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BRIEF EDITORIALS AND NEWS NOTES.

While three men were tamping a blast in a well in Fleming county it went off prematurely and blew all of them out of the well, killing John Brandy, colored.

Citizens of Pulaski county met at Somerset Friday evening and organized a pipe line company to pipe oil from the Wayne county oil fields. The capital of the company is not stated.

Edward Fitzgerald was hanged at the Columbus (O.) penitentiary Thursday at midnight for the murder of a Cincinnati policeman, and it has since been ascertained that his name was not Fitzgerald, after all, but Edward Hanlon.

The forces of Gen. Joseph B. Foraker are being constantly augmented and there is every probability that he will be the next U. S. senator from Ohio. John Sherman will have to let his new barn go and mend his political fence.

To save the five per cent. penalty, an immense throng poured into the county treasurer's office at Cincinnati Friday to pay their taxes, and there came near being a panic. To prevent disaster an extension of time was granted.

Cincinnati comes to the front with another murder. Dick Ryan, a semi-sporting man of that city, was on Friday shot and killed by James Horn, a man of the same class, who shot his victim from behind while another man held him.

Business is now looking up a bit, according to R. G. Dunn's weekly commercial report. It states that the money markets are well supplied in all parts of the country, and that the quantity of products marketed in the last few months is large beyond precedent.

A freight wreck near Shepherdsville, on the L. and N. railroad Friday resulted in the death of Conductor Jones and the serious injury of two other employees. The engine and ten cars were turned upside down, and the body of the conductor had to be dug out from beneath the cars.

Owing to expenses the state incurred in recapturing the escaped convicts, etc., the Tennessee state treasury is empty. To make matters worse the penitentiary lessees have refused to pay the last quarter's hire of the convicts, \$40,000, and state officials last week were compelled to negotiate a loan of \$200,000 to pay expenses.

J. S. Clarkson, late assistant postmaster general, gives it as his opinion that James G. Blaine, the "plumed knight," is likely to be a candidate for presidential honors next year. At least a knowing wink and the remark, "I guess you will have a chance to vote for him," has been so construed by those who had a recent conversation with Clarkson.

A thirteen-year-old boy named Kellar called upon some citizens of Newport Friday night and related a horrible story of the brutal murder of his little two-year-old sister by their father, George Kellar, living at Four Mile, a place situated about 11 miles from Newport, in Campbell county. The sheriff, deputy sheriff and coroner at once left for the scene to investigate the story.

Stephen B. Elkins, of West Virginia, has been nominated by President Harrison as secretary of war. Mr. Elkins has always been a warm supporter of the "plumed knight," and before accepting this appointment consulted him as to whether he would be a candidate for the presidency. Mr. Blaine stated that he was not seeking the nomination but if it came to him he would accept, and that in event either Mr. Harrison or he were the nominee Mr. Elkins would be all right. Mr. Elkins then accepted. Its Blaine to be seen who will be the Republican nominee, though.

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18, 1891.

Mr. Blaine has not written a letter declining to be a candidate for president, but he has done something more pleasing to the country at large by announcing the conclusion of a treaty of commercial reciprocity between the United States and the British West Indies and British Guiana the full details of which will be announced in a proclamation by President Harrison, to be issued about Jan. 1. Among the important concessions made by the British is a reduction of 50 per cent in the duty on American flour. This treaty coming so soon after the announcement of the one made with Germany shows that Mr. Blaine is thoroughly alive to the importance of pushing the reciprocity idea. Our business with the countries named in the new treaty has been, including exports and imports, about \$30,000,000 a year.

President Harrison did a graceful thing in sending the nomination of six of the new circuit court judges to the senate, by naming two Democrats. The nominations are as follows: First district, Judge W. L. Putnam, of Maine, who is a Democrat; second district, Judge Nathaniel Shipman, of Connecticut; third district, George M. Dallas, of Pennsylvania, who is a Democrat; fourth district, Nathan Goff, of West Virginia; sixth district, W. H. Taft, of Ohio, who is now solicitor general of the department of justice; seventh district, Judge William A. Woods, now judge of the U. S. district of Indiana. The Democrats are already talking of trying to defeat the confirmation of Judge Woods, on account of political decisions he has made. In the same batch of nominations was that of Warren Truit, of Oregon, to be U. S. district judge for the district of Alaska.

Senator Kyle, of Dakota, who is an Alliance man, styles himself as "indecrat," and as he has been claimed by all parties the following statement made by himself, is of general interest. "The fact is being generally recognized that financial legislation is our most pressing need, and I hope for satisfactory results from this session of congress. To us it matters not whether Republicans or Democrats introduce bills in line with our ideas. We want relief, from whatever direction it may come. Free silver coinage, limited to that produced by American mines, will perhaps be the best we can get at present, but that is a start. We hold, the secretary of the treasury's report to the contrary notwithstanding, that the per capita circulation is much less than \$23. Senator Plumb was nearest right when he stated at the last session that it was from \$7 to \$10. We also expect something to be done with Senator Stanford's land loan bill or a similar measure, and some legislation in the interest of western agriculture, particularly as regards the irrigation of arid lands. As a large percentage of the Indian population of the country live in my state it is only natural that I should be anxious to see Indian affairs taken out of boodle politics and put upon a common sense basis." Upon strictly party questions Mr. Kyle will probably vote with the Democrats, as he owes his committee assignments to the caucus of that party, and his election to the senate to Democratic members of the South Dakota legislature.

Senator Pettinger, the Republican senator from South Dakota, has introduced a bill authorizing the secretary of war to furnish rations, tents and camp equipments to the members of the G. A. R. who attend the national encampment here next year.

War talk is again prevalent here to a considerable extent, particularly among those whose interests are centered or connected in any way with the navy. Whether President Harrison has taken some of these individuals into his confidence, or they are simply "talking in the air" when they say that unless Chili shall have given us satisfaction by the time congress reassembles in January, he will, in a special message urge upon congress the necessity for immediately declaring war upon that country, is a question. The preponderance of opinion favors the latter theory.

It is now thought that congress will adjourn for the holidays on the 23d inst., although a majority of the house would be willing to adjourn tomorrow if the senate would take the initiative. Speaker Crisp announced the committee on rules at the Wednesday session of the house, and contrary to custom he did not select for the majority members the men who are to be chairmen of the ways and means and appropriation committees, it being understood that Springer will get the former and Holman the latter. While McMillin and Catchings were named as

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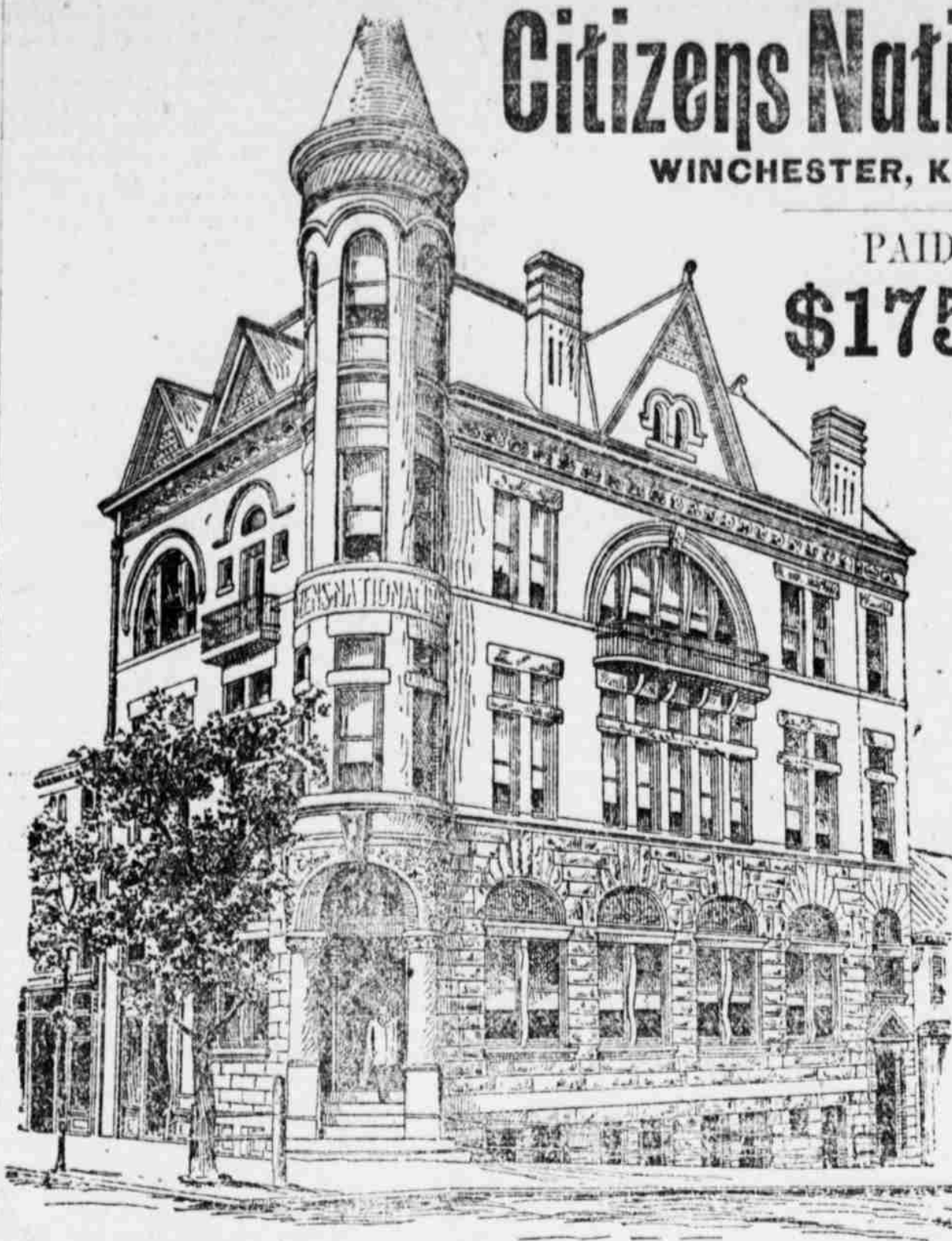
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