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CURRENT COMMENT.

THE commerce in grain on the great lakes surpasses that of the United States on the ocean.

MR. AND MRS. ASBURY SPEER, living between Mitchell and West Bend, Ind., celebrated their sixty-fourth wedding anniversary recently.

THE Vossische Zeitung severely condemns the German government for prosecutions of newspapers on the charge of treason.

RECENT gales that prevailed along the coast of Portugal were productive of great loss of life, particularly among the fishermen.

THE other day a man whose name is not known infatuated Solomon Williams of Goshen, Ind., with an alleged bonanza in the shape of an electric alarm arrangement and sold the right to the invention to Williams for \$5,000.

THE government of India has concluded a treaty with China as suzerain over Tibet. Under the treaty caravans will be allowed to pass freely via the Sikkim passes into the Tibet valleys and custom stations are to be created.

NEWS from Egypt is to the effect that the new khedive intends to begin his reign in a brilliant way by recovering the Sudanese empire, which was lost to Egypt with the rebellion of the mahdi and the fall of Khartoum.

A STATEMENT prepared by the commissioner of internal revenue as to sugar bounty shows that 523 claims for bounty, amounting to \$6,914,654, have been received and that 925 claims, amounting to \$2,952,020, have been paid.

A COLORADO lad, seventeen years of age, has invented a device to prevent rear end collisions of railway trains. The signal consists of an iron box, about four inches square, in which is inclosed a torpedo.

THE will of the late Lord Lytton has been made public. The estate, valued at \$75,270, is entailed. The most interesting clause is one directing the widow, because of the existence of a letter which the testator believes to be garbled, and statements which he knows to be wicked and cruel falsehoods relative to the domestic life of his parents, to collect and sell all papers bequeathed by his father for transmission to the future earl of Lytton.

EDWARDS PIERREPONT, who died on March 6, was born in North Haven, Conn., March 4, 1814. He entered Yale college and was graduated in 1837 with high honor.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned By Telegraph and Mail.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

THE London Chronicle says that Guy de Maupassant, the distinguished French writer, who became insane in the early part of March last is so much improved in health that he writes for about an hour daily.

GEN. ALGER has announced himself as a candidate for the republican nomination for president.

JOHN T. CLARKSON, brother of the late Bishop Clarkson, and who had large interests in Omaha, died at Chicago. He had been ill with pneumonia several days.

HON. W. R. MORRISON, inter-state commerce commissioner, has declared himself as being opposed to the presidential candidacy of Senator Palmer on account of his advanced age and other considerations.

THE house of commons has refused to complete Canadian fortifications.

THE king of Sweden has written a letter intimating that he may visit the world's fair in person.

COL. LOUIS DUESTROW, the largest single holder of stock in the famous Granite mountain silver mine, died in St. Louis the other day. He ruptured a blood vessel of the heart in stepping from a street car.

MR. HOLLEBENS, the new German minister to this country, was presented to the president on the 8th by Assistant Secretary Wharton.

MRS. ANNE SEMMES, the widow of the late Adm. Raphael Semmes, commander of the confederate cruiser Alabama, died at her home in Mobile, Ala., in her 74th year.

AN executive session of the senate was held on the 8th to consider the arbitration treaty and it was referred to the committee on foreign relations.

THE North Dakota state convention of the national prohibition party for electing delegates to the presidential convention to be held in St. Louis June 27 met at Grand Forks on the 8th. It resulted in a split in the party, the members of the Farmers' Alliance withdrawing.

THE Texas republican convention adopted resolutions endorsing President Harrison and a strong Harrison delegation to Minneapolis was elected.

BISHOP HORSTMANN formally assumed control of the diocese of Cleveland at St. John's cathedral on the 9th.

THE president has sent to the senate the nomination of Judson C. Clements, of Georgia, to be inter-state commerce commissioner, vice Walter L. Bragg, deceased, and William Lindsay, declined.

EMPEROR WILLIAM has been confined to his bed with a cold.

THE pope sent a communication to the papers defending archbishop Ireland against the attacks of his enemies.

CONGRESSMAN HARTER, of Ohio, has written an open letter to Senator Hill calling upon him to define his position on the silver question.

THE Indiana state republican convention instructed the delegates to the national convention to vote for President Harrison's re-nomination.

THE commercial treaty between Spain and the United States has been ratified.

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WILLIAM LINDEK, the millionaire banker and miner of St. Paul, Minn., died suddenly on the 10th of cancer of the stomach. He was 52 years of age.

PRINCE JOHN SOBIESKI, grandson of the king of Poland, was arrested at St. Kisco, New York, recently with a horse and wagon which he had stolen.

THE pope has communicated to the newspaper Observator Romano a note defending Most Rev. John Ireland, D. D., archbishop of St. Paul, Minn., against the attacks made upon him by his enemies in the United States.

PRESIDENT ELLIOT, of Harvard college, gave an address at the university at Boulder, Col., on the 10th on elective education. The chapel was crowded and the discourse of President Elliot was cheered to the echo. A reception was held after the lecture. Mrs. Eliot was also present.

THE president and Mrs. Harrison entertained at dinner on the evening of the 10th Dr. Von Hollenben, the new minister from Germany to the United States.

AN important seizure of goods in the trunks of seven cabin passengers was made on the French steamship La Bourg gae, which arrived in New York on the 7th from Havre. Three of the trunks belong to dressmakers in that city and four to people in Chicago.

THE population of New York City exclusive of inmates of institutions who are to be looked after by the state secretary is, according to the census just completed, 1,800,891.

PROF. SWIFT, of the Warner observatory, has discovered a new comet moving in an easterly direction. It is not visible to the naked eye.

JAY GOULD has given \$25,000 to the university of the city of New York. The gift was made a few days after he gave his check for \$10,000 to the Presbyterian extension committee.

THE municipal authorities of Leipzig, Germany, where there has been so much distress and discontent among the poor, largely due to a lack of employment, announced that they will provide work for unemployed persons.

A NEGRO brute, said to be the most noted criminal in the South, was taken from the jail at Hamburg, Tenn., and hanged recently.

MR. EDWARD P. DEACON, who was under arrest at Grasse, France, for shooting and killing Abelle, his wife's paramour, in the Hotel Splendide at Cannes, has been released on 10,000 francs bail.

MRS. FLORENCE ETHEL OSBORNE pleaded guilty to larceny and perjury in London and was sentenced to nine months imprisonment at hard labor.

ALL the wall paper hangers of St. Louis, some 300 in number, struck the other night without notice because their employes disregarded a request made December 14 last for pay by the piece, which, in reality, means higher wages.

MITCHELL, the prize fighter, made a speech at Toronto the other day, after his set with Slavin in which he said he wanted to fight Sullivan for the \$25,000 purse offered if such a match could be arranged.

GEORGE GOLDS, of San Diego, Cal., shot and killed himself, being the second case of suicide over the failure of the California National bank.

A RICH gold strike has been reported from near San Bernardino, Cal. The floods were so severe in Spain that it took several days before railway and telegraphic communication were restored.

THOUSANDS of starving laborers are clamoring for work in different cities of Germany.

MICHAEL FURTELL, a Kansas City police officer, while off duty shot and mortally wounded Thomas McGrail, a saloon porter, on the 10th. The shooting is claimed to have been done in self-defense.

MUCH damage was done throughout Iowa by the recent storm.

ALL the London newspapers approved the verdict in the Osborne case. SEVERAL school children were lost in the storm near St. Peter, Minn.

THE Spanish anarchists tried for riot at Cadiz were acquitted.

THE musicians' union of St. Louis prepared to take issue with the United States government in the matter of allowing the Marine band, under Prof. Sousa, to make a tour of the country, thereby coming in at least indirect competition with local talent.

THE next Russian military maneuvers, the scene of which will be in the vicinity of Moscow, will be on a gigantic scale. Six army corps under Gen. Obrutschoff and Dragomiroff will take part, besides the guards and other cavalry, the whole reaching a total of 200,000 men.

THE Russian government, in order to alleviate as far as possible the distress among the peasants, is employing large numbers of them at Ninji, Novgorod, Orel Kazan and Tula in clearing off over 3,000 acres of forest land.

A SOLID train of twenty-eight cars, containing 12,300 bushels of shelled corn, was made up at Bloomington, Ill., and dispatched to the seaboard for shipment to Russia. It was all contributed by citizens of McLean county, Ill.

THE blizzard on the 10th did great damage throughout Minnesota and the Dakotas. Communication with Montana was cut off.

FIRE damp exploded in a Belgian colliery on the 11th in a pit where nearly 300 men were at work. The number of the dead is placed at 203.

JUDGE J. W. GREGORY, of Garden City, Kan., made an argument the other day before the house committee on irrigation of public lands, in support of the bill to cure defects in existing laws.

REPORTS of damage to winter wheat have been received from Kansas and Illinois.

IN the Iowa senate on the 11th the Australian ballot bill passed without dissenting vote. It is different from the ballot bill passed in the house and will now go to that body again.

MR. POTTER PALMER made an address before the special house committee on the world's fair the other day, urging favorable action on a bill before the committee to appropriate \$185,000 to be disbursed directly by the board of managers of the exposition.

ANOTHER American sailor was stabbed in the streets of Valparaiso.

THE Standard oil trust, at its next meeting, will dissolve and will not organize in any way, but the company will carry on of business.

HON. HENRY WATSON, in an interview, declared that Mr. Cleveland should not be nominated for president and that the democratic party should come out for its candidate for president.

ALLIANCE congressman will establish an alliance congressional campaign committee.

IT is said Jay Gould abandoned his Mexican trip because he was afraid of being killed.

CONGRESS.

The Week's Proceedings Condensed For Convenience of the Reader.

WHEN the senate met on the 4th the vice-president presented a communication from the secretary of the interior in regard to the Yosemite park in California. Mr. Stanford introduced a bill directing the purchase of public lands and the purchase of the park.

MR. VEST addressed the senate in favor of proper inspection but by the states. He deprecated the drifting of public sentiment towards paternalism and the rush to congress for everything that could just as well be regulated by the states.

MR. PADDOCK spoke in favor of the bill. Enrollees were then directed to the late Representative Lee, of Virginia, and the senate adjourned.

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ANOTHER CLOUD.

The Behring Sea Dispute Leads to Activity in the Navy Department—Vessels May Be Sent to the Troubled Waters—English Press Opinion.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Gen. Foster, of the state department, who is assisting the president in the Behring sea fisheries negotiations, had a long conference at the navy department with Secretary Tracy and Com. Ramsey, chief of the bureau of navigation. The conference, it is thought, related to the consideration of the course to be pursued by the navy in enforcing the contention of this government that the Pelagic sealing in Behring sea should be wholly suspended pending the settlement by arbitration of the controversy between the United States and Great Britain.

If Great Britain declines the president's proposition for a renewal of the modus vivendi this government no doubt will send the available vessels at its command to Behring sea soon enough, if possible, to control its approaches and prevent the entrance of all sealing vessels, American as well as others.

The naval vessels that can be used for this service are the Charleston, Baltimore and Ranger at San Francisco; the Mohican, now on her way to Port Orchard, Wash., with the Nipsic in tow, and the Yorktown and Baltimore, now en route to San Francisco from Callao. The revenue cutters Bear, Rush and Corwin, now fitting out at San Francisco for their annual cruise to the seal islands, will also assist in the work of policing the restricted waters.

Diligent inquiry at the various executive departments dealing with the question elicits the information that the president will take no further action in regard to the Behring sea matter until he shall have received a reply from Lord Salisbury to Mr. Wharton's note of the 8th instant insisting on a renewal of the modus vivendi of last year as an essential condition to the settlement of the controversy by arbitration.

ACTIVITY AT MARE ISLAND. SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—The anticipated activity in Behring sea this summer has caused some little stir at Mare Island. The Adams and Ranger are being made ready for duty as rapidly as possible; men are being worked upon the Ranger overtime. The Albatross, which was prepared to make another sounding for the proposed Hawaiian cable, has been ordered to cease work in that direction. It is supposed that the ship is intended for duty in northern waters. The cruisers Charleston and Baltimore are still at Mare Island in readiness for service.

LONDON, March 11.—The St. James Gazette (Conservative) accuses the Washington government of exaggerating the difficulty of arriving at a modus vivendi with Great Britain. The paper suggests that each side go sealing, as usual, keeping an account of its catch, the party found by the arbitrators to be in the wrong afterward paying compensation.

THE BLIZZARD. The Late Cold Snap Somewhat Disastrous in the Northwest. ST. PAUL, Minn., March 11.—After reigning with terrific fury for thirty hours the blizzard passed to the northeast, leaving in its wake intense cold, the mercury yesterday morning being 10 below and at 9 o'clock being 1 below. As the full details of the storm are received it grows in intensity and fears are expressed that there may be great loss of life. This, however, will not be so great as would have occurred had the storm commenced in the daytime when more people were out. Still, many were out and their friends are anxiously awaiting news from them. The temperature being mild at the beginning of the storm and a number of cases being reported where people started for homes in the country when the storm was still raging. If they were lost, which is more than probable, the following intense cold would prove fatal. On account of the condition of the wires and the drift covered country roads, the full details of the loss of life will be slow in coming in, but that there have been serious results of the storm is undoubtedly true.

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY from the severity of the gale is reported very great at Fargo, Crookston and other places. Crookston's buildings suffered severely from the breaking of plate glass, as well as being nearly blown down by the force of the storm, and many small buildings were demolished. Many buildings at Fergus Falls were unroofed and others damaged. Ellendale, N. D., reports county buildings damaged, and the farmers in that neighborhood have been compelled to postpone seeding wheat, which was under way. Similar reports of damage to buildings are coming in from all over Minnesota and the Dakotas, while communication with Montana is still cut off.

WANT NO MORE LIBERIAN COLONISTS. NEW YORK, March 11.—George H. Daniels, general passenger agent of the New York Central road called on Mayor Grant, at the request of President Depey, to confer as to the necessary steps to be taken to prevent the forwarding of any more would-be Liberian colonists to this city. The mayor said the agents of the road at the west should be instructed to discourage any more colonists from coming on and Mr. Daniels agreed to telegraph the northern agents of the Central to this effect.

WHEAT AND CORN. WASHINGTON, March 10.—The March report of the distribution of wheat and corn by the statistician of the department of agriculture shows the stock of wheat in growers' hands 171,000,000 bushels, 60 per cent of the crop—65,000,000 or 28 per cent of 108,000,000 bushels of winter wheat, much of the latter is in states which have practically no inter-state distribution, but entering into the local consumption for bread and feed. This is the largest reserve ever reported, that of the largest previous crop of 1882 being 162,000,000 bushels.



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