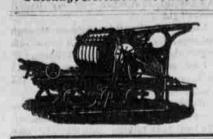


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RESOLUTIONS have been introduced in the Massachusetts Legislature condemning Sumper's proposition to erase from the stags of the Republic and from the register of the army all inscriptions, mementoes and tokens of battles and victories of the Union arms in the late war.

In the U. S. Senate last week, Senator Cole, of California, offered a resolution which was adopted, directing the Judiciary Committee to inquire into the expediency of so amending the Constitution as to provide for the election of President and Vice President, and United States Senators, by a direct vote of the people.

THE Herald's Washington special, states that the Credit Mobilier investigation will show that several Congressmen for a time accepted enormous dividends from that concern, which they devoted to charitable and political purposes; but they will attempt to show that they were not identified with the management of the concern, or with legislation for it. Attempts are being made to hush up the investigation, but it is expected that startling developments will be made from an unexpected quarter.

Retrenchment and Reform.

The House Committee on the Judiciary, on Friday, agreed to report a bill increas ing the salary of the President of the United States, on and after March 4th, from twenty-five thousand dollars to fifty thousand dollars per annum. The increase is on the ground of augmented expenses of maintaining the position of President since the passage of the act fixing the present salary. The passage of such a law at this time would no doubt be a violation of the spirit, if not of the letter of Art. II. Sec. 7 of the constitution of the U. S. which forbids a change of compensation during the term office for which a person is elected.

JOHN J. PATTERSON, formerly of Juniata county has been elected U. S. Senator

from the State of South Carolina. A despatch to the N. Y. World says, that Mr. Patterson, was the next day arrested for bribery, on the affidavits of eleven members of the legislature. He was taken before a justice, but a crowd of his friends created a disturbance, and Patterson escaped in the confusion. He was again arrested in the evening and committed to jail for twelve hours for contempt, but immediately released on habeas corpus.

A later despatch says that the above report is not correct. He was arrested by Justice Kirk on affidavit of Assemblyman Lilley, and immediately discharged on bail, since which Justice Kirk has been removed by a unanimous vote of the Legislature, and Assemblyman Lilley has disappeared in consequence of a warrant being out against him for perjury.

As matters now stand, it seems that Patterson has actually defeated the darkey who was his opponent.

At New York on the 11th inst., Maude Merrill was shot dead in a bagnio. The person who shot her said, on passing out of the house, that he had shot his neice, and would give himself up. real name of the girl is said to be Martha Smith, of Cork, Ireland, aged 22. Two days later a man came into the police station and confessed to the crime.

Terrible Fire-Many Lives Lost.

On Tuesday night, at about 11 o'clock a fire broke out in the Fifth Avenue hotel in New York. The fire was discovered by one of the guests on the second floor, in the stairway and elevator leading from the laundry to the servants' apartments in the top of the building on the Twenty-third street side. A large steam pipe, nearly five inches in diameter, for heating purposes, had rendered the woodwork so inflamable that it fell an easy prey to the fire and as if through a funnel the flames shot with astonishing rapidity to the servants' department on the seventh floor. There are 400 assistants of all kinds in the hotel, and of these fully 160 are women. The alarm was immediately given, and the appliances for extinguishing the flames, with which the hotel was well provided, were brought into use, but the efforts of the employes were of no avail in checking the flames. After some delay the alarm was given, and the Fire Department were soon on the ground. In the meantime the panicstricken guests had been aroused and thronged the halls, while from the servants' apartments, now cut off by the flames, the most agonizing shricks came. To the efforts of the firemen the fire soon succumbed.

As soon as it was possible the firemen made their way into the servants' apartments, where a most shocking sight awaited them. Revealed by the lanterns there were seen in various postures, and horribly disfigured and distorted by the flames, the bodies of eleven girls. As first reported the number was much larger, even as high as twenty-two, but thus far, only eleven bodies have been found and taken to the Morgue. Some of the bodies were found lying in the beds, but a majority were lying on the floors, near the doors and windows, which latter were covered with a strong network of heavy wire, which prevented the escape of those who sought egress in this direction. So strong were these barriers that considerable effort on the part of the firemen was necessary for their removal. Two of the bodies were locked in each other's embrace, and their flesh had been literally roasted. Margaret Fagan, one of the hotel servants, was, however, found terribly burned about the head and body in her bedroom, adjoining the elevator on the top floor of the building. There were six hundred and fifty guests in the house, none of whom were injured. Eleven bodies have so far been removed from the ruins, all of them being the bodies of women. It is feared that more yet remained to be discovered. The loss to the hotel is about \$150,000.

Foreign Items.

Terrific Storm.

London, December 9 .- A terrific westerly gale, causing great destruction to property of all decriptions, prevailed yesterday throughout England. The telegraph wires were prostrated, and many buildings were demolished and others damaged. In this city a large number of pedestrians were dashed to the ground by the violence of the hurricane. The street lamps and advertising boards were blown down and many persons were injured by the flying debris. Dispatches from the seaport towns report numerous marine disasters. Eight ships were blown ashore near the harbor of Ply. mouth. The telegraph wires in the north of England, which were deranged by the storm, are not yet in working order .-Dispatches from all other sections of the country bring intelligence of great destruction of property. The gale was as severe in Wales and Ireland as in England, and was accompanied by lightning and rain. Many towns were floeded, and several vessels are ashore in Cork harbor. The damage to property in that city is very great. Many buildings were unroofed and trees blown down. Three pinnacles of the tower of St. Thomas' Church, in Exeter, Deyonshire, were blown down while the congregation was at worship, and falling on the roof, crushed through into the body of the church. The congregation were seized with a panic at the first intimation of danger, and rushed from the building. None were killed, and their escape is regarded as miraculous. The ship Leborns, from Sunderland, for New York, went ashore and was wrecked off Lowestoft, and the crew barely escaped. Many of the buts used by the troops at Aldershot were destroyed. At Oxford the chapel of Oriel College, Oxford University, was badly damaged, and the freight depot of the Great Western Railway was entirely demolished.

London, Dec, 12.-Intelligence of a ma rine disaster, attended with appalling loss of life, has just reached this city. The ship Franklin, which sailed from Hamburg several days ago for San Francisco, with a large number of emigrants on board, stranded on the coast of Vheland, an island of the Netherlands, in the North Sea, and went to Eighty persons are known to have

13 On Saturday night, the 8th inst., at Keokuk. Iowa, one Dixon, while drunk, in a spirit of bravado, asked his drunken companion named Brady to shoot at him and see how he could evade the bullets. Brady did so, shoeting Dixon in the stomach and side, killing him instantly. Brady was arMiscellaneous News Items.

Edwin Forest the well known tragedian died very suddenly at his residence in Philadelphia on Thursday morning last.

THE Buffalo, New York and Philadelphia Railway will be opened for travel and freight to its terminus, Emporium, Pa., on January 1st.

LET Mr. Leppel, aged seventy, an inventor, was found dead in a cellar on Greenwich street, on Saturday night. His body had been partly eaten by rats.

I'M'rs. Catharine Burns was burned to death at her house in Rockville Centre, Long Island, on Saturday night, by a kerosene lamp exploding. N. H. Brainard, Postmaster in Iowa

city, is charged on affidavits of his clerks, with perjury, theft and embezzlement. He has held office since June last. At Lebanon, on Sunday evening a week a little child of Mr. Titus Hartman,

while eating a piece of apple. A resolution in the Board of Aldermen at N. Y. developed the fact that the Erie Railroad Company have occupied a whole block on Duane and Washington

aged about 15 months, was choked to death

streets, without paying rent, since 1868. Mr. Perkins, mail carrier between Fend du Lac and Brandon, Wis., his horse being powerless through epizootic, recently made his daily trip on foot with mail bag on his back-a distance of forty-four miles.

The dry goods store of Blum & Arnen was robbed of \$25,000, in currency at Cairo Ill., on the 8th inst. Mr. Blum states that he brought it from Paducah, and arriving after the banks had closed on Saturday, he placed the money in his desk in the store.

At New York on the 11th inst., William Wolf and Valentine Baum, both butchers, quarreled when the former plunged a butcher knife through the heart of the latter. Wolf coolly walked to the bar, took a drink of whisky, walked off, and was not arrested.

to The aspirant for the title of "meanest man," this time, is a Boston merchant. He invited a neighbor whose goods were in peril at the late fire to store them in his establishment. The offer was accepted, and now the good Samaritan presents his neighbor a bill of \$100 for storage.

The new Methodist church at Tide oute and Judge Harlan's residence adjoining were entirely burned on the 9th inst. Loss on church, \$45,000; no insurance. Judge Harlan's residence was insured for \$25,000. Two tanks full of oil in close proximity were saved.

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 12 .- At dinner in the penitentiary yesterday, John Walker, a convict, quarreled with a negro convict, and, seizing a knife, ran out of the hall followed by the keeper, who shot him twice, when he surrendered. During the trouble all the convicts in the hall, numbering eight hundred, sprang to their feet, but order was restored when Walker was shot

12"At Norfolk on the 10th inst., fire was discovered issuing from the cabin of a small sloop named B. F. Rodman, lying at the dock foot of Roanoke street. John French, captain of the sloop, was found dead on the cabin floor, with his face and hands horribly burned, and in his right breast a deep wound, supposed to have been made with a dirk knife. It is thought the captain was murdered for his money, and that the vessel was fired to cover the

At Cincinnati on the 9th inst., the scaffolding on the new addition, building to the water works fell, carrying down eight workmen, killing four instantly and injuring four. The scaffolding had been erected for the purpose of putting up some trusses for the roof of the building, and gave way under the weight of three iron trusses, weighing many tons, precipitating the men to the ground and water beneath, a distance of about eighty feet. It is thought that none of the wounded are seriously injured.

LW An aged and eccentric man named Asahel Horton, was taken from Meriden, Ct., a day or two ago to Wallingford, and buried there at the expense of the town. According to his story, he once resided in the moon, where he grafted apple trees. Becoming tired of his residence there, he slid down on the equinoctial line, with a rainbow, and rubbed all the blue on his clothes, and landed on a flint rock near Paugh Pond, sinking up to his knees. This is but one of his exaggerated stories which he always told with a seeming belief in its

A woman mysteriously disappeared soon after entering a New Haven church, on Sunday afternoon of last week. It seems that a new furnace had been put in the day before, and some one had carelessly neglected to cover the register opening. roman, unconscious of danger, stepped where the register should have been, when, presto! she suddenly found herself in the dirt at the bottom of the cellar, some ten or twelve feet below, but fortunately, uninjured. Instead of finding fault, as most people would, she apologized for the damage that she had done. An elderly lady comforted her with the remark that "these new registers are not half as good as the old-fashioned ones." New Advertisements.

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