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To read the numerous accounts in the daily press of horrible railroad disasters and dreadful hotel fires by which scores people are maimed for life, if not killed outright, is enough to make travel a very uninviting and hazardous undertaking. The traveling public pray for better railroad bridges, less car stoves and more fire proof hotels.

It is by no means an enviable position to be Czar of Russia. Only last week that distinguished person closely escaped being blown to atoms by a dynamite bomb which was thrown under his carriage in front of the palace in St. Peterburg. And what is more remarkable is that the attempt at the monarch's life was not made by the Nihilists but by several of the representatives of Russia's land owners. A sign that the anti government factions are becoming plenty in that country.

The effects of the inter-state commerce bill on railroad management are beginning to manifest themselves. The passenger departments of both the Reading and Pennsylvania railroad companies have announced that mileage books have been abolished because they could not be sold under the new law. The reductions made in fares to commerical travelers and theatrical troupes will be discontinued, which will greatly affect the large commercial firms who have many salesmen on the road and who will have to pay regular fares from now on.

The workingmen in the Pottstown and Bethlehem iron furnaces experienced a pleasant surprise on Saturday in the announcement that their wages have been advanced. The iron company in Pottstown employ 1400 men, of which the puddlers will receive an increase from $3.50 $3.75 per ton, the helpers from 31 to 29 cents a heat and other employes in proportion.

The men of the Bethlehem iron company get an advance of 10 per cent. on their former wages. These changes look like forerunners of better times and are doubtless the result of a purified democratic administration. The general business of the country is wearing a healthier appearance than it has for years and should no unforeseen hindrances arise we may expect to see business run on the smooth track of industrial activity before the advent of summer. True, some of the newspapers in the state are troubled with visions of another panic, owing to the failure of congress to reduce the surplus, but it is to be hoped that these fears are groundless. The country had about as much panic as it can stand.

Whatever may be said against the Knights of Labor it must be confessed that their proposed movement to systematically denounce the practice of land-grabbing by corporations and companies. Their mode of battle says the *Patriot* will be constant discussion of the crime until it becomes so odious to the public that those engaged in it will be forced to give it up.

There is no doubt that this land-grabbing is one of the most serious dangers that threatens the workingmen of this country to-day. High wages are maintained among laborers and artisans not because of the protections that high tariff affords, but for the reason that land is plenty and cheap, and whenever workingmen are seriously oppressed they have recourse to the land under the homestead regulations, and can earn by farming what has been denied them as laborers or mechanics.

But the operations of the land-grabbers are seriously menacing this means of protection. The lands have been absorbed by corporations, alien and local and every year adds to the difficulties of obtaining grants by legitimate settlers. When the end is reached the working men will be at the mercy of the grasping and grinding monopolies and be compelled to accept such terms as these soulless combinations choose to offer The Knights of Labor are therefore taking the right step in moving against the land pirates.

The repeal of the capital punishment law has been effected in Maine, and imprisonment for life is substituted for death in all cases of murder in the first degree. Such convicts, however, are to be kept in close confinement, away from all associations, and no pardoning power is left to the governor and council unless the convict is proved innocent.

The work of re-apportioning the state into congressional districts seems to be accompanied with manifold difficulties and poor prospects of fairness to the minority Democrats. The sub-committee of the House entrusted with this job last week agreed upon a division which gives the Republicans no less twenty-two representatives and leaves the Democrats out in the cold with a paltry balance of six. The following is likely to be new formation of districts:

Philadelphia (six districts),
Chester and Delaware.
Montgomery and a part of Bucks.
Notrhampton, Carbon, Monroe, Pike and part of Bucks.
Berks and Lehigh.
Lancaster.
York, Cumberland and Adams.
Schuykill.
Luzerne.
Susquehana, Lackawana and Wayne,
Northumberland, Montour, Columbia, Sullivan and Wyoming.
Tioga, Bradford and Lycoming.
Dauphin, Lebanon and Perry.
Franklin, Huntingdon, Mifflin, Juniatia, Union, Snyder.
Cambria, Blair, Fulton, Somerset, Bedford.
Warren, McKean, Potter, Cameron, Venango.
Clarion, Forest, Elk, Clearfield, Centre, Clinton.
Butler, Armstrong, Indiana, Jefferson.
Erie, Crawford.
Alleghany (two districts).
Westmoreland, Fayette, Greene.
Mercer, Lawrence, Beaver, Washington.

In the Senate a message was received on Tuesday from Governor Beaver approving the following bills:

Requiring seats to be furnished finally in manufacturiug, mechanical and mercantile establishments. For the protection of livery stable keepers. Providing for a corporation clerk in the state treasury at a salary of $1,800. Relating to judicial sales and the preservation of the lien of mortages. Concurrent resolution directing the publication of 10,000 copies of the amended game and fish laws.

The bill to establish a separate department for the soldiers' orphans' schools was defeated.

The following bills went through the house yesterday morning on final passage: Authorizing and requiring boards of school directors and controllers to pay the teachers employed in the public schools of the several districts for attendance upon the sessions of the annual county institutes in their respective counties; regulating the compensation of county auditors within this commonwealth; [The bill provides $3 a day and 6 cents per mile circular, provided the amount shall not exceed $150 and mileage; the bill grants the regular pay, provided it does not exceed $2 per day.] relating to the establishing of a separate orphans' court in and for the county of Lancaster. [The bill orders the judge to be elected and to receive an annual salary of $4,000.

The Inter-State Commerce Commissioners Appointed.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The president has appointed the following interstate commerce commissioners: Thos. M. Cooley, Michigan, for a term of six years; Wm. R. Morrison, Illinois, for a term of five years; Augustus Shoonmaker, New York, for a term of four years; Aldace E. Walker, Vermont, for a term of three years; Walter A. Bragg, Alabama, for a term of two years.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 21, 1887.

Last Friday—the 18th of March—was the golden anniversary of President Cleveland's birth. He carefully avoided any celebration, or rather, he celebrated the occasion by carefully giving his entire attention to public business. The President is not of an enthusiastic or sentimental nature. He is constitutionally opposed to everything which partakes of the character of self-glorification, and such he considers a man's celebration of his own birthday to be.

The visit of ex Senator Thurman to this city furnished the political gossips with food for a whole day. They could not learn positively whether his conference with the President had reference to the appointment of the Inter-State Commerce Commissioners, the Pacific railroad investigation, the English mission, or the Secretaryship of the Treasury. "The noblest Roman of them all" settled these canards himself. When asked if the President had tendered him any position he replied, "No; I am neither to be Secretary of State nor Secretary of the Treasury nor Minister to England. I am not even going to be an Inter-State Commissioner." He added that his call on the President was entirely social and that he was not after office.

There is little occasion for the widespread alarm as to the financial situation during the interval before Congress convenes. The condition of the Treasury is much stronger than it was nine months ago, the distribution of currency much more favorable and adequate, and the circumstances in many respects more reassuring. The surplus is smaller, the gold fund is stronger, and the circulation and supply of convenient forms of small currency is more abundant.

That which is deemed chiefly unfavorable in the situation is the fact that only thirty millions of bonds remain subject to call, and that after three monthly calls this means of putting money into circulation will be cut off It is a fact however, that recent bond calls have been of little service, and that the Treasury has ample authority and has declared its willingness to go into the market and buy bonds at current rates if the situation should become such as to call for this action.

Those whose opinions on the subject are best worth knowing think there is no reason to fear that the coming summer and autumn will bring any serious financial disturbance, or that the strength of the Treasury and the skill of its managers are not fully equal to all emergencies that may arise.

The Cabinet-makers who have disposed of the Treasury portfolio for Mr. Cleveland more than a dozen times since Secretary Manning resigned, are really a little embarrassed just now as to what to say next. It was positively asserted that Speaker Carlisle was offered the place last Saturday and declined. Since there has been so much delay in the matter some of them take it for granted Mr. Manning's successor will not be named until the first of April, the date when his resignation takes effect.

The Richmond Hotel, a new and fine structure in Buffalo, N. Y., was destroyed by fire on Friday morning. Several persons lost their lives in the conflagration, and about 70 were more or less seriously injured.

Miscellaneous News.

The sale of one thousand mile books on the Pennsylvania railroad has been stopped.

Chang Yen Hoon, the Chinese minister at Washington, on Wednesday had his photograph taken, wearing $1,000,000 worth of diamonds at the time.

The New York Central and Hudson River railroads are now running trains from New York lighted by incandescent electric lamps. The batteries are stored to run two days.

Miner George Weirath, of Kelly Run colliery, Pa., drew his monthly pay, $53, in bills on Saturday. He took it all out of the envelope, as he supposed, and then lighted his pipe with the envelope, and as the paper was consumed he thought he saw something that looked like money. He did. There was a $50 bill there which he had neglected to take out. The $3 was safe in his pocket.

Titus Not to Hang.

TRENTON, March 22.—The court of pardons began this morning by the consideration of the petition for the commutation of Janitor Titus' sentence, and at 2 o'clock unanimously agreed to commute his sentence to imprisonment for life. His counsel are jubilant and satisfied.

Johnson to Hang.

PHILADELPHIA, March 21.—The supreme court this morning affirmed the judgement of the oyer and terminer court of Delaware county, convicting Samuel Johnson of the murder of farmer John Sharpless. Judge Sterrett delivered the opinion, which is very long, covering one by one each of the twelve assignments of error.

The Washburn ice gorge near Bismarck, D. T., broke last Friday night and in less than two hours from the time the gorge broke the water was in the second story of the river boarding houses which had been built on what was considered high ground. The loss of buildings will be over $15,000. The meadow land south of Bismarck comprising 80,000 acres is one vast sea, and the ice is flowing over the newly made channel in this body of surplus water at the rate of ten miles per hour.

Face to Face With a Crisis.

The Gravity of the Situation Dawns on the Canadian Press.

ST. JOHN, N. B., March 20.—Since President Cleveland has given his assent to the retaliatory bill there has been a change in sentiment here over its probable effect on Canada, should she persist in denying privileges to United States fishermen, as was done last year. When the seizures were being made, the *Globe* was the only paper here that did not uphold Canada in the course she was pursuing.

The *Telegraph* now acknowledges the danger in which the Dominion has been placed. It says to-day: "We venture that the full gravity of the situation has not dawned upon this community. Our neighbors have resorted to the last alternative, next to war. War itself must in time result from enforced non-intercourse between two communities, situated as the Dominion and the Republic are. Shall we, in the face of such conditions, go on enforcing the customs regulation, as to American fishing vessels, which were applied last year? If so, we shall have non-intercourse, with its penalties as above brought on. We believe that the president will act as the law declares he shall act, and if so, we are face to face with an international crisis of the gravest character."

Two Peculiar Accidents.

Montgomery county had two fatal accidents of a peculiar nature last Friday. Jacob Sensenbach drove a mile from his home at Tobyhanna Mills to visit a neighbor. When he returned one of the children told him that its mother was asleep on a couch in another room, but instead of finding her asleep on the couch found her dead on the floor. It is supposed that while asleep she was taken with a fit, fell against the wheel of a baby carriage that stood near the lounge, and there strangled to death. When Sensenbach entered the room his youngest child was found playing beside its mother, supposing she was asleep. She was forty-five years of age and the mother of four children.

Valentine Engle, of Hauser Mills, called at the residence of Valentine Huey to treat a child for rupture. He accepted an invitation to stay all night and was lighted to his room. When breakfast was ready he failed to answer the call, and was subsequently found at the foot of the back stairway dead and his neck broken. The light was still burning in his room. The family claim not to have heard the noise made by the fall. Deceased was known far and wide as Dr. Engle. Though not a regular practicing physician, he was well skilled in the use of herbs and domestic remedies. He was 70 years old and married.

The Man Behind the Deal.

Jay Gould Said to be Most Deeply Interested in the Transaction.

NEW YORK, March 19.—Although it is generally believed that Messrs. Ives and Stayner are negotiating for the control of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and have made a first payment of $1,000 000, the identity of the real principals of the deal is as much as ever a matter of conjecture. No one will confess to having anything to do with it.

A prominent broker, who has exceptional opportunities for information in regard to the deal, said to-day: "The man of all others to whom the acquisition of the Baltimore and Ohio is of the greatest interest is Mr. Jay Gould, and it will be found that he is the power behind the new contraction parties. His interest in the Baltimore and Ohio is by no means confined to the telegraph department. In fact that is a secondary consideration. He carries in his pocket the control of a great railway system which is of greater moment to him than his holdings of Western Union, viz: the Missouri Pacific, 'Jay Gould's pet.' For years he has been trying to secure for this property a direct connection to New York He now controls the Ohio and Mississippi, and with the acquisition of the Baltimore and Ohio and a consolidation of that property with the Richmond Terminal Company his most ambitious objects will have been attained.

I believe this new arrangement with Messrs. Ives and Stayner is the result of the conference between Gould, Sully and Sage which was held last Thursday in the Western Union building. To all appearances Mr. Gould and Mr. Sully retire from the negotiations, but when eyerything is settled they will be the most prominent figures in one of the greatest deals in railroad history."

FIRE AT CHAUTAUQUA.

Eighty Buildings Destroyed at a Loss of Over $100,000.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., March 21.—A fire at the Chautauqua assembly grounds early this morning destroyed eighty buildings, including several large boarding houses. The total loss will probably exceed $100,000. The fire started shortly before midnight in the Curtis cottage, on Simpson avenue. It was caused by a defective flue. The buildings and cottages are of wood, and are close together. The fire spread rapidly to the adjoining cottages, and the lack of fire apparatus and the scarcity of help favored the flames.

The fire swept everything before it, taking both sides of Simpson and Summerfield avenues from the auditorium to the Hotel Athenæum. It was with great difficulty that the hotel was saved. The absence of a high wind alone saved from destruction the large and costly structure. The heroic work of the winter residents and farmers from the surrounding country undoubtedly prevented the destruction of the entire assembly, with its costly buildings, and 800 cottages from total destruction. All the cottages and boarding houses in the burned district were furnished and equipped, and very little furniture was saved. Many of the burned cottages on Simpson avenue were rebuilt last year. This was the most fashionable avenue of the grounds. The cottages cost from $2,000 to $15,000 each.

Thirty-six buildings on Simpson avenue, 24 buildings on Summerfield avenue, 6 cottages on Terrace avenue, and 3 on Hedding avenue, and the magnificent forest trees shading these streets were burned and destroyed. The entire loss amounts to about $125,000.

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