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CURRENT COMMENT.

ALL the window glass factories in the United States are to be shut down for the summer June 24.

DR. PARKER, Stanley's physician, will be made an honorary fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland.

PRINCE ALVIN of Lichtenstein was married in Berlin recently to Madama Kaupf, who was divorced a short time ago.

OVER a thousand birds beat themselves to death in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the other night during a storm. Some of them were very rare specimens.

AN insect called the saw fly is ruining the wheat in various parts of Illinois, notably in Douglas County. The pest attacks the root and bores into and up the stem, bringing decay and death.

CANADIAN railroad magnates propose to ask the next Dominion Parliament to pass an act incorporating the Vancouver, Northern & Alaska Railway & Navigation Company to build a road from Vancouver to the Alaskan boundary.

MR. FARRILL, speaking at a meeting of Nationalist leaders in London, urged that the name of every Irishman in England be placed upon the voting register in view of the fact that a general election was possible at any moment.

THE Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of the Interior have agreed that all Western lands containing phosphates shall be classed as mineral lands and there will be legislation soon defining such lands in accordance with the above condition.

STILL another young Englishman—Fred Roots, hailing from Surrey, England—has mysteriously disappeared. He had been employed in Montreal as a store keeper with a Mr. Swift, and went May 2 to seek another situation. Since then he has not been seen. He left all his clothing and effects.

THE House Committee on Commerce has recommended a favorable report to be made on the bill amending the Interstate Commerce law so as to permit the railroad companies to give a reduced rate to veterans attending the National encampment, with an amendment extending the same privileges to veteran Confederate soldiers.

KING LEOPOLD of Belgium recently paid a visit to Miss Dorothy Tennant and heartily congratulated her upon her approaching marriage to Mr. Stanley. The regard and admiration entertained by King Leopold for Mr. Stanley are of so high an order as to induce the suggestion that his Majesty will be present at the marriage in Westminster Abbey.

A TELEGRAM has been received in New York from Henry A. Root, who is now in Butte, Mont., saying that the estate of his late uncle, Andrew J. Davis, has been found to be worth \$12,000,000. At first it was only estimated at \$5,000,000, but so much cash and first class commercial paper has been discovered that twice that sum will be realized. Root is one of the thirteen heirs to the estate.

THE conferees on the Senate Anti-Trust bill have concluded their labors and will report to their respective houses. The section introduced in the House by Mr. Bland, of Missouri, and amended by the Senate relating to combinations to prevent competition in the transportation of persons or property was the only point in dispute. The conferees decided upon a limitation of the prohibited combinations, making only those illegal which raise the rates of transportation "above what is just and reasonable."

HITROVO, the Russian Minister to Bucharest, has been summoned to St. Petersburg to receive the censure of his Government for the bungling manner in which he managed the Panics conspiracy against the life of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria. When the plot was discovered Mr. Hitrovo was openly accused of having instigated it and the accusation has never been refuted. The ostensible reason for his recall is to enable him to exculpate himself from the charge of complicity, but beyond doubt, so a dispatch states, the real reason is that he is to be disciplined for failing to carry the conspiracy to a successful issue.

IN the British House of Commons Mr. Henry H. Howarth, Conservative, asked whether any thing had been done to relieve the sufferers from the appalling famine in the Sudan. According to reliable advices the population was starving and cannibalism was prevalent. The people were eating any thing—dogs, cats, rats and snakes being used for food. Around Tokar and Kassala hundreds of persons were dying daily from starvation and in other parts the state of affairs was even worse, nearly the whole population having perished. Sir James Ferguson replied that relief had been given in every district that could be reached by the Government.

THE United States Consul at Callao, Peru, has notified the State Department that the Peruvian Government has leased to an English syndicate the famous quicksilver mines of Santa Barbara. When in active operation these mines were the most productive in the world, but they have not been worked for more than half a century. Under the terms of the lease it is necessary for the lessees to form a company in Europe with a capital of £200,000, and a deposit has already been made as a guarantee of the performance of the contract. The coal lease is for fifty years and the Government receives as compensation 25 per cent of the full paid shares of the capital of the company.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned By Telegraph and Mail.

CONGRESS.
Soon after assembling on the 19th the Naval Appropriation bill was reported in the Senate and the debate on the Silver bill continued. Senator Dolph, of Oregon, argued against the free coinage of silver and was earnestly opposed by his colleague, Senator Mitchell. Adjourned. . . . When the House met Mr. Wilson (W. Va.) rising to a question of privilege, made a statement of the case in regard to the Campbell affidavit and letter that led to the scene in the House on Saturday. His explanation was followed by a statement from Mr. Payne (Pa.) and the troubled waters were calmed. Debate on the tariff bill was then resumed. Mr. Funston's amendment in regard to the admission of Mexican lead ore was rejected and the bill passed out of adjournment. . . .

SENATOR STAFFORD introduced in the Senate on the 20th a bill for loans on lands. It provides for the establishment of a Land Loan Bureau in the Treasury Department and the issue of loans on land to citizens at two per cent interest under certain conditions and restrictions. The Senate then proceeded to consider the bill subjecting imported liquors to the provisions of the laws of the several States. Senator Vest spoke against the bill and Senator Edmunds in favor of it. The bill was laid aside and after the delivery of eulogies upon the late Representative Kelley, of Pennsylvania, the Senate adjourned. . . .

Consideration of the Tariff bill was resumed in the House and the result was lively one, the sugar schedule occupying most of the time. . . . In the Senate on the 21st the Vice-President presented the resignation of Sergeant-at-Arms Cassidy to take effect June 25. The Silver bill was discussed at some length and was laid aside and the bill in relation to liquor imported into Prohibition States taken up and discussed. After an executive session the Senate adjourned. . . .

Immediate action after assembling the House resumed consideration of the Tariff bill in Committee of the Whole. The House was in great confusion and when the hour of noon arrived Mr. McKinley demanded the previous question on the bill and amendments, which demand was ordered by 211 yeas to 195 nays. The amendments were then read and when they were disposed of Mr. Carlisle offered a resolution to recommit the bill to the Ways and Means Committee with certain instructions, which was defeated and the bill was passed, yeas 284; nays 142. After the appointment of a conference committee on the Anti-Trust bill the House adjourned. . . .

In the Senate on the 22d a message was presented from the President on the subject of the purchase from the Creek Indians of 25,000 acres of land for the use of the Seminoles. The credentials of Calvin E. Brien, Senator-elect from Ohio, were presented and filed. Consideration of the Silver bill was resumed and Senator Daniel Edmonds in the Senate in favor of silver currency, when the Senate adjourned. . . .

A bill was presented in the House to amend the Census act, prescribing a penalty upon any enumerator who shall receive, or any person who shall pay, any fee in addition to the compensation allowed by law. The River and Harbor bill was then considered in Committee of the Whole until adjournment. . . .

But little business was transacted by the Senate on the 23d. Senator Faulkner gave notice of an amendment to the bill relating to liquors imported into Prohibition States, and the Naval bill was taken up and several amendments agreed to. The Tariff bill was received from the House and referred. The Silver bill was taken up but laid aside and Senator Stanford addressed the Senate in advocacy of his bill providing for loans by the Government on agricultural lands. After an executive session the Senate adjourned. . . .

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.
The Supreme Court of the United States has rendered a decision declaring unconstitutional the Meat Inspection law of Minnesota. . . .

THE President and his Cabinet have discussed the Hebring sea fisheries case and decided to adhere to the policy of the past. . . .

MISS CLARA WAHNE, a heiress of Detroit, Mich., was married recently at the Papal Nunciature at Brussels to a Prince of the name of Chimay. . . .

RICHARD VAUX was elected to Congress in Randall's place (the Pennsylvania Third district) practically unopposed. His Prohibition opponent received 47 votes. . . .

It is officially denied that there are any disturbances in Guatemala. Every thing is reported in the best condition. . . .

ALL the European nations but France have concluded commercial treaties with Turkey on the basis of a fixed tariff. . . .

PRESIDENT GARFIELD'S remains have been removed to their final resting place in the crypt of the monument at Cleveland, O. . . .

JOHN BAKER, the oldest examiner of surveys in the General Land-office at Washington, is dead. . . .

THE attempt of the Turkish Government to install Kabreman Pasha as Governor of Albania at Latscha has been fiercely resisted by the Albanians, who attacked the Turkish troops sent to quell the disturbance and routed them. Many of the soldiers were killed. . . .

An addition to section 5 of the Interstate Commerce act is contained in a bill introduced by Senator Dawes, which permits pooling for the purpose of enabling competing lines to carry a reasonable share of competitive traffic. . . .

GOVERNOR STEELE, of Oklahoma, arrived at Guthrie on the 23d and met with a hearty reception. . . .

REV. NATHAN SCARFIT, a widely known and wealthy minister of the M. E. Church South, died at Kansas City, Mo., recently. . . .

MUNICIPAL elections were held throughout Virginia on the 23d. The Democrats were successful in Alexandria, Richmond, Norfolk, Lynchburg, Danville and Petersburg. The Republicans elected their candidate for mayor in Roanoke. . . .

MR. AND MRS. CLEVELAND have promised to attend the Texas State fair at Dallas, in November, if nothing unforeseen occurs to interfere. . . .

A MAJORITY of the House Judiciary Committee has agreed upon a favorable report for Baker's joint resolution for a constitutional amendment providing for female suffrage. . . .

MAJOR WILLIAM GENTRY, the well-known farmer and politician of Pettis County, Mo., is dead. In 1874 he was the People's candidate for Governor, but was defeated by H. C. Hardin, Democrat. . . .

GOVERNOR HUMPHREY, of Kansas, refused to attend the convention of resubmissionists for an extra session of the Legislature to consider the policy of repealing the Prohibition law of the State Constitution. . . .

FLETCHER HARPER, of the Harper publishing house, New York, is dead. He was the youngest of the four brothers who established the business. . . .

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE ships of the American squadron of evolution when last heard from, May 7, were at Algiers, and the officers were being royally entertained by the French officers stationed at Algiers. The squadron was to proceed soon to Gibraltar. . . .

THE question of railroad right of way through the Cherokee Nation has been decided by the Supreme Court adversely to the Cherokee, who claimed that Congress could give no such permission without their consent. . . .

A WARLIKE feeling is reported in the Russian army. The soldiers want to fight something or somebody. . . .

A YOUNG man named Taylor was a witness before the Clayton-Breckinridge investigation at Washington. Taylor claimed to have been present when the Plummerville ballot box was stolen and implicated Oliver Bentley and W. P. Wells as the actual thieves. . . .

ROSSBY'S circus train has been wrecked in New Hampshire. The loss was heavy. At the Longue Pointe, Que., inquest the nuns produced a list of fifty-eight inmates who perished in the insane asylum fire. . . .

CHICAGO east bound railroads got into a lively war on the 23d, first-class passenger rates to New York dropping to \$11. . . .

LIGHTNING recently struck a crowded church at St. Mahten, Hanover. Six persons were killed, four by the flash and two crushed in the panic which followed. In addition twenty were seriously injured, four being permanently blinded. The congregation was on its knees at the time praying for a cessation of the storm. . . .

A FRIGHTFUL train accident was reported east of Ashland, Wis., on the 22d. Twenty lives were said to be lost and a large number injured. . . .

LANON riots have occurred in Ravenna, Italy. Three peasants were killed and numerous soldiers and peasants wounded. . . .

THE trial at San Francisco of D. H. Arnold for the murder of S. W. Garness last January resulted in acquittal. The murder was the result of a discovery that Garness had been writing malicious letters to the wife of Arnold. . . .

SIXTEEN runaway loaded freight cars, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad were in collision on East Pratt street, Baltimore, Md., with four others attached to the engine and the result was a bad smash. No lives were lost. . . .

A COMPROMISE has been effected and the striking employees at the National tube works at McKeesport, Pa., have gone back to work. . . .

BUSINESS failures (Dun's report) for the seven days ended May 23 numbered 222, compared with 212 the previous week and 229 the corresponding week of last year. . . .

WAWAMAKER'S branch house at Berlin, Germany, has been closed and the manager discharged. . . .

FRENCH capitalists intend to build a railroad in the Congo region. . . .

THREE ladies were out in a boat on Davisville pond, near Providence, R. I., when it capsized. Two of them—Mrs. Mannel and Miss Huling—were drowned. . . .

A WATERPOUT passed over the Cimarron valley eight miles north of Kingfisher, Ok., on the 23d. . . .

THE striking miners along the Youghiogheny river in Pennsylvania have agreed to accept one cent per ton less than the Columbus scale. . . .

THE National Bank of Oswego at Binghamton, N. Y., has suspended. . . .

THE Iowa show signs of yielding to the offers of the Commission. Several braves and squaws have signed. . . .

REV. STEPHEN M. HARRIS, pastor of St. Stephen's Roman Catholic church at Chicago, was shot and mortally wounded by Patrick Keedy, a blacksmith, who was insane from liquor. . . .

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

BUSINESS was active on the London Stock Exchange during the week ended May 24. In Paris business was dull in the early part, but improved toward the end. The German bourses were quiet. More activity was shown in the Havana sugar market. . . .

QUITE an earthquake was felt in the Mohawk valley, N. Y., on the morning of the 25th. . . .

CLEARING house returns for the week ended May 24 showed an average increase of 17.1 compared with the corresponding week of last year. In New York the increase was 14.1. . . .

REPORTS from the wheat growing counties of Texas indicate a bad crop. . . .

SEVENTY-SEVEN Chinamen were drowned by the recent wreck of the ship Oneida in the Pacific. The men were en route to Alaska to work in the salmon canneries. . . .

A YOUNG woman recently committed suicide by leaping from the tower of Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris. . . .

MANY people attended the celebration at New Tipperary, Ireland, on the 25th despite the Government's prohibition. A few heads were bruised before the assemblage was dispersed. . . .

GROVER FRANCIS TRAM arrived at Tacoma, Wash., on the 24th, completing his journey around the world in sixty-seven days. . . .

JOHN BOWKS, his wife and daughter were recently drowned in Wolf river near Memphis, Tenn., while crossing in a buggy. . . .

THE Farrelly building at Morristown, N. Y., was burned recently. Loss, \$100,000; insurance, \$70,000. . . .

TWO men were crushed to death under a house they were raising at Fort Washington, Wis., recently, the supports giving way. . . .

THERE was a terrific rainstorm at Johnstown, Pa., on the 25th. The Pennsylvania tracks were covered two feet deep with mud. . . .

IN the Senate on the 24th the credentials of Mr. Carlisle were presented. The Naval Appropriation bill was taken up and considered without action. The River and Harbor bill was before the House. A motion to strike out the appropriation for the Hennepin canal was lost. . . .

THE town of Sebron, near Fex Morocco, has been inundated. The whole place was in ruins. Fifty-three Jews and many Moors perished. . . .

FATHER MULLER, of the Jesuits' mission at Malgore, India, claims to have cured several lepers by Count Macdross's system. A gentleman of Calcutta has had similar success. . . .

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

Anti-Monopoly Republicans.
The Anti-Monopoly Republicans recently met in conference at Lincoln and were called to order by Attorney-General Leese, who said that for years the Republican party of Nebraska has been controlled by the railroads, and for that reason the call had been made for this conference to purge the Republican party of railroad domination. Ex-Speaker Harlan was chosen temporary chairman and appointed committees. The committee on organization reported for chairman D. M. Nettleton, of Clay Center, with Messrs. Wolfe, of Butler, and Leyda, of Cass, as secretaries, who were declared officers of the conference. The committee on resolutions reported the following: . . .

Resolved, That we reiterate and cordially endorse the fundamental principles of the Republican party as enunciated by successful National Republican conventions from 1852 to 1880, and we believe the Republican party capable of dealing with every vital issue that concerns the welfare of the American people whenever the rank and file of the party are united in the exercise of their political rights. . . .

Resolved, That we view with alarm the intense discontent among the Republicans of the State, chiefly due to the malicious and demoralizing interference of corporations and their attempts to control all departments of our State Government—legislative, executive and judicial—and we earnestly appeal to all Republicans who desire to preserve our institutions to rally to the rescue of our State from corporate domination by actively participating in the primary elections and nominating conventions. . . .

Resolved, That while we desire to accord to railroad corporations their rights and privileges as common carriers, we demand that they shall go out of politics and stop interference with our conventions and legislative sessions. . . .

Resolved, That railroad passes distributed in this State for political purposes are a species of bribery pernicious in their influence and tending to undermine public morals, subvertive to a free and unbought expression of the will of the people in their conventions, legislatures and juries, and we hereby demand the prohibition of passes and free transportation in any form, under severe penalties. . . .

Resolved, That Nebraska has for years been subjected to extortionate rates, excessive rates, discriminating against her products, thus retarding her development, and we condemn the State Board of Transportation for failing to exercise the authority vested in them and by refusing to afford to the people the relief that is being denied to give. We therefore demand that the Legislature shall enact a maximum tariff bill covering the transportation of our products and principal imports. . . .

Resolved, That the National convention of 1880 pledged the Republican party to a revision of the tariff and a reduction of import duties, therefore we, as Republicans, request our delegates in Congress to oppose the McKinley bill in its present form. . . .

Resolved, That a committee of five from each Congressional district, to be appointed to draft an address to the Republicans of the State embodying the resolutions adopted by this convention, and said committee shall urge the Republican State Central Committee to call a State convention, to be held not later than July 3, for the purpose of nominating a full state ticket under regulations that will give equitable representation and exclude proxies. . . .

In case the State Central Committee declines to fix the date of said convention an executive committee to call a regular State convention under the regular appointment. . . .

After a spirited discussion the resolutions favoring the passage of a law for the Australian system of voting. The executive committee from Congressional districts was named as follows: First district, E. Rosewater, of Douglas; Corbin, of Johnson; Goodell, of Lancaster; Hayes, of Cass, and Smith, of Saunders. Second district, Keeckly, of York; Hill, of Butler; Elliott, of Harlan; Harlan, of Frontier, and Hedlund, of Phelps. Third district, Sutherland, of Burr; Marr, of Dodge; Manning, of Wayne; Beebe, of Custer, and Smythe, of Buffalo. . . .

Miscellaneous.
A FARMER named Tucker with his two children, a girl and a boy, were rowing on a lake near Stanton the other night when the boat was overturned and the three were drowned. . . .

JOHN MCGUIRE was recently arrested at Nebraska City and held on suspicion of being wanted in Cook County, Ill., for murder. He answers the description perfectly of a man who murdered his sweetheart eleven years ago, and for whom there is a reward of \$300. . . .

JOHN CLARE, who was bitten by a ferocious dog at Niobrara some weeks ago, died the other day from hydrophobia. . . .

DURING a thunderstorm the other evening, Mrs. John Larkonski, wife of a Bohemian farmer, living three miles north of Snyder, in Dodge County, was instantly killed by lightning while standing in the doorway. She leaves a husband and four small children. . . .

A WEALTHY bachelor farmer named Arendt Arendt, who lived near Cortland, was recently found hanging dead in his own barn, and it was evident that death was intentional. The cause of the suicide was an unfortunate love affair. . . .

DANIEL BILBERT, who had just completed a term in the penitentiary, was arrested at Albion recently for mortgaging property he did not own and taken to Logan County for trial. . . .

A WOMAN named Myers, living three miles south of Weeping Water, recently heaved a stone through the window of a passing Missouri Pacific train. Hatred of the company for building its track through her farm was the inspiration of the deed. . . .

THE State Dental Association, recently in session at Omaha, elected the following officers: President, W. W. Vance, Kearney; vice-president, W. H. Stryker, Beatrice; recording secretary, I. W. Funck, Beatrice; corresponding secretary, A. W. Nason, Omaha; treasurer, H. T. King, Fremont; member of the board of censors, S. R. Patted, Omaha. . . .

THE latest phase of the Nebraska cattle quarantine against New Mexico is that Governor Thayer has sent commissioners to investigate the real state of affairs. In the meantime large bunches of cattle from New Mexico are held up in transit awaiting the solution of the matter. . . .

DURING the two days' mad dog scare at Grand Island about one hundred and fifty canines were sacrificed. . . .

ONE RICHARDS, member of the firm of Orr & Richards, bankers at Hays Center, committed suicide in his room in the Burlington & Missouri eating house at McCook the other morning by taking four ounces of laudanum. . . .

LOST THEIR LIVES.

Sad Accident to a Lake Boating Party.

Fire and a Dynamite Explosion Follow a Lightning Flash—Railroad Wreck in Kansas—Fatal Fire in Nebraska.

FALL RIVER, Mass., May 26.—At Watuppa lake about 12:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon a party of twelve persons, comprising Samuel Wittles and wife, Henry, Samuel, Jr., and Willie Wittles; Lavina, John, Willie and Frederick Buckley, Edwin and Willie Turner and George Hammer hired a boat and went rowing. There was a strong wind blowing and the water was rough. . . .

THE boat into which the party embarked was a common thirteen-foot flat bottomed one and the seating capacity was eight. The pleasure seekers finally were seen trying to work their way toward shore just north of the pumping station. This was difficult work, as the water was rough, the wind strong and the rowers inexperienced. . . .

WHEN the boat load of pleasure seekers was within twenty feet of the shore one of the children rocked the boat. The men cautioned the child to remain quiet, but it was unmindful of this advice and suddenly the boat capsized. Heartrending cries were heard by Fireman Bullock of the pumping station and James Lafferty, but they were unable to render assistance. . . .

EDWIN TURNER was the only one in the party who could swim well. He grasped John Buckley by the waist and although Buckley was a heavy man he succeeded in bringing him ashore. . . .

IN the meantime the women were struggling in the water. Three or four parties on shore told them to cling to the boat, but their failing strength was unequal to the task and women and children sank out of sight. Two of the others had struck out for the shore and succeeded in reaching it in an exhausted condition. . . .

THE following were drowned, their bodies being recovered later: Samuel Wittles, aged 30; Mrs. Wittles, aged 45; Henry Wittles, aged 10; Samuel Wittles, Jr., aged 12; Lavina Buckley, aged 35; Fred Buckley, aged 3; Willie Buckley, aged 8; Willie Turner, aged 9. . . .

THE WORK OF LIGHTNING.
MANSFIELD, O., May 26.—A heavy rain storm passed over this (Richland County) Saturday night, accompanied by lightning and thunder. During the storm lightning struck the John C. Saries block in Lucas, six miles east of this city. The block was occupied by a hardware and general merchandise store and was entirely consumed, together with two dwellings adjoining. There was no fire apparatus in the village and the citizens turned out with buckets, but could do nothing. . . .

WHILE the people were removing the goods from the store about fifty pounds of dynamite exploded with disastrous effect. The bodies of John Smith and Jeremiah Jones were horribly mangled and mutilated beyond recognition and about twenty-five persons in all were more or less injured. The killed are John Smith, aged fifty-four, leaves wife and family, and Jeremiah Jones, aged fifty, leaves wife and family. . . .

THE seriously injured are: J. O. Joseph, had cut on forehead, hand and legs; E. Russell, severe cut over left eye; John Gallagher, leg severely bruised by falling from a ladder; P. Myers, badly hurt, struck by flying bricks. Of the remaining persons injured none are considered serious. . . .

THE report of the explosion was heard five miles and the shock was so great that nearly all the windows in the village were broken. The fire department of this city was called upon for assistance and the fire apparatus was put on a special train, but before they could start word reached them that the fire was under control. Rain came down in torrents, which put the fire out, otherwise half the town would have been in ruins. . . .

WRECKED AT A SWITCH.
PAOLA, Kan., May 26.—Engineer James Caskey and Fireman Major W. Downes, of the Kansas City & Pacific railroad, who were fatally hurt at Bangor switch, six miles south of here, yesterday morning at three o'clock in a wreck. . . .

THE wreck was caused by a lip or sliver on a rail that threw the engine off the track and ran the freight train into a coal car and other cars on the switch. The smash-up was terrible, eight loaded and one empty cars being destroyed. The rate of speed must have been above twenty-five miles an hour, and when the engine struck the coal car it plunged over and completely turned around. . . .

CASKEY was married and Downes was single. They lived at Parsons; each was about twenty-five years old. . . .

TWO FIREMEN PERISH.
LINCOLN, Neb., May 24.—A portion of Bohanan's big block burned last evening. The fire originated in a hay loft. The loss is estimated at \$20,000; insured. Two firemen, Frank Stratton and Clarence Protzman, lost their lives. They were in the second story of the livery stable when the third floor fell upon them and buried them in the ruins. . . .

STRATTON was married last Wednesday to Miss Emma Margaret. The Eden Musee, the Western Newspaper Union and a number of other enterprises were located in the building, but that portion did not suffer much loss. . . .

BURNED BY MOLTEN METAL.
CHICAGO, May 26.—By the explosion of a blast furnace at the Illinois steel works on South Ashland avenue five workmen were horribly burned and crushed. August Mullenbacher can not recover. The others, Michael Quinan, Henry Ayers, John Brunally and Michael Fitzmaurice, were seriously injured. . . .

WAS BY YALE.
NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 25.—The Yale-Atlanta boat race was won by Yale by one length after an exciting finish. Yale's time was 20 minutes and 17 seconds, and Atlanta's 29 minutes and 42 seconds. . . .

ADVERSE TO KEMMLER.

The Supreme Court of the United States Refuses to Interfere in the Murderer's Favor.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The Supreme Court of the United States yesterday denied the application for a writ of error in the case of Kemmler, under sentence of death by electricity. The opinion was by Chief Justice Fuller. . . .

THE opinion first recites the proceedings in the lower courts leading up to the bringing of the case to this court, and says that it is urged in Kemmler's behalf that the Fourteenth amendment is a prohibition on the State of imposition of cruel and unusual punishment, this being included in the term "due process of law." The origin of the phrase "cruel and unusual punishment" was in the English act of settlement in 1666 and meant that barbarous methods of punishment should not be inflicted. It meant that a man should not be sentenced to death by torture, but did not mean that the death penalty itself was cruel. The Court of Appeals held that the punishment inflicted on Kemmler was unusual, but that there was no evidence to show that it was cruel. The Legislature of New York had the facts bearing upon this question and the court must presume that the Legislature had devised a punishment it thought less cruel than the former mode. That decision was not against any special privilege set up by the prisoner and was so plainly right that the court would not be justified in overruling it. The Fourteenth amendment did not materially change the whole theory of the Government. Citizens still remain citizens, both of the State and of the United States. The only change in that amendment furnished an additional guarantee against encroachment by the State upon the fundamental rights of the citizens. The privileges and immunities of citizens of the United States are protected by them. Those are the privileges arising out of the essential nature and character of the National Government. . . .

THE Court quotes the opinion in the Hurtado case on the meaning of the phrase, due process of law. The change in form of death was within the legitimate sphere of the legislative power of the State. The Legislature of the State of New York determined that it did not inflict cruel and unusual punishment and its courts have sustained that determination. This court can not see that the prisoner has been deprived of due process of law. In order to reverse the judgment this court should be compelled to hold that the Court of Appeals had committed an error so gross as to deprive the prisoner of his constitutional rights. The Court has no hesitation in believing it can not do this. . . .

THE ATCHISON PURCHASE.
Terms By Which the "Finance Enters the Atchison System."

BOSTON, May 24.—A circular has been issued by George C. Magoun, chairman of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company, formally announcing to stockholders the requirement of the St. Louis & San Francisco road. . . .

THE circular opens by congratulating the stockholders upon the adjustment of the funded debt, the aversion of foreclosure and the placing of the concern upon a sound basis. . . .

THE geography of the properties is detailed and a tabulated statement shows the railway segments that make the 1,320 miles of the St. Louis & San Francisco system. The advantage of this combination, as to the far south-west traffic, is dwelt upon and a tabulated statement from the railroad manuals shows the capitalization and stock status. It is stated that the financial and physical condition of the St. Louis & San Francisco property are good, the company having a surplus of available and cash resources over its floating indebtedness and the tracks, equipments, etc., are in condition for economical operation. . .