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GENERAL NEWS.

Our Difficulties on the Mexican Frontier.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Henry Ward Beecher in a Dying Condition.

ANOTHER MRS. DRUCE—LUCKY.

By Telegraph to the NEWS.

Border Troubles.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—Nogales, Arizona, date: Governor Torres, of Sonora, Mexico, and sheriff, accompanied by Colonel Arvizu, arrived this morning from Hermosillo. Governor Torres, on learning the particulars of the affair of Tuesday, censured the Mexican consul, Senor Labadie, in unmeasured terms for not delivering Lieutenant Ginetterez, who led the soldiers in the attack on the Americans, to the American authorities immediately. Colonel Arvizu, in order to clear himself, stated to the governor that the Americans were in fault, whereupon the governor said: "The Americans are not in fault. They were not in Mexico fighting you. What business had your soldiers in the United States?" The governor is highly indignant at the action of the local Mexican authorities. On learning that Senor Vasques, chief of the Mexican police, had been removed for refusing to take a hand against the Americans, he immediately reinstated him. He was ordered to take a force of men to secure Lieutenant Ginetterez and turn him over to the United States authorities. The chief thereupon dispatched ten men on horseback, fully armed, to scour the country and bring in Ginetterez, dead or alive. This, it is believed, will prevent further trouble.

WASHINGTON.

Pardons by the President—Nominations, Etc.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—The President acted on a large number of pardon cases yesterday.

H. M. Camp was convicted of embezzlement and sentenced in January, 1886, to five years imprisonment at hard labor in the territorial prison, Idaho, and to pay a fine of $1,000 and stand committed until paid. The President granted a pardon in this case and endorsed the application as follows: "In my opinion there have been

GRAVE DOUBTS

as to the guilt of this convict. He has been imprisoned under his sentence for more than a year. His character prior to conviction and all his surroundings are, I think, a sufficient guaranty in any event of his future good conduct."

A pardon was also granted in the case of He Ying and He Lung, who were convicted in the eastern district of Arkansas of violating the internal revenue tax and sentenced to thirty days' confinement and to pay a tax of $100. The President's endorsement of this case was: "If any part of the sentence in this case remains unexecuted, let the convicts be pardoned; if not let the matter remain as it is. The thirty days' imprisonment expired

LONG AGO.

If they are still detained for the fine, let that and all else be remitted."

The President also granted a pardon in the case of J. W. Alden, convicted of violating the postal laws and sentenced September 16th, 1886, to one year's imprisonment in the United States penitentiary at McNeill's Island, Washington Territory. He endorsed the application: "Granted upon the ground that owing to the youth of the convict and the circumstances of the case, I am satisfied that the ends of justice will be as well subserved by the punishment already suffered and the prospects of the boy as well secured by the imprisonment of five months already suffered as if he were longer confined in his place of imprisonment."

Similar action was taken in the case of

JOSEPH EVANS,

who was convicted of polygamy and unlawful cohabitation, and sentenced in November, 1884, to five years and six months in the Utah Penitentiary and to pay a fine of $250.

Pardons were granted to the following: Alfred Roger Brotherton, convicted of conspiracy to cast away the vessel of which he was master, and sentenced May 5th, 1886, to one year's imprisonment in the Baltimore jail, and to pay a fine of $1,000; James Gordon, of polygamy laws: Mrs. William Kleght, violation of internal revenue laws in Kentucky; Oscar T. Baldwin, convicted of misappropriating funds and making false entries as cashier of the Merchant's Bank of Newark, N. J., and sentenced January 3d, 1882, to fifteen years' imprisonment. The President's endorsement was, "This convict has been

TOTALLY RELEASED

from prison upon a writ of *habeas corpus*, and the only cause of a pardon now is to restore him to his rights as a citizen; this I am entirely willing to do in view of his standing and respectability prior to his conviction, and the belief that society will not be injured by such restoration."

The President declined to interfere in the case of Charles A. Barles, alias Charles McGregor, who was convicted of perjury and sentenced to three years' imprisonment in the Western penitentiary of Pennsylvania, and to pay a fine of $100. He endorsed the application for pardon in this case as follows: "Denied; this man was sentenced to imprisonment for three years. He has not yet served one. The crime of perjury is so dreadful and so dangerous, and the guilt in this case being confessed, I cannot bring my mind to granting a pardon in this case."

REJECTED NOMINATIONS.

Only four of the President's nominations made during the session just closed were rejected by the Senate, as follows: J. C. Mathews, of Albany, to be recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia; Chas. W. Irish, of Indiana, to be surveyor general of Nevada; Charles E. Dalley, to be register of the land office at Tucson, A. T.; Oliver Shannon, to be receiver of public moneys at North Platte.

The following is a list of the nominations which remained unacted upon, and therefore died when the session ended. J. M. Brooks, United States attorney for the southern district of California; registers of land offices, James M. Adams, at Spokane Falls, Washington Territory; Frank W. Bean, at Blackfoot, Idaho.

AN EFFORT

has been made since the adjournment of Congress to induce the President to sign the river and harbor bill, and those interested in securing this action assert that there is nothing in the Constitution to prevent his doing so now if he is so disposed. Several members of Congress, including Representatives Willis and Dibble, are sure that he has the power, and have endeavored to persuade him to sign the bill. Mr. Willis said to-day that there was nothing in the Constitution which provided that the President should sign the bill before 12 o'clock on the 4th of March, or that he should report the fact of his signature to the House. The only provision with relation to bills not signed before the expiration of Congress, he said, was that the

TEN DAYS' LIMIT

should not operate to make a measure become a law. He called on the President to-day and suggested to him that he sign the bill now, unless he objected to its provisions. The President informed him that he could not do so, as he was fully convinced that his constitutional power to sign or veto acts of Congress expired with the adjournment of that body. Attorney-General Garland agreed entirely with the President on this question.

HENRY WARD BEECHER.

The Great Divine in a Dying Condition.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Rev. Henry Ward Beecher has had a stroke of apoplexy, and now lies unconscious. While hoping that the attack may not prove fatal, grave fears are entertained by his family and intimate friends that his labors as a pastor in this world have ended. Beecher resides with his son, Colonel Henry Beecher, at the corner of Hicks and Clark streets, in Brooklyn. A son who is in the West, another in San Francisco, and Mrs. Schofield, his daughter, have been telegraphed for. Colonel Beecher has also telegraphed for his son, who is in Yale College. Colonel Beecher and his brother, ex-Assistant District Attorney Wm. C. Beecher, with his wife and Mrs. Beecher, were at the bedside of the great clergyman all day. They were completely overcome with grief at his condition. He has always been in such

GOOD HEALTH

and, apparently, was so hale for his age, that they could hardly realize that he was lying there in such a helpless condition. His attack came on so gradually that his wife and son are unable to realize the full extent of the illness.

Between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday morning Beecher awoke and complained of being sick. His wife arose to get something for him to drink. He began to vomit freely, and then lay back upon his pillow apparently exhausted. In a short time he fell asleep. Mrs. Beecher concluded that he would feel better in a few hours. The first breakfast bell rang, but did not awaken him. The second bell also passed unheeded. Mrs. Beecher had been up for some time and did not wish to disturb him. Becoming alarmed, she made an attempt to

AROUSE HIM,

but could not do so. She called her son and daughter-in-law. They tried to arouse him. He endeavored to speak, but his voice was thick and articulation indistinct. Dr. W. S. Searle, the family physician was called in; he pronounced Mr. Beecher quite ill, but did not apprehend immediate danger. During the day Beecher seemed to improve and hopes were entertained that he would rally. Medicine was given regularly, and every change was noted. This morning he appeared to be worse. It was decided to call Dr. W. A. Hammond, of New York, in consultation with Dr. Searle. Before noon Beecher lapsed into unconsciousness, and was in that condition when Dr. Hammond reached the house. Dr. Hammond pronounced him in

A CRITICAL CONDITION,

but thought that as the patient was naturally a strong man he might rally. He assured the family that there was some hope. He left shortly after two o'clock.

Colonel Beecher said to-night that his father did not seem to suffer any pain, and when aroused seemed to recognize him and Mrs. Beecher. His articulation was too indistinct to be understood. Dr. Hammond was called in as an expert in brain troubles. The family, Colonel Beecher said, at first thought the attack was biliousness. It was decided to issue hourly bulletins to inform anxious friends of Beecher's condition.

At 11 o'clock to-night Beecher was slightly better, and appeared to be less drowsy. Rev. Dr. Talmage and all

PROMINENT MEMBERS

of Beecher's church, called at the house. Beecher, by pointing to his head, indicated where he was suffering most. His pulse was 108, respiration 32, and temperature 100. Dr. Searle said that no more bulletins would be issued to-night, unless Beecher was found to be dying. He did not think there would be any change before morning. At 11 o'clock the house was closed.

NEW YORK, March 5.—To-morrow the *World* will have the following: The chances of Beecher's recovery are stated by Dr. Wm. S. Searle, his family physician, in the following words: "He may live a day and he may live a week, and there is a bare possibility that he may survive the shock, but his full mental and bodily faculties can never be restored."

Another Female Candidate.

BOSTON, March 5.—Mrs. Sarah J. Robinson was to-day arraigned in the supreme judicial court at East Cambridge on an indictment alleging that on June 20th, 1885, she administered poison to Prince Arthur Freeman and caused his death; that on August 18th, 1881, she caused the death of Oliver Sleeper by poison; that on July 11th, 1882, she caused the death of her husband, Moses Robinson, by administering poison, and that on July 1st, 1886, she murdered by poison Thomas Arthur Freeman. The prisoner pleaded not guilty to all the indictments, and was held for trial.

A Lucky Man.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Pittsburg date: Charles H. Heiser, umbrella mender, who occupied a third story back room in a squalid lodging house here, has received a letter saying he is one of the heirs to a fortune of $225,000 left by a cousin in Australia, William Tutge. The other heirs are a sister who lives in Germany, and a brother who is inspector of police in Hamburg. When an orphan, Tutge was taken in by Chas. H. Heiser, a gamekeeper for Emperor William at Hartzberg, Germany, and educated with his own sons. Mr. Tutge has taken this way of showing his gratitude. The Pittsburg Heiser was a private dispatch carrier and personal attendant of President Lincoln during the late war.

SUNDAY TELEGRAMS.

Henry Ward Beecher Is Sinking Rapidly.

REGULAR RAILWAY DISASTER.

An Unusually Lengthy List of Deaths.

A VARIETY OF GENERAL NEWS

By Telegraph to the NEWS.

BEECHER DYING.

The Eminent Divine Surely Passing Away.

NEW YORK, March 6.—[At 8 p. m. Henry Ward Beecher's condition remained without noticeable change. He is yet unconscious and is said to be slowly sinking. He moves his right hand occasionally.

Long before daylight this morning it was noticed that many more people were on the streets than was usual in the vicinity of Beecher's residence, and by 8 o'clock there was quite a crowd eagerly looking for the first bulletin. At 8 o'clock the following

BULLETIN WAS ISSUED:

"Beecher is about the same; no change since last night." The first bulletin was signed by Doctor W. S. Searle, the Beecher family physician, and as it was posted on the door post the people crowded around to read it. There was a feeling of thankfulness plainly visible on their countenances that the life of the illustrious divine was still spared, and as the day advanced the throng on the sidewalks of Clarke and Hicks streets rendered the street almost impassable. In the crowd were people of every station, from the millionaire to the prosperous tradesman and poor laborer.

EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY

and condolence were heard on all sides and only made another powerful indication of the high esteem in which the Plymouth pastor was held by all classes. During the morning scores of carriages drove past the house and the occupants of many of them alighted from them and walked to the bulletin and then departed, while others left their cards with attendants. Those who were most intimately acquainted were admitted into the house and made inquiries concerning the patient personally, but only the immediate family were allowed in the sick chamber. There was, however, an exception made in the case of Rev. DeWitt Talmage, who called with his daughter Edith about 1:30, and he was admitted to Mr. Beecher's presence. Fifteen minutes later Talmage left the house. The other callers were mostly city officials of New York and Brooklyn. About 10 o'clock this morning Hammond arrived at the house and an hour later the

FOLLOWING BULLETIN

was posted: "Prof. W. Hulmuth, of New York, in consultation, freely confirms the opinion of physicians. Beecher is gradually failing. He may, however, live for some days." That all hope was given up was plainly indicated by the bulletin and the remark of Rev. Dewitt Talmage, "It is very serious," as he passed out.

Halliday continued services at Plymouth Church this morning, and an 11 o'clock bulletin was read to the congregation. The effect of it was noticeable on the congregation by the number of handkerchiefs in use and the stifled sobs of many present. At the church of

DR. TALMAGE,

the scene after the Rev. gentleman's prayer was most affecting. Dr. Talmage very tenderly appealed in behalf of Beecher. He prayed for divine blessing upon the afflicted preacher and alluded to Mr. Beecher as the friend of the millionaire, the friend of the workingmen, the friendless and all men whether rich or poor.

At 2:39 p.m. this bulletin appeared: "Dr. Hammond is in consultation. Beecher is in a state of deep coma. All day there were no signs of pain or consciousness of any sort. Death is considered certain, but at an indefinite time, probably to-day.

Since the doctors informed the members of the family that death is only a

QUESTION OF TIME,

they remain in the sick chamber awaiting every moment. The eldest daughter, wife of the Rev. Samuel Scoville, of Stamford, Conn., arrived at the house Saturday night and her husband and two children will immediately follow. The other members of the family in the house now are: Mr. Beecher's eldest son, Col. Beecher, his wife and two daughters and son; Henry Ward Beecher, W. C. Beecher, and his wife, who live at Columbia Heights; their son Herbert, who has been telegraphed to San Francisco, for there is an ocean between Seattle, Portland, Oregon, and San Francisco; he is not expected to reach New York in time to see his father alive, as he is not due in San Francisco till to-morrow (Monday), and then he has a week's ride before he can reach home.

The condition of Beecher was not materially changed during the day. He is in a

DEEP COMATOSE

state, from which he cannot be aroused and from which he will never probably rally. Quietly, and like one in the deepest sleep, he gives no indications of pain or uneasiness. His pulse varies from 90 to 100. At one time, for several hours, it intermitted two or three times in each minute, but this evening it has become regular and quite hard and full. The temperature has ranged from 100 to 100⅘, and at present stands at 100⅕. The respirations number about thirty to the minute; the body and extremities are equably warm; the face is flushed and has a somewhat livid hue. He is unable to speak or swallow anything except small quantities of liquid, which must be cautiously administered to prevent choking. All the medical advisers are in full and

ENTIRE ACCORD

as to the nature and location of the disease.

The history of to-day confirms the opinions that have been entertained from the beginning, that recovery is not to be hoped for; that although the effusion of blood into the brain is now stopped, fresh hemorrhage may at any time occur and the end of life. That is not likely to happen so far as present indications are to be trusted, and should it not occur that his life may be spared several days yet. How long depends on his endurance and the strength of his constitution. No one except Mrs. Beecher and her children are allowed to visit his bedside.

No further bulletin will be issued until Monday morning.

At 11 o'clock Beecher's condition was reported unchanged, save for a

GRADUAL SINKING

towards the inevitable end. General Horatio King left the house at that hour and expressed the opinion that Beecher will die during the night or morning.

A Base Ballist.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—Jerry Denny, third baseman of the St. Louis league, said this afternoon, "If the league insist on his playing with Kansas City or Indianapolis clubs, he will remain in California next season and play local clubs."

The Racers.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 6.—A race took place at the Elite Rink last night, which had ten starters, and in which the best previous American record was beaten by all three of the men who finished. The race was won by Peter Hegelman, who covered 25 miles in two hours, forty-one minutes and thirty-two seconds. Gus D. Gurrero was second; time, 2 hours, 43¾. Thos. Howard, third; time, 2.46¾. The best American record for 25 miles was 2 hours, 49 minutes and 27 seconds, by D. Donovan, at Providence, in August, 1886.

THE DEATH RECORD.

An Unusually Long List.

MRS. BECK.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Mrs. Beck, wife of Senator Beck, died in this city this evening.

TRACY TITUS.

LOS ANGELES, March 6.—Tracy Titus, the well known theatrical manager, died Saturday night at Sierra Madre Villa.

Eulogizing Beecher.

LONDON, March 6.—Rev. Mr. Parker, in his sermon this evening, eulogized Beecher. He expressed the profound sympathy of himself and his hearers with the afflicted pastor.

G. HARRIS HEAP.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 6.—Mr. G. Harris Heap, United States Consul General, died this morning.

MRS. HARMEN.

DETROIT, March 6.—Mrs. Ruth H. Harmen, mother of Mrs. Folsom and grandmother of Mrs. Grover Cleveland, died at Jackson, Michigan, at 10 o'clock this morning, where she has been living for the past ten years with her son, Mr. Harmen. She was born in 1809 and was married in 1826. She spent the greater part of her life at Batavia, N. Y., where, after the death of Mr. Folsom, Mrs. Folsom and Frankie lived with her until Frankie was old enough to attend school, when they moved to Buffalo. For the past four years, Mrs. Harmen has been failing, and for the past month she has failed very rapidly, being affected with congestion of the bowels, which her advanced age made her too feeble to recover from. Mrs. Folsom was with her for some time previous to her death, and President and Mrs. Cleveland are expected to attend the funeral. She will be buried at Batavia, N. Y.

WM. COKE.

PHILADELPHIA, March 6.—Wm. Coke, one of the seven men who organized the Knights of Labor, died to-day of heart failure, aged 63 years.

COM. E. R. LULL.

HATFORD, Conn., March 6.—Information has been received by relatives in this city of the death of Commodore E. R. Lull, of the United States navy, at Pensacola naval station.

THE INEVITABLE.

Terrible Accident on the Iron Mountain Railroad.

ST. LOUIS, March 6.—The railway accident on the Iron Mountain R.R., near Decatur, Mo., which was very briefly referred to late last night, while not being at all unusual in regard to fatal casualties, proves to have been quite remarkable in respect to several circumstances which attended it. It occurred at Victoria, thirty miles south of here, a little after ten o'clock, and was occasioned by the giving way under the train of a trestle which crossed Joachim Creek at that point. The train was the Texas express and consisted of the baggage, express and mail cars, smoker, two passenger coaches and four sleepers, carrying about 130 passengers. A heavy rain had fallen all day and the creek was much swollen. At Hematite, the first station this side of the trestle, the engineer received order to run cautiously, as the rain had been heavy and the creek was out of its banks. Engineer Kelly says he ran slowly beyond to that point and both he and his fireman, Wm. Hach,

WATCHED THE TRACK

very carefully. As he approached the trestle Kelly observed that the track was entirely straight and level, showing nothing wrong, and he went on without the slightest fear or hesitation; but when his engine reached about the middle of the trestle he felt the whole structure sinking beneath him. In an instant he opened the valve operating the air brakes to their full width, and brought the train to so quick a stop that the front end of one the end cars was crushed in by the sudden shock. This saved the coaches, but the baggage, mail, express and smoking cars went into the raging torrent below, carrying with them all the men on board. Engineer Kelly and fireman Hoch went down with the engine and were submerged in the flood. Kelly, in his struggles to free himself, found that one of his feet was fast, and at the same instant and just as he realized that he

MUST DROWN,

the engine turned over and his foot was released and he came to the surface. Seizing a passing log, he clung to it desperately and was swept down the torrent and lodged against a tree 150 yards below, with scarcely strength enough to move. He clasped his legs and arms around the limb of the tree, became unconscious, and was not restored until two or three hours after. He had been taken from the tree and found himself kindly cared for in a house in Victoria. His face and head were severely cut. Two of his toes were cut from one of his feet and he was badly bruised in various parts of the body. Fireman Hach was carried about 500 yards down the stream, lodged in a mass of brush or drift and was rescued soon after the flood subsided. The postal car was swept away some distance and as the water rushed through it from end to end, the mail was literally washed out and it is now scattered over miles of territory or embedded in the mud of the creek. It is regarded as an almost

TOTAL LOSS,

the whole of it being completely soaked and the addresses of letters obliterated. Postal clerks McCullough, Shaffer and Regan were badly bruised and almost drowned, and being stripped for work they lost all their clothes, their gold watches and about $250 in money, which were carried away by the flood. The smoker, which is said to have contained some twenty persons, was swept down about 300 feet below the trestle and all its occupants are believed to have been saved. They succeeded in setting outside of the car and clung to its top until they were rescued. There are some doubts regarding the baggageman and express messenger being saved, but a late dispatch from the wreck says that none of the trainmen were lost.

THE CAUSE

of the unprecedented flood is believed to have been a cloud burst which took place late in the evening and filled the creek, which runs so full that it became a raging torrent, with a current of over 20 miles per hour, and swept everything before it.

The full list of casualties cannot be obtained, but aside from Henry Byron, of Jamestown, N. Y., who was found drowned in the smoker, and Byrnes, a brakeman, who had a foot injured, none other than the ones mentioned above were any way seriously injured. Nearly one-half of those in the smoker lost most of their clothes, it being torn from their persons either getting out of the car or by the rushing water through which they were dragged ashore by ropes. A farmer named Andrew White, of Bailey's Station, did

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in saving passengers, he having swam several times to the smoker and each time returned with one of the unfortunates who were clinging to the roof of the car. Several passengers in the sleepers also aided materially in the work, and Conductor Gulon, of the train, and all of the train crew, labored like Trojans in rescuing those on the cars. The mail is said to have been the largest ever sent over the road, and the losses will fall heavy on this city, where about three-fourths of the matter originated. An express package, without any address or anything on it by which it can be identified, containing $37,000, was found to-day, and it is not unlikely that others will be discovered in the creek or in the woods.

The West Virginia Lapse.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., March 6.—Governor Wilson will to-morrow issue his proclamation reconvening the legislature of this state on the third Wednesday of April next to consider the appropriations of public money for various purposes. The Governor does not regret to the election of United States senator, but it is believed that there will be an election, as the work called for cannot be accomplished before the second Tuesday after the meeting. Senator Kenna arrived from Washington to-day and says there is no doubt that the legislature will have to elect a senator at its special session, notwithstanding Governor Wilson thinks otherwise.

Revolvers Shot.

RUSTCHUK, March 6.—Nine officers and civilians concerned in the recent revolt were shot here this morning. The soldiers will be tried to-morrow.

Bennett's Yacht.

LONDON, March 6.—Mr. James Gordon Bennett's yacht *Tonana* has arrived at Penago. Bennett is on board.

Boulanger—Dynamite.

PARIS, March 6.—It is semi-officially denied that General Boulanger intends to visit the northeastern frontier.

A dynamite cartridge was exploded in an iron foundry at Besseges, today, by some miscreant; the building was badly damaged. No arrests have been made.

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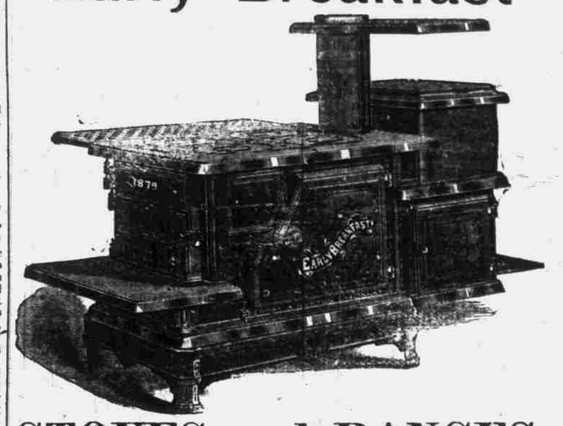

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