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CURRENT COMMENT.

THE prince of Wales will celebrate his fiftieth birthday quietly at Marlborough house November 9.

FOUR thousand printers of Berlin have decided to strike unless the employers reduce the hours of work and advance the wages. The printers of Vienna also threaten to strike.

FANNY B. WARD is an adventurous American girl who has gone down to Chili in search of writing material. She writes that Balmaceda, though misguided, was still a patriot.

THE Presbyterian synod at Watertown, N. Y., has adopted a resolution urging congress not to lend Chicago $5,000,000 for world's fair purposes unless it should be agreed that the fair should be closed on Sundays.

JUDGE TONEY, of Louisville, Ky., sent Mayor Al Berry and the city council to jail for refusing to obey the order of the court to use the lights furnished by the Newport Gas Co. per a decision of the court. The officials of the city were declared in contempt and were sent to jail for six months or until further order of the court.

THE London Times' Paris correspondent says: "A German personage of high rank recently sought to induce the czar to allow an interview with the German emperor. The reply from Russia was: 'The czar's safety requires secrecy in making a journey. The czar has reserved the right to arrive at a spontaneous decision in the matter.'"

A PROMINENT member of the Mexican congress says that President Diaz will soon make some important changes in governors of states, as he is very much dissatisfied with the way things are going on. In Campeche the financial condition of the state is very bad and San Luis Potosi finds it quite difficult to pay the interest on the state debt, which is increasing daily.

SECRETARY RUSK preserves many of the primeval manners of his rustic boyhood. It is a rare thing to find him up after 9 o'clock in the evening, and if nothing prevents he goes to bed at 8:30. He gets up at daybreak, and instead of a lunch at noon has dinner at that hour and supper at 6. Fashion smiles at him a little for these eccentricities, but that does not prevent him from being the most popular official in Washington.

BERLIN is thronged with strangers seeking work. These include large numbers of Russian and Polish Jews, and also Germans and others who have joined in the hegira from Russia. There is not work enough for the resident population and numbers of the new comers are going about the streets begging. The farm colonies are crowded with people sent there by the authorities and yet there seems no diminution of pauperism.

THE London Daily News prints a letter from Chee Foo, China, which says that the recent disorder meant in reality the incubation of a revolution against a rotten dynasty. Continuing, the letter says that the Chinese officials, high and low, have been squeezing the people worse than ever and the royal coffers are still denuded. Fresh taxes are being imposed and money is extorted everywhere throughout the country.

RIGHT HON. ARTHUR J. BALFOUR, the new parliamentary leader, addressed his constituents at Manchester in a modest strain recently. In the course of his speech he said that he quite coincided with those who said that the success of the government's policy toward Ireland was due rather to strokes of good fortune than the merit of the members of the administration. One of the greatest pieces of his good fortune was that he had good working men behind him.

THE state reports of five states, Ohio, Michigan, Iowa, Kansas and Pennsylvania, make the yields of wheat in those states 190,675,000 bushels. The Washington government crop report made the yield in those five states 167,615,000 bushels. The difference is 22,760,000 bushels. The Dodge report indicated a crop of 585,000,000 bushels. If all the state reports exceed the Washington figures in the same ratio as these five states the state figures would suggest a crop of over 650,000,000 bushels.

A NEW name has been given to a part of the Pacific ocean. A sort of a basin is formed by the east coast of Australia and Tasmania, New Zealand and the western islands of the Polynesian groups, which, in the opinion of Australian geographers, should have a distinctive name. The Australian association for the advancement of science has accordingly given to this basin the name of Tasman sea, and the English admiralty has ordered that the name be inserted upon the admiralty charts.

MAJ.-GEN. OLIVER O. HOWARD, commanding the military department of the east, devotes much space in his report to the war department to the discussion of coast defenses. He says that at New York, San Francisco and Boston new guns and mortars are needed. Many fixed torpedo or submarine mines have, however, been constructed for use at these points. Gen. Howard gives but a half-hearted indorsement of the canteen system, and says that no soldier should be permitted to act as a barkeeper in a canteen.

THE capital of Russia was en fete on the fifty-fourth anniversary of the battle of Navarino, where in 1827 the combined British, French and Russian fleets, under Sir Edward Codrington, the distinguished British admiral, annihilated the Turkish and Egyptian navies. The occasion for this special celebration was the launching of three new Russian ironclads, one of them, the Navarino, being a battleship of immense size and power. These launchings took place in the presence of all the foreign naval attaches and crowds of people. Among the spectators was Adm. Count Heyden, who fought at the famous battle.

THE Odessa police force was put in great commotion recently by a singular incident. Before the house of the hatchainik of the city, the chief of police, was a big gun, fired every day at noon. The gun was fastened with a heavy chain to the granite base of a pillar before the house of the official. One day when the artillerymen came to fire the gun, they did not find it. A search was immediately instituted, but nothing could be discovered. One week later parts of the gun and of the heavy chain were found before the residences of the highest officials in town. It is supposed that the revolutionists or nihilists removed the gun to show the government officials their power and craft. There is no doubt but that many persons must have labored at the feat. Still not a trace of the perpetrators can be discovered

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned By Telegraph and Mail.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

EX-SENATOR INGALLS addressed a large audience in Tremont temple, Boston. Gen. B. F. Butler introduced him.

A SPECIAL cable dispatch from Managua, Nicaragua, says Don Fernando Guzman, the ex-president of the republic, is dead. His death is generally regretted.

THE archbishop of Aix, France will be prosecuted for disregarding the circular enjoining him not to leave his diocese without the consent of the government. The archbishop is liable to a heavy fine as well as a term of imprisonment.

THE pope is reported to be undecided about leaving Rome.

LATER returns showed that the liberals carried the elections in Chili by heavy majorities.

MAJ.-GEN. SCHOFIELD'S annual report recommends augmentation of the army.

THE monument erected to the memory of Henry W. Grady on one of the principal streets of Atlanta, Ga., was unveiled on the 21st in the presence of the governor of New York, the governor of Georgia and a large assemblage of southern people.

THE silver question was ignored in the resolutions adopted by the Transmississippi congress at Omaha, Neb.

EX-PREMIER CRISPI, of Italy, bitterly attacks the papacy in the North American Review. Rome under the pope, he says, was a gangrene spot which poisoned the whole body of the nation.

GILDEROY WELLS GRIFFIN, United States consul to Sidney, New South Wales, died at Louisville, Ky., of Bright's disease. He had been sick about three weeks. He was born in Louisville in 1841, and was author and editor of several books.

ADVICES from Asuncion, the capital of the republic of Paraguay, bring news of an attempt to overthrow President Juan G. Gonzales. The attempted revolution, however, was promptly suppressed by the troops loyal to the government.

THERE has been a rising in the province of Fukir, China. The rebels captured a town, but later were expelled.

THE Transmississippi congress devoted a day to the silver coinage question. The final vote was for the free coinage of the American product only.

SECRETARY BLAINE said in Boston that he had never felt stronger than at present. His appetite was vigorous.

THE French cabinet has refused to accept the senate's 25 franc duty on American salt meats.

DR. DOYLE GLANVILLE, the leader of the British South African expedition, is said to have died of exhaustion at Matabeland.

THE report that Ex-Senator Ingalls was taken sick in Massachusetts was a mistake.

THE Farmers' Alliance of Florida numbers, according to the secretary, only 5,400—a decrease of over 2,200 in a year.

DIPLOMATIC complications are not likely over the assault on American sailors in Valparaiso. The recent lynching in New Orleans is a case which placed the government in a position where the Chilian government is at present.

W. H. BIDDLE, of Butler county, was elected president of the Kansas Farmers' Alliance, vice Frank McGrath.

MR. GLADSTONE has prepared an Irish home rule bill in such a shape that it can be announced at any time. It is said to be far more liberal than that of 1885.

THE Indiana alliance has indorsed the Ocala platform, sub-treasury feature and all.

THE duke of Fife is selling his estates in Scotland to his tenant farmers and investing in business.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SECRETARY NOBLE has ordered all the surveying corps and allotting agents in the Cheyenne and Arapahoe reservation to disband until congress makes further appropriations. This will delay the opening of these lands one year.

SUNOL trotted a mile in 2:08¼, beating Maud S.'s record of 2:08¾ made in 1885.

THE French senate tariff committee decided in favor of a proposition to impose a duty of 25 francs per 100 kilos on salted meats of all kinds, including pork, ham and bacon, instead of one of 20 francs, which the chamber of deputies had already passed.

THE Associated press and the Western Union Telegraph Co. are at outs over the question of "leased wires," the services of which the company has refused newspapers.

IT was reported that the Burlington passenger train No. 5, which left Chicago at 6 o'clock the previous evening was ditched between Burlington, Ia., and Galesburg on the morning of the 21st. The engineer and five passengers were killed.

THE British sealers Otto and E. B. Marvin, which were seized in Behring sea, have been released by direction of the lord commissioner of admiralty.

THERE was a run on the Yonkers (N. Y.) savings bank. About 4,000 excited depositors drew out $200,000 in a few hours.

JOHN RUSS, a white man, was lynched at Columbus, La., for brutally murdering an aged negress.

THE post office officials are greatly interested in the expected lessening of the work in the large post offices of the country by the introduction of new stamping machines.

THE boiler of the Brookhaven (Miss.) Machine Co. exploded, instantly killing James Hoskins, fireman, and wounding C. A. Woodbury. Hoskins' head was blown off.

THE night agent of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad at Boone, Ia., was held up by a burglar who compelled him, at the point of a revolver, to surrender the company's funds in the office.

BARDWELL'S sash and door factory at Minneapolis, Minn., has been destroyed by fire. Loss, $100,000; insurance about half.

THERE is a diphtheria epidemic in a Norwegian settlement near Marshalltown, Ia.

THE San Juan and Palaloopan rivers, Mexico, have overflowed and several towns are inundated. There is also great destruction of crops.

A FRIGHTFUL wreck occurred at St. Johns station, Md., on the Baltimore & Ohio. The engineer and fireman were killed. Five others were injured, four fatally.

THE Dutch steamer Edam, disabled at sea, has safely reached port.

JOHN BARDSLEY declares emphatically that no power on earth can unseal his lips.

SYLVESTER WILSON, for abducting Libbie Sutherland, was sentenced at New York to five years in the penitentiary and to pay a fine of $1,000.

THE California pacer Direct easily defeated Hal Pointer at the races at Nashville, Tenn.

THE National wholesale druggists' association at its meeting at Louisville, Ky., adopted a resolution calling on congress to pass a law "to protect the public from unscrupulous imitations and counterfeits of foods and medical preparations sold under trademarks."

THE American Public Health association, lately in session at Kansas City, Mo., agreed to meet next in the City of Mexico.

A BAD accident occurred between Brandon and Kenney stations on the Canadian Pacific in Manitoba. Two persons were killed and one seriously injured.

A YARN spun by murderer Benson was to the effect that Mrs. Mettman killed herself in her home at Leavenworth, Kan., accidentally. The peculiar relations of all the parties induced them to mutilate the remains and hide them on the river bank.

ALLERTON tried to break his record at Independence, Ia., but failed, making only 2:10½.

OWING to a fog on the K. C., St J. & C. B., near Kansas City, Mo., a passenger and freight train met in collision. Engineer Saeger was killed. Much loss was sustained.

Two schooners of Gloucester, Mass., are reported lost with a total of 36 lives.

A TERRIBLE threshing machine accident occurred on the Grandin farm, Mayville, N. D. The boiler burst and six men were killed.

FIERCE and destructive storms are reported in Germany, Switzerland, Spain and Great Britain.

ADELBERT GOHEEN was hanged at midnight at Fergus Falls, Minn., for the murder of Rosa Bray.

SECRETARY TRACY, himself a great horse fancier, thinks trotters will yet go a mile in two minutes.

SALTON lake, Arizona, about which so much was said some time ago, is disappearing.

THE United States grand jury at Sioux Falls, S. D., has indicted the managers of the Louisiana lottery. The government inspired the prosecution.

A RIOT was feared near Monongahela City, Pa. The coal operators were flooding the district with Huns and negroes, which greatly excited the strikers.

BUSINESS failures (Dun's review) for the seven days ended October 22 numbered 249, compared with 259 the previous week and 225 the corresponding week of last year.

THE arming of the Berlin police with carbines, which virtually converts them into a regular soldiery, is due to the great apprehension felt by the authorities that winter will be attended by great suffering among the poor and perhaps by consequent disturbances.

A BATTLE took place in southern Manitoba recently between a band of full blood Indians and the Canadian police. One policeman and two Indians were killed. Several were wounded.

CLEARING house returns for the week ended October 22 showed an average decrease of 3.5 compared with the corresponding week of last year. In New York the decrease was 5.8.

THE national board of appraisers in New York city has been hearing the test case brought by the Woolen Manufacturers' association to force higher duties on imported woolens.

IN a collision on a curve between two heavy freight trains on a branch of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, near Lake City, Ia., both trains were wrecked. M. R. Haynen and George Stein, both brakemen, were instantly killed. Engineers Collins and McAllister were probably fatally injured.

THE annual report of Brig.-Gen. DuBarry, commissary-general of subsistence in the army, is mainly statistical, but it contains an interesting paragraph in regard to the necessity of having better cooks.

MRS. MARY FOUNTAINE was killed and several others injured by a runaway near Elk Point, S. D. Andrew Wyman, the driver, was drunk at the time.

HENRY BASSE, a farmer, was found dead on the roadside near Grand Forks, N. D. Investigation showed he had drunk a quantity of carbolic acid in place of alcohol.

AT Bessemer, Ala., Postmaster Samuel Mullin jumped from his carriage while the horse was running away. His skull was fractured.

OF the 44,500 seal skins caught in Behring sea this season 24,000 were taken by sixteen Nova Scotia schooners fishing in that water. The results have been so encouraging that Nova Scotia capitalists are now fitting out a fleet.

AN epidemic of influenza in a severe form is prevalent in Silesia. Five hundred cases of the affection and several deaths are reported from Munsterberg.

OFFICIAL notifications have been given to the bureau of American republics in Venezuela that the duties on corn, beans, peas and rice, the free admission of which had been permitted since April 20, have been restored.

THE new United States cruiser Charleston created a great sensation on its arrival in Japanese waters and was visited the first day by over 20,000 people.

THE gin belonging to the Sherman (Tex.) Oil & Cotton Co., together with 250 bales of cotton, burned. Loss, $60,000; fully insured. The electric light plant was badly damaged.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

A TRAIN of thirteen coal cars went through a bridge over a creek at Goodwater, near Birmingham, Ala. The caboose caught fire and two men were killed and their bodies burned.

A MIRAGE in the Caribbean sea caused the loss of the American barkentine Steadfast, bound from Port of Spain to Philadelphia.

THE Irish-American republican league of Illinois met in Chicago recently and was addressed by Gov. Fifer. Its purpose was purely political.

THE health authorities have been notified of an extensive outbreak of pleuro-pneumonia in the south part of London. In one dairy fifty cows have been killed.

LUCY JEWETT and Sarah Preater went to Terre Haute, Ind., from Paris, Ill., stopping at a hotel near the depot. Next morning both were found dead in bed. They had blown out the gas.

THERE was a stock jobbing rumor set afloat in the United States on the 24th that Queen Victoria was dying. She was in her usual health.

SECRETARY BLAINE returned to Washington on the 24th and called on the president. He declared that his health was first class.

MORE than a million citizens of this country have signed the petition to the czar asking for better treatment of Siberian exiles.

THE St. Petersburg Novosti estimates the starving people at 20,000,000. Horrible tales of suffering are given publicity. The government is doing much to relieve want.

IT is announced that Bismarck will certainly reappear in the reichstag and much trouble is expected. Revelation of secrets is not improbable.

THE six days' bicycle race at New York ended as follows: Martin, 1,466 miles 4 laps; Ashinger, 1,441 miles 1 lap; Lamb, 1,362 miles; Schoch, 1,328 miles 5 laps; Albert, 1,308 miles 4 laps; Boyst, 1,301 miles 5 laps.

IT is officially declared by the Cherokee commission that the strip is virtually free from boomers.

A DISREPUTABLE woman of Berlin has been murdered and mutilated in regular "Jack the Ripper" style. No clew.

MUCH alarm exists in New Orleans over a serious cave-in in the levee.

IN a speech at Toronto, Ont., the minister of agriculture intimated that the Dominion government had given up all hopes of securing a reciprocity treaty with the United States.

THE town of Meiringen, Switzerland, has been almost swept out of existence by fire.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

THE Washington hotel, a residence and other property burned at Omaha the other day, resulting in a loss of $13,000, with about $7,000 insurance.

IN the case of Smith or Coe, recently lynched by an Omaha mob, the coroner's jury rendered a verdict that Smith was "frightened to death by unknown persons."

A BARN belonging to Dr. A. J. Sanders at Grand Island burned the other morning, together with a horse, cow, two carriages and a sleigh. The loss was nearly $1,000, partly covered by insurance.

MRS. AUSTIN was found at Omaha the other night in the last stages of starvation. Her husband was one of the lynchers of the negro at Omaha and is under arrest on the charge of murder with thirty-three others of the lynchers, and has been unable to provide for his wife. Mrs. Austin could live but a few hours.

WHILE recently duck hunting near Bellevue, two young men discovered a skeleton lying face downward and partly imbedded in the sand and driftwood on a bar in the river. There was no flesh on the bones save the skin, reaching from the shoulders to the hips, and was entirely destitute of clothing or anything by which it could be identified. The skeleton appeared to be that of a boy about fourteen years of age.

A LINCOLN policeman the other night thwarted a bold kidnapping scheme in which Katie Seeley, a girl of fourteen, was the intended victim. A family by the name of Woodard had got control of the girl and the mother had traced them as far as Lincoln. The Woodards took alarm and attempted to get out of the city, but were arrested by the officer while attempting to board the train at a a small depot in the suburbs.

IN the United States supreme court at Washington on the 19th the Boyd-Thayer case, involving the title to the office of governor of Nebraska, came up on motion to advance its hearing. Attorneys representing the Thayer side of the suit intimated they would prefer that the hearing should not take place before New Year's. Ex-Attorney-General Garland submitted a motion to advance the case as counsel for Boyd. The court took the matter under advisement.

C. J. EKSTROM, of Lincoln, bought some pills for his wife, who was dangerously ill from typhoid fever, and his fourteen-months-old little girl got hold of and ate a number of them. In a short time the child was seized with convulsions and when a doctor was called he declared that the victim was suffering from arsenical poison. Despite the efforts of the physician the child died in a few minutes. Afterwards the doctor analyzed one of the pills and found arsenic.

HANCOCK & Co., dealers in general merchandise at Gretna, were closed recently on a mortgage for $10,500 held by the Gretna state bank. The mortgage was given by A. N. Hancock, vice-president of the bank, and immediately after the store was closed the bank suspended. The wildest excitement reigned when it was learned that the vice-president had decamped with some of the securities. The affairs of the bank are reported to be in bad shape.

AT Lincoln the other day ex-Attorney-General Leese and C. G. Dawes filed a bill of exceptions to the report of John H. Ames as referee in the case of the state against the Atchison & Nebraska Railroad Co. Altogether fourteen flaws are pointed out as contrary to and not sustained by the evidence. They, therefore, moved that the report of the referee be wholly set aside and that the court make such findings of law and of facts as the testimony warrants.

C. H. CRESSY, a peddler, was recently arrested at Nebraska City upon the charge of assaulting a weak-minded girl. Cressy denied the charge, although the mother of the girl claimed to have witnessed the assault. The girl is silly and has a desire to make love to nearly every man she meets. When a physician was called to see her the young woman threw her arms about his neck and it took considerable strength to unloosen her clutch. In the court room she was about to embrace the judge, when she was forced away.

WILLIAM GRIMM, a farmer living near Papillion, shot himself the other afternoon, the ball passing through his left hand, inflicting a painful though not dangerous wound. He stated that it was an accident, but the general belief prevailed that the shooting was with suicidal intent and that the ball went wide of its mark. He had been despondent for some time owing to financial embarrassments, his home having just been sold at sheriff's sale, and having told several persons that he would kill himself.

THE twenty-third annual meeting of the Woman's board of missions of the interior convened at Omaha on the 22d. Iowa, Nebraska, Ohio, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Illinois, Colorado, Kansas, North Dakota, Missouri, Indiana and Montana were represented. Mrs. Moses Smith, of Chicago, presided and Miss M. D. Wingate acted as recording secretary. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. G. W. Hall. Mrs. G. B. Wilcox, of Chicago, one of the lecturers, responded. The secretary's report showed: Total receipts, $65,654 34; total expenditures, $65,109 82; balance on hand, $544.52.

THE other night Christian Eckerman, a porter at the New York hotel in Fremont, undertook to end his life by means of chloroform. He was discovered in his room in an unconscious condition. A physician was summoned and a prompt application of antidotes saved him. Eckerman was infatuated with a girl living near Hooper who jilted him.

IN a case brought to test the constitutionality of the eight-hour law, Judges Wakely, Doane and Davis, at Omaha, lately decided that the law applies to laborers by the week or month; that it is constitutional, but contracts may be made as to number of hours.

THE two democratic nominees for regents of the state university have filed their declination with the secretary of state.

INCENDIARIES recently attempted to burn the residence of C. Printz at Plattsmouth.

WHILE cleaning up about the Norfolk sugar factory the other day, Lloyd Cobb, a young man, fell into one of the carbonation tanks and was suffocated. Jules Vigereaux, who went into the tank to rescue him, was also overcome and dragged out by another man. The chances of the recovery of Vigereaux were slight.

THE western commercial congress met at Omaha on the 19th with 100 delegates in attendance. Gov. Thayer made a brief address, welcoming the delegates, which was responded to by ex-Gov. Adams, of Colorado.

LEWIS E. CLARK, one of a railroad gang working out road tax near Neleigh, while "rustling" corn in a field south of town, received a load of shot in the side of his face, tearing one ear almost off and permanently injuring the eye.

IN the examination of the Omaha lynchers one doctor testified that the death of Coe, the negro lynched, was caused by fright.

THE MATTER EXPLAINED.

Secretary Tracy Explains the Valparaiso Affair—The Chilian Government Will Not Grant Refugees Safe Conducts.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Secretary Tracy and Gen. John W. Foster had a conference with the president yesterday afternoon in regard to the Valparaiso incident, and at its close Secretary Tracy dictated the following as the latest official information on the subject: "From a dispatch received from Capt. Schley last evening, it appears that he has made careful investigation of the origin of the assault on our sailors attached to the Baltimore at Valparaiso on the 16th. The investigation showed that Petty Officer Charles Riggan, while riding in a street car, was assailed, dragged from the car and shot; that he was murdered in the arms of his companions by about 100 men who were armed; that apprentice Fred Talbot was assailed and dangerously cut several times in the back, two of the wounds penetrating his lungs; that Coal Heaver Itherson was robbed and dangerously cut several times in the back, this assault being made by about twenty-five men; that Coal Heaver Turnbull received eighteen wounds in the back, two of which penetrated his lungs and that he is in a critical state; that Petty Officer Hamilton was wounded several times on the body; that Coal Heavers Painter and Landsman Davidson were dangerously injured by assaults with clubs, stones and knives, and that many other men were seriously injured by assaults; that thirty-five seamen were arrested by the public authorities and detained; that the surgeons of the Baltimore are unanimously of the opinion that some of the wounds were inflicted by bayonets, thus showing clearly the participation of the police; that the American sailors were without arms and defenseless; that they were sober and innocent of any misbehavior; that two of the seriously wounded are still in the hospital; that in several instances sailors of the Chilian fleet rendered assistance to our sailors and that in some instances the police officers protected them."

The Chilian government has informed Mr. Egan that safe conducts will not be issued for the refugees now in the United States legation. The supposed ground for this refusal is that the men are criminals. Mr. Egan continues to demand safe conducts for the men. The question now appears far from settlement.

GREAT OCEAN RACE.

Sailing Ships Speeding From San Francisco to Liverpool.

BANGOR, Me., Oct. 24.—One of the greatest ocean races on record is now in progress between four big sailing ships which left San Francisco on the same day a few weeks ago grain-laden for Europe. First among the fleet is the queen of the American merchant fleet, the four-masted ship Shenandoah, of Bath, 3,258 tons net register. She is less than a year old and is the largest wooden ship afloat. She carries 5,000 tons of wheat, the largest cargo of the kind ever stowed in a sailing ship, and is bound for Liverpool. The Shenandoah's greatest competitor in the race is the British iron ship Strathearn, a flyer of great renown. The Strathearn is 20 years old, and in her young days was a crack packet between New York and Liverpool, easily beating the time of most of the steam freighters, while in recent years she had made some wonderful passages between the United Kingdom and the Pacific grain ports. The other two racers are the ships S. D. Carleton, of Rockport, Me., and the British ship Balkamah, both bound for Havre.

MINERS ALARMED.

Coal Operators Flood the Monongahela Mining Regions With Huns and Negroes.

MONONGAHELA CITY, Pa., Oct. 24.—The influx of Huns and negroes from the south and east continues steadily and the miners are thoroughly alarmed over the prospect. All along the Baltimore & Ohio railroad they have been brought to the mines, except between Finleyville and the Snowden mines; sometimes merely a handful and again in large numbers. In the first pool mines the greater number of them have been taken. At Wallick there are from sixty to 100 of them, while at Cook & Son's mines at Cook station, on the Chartiers division of the Pan Handle, there are a number of negroes.

A riot is feared when they are placed in the pits. There have been no more breaks in the strikers' ranks since the men in Scott's mine No. 2 at West Newton returned to work. The officers of the association have them well in hand and have restored the confidence of the men, which wavered on receipt of the tidings that the Huns were on their way here.

Business Improving.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

General business is remarkable active and increasing in volume at the west, improving at the south and distinctly less dull than it was a week ago at eastern cities. Collections are improving in nearly all directions, as the liberal movement of crops enables the farmers to settle their accounts and to make purchases for the coming season.

The money markets are at nearly all important points quite easy, though with a noticeable improvement in the demand. These signs plainly promise a strong trade for the fall and winter unless disturbances, which can not now be foreseen, should interrupt.

Flew to Pieces.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Oct. 24.—A heading joiner in Carr's stave factory flew to pieces, being driven too rapidly, and the flying fragments were hurled in every direction, the greater number tearing great holes in the roof. Supt. Carr was struck on the breast and seriously injured. Mrs. Carr, who had entered the factory through curiosity, received a slight scalp wound. Several workmen were imperiled. The machinery was badly wrecked, scarcely a respectable fragment of the joiner being left. A hole five feet square through the roof was torn.

Big Thing By Cable.

BERLIN, Oct. 24.—The thirty-second anniversary of the birth of Princess Augusta Victoria was celebrated today. When he came in to offer his congratulations the emperor, to the surprise and delight of the empress, presented himself to her clean shaven, except for his mustache.

Jackson Fletcher Respited.

CADDO, I. T., Oct. 24.—Jackson Fletcher will not be shot to-day. He has once more been respited for one week, this time to allow him to visit his relatives.

The Hose Coroner's Jury.

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 24.—The coroner's jury investigating the lynching of George Smith accepted the testimony of Deputy Coroner Allison and the police and returned a verdict that Smith was frightened to death by persons unknown.

Ten Condemned Negroes Reprieved.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 24.—The ten negroes convicted of the murder of Tornton Nace and sentenced to be hanged at Laurens to-day have been reprieved, pending the appeal of the case to the supreme court.

THE ARMY.

Report of Gen. Schofield—The Indian Question and Other Matters Discussed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Maj.-Gen. Schofield, commanding the army, has made his annual report upon the operations of the army to the secretary of war. He reviews the Indian disturbance of last winter, recalls that nearly one-half of the infantry and cavalry of the army was concentrated at the scene of disturbance, and then says that this campaign teaches the lesson that the entire military force of the United States would be wholly inadequate to prevent great loss of life and damage to property if a general Indian outbreak should occur. However, he believes that no considerable number of the Sioux intended hostilities against the United States unless driven to it by hardship. He says: "There is hence a well grounded belief that, by the constant exercise of discretion in the management of Indians, coupled with justice in all dealings of the government with them and the presence of a sufficient military force to overawe the turbulent minority among them, there need be no serious apprehension of an extended uprising of the Sioux, and, probably, not of any other Indian tribe. It is also well worthy of the most serious consideration that by the addition of a few thousand men to the enlisted strength of the army, whereby a sufficient force might at all times be stationed in the vicinity of the great reservations, the danger of an uprising and resulting destruction of frontier settlements would be entirely removed, and the great expense of transportation of troops from distant parts of the country entirely avoided."

Maj-Gen. Schofield then makes a strong plea for reorganization of the army.

The report notes with satisfaction the adoption by congress of a definite policy of improvement of the coast defenses. Touching the enlistment of Indians in the army, it says the policy has not yet progressed very far in its execution, but the results have been entirely satisfactory and it should be adhered to. Complimentary reference is made to the high state of efficiency of the artillery, infantry and cavalry school. Of the new system of examination for promotion, the report says that it will, in the end, undoubtedly serve to improve largely the general state of military education. Reference is made to the number of military posts abandoned during the past year, as serving to mark the advance of settlement and the subjugation of roaming Indians, and liberal allowances are recommended for larger and permanent posts as being in the interests of true economy.

Touching the discipline of the army the report says: "All the reports show that the general state of discipline in the army is excellent, the one lamentable exception being that of the Fourth cavalry at Fort Walla Walla. The measures which have been adopted for improvement of the condition of the enlisted men and for the exclusion of undesirable characters from enlistment have worked together to elevate the character and increase the contentment of the soldiers, without in any measure, it is believed, impairing their efficiency. The winter campaign against the Sioux developed the most cheerful endurance of the greatest hardships, as well as great gallantry in action, and a total absence of desertions while in the field in the presence of the enemy."

WRECK IN A FOG.

Serious Collision of Trains Near Kansas City—The Fatal Mistake of an Engineer.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 23.—The fog yesterday morning was disastrous to Kansas City railroads. There were two wrecks. Both costly and one fraught with fatality.

A head end collision on the Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs road between Murray's switch and Parkville between the northbound passenger train for Omaha, which left here at 7:25, and regular freight train No. 26, resulted in the fatal injury of Engineer J. W. Sager and the serious injuring of Baggageman B. O. Rearnough and News Agent F. B. Tanner, all of the passenger train.

The collision occurred shortly after 8 o'clock. Both trains were going at a high rate of speed at the time, and the engineers were prevented from seeing each other's trains by the dense fog that prevailed along the Missouri bottoms.

The official facts are that the engineer of the northbound passenger train had instructions to meet and pass freight train 26 at Murray's switch, the scene of the holdup of Conductor Cassell's train on the Burlington road and the killing of Brakeman Ed White by unknown highwaymen a short time ago. When the Omaha passenger train reached Murray's switch there was a southbound freight train standing on the siding. The engineer and conductor of the passenger train took this freight for No. 26 and continued going ahead at full speed. This was where the mistake was made.

The freight on the siding was No. 18, an extra train that was making the best time it could between switches. The regular 26 had left Parkville, and the engineer was making the run to Murray's switch to meet the passenger. The collision occurred about midway between the points mentioned.

Two coaches containing the injured and as many of the passengers as wished to return reached the union depot at 10 o'clock.

Thirty-six Men Lost.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Oct. 23.—The schooner Percy, owned by James S. Ayer, with a crew of twelve men and the schooner City Point, owned by Cushing & Henry, of Portland, with a crew of fourteen men sailed on a codfishing voyage about August 25, the Percy to Georges and the City Point to Le Have banks. Neither has been heard from, and there is little doubt that they have been lost with all hands.

The schooner Albert Woodbury, of Beverly, that sailed the latter part of August for the Cape shore, codfishing, has not returned and is believed to have been lost with her ten men.

Revolution Suppressed.

BUENOS AYRES, Oct. 23.—Advices from Asuncion, the capital of the republic of Paraguay, bring news of an attempt to overthrow President Juan G. Gonzales. The attempted revolution, however, was promptly suppressed by the troops loyal to the government.

George Bain Dead.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—George Bain, a well known American diplomat, prominently identified for many years in the politics of this state and until recently chairman of the city central republican committee, died here this morning.

The Ocala Demands Indorsed.

DADE CITY, Fla., Oct. 23.—The state Farmers' Alliance has indorsed the Ocala demands by a vote of 71 to 5. Senator Pasco voted against indorsement, being opposed to the sub-treasury bill. A. P. Baskin was elected president, Rogers declining re-election.

Ex-Senator Ingalls Sick.

HAVERHILL, Mass., Oct. 23.—Ex-Senator Ingalls, who was to have lectured in the Academy of Music last night, was taken suddenly ill in the afternoon and was forced to cancel the engagement. He is at the home of his father E. T. Ingalls.

Wide Awake for November.

It is worth everybody's while to buy the November Wide Awake, for three notable features: "The Boyhood of Hawthorne," by his relative, Mrs. Richard Manning of Salem, Mass., which is full of family anecdote and gives a photograph of the first portrait painted of Hawthorne; the closing chapters of Margaret Sidney's famous serial, "Five Little Peppers Grown Up," and "Nolan," a ballad by Mrs. Laura E. Richards, giving the tragic story of the bearer of Raglan's dispatch to Lord Lucan's "Light Brigade," when they made the famous "charge" at Balaklava; sure to become a favorite with boys for Declamation Day. Margaret Spencer has a capital story, "Gladys McLean's Hallowe'en Party," Mrs. Kate Upson Clark has a Thanksgiving tale, "Mistress Esteem Elliott's Molasses Cake," "Old Adams, the Bear-Tamer" is a bit of Western biography by Charles Howard Shinn. William Zachary Gladwin has a good story of a plucky boy, called "Johnny O'Dowd's Chance." "Men and Things" is rich in anecdote, and readable poems and articles are contributed by Mrs. S. M. B. Piatt, Amanda B. Harris, M. E. B., Mrs. William Claflin, Clara Doty Bates, Caroline Hunt Rimmer, L. J. Bridgman, and many others.

Wide Awake is $2.40 a year, 20 cents a number. A specimen (back number) will be sent on receipt of 5 cents. D. Lothrop Company, publishers, Boston.

He Wanted the Date.

"Let's see, Blobb's—you're from Ohio, aren't you?"

"Yes, old man—I have that honor."

"Well, never mind your impudent conceit, I only wanted to ask when her centennial takes place."

"What centennial?"

"When she was admitted into the union."

"Oh! I don't remember exactly."

"Well, look it up, please."

"Why?"

"Oh, I want the Dayton, Ohio—that's all."

And he dodged the inkstand as he made his exit.—Philadelphia Press.

Impish Freaks

Are those of a disordered liver. But when that organ is thoroughly disciplined with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the bile is adequately secreted, diverted from the blood into its proper channel, digestion grows active, the sallow and eye balls lose their bilious tinge, pain in the vicinity of the liver ceases, sick headache and nausea depart. The Bitters is an incomparable preventive of malaria, rheumatism and kidney complaint.

THE poet says: "The stars are peeping." They are probably sizing up the sculpture through a slit in the curtain.—Binghamton Leader.

The Only One Ever Printed—Can You Find the Word?

There is a 3 inch display advertisement in this paper, this week, which has no two words alike except one word. The same is true of each new one appearing each week, from The Dr. Harter Medicine Co. This house places a "Crescent" on everything they make and publish. Look for it, send them the name of the word and they will return you book, beautiful lithographs or samples free.

THE week ought to be short for the servant girl, considering the number of days she takes out.—Elmira Gazette.

STRICTLY pure. Buy no other. "The A. B. C. Bohemian Bottled Beer" made by the American Brewing Co. of St. Louis.

THE author who is seriously depressed by unfavorable notices of his work may be said to be critically ill.—Lowell Courier.

GIVE your children Dr. Ball's Worm Destroyers. These nice candies will never do them harm and may do them much good.

THE Other Girl—What's the matter, Jack? The Telephone Girl (on her vacation). Number please!—Indianapolis Journal.

ANY one can take Carter's Little Liver Pills, they are so very small. No trouble to swallow. No pain or griping after taking.

WHEN a tailor makes a misfit it must be shear carelessness.—Lowell Courier.

CHECK Colds and Bronchitis with Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar. Pike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute.

THE jockey manages to live luxuriantly on back pay.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

THE ague will always welcome you with a hearty shake.

THE GENERAL MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 26.			
CATTLE—Shipping steers	$3 50	@	4 15
Butchers' steers	2 70	@	4 00
Native cows	2 00	@	3 40
HOGS—Good to choice heavy	3 70	@	4 05
WHEAT—No. 2 red	85	@	86
No. 2 hard	81	@	81½
CORN—No. 2	47	@	49
OATS—No. 2	27	@	27½
RYE—No. 2	60	@	62
FLOUR—Patents, per sack	2 00	@	2 40
Fancy	1 90	@	1 95
HAY—Baled	6 50	@	7 00
BUTTER—Choice creamery	29	@	29
CHEESE—Full cream	9	@	10
EGGS—Choice	14	@	17
BACON—Hams	10	@	12
Shoulders	5½	@	5½
Sides	6	@	6½
LARD	6½	@	7½
POTATOES	35	@	40
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