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AMERICAN.

WASHINGTON, 23.

The President issued an executive order, to-day, reserving the Pagosa Hot Springs, and one square mile of land surrounding them in Colorado, as permanently public property. These springs are considered valuable for medicinal purposes, and this action is taken with a view to preventing future difficulties concerning them, such as have caused trouble in the case of the Arkansas Hot Springs.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., 23.—The engineers on the Lehigh Valley Railroad have been notified of a proposed reduction in their wages, and will consider the matter on Sunday.

NEW YORK, 23.

The following additional particulars of the disasters occasioned by the tidal wave to vessels loading at the Peruvian guano deposits, have been received from Callao, under date of May 20th: The ship *Alida* was wrecked, the crew were saved; the barque *Shamrock*, wrecked, crew saved; the ships *John Bryce*, *St. Joseph*, *Carrollton*, and *C. F. Sargent* were got off badly damaged. The remainder of the fleet has been got off slightly damaged. Another dispatch states that the southern guano deposits are destroyed.

The *Times* Washington special says the President is receiving a great many friendly letters from persons in various parts of the country, begging that he will make an effort in some way to secure the punishment of the murderers of Judge Chisholm and his family, in Mississippi. These letters nearly all assert that this massacre, standing unavenged, will be a lasting rebuke to his southern policy, and even if he is powerless to directly act in the matter of bringing the murderers to justice, he should use his influence with Gordon, Lamar, and other southerners, who have been his advisers, and who are, in a way, responsible for the crime. The President can do nothing except in the way of exerting a moral influence toward punishing the banditti.

CHESTER, Penn., 23.—The inquest in the case of the victims of the *Saratoga* launch began this morning. A large number of witnesses were examined, who testified that every possible precaution was taken, that the men were warned in time to get beyond the reach of danger, and that if the vessel had not been cut loose at the time she was many more lives would have been lost.

CHICAGO, 23.—The *Tribune's* Rockford, Ill., special says the coroner's jury, to-night, after thirteen days' work, rendered a verdict in the court-house case, which is fully sustained by public opinion here. They find that Henry L. Gay, the architect, through neglect to provide for the great amount of weight called for to complete the building according to his plans, is guilty of the deaths of the deceased. That the board of supervisors failed to use the necessary caution in examining the plans and specifications, and acted unwisely in not employing a competent architect to superintend the construction.

The *Inter-Ocean's* New Orleans special gives additional facts of the New Orleans killing affair. John Laws, deceased, is a republican member of the legislature, and a prominent, intelligent, industrious colored man. His crime was having testified before the Senate Committee, last January, against the bull-dozers. All the colored men who testified before that Committee will meet the same fate. Nichols is powerless to protect them.

Two influential postmasters were run out of the Parish last week, and no action has been taken.

It is now learned that the Calcasieu logmen themselves told a disguised United States agent the story of their stolen logs, and that he returned to this city and presented the affidavits and facts on which was based the seizure.

The *Tribune's* Washington special says Secretary Evans is preparing a letter to Governor Stone, of Mississippi, setting forth in very decided terms the opinion of the administration regarding the murder of Judge Chisholm and family. It will be a notice to the southern people of the position of the President upon the question of the protection of all classes of citizens throughout the south, and will furnish an interpretation of the southern policy, which the south does not

seem fully to understand yet. There is a great dissatisfaction here over Stone's apparent apathy, and the letter will not be particularly pleasant to that official.

HARTFORD, 24.—In the United States District Court, yesterday, John C. Tracey, ex-president, and James L. Chapman, ex-cashier of the Farmers' and Mechanics' National Bank, plead guilty, the former to making false returns, and the latter to perjury in swearing to them. A National Bank examiner stated that the loss to the bank would be \$600,000.

NEW YORK, 24.—The *Times* says Vanderbilt having telegraphed from Europe instructing the New York Central and Lake Shore railroad to reduce the passenger rates from Chicago to New York from \$23 to \$15, the other trunk roads will make the same reduction at the same time. Vanderbilt telegraphed to his own roads that he had informed the officials of the Michigan Central of the change. The latter, last night, said they would at once reduce their price to \$15.

The British shipping in the harbor is gaily decorated in honor of the 58th birthday of Queen Victoria. The day is also observed by the British residents of the city.

BOSTON, 24.—Four inches of snow fell in Berkshire County, Mass., this morning. It is feared that much damage will be done to the fruit crop.

PHILADELPHIA, 24.—The Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company have decided to make a reduction of ten per cent in the salaries of all their employees, beginning at the president, and continuing downward through all grades of the various departments. Exception is made in the case of laborers and trackmen, who now receive less than \$1 per day.

PORTLAND, Me., 24.—At the morning session of the Grand Lodge of Good Templars, the report of the United Executive of Great Britain was referred to a special committee of three. A vote on the place for holding the next meeting resulted in favor of Minneapolis, Minn. The special finance and audit committee reported, approving the reports of the financial officers. The grand secretary's report on the disbursement of the missionary fund raised last year was received and referred to the committee on finance. Several amendments to the Constitution were proposed and laid over until next year. "God Save the Queen" was sung in honor of the Queen's birthday, and was received with cheers. "America" was given in return, and also three cheers for the President. A resolution was adopted complimentary to the Queen as patroness of the Church of England Temperance Society.

ST. LOUIS, 24.—The *Republican's* New Orleans special says the new Spanish consul called on Governor Nichols yesterday, and during a conversation said the Spanish government had pardoned all the Cuban refugees in this country, and a proclamation will soon be issued to that effect.

CAMP ROBINSON, 24.—The Cheyenne Indians at this agency are feeling very bitter against the Sioux for the harsh treatment received at their hands after being defeated last fall, and not wishing to live near them any longer, requested, some days ago, to be removed to the Indian territory. After consulting with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Gen. Sheridan has given his authority for the transfer. They will start about the 28th inst., under charge of Lieut. Lawton, of the Fourth Cavalry, and will cross up the railroad to Sidney. This band numbers about 1,150 persons, all told. The six companies of the Fourth Cavalry now stationed here are under orders to march in a few days. They will return to the department of the Missouri.

WASHINGTON, 24.

The letter of Gov. Emery, of Utah, to the Secretary of War, asking for an increase of troops in the Territory, has been referred to Gen. Sherman to inquire into the matter and report on the necessity of increasing the military force. Gen. Crook has not had an opportunity to inquire into these Mormon troubles, but the letter will probably be referred to him by Gen. Sherman when he returns to the city. Gen. Crook will then go to Utah for the purpose of consulting with Gov. Emery. If, in his opinion, any real necessity exists for increasing the force, the additional troops will be ordered.

NEW YORK, 24.—The Custom House committee, after a secret session, to-day, examined Luckemeyer, silk importer, who testified

that nearly all his goods were undervalued from thirty to forty per cent. There are more silks manufactured than are in demand, and these very silks, if sold in Lyons or London, would bring only reduced prices. He favored specific instead of ad valorem duties.

Henry Himley, sugar merchant, testified that it was common for the custom officers to take bribes by passing dutiable goods without examining them. They plainly ask for money. An inspector once said, "What is coming to me out of this if I let it through without examining?" Inspectors, if not paid for not examining the baggage, would ransack and turn everything upside down.

H. J. Meyers, proprietor of a bonded warehouse, testified that he was compelled to pay fees and political assessments every year, in some shape or other, equaling \$300, though the law expressly forbids it.

The numerous reports on Wall Street about the reduction of passenger and freight rates by the trunk lines are unverified. One of the New York Central officials said that his road is negotiating with the Pennsylvania road concerning the withdrawal of the fast train, and if this is not done the fare to Chicago will be reduced immediately.

A largely attended meeting of merchants, manufacturers and business men generally, was held this afternoon in the Cooper Union, Jackson Schultz presiding, to take measures for the proper representation of American industry at the Universal Exposition of Paris in 1878. Resolutions were passed requesting the President to accept the invitation of France and to form a commission which France will officially recognize. The chairman was authorized to appoint a committee of three to lay the matter before the President.

NEW ORLEANS, 24.

The *Picayune* learns from a resident of East Feliciana that Laws' mother stated before the coroner's jury that Laws was murdered by a negro whom Laws suspected of being the paramour of Mrs. Laws, against whom he had already entered suit for divorce.

The reception ball and reunion at Greenwall Hall, to-night, given by the citizens of New Orleans, under the management of the Orleans Club, to the officers of the army and navy of the United States, was the most select, elegant, and brilliant event of the season.

NEW YORK, 25.—Judge Barrett, in the supreme court chambers, yesterday, granted an order for the publication of a summons in the case of James M. Townsend, Jr., against the Emma Silver Mining Company, limited. The suit is brought to recover \$88,301.16 on a judgment obtained by Trener W. Park against the company in the third district court of Utah, May 22, 1876.

The weather is unusually cold, the thermometer, yesterday, falling to nearly 40 degrees. Snow has fallen in Massachusetts. Serious fears are entertained of frosts much further south.

The following is a *Tribune* local item: It takes \$108,000,000 worth of liquor a year to assuage the thirst of this city.

The *Times*, in an editorial note, states that Governor Emery, of Utah, in a private letter to a friend in Chicago, says, "Perhaps you see a good deal about the Nauvoo Legion. There is nothing in it but sensation."

HARTFORD, Conn., 25.—In the United States Court, to-day, Judge Shipman pronounced sentence on James Chapman, cashier, and John C. Tracy, president of the Farmers' and Mechanics' National Bank, who had pleaded guilty respectively to deceiving the comptroller of currency and to perjury and embezzlement, by which the bank lost \$600,000. Tracy was sentenced to the Connecticut State Prison for six years at hard labor, and Chapman to the State prison at hard labor for five years and a nominal fine of one dollar.

HAVERSTRAW, N. Y., 25.—The striking brickmakers are out in full force this morning. They are compelling the men who are at work in the yards to stop work. The militia, headed by the sheriff, village officers and police, have just started to arrest the rioters. Serious trouble is expected.

NEW YORK, 25.

A London special says advices from Crete report that a terrible state of affairs is existing on the is-

land. The Turks have combined against the Christian population, and are committing the most horrible outrages. Women are insulted, ravished and debauched, and the entire population are in a state of the greatest terror and excitement. It is rumored that British protection has been solicited.

CAMP ROBINSON, Neb., 25.—At noon, to-day, the principal warriors of this agency, numbering 600, were passed in review by General Crook. Lieut. Clark formed a line on the plain east of the agency buildings, Crook taking his station in front of the centre. The Indians were broken into a column of eighteen platoons, and executed the march past in good style. Having been again wheeled into line, the chiefs rode to within a few paces of Gen. Crook, where they dismounted and shook hands with him. Crazy Horse, who now saw the General for the first time, knelt on the ground as he took his hand. His example was followed by most of the others. Little-Big-Man was conspicuous from his almost complete nudity. General Crook now led the way to the agency, the companies in line breaking into columns of fours to the front. All the principal men having assembled inside the agency stockade, an interval of silence ensued, while the Indians arranged the order of precedence in speaking, and the council was then opened by Crazy Horse, who is notably a man of few words. Seating himself on the ground, in front of the General, he spoke in a low voice as follows:

"You sent tobacco to my camp to invite me to come in. When that tobacco reached me I started, and kept on moving until I reached here. Ever since my arrival my face has been turned towards the fort, and my heart has been happy. In coming this way I picked out the place where I wish to live hereafter, and I put a stake in the ground to mark the spot. There's plenty of game in that country. All these relations of mine that are here approve my choice of a place, and I would like them all to go back there with me, and stay there together."

Crazy Horse was followed by Young-Man-Afraid, Red Cloud, No Water, Iron Hawk, and others, who spoke at greater or less length to the same effect, all expressing a desire to abide by the decision of all the authorities in the matter, and to behave themselves in the future.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., 25.—Wool flat, prices nominal, market bare of stock, new wool arriving slowly. Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia XX and above 42 @ 45, X 40 @ 42, medium 42 @ 45, coarse 33 @ 36. New York, Michigan, Indiana, and western fine 35 @ 37, medium 38 @ 40, coarse 33 @ 35, combing washed 45 @ 50, unwashed 33 @ 37. Canada combing 45 @ 50, fine unwashed 25 @ 27, coarse and medium 23 @ 28, tub washed 35 @ 40. Colorado washed 18 @ 22, unwashed 16 @ 17, extra and merino pulled 33 @ 35, No. 1 and super pulled 33 @ 35. Texas fine and medium 16 @ 25, coarse 15 @ 17. California fine and medium 20 @ 25, coarse 18 @ 25.

OMAHA, 25.

General Superintendent Clark, of the Union Pacific, states that they will build 130 miles of road towards the Black Hills this summer. The point from which they will start is not yet decided on. It will be either Sidney or Cheyenne.

NEW ORLEANS, 25.—The following was received to-day:

Clinton, La., May 24.

F. T. Nichols, Governor. Your telegram of this date, in regard to the murder of Laws, is just received. Laws was killed on Saturday, May 19th, in the town of Jackson, at 8 o'clock, by one man, not a band of men. Our coroner has made a full investigation. The supposed assassin is now in jail. It is believed that a family feud, growing out of a divorce suit, now pending between Laws and his wife, caused his death.

(Signed) O. MCVEA,
Judge of the Fifth District.
D. J. WEDGE,
Parish Attorney.

CHESTER, Pa., 25.—The coroner's inquest, in the *Saratoga* launch case, adjourned to-night, without rendering any verdict. The mayor has called a meeting of citizens for to-morrow evening to aid the families of the victims.

SAN FRANCISCO, 25.—George M. Pinney, arrested, to-day, on two charges of forging navy certificates on the complaint of William B.

Carr and Dennis Jordan, was held to bail in the sum of \$20,000. The Prosecuting Attorney states that he will, to-morrow, file eighty charges of forgery against Pinney, and one of embezzlement of the funds of the Mahogany Mining Company, of which he was manager.

A Victoria dispatch says that the survey of the boundary between Alaska and British Columbia, shows that the line intersects Stikkeen river, eighteen miles from the coast. It is much nearer its mouth than was supposed, which will enable sea-going steamers to proceed up the river to British territory without detention from the American custom authorities.

NEW YORK, 26.—A *Times* Washington special says at the War Department it was not considered that any emergency exists in Utah which would require additional troops to be sent. The information received from military officers there does not sustain the sensational reports recently printed with reference to the threatened uprising among the Mormons. It is believed the present force of troops in Utah is sufficient to prevent any lawlessness. Gov. Emery has expressed himself to this effect in private letters. At military headquarters the urgent appeals made for additional troops are regarded as being prompted more by a desire of sutlers and post-traders to increase their business, than from any hostility threatened by the Mormons. Most of the requests thus far received come from this class of people.

ELIZABETH, N. J., 26.—The jury in the case of Dr. Warren C. Westlake, on trial for manslaughter, in killing Walter Lewis with chloroform while extracting a tooth, rendered a verdict of not guilty.

BOSTON, 26.—The dwelling of Henry Tower, at North Clarendon, was destroyed by fire, last night, and two of his children were burned to death.

NEWPORT, Vt., 26.—M. T. Hatch, of North Troy, Editor of the *Paladium*, was assaulted on the street, last evening, by Miss Hadlock, who threw red pepper in his eyes and then cowhided him. An article reflecting on herself and family, led to the affair. Both are well connected, and the community is much excited.

SAN FRANCISCO, 26.—A dispatch from Oroville says in the case of Stainbrook, on trial for the murder of the Chinese at Chico, the jury, this morning, after being out all night, rendered a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree. The other parties indicted, James Slaughter, John Slaughter, Eugene Roberts, and F. E. Conway, were then brought into court. They withdrew their plea of not guilty, and pleaded guilty of murder in the second degree. Their sentences will be passed on Monday next.

WASHINGTON, 27.—The Commissioner of the General Land Office has prepared and will issue, as soon as it can be printed, an important circular of instructions regarding soldiers' additional homesteads. These instructions will give effect to Secretary Chandler's decision of March last, permitting entries to be made in the following cases:

First—Those presented prior to the order of March 20th, 1876, suspending all entries and rejected for reasons insufficient in law to bar their reception, but kept alive by appeal, which by such rejection were postponed beyond the date of order and so lost, these may be admitted without further formality when again presented at the district office after the settlement of the question upon which they were originally refused, but the right of the applicant to make the entry will be fully inquired into in the final adjudication in Washington.

Second—Those actually in the hands of agents or attorneys on May 22nd, 1876, and still remaining in their hands. But these claims must be forwarded here for critical examination, and shall not be accepted by registers and receivers for location until returned to the agents, with the department's certificate of its entire validity and sufficiency.

The third and last clause that will hereafter be recognized, embraces those rights yet remaining in the hands of the parties originally interested, which have never been presented for satisfaction or made the subject for transfer or agency.

Commissioner Williamson requires in order to secure these rights, that a full recital of military service be presented to the General Land Office, with due proof of the identity of the party making the claim, and a detailed reference to