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SAN FRANCISCO, 18.—Owing to the destruction of the telegraph office and lines, news regarding the conflagration at Eureka, Nevada, has been delayed, during which time great interest has been manifested in this city to learn the details of the disaster. This evening's dispatches came through, giving further particulars, and a partial list of the losses, from which the following is ascertained:

About 10 a. m. yesterday the alarm of fire was sounded, and a dense cloud of smoke was seen to issue from the rear of Mrs. Poplin's fruit and vegetable store, on Main Street, just south of the Odd Fellows' Hall. In two minutes several wooden buildings in the immediate vicinity were enveloped in flames. The fire seemed to make unprecedented headway from the very start. The wind was blowing a gale from the south, and continued to blow as it can only blow in these mountain canyons until the flames had run their course of fire, backed up against the wind to Gold Street, crossing Buel, and in turn reaching to Spring and Paul Streets, its course and scope being almost identical with the great conflagration of April, 1879, differing only in these particulars: It was a little further south and stopped a little short of the old mark on the north. Possibly 300 houses, many of them business establishments, were destroyed, also some of the finest private residences in the town. A space equal to 50 acres in the heart of the town was swept away. In this area only half a dozen buildings remain. The *Leader* office, Odd Fellows' Hall, Theatre, International Hotel, A. M. Hill's house, an elegant residence, and the Methodist Church were among the prominent buildings destroyed.

The Jackson House was gutted, but still stands. The International is melted almost to a level with the ground. The entire line of buildings on the west side of Main street is charred and many of them badly damaged.

The exact origin of the fire is not known. The first any one knew the flames were advanced in the rear of the premises already noted, when the fire had got beyond control.

A scene ensued which beggared all attempts at description. A hundred women and children were panic stricken, and men were fleeing in all directions for safety, some bearing with them articles of personal or household goods. Those on the lines of Spring and Paul streets scaled the rugged mountain to the eastward, while persons down the flat sought refuge in the direction of Nob Hill.

In the meantime drays and wagons were dashing around in the utmost haste to bear valuables from the doomed district. Finally the sun went down on the stricken and exhausted people.

The *Sentinel* roughly estimates the losses at \$250,000, covered by about \$150,000 insurance. The *Sentinel* thinks there must be suffering among the poor families, and calls for a meeting to-day to organize a relief committee.

CHICAGO, 18.—The *Times*, expressing what was frequently remarked yesterday, says: The rich and elegant uniforms worn by the Sir Knights of the California Commandery were particularly noticeable in the ranks. The hat or chapau is black, low crowned, and with broad rim turned up in front, on which is the appropriate cross, set in large silver rosettes, from which spring black and white plumes. The scarf, or baldrick, bearing regulation emblems, is of black velvet, very wide, trimmed with bullion fringe. The sword is also regulation, and the belt black. The peculiar and striking feature of the uniform is a short cape of the finest black velvet, lined and quilted with white silk. This is worn over the left shoulder like a chasseur military jacket. On the cape at the point of the shoulder there is a large Templar cross of white silk, relieved with silver, while the border of the cape is trimmed with two rows of elaborate silver bullion lace.

The competitive drill to-day of the Knights Templar at the Jockey Club grounds brought out 25,000 people. The following Commanderies participated: Ivanhoe, St. Louis (mounted); Demolia, Grand Rapids, Mich. (mounted); Monroe, Rochester, N. Y.; Damascus, St. Paul; Hosier, Indianapolis; Oriental, Cleveland; Demoli, Louisville; Reed, Day-

ton, Ohio, and Bayard, Stillwater, Minn.

The first military display was made by the Monroe Commandery, of Rochester, and its evolutions elicited hearty approbation from the waiting thousands. The others followed and the judges retired for mature consideration to award the prizes. The commanderies drilled thirty minutes each. The prizes are swords and belts, drinking sets, commandery jewels, etc. Several participants in the drill were much affected by the heat, but none were prostrated.

During the day there were rumors of the death of a Sir Knight from the heat, and some two hundred were under treatment in their tents. A number were temporarily delirious. The only case yet reported is that of George Firth, of Coldwater, Michigan, a member of Jacobs' Commandery No. 10. He was prostrated by the heat and dysentery when he first arrived, and died early this morning. His body was escorted to the depot by Appollo Commandery. He was a prominent man.

To-night all the theatres give free entertainments to the Knights and their ladies, and were filled to their full capacity. After the theatres closed, there was an open air concert of ten pieces, and at the close of that a grand display of fireworks was made. The pyrotechnics were given on a larger scale than ever before attempted in this city.

ST. LOUIS, 18.—The loss by the burning of the Yeager mill last night is now estimated at \$100,000. A large lot of new and valuable machinery was received at the mill yesterday and had been hoisted to the third floor, all of which was destroyed. The mill was running 30 burrs, instead of 20, as stated last night. The track in the rear of the mill belongs to the Union Depot Company, instead of the Missouri Pacific, and the cars burned there were owned by different railroad companies. The destruction of surrounding property and individual losses will make the aggregate loss by fire and water fully half a million. The loss on rick and contents is perhaps \$10,000. The artillery company lost two cannon, harness, etc., and the Light Guard Cavalry, which also used the building, lost 40 saddles, 60 sets of sabres, revolvers and accoutrements.

John Crangle, secretary of the milling company, places the loss by fire on the mill, machinery and contents at \$300,000. There were about 40,000 bushels of wheat in the mill. Twenty-eight box cars in the rear of the mill burned, some of them loaded with grain. William Weinheimer, one of the mill hands, was in the upper part of the mill when it took fire, and being unable to escape by the stairway, leaped from the fourth story window and was fatally wounded.

DENVER, 18.—Gallegh and Valedz, two Mexicans, arrested at Albuquerque, New Mexico, a few days ago on suspicion of murder, had a preliminary hearing there to-day and made a full confession. The name of the man murdered was S. Duprez, and it appeared had been a sheep owner in Southern Colorado. They are said to have obtained \$1,200 in money, a check for \$125 and several postoffice orders, and two horses and a wagon and other effects. Of the money, \$406 was found on their persons. Duprez was traveling south alone and stopped in a tent over night. One of the Mexicans shot him while asleep, while the other stood by with an axe ready to afford assistance if necessary.

SARATOGA, N. Y., 18.—The American Bar Association was called to order by Luke P. Pollard, who introduced President Benjamin H. Bristow. The President read his annual report, communicating the most noteworthy changes in the statute on points of general interest made in the several States and by Congress during the preceding year. The thanks of the Association were voted the President. Many new members were elected and an executive council chosen.

BOSTON, 18.—The *Herald's* Barnstable special says: The naked and terribly mutilated body of Mary Cassidy, aged ten years, was found in a brush heap in the woods. The head was nearly severed from the body, and in the child's side was a large butcher knife. The ground about bore evidence of the struggle to free herself from the villain who so fearfully assaulted and cruelly murdered her.

The wool market is quiet, trade dull, and to force any considerable lot, holders would have to make concessions. In California wool business is light at 88 @ 88c for spring.

WASHINGTON, 18.—The Commissioner of Indian Affairs is informed that the Six Brule Sioux who left the Rosebud Agency, stole seven horses and killed a white man before returning. They have been surrendered by Spotted Tail and sent to Fort Randall.

FARGO, 18.—The storm of last evening was terrible southwest of Fargo. Houses were blown down, one man was killed and three severely wounded fourteen miles from this city on the Cheyenne River.

KNOXVILLE, 18.—One girl was killed and several persons injured by the ditching of a train on the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, this morning. Cause, a wash-out.

LEADVILLE, 19.—Caucuses of the leading delegations were held last evening to consider the martial law resolution and considerable feeling was exhibited. The *Democrat* this morning says: We will in convention plainly and in the most unequivocal and emphatic terms say that the introduction of this resolution or rather its passage and adoption will prove the entering wedge that will so rend and divide the democracy that its defeat at the polls will surely follow. The question is one affecting only the local interests of Leadville and the party throughout the State should not tolerate its destroying presence in the convention.

DENVER, Col., 19.—The police, this morning, arrested Carrie Smith, the proprietress of the house of ill-fame where Abram Marburger was killed last night. Also Kitty Campbell and one or two others, on suspicion of being implicated in the murder. The men in the house at the time who last night kept quiet, this morning gave full particulars to the detectives and there is little doubt but the right parties have been arrested. The quarrel, it seems, occurred over a fan. Carrie Smith applied opprobrious epithets to Marburger when he lost his temper and the woman followed him down the stairs and struck him with a bottle. A friend of the woman then attacked Marburger and struck him in the back of the head a blow with a revolver which entered the skull. The city is much excited over the affair. Marburger leaves a wife and three children.

CHICAGO, 19.—The *Times* says: A democratic mine operator at Coal Creek, Fountain County, Ind., imported a large number of negroes from Virginia to work in the pits. A candidate of English, whose special hobby just now is negro colonization, sent for the operator and demanded an explanation. The employer said he had been unable to secure other help, that the transportation of the blacks had cost him \$2,000, that a thought of their voting had never entered his head, and that he did not propose to be catechised at all about an affair purely his own. The mines in question are situated in Dan Voorhees' old congressional district, where the "tall sycamore" stated a few months ago a thousand men were out of employment owing to the ruinous financial policy of the republican party.

The committee on location of the next triennial convocation of the Knights Templar report to the Grand Commandery in favor of San Francisco as the place of meeting in 1883. The Commandery has not yet acted, but as the report is unanimous they will probably endorse it.

The San Franciscans have offered large inducements to the convocation, it being understood that they agree to pay all the expenses of the knights after they cross the Missouri River on their way to California. They predict that there will be an immense attendance of knights and visitors, and are overjoyed at what they justly consider a great victory for the Pacific Coast. Their treatment of their friends, which has been open-handed and hospitable in the highest degree has tended to secure the favorable consideration of the plan to hold the convocation in San Francisco and the inconveniences of hot weather and all the management which have characterized the meeting here make the knights desirous of better arrangement in the future.

DALLAS, Texas, 19.—A mixed train on the Texas Pacific Road ran over a steer near Barton Creek, and was thrown from the track and nine cars were demolished. Two men, Drum and Turner, were killed, and several were injured.

BENHAM, Texas, 19.—Rube Caruthers, (colored) on trial for stealing cattle while under guard last night, the guards were overpowered by 40 disguised men and Caruthers was lynched.

NEW YORK, 19.—The *Tribune* says: While England employs 424 first-class steamers in the foreign trade of the United States, we employ only about 61 ourselves, and leaving out Cuban and Mexican trades only 15 or 16. These figures are startling. They would at any time supply material for profitable reflection, but they do the more so because France is heavily subsidizing lines of steamers to ply to our shores, and because China, which commands the cheapest labor of the world, is preparing to trade hither with native ships too, the outlook is discouraging. A convention has been called to discuss this question, and it will meet at Boston October 6th.

NEW YORK, 19.—The *Spirit of the Times* says: Orrin A. Hickok offers to match St. Julian against any trotter or pacer in the world, mile heats, best three in five, for from \$5,000 to \$20,000.

ST. LOUIS, 19.—The democrats of the Seventh district re-nominated John F. Hill for Congress by acclamation to-day.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., 19.—The democrats of the Ninth district re-nominated Tom Turner for Congress.

ST. ALBANS, Vt., 19.—The democrats of the Third district have nominated John W. Currier for Congress.

FREDERICKSBURG, Va., 19.—Judge John Critcher was nominated for Congress by the Readjusters of the First Virginia district.

MCGREGOR, Ia., 19.—The republicans of the Third district to-day re-nominated Thomas Updegraff for Congress.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., 19.—W. P. Hepburn was nominated for Congress by the republicans to-day on the 346th ballot.

CINCINNATI, 19.—The democrats nominated W. A. Hutchin for Congress at Ironton.

ST. LOUIS, 19.—The democrats of the Seventeenth Illinois district re-nominated William M. Morrison for Congress.

BURLINGTON, Ia., 19.—The republicans re-nominated M. A. McCord for Congress.

WACO, Tex., 19.—R. Q. Mills was nominated for Congress by the democrats of the Fourth district.

CHICAGO, 19.—The judges made the following awards for drills: First prize to Raper Commandery, of Indianapolis; second to Demolai, of Louisville; third to Reed, of Dayton, Ohio; fourth to Damascus, of St. Paul; special prize for mounted men to the Demolai, of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The question of holding the convocation in San Francisco will be decided upon to-morrow. It is very probable the action of the committee on location will be confirmed. As there is a general favorable opinion that San Francisco should have it, the experience of Knights with the heat and bad management here tend to make San Francisco more eligible.

It is understood no other city is pressing its claims very strongly. The convocation has granted charters to new Commanderies to Eureka No. 2, of Nevada, and Dakota No. 1, of Dakota. The matter of a charter for Montana No. 3, of Butte City, was continued to the next convocation.

The following is the only business transacted to-day by the Triennial Convocation, which is made public: Benj. Dean, of Boston, was elected Most Eminent Grand Master; R. E. Withers, of Alexander, Va., Deputy Grand Master; Charles Roome, of New York, Grand Generalissimo; John P. S. Govin, of Lebanon, Pa., Grand Captain General; Judge Hugh McCurdy, of Corrunna, Michigan, Grand Senior Warden; Wm. Larue Thomas, of Danville, Ky., Grand Junior Warden; John W. Simonds, of New York, Grand Treasurer; Theo. S. Parvan, of Iowa City, Grand Recorder. The other officers will be appointed to-morrow.

The city is already well emptied of the vast crowd that have appeared on the streets most of the week.

The *Inter-Ocean's* Washington special says: It is understood a new census of South Carolina will be ordered, and under the law Superintendent General Walker, with the approval of the President, is empowered to remove the present supervisors and make new appointments without regard to those nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate, so that the Census Bureau is fully empowered to investigate and verify the returns when they are official. The population, as returned by the census of 1870, was 686,123, and according to the returns made of the last census, so far as received, the population is 981,402. It is remarkable that some counties

have much less population than in 1875.

The *Journal's* New York special says: The excitement over gold discoveries in Fulton, Hamilton and Saratoga counties continues. One mine is actually being worked in the town of Wells, Hamilton County, and another in North Ville. Chemical tests prove the existence of gold in more or less quantities in the rocks.

The 21st annual report of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad makes a remarkably favorable showing. The gross earnings were \$17,349,349, including among other things \$3,627,342 from passengers and \$12,897,777 from freight.

NEW YORK, 19.—The *Herald's* Paris special has the following details of Miss Neilson's last hours: Dr. Monnier is led to believe, from certain symptoms, that a mental trouble was connected with her illness. He asked the patient if there was anything on her mind. She replied, "Yes." While Monnier was attending her, a bat flew into the room through the open window. Miss Neilson was much alarmed. "Look at that great bird flying about me!" she exclaimed in a terrified tone. The intruder was not got rid of without difficulty. After Monnier's departure, Dr. Gantillon was summoned. He approved his confrere's treatment, but ordered colicoque pills besides. Miss Neilson's end was calm, but she suffered terribly for hours before.

Beaumont Bucke, the young man who shot and seriously wounded the son of John G. Thompson, Sergeant-at-arms of the House of Representatives, has been again nominated to be a cadet at West Point by Congressman Welborn, of Texas.

SAN FRANCISCO, 19.—A dispatch from Port Townsend, Washington Territory, says the steamer *California* arrived from Sitka to-day says a large number of British Columbia Indians are reported in Cress Sound killing sea otters out of season. The Alaska Indians threaten, if this is not stopped, they will attack the British Columbia Indians.

Wm. G. Morris, Treasury agent for Alaska, chartered a propeller, which Captain Beardslee, of the *Jamestown*, fitted with two howitzer Gatling guns, and manned with sailors, marines and officers, was to have sailed for Cress Sound the day the *California* left, the 11th inst., with Morris on board. The British Columbia Indians are also charged with smuggling.

A dispatch from Port Townsend, Washington Territory, says: The schooner *Frithiof* which arrived to-day from the Amoor river, reports the arrival of Nicolotsky of the Danish steamer *Asia* from Odessa; also that three Russian war vessels had arrived there, one of which had 700 Nihilist prisoners.

SARATOGA, 19.—At the evening session of the Bar Association, L. B. Pollard, chairman of the council, reported the following officers, who were elected. President, Edward I. Phelps, of Vermont; Secretary, Edward Otis Hinckley, of Baltimore; Treasurer, Francis Rawle, of Philadelphia; Executive committee, L. P. Pollard, of Vermont, Chairman, Simeon E. Baldwin, of New Haven.

ATLANTA, Ga., 19.—A young man named Waldron was arrested at Suny Side, Ga., by the Sheriff of Spaulding County. The posse was overpowered by a mob which took the prisoner and cut his head off. Waldron ran away two weeks ago and came to Atlanta, bringing with him a girl 12 years old, his wife's sister.

WASHINGTON, 19.—A Garfield and Arthur ratification meeting, presided over by Hon. A. M. Clapp, was held here to-night. Secretary Sherman spoke.

NEW ORLEANS, 20.—The schooner *Theresa A.*, from Havana, sailed past the Quarantine Station at Ship Island with a case of yellow fever on board. It is reported that one man died on the passage. When she reached Bay St. Louis, Miss., the health officer, ordered her back to quarantine.

BOSTON, 20.—It is authoritatively announced that Ben Butler will stump Massachusetts for Hancock and English.

NEW YORK, 20.—The *Tribune* has the following episodes of the republican national committee. A San Francisco correspondent writes that a club called Garfield Invincibles has been organized, with 2,212 members. It is understood that a letter has been addressed by the State Department to the Chinese minister, informing him that if satisfactory proof can be furnished to the President by the Government of China that no discriminating duties of ton-