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NEW YORK, 29.—A Wall Street paper says: Some people seem to think that the Central Pacific people have got control of Pacific mail, also that Gould caused the raid on the Denver & Rio Grande yesterday.

SAN FRANCISCO, 27.—A Tucson dispatch says: Sergeant Rufus Somers, of the Sixth Cavalry, committed suicide at Fort Lowell, this a. m., by shooting himself with a carbine in the presence of his company. He was a graduate of West Point, formerly Lieut. of the Sixth Cavalry, but compelled to resign on account of drunkenness and misconduct. His suicide was attributed to drink.

LOUISVILLE, 26.—Col. Crawford, in Lewis County, killed Pent Lyons. Both were drunk and quarreled over a girl.

FAIRFIELD, Maine, 27.—The main building of the Somerset Fibre Company was burned this morning. The huge digester becoming heated by the flames, exploded, throwing the machine in all directions. Pooler was killed by a falling iron pipe. The loss is \$55,000; insured.

MAON, 27.—English & Huegman's warehouse, containing 2,255 bales of cotton and a large amount of guano, was burned early this morning. The grocery of Henry & Sherwood was also consumed. Loss, \$110,000; insurance \$85,000.

WASHINGTON, 27.—The Japanese Prince and suite, in company with the Secretaries of State, war, navy, treasury, Gen. Sherman, members of the diplomatic corps and committees on foreign affairs and foreign relations, have gone to Mount Vernon on the Dispatch.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., 27.—Chief Justice Park has decided that the black ballots used by the democrats in the city election are illegal and void. This decision gives the entire municipal government to the republicans.

PITTSBURG, 27.—This morning at one o'clock James Clark shot and killed his wife in a Sixth Avenue Bagnio. Clark is a member of a well known family and his wife has for years borne a bad reputation.

CHICAGO, 27.—The elevated railroad scheme comes before the Council this evening, and the projectors have to get to work at once and have it completed in two years. They are to begin on the south side working towards the centre of the city, and the cars are to run 14 feet high. It is claimed that if money had not been used freely in the New York legislature, this plan, instead of the present one, would have been adopted. It is a faster and less costly method.

It is stated that a few evenings since a conference was held here attended by a number of leading republican politicians to discuss the coming presidential campaign. It was believed that McDonald of Ind., would be nominated by the democrats, but it was not believed that either Conkling, Blaine, Arthur, Windom, Grant or Logan would fill the republican bill and heal party differences. Col. Robt. Lincoln found many warm supporters, but it was said he was too young yet. Ben Harrison was favored by others, but after a careful analysis of the strong and weak points of each man, it was finally decided that Senator Edmunds of Vermont and Senator James Wilson of Iowa, would be the best names for the presidential ticket that the republicans could nominate. The more the ticket, Edmunds and Wilson, was discussed the more it grew in favor, and a gentleman in the party did so with the understanding that an organized effort would be made to secure the nomination of this ticket.

WASHINGTON, 27.—A correspondent says: Gen. Sherman being shown the published statement that he had been converted to Catholicism, and the result was in some way due to the efforts of his wife, who is an avowed Catholic, says the article is a lie, and must have been known as such by its author; it is a pure fiction manufactured out of whole cloth.

Randall, in the House, said he had been informed that an officer in the army, drawing \$2,000 per year from the government, had been granted four consecutive leaves of absence of six months each from the War Department; and that he was in the regular employ of the Pullman Car Co. as inspector, receiving a salary of \$3,000 a year.

Randall recited this case as an il-

lustration of the favoritism in the service, which could not be tolerated. He refused to give the correspondent the name of the officer to whom he referred. Adjutant Drum informed your correspondent that the officer in question is John F. Trout, of Harrisburg, Pa., assigned to the 23rd Infantry.

Representative Holman, who leads the opposition in the House against the Pacific Railroads, regards the prospects of bills forfeiting to the government unearned land grants to Pacific railroads as not very flattering for this session.

The Secretary of the Interior instructs the Sioux commission to negotiate with the Yankton Sioux to open 400,000 acres of their reservation north of Yankton.

It is said that a caucus of republicans in Congress will be held soon after the holidays, to decide whether the bill for the admission of South Dakota as a State shall be passed at this session. The republicans are in a majority in both houses, and it can be passed unless the democrats filibuster. This they will probably do, as that part of the Territory proposed to be admitted is republican, and will give three republican electoral votes if admitted to the Union. Unless the Territory is admitted at this session, she will not have a chance to come in until the republicans again secure control of the House, as the democrats will certainly be opposed to any increase of strength of their opponents.

Commissioner McFarland, of the General Land Office, this afternoon heard arguments of counsel in the famous McGarahan claim to the Panoche Grande ranch in California. The question was upon the issuance of patents for the lands to the New Idria Mining Company. W. L. Woods and Eppa Hunton appeared for McGarahan, and S. S. Burdett represented the New Idria Mining Co. The hearing occupied several hours, and was frequently interrupted by McGarahan, who charged that the Interior Department for the past twenty years had been in the pay of the company. The Commissioner reserved his decision.

The principal features of the civil service bill as passed by the Senate to-day are as follows: The President is empowered to appoint and the Senate to confirm three civil service commissioners, not all of the same political party, to conduct competitive examinations for admission to office, the commission to receive a salary of \$3,500 per year each and traveling expenses. The examinations to be public and of a character to test the fitness of the applicant for the kind of service he seeks to enter; appointments to be apportioned among the States and Territories in proportion to population; that there be a period of probation before appointment; that promotions be on the basis of merit and competition; that no one in the public service be removed for refusing to contribute to a political party. Where no competitive examination can be held, the rules to govern the proceedings to be framed by the President and the commission. The commission is empowered to employ a chief examiner at \$3,000 per annum and expenses. It provides for boards of public examiners selected from the public service in one or more places in each State and Territory, to hold examination at least twice a year. Any act tending to unfairness in these examinations will subject the offender to fine and imprisonment. It is made the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury and Postmaster General to begin the classification of the employees in the customs and postoffice services in 60 days after the passage of the act, with a view to competitive examinations for promotion. After the expiration of six months the persons nominated to be confirmed by the Senate, not subject to the terms of the bill. Then comes the temperance clause and the coercion section, prohibiting assessments, bribery or discharge or threatened discharge for non-contribution.

NEW YORK, 27.—Judge Arnoux to-day decided the suit of Williams against the Western Union Telegraph Company to prevent the payment of a dividend of \$35,000,000 capital stock. The motion to restrain was denied except as to the \$15,527,000 of capital stock, being so much of the shares thereof as was distributed, the stock dividend in question for that amount, as to which the injunction was granted. Rufus Hatch's injunction, obtained some years since against the Western Union, to restrain the declaration of a dividend, was continued by Judge Arnoux. The company received

notice of the injunction, but say its effect is merely nominal, reaching a few small holders, as having the money in the treasury the company had already paid the dividends as on other occasions, this being part of a scheme to influence the stock. Further proceedings on the other side are anticipated. A motion will be argued to-morrow, the effect of which will be to stay the effect of the injunction. If successful, the officers say it would now be difficult to select from the millions of stock just the two and a half millions which have been enjoined.

Exchanges were only a little smaller last week outside of New York than for the corresponding week of last year, and larger for any third week of the month ever reported except on four occasions, all within the present year. The following cities show gains in business transactions over the same week last year:

Chicago 17.6-10 per cent., Cincinnati 1.4, St. Louis 11.7, New Orleans 9.8, Baltimore 9.8, Pittsburgh 7.4, Providence 1.3, Kansas City 68, Memphis 39.3, Hartford, 17.8, Peoria 23.1, Worcester 4.2, Lowell 28.7, Syracuse 9.8.

LOSSES.

New York 24 per cent., Boston 7.9, Philadelphia 12.2, San Francisco 2.8, Milwaukee 7.0, Louisville 1.4, Cleveland 7.3, Indianapolis 22.4.

The London Placer Mining Co. filed certificates of incorporation to-day. It fixes the capital stock at \$1,000. The incorporators are Hy. C. Comegys, Wm. T. Riggs and Wm. S. McVeer. Operations will be carried on in Pennington Co., Dakota.

Buffalo, 27.—A party of Buffalo capitalists have purchased 150,000 acres in Southern Missouri, which they intend selling again to actual settlers.

Rochester, 27.—A run commenced to-day on the Monroe Company Savings Banks. The greater number of those withdrawing their deposits were women of the poorer classes, well-to-do citizens depositing. The bank meets all demands. The run on the East Side Savings Bank, which was a depositor in the city bank to the extent of \$41,000, was very light. No excitement at any other bank.

NEW YORK, 27.—Two regularly trained heavy weight colored female pugilists, last evening, toed the mark and battered each other around the historic ring to Queen's taste. Bessie Williams, when down to her fighting weight, tips the beam at 290 pounds, while Josephine Green, in her clothes, weighs 280 pounds. The husbands of both ladies are experts at the mny art and have taught their housewives how to defend themselves otherwise than by tongue. For some time past every effort to bring the Amazons together and settle the question of superiority had been tried without success; but eventually a number of sporting men, with Billy McGlory at their head, succeeded in making a match for \$20 a side and the colored lady championship. They had a bloody, brutal, vicious fight, and during its progress both looked like spotted tigers. Finally Bessie got in a right hander on Josephine's nose and knocked her out. A large crowd witnessed the scandalous proceeding.

LINCHBURG, Va., 27.—So great was the indignation among the whites at the arrival of the Uncle Tom's Cabin Company and the five bloodhounds which were paraded about the streets, that it was believed impossible to have any performance here. Being interviewed as to the cause of this at this late date, some of the slave holders said it was an outrage and gross misrepresentation on the South. Many asserted bloodhounds were never used in most States. The company was generally frowned down in the Southern cities, and last night at Richmond they had only 12 auditors. Their play was broken in upon at Norfolk by public clamor.

NEWPORT, R. I., 27.—The wedding to-day of Oliver Hazard Perry Belmont and Sara Swan Whiting was the social event of the season. The bridegroom is a son of August Belmont, and the bride a daughter of the late Aug. A. Whiting. The company present was about as select as the Eastern States could furnish. The wedding presents are valued at \$100,000.

TALLAHASSEE, Ala., 27.—A sloop capsized in the stream near the mouth of Bayou Taxar and six hunters, Alex Dooly, Bill Howard, Noah Saunders, Peter Saunders, Bob Duncan and J. Jones, were drowned.

New York, 27.—The Chinese

Christian missionary, Kam Sing, left here for Canton via San Francisco this morning. Members of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association gave him God speed. He is the first native born Chinaman ever sent as a missionary from here, and will be supported by Trinity and Fifty-third Street Baptist Churches. He will work with Dr. Graves, who for twenty-six years has been a missionary in China.

LEADVILLE, 27.—To-day a fatal shooting affray occurred in St. Ann's Rest, a gambling house. Matt Wells, a gambler, previously had a difficulty with Jno. Kerr, faro dealer, which was augmented by one Felory, another dealer, between whom and Wells there was an old feud, and who carried the talk of each to the other. This morning at 10 o'clock, Wells went into St. Ann's Rest and called for a drink. Seeing Felory, he threw the glass and contents in his face. Subsequently Felory met Wells on the street and knocked him down. Smarting under the infliction, half crazed with liquor, Wells procured a revolver and returned to St. Ann's Rest. Seeing Kerr, he commenced firing. Kerr returned the fire, but shot wild. Both emptied their revolvers. Kerr was mortally wounded. Wells was immediately arrested. Two bystanders, Hunt, another gambler, and Conlon, 60 years of age, received several wounds. Kerr died this afternoon at 2.30.

SAN FRANCISCO, 27.—Portland dispatch: A report reached here this morning that three men were lynched at Princeville, Crook county, on Monday night. All that is known of the affair is that the victims are cow boys of a desperate character, and were hung on general principles.

Dalles, Oregon, dispatch: The following are the particulars of the lynching at Princeville, Crook county: For several years stock raisers of that section and of Beaver Creek have complained of frequent raids of horse thieves. About two weeks ago about thirty head were taken from Princeville. The stealing has been done by an organized band, whose members are scattered throughout Eastern Oregon. They are so well organized and so perfectly acquainted with the country that their capture and conviction have been almost an impossibility. The stockmen organized and picked up evidence showing who the thieves are. The capture of some of the weakest of the band and the judicious use of the rope has brought out a full confession of who the members are. A. C. Swartz and John Thorp were leaders of the thieves here. Swartz in some way knew the business had leaked out. He came into town and boasted of his party's strength threatening to kill whoever attempted to interfere with them. Last Sunday evening while sitting at a table in a saloon he was shot through the neck, his assailant shooting through a window. The same night a band of masked men broke into W. C. Barne's house and captured Sid Houston and Charles Luster, and took them about a mile and hung them to a tree. J. Weston was also shot three times through the head. Who the parties are is a matter of conjecture. It appears to meet the hearty approval of the entire community. The rest of the band have escaped, but vigilantes are on their tracks.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., 27.—In the mountainous portion of Hawkins county, about 60 miles from Knoxville, Saturday night, some white men went to the house of a negro named Gray for the purpose of whipping him, charging him with stealing hogs. They demanded admittance, which was denied. In the battle Gray was mortally wounded, and has since died. His stepson had his thigh broken by a ball. A white man, Jim Williams, was shot in the head and is said to be mortally wounded; another white named Orrick is wounded.

CHICAGO, 27.—The Inter-Ocean's Lexington, Ills., special says: News of the lynching of Thos. P. Kerr, at Pioneer, Arizona, was received this morning. His mother and sister are crushed by the intelligence. Kerr had many warm friends, was not a desperado, and people here refuse to believe that he killed Hartley without provocation.

CHICAGO, 27.—The general managers and general passenger and freight agents of the Western and Northwestern roads met this morning. It was decided to issue passes for the purpose of influencing trade. Rates to Missouri River points were fixed. A committee on classification was authorized, consisting of

five members, one each from the Northern Traffic Association, from the Chicago & St. Louis Association, the Southwestern Association, the Iowa Trunk Line Association, and the Colorado pool, Commissioners Midgley and Carman to act on all requests for changes in classifications.

The Iowa Trunk Line Association met and heard the report of the commission sent to New York to receive what the association considered a fair proportion of the rate on through business from California. The commission reported that it had not been successful. The commission was instructed to notify the Union Pacific that the Iowa Association desires to take the matter up at its next meeting for readjustment.

MONTREAL, 27.—The land grant bonds of the Canadian Pacific Railway are all sold by the Bank of Montreal, and the account closed. The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. will issue stock for \$75,000,000 on the European and American markets.

WASHINGTON, 27.—A great deal of comment is indulged in here among lawyers and others in regard to the case of San Mateo County against the Southern Pacific Railroad, and Justice Field's action in connection therewith by his presence at the banquet given by Leland Stanford, of the Central Pacific road, to Conkling and others of the counsel who appeared for the Southern Pacific. The unanimous verdict is that Justice Field did a very indelicate thing, to say the least, in view of the fact that he tried the case in California. No other member of the United States Supreme Court participated in the banquet. Indeed, it is safe to say no other of its justices were invited.

To-day an enormous edition of *Justice and Anti-Monopoly*, an organization sheet published in New York, was circulated here, nearly all the officials of prominence receiving a copy through the mail. A striking article appears on its first page, surrounded by a black border nearly half an inch in width. It speaks of corporate aggressions in general and this case in particular.

NEW YORK, 28.—It is stated that De Lesseppe's company is negotiating with a New York construction company for the building of the Panama Canal, and that Trenor W. Park, trip to Panama was actually in this interest. Pacific Mail will probably handle the construction material; hence the strength in the stock of that company. The proprietor of the *Sydney Bulletin* who has been here several weeks arranging for extensive improvements in his paper, goes back via San Francisco, taking with him L. Hopkins, one of the best American caricaturists, under a three years' contract, intending to make the *Bulletin* a first class illustrated paper.

OWINGSVILLE, Ky., 28.—An express going east collided with a freight near Stale Creek, in this county, killing both engineers, the brakemen and baggage masters and injuring several passengers. No names are given.

JEFFERSON, Ohio, 28.—The second National Bank has gone voluntarily into liquidation, \$50,000 of the funds being missing. The individual notes of the absconding cashier I. F. Fuller having been deposited to make up the amount on the book. Stock speculation in New York's the cause. H. St. John, Asst. cashier, was Fuller's accomplice.

CHICAGO, 28.—The street highwaymen are becoming so bold and their attacks occur so frequently that there is considerable talk of suppressing them by private enterprise. Scarcely a night passes that one or more attacks are not made, one of the recent victims is likely to die and all have suffered severe injuries from the murderous sand-bag, and the loss of considerable property.

NEW YORK, 28.—Rose Eytinge, actress, in the *Herald* to-day, protests against the Passion Play. In behalf of many members of the profession she says: "If I remember rightly I was in San Francisco at the time the play was produced. The whole community of that city was inexpressibly shocked and it was in obedience to outraged public sentiment that the exhibition was stopped by the mayor and council. I was told by several intelligent persons who have had the best opportunities for judging, that the play, where it was not revolting, was absurdly dull and stupid."

The *Tribune* reports a conversation with H. E. Meyer, railway contractor, arrived from Mexico. Meyer