

DOWNS GROVE REPORTER.

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HISTORY OF A WEEK.

THE NEWS OF SEVEN DAYS UP TO DATE.

Political, Religious, Social and Criminal News of the Week Carefully Selected for Our Readers—The Acquaintance.

The Elwood, Ind., bottlers' scale has been signed, and calls for a reduction of 20 per cent.

Coon Brothers, wholesale cheese dealers, doing business in Philadelphia, made an assignment Monday for the benefit of their creditors.

The United States Cotton Company of Central Falls, R. I., has made an average reduction of 8 per cent in the wages of the operatives, but agrees to run on full time.

The Western New York Preserving and Manufacturing Company of Springville, N. Y., has gone into the hands of a receiver. Statements made to the court show the assets to be \$26,756; liabilities, \$167,373.

A reduction in wages varying from 5 to 8 per cent went into effect in the mills of the Salmon Falls Manufacturing Company of New Hampshire. The management has promised to restore the cut when business improves.

The marriage of Ugo Biondi, the young Florentine dramatic artist, and Miss Gertrude Bial, niece of Manager Albert Bial of New York, has been postponed for two weeks. Some papers that are to be signed have not yet arrived from Italy.

The Bluefields Banana Company of Galveston, Texas, has assigned to Fenton Cannon as trustee. The company owns three vessels and does a fruit business with Central American ports. Liabilities, about \$50,000 or \$60,000; assets, \$25,000.

The fireproof cement roof to one of the lecture rooms in course of construction adjoining the rotunda of the University of Virginia, at Charlottesville, Va., fell in, killing two carpenters, Eugene Bunch and George Tucker, and injuring three others.

The forty-third convention of the International Typographical Union finished its sessions in Colorado Springs, Colo. President Prescott said the convention had in many respects been the most important held in the last ten years, and that it had cost \$30,000.

General Morton C. Hunter, one of the best known citizens and soldiers of Southern Indiana and chairman of the Indiana Soldiers' Commission, was stricken with paralysis at Bloomington, Ind., and is at the point of death.

Amelita Anderson-General Newell of Springfield, Ill., holds that a man becoming of age on November 4 is entitled to vote and as having reached his legal majority November 3—that is, as having completed twenty-one years of existence. On the morning of November 4 he enters upon his twenty-second year. A person born November 4 is therefore entitled to vote November 3.

Baron Fava visited the white house for the purpose of presenting to the President by direction of the King of Italy a testimonial of esteem in the shape of a set of volumes of the greatest historical value touching the early history of America. The work is in fourteen volumes.

L. Ayers and wife of Newville, Ind., have separated over politics. Mrs. Ayers is a free silver advocate, and her husband is an old soldier and a republican. The trouble started over a Bryan picture which Mrs. Ayers insisted upon putting in the window. The affair ended in a row, and Ayers packed up his effects and left.

The Manitoba school question, which caused the defeat of the Conservative Government, in Canada, with Sir Chas. Tupper as Premier, after it had been in power for eighteen years, has been finally settled by the Laurier Liberal administration. The basis of settlement is acceptable to the Manitoba Government.

Mrs. Andrew Groves, residing three miles south of New Berlin, Ill., was passing some burning brush when the clothing of her two small children caught fire from the brush. The mother went to save them and her own clothing caught fire and she was burned so severely that she died in six hours after being taken to the home of a neighboring farmer. The lives of the children were saved.

A section of the Harri tribe of Afghans has attacked the Sanari station on the Quetta railway in Baluchistan, killing the entire staff except the station master, who lost an arm. A detachment of troops is held in readiness to occupy Sanari. It is supposed that the trouble arose from a frontier dispute.

It is stated by those who are attending on Senator Voorhes that his health is improving and that Thursday he "talked politics" for the first time. Still there is no prospect of his participating in the campaign.

The Berlin Frankfurter Zeitung sixth anniversary that Dr. Kayser, director of the colonial office, has resigned. A similar announcement was made in March last, and his resignation has for a long time past been looked upon as being among the probabilities.

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CASUALTIES.

The loss by the burning of the West Michigan furniture factory at Holland approximates \$150,000; insurance \$66,000. The fire throws 412 men out of work temporarily.

St. Peter's Polish Catholic church and parish residence at Stevens' Point, Wis., were entirely destroyed at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, causing a loss of fully \$30,000. The property was insured for \$11,000.

The largest fire that has occurred in Los Angeles, Cal., in years started late Sunday night in the Fowler paper box factory, and before it was subdued over \$100,000 worth of property had been consumed.

Twenty-five freight cars, with their contents, were destroyed in a wreck on the Big Four railroad near Wellington, O., Saturday night. The loss will reach \$100,000.

William Brown was killed by an enraged bull on his farm near Amherst, Neb., Sunday. He went into the pasture to take out some cattle, when the animal attacked him, knocked him down and trampled him to death.

While hunting near Lake Nebagamon, Wisconsin, Frank Peters was shot by another hunter, who mistook him for a deer. The wound is severe.

The house of J. S. Miller, a farmer living four miles north of Linden, Wash., was burned and six children were burned to death. Another child and a man named Frank Boise were seriously burned. Miller and his wife were away from home.

The most disastrous fire that Montreal, Que., has ever seen occurred at 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. Three firemen lost their lives by the falling of the floor of the fourth story, which buried them, with thirteen companions, in the cellar. The financial loss is \$250,000.

George P. Hummer's \$100,000 furniture factory, at Holland, Mich., was destroyed by fire Friday and 400 men thrown out of work.

At Mason City, Iowa, while the eight-year-old sons of E. D. Jenkins and J. B. Price were playing soldier in the yard, the latter carrying an old rusty gun, the weapon was accidentally fired, blowing the top of young Jenkins' head off. He died instantly.

FOREIGN.

A special from Antwerp announces the murder at Somerville, N. Y., by Orrin Kinnle of his father, Daniel Kinnle. Orrin Kinnle afterward committed suicide. Kinnle is thought to have been insane.

A Berlin dispatch to the London Times says that the usually well-informed Schlesiensche Zeitung reports that the German government meditates sending a mission to endeavor to secure a tract of territory on the east coast of China to enable Germany to share in the industrial and commercial development of that country.

Re-enforcements of 8,000, led by four generals, will start from Spain for the Philippine islands on November 12 to take part in the campaign against the insurgents there.

The steamer Odbam of the Netherlands-American line, which arrived at New York Sunday from Rotterdam, via Boulogne, brought 346 steerage passengers, of whom 167 were Armenians. It is said the immigration authorities will examine closely into the right of these Armenians under the United States immigration laws to land here.

Earthquake shocks lasting several seconds were felt at 7:15 Friday morning at Savona, Porto, Maurizio, Mentone, and Altare, Italy.

The car and castrina arrived at Hamburg Friday and were present at the ceremonies of laying the cornerstone of the Russian church there. Ex-Empress Frederick was also present.

CRIME.

John Patton renewed a political quarrel between Charles Goldsmith and Lawrence Burkett at Alexandria, Ind., and before it was known how Patton got into the trouble he had shot Burkett through the heart. Patton was captured and locked up.

William Harris was found guilty of murder in the second degree by a jury at Des Moines, Ia. He killed George Frank in a drunken street row, without provocation, September 8.

A negro dance near Scullyville, Ark., broke up in a row. Two negro men, whose names are not known, were killed. Two others are under arrest, charged with doing the shooting.

The postoffice at Granville, Ohio, was entered by burglars last night and \$1,000 in stamps and over \$200 in money taken.

Harold Cavell, alias Kimball, the matrimonial swindler, pleaded guilty before Judge Taft in the United States court at Cincinnati, and was sent to the Ohio penitentiary for seventeen months and heavily fined.

George H. Morrison, the defaulting treasurer of Rensselaer County, was arraigned in the Circuit Court in Troy, N. Y., before Justice Parker. He entered a plea of not guilty and his trial was set down for November 3.

The police of Galesburg, Ill., have unearthed a gang of boy robbers who have committed a number of serious burglaries for a year past. Four have been committed to jail. All are sons of respectable parents.

Miss Blanch Gray, a young lady of fine family, was going home from a friend's house to her sister's in the northern part of Spalding county, Georgia, when a negro assaulted her in a horrible manner. The negro was afterward lynched by a mob.

The county workhouse prisoners, at work near Soddy, Tenn., mutilated and twenty-eight of them made a rush on the guards, who opened fire on them with shotguns, wounding half of the men, all negroes, seriously, and quelling all except two, who made their escape. It is thought that four of the wounded negroes will die.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Jonathan Newton Harris, banker and philanthropist, died at New London, Conn., Sunday, aged 81. He contributed \$100,000 for the foundation of the Harris school of science at Dan-laha university, Japan.

Private information received from Memphis states that Senator Itham G. Harris is very sick near that city and that his intimate friends who know of his condition are very anxious and alarmed.

A panic has been created in the poorer districts of Sioux City, Iowa, by the report that fish from the Floyd river are being sold here for food. The water of the stream is poisoned by decaying matter thrown into it by manufacturing on its banks and the fish are pronounced by the health authorities unfit to eat.

A memorial meeting in honor of Professor Blaisdell was held in the First Congregational Church at Beloit, Wis. One thousand persons were present and many speeches were made.

President Ratchford and Secretary Lewis of the States Minehs' Association began at Columbus, Ohio, the count of the miners of the state upon the mine operators' proposition to reduce the wage scale from 61 cents per ton to 45 cents. It is known that the vote is almost unanimously against accepting the reduction.

The Bethlehem, Pa., Iron Company has been notified that the test plates representing the group of sixteen plates for the turret of the Russian vessel Rostislav, has successfully withstood the bombardment of big projectiles, and that the group has been accepted by the Russian government.

The steamer Alpena foundered with all on board sixteen years ago Friday between St. Joseph, Mich., and Chicago, and the day has been commemorated nearly every year. Services were held in memory of the many who lost their lives on the steamer.

Senator J. Z. George of Missouri, is seriously ill at his home at Carrollton. Thomas E. Watson Friday forwarded certain papers to Kansas, notifying the secretary of state to take his name as nominee for vice-president from the head of the silver democratic populist fusion ticket.

The prescription glassware manufacturers of the United States and a committee of the American Flint Glass Workers' Association have come to an agreement by which work will be resumed at last year's scale. It is expected the factories throughout the country will at once resume operations, giving 8,000 skilled workers employment.

Ex-Postmaster General John Wansmaker was re-elected president of the Pennsylvania Sabbath-School Association by the convention now in session here.

J. H. Brigham of Delta, Ohio, president of the National Grange, reports a remarkable revival in the grange organization all over the country. There are now nearly 1,000,000 members, and 27,000 granges in the United States. The order is the strongest in the Eastern States.

The Ship-Owners' Association of San Francisco has reduced wages for seamen \$5 per month for lumber vessels and \$2.50 per month for coalers. This rate only applies to Pacific coast ships, the owners alleging poor business. Much dissatisfaction prevails among sailors, and a strike is considered probable.

Secretary Carlisle, at direction of the president, has accepted the resignation of Dr. John B. Hamilton of Chicago as surgeon of the marine hospital service. After a somewhat exciting contest between Col. J. John Donoghue of Wilmington and Gen. J. M. Paver of Indianapolis the former was elected commander of the Union Veteran Legion.

J. D. Kennedy, a banker and prominent citizen of Manchester, Iowa, hanged himself Wednesday. Losses sustained in world's fair investments at Chicago is said to be the cause of his suicide. He was one of the early settlers of the northwest, a Mason, and held a number of public offices.

LATEST MARKET REPORTS.

Table with columns for CHICAGO and DETROIT, listing prices for various commodities like Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, and Wheat.

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ON THE BRINK OF WAR.

GEN. LEE DARES WEYLER TO FIRE ON THE VIGILANCIA.

Says That Bombs Will Be Dropping in Havana Within Two Weeks if He Makes a Hostile Move—Weyler Is Threatened With Recall.

A special says: If the Spanish authorities had taken Senor Angel Fernandez off the Ward Line steamer Vigilancia while that vessel was in Havana Harbor last Friday United States warships would have immediately been ordered to Havana to enforce a demand for reparations and war between this country and Spain would have undoubtedly resulted.

For three hours last Friday the United States and Spain were on the brink of war, and the threatening situation was only relieved when the Spanish authorities ignominiously backed down and allowed the Vigilancia to proceed to sea with Fernandez still on board.

HANNA AND JONES MAKE ESTIMATES.

The Respective Managers of the National Candidates Figure on the Result of the Election November 3—Their Guesses Are Wide Apart.

Table comparing HANNA'S ESTIMATE and JONES' ESTIMATE for various states, including columns for State, Mc-Kinley, Bryan, and Doubtful.

MAY EDITH COLLINS WHO IS TO MARY CHANCEY DEPEW.



Miss Edith Collins, who, according to Dame Rumor, is to marry Chauncey M. Depew in November, is a great-granddaughter of old Commodore Vanderbilt, the founder of the Vanderbilt family. She is said to have inherited but a little of the Vanderbilt wealth, and Mr. Depew knows exactly the condition of her finances, for he has been her guardian for many years. Mr. Depew himself may be counted a millionaire, and as he and Miss Collins are distantly related the marriage will help to keep intact a goodly proportion of the fortune amassed by the commodore. Miss Collins is 25 years old. She has black hair and eyes, and is plump and pretty. The doctor has not denied that he is to be married to his ward, but he has not asserted it. Still, that is scarcely necessary, as there are plenty of people who will assert it for him. It is said that the gossip concerning the wedding has wrought a great change in the witty railroad man. His usual sunny nature has become clouded, and instead of being full of good humor he is silent and reserved even among his friends. For the first time in his life Mr. Depew refused to see the reporters when they called at his office to find out all about his coming marriage. The fact that he denied himself to the newspaper men is considered by those who know him as significant.

THE TRADE REVIEW.

BETTER BUSINESS SEEMS TO BE ASSURED.

Grain Movement Responsible for the Improvement—Good Excess of Merchandise Exports Over Imports—Wool Market Stronger—The Week's Failures.

R. C. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade, says:

The one commercial change which more than any other insures better business in the near future is the excess of merchandise exports over imports. In September exports were \$85,098,594 and imports only \$50,325,765, and the excess of exports was \$34,772,829, in payment for which net imports of gold were \$34,249,183. Last year the excess of merchandise imports was \$4,765,257 in September and net exports of gold \$16,509,558. In the four principal classes exports increased \$20,641,134, more than half in cotton. In two weeks of October the exports from New York have increased 30.6 per cent, against 31.2 in September, while imports have decreased 24 per cent, against 35.2 in September. Continued shipments of gold from Europe, not including \$4,000,000 from Australia, now amount to \$59,250,000 since the movement began, of which \$52,250,000 has already arrived, and has not been arrested by measures taken by the great European banks.

The heavy movement of grain is the cornerstone. After an increase of \$5,923,675 in exports of breadstuffs in September there have been shipped the past week from Atlantic ports alone 2,134,774 bushels, four included, and 4,203,845 in two weeks of October, against 3,510,271 bushels last year. A more important fact is that all available grain freights have been engaged for months ahead here and on the Pacific coast. The minister of agriculture in India stated in council on Thursday that distress was expected in a large part of India as the result of drouth, but importations of wheat from California would help to prevent actual famine. A high official of Russia now in this country confirms accounts of shortness in the Russian yield. Thus estimates that Europe will fall 100,000,000 bushels short of last year in supply, of wheat are strongly supported, and while department estimates of the yield in this country are not credited there is every reason to expect a remarkable foreign demand. Western receipts fall a little below last year's and for two weeks have been 14,235,016 bushels, against 15,094,463 last year. Wheat has advanced 1/4 cents for the week and corn 2 cents.

Confidence as to the future makes trouble in some industries, because speculation in materials raises prices so that demand for finished products is checked. Boot and shoe makers get very narrow orders at old prices, or at an advance less than 1 per cent for the week and less than 6 per cent from the lowest point. Similar difficulties threaten in the iron manufacture. Wool is stronger, with continued speculative buying, and sales at eastern markets have been 14,536,300 pounds for two weeks, against 21,209,700 last year and 12,702,800 in 1892, but consigned wool has been mostly withdrawn until after the election. No gain is at present possible in goods, and though the number of mills starting for the week is fifteen, against seven stopping, much of the work done is in anticipation of a better demand than now exists. The cotton manufacture has also started more spindles, but the demand for goods scarcely increases and print cloths sell at 2.56 cents. The manufacture of many metals also drags, though domestic demand for copper is moderate at \$10.75 for lake. Lead is a shade weaker at \$2.75, and tinmakers are underselling foreign 15 to 20 cents per box. Failures for the week have been 323 in the United States, against 263 last year, and forty in Canada, against forty-six last year.

Speech of an Honorable Successor. The name of Rev. Father Conaty, head name of the Rev. Father Conaty, head of the Catholic Summer School of Philosophy at Plattsburg, N. Y., is prominently mentioned for the place of rector of the Catholic University, and the belief prevails in well-informed circles that his will be one of the names submitted to the Pope. Father Conaty is a man of intellectual tendencies and his activity has brought the Catholic Summer School into marked prominence. He is attached to the Springfield (Mass.) diocese. The friends of Dr. Garrigan, vice-rector of the university, are expecting that his name will be included in those sent to the Pope.

Lanier Keeps His Pledge. The vexed question of the abolition of state-aided Roman Catholic schools in the province of Manitoba, after causing the defeat of the late conservative government four months ago, has been finally and satisfactorily settled by the new liberal cabinet. The province is to have no religious schools in which no religious are to be recognized, but no protestant ministers of the gospel are to be allowed the privilege of hours after the schools have closed of giving religious instruction.

Horace Rublee Is Keen Sentinel. Horace Rublee, editor of the Sentinel, died Sunday. He had been suffering for some time from a tumorous disease, tuberculosis, and died last month. He leaves a widow and several children.

A dispatch to the effect that an earthquake of great force shook Valparaiso, Chile, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. There was a panic in the city, but the damage done was slight.

Rudolph Schnaubelt Dead. A California special says: Rudolph Schnaubelt, the three fierce-visaged anarchist who threw the Haymarket bomb in Chicago and for whose apprehension the police machinery of the world has been in motion ever since, is dead. The end of his long flight and years of hiding ended Monday in all-cie town in southern California. Consumption, a better trailer and worse foe than the authorities for law and order, found him out.

Wisconsin Commandery Adjourns. The Wisconsin Grand commandery, Knights Templar, reached final adjournment Wednesday afternoon after a short but exceedingly busy session, devoted largely to legislative work. Edmund C. Deane, Racine, was elected grand commander.