

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

CHICAGO, May 21.—The sub-committee of the national republican committee has been in session here two days, arranging the details of the convention and deciding upon the distribution of tickets and the allotment of seats to the press and other matters of detail. The seating capacity of the hall is 7000, thus necessitating a smaller apportionment of seats than before. The committee decided to give each delegate three general tickets for distribution, and one press ticket to each delegate, thus enabling the delegate to take care of the local press in his district and state. One hundred and forty-seven working seats at tables are provided for such of the large daily newspapers as will make up and send out from the hall special telegraphic reports to supplement the verbatim report of the Associated Press. No other papers excepting those sending out such reports can be given representation of these tables. In the 147 seats are included the seats required by the Associated Press and the official stenographers. The local press committee was directed to carry out these provisions, and were also notified that the largest number of working seats to be given to any paper should be three. The greater portion of the daily papers taking reports will have but one seat. Alternates will have no tickets but their own. It has been the usual custom to give to the city where the convention is held 15 per cent. of the tickets. The committee has reduced this to 10 per cent. The remaining tickets will be divided among the press, between members of Congress, governors of states, and other distinguished statesmen.

CHICAGO, May 21.—Lillie Richmond this morning created a decided sensation on the West Side by disguising herself as a man, putting on a false moustache, taking up her place at the corner of Etnon and Ann streets and when P. J. Bolander, a prominent real estate agent passed, endeavoring to kill him with a revolver. A policeman had been watching her nervous movements about the corner for some time and becoming suspicious started toward the supposed young man just in time to strike up the revolver and deflect the shot which would doubtless have ended Bolander's life. As it was he was only slightly wounded. When taken to the station Miss Richmond claimed she had been living with Bolander. They were married according to her belief by a legal contract. A couple of months ago he deserted her and she learned he had been married a long time and lived with her while his wife was away. Brooding over this, she determined to kill him. She claims he first imposed on her by drugging her and then deceiving her into the belief that their common law marriage was valid. Bolander admits he roomed with the girl during his wife's absence, but denies drugging her or using deception in the contract matter.

WALTHAM, Mass., May 21.—The summer residence of Augustus Flagg, the millionaire banker, was entered by burglars last night, who secured a gold watch and cash, silverware and jewelry amounting to \$3000.

NEW YORK, May 21.—The mass of evidence in the Hatch-Scotfield case will be submitted to the grand jury as a mere formality, and there the case will probably end. Judge Lawrence's order for the release of Mrs. Scotfield, with the consent of the district attorney, is an indication that in the opinion of the public prosecutor no crime had been committed and that the grand jury would not be asked to indict.

Mrs. Lillian Scotfield is staying with friends at 1410 Broadway, but her servant is instructed to tell visitors she is not there. Mr. Scotfield is boarding on West Eleventh Street. D. C. Ferris has remained at home. He is out on bail.

Mrs. Scotfield appeared in the city court this morning for examination in the supplementary proceedings in the matter of the suit to recover the amount of a bill for \$280 for furniture furnished. She declared she was without home, country, friends, and without a name. Mrs. Scotfield promised to pay the full amount of the bill.

PHILADELPHIA, May 21.—John K. Miles, manager of the Philadelphia office of the Shoe and Leather Reporter has eloped with Miss Jennie Carson, aged 17, and prominent in society. Before leaving Miles cashed a \$4,000 check at the office of the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting of Annuities.

BOSTON, May 21.—George W. Blanchard of Los Angeles, came East a couple of weeks since for a visit, and since then has been thoroughly enjoying the elephant. Saturday night in a dive on Kneeland street he met two women—Alice Reay and Elizabeth Ferguson—who took him to a tough hotel and after getting him well robbed him of nearly \$1,000 and his bank book. The women were arrested. Very little money, but the bank book was recovered.

CHICAGO, May 21.—Thomas Barrett, employed by the Pinkertons in patrolling the Burlington track, while sitting in his room in his own house was shot and killed by an unknown person. He was found shot through the back but was unable to give an account of the shooting before death.

LONDON, May 21.—A dispatch from Wellington, New Zealand, says the bill directed against Chinese immigration has passed the house of representatives of that colony.

A dispatch from Sidney, N. S. W., says: Forty Chinese immigrants possessing exemption papers have been

permitted to land here. The government will compensate those sent back to China. The admiral in charge of the Australian station has declined to comply with the request of captains of immigrant vessels that an armed guard be sent to their vessels to prevent mutiny among Chinamen forbidden to land.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 21.—The section men along the line of the Missouri Pacific struck today, on account of a reduction from \$1.30 to \$1.25 per day. About fifty are out here.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., May 21.—The slate pickers at Henry Clay shaft, numbering 800, struck this morning for the discharge of the foreman and reinstatement of the discharged under a boss. In consequence of the strike three collieries owned by the Reading company are affected and 3000 men are idle.

PITTSBURGH, May 21.—A strike against the reduction of wages ordered by the National Tube Works at McKeesport, Pennsylvania, is probable. The workmen are required to give an answer to the company by Tuesday. A large number seen today said they would not accept the reduction. The strike will affect nearly four thousand men.

CINCINNATI, May 21.—This morning Thomas Reinhart called at the house of Miss Maggie Wise. He had courted Maggie five years. This morning she positively refused him. Reinhart drew a revolver and shot the woman in the head. He then shot himself in the heart. Both are dead.

BERLIN, May 21.—Monster meetings of working men have been held throughout Germany, and the strikes are spreading. At Mayence and Hamburg collisions have occurred between the strikers and the police.

BALTIMORE, May 21.—The first excursion of the season Sunday resulted in murder. George A. Kieley while trying to prevent a man from beating a woman was shot and killed by William Johnson the woman's assailant. The murderer was arrested.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 22.—Paul Grattkau, an anarchist agitator, has been released from the house of correction, after serving but six weeks of his sentence of a year's imprisonment, on account of a technicality, that when the legislature enacted that felonies should not begin to run until the prisoner was actually locked up, it did not mention misdemeanors, and consequently the time spent by Grattkau on bail pending the appeal to the supreme court, applied on the original sentence. The district attorney will take the case to the supreme court.

ST. LOUIS, May 22.—The supreme court yesterday received a mandate of the United States Supreme Court in the case of Brooks alias Maxwell. The court adjourned without fixing any date for its execution. It will not convene again until June 4th.

PANAMA, via Galveston, May 22.—The Pacific Mail steamship City of Para, which left Colon on the 16th inst. for New York, went ashore on Old Providence Island on the 17th. At last accounts she was lying in seventeen feet of water. The vessel is in no danger unless heavy weather sets in, which is very unlikely at this time of the year. The passengers, mails and specie are still on board.

MILAN, May 22.—The Emperor of Brazil appears to be stricken with paralysis. He has lost the power of speech and his breathing is labored. Oxygen was forced into his lungs and coffee was injected under his skin, with the result that he becomes less inert and partially conscious, but there is little hope of his recovery.

ST. LOUIS, May 22.—Advices from Chickasaw, Indian Territory, give an account of a bloody bowie knife butchery, which occurred in one of the bends of the Red River last Saturday. It appears that two farmers named Wash Edwards and James Schieder got into a fight with knives, and the former was literally cut to pieces, his right arm being severed at the shoulder and his back split entirely open, besides receiving several other mortal gashes. Schieder was not hurt, and made his escape.

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—Diligent inquiry established the fact that Morris and Smith, brokers at No. 20 South Third Street, is the firm whose name was used by the person or persons who sent to Secretary Fairchild the bogus offer of \$3,255,000 of bonds on Friday last. The report was confirmed this afternoon by a member of the firm. He said: "I don't know how or where you got the information, but it is true our name was used. There was no attempt on the part of the forger, whoever he was, to imitate the firm's signature. His writing was not at all like ours. The first intimation we had of the matter was on Saturday, when we received notice from Assistant United States Treasurer Page to the effect that the bonds offered by us had been accepted by the United States Government. Investigation followed and as soon as we saw the letter we informed Page that a forgery had been committed. Detectives were put upon the case at once. The thing was done of course for stock jobbing purposes, and the market, as you know, improved after the announcement of the purchase. The Government can hold the forger if he is apprehended and I suppose he can be severely punished."

CHICAGO, May 22.—The Daily News' Washington special says: Ever since his return from the west last Saturday, General Sheridan has been suffering from nervous prostration, and the fact that there was a consultation of physicians at his house, this afternoon, excited grave apprehensions among his friends. Dr. Yarrow told

me this evening there was nothing in the General's condition calculated to excite apprehension, and that he was getting along nicely, and would in all probability, be out of the house and at his office again in a few days.

Colonel Sheridan said: "The General is not very ill. He is not so ill as he has been a great many times in his life, and we are not concerned about it. He has just returned from a very quick and hard trip to the west, spending five nights on sleeping cars, and when he returned was thoroughly tired out. He had also exposed himself to the sun more than was wise in Cincinnati, and this had rather prostrated him. All he needs is rest, and that he is getting. There is no occasion for alarming reports."

NEW YORK, May 22.—Mrs. Annie McSweeney, of Jersey City, claims Mrs. Scofield was in no way connected with the saving of the ship *Sharon* in 1872. Mrs. McSweeney has been twice married. Her husband was Captain Wilson, of the *Sharon*. She accompanied him on the voyage from New York to Liverpool. The *Sharon* was caught in a terrific gale off the banks Feb. 14th, 1872. The mizzen mast was cut away, and in the crash Captain Wilson had his arm and collar bone broken; several of the crew were disabled. His wife assumed command. After guiding the *Sharon* to St. Thomas she refitted and she navigated the craft to Liverpool, and arrived there June 4th.

OTTAWA, Ont., May 22.—Petitions asking for the commutation of the capital sentence passed on Grady and Racette, murders of McLeish, the half breed, have been considered by the governor in council. He decides the law must take its course. The two men will therefore be hanged at Regina next month.

CHICAGO, May 22.—In the divorce case Ursula Gesteifeld against Theo. Gesteifeld, a well known journalist, formerly of this city, evidence of repeated instances of his infidelity during the past fifteen years was introduced. Mrs. Gesteifeld is prominent in Christian science circles and the case attracted great interest. She had not lived with her husband for some years past. A feature of the day's proceedings was the introduction of a most remarkable letter to his daughter, written while the defendant was in Mexico, employed on the *Two Republics*. In this, in a most romantic story he confesses his love for a Miss Addis, formerly a writer, living at Los Angeles, California, but who had moved to Mexico and who through his influence secured a position on the *Two Republics*. He also introduced the name of Nellie Bly, the well known New York correspondent, and several prominent New York and Chicago people. The letter altogether was the most singular confession of wrong doing, and wound up by asking the daughter to explain things to her mamma as she could so better than he and to assure her he had done nothing radically wrong and had recovered from his blindness. The court instructed Mrs. Gesteifeld's attorney to prepare a decree.

NEW ORLEANS, May 22.—A special to the *Picayune* from Greenville, Mississippi, says: Three horrible and unjustifiable crimes were today avenged by the hanging of one white man by the name of Graham, and two negroes named David Moore and Willard Hall. The execution took place in the jail yard at Bolivar. David Moor killed his companion during a game of dice. Willard Hall killed a 15-year-old boy, Grayham, the white man, was hanged for killing two white men on Sun Flower River.

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—The third annual convention of the Butchers' National Protective Association assembled this morning at St. George's Hall with 200 delegates present, representing 20 states and 4000 butchers. President Thos. Armour delivered the annual address.

Charles James, of St. Louis, first vice-president, arraigned four prominent beef firms of Chicago for their selfish efforts to control the beef market.

The afternoon session was given up almost entirely to addresses by delegates reviewing their grievances against the Chicago beef syndicate, and demanding that all other adulterated products be stamped as such when offered for sale.

STRASBOURG, May 23.—The decree in relation to Frenchmen entering Alsace-Lorraine will be published. It provides that all travelers entering Alsace and Lorraine from France, whether they are merely passing through these provinces or whether they propose to take up their residence therein, must present passports vised by the German ambassador at Paris and dated not more than one year prior to the time of presentation. Germans arriving in France and inhabitants of the French frontier districts going into Alsace-Lorraine on business are exempted from the conditions of the decree if they can satisfy the frontier police as to the truth of their claims.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 23.—Early this morning a freight train on the Rock Island went through a bridge near Randolph Point, crashing into a ravine 25 feet deep. A short time after a freight train on the Hannibal & St. Joe went through the bridge adjoining the Rock Island and which had been weakened by the first wreck. Two engineers, a fireman and two tramps were killed.

TOPEKA, Kansas, May 23.—Pardon has been issued by Governor Martin to Charles B. Rotroch, who killed his wife a number of years ago, while under the influence of liquor. A peculiar feature of the

pardon is that the governor issued it upon the condition that Rotroch will forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor. Such a condition has never been imposed before by any governor of this state but the attorney general advised the governor that the condition would be sustained by the courts.

VAN BUREN, Arkansas, May 23.—Heavy rains washed out 10,000 feet of bridge near Mountain Bay at Chester. A 16 stall round house was swept away. At Windsor the guests at Yocm Hotel had to wade through water and take refuge in a box car as the foundations of the hotel were sinking. All the bridges are unsafe, and no trains have arrived for the past four days. The crops and fences were washed away wherever the rain clouds burst.

NEW YORK, May 23.—The Anarchists will resume the publication of their propaganda. The *Alarm* will be transferred from Chicago to this city and printed in English. Herr Most and Henry Gordon, an English anarchist, will have a hand in it.

STRASBOURG, May 23.—A decree is under preparation in regard to Frenchmen entering Alsace-Lorraine. They will be required to present their passports for examination by the German embassy in Paris. They must also be endorsed by the governor of the provinces. The *North German Gazette* says it is high time to make clear, in a manner admitting of no misunderstanding that Alsace and Lorraine belongs to Germany.

PARIS, May 23.—Clemenceau, Jeffrin and Rane have called a meeting for tonight for the purpose of organizing their republican followers and of urging them to take some action to defeat the plans of the party that advocates the plebiscite. A Masonic congress also has been summoned to discuss the dangers of a plebiscite. The committee representing the interests of Prince Jerome Napoleon have notified the committee of action for Prince Victor that they seek a revision of the constitution and the election of the chief of state by a direct popular vote. They do not wish for the restoration of monarchy, but simply desire a consolidated republic.

PESTH, May 23.—The minister of communications has learned of a plot to overturn the train on which King Milan returned to Belgrade. The plot was thwarted by the prefect of Belgrade, who arrested a man named Vitalis, son of a millionaire railway contractor.

OTTAWA, May 23.—It is understood here that Marshal Atkins, of Sitka, has sent the steamer schooners *Dolphin*, *Grace*, *Anna Beck* and *Ada*, all of which were seized last year in Behring Sea, to Puget Sound to be sold.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Mr. Littler, of the Pacific Railroad Commission, addressed the Senate Committee today to which the commissioner's report was referred. In reference to his plan for adjusting the debt of the Central Pacific, the judge said two per cent. on the debt of \$33,000,000 would amount to within \$175,000 of the entire present income of the road. He would first cause to be ascertained the present income and its prospect of future increase. He would then ascertain how much of this it required to pay two per cent. and would devote the balance to the payment of the principal, extending it over a period of years sufficient to wipe it out. Judge Littler said he believed that some of the strong men who had either legitimately or illegitimately made a vast number of millions of dollars out of the road would, in order to avoid further discussion of their conduct before the American people through the press, go down into their pockets and contribute something towards the payment of the debt or at least they would contribute from the earnings of other lines of the roads which they owned.

## THE FISHERIES TREATY.

In secret session today a motion was made by Senator Sherman to proceed to the consideration of the fisheries treaty in open session. A half hour's debate followed, at the end of which the Senate adjourned without action. It is expected the question will be revived tomorrow and the republicans think from present indications that the doors will be thrown wide open.

## NEW LIGHTHOUSES.

The secretary of the treasury has transmitted to Congress the recommendations by the lighthouse board that lighthouses and fog signals be established at the following named points on the Pacific Coast: At Point Buchon, California, to cost \$33,000; at Stewart Island, W. T., \$15,000; at Pater Island, W. T., \$12,000; and at Point Arguello, California, \$35,000. In each case the board reports that the lights are very necessary because of the existence of a dangerous current and prevailing fogs on well established routes of travel.

## AN AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

The Senate committee on agriculture has ordered a favorable report on the Hatch bill to enlarge the duties of the department of agriculture and make it an executive department. The committee, however, struck out that portion of the bill which looks to the transfer of the weather bureau to the department of agriculture.

## COLONIES FOR FRANCE.

The Department of State is advised that the French government has taken possession of the Islands of Pohnahne, Dait Raita and Borabora in the Pacific. The lives of several natives and Frenchmen were lost at Borabora.

## REPORTED FAVORABLY.

The Senate committee on mines and mining today decided to report favorably with some modifications, the bill submitting to the court of claims for adjudication, the title of William McGanahan to the mineral interests of the "Rancho Panocoe Grande" in California. A minority report is also to be made.

## THE PRESIDENT

will leave Washington next Tuesday evening for New York, to take part in the memorial day exercises in New York and Brooklyn the following day. He will review the parade in New York in the morning and in Brooklyn in the afternoon. At the close of the exercises in the latter city, he will go to Jersey City and take the first train for Washington. Mrs. Cleveland will not accompany the President to New York on this occasion. She will make a visit, however, to that city later in the season.

The President and Mrs. Cleveland left Washington this morning for Philadelphia to attend the Presbyterian centennial anniversary. They will hold a reception at Overbrook this afternoon. The President will return tomorrow but Mrs. Cleveland will remain with friends in Philadelphia about a week.

## GENERAL SHERIDAN.

It is stated at army headquarters that the reports regarding the illness of Lieutenant General Sheridan are very much exaggerated. He seemed to be suffering from fatigue or overwork, and Monday last he decided to remain at home and rest for a few days, but he has not been confined to his bed.

## INDIAN APPROPRIATIONS.

The Senate committee on appropriations has completed the consideration of the Indian appropriation bill, and will probably report it tomorrow. It has made a net reduction of \$226,000, making a total reduction of \$8,712,000 in round figures; \$35,000 is appropriated for the payment of the Kaw or Kansas Indian script; \$25,000 for Indian industrial schools in Nevada, to be erected on donated land; \$25,000 for the support of the Indian day and industrial schools, and \$10,000 for the Indian school at Grand Junction, Colorado.

## PENSION ARREARS.

A dilemma confronts the House committee on rules in the shape of the arrears of pension bill, which threatens to prove as embarrassing as was the direct tax bill. Johnson, of Indiana, has introduced a resolution which is now before the committee, making the pension bill a special order for Friday, with the provision that its consideration shall continue in the House from day to day until the bill is finally voted upon. If reported favorably it is believed the bill would pass the House upon final vote. The large appropriation required in that event would negate the idea of tariff reduction. On the other hand, should the opponents of the measure, as in the case of the direct tax bill, succeed in defeating action on the bill it may be at the expense of the tariff bill, as the defeat will have to be accomplished by the adoption of filibustering tactics.

Representative Walker, of Missouri, from the committee on invalid pensions has prepared for presentation to the House a minority report adverse to the bill extending the time during which claims may be allowed for arrears of pensions. The report states it will require \$500,000,000 to carry out the provisions of the bill. Walker says the bill if past will not only dispose of the surplus but will also add several hundred millions to burden the nation already weighed down by taxation. He says in conclusion the American people have been fair and just to the ex-soldiers but have enacted pension laws with a liberality and generosity unparalleled in the pension legislation of any country on earth. In behalf of the taxpaying public, the large majority of whom are struggling to make a living, many even struggling to keep the wolf from the door, he protests against the passage of the bill.

## THE LEGAL FRATERNITY.

The convention of delegates from state and local bar associations of the country having for its object the formation of a national bar association, met again this morning and adopted a constitution. It provides that the name of the same shall be The National Bar Association of the United States, the object of which shall be to promote the unification so far as practicable, of the laws of the various states, which relate to matters in which the people of the United States have common interests, to study and promote the improvement of the judicial system of the states and United States and to consider the necessity and practicability of the establishment of international codes between civilized and commercial nations. The annual meeting is to be held at Cleveland on August 8th, next, Col. James O. Broadhead, of St. Louis, was elected president for the coming year, and A. S. Worthing, of the District of Columbia, and Judge John H. Doyle, of Toledo, Ohio, vice-presidents.

CHICAGO, May 23.—Lieberman & Co., wholesale gentleman's furnishing goods house, confessed judgment for \$100,000 this morning and the sheriff took possession of the store. No statement of the affairs of the firm has yet been made. It is stated tonight the failure is due to the embezzlement of \$48,000 by one of the firm. Samuel D. Levy, the junior partner, is the accused.