

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The problem of settling the Uintah and Uncompaghe Indians of Utah has engaged the attention of the House committee on Indian affairs for some time.

Rawlins, Utah, has a bill before the committee by which the Indians will be given lands in severalty, eighty acres for each head of family, and forty acres each for the others. He proposes that the remainder of the land be thrown open to settlement, the settler to be allowed 160 acres at \$1.25. Mineral lands and lands containing timber of commercial value, will be excluded from the plan and governed by existing laws. The Uintahs hold 2,800,000 acres, and the Uncompaghe 1,700,000, or 2,800 acres for each Indian.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 13.—On March 1st Harvard College observatory will start an expedition to Arizona to locate a new observatory station. A. E. Douglas, assistant in the Cambridge observatory, will leave before the other members of the expedition, in order to make experiments. It will first stop at Prescott and at Phoenix. The station will be for a visional investigation.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—A genuine blizzard set in here last night and continues unabated. A fierce gale sweeps from the northeast, accompanied by wet, blinding snow, which is piling up in drifts in the streets, delaying the incoming trains and blocking the street car traffic. It is the worst of the winter and is steadily increasing in violence.

At Hammond, Ind., the snow is two feet deep, and still falling, and drifting badly. The street cars are tied up. At Ottumwa, Iowa, the heaviest blizzard of the season is reported. The snow is fifteen inches deep, and drifting badly. The temperature is at zero.

At Rockford, Ill., the blizzard has raged all day.

Emporia, Kan.—Reports come of the worst storm ever known. The snow is two feet deep and has drifted to twenty feet in places. Railroad traffic is stopped. Trains are snowed in in various places. Thousands of head of cattle were exposed and a great portion of them will die of hunger and exposure. At Marshalltown, Iowa, it has been snowing and drifting since early last night and there is no abatement. At Burlington, Iowa, it began last night, and continues still. There are immense snow drifts. All trains are delayed; it is the worst storm in years. At Keokuk, Iowa, the blizzard has been raging since last night and the snow is badly drifted.

ROME, Feb. 12.—The pope has issued a decree beatifying Joan of Arc.

ATCHISON, Kas., Feb. 12.—The police today took Mrs. Franklin out of a car of household goods billed to Omaha, in which she had been beating her way from Decatur, Ill. She had \$25, and had been put on the car by her husband, who did not want to pay car fare. She had been in the car three days and was nearly frozen.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—The house of commons was thronged today in anticipation of an important movement against the house of lords.

Harcourt, replying to a question

by Goschen, said there was no intention of reopening the Indian mints or returning to the minimum rate for council bills. There was also no intention to place a tax on the importation of silver—no change in the present Indian policy was contemplated.

St. Louis, Feb. 12.—A special to the *Republic* from Guthrie, O. T., says: The snow is two feet deep. Reports of suffering and death come in from all parts of the territory. Mrs. Fanny C. Spencer, a homesteader near Cross, was found frozen stiff. Many are living in tents and their condition is awful. James Milligan, near Perry was found frozen to death and his partner, Harvey Newcomb, died from exposure.

At Ponca Mr. Cramer and two children were found frozen stiff in coyote's burrows, ten yards from their abode.

At Anadarko, two Indian pupils were found yesterday buried under a snow bank. Upon being taken to a house one of the children immediately expired. The other shows signs of recovery.

Word comes from Cross that Sherman Stone and family, consisting of wife and five children, were found sitting around the stove with their throats cut from ear to ear. The following note, on the table near Stone gives the horrible story of murder and suicide in connection with the storm:

"Wood all gone; Mollie frozen to death; the rest of us freezing; I have killed my family and now kill myself to prevent further suffering. God have mercy on us."

Dispatches from Niagara announce an ice bridge formed and solidified. In the passage of the ice down the river a great amount of timber is brought down and is frozen tight in the bridge. It is unusual to have a bridge torn in February.

PARIS, Feb. 12.—A young man, acting from motives of revenge, exploded a bomb at 9 o'clock tonight in a cafe beneath the Terminus hotel, opposite the St. Lazare railroad station. The place was full of people at the time.

A man who had dined in the cafe was seen to raise his arm and throw something into the middle of the room. A terrific explosion followed. The cafe was filled with smoke, and lying on the floor were a number of persons wounded. The bomb had landed upon a table, around which a party had been sitting. The persons grouped at this table suffered the most. The injured numbered fifteen. Nearly all were wounded in the legs.

Meantime the man responsible for the cowardly act had not been allowed to escape. As soon as he had thrown the bomb he ran out of the place and darted away. The alarm was given and a number of policemen joined in the chase.

The fugitive drew a revolver and fired several shots, killing a woman and wounding a number of persons. One man struck was a policeman and the wound is considered fatal.

The man was captured when 150 yards from the cafe. His name is Leon Breton. He had been employed in the cafe as a waiter, but had been discharged for misconduct.

The sufferers from the explosion and Breton's revolver shots number twenty-eight. An inquiry was begun by the minister and magistrates and continued till 1:15 o'clock this morning.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—A dangerous "crank," Harry Carter, was remanded at Bow street charged with writing a letter threatening to kill the queen. Carter has already spent nine years in a lunatic asylum.

St. Louis, Feb. 13.—Dr. Arthur Duestrom walked into the police station shortly before 7 o'clock this evening and surrendered himself, stating he had accidentally shot his wife. Duestrom was locked up, and it was learned later that the doctor had shot both his wife and five-year-old boy. The child was killed, but the wife is still alive.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Miss Myra Bradwell, the first woman to be admitted to the bar in the United States, is dying. Her attending physicians declare that she cannot live more than a few hours.

KOKOMO, Ind., Feb. 13.—Calvin Armstrong, the Tipton county deputy treasurer, convicted of embezzling \$43,000 of the county's funds, escaped jail here last night. He was not missed till this morning. He was to have been taken to the penitentiary this morning. He had accomplices outside.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The secretary of the interior has issued instructions to the commissioner of the general land office concerning the latter's recommendation that the re-survey of the Las Vegas grant in New Mexico be rejected. He has directed that a final, complete survey of the grant be made in accordance with a recent departmental decision, as speedily as may be, that the so long delayed matter may be closed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 14.—A frightful affair occurred last night at Col. Daniel Boone's wild animal show at the Midwinter Fair. Carlo Hieman, an attendant, had taken three large, trained lions into a cage in the center of the arena, when suddenly the electric lights went out, followed by screams of agony from the cage, and sounds of horrible crunching of the beasts' jaws. The audience became panic-stricken, women screamed and fainted. Finally lights were secured and the dreadful sight was revealed of three lions gnawing at the prostrate form of Hieman. Col. Boone snatched up an iron bar and with rare intrepidity entered the cage, beat the beasts off, and rescued the keeper. Hieman was found to have forty wounds, some of which came perilously near a vital spot. His scalp was torn entirely off, and he had deep wounds under the arms and on the legs and body where the animals' teeth had lacerated him. In spite of all this the physicians think that, unless blood poisoning sets in, he may recover.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—The returns received at the treasury department indicate that the gold output for 1893 in the United States will reach the almost unprecedented amount of \$37,000,000, an increase over 1892 of \$4,000,000. In Colorado the output has increased from \$3,000,000 in 1892 to \$5,000,000 in 1893, while the grains in gold-producing sections are