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LAST NIGHT'S NEWS

Terrible Loss of Life and Property by the Overflow of Yellow River, China.

Powderly's Condition Last Night Pronounced by Physicians as Critical.

Criminal Cases, Including Ives' Examination and the Bernal Bandits.

The Further Proceedings of the Republican Club in New York City.

An Article in the St. Petersburg "Military Gazette" Causes Great Uneasiness.

The Manager of the Late Opera Comique, Paris, Severely Punished.—Other Notes.

By Telegraph to the NEWS.

TERRIBLE DISASTER.

The Yellow River, China, Overflows, Causing Immense Destruction.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The steam ship *City of Sydney* arrived this afternoon from Hong Kong and Yokohama. The Chinese papers give the details of the disaster occasioned by the Yellow River overflowing its banks in the province of Honau and describe it as one of the most

APPALLING OCCURRENCES

in the loss of life and property recorded in recent times. The river broke its banks on the evening of September 28, southwest of the city of Ching Chow and not only completely inundated that city but ten other populous cities. The whole area is now a raging sea, ten to thirty feet deep, where it was a densely populated and rich plain. The former bed of the Yellow River is now dry and the present lake was the bed of the river centuries ago. The loss of life is incalculable and the statement is made by mission aries that millions of Chinese are homeless and starving.

Thomas Paton, one of the American missionaries, writing from Honau province under date of October 28th says:

The newly gathered crops, houses and trees are all swept away, involving a fearful

LOSS OF LIFE.

The country was covered with fine winter bread which is gone and impliles a complete destruction of next year's crop. "Bread, bread," is the cry of thousands who are on the river banks. Benevolent people go in boats and throw bread among the masses here and there, but it is nothing compared with the requirements. The mass of people is still being increased by continual arrivals even more hungry than the last. There they sit stunned, hungry and dejected without a rag to wear or a morsel of food. Mat huts are being erected for them to the west of this place, but what it will be in two months I cannot conceive. The misery is increased owing to the bitter cold weather.

THE YELLOW RIVER

has long been known as "China's Sorrow," and the present disaster has proved to reassert its right to the terrible title. As yet there are but few details of the disaster. It has occurred where but few foreigners are, and the reports furnished by the officials and published in the *Gazette* convey a very inadequate idea of the extent of the loss of life and property and the sufferings of the survivors. The governor in Honau reports to the throne that "nearly all the people have been drowned in the district reached by the water, the survivors being those who escaped to high ground or took refuge in trees where they remained till they were rescued." This gives but little impression as to what the extent of the disaster really is.

The Chinese *Times* states that in the province of Chihli, where

DISASTROUS INUNDATIONS

have also occurred, there are 270,000 people, representing those whose lives were destroyed, and adds that the misery in that province is trifling compared with that caused by the Hoang-Ho, or Yellow River. The extent of the ground swept over by the overwhelming flood, given in English figures, is over 7,000 square miles, and the land thus submerged formed a part of one of the richest and most densely populated plains of Northern China. The necessity for liberal aid may therefore be imagined. Already considerable sums have been contributed toward the relief of the sufferers. The Emperor of China has given two million taels and the Chinese have started a subscription in Shanghai to which foreigners have contributed liberally. Millions have been

RENDERED HOMELESS

and entirely deprived of all chances of earning their livelihood, for their fields will either become a permanent lake or an uninhabitable swamp. It is feared that the distress which will be felt during the coming winter will equal in intensity the famine of ten years ago, when the charitable donations contributed from all parts of the world were utterly inadequate. It is stated that owing to the turn taken by the current, the Yellow no longer flows toward the sea, but seems content with converting Eastern Honau and Northern Nganwhui into a lake. It may ultimately flow into the sea through Kiangon or it may even possibly join the Yangtse.

Florida Fire.

JACKSONVILLE, Dec. 15.—This afternoon a fire originated in Hamblin's hardware store at St. Augustine, destroying a number of buildings. Loss, $200,000; insurance, $100,000.

Powderly Worse.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 15.—Powderly's condition tonight is regarded as critical by his physicians. He was seized with another hemorrhage this afternoon.

Just Like White Men.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 15.—A special from Pierre, Dakota, says: The Indians on the Cheyenne reservation and Spotted Tail agencies, have raised $5,000 and will send a delegation to Washington to present their views on the Sioux reservation matter. Sitting Bull, Charger and Hump will speak for the redmen. The Indians are anxious to have the money paid to them direct.

Heavy Snow.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 15.—A general snow storm, the heaviest in the memory of the oldest settler, is reported throughout western Texas. At Cisco and San Angel the snow is six inches deep.

CRIMINAL CASES.

Ives' Examination—Bernal's Bandits, Etc.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 15.—An English detective by mistake arrested an American calling himself Pommeroy Anderson, the American minister here, believes that Pommeroy is John Benson, who is wanted in San Francisco for having perpetrated land frauds. An American detective has been cabled for to identify him.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The grand larceny charge brought against

HENRY S. IVES,

by President Dexter, of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad, had its examination today. Counsel for Ives conceded the statements about the contract made by Ives as trustee for the purcnase of the Terre Haute & Indianapolis road; also the depositing of the $100,000 draft to the credit of Ives & Co., as alleged in the charge, but insisted that due credit was made in the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton's general account. President Dexter read an extract from Ives' cash books, tending to corroborate the complaint. The cross-examination was devoted to questions tending to show the personal animus against Ives on the part of Dexter.

Hardy Ogden, one of Ives' bookkeepers, was called. The prosecution stated that it was its purpose to show that the firm of

IVES & CO.

by the last of May was insolvent and would not be able to keep up after June 6, without the use of the $100,000 alleged to have been appropriated by Ives. Ives took the stand and told the story of the Vandalia transaction. He had handed the $100,000 to Staynor, after the deal was completed, and didn't know how it had been deposited until his attention was called to it. When asked if his firm was insolvent the last day of May, witness said it was not insolvent even when the assignment was made. On the advice of his friend Mr. Dexter, Ives' counsel took up the motion to dismiss the case declaring there was no evidence to show intent to defraud. The draft when it fell due had been paid by Ives & Co. out of the money then in their hands and the company had not lost a cent. He denounced the case brought by Dexter as an attempt to break Ives down and prejudice him in the civil suit now pending. Justice Killbreath took the motion

UNDER ADVISEMENT.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Joseph Knight, bookkeeper of the Manufacturers' National Bank, was taken before U. S. Commissioner Edwards this afternoon charged with stealing from the funds of the bank between $80,000 and $70,000. It is said that Knight had been appropriating to his own use the bank's money for nearly twenty-five years. Mr. Knight was bookkeeper of the Manufacturers' National Bank for thirty-five years, and has always been considered upright and trustworthy. John W. Mcelly, president of the bank, said he first discovered that the books were being falsified on the 9th of this month, the balance sheet coming out correct within about $20,000.

MACON, Ga., Dec. 15.—This was the tenth day of the trial of Woolfolk for the murder of nine of his family. The jury was charged at noon, and in twenty minutes brought in a verdict of guilty. The prisoner was sentenced to

HANG FEBRUARY 10.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—In the trial of Mrs. Robinson for the murder of her son Willie, her attorney admitted that the boy died from arsenic poisoning, but denied that it was administered by her. He declared that Dr. Beers gave Willie some medicine the day before he was taken sick, at his place of business.

Charles H. Robinson, son of the prisoner, testified that Dr. Beers gave him a lot of powders for Lizzie, his sister, and that he gave Willie some white pills. Witness refused to take them when requested to do so by Beers.

Mrs. Robinson then took the stand. She said that Willie had told her he had lent to Dr. Beers $400 or $500 and had the latter's note for it. She said she never at any time administered arsenic or a drug to her son, and did not know its appearance or properties.

THE BANDITS.

NOGALES, Dec. 15.—Word has just been received of an engagement between the Mexican troops under General Lorers and several of Bernal's bandits, in which a number were wounded on both sides and one of the bandits made a prisoner. A young Mexican woman, Bernardina Barraza, who had been carried off by Bernal, after sacking the town of Otaez, was rescued. Bicuri, the captured prisoner, refused to tell the whereabouts of Bernal, and was tied to a tree and shot. A scouting party sent to Clenga, now at Chicola, found three men supposed to belong to Bernal's band, and shot them.

$30,000 Horse Dead.

VERSAILLES, Kentucky, Dec. 15.—Messenger Chief, the noted trotting stallion, died from rupture last night. He was owned by George A. Singerly, editor of the Philadelphia *Record*, who valued him at $20,000.

Just Punishment.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Carvalho, manager of the Opera Comique, was sentenced today to six months imprisonment and to pay 10,000 francs to the various sufferers. Andre the fireman, two months and 4,000 francs.

Washington Notes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The President has sent to the Senate another long list of nominations of postmasters who were appointed during recess. Among them are the following:

J. T. Knox, San Bernardino, California; A. P. Norman, San Diego, California; W. U. Masters, Pasadena, California; Mary C. Hughes, Kresno City, California; E. A. Preuss, Los Angeles, California; J. F. Love, Colorado Springs, Colorado; C. R. Barratt, Salt Lake City, Utah.

MR. DENBY,

American minister to China, has written a letter to Secretary Bayard, saying that whatever concessions had been made to the Barker-Mitkiewicz syndicate have since been revoked by the Chinese government.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission today gave a hearing in the case of William Heard, the colored minister living in Charleston, South Carolina, who complained that the Georgia Railroad Company in June, 1887, compelled him to ride in a coach of inferior accommodations, although he had a first-class ticket.

The Senate committee on commerce today appointed Messrs. Kenna, Vest, Coke, Cullom and Palmer as a subcommittee to whom shall be referred all executive nominations which may require

ANY INVESTIGATION.

During the performance of "L'Article 47" by Clara Morris at the Grand Opera House tonight, Annie Horton, a great grand daughter of John C. Calhoun, who is now an employe of the Postoffice Department, became violently insane during the scene in which "Cora" is shot by "George Dubamel." Five or six years ago Miss Horton fired several shots at George Morgan, a son of Senator Morgan, of Alabama, and it is thought that the scene on the stage recalled the affair so vividly as to unbalance her mind.

The purport of Senator Stewart's bill, debated in the Senate today, is to allow the deposit at any mint or assay office of any gold and silver bullion in quantities of not less than five ounces of gold or eighty ounces of silver and the receipt therefore of

COIN CERTIFICATES

which are to be legal tender; to have the existing gold and silver certificates called when received at the treasury; to have no gold coined hereafter except as necessary to redeem obligations expressly payable in coin; to have bullion received under this act, melted into bars and deposited in the treasury; and to repeal the act of the 18th of February, 1876, requiring the coinage of 2,000,000 silver dollars monthly.

Defying the Police.

DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—The board of guardians of Kildspart have resolved to grant the use of the board room for the meeting of the National League in defiance of the police authorities, the meeting to be held with locked doors.

Spite Work.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—It is reported that Chatiain, the French officer arrested yesterday for selling military secrets to Germany, was actuated by spite resulting from the slowness of his promotion. Among his papers was a letter to Crispi, the Italian premier.

The Republican Club.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—At 1:20 p. m., after a long contest, involving the call of the roll, the convention chose Hon. Daniel J. Ryan, of Ohio, temporary chairman by a vote of 159 to 154 over General Nathan Goff, of West Virginia. Judge Ryan on taking the chair said:

We are here today to reorganize the clubs of the country into a permanent organization. We are here to boom the republican party and not any one in it. We are here on the most important business occasion. Believing that we must get down to business at once, I shall now ask your pleasure.

A number of secretaries were chosen, and a vice-president for each state was selected. This was slow work, and the convention adjourned till tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

THIS EVENING

the club held a public meeting in Cooper Union. Hon. J. P. Lynch, the colored orator of Mississippi, addressed the assemblage. He said he was here to speak on the suppression of the colored vote of the south: "By form of law," he said, "Cleveland is President, but morally he has no more right there than he has to the throne of Great Britain. Cleveland could no more get the electoral votes of Mississippi, Louisiana and South Catolina than he could those of Pennsylvania, Vermont and Ohio. There are over twenty thousand more colored men than white in Mississippi. Not less than one-third of the whites vote the republican ticket and no more than one-tenth of the blacks vote the democratic ticket. Yet the state is always

SURELY DEMOCRATIC.

They go through the forms of election down there, but as soon as the democratic conventions are over the polls are closed. Sometimes there is difficulty in getting the democrats to falsify the returns. When frustrated in this way, they sometimes resort to violence. These frauds are perpetrated mainly because the general sentiment of the country tolerates them. If the people of the north get their eyes open, these things will continue in the south."

The speaker's idea of the remedy was to reduce the representation of the Southern States. Then if colored men could not be represented, they would have the satisfaction of knowing the vote was not going to the enemy.

SPEAKER NOYES,

of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, commended the address of Mr. Lynch. Tariff is of small importance compared with the question of human rights. Cleveland has thrown a gauntlet into the arena that the republicans will quickly pick up. The President issued a proclamation that had in it the platform of his party, and a citizen across the water criticised it. [Great cheering] and it spread over the world, giving it many readers where it would only have had one. We are not here to designate a candidate, but he thought events had designated who the next candidate would be.

A LETTER

from John S. Wise, of Virginia, did not speak hopefully of the Virginia republican vote.

Hon. John Dalziel, of Pennsylvania, dwelt principally upon the tariff. He attributed the surplus and many other ills to internal revenue.

THE WAR CLOUD.

A St. Petersburg Paper Adds Fuel to the Flames.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15.—The *Official Military Gazette* says:

Owing to the alarm raised by the Austrian press in consequence of the transfer of some Russian cavalry to Warsaw district, it is advisable to consider the military position of Russia and her western frontier neighbors in order to throw light upon the question of who is really preparing to attack and who for defense. After enumerating in detail the increase in the effectiveness of the German and Austrian armies during the past five years, it goes on to say that all these preparations are meaningless except in view of the

OFFENSIVE TACTICS

which show that Austria, under semblance of defense, is at the same time preparing to invade Russia simultaneously with her ally. But what is Russia doing in view of her neighbor's threatening preparations? Notwithstanding the manifest danger, Russia considers that a European war would bring terrible misfortunes to all mankind. She was the first, who, amid her neighbors' feverish armament, did not increase but decreased her defensive forces. The effectiveness of the Russian army is seventy-five thousand less than in 1881, while her neighbors in the same period have raised theirs the same amount.

The most effective measure against the danger would be the extension of the Russian railway system in proportion to those of our neighbors, but as this requires time and money, the only course is the

INCREASE OF TROOPS

on the frontier. The transfer of the few cavalry regiments on the Vistula must be made a pretext to excite the press to charge Russia with warlike intention. The German and Austrian military authorities understand the defensive character of this measure. They can calculate how many corps Russia will have to send to the frontier while peace is undisturbed, so that after concentrating at any given point the forces and means at her disposal she might suffice to place Russia on an equality with her opponents. Russia has the undoubted right to provide for her defense and take every measure to uphold the honor and maintain the inviolability of her territory.

ITS EFFECT.

VIENNA, Dec. 15.—The article which appeared in the St. Petersburg *Military Gazette* today on the military movements of Russia and her neighbors, has excited great attention here. In official circles the opinion is expressed that the article will cause no change in the attitude of Austria. The government before taking actively responsive measures of defense, will wait to see whether Russia continues her threatening military preparations.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—It is reported the article in the St. Petersburg *Military Gazette* on the Russian military movements, was written at the Czar's command by Gen. Kropatkine, of the grand general's staff. The article has created a bad impression throughout Europe.

Horse Sales.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 15.—The first thirty-two horses sold at the Eastern Kentucky Tatterstalls today were the property of Hon. W. L. Scott of Pennsylvania. Among the sales were the following: Tea Tray, to Dwyer Bros., New York, $10,500; Torchlight, to S. S. Brown, Pittsburg, $7,600; Ransom, by Rayon d'Or, to J. W. Mackay, San Francisco, $1,600; Florentine, by Rayon d'Or, to J. W. Mackay, $1,000; Blue Grass, by Rayon d'Or, to J. W. Mackay, $800. In the sales of the property of G. M. Ryer, of Louisville, was the bay filly Widow Cliquot to J. W. Mackay, $2,150; of the property of P. Mack, Lexington, Ky., Potech, by Powhattan, was sold to P. A. Brady, Chicago, for $6,050.

The Wool Growers.

JACKSON, Michigan, Dec. 15.—The National Merino Sheep Register Association closed its session today. Resolutions were adopted recounting the depression in the wool-growing industry by the reduction of the tariff on wool, expressing disapproval of President Cleveland's views regarding the tariff, urging the representatives in Congress to use every means in their power to oppose legislation looking to a reduction of the tariff on wool, requesting Congress to revise the present classification of foreign wools to prevent fraudulent importation and also to protect the manufacturer and dealer from unjust competition.

The Railroads.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—At a meeting of the general mortgage bondholders of the Houston & Texas Central Railroad Company today, at which nearly $2,000,000 worth of bonds were represented, a committee of the bondholders submitted the agreement entered into by the committee on the part of the bondholders with the Southern Pacific Company for the purpose of effecting the reorganization. By a

UNANIMOUS VOTE

the agreement was ratified. It embraces a plan of reorganization by which all the existing mortgages, with the possible exception of those upon the Waco and Northwestern division, or to be foreclosed, and a new company organized, which shall acquire all the property and franchises of the present railway company, and thereafter issue new bonds equal in amount to the principal of the outstanding first mortgage, consolidated mortgage and general mortgage bonds. The first mortgage bonds are to run fifty years from July 1, 1887. Five per cent interest is guaranteed by the Southern Pacific Company. A syndicate will be formed, if necessary, for the purpose of facilitating the conversion of the outstanding bonds and carrying out the plan of reorganization.

DIVIDEND.

The officials of the Central Pacific Company state that a dividend of one per cent. will be declared as soon as the Southern Pacific pays the rental of $1,200,000, due May 1st. This money has heretofore been applied to reduce the floating debt.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—A Montreal special says: Traffic Manager Olds, of the Canadian Pacific, says an agreement has been made by the transcontinental lines to cease cutting rates. The American transcontinental lines have agreed to interchange freight and passengers with the Canadian Pacific on terms satisfactory to the latter.

Concord Wanted.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The declaration of the ministers was read in the chamber of deputies today. It declares that the cabinet's sole ambition is to continue the work of concord begun on December 3rd. The declaration cites the military, financial, economic, administrative and social measures that the government will submit, and demands the united republican vote on the ministerial scheme of military legislation.

The deputies, by a vote of 521 to 13, passed the appropriation asked by the government.

The Prince.

SAN REMO, Dec. 15.—Drs. Schroeder, Krouss and Hovell have issued a bulletin concerning the crown prince, in which they say that during the last few weeks the inflammatory symptoms in the larynx have entirely disappeared.

After examining the crown prince's throat today, Dr. Mackenzie declared he found no dangerous symptoms.

Alabama Lawyers.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 15.—The State Bar Association met here today. The annual address was delivered by by Judge J. F. Dillon, of New York. He said this being the centennial year of the adoption of the Federal Constitution, he had selected as his subject: "A Century of American Law." After a retrospect of the general situation, he reviewed the many changes and improvements in the English and American law during the past hundred years, traced the growth of legal literture in this country, showing a large increase in the publication of law reports, and predicted many changes in the municipal corporation and international laws during the next century.

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" "	1	1120	50
Crump, Wm. C.....	1	1141	50
Hope, James.....	4	488	2 00
" "	2	657	1 00
" "	1	738	50
" "	1	851	50
Jensen, Mary C.....	15	533	7 50
" "	2	734	1 00
Matthews, James.....	5	131	2 50
Marriott, Henry.....	1	219	50
Mayne, Thomas.....	4	905	2 00
Neilson, Nels.....	3	733	1 50
" "	5	658	2 50
" "	2	805	1 00
" "	2	756	1 50
" "	7	1023	3 50
Petersen, Christen.....	10	91	5 00
Parr, John C.....	2	1042	1 00
Richards, Thomas.....	3	18	1 50
Richards, Hyrum.....	1	292	50
Shields, James (Estate)	35	332	17 50
" " "	4	332	2 00
" " "	1	505	50
" " "	6	610	3 00
" " "	1	630	50
Stocking, Ensign J.....	14	287	7 00
" "	1	304	50
" "	1	416	50
" "	2	484	1 00
Taylor, Thos. E. & Bro.	1	299	50
Taylor, Thos. E.....	6	237	3 00
" "	8	559	4 00
" "	2	733	1 00
" "	1	804	50
Wilckens, Chas. H....	20	119	10 00
" "	5	300	2 50
" "	20	331	10 00

And in accordance with law, so many shares of each parcel of such stock as may be necessary, will be sold at the Company's office, No. 8, Hooper & Eldredge Block, Salt Lake City, on Dec. 30th, 1887, at o'clock of such day to pay delinquent assessment thereon, together with the cost of advertising and expenses of the sale.

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