

CRISP NEWS ITEMS.

HISTORY IN BRIEF OF THE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS.

Interesting News From All Parts of the Globe—Press Dispatches Shown of Superfluous Words and Presented to Conventional Form For Readers Whose Time Is Limited.

It has now been ascertained that nearly 300 fishermen belonging to Hull, Grimsby and Yarmouth were lost during the recent gale on the British coast.

Alexandre Bida, the French artist, is dead. He was born at Toulouse in 1815.

Captain John Downey, a member of the Albany police since 1859, dropped dead of apoplexy.

The fire board of Albany has adopted a resolution ordering a strict investigation into the origin and cause of the Dela van fire and the consequent loss of life.

Alfred MacClure, the United States vice consul general at Belgrade, Serbia, has died after a long illness.

Peruvian government troops have defeated the Parola insurgents at Junin.

John Milliken, the murderer of Gabe Clark and two members of his family, was hanged at Woburn, Kan.

William Molitor, founder of the firm of Molitor, Loomis & Brunsing, and an intimate friend of Prince Bismarck, has died at Homburg, Germany.

Alphonse Laurodenau received 25 lashes in the Montreal jail. This is the maximum number given at one time. He admitted his own little daughter. At the end of his two year's sentence he gets 25 more.

The Argentine congress has sanctioned a war credit of \$3,000,000 in view of a possible quarrel with Chili regarding the frontier.

The preliminary hearing of the Hendon murder case was commenced at St. Thomas, Ont., before a bench of four magistrates.

John Burns, M. P., the English labor leader, has sailed for England. Mr. Burns expects to make the United States another visit during the coming year.

The crown prince of Siam, Somdet Chulalongkorn, has died from pneumonia fever. He was born June 27, 1873, and was designated as crown prince in January, 1897.

Fire gutted the drygoods store of G. E. Wilby & Co., at Haverhill, Mass., and also the jewelry store of C. H. Hussey on the floor above. The total loss is estimated at \$50,000, partially insured.

Roy Dr. King, well-known in slavery days for helping Canada slaves from the United States to Canada, has died at Chatham, Ont., aged 83.

The British steamship Tanquerillo and the steamship Winyah returned to Philadelphia badly damaged, having been in collision in the lower Delaware.

Signor Resman, Italian ambassador to France, has been recalled. Count Gallina, first secretary of the embassy, will act as chargé d'affaires.

The Swedish government has decided to raise the duties on corn to 310 oere per 100 kilos and on flour to 650 oere.

The pope has already sent his encyclical to the North American episcopate. It will be published in the United States before it appears in Rome.

The Fulton Carriage works at Fulton, N. Y., were totally destroyed by fire. Loss about \$25,000; insurance, \$15,000.

The Interstate Democratic association celebrated Jackson's birthday by an entertainment at Washington. Senator McLaughlin of Mississippi was the orator.

The fertilizer works of Griffith & Boyd, the old works of G. H. & C. T. Davidson and the stable, office and Home Trade Warehouse in the yard of the Standard Oil company at Canton, near Baltimore, were destroyed by fire. The total loss will run upwards of \$300,000.

Carlton Moulden, a prominent citizen of Richmond, Va., died there, aged 70 years. He had been town treasurer and was a director of the Richmond National bank. A widow survives him.

The London Times announces the death of Sir William Loring, K. C. B., admiral of the fleet.

Charles Alphonse Brod, the French novelist, is dead.

An appeal meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen of the Union Pacific system is being held in Omaha at the Windsor hotel.

Three of the crew of the wrecked Samson lost their lives when the schooner was driven against the rocks at Point Bonita light house near San Francisco. They were Divers Baker and Nolan and Watchman Johnson.

The Tennessee Democratic caucus renominated United States Senator Harris, State Treasurer Craig and Comptroller Harris.

Fifteen Armenians who were imprisoned at Shabinkarahisar, province of Sivas, charged with being concerned in a political agitation, escaped and were pursued by troops, who shot five of them. The remaining 10 escaped.

In the South Dakota Republican caucus Senator Pettigrew was unanimously selected to succeed himself as United States senator. The vote was 91-5.

Father Roeker, secretary of Mgr. Satali, said that he had no further information as to the time of the arrival here of the papal encyclical.

It is reported from Egypt that the dervishes have defeated the Italian troops near Kassa.

The German Red Cross society has forwarded 10,000 marks to the Japanese Red Cross society in aid of the wounded.

While a party of young people were skating on the river five miles from Toledo, O., the ice gave way and two young men named Scotwell and Denny were drowned.

It is officially announced that there is no foundation whatever for the report that Sir William Harcourt has resigned or that a dissolution of the British parliament is imminent.

Ernest Carnot, son of the late president of the French republic, was elected a member of the chamber of deputies, representing Beaune, department of Cote d'Or.

A duel with pistols was fought between Lieutenant Burski and Captain Mittle, both officers in the German navy. The latter was killed.

Mr. Gladstone arrived in London on his way to Cannes. He looked hale and hearty.

Matt Benan, whose trial on charge of attempted bribery of a juror was to have commenced at Malone, N. Y., has fled, jumping his bail of \$1,000.

FLAMES IN TORONTO.

Globe Newspaper Building Destroyed. One Man Killed, Others Injured.

TORONTO, Jan. 7.—Fire was discovered in the basement of the Globe newspaper building on the corner of Yonge and Mellick streets.

Chief Ardagh and five of the fire brigades mounted upon the corolus running around the first story of the Globe office and were breaking windows to introduce the hose, when the northwest wall, from the corolus up five stories, fell with a crash. The men leaped into the pile of bricks.

Chief Ardagh was badly hurt about the head and had to be removed in a cab. Robert Bowery received such injuries that he was taken to the hospital, where he was subsequently died. Charles Spradley, Francis Forsyth, Robert Foster, James Davidson and Harry Saunders are severely injured.

The Globe building, erected in 1892 at a cost of \$90,000, with a plant valued at \$60,000, was soon a complete wreck.

The Toronto lithograph company, which occupied a floor in the building, lost all its presses and many valuable stones.

From the Globe building the flames crossed the street to Harry Webster's restaurant, and that building was gutted from roof to cellar, loss on the building \$23,000, on the stock \$20,000.

The new building of Mackie & Co., wine merchants, was slightly damaged.

The wind now died, blowing from the east, and M. K. O'Connell's new wholesale drygoods store was completely out of existence, entailing a loss of \$70,000 on the building and \$100,000 on the stock.

The aggregate loss is \$700,000, insurance \$45,000.

WAITE'S MESSAGE.

Colorado's Eccentric Governor Makes Some Queer Recommendations.

DENVER, Jan. 6.—Governor Waite has sent his annual message to the legislature. The governor recommends that the general assembly appoint a commission to investigate the excess warrant frauds committed under previous administration.

The governor also recommends that a law be passed giving the state a right with a view to bringing suits against the guilty parties and to a compromise.

He declared the time had come for aggressive action on the part of the friends of free silver and said:

It is a matter of congratulation that at the last election these issues were so clearly defined that the devil claimed his own and the traitors, who had so long been masquerading as silver Democrats and Populists, were compelled to throw off their disguise and openly cling to the bosom of the Democratic party, a party responsible before God and man for the destruction of our silver product, the precipitation within the last 10 months of all real and personal property in the state (except in money or money security, to one-half of their former value and the loss of employment to thousands upon thousands of silver miners.

BAD INDIAN KILLED.

Lively Shooting Affair in Buffalo's Tenth-Mile District.

BUFFALO, Jan. 7.—An exciting shooting affair occurred on Canal street, the Tenth-mile district of Buffalo. The United States police were Patrol Hogan, a policeman, and Mitchell Patterson, a Tuscarora Indian.

The officer made an attempt to arrest Patterson, who was drunk, when the Indian drew a revolver and opened a brisk fusillade on the patrolman. The latter returned the fire and for a few minutes a lively running fire was kept up.

When the smoke of battle had cleared the Indian was found to have stepped three of the officer's bullets. He was unhurt, Patterson was taken to the Petch hospital, where he died a few hours later.

Patterson was a lake sailor, stood 6 feet 8 inches, and was a magnificent specimen of his race physically, but was possessed of an ugly temper, and when at home on the Tonawanda reservation was the terror of his tribe.

Ignorance Causes Two Deaths.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Jan. 5.—Mrs. Bailey Johnson has been literally frightened to death. A root doctor visited her and told her she was filled with lezzards.

When the physician told her this she immediately took to her bed, and her death followed. Before she died her children accused their father of having conjured the old woman, and some of them proposed to move their mother from her home and carry her to their home. The old man remonstrated.

Bailey, his son, attacked the father. The old man, in defending his own life, slew his son. He was arrested, but has been released.

To Raise an Old Treasure Ship.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The treasury department has awarded to Francis M. Ely of East Orange, N. J., the contract for raising the British frigate Hesper, which struck a rock and foundered off Fort Morris or Stony Point, East river, New York, during the Revolutionary war.

The Hesper is supposed to have had on board \$4,800,000 in British gold. Ely's compensation is to be 80 percent of all treasure found, the remaining 10 percent, together with whatever else is recovered, to go to the government.

Largest Seal Catch on Record.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The state department has published an official report from United States Consul Roberts at Victoria regarding the seal catch of the British Columbia sealing fleet last year. The figures were compiled by Collector Milne.

The consul says they show the catch to be the largest ever made in a single year and that the year once entertained that the hunters would be seriously handicapped from the compulsory use of the spear has been overcome.

Severe Punishment of Armenians.

VIENNA, Jan. 9.—Advices received here from Erzingham, Armenia, say that 48 Armenians were tried for the alleged murder of a Mussulman at Armean. In the district of Kemanch. Of this number 24 are condemned to death. In addition, five of the accused were sentenced to penal servitude for life and the others for terms ranging from three to six years.

Murderer Blizz in Court.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 7.—Claus A. Blizz, the self-confessed murderer of Catherine Gleag, was brought in court today for trial. He pleaded not guilty when arraigned on Dec. 17. The defense will be temporary insanity, brought on by the use of alcoholic stimulants.

Morocco Manufacturers Fail.

LYNN, Mass., Jan. 9.—Nicholas Weber & Son, the largest morocco manufacturers in this city, have failed. Their liabilities are \$90,000. Assets unknown. The firm has been established here 25 years.

COMING TARIFF WAR

AUSTRIA, LIKE GERMANY, ENTERS A FORMAL PROTEST.

Will Probably Follow It With Retaliating Tariff Measures—The situation becoming serious—Considered at the Cabinet Meeting—Belgium Shows Out American beef.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The tariff war between the United States and Europe has reached a new phase.

As foreboded in dispatches last week, the very first official act of Mr. Henderson, the new Austrian minister, was the judgment of a protest against that paragraph of the sugar schedule of the tariff act which imposes an additional duty of 10 percent on sugar coming from the United States from countries which pay an export bounty on sugar.

This action was taken yesterday and the ground taken by the minister was similar to that which formed the basis of the protest of Germany—that an additional duty is a discrimination against Austria and is consequently a violation of the treaty of commerce with that nation.

So far no act of retaliation accompanied the protest, but the Mr. Henderson is but following the example set by the German minister, and the next step will undoubtedly be the same direction, namely, the imposition of some restriction upon an American product that is imported in quantities into Austria.

The four great sources of our sugar supply, outside of the small proportion contributed by Louisiana, are Cuba, Germany, France and Austria. With three of these countries we are already at odds over the sugar duty, and in the case of France the acts are already indications of the adoption of a retaliatory policy in the imposition of restrictions upon our wheat and the importation of American wheat and flour.

This whole subject was under discussion by the cabinet, and as far as can be gathered the outcome was that if congress fails to act in the relief of the executive by the removal of the duty which is supposed to cause the trouble, then resort must be had to retaliation, which will either cover the duties on our exports or close our ports to all European products.

By direction of the president, Minister Taylor has threatened the Spanish government with retaliation for its discrimination against American imports, yet to carry out this threat and at the same time be consistent, similar action with respect to Germany and Belgium and other of the European countries would have to follow and the pressure from our beef trade to prevent such retaliation and secure our trade by a repeal of the sugar bounty duty is so great that the president is reluctant to enter upon a tariff war until congress has signified its desire and it may be that the attention of that body may be again drawn to this subject.

The currency question was not discussed in any of its phases, nor was there any reference to a special message to congress upon the subject.

BELGIUM FOLLOWS GERMANY.

Importation of Live Cattle From America Prohibited.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Nelson Morris has a cablegram from his agent at Antwerp that the Belgian government has prohibited the importation of live cattle from the United States on the ground that pleuro-pneumonia is prevalent in this country.

This closes all the ports of continental Europe against American cattle and beef products, and leaves to the exporter only the British market, which in its present condition is not a desirable one.

Three cities in this country sent millions of dollars worth of live stock and dressed beef to Europe every year, and the present embargo is a blow of almost incalculable severity to the cattle raising industry.

The three cities which have done the exporting are Chicago, New York and Baltimore.

Trade has recently grown to such enormous proportions that a Hamburg firm recently completed five steamers for the exclusive purpose of shipping cattle alive and dressed beef.

Spain Falls In Her Horns.

MADRID, Jan. 8.—It is reported here, as the outcome of statements said to have been made by the Spanish minister for the colonies, that as a result of the negotiations with the United States, concerning American exports to Cuba and Porto Rico, the United States will again be accorded the benefit of the minimum tariff schedule.

PARDONING POWER.

How It Has Been Exercised by Governor Flower.

ALBANY, Jan. 6.—The first record of the pardoning power granted by ex-Governor Flower is here presented. The pardons number 23, while last year there were but 18.

The commutations, many of which are equal to a pardon in effect, number 85 where last year there were 110.

Of all the applications filed during the administration of Governor Flower the average number granted was 81 per cent.

Under Flower, 41 per cent; Hoffman, 83 per cent; Dix, 44 per cent; Tilden, 81 per cent; R. Lincoln, 88 per cent; Cornell, 16 per cent; Cleveland, 16 per cent; Hill, 88 per cent.

The aggregate number of applications before Governor Flower during the three years of his term was 1,700.

Police and Firemen May Ride Free.

ALBANY, Jan. 6.—The decision of Judge Parker on the question of railroad passes in no way affects or alludes to police or firemen riding on local lines in cities. Attorney General Hancock, however, in a decision handed down some days ago, holds that police and firemen are not prohibited by the constitution from riding free on streetcars or elevated trains.

The attorney general holds that while salaried they are not public officials in any sense of the word.

Lunatic Asylum Burned.

COLUMBUS, Jan. 5.—The south wing of the main building of the state asylum for imbeciles caught fire and was totally destroyed. The inmates and children were all at supper at the time in another portion of the structure, and none were injured.

M. Stambuloff Arrested.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—A dispatch from Vienna says it is reported there that M. Stambuloff, ex-prime minister of Bulgaria, against whom an order of arrest was issued, charging him with the murder of M. Helldorf, has been arrested.

SENT TO THE BOTTOM.

Pilot Boat Sunk In Collision; Four of Her Crew Drowned.

Boston, Jan. 7. Pilotboat No. 4, D. J. Lawley, of this city, was sunk by the schooner *Horace B. Parker* of Gloucester of Hiloa ledge and four of the crew of the pilotboat perished. Rudolph Harrison, the steward of the Lawley, was the only one who escaped.

The Parker, which was making about seven knots an hour on the starboard tack beating in, had reached a point near the Minots Ledge lighthouse. A heavy mist hung about the vessel and the man at the wheel could see but a short distance.

Suddenly a loud cry of warning came out of the darkness and a moment later a vessel loomed up on the port side and before the schooner's course could be changed, she crashed into the side of the approaching craft, near the cabin, and cut her almost in two.

As the sank a half-dressed sailor, who proved to be the steward, Rudolph Harrison, succeeded in grasping the bowsprit of the Parker and scrambled aboard.

Another boatsman, Larrie, also reached the bowsprit, but it immediately gave way, falling into the water and he was drowned.

The crew of the Parker made every effort to save the men on the pilot boat, but the schooner was covered with ice and before her boats could be cleared all of the sailors in the water were drowned. It is probable that they went down at once as all but Larrie were in the cabin asleep at the time.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT IN BRAZIL.

Steamer's Boiler Explodes and 180 Persons Are Drowned.

Rio Janeiro, Jan. 8.—A terrible accident, resulting in great loss of life, has occurred in the bay here.

The boiler of the steamer *Port Niethroy*, which had quite a large party of excursionists on board, exploded and the shock drove the red-hot coils in the furnace in every direction.

The steamer caught fire and the greater number of those on board of her jumped overboard to escape the flames.

Altogether 120 persons were drowned.

Old Business Man Laid.

GENESE, N. Y., Jan. 8.—J. F. Bishop, aged 85, one of the oldest and most widely known business men in Western New York, has died here.

Saxton's Private Messenger.

VICTOR, N. Y., Jan. 8.—W. C. Heath of this village has been appointed private messenger to Lieutenant Governor Saxton.

THE MARKETS.

New York Money Market.

Money at 10 1/4 per cent. New York, Jan. 8. Prime mercantile paper, 10 1/4 per cent. Sterling exchange, actual business in bank bills, \$4.87 1/2 for demand, and \$4.87 1/2 for 60 days. Favored rates \$4.87 1/2. Commercial bills, \$4.87 1/2. Government bonds—United States 5 per cent, 104 1/4. 4 1/2 per cent, 104 1/4. Railroad bonds—Pacific of 7 1/2, 102. Certificates, 100 bid. Mexican dollars, 50. Silver, 69 1/2 bid.

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8. FLOUR—City mill patent, \$4.00; 41 1/2 winter patents, \$3.90; city, 41 1/2 winter, \$3.85; Minnesota patents, \$3.80; winter low grades, \$3.75; spring extras, \$3.80; Southern, \$3.75. Common to fair, extra, \$3.60. RYE—State, \$2.50; Jersey, \$2.50; carlots, \$2.50 delivered, boatloads, \$2.50 bid delivered. WHEAT—FLOUR—Quoted at \$1.75-1.85. CORNMEAL—Yellow western, \$1.10-1.15. BRAN—No. 1, 30; No. 2, 25; No. 3, 20; No. 4, 15. OATS—No. 1, 30; No. 2, 25; No. 3, 20; No. 4, 15. BARLEY—No. 1, 30; No. 2, 25; No. 3, 20; No. 4, 15. HAY—Shipping, \$2.50; good to choice, \$2.75. POKE—New mess, \$1.75; 13 1/2; extra prime, \$1.90; family, \$2.00; 12 1/2; short clear, \$1.50-1.60. BUTTER—Western dairy, 100 lbs. creamery, 16 1/2; factory, 16 1/2; eggs, 20c; imitation creamery, 15 1/2; state dairy, 10 1/2; eggs, 18c; fresh, 18c; small, 18c. CHEESE—State large, 18 1/2; small, 18c. EGGS—State and Pennsylvania, 20c. ICE—House, 17 1/2; western fresh, 2c; southern, 2 1/2-3c. POTATOES—Long Island, 11 1/2; Jersey, 11 1/2; New York, 11 1/2-12 1/2.

Buffalo Provision Market.

WHEAT—No. 1 hard, old, 85c; do new, 87c; No. 2 hard, old, 84c; do new, 86c; No. 2 red, 86c. CORN—No. 2 yellow, 45c; No. 2, 45c; No. 3 yellow, 45c. OATS—No. 1 white, 35c; No. 2 mixed, 34c. RYE—No. 1, 50c; No. 2, 48c. BARLEY—No. 1 western, 62c; No. 2 do, 60c; cheviot, 60c; Canada, 60c. FLOUR—Spring wheat, first patent, per bush, \$3.80-4.00; 100 lbs. grades, \$3.75-4.00; winter wheat, best family, \$3.00-3.25; Graham, \$3.00-3.25. BUTTER—State creamery, 25c-30c; western do, 25c-30c. CHEESE—Fancy full cream, 14 1/2-15c; choice do, 14c-15c; light skims, 9c-10c; skims, 8c. EGGS—State, 20c-22c; western and southern, 18c-20c.

East Buffalo Live Stock Market.

CATTLE—Extra export steers, \$5.20-5.35; good do, \$4.75-5.00; select heavy butchers, \$3.00-3.50; light heavy do, \$2.50-3.00; cows and heifers, extra, \$2.50-3.75; calves, heavy fed, \$2.00-2.50; veals, 15c-20c. SHEEP AND LAMBS—Choice to extra wethers, \$3.90-4.25; good to choice select, \$2.50-3.25; common to fair, \$1.75-2.00; choice to extra spring lambs, \$4.00-4.75; common to fair, \$2.50-3.25. HOGS—Heavy, \$4.00-4.50; medium and mixed, \$3.25-4.00; Yorkers, \$4.10-4.70; stags, \$3.00-3.50.

Buffalo Way Market.

No. 1 timothy, per ton, \$18.00-19.00; No. 2 do, \$17.00-18.00; common mixed, \$16.00-17.00; baled do, \$15.00-16.00; loose straw, \$5.00-6.00; baled do, \$6.00-7.00.

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