

THE MIDDLEBURGH POST.

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The Baptists have more money in educational institutions in America than any other denomination...

In poetry violets are always "blue." But as a matter of fact only half of the twenty and odd varieties in the United States are blue.

T. H. Adams, of Newport, England, recently deceased, has bequeathed \$250,000 to be devoted to teaching practical and theoretical agriculture to men and youths, and the knowledge of dairying and housekeeping to women and girls.

The Hartford (Conn.) Journal notes that hypnotism is not popular with German courts, one of which has just sentenced three professors of hypnotic healing to prison as quacks.

Only three letters written by Nathaniel Hale have ever been offered for sale, for autograph letters of this patriot are among the rarest manuscripts of the Revolutionary period.

It is interesting to note how close the inventors of patent medicines and patent foods follow upon the heels of medical discovery.

William H. Mills, of San Francisco, has in his library two books written by John Wesley, in which he says the founder of Methodism put forth the theory of evolution.

That cotton manufacturing in the South has been profitable is shown, thinks the St. Louis Republic, by the erection of many new mills and the enlargement of a great number of the old ones.

Texas is going into the culture of rice on an extensive scale, announces the Boston Cultivator. There are localities near the Gulf of Mexico which are well adapted to this crop.

"One hundred years ago," says a Bostonian in the Washington Post, "Benjamin Franklin left a fund of \$5000, which he directed should be put at interest and left to accumulate for a century."

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TALMAGE'S CHURCH BURNED

SERMON JUST CONCLUDED.

For The Third Time The Tabernacle Is Destroyed by Fire.

Rev. Dr. T. Dewitt Talmage's new Tabernacle, at the corner of Clinton and Green avenues, Brooklyn, was burned at noon Sunday. The Hotel Regent adjoining, and several dwelling houses in the vicinity, were also damaged and destroyed.

Flames broke out in the church edifice just after those who had attended the morning service had left the building. Had the fire broken out one hour earlier, while the building was filled with worshippers, it is almost certain that a dreadful panic and loss of life would have resulted.

The fire was discovered shortly after 12 o'clock, just after the congregation had been dismissed. Talmage was in the church, surrounded by members of the congregation, when a small boy rushed in and informed the sexton that he had seen smoke coming out of the windows on the Waverly avenue side of the church.

By the time the firemen arrived the flames were leaping from all the windows. Two extra alarms and finally a special call were sent in, bringing all the engines in Brooklyn and Williamsburg to the fire. The greatest excitement prevailed. Inside of 30 minutes after the fire was discovered, and by 1 o'clock the roof and the handsome steeple had fallen.

Great jets of flame shot across the open space between the Tabernacle and the Hotel Regent, which is next to the church on Clinton avenue, and in a short space of time it was burning fiercely. The Regent is a family hotel, the guests fled in dismay. Some of them stopped to throw their valuables and clothing from the windows, while others hurried to places of safety just as they happened to be approached when the panic struck them.

A number of dwellings in the vicinity caught fire again and again, but the firemen each time flooded them with water and extinguished the flames. The Summerfield Methodist Episcopal church was caught fire by flying sparks. The enormous small fire continued until 4 o'clock before the firemen had gotten things under control.

The loss on the Hotel Regent including the building, paintings and the guests' household goods will amount to about \$600,000. Loss on the Tabernacle is about \$400,000, and the adjoining buildings reported to be damaged to the extent of \$70,000. Four firemen were overcome by heat during the progress of the flames and had to be removed from the scene.

FLOOD IN MONTANA.

An Irrigation Dam Bursts, Devastating Many Ranches in Iowa.

Near Lima, Mont., the Lima dam broke and its body of water surged down Red Rock river valley at a terrific rate, sweeping everything before it. As soon as the break was discovered men on horseback hastened down the river to warn the ranches, but almost every man along the bottoms lost everything.

4,000 MEN STRIKE.

All the Employees of the National Tube Works at McKeesport, Pa. Go Out. The 4,000 men employed in the National Tube Works at McKeesport, Pa., struck for an advance of 20 per cent. in wages.

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FIFTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

Summarized Proceedings of Our Law-Makers at Washington.

ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH DAY. SENATE.—In the Senate today Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts took by the discussion of the tariff, and denounced the Wilson bill as without principle or purpose.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIRST DAY. SENATE.—In the Senate today the resolution offered by Mr. Allen, Populist of Nebraska, calling for a committee of inquiry into the circumstances of the arrest of Coxy, Browne and Jones on May 1, came up.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SECOND DAY. SENATE.—The feature of today's proceedings in the Senate was the two hours' debate on the tariff bill, for a special committee to investigate the arrest and imprisonment of Coxy, Browne and Jones.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD DAY. SENATE.—The Senate was forced to adjourn today owing to the lack of a quorum which was only maintained for a few hours of the session by repeated calls for attendance.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH DAY. SENATE.—In the Senate today seven items of the tariff bill were discussed. The result was the fixing of rates of duty as follows: On alcoholic perfumery, 52 per centum on alumina, alum, alum cake, etc., 4-10 of a cent per pound on each ounce of alumina, 10 per cent, and on sulphate of alumina, 20 per cent, on bleaching of all kinds and bone char, suitable for use in clarifying sugars, 20 per cent, ad valorem on crude borax, or borax of soda 1 cent per pound, and on refined borax 2 cents per pound on refined sulphur, 10 per cent, ad valorem, on chalk, 20 per cent, ad valorem.

AT A STANDSTILL. Business of the Week Shows Little Improvement. R. G. Dun & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade," New York, says: The strikes begin to have a serious, though it is assumed only a temporary, effect.

THE SANDERS ARMY CAPTURED. The Colorado Train Stealers in the Hands of Marshals. "General" Sanders and his industrial army after an exciting trip of 214 miles eastward from Pueblo, Col., on a stolen train, have surrendered to the United States authorities.

COXEY'S ARMY MOVES AGAIN. The Health Authorities Compel It to Leave Washington. The Coxey Army of Commonwealth of Christ evacuated Washington and set out for the famous Spa Springs, near the historic dueling ground at Bladensburg, just over the Maryland line.

A Village Wiped Out. The village of Pawnee, Ill., was almost wiped off the face of the earth by fire. The entire east side of the public square with adjacent houses is in ashes and the best portion of the south side is gone, saving the rear of the square.

LATEST NEWS SUMMARIZED

FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC.

What is Transpiring in the World Over. Important Events Briefly Told.

CAPITAL AND LABOR. The Ashland Iron Company, of Baltimore, has applied for a receiver. The company is capitalized at \$300,000. Its mines have become exhausted and it was found impracticable to run its furnaces profitably with foreign ore.

CRIMES AND PENALTIES. William D. Lohman, ex-cashier of the Brooklyn excise department, who was recently brought back from Toronto, was sentenced by Judge Moore to imprisonment in Sing Sing for seven years and four months.

Charles K. Davidson, who claims to have been driven to robbery by hunger, was shot twice and dangerously wounded when trying to burglarize Riverview Military Academy at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Sheriff Hans E. Reuter, of Marshall, S. C., while riding home Monday night, was shot from ambush and instantly killed.

A St. Paul, Minn., poet attempted to settle his board bill with the Auditorium hotel by an offer of spring poetry. He soon found his way to the detention hospital. Ex-State Representative King and Constable Franklin were arrested at Galesville, Tex., for complicity in the lynching of Ed. Cash a few weeks ago.

FOREIGN. The Russian government has advised the Pope of its intention to establish a regulation of the Vatican. The loss reported at San Francisco of the Simpson Lumber Company's schooner Pioneer of that city, and the fate of the crew is uncertain.

MISCELLANEOUS. A gigantic ice combine has been formed in New York and Brooklyn by ice manufacturers, and a series of jumps in the price of the commodity is expected. A big forest fire is raging two miles this side of Fond du Lac, Wis., and is making rapid progress before a strong wind.

A FIERY RAIN. Terrible Explosion of a Tank Car Full of Benzine. The barrel house at Emery's refinery in Bradford, Pa., took fire, presumably by spontaneous combustion, and was destroyed.

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BIG BLAZE IN MAINE. At Norway the destroyed 70 wellings and a number of business places. The total loss will reach \$500,000. Several people were injured by falling timbers, and it is feared that there has been some loss of life.

LATER NEWS NOTES.

Gen. Andrew Aveline Caberos has been elected President of Peru. He was president from 1886 to 1890.

Late Wednesday night a cyclone struck the town of Quanah, in the Texas panhandle, wrecking 20 buildings and injuring many persons. At St. Petersburg the Russian police have discovered a vast Nihilist conspiracy.

Charles D. Wolcott, of New York, has been appointed by President Cleveland, director of the Geological Survey, vice John W. Powell resigned. Mr. Gladstone's weakness, as the result of a recent cold, is increasing, and he is constantly under the care of a physician.

The girl wife of Francesco Felti, the Italian Anarchist who was recently sentenced to ten years' imprisonment in London died in an infirmary yesterday. The entire fleet of trans-Atlantic steamships owned by the International Steamship Company has been mortgaged for \$6,000,000, the money to be used in improving the service.

The Northern express, a through Illinois Central passenger train, was wrecked at Buckley, Ill., through the train breaking in two. The engineer, Samuel Edgerly, was killed. Mrs. A. P. Arson, who, for the past two years was the proprietress of the Madison House at Roslyn, Ill., committed suicide by jumping from a second story to the ground.

The Post Office Department has sent to all railway mail service employees circulars calling attention to the postal regulations requiring postal clerks to accept all prepaid mail matter offered them at their cars and to forward it to its destination.

RECEIVING TOLLER EDWARD B. HULLIGIST, of the Fourth National Bank of St. Louis, surrendered voluntarily Saturday on a charge of embezzlement of \$2,000. Miss Carrie Plumb, widow of the late Senator Plumb, of Kansas, has made charges of sharp practice against Calvin Hood, her late husband's partner for years and who is an avowed candidate for United States Senator.

THE IMPORTS OF DRY GOODS AT THE PORT OF NEW YORK FOR THIS WEEK WERE \$1,213,000, and the amount marketed \$1,310,583. For the corresponding week of 1893, the imports were \$2,100,211 and the amount marketed \$1,873,713.

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DIED FROM STARVATION

Terrible Fate of American Prospector in Mexican Mountains.

Francis Murphy, an American engineer and mining man, returning to San Francisco from Mazatlan, Mex., states that he was a member of a searching party that left Durango, five weeks ago to find the whereabouts of L. Denton, C. P. Hall, Frank Edwards, Americans, and two Mexican guides who started from Salto, State of Durango, in prospecting and hunting expedition into the Sierra Madre mountains.

The men mentioned left Denver six months ago in company with a Mr. Freeman, who is reported to belong in St. Louis, two New York gentlemen. The latter the together with an Indian guide and several Mexicans, arrived back at Salto just before the expedition was sent in search of the companions, in a half starved and badly used condition. They reported that they had run short of provisions in the mountains, lost their way and became separated from Denton, Hall and Turnstall and the taking of their party.

A relief party was immediately organized by Murphy, two American miners and a number of Mexicans constituting the searchers. They ravine nearly forty miles from Salto party camping outfit belonging to the missing men was discovered. A blind trail was followed for 10 miles over the most rugged and inhospitable region of the mountains, and one point a pole had been driven into the ground, to which had been fastened a shirt. A piece of paper on which was printed with a pencil the words "Out of provisions, no water, have struck out for the life of this canyon."

Fifty miles in a westerly direction from this signal the bodies of Denton and Hall were found lying on their backs. Several camp utensils, a Winchester rifle and a number of cartridges were scattered about the spot. The bodies were partly devoured by coyotes, but were easily identified. The clothing had nearly all been torn from the body. Denton's remains were badly disfigured. The remains of the two men were buried with solemn ceremonies, and a mound of stones raised over them.

HAS A FAR REACHING EFFECT. How the Railroads Are Being Affected by the Miners' Strike. As a result of the strike of the soft coal miners, the Greenwich Point piers of the Pennsylvania railroad, Philadelphia, which are exclusively devoted to this trade, are had to suspend operations, what little there is in transit having been taken for use in its immediate vicinity.

MARKETS. PITTSBURGH. THE WHOLESALE PRICES ARE GIVEN BELOW. GRAIN, FLOUR AND FEED. WHEAT—No. 1 Red... 61 @ 62 No. 2 Red... 60 61 CORN—No. 2 Yellow ear... 49 50

DAIRY PRODUCTS. BUTTER—Elgin Creamery... 20 21 Fancy Creamery... 17 18

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES. APPLES—Fancy, 7 00 8 00 Fair to choice, 5 00 5 50

LIVE STOCK REPORT. EAST LIBERTY, PITTSBURGH STOCK YARDS. CATTLE. Prime Steers... \$ 3 75 to 4 20 Good butcher... 3 50 to 4 00