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CURRENT COMMENT.

RECENTLY the Russian Government expedit a number of foreigners, mostly Germans, from Courland.

QUEEN VICTORIA has commissioned Prof. Von Angler to paint her portrait of Prince Alexander, of Bulgaria.

JOHN W. OLIVER, the founder of the order of Sons of Temperance, is now editor of the Yonkers (N. Y.) Statesman.

Mrs. BENJAMIN HARRIS BREWSTER, wife of ex-Attorney General Brewster, died recently at her residence in Philadelphia.

The cattle drive from Texas in 1885 will reach, it is estimated, three hundred thousand head. Several herds are now ready for the trail.

The Austrian Minister of War has ordered all corps commanders to enforce the study of German among the troops. The Czechs object and cling to their own language.

In New York City during the past year 75,042 persons were arrested, 53,683 were held for trial or summarily convicted, and of this number 36,432 were males and 17,251 were females.

THREE thousand socialists and unemployed workmen held a public meeting at Amsterdam, Holland, to discuss their grievances. The meeting deputed a committee to call upon the mayor and present through him a demand upon the city for the inauguration of public works for the employment of labor.

Mrs. JULIA EVELINA SMITH PARKER, the last of the famous Smith sisters of Gloucester, died the other day at her home near Hartford, Conn., aged ninety-three years. Her complete translation of the Bible was published about ten years ago and won much praise. She married Mr. Amos A. Parker, of New Hampshire, when both were eighty-six years old.

BEADFORD, Eng., has a mad dog scare of a very serious kind. In January a dog ran mad through the streets and bit twenty persons. One of these died a day or so ago, in terrible agony. The other nineteen have consequently been thrown into a state of fearful apprehension lest they too may be attacked by the disease.

A DISPATCH from Portland, Ore., gives the following: Mrs. Miller, mother of Joaquin Miller, who two years ago married a boy aged twenty years, and was deserted by him, obtained a divorce at the last term of court. On Friday she married again at Eugene, Lane County, the groom being a young man named Kline. The ceremony was performed by a justice of the peace.

The company of soldiers guarding the soviet camp at the Greenwood mines in Pulaski County, Ky., had a lively time of it the other night. The fire miners occupied the adjacent hills and kept up a continued shooting all night. No shots were fired into the camp, but the convicts were badly scared, and the soldiers, with drawn guns, kept guard until morning, when the miners disappeared.

The Secretary of the Treasury, in a recent report to the Senate, says that the reduction of the public debt from July 1, 1877, to June 30, 1885, has exceeded the requirements of the sinking fund by \$312,647,531. The amount of 3 per cents outstanding is \$184,682,250, and these are the only bonds now outstanding redeemable at the option of the Government. As these bonds may be absorbed before the maturity of the 4 1/2 per cent bonds of 1891, which come next in order for redemption, further additions to the fund can only be made by purchase of bonds in open market.

The Secretary of the Interior has rejected the selection of some thirteen thousand acres of land made by the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railway Company within Dakota Territory. The selections made were rejected because of their having previously been selected as indemnity land by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, and the Secretary holds that the priority of selection gave superiority of right. The selections within the six mile limits were rejected for the reason that at the date of definite location of route the lands were in the Indian country, and that the Indians' title thereto was not extinguished until long after the right of the company attached.

The panorama of the Second Battle of Bull Run, or Manassas, which the Chicago Company are exhibiting in Washington, according to a report, affords some entertainment occasionally that is not down on the bills. The other evening while the lecturer was glibly describing in his foreign accent the scenes so wonderfully depicted on the canvas before a large audience, General Silas Colgrove, of Indiana, a Pension Office official, who was present, took exception to some of the statements made by the lecturer in reference to the forces engaged on the Union side, their location and their disposition after the battle. This served to bring other participants, who were present, into the improper discussion, and quite a lively breeze was created. The audience generally sided with General Colgrove, who was called on for a speech, to which he responded.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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CONGRESSIONAL. THE Senate on the 9th passed a bill authorizing the Missouri Pacific to construct a bridge across the Mississippi river at Alton, Ill. The Senate then took up the report of the Judiciary Committee on the question of removal, and Senator Edmunds reported favorably from committee, asking that Mr. Pugh take the floor, when the Senate adjourned. In the House the bill passed requiring the Pacific roads to post the cost of surveying their lands and to take out patents therefor. A number of bills were reported favorably from committee, among them the bill granting pensions to Mexican soldiers who were killed during the employment of convict labor by officers or agents of the United States. The House then took up the bill on the subject of the Indian Appropriation bill and after discussion adjourned.

In the Senate on the 10th a tilt occurred between Senators Logan and Middleberger on the Eads canal project, after which unfinished business, the report of the Judiciary Committee on the question of removal, came up and Senator Pugh addressed the Senate sustaining the position taken by the President. The Judiciary Committee bill and the senate adjourned. In the House when the bill on the Indian Appropriation bill and pending consideration the House adjourned.

In the Senate on the 11th Mr. Evans presented a petition from twenty lawyers for the confirmation of Matthews, the colored nominee for Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL. A conspiracy to overthrow the Mikado's Government in Japan was recently discovered and frustrated.

A bill has been introduced in the Senate a bill requiring manufacturers of and dealers in oleomargarine, butterine and similar to display signs in a conspicuous place at their places of business, indicating that they manufacture or sell such articles, and imposing a special tax of 1 cent on manufacturers, \$250 on wholesale dealers and \$100 on retail dealers in such products.

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Ten miles south of Little Rock, Ark., a lively shooting took place after an express loaded with beer struck on a stolen engine and officers on another. A striker named Sullivan was shot in the leg.

The Middle and Western States Freight Association met in Louisville, Ky., on the 11th and made ninety-seven changes in classification. What they were was not known.

An attempt was made recently to demolish a Chinese wash house with dynamite at Portland, Ore. The front porch only was wrecked.

PATRICK FORD and John Murphy were hanged at New Orleans on the 12th for the murder of Captain A. H. Murphy, the sensational incidents of which have been published. Desperate efforts were made to save the doomed men without effect. Previous to their execution the men attempted suicide by taking belladonna and were escorted to the scaffold in an almost insensible condition.

The small stern-wheel steamer the Bonanza exploded her boiler near Vicksburg, Miss., the other day. The masts and five deck hands were blown overboard and drowned.

A FIRE recently started at the Brunswick saloon and gambling house at Hot Springs, Ark. Before it was subdued the adjoining buildings were destroyed, the total loss amounting to \$25,000.

A COMPANY filling a week's engagement at Jackson, Mich., produced the Mikado in full costume at the Michigan State prison the other afternoon. Prisoners employed on two large contracts formed the audience. The stage was taken in the chapel, and the scenery was made of the prison walls. The work was highly pleased.

Removals were prevalent in Mexico that the United States would invade the State of Chihuahua and avenge the death of Captain Crawford. In consequence business was depressed.

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NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

J. T. HIR, a prominent manufacturer from Indiana, is negotiating to start a woolen factory at Long Pine.

The statement is made that a search of the boys in the school in Ponca resulted in finding a number of revolvers, brass knuckles, slugs, shots and other deadly weapons. The youthful terrorists were disarmed and turned over to the tender palms of their parents.

A TOWN man named Rodgers, who teaches school near Blair, punished one of his scholars by beating him on the hand with a stick. The boy's father avenged the thrashing and on complaint of Rodgers, the thrashing was arrested and fined \$10 and costs.

JOSE BURNETT, aged fifty-five, a wealthy farmer and stock raiser of Harlan County, and father of a large and highly respected family, has been found guilty of forgery by a jury at Washington, and his punishment assessed at two years in prison. The indictment charged him with being a partner in the forgery of a check for \$1,000 drawn by a neighbor, now deceased. The evidence against him was wholly circumstantial.

FRANK ROSA was recently badly injured by a runaway team near Geneva.

THE other night the family of L. E. Washburn, of Pawnee City, came near being asphyxiated from coal gas. They retired as usual at eight o'clock on the evening of the 10th. Mr. Washburn had been unable to open the window and regulate the damper of the stove, so as to relieve the room from gas. All day the family suffered from the effects of the gas, but were rapidly regaining their normal condition.

A case against John Clifford, the St. Louis lawyer, the jury recently rendered a verdict against Clifford for \$45,000 damages. It seems, sold a man some very poisonous whisky. The man got into a fight with the plaintiff and bit his finger, which became poisoned so that amputation was necessary. He sued the saloon keeper with the above result.

A LOON of Knights of Pythias has started at Chadron with a charter membership of twenty-nine.

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STEAMER SUNK.

The Cunard Steamer Oregon Run Into Fire Island With Passengers. All on Board Saved.

SAVING HOOD, N. Y., March 13.—The steamer Oregon was run into by a schooner between three and four o'clock yesterday morning while east of Fire Island and had a huge hole stove into her. Part of her passengers were transferred to a pilot boat and part to a passing schooner and were all subsequently transferred to steamer Fulda. The Oregon was entirely abandoned and sank at one p.m. The German steamer Fulda, Captain Amick, from Bremen, arrived at the bar at 5:25 p.m. yesterday. The Captain reported that the steamer Oregon sank at 12:15 p.m. in order to take up the passengers and crew of the Oregon and anchored at the bar off Sandy Hook, on account of low water, at 5:25 p.m. The saved of the Oregon are 185 first cabin, 10 second cabin and 289 steerage passengers and 265 crew.

THE COLLISION. The steamer Oregon collided with an unknown schooner at 4:30 a.m., when between Fire Island light and Shinnecock, the sailing vessel striking the steamer on the port side immediately under the funnel. The Oregon, carrying a large load in her side under water, and Captain Collier of the Oregon was below at the time of the collision, the chief officer being in charge on the bridge. One of the passengers stated that the schooner was so large that one could drive a horse and wagon through it, also that when the vessel collided it sounded like the report of an ordinary cannon. The boats were all thrown into the water and the Oregon sank.

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