

THE Legislature adjourns sine die today (Thursday).

CHICAGO has not her big strike on hand—this time the builders of that city are the strikers.

MR. ANDERSON CRETCHETT, the celebrated London surgeon, was recently offered a fee of \$35,000—probably the largest medical fee on record—to go to India to treat one of the native princes. After consideration the offer was declined.

THE trustees of the Ohio State University last week elected Rutherford B. Hayes to the Presidency of the University. It is sharp practice on the part of the trustees; by electing Hayes he may not accept and serve, while if they had elected somebody else he would have stood it.

THE law requiring the collection of a State tax on watches, pleasure carriages, and household furniture, has been repealed. The collection of the tax was never properly enforced as a large majority of the people evaded it in some manner, and its passage from the statutes is right and proper.

THE sale of the French crown jewels now being held at auction by order of the French Government, gives a chance to the millionaires of this country to spend some of their money. It is said that some of our bonanza princes have signed in attendance at the sale which began on Thursday last week, and will continue until tomorrow. A New York firm of jewelers have already made purchases amounting to over two hundred thousand dollars.

REFERRING to the anti-Poverty Society, Mayor Hewitt, of New York, said last Sunday: "I joined a society to abolish poverty four years ago. I said to myself, I am poor, and I will abolish my own poverty. If every man will but set about to abolish poverty in his own case it will disappear. But there are many people who do not want poverty abolished—tramps, hummers and lazy fellows who live on poverty. There is no poverty which cannot be abolished if every one would but set about it in his own case."

THE trial of Jake Sharp the millionaire railroad owner, of New York, for the robbery of the New York city aldermen in 1881, commenced in that city on Monday last. Since the trial of the Texan, an criminal trial in that city has excited so much interest. Three of the tried aldermen have been tried, convicted, and are now serving terms at Sing Sing. With all the resources of the District Attorney's office and the detective force of that great city on the one side, and all the legal talent that would be procured on the other, the trial will be fought hotly by each and the result will be anxiously awaited.

THE New York Legislature has passed a law making Saturday a half holiday—a making five and a half working days in a week instead of six, all the year round. The question with employers and employees now, is whether the employers will pay for the half day that the employees do not work. Men do not generally feel like paying for what they do not get, and it is a question if the law does not do more harm than good. When the time of labor is shortened the amount of pay is correspondingly lessened and men who would prefer to work the full six days, and get six days full pay, will be forced to idle a half day in every week, and thus lose one-twelfth of their weekly earnings.

ONE of the greatest wheat deals ever attempted, is said to be in progress at present at Chicago. According to reports, 40,000,000 bushels wheat will be loaded on the manipulators can push it. During the next two weeks wheat has advanced six cents a bushel at Chicago, and the dealers are hanging their heads awaiting to see the result. It is said that the syndicate control unlimited capital and one-fourth of all the wheat in the country. The price of wheat at present is not very high, and the speculators may succeed in advancing the price, but the outlook for a large crop is a promising indication that they cannot long hold it up above its proper value. The capitalists of Chicago who use their wealth for the purpose of cornering wheat and increasing the cost of the necessities of the poor are on a par with the Anarchists who would make war on society and pull down the habitations of the rich.

THE High License Law passed both branches of the Legislature, has been signed by the Governor, and has become a law. It fixes the license in cities of the first, second and third class at the sum of five hundred dollars; in all other cities at the sum of three hundred dollars; in boroughs at the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars and in townships at seventy five dollars, which sum shall be divided in portions, as follows: In cities of the first class, four-fifths shall be paid for the use of the city and county, and one-fifth for the use of the Commonwealth; in cities of the second and third class two-fifths shall be paid for the use of the city, two-fifths for the use of the proper county, and one-fifth for the use of the Commonwealth; in all other cities or boroughs three-fifths shall be paid for the use of such city or borough, one-fifth for the use of the proper county, and one-fifth for the use of the Commonwealth. In townships one-half shall be paid for the use of the township, one-fourth for the use of the proper county, and one-fifth for the use of the Commonwealth. The sums so paid for the use of the township to be applied to keeping the roads of such townships in good repair.

JOHN SHERMAN is doing his level best to head off Blaine in his race for the next Republican nomination for the Presidency. Blaine manages to keep himself constantly before the people, by being announced as either sick or well, by a western tour or a contemplated trip to Europe, by being busy at literary work or taking things easy, by some means or other continually keeping "his memory ever fresh and green" to the annoyance of the Pinkstonian statesman from Ohio who has got the Presidential bee a buzzing badly in his bonnet. Sherman some time ago made a southern tour and started a small boom, but it was of premature birth, weak and sickly, and must be kept alive by the constant use of soothing syrup. In order to keep breath in his boomlet he announced last week in a letter to Lieutenant-Governor Smith, of Illinois, that he would be in Springfield, the capital of that State on the first of June next, to address the Republicans of Illinois, both in and out of the Legislature. It must be borne in mind that his letter was in response to an invitation sent him by less than half the Republican members of the Illinois Assembly, a majority of whom refused to sign the letter requesting his attendance. But Sherman must get before the people and although a majority of the Springfield Republicans do not want him, he will be there. As neither Blaine, Sherman, or any other Republican will have any show for an election, it may be well enough for the Republicans to let both Blaine and Sherman make all the noise they can.

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