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GENERAL JAMES SHIELDS died very suddenly on Monday night of last week in Iowa.

The bill allowing pensions to the surviving soldiers of the Mexican war, has passed the senate and house of representatives, and is now in the hands of the governor, for his signature.

The Governor has signed the bill passed at the present session of the legislature offering a premium of one dollar for every four shade trees or fruit trees planted on a roadside. The act also punishes any persons injuring the same.

The Supreme Court has decided that the law prohibiting the sale of liquor on election day means the whole day—that is, for the whole of twenty-four hours. This will not be relished by the chaps who like to get gal-orious over the hours.

COUNTY AUDITORS used to be considered mere machines, but of late they show that they have some ideas of their own. The Auditors of Franklin county, in overhauling the accounts of the Commissioners, have refused to allow some six hundred dollars for mileage, hotel bills and livery which it has been customary for years to charge against the county.

The storm which swept over a portion of this county on Thursday seems to have extended from the Alleghanies to the sea coast. In Lancaster, Chester and Berks counties, much damage is reported by flood, hail and wind. In Chester some streets were rendered impassable by uprooted trees, and even one hand was blown from the court house clock.

Altoona, Tyrone, and in fact all towns along Juniata valley, seem to have suffered more or less from this storm.

ON Tuesday last the President nominated Secretary of War George W. McCrary, of Iowa, to be circuit judge for Iowa, vice Judge Dillon, resigned.

Judge Dillon has sent his letter of resignation to the President. He gives as his reasons for resigning the Judgeship of the Eighth district, which he has held for twenty-one years, the acceptance of a position in Columbia College, where the duties are lighter and the compensation greater, as are also the opportunities for advancement and study in law.

EX-SENATOR J. L. ALCORN, of Mississippi, formerly governor of that State, and a large employer of labor, has written a letter on the exodus and the causes of it. In it he makes this frank statement:

Competition for labor guarantees to good negroes on plantations the best of treatment. When they go out to vote they meet with roughs and generally come out second best. The ballot-box in this State has been, and is to-day, thoroughly prostituted. Ballot-box stuffing in this State, while equally effective, is more humane than the bulldozing shotgun policy of the past. In this I take pleasure in recording an improvement.

Of Interest to Teachers.

State Superintendent Wickersham has issued the following notice, which we publish for the benefit of teachers:

"The signs of the times indicate the application of largely increased numbers of persons for teachers' certificates during the current year. They will come to examination possessing all degrees of qualification for the work of teaching, very good, good, fair, poor and very poor. The purpose of this article is to request the superintendents to adopt such a standard of qualifications as will shut out all applicants except about enough to supply the schools. In this way the schools will be protected from the rush of incompetent teachers, the teachers' profession will be strengthened and elevated, and the educational interests of the public will be greatly subserved. The threatened evil is a swarm of incompetents in our school rooms at very low salaries. If not checked, it will drive the best teachers out of the profession and greatly increase the efficiency of our schools. The men to guard the school interests thus jeopardized are the Superintendents. It is their duty to do it without fear or favor."

Death in the Brook.

A lot of school children living at Newark, Vt., drank from a brook running near the school house. Of the children who drank the poisoned brook water, 15 have died, as follows: Five children of John Aldrich, the entire family; two of Edward Morse, one of Frederick Simpson, three of L. Wilson, one of Mr. Park, and two of John Cole. Mrs. Aldrich is hopelessly insane.

The teacher of the school had noticed something wrong about the taste of the water and forbade its use in the school, but seventeen scholars used it and were stricken down and within twenty-four hours eleven were dead. Five others have been very ill, but they are at present more comfortable, with some hopes of their ultimate recovery. A son of Mr. Hudson pulled through.

Just above the school house was a field of potatoes last season and Paris green was used extensively to exterminate the potato bugs. The potato tops were dumped into the barnyard of Horace Cheney, who built a drain from the barnyard to the brook. He also buried a colt in the spring of 1878 on the edge of the brook and the flowing water washed out parts of the carcass. A Mr. Simpson, who has lost one child by the poisoning, objected to the colt being buried there, and caused Cheney to move it. It was reburied in a swamp only fifty feet from the brook, and the water from which ran into the brook.

Cheney remarked at the time "he guessed he didn't bettered it much for Simpson," who uses brook water for household purposes. Violent threats are freely expressed toward Cheney.

Samples of the water have been sent to Boston for analysis, and the selectmen will not take any proceedings until the result is known. Others among both old and young who have drunk from the brook have suffered from similar symptoms, but in a milder form, and they have soon recovered. Six physicians have been unremitting in their attendance.

Public opinion runs high, each one having his or her views of the trouble, no two stories being alike.

A Terrible Storm.

Dispatches from Atchison, Kansas, dated June 1st, say that a terrible storm of wind and rain passed over Northern Kansas, Southern Nebraska, and a part of Missouri during the past forty-eight hours. It extended through nearly the whole northern tier of counties in the former State, but was most violent between the Blue Rapids and Centennial stations, on the Central Branch Railroad, and about thirty miles apart. The storm moved in a direction a little north of east and passed into Nebraska through Richardson county.

The town of Irving, ninety miles west of this place, was nearly destroyed. At that point the storm took the character of a cyclone and leveled everything in its path. About forty buildings were destroyed and fifteen persons were killed, while from thirty to forty were wounded.

The cyclone crossed the Big Blue river at the mouth of Mill Creek, uprooting trees and destroying grain cribs, fences, and crops at Manhattan.

In the neighborhood of Frankfort it seized everything in its embrace like some terrible monster, gathering up houses, barns, live stock, and human beings, twisting huge timbers and trees like reeds, and leaving death and destruction in its wake. Four persons were killed at this point. Farm houses were blown over, and in the town several houses were destroyed. At Centralia several houses were destroyed. Trees were uprooted, fences laid flat, and great damage was done to the crops. At Beaty, on the St. Joseph and Denver railway, numerous houses were blown down. At Denison Mills, Neb., on the Atchison and Nebraska road, the Catholic church was totally demolished, as was also the store of Meade, Rellly & Co. One lady was severely injured, and several residences were more or less damaged.

Three miles east of Lee's Summit the house of Mr. Warren was totally destroyed. Two members of his family were killed, and others severely wounded. Further on the house of Alexander Scruggs was unroofed, and his wife's skull was fractured. The houses of Dr. Dunnington and Mr. Underwood were destroyed, but their families escaped unhurt. The residence of Mr. Hutchins was torn to pieces and the family badly hurt. Near Blue Springs, Mo., the house of Mr. Harris was demolished, the husband, wife and children being carried up into the air and dropped at different places and in different directions from the site of the house they occupied, the distance varying from 100 to 200 yards. Mrs. Harris and her child were killed outright. Mr. Harris died several hours afterward. One of the other children was found in a pool of water fifty yards from the house with straw and grass wrapped so tightly around his head and shoulders that it could only be re-

moved with great difficulty. The child was only slightly injured, his escape being attributed to the mysterious bandage around him.

The storm was extremely violent in the vicinity of Delphos, Ottawa county, and fifteen dead bodies have been brought in two square miles of territory. One man from Beloit was taken up in his wagon and thrown to the ground again and instantly killed. A woman and child were thrown against a wire fence and killed. Five persons were killed in one house at Delphos. The crops have been severely injured all along the line of the storm.

IRVING, Kansas, June 2.—Thirty deaths certain and fifty-three persons badly injured in the recent cyclone. People want money to get necessities of life which are not at hand. Ten persons were buried to day. From fifty to sixty families at Frankfort, Kansas, are rendered houseless and destitute of clothing, provisions and farming implements. The citizens of that place have contributed \$700. More aid is needed.

Fire in Hagerstown, Maryland.

The Franklin Repository says:—The Washington House, the newest and largest hotel in Hagerstown, Md., was totally destroyed by fire on Thursday morning last. When the fire was discovered, about half past two o'clock, the flames had gained considerable headway. The alarm was at once given and the fire companies responded promptly, doing good service. The fire, which is supposed to be the work of an incendiary, spread rapidly, and in less than two hours the building was a complete mass of ruins. The fire was discovered in a closet under the steps, on the first story of the house, leading into the main building from the back yard. The stairs were soon burnt to the floor above, upon which are the offices and sample rooms, cutting off communication above by means of the main stairway. There were over seventy people in the house at the time, and the excitement was intense. Frightened with terror they tried every conceivable way to make their escape, jumping from the windows, descending by ladders, but the majority climbing down the porches. All were fortunate enough to escape with their lives, with the exception of one man, Mr. J. E. Troxell, of Cumberland, who perished in the flames. His body was found after the house was consumed, mangled and burned beyond recognition.

Mr. F. B. Snively, of Shady Grove, in descending from his room to the ground, by a rope made of his bed clothing, fell, it is thought from the rope breaking, to the ground, receiving severe injuries from which he died, in Hagerstown, on Friday morning.

It is almost impossible to estimate the loss. The Washington House was valued at \$40,000, insurance \$20,000. The furniture and fixtures were valued at \$6,000, insured for \$5,000. The loss sustained by transient boarders cannot be estimated. The permanent boarders lost everything their rooms contained. Mrs. Middlekauff, the proprietress, lost everything with the exception of some furniture, consisting of beds, bureau, &c., which were in her private room and were gotten out before the flames reached that part of the building. Mr. F. B. Snively threw his coat from the window containing \$1,000, which was either stolen or burnt in the fire, as nothing has been heard of it since. Quite a number of packages and some of the books belonging to the Adams Express Company, who occupied a room on the ground floor, were also destroyed.

The walls have been torn down and workmen will commence the erection of a new building as soon as the debris can be cleared away. It will be of a modern style with all the conveniences of a first-class hotel.

Later reports in regard to the case of F. B. Snively, Esq., say that the manner of his escape from the hotel is the subject of much speculation. He occupied room No. 24, with Messrs. Exlene and Jenkins, of Hancock, Md., on the fourth floor of the main building back, facing the yard and rear wing. Escape by the stairway being cut off by the flames, they concluded to descend by the window into the yard. Jenkins made the first attempt by a sheet torn into strips and tied together, but fell the height of three stories. Exlene followed, and let himself drop from the window into the yard. Snively climbed out on the window sill, and fell to the ground. He was fearfully burned and suffered severe internal injury.

Mr. Snively died at 3 o'clock on Friday morning. He rested comfortably under opiates, and was delirious and unconscious almost all the time. His wife, father, mother, and other relatives were with him in his last hours. Owing to his condition, the statements made by him in regard to the amount of money in his possession are very indefinite.—At one time he placed the amount at \$500, and at another \$2,500, but it is the opinion of many that he was too shrewd a business man to travel with so large a sum in his pocket. Nothing has been heard of the missing money.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 4, 1879.

What may be called the second general engagement between the two parties in Congress is about to commence. The Democrats have agreed upon and announced their plan of battle. It is, briefly, to vote the Army supplies, coupled with a provision that none of the money voted shall be used to pay for the services, transportation or equipment of troops to be used at the polls. Also, as the Legislative, Executive and Judicial appropriation bill of 1878 did not provide for any judicial expenses, they propose to extend that bill for one year, and make the judicial expenditures the subject of a separate bill. Last year they were voted as an amendment to the Sundry Civil Bill. In this separate bill there will be no provision for the payment of deputy marshals or supervisors.

The Democrats hope to secure the approval of President Hayes to all these bills, and also to one changing the qualifications and manner of selecting U. S. Jurists. On the other hand, the Republicans will fight all those measures in Congress and rely upon the President to veto them if passed.

If a determined contest occurs, the day of adjournment will be later than any heretofore named.

The President yesterday nominated Secretary of War, McCrary to a Judgeship. The retirement of Mr. McCrary will be regretted by the many friends he has made during his long service in this city. His successor has not yet been named, but it is thought some one from the Northwest will be chosen. Gov. Ramsey, of Minn., has been suggested among others.

Before the burial of Hon. E. C. Ingersoll, on Monday, in this city, there were no services except an oration by Col. Robert G. Ingersoll, brother of deceased. Col. Ingersoll spoke very feelingly. Mr. Ingersoll was an able and much respected Representative in Congress from Illinois for many years, but of late has been in the practice of law here.

Gen. and Ex-Senator Jas. Shields died last week and the War Department and the Senate will take appropriate notice of the event. The General, during his late term in the Senate, was the recipient of many flattering attentions from those who had known and associated with him at different times in his Congressional and varied career.

When some months ago, there was an immense robbery of bonds from a bank in New York, a bill was introduced and passed through Congress authorizing the issue of bonds to the bank in place of those stolen. By a confession just made by one of the robbers, it appears that they raised money to send here to delay action on the bill, so as to give them time to compromise with the bank. The delay was secured. It is inferred from this, by some papers that members of Congress were hired to cause the delay. Any one at all familiar with such matters will see that the inference is, to say the least, a wholly unnecessary one. But the facts are curious. OLIVE.

Miscellaneous News Items.

A man on an Evansville and Terre Haute Railroad train tried to push his wife out through a window, and nearly succeeded before the frightened woman was rescued.

The N. Y. World of Wednesday says:—There were thirteen unidentified bodies at the Morgue yesterday morning. Eight of them were sent to Bart's Island for burial in the afternoon.

A little boy at Pine Island, Minn., got a bite from a 12-pound pickerel, which tried to get away with hook, line, pole, boy and all. The boy yelled for help, and was enabled to save himself and the pickerel.

A fruit man of Penrose farm, Des Moines, reports the apple yield this season to promise enormous return. Some of his trees will have to be stripped of a portion of their fruit to avoid the breaking down of the limbs.

Seth Caldwell, living near Lebanon, Ind., saw a squirrel near the house on Tuesday morning. He went for a gun to slay him, but as he fired the breech-pin blew out and struck him on the forehead, breaking through the frontal bone.

An East Saginaw grocer has ordered 50 of Finch's short line telephones for use in his business. He will by this means connect his store with the houses of 50 of his best customers. The idea is a novel one and shows much enterprise.

A Carlo, Mich., woman who was accidentally shot a few days ago sent for a doctor and had her will drawn up by the latter before the doctor and the neighbors found that the ball had struck a steel corset rib and had not entered the flesh.

The excitement at Littleton, West Virginia, incident to the arrest of seven of the gang of red men who infested Wetzel county, is very great. Great difficulty is experienced in finding a justice of the peace willing to examine them, as notice is given that he does it at the risk of his life.

Last Thursday evening, while William Remley, a farm hand in Franklin twp., Lehigh county, was unhitching two horses the animals which were very vicious, sprung upon him, and one of the wheels of the wagon passing over his head he was instantly killed.

The mortality among the fish in the Passaic river, near Patterson, is increasing, and the stench is almost unbearable. It was thought that the fish were killed by the refuse from the dye works at Patterson, but they are dying in large numbers in the upper branches of the river.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 4.—A letter dated Smithville, June 2, was received here by the United States revenue collector announcing that United States Deputy Collector James M. Davis and six men were killed on the 1st inst., by moonshiners, in ambush, nine miles south of that place.

Ida Reynolds, a girl thirteen years of age, of Paterson, is attracting much

attention from the physicians. A week ago she accidentally broke the top off one of her teeth, which was then extracted, and she has since been bleeding to death. Her body is covered with large black spots caused by the extravasation of blood. As fast as the bleeding is checked in one portion of her mouth it breaks out anew in another spot, and finally the blood poured from her nose.

The other day a prominent railroad man at Indianapolis, who has no intimate acquaintance with the capabilities of the telephone, and is particularly ignorant of the microscopic attachment which when the mouth is placed near it and it is used with a loud voice, blurs the sound. The other day he spoke to a lady operator over the wire and her answer came to him spread out like dough under a heavy rolling pin. "Gracious goodness," said he, turning away from the instrument and addressing a bystander in his office, "That woman talks as if she hadn't a tooth in her head," when he was completely demoralized to hear the telephone scream in a very high shrill key. "Yes I have, you old brute, and you'd better mind how you talk about me!" And then he withered like a frost-bitten morning glory.

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