

Mrs. Nellie Grant-Sartoris has returned to Washington, with the intention of making it her future home.

Soldiers of the British and French armies lose on an average 18 days every year from illness; those of Germany, 15; of Austria, 13; of Italy, 15; of the United States, 21.

When the vessels now in process of construction are completed, the new navy of the United States will consist of forty-five vessels, ranging in size from 11,300 tons down to 120 tons displacement.

A serious shortage in the clove crop is announced. The man who is in the habit of going out between the acts to buy a clove may have to content himself with a coffee bean or a bit of lemon peel.

Jerusalem is going to have a portion of her ancient glory restored by the reconstruction of the ancient water conduits dating from the time of King Solomon. The Turkish government has appropriated the sum of \$2,000,000 for the work.

India is a great agricultural land. The statistics show that India has 27,000,000 acres in rice, 18,000,000 in wheat, 75,000,000 in other food grains, 1,600,000 in sugar cane, 251,000 in tea, 10,000,000 in cotton, 1,000,000 in indigo, 300,000 in tobacco.

The Chinamen in this country are by no means speeding en masse to help their fellow citizens at home in the war against Japan.

Thirteen years ago Capt. Henry W. Howgate, disbursing officer of the United States signal service and the organizer of the Howgate polar expedition, embezzled \$50,000 from the government and disappeared.

The New York Herald calls the attention of the New Jersey authorities to the fact that its palisades along the Hudson are being broken up with dynamite to make trap rock for a Long Island turnpike.

There is on a mantel in one of the residences of a Georgia family a piece of stone which bears a striking resemblance to an ancient castle, the turrets, massive doors and strong foundations being distinctly marked.

A system of electric lighting is being put in at Juneau, one of the best known of Alaskan settlements—a place of 2,000 inhabitants.

One's surprise at the fact that no two persons' voices are exactly alike ceases when one is informed by an authority on the subject that, though there are only nine perfect tones in the human voice, there are the astounding number of 17,992,180,444,415 different sounds.

Government surveys just completed show Mount St. Elias to be the highest peak in the world.

A monster clock has recently been placed in the town hall in the city of Philadelphia, such as exists in no other part of the world.

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At Alabama negro, Jasper Layman, was arranging for the exodus of 300 negroes from the neighborhood of Mobile, Ala., to Liberia.

While drunk Louis Miller, of Cincinnati, murdered his wife and then killed himself. Their two daughters witnessed the double tragedy.

Complete returns on the liquor license question in the recent Arkansas state election resulted as follows: For license, 47,662; against license, 49,595.

Gov. Stone, of Missouri, has commenced a crusade against gambling by closing all of the houses in St. Joseph.

At Columbus, O., in the team race Rose Leaf and Sally Simmons won, retaining the record for a mile trot to 2:13 1/2.

D. B. Hubbard, of Dorchester, Mass., who went to Chicago to seek a reconciliation with his wife, found her walking with Frank Garsuch and shot both of them.

Everson Fulkers and Tom Moore were executed at Paris, Tex., for murders committed in the Indian territory.

At Terre Haute, Ind., six men were arrested for causing the wreck on the Big Four at Fontanet during the strike.

Epitome of the Week.

INTERESTING NEWS COMPILATION.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The general land office has decided to embody in its annual report recommendations that congress should immediately take action for the relief of the settlers on homesteads in the burned districts of Wisconsin and Minnesota.

The commission appointed by President Cleveland to investigate strikes closed its public hearings and began consideration of its report in secret session.

The president has issued pardons for all Mormon polygamists who have complied with the laws.

In the United States the exchanges at the leading clearing houses during the week ended on the 29th aggregated \$255,401,482, against \$260,257,045 the previous week.

In the United States there were 235 business failures in the seven days ended on the 29th, against 212 the week previous and 204 in the corresponding time in 1908.

The pension disbursements for the year ended June 30 were \$187,636,481, according to the report of the third auditor of the treasury.

The government officials were given notice of the ratification by China of the new treaty between the countries.

THE EAST.

The president of the American Sugar Refining company issued orders for the closing down of one-half of the refineries under its control, throwing 10,000 persons out of work.

Five destroyed two hotels, eight stores, the post office and the telegraph office at Cape Vincent, N. Y., causing a loss of \$150,000.

David B. Hill was nominated for governor of New York by the democrats in state convention at Saratoga.

Francis won the \$15,000 stalling stake at Mystic Park, Mass. Arion was second in each heat, Nelson third.

Father Cosberry, a Catholic, urged union of all churches on temperance at the Unitarian conference at Saratoga.

C. Dewitt Goodnow, of Brooklyn, and Andrew C. Johnson, of Chicago, students at Cornell university, were drowned in Cayuga lake, New York.

Trust company representatives of Pennsylvania met at Harrisburg and organized a state association.

Capt. Howgate, formerly chief of the weather bureau in Washington, was arrested in New York for a forgery committed in 1879.

The Christian Endeavor will hold their convention in 1895 at Boston instead of San Francisco, because of inability to secure special rates.

John S. Johnson rode a mile on a bicycle at Waltham, Mass., in 1:50:35, a new world's record.

New York's constitutional convention adopted the new constitution as reported from committee of the whole.

Two laborers and two miners were killed by a fall of rock in the North-west colliery at Saratoga, Pa.

The four miners entombed fifty-five hours without food by a cave-in at Carbondale, Pa., were rescued.

The nineteenth season of the National Baseball league closed with the clubs in the following order: Baltimore, .695 per cent; New York, .667; Boston, .629; Philadelphia, .559; Brooklyn, .557; Cleveland, .527; Pittsburgh, .520; Chicago, .422; St. Louis, .424; Cincinnati, .419; Washington, .341; Louisville, .280.

Pittsburgh advises say that all the tin-plate plants in the country were closed down, owing to a wide difference between the manufacturers and the workers on the subject of wages.

At Fall River, Mass., mill owners and operatives held a conference, but failed to settle the strike involving 40,000 persons.

WEST AND SOUTH.

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AT DENVER, COL., GEN. JAMES S. CLARKSON declared in a speech that 70 per cent of the people of the United States favored free silver.

There died at Ingram, Tex., a Mexican named Modericos, who, his relatives assert most positively, was 150 years old. He had been married five times, marrying his first wife 100 years ago. He had three grown sons in the war of 1812.

James Powell and Louis Dickey were fatally injured and two other men were seriously hurt by an accidental explosion of a dynamite blast at Atchison, Kan.

At San Jose, Cal., in a race against time Alvin Hill yesterday trotting record of 2:23, a cut of three-fourths of a mile.

An Austin (Ill.) pastor, Rev. S. B. Newman, who is 82 years old, secured a license to wed Annie Ohman, who is but 20.

In a freight wreck on the Mobile & Ohio, near Columbus, Miss., Conductor James Fitzgerald and Daniel Thompson, a colored brakeman, were killed.

The death of Gen. A. M. West, candidate for vice president of the United States in 1884 on the greenback-labor ticket with Gen. B. F. Butler, occurred at Holly Springs, Miss., aged 70 years.

By a wreck on the Chicago & North-western road near Woodstock, Ill., five tramps were killed and two injured.

In thirty counties of northern Minnesota a snow fell, amounting in some places to a depth of 3 inches.

Rains in California damaged the grain crop. Jim lowered the world's mile pacing record at Chillicothe, O., from 20 1/2 to 19 1/2, with a running mate.

By the careless driving of Louis Scharf while drunk his wife and five children and Mary Roskus, his sister-in-law, were drowned in the Minnesota river at Cassia.

Catherine Lurch died at Muscatine, Ia., aged 98 years.

Ulysses Agram and R. L. Peace fought a duel at Canton, Ga., for the hand of a neighbor's daughter and killed each other.

In Chicago the grand jury completed its investigation of gambling and returned many indictments, including thirty property owners.

The Minnesota creamery men have organized and will constitute a board of trade for the sale of their products.

Miscellaneous wrecked a Wabash train at Maumee, O., and Engineer F. N. Smith was killed and Fireman A. H. Day fatally hurt.

Outraged were given an English syndicate on all the paper and pulp mills in the Fox river valley in Wisconsin. They are valued at \$10,000,000.

John Barrett and Adolph Burgan, inmates of the Ohio soldiers' home, were killed by highwaymen near Dayton for their money.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

A flood in the Akita and Iwate prefectures in Japan drowned over 300 persons and more than 15,000 houses were destroyed.

In the village of Suelich, in the mountains of Durango, Mexico, a water-pipe carried away a woodchopper's camp of ten families and all were drowned.

In the city of Blasski, in Russian Poland, where the cholera was making fearful ravages, sixty houses were set on fire and destroyed and several sick persons were burned to death.

A Japanese army, numbering 39,000 men, sailed from Hirashima, and it was believed an invasion of China was contemplated.

Congressman Wilson, of West Virginia, was given a dinner by the chamber of commerce of London and spoke on the tariff.

Several buildings, including two hotels, burned at Nanaimo, B. C., with a loss of \$100,000. Two men were burned to death and two others and a little girl were badly injured.

An American named Frank Holman living near the City of Mexico, while drunk killed his wife and two children.

Planks destroyed the Crown Point color printing works at Leeds, Eng. land, the loss being \$5,000,000.

Is Hawaii several of the leaders of the ex-queen's cause have taken the oath of allegiance to the republic.

LATER NEWS.

The appointment of Prince Kung, the Chinese emperor's uncle, and the presidents of the foreign board of admiralty to act as co-directors with Li Hung Chang in the conduct of affairs in the Far East.

The bodies of the crew of the sunken schooner Home have all been washed ashore near Manistique, Mich. Those of Capt. C. P. Henderson and Alex Beronowski were identified, but the others could not be recognized.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Ben Austin, a blacksmith, was recently shot and killed near Tiff City by a Seneca Indian.

R. T. Vax Horn carried the primaries in Kansas City and Jackson county for the republican congressional nomination for congress in the Fifth district.

In a lunch room at Lebanon a few days ago, postmaster Mayfield and a young farmer named Clarence Vernon got into a fight and Vernon bit off one of the postmaster's ears.

The 12-year-old son of Andrew Verner, residing near Carthage, was recently trapped to death by a pair of hares. The boy attempted to pass between them in their stall.

During the session of the criminal court at St. Louis the other day the prisoners in the dock made a sudden break for liberty. Four got away, while three others who got out of the building were captured.

The board of prison inspectors investigated the charges against Warden Payne, preferred by W. C. Bolt, a late escapee of the penitentiary, and after examining many witnesses, found that the charges were not sustained.

Fire at St. Louis destroyed the building occupied by the feather working establishment of D. B. Ely & Co., the Mondak Boot & Shoe Co., and the Huffer Boot & Shoe Co. Loss, about \$140,000; insurance about one-third.

R. E. McVey, an implement merchant of Cherryvale, Kan., was taken to Kansas City this other day on a requisition charging him with obtaining \$5,000 worth of vehicles and harness from the Columbus Buggy Co.'s agency of Kansas City.

J. L. Thompson, a young farmer living in the southwestern part of Sullivan county, was married the other evening, and during a chaffari on that night was shot and instantly killed. It was believed to be murder through jealousy.

Three striking switchmen made a desperate assault upon E. G. Fish, assistant superintendent of the Burlington railway, during a chaffari on the afternoon. Fish was dragged from the buggy and severely beaten before a policeman could arrest his assailants.

Dr. J. W. Walker, the Kansas physician who was arrested for forging the name of a pension examiner and a notary public of the St. Joseph district on the affidavit of a would-be pensioner, was fined \$100 in federal court at St. Joseph and sentenced to one year in the county jail.

During the war the notorious guerrilla chief, Quantrell, lost a valuable gold watch while passing through the farm of James Hickman near Lone Rock, and although the loss was reported at the time, it was not recovered for nearly a year ago Mr. Hickman found the watch.

Mrs. Murphy, aged 85 years, walked all the way from St. Louis to Jefferson City recently to plead with the governor for the pardon of her son, who is serving a life-term sentence in the penitentiary for brutally assaulting an old woman in St. Louis. The governor declined to interfere.

A young man who gave his name as I. T. Morse, of St. Joseph, was recently arrested at Kansas City for attempting to obtain money upon forged grain bills of lading. He was suspected and admitted to secure a check from a grain firm for \$1,100 but arrested before he had it cashed.

John Schneider, a St. Louis laborer, went home intoxicated the other night and finding that his wife had not kept supper for him, picked up a lighted lamp and threw it at her. It broke in pieces on her head, and she was killed and burned in a horrible manner. She died next morning.

The directors of the Jefferson City Bridge & Transit Co. accepted the bid of the Missouri River Bridge Co., of Leavenworth, Kan., to construct a bridge over the Missouri river between Jefferson City and Cedar City for \$950,000.

At the annual meeting of the Confederate Home association was held at the home near Higginsville on the 27th and 28th of September. The daughters of the Confederacy also held an informal session. The officers chosen for the next year were: President, James Bannerman; St. Louis vice president, Harvey W. Salmon; Clinton; treasurer, H. H. Bickles, Mexico; secretary, W. P. Barlow, St. Louis. An executive committee was also chosen, consisting of one member from each congressional district.

The Missouri Press association closed its session at Lebanon with the election of new officers. President, H. H. Bickles; John W. Jackson, Montgomery City; Standard; first vice president, A. E. Robinson, Maryville; second vice president, Henry C. Bell, Potosi; independent, third vice president, R. Roach, Carthage; Democrat; corresponding secretary, E. M. White, Mexico; recording secretary, H. H. Bickles; Jefferson City; Tribune; treasurer, W. L. Thomas, School and Home, St. Louis.

The latest weather crop bulletin stated that in many counties corn cutting is about finished and a few correspondents report the crop better than expected. In the southern section there is considerable late corn that, with late frost, will make a good crop. In a number of the central and western counties corn in shock has been considerably damaged by rain and damp weather. Plowing and seeding has progressed favorably except in a few localities in the southeast section where the ground is low.

Jerry Lewis and George Wilson, two white men sent up from Jasper county for three years each, for burglary and larceny, escaped from Deputy Sheriff I. F. Purcell, about 5 miles west of Warrensburg the other night. The train was running 40 miles an hour at the time. The men were chained together and asked permission to go in the closet. They locked the door from the inside and then jumped out of the window. They were subsequently captured.

William Simpson, a Clay county farmer, was robbed of \$145 near the police headquarters in Kansas City the other night.

Columbus Hayes, who has twice been convicted of murder in the first degree, and now under sentence of death, escaped from jail at Savannah the other day.

Republicans of the Tenth district have renominated Hon. Richard Barthold for congress.

Max Baldwin, editor of the Warrensburg Standard-Terald, died on the 28th.

Benjamin Fanks, the colored coachman of Capt. F. A. Freeman, of Kansas City, was shot and killed by his wife the other morning. Jealousy was the cause.

THE WAR IN THE EAST.

Japanese Troops Reported to Have Occupied W. C. With Opposition From the Enemy. The Emperor's Anunciator Will Make Trouble—Unarmed Raw Recruits—Taking Refuge in the Treaty Ports—Moving on Moukden.

LONDON, Oct. 2.—A dispatch from Shanghai to the Central News says that the Japanese have occupied W. C. without meeting with any opposition on the part of the Chinese troops.

Friation between Prince Kung, the emperor's avuncular appointee to the presidency of the Tsung li yamen (the foreign board), and Li Hung Chang, the dispatch says, is inevitable.

The victory is certain to be hampered in his conduct of operations against the Japanese. The imperial council is completely disorganized, and the corruption which has prevailed in the commissary department for years has left the troops with no suitable clothing and a scanty supply of food, cartridges, rifles and other munitions of war, which from time to time were alleged to have been bought and paid for, cannot now be found, and presumably the money represented to have been expended for them was appropriated by the officials into whose hands it was intrusted.

The immense camp between Tientsin and Taku is filled with raw levies of troops, who are without arms and in many cases without sufficient clothing to cover them. Disorder in the camp is rampant, there being not the slightest degree of discipline. Executions take place daily, the merest fraction of rule or law being punishable by the loss of the offender's head.

European residents of China are taking refuge in the treaty ports, under the protection of the war-ships of their respective countries. Large numbers of Chinese merchants are also seeking safety in flight. Their goods are being seized, and in many cases men of large means have been plundered of every vestige of property they possessed, and beaten and otherwise maltreated if they protested. Most of these have also made their way to the treaty ports.

The troops stationed at Canton have been ordered to Formosa.

The Pall Mall Gazette publishes a dispatch from Shanghai stating that the Japanese troops are reported to be rapidly nearing Moukden.

BOLD TRAIN ROBBERS.

Hold Up an Express on the Southern Pacific. The Robbers Took Their Money—They Are Pursued by Sheriff's posse and One of Their Number Mortally Wounded—The Officers Again in Hot Pursuit.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 2.—The Southern Pacific east-bound express was held up two miles east of Maricopa late Sunday night by three men, two of whom were masked. They boarded the train as it was leaving Maricopa, capturing the head brakeman, who was compelled to turn on the air-brakes and stop the train. The engineer and head brakeman, with pistols at their heads, were compelled to go back to the express car and induce the messenger to open the doors. One of the bandits then entered the car and searched for valuables, while the others guarded it outside of the train.

The amount taken is not known, but it is supposed to be small.

The trainmen were then marched away a short distance and liberated, the robbers mounting their horse and starting southward. Sheriff Driscoll, of Pinal county, and Sheriff Murphy, of Maricopa, were at once telegraphed.

Drais sent a posse from Casa Grande to the scene of the robbery, while Murphy sent several posses out to intercept the fugitives.

Sheriff Murphy and Deputy Widmer reached the camp of the suspected men, seven miles east of the city, about 8 o'clock next morning. They only encountered was Frank Armour, a Tonto Basin cowboy, who commenced shooting as soon as the officers came in sight. The officers returned the fire and shot Armour, mortally wounding him.

Their horses, which were badly jaded, were found near by as well as their rifles, but the remainder of the gang had disappeared.

Deputy Prothero and a posse are in pursuit and it is expected they will capture the others in a few hours. The men are undoubtedly the same who were arrested in Congress last week ago. Some watches, taken from street-car employees a few nights ago, were also found in the camp. The penalty for train robbery in Arizona is death.

TARDY COMPENSATION.

To Settlers Driven from Their Homes on the Crow Creek Reservation.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—The Indian bureau has sent to the treasury department several hundred of the claims arising out of the expulsion of 914 settlers from the Crow Creek reservation in South Dakota several years ago. The proper proofs of identity are not yet all in, but as fast as possible the commissioner of Indian affairs is sending the claims to the treasury department for payment. The sum of \$116,000 was appropriated by congress for this purpose. When President Arthur was in office he declared certain lands on the Crow Creek reservation open to settlement, but President Cleveland later revoked that proclamation on the grounds that the lands should not have been opened to entry, and the settlers were driven from the reservation.

A SNUG BERTH.

F. C. McDowell, of Qualitas as Chief of Accounts, Treasurer's Office.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—Secretary Carlisle yesterday appointed F. C. McDowell, of Iowa, chief of the accounts division, treasurer's office, at \$2,000, and E. M. Dickerson, of Arkansas, a chief of division in the office of the auditor for the post office department at \$2,000. Gen. H. M. Duffield, of Michigan, the new superintendent of the coast and geodetic survey, took the oath of office yesterday and assumed his new duties.

Attempted Murder.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 2.—Attempted murder and a partially successful jail delivery have occurred in Tacoma, Wash., in the United States penitentiary on McNeil's island. Warden Palmer of the prison and four guards had a remarkable escape. The prisoners, led by John Wade, a notorious smuggler, who once before made a successful escape, secured poison and placed it in the food of the warden and his assistants. But for the fact that the prisoners used too much poison some of the intended victims, probably, would have escaped.

A Savage Class "Rush."

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 2.—The members of the southern and freshmen of Wittenberg college, Springfield, O., engaged in a fierce class "rush" yesterday and a dozen of them were severely injured. Some are in a dangerous condition. The fight occurred in the dormitory building.

One of the students was knocked senseless, and it was thought for a time that he was dead. Alarm at his condition really brought hostilities to an end. The female members of the classes took part in the contest, and some faces carry ugly marks.

A CHURCH QUESTION.

Settled by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. The Evangelical Association Wins Its Suit Against the Seceders Involving the Title to Two Hundred and Ten Church Edifices—Berks County Reversed.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Oct. 3.—In the supreme court of Pennsylvania, which met in annual session yesterday, Justice Williams rendered an opinion reversing the Berks county court and granting Rev. Augustus Krecker and others an injunction against Rev. Jones H. Shirey and others.

The case was a dispute for church property growing out of the celebrated split in the Evangelical association at the time that Bishops Dubs, Escher and Bowman were suspended from their offices. The court reviews the case and finds that the last conference at Indianapolis was the legitimate ruling power of the church, and that the Eastern Pennsylvania conference was an illegally constituted and rebellious body.

The property question is the Emmanuel church at Reading. The court rules on seven points regarding the trouble as follows: First, that the general conference of 1891 was the regular successor of that of 1887; second, that the alleged general conference that met in Philadelphia in 1891 was an unauthorized body and its assumption of ecclesiastical authority was an act of rebellion; third, that those conferences, congregations and church members that adhere to the general conference constitute the Evangelical association; fourth, that those who adhere to the Philadelphia conference are an independent and hostile association; fifth, that the property which prior to 1891 belonged to the Evangelical association now belongs to that body; sixth, the assignment of the plaintiff, Krecker, to the pastorate of the Emmanuel church, having been made by a provisional body, gave him no title capable of enforcement, but his subsequent ratification by the general conference gave him title under the law of the church, and therefore under the law of the land; seventh, the assignment of the defendant, Shirey, to the same pastorate, by the illegally organized conference of East Pennsylvania, has no title capable of enforcement under the law of the land, against the Evangelical association or its adherents.

The decree of the lower court is reversed and an injunction is ordered to restrain the defendants from exercising control over Emmanuel church and from excluding the plaintiff from the pulpit of the church. The costs are also placed upon the defendants.

PUBLIC DEBT STATEMENT.

Heavy Increase of the Government's Liabilities for the Month.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—The debt statement issued yesterday afternoon shows a net increase in the public debt less cash in the treasury during September of \$8,152,700.81. The interest-bearing debt increased \$140,182.95 and the non-interest-bearing debt increased \$8,012,517.86. The balances of the several classes of debt at the close of business September 30: Interest-bearing debt, \$655,942,810; debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, \$1,830,000.26; debt bearing no interest, \$380,000,436.32; total, \$1,917,566,333.68. The certificates and treasury notes offset by an equal amount of cash in the treasury outstanding at the end of the month were \$912,136,470, a decrease of \$2,934,102.

The total cash in the treasury was \$774,125,928.68. The gold reserve was \$58,875,217. Net cash balance, \$91,044,402.38. In the month there was an increase in gold coin and bars of \$2,729,887.43, the total at the close being \$123,665,756.32. Of silver there was a decrease of \$3,352,977.84. Of the surplus there was in national bank deposits \$10,262,208.01, against \$17,230,897.20 at the end of the previous month.

CHURCH FEDERATION.

The Greatest Scheme Ever Proposed for a Union of Presbyterian Churches.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Oct. 2.—At its meeting in the Crafton church today, the Pittsburgh presbytery will consider the greatest scheme ever brought before it for a federal union of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, the United Presbyterian church, the Associated Reformed Synod of the South, the German Reformed church, the General Synod of the Dutch Reformed church and the Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. James M. Maxwell, of Monongahela city, will present an elaborate report on the subject.

The plan of federation, as sent down to the lower judicatories, by the highest church court in America, is a federal union of the above named denominations, to promote co-operation in their home and foreign missionary work, to keep watch on current, religious, moral and social movements and take such action as may concentrate the influence of all the churches in the maintenance of the truth that our nation is a Protestant Christian nation, and all that is therein involved. It is an effort to consolidate forces, organize more effectively and centralize the dissenting forces in order to move in union and rapidly on a given command.

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