

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

News from Everywhere.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

JOHNSTON, the New York Socialist leader, who was discovered and arrested at the residence of a respectable woman, was held to answer the charge of unlawful assembly and inciting to riot and bloodshed by Recorder Smythe on the 12th, and was locked up in the Tombs.

The health of ex-President Arthur is said to be improving.

The Governor of Ohio has purchased for the use of the State forty of the famous Spencer magazine shot-guns, known as the "lot gun."

FRANCIS T. HORD, Attorney-General of Indiana, has been declared insane.

The bank-windfall, Peck, who was arrested at Toledo, Ill., escaped from the officers.

According to Mr. Crane, Liberal, 102 Liberal members of the British House of Commons have agreed to vote against the Home-Rule bill, while thirty-four others are undecided.

GENERAL ROBERTSON has sent to the Senate committee on finance a written statement in answer to the charge that he was connected with the California frauds in California. He does not deny the transaction, but says he did nothing which was not, according to the advice of his lawyers, perfectly legal, and that his action has since been sustained by the courts.

WASHINGTON rumor says Jesse D. Abraham, a school-teacher in a private educational institution in Washington, has been selected by the President for the vacant position of chief examiner of the Civil-Service Commission.

SECRETARY MANNING progresses in his convalescence, and his friends consider his recovery a certainty. He has not yet decided when he will leave Washington. He drives out daily when the weather permits, and is generally accompanied by Mrs. Manning.

SECRETARY BLAIR has received a preliminary report from Consul Brigham at Paso del Norte, Mexico, in regard to the killing of Captain Crawford, U. S. A., by Mexican soldiers in January last. He says there is no way of obtaining definite information, owing to the absence of witnesses to the tragedy, but adds that it is conceded on both sides that the attack was made by irregular Mexican troops employed by the State of Chihuahua, through an unfortunate accident and without malice.

GOVERNOR SWENBERG, in advocating a Territorial government for Alaska, told some wonderful stories of the resources of the country to the House committee on Territories on the 12th. He said there is gold and timber in abundance, and salmon fishing of almost unlimited extent. He wanted the committee to go back to Alaska with him, promising to show them some eye-openers.

REV. CHARLES H. SPURGEON, the eminent English divine, has the gout.

The French minister sailed from Athens for France on the 12th.

The Governor of Indiana will not yet attempt to vacate the office of Attorney-General, the present occupant of which is Linn.

It is said Sir Frederick Roberts is to be recalled from India to take the command of the English troops in the Sudan.

CHAMBERLAIN'S strength seems to be growing, as indicated by a strong meeting of the government opposition at his house on the 12th.

MR. MONTAGUE and Lord Spencer, members of the English Cabinet, are making strenuous opposition to any concessions to Chamberlain.

H. V. HEMIS, the Chicago brewer, has been expelled from the National Trotting Association for violation of rules.

On the 12th John F. Rogers, the husband of Minnie Palmer Rogers, was charged with the murder of his wife, and was held to answer the charge of murder.

On the 12th the Queen returned to Windsor Castle. She received a letter highly gratified by the reception extended to her at Liverpool.

Her Majesty sent costly presents to Mayor Hamilton of Liverpool and to his wife, and also \$500 to be distributed among the poor.

HEINRICH MOSE, the New York Anarchist, has been released on \$10,000 bail.

STEPHENS, the English bicyclist, was arrested recently while crossing the Afghan frontier.

FLETCHER, who has been on trial at Charleston, Ill., charged with the murder of her parents, has been acquitted.

The trial of Father Galisteo, who assassinated the Bishop of Madrid, has been set for the end of May.

BARTLEY CAMPBELL, the dramatist, has been officially declared insane, and will be sent to an asylum.

A London dispatch of the 13th said Queen Victoria was suffering from nervous excitement caused by fatigue consequent upon her recent trip to Liverpool.

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR, the second son of the Prince of Wales, goes into the House of Lords as the Duke of Kent.

CHAMBERLAIN is said to be really ambitious to succeed Gladstone as the leader of the Liberal party in England.

An immense meeting of home-rule opponents was held at London on the 12th, at which Lord Salisbury was present.

On the 12th the English chess player has challenged Hery Steinitz to play a match game in New York.

The Ohio Senate adopted a resolution requesting the United States Senate to prosecute the inquiry relative to the seat of Senator Payne.

GLASTON, it is said, has fully resolved, in the event of defeat, to demand an immediate dissolution of Parliament.

Mr. John W. Allen, of the London Times, has written a letter on Irish-American sympathy for Ireland.

In the suit brought in New York by the widow of Dr. John C. Hanson to recover from Mary Louise Hoyt \$12,000 for the services of Dr. Hanson as medical expert in the contest over the will of the late Jesse Hoyt, a verdict of \$2,000 was awarded the plaintiff.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND goes to New York and Brooklyn on Decoration Day.

The congressional labor investigating committee has been reconstituted.

On account of book-betting being prohibited at the Louisville (Ky.) race course, J. B. Haggin, of California, has canceled his engagements and transferred his stable to Los Angeles.

CHILDREN AND CASUALTIES.

On the 12th, William and Alice, of Ind., were struck by a cyclone which destroyed several bridges, buildings, etc. A large number of people are supposed to have been killed.

H. E. ASHLEY has been arrested and will be tried May 24 for unlawfully cutting timber on the Crow Indian reservation in Montana, and for defrauding the Crows.

Paul Van Lenn has been arrested for the same offense and will be tried at the same time.

A. ALDER committed suicide at Omaha, Neb., on the 12th.

On the 14th Corporal Schoder, of the Fourteenth regiment, was drowned at Cincinnati while bathing.

On the 14th Benjamin Hannon, a farmer of O'Neill, Neb., was poisoned with strychnine, and charged his wife with the crime.

The police of Chicago claim to have under arrest, beyond peradventure, the man who threw the bomb on the night of the haymarket riot when so many of their comrades were killed and wounded.

On the 14th, while trying to break up old iron with dynamite at Pittsburgh, Pa., a terrible explosion took place, shattering several houses and seriously injuring one man.

On the 14th an expressman named Bies committed suicide at Chicago by hanging, and although discovered before he was dead, the bystanders made no effort to save him.

At Vicksburg, Miss., on the 14th, eleven negroes were sentenced by the Federal Court to thirty days' imprisonment and fine of \$100 each for aiding by perjury the procurement of fraudulent pensions.

On the 14th a destructive cyclone struck the northern part of Shawnee County, Kansas, and destroyed the town of Meriden was swept away.

On the 14th, while in a fit of despondency, caused by continued ill health, near Lafayette, Ind., completely delirious, shot himself at Duluth, Minn., producing instant death. He went to Duluth from Brooklyn, N. Y., four months ago.

At Can Creek, I. T., on the 13th, Simon Solomon received fifty lashes for horse stealing. His cries and appeals for mercy were drowned by the sound of the whips.

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The American Fishing Union has employed these able lawyers of Halifax to fight the Adams seizure in the Admiralty Court.

France and Germany have been visited by violent storms similar to those which have swept over this country. Many vineyards were destroyed and a number of lives lost.

Mrs. WRIGHT, in jail at Neillsville, Wis., a suspicion of having poisoned her husband, has made a confession implicating Daniel Allen, her paramour, and he has been arrested.

The Orangemen of Australia have sent a cable dispatch to the Loyalists of Ireland promising to aid them in their endeavors to prevent the adoption of the Gladstone Home-Rule scheme.

A society for the prevention of cruelty to animals has been organized at London upon the plan of such societies in America. Lord Mount Temple is president and Cardinal Manning one of the directors of the society.

A large contingent of the Salvation Army sailed on the steamer Assyria from Liverpool on the 12th for New York for London. Among the party were five Indians of the Onondaga, Seneca and Mohawk tribes.

In a faction fight between Protestants and Catholics in County Tyrone, Ireland, on the 15th, many heads were hurt.

The importers of merchandise at the port of New York during the week ended the 15th were valued at \$6,428,978, and total imports of dry goods were valued at \$1,022,126, and the total amount thrown on the market at \$1,609,096.

Crop reports from the Northwest indicate a splendid prospect for wheat and corn.

The cigarmakers are leading the fight of the trades unions on the Knights of Labor.

A fire at Gainesville, Fla., a few days ago, destroyed all the buildings and contents on the south side of the square. The aggregate loss was about \$70,000, with very little insurance.

At a Shelby (N. C.) court short time ago, the case was tried of a boy who had been fined by the mayor of the town for climbing a tree and cutting it down.

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SOUTHERN GLEANINGS.

Judge Howell E. Jackson, holding his first court at his home Jackson, Tenn., had a novel experience recently with him.

A damage suit for \$25,000 had been brought against the Illinois Central railway company, on the track of the Louisville and Nashville railway. Before the flames could be stopped three hundred feet of the wood-work was destroyed and a good part of the pipes connecting with the pumping machinery. The coal caught from the timbers, and, at last accounts, was still burning. The worst disaster of the kind probably be the necessary suspension of work.

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