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News of the Week

Andrew Carnegie arrived in Cleveland, March to appear as a witness in the trial of Mrs. Chadwick. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and Mrs. Chadwick will doubtless serve a term in prison.

Upon hearing of the death of her brother, Baron Lambermont, the Belgian minister, his aged sister dropped dead at her home in the country hear Brussels.

The remains of Edward O. Wolcott, who died at Monte Carlo, March 1, were cremated at Paris in the presence of Ambassador Porter and a few intimate friends. His ashes will be brought to the United States.

An Associated Press dispatch dated Pittsburg, Pa., March 5, says: "Train No. 5 on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, filled with passengers bound for home from Washington, was saved from destruction tonight by the quick wit of Thomas Bain, a coal miner at Possum Hollow, twenty-four miles east of here, tonight. Bain was on his way home when he discovered that a heavy landslide had covered the track. Rushing to a nearby switch he tore the lamp from it and succeeding in flagging the train, which stopped within three feet of the obstruction. The passengers raised a purse of \$100 for bain. The train reached Pittsburg five hours late.

A quaint old Indian, Klathla Harjo, of the Seminole tribe, died at Shawnee, O. T., March 5, at the age of 110 years. He was born in the Florida Everglades, fought in the war of 1812 against the United States and also served in the Seminole wars. During the civil war he enlisted as a volunteer soldier of the United States and his service was marked with valor. Since then he has lived as a doctor among the Indians of his tribe.

The sum of \$50,000, to help relieve the annual deficiency existing at the Harvard University, has been subscribed by Samuel Hill of Seattle, Washington.

R. C. Luther, executive head of all the Philadelphia & Reading company's coal interests, and a member of the anthracite coal board of conciliation, created by the coal strike commission of 1902, is said to be dying at Pottsville, Pa.

The will of Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford, whose death was caused by poisoning at Honolulu, was filed at San Francisco, March 4. By the terms of the will Stanford University receives the bulk of the fortune, while her servants and two or three charitable institutions receive the residue.

Samuel Knox, a prominent attorney of St. Louis, and a member of the Thirty-eighth congress, died at his home in Blandford, Mass., at the age of 90 years.

About 5,000 employes of the Interborough Rapid Transit company, operating the Subway and Manhattan elevated lines of New York city, went on a strike March 7. The ticket sellers, who are under bond, remained at their posts, but refused to sell tickets and pasted up signs announcing the strike. The agitation leading up to this strike began several months ago, when the subway was first put in operation. Hundreds of non-union men sought employment, but most of them were inexperienced and business is practically at a standstill.

Chief of Police George O. Purdy, of East St. Louis, Ill., announced to the members of the police department a few days ago: "I will give \$100 to any business man who kills a safe-blower in the act of blowing a safe in his place of business." The men were instructed to notify business men that this reward will be given, and Mayor Cook who discussed the situation with the chief, approved of his action, in consideration of the number of safe robberies that have occurred lately.

The largest oat meal plant in the world was destroyed by fire at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, March 8. Loss, \$1,500,000.

By a vote of 76 to 1 the legislature of Wisconsin passed a bill prohibiting the sale or manufacture of cigarette papers.

The grand jury of Sangamon county, Ill., commenced an investigation of the charges of bribery and corruption made by Frank D. Comerford against several members of the legislature of Illinois, of which he was formerly a member.

An Associated Press dispatch dated Jefferson City, Mo., March 7, says: "The senate today passed the maximum rate bill after having amended the measure as it came from the house. The bill is considered the most important railroad legislation passed by the Missouri legislature in years. The measure reduces the rate of live stock \$4 per car and was amended by striking out the entire section relating to coal and brick."

The Bank of Yarmouth and the firm of Redding & Sons, boot and shoe manufacturers, at Yarmouth, N. S., went into bankruptcy March 6, with liabilities amounting to \$1,000,000.

A. M. Palmer, well known as a theatrical manager, was stricken with apoplexy, March 6, and died on the following day. He was 67 years of age.

The Sons of Saint Patrick, an Irish organization in New York, have invited President Roosevelt to be their guest on St. Patrick's day, March 17, and he has accepted the invitation. The dinner wil be given at Delmonico's, and addresses will be made by Mr. Roosevelt, Burke Cochran, and other prominent men.

Sir Henry Irving, who has been ill at Wolverhampton, England, is reported to be convalescing rapidly.

Mrs. L. C. Bohle, widow of former United States Marshall Bohle, lost a package containing \$7,000 in currency on a St. Louis street, a few days ago. Mrs. Bohle was crossing the street, and in jumping out of the road of an automobile, she dropped her package containing the money, but did not miss it immediately. Detectives are working on the case.

Two young men received dangerous wounds in a hair-cutting hazing episode at Ann Arbor, Mich., a few days ago. One of them, L. A. Warren, was stabbed in the back and the knife thrust penetrated his lungs, while the other, Harold Corson, had the membrane sheathing the heart penetrated by a knife. No arrests have been made.

An Associated Press dispatch dated Denver, Colo., March 6, says: "A plan for disposing of the contest over the governorship and retaining Adams in the chair was announced tonight by the Adams supporters. It is to be brought about by the aid of certain republicans, though they will not be required to vote directly to seat Adams. According to the claims of the Adams people they have secured the signatures of twenty-two republican members of the legislature to an agreement to vote down all three reports in the contest committee. With the thirty-one members, who, it is reported, will act with the republicans above mentioned, the result will be a majority of four. By defeating all three reports, the effect will be to allow Adams to retain his seat. On the other hand the Peabody republicans claim that they have forty-six pledged to stand together for Peabody and that this pledge was made at tonight's caucus. A steering committee was named and instructed to use every effort to keep before the joint assembly the Alexander report in favor of seating Lieutenant Governor McDonald and ignoring the claims of both Adams and Peabody. They hope in this way to eventually win away enough of the McDonald men to give a majority for Peabody."

Admiral Ellwood Houston, U. S. N., retired, died at Lausanne, Switzerland, March 8, whither he had gone for his health. He was 60 years old.

Premier Balfour announced in the house of commons March 6, that Mr. Wyndham, chief secretary for Ireland, had resigned.

A dispatch to the Chicago Tribune, under date of Chanute, Kansas, March 7, says: "The oil producers are not satisfied with the statement made by Commissioner Garfield as to the method to be pursued in the investigation into the Standard Oil company. The Producers' association has written Congressman Campbell to convey to the president a request that the investigation take the form

of a court of inquiry, that the hearings be advertised in the papers, and that both sides appear and tell the story. The producers say this is the only way in which an impartial investigation can be made."

Seven men who were being holsted in a carriage in the Clear Springs colliery at West Pittston, Pa., were hurled to the bottom, a distance of 250 feet and all were killed.

Reports from Calcutta say that the people there are dying at the rate of 34,000 per week from bubonic plague. The Indian government is seggregating the inhabitants and burning the towns in the hope of uprooting the disease.

The law committee of the National Board of Fire Underwriters has issued a call for a meeting in New York next Wednesday, when a formal protest will be made against the so-called anti-compact law recently passed by the Arkansas legislature.

Sir Henry Irving has signed a contract for an American tour under the management of Charles Frohman and beginning in October. He will probably open in New York, between October 10 and October 15, and will make a farwell tour, lasting twenty weeks, of all the principal cities.

The cabinet crisis in Norway has been settled by the formation of a coalition ministry, of which M. Micholsen is the premier. Lovland, a former minister, will head the section of the state council sitting at Stockholm.

In Delaware the ballot for United States senator resulted: Addicks, 13; Saulsbury, 13; Henry A. Dupont, 9; Richardson, 5; Hughes, 4 total vote, 44 necessary for a choice, 23.

Emporor William, addressing the naval, recruits at Wilhelmshaven, held up the Japanese soldiers as a luminous example of patriotism and soldierly fidelity.

Andrew D. White, formerly American minister to Germany, delivered a lecture on the diplomatic service of the United States, with some hints toward its reform.

Reports from Mombasa, British West Africa, say that 9,000 Somalis attacked the town of Merka and annihilated the inhabitants.

An Associated Press dispatch dated Meridian, Miss, March 10, says: "Mrs. Margaret H. Hayes, of Colorado Springs, Colo., daughter of Jefferson Davis, has written a letter urging the confederate veterans of Mississippi to use every endeavor to have the state of Mississippi recognized on the Davis monument to be erected at Richmond, Va. She says her father always regarded himself as a Mississippian, taught his children such, and that it will be a great disappointment to the family 'if the best beloved state of Davis is ignored on the monument.' Mrs. Hayes asks that Major General Lowry and other leading confederate veterans make efforts to have the inscription on the monument changed and says it would have been better had the widow of the dead chieftain written the inscription, as she best knew what her husband would have wanted on the monument."

The tax officials of New York assessed the United States Steel corporation for \$10,000,000. The capitalization of the company is \$1,100,000,000. This \$10,000,000 was in excess of its real estate and debts. The company yesterday made its formal answer, or return, on the assessment and its attorney has sworn off all save \$2,000,000 of the assessment.

The coroner's jury of Honolulu, sitting in the case of the death of Mrs. Leland Stanford, returned a verdict that Mrs. Stanford came to her death by strychnine poison, the poison having been introduced into a bottle of bicarbonate of soda, with felonious intent by some person or persons to the jury unknown. This verdict was returned after about two minutes' deliberation.

An explosion in the wheel house of the Buckeye Powder company at Edwardsville, Ill., wrecked the building and caused a property loss of \$25,000. The report could be heard five miles away.