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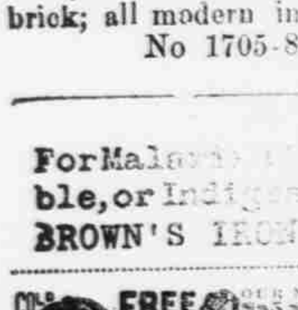

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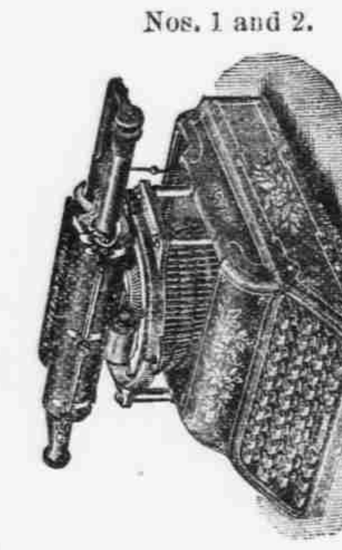

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THIS WEEK'S NEWS.

A Summary of Current Events—The World's Doings for the Past Six Days Gathered and Condensed for Our Readers.

General.

Jay Gould has decided to sell his steam yacht Atlanta.

The sawmill men of Northern Wisconsin are striking for ten hours a day.

Wisconsin has been shaken up by an earthquake, which caused considerable alarm.

A shaky tower on the Baltimore city college building was blown down with dynamite.

The Republicans of West Virginia nominated T. E. Davis for governor by acclamation.

The Alabama election resulted in the election of a Democratic governor and legislature.

The cotton boll worm has created havoc with the crops in many counties of Texas.

Baron Hirsch, the noted Hebrew philantropist, will visit the United States this fall.

Mr. Vanderbilt's sunken yacht Alva, which cost a million dollars, was sold at auction for $3,500.

A new syndicate, whose object is to complete the Panama ship canal, has been formed in Paris.

The great trotting stallion Allerton went lame and forfeited a $10,000 purse at Davenport, Iowa.

It is stated that Mr. Blaine will deliver several speeches in the Maine canvass during September.

General Charles H. Van Wyck was nominated for Governor by the Independent party of Nebraska.

There is trouble between cowboys and farmers in Western Kansas, and the farmers have armed.

The Board of Aldermen of New York city has fixed the tax rate for the current year at 1.85 per cent.

Annie Carter, eighteen, committed suicide in St. Louis because her father would not pay his grocery bill.

Mr. Gladstone has recovered from his illness, and was present at the opening of Parliament, receiving an ovation.

Allen Carter, colored, accused of assaulting his 14-year-old daughter, was lynched by negroes at Wynne, Ark.

Andrew D. White, the new Minister to Russia, will sail about August 17, and reach his new post by October 1.

Samples of tea grown in South Carolina have been pronounced by experts superior to the average grown in India.

France and Madagascar have suspended diplomatic relations owing to British missionary intrigues in Madagascar.

A New York ice dealer found a $75 diamond scarf pin in a cake of ice, and now everybody is inspecting their ice closely.

The Mexican Central Railroad has discharged a large number of engineers, firemen and brakemen for being Brotherhood men.

The United States has apologized to Switzerland for the arrest by mistake of Dr. Georg, an attache of the Swiss legation at Washington.

An unknown woman attempted to blow up the house of Charles D. Irwin, a rich Chicago Board of Trade operator, with a can loaded with giant powder.

It is estimated that Minnesota and the Dakotas will raise 125,000,000 bushels of wheat this year, and favorable weather will add 10,000,000 bushels.

Don. M. Dickinson has been made chairman of the Democratic National Campaign Committee, and Mr. Whitney elected to a place on the Committee.

While returning from a coon hunt at Seymour, Ind., William Greer fired into a party of his friends and seriously wounded William Wilson and John Firman.

A mosquito bite caused Peter Kennedy's death in Bellevue Hospital, New York city. It is believed the mosquito had previously been investigating putrid flesh.

An unknown woman was detected in the act of placing a can containing ten pounds of giant powder at the door of Charles D. Erwin's house in Chicago. She escaped.

Premier Abbott, of the Dominion government, declares that Canada has always acted in a conciliatory spirit towards the United States, and will continue so to do.

Great interest is being taken by astronomers all over the world in the apposition of Mars with the earth. The main question of interest is whether the planet is capable of sustaining animal life.

To the ordinary observer, the planet Mars, seen through a big telescope, looks like a red fiery ball with a blue halo. It is only practiced observers who can see the peculiar features of the planet.

Sir Edwin Arnold has written a play entitled "Mauna; or the Japanese Wife." Harry Deaken has purchased the American right, and will produce it at Chicago as an attraction of the World's Fair.

Heavy rains caused an embankment to break at St. Paul, Minn., and a great volume of water flooded the lowlands killing three persons, seriously injuring seven and doing damage amounting to $50,000.

John Dillon, the Irish leader, in an interview, expressed great confidence that a home rule bill will be passed by parliament at an early date. He said that anything less than Parnell demanded would not be accepted by his party.

It is stated in Catholic circles at St. Louis, as a certainty that at the next meeting of the Pope's Consistory the Holy Father will announce the appointment of Archbishop Ireland, of St. Paul as a member of the College of Cardinals.

COLUMBUS CELEBRATION.

Our Navy Was Not Represented in the Show at Palos.

The celebration of the embarkation of Columbus on his voyage of discovery, at Palos, Spain, was in progress all last week. Nearly every power except the United States was represented in a naval way. The cruiser Newark was at Cadiz, but could not reach Palos on account of drawing too much water. The gunboat Bennington, which had been ordered to Palos, failed to arrive. Much regret was expressed at the absence of the American flag.

The chief feature of the occasion was the naval parade, led by the caravel Santa Marie, built in immitation of Columbus' flagship. The vessel followed for some distance the route taken by Columbus 400 years ago, followed by the war vessels. Parades, illuminations and banquets followed.

A Mysterious Murder.

Andrew J. Borden, the millionaire mill owner of Fall River, Mass., and his aged wife were murdered in their home, and although there were other members of the family on the premises at the time, they heard no sound of the awful tragedy. The murderer escaped without leaving the slightest trail, although his clothing must have been covered with the blood of his victims. The skulls of both had been crushed in with an axe. No attempt had been made at robbery. Three men have been arrested on suspicion.

A Vanderbilt Trust.

It is a matter of gossip in commercial circles in New York that the Vanderbilt business will soon be removed uptown and conducted by a trust now being organized by H. Walter Webb, third vice-president of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad. It was said that the trust would have its offices on the first floor of the new eleven-story building, to cost $225,000, to be erected by the Lincoln National Bank on the lot next its present property on West Forty-second street. It was also said that the capital would be $6,000,000.

Will There be a Quarrel?

News has been received at San Francisco by steamer from Auckland of what may cause an international quarrel between the English and the United States. It seems that the British gunboat Curacoa last month put into Paga-Pago harbor, Samoa, and the Samoan Land Commissioner selected a piece of land there for a British coaling station. The Samoan Government in 1875 granted this coaling station to the United States and England has no right to any part of the harbor.

Struggle With a Big Snake.

A blacksnake nine feet long that came to the slaughter house to drink blood, attacked William Hill, a butcher, of Roaring Creek Valley, Pa. The monstrous reptile wrapped itself about Hill and began to tighten its awful coils. The butcher made frantic efforts to cut the snake in two with a jackknife. When almost fainting with the terrible pain and fear, Hill jabbed his knife in the snake's head. He then killed it.

Another Train Robbery.

A despatch from Fresno, Cal., gives the particulars of the latest train robbery. Two masked robbers, with firearms and dynamite, held up the south bound express train from San Francisco, between Rollinda and Pratton, and robbed the Wells-Fargo Express Company's safe of gold and silver coin aggregating between $30,000 and $50,000. The express car and safe were blown open with dynamite. The robbers escaped.

Strikers Retaliate.

Owing to the arrest of numerous Homestead strikers on charges of murder, Hugh Ross, of the Amalgamated Association preferred similar charges against Messrs. Frick, Potter, Nevin, McConnell and James Dovey, of the Carnegie Company works at Homestead. They appeared before Judge Ewing, and were released on $10,000 bail each.

Parliament Meets.

Queen Victoria's thirteenth Parliament assembled in London with the usual ceremonies. Beyond the re-election of Speaker Peel no business was transacted. Mr. Gladstone was given a wildly enthusiastic reception. There is a union of all the Gladstone forces in favor of ousting the Salisbury government.

Whipped the Ruffians.

Ex-United States Treasurer James W. Hyatt, who is summering at Roton Point, Conn., was attacked by four drunken roughs. Mr. Hyatt struck out straight from the shoulder with both fists and put his assailants to flight.

Indirect Blow at Carnegie.

Studebaker's wagon works at South Bend, Ind., the largest in the world, have shut down owing to 3,000 men refusing to work on account of the company using material purchased of the Carnegie Steel Company.

New York's Share of the Tilden Estate.

The heirs of the late Samuel J. Tilden have paid into the State Treasury the sum of $147,283, being the total amount of taxes under the Collateral Inheritance Tax law, which was imposed on the Tilden estate.

Mountain Bicycling.

Professor Harry Park, the trick bicycle rider, has made a most wonderful descent of Pike's peak on one wheel of an ordinary bicycle, with neither handles nor brake to control his machine.

Knights Templar at Denver.

The annual conclave of Knights Templar assembled at Denver, Col., on Monday. About 20,000 Knights are present. Great crowds are in attendance.

Mrs. Harrison is improving rapidly in the Adirondacks.

Rev. Charles R. Hale has been consecrated bishop of Cairo, Ill.

Jack Carkeek, the famous wrestler, has become a preacher in San Francisco.

A meeting of express company officials was held at Montreal to effect a consolidation.

Cholera is increasing in Russia, and the number of deaths is placed at 550 daily.

Hon. Thomas B. Reed has been renominated for Congress in the Portland, Me., district.

"Uncle" Billy Sullivan succumbed to the hot weather at Fairport, N. Y., aged 107 years.

The Dueber Watch Case Company, of Canton, Ohio, has sued the Watch Trust for $950,000.

Clubs are being organized in the Southern States to aid Cuba in her fight for independence.

Moses S. Beach, formerly owner of the New York *Sun*, died in Peekskill, N. Y., aged 70 years.

The Indians threaten to scalp the boomers who are invading Colwith Reservation, Washington.

The Horse-shoers' National Protective Association has been successfully organized at Cleveland, Ohio.

The body of the late Robert Ray Hamilton is on its way to New York city from the West for interment.

The Peninsula Copper Mine Company, of Houghton, Mich., will close down because of the low price of copper.

Max Limon, once a Russian millionaire, is working in a Chicago clothing house for $7. He was exiled by the Czar.

Secretary Probst, of the Ohio Board of Health, is preparing for an epidemic of cholera in the United States next year.

Much damage was done by floods in Sioux City, S. D. In lower Minnesota 10,000 acres of crops were ruined by hail.

Maude E. and Lizzie Kittridge, aged nine and five years, have supported themselves for a year by shoplifting in Boston.

The paving block quarrymen, a dispatch from Boston says, have abandoned their strike and gone to work under the old scale.

The Supreme Court of Tennessee, refused a habeas corpus to H. Clay King, the condemned murderer of David H. Preston.

The satellites of Mars were observed at Rochester by Professors Swift and Todd. They are visible only at intervals of fifteen years.

In San Benito and Monterey counties, Cal., 750,000 acres of land forfeited by the Southern Pacific Railroad have been thrown open to settlement.

Some Wild West Show Indians have been barred out of Ocean Grove because their clothing was considered too primitive for that refined resort.

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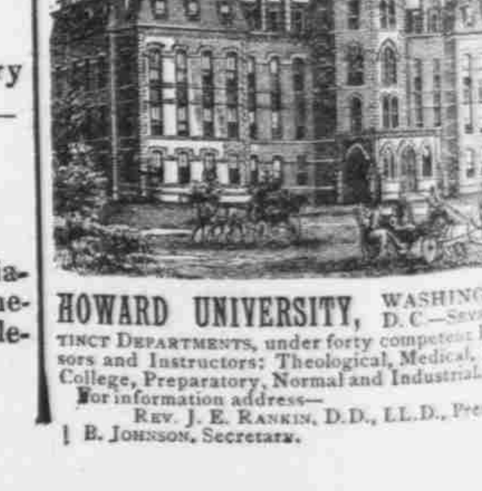

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