

NEWS OF THE WEEK

—Anna Daretta, a trapeze performer, narrowly escaped death while performing in a theatre in Baltimore on the 23d. She was starting to slide on a wire from the roof to the stage, supporting herself by her teeth clinched on a strap, when a sudden jerk of the wire loosened her grip, and she fell to the floor of the centre circle, a distance of about fifty feet, striking on her stomach. Her left hip was badly bruised, and it is feared that she sustained dangerous internal injuries.

who was drunk, wanted to see his brother, who was asleep in the house, and Rieking refused to awake the sleeping man. Frederick George, of Orono, Maine, murdered his wife and then committed suicide on the 23d. Mrs. Luther Warren died on the 23d in Cincinnati from the effects of a wound inflicted by Edward Jordan on the 20th. The ruffian kicked over her baby carriage and, when she remonstrated, shot her in the breast.

—The largest oil wells in Ohio were struck on the 26th ult., one twenty miles and another forty miles south of Toledo. Each flows at the rate of nearly 1200 barrels a day.

—Six boys—Walter Moon, Walter Heath, William Pierce, John Gregg, Charles Bonstein and Manning Garis—aged from 12 to 15 years, and all of Easton, Pa., were killed by a train on the Lehigh Valley Railroad near that city on the 26th ult. They had been hunting muskrats and were walking home along the track in a blinding snowstorm. A coal train approaching they stepped on the opposite track and were struck by a fast passenger train. There were seven in the party, and only one escaped. He was knocked off the track uninjured, while the others were thrown between the tracks or against the sides of the coal train.

—The Ridgewood Candy Manufacturing Company's building, in Brooklyn, N. Y., was damaged by fire, on the evening of the 26th ult., to the extent of about \$80,000; insured. The fertilizing works of Fowler Brothers, at the stock yards, Chicago, were burned on the 26th ult. Loss \$25,000 covered by insurance. Five buildings in Memphis, Missouri, were burned on the 26th ult. Loss, \$24,000.

—A slight earthquake was felt in South Carolina about 6 o'clock on the morning of the 26th ult. At Summerville the vibration lasted about five seconds and in one house a vase was thrown down. The movement was from west to east. It is said that since the earthquake on January 31st, the land in Tyrell county, on the North Carolina coast, has risen twelve inches.

49th CONGRESS—2d SESSION.

SENATE.

In the United States Senate, on the 21st, Mr. Whitthorne introduced a bill for the construction of an arsenal for the manufacture of ordnance stores at Columbia, Tennessee. Mr. Hoar introduced a bill for the recovery of internal revenue taxes and penalties erroneously assessed and paid in certain cases. Referred. The River and Harbor bill was passed and a conference ordered. The Nicaragua Ship Canal bill was passed—38 to 5. It provides for the incorporation of the Maritime Canal Company of Nicaragua, with a capital stock not less than fifty million dollars and not more than one hundred millions. The principal offices to be in New York City. The aggregate cost of the canal and tonnage is not to exceed \$250 million. It is to be a free trade canal and is to be operated by the United States. It is to be operated by the United States and is to be operated by the United States.

HOUSE.

In the House on the 21st, Mr. Cobb of Indiana, called up the conference report—a disagreement—on the bill to repeal the Pre-emption, Timber Culture and Desert Land Laws. After a long debate the report was accepted, and a further conference was ordered. Adjourned.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

In the Senate on the 22d, the calendar was taken up and bills passed finally, as follows: Senate 107, declaratory of the true intent and meaning of the fourth section of the act of 1883, fixing the compensation of the Common Pleas Judges. Senate 123, authorizing cities to levy and collect taxes, and validating taxes levied and assessments made therein.

HOUSE.

In the House on the 23d, the following bills were passed finally and sent to the House: No. 25 For the better collection of collateral inheritance taxes. No. 36, Enabling taxpayers of townships and road districts to contract for making, at their own expense, the roads, and paying salaries of township or road district officers, and thereby preventing the levy and collection of a road tax therein. Adjourned.

THE MARKETS.

PROVISIONS—

Be merciful in your judgment of one another. Do not encourage in yourself the habit of criticizing and commenting on the foibles and faults of any member of your own family. There is nothing gained by it and a great deal is lost. Love itself is often choked back and hindered in its growth by the rank stiffness of weeds which spring up against it, unchecked, in houses where people say all manner of ungentle things to each other.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The Bible is a window in this prison of hope, through which we look into eternity.

Books are men of higher nature, and the only men who speak aloud for future times to hear.