

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

The finger rings of this country are worth \$58,000,000.

California reports favorable prospects for an average yield of wheat.

The Czar is said to be disposed to spare the lives of some of the Nihilists if they will formally ask a pardon.

A novel plan for disinfecting sewers by the use of electricity is under consideration by the New York Board of Health.

Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt's Resignation from the Western Union directory is the latest incident in the telegraph consolidation.

It is reported that Bruce, of Mississippi, will succeed First Assistant Postmaster General Tyner, and the latter will probably go abroad.

Secretary Windom is sanguine of refunding the whole of the maturing debt into 3 1/2 per cents., without the passage of a refunding bill.

A barge system between New Orleans and Vicksburg for transportation of cotton and other products of the lower Mississippi is being agitated.

A French company intends to reopen some of the old gold, silver and tin mines of Bohemia, which had been abandoned on account of the insufficient yield.

A Swiss Journal justifies the sending of undesirable characters to this country on the ground that America is Europe's reformatory. For coolness this beats anything on record.

When a Philadelphia man couldn't get \$12,000 for a city lot he had a street opened through it and was awarded \$21,000 damages. Nothing like knowing how to pull the ropes.

The torrents pouring out of the Missouri river is a cause for alarm to the sugar planter of the Lower Mississippi. An inundation so late in the season would be a disaster of great magnitude.

In response to an appeal from the Greek Consul-General Mr. Thurlow Weed suggested has been begun in New York for the Scio sufferers. Several thousand dollars have already been obtained, and the subscriptions come in rapidly.

A writer in London Truth says that the "fifteen puzzle" was worked out in Hutton's "Recreations in Mathematical Science" more than fifty years ago. The Hindoos, Chinese and Egyptians were familiar with the puzzle the square of sixteen being consecrated to Jupiter.

The sun is greatly agitated, and is sending out tongues of flames, and a Providence Journal's able astronomer continues to connect the disturbances with disastrous meteorological phenomena on the earth. Jupiter is regarded as one of the disturbing influences on the sun.

Senator Hill, of Colorado, is handsome. His new residence—that which has belonged to ex-Secretary Everts—will contain suggestions of his Western home—bear skins, fur rugs, horn chairs, blanket hangings. The Senator has such good taste that society expects to see something both unique and attractive.

A monstrosity in the shape of a double lamb was found on the farm of H. Lightner, Morris township, in the adjoining county of Green, this State, yesterday. The animal has two perfect heads, eight legs and two tails, and is joined together from the neck to the tail. The heads are almost between the front legs. The mother also dropped a perfect lamb.

The temperance advocates have occupied a good share of the attention of the Legislature this year. Nearly every Legislature in session has discussed the subject in some of its branches, and many of them have passed laws either prohibiting or restricting the liquor traffic. We are glad to see the subject agitated. Intemperance is the giant evil of the world.

The assassins on trial at St. Petersburg were all attired in black. A gendarme with drawn sword watched some boxes of dynamite and papers of chemicals lying on the table. Russakoff said he entered into the late conspiracy because he saw no other way to effect a social revolution. One of the prisoners admitted having prepared five bombs. Sophie Pieffsky avowed her participation in arranging the mine at Moscow and in slaughtering the Czar at the capital. Jeliboff calmly related the history of the Alexandrofsky mines.

Rev. G. W. Kenning, of the Kansas State Board having in charge the care of the freedmen coming from the Southern States to Kansas, says that the Board has received, cared for and distributed over 100,000 of these people since the exodus began and been the means of turning 10,000 into other States. Mr. Kenning also states that the Board has done all in its power to check the incoming of the colored people from the South, spending much money in the effort, but without avail. They are bound to come, they say, to Kansas, the home of old John Brown. He further said the exodus has begun and that large numbers of these people are now moving or preparing to move.

The Funeral of Lord Beaconsfield.

LONDON, April 21.—The funeral of Lord Beaconsfield takes place at Hughenden on Tuesday next. The following is the clause in Beaconsfield's will, relative to the disposition of his remains: "I desire and direct that I

may be buried in the same vault in the church yard at Hughenden, in which the remains of my late dear wife Mary D'Israeli, created in her own right, Viscountess of Beaconsfield, were placed, and that my funeral be conducted with that same simplicity that her's was.

Floods in the Northwestern States.

SIoux CITY, April 21.—The flood in the city and throughout the Northwest continues on the increase. Only four cars of stock arrived this morning, all the receipts of today having arrived last night. The roads are compelled to use each other's tracks, and patch up lines of communication as best they may, for hardly a road that enters the city from the west, north or south has a track free from water. During the night the water in the river and low lying places rose five inches, and, contrary to expectations, is still increasing in volume and height.

The Journal's Quincy special says that it seems probable that the levees below the city, although strengthened and raised, will give way before the great flood which is coming, and expose the rich farm lands to another inundation and loss of crops.

MILWAUKEE, April 21.—The rivers centering here are rapidly falling and no danger is now feared. The damage on the Milwaukee river on towns outside of the city will probably reach \$25,000; the damage is small in the city.

HANNIBAL, April 21.—The water is only nine inches below the highest mark for last year, the streets are inundated, and farmers are leaving the low lands in fear; however, disaster may be averted by great effort.

SIoux CITY April 21.—The Missouri river is a foot higher than there is any record of here. It is still rising at Sully to-night, and there is no immediate prospect of a fall here. No great injury has been done in this city. It is said that the Dakota sufferers are safely housed and in a position to get food and necessities.

BISMARCK, April 21.—The Northern Pacific, which runs a considerable distance west of the Missouri, in the valley of the Hart river, is having considerable trouble with washouts. Over twenty bridges are washed out, as also are several hundred yards of track in the bad lands. Parts of the river are still over the banks, and Mandan is still from one to two feet of water in its streets, as well as large quantities of ice yet unmelted. More damage is likely to occur. The Northern Pacific is working night and day forces with their pile drivers repairing bridges.

OMAHA, April 21.—The river at noon was six inches below the highest point of the late flood and was rising rapidly. The situation is much the same as ten days ago, except that there is now no danger from ice. Lumber in extensive yards is beginning to float, threatening a heavy loss. Railroad communications are maintained by bridges of flat cars at the transfer.

OMAHA, April 22.—The Missouri continues to rise slowly, and at noon had reached 22 feet and 4 inches. The lumber yards are losing considerable stock with each inch of the rise, but the railway shops, smelting works and distillery are withstanding the flood finely and can still withstand several feet more rise without any great danger. The river men calculate that the river will reach a stand-still here by to-morrow morning.

SIoux CITY, April 22.—The river has risen nine inches to-day and is still coming up. Both rail and telegraph communications are cut off with the north and west.

OMAHA, April 22.—The Missouri at ten o'clock this evening had attained the additional height of a foot since Monday and two inches since daylight, and is now raiding the pork-packing houses, hitherto untouched, and pouring into the lower buildings of the distillery. One lumber company has sustained considerable loss. It is decided to abandon the site of the yard on the river bottom. Railway communication will be remedied to-morrow by a chair on the Elkhorn river bridge, and travellers from the East reached Omaha to-day by ferry from Council Bluffs. River men expect that the rise will close at midnight.

Terrible Railroad Accident.

CHICAGO, April 21.—The Evening Journal's Clinton (Ia.) special says: As the night express train west bound on the Rock Island Division of the Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, was moving at ordinary speed across the trestle work over the Meredosia river one mile south of Albany, Illinois, the trestle gave way and the train without warning was suddenly precipitated into the river. The train consisted of engine, tender, baggage car, passenger and sleeping cars, all went down except the sleeper, which hangs over the end of the bridge at an angle of 45 degrees. With the upper end high in the air, two cars floated off down stream. The passenger coach lodged against the island forty rods away. The baggage car is stuck in the middle of the stream about the same distance, and only the roofs of two cars are now in sight. Engineer West, and the fireman, name unknown, residing at Freeport, went down in the cab, and nothing has been seen since of the locomotive or men. The baggageman, Samuel Flanagan, brakeman, Harry Meyers, messenger, Dan'l Elithorpe, conductor, Thos. Fuller, all escaped uninjured except the latter. Their escape is a miracle. Eleven passengers were in the forward car.

It is said a freight train passed over the bridge an hour or so ahead of the passenger.

Twenty boats are at work in the pouring rain searching for bodies and securing luggage. All the bodies are believed, however, to be washed out. Holes have been cut in the roof of the baggage car and some luggage taken out. The shore here and for eight miles below is lined with people looking for tokens of the wreck.

Terrible Explosions.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., April 21.—A powder magazine, three miles from this city, containing 1,000 kegs of powder, exploded this forenoon. Buildings were shaken about the city as if by an earthquake. People were thrown from their feet, and plate glass and small windows were broken in many cases. The explosion was heard for miles around. The damage to buildings in the city amounts to five thousand dollars. No lives were lost.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., April 21.—About 7:30 a. m. two terrible and almost simultaneous explosions occurred from nitro glycerine in the nitre vaults of the Dittmar Powder works of this city. About five minutes afterward 10,000 pounds of sporting powder, in a store house about one hundred feet from the nitre vaults, ignited and caused another terrific explosion. Buildings were demolished and scattered in every direction, and property destroyed for miles around. The shock was distinctly felt forty miles away. No one was seriously hurt.

Irregularities.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 23.—The irregular transactions which have been uncovered in the contract office of the post office department by the investigations of Postmaster James are the principal topics of discussion throughout the city to-day and especially in the executive departments. The case against General Brady and his friends has been presented in its completed shape to President Garfield. Both he and Mr. Key were overruled by General Brady, whose power in the department in view of the recent development, appears to have been almost absolute, and instructions were at once given to complete the evidence and lay the whole subject, including the accumulated mass of documents and affidavits before the Attorney General. It is reported, and is probably the truth, that while Judge Tyner was cognizant of the Star route operations and long ago manifested a disposition to expose them.

False Report.

CHICAGO, Apr. 22.—The Journal's Washington special says: The Post characterizes the statement about General Brady being mixed up wrongfully in the Star-route, contests that it is purely sensational, and says that his resignation was asked by the President as a favor and was not based upon any developments or the result of any investigation. Postmaster General James disavows any agency in the movement which led to Brady's resignation.

It is a Lie.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 22.—The National Republicans will to-morrow print the following: NEW YORK, Apr. 23, 1881. To Geo. C. Gorham, Republican Office, Washington, D. C. You will please say for me that all the charges affecting my integrity as a public officer are absolutely and unjustly false. THOS. S. BRADY.

Serious Accident on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad.

DENVER, April 22.—A well authenticated rumor is afloat that a serious accident has occurred on the southern end of the Denver and Rio Grande railroad. Six or eight persons are said to have been killed. It is impossible to obtain the particulars at present.

Land League Convention.

DUBLIN, April 21.—The national convention of the land league opened to-day, with one thousand delegates present; Parnell presided. Resolutions were adopted declaring that Duvall should be released, and thanking Irishmen in America for support.

The Lincoln Club.

ROCHESTER, April 21.—The Lincoln Club, the leading young men's Republican organization of the city, this evening strongly endorsed the nomination of Robertson for collector of the port of New York.

Alexander III.

NEW YORK, April 21.—A Berlin correspondent says: A Nihilist manifesto announcing the approaching death of Alexander III, has been received by all the Russian ministers and court officials.

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NEW YORK, April 21.—The Republican central club to night approved the nomination of Judge Robertson for Collector of the port.

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