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.

Gaffney has been cut off from the staff of Eastern league umpires and Larry Kettrick of Scranton appointed in his stead.

The railroads running into Centralia Ills., have suspended running trains owing to washouts, the result of heavy rains. The St. Louis eastbound passenger train struck a washout near here and a passenger coach was turned over. A tramp riding on the platform was killed.

A very destructive fire has visited Henderson, Ky. The Pythian building, Parthester and Barrett House were totally destroyed, together with a number of other small buildings. It is impossible to estimate the loss, but well informed citizens put it at not less than $250,000.

Under the direction of the bureau of statistics of labor of the state, a free employment bureau was opened in New York. The office was provided for by the last legislature and $5,000 was appropriated to test the experiment.

The messenger who carried the news to the khalifa at Omdurman, that his army had been defeated at Firket, was immediately put to death by crucifixion. The khalifa announced that the same fate would be imposed upon anyone who mentioned Firket in his hearing.

Mrs. William Stilington, an aged and respected resident of Carnia, Ont., who has been totally blind for over 12 years, was engaged stirring some catables that were boiling on the cooking stove, when her clothing caught fire and she was fatally burned.

A dispatch from Constantinople asserts that a massacre has occurred at Egin in the Diarbekir district of Armenia, in which 400 persons were killed and the city was pillaged.

Edmond Luis Antoine Huot de Goncourt, the noted French writer, is dead, at the age of 75 years.

The Hallet & Davis company of Chicago, dealers in pianos and organs, made an assignment.

There are 273 fresh cases of cholera reported from Egypt and 263 deaths there from.

At the National Window Glass Workers' association convention at Pittsburg the report of the wage committee was presented. It demands a restoration of the reduction of 22½ per cent made in the wages last year at the coming annual conference with manufacturers.

The Curtis Navigation company has been incorporated with the secretary of state with a capital stock of $145,000. The principal office of the company is in Buffalo and it will carry on a transportation business in the Great Lakes.

P. J. O'Connor of Savannah, Ga., was re-elected president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. John Weadock of Bay City was re-elected vice president and Thomas J. Dundan of Columbus, O., treasurer.

A dispatch from Algiers announced the death of Prince Rainilaiarivony, formerly prime minister of Madagascar under Queen Ranavalona III.

Of the 654 candidates who tried the examination for the position of special excise agents, but 245 passed, 53 of whom are veterans.

The Greek government has decided to send reinforcements of troops to the Greco-Turkish frontier, owing to the strained relations between Greece and Turkey immediately growing out of the Cretan insurrection.

Hon. Grinnell Burt of Warwick, N. Y., president of the Lehigh and Hudson railroad, and one of Orange county's most prominent Democrats, has bolted the Democratic ticket.

An eastbound express train on the Grand Trunk road collided with a switch engine near Chatham, Ont. The engineer on the express was killed.

The jury in the case of Christian Hanson, on trial for the murder of James Mullen at Parry Sound, Ont., returned a verdict of guilty.

Several hundred German Lutherans of Albany, Schenectady and other places joined with the local Lutherans in a mission festival at Saratoga. Addresses were delivered by Revs. Stutz of Albany and L. Schuls of Schenectady.

A dispatch reports that yellow fever is on the increase in Cuba.

A train was held at Lockport, N. Y., for an hour waiting for signals from the western signal tower. On investigation the towerman, Charles Degnon, was found lying on the floor covered with blood and with an ugly gash in the head. He claimed he was assaulted by an Indian with a piece of gas pipe.

Mayers, a New York commercial traveller, was arrested at St. Johns, N. F., for attempting to smuggle $1,000 worth of jewelry ashore from the steamer Portia.

The Saratoga Union Electric railroad has been sold on second mortgage in favor of the New York Central Trust company and was bought by Bertram & Storrs, New York city bankers, for $8,500, subject to $100,000 first mortgage held by the Central Trust company.

At Anniston, Ala., Warren P. Rouse, formerly of Chattanooga, and Nora Tanner fought a duel with pistol and knife. Rouse was shot twice and died almost instantly. The Tanner woman was cut to pieces and has died.

Joseph Griffin, 15 years old, walked into Dr. Miller's office in New York city and said that he had been stabbed by his brother James, 12 years old, during a quarrel. Joseph died while being treated by the doctor. James was arrested.

The old Flagler mansion at Lockport, N. Y., occupied by three families, has been totally destroyed by fire. Dr. Stephen Tabor, a neighbor, in attempting to save household effects, was stricken with heart disease and died instantly.

Mrs. Letitia Youmans, who enjoyed a worldwide reputation as a temperance reformer and platform lecturer, has died at Toronto.

Catcher Chamberlain of the Tunkhannock (Pa.) baseball club was stabbed there. A jack-knife was used and he is lying at the point of death. It is asserted that a gang of toughs lay in wait for Chamberlain and attacked him. David Myers has been arrested for the crime.

NIAGARA'S MIGHTY POWER.

Tesla Demonstrates That It Can Be Successfully Transmitted.

BUFFALO, July 20.—Electric power will be transmitted to this city from Niagara Falls for industrial purposes on or before Nov. 1, 1896.

Nicola Tesla says so and he ought to know. He made the statement after an experiment which he personally conducted and which was successful in the extreme.

The contracts for laying the conduits in the streets of Buffalo in which the wires will be carried will be closed this week. The contract for the pole line which will carry the wires from the power house at the Falls to the city line will also be made this week.

Nicola Tesla came to the Falls from Pittsburg, where he had inspected the machinery there being constructed for the Niagara Falls Power company by the Westinghouse concern. The great electrician met the officials of the Power company at the Falls.

His part in the scheme was to invent and reduce to practice the method by which electric power may be transformed at the Falls into a current of high voltage to avoid loss in transmission and then be again transformed at Buffalo at a "step down" transformer into a current of great energy.

These two transformers have been built according to Tesla's plans. He declares that by his 2-phase system 1,000 volts can be transmitted for a greater distance and at 1-400 the loss with which the Buffalo railroad company transmits power over its operating lines, that he can handle any voltage, no matter how high, as easily as a train carries baggage.

Many scientists and electricians were present to see the power from the dynamo turned over to the "step-up" transformer, and when the test was made and declared by the inventor a success, the party showered congratulations and rejoicings upon the modest young electrician.

OUTLOOK FOR CROPS.

Generally Poor Condition of Fruit All Over the Country.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—Generally poor condition of fruit through the country is announced in the agricultural department report just published. Apples declined in condition from 71 to 64.6 during June. Prospects for excellent crops still continued in New England, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Iowa. Conditions are also fair in Nebraska, and several of the mountain states.

In the Ohio valley and certain of the Western states not yet reported to the figures are somewhat higher, but nowhere above 87, which is the percentage returned for Illinois and Missouri.

The peach crop promises to be of good proportions. During the past month a fall of 19.9 points has taken place, leaving the general average now 51.8.

Good crops are expected in Delaware, Maryland, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri and Kansas. The crop has suffered considerably in California as is shown by a condition of 75, which is lower than any July condition in that state since 1890. In New Jersey the fruit is failing badly. The Connecticut and New York orchards promise very little fruit, and in Pennsylvania the condition is no better than in contiguous New Jersey, standing at 62.

In the European countries throughout last month the conditions were highly favorable to growing grain.

BIG BLAZE IN CHICAGO.

Car Barns Destroyed and a Number of People Injured.

CHICAGO, July 20.—The car barns of the Chicago City Railway company on Cottage Grove avenue, near Thirty-ninth street, were destroyed by fire. The barns were 150 feet long, 400 feet deep and occupied three-fourths of a square. It was filled with cars, being the stable for the entire system.

The company lost 654 cars, 100 of them being grip cars. Not a thing in the building was saved. The loss is estimated at forty-$500,000, the building and contents being insured for $314,000.

It is thought the fire originated from the crossing of two electric light wires.

Of 30 horses in the barn, 16 were saved, and 14 were burned in their stalls.

New York Times Reorganized.

NEW YORK, July 21.—On application of the committee reorganizing the New York Times, Judge Storrer has ordered the receiver to sell the franchise and property of The Times at public sale on Thursday, Aug. 13. The reorganization of The Times company has been perfected and a new company will become the purchasers at the sale. This new company will be organized with $1,000,000 capital stock and $350,000 bonds. Adolph S. Ochs of Chattanooga, Tenn., will become the publisher when the new company acquires the property. The reorganization committee represents nearly all the stockholders of the existing company and the creditors.

Liquor Tax Receipts Piling Up.

ALBANY, July 21.—It is expected by Excise Commissioner Lyman that when his department has been in existence a year, which will be on April 30, 1897, the amount of money collected under the new liquor tax law will exceed $11,000,000. The total amount collected up to July 18 is $10,630,691, and 18 counties have yet to report for the last week. Of this amount, the state will receive one third, which is $3,545,630. New York city has contributed $4,845,903, which is almost double the amount collected in the other counties of the state, excepting Kings and Erie counties. The amount of money collected in Kings county is $2,100,534, while Erie county has furnished $833,364. The framers of the new law estimated that not more than $9,000,000 would be collected during the first year it was in effect.

Ontario's Cabinet Reorganized.

TORONTO, July 22.—The reorganization of the Ontario cabinet, necessitated by Premier Mowat resigning to accept a portfolio in the Dominion ministry, has been completed. W. D. Balfour was sworn in provincial secretary and E. J. Davis taken into the cabinet without portfolio, Mr. Hardy becoming premier and Mr. Gibson taking crown lands, completes the changes.

Teller Will Support Bryan.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 20.—That William J. Bryan will receive the support of Henry M. Teller of Colorado, there can no longer be any doubt. Mr. Bryan received a letter from Senator Teller in which he assured him that he would support him in his race for the presidency.

Forty Democrats For McKinley.

CANTON, O., July 23.—Governor McKinley has received a letter from Olean, N. Y., saying that out of 51 traveling men there, 40 were Democrats, and the 40 all signed the letter saying that they were for McKinley.

HIS LIFE WORK ENDED.

The Venerable Bishop Coxe Suddenly Expires.

DUE TO NERVOUS PROSTRATION.

Had Presided as Bishop of Western New York For Many Years—Sketch of the Career of the Learned Prelate—The Funeral Arrangements.

ROCHESTER, July 21.—Arthur Cleveland Coxe, bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Western New York, died suddenly yesterday afternoon at the Clifton Springs sanitarium where he had been spending a few days. He was about to leave for his residence in Buffalo and just before taking the train was stricken with a fainting spell from which he did not revive. His wife was with him at the time of his demise. Death resulted from nervous prostration. Arthur Cleveland Coxe was born in Mendham, N. J., in 1818. He graduated with distinction at the university of the City of New York in 1838 and at the general theological seminary of the Episcopal church in 1841. He was an adherent of the Protestant Episcopal church from childhood, under the influences of maternal relatives and social connections. While still in college he became an author and contributor to periodical literature.

BISHOP COXE

He was ordained deacon on June 27, 1841 and priest on Sept. 23, 1842. He took charge of St. Ann's church, Morrisiana, N. Y., shortly after his ordination. From thence he removed in 1842 to Hartford, where he was rector of St. John's until 1854. He accepted the rectorship of Grace church Baltimore, in 1854 and two years later was elected bishop of Texas, but declined. In 1863 he became rector of Calvary church, New York city and soon afterward was elected assistant bishop of Western New York. He was consecrated in Trinity church, Geneva, N. Y. Jan 6, 1865, and on the death of Bishop Delancey in the same year he succeeded as the second bishop of Western New York. In the interests of the missionary work of the church he traveled extensively abroad, and in 1870 when the charge of the churches in Hayti was placed in his hands, he visited that island, organized churches and ordained clergy. He was a man of strong conservative views and of intense devotion to his church, and he never lost an opportunity to protest against that which he did not believe to be right.

Funeral of Bishop Coxe.

GENEVA, N. Y., July 22.—The remains of Bishop Coxe, who died at Clifton Springs, were brought to Geneva and taken to the home of Professor Nash, his son-in-law. The body will be removed to Trinity church and lie in state. The funeral will be held at Trinity church at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon. The interment will be made in the rear of the church. There two of the children of the bishop are buried. A chancel extension will be erected at this spot.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM

New York Bankers Pledge Themselves to Maintain the Reserve.

NEW YORK, July 21.—The withdrawals of gold from the subtreasury for export today to Germany aggregate $3,030,000 of which amount $1,550,000 was in fine gold bars and $1,480,000 in coin. The aggregate withdrawals amounted to about $3,200,000, including $830,000 taken by Canadian banks and reduces the treasury free gold to about $90,000,000.

The strength of the exchange market and the prospect of further heavy inroads upon the treasury stock of gold has inspired a number of informal conferences between treasury and clearing house officials and the officers of the national banks in regard to protective measures.

It was rumored that President Frederick W. Tappen of the Gallatin National bank had secured the signatures of other bank officials to an agreement to turn over to the subtreasury $10,000,000 in gold in exchange for legal tender notes, and that from $10,000,000 to $15,000,000 additional would be secured. It was admitted that the conference had taken place, but the report of actual signatures for any specific amount were denied.

President H. W. Cannon, who with President Tappen and J. Edward Simmons of the Fourth National bank, had been especially active in the movement, said to a representative of the press:

"It can be said that if the treasury should need gold the New York banks would be prepared to furnish a large amount. Nothing has been signed, however, and undue excitement should be deprecated as the treasury now holds $90,000,000 of gold and money is easy and there is no just reason for alarm."

JAPAN'S TIDAL WAVE DISASTER.

Report of the United States Minister at Tokio Received.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—The secretary of state has received a report from the United States minister to Tokio in regard to the recent tidal wave disaster in Japan. "A horrible disaster has befallen Japan," he says, causing the death of 30,000 of her people and leaving many homeless and starving.

"The evening of June 15 last, the northeastern litteral of the island of Hondo, for a distance of nearly 200 miles, was submerged by a tremendous tidal wave 80 feet in height, which, sweeping irresistibly upon the coast, only spent its energy after a rush of miles into the interior and retired leaving a desolate waste of sand and debris where had stood so many homes and thriving villages.

"I am pleased to say that so far as I have been able to learn from persons at the scene of the disaster, no Americans have suffered either in person or property. Japan has sought no foreign aid, but seems able to provide for all its destitute."

Death of General Siegfried.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., July 20.—General Joshua K. Siegfried has died at his residence here, 64 years old, from kidney troubles and nervous prostration. His military record is said to be the best of any surving soldier in the state. In the war of the Rebellion he rose from lieutenant to general and for nearly a score of years was in command of the Third brigade of the Pennsylvania National Guard.

DIED ON HIS WEDDING NIGHT.

Howard R. Benedict Married on His Deathbed and Then Succumbs.

NEW YORK, July 23.—Howard R. Benedict, the son of James H. Benedict and a relative of E. C. Benedict, the banker, died last evening, eight hours after he had been married to Miss Margaret Lloyd, a society belle of Cincinnati, the daughter of Colonel Harland Page Lloyd.

The marriage was celebrated in Mr. Benedict's apartments in the club house of the Seventh Regiment veterans, and there the young man died.

Recently he was stricken with typhoid fever and when it became known that his condition was critical Miss Lloyd, who was visiting friends in Washington, was telegraphed for.

Mr. Benedict was sinking rapidly and at his request Rev. Mason A. Seagle performed the marriage ceremony in the presence of several relatives. He continued to sink and died in the evening.

EXCURSIONISTS MISSING.

Lost Their Way While Exploring a Cave In Indiana.

LOUISVILLE, July 22.—A special from English, Ind., says: A party of excursionists has been lost two days in Sulphur Cave, near here.

Among those known to be missing are Charles Strother of St. Louis, E. R. Rote and sister, Rose, of St. Louis, Ed L. Grace of Porter county, Ind., F. X. Groves, Frances Arnett, Patrick Breen and George Murphy of Campbell county, Ky.

Besides these, whose names are on the hotel register, there are supposed to be 15 or 20 persons from the surrounding country.

The party entered the cave last Sunday and undertook an independent course, without a guide so far as known. Well equipped searching parties are employed.

Engine Ditched; Engineer Killed.

WELLAND, Ont., July 22.—A train on the Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo railway, running to the gravel pit near Chantler's station, met with an accident owing to a washout. The engine was ditched and George A. White, the engineer, was killed. The deceased lived in Rochester.

Cornelius Vanderbilt Much Better.

NEW YORK, July 20.—The physicians attending Cornelius Vanderbilt report that the condition of their patient has greatly improved.

THE MARKETS.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, July 21.

Money on call, 2@3 per cent.
Prime mercantile paper, 5@6 per cent.
Sterling exchange actual business in bankers bills 4.85¾ for demand, 4.88 for 60 days. Posted rates, 4.85½@4.89 and 4.89½@4.90.
Commercial bills, 4.87.
Silver certificates, 62@62½c.
Mexican dollars, 48c.
Bar silver, 62½c.

New York Produce Market.

FLOUR—City mills patents, $4.00@4.25; city mills clear, $3.90; winter patents, $3.45@3.60; winter straits, $3.25@3.90; winter extras, $2.40@2.70; do low grades, $1.90@2.05; Minnesota patents, $3.35@3.75; Minnesota bakers, $2.60@3.00; spring low grades, $2.10@2.25; winter do, $1.90@2.05; spring extra, $2.20@2.35; Southern flour, $3.25.

RYE FLOUR—Superfine, $2.60@2.70; fancy, $2.75@2.80.

CORNMEAL—Yellow western coarse, 60@61c; brandywine, $3.15; city, 61c.

RYE—State, 45; delivered No. 2 western, 47½@48c f. f.

BARLEY—Feeding, 31½@34c f. f.; malting, 40@45c; western No. 2 Milwaukee, 32@33½c c. i. f.; western, 43@55c c. i. f.

BUCKWHEAT, 50@51c.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Spot and to arrive, $1.25.

BARLEY MALT—Western, 48@55c; No. 2 Western, 52@56c; two rowed State, 51c; six rowed, 53@57½c.

WHEAT—Spot sales No. 2 red store and elevator, 63½c; afloat, 63½c f. o. b. afloat; 64½c No. 1 Northern, 63½c f. o. b. afloat; 62½c; several, 63½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, 66c f. o. b. afloat; 65½c delivered; and 67½c f. o. b. afloat. Options N. Y. red Aug. closed at 63½; Sept. 62½c; Oct. 63½c; Dec. 64¼.

CORN—Spot sales of No. 2 82½c, elevator, 84½c afloat; No. 2 white 83c, steamer white, 84½c; steamer mixed, 81½c; do yellow, 84c. Options May closed at 85c; July, 85½c; Sept. 82½c; Oct. 81½c.

OATS—Spot sales of No. 2 22c; No. 2 delivered 22c; No. 3, 21c; No. 2 white, 23½c; No. 3 white, 22½c; track white western, 23@23½c; track white state, 24@27½c; track mixed western, 21½c; track white, 25@27½c. Options July closed at 21½c; Sept. 21½c.

HAY—Shipping, 80@85c; good to choice, 85@90c.

PORK—Old to new mess, $7.75@8.75; family, $9.75@10.50; short clear, $8.75@10.00; extra prime, $10.00.

BUTTER—Western dairy, 9@12c; western creamery, 11½@15c; do factory, 8@11c; elgins, 15c; imitation creamery, 10@12c; state dairy, 10@14½c; do creamery, 11½@15c.

CHEESE—State, large, 6¼@6¾c; small, 6¼@7c; part skims, 2@4½c; full skims, 1½c.

EGGS—State and Pennsylvania, 13½@14c; western fresh, 11@13c; ecbouse, $2.60@2.75; southern, 7½@9½c.

Buffalo Provision Market.

BUFFALO, July 21.

WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 62½c; No. 1 northern, 60½c; Winter wheat: No. 2 red, 63c.

CORN—No. 2 yellow, 81½c; No. 2, 80½c; No. 3 yellow, 81c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 23c; No. 2 mixed, 22½c.

RYE—No. 2, 34c.

FLOUR—Spring wheat, best patent per bbl, $3.75@4.00; low grades, $2.25@3.50; winter wheat, best family, $3.50@3.75; graham, $3.50.

BUTTER—State creamery, 16@18½c; western do, 13@16½c.

CHEESE—Fancy full cream, 7½c; choice do, 6@7c; light skims, 5@6c; skims, 3@4c.

EGGS—State, 12c; Canada and western, 11½@12c.

East Buffalo Stock Market.

CATTLE—Extra export steers, $4.30@4.45; good do, $4.20@4.25; choice heavy butchers', $4.10@4.25; light handy do, $3.90@4.00; cows and heifers, extra, $3.80@4.00; calves, heavy fed, $2.25@3.25; veals, $3.50@5.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Choice to extra wethers, $4.40@4.25; good to choice sheep, $3.00@3.75; common to fair, 1.50@2.75; choice to extra spring lambs, $5.00@5.25; common to fair, $4.50@5.00.

HOGS—Heavy, $3.80@3.85; medium and mixed, $3.45@3.55; Yorkers, $3.75@3.80; pigs, $3.85@3.90.

Buffalo Hay Market.

No. 1 timothy, per ton, $18.00@19.00; No. 2 do, $17.00@18.00; baled hay, $14.00@15.50; baled straw, $7.00@8.00; bundled rye, $11.00@12.00.

Little Falls Cheese Market.

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., July 20.

CHEESE—Large colored, 11 lots, 660 boxes, 6¼c; do 1 lot, 85 boxes, 6⅜c; do 1 lot, 30 boxes, private large white, 10 lots, 578 boxes, 6¼c; small white, 2 lots, 100 boxes, 6¼c; do, 25 lots, 1,230 boxes, 6⅜c; do, 1 lot, 64 boxes, private; small colored, 11 lots, 606 boxes, 6¼c; do, 1 lot, 247 boxes, private twins colored, 3 lots, 540 boxes, 6⅜c; do white, 23 lots, 1,110 boxes, 6¼c. Totals, 96 lots, 5,290 boxes.

BUTTER—Twenty four packages farm dairy at 14@15c; 17 packages creamery at 15c.

Utica Cheese Market.

UTICA, N. Y., July 20.

CHEESE—Offerings, 57 lots, 4,400 boxes at 6⅜@6¾c. Buyers failed to report butter.

BUTTER—Creamery, 15½@15¾c.

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