

CONDENSED NEWS

All the master metal workers and the tanners of St. Joseph, Mo., reached an agreement and a strike of three months is declared off.

The present rise in the Ohio river has started a great run of coal for the Ohio and Mississippi valleys.

The new State bank of Chiapas, on the Guatemala border, has been opened for business by Americans with \$500,000 capital.

The new Bank of Orizaba, Mexico, with a paid-up capital of \$150,000, is a new American institution.

Attorney General Bell has filed for the state of Texas in a suit against the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe for penalties for alleged violation of the railroad commission law.

The International and Great Northern has purchased two blocks of ground at Houston, Tex., and will put up a freight warehouse to cover both.

The Berlin public is both pleased and amused over incidents of Prince Henry's trip through the United States.

The reconstruction of the British army on the plan in use in the United States is strongly advocated by Arthur Hamilton Lee, for many years British military attaché at Washington.

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Arthur and Benjamin Lockridge, Iowa, five months old, died at their home in Kansas City, Kan., from the effects of four drops of laudanum, which was administered to them by their father, J. H. Lockridge.

M. D. Munn, special attorney for the state of Minnesota in the so-called merger suits, says there is absolutely no foundation for the report that he is to confer with representatives of the Northern Securities company regarding the expediting of suits to test that company's legality.

At a mass meeting of the citizens of Fort Arthur resolutions were adopted regretting the conflict between the two bills now pending in Congress, one of them making the town a port of entry and the other a subport. It was resolved that it must be a port or nothing.

Rev. Baker P. Lee, dean of Christ's Episcopal church at Lexington, Ky., has received a call from Grace church, Chicago, and it is believed he will accept. The salary is said to be \$15,000 a year.

The Baltimore & Ohio has purchased \$163,000 worth of property at Cincinnati, to be used for increased terminal facilities.

The Toledo Terminal company has purchased ground for a station and additional terminals. The price paid was \$210,000.

The Illinois Central road is surveying a branch from Paducah, Ky., to Cairo, Ill.

At Anderson, I. T., a disastrous fire consumed the principal business portion of the town. The losses: H. Rosenbaum, general merchandise, \$10,000; A. Seymour, hotel, \$5,000; C. A. Heathcock, groceries, \$1,000; J. Allen, two houses, \$1,000; D. J. Sullivan, merchandise, \$3,500; E. S. Moller, pool hall, \$1,000; W. L. Terrell, grocer, \$2,000.

The President has signed the Philippine tariff bill.

General Chakir Pacha, a brother of the late grand vizier, who was recently arrested by order of the sultan, and the other officers taken into custody with him, have been liberated.

It is said the Russian General Gribki, who was responsible for the massacre at Blagovestchensk, has been dismissed from the army.

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WEEK'S DOINGS IN CONGRESS

Business Transacted by the House and Senate in the National Capital.

APPROPRIATION BILLS IN HAND

Time of Both Houses Taken Up with Measures for Disposal of the Cash on Hand—Senator Hanna Argues for the Shipping Subsidy.

Wednesday, March 6. It appears likely now that the Senate will reach a vote on the pending shipping bill one week from next Monday.

Thursday, March 6. Senator Hanna as the champion of the pending shipping bill was the feature of the day in the Senate.

Friday, March 7. On account of the indisposition of Mr. Vest of Missouri and Mr. Mallory of Florida, who expected to speak on the pending ship subsidy bill, that measure was not considered by the Senate.

Saturday, March 8. The House on Saturday closed the general debate upon the bill to classify the rural free delivery service and place the carriers under the contract system.

Sunday, March 9. A Boer magazine was discovered by Canadian scouts in a cave north-east of Beit which contained 300,000 rounds of Martini and 10,000 rounds of Lee-Netford ammunition.

of the civil service, has "misled and deceived" the House. The speaker held that as the whole subject had been disposed of no question of privilege was presented.

Monday, March 10. For nearly two hours Mr. Vest of Missouri addressed the Senate in opposition to the pending ship subsidy bill.

After seven days' practically uninterrupted discussion of the measure the House eviscerated the bill to put the rural free delivery service under the contract system and then passed it.

Pittsburg District Miners' Scale. Pittsburg, Pa., special: There will be no strike of the coal miners in the Pittsburg district this year.

Burglars Wreck Bank. Last week a gang of burglars wrecked the State Bank of Nemaha with dynamite, but were frightened away before they secured any plunder.

Officers Aship Prize. C. A. Pearson, London publisher has, through the Aero Club, offered M. Santos-Dumont £4,000 if he can fly in his airship from London to Birmingham.

Wood Ordered to Washington. Secretary Root has ordered Gov. Wood to report at Washington at his earliest convenience for the purpose of conferring with the President and the Secretary of War in regard to the necessary steps to be taken for winding up the affairs of the military government in Cuba and the establishment of the Cuban Republic.

Scalers On a Strike. At St. Johns, N. F., last week four thousand seamen went on strike for higher prices on the product of the season's catch.

To Form New Territory. The House committee on territories decided to report the bill giving the Indian Territory a territorial form of government to be known as the Territory of Jefferson.

New Trial for Jessie Morrison. Topeka, Kas., special: Jessie Morrison, who was convicted of murder for the killing of Mrs. Clara W. Castle of El Dorado a year ago, was granted a new trial by the Supreme Court.

TRAIN WRECKED BY BROKEN RAIL

Fire Destroys Cars in Which Passengers Are Held Prisoners.

MANY PERSONS ARE CREMATED.

Little Hope of Rescuing Those Caught in the Burning Mass—Engine and Tender Are Thrown Seventy-Five Feet from the Rails.

Racing at a terrific pace over rough grades to make up two and a half hours' lost time, the Southern Pacific train struck a broken rail near Maxon, Texas, twenty-five miles west of Sanderson, at 3 o'clock Friday morning and was destroyed.

It is feared that the list of dead may reach forty. That is the number of passengers and crew not accounted for, and survivors say when they left the wreck was burning furiously, with no hope of getting out alive any of the injured still in the debris.

A. L. Boone, Estavon, Contreras, child of D. E. House of Racine, Wis., Chris Kiel, Al Mast, W. W. Price, three children of Mart Riddle of Chetopa, Kan., Andrew C. Shelly, wife and child, Mr. and Mrs. White of Manitowoc, Wis.

Among the more seriously injured are: W. R. Adams, Craig Battleman, Antonio Elrio, J. Fuller, W. S. Glenn, Charles H. Hoy, Mrs. Mary Koehler, Mrs. Mitchell, George Ollenburg, Mrs. E. M. Sheppard, A. S. Turner, Mrs. Annie Worthen.

In addition at least fifteen others received injuries. The road at the point where the wreck occurred is in a rough country, the curves being sharp and the grades heavy.

The train was going at such a rate of speed that the tender and engine landed seventy-five feet from where they left the rails. The cars behind piled up against the engine, caught fire and all were consumed except the sleepers.

A private car owned by Thomas Ryan of New York, with his family aboard, was attached to the rear of the train, but it was pulled away before the fire reached it, and no one in it was injured.

All the injured in the coaches just behind the express and baggage cars were cremated.

The smoker and day coaches were crowded with wounded when the flames burst out, and very few of those inside escaped. Those who did escape say they saw several persons piled in the cars, slowly burning to death.

Twelve Victims of the Wreck. Officials of the Southern Pacific say that all persons on the train wrecked near Maxon, Tex., have been accounted for and that the dead number twelve, as follows: H. Bertscholst, A. L. Boone, Estavon Contreras, infant child of O. E. House of Racine, Wis., Al Mast, three children of Mart Riddle, Chetopa, Kan., Mrs. A. C. Shelly and infant child, Mr. and Mrs. White of Manitowoc, Wis. El Paso advises state that all who were injured in the wreck will recover. There have been no new developments as to the cause of the disaster.

Invitation to France. In Congress last week Representative Hitt introduced a resolution authorizing the President to extend to the government and people of France and the family of General Rochambeau, commander-in-chief of the French forces in America during the war of independence, a cordial invitation to unite with the government and people of the United States in a fit and appropriate dedication of the monument of General Rochambeau to be unveiled in Washington on May 24.

Bank Robbers Felled. Liberty Center, O., special: Over 100 shots were exchanged between the citizens of this place and a gang of robbers that were attempting to loot the Citizens' National bank. When the robbers were discovered, a watchman gave the alarm, so that many citizens were called out, but not before the robbers learned of the situation and escaped. No one was hurt, as the shooting was at long range.

Recommend Minister's Suspension. A committee of ministers which has been hearing the evidence against Rev. J. B. Wolfe at Ashland, Ill., charged with immoral conduct, brought in a verdict recommending his suspension from the church. Charges of immorality, lying and falsifying of highly indiscreet and improper conduct were sustained against him.

Liquor Dealers Banned. New Haven, Conn., dispatch: By vote of the national council of the Knights of Columbus, taken at their annual session here, no more members who are liquor dealers will be paid death benefits.

ANOTHER GRAND REPORT.

From His Majesty's Dockyard, Portsmouth, England.

Where Upwards of 10,000 Men Are Constantly Employed.

Some time ago the Portsmouth Times and Naval Gazette published a most thrilling and remarkable substance of the wife of Mr. Frederick Payne, himself connected with the Portsmouth dockyard for many years. The report produced a great sensation, not only in Portsmouth, but throughout the country, being considered of sufficient importance for reproduction and editorial comment by the leading metropolitan and provincial press of England, as showing the marvelous power which St. Jacobs Oil possesses as a cure for rheumatism, its application having effected a perfect cure in the case of Mrs. Payne, after having been a helpless cripple and given up by several physicians.

We have now further evidence of its intrinsic value as a Pain Conqueror. Our readers will do well to follow the intelligent and highly interesting details as given in Mrs. Rabbets own words:

"To the Proprietors St. Jacobs Oil—" Gentlemen: My husband, who is a shipwright in His Majesty's dockyard, met with an accident to his ankle and leg, spraining both so badly that his leg turned black from his knee to his toes. The doctor said it would be months before he could put his foot to the ground, and it was doubtful whether he would ever get proper use of his leg again.

"A few days after the accident I had a book left at the door telling about St. Jacobs Oil, so I procured a bottle from the chemist, Mr. Arthur Creswell, 379 Commercial Road. I began to use St. Jacobs Oil, and you may guess my surprise when in about another week from that date my husband could not only stand, but could even walk about, and in three weeks from the time I first used the Oil my husband was back at work, and everybody talking about his wonderful recovery. This is not all. Seeing what St. Jacobs Oil could do gave me faith in your Vegeler's Curative Compound, also favorably mentioned in the book left at my house. I determined to try the compound on my little girl, who was suffering from a dreadful skin disease, the treatment of which has cost me large sums of money in going from one doctor to another with her, all to no purpose.

She has taken two bottles of Vegeler's Curative Compound, and one would now hardly take her for the same child. Her skin has such a nice healthy color after the sallow look she has always had.

"I shall never cease to be thankful for the immense benefit we have derived from these two great remedies of yours. I think it a duty to recommend these medicines now I have proved their value.

(Signed, "Elizabeth S. Rabbets, "33 Grafton Street, Mile End, "Landport, Portsmouth, England.") A liberal free sample of Vegeler's Compound will be sent by addressing St. Jacobs Oil, Ltd., Baltimore.

The above honest, straightforward statement of Mrs. Rabbets evidence is stronger and far more convincing than pages of paid advertisements, which, though in themselves attractive, yet lack that convincing proof which Mrs. Rabbets' description of her own experience supplies. St. Jacobs Oil has a larger sale throughout the world than that of all other remedies for outward application combined, and this can only be accounted for from the fact of its superiority over all others.

Prof. Monmsen a Pessimist. Prof. Monmsen sees no prospect for the improvement of humanity in the twentieth century based on its history in its first year. The historian says: "If you have had any hopes of the progress of mankind in the new century I envy you. I have none. Indeed, I find it rather backsliding. Perhaps if a new world would arrive to supplant the ancient one humanity may be bettered; but this, too, I think extremely doubtful."

How's That? We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 18 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

Proposed Honor for Gen. Wallace. Congress will soon be called upon to consider a proposition for the erection of a monument to Gen. Lew Wallace and the troop with whom he defended Washington during the Civil War. The suggestion has been made that Senator Fairbanks of Indiana take charge of the matter.

Indian Women a Trained Nurse. One of the first Indian women to take up the calling of a trained nurse is an educated girl of the Pueblo tribe, Miss Selcher Ataye.

Right is more beautiful than private affection, and is compatible with universal wisdom.—Emerson.

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