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FALL RIVER, 24.—To-night Sagamore's mill, No. 1, in the northern part of the city, caught fire in the basement. A portion of the basement was used as a storeroom for cotton, and contained several hundred bales. This cotton was on fire in three places when first found, leaving little doubt but that the fire was incendiary. The flames climbed the elevator shaft and through the tower to the stories above, and soon the entire interior of the mill was a mass of flames. The roof finally fell, carrying the remaining floors to the basement. Next the south half of the east wall fell with a tremendous and startling crash into the huge furnaces of flame. The mill is a total loss. The loss will amount to about \$800,000; insurance, \$500,000. The destroyed mill run 40,000 spindles and 10,000 looms, and furnished employment to 500 hands with a weekly pay roll of \$30,000. The sagamore was one of ten mills struck by the spinners twelve weeks ago, and was the one against which the efforts of the strikers were mainly directed. Notwithstanding the strike the mill has been kept steadily in operation, and to-day nearly the full complement of machinery was running.

St. John, N. B., 24.—The damage by the washout from the freshet to the Intercolonial Railway, between Sackville and Amherst, was more serious than at first supposed. The passengers and mails leaving Halifax Tuesday, only arrived to-day. In Nova Scotia, dams, mills and logs were swept away. The Shediac correspondent writes that such a freshet is unknown for forty years.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., 24.—*Journal's* Miles City, Montana: M. A. Carlano, the ring treasurer of Custer County was found guilty this morning in Judge Roberts' court.

Kansas City, 24.—*Times'* Harrisonville, Mo.: While Deputy Sheriff J. B. Hurley was conveying W. Fink from Pleasant Hill to this place, a party of men took the prisoner from the officer and strung him up several times until he confessed to having murdered Carson at Pleasant Hill in February. They then returned him to the deputy and the prisoner is now in jail here.

Montreal, 24.—A telegram from Rev. Devon, a Protestant minister at the Indian settlement Oka, states there were grave disturbances there this afternoon, and a part of his buildings were torn down. The Ottawa authorities are asked for aid. The affair is a fresh breaking out of an old squabble between the Catholic seminary and the Protestant Indians.

DENVER, 24.—A. Johnson, who was present at the recent battle between the Navajos and the whites at Mitchell's place, Lower San Juan River, Southern Colorado, arrived at Durango to-day. Johnson says: "Myself, Wm. Grove and Victor Neff arrived at Mitchell's store on the evening of the 15th. A party of a dozen Navajo Indians came to the store. One drew a gun on Edward Mitchell. While the quarrel was in progress a Navajo named Rye Lilly commenced removing the buckskin from his rifle. The other Indians ran for their guns that were standing against the store. Both the Indians and whites began firing. After about 25 shots were exchanged the Indians retreated across the river, leaving one dead on the ground. None of the whites were hurt. The whites then proceeded to throw up fortifications, while the women showed great nerve in carrying tubs of water to supply them in case of a siege.

Johnson then started for Fort Lewis. The commanding officer immediately started a squad of mounted cavalry to the relief of Mitchell's. When they reached Bowen Ferry a Navajo came in and reported that the Utes had killed all the whites at Mitchell's place. So far no other word has been received, and Johnson fears all the whites have been massacred. It is not probable that the Utes went to the scene to avenge the death of the Navajo Indian. It is the common practice for one tribe to lay its crimes to another. The district commander has ordered Captain Kicham's company to leave Fort Lewis early to-morrow morning. Troops also are being brought up from Fort Wingate, New Mexico. It may be several days before anything definite can be learned. The following is a list of the whites whom Johnson left at Mitchell's place: Old man Mitchell and wife, Edgar Mitchell, wife and three children; Henry Mitchell and wife; Joseph Daugherty and wife; Peter Christman, Wm. Poland, Wm. Grone and Victor Neff.

NEW ORLEANS, 24.—The returns, so far, from various sections of the State indicate a majority of 50,000 for the Democratic State ticket, and the adoption of all the constitutional amendments. The returns for this city are not complete, but the majority for the regular democratic ticket approximates 15,000.

Burlington, Ia., 24.—The Democratic State Convention re-assembled at 2 o'clock. The committee on resolutions not being ready to report, the committee proceeded to the choice of delegates-at-large to the National Convention. The delegates are uninstructed, but all favor Tilden.

Lewiston, Me., 24.—In the State Greenback convention to-day four delegates-at-large were chosen to the National Convention. The resolutions declare the Government alone should exercise the function of issuing all

currency; declare against monopolies; declare that General Butler for President is unanimously approved, and the platform of the Chicago convention of 1880 was ratified. The delegates to the National convention for the several districts were chosen. Adjourned.

New York, 24.—The resolution offered in the seventeenth assembly district association recommending the nomination of Arthur for President, excited J. P. Fraser to insinuate that Arthur was in some degree answerable for President Garfield's death. A dozen members leaped to their feet and shouted that he was a liar and not fit to be a member of the party. The resolution was then adopted.

Boston, 24.—Charles Francis Adams, John Quincy Adams, Charles R. Codman and some 700 others, have issued a call for a meeting here April 29th, to form a league. The call says: "The present enormous surplus in the National revenue is so demoralizing and dangerous that it should be cut down without further delay, not by increasing the public expenditure, but by lessening the burdens of taxation. The burden should be removed from necessities of life, and not from whisky and tobacco, and that the policy of taxing imports, not for the purpose of raising revenue, but for obstructing trade, is unsound, and must ultimately be abandoned."

Minneapolis, 24.—The republicans of the fifth congressional district have elected two delegates to the Chicago convention. Barto prefers Edmunds, but will vote for Blaine in accordance with the wishes of his constituents. Page is for Blaine.

Mankato, Minn., 24.—The second district has elected delegates to Chicago. Crosby is for Edmunds personally, but will vote for Blaine, Rogers is for Edmunds first, Sherman second.

Olatte, Kansas, 24.—The second congressional district republican convention has elected delegates to Chicago uninstructed.

Baltimore, 24.—The third congressional district republican convention elected delegates to Chicago, uninstructed. Confusion reigned in the fourth congressional district republican convention, owing to the contesting delegations of the so-called Custom House party, which bolted. The remaining, or Blaine portion of the convention, then elected delegates to Chicago with two alternates. The Custom House convention elected delegates to Chicago, with two colored alternates.

The eight eastern lines announce they will sell excursion tickets to Chicago during the session of the Republican National Convention, at one fare for the round trip.

Waterville, Me., 24.—The Republican convention of the Third Congressional district nominated by acclamation Seth L. Milliken for Congress.

Rutland, Vt., 24.—The Republicans of the first Vermont Congressional district nominated delegates to Chicago. Both are for Edmunds.

Worcester, Mass., 24.—The Tenth Congressional District elected A. W. Rice and Theo C. Bates delegates to the Republican National Convention. Both are for Edmunds.

Grand Rapids, Mich., 24.—The Republican State Convention met this morning and was called to order by Mr. Wm. Livingston chairman pro tem of the State Central committee. Hon. R. G. Hoar, of Saginaw, was called to the chair as temporary chairman.

## THE PLATFORM.

First—The Republicans of Michigan in convention assembled, to elect delegates to the National Convention, hereby re-affirm the principles of the party as enunciated in its platform through the history of a quarter of a century. It re-affirms its faith in the ability of the party to secure in the future, as it has in the past, such modifications and reforms as time and experience shall prove to be for the growth of the Nation and the general welfare of the citizens.

Second—They have confidence that the wisdom and patriotism of the Chicago Convention will formulate a platform and nominate candidates that the people will approve, and that will, next November, call out from the State of Michigan its old-time republican majority.

The afternoon session was called to order by the temporary chairman. G. F. Gibson, chairman of the credentials, reported 610 delegates present.

Col. H. N. Duffrell, of Detroit, chairman of the committee on permanent organizations, reported the names of Hon. M. C. Burch, of Grand Rapids, for permanent chairman, and C. T. Bennett, of Bay County, for permanent secretary.

The report of the committee was unanimously adopted, and the organization was completed by the election of vice presidents and secretaries by districts. Mr. Burch took the chair amid much enthusiasm, and briefly addressed the convention. The report of the committee on resolutions was read by the chairman, Hon. Robert Warren, and after discussion the platform presented by the committee was adopted. The delegates at large to the Chicago Convention were then chosen. The Presidential preferences are as follows: Blaine, 16; Edmunds, 4; Unknown, 2. The delegates at large go uninstructed. Their preferences are unknown. Adjourned.

MOUNT STERLING, Ky., 25.—Early this morning between 40 and 50 men went to the residence of the jailor and demanded admittance, the leader stating that he was sheriff of Breathitt county with a prisoner. The jailor was on the point of admitting them when he discovered the party to be a mob

intent on hanging a prisoner named Wm. Osborn, sentenced to 5 years imprisonment for killing Henry Thomas. The leader of the mob told the jailor that unless he surrendered the keys he would batter down the doors. This was done, but the jailor with his two sons were in the second story, well armed, and defied the mob to ascend the stairs. After searching the lower part of the house for the keys of the jail the mob left the premises.

WASHINGTON, 25.—Representative Reagan of Texas, chairman of the House committee of commerce is seriously ill from bladder complaint. Two operations have been performed and apprehensions that he will not recover are entertained by his friends.

PITTSBURG, 25.—One of the most remarkable prize fights that ever occurred in this city or vicinity took place last night in Arsenal Park, between Bilson Jack and Jack Clifford for \$100 a side. Previous to the battle a ball had been in progress in which over 30 young girls and several mothers with infants in arms were participants. When time was called, from 10 to 30 women as well as men crowded around the ring, and during the fight the former were the most enthusiastic shouters for their respective favorites. The fight was with soft gloves to the finish, London prize ring rules. From the start Clifford, who displayed the most science, had the best of it, and soon had the battle well in hand. Bilson Jack fought savagely, however, and refused to give up until the hundred and twenty-first round when friends interfered and the mill was awarded to Clifford. Both men were terribly punished. Bilson Jack had to be carried from the ring. A number of policemen watched the fight to the close without interfering. The battle lasted an hour and forty-five minutes.

WASHINGTON, 25.—Representative Stewart, of Texas, was directed to-day by the House committee on foreign affairs to prepare a bill providing for the appointment of three commissioners to visit Mexico, Central and South America, to secure information relative to the increasing commercial interests between those countries and the United States. The bill is to contain an appropriation of \$70,000.

NEW YORK, 25.—Bennett's evening paper, the *Telegram*, comes out to-day with Arthur and Lincoln at the head of the columns.

The Richmond & Danville directors have authorized the construction of the Columbus Gap extension on the Georgia Pacific Railway.

WASHINGTON, 25.—The House committee on appropriations to-day agreed to report favorably the bill loaning one million dollars by the government to the World's Industrial and Cotton Exposition at New Orleans.

A silk flag was presented to the Senate by Joseph Newman, of California, being the first American flag made of American silk.

CHICAGO, 25.—The conference between the Burlington and Union Pacific officials and of the roads in the Western Trunk Line Association was concluded this afternoon. The main details for amicable adjustment of present differences were agreed upon, provided the Union Pacific and Burlington can settle the matter of percentages for pooling competition on Colorado and Nebraska business, and an adjournment was taken to give them an opportunity to do so.

ARCHISON, Kansas, 25.—J. C. Leslie, a farmer near Atchison, lost seven hogs on Thursday night, by some mysterious disease.

Denver, 25.—M. A. McDonald, a prominent lawyer of Denver, was crushed to death between cars at Coal Creek to-day.

San Francisco, 25.—Hecht & Barclay, commission merchants, failed to-day. Liabilities \$200,000; nominal assets, \$75,000. Donohue, Kelly & Co., bankers, and the Pacific bank are the principal creditors.

Pittsburg, 25.—A disease resembling pleuro-pneumonia has broken out among the cattle in Washington County. Veterinary surgeons pronounce it contagious, and have recommended Governor Pattison to quarantine the district.

Denver, 25.—No news from Mitchell's ranch has been received to-day. Ketchum's command left Fort Lewis early this morning. Until its arrival nothing is expected. The causes which led to the fight are entirely local difficulties. These no doubt will be amicably settled upon the arrival of the troops.

A special to the *Tribune* says in the fight two Indians were killed and two wounded, instead of one, as reported.

Halifax, 25.—Captain Scott in his official report of the inquiry into the loss of the steamer *Daniel Steinmann*, says: "Captain Schoonhoven made no observation the day of the disaster, and was therefore uncertain of his position. The night was dark, foggy, and rainy, and it was highly imprudent, under all the circumstances, to attempt to enter the port of Halifax. It was clearly his duty to haul off shore till able to verify his position and obtain a pilot. To these circumstances alone can be attributed the loss of a fine ship and the lives of 124 persons."

GALVESTON, 25.—The *News' Orange*: Paul Moran for shooting into a passenger train, was tried to-day and acquitted. Some indignation is expressed as to the justice of the verdict, the law proclaiming it no offense to shoot into a railway coach unless it be proven that lives are endangered thereby.

Toronto, 25.—The grand jury to-night returned a true bill against Bunting, Wildinson, Meek and Kirkland, all of the alleged conspirators on the

three counts of conspiring, combining and confederating with each other to gain a vote of want of confidence in the government, and to defeat legislation and procure a change in the government's timber policy.

Knoxville, Tenn., 25.—The *Tribune* has information that in Russell county, Va., last Sunday, Geo. Gibson, his cousin, Wm. Gibson, Jonas Powers and Wayne Powers bought a bucket of brandy in the mountains, and got into a dispute about who had paid the most for it. Knives and pistols were drawn, and Wm. Gibson was shot and killed. The other three built a fire over the body, burning it to a crisp. The three murderers were jailed. With great difficulty lynching was prevented. The people are terribly aroused, and the murderers may yet be taken from the jail and hanged.

Philadelphia, 25.—The grand jury returned true bills against a number of persons occupying booths in the vicinity of Barnum's show, for selling liquor without a license. The foreman asked if the district attorney could submit an indictment against Barnum. He claimed Barnum was the cause of all the nuisances and annoyances and that the show was a public nuisance.

Chattanooga, Tenn., 25.—The trial of Frank James, at Huntsville, Ala., for complicity in the Mussel Shoals robbery in 1881, was concluded with a verdict of "not guilty." The court room was packed. He was greeted with a round of cheers. James was straightway arrested by the sheriff of Cooper County, Missouri.

Hunter's Point, 25.—Charles W. Rugg, the Long Island assassin, was to-day found guilty of the murder of Mrs. Maybee and her daughter at Oyster Bay. A motion for a new trial was denied. Sentence will be passed on Monday.

LYNN, Mass., 25.—The greenback State convention met and elected delegates at large to the national greenback convention at Indianapolis. The platform endorses the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court in regard to the power of Congress to issue legal tender money in time of peace, declaring the function of issuing money should be taken from the banks and exercised by the government; that the railways and other monopolies should be regulated by the government for the benefit of the people; that labor should be protected by national State authority, so as to equalize the burdens and insure a just distribution of its results; ratifying the Chicago platform of 1880 and favoring the nomination of General Butler for President. The platform recommends that a plank be inserted in the national platform, advocating that all lands granted the railroads, whether earned or unearned, shall revert to the national government; that convict labor shall not be allowed to compete with honest free labor; that courts of arbitration for the settlement of disputes between employers and employees be established; that eight hours shall constitute a day's work in all public and private industries and that a National law be enacted prohibiting the holding or ownership of land by aliens.

Phoenix, Arizona, 25.—The republican Convention to-day appointed delegates to the Chicago Convention and instructed for Blaine.

SANDWICH, Ont., 26.—Luke Phipps, charged with shooting his wife on a ferry boat the 19th of last August was found guilty of wilful murder and sentenced to be hanged the 17th of June.

TROY, 26.—Two Boston, Hoosac Tunnel and Western trains collided this morning at Hoosac Junction; 14 freight cars and two engines were wrecked and a brakeman seriously injured.

PITTSBURG, 26.—Two suits have been brought in the United States Circuit Court of this city by Martha Pier and B. F. Levering against the New York, Lake Erie and Western railroad for damages to the extent of \$25,000 and \$20,000 respectively. Martha Pier was injured by a train going through a bridge near Salamanca, N. Y. Levering had his spinal cord displaced in a collision while en route to New York.

The bolt manufacturers of the United States have formed a pool for the purpose of restricting production, and establishing profitable selling rates. A meeting will be held here about May 1st to revise sales and discounts, and limit the time fixed for pool agreement.

EASTON, Pa., 26.—This morning Mrs. Amelia Barnett locked the doors of her house, threw her two children, one aged three years, the other five months, on the bed and cut their throats with a razor, then gave the alarm, and as the neighbors rushed in, drew the razor across her own throat and threw herself beside the children. All three are mortally wounded. The Barnett family came here from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, several months ago.

St. Louis, 26.—Abbott, absconding cashier of the Waterson, Mass., bank, was taken from Pierce City last night by a Deputy United States Marshal to Jefferson City, where he will be turned over to detective Hanscomb, of Watertown, and taken by him to the latter place.

Advices from Western Texas are received to the effect that cattle are suffering and large numbers are dying for want of water and grass. The drought having been very severe in that section. Myriads of caterpillars have also appeared and are destroying all kinds of vegetation.

RALEIGH, N. C., 26.—The eighth congressional republican convention elected delegates to Chicago, and instructed for Arthur and Lincoln.

New York, 26.—The sub-committee of the independent republican conference committee met again to-day. Among those present were Carl Schurz, ex-Governor D. H. Chamberlain, Gen. Francis C. Barlow and Henry E. Tremaine. A paper prepared by the committee in relation to the candidates for the coming election was discussed and ordered printed. Gen. Barlow said he thought the preference of the organization was for Edmunds.

Des Moines, 26.—Up to 10 p. m. the *State Register* has reports from 32 of the republican county conventions held to-day, making reports, it has heard in detail from 81 of the 99 counties of the State. These 81 counties have 765 of the 717 total votes in the convention, and of them 653 of the delegates are for Blaine, 37 for Logan, 36 for Arthur, 13 for Edmunds and 26 unknown.

Louisville, 26.—The democrats of Kentucky held conventions all over the State to-day. Resolutions were adopted universally demanding a tariff for revenue only McDonald and Tilden divided about equally the expressions of preference. In spite of Mr. Watterson's refusal to be a delegate at large to the Chicago Convention quite a number of counties instructed for him.

St. Louis, 26.—A Boonville special says that Marshal Smith has arrested a counterfeit giving the name of Arlington, on whose person was found a large quantity of counterfeit gold coin.

New York, 26.—Wm. J. Phillips, of the Produce Exchange, who failed yesterday, has absconded. He had forged warehouse receipts for a large quantity of flour and done other fraudulent acts.

Galveston, 26.—The *News Eagle* Pass: On the 24th inst. a band of 12 Tackapoo Indians are supposed to have killed two Mexican sheep herders at San Buenaventura, Mexico. A party is in pursuit, but at last accounts had not overtaken them.

Cincinnati, 26.—Unusually severe sentences were pronounced against the recently convicted prisoners by Judge Matthews of the criminal court. John Walker, who went into Smith's drug store at night, and with a drawn revolver compelled the clerk to deliver the money, was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. Dan Flanagan, for a similar offense about the same time, was sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment; Michael Gibbons, burglary, seven years; Frank Hogan, burglary, five years; Fred Nye, the noted horse thief, was sentenced to fifteen years.

Denver, 26.—Judge Miner, county judge of Garfield county, of this State, suicided to-day by drowning. Cause, family troubles.

*Tribune's* Albuquerque, New Mexico: A public house kept by Noro Grant was badly wrecked by giant powder last night. The occupants were unhurt. The powder was placed on the roof by unknown persons.

New York, 26.—Through information from Mrs. Ellen Peck, who obtained celebrity in connection with the Babbitt-Beckwith case, and her subsequent sharp practice transactions, the police arrested Julius Columbian, ex-convict, and recovered \$6,000 worth of bonds, which is a portion of \$16,000 stolen from the residence of Owen and Hugh McSorley, Staten Island, in 1882. Mrs. Peck, in negotiating a loan with Columbian, discovered by the numbers of bonds in her possession that they had been stolen.

New York, 26.—Dr. Ranney's party of the Madison Avenue Congregational Church, obtained, to-day, in the Superior Court, an injunction against the Rev. Dr. John P. Newman and others as conductors and managers of the church. By the injunction Dr. Newman is prevented from the performance of his functions as the pastor until May 1st, when the hearing is set for except during to-morrow, when he is permitted to hold Sunday service in the church.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., 27.—The high wind prevailing all day has done much damage all over the northern part of the State. Reports from a dozen places on the line of the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railway announces great trouble and damage from forest fires. A large amount of property in the shape of fences, wood, railroad ties, and small villages have been destroyed. About nine to-night a fire started in W. J. Clark's lumber yard, at Cedar Springs, destroying 2,000,000 feet of partly seasoned pine and now threatens the entire village. A special train with fire engine has gone to assist from here. The wind is blowing a gale from the west.

CINCINNATI, 27.—The *Commercial-Gazette's* Jamestown, Green County, Ohio special says: A terrible cyclone struck Jamestown about 5 o'clock this afternoon. Two-thirds of the town is completely ruined. Six persons were killed, namely: Miss Stella Jones, aged 15, of Esculapia Springs, Ky.; Mrs. Ann Carpenter, Letitia Jenkins, daughter of G. K. Jenkins; Miss Kate Boleler, Mrs. Stewart, a colored woman, her son James Pauls and several others badly wounded. Hundreds of people were turned out of their homes. No estimate of the damage is possible now. Further details cannot be given at this time.

DAYTON, 27.—Shortly before 5 o'clock this afternoon the most destructive cyclone ever known in this part of the country passed over the southern part of Montgomery and Greene Counties, devastating everything in its course. It appears to have originated near Woodbine, a small town ten miles south of here. An eye witness describes it as