CRISP NEWS BREVITIES.

A Condensed History of the Week's Events.

BULKY DETAILS BOILED DOWN.

Interesting and Important News From All Parts of the Globe—Press Dispatches Shorn of Superfluous Words For the Benefit of the Busy Public.

Superintendent of Public Works Aldridge will open the Erie canal on May 1 unless something unusual occurs.

The journeymen tailors of Toronto, who have been on strike for 15 weeks, capitulated and have gone back to work.

Dispatches from Basin, Mont., are to the effect that the fire in the Hope mine has been extinguished, but that seven imprisoned miners are, without doubt, dead.

Charles C. Wells, 57 years old, a prominent druggist of Saratoga, has died there.

The Owen Electric Belt company of Chicago has made an assignment. F. G. Woodman was appointed assignee. Liabilities, $40,000.

The trial of Abilerny Radley for the murder of the infant child of his unmarried daughter, was opened at Lowville, N. Y.

State Excise Commissioner Henry H. Lyman of New York has announced his selection of Colonel H. W. Michell as special deputy excise commissioner for the county of Kings.

The Upper Hudson Railway company has filed a certificate of incorporation with the secretary of state at Albany. The company incorporates with a capital stock of $200,000 to operate a steam road, 20 miles long, between Corinth and South Glens Falls, Saratoga county.

Governor Morton of New York has signed the bill of Assemblyman Aldr appropriating $50,000 for completing the buildings composing the New York state home for the aged, dependent veteran and his wife, veterans' mothers, widows and army nurses.

Lady Mount-Stephen has died in London after a fortnight's illness.

Mrs. Irene Weber of New York city, the wife of Albert C. Weber, member of the Weber Piano company, has been granted a divorce by Justice Andrews.

Alarming reports have been received regarding the illness of M. Tricoupis, formerly prime minister of Greece.

Marquis Yamagata, field marshal of Japan, with his suite of six noblemen and their attendants, have arrived in Chicago.

An official note has been issued by the Turkish government categorically denying that Rev. George P. Knapp, the American missionary, who is "visiting" the vali of Bitlis, is imprisoned there, as has been reported. The note also states that the reported expulsion of other missionaries from Asia Minor is devoid of foundation.

The death has occurred at Halifax of Father Cochet, superior general of the Eudist fathers, a new order recently established here by Father Cochet and other priests from France.

The body of Horace T. Stilson, a lawyer of Boston, was found in the Harlem river at New York. It is supposed that Mr. Stilson either threw himself into the river or walked off the dock accidentally while temporarily insane.

At Springfield, Mass., a workman named August Seguine, who was thawing out a dynamite cartridge preparatory to doing some blasting was instantly killed by an explosion.

At Butte, Mont., an explosion of 100 pounds of giant powder, by which six men were blown to pieces, occurred at the 1,100 foot level of St. Lawrence mine.

Mrs. John A. Cockerill announces that Colonel Cockerill left a modest competence and that his will, made a few days before he started for Japan, named Joseph Pulitzer of The World, an executor.

Daniel E. Leslie, auditor of the Standard Oil company, has resigned.

The steamer Bellarden, which grounded off New York, was floated by the Merritt Wrecking company and proceeded to the city in tow of two tugs.

The anniversary of the surrender at Appomattox April 9, 1865, was celebrated at Washington by a reception and camp fire given under the auspices of the department of the Potomac, G. A. R.

Robert Bonney, an American citizen, was murdered in Sal Salvador, March 28, and as a result the state department has demanded the fullest investigation. Robbery is supposed to have been the motive.

An official denial has been issued at St. Petersburg of the statement published all over the world that Port Arthur has been ceded to Russia by China as a result of secret offensive and defensive alliance between the two powers.

Martin Van Anden, one of the oldest hotel keepers in Duchess county, N. Y., has died at his home in Newburg.

Colonel J. Martin of St. Louis will be the sergeant-at-arms of the Democratic national convention.

The Democrats carried everything in the election of the town of Watervliet, N. Y., with the exception of the offices of supervisor and overseer of the poor, which went to the Republicans.

Five men were probably fatally injured by an explosion of fire damp during a fire in the red ash vein of the Woodward mine at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Alfred Mottes' woolen mill at Roubaix, France, has burned. The loss is estimated at $600,000.

The appeal of Vincenzo Nino, convicted of murder in the first degree and under sentence of death at Sing Sing prison, has been argued before the court of appeals at Albany.

Miss Mary Linnet of Chicago shot and instantly killed Miss Elizabeth Trowbridge, a prominent young woman of Elgin, Ills., as the result of an insane infatuation, and then killed herself.

William Batty, a carpenter at Niagara Falls, was fatally injured by a rock falling upon him and crushing in his skull.

The public prosecutor of Paris has opened an inquiry before Judge Dieyer into the alleged "corner" in petroleum.

The aldermen of Buffalo have taken definite action toward enlarging the boundaries of Buffalo by the annexation of part of the town of Tonawanda and slices of Cheektowaga and West Seneca.

Messages from various points announce that all the men who were carried off from Newfoundland by the ice field on [illegible] are safe except two. These were [illegible] perished of hunger and [illegible]

APOLOGY FROM GARCIA.

For Failing to Await His Trial For Alleged Filibustering.

NEW YORK, April 14.—The following letter has just been received in New York by Estrada Palma from General Garcia, who lately landed in Cuba:

To the People of the United States:

I am fully aware of the obligation which I have contracted to stand trial for my alleged violation of the laws of your country. I did not remain to [illegible] the consequences [illegible]

GENERAL CALIXTO GARCIA.

acts simply [illegible] a higher duty to perform [illegible]

Having fought for the independence of my country for [illegible] years, and having ever since [illegible] the idea for which we then fought [illegible] and highest duty to fight and, if necessary, die to attain the independence of my country.

Should I fall, my death will expiate, I hope, in your eyes, any possible offense for which I might have to stand trial there, should I survive. I give you my word as a man and a soldier to return to your country and cheerfully abide by the consequences which the laws of the country may visit on me.

My conscience tells me that in this proceeding I will satisfy the laws of justice, and I am confident that [illegible] will [illegible] my conduct.

CALIXTO GARCIA.

Cuba Libre, March, 1896.

RELICS OF THE HOLMES TRIAL.

The Articles Will All Be Turned Over to Mrs. Pitezel.

PHILADELPHIA, April 14.—Assistant District Attorney Barlow announces that all the relics that figured in the trial of H. H. Holmes for the murder of Benjamin F. Pitezel will be shipped to Mrs. Pitezel at Galva, Ills., as soon as the law has finally disposed of the murderer. They will include, besides Pitezel's picture, the fragmentary remains of the three murdered children.

Mrs. Pitezel within the past few days requested her counsel here to arrange for the shipment so that she might give decent interment to what was left of her dead little ones. She also inquires if she cannot obtain all or part of the money taken from her by Holmes while he was taking her about the country.

This is interesting in view of the statement that Holmes has received a large sum for his alleged confession. Mrs. Pitezel's counsel would not state whether any judgment would be entered against Holmes, but it is believed nothing will be done.

Mrs. Pitezel also inquires if steps cannot be taken to compel Lawyer Howe of St. Louis, Holmes' alleged co-conspirator in the insurance swindle, to return the $2,500 she alleges he obtained from her. Her counsel is now considering just what steps to take in both these matters.

WILL REACH A MILLION.

Cashier Barnard's Crooked Transactions Assuming Colossal Proportions.

ROME, N. Y., April 11.—More of the transactions of late Cashier Barnard of the Fort Stanwix bank have developed.

Mrs. Mary Tully of Utica, having received notice of protest on a note for $1,486.85, called at the bank here and denied its making. She charged Barnard with using her name. Mrs. Tully said that some time ago she sold property which she owned here and deposited $2,800 with Barnard. She withdrew this amount on Jan 21, eight days before Barnard committed suicide. The investigation shows that he replaced it with the forged paper mentioned and another worthless note in the name of the J. Winslow Jones company.

Barnard had the handling of the estate of Robert McCutcheon, valued at $8,000. Investigation reveals $800 in three mortgages left.

Another estate, left by Mrs. Rhoda Armstrong in trust, amounting to $85,000, is gone, excepting about $7,000 in stock of the Rome and Clinton railway.

It is estimated that Barnard's mismanagement of estates and alleged defalcations at the bank will reach $1,000,000.

CONGRESS TO ADJOURN EARLY.

Regular Work of the Session Nearing Completion In Both Houses.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—An unusually early adjournment of congress is being predicted by the Republican leaders in both houses and every sign points to the fulfillment of their prophesies. No congress in many years has made the record for the transaction of routine business which stands to the credit of the present one, so far as the lower house is concerned at any rate.

With all of the regular appropriation bills, except two, already passed by the house, with one of those remaining reported from the committee and likely to be passed with only a day or two of debate and with the other in process of preparation, house leaders are placing the limit of this session at the 1st of June, allowing as they think sufficient time for the senate to take care of the important bills sent to it from the house.

Receiver Davis Drops Dead.

ELMIRA, N. Y., April 15.—Charles Davis of Binghamton, receiver of the defunct Elmira National bank, dropped dead here. The death of Davis was due to apoplexy. At the time of his death he was in the office of United States Deputy Marshal Theodore G. Smith on the third floor of the Robinson building. He had not complained of being ill and spent Sunday at his home in Binghamton. The deceased was about 55 years of age and was appointed receiver of the Elmira National bank three years ago. He was an influential Democrat and a close friend of President Cleveland.

Sunday Barber Law Upheld.

ALBANY, April 15.—The court of appeals, in deciding the case of Henry J. Hayner, the New York barber who was convicted of keeping open on Sunday during prohibited hours, found the law constitutional by a vote of 5 to 2, Judges Gray and Bartlett dissenting.

BIG FIRE IN NEW YORK.

The Flames Raged For Over Three Hours.

ONE FIREMAN FATALLY INJURED

Big Building Occupied by Business Concerns Badly Damaged—Two Firemen Overcome by Smoke. Loss Estimated at $300,000.

NEW YORK, April 15.—One of the most stubborn fires with which the fire department has had to contend recently started in some unknown manner in the boiler room of the 5-story brick building at 73 Grand street and also 33 and 35 Greene street. The building was occupied wholly by business firms, most of whom represent large European houses and deal principally in silks, dressgoods and kid gloves. The firemen fought the flames for nearly three hours before they were under control, but succeeded in keeping the blaze in the westerly end of the building in Grand street, which is separated from the Greene street portion of the structure by a thick wall. So stubborn was the blaze and so thick was the smoke that the firemen worked under great disadvantage and found it necessary to call all the engines and hook and ladder companies due on a fourth alarm.

During the course of the fire two of the firemen were overcome by smoke and one of them, John Gallagher, was burned about the face and was also cut by falling glass.

The entire building is leased by C. A. Auffmordt & Co., a Paris house, which is consignee for many firms in Europe. Each one of those firms had a representative in New York.

The American manager of the establishment is John F. Degener, who is also a partner. He was called to the scene, but said that he was unable to form an estimate of the amount of the damage done. It is thought, however, that the loss will be in the neighborhood of $300,000.

C. A. Auffmordt & Co. have been in business at the same place for more than 30 years. The loss is said to be fully covered by insurance.

MATABELE OUTBREAK SPREADS.

A Rising Now Threatened Along the Transvaal Border.

CAPE TOWN, April 15.—News has been received here that the natives are preparing to rise along the Transvaal border. The burghers of the Transvaal have appealed for arms with which to protect themselves.

A rising in Northern Transvaal itself is also reported to be imminent. There is something of a panic manifest among the burghers at the situation. The threatened spread of the disturbance on the Transvaal border also makes the situation at Buluwayo and in Matabeleland much more serious.

The authorities have felt that Buluwayo was reasonably safe if the food supply should hold out. But the danger has been that the Matabele would stop the wagon roads through the Matoppo hills and to the south and thus prevent supplies from getting through from Mafeking.

It is believed that the white settlers scattered through Matabeleland are in places of safety by this time in Buluwayo or Gwelo, and the missionaries do not feel that they run any risk from the natives to whom they are known, though there might be danger from strange wandering bands.

Only a part of the 500 reinforcements designed for Buluwayo have been dispatched from Mafeking, the nearest point available for that purpose, but it takes four weeks' hard travelling by ox wagons to reach Buluwayo from there, and it is said that the journey cannot be done in that time except with very light loads.

Supplies of ammunition which are what is most needed at this time in Matabeleland must therefore take time for transportation, and the new developments in the situation threaten to cut off, or at least to interrupt, communication between Buluwayo and the only source to which it can look for a renewal of its supplies.

It has been discovered that some of the Matabele who have been employed as servants here have been acting as spies and conveying information of the movements of expeditions to their friends in outlying districts. One of these traitorous servants has been shot.

PASTOR CLEVELAND OUSTED.

The President's Brother Removed From the Pastorship of His Church.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., April 15.—The presbytery of the St. Lawrence voted to dissolve the pastoral relation existing between Rev. William N. Cleveland of Chaumont, the brother of President Cleveland, and his church.

Mr. Cleveland assented to the action of the committee, but entered a protest. There was a warm discussion at the close of which the presbytery voted unanimously as indicated. The presbytery has endeavored for more than a year to harmonize the troubles existing, but without permanent success.

Mr. Cleveland's protest contains some very spicy language, and a resolution was passed stating that the presbytery did not assent to the statements made.

Borne to Her Grave by Princes.

ATHENS, April 15.—A nurse, who has been one of the palace attendants since the birth of the crown prince in 1868, has died and the king and the princess attended the funeral. They were deeply affected. The king, the crown prince and Princes George and Nicholas carried the coffin and the hearse was followed on foot to the cemetery by the ladies and gentlemen of the court.

Distinguished Canadian Dying.

TORONTO, April 15.—Colonel F. C. Denison, member of the Dominion parliament for West Toronto, is not expected to live. This officer was in command of the Canadian Voyageurs who accompanied the British expedition up the Nile in 1885 and whose brilliant exploits at that time won for him unstinted praise in military circles throughout Great Britain.

Two Killed by the Cars.

BUFFALO, April 15.—Two citizens of Lancaster, John Leininger and Peter Protzeller, returning from a hunting trip behind a young horse, were killed outright by the westbound fast mail on the New York Central, at the Looneyville crossing, running 50 miles an hour. The horse ran madly into the train. The animal and carriage were torn to pieces.

REPLY TO INGERSOLL.

Dr. P. D. John Defends the Bible Against His Attacks.

CHICAGO, April 15.—Dr. John P. D. John, ex-president of Depauw university and a well known Methodist minister, replied to the address of Colonel Ingersoll delivered at Militant church Sunday.

Mr. John said in part: "The Bible must be judged by the manner in which it does what it professes to do and not by a foreign standard. It came to teach men of duty and destiny—not to teach art, science or literature.

"But what of the savageries of war and the infamies of slavery permitted and ordered by Jehovah in the early history of the race? The only new element in this case is the reflex influence on the men who acted as God's agents. Society may for its own protection deprive men of what would otherwise be their rights when the exercise of the right becomes destructive of society itself, and shall not the maker of Heaven and earth be permitted to do as much?

"Why did not God with whom a miracle is so easy, says Mr. Ingersoll, make the Israelites at once what he wanted them to be without educating them through the horrors of war and slavery? Because he could not. God can make clouds the way he wants them and so they will remain, but he cannot make parallel lines meet for they will no longer be parallel and he cannot make men virtuous against their wills, for they [illegible] longer [illegible]. Education is a process of steps and not a sudden bridging of extremes."

Dr. John closed his address with a magnificent peroration on the destiny of the race and the individual under the respective hypothesis of agnosticism and Christianity.

Amendment to the Eight-hour Law.

ALBANY, April 15.—The brick manufacturers in the state who are desirous of working their employes longer than 10 hours a day during the summer as specified by law have prepared a bill amending the law, which was introduced in the [illegible] Davis. The bill provides that employes in brickyards may work [illegible] hours a day and provides [illegible] as may be agreed between them and their employers.

Says Holmes' Confession Was False.

PITTSBURG, April 15.—Insurance inspector [illegible] victim, Pitezel, was insured, is in the city. He says it has [illegible] murders he confessed to. Kate Durke is in Omaha, Dr. Russell is in Michigan, Robert Latimer in Chicago [illegible] did not die for six weeks after leaving Chicago for Iowa.

Board of Claims In Session.

ALBANY, April 15.—The state board of claims [illegible] session. By stipulation an award of $[illegible] was rendered in the matter of the claim of W. L. Jeffrey for damages to his boat Eclipse, which was run down by the state steamer Ripple on Great South bay last summer.

THE MARKETS.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 14.

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Sterling exchange: Actual business in bankers' bills 4.8[illegible] for demand 4.87¾@4.88 for 60 days. Posted rates $4.88@4.89 and [illegible]

Commercial bills, $4.8[illegible]

Silver certificates, 68¼@69¼c.

Mexican 54[illegible]c.

Bar silver [illegible]

New York Produce Market.

FLOUR—City mills patent, $4.30@4.50; city mills clear, $4.10@4.20; winter patents, $3.9[illegible]; [illegible] winter extras, $[illegible]; Minnesota patents, $3.75@4.00; Minnesota bakers, $[illegible]; spring low grades, $[illegible]; winter do, $2.[illegible]@2.45; spring extra, $1.9[illegible]@[illegible]; Southern flour, $3.7[illegible].

BUCKWHEAT—[illegible]

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Spot and to arrive, $1.25.

CORNMEAL—Yellow western, [illegible]; brandywine, $2.2[illegible]; city, 79c.

RYE—State, 43@45c; delivered No. 2 western 47c.

RYE FLOUR—Superfine, $2.65@2.75; fancy, $2.75@3.[illegible]

BARLEY—Feeding, 35@37c; malting, 39@45c.

BARLEY MALT—Western, 44@60c; No. 6 western, 48@70c; two rowed, 81c; six rowed do, 6[illegible]@7[illegible]c.

WHEAT—Spot sales of No. 2 red store and elevator, 76¼c; afloat, 77½c; f. o. b., 78½c afloat. No. 1 northern, 74¾c f o b afloat. No. 2 do, 71¼c elevator. No. [illegible] hard, 75¾c f o b afloat. Options: No. 2 red April closed at 74¾c; May, [illegible]; June, 71¼c; July, [illegible]; Sept. 71⅝c; Dec. 73[illegible]c.

CORN—Spot sales of No. 2, 39c elevator, 40c afloat. No. 2 white, [illegible]; steamer white, 39c; steamer mixed, [illegible]@40c; do yellow, 40c. Options: April closed 37⅝c; May, 8[illegible]c; July, 37½c; Sept. 38¼c.

OATS—Spot sales of No. 2, 25¼@25½c; No. 2 delivered, 2[illegible]@26½c; No. 3, 24½c; No. 2 white, 28½c; No. 3 white, 2[illegible]c; track white western, 25@28; track white state, 25@[illegible]; track mixed western, 25@26½c; track white, 25@[illegible]c. Options: May closed at 24⅝c.

HAY—Shipping, 80c; good to choice, 95c@$1.[illegible]

PORK—Old mess, $8.75@9.25; family, $10.[illegible]@1[illegible]; short clear, $10.00@11.50; extra prime, $10.5[illegible]

BUTTER—Western creamery, 11@17c; do factory, 11c; elgins, 17c; imitation creamery, 1[illegible]@14c; state dairy, 10@16c; do creamery, 1[illegible]@17c.

CHEESE—State large, 5¾@10¾c; small, 6@10¾c; part skims, 3@[illegible]c; full skims, 2@2½c.

EGGS—State and Pennsylvania, 13c; western fresh, 11@11½c; fresh [illegible], $2.50@2.75; southern, 11c.

POTATOES—Long Island, 50@75c; sweets, $1.00@5.0[illegible]; Jersey, 50@75c; New York, 50c@$1.25.

Buffalo Provision Market.

BUFFALO, April 14.

WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 78¾c; No. 1 northern, 72¾c. Winter wheat: No. 2 red, 72½c.

CORN—No. 2 yellow, 35½c; No. 2, 34¾c; No. 3 yellow, 3[illegible]c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 24½c; No. 2 mixed, 22½c.

BARLEY—Fancy, 45c; good to choice, 43c.

RYE—No. 2, 41½c.

FLOUR—Spring wheat, best patent, per bbl, $4.00@4.25; low grades, $2.75@2.90; winter wheat, best family, $3.75@4.00; graham, $3.5[illegible].

BUTTER—State creamery, 19c; western do, 19c.

CHEESE—Fancy full cream, 10¼@11c; choice do, 9½@10c; light skims, 5@7c; skims, 3@4c.

EGGS—State, 12c; Canada and western, 12c.

East Buffalo Live Stock Market.

CATTLE—Extra export steers, $4.15@4.30; good do, $4.00@4.15; choice heavy butchers', $3.80@3.90; light handy do, $3.65@3.85; cows and heifers, extra, $3.75@4.00; calves, heavy fed, $2.25@3.75; veals, $4.50@5.50.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Choice to extra wethers, $4.00@4.10; good to choice sheep, $4.00@4.10; common to fair, 2.75@3.50; choice to extra spring lambs, $4.75@4.75; common to fair, $4.60@4.80.

HOGS—Heavy, $3.95@4.00; medium and mixed, $4.00@[illegible]; Yorkers, $4.10@4.15; pigs, $4.15@4.[illegible]

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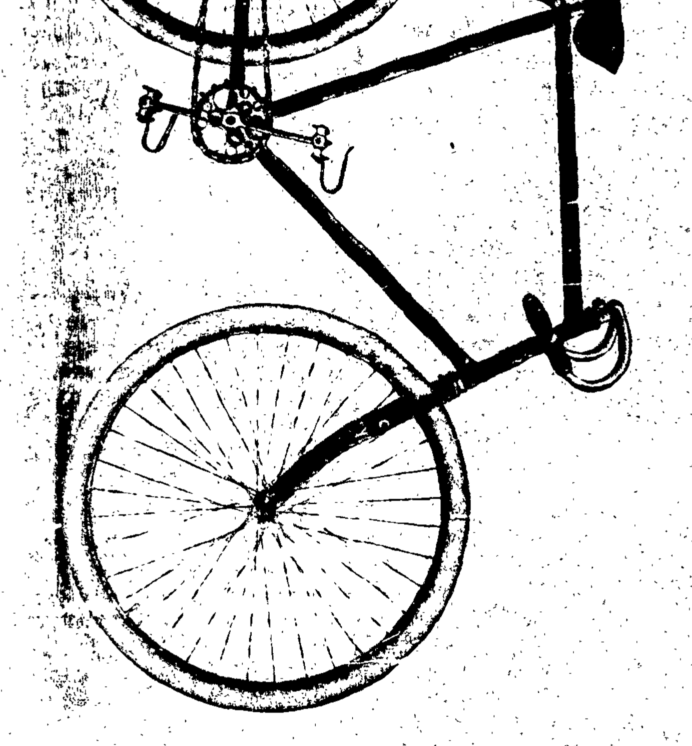

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