

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Telegraphic Notes of Interest Briefly Told.

HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE.

Small but Nutritious—The News of the World From Pole to Pole Carefully Called and Boiled Down for Busy Readers Throughout the Country.

Wednesday, Feb. 3.
David Porter, Deputy Collector of Savannah, was, while beating his wife, shot and killed by his son.

Representative Grady of North Carolina introduced a bill in the House Monday to reduce the president's salary to \$25,000 a year.

A Dupre of Cote St. Louis, near Montreal, and his three children were terribly injured by the explosion of a dynamite cartridge he was thawing out.

The historic Appomattox, Va., Court House building was destroyed by fire Monday. All the county records and court house furnishings were entirely destroyed.

Ex-President Cleveland will address the University of Ann Harbor on February 22, and a public reception will be tendered him in Detroit the same evening.

Lattimer & Winton's Bank, at Addison, N. Y., was entered by burglars early Monday morning. It is believed that they secured plunder amounting to from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Benj. F. Lewis, a commercial traveler, has brought suit against John N. Phelps, a wealthy real estate broker of Brooklyn, N. Y., for \$50,000 damages for alienating the affections of his wife.

C. W. Folsom, a cousin of Mrs. Grover Cleveland, committed suicide at Ironton, O., Sunday morning by shooting himself in the heart. Temporary insanity caused by grip is said to have been the cause.

William Doolittle, who disappeared from Carbondale, Pa., seven years ago, arrived there yesterday. Four years ago he found himself in Omaha, and then for the first time in three years remembered his name.

Henry Goldman of New York arrived in Milwaukee yesterday to make an investigation of the advantages which are offered by Northern Wisconsin for the establishment of a colony for the exiled Russian Jews.

The State Treasurer of Georgia has begun paying the 4,000 widows of Confederate soldiers in the State the pension authorized by the last Legislature. He has paid out \$60,000 of the \$400,000 which the pension will cost the State yearly.

Thursday, Feb. 4.

W. A. McKemie, agent and operator at Wabasha, Ark., for the St. Louis and Southwestern Railroad, was assassinated at about midnight Monday.

The Catholic church at Lyndenville, Va., was burned yesterday. Loss, \$5,000. The fire is supposed to have caught from the candles burning on the altar.

The court martial to try Major L. O. Overman, convened at Cleveland, O., yesterday. The charges are embezzlement and conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman.

Noah Richards, the negro who murdered Policeman Sherman in New York some months ago, was yesterday sentenced to death during the week of March 21. An appeal was taken.

The shoe factory of Joseph E. Farrar, at Danvers, Mass., occupied by C. C. Farwell & Co., and W. H. Burns, was almost totally destroyed by fire last evening. The loss is over \$100,000.

During the funeral of M. A. Dalley, at Watessing, N. J., yesterday, burglars entered twelve houses in the town, carrying away considerable property. There is no clew to the thieves.

The creditors of Brown, Steese & Clark, the big wool dealers of Boston, whose failure of \$3,000,000 in 1899 started the entire business world, have settled with the insolvent firm for seven cents on the dollar.

"Spider" Anderson, the colored horse owner and jockey, who has been on trial in Camden for two days on a charge of having murdered William, alias "Buddy," Robinson, on September 19, was acquitted yesterday.

Colonel John Withers, cashier of the San Antonio, Tex., National Bank, committed suicide in a room over the bank Wednesday morning by shooting himself through the head. He graduated in the class at West Point with General U. S. Grant.

Frank W. Newberg, a negro, was sentenced at Grand Rapids, Mich., yesterday to thirty-six years imprisonment for burglary. Newberg became furious upon receiving his sentence and seizing a chair tried to brain Detective Joe Smith. It took six policemen to subdue him.

Seven mail pouches containing letters were mysteriously stolen from wagons carrying the United States mails Tuesday evening, while they were on a ferryboat on their way from New York to Hoboken. The robbers are suspected of being the same who robbed the Elmira mail of two pouches on December 22.

Friday, Feb. 5.

Portland, Ore., and Omaha, Neb., have each had an earthquake shake-up.

There are from seven to ten inches of first class ice on the Kennebec River, but bad weather prevents its being harvested.

Judge Koen, of Wise county, Pa., has denied the motion of Talton Hall's counsel for a new trial, and sentenced him to be hanged on March 14.

Forty Russian Jews were landed at New Bedford, Mass., yesterday, the agent of the Baron Hirsch fund having found employment for them.

A stock company has been organized at Burlington, Iowa, to loan money at five per cent. to Russians who wish to emigrate to this country.

The Cincinnati division of the Adams Express Company has discharged twelve men who were found to be members of the Brotherhood of Express Messengers.

John Burke, aged sixty-four years, president of the E. & J. Burke Company, died at Orange, N. J., Thursday. He was a millionaire, and made his fortune in the liquor business.

Russell Sage, Jr., the nephew and accredited heir of Russell Sage, died yesterday from meningitis, at the Windsor Hotel, New York, where he had been ill for some time past. He was fifty-three years old and a bachelor.

Eighteen cars of a freight train, which ran away on a down grade near Piedmont, W. Va., left the track and plunged into the Potomac River, fifty feet below. Three trainmen went down with the wreck, but only Fireman McDonnell was killed.

The house of Bridgewater Meredith in Baritan township, N. J., was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. The house and farm buildings burned, together with their contents, were valued at \$25,000, on which there was \$5,000 insurance.

Saturday, Feb. 6.

David Hastings, Market Clerk of Allegheny City, Pa., was found guilty yesterday of failing to turn into the city treasury money collected from stallkeepers.

The large woolen goods factory of Joseph Culbert of Philadelphia was seized Friday by the Sheriff on a judgment note entered by Josiah Linton for \$35,896.

George William Northedge, of Chicago, received news on Friday that he had fallen heir to an estate in England worth \$850,000, and then he went out to shingle a woodshed.

The private banking firm of Maroy, Greer and McCairn of Raton, N. M., has made a general assignment. It is thought the liabilities will reach \$80,000; assets about \$60,000.

The E. Goddard & Son Flour Mill Company of St. Louis made an assignment Thursday. Liabilities \$100,000, assets \$97,000. The failure is believed to have been caused by poor business.

At the head of Squaw Gulch, Cripple Creek, Col., at a depth of thirteen feet, a chimney of ore has been discovered which is a perfect mass of shining gold. It is estimated as worth from \$12,000 to \$15,000 a ton.

While dancing at the reception given by the Pittsburg Club in honor of the re-opening of their new club house, Miss Kittle Shaw, daughter of a prominent physician of Pittsburg, Pa., dropped dead at 3.30 o'clock this morning.

The Leland Hotel property, in Chicago, including building, land and good will, has been sold to A. J. Cooper, acting for New York capitalists, for \$925,000. The building and good will of the house were valued at \$300,000 and the land at \$625,000.

John A. Morris, the chief owner of the Louisiana Lottery Company, was arraigned in the United States Court at New Orleans, Friday, under the indictments found against him by Grand Jurors in El Paso and Austin, Tex.; Sioux Falls, S. D., and Parkersburg, W. Va., for violation of the Anti-Lottery Postal law.

Monday, Feb. 7.

Fire in the business portion of Gorham, Me., causes \$12,000 loss.

Fire at Meriden, Conn., guts the Cashen business block. Loss, \$30,000.

A Sunday morning fire in Manchester, N. H., burned out two business blocks, causing a loss of \$125,000.

The Kansas wheat plant is in fine condition and recent rains virtually insure a magnificent crop the coming season.

It is rumored at Columbus, O., that employees of the Adams Express Company, are being hired for John Hoey's new company.

W. C. Fees & Son, boots and shoes, Findlay, O., assign. They have creditors in Toledo, Columbus, Chicago, Cincinnati and New York.

William Slavenski, a hermit, seventy-five years old, near Michigan City, Ind., was beaten into insensibility by masked robbers, who got no booty.

Adjutant-General McClelland died at his home in Harrisburg, Pa., Sunday evening. Mr. McClelland has been prominent in State and National politics, and worked earnestly in 1898 for Mr. Cleveland in New York.

Elmer Bech, alias J. K. Stratton, was convicted in Denver, Col., Saturday, of having forged a \$12,000 check. Stratton is one of the famous gang of letter box robbers who have operated in nearly every city in the Union, and who were arrested at Atlanta, Ga., in October last.

Tuesday, Feb. 8.

At Larned, Kan., Sunday, fire destroyed \$125,000 of property.

The Merchants' Bank of Moorhead, Minn., closed yesterday.

The Ulster County, N. Y., Savings Institution was reopened for business yesterday.

Miss Amanda Jensen attended a dance at Turner Hall, Kansas City, last Thursday evening, and died a few hours later of heart disease.

W. H. Beers, president of the New York Life Insurance Company resigned yesterday and the directors voted to pay him \$37,500 per year during the rest of his life.

The Court of Appeals at Albany this morning decided that Jeremiah Cotto, the Italian now awaiting death at Sing Sing by electricity, must abide by the judgment of the lower court and die.

John Hyer, the Jersey City embezzler who recently escaped from Detective Dalton while on the train and near the end of his journey home, sailed for Australia from San Francisco on Sunday, on the steamer Alameda.

By the explosion of a locomotive on the Reading railroad in Philadelphia on Monday night, the fireman of the engine, George Reardon, and two unknown boys who were stealing a ride, were instantly killed, and five other men were injured, one fatally.

Capt. John Hughes, the pioneer ship builder of New Orleans, died Saturday night, eighty-seven years of age. He built the Confederate ram Manassas, which was burned when Farragut's fleet passed the fort, and a number of other vessels for the defense of New Orleans.

HARRIS FOUND GUILTY.

The Jury Says He Murdered Helen Fotta, His Girl Wife.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—The most extraordinary murder trial which has been before the courts in this city for years came to an end last night in Recorder Smythe's court, when Carlyle W. Harris, a medical student twenty-three years old, was adjudged guilty of murdering, by morphine poisoning, his young wife, Helen Fotta, who died a year ago, under suspicious circumstances.

The case has occupied the court for nearly three weeks, and has caused unusual public interest. The court room was packed every day, and some days as many as 3,000 people were turned away.

The testimony was concluded yesterday morning, the rest of the day was consumed in summing up and at 9.25 p. m. Recorder Smythe gave the case to the jury. They returned at 10.50 p. m. with a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree. Mrs. Harris, mother of the prisoner, fainted on hearing the verdict and on recovering denounced the court and jury.

Ex-Assistant District Attorney Jerome, leading counsel for the defense, says that a new trial will be demanded.

ATLANTA'S GREETING TO CLEVELAND.

Artillery Salute, Cheering, Hank-Shaking and Speech-Making.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 3.—Ex-President Cleveland passed through Atlanta yesterday on his way home from New Orleans. At Central Station he was given a tremendous ovation. Fully five thousand persons were assembled in and about the station, and from the time the train rolled in till it left there was a continuous roar of applause.

Cannon saluted the arrival of the train, and before it had stopped Gov. Northern got aboard and introduced Mr. Cleveland to the multitude.

For twenty minutes he shook hands with the crowd, and in response to calls made a short speech, thanking the people for their cordial reception.

CHICAGO TO FOOT THE BILL.

All She Asks is That the Nation Shall Pay Its Bills.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—The Chicago Directors of the World's Fair have concluded that they will not ask Congress to loan or appropriate a dollar for the local directory.

Congress will, however, be given a bill for reconsideration which will provide for an appropriation of about \$4,000,000 to be handled entirely by the National Commission in the execution of work expressly delegated to the commission by the act creating the Exposition.

MILVAINE ELECTROCUTED.

The Brooklyn Grocer's Murderer Dies in the Chair at Sing Sing.

SING SING, N. Y., Feb. 8.—Charles Melvaine, who murdered grocer Christian Luca in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the night of August 11, 1890, while burglarizing Luca's house, was executed in the prison to-day by electric shock.

This was the sixth electrocution under the new law, and was the first one to which reporters were legally admitted, Gov. Flower having signed the bill last week.

A Poor Widow's Son Abducted.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 8.—John Kane, the eight-year-old son of a woman living in Wiles street, was noticed from home Saturday evening by an unknown man and no trace of him has yet been found. The mother is in poor circumstance. Her husband left her about two years ago and since then she has not heard from him. The police believe he is the abductor, but Mrs. Kane says the description of the man given by a boy who saw him does not correspond to the appearance of Mr. Kane.

Fatal Explosion at Newark, N. J.

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 3.—An alcohol condenser exploded on the second floor of the factory of J. Rummell & Co., at the corner of Dawson and Johnson streets, shortly before 5 o'clock last night. Oscar Leurich, a plumber, and his helper, Albert Anderson, were killed. It is thought that a boy, who was working with them, is buried in the ruins. The bodies of Leurich and his helper were found on the ground floor, burned to a crisp.

No More Star Chamber Executions.

ALBANY, Feb. 4.—The Governor has signed the amendment to the Electrical Execution act allowing the warden of a State prison to select six reputable members of the press to witness executions.

Texas Sentence Commuted.

ALBANY, Feb. 5.—Gov. Flower has commuted the sentence in the case of Nicola Trezza, who is now in Sing Sing under sentence of death, to imprisonment for the term of his natural life.



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