

NEWS OF THE WEEK

There was an earthquake shock at Charleston, South Carolina, at 2 minutes past 5 o'clock on the afternoon of the 27th. It lasted only two seconds, but was accompanied by a loud rumbling sound...

A colored man pawned a coat in Boston on the 28th ult., and in one of the pockets there was afterward found a written confession of a murder committed in Cincinnati in 1882.

The house of William J. Rook, at Bear Creek, Arkansas, was struck by lightning on the 25th, and a boy and a girl, aged respectively 12 and 16 years, were killed.

A severe shock of earthquake was felt in Charleston, South Carolina, at 8 minutes past one o'clock on the afternoon of the 28th. It lasted about one and a half seconds, the movement being from north to south...

It is reported that a shock of earthquake was plainly felt in Washington borough, on the Susquehanna river, in Lancaster county, Penna., at 21 minutes past 7 o'clock on the evening of the 27th.

Three little children playing near a fallen tree near Andalusia, Alabama, on the 26th, were bitten by a rattlesnake which had its den under the roots of the tree.

J. Utley, a farmer of Ossawatimie Township, near Paoli, Kansas, was shot and mortally wounded by two young ruffians, in his field, on the evening of the 27th.

A telegram from St. Louis says that the Knights of Labor in the West "have decided that strikes like the boycott must go, and that it should no longer be recognized as a necessity of the order."

In Detroit on the 28th, Boda Carroll, a Western Union lineman, was killed by a shock from an electric light wire which had crossed a wire he was working with.

The losses from the storm on the 25th, in Michigan are now estimated at \$200,000. Railroads were washed out, barns and bridges demolished and buildings damaged.

Pleuro-pneumonia is reported to be "raging with unprecedented violence" among cattle in Limerick township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania.

A freight train on the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad ran off the track at Carbon's Station, Ohio, on the 28th, ditching the engine and twenty cars.

A great storm has raged during the week past in Southeastern Texas. From the 21st to the 23rd instant twenty-six inches of rain fell at Brownsville.

The two rear cars of the Rockford and Rock Falls train on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, were thrown from the track on the 28th, by a broken rail, and turned upside down at the foot of a ten-foot embankment.

Warren Potter, colored, 14 years old, who was arrested on the charge of attempting to wreck a train on the Providence Railroad, near Clarendon station, has confessed that he was one of a party of four boys who placed the obstruction on the track.

The hurricane which raged in southwestern Texas from the 21st to the 23rd ult., besides blowing down more than 200 houses in Brownsville, levelled more than 300 in Matamoros, on the Mexican side of the river.

cities 550 families are homeless. The rear portion of Matamoros was flooded to a depth of from 3 to 8 feet. It is remarkable that no loss of life is reported in either place.

Troops have been ordered out from Fort Shaw, Montana, to intercept Crow Indians from the south. It is said that the crows surprised a Piegan camp and stamped two or three hundred horses.

A number of the occupants of two boarding houses in Montgomery, Alabama, were taken sick with symptoms of poisoning after supper on the 28th ult., and several of them had a narrow escape from death.

Three men were entombed in a mine at Ishpenning, Michigan, on the 29th ult. by a fall of rock. Michael McNichols was killed and E. J. Morrow fatally injured by the premature explosion of a blast in a mine at Leadville, Colorado, on the 28th ult.

Two painters named Johnson and French were struck and killed by a locomotive while painting a fence on the railroad, at Marion, New Jersey, on the 29th ult.

J. Frank Purden, a business man of Metropolis, Illinois, was shot dead by Caleb Jones, on the 28th. Purden had recently married the divorced wife of Jones.

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At Central City, Colorado, on the 1st, Cornelius McCoy went down the shaft of the New Hope mine to rescue Wm. Quintell, who had been overcome by poisonous gas.

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What is the use of spoiling the little comfort one has by remembering the comfort one has not.

Without courage there cannot be truth, and without truth there cannot be any other virtue.

Pure imagination, of which the love-letters of winged creatures is the fitting emblem, seems always to gain vigor and grace by the tempests it encounters and in contrary winds to show the brightest plumage.

Friend, have you ever dedicated 10 minutes of your time to a consideration of your destiny? Days to your ledger; hours to your amusements; years to your commercial engagements; would it not be wise to reserve some moments for your soul's outlook beyond the grave?

A. S. Gage & Co., of Chicago, on the 30th ult. confessed judgment in favor of the First National Bank of that city for \$97,000. The firm has been carrying on a wholesale business in millinery and fancy goods.

A snow storm prevailed on the 30th ult. at Marquette, Michigan. There was a heavy sea on Lake Superior and vessels sought shelter at Marquette.

It is reported from El Paso, Texas, that two Mexican policemen on the 1st pursued a native whom they wanted to arrest, across the Rio Grande, into the United States.

A heavy snow fell for a short time on the 1st at Sheboygan, Michigan, covering the ground. It soon disappeared. A telegram from Wingham, Ontario, reports a heavy snow storm in that section the same day, lasting several hours.

John Fowle, of Woburn, Massachusetts, injured by a collision on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, near Baltimore, on the 28th ult., died on the 1st in that city.

The public debt statement for September, issued on the 1st, shows a reduction of \$10,627,013. Total cash in the Treasury, \$465,375,713.

At Bishopville, South Carolina, on the 1st, W. A. James, aged 60 years, shot and killed Stephen D. Woodward "on account of family trouble not made public."

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THE MARKETS PHILADELPHIA. Beef... 5 1/2 @ 5 3/4. Hops... 10 @ 11. Cotton... 10 @ 11. Sugar... 10 @ 11. Rice... 10 @ 11. Flour... 10 @ 11. Coffee... 10 @ 11. Tea... 10 @ 11. Oil... 10 @ 11. Lard... 10 @ 11. Soap... 10 @ 11. Tallow... 10 @ 11. Butter... 10 @ 11. Eggs... 10 @ 11. Corn... 10 @ 11. Wheat... 10 @ 11. Oats... 10 @ 11. Hay... 10 @ 11. Straw... 10 @ 11. Timber... 10 @ 11. Iron... 10 @ 11. Steel... 10 @ 11. Lead... 10 @ 11. Zinc... 10 @ 11. Copper... 10 @ 11. Tin... 10 @ 11. Silver... 10 @ 11. Gold... 10 @ 11. Platinum... 10 @ 11. Nickel... 10 @ 11. Cobalt... 10 @ 11. Manganese... 10 @ 11. Potash... 10 @ 11. Soda... 10 @ 11. Saltpetre... 10 @ 11. Sulphur... 10 @ 11. Charcoal... 10 @ 11. Anthracite... 10 @ 11. Bituminous... 10 @ 11. Lignite... 10 @ 11. Peat... 10 @ 11. Coal... 10 @ 11. Gas... 10 @ 11. Oil... 10 @ 11. Alcohol... 10 @ 11. Brandy... 10 @ 11. Wine... 10 @ 11. Beer... 10 @ 11. Soda Water... 10 @ 11. Champagne... 10 @ 11. Whisky... 10 @ 11. Rum... 10 @ 11. Gin... 10 @ 11. Brandy... 10 @ 11. Wine... 10 @ 11. Beer... 10 @ 11. Soda Water... 10 @ 11. Champagne... 10 @ 11. Whisky... 10 @ 11. Rum... 10 @ 11. Gin... 10 @ 11.

A Long Good-Bye.

The day was heavy with wind and rain, When last we said good-bye, When I and my love shall meet again There will be a cloudless sky.

WORTH \$200 IN GOLD.

I had been left at Campeche, Yucatan, by order of the physician, while the brig went up the Mexican coast, to return in about three weeks.

After about a week my health began to mend, and Barlow recommended to me a native whom I could trust. I wanted to ramble around, and felt that it would not be safe without some one with me, not only on account of being seized at intervals with palpitation and fainting spells, but it was stated that the neighborhood was infested with a very rough class.

I was seated on a great block of stone eating luncheon, while Yu was 100 feet away trying to uncover a small animal which he had dugged into a pile of rubbish, when I was suddenly confronted by five as hard looking cutthroats as any traveler ever saw.

As near as I could make out by their gestures they promised him good treatment and his liberty in case he carried out their instructions. If he played them false, they would have his life, no matter where he tried to hide away.

"Does the gentleman surrender?" he asked as they came forward. "Yes, you intend to rob me, I presume?"

"The gentleman will not be treated harshly unless he resists us. You are an American." "Yes." "You were put ashore a week ago?" "Yes." "Mr. Barlow is your friend?" "Yes." "That is all. You will come with us." "I refuse to go. You have my weapons, and I have a watch and a small sum of money which you may take, if robbery is your object."

cocked muskets at my breast, with the muzzles only two feet away, and waited for the signal to shoot. I stepped down beside the leader, and he took my arm and we started off into the hills without a word.

I was conducted to the back end of the cave, and motioned to a seat on a pile of skins; and Yu was permitted to sit near me. As soon as the robbers had withdrawn to the entrance for consultation, the man drew his finger across his throat as a sign to me that we were to be murdered, and he then covered his face with his hands and rocked his body to and fro as if he had surrendered his last hope.

After about a half an hour the leader came to me and said I must pay them \$2,000 in gold as the price of my liberty. I had determined on a line of conduct, and I laughed in his face. I was an American invalid who had sold all his possessions to try a sea voyage, and had barely money enough to reside in this infernal country a few weeks and pay my way home.

This note was to be sent by my man. As near as I could make out by their gestures they promised him good treatment and his liberty in case he carried out their instructions.

He was greatly cheered up by the information, and when the note was finished he took it and departed. It was only after this that I was searched. I had a silver watch and \$60 in gold, and made no resistance about handing them over.

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I am honest in what I write. I really didn't care what they did with me, and went to sleep with Yu shedding tears and the gang jawing, and slept until daylight without a break.

Asiatic Tricks.

Asiatics are adepts at disguises for all purposes of deceptions. Many a rebel prince or dethroned sovereign has escaped from his enemies in the guise of a woman or a fakir.

A curious story of the same character was told by the late Sir Mark Cubbon, erst-while commissioner at Mysore. Sir Mark's experience of natives was almost without a precedent.

An eminent German physicist recommends for the extinguishment of fire in closed places where the use of water or other liquids would be likely to do great damage, a dry compound, which by its burning absorbs the oxygen and quickly renders combustion impossible.

Duty is the little blue sky over every heart and soul—over every life—large enough for a star to look between the clouds, and for the skylark happiness to raise heavenward through and sing in.