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law for the immediate execution of train wreckers when apprehended in the act has passed the Mexican House of Deputies.

THE House Committee on Military Affairs has reported a bill to authorize the President to confer brevet rank on officers for gallant services in Indian campaigns.

IT was rumored that the Georgia Pacific was seeking to obtain control of the Mississippi & Tennessee railway which will then be built from Memphis to Birmingham, Ala.

THE Chancellor of New Jersey has refused to postpone the sale of the three million dollars worth of securities pledged for the payment of the Jersey Central Company's indebtedness by the Reading road.

THE O'DONOGHUE publishes a letter in which he denounces "Mr. Gladstone's insidious proposals, which, if adopted, will result in seriously diminishing the strength, prosperity and glory of England, and in absolutely destroying the Irish social system."

SECRETARY WHITNEY has written to the officers in charge of the work on the new naval cruisers, calling attention to the delay in completing the Atlanta, and asking that she be put in condition for sea as soon as possible.

AGENTS of the Canadian Pacific road are soliciting trade in New York for the new line of steamers to China and Japan in opposition to the Pacific Mail line and for the benefit of the Canadian Pacific road. They want to start in June, when the tea trade begins.

THE California papers say that the hotels throughout the State at present were never so crowded with guests. In San Francisco ten thousand strangers are domiciled. At the Palace are one thousand five hundred, and for weeks they have been turning people away for want of room.

THE London *Pall Mall Gazette* advocates the formation of a supreme and permanent court for the settlement of fisheries disputes between Canada and the United States. The court, the *Gazette* says, should consist of five members, two of whom should be Americans, two Englishmen and the fifth should be selected by these four, and be either an American or an Englishman.

A BANDITTI-sized rebellion against the Mexican Government broke out recently at Ouilmeria, an important mining town in the State of Colimbatur. The Federal Government had annulled the local election for Jefe Politico and sent a man of their own to act as such. The people, under the leadership of Don Teodoro Cassatello, rose en masse and killed the Federal appointee, and reinstated Don Pedro Grijalva, who had been legally elected. A large force of Mexican troops was dispatched to quell the rebellion.

THE purchase of the Wabash by the English bondholders means, so reliably informed railroad men say, that Mr. Jay's reorganization scheme is to be carried out. The road will remain in the hands of the receivers about six months longer, and then the reorganization will be effected, with Mr. Jay as President and Mr. A. A. Talmage as first Vice-president and general manager. Now that the road has been stripped of its worthless branches, the Wabash, it is conceded, will soon become among the most valuable railroad properties in the country.

ACTIONS legal muddle has arisen in Iowa in consequence of hasty legislation. Among the acts of the late General Assembly was one providing for the election of county attorneys and legislating the district attorneys out of office at the end of the present year. The act unconditionally repeals section 3,775 of the code, which fixes the salaries and fees of district attorneys. As the act takes effect on publication—which has been completed—the apparent effect is to cut off all salaries and fees of the attorneys who have eight months to serve.

ABBE CASAROVA, a Corsican archæologist, is reported to have discovered archives which show that Christopher Columbus was born in the town of Calvi in Corsica, and emigrated to Genoa. President Grevy having examined the evidence and being satisfied of its authenticity has authorized the authorities of Calvi to celebrate by an official holiday the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America. The inhabitants of Calvi will hold a fete on May 25, when an inscription will be placed on the house in which Columbus was born.

A VERY remarkable discovery, it is stated at Washington, has been made by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department. They find that Colonel Mosby, recently Consul General at Hong Kong, has been turning over to the Government fees that under the law he was entitled to retain himself, and he has been notified that several thousand dollars are in the Treasury subject to his disposal. It is said that there never was a case of this kind known, the officers of the Government abroad being generally cute enough to determine what fees they were entitled to and put them in their own pockets

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned by Telegraph and Mail.

CONGRESSIONAL.

IN the Senate on the 27th a transcript was received from the clerk of the Ohio Legislature in the Payne investigation case. The bill appropriating $30,000 to extend the sewerage system passed. A large number of bridge bills passed. The Interstate Commerce bill was then taken up, and debate continued until adjournment. In the House the Judiciary Committee reported adversely the bill to prohibit arrests from binding souls in this country. The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the River and Harbor bill. Pending consideration the committee rose and the House adjourned.

AFTER routine business in the Senate on the 28th the Postoffice Appropriation bill was taken up and debated at length, after which the Senate went into executive session and then adjourned. In the House a bill regulating the manufacture and sale of leaden bullets was reported from the Committee on Agriculture. The Anti-polygamy amendments upon the manufacture of intoxicating liquor as beverages upon distilled spirits and whisky, and upon a beer tax and a stamp tax of ten cents per pound. The River and Harbor bill was then taken up and the usual dilatory motions.

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THE Senate was not in session on Saturday, May 1. An exciting debate was sprung in the House by the report of the Committee on Civil service Reform on the resolutions of inquiry offered by Mr. Tarsney, of Michigan. Mr. Tarsney made a vigorous attack upon the Civil service Commission and was vigorously replied to by several members. After the report of several committees the Ohio contested election case was called up and being explained by Mr. Hill, of Ohio, the House adjourned.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

DR. PHILIP KNOBS, who was recently implicated in a gross scandal at Junction City, Kan., has written a letter to the Presiding Elder of his Methodist district, denying the charges, but at the same time withdrawing from the church and the ministry. He claimed that he was the victim of anti-prohibitionists.

THE Mexican Congress has passed a law authorizing the issue of $30,000 in copper cents to be legal tender in sums not over 25 cents and silver five cent pieces at the pleasure of the executive. The gold law of 1881 is repealed.

THE London *Daily Telegraph*, referring to the recent demonstration at Montgomery, Ala., said: "We think it would be better if Mr. Davis allowed the past to sleep as Lee and Benjamin did."

THE House Committee on Rules has agreed to report a resolution fixing the hour of meeting of session of the House at eleven o'clock.

THE President has vetoed the bill to make Omaha, Neb., a port of entry as wholly unnecessary.

JOSEPH C. HENDRICKS has been nominated by the President for the postmastership of Brooklyn, N. Y., also Frank Brown at Baltimore, Md.

THE New York *Tribune* of April 30 says the family of ex-President Arthur are exceedingly hopeful that he will get well. He has been steadily improving for several days. Yesterday his condition was better than for several weeks. With the return of strength has come liberation of spirits, and the ex-President feels confident that he will recover.

THE household effects of the Austrian Minister, who has withdrawn from diplomatic relations with the United States, were sold at auction at Washington on April 26.

THE National Liberal Federation of Scotland has adopted resolutions favoring Mr. Gladstone's home rule bill.

THE Democrats have nullifiers in their Republican primaries.

THE resignation of Gen. Fitz John Porter of Lieutenant-Colonel has been accepted and dated April 15, 1883. President proposes to assemble the Congress on the 9th inst.

SECRETARY MACCOLLOCH says of the appointment of most of the heads of the bureaus of the Interior Department, "Mr. Corbin explains that the reason for the unusual expenditure was that the funeral happened when there was a rush to raise corn on the continent, which made the cost of transportation very much."

THE Vatican has refused the Irish Bishops' request that a number of them be exempted from voting at the approaching elections for members of Parliament.

ALL the foreign Ministers at Athens except Sir Horace Rumbold the British Minister, have received instructions to the effect that the reply of the Greek Government to the ultimatum of the Powers is insufficient.

THE Right Rev. Charles Franklin Robertson, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri, died at his residence at St. Louis on the 1st after a long and painful illness.

STRIKE NOTES.

A PASTORAL letter was read in the Catholic churches at Montreal recently from Cardinal Taschereau, condemning the Knights of Labor as a secret organization inimical to the interests of religion and good morals. The Cardinal, it was understood, before issuing it, had conferred with all the provincial Bishops, who all agreed with his decision.

THE stonecutters and masons of Allegheny City, Pa., have joined the movement for a reduction of hours, and propose to strike unless their demands are acceded to.

THE employes of the Allison car works, Philadelphia, nearly 1,000 number strong, recently and the works will be closed down indefinitely.

EVERY large planing mill in Milwaukee, Wis., has shut down, the proprietors having refused to accede to the demands of the men for eight hours' work and ten hours' pay.

TWENTY-FIVE thousand men, of various callings were reported on strike in Chicago April 30, and fifty thousand others were ready to join their ranks in furtherance of the demand for reducing the hours of labor.

VOLANTE GENERAL, COONEY, of Chicago, states that the Knights of Labor can not be counted among the secret societies condemned by the Catholic Church. Members are not forbidden to join the order.

STRIKES in connection with the eight hour movement took place in Chicago on the 1st. Several firms conceded the demands, others compromised and some resisted. Much confusion existed, but no disorder was reported.

THE Milwaukee brewers to the number of 3,000, struck on the 1st.

THE furniture manufacturers and employes of Grand Rapids, Mich., have arrived at an amicable adjustment of their difficulties, and the 6,000 or 7,000 men employed there will continue uninterrupted on the eight-hour system.

THE tanners of Milwaukee, Wis., numbering 1,000, have made a demand for eight hours per day.

A LABOR meeting of workingmen was held in Wheeling, W. Va., recently to denounce the attempted introduction of Italian labor in the construction of natural gas pipe lines. Resolutions were adopted bitterly denouncing those who brought the foreign labor. As a result of the meeting the contract with the Italians was abrogated.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE firm of Rothschild & Sons, furniture manufacturers of Chicago and Cincinnati, on the 28th decided to give its striking employes ten hours' pay for eight hours' work in order to finish outstanding contracts, but to reduce the working force one-fifth.

A special dispatch from Egypt says: England has consented to the proposition that Ali Bura, formerly Governor of Harrar, shall undertake a mission to Wady Halfa to negotiate with the rebels for a cessation of hostilities.

A FIRE broke out in Emanuel's furniture establishment, Market street, San Francisco, on the afternoon of April 30. The fire proved very destructive, involving the loss of $750,000 and the death of Lieut. Beatty. Others were reported killed but the full extent of the calamity was not definitely known.

A VIENNA dispatch of the 30th says: A [illegible] Danube [illegible] Lower Austria [illegible] Vienna [illegible] Austrian [illegible] Ybbs [illegible] Pielach [illegible] Traisen [illegible] Danube [illegible] Vienna [illegible] Danube [illegible] Vienna [illegible] Danube [illegible] Vienna