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CURRENT COMMENT.

THE Swiss guards, a part of the pope's household, are to be dispensed with.

THREE French officers and a lady have been arrested as spies at Myslowitz, Silesia.

THE standard yard of America is said to be one-thousandth of an inch larger than its British parent.

THE Chinese, Japanese, Malays, Siamese, New Zealanders and the North American Indians are all beardless.

DURING the first seven months of this year France imported from the United States more than three times the value of goods she sent here.

ENGLISH medical authorities are coming to the conclusion that the smoking of pure opium is not nearly so injurious to Chinamen as has been supposed.

MANUFACTURERS of obituary monuments in the United States have the right to remove their handiwork from graves in the event of its not being paid for within six months.

MRS. ELLEN HARRIS, of Philadelphia, who organized the first woman's aid society in the country, soon after Fort Sumter was fired on, is living at Florence, Italy, at an advanced age.

IT is thought that the widow of Gen. John A. Logan will be chosen president of the Woman's Relief corps at the meeting in Washington. She has consented to the use of her name for this purpose.

RANNOCH LODGE, the fine country place in Scotland now occupied by Andrew Carnegie, who leases it from Sir Robert Menzies, is thirteen miles from a telegraph office and twenty-three miles from a railway station.

LORD HERSCHELL, the new lord chancellor of Great Britain, and incumbent of that office under Gladstone's last administration before this, is not directly descended from the great astronomer who bore that name, but is of the same family. The Herschells are of German origin.

MRS. A. E. W. ROBERTSON, of Muskegon, I. T., has completed the translation of the new testament from the original Greek into the Creek language. The university of Ohio has conferred upon her the degree of doctor of philosophy in recognition of her scholarly attainments.

SIR GEORGE OTTO TRUVELJAN, who is secretary for Scotland in the new British cabinet, is a nephew of Lord Macaulay, and with his mother, who was Macaulay's favorite sister, wrote the historian's life and edited his letters. Lord Macaulay thought a good deal of his nephew and, first and last, did much for him.

ANNE HATHAWAY'S cottage on Stratford-on-Avon is now national property, the British trustees having taken possession of it. Sentiment does not usually enter into real estate deals, and it is therefore interesting to learn that while the trustees paid \$3,000 for the property the father of the present tenant bought it fifty years ago for \$318.

NOTWITHSTANDING the recent failure and disbanding of the Galveston organization, which was formed for the purpose of preparing an exhibit for Texas at the world's fair, that state is likely to be creditably represented. The Texas County Exhibitors' association of Dallas, formed originally in the interests of the state fair, has taken the matter in charge and promises a fine exhibit at Chicago.

A NOVEL feature of the Springfield, Mass., street car system is the letting of electric cars to parties who wish to hire. The price is \$2 an hour. It is convenient for a party to thus charter a car and ride as far as they desire. A car can be run over any of the lines, as they are under one management. When a car is thus hired a sign, "Special car," is placed on the car. Many have been hired this summer to run to different points of interest.

PROF. BURT G. WILDER, of Cornell university, recently sent to H. C. Frick a copy of Charles Reade's "Put Yourself in His Place." "Just now," he said, in a note to Mr. Frick, "you are in a position to appreciate it. Did my means permit it I would have a supply placed with union and non-union men alike." In acknowledging the receipt of the book Mr. Frick said: "I read it over twenty years ago and shall act on your suggestion and see that a number are distributed."

CHARLES SUMNER, says the Chicago Post, carried all his aristocratic tastes and associations with him into the free soil party in 1847. He became the scholarly, statesmanlike advocate of emancipation, and yet it is declared that he grasped no black hand in friendship and remained always the friend, but not the brother, of the negro. Warm personal friendships between black and white men were most frequent in the south and in "slavery days."

IT is more than likely that in this country the custom of granting ninety-nine year leases originated in the city of Baltimore, where ground leases have been in vogue since the beginning of the present century, but that the practice antedates that period in England by many hundred years is unquestioned. It was only a few months ago that a floating newspaper paragraph announced the expiration of a 999 year lease made during the reign of Alfred the Great. A more striking example of the stability of a government and the perfect legality of long term leaseholds could not be given.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned by Telegraph and Mail.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

GEN. PRINCE, 83 years old, a man who was said to be a retired American army officer and a classmate of the late Gen. Robert E. Lee, committed suicide at Morley's hotel, London.

COL. S. H. BOYD, minister resident at Siam, arrived at San Francisco. He was on his way to his home in Missouri, having been granted leave of absence on account of ill health.

T. M. DALY, of Philadelphia, is the new president of the Irish Catholic Benevolent union.

THE Washington Star declares that Senator Hill demands the treasury portfolio as the price of his support of Cleveland.

DR. DANIEL W. SHEA, A. M., Ph. D., of Harvard university, has accepted the chair of physics in the University of Illinois, to which he was called some time ago.

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MUCH dissatisfaction is being manifested in India at the action of the government in failing to close the mints to the free coinage of silver.

THE Canadian press, with the exception of the Toronto Mail, which thinks there is nothing serious, is bitter in denouncing President Harrison's action in levying a toll on all vessels passing through Sault Ste. Marie canal.

TRUENBLOD, of Massachusetts, was chosen president of the International peace congress, which opened in Bern, Switzerland, on the 29th.

THE queen has elevated to the peerage Sir Lyon Playfair and Mr. Cyril Flower, member of the house of commons for the Luton division of Bedfordshire. Sir Lyon Playfair and wife will sail for the United States.

JAKE GAUDAUR, the oarsman, wants to row O'Connor on some American course.

THE reported retirement of President Roberts, of the Pennsylvania road, is denied by Vice-President Frank Thomson.

DEODORA DA FONSECA, the first president of the Brazilian republic, is dead.

PRESIDENT HARRISON has accepted an invitation to visit Potsdam, N. Y., within a few weeks.

COL. E. C. SNEED, chief engineer of the Union Pacific, is dead.

GLADSTONE was elected to Midlothian without opposition.

MR. GLADSTONE has sent a letter to Mr. Labouchere, saying that he alone was responsible for not presenting Mr. Labouchere's name to the queen, and that his reasons for not appointing Mr. Labouchere in no wise reflect upon Mr. Labouchere's public character or services.

GERMANY'S new army bill provides that the whole people shall bear arms.

THE Argentine crisis continues. The ministers state that the present situation is intolerable and that President Pellegrini must resign.

SENATORS MILLS AND COKE, of Texas, have both declared for the Hogg ticket.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A PETITION has been presented to the London council asking it to stop the Mormon work being carried on there.

THE 250th anniversary of the Unitarian church at Gloucester, Mass., was celebrated recently.

A BERLIN lieutenant made slighting remarks concerning a club to which an artist and a sculptor of that city belonged. On being challenged to a duel with pistols he wounded one and killed the other.

THE Amalgamated association has lost its strike against Hughes & Patterson, Philadelphia iron men.

THE German Kriegerbund will meet next year in St. Louis.

AT Pittsburgh, Pa., the crew of the towboat George Shiras, including the officers, deliberately stood by and saw Fireman Cookes, who had fallen overboard, drown without helping him. The coroner's jury censured them.

A SYSTEM of wholesale robbery on the Central street railway of Peoria, Ill., has been discovered and half of the conductors on the line are now searching for the other jobs.

THE Canadian Pacific is said to be arranging for a terminus at New York.

JUDGE McCORMICK, of the United States court at Dallas, Tex., has rendered a decision against the Texas railroad commission and granted an injunction restraining them from making unreasonably low rates.

THE British steamer Roma, from London, for Brisbane, has been wrecked near Algoa Bay, Africa. It is supposed every body on board of her was drowned.

FRED SMITH was killed by a live wire at Pittsburgh, Pa. He was an employee of a fire escape firm.

A CLOUDBURST occurred at Roanoke, Va., and within thirty minutes over \$100,000 of damage had been done and at least one life lost. The business portion of the city, which is on low land, was the principal sufferer.

CONSUL OSCAR WILLIAMS at Havre reports an epidemic of Asiatic cholera at that place, with many deaths, and advises an inspection of the vessels from that port arriving in the United States.

THE Iron Hall is now in the hands of a receiver in the person of James F. Falley, a well known manufacturer of Indianapolis, Ind.

THE Lackawanna switchmen struck at Buffalo, N. Y., on the 23d, purely out of sympathy for the other strikers.

IT is officially announced that there is not a single case of Asiatic cholera in Belgium. All of the suspicious cases so far reported were merely cases of cholera nostras.

AFTER a conference with the heads of other railway organizations at Buffalo, N. Y., on the 24th, Grand Master Sweeney declared the switchmen's strike off.

A NEW York firm has ordered \$1,000,000 in gold coin for shipment to Europe.

THE convicts have been ordered to be returned to Oliver Springs, Inman and Coal Creek, Tenn.

THE treasury department has prohibited the importation of foreign rags after September 20 because of cholera.

GEORGE GOULD is said to be planning to secure control of the Wabash railroad at the next annual meeting.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

BANCROFT has voted in favor of water works.

MRS. CARL SCHROEDER, living seven miles southwest of Randolph, was struck by lightning early the other morning and instantly killed. She had gone up stairs to get some flour and while there the house was struck by lightning.

THE Wood river flouring mill, located five miles north of Kearney, owned and operated by S. Bears, was destroyed by fire the other afternoon. Loss, about \$5,000; no insurance. The fire is supposed to have been caused by overheated grain.

J. D. TUBB, a German farmer about 70 years old, hanged himself the other afternoon at the residence of his son-in-law, Herman Helmenan, residing about five miles west of Pender. He was found hanging in the woodshed by some children.

PETER RANK went into the cellar of his saloon at Schuyler the other night and struck a match. Instantly there was an explosion of gas which had escaped from a barrel of gasoline. Mr. Rank was so seriously burned that he died soon after.

MELBOURNE, the rainmaker, recently attempted to produce rain at Grand Island, for a valuable consideration, but made a miserable failure. Not even a cloud "no bigger than a man's hand" was produced. He threw up the sponge, a very dry sponge at that.

ANTON WESSELL, a farmer living about thirteen miles north of Hartington, met with a fatal accident early the other morning. While driving to St. Helena his team became unmanageable and ran into a fence, causing instant death. His body was found next morning by farmers.

CHARLES S. TENNY, a farmer living west of Creighton, was found dead on the public highway the other morning. He had been to the post office for his mail, and was returning home, when he met his death. The verdict of the jury was that he came to his death by falling off a horse.

FRIENDS of Judge Clarkson, who lately disappeared from Omaha, have nearly all concluded that he was not drowned, as was reported, but took a sudden fancy to play tramp, as he had once expressed a desire to do, and that he is now wandering about in a cheap suit of clothes with his whiskers shaved off.

AT Omaha the other night Mrs. Annie Swestka, a Bohemian woman, died from the effects of a dose of poison taken with suicidal intent. The cause of the act was attributed to stories told about her by a married daughter, who became angry at her mother for refusing to let her have money to pay off a mortgage.

YORK COUNTY'S wheat crop was never known to be better than this year. The largest yield reported is that raised on the farm of A. B. Test. Mr. Test threshed from thirty-eight acres 1,965 bushels, making an average yield of fifty-one and three-fourths bushels per acre. Several farmers have threshed fifty bushels per acre.

THE prohibition state convention met at Hastings on the 18th and nominated C. E. Bentley, of Lancaster county, for governor and James Stevens, of Merick, for lieutenant-governor. Mrs. Belle Bigelow was nominated for superintendent of public instruction and Mrs. M. M. Lanton was chosen one of the presidential electors.

ST. PAUL was recently much excited over a fracas in which E. D. Smith, of the Press, attempted to shoot J. G. P. Hildebrand. It appears from reports that an unsettled account between editor Hildebrand and Mr. Smith brought on a controversy in which firearms were used. The interference of friends prevented anything serious.

HENRY HANSON, a German 22 years old, committed suicide the other morning at his home two miles west of Pender. He was found in a shed with a bullet hole in the center of his forehead. He had been sick for several years and had been in Oregon for some time for his health, only returning a few days previous to killing himself.

THE other day Herman Warz, residing near Kearney, was fatally injured by being caught with the needle of a self-binder. The machine became clogged and Warz went in front of it to clean it out. The horses gave a sudden start and the needle came over, striking him between the shoulders and going clear through his body. He leaves a wife and young child.

APPLICATIONS have been made to the reunion committee at Grand Island from various portions of the state for quarters for more than 12,000 veterans, members of their families and friends. The demand for both privileges is also more active than ever before and everything indicates an attendance of at least twenty-five per cent. over that of any previous year, and the committee has found it necessary to increase the tent order to a very considerable extent.

Two supposed small-pox patients confined in a tent near Lincoln attacked one of their three guards while the others were asleep the other night, beat him insensible and escaped. The men were taken ill while confined in the county jail on three charges of burglary, and were manacled together. It transpires that each had rubbed himself with croton oil and eaten soap, successfully fooling the doctors, who pronounced it small-pox. The guard, J. F. Adams, was in a critical condition, his skull being fractured. They were subsequently arrested, after hobbling eighteen miles.

W. H. IRVING, confined in the jail at Lincoln for the murder of Banker Montgomery last May, is reported to be very ill. The other night he received a telegram announcing the death of his father at Marion, Ind., as an indirect result of the tragedy and he broke down completely, cried like a child for hours, and was seriously ill with brain fever.

THE other day while hanging up a quarter of beef Orrin Andrews, a Syracuse butcher, slipped from the chair on which he was standing and caught his wrist on a meat hook. He remained suspended until his younger brother could secure help to take him down.

FEARFUL DISASTER.

Appalling Loss of Life By Explosion in a Welsh Colliery.

ONLY TWO OF THE MEN RESCUED.

Wreck of a Pleasure Yacht in the Georgian Bay and Death of Millionaire Sibley and His Family and Others.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—At the Park Slip mine, near Bridgton, in Glamorgan-shire, Wales, this morning, soon after the day shift of 150 miners had gone to work, an explosion occurred and caused the earth and rock to fall. The mouth of the pit was closed before any men had escaped and it is feared that there will be great loss of life. Hundreds of the miners in the vicinity volunteered their services for relief work.

At 6 o'clock this evening a rescuing party ascended to the surface bearing with them two men whom they had found near the bottom of the pit. Both men were badly burned and unconscious. The physicians hold little hope of their recovery.

Shortly after these men were brought up flames from the burning pit ascended and set fire to the structures at the pit head and all hope was abandoned. Those who escaped death in the explosion have certainly been suffocated or burned to death. The disaster is one of the worst that has occurred in the mining district for many years.

A Lake Disaster.

SAGINAW, Mich., Aug. 27.—The steam yacht Wapita, which left here two weeks ago on a pleasure trip, is reported lost in Georgian bay. It is said that she went down in a gale yesterday near Collingwood, Ont., and that eight persons on board were drowned.

On board were Hiram W. Sibley, a New York capitalist, his wife, son and daughter and two ladies of Rochester, N. Y.

Capt. Ellsworth, the engineer, fireman and cook and one other person were saved. The yacht belonged to Isaac Beringer, a partner in lumbering of Mr. Sibley.

Two years ago the yacht was built in Cleveland at a cost of \$55,000, and was then named Straight Away. After coming into the possession of Mr. Beringer it was then named the Wapita. Sibley and Beringer have large pine interests in Michigan and Canada, their headquarters being in this city. The captain and engineer of the ill fated boat are from this city, while the cook and fireman are said to have been shipped at Mackinaw.

Later news in regard to the wrecking of the steam yacht Wapita is as follows: George Sherman, cook on board the yacht Wapita, telegraphed from Collingwood, Ontario, to-day: "Boat wrecked; two of us saved, all the rest drowned."

The Wapita left here about ten days ago on a cruise up the lakes. She had on board H. W. Sibley, millionaire capitalist, of New York, his wife, son, daughter and two lady friends, Miss M. B. Pond and Miss F. W. Durbin, of Rochester, N. Y. The crew was composed of Capt. James Eldridge and Engineer Walter A. Henry, of this city; Jerome O'Hare, deck hand; fireman, name unknown, and George Sherman, cook, who was shipped at Mackinaw.

The yacht left Mackinaw on the 21st for Georgian bay, and is reported to have gone on the rocks where it went to pieces.

Mr. Sibley was 45 years old and a son of the late Hiram W. Sibley, of Rochester, N. Y. For a year or so past he has resided in New York city. He was largely interested with Isaac Beringer, of this city, in pine lands and lumber and in mining property in Minnesota, as well as in real estate in Saginaw.

SERIOUS OUTBREAK.

Sanguinary Collisions in Russia Over Cholera Precautions—Several Jews Murdered.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 27.—The recent riot at the Hughes steel works and collieries near Mariupol, originated in the anger among the lower classes by the precautions taken against cholera. A mob stoned policemen who were taking a woman to a hospital, and a detachment of Cossacks was dispatched to protect the police. The mob resisted the Cossacks with stones, cudgels and iron rails, one officer being knocked from his horse and severely injured. The Cossacks attacked the people with swords and fierce fighting ensued, 200 rioters and twenty soldiers being disabled. The crowd then attacked the hospital. Later in the evening the mob excited by drink tried to set fire to the village. The rioting was resumed next morning when a mob of 10,000 terrorized the village, killing several Jews. They burned a village inhabited by people employed in the Hughes works, their lives being spared. The damage amounts to several million roubles. Order was not restored until the third day, when two regiments and a battery of artillery arrived on the scene. The agitation continues and is spreading to the mining districts. Further troubles are feared.

A Chicago Improvement.

CHICAGO, Aug. 27.—The North Side street car system is about to abandon the horse as a motive power and adopt the Belgian steam motor. Several devices for rapid transit have been tried lately, among which are underground electric wires, the Connolly gas motor, the Belgian steam motor and others. In the Belgian motor President Yorke believes he has found the practical solution of rapid transit and the company's present horse car lines will be equipped with engines as fast as they can be manufactured.

Senator Dawes has declined to be a candidate for re-election before the next legislature of Massachusetts.

The Ninth Missouri democratic primaries went in favor of Clark as against Norton.

Gov. Eagle, of Arkansas, is dangerously ill at Richmond, Ky.

TRYING TO GET HOME.

The Cholera Scare Causing American Tourists to Make a Rush for Home—How an Outbreak Would Affect the World's Fair.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—"Not a steamer sailing from the continent of Europe will be permitted to enter an American port until after her passengers have been rigidly inspected and her baggage thoroughly fumigated," said the secretary of the treasury yesterday.

Quarantine has been established all along the Atlantic coast and every possible precaution is being taken to prevent the introduction of cholera into the United States. It is learned that the British steamship lines refuse to take any passengers for the United States from the continent and no German or French ship from the infected ports is permitted to touch at British ports.

Westward bound steamers from Great Britain are reported to have their saloons and second cabin accommodations engaged to their utmost capacity for months ahead and many Americans who sailed for Europe a few months ago in state rooms are only too glad to get accommodations in the steerage on their return.

It is believed that the precautions now being taken in Portland, Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore will result in keeping cholera from our shores this year, but it will surprise the officials of the marine hospital service if the great influx of visitors in 1893 is not followed by an outbreak.

WOULD RUIN THE WORLD'S FAIR.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—Dr. W. E. Kelly, secretary of the state board of health, says that if the disease should secure a foothold in this city it would mean practical ruin to the world's fair; that one or two cases would be almost as injurious as a great many, as visitors would fear its reappearance next year.

ANOTHER STRIKE.

An Indignant Switchman Strikes Grand Master Sweeney For Ordering the Strike Off—A Bitter Feeling Developed.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 26.—The calling off of the switchmen's strike has caused much adverse comment among the strikers.

Sweeney's action was received with maledictions by most of the strikers, and when he appeared on the street he was surrounded by a crowd of switchmen, who demanded that he declare a general strike from New York to Chicago. Words caused and Switchman Quinn, of the Nickel Plate yards, struck Sweeney a ferocious blow, knocking him down. Blood flowed in a stream from Sweeney's nose. Quinn then got his leader's head against a telegraph pole and punched and pounded him until pulled away.

Mr. Sweeney had his wounds dressed in a drug store. A number of strikers assembled on the sidewalk in front of the place and threatened to do further violence to the grand master. Sweeney was frightened and the police dispersed the crowd. A bitter feeling against Sweeney has developed among the late strikers, who consider that they have been duped and betrayed by him.

It was stated vaguely last night that the men who would have had the fight maintained are in meeting in some hall down towards East Buffalo, and there are suggestions even that those men wish, without knowing just how, to open up the strike again upon their own responsibility.

OFFICERS CHOSEN.

Election of Pythian Supreme Officers—Supreme Lodge Finances—The Sisterhood Elected Officers.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 26.—The supreme lodge of the Knights of Pythias of the World elected this afternoon the following officers:

Supreme Chancellor—William Worth Blackwell, of Kentucky.

Supreme Vice Chancellor—W. B. Ritchie, of Ohio.

Supreme Prelate—E. T. Blackmer, of California.

Supreme Master of Exchequer—S. J. Willey, of Delaware.

Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal—R. L. C. White, of Tennessee.

Supreme Master-at-Arms—J. H. Lyon, of Kansas.

Supreme Inner Guard—Aaron B. Gardiner, of New York.

Supreme Outer Guard—John Thompson, of Washington, D. C.

SUPREME LODGE FINANCES.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 26.—Supreme Master of Exchequer S. J. Willey, K. of P., has prepared for the consideration of the supreme lodge a report showing the financial condition of the order. It gives the following table of comparisons, showing the conservative management of supreme lodge finances:

Balance on hand April 1, 1888..... \$5,737 48

Balance on hand April 1, 1889..... 18,867 30

Balance on hand April 1, 1890..... 27,194 65

Balance on hand April 1, 1891..... 15,811 60

Balance on hand April 1, 1892..... 88,191 00

Balance on hand July 1, 1893..... 72,835 63

Of which amount there is invested at 4 per cent at 80 days' call..... 53,000 00

Cash in hands of S. M. of E..... 22,835 63

PYTHIAN SISTERS.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 26.—The Pythian sisterhood elected the following officers for the ensuing two years:

Supreme chief, Mrs. Hattie A. Robinson, of Dayton, O.; supreme senior, Mrs. Sarah J. Goff, of Central Falls, R. I.; supreme junior, Mrs. H. W. Dodd, of Fort Madison, Ia.; supreme mistress of records and correspondence, Mrs. M. D. Wood, of Kansas City, Mo.; supreme mistress of finance, Mrs. Emma Bacon, of Canton, O.; supreme manager, Mrs. Alice Blossom, of Minneapolis, Minn.; supreme protectress, Mrs. Sallie Woolf, of San Francisco; supreme guard, Mrs. Anna Hammond, of Boston.

Old Joe Shook.

VASSAR, Mich., Aug. 26.—Joseph Shook, of this place, cannot be persuaded from walking to the Grand Army encampment in Washington. He is 87 years of age, and he must average twenty-five miles a day to accomplish the crazy feat. He will carry a silk flag with the following inscription: "Joseph Shook, aged 87 years, company D, Forty-fourth regiment, Indiana volunteers. Gen. W. T. Sherman post, No. 410, Vassar, Mich." If anything should befall him on the way people are requested to notify the post in Vassar, and assistance will be sent to the old man.