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RED CLOUD, NEBRASKA

CURRENT COMMENT.

An explosion of fire-damp in a mine at Mareuil, France, killed eighteen persons recently.

JEFFERSON DAVIS was reported suffering from rheumatism and from an unhealed Mexican War wound.

The bucket-shop bill prohibiting speculation in grain stocks and other futures passed the Texas Legislature.

While Rev. George H. Ide was preaching in Milwaukee the other Sunday, a confidence man gained entrance to his house and stole two hundred dollars worth of property.

RENAN is said to have been accepted by the College of France in spite of his sweeping heresies, because of his perfection in the French language, for the preservation of which the college chiefly exists.

RECENTLY a large number of "scabby sheep" arrived at the Chicago stock yards. One flock, that had to be shorn before it left the West, so bad was the outbreak, was under surveillance of the sanitary inspector.

DAVID R. SEXTON has given \$20,000 more to the city of Cincinnati toward the removal of the old post-office building to the art museum grounds, his last gift being for the purpose of making the structure fire-proof.

A MECHANIC employed in the shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has perfected a new brake, which, instead of clamping the wheels, operates on the track. A model of the invention is said to work well.

The steambot R. R. Springer, with sixteen hundred tons of produce, ran into the bank near Waterford, Louisiana, and soon sank. Ninety-seven passengers were taken off safely. The boat was valued at \$33,000.

The tug "Arctic" arrived at Grand Haven, Mich., on the 3d, after being ice-bound for twenty days. Provisions were taken to the boat across the ice. This was the last of the boats from Grand Haven to get out of the ice, which was breaking up fast.

MARSHAL HUGHES, of Richmond, Va., was arrested recently for defalcation. He declared that from various causes he had as Marshal become indebted to the United States in a sum greater than he could immediately pay, and would if he had not been arrested have been able to meet the deficiency by loans from friends.

SECRETARY LAMAR was much distressed by the death of Assistant Secretary Clark. "He was the noblest young man ever known," said the Secretary, "and if he had been spared his usefulness in the Interior Department would have elicited the admiration of the whole country. His death has given me the greatest shock of my life."

In a recent number of "Abou Nakhara," the Arab newspaper printed in Paris, M. Samia states that he saw the Mahdi in 1885. The latter was then on his way to Mecca, and attracted universal attention as a Mussulman devotee. In conversation he proved himself an accomplished Arab scholar and theologian. M. Samia denies that the Mahdi was ever a slave-dealer. He is not the flat nose of the Soudanese.

The American Copyright League has issued an address to the public, explaining the injustice done to native and foreign authors by the want of an international copyright, and calling upon the people to aid in demanding favorable action on this subject by the forty-ninth Congress. Among the signers of this address are Bishop Potter, E. C. Stedman, Parker Godwin, Edward Eggleston, Thorndyke Rice, the Rev. Robert Collyer, Charles Dudley Warner and John Bigelow.

CABLE ADVICES from Aspinwall received by Postmaster Pearson at New York, reported a serious loss of mail matter in the destruction of that city by fire on the 31st ult. The entire mail from the South Pacific, dispatched from New York the 21st ult. by the steamer Colon, was destroyed, and also the registered mail and ordinary paper mail for Aspinwall sent by the same steamer. The letter mail was nearly all delivered before the fire broke out. As accurately as could be stated, the mail for Central America and the Pacific Coast of South America burned consisted of one hundred and fifty packages of registered mail, ten sacks of ordinary letters, and fifty-three sacks of papers.

THE Commissioner of the General Land Office has ordered that final action in the Land Office upon all entries of the public lands except private cash entries and such script locations as are not apt to be dependent upon acts of settlement and cultivation, be suspended in the following localities: All lands west of the first guide meridian, Kansas; all west of range seven-teen west in Nebraska; the whole of Colorado, except lands in the U. S. reservation; all lands in New Mexico, Wyoming and Nevada, and that portion of Minnesota north of the indemnity limits, north of the Pacific Railroad, and east of the indemnity limits of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Minnesota Railroad. Final action in the Land Office is ordered to be suspended upon all timber culture entries which have not already been examined, also in all cases of desert land entries.

THE WORLD AT LARGE.

A Summary of the Daily News.

CONGRESSIONAL.

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THE Chair laid before the Senate, on April 1, several communications which he had received in regard to the failing health of General Grant, and they were read by the Secretary. Upon motion of Mr. Sherman, the Chair was authorized to appoint a committee of Senators to sit during the recess and devise measures to reduce the contingent expenses of the Senate.

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THORNTON & MAWNEY's hosiery factory, at Leicester, England, was destroyed by fire recently. Loss, £250,000.

By the new fast line trains put on by the Pan Handle and Pennsylvania lines, the running time between Cincinnati and New York is reduced to twenty-three hours and thirty-five minutes for the train which leaves at New York at 10 o'clock, and the train leaving at night covers the ground in twenty-one hours and fifty-five minutes.

BARRIOS was reported to have lost 1,500 men by his recent defeat in Salvador. His popularity was also said to be increasing.

TAMAI was captured by Graham on the morning of the 23d. The resistance was only feeble. The Brits lost one hand and six wounded. The place was burned.

THE condition of General Grant, on the morning of the 23d, was reported as unchanged. His condition is reported as somewhat stronger, but had no hopes of life.

The Chinese legation has forwarded to the Chinese agent at Paris renewed peace proposals, the bases of which are that the blockade of Peking and Formosa shall be ended to China and that indemnity shall be exacted by France.

ONE young lady was killed and another horribly mangled by the fall of a heavy sash from the roof of Murphy's book store at Pittsburgh, Pa., recently. An old man was also injured.

MEMORIAL SERVICES were held at New York for the late General Sherman. The services were in disorder and anarchic. The latter day he decided to forward 20 more men to Panama.

It was telegraphed to Washington on the 24th that Barrios, the Dictator of Central America, had been killed in battle. The Guatemalan ambassador and others, however, believed the telegram to be false.

By the latest cable from the French at Lang Son, General Herbinger threw the artillery and stores into the river.

GOVERNOR MARSHALL and Congressmen Bland have telegraphed the Hon. Norman J. Colman, Commissioner of Agriculture at Washington, calling his attention to the existence of pleuro-pneumonia in California County, Mo., and asking him for prompt and vigorous action on the part of the power he has under acts of Congress for the suppression of the disease.

The Comte de Paris and the Duc de Chartres, Orleans princes, were in consultation recently at Naples regarding affairs in France. The Comte de Paris, believed that the approaching elections would settle the republic, and that the people desired a return of monarchy.

The steamer Mariposa, loaded with coal, was wrecked in the sea of Arica, thirty miles west of Antofagasta.

At the Mormon general conference at Salt Lake, on the 24th, a general epistle from Presidents Taylor and Cannon, concerning Federal interference with Mormon peculiarities was read. It spoke in severe terms of monogamy, which was accused of introducing all manner of social vices into Utah.

THIRTY thousand coal miners were on a strike in Yorkshire, England. It was thought the strike would extend to Derbyshire and take in twenty thousand more. The strike was caused by an attempt to reduce wages ten per cent.

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THORNTON & MAWNEY's hosiery factory, at Leicester, England, was destroyed by fire recently. Loss, £250,000.

By the new fast line trains put on by the Pan Handle and Pennsylvania lines, the running time between Cincinnati and New York is reduced to twenty-three hours and thirty-five minutes for the train which leaves at New York at 10 o'clock, and the train leaving at night covers the ground in twenty-one hours and fifty-five minutes.

BARRIOS was reported to have lost 1,500 men by his recent defeat in Salvador. His popularity was also said to be increasing.

TAMAI was captured by Graham on the morning of the 23d. The resistance was only feeble. The Brits lost one hand and six wounded. The place was burned.

THE condition of General Grant, on the morning of the 23d, was reported as unchanged. His condition is reported as somewhat stronger, but had no hopes of life.

The Chinese legation has forwarded to the Chinese agent at Paris renewed peace proposals, the bases of which are that the blockade of Peking and Formosa shall be ended to China and that indemnity shall be exacted by France.

ONE young lady was killed and another horribly mangled by the fall of a heavy sash from the roof of Murphy's book store at Pittsburgh, Pa., recently. An old man was also injured.

MEMORIAL SERVICES were held at New York for the late General Sherman. The services were in disorder and anarchic. The latter day he decided to forward 20 more men to Panama.

It was telegraphed to Washington on the 24th that Barrios, the Dictator of Central America, had been killed in battle. The Guatemalan ambassador and others, however, believed the telegram to be false.

By the latest cable from the French at Lang Son, General Herbinger threw the artillery and stores into the river.

GOVERNOR MARSHALL and Congressmen Bland have telegraphed the Hon. Norman J. Colman, Commissioner of Agriculture at Washington, calling his attention to the existence of pleuro-pneumonia in California County, Mo., and asking him for prompt and vigorous action on the part of the power he has under acts of Congress for the suppression of the disease.

The Comte de Paris and the Duc de Chartres, Orleans princes, were in consultation recently at Naples regarding affairs in France. The Comte de Paris, believed that the approaching elections would settle the republic, and that the people desired a return of monarchy.

The steamer Mariposa