

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Culled From Dispatches From Both Hemispheres.

SEVEN DAYS' NEWS IN BRIEF.

A General Resume of the Leading News of the Day, Prepared in a Suitable Form For the Reader Whose Leisure Time is Limited.

The jury in the Culler case at Clyde, N. Y., brought in a verdict that he died from poison administered by some person to the jury unknown.

Cholera is disappearing at Jeddah, Egypt.

General Lew Wallace, who with General Fred Knicker and Colonel G. V. Monrois was appointed regent of the Indiana state soldiers' and sailors' monuments, has declined to accept the office.

The levee near Paradise out, Cal., has broken and the waters of the San Joaquin river are flowing over the country from Balms to Moore's Landing, a distance of 40 miles.

A dispatch from Tien Tsi states that a famine exists in the northern part of the province of Pochili.

Frederick Cleveland, a distant relative of the president, has died at Phelps, N. Y., aged 73 years.

John Bray of Auburn, N. Y., has filed a claim for \$3,483 against the state. The claim is for injuries received at the hands of a convict in Auburn prison.

Burglars entered the bank at Anderson, W. Va., blew open the safe and carried off \$7,000.

Arthur M. Wellington, editor of The Engineering News, died at his residence, 21 Gramercy park, New York city, after a prolonged illness of kidney disease.

The Duke of Hamilton and Brandon is dead at Algiers.

C. C. Carpenter, a prominent banker of Sioux Falls, S. D., died suddenly at Albion, N. Y., from diabetes.

All the brick kilns save one and the buildings and plant of the Ivy City brick company at Ivy City, a few miles outside of Washington, were destroyed by fire. Loss about \$50,000.

Mike King was hanged at Holmden, Tenn., for the murder of W. A. Beck. The condemned man broke down completely on the scaffold.

Justice Field on Monday celebrated the 53rd anniversary of his entering upon the duties of a member of the United States supreme court.

Mr. Gladstone is suffering from an attack of lamago.

The town of Brest-Litewski, in the province of Grodno, in Russian Poland, was completely destroyed by fire and 30 persons burned to death. Brest-Litewski was a town of about 40,000 people.

The oldest business block in Bonnocteville, S. C., was destroyed by fire. Seven stores were burned.

A collision of some Catholic societies with the Liberal associations occurred at Anтверp and the police were obliged to charge the mob with swords. Many arrests were made.

At Winfield, W. Va., Charles and Andrew Smith were killed and Robert Smith fatally injured by falling into a shaft at the Plymouth coal mines.

The Chicago Women's club has obliterated the color line. Character, backed by intelligence, is now the only condition of membership in that organization.

A Turkish pilgrim steamer carrying Mohammedan pilgrims going to Mecca was wrecked on the Red sea. There were 700 people on board, all of whom were saved.

The fishing schooner Mary G. Powers of Boston, which arrived from South Channel, had on board the 14 missing fishermen who went astray from the fishing schooner Ruth M. Martin over a week ago.

Li Ching Fang, the son of Li Hung Chang, has been appointed commissioner to hand over the island of Formosa to the Japanese.

David S. Sams of Babylon, N. Y., whose fire and property was purchased by New York state during the late cholera scare for a quarantine station, has died at the age of 77 years.

Kohn Spoyer, the well-known German banker, is dead.

An earthquake occurred on the island of Zante on Sunday.

Ex-County Clerk William Oliver of Rochester, has died at his home there. He was one of the best known Republicans in that county.

At Baltimore Frank Harris, colored, aged 20 years, was shot and killed by Robert Lear, white, in the yard of the latter. Harris and some accompanying companions attempted to force an entrance into the house of Lear.

The New York state fish, game and forest commission met and appointed M. C. Woerts of Oswego assistant chief fish, game and forest protector, with the title of inspector, with an annual salary of \$1,500.

It is stated that Senator Cuthbert W. Pound has been offered the professorship of law at Cornell university.

All the mines on the Wheeling division of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad are in full operation. This is a great victory for the operators. They claim they have all the men they want at the 60-cent rate.

Mrs. Warrik, a farmer's wife, near Okaloosa, Ia., gave a dose of rough-on to her three children and then committed suicide herself. The children will die.

The Manitoba school question, which at one time threatened open disruption between the two races in Canada, is virtually settled. This is stated upon reliable authority.

At Detroit, the cases against Billy Condit, et al for complicity in the noted abduction of Joseph Ferrin in January, 1891, were "nolle prossed" on the motion of the prosecuting attorney.

The United States cruiser Columbia sailed from New York for Kiel, Germany, to take part in the ceremonies attending the opening of the Baltic and North Sea canal on June 30.

Crawford & Yalantine, one of the largest stock and grain brokerage firms in Chicago, has made an assignment. They were caught short on the wheat market.

DOINGS IN ALBANY.

Legislative Proceedings in Both Senate and Assembly.

ALBANY, May 16.—The temper of the senators when they began their session was anything but favorable to a brief session. No sooner had the session begun than there was a row over adjournment.

The governor sent in a special message certifying to the necessity of passing the bill consolidating the governments of Kings county and Brooklyn city immediately without waiting for three days after the amendments.

Senator Cantor asked sarcastically how the governor knew the legislature was going to adjourn.

Senator O'Connor said that the governor knew that he had out his eye teeth and was no gooding.

Senator Cantor said no one could tell when the adjournment was to take place, and three days law was set aside on the presumption that the senate would adopt the resolution.

Senator Wolford asked that the bill be now given its third reading.

The bill was passed.

These bills were passed: Mr. Robbins, amending the civil code by establishing findings.

Mr. Sangor's, appropriating \$11,000 for a canal bridge at Rome.

Mr. Ainsworth's, authorizing the superintendent of public instruction to appoint his chief clerk as second deputy superintendent.

Mr. Whitsett's, enabling all towns and cities to use the Davis voting machine.

ALBANY, May 17.—It was precisely 1 o'clock when the clock began to toll in the senate, and nothing could have been done that day if it were not for a stroke of good fortune.

Similar resolutions endorsing President pro tem O'Connor, Minority Leader Cantor and Clerk John Kenyon and his assistants were also adopted by a ringing vote.

The lieutenant governor then, in the midst of profound silence, delivered his farewell address to the senate.

He then declared the senate adjourned sine die.

In the house at 1 o'clock the hands of the clock were turned back and the adjournment proceedings began.

Senators Leow and O'Sullivan appeared in the chamber as a committee from the senate to inform the house that the senate had completed their labors and were ready to adjourn.

On appearing under the escort of the committee the speaker was greeted with applause on all sides.

Mr. Foley stepped forward and presented him, on behalf of the members, with a life-size picture of himself.

Mr. Ainsworth then addressed the speaker and on behalf of the majority presented him with a beautiful silver service.

Mr. Malby called for Mr. Ainsworth and presented him with a handsome diamond and emerald watch.

Mr. Foley was presented by Mr. Honesty, on behalf of the minority, with a diamond stick.

Mr. Kook presented Clerk Baxter with a diamond ring on behalf of the house and Mr. Stanchoff presented Sergeant-at-Arms Benson with a gold watch and chain.

The speaker then addressed the house in a few closing remarks, speaking with kindly warmth of his treatment by the members one and all, after which he declared the session adjourned sine die.

A THING OF THE PAST.

The Income Tax Law Declared Unconstitutional.

COLLECTIONS ORDERED TO CEASE.

Internal Revenue Officials See Within a Week the Disappearance of a Large Source of Revenue—Payees May Be Forced to Bring Suit to Order to Recover.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The income tax law, which has received so large a share of the public attention since the beginning of the first regular session of the Fifty-third congress, is a thing of the past.

After being first heard in the United States supreme court it was finally decided by that court to be invalid and unconstitutional.

There were four dissenting opinions delivered in the case, one each by Justice Harlan, Brown, Jackson and White, all of whom had stood 5 to 4 against the law.

The conclusions of the court were as follows: First—We adhere to the opinion already announced that taxes on real estate being undepositably direct taxes are equally direct taxes.

Second—We are of the opinion that taxes on personal property or on the income of personal property are likewise direct taxes.

Third—The tax imposed by sections 27 to 29 inclusive of the act of 1894, so far as it falls on the income of real estate and on personal property, being a direct tax with no apportionment, is unconstitutional and void therefore.

Sections 27 to 29 of the tariff act of 1894, referred to in the decisions of the court, are all the sections of the act relating to the income tax, and the entire income tax law is declared void specifically.

TAX COLLECTIONS STOPPED.

All Operations Under the Annulling Law Ordered to Cease.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Commissioner Miller of the internal revenue bureau sent the following telegram to all collectors of internal revenue.

"Income tax law declared unconstitutional by supreme court. Stop all work in connection therewith and send to this office at once under seal, all books, assessment lists, returns and records in your office or hands of deputies relating to income tax."

The commissioner had for some days been preparing for an adverse decision of the court, but nevertheless it was to him a matter of deep regret.

He believed in the constitutionality of the law and was inclined to regard the decision of the court as one in which its adverse effects might be far-reaching.

In his opinion fully \$25,000,000 or \$40,000,000 would have been collected during the first year had the entire law been sustained by practically a unanimous court and even after it had been shown of the rent provision at least \$10,000,000 and probably \$20,000,000 or estimated would have been collected.

As soon as possible those persons who have already paid their tax will be notified that under the authority granted the collector by section 3,221 of the revenue statutes he will refund all such moneys on application of the payees, and such applications will be made on the ordinary form for the refunding of taxes that have been unlawfully paid into the treasury.

It is estimated that the total cost of the work already done and to be done in closing up the affairs of the income tax division will be about \$100,000, while there has been collected about \$2,000,000 under the law.

Payees Must Bring Suit.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Joseph H. Choate was seen in his office a few moments after the news got out that the income tax law had been declared unconstitutional. He was asked if he had heard it.

"Yes," he said, "I have just heard that such was the case. Interesting, isn't it?" and he smiled.

"Will there be any complications about refunding those who have already paid their taxes?"

"Those who paid under protest will probably be reimbursed," replied Mr. Choate.

"And the others, those who simply paid without protesting?"

"There is no provision for them. All they can do will be to wait for congress to pass a resolution in their favor. The others will doubtless win their suits."

"Will it be necessary to bring suit after having protested?"

"Why, yes, I should think so," he replied.

COAL MINE FATALITY.

Fire-damp Explosion Causes the Death of Four Men.

WHEELING, W. Va., May 21.—The first reports of a disastrous explosion at the Monongah coal mine near Fairmont were wildly exaggerated and a number of very sensational stories have been sent out over the country.

The exact facts are as follows: A Pole carelessly ignited a can of powder in mine No 4 of the Monongah Coal and Coke company and a terrific explosion occurred. The accident occurred in the main air course leading to mine No 2 about 500 feet from the mouth of mine No 4, and the smoke was thus driven through the different parts of the mine suffocating four miners. Quite a number of others were seriously but not fatally affected by the smoke. The dead are:

C. L. BERTCHER, an old man who lives a large family.

WILLIAM SHAVER, aged 15. LURE VEHEA. ANDREW DUNLOE. The last two are foreigners.

Mine Inspector D. M. Harris is on the ground and is making an investigation. A report will be made today.

The Monongah mines are the principal works in the upper Monongahela coal field, and the company is headed by ex-United States Senator Camden.

Woman Mysteriously Missing. MONTREAL, May 21.—Mrs. Mary Lee, whose husband is said to live in Buffalo, where she came from, has been mysteriously missing from her home since April 28. She was 28 and a housekeeper for Dr. Ferris, the dentist. The police are searching for her.

Aged Woman's Fatal Fall. ALBANY, May 21.—Catherine Fallon, aged 93, residing at 611 Ninth-street, West Troy, fell from the stairs in the Union depot and was instantly killed. She was on her way to visit a sick husband.

THE MARKETS.

New York Money Market. New York, May 21. Money on call at 6 1/2 percent. Prime mercantile paper 2 1/2 to 3 percent.

New York Produce Market. NEW YORK, May 21. FLOUR—City mill patent, \$1.00 to \$1.10. Winter patents, \$1.00 to \$1.10. City mill clear, \$1.00 to \$1.10.

WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 77c; No. 1 northern, 78c; No. 2 red, 77c.

CORN—No. 2 yellow, 63c; No. 2 white, 64c.

RYE—No. 1, 57c; No. 2, 56c.

Butter—Western dairy, 70c; do creamery, 71c; do factory, 72c.

CHEESE—State large, 40c; small, 38c.

Eggs—State, 15c; Canada and western, 12c.

Buffalo Provision Market. BUFFALO, May 21. WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 76c; No. 1 northern, 77c.

CORN—No. 2 yellow, 62c; No. 2 white, 63c.

RYE—No. 1, 56c; No. 2, 55c.

Butter—State creamery, 70c; western do, 69c.

CHEESE—Fancy full cream, 38c; choice do, 37c; light skims, 36c; skims, 10c.

Eggs—State, 15c; Canada and western, 12c.

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