

CURRENT TOPICS.

GENERAL HANCOCK embarked for Europe July 31. An Ohio girl is wearing mourning for a faithful dog. The husband of Princess Beatrice has an immense mustache. Out in California ladies have been arrested for starting a train. VANDERBILT'S annual income, if paid in gold, would weigh ten tons. BORROW'S only one-cent paper is dead, after an existence of five years. THE house in which Gen. Grant first saw the light had five two windows. A COLONY of five hundred ex-Confederates is located in Southern Brazil. MINISTER FENDLERON presided at a Grant memorial meeting in Berlin. It is said that within twenty-five years the Welsh will be a dead language. THE Duke of Westminster is going to give \$100,000 of his fortune to the church. ONLY twenty-six hogs were exported from New York during the month of June. THERE is the name of the newly appointed Chinese minister to the United States. THE wheat crop of the North-west is reported damaged by the recent storms and excessively hot weather. MONTESSA is said to be at work upon a Polish translation of Shakespeare, to which she will devote several years. THE brains of cattle slaughtered at Chicago sell for two dollars per pound, and are served up in restaurants as a French dish. FELL MALL is pronounced as if spelled Fall Mall. The English have some queer methods of pronunciation, and this is one of the queerest. An undertaker in Richmond, Va., is accused of sacrificing his business instincts by jumping into a river and saving a boy from drowning. THERE are still two months left in which cholera may take root and grow in the United States. Not before the 1st of October will it be wise to rejoice. THE remains of ex-U. S. Minister Phelps, who died recently at Lima, Peru, will be sent to Washington. They will arrive here the latter part of this month. A NEW HAMPSHIRE girl wanted to be married in a cave, but as there was no cave within fifty miles of home she finally consented to have the knot tied down cellar. SINCE the outbreak of cholera in Spain, it is estimated that there have been over twelve thousand deaths from the disease. The suffering in rural Spain is heart-rending. WITHIN an hour after the marriage ceremony of Princess Beatrice a tumultuous crowd entered the church and stripped it of its decorations. The police were powerless. WIGGINS has quit predicting the weather. He says if he hits it nobody will give him credit, and if he misses everybody is anxious to convict him of being an imbecile. THE Paris Figaro states that the executors of Victor Hugo propose to erect a statue of the poet at Beaucanton, his birthplace, and in the Pantheon a tomb worthy of the illustrious dead. THREE men who pay taxes on the highest assessed value of personal property in Great Britain are Giles Loder, \$15,000,000; Richard Thornton, \$14,000,000, and Baron Lionel Rothschild, \$13,000,000. THE Salvation Army of London has presented a petition to the House of Commons, signed by 500,000 persons, praying for the immediate reform of the English criminal laws relating to the corrupting of girls. STANLEY, the explorer of Africa, being a Welsh wolf out in New Orleans, served first in the Confederate army, then in the Union army, and so into the New York Herald's service, where he performed his great work. THE wire cable of the Brooklyn bridge, in nearly two years' use, has been stretched so as to lengthen it about one and a half per cent. The cable shows but little signs of wear, and it is believed that it will last for two years more. A TRAIN moving thirty-five miles an hour clears fifty feet in one second, or quicker than a man can jump across a track. Paste this item in your hat; stop to read it before attempting to cross a railroad track while a train is in close proximity. AN attack of the Austrian mission delight Washington society by appearing in a buff suit in the morning, a slate colored one in the afternoon, and a white one in the evening, wearing an immense English cloth hat to match, and being followed by a bulldog in harmony with suit and hat. ONE trait of Grant's has, since his death, been frequently referred to in deserved terms of praise. This was his almost absolute justice, amounting to generosity, toward his subordinates. He gave them full measure of credit; never claimed for himself what they accomplished. THREE wicked Londoners snuff each other and snuff when they read that Albert Edward has stopped his Pull Man Gaiters. WILLIAM F. COBY, "Buffalo Bill," is forty-three years old and has a fortune that will probably reach the \$500,000 standard. MISS about to be hanged almost invariably eat a hearty breakfast on the last morning, and those who use tobacco always top off with a cigar. A Philadelphia reporter, whose experience embraces twenty-one executions, has observed that the doomed men are always careful about their attire, and specially anxious about being well shaved. ACCORDING to a Troy paper a man living near a railroad in New York has taught his dog to bark loudly at every passing train, with the result that the firemen haul chunks of coal at the dog while passing. The owner not only gets all the coal needed for his own use, but is now thinking of starting a coal-yard for supplying his neighbors. DURING the last quarter, ending March 1, as a means of suicide in the United States, the pistol was the most attractive method, 127 cases of shooting being reported. The next highest figure, eighty-two, is given to the rope. Poisoned several times in the half fifty-one, and the cold water forty-six. A number of others departed by miscellaneous routes.

DESTRUCTIVE TORNADO.

Philadelphia and Vicinity Suffer Heavily.

A Number of People Killed and Wounded—Hundreds of Houses Wrecked.

PHILADELPHIA, August 3.—This afternoon the eastern shore of the Delaware River, in the neighborhood of Gloucester, N. J., was struck by a tornado. The wind-storm struck up the Camden shore to a short distance this side of Burlington, and then crossing the river proceeded on its narrow course through the farm lands of Pennsylvania. The sight, witnessed from the business houses on Delaware avenue, was pronounced one of the most terrifying ever seen in this part of the country. A dense, leaden-hued cloud, like a twisting column of smoke, rose into the sky as though discharged from the water, and flying along in a northwesterly course, carried everything down before it. The excursion steamer for Camden, on her way down the river with about one hundred excursionists, was struck by the tornado just off Greenwich Point and wrecked in a terrible manner. The tornado coming from the southeast struck her on the port side. She careened over, and almost went on her beam ends. The passengers were thrown to the deck, and a terrible scene of confusion ensued. The port side cabin was torn to pieces, and the flying timbers struck men and women down, and many were severely injured. Captain Eugene Reynolds and Pilot Emory Townsend were in the pilot-house, and when the full force of the wind struck the boat the pilot-house was blown off with the two men in it. Captain Reynolds was picked up by the tug James, but Pilot Townsend was drowned. Two others received fatal injuries. The vessel is a total wreck. The tornado struck three buildings of the Pennsylvania Baltimore and Annapolis, and other buildings were badly damaged. Three men were badly injured. The steamer Peerless, of the Gloucester ferry, was struck, and a part of her upper decks carried away, but no one was injured. In Camden on the Jersey side, and in Kensington, in the northeastern section of the city on this side of the river, the damage by the cyclone is very great. It is estimated that one thousand houses in Camden and six hundred in Kensington were demolished or badly damaged. The damage to property can not be estimated, but will probably reach \$1,000,000. Five persons have been reported killed, and about one hundred injured, a number of whom cannot recover. Hundreds of families in Camden were rendered homeless, and one victim, Chas. Dancy, was killed outright at the American Dredging Company's wharf. Another, Harry Stevens, had his leg cut off by a flying piece of timber, and will probably die. The path of the storm through Richmond was marked with death and destruction. Its track was almost due north from the Port Richmond coal wharves. About one hundred and fifty dwellings-houses were wrecked or so badly damaged as to be rendered unfit for habitation, and two hundred families were driven from their homes, to be cared for by their neighbors. A number of people were seriously and some fatally injured. A girl of ten years, Lizzie McVeigh, was killed at her home, 1723 Myrtle street, in sight of her mother, who was herself pinned to the floor by fallen rafters a few feet from her dying child. The tornado lasted between four and five minutes, and was marked with terrific puffs and roars. It is a singular fact that flat-roofed houses suffered the most. The wind, with the greatest ease catching them under the cornice, lifted them as though they were sheets of paper. There was a roofed building where a man and his wife were killed. The earth was the violence of the wind that the fronts and sides of houses and bay windows were smashed as though egg-shells. Roofs were carried hundreds of yards. Shade trees were moving down like platoon of soldiers on a battle field. Great monster trees that had stood the storms of years were uprooted or broken off like pipe stems.

Disastrous Earthquakes.

LONDON, August 3.—Dispatches from Tashkent, in Asiatic Russia, state that a great earthquake has visited that region. It damaged most of the houses in the town of Bishkek, and ruined the cities of Suluk and Belvoodak. In the latter place a church was shaken to fragments while it was crowded with worshippers, a large number of whom were killed. The earth opened in great fissures in Belvoodak, and many people were swallowed up. Later advices state that fifty-four persons were killed and sixty-four injured. Shocks continue to be felt, and the inhabitants are panic-stricken.

We Want to Sleep Entirely Watermelon.

MEMPHIS, TENN., August 3.—Early this morning a negro named Allen Rogers was found lying on his face dead beside the railroad track near St. Elmo station on the Chesapeake, Ohio and Southwestern Road, a few miles north of the city. By his side was a sack filled with watermelons, and it is supposed that he was sitting on the track eating one of the stolen fruit and fell asleep, when a passing train struck and killed him. Rogers bore the reputation of a tough citizen.

Fitzhugh Lee Appointed Aid.

NEW YORK, August 3.—General Hancock has appointed General Fitzhugh Lee as aid on the occasion of the ceremonies in connection with the obsequies of General Grant. General Lee has accepted the appointment, and says: "I accept the position, because by so doing I can testify my respect for the memory of a great soldier, and thus return as far as I can the generous feelings he has expressed toward the soldiers of the South."

Playing With a Pistol.

NASHVILLE, TENN., August 3.—About 10 o'clock this morning Miss Mollie Major and Miss Emma Kiser found a pistol under the pillow of one of the gentlemen roomers at Mr. Major's residence. While playing with the weapon Miss Major accidentally discharged it, the bullet entering the right side of Miss Kiser's neck, inflicting a serious, but not fatal, wound.

A Million Dollar Blaze.

TORONTO, ONT., August 3.—For destructiveness and loss of property the fire last night has probably never had an equal in this city. Scores of valuable craft of all grades which were moored along the docks suffered alike with the factory, foundry, elevator, boat houses, etc. It is impossible yet to estimate the loss, but it will reach \$1,000,000.

In Cholera's Grip.

MADRID, August 3.—In the whole of Spain, on Saturday, there were reported 3,200 new cases of cholera and 1,400 deaths from that disease. The military Governor of Granada has succumbed to the pestilence. Cholera is raging in the convict settlement at Cartagena.

A Very Tough Citizen.

NASHVILLE, TENN., August 3.—At noon today, while under the influence of liquor, Henry Vandertight, a laborer, leaped from the Suspension Bridge across the Cumberland River, to the water below, a distance of 110 feet. He jumped several times in the air and struck the water with terrific force. He will probably recover.

CHICAGO FLOODED.

Seven Inches of Rainfall and all the Basements Full.

CHICAGO, ILL., August 2.—One of the most violent and protracted rain-storms which has visited Chicago in a number of years prevailed here to-day. The storm began at five o'clock this morning. All day long the rain has fallen heavily and incessantly, and at midnight the down-pour still continues. At five o'clock this afternoon the Clerk of the United States Signal Office announced that the rainfall had reached five inches. Ten o'clock to-night the total rain-fall for the day exceeded seven inches. At two o'clock this afternoon it was found that the sewers of the city were insufficient to carry off the large volume of water. The wind, which had been blowing steadily from the east, changed around to the north and drove the waters of the lake up the river, and rendered the sewers of the city entirely useless. Every basement of a depth of even ten feet has three feet of water in it to-night. The amount of damage done to property is very great. Great distress among the poor has been caused by the floods. Hundreds of families have been compelled to move their household effects out of the basements into the pouring rain, and seek shelter among neighbors. The loss to the large mercantile establishments in the business portion of the city will be very heavy, but can not be estimated to-night. Many fire engines have been engaged during the evening in pumping the water out of the flooded basements of wholesale houses. The most popular restaurant of the city, which is located in the basement, corner Madison and Clark streets, was completely flooded and the place had to be closed. The room of the Chicago Opera-house block was flooded, the boilers and engine submerged and the four elevators brought to a standstill. Several State street houses have suffered severely. Lee & Co., notions; Lyons, Hatis, organ; Gossett, dry goods and Maxfield Field, dry goods, are among the losers.

The Debt Statement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 1.—The following is the public debt statement for the month of July:

Table with columns for Interest-bearing debt, Bonds at 4 1/2 per cent, Bonds at 4 per cent, Bonds at 3 1/2 per cent, Bonds at 3 per cent, Navy Pension Fund at 3 per cent, Pacific R. R. bonds at 6 per cent, Principal, Total, Debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, Interest, Total, Less cash items available for redemption, Loss reserves held for redemption of United States notes, Total, Total debt less available cash items, Net cash in Treasury, July 1, 1885, Debt less cash in Treasury, Decrease of debt during the month as shown by this statement, Reduction of the debt-Gold held for gold certificates actually outstanding, Silver held for silver certificates actually outstanding, United States notes held for redemption actually outstanding, Cash held for matured debt and interest, Fractional currency, Total available for reduction of debt, Reserve fund-Held for redemption of United States notes, set of July 1, 1885, Unavailable for reduction of the debt, Fractional silver coin, Minor coin, Total, Certificates of deposit used but not outstanding, Net cash balance on hand, Total cash in Treasury as shown by Treasurer's general account, An Agricultural Station.

An Agricultural Station.

WASHINGTON, August 3.—An agricultural station has recently been established at Aurora, Ill., in connection with the entomological division of the Department of Agriculture. Mr. Nelson W. McLane has been appointed to take charge of the station and Prof. Riley has instructed him to pay particular attention to the following objects: To secure the introduction and domestication of such races of bees as are reported to possess desirable traits and characteristics, to test the claims of such races of bees as to excellence and to prove by experiments their value to the agriculturalists of the United States, and their adaptation to our climate and honey-producing flora; make experiments in the crossing and mingling of races, and by proper application of the laws of breeding endeavor to secure the best types best adapted by habit and constitution to the use of practical bee-keepers in the United States; to make experiments in the methods of artificial fertilization; also to test the various methods of preparing bees for winter; to gather statistics concerning the bee-keeping industry in the United States; to make experiments with and observations concerning varieties of honey-producing plants for bee forage; to study the habits of bees, and to improve imperfectly understood, and to obtain incontestable results by intelligent experiments upon scientific methods as to the capacity of bees, under exceptional circumstances, to injure fruit-crops, to set at rest the ever-discussed question of bees vs. fruit.

Cool Discovered in Texas.

LAMPASAS, TEX., August 3.—There is great excitement here over the discovery of a large and apparently inexhaustible bed of bituminous coal, within three miles of the city limits. Samples taken from the vein show a fine quality of coal, equal, if not superior to the Indian Territory article. A syndicate of local capitalists has already purchased the tract, and will begin developing it on an extensive scale, with a view to supplying all Western Texas.

Riding a Church of the Fiend.

QUINCY, ILL., August 2.—The colored church just out of town was destroyed by fire last night. The members were preparing for a big meeting and endeavoring to get out of the town to gather statistics concerning the church and set them on fire, thus getting rid of both church and fees.

The Experiment, With the Usual Result.

WHEELING, W. VA., August 2.—Ida, daughter of Samuel Lark, B. & O. brakeman, living on Ridgeway, Mineral County, tried the usual experiment of blowing up a start a fire, with the usual result. The oil-can exploded with great force, and the girl was so severely burned that it is impossible for her to live.

THE FUNERAL.

A Line of March which will be Ten Miles Long.

NEW YORK, July 31.—General Lloyd Aspinwall, who, as General Hancock's senior aid, has charge of the formation of the column on the day of General Grant's burial, the preparation of the routes of march and the final disposition of the column, appreciates the magnitude of his task. At his head-quarters, he said to-day that it was impossible as yet to guess at the length of the column, because the numbers of the organizations and committees and dignitaries to take part are not known, and no attempt has yet been made to classify or arrange the heterogeneous organizations. After considering the fatigue consequent on a march of nearly ten miles, from the City Hall to Manhattanville, he seemed wiser not to make any attempt to march back in line either to the City Hall or to any place to disband. Moreover, with General Hancock's consent, all the civic divisions of the funeral procession will march only from the City Hall to Fifty-ninth street, and then disband. The civic division will comprise all that part of the procession which is to follow the catafalque general Hancock, reverend, commanding division in communication with General Aspinwall, and concurs in this arrangement. The military division, comprising the regular troops, the First and Second Brigades of the National Guard of the State of New York, and other organizations carrying arms and preceding the catafalque, except the escort proper, will march on after the civic division has disbanded. When the procession arrives at the Boulevard the military division will march on the right and left hand, and the escort, with the catafalque, will pass through the lines thus formed to Riverside Park and to the tomb. The military division will disband at the Boulevard after the escort and the catafalque have passed through the lines. The step will be in common time to slow music, and not in funeral step as ordinary in military funerals. The military division will probably not reverse arms. On approaching Riverside Park the military escort will receive the order to reverse arms.

A Chicago Hotel Taken In.

CHICAGO, July 31.—Mrs. Stalm, the self-styled Castle Queen of Houston, Texas, and incidental owner of four large cattle ranches, 125,000 head of stock and diamonds to the value of \$75,000, who has been attracting considerable attention here the past week, has departed from the Palmer House. She left that hotel to-day, leaving behind her the alleged valuable collection of jewels and her trunk as collateral for an unpaid board-bill aggregating \$75. They included an alleged diamond necklace, pearl ear-rings and a silver spoon with an alleged diamond in the bowl. Their value, as estimated by a jeweler, amounted to \$18, the most valuable article being the silver spoon.

Riel Convicted and Sentenced.

WINNIPEG, MAN., August 1.—The jury in the Riel trial were out about thirty minutes. They returned a verdict of guilty. At 3:40 p. m. the jury sent word that they had agreed on a verdict. Riel at once knelt and began praying earnestly. The jury filed in soon afterward and announced a verdict of guilty. Riel, to the surprise of all present, did not utter a word and remained unmoved. Judge Richardson later in the day sentenced Riel to be hanged at Regina on September 16, and bade the condemned man to cherish no hope of reprieve from the Queen. Before sentence was pronounced Riel made a two-hour speech upon the troubles of 1885 and the present half-breed grievances. He received his sentence calmly.

Two Men Dashed to Death.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Nine men got into a bucket to-day to be hauled to the top of a shaft connecting with the new croton aqueduct. When sixty feet up the bucket caught on a projection and tipped. Four men were thrown out. Two clung to the bucket. The other two, Wm. Cunningham and Timothy Harrington, were dashed to death. Of the men who clung to the bucket John Carr had his left thigh broken and his scalp injured in several places, and Wm. Ryan suffered injuries about the head, besides probable internal wounds.

Curious Case of Hydrophobia.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—A curious case of hydrophobia is under the observation of the physicians here. A young man was bitten by a dog, in the wrist, eight years ago. A few days ago his hand contracted spasms, the fingers being much contracted. Shortly afterward he was attacked with spasms, which have occurred at intervals since. During them he gives most violent signs of suffering from hydrophobia, and it is feared he cannot recover, although the spasms are not so frequent nor of so long duration as at first.

Poisoned by a Rattlesnake.

WHEELING, W. VA., August 2.—Mrs. Harriet Maloney, wife of a farmer of Mineral County, while gathering berries, succeeded in securing alive in a small hollow log two rattlesnakes and carried them home. In attempting to transfer them to a cage she was bitten by the larger of the two—with eight rattles—in the pulse of the left wrist. Her left arm and side rapidly swelled up and became discolored as far down as the hip. She suffered the most excruciating pain, and it is believed she can not recover.

The Funeral Services.

MOUNT McGREGOR, N. Y., July 31.—The programme of the funeral services to be held here on Tuesday morning has been announced. The services will begin at 10 o'clock with the reading of the Ninetieth Psalm to be followed by a short prayer by Bishop M. L. Harris, of the Methodist Episcopal Church of New York City. Hymn—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee." Discourse by Dr. Newman. "Nearer, My God, to Thee" sung by the choir. The benediction will then be pronounced.

Two Aeronauts Fall Twelve Hundred Feet.

CHICAGO, August 2.—At Cheltenham Beach, last night, W. L. Smith and A. L. Talbot ascended in two balloons for a race in mid-air. When a height of about twelve hundred feet had been reached the machines collapsed. Talbot came down with his wreck comparatively uninjured, but Smith fell the whole distance, striking some telegraph wires before reaching the earth. He still lives, but will die.

Surgeon General Wales Sentenced.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—The findings of the naval court martial, before which ex-Surgeon General Wales was recently tried, were made public to-day. The court sentenced him to suspension from rank and duty for four years on furlough pay, and to retain his present number and his grade during that period. Dr. Wales was tried for culpable inefficiency in the performance of duty and for neglect of duty. He was guilty on both charges.

Great Bicycle Fest.

BOSTON, July 31.—Geo. W. Baker has arrived in Boston from St. Louis on his bicycle, having covered the distance of 1,304 miles in nineteen days of actual riding.

ASIATIC PEST.

Marseilles Again Feels Its Viewless Sting.

Horrible Sufferings in a Prison Invaded by Cholera.

PARIS, August 4.—It is officially admitted at last that cholera exists in Marseilles. Twenty-two deaths have occurred in the last twenty-four hours. Consternation prevails all over France at the prospect of a repetition of last year's experience. There are several cases of cholera in Paris hospitals, and a number of other patients with the disease are undergoing private treatment in the city. The authorities of the city and all the newspapers except the *Cri Du Peuple* and the Radical organs refrain from mentioning the appearance of the disease in Paris, fearing the announcement would frighten away English and American tourists, who are thronging the city. Americans, who have been warned, are going to either England or Switzerland. The hospitals are actively preparing to combat the epidemic.

MARSEILLES, August 4.—The cases of cholera here are mostly among the upper classes. The Portuguese Consul has succumbed to the disease. Minister Legrand and Dr. Bronardel have arrived here in cognito to organize a system of sanitation. The municipal authorities have conferred with the foreign Consuls here respecting the establishment of quarantine. The cholera panic is increasing. Many persons are fleeing the city in dread. The local press has been ordered to preserve silence respecting the existence and ravages of the scourge. It is reported that no less than eighty persons have died from cholera in Marseilles within the past few days.

MADRID, August 4.—Cholera has for some time existed in the jail at Cartagena, but every effort has been made to suppress outside knowledge of the fact. Yesterday it leaked out that no less than two hundred of the criminals imprisoned within the jail were down with the scourge. This discovery produced a fearful panic among the convicts, and they rose in revolt and made the most desperate efforts to break away from the prison. They were, however, finally overpowered by the soldiery, and compelled to resume their quarters. Several inmates of the jail at Granada are also ill with cholera. There were reported yesterday 3,718 new cases of cholera throughout Spain, and 1,501 deaths from the disease occurred.

The Longest Flight on Record.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., August 4.—The countermarks of the first return to Philadelphia in the race of the Quaker City, Homing Pigeon Club from Pensacola, Fla., were received and verified to-day. The bird arrived at home at 7:15 a. m., 12 days, 23 hours and 45 minutes out from the basket. The distance covered in an air line was 930 miles. The return is the red checker cock, registered 1,188, owned by R. L. Hayes, of Philadelphia, and known as the Red Whizzer. The distance is the greatest yet covered by a homing pigeon either in this country or abroad. The entries in this race were James McGahey, three birds; Paul Krouse, two; J. A. Wimer, one; C. H. Hendon, two; W. Murphy, one; R. L. Hayes, one. The start was at 7:30 a. m. July 31, by Mr. R. Geagan, agent for the Southern Express at Pensacola. The winning bird has a previous record this year as the winner of the first prize and the prize of honor in the club's race from Spartanburg, S. C., five hundred miles, flown June 26, and is the first bird owned South of Keyport, N. J., to have a public record for any such distance. Both races of the club for distance from 500 and from 300 miles were for public record, and were managed from the office of the race Secretary of the Federation. The winning bird will be known hereafter as the Red Whizzer. The bird will wear golden leg bands inscribed with its loft and register number, and will be retired from duty as a flyer.

Riel's Half-Breeds Plead Guilty.

WINNIPEG, August 4.—Twenty-four half-breeds that participated in the late rebellion were arraigned at Regina, yesterday, on the charge of treason-felony. All pleaded guilty, and were held for sentence, which will not be given till after the new trials, about ten days. It is said now that Riel has retracted his declaration against the Church of Rome.

Officer Fatally Wounded.

PITTSBURG, Pa., August 4.—This morning Police Officer John Evans, while attempting to arrest a party of quarreling roughs, was shot twice through the stomach, counterfeiter, bank robber and shooter. The wounds inflicted are fatal.

Fatal Railroad Accident.

SUMMIT, N. J., August 4.—A wagon containing four ladies and two children was struck by a train on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, near this place. Two of the ladies and the two children were killed and the others were seriously injured.

Army Officers to Attend.

WASHINGTON, August 4.—The Secretary of War has directed all Bureau officers of the War Department to attend General Grant's funeral. General Sheridan and staff and some of the Bureau officers will leave for New York this afternoon.

To be Tried for Disobedience.

WASHINGTON, August 4.—Sergeant Michael McGauren, of the Signal Corps at Pensacola, who refused to accept a colored man as an assistant, is to be tried for disobedience to orders.

Strikers Give In.

JOLIET, ILL., August 4.—The strike at the Joliet Rolling-mills ended last night, the blast furnace men going to work at the price they were getting before they quit.

Prince Commits Suicide.

MONACO, August 4.—The Russian Prince, Alexander Gagarine, driven into desperation by heavy losses at gambling tables at Monte Carlo, has committed suicide.

Killed in a Storm.

MANATUNG, PA., August 4.—The fatalities from the severe storm that visited this place are five killed. Four others were injured.

Mrs. Annie Lamont, an iron-fawed woman, at Coney Island, recently slid down an iron cable, a distance of 350 feet, by means of a pulley attached to a strap that she held between her teeth. The upper elevation of the cable was 100 feet and its length 500 feet. The American girl made the longest and highest flight on record, the best prior feat in this line having been accomplished by Emma Jata in the Paris Hippodrome.—N. Y. Mail.

The value of one vote was shown at a recent election in McDuffie County, Ga., when a law was passed by exact 70 majority.

SOUTHERN NEWS GLEANINGS.

SENATOR GEORGE, of Mississippi, is undergoing treatment for chronic inflammation of the eyes.

Mrs. SPENCER, wife of ex-Senator Spencer of Alabama, has just entered the ranks of the bookmakers by the publication, through Carlton, of a novel called "The Story of Mary."

GEORGE WILSON, Charles Davis and Mathilda Jones, all colored, were hanged at Plaquemine, La., for the murder of Mrs. Cole.

LEVI KELLY, a miner of Clay County, W. Va., committed suicide by shooting himself. He was a young, industrious man, but had whisky and bad women got the better of him. The ball passed through his lungs, causing almost instant death.

The army worm has appeared in great numbers upon the cotton plantations in West Carroll Parish, La., and is doing considerable damage. Adjacent parishes report the presence of this pest. Planters are greatly alarmed.

A VERY unfortunate and extraordinary and double drowning occurred at Huntsville, in Scott County, Tenn., a few days ago. Two brothers named Heaton were in bathing, and the younger was seized with a cramp, and was about to drown, when he was rescued by a gentleman who witnessed the occurrence. At this juncture the other brother began to sink, having lost control of his muscles in the excitement. The brother who had just been rescued sprang to his relief. They were clasped in each other's embrace, and before assistance could be rendered both were drowned.

JIM CASKEY, colored, was taken out from his home near Douglas Church, Newberry County, S. C., by a party of forty masked men and given 300 lashes on the bare back, and ordered to leave the county within twenty-four hours. The party also went to Lee Clinton's but Lee was absent from home. These two negroes have been talking disrespectfully about some white ladies in the neighborhood.

MISS MARTHA BROWN, a beautiful young lady, was instantly killed at a ball in Rogersville, Tenn. A revolver accidentally fell from a young man's pocket.

AFTER a preliminary trial, Charley Rose and his alleged accomplices in the recent Richmond and Danville pay-car robbery were discharged.

THE other evening a farmer named Thrallkill, who lives near Crainsville, Hardeman County, Tenn., was shot by unknown parties concealed in the bushes and mortally wounded. Thrallkill was at work in his field. Suspicion rises on a man in the neighborhood with whom he had some trouble, but no arrest has been made. The wounded man will die.

A SOUTHERN Senator, now in Washington, says that he shall introduce a bill next session, giving Mrs. Grant a pension of \$5,000 a year for life.

THE United States Court at Oxford, Miss., has rendered its final decision in favor of Monroe County, in the last of a long series of suits to enforce subscription to the capital stock of the old Selma, Marion and Memphis Railroad Company. The total amount involved in the several suits, including bonds and interest, was over \$700,000. Litigation has been pending since 1871.

Mrs. DENNIS SRA, of Nashville, visiting at Franklin, Tenn., gave her nine-months-old child a dose of carbolic acid by mistake. Death ensued in a short time.

THE police of Chattanooga are making war on the lewd negro women and they are fleeing from the city. All the white women of ill repute have been driven out of the city.

In Fayette County, Ga., recently, Miss Fess Banister, daughter of a wealthy citizen, ran away from home. Citizens traced her footsteps to within one hundred yards of the creek. Early the other morning it was made known that the voice of some one was heard in the swamp in great distress. The party found her in a cane thicket, tangled in swamp vines and briars, with her bonnet-striking choking her. Her clothing was saturated with water, but her head dry. She was unconscious. She lingered till midnight, when death relieved her. It is believed that she had gone crazy.

MATTIE MARSH, a woman of the town, suicided at Chattanooga, Tenn., by taking morphine. She is from Middle Tenn., and was dependent on account of the feeling now existing there against women of her class.

LEWIS GATARD, a Frenchman, who has been employed at the Rockwood Furnace, Chattanooga, Tenn., as a laborer, has received a telegram from France announcing that by the death of all his relatives he has fallen heir to an estate valued at \$60,000. He has been in America eighteen years, but will return to his native land as soon as arrangements can be completed.

A COMMITTEE of the Memphis Cotton Exchange, representing the commercial and banking interests of Memphis, forwarded to Postmaster General Vilas a memorial, protesting against the proposed discontinuance of the river mail service between Terrene, Miss., and Arkansas City, on both sides of the river, and from Terrene to Pine Bluff, Ark., and from Osceola, Ark., to New Madrid, Mo. The memorial sets forth as a fact that this discontinuance of the river service and the substitution of a horseback service would cause incalculable damage to the commercial interests of this city and to our neighbors and patrons. Memphis is the base of supplies for the section named, and to shut out of the wire, quick mail facilities enjoyed for many years, and to turn the wheels of business progress backward to an almost forgotten time, is to inflict a great injury upon this section of the country, and will prove exceedingly detrimental to its business interests and success.

A DUEL between W. B. Walker and Samuel J. Dalton, of Aberdeen, Miss., was frustrated by the arrest of the parties at Starkville the other night. They were on their way to Memphis to arrange for a fight.

GEORGE BATTIER, a well-known druggist of Memphis, went to Helena, Ark., and married Mary Burton, a woman with whom he had been living for several years. It was the general opinion that she was of African descent, and on her return to Memphis the Grand Jury indicted them, it being in violation of the laws of Tennessee for the two races to intermarry, even in marriage. The other day in the Criminal Court, at their trial, it was proved that Mrs. Battier was of Indian descent, and under the instructions of the Judge, the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty.

NEAR Boliver, Tenn., a negro and his plow mate were instantly killed by lightning.