four burglars recently cracked a safe and escaped on a hand-car to Shelby, where a telegram had been sent ahead of them. A large party of citizens went in pursuit. The burglars fired upon the party, dangerously wounding one man, and in their flight also fatally wounded another. The citizens continued the pursuit, and succeeded in killing two and capturing a third. On one of the dead robbers was found \$2,700.

In an altercation at Camden Point, Mo., recently, Thomas Tipton shot and killed John Woodson, Deputy Sheriff. Bad feeling had existed between the parties for some time past. Woodson died soon after being shot.

In the Circuit Court at Springfield, Mo., Charles Shaw was convicted of embezzlement. The jury assessed his punishment at three years in the penitentiary. At the races of the Springfield trotting association, last August, he had sold pools and absconded with \$275 of the money, but was caught at Rolla and taken back.

The wife of E. S. Johnson, Special Pension Examiner, at Indianapolis, Ind., committed suicide recently.

JOSEPH JEWELL, one of the three men who last March murdered M. P. Rowendon, was put to possession of his earnings, amounting to \$24,000, was hanged at San Jose, Cal.

THE SOUTH.

The labor organizations of New Orleans recently had their annual street parade. Ten thousand men were in line. The procession made a fine show of able-bodied men, and was conducted with entire good order and decorum, white and black men in many instances marching together in the same organization.

The Louisville (Ky.) Board of Trade recently resolved not to send a delegate to the convention in Washington to consider the matter of a national bankrupt law, but to memorialize Congress on the subject.

Four stores burned at Hillsboro, Tex., recently. Loss, \$18,000.

A RECENT fire in Baltimore destroyed several warehouses containing about fifteen hundred bales of cotton, twenty-five hogheads of tobacco and three hundred sacks of coffee.

At Louisville, Ky., recently, L. Jacobs, wife and two children, Miss Amelia Samuels, Miss Teresa Stoll, and Mrs. Ed. Nathan, were made ill by eating food which had been poisoned, and placed on the supper table. Mrs. Jacobs, Miss Stoll and Mrs. Nathan were not out of danger. The other three are recovering. The servants were under suspicion.

JUDGE GEORGE DENNY, who assisted in the prosecution of Congressman Phil Thompson, of Kentucky, recently shot and killed James H. Anderson, at Lancaster, Ky.

A RECENT fire burned the better portion of the town of Ocala, Fla., including a new brick hotel, the office of the Banner and several stores and residences. Loss over \$200,000; insurance, \$80,000.

AFTER a quarrel Frank Williams, of Varney, Ark., blew his wife's brains out by firing both barrels of a shot gun. He escaped. A large crowd went in pursuit.

MRS. MARY A. GREEN, a wealthy and eccentric aged lady, lying alone in Louisville, Ky., was killed by the other night for clothing, was ignited by a candle it was supposed. When found she was seated in a chair, the room disclosing evidences of a severe struggle against her terrible fate.

REV. HENRY CLAY DAVID, who lived nine miles north of Columbus, Ga., recently committed suicide by cutting his throat. He left his home in the morning for a walk in the woods, and being absent longer than usual, search was made. The cause of the act was attributed to temporary fits of insanity. His mother put an end to her life by jumping into a well when she was a child.

At Baltimore, Md., the other morning, Laura Riall, wife of John R. Riall, killed her two girls, aged two and five years, and cut her own throat. She killed the children by firing their arteries in their arms and letting them bleed to death.

The other day, John B. Lowell, James Houston, Joseph Sapp and Percy Shafer, prominent citizens of Baltimore, Md., started down the river on a gunning expedition. When about seven miles from the city, a flock of ducks crossed the stern of the boat, when Shafer, who was in the fore part, shot at them, and he and his companions, who were amidst, also arose, and the contents of Shafer's gun struck him in the head, carrying off the whole of the crown and causing death instantly. Houston was forty years of age and leaves a family. Houston and Shafer were brothers-in-law.

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FIERCE FLAMES.

Destruction by Fire of the Saxtonville (Mass.) Blanket and Furnature-Loss Nearly Half a Million Dollars. FRAMINGHAM, MASS., Nov. 23. Fire broke out at 12:30 this morning in the immense buildings known as the Saxtonville blanket factories, at Saxtonville, and at three o'clock five of the nine large factories were a mass of smoking ruins, and the only industry of the town wiped out for the time being. The town is shamefully negligent in the matter of a fire department, having only three hand engines, two of them being located three miles from the factories. When these arrived the flames were beyond control, and all the firemen could do was to save the buildings not already in flames. Assistance was called from Natick, Ashland and Cohasset, and steamers were sent from those towns, but were of little avail.

Three of the burned buildings were of brick, five and six stories, and two of wood, two stories each. So far as the last one to go, was a new building containing no machinery, but filled with goods, a portion of which were sent to the millinery. The firemen first on the ground. The two storehouses, containing thousands of finished blankets, were saved, also the boiler-house, located at some distance from the mill; also the dye-house. The latter, however, were considerably damaged. The firemen were exposed to great danger from constantly falling roofs, and from the chemicals, that created intense heat, and also from the falling walls. At one time the company were obliged to drop the pipes and run for their lives to escape burial beneath falling bricks. The excitement in the village was intense. A general conflagration was expected, owing to the showers of falling sparks, which fell upon the roofs of the employees' houses, constantly igniting them and requiring constant extinguishing. Many people removed their goods from their houses, thinking the entire village would be swept away.

The millinery was saved by M. H. Simpson & Co., of Boston. No accurate estimate of the loss can be made to-night, as it is unknown how much finished goods were destroyed, and how much the machinery was worth. The loss on buildings alone is estimated at \$1,500,000, and the total loss is estimated at from \$2,000,000 to \$2,500,000. Four hundred employees are thrown out of work. The mills supplied thousands of tons of blankets to the army and navy during the war, and the business is very profitable they will, doubtless, be rebuilt. The same firm controls the Roxbury Carpet Company, one of the largest concerns of the State.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.

A Car Containing Sixty-five Persons Hurled Over an Embankment, So It Was Injured, but None Killed—Fears that Some May Die, However. WORCESTER, MASS., Nov. 23. The rear car of a crowded passenger train on the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad was thrown from the track just as the train was drawing away from North Worcester Station, at 2:15 this afternoon, and hurled with terrific force down a steep embankment, fully twenty-five feet high. There were sixty-five passengers in the car, and not one of them escaped injury. The car turned wholly over once and then half over again in its descent, and finally rested on its side at an angle of forty-five degrees. It was badly broken up in the fall, and the seats were all wrenched from their places and thrown in a heap, and the passengers were mixed up with the broken iron and timber in almost inextricable confusion. The woodwork of the car caught fire from the heated iron, and the flames spread rapidly, and the passengers were speedily extinguished.

Some few of the passengers extricated themselves from the wreck, and with the occupants of the other two cars, which remained on the track, set to work and helped their suffering companions. The injured cries of the passengers, and the wailing of children, made the scene a terrible one. Tenderly and carefully the injured ones were taken out and laid on the grass by the side of the track. It was found that by a miracle none were killed, but several were apparently dying. Physicians were summoned from Worcester, and Doctors Bates, Marble, Davis, R. Woodard, Jacques, Wood, Swarward, Adams and Warren were soon on the spot. From the best report it is believed that the worst of the injured were taken to the City Hospital. Of the sixty-five persons in the car, all were more or less injured; thirty were seriously injured and six were so badly hurt that they are not expected to live.

THEATER BURNED.

Burning of the Windsor Theater, New York—It Fortunately Contained No Audience—Other Property Involved in the Ruin. NEW YORK, Nov. 23. Fire broke out in the Windsor Theater, No. 45 Bowery, shortly before twelve o'clock to-night. The flames spread rapidly. In a few minutes after the alarm sounded the whole structure was a mass of flames. All efforts of the Fire Department were unavailing to check the conflagration, and the building was totally destroyed. The flames communicated to several adjoining buildings. The fire originated beneath the first floor and basement, under the main staircase, and was discovered by the policeman on that post. Besides the theater, the building contained two small boats, kept by Hartman and Leohl, and situated on either side of the main entrance to the theater. There were forty guests in Hartman's hotel and a smaller number in Leohl's, all of whom escaped without difficulty. There was no one in the theater at the time, the performance having closed at 10:45, nor were there any remaining at the Thalia Theater, situated directly opposite the Windsor on the Bowery. The Police Department of the district was summoned by a general alarm, but the efforts of the firemen were greatly impeded by the peculiar structure of the building and by the elevated railroad structure, which passed in front of the theater. Trains, however, were finally stopped, and the firemen were able to work more effectively by taking the hose to the top of the structure. The fire had gained such headway that the firemen were seen to be useless to attempt to save the building, and they turned their attention to the surrounding buildings. The theater was owned by Wm. A. Martin, in the East Thirty-eighth street, and was valued at \$300,000.

Bad Fire in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, MD., Nov. 2. Fire broke out at 2 p. m. in the four-story brick warehouse of Alexander G. Carey, Lombard and Frederick streets, stored with cotton. Soon after the discovery of the fire a dense volume of smoke issued from the back windows, almost blinding the firemen and greatly interfering with their operations. The department got quickly to work, and several streams of water were soon pouring into the building, but with apparently little effect. The fire quickly spread to the adjoining building, on Frederick street, also occupied by Carey as a cotton-storing warehouse, and its contents were soon in flames. The loss is roughly estimated at about \$85,000; supposed to be insured.

Shot by a Je