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CURRENT COMMENT.

EX-SENATOR INGALLS is booked for lecturing in the east.

TWENTY-SEVEN divorces were granted at St. Louis on the 28th.

THE electoral college of every state in the union meets January 9.

THE Cowboy band, of Dodge City, Kan., which was making a tour of the country, has collapsed.

A COMPANY has been formed to irrigate 500,000 acres of land in Wyoming, to be colonized with Scandinavians.

EVEN before the 400th anniversary flood set in there had been fully 700 lives of Columbus written in various languages.

BISHOP WIGGER, of the diocese of Newark, N. J., has cited Father Corrigan to appear before an ecclesiastical court. The controversy grows out of charges of Cahensleyism.

KALKASKA county, Mich., at three elections during the last six years has elected a democratic prosecuting attorney by the following plurality vote: 1886, by one vote; 1888, by two votes; 1892, by four votes.

A ST. LOUIS landlord recently rented a room for sleeping purposes. The tenant turned it into a blacksmith shop and the landlord hardly knew it when he saw it later. He wanted the tenant arrested for malicious damage.

THE Society of the War of 1812, which was chartered in Philadelphia last week, numbers fifty-five members, of whom David McCoy, of San Bernardino, Cal., 102 years of age, is probably the oldest. Another very old member is Abram Daily, of Brooklyn, who sees without glasses at 97.

A DOCKING clause against the salary of legislators might stop absenteeism, which has become so common in this country. It is thought likely that the French chamber of deputies will adopt a rule under which absentees shall be fined 20 francs ($2) a day, the amount to be deducted from their official salaries.

A BERLIN correspondent says that the first paragraph of the German conservative platform ends: "We combat Jewish influence in our national life on which it acts with disintegrating effects; we demand Christian government for Christian people and Christian teachers for Christian pupils. We condemn excess of anti-Semitism."

PERSONS generally have a tenderness for those whose lots have been cast in the same hard lines. Christine Nilsson has just fulfilled a vow made when she was a young girl—poor and unknown to fame, suffering from an attack of croup—by giving $5,000 toward the founding of a hospital in France for the treatment of sufferers from throat troubles.

THE steamer Fonar, from Rotterdam, fell in with the whaling bark A. R. Tucker, Capt. Baker, which had been nearly two years out from New Bedford, and nearly all of this time had been inclosed in ice in Hudson bay, shut in from the outside world. The sailors were all healthy, but were very hungry for news, and Capt. Willis sent them newspapers.

A SCOTCH engineer is said to have solved the problem of making the rail run with the water that has passed. It is reported by a Glasgow paper that a resident engineer has devised an arrangement by which all the steam used by an engine is returned to the boiler. As a result it is said that as much energy can be gotten out of one ton of coal as is now secured by the consumption of seven tons.

SAN FRANCISCO gets her water from Lake Tahoe, 150 miles distant, and her whisky to mix with it from Kentucky, via New York. The finer grades are shipped by steamer. The rolling and tossing of the vessel improves the quality, shaking the spirits up and evaporating the fusil oil. The sea air also improves the whisky, and when it gets to San Francisco it is worth 25 cents more per gallon than when it started on its journey.

THE good people of Pittsburgh, Pa., have forced the authorities to turn disorderly characters out of town. The lawfulness of turning anybody out of a community is open to question, but its selfish wickedness is plainly apparent. No one would be allowed to scatter the firebrands of his own premises on those of his neighbors, nor should cities be allowed to rid themselves of their moral firebrands in the same fashion. Let them keep their filth and deodorize it when it becomes unpleasant.

MISS ELLA F. KNOWLES, over whom the papers made so much of a to-do when it was reported that she had been elected attorney-general of Montana, is said to be in every way worthy of the honors tendered her. She was born in Rockingham county, N. H., but just how long ago her biographer fails to mention. She graduated from Northwood seminary at the age of 15, and from the state normal school one year later. She graduated from Bates college, of Lewiston, Me., in 1884, and now holds the degree of M. A. from that institution. In pursuit of health she made her way west, and in the fall of 1887 settled in Helena, where she found she could not pursue her plan of the practice of law because the state laws barred women from the bar. Not disheartened by this trifle, however, she set to work and secured an amendment to the law, and at once began work in her chosen profession with a degree of success that won the admiration of the entire bench and bar of the state.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned By Telegraph and Mail.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

SPAIN has signed treaties of commerce with Sweden and Norway, Holland, Denmark, Switzerland and Portugal.

EMANUEL CUSTER, father of the late Gen. George L. Custer, the famous cavalry leader, died at the home of his son, Neven J. Custer, in Parsonville, Mich. The deceased was about 85 years of age.

AT a meeting of anti-Parnellites in County Roscommon, Ireland, John Dillon challenged the Parnellites to show that they had received one dollar from either America or the British colonies.

GEN. CRESPO, of Venezuela, proposes to maintain fully the jurisdiction of Venezuela and especially its right to arrest criminals on merchant ships in her waters. This right will be more particularly insisted on when the fugitives are citizens of that republic.

THE protocol between Chili and Peru has met with a temporary set-back.

UPON the right of Indians to vote depends the question of who will get the vote of North Dakota.

THE Loubet ministry was defeated on an interpellation concerning the Panama scandals in the French chamber and immediately resigned.

EX-UNITED STATES SENATOR G. L. FITCH died at Logansport, Ind., aged 62. Two daughters, Mrs. Denby, wife of Col. Denby, United States minister to China, and Mrs. Dr. Asa Coleman, survive him.

ALEXANDER H. WYANT, the famous American landscape painter, died of softening of the brain at New York on the 29th.

IT is not thought that Germany will take any notice of Minister Phelps' injudicious speech at Berlin on Thanksgiving day.

THE death of Dr. Scott has delayed the preparation of the president's message.

THE Mexican ministers have tendered their resignations.

EVERYTHING is quiet in Samoa.

SOLICITOR-GENERAL ALDRICH will resign his position to resume the practice of law in Chicago.

IT is authoritatively stated that ex-Secretary of the Treasury Fairchild will again be tendered that portfolio.

THE prince and princess of Wales will visit Naples, Palermo, Corfu and Athens this winter.

A CABINET crisis is reported in Spain, caused by the resignation of the minister of the interior.

THE pope has refused assent to the marriage of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria to the daughter of the ex-duke of Parma.

EX-GOV. HOYT, of Pennsylvania, died on the 1st. He was 62 years old.

THE funeral of Rev. Dr. Scott occurred at Washington on the 1st. The president and family accompanied the remains to Washington, Pa., where they were interred in the family vault.

THE official count of the vote of Wisconsin is as follows: Peck (dem.), for governor, 179,198; Spooner (rep.), 170,354; Peck's plurality, 8,844.

OFFICIAL returns in Minnesota show: Harrison, 122,736; Cleveland, 100,579; Weaver, 30,398; fusionists, 107,077; Bidwell, 14,079. For governor—Nelson (rep.), received 109,220; Lawler (dem.), 94,600; Donnelly (pop.), 38,723.

OFFICIAL returns of all but one county of the state of Washington give Harrison 36,461; Cleveland, 29,922; Weaver, 19,264; Bidwell, 2,487. For governor—McGraw (rep.), 33,103; Snively (dem.), 28,779; Young (peo.), 23,269; Green (pro.), 3,823.

THE official vote of Illinois shows: For president Cleveland received 426,281 votes; Harrison, 399,288; Bidwell, 25,870; Weaver, 22,207. Cleveland's plurality is 26,993.

GEN. DODDS has withdrawn his troops from Abomey with the exception of seven companies. The remainder have been stationed in the port towns of Dahomey.

JAY GOULD, the famous millionaire and railway king, died at New York on the 2d of pulmonary consumption.

GOV.-ELECT OSBORNE, of Wyoming, getting tired of waiting on a slow canvassing board, forcibly entered the executive mansion.

THE monetary conference at Brussels rejected Alfred de Rothchild's proposals.

COL. N. P. MINOR, a well known democratic politician of northeast Missouri, is dead.

MR. EDWARD C. LITTLE, of Kansas, who was recently appointed consul-general of Egypt, has notified the president of his acceptance of the office.

THE legislature of Oklahoma is a tie.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TYPHOID fever in St. Louis, while not increasing in number of cases, is increasing in fatality.

THE number of blacklisted men at Carnegie's Homestead mills is 1,200.

SECRETARY NOBLE has approved the roll of the Cheyenne river and the Standing Rock bands of Indians in the Dakotas, to whom the $200,000 appropriated by the act of January 19, 1891, is to be paid.

OTTO GRAFF, a Swedish immigrant, died at Brookfield, Conn., of sheep rot, contracted in Scotland.

OLIVER YANTIS, one of the Spearville bank robbers, was fatally shot in Oklahoma while resisting arrest.

THE great convention in the interests of the Nicaraguan canal began its session in New Orleans on the 30th.

A LARGE slate-colored meteorite fell a mile northeast of Newcastle, Col., and was found buried in the ground.

THE passenger rate from Louisville to Chicago has fallen to $1.50. This means that the fight has reached a point where it must be settled at once.

THE report of the commission appointed by the Ontario government to investigate the subject of dehorning cattle with a view to determining whether the practice is humane, recommends that the practice be permitted.

THE reason given for the delay in the Lizzie Borden case is that the court believes her to be insane.

THE Stone City bank, of Joliet, Ill., a powerful private institution, suspended, causing much embarrassment to business firms.

JAMES KNOTT, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, has determined to put on a regular line of steamships between Charleston, S. C., and Mediterranean ports.

AN Erie express struck a wagon at a crossing at Elmira, N. Y. Two women and two men were killed and a woman fatally injured.

A JAPANESE war vessel was sunk by collision with a British steamer. The crew of 275 men were drowned. The passengers of the British steamer were transferred to the Empress of Japan.

THE Russian government has declined the offer of a French syndicate to finish the construction of the Siberian railway, as no foreign capital or engineers will be employed on the enterprise.

THE orange crop of Florida aggregates five million boxes this year, 70,000 less than last. Higher prices are expected.

WRECKAGE floating on the west coast of Scotland indicated the wreck of a large German steamer bound to New York.

TYPHOID fever at St. Louis continues to increase in fatality. The sanitary authorities are unable to locate the disease breeding cause.

ELLSWORTH WYATT, one of the notorious Dalton gang of robbers, was captured at the home of his uncle at Cory, Ind., where he was hiding. He was not in the Coffeyville raid, but was wanted for many crimes.

A BILL has been introduced in the Alabama legislature providing for an annuity of $500 for Mrs. Davis, widow of Jefferson Davis, during her life. It met with much favor and will undoubtedly be passed.

THE Kansas state board of canvassers ended its count on the 1st. The tie in Coffey county went in favor of the republican by drawing, the attorney-general protesting.

ANTHRACITE coal has been discovered in Hamilton county, Ind., but a few feet below the surface. It is thought to be in paying quantities and an organization will be effected to develop it.

THE Nicaragua canal convention at New Orleans adjourned after resolving that the work should receive the financial and other aid of congress.

A NEW YORK syndicate has purchased the street railway systems of New Orleans for $10,000,000. The motive power will be changed from mules to electricity.

THE North German Lloyd steamship Spree was reported overdue at New York.

CLEARING house returns for the week ended December 2 showed an average increase of 3.3 compared with the corresponding week of last year. In New York the increase was 3.2.

THE panther which created such havoc in Oklahoma was hunted down and killed by a colored preacher.

FOUR of the desperadoes who held up the Great Northern train near Malta, Mont., were captured after a most desperate struggle. They are Alex Black, Henry Bass, W. C. Hunt and T. Baugh.

FIRE destroyed a Williamsburg, N. Y., tenement and several of the inmates were killed by jumping from the windows.

AN engine and fourteen cars were wrecked and a brakeman killed on the C., B. & Q. near Winchester, Ill.

COTTON is almost a failure in Tennessee and tenants are in bad shape for the winter.

THERE was a walk out at the Cerrillos coal pit, Santa Fe., N. M., by dissatisfied miners.

CHOLERA has reappeared at several Paris suburbs.

THE Church of St. Michael, one of the finest in Vienna, was destroyed by fire. It was originally erected in the Romanesque style in 1219-21.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

MARY ALLEN WEST died recently in Japan. She was senior editor of the Union Signal, the organ of the W. C. T. U.

ADVICES from the interior of Cuba show that large fires are burning in the fields of sugar cane on several estates.

IT is reported that George Gould will be elected to succeed his father as president of the Manhattan.

DAUGHTERS of Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Brewer will be among the Washington debutantes this season.

MISS MARY EDITH NEWCOMBE, of New York, met a melancholy death by suffocation with gas in a storeroom, in which she was accidentally locked in.

A SUIT has been brought to test the validity of certain marriage practices in the case of eloping couples at Covington, Ky.

THOMAS H. BOYD, editor of the Olympian, Seattle, Wash., was shot dead by a woman named Burns, with whom he had been living.

INDIAN tribes in British Columbia are reported in a state of war.

M. BOURGOISE has been asked by President Carnot, of France, to form a cabinet.

THERE was a riot of students at the Ann Arbor (Mich.) university because of a charge of $1 extra for tickets to a lecture course. A renewal of the riot is threatened.

BRIG.-GEN. BENJAMIN W. BRICE, retired, died at Washington on the 4th. He was born in Virginia in 1809.

ELEVEN persons were severely injured at Philadelphia by an engine running into a street car at America street and Columbia avenue.

THE trial by court martial of the persons concerned in the cholera riots in Saratoff, Russia, has ended. Twenty-three were sentenced to be hanged and fifty-six to be imprisoned in Siberia.

REV. THOMAS DIXON, JR., who shot Staten Island robins, has been presented with a bill by Bird Protector Pond for $650 and costs. Dixon says he will fight the suit to the supreme court before he will pay $25 for each bird.

THE crusade against the social evil at Pittsburgh, Pa., has collapsed.

THE eight-hour day bill was defeated in the Kentucky legislature.

PIERRE GALLAND, the well known French decorative artist, is dead.

THERE was a rumor that Bishop Brennan, of Dallas, Tex., had resigned. He sailed for Rome two months ago after having had trouble with his priests.

ALEXANDRIA, Ind., is to have a $5,000,000 glass plant, the largest in the United States.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

A REGULAR blizzard prevailed at O'Neill on the night of the 25th.

THE dry goods house of F. M. Dorsey, at Ponca, has gone into the hands of the sheriff.

JOHN FITZGERALD, a young farmer, was recently killed near Crookston by his team running away.

GEORGE WINKELMAN, a clerk in the First National bank at Omaha, was horsewhipped the other day by Miss Lottie Shields, who charged him with jilting her for another girl, after keeping her waiting for him six years under a promise of marriage.

THE mortgage indebtedness record for the month of October has been completed at the office of the commissioner of labor. The record shows that farm mortgages to the amount of $2,324,118 were filed during the month and $1,673,272 released for the same period.

RECENTLY while Mrs. J. Stanton, wife of a prominent business man of Valparaiso, was at work about a gasoline stove, her dress caught fire and before help arrived every thread of her clothing had burned off, leaving her horribly burned from head to foot. She died in a few hours.

THE other night Conductor A. G. Bentley, of freight train No. 29, fell under his train at Shelton and was instantly killed. The body was crushed and mangled in a horrible manner. The supposition is that he climbed between the cars to set the air brakes and as it was sleeting and everything covered with ice he slipped and fell under the wheels.

THE census bureau has issued a bulletin giving statistics for 1890 of the manufacturing industries of Lincoln. Following are the essential features of the bulletin: Number of establishments reported, 117; number of industries reported, 38; capital invested, $1,914,889; hands employed, 1,518; wages paid, $936,675; cost of material used, $1,278,883; value of products, $3,018,837.

THE new additions to the asylum for the incurable insane at Hastings will cost the state about $95,000, including furniture. Already the building with its wings is well filled, and it is only a question of time until further additions will be necessary. An idea as to the size of the institution may be gained when it is stated that the electric light plant has a capacity of 800 incandescent lamps.

THE other morning James P. Barrington, a drayman, committed suicide at Grand Island by drinking four ounces of laudanum and one ounce of carbolic acid mixed in whisky. After drinking the dose he walked two blocks home and told his wife what he had done. Physicians were instantly called, but no relief could be had. He leaves a wife and five children in destitute circumstances.

A CAR of cattle on the way to South Omaha was burned in the train between Newport and Bassett, about seven miles west of Newport the other day. Conductor Hutchinson cut the car loose from the rest of the train and run to Newport with the burning car, but was too late to save the stock. All that was left was the body of the car and the burnt carcasses of twenty-four head of cattle.

DICK BERLIN and Charles Hays, two South Omaha gamblers, were recently arrested upon the charge of having murdered Mayor Miller, of that city. It will be remembered that the mayor was found dead some weeks since in the outskirts of the town and it was thought to be a case of suicide. Detectives were put to work upon the case and the result has been the arrests. The motive is thought to be the mayor's fight on the gambling houses.

THE missing Indian boy, who was thought to have been murdered near Columbus a few weeks since and whose name was supposed to be Tommy Worldmover, has been heard from. Superintendent Backus, of the Genoa Indian school, received a telegram from J. M. Coe, mayor of Sloan, Ia., stating that Tommy had been there and left on the 17th of November. The boy's name, it seems, is Thomas Blue, instead of Worldmover, as formerly reported, and Superintendent Backus thinks there is no doubt as to his being the missing lad.

AN aged couple named Burgon, both over 80 years of age and who had been married for sixty-one years, without children or other relations, whose home was between Wilber and Crete, recently went to the graveyard to look at the place they had selected for a last resting place. Within an hour of their return from the cemetery the old lady died, and was afterward buried in the place they had been looking at. The shock proved so great to the old gentleman that he soon died and was buried by the side of his life companion on Thanksgiving day.

THE incubating and brooding rooms of the Beatrice Poultry & Kennel Co., half a mile east of Beatrice, were destroyed by fire the other day. The entire pet and show stock of the company was burned, including 300 of the finest bred and show poultry in the state, which had been housed in an upper story of the building for the winter. These had received first premiums at the Kansas and Nebraska fairs for two or three years past. The loss also included a large number of pet rabbits, guinea pigs and sixteen valuable dogs of the terrier and hunting breeds that were penned in the building. A large barn adjoining the poultry pens was also destroyed, with it its contents, hay, grain, vegetables, etc. About 1,000 head of chickens, all valuable stock, were burned.

BACK OF THE FOOTLIGHTS.

THE Greek stage had three doors, one in the center, the royal door, being for the principal characters.

THE playwrights of the last two centuries usually received a dedication fee from the nobleman to whom the play was dedicated.

SIR EDWIN ARNOLD has written a play illustrating the home life and characteristic traits of a Japanese woman, entitled "The Story of Adzama." He declares that Japan has developed the highest, purest and most remarkable type of womanhood.

SHORT SESSION.

The Subjects Left Over That Congress Must Consider.

The Prohibition of Immigration and the Anti-Option Bill Will Cause Much Talk—Financial Necessities.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The second session of the Fifty-second congress which begins to-day is likely to be more remarkable for discussion than for action. Not that there are not many things to be done, if the bulky calendars of the senate and the house are put in evidence, but principally because of lack of opportunity, or of inclination. The thing that must be done and will be done, is to provide means for the maintenance of the government, and it is generally believed that the regular annual appropriation bills will represent nearly all the positive achievements that can be credited to this session.

There may, however, be several important exceptions. One of them relates to the subject of immigration. The public interest in this subject, which was awakened last summer by fear of the cholera epidemic, has been stimulated by the radical suggestion of the senate immigration committee that all immigration be suspended for one year. Undoubtedly powerful influences will be brought to bear to compass the defeat of any bill embodying such a proposition, but it may be that the great public sentiment behind it will oblige congress to pass the measure.

Looking toward the prospective subjects of discussion, however, and taking into account the measures which have already passed one or the other of the two houses the field is large. No one expects any tariff legislation in either house, but the subject is so much involved in the revenue question and in the appropriations to be made that more or less division on that topic may be expected.

The senate finance committee has not yet completed the formidable task it undertook last session, which was the compilation of a series of elaborate reports upon the different tariff systems tried in the United States. These reports probably will be most interesting to the student of political economy, and may come under discussion at some period of the session. Then there are bills to admit Arizona and Mexico to statehood. The house has passed both of these bills, and the one providing for the admission of New Mexico is on the senate calendar favorably reported from the territories committee. The chairman of the committee is opposed to the bill, but it may be that New Mexico will yet join the union by the act of the republican senate.

The anti-options bill has advanced so far as to become the unfinished business in the senate. It was known to have a large majority of that body in its favor last session upon a direct vote, if one could have been reached, but it is threatened with a renewal of the determined and skillful obstructive tactics which then proved successful, and the result is still doubtful.

There will probably be many propositions and much talk this session looking to reforms in the national banking laws, the necessity for which is said to be indicated by the Keystone and Maverick bank failures. The state bank tax may also be a fruitful theme of discussion, and the alliance senators and representatives will be heard upon some of their radical propositions.

These matters, however, are likely to be simply themes for discussion without action. Strong efforts will be made by the house appropriations committee to retrench expenditures at every point, but as this must be done with great care in order to avoid embarrassment to the coming democratic administration, there may be stormy debates and much feeling aroused before the desired result is obtained. In connection with the appropriation is the pension list, and there will be no lack of suggestions looking to changes in the laws designed to regulate more closely the enormous expenditures under that head.

The friends of the new navy are not expected to sit quietly by and witness any unfriendly pruning of estimates and as congress is already under the obligation to make a heavy appropriation for the great ironclad, authorized by the present law, it will be hard to reconcile the views of the economists and the naval defense element. The work of the session will probably begin quietly.

In the senate the vice president will appoint a committee to wait on the president and notify him that the body is ready to receive any communication he may desire to make. To this committee will be imparted the information that the president will communicate with the senate next day, whereupon an adjournment will follow, perhaps based upon resolutions of respect to the memory of some of the members of the house of representatives who have died during the recess, or, it is feared, by reason of the news of the death of Senator Gibson, who is now reported to be so dangerously ill. Tuesday the president's message will be read and is likely to fill out the legislative day.

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Cardinal Gibbons has written a letter favoring the Sunday opening of the world's fair.