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AMERICAN.

SAN FRANCISCO, 20.—Arrived, the steamer *Zealandia*, from Sydney via Honolulu, etc.

Honolulu, Feb. 12th.

The coronation of King Kalakaua took place to-day. About 7,000 persons witnessed the ceremony, which passed off without interruption or disturbance and eventually established the general popularity of the King on the Islands. The stories that had gone abroad about probable disturbances were newspaper hoaxes gotten up here. Premier Gibson is congratulated by all parties on the perfect success of the coronation, which he planned. The Japanese envoy extraordinary, Luigi, expresses great praise of the order and courtesy of the Hawaiian court. The minister and suite leave per *Zealandia* en route for Washington. The commanders of American, English and French war vessels in port co-operated cordially with the Hawaiian authorities in doing honor to the occasion of the coronation, with dressed ships, salutes of their batteries which echoed the salvos from the shore, and all manned their yards when the signal announced that the act of crowning had taken place.

His Excellency H. A. P. Carter leaves to-day for Washington as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the Government of the United States.

A Keokuk, Ia., special says: If the ice goes out at the present stage of the water in the Mississippi the damage can't be below half or three-quarters of a million dollars. Lumber interest will be the chief losers. Considerable damage has already resulted to bridges.

A Brackett, Texas, special says: By the explosion of a kerosene lamp in a farm house on Presidio Creek, 12 miles from here, four children, aged from two to seven years, were burned to death, and their mother, Mrs. Michael McDonald, who was alone in the house with them, was compelled to witness the scene, the flames having cut her off from the children's room.

A Metamora, Ill., special says: Louis F. Feldschke, Master in Chancery of Woodford County, has disappeared, his accounts being short upwards of \$5,000, and he owing about the same amount in the city. His property has been attached. He leaves a wife behind. He was a soldier in the Mexican war and much liked here.

CHICAGO, 20.—Braidwood special says: Six new names are added to the list of those killed in the Diamond mine disaster, making 80 in all. It is feared the number may yet reach 110. The new names are Lewis Williamson, who leaves a wife and six children; Samuel Linquist, who leaves a wife and four children in Germany; Jno. Dowling, single; Abram Lincoming, relatives unknown; Lewis Starbuck, leaves a family, and John Jolif. These names were learned through telegrams and a thorough canvass.

ST. LOUIS, 20.—The most shocking tragedy occurred at Springfield, Mo., yesterday. Mrs. Tilly Schouder, the young wife of Frank Schouder, collar-maker, during her husband's absence from home shot her young babe through the head with a pistol and then fired another ball from the same weapon into her own head. No cause is known for the act. The couple came from Belleville, Ill., about two years ago and lived happily together and were prosperous.

CLEVELAND, 20.—Fayette Brown, of Cleveland, was this morning appointed by the United States Court receiver of Brown, Bonnell & Co., of Youngstown. The works will continue to run as usual, for the present company represents that it has a large quantity of stock and good contracts. The assets are claimed to be largely in excess of the liabilities. Herbert Ayer has not come and was not expected. No formal meeting of the directors has been called, but the prominent stockholders will consult with the receiver.

BOSTON, 20.—The *Transcript* says: Three vacancies are to be filled in the board of directors of the Union Pacific, at the coming election, as Vanderbilt is so dissatisfied that the company would not put on Wagner cars on his freight and express lines that he has sold his stock. It is probable that the representatives of his interests will continue on the board. Gould has not yet shown his hand as a large owner of Union

Pacific, and the Boston directors do not expect that he will, for they do not believe he has been a large buyer of the stock. Nevertheless, it is rumored that he will name some of the directors, including his son.

WASHINGTON, 20.—Nominations: Civil Service Commissioner: Norman B. Eaton, of New York; John M. Gregory, of Illinois; Leroy D. Thomas, of Ohio; Jos. E. Decarricarte, United States Consul at Corunna; Warner P. Sutton, of Michigan, United States Consul at Matanzas.

It is not decided who shall succeed Phelps, in command of Mare Island, but it is more than likely Shufelt will.

A favorable report was submitted in the House from the committee on elections upon the bills to pay the expenses of the contested cases of the Forty-Seventh Congress; \$7,000 was added to the bill as originally reported.

The bill to pay Frost, of Missouri, \$10,000, and Seesinghaus \$18,000, will not be reported, but it is understood additional reimbursement will be asked in the deficiency bill in their cases.

It has been decided by the appropriation committee to leave it for the committee on public lands to frame a bill for the repeal of the pre-emption laws, and a proviso effecting such a repeal was accordingly stricken out of the sundry civil bill.

Secretary Folger is much improved to-day, and expects to resume his official duties in a few days.

CAIRO, 20.—At 10:36 to-night river 51 feet 2 inches; rising.

Louisville, 20.—River 39 feet 8 in.; falling an inch an hour.

CAIRO, Ill., 20.—River at noon, 57 feet 6 inches; rising nearly half an inch an hour; it still lacks five inches of being as high as last year. It is hoped it will be at a stand to-night.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., 20.—The river has fallen two feet; no danger is apprehended.

Keokuk, Ia., 20.—The Mississippi has risen seven and a half feet since last Thursday.

The ice on the Des Moines Rapids moved to-day a short distance and gorged. Grave fears are entertained that it will move out to-night or to-morrow and carry with it the wood spans put in after the *War Eagle* disaster, and greatly damage the lumber and other interests in the lower part of the city. The Des Moines River is gorged for 30 miles and if it breaks now would doubtless take out the remaining span of the Keokuk & St. Louis Railway bridge. Railroads are beginning to run trains, but several lines are forced to transfer over streams where bridges are washed out. The bottom lands on the Mississippi and Des Moines are all under water.

GRAYSON, Ky., 20.—The case of Ellis Croft is closed. Sixteen witnesses were examined. It is generally believed he will be found guilty.

Tellersburg, Ind., 20.—A negro named Williams was hung by a posse of citizens at dusk last evening. He outraged Mrs. Taylor in her own house and escaped, but was found in the woods by citizens who left him hanging near the scene of his crime.

Denver, Col., 20.—*Tribune's* Santa Fe: Captain Solazar broke up a nest of cattle thieves at Lameza, arresting three rustlers, killing Eugene Piedras, a noted desperado, who refused to surrender. Captain Van Patten's company is still after Kluney's band. The military companies are ordered to Hecorro and Valencio counties. The rustlers are already taking alarm and fleeing from the territory. Large numbers were near Leadville to-day.

Fulton, N. Y., 20.—Jno. W. Lyon, conducting the free Methodist meeting, is arrested; charge, forgery.

Albany, 20.—Wm. G. Smith, express messenger, was shot twice by a robber on the Albany & Susquehanna Railway train. Smith kept in his possession his \$40,000.

NEW YORK, 20.—The fire under the stairs of the second floor of the school house attached to the German Roman Catholic Church of the Most Holy Redeemer, on Fourth Street between Avenue A and First Avenue, at a quarter past three this afternoon, was a terrible calamity. No less than 14 children lost their lives. Over 700 scholars, mostly children of the poorer classes, ranging from 6 to 11 years of age, attended the school, and were in their class-rooms when the alarm of fire was raised. A fearful panic soon followed. The removal of the children from the fourth floor began quietly enough, and was progressing rapidly when the Sister of Charity in charge

of a class of girls fainted. Immediately the alarm-d class became panic-stricken, and a rush was made for the hallway on the stairs, already crowded. A deadly crush took place. The railing of the stairs broke, and the mass of struggling children were precipitated to the floor below, falling in a packed mass one upon another, four or five deep. The police and firemen already summoned arrived, but their work of rescue was hampered by the frightened children continuing to fall or leap from the stairway, three in front being crowded over the broken balustrade by the children behind, still struggling to reach the exit. Six children were taken out dead from the bottom. Eight more died immediately after their rescue, making the total fourteen. A large number of others who were carried to neighboring tenements are reported dying. The excitement when the news spread was fearful, and great throngs of people blocked the streets surrounding the school. Many children were lost in the excitement and are reported missing. The following is a corrected list of the dead: Mary Brecht, Minnie Oster, Mary Hapenrecht, Mary Ann Happ, Minnie Lauke, Josephine Moor, Grace Goetzner, Lena Becker, Lizzie Skapetzki, Teresa Rathner, Barbara Brenzenzer, Francis Wulkenbath, Eliza Brandenburg, Lena Bindnager, Barbara Beschal, Alphonsa Fischer, injured, Louise Floren, 9 years old, believed to be dying, as she is suffering from suffocation and internal injuries; John Engle, 11, leg broken; Frederick Gentleman, 9, crushed and internal injury; Rudolph Mundell, 8, will die from internal injuries; Sister Philippine, slightly injured.

Doctor Robinson said: "The fire broke out under the stairs on the second floor, and it was easily extinguished. I examined the place and it seemed to me some matches must have been swept with the papers under the stairs and been ignited by friction with the floor."

Andrew Carnegie, member of Carnegie Bros., Pittsburg, the largest iron and steel company in the country, says there are 26 steel rail mills in the country. They employ on the average, 5,000 men, including those in mines and collateral branches; total capacity 1,500,000 a year. Last year about 1,250,000 tons of steel rails were made in America. Three new mills one in Colorado, one at Pittsburg and one at Scranton, have been completed during last year, which will increase the capacity a quarter of a million tons. There are no steel rails on hand at present; the mills make steel rails only as they have orders for them. Four steel mill's in the east, also those at Pittsburg and Johnstown, have plenty of orders on hand: enough to keep them busy the next six months. The mills in the west, however, are suffering through want of orders. The present depression arises from the check to the abnormal growth of railroad building in this country during the past two or three years. America is a great country, but it cannot permanently continue to build each year as many miles of new railroads as the entire world has done. This is practically what we have done the past two years. The great demand for rails during the season led to an unwise extension of the works and also to building new ones; but the check has come none too soon, and is in every way a healthy one. Had it been postponed, it would have fallen upon us in a much more aggravated form. I consider the capacity of existing mills to be far beyond the legitimate wants of the country; therefore there must be some restriction on the output, or some of the mills must remain idle.

"What influence has the tariff agitation on the present condition of affairs?"

"It has some, of course, but the present condition of affairs would have arisen had there been no discussion."

NEW YORK, 20.—Mrs. Matilda Paulitch, professional singer, in Superior Court, received a verdict for \$12,500 damages, with \$550 extra allowance, from the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, for injuries sustained by an accident which necessitated the amputation of a foot.

The New York *Evening Post*: Inquiry at the office of the Union Pacific elicited information that the report of the government directors would probably be lodged with the Secretary of the Interior this afternoon. Surprise is expressed by the directors considering

the favorable character of the report, that the company should have been so dilatory in furnishing information.

A combination of railroad ticket agents having offices at Castle Garden has been formed to fight the joint agency of the New York Central, New York, Lake Erie & Western, Pennsylvania, and Baltimore & Ohio railroads, recently established at Castle Garden. Arrangements have been made with the Old Dominion S. S. Line, by which immigrant rates are to be allowed to Norfolk. There are also special agreements with the East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia Air Line consolidation, from Norfolk to New Orleans; thence passengers can go by the New Orleans & Pacific Railroad to its connection with the Southern Pacific. Immigrants may be distributed along those lines, in Texas and on the Pacific Coast.

WASHINGTON, 20.—The main items in the schedule of the United States articles to be admitted, free of duty, into Mexico are machinery of all sorts, classes and description for mining, agricultural and other purposes, agricultural implements, wagons, coaches, and all sorts of vehicles that are pulled by animals, tools that are composed of brass, iron, steel or wood, or any combination of these materials; all classes of rolling stock, from a passenger cart to a steam engine that are used upon railroad; petroleum, crude and refined; barbed wire for fencing, with all its fixtures; fences of wood or iron built ready to put up; pumps for mines, irrigating and all other purposes for which pumps can be used; clocks and many other articles extensively manufactured in this country; coal of all kinds, dynamite, printing ink, metals, precious, in bullion or in powder; money legal, of gold and silver of the United States; naphtha, quicksilver, rags or cloth for the manufacture of paper; telegraph wire and wire of iron or steel for carding, from No. 26 upwards.

Provision is made for the enactment by both Governments of such laws as are deemed proper for carrying out the terms of the treaty in a manner to protect the revenues and prevent frauds.

WASHINGTON, 21.—The tariff bill passed the Senate last night 42 to 19, Mitchell of Pa., being the only republican voting in the negative. At the republican Senatorial caucus yesterday morning, the decision to pass the bill was reached. Only four of the 23 Senators voted to defeat it. The bill was passed without any flurry or excitement. The sentiment of republican senators seems to be evenly divided as to whether the House will pass the bill under a suspension of the rules, or send it to conference. High protectionists want a conference, but the party is split in two factions and the outcome of the controversy is doubtful.

CHICAGO, 21.—Wm. Hendy and James Rafferty encountered John Ladusky, a boy aged 14, in the Union Stock Yard. Hendy and Rafferty asked Ladusky for a drink of beer which the latter was carrying in a pail. The father of Ladusky appeared and remonstrated. During the altercation the elder Ladusky stabbed Hendy twice from the effects of which he died in ten minutes.

NEW YORK, 21.—Dramatic News says: The tour of Theodore Thomas next spring is now certain to take place. Chas. E. Locke has secured a guarantee of \$160,000 for the ten weeks that he has Thomas under contract; \$50,000 of this amount is guaranteed for one week in San Francisco and \$25,000 for one week in Denver, Colo., and \$20,000 is guaranteed for four concerts in Salt Lake. The concerts in the Mormon city will be given in the Tabernacle. The orchestra will consist of 60 picked musicians and be accompanied by a quartette of eminent vocalists with Mme. Julie Rive King as pianist.

The death is announced of Chas. W. Allen, of San Francisco, at Paris on the 19th instant.

W. T. Allen & Co., 21.—Wholesale grocers, assigned this morning. The firm say they expect to settle and continue business.

KANSAS CITY, 21.—Frank B. Hoff, a well known lawyer of this city, has been missing since January 23d. Belief is growing that he has left the country. It is stated that he is short \$15,000 on collections for capitalists of Westchester, Penna.

WASHINGTON, 21.—President Arthur, Mrs. McElroy, Attorney General Brewster and Mrs. Brewster last night attended the perform-

ance of "Wm. Tell" given by the Col. Mapleson Opera Company at the National Theatre, entering the house just after the overture and as the orchestra were beginning the prelude to the first scene. The party were discovered by Signor Arditi as they were being seated. The band stopped and when it struck up again it was with "Hail Columbia." At the conclusion of the national air the audience cheered the President tumultuously, the recognition being the most cordial ever extended to him on any similar occasion.

CHARLESTON, S. C., 21.—The steamer *Morro Castle*, of the Clyde line, running between New York and Charleston, was totally destroyed by fire early this morning. The officers and crew had only time to escape with what clothing they had on. The *Morro Castle* was to have sailed for New York to-day, and had received one-half her cargo, consisting of cotton, naval stores, etc.

CAIRO, Ill., 21.—The river has risen the last 21 hours 31 inches. Gauge read last night 51 feet 2 inches. The levees are still solid, and there is no apprehension regarding their breaking. The levee at Columbus, Ky., gave way yesterday, flooding the town; no lives lost.

Memphis, 21.—The river rose five inches during the last 24 hours; last night marked within three inches of the danger line.

Louisville, Ky., 21.—The river continues gradually to fall about an inch an hour. Navigation will probably be resumed within 48 hours, though difficulties will continue to exist. It will be several days before the usual supply of gas can be furnished again.

Cincinnati, 21.—The river continues to fall at the rate of half an inch each hour. It was stationary nearly two hours yesterday afternoon, and reached 57 feet at 9:30 last night, being a fall of 9 feet 4 inches from the highest point. It is almost impossible to find men enough to do the necessary cleaning, but an air of business begins to be felt. The gas works resumed operations this p. m.

Memphis, 21.—The river this morning at 6 o'clock marked 34 feet, which is the danger line. It continues to rise slowly.

BALTIMORE, 6.—A ghastly discovery was made here in a house on West Pratt Street. Eldor Ferdinand Flatau and his wife, an aged couple, were found dead in their bed, and a bottle labelled prussic acid, which lay between them, told the sad story. One month ago they rented rooms in the house of George Gollingerst, and the latter describes the old man as a peculiar person. He did not pay his rent promptly, and last Saturday Gollingerst told him he must either pay up or move. He heard nothing more from either of them until this morning, when becoming alarmed at their long absence and hearing a dog barking furiously in their apartments, Gollingerst summoned the police, the door was broken down and the dead bodies discovered in a state of decomposition. They had been dead about two days.

The following letter addressed to the coroner of the city of Baltimore was found in the death grasp of the old man's hand:

Dear Sir—I consider it my duty to notify you that I and my wife were compelled to commit suicide; by takelaudanum. I arrived from Richmond, Va., two months ago; could not find any employment, and my means were all exhausted. Gollingerst, my landlord, and wife, whom I owe on this rent, \$3, treated me last Saturday in such a shameful manner as could be expected only from the very lowest class of Dutchmen to whom they belong, who have been shipped as paupers to this country. I begged both to give me another week's time, and offered security, but they would not listen to my most earnest requests. I hope the few effects I have left will pay for our funeral expenses, and we wish to be buried together. On the table in my room I leave my watch, and pawn broker tickets etc. Yours, Eldor Ferdinand Flatau, Outside Flatau (his wife).

Gollingerst denies having treated them shabbily. Few things were found in the rooms excepting some old mahogany furniture, several Bibles, prayer books and dictionaries.

FOREIGN.

WELLINGTON, Jan. 27.—Gov. Jervis arrived on the 20th, and was greeted with an enthusiastic public reception.

The revenue of the December quarter from ordinary sources was £765,743; territorial sources, £19,650;