

## NEWS IN SHORT ORDER.

### DOMESTIC HAPPENINGS TOLD IN A FEW BRIEF WORDS.

#### Interesting Paragraphs Condensed From Many Redundant Columns.

—The "Manufacturers' Record," published at Baltimore, reports that there is great activity throughout the South in building cotton-seed oil mills, and that a dozen mills, to cost \$1,000,000 or more, have been organized, while there is a report that a two million dollar company has been organized in Philadelphia to build mills in the South. The new mills reported are nearly all by independent companies not connected with the Cotton Oil Trust.

—In the House of Commons at Ottawa, Hon. Mackenzie Bowell, Minister of Customs, said that the amount of exports from Canada for the nine months ended April 1, 1889, was \$59,790,391, for the same period in 1888 the figures were \$59,308,755. This is exclusive of British Columbia.

—Roland Gideon Israel Barnett, who played a prominent part in the wrecking of the Central Bank at Toronto, was found guilty of fraud in having appropriated to his own use \$10,000, the product of two drafts entrusted to him by ex-Cashier Allan.

—The Illinois Senate resolved to ask Congress to make a survey for the construction of a canal between Lakes Michigan and Superior from Bay de Noc, Lake Michigan, to Au Train Bay, Lake Superior. The ground taken is that it would be useful in case of war.

—J. Munday, an Italian thirty-five years old, employed on the new suspension bridge at Niagara Falls, while carrying a box on a stringer, missed his footing and fell into the river. He attempted to swim, but soon sank, and the body was not recovered.

—George Black, of Gray, Me., has been arrested on a charge made by Abel Black, his father, of mixing Paris green in a jug of cider from which the father was in the habit of drinking. The father was made seriously ill.

—Arrayed in evening dress, with a diamond in his shirt front and a jack rose in the lapel of his coat, John Sydney Walters, a journalist of London, England, killed himself at Chicago, in his room at the Richelieu.

—A loaded gun was exploded by fire in the house of W. H. Stewart, near Chestertown, Md. The report awoke the family and enabled its members to escape from the building.

—Eighteen men were in an ore mine at Farmington, Berks County, Penn., when the shaft caved in recently Richard Ettinger was crushed to death. The others escaped.

—The British mails are again to be dispatched by Canadian steamers.

—Levi S. Pratt, an old offender, was convicted at Boston of passing counterfeit United States Treasury notes. He was formerly employed as agent for the sale of a counterfeit detector.

—Dr. Abe Robertson, a prominent citizen of Danville, Va., was overcome and burned to death while fighting the Patrick County forest fires. There has been great destruction to farming property.

—Notwithstanding the surface car strike in Minneapolis, the company succeeded in running cars over most of the lines with police protection. There were many arrests for rioting.

—The Commercial Exchange of Kansas City by resolution requested President Harrison to appoint an Inter-State Commerce Commissioner from West of the Mississippi River.

—The new Steubenville (Ohio) iron and steel works, which started recently, are closed by a strike of 500 employees.

—The Baltimore Grand Jury has indicted half a dozen oystermen for dredging in forbidden waters.

—Great damage has been done to the pea, bean, and potato crops about Norfolk, Va., by heavy rains.

—The body of Rear Admiral William Rodgers Taylor was buried in the Congressional Cemetery at Washington. Funeral services were held at St. John's Episcopal Church, the Rev. Dr. Leonard officiating. The pall bearers were Gen. Schofield and Schenck and Admirals Temple, Steadman, Safford, Bryson, Lee and Almy.

—An official investigation of the Santa Fe Railway disaster at Lorenzo, Ill., by which Mrs. Emma G. Hart, of Brookline, Mass., and several other persons were killed and her husband and several other persons injured, shows that Conductor Fred Hughes and Engineer Frank Converse were guilty of gross criminal carelessness.

—Capt. Gen. Salamanca, of Cuba, has issued a proclamation offering a reward of \$2,000 each for the capture of Victor and Luis Mactin, brothers, who have been sentenced to death for kidnaping, and \$1,000 for the capture of Juan Suarez, an accomplice who had been sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor.

—The trial of Mrs. Frances Carmichael for the murder of her husband ended at Hinsdale, Mich., with a verdict of "not guilty." He made the accusation on his death bed that she gave him strichnine, but it was proved that he had threatened to take his life.

—The New England Methodist Episcopal Conference of Worcester has imposed the Public School bill, approved a constitutional prohibition amendment, voted to aid the cause of Southern education, and appointed William N. Brodbeck president, and J. C. Mansfield vice-president of the Freedman's Aid Society.

—William Ryan, the Missouri train robber and associate of Jesse James, was released from the Jefferson City Penitentiary. His sentence of twenty-five years for complicity in the Glendale train robbery on the Chicago and Alton Road was commuted by Gov. Morehouse to seven and a half years.

—An order was granted in the Equity Session of the Supreme Court at Boston dissolving the Brush Electric Company and appointing ex-Mayor O'Brien receiver of the dead company's assets.

—By the capsizing of the schooner Rio Lupton, bound from Beaufort, N. C., to Elizabeth City, the captain and one of the crew were drowned in Albemarle Sound.

—The bill to repeal the act by which exclusive franchises were granted the St. Paul Street Car Company was passed by the Minnesota House of Representatives.

—Michael Barr, nominated by Mayor Hart of Boston for Commissioner of Public Institutions, has declined.

—Joseph Casey, the Baltimore wife murderer, was sentenced to a penitentiary term of 15 years.

—In view of the shortage in the appropriation of the present year for the maintenance of the Minnesota State University, ex-Gov. John S. Pillsbury, who is one of the Regents of that institution, presented the sum of \$150,000 for the immediate use of the university. The gift was announced to both branches of the Legislature at a meeting with the Regents.

#### Parnell Wants \$500,000.

Mr. Parnell has instituted a suit against the London "Times" for half a million dollars.

## BATTLE WITH PRISONERS.

### Five Desperadoes Fight Their Way Out of Jail.

The prisoners in the jail at St. Joseph de La Beauce, half way between Montreal and Quebec, revolted and shot down Jailer Godbout and Sergeant Harpe of the provincial police; overpowered, bound and seriously maltreated three keepers, and then five of the convicts made good their escape. The jail contained about twenty-five criminals undergoing short terms of imprisonment, besides several prisoners awaiting trial. Among them were the brothers Napoleon and Victor Giroux, arrested on suspicion of being the desperadoes who broke into the presbytery of St. Frederic parish and robbed Father Martin of a large sum of money; the brothers Jacques and Joseph Paulin, accused of arson, and Antoine Malaise, accused of assaulting a young girl.

Keeper Leblanc entered the ward to distribute the supper, but no sooner had the keeper turned to lock the door through which he entered than he was felled to the ground by a blow on the head from a small iron bar in the hands of Malaise, with which they had forced the door of the room in which they were confined. The keys were then taken from the insensible and bleeding keeper, and one of the supper carriers was sent down the way he had fallen in a fit. The remaining keepers hurried to the ward, but were held within the door when they were savagely assaulted by the five desperadoes. The ordinary prisoners took no part in the terrible struggle which ensued. The unfortunate keepers made a gallant but ineffectual fight, and were soon overpowered. The desperadoes, who beat their heads and faces almost to a jelly, and then handcuffed them with their own irons. They then took the revolvers which the keepers, owing to the suddenness of the attack, were unable to use, and, accompanied by two ordinary prisoners, the five made a dash for liberty.

At the foot of the first landing they encountered the jailer and Sergeant Harpe, who had heard the noise and were hurrying to the scene. Both officers grasped the situation and fired on the convicts. The fire was ineffectual, but it frightened the ordinaries, who fled to their cells. The others, however, returned the fire, and the jailer was slightly and Harpe seriously wounded. The five men then made good their escape. The jailer's young daughter gave the alarm in the village, and several villagers ran to the jail and assisted the injured officials in securing the rest of the prisoners. The intelligence of the affair was wired to Quebec and Montreal, and a strong posse of provincial police started for the scene. The Giroux brothers were recaptured in the woods seven miles from the village. The police are on the track of the other three fugitives.

## AS SWIFT AS THE TELEGRAPH.

### Mails Can Be Transported at Lightning Speed.

A correspondent writes to the "Manufacturers' Record" from Laurel, Md., as follows: "The Baltimore Automatic Transit Company is conducting a series of experiments which the officers of the company believe will bring about a revolution in the transportation of express mail, and lighter freight. The company has constructed here a circular track, two miles in circuit, upon which its experiments are conducted. The system of propulsion is much the same as on the ordinary electric railway. The Edison dynamo and the Sprague motor are employed. The overhead rail is the main feature in the system, a double-flanged wheel on the car and motor catching upon it when the train is in motion. The idea is to have stations at twenty-five miles or more apart supplied with dynamos of sufficient power to furnish electric force enough to drive the train for a round trip. The company have been working for over a year past getting the experimental plant ready, and have made several trials of the system, which, tentatively, were quite satisfactory, a surprising speed being attained. The projectors of this enterprise expect to work such a revolution in the carrying of mails and express, that they may sit down to breakfast in Atlanta or Chicago and read the Baltimore or New York papers of the same morning. The practicability of the scheme has been passed upon by Prof. W. C. Rowland, of the Johns Hopkins University, and Thomas Edison, the inventor of the dynamo, who has declared it to be the greatest conception since the telegraph."

## Five Persons Drowned.

A dispatch from Burlington, Iowa, says: The steamer Everett, a boat belonging to the Burlington Lumber Company, was sunk at Otter Island, and five of the sixteen persons on board were drowned. The names of the dead are Capt. Vincent Peel, Mrs. Harry Bell and her three-year-old daughter, Geo. Howard, first cook, nurse girl, name unknown.

The Everett was on her way from Burlington to New Boston Bay when she was struck by a terrific gale of wind and sunk in twenty feet of water. Ten of the persons on board were on the lower deck or in other open parts of the boat, and were flung into the water as the craft sank. They all managed to escape by swimming to the overturned craft and clinging to the small portion of it which remained above water. Capt. Vincent Peel, Mrs. Harry Bell and her three-year-old daughter, George Howard and, respectively first and second cook, and a nurse girl, name unknown, were in the cabin. This was submerged and filled with water in all but one small corner. Mrs. Howard found this and remained in it, calling for help until the roof was broken in and she was rescued almost dead. All the others were drowned.

## A Boy's Fingers Blown Off.

John Conry, aged twelve, was standing at the blackboard copying figures from it on his slate at school in Shenandoah, Pa., when suddenly a loud report was heard, and four of the boy's fingers fell in different parts of the room, striking a number of scholars. Young Conry was thrown to the floor, and the blood spurted in a stream from his mangled hand. He was carried home, and the remainder of his hand had to be amputated. It was a long time before the mysterious explosion could be explained, and then it was deemed that the boy had a dud cap, a powerful fulminate used in the mines, fit on the end of his slate pencil. While at the blackboard he began picking at the explosive cap with his knife, with the result stated.

## Ireland's Cause.

Mr. Parnell has engaged Sir Charles Russell, Mr. Asquith, and Mr. Arthur Russell to conduct the libel suit brought by him against the "Times." The trial of the case will take place in London in the Autumn. The specific charges against the "Times" are that it published a fac simile of a letter dated in April, 1887, which was falsely ascribed to Mr. Parnell, and that it published other letters during the trial of the case of O'Donnell against Walter, among them being the Kilmainham letter beginning "Dear Ben." The "Times" subsequent to the trial called genuine. Mr. Parnell will insist that the case be confined to the subject of the issue of the forgery and that all questions of a political nature be excluded from consideration.

## FOREIGN HAPPENINGS.

—The Prefect of the Russian police has discovered the existence of a Nihilist plot to assassinate the Czar while he was attending the funeral of Gen. Paucok, Minister of Roads. The Czar was immediately warned not to attend the funeral. A number of persons charged with being implicated in the plot have been arrested. The Nihilists intended to use dynamite in their attack on the Czar.

—The London "Times's" Vienna correspondent says: "The Grand Duke Nicholas has visited Queen Nathalie and induced her to return to Serbia shortly. Ex-King Milan has therefore decided to return."

—The King of Holland, though very ill, is reported to be in a sane condition of mind.

—M. Quesnay de Beaurepaire, the French Procurer General, will prosecute the Autorite, Cocarde, Gazette de France, Presse, Intransigeant Gaulois, and other papers for insults to the Chief Magistrate.

—Aga, ex-chief of Turkish eunuchs, who was exiled to Yemen in 1888, is dead. It is believed that he was murdered.

—A dynamite petard was exploded in a church in Valencia. The altar was badly damaged, but nobody was hurt.

—The rush of emigrants from the southwest of Ireland is causing alarm. The country is being rapidly depopulated.

—Harry N. Searle, Australian's champion oarsman, has accepted the challenge of Wm. O'Connor, General, to row in England for \$5,000 a side in September. O'Connor has agreed to Searle's terms.

—The appeal of Dion Boucicault from the order of the Divorce Court to enforce the payment of the alimony granted to Agnes Robertson Boucicault in 1888 has been dismissed, and the court has ordered that the arrears of alimony be paid.

—A verdict was given recently in the case of Luke Emerson, of Bowling Green, Mo., who was charged with the murder of a man named Robinson in London in February last. Emerson was acquitted, and was discharged from custody. Emerson, who is a horse-dealer, went to England last winter to buy horses. He displayed a considerable sum of money in a public house one night, and upon leaving the place was, he claims, set upon by two men, who attempted to rob him. He thereupon drew a revolver and killed one of the men.

—The Procurer General will conduct the prosecution of M. Secetman, Manager of the Societe des Metaux, and M. Lavaissiere, the chairman of the concern, at Paris, on account of its financial troubles.

—The Archbishop of Malines has received from the Vatican a communication announcing that he is to be raised to the Cardinalate.

—A despatch from Bremen says: The North-German Lloyd Steamship Company will issue new shares to the amount of 16,000,000 marks.

—The Bishop of Newark, who is about to return to America, had a farewell audience with the Pope at Rome.

## BISMARCK AND SAMOA.

### Says Gertman Has Nothing to Do With Samoa's Internal Affairs.

A despatch from Berlin says: Prince Bismarck has issued an order in which he defines the responsibilities of commanders of war ships with respect to requests of Consuls abroad. The Chancellor directs commanders to examine for themselves the logical and political grounds for such requests, unless the Consul produces special authority from the German Foreign Office. As regards Samoa, the despatch says that Bismarck refers to the recent events in Samoa, and says, "An unauthorized request resulted in great loss of life and in injury to German interests, and danger was thereby incurred of Germany becoming embroiled with a friendly nation, and with the serious reasons existing for the intervention of armed forces."

A Samoan "White-book" has just been issued, obviously in view of the approach of the Samoan conference. In a despatch to Her Majesty, the new German Consul to Samoa, Prince Bismarck censures Consul Knapp's conduct throughout the trouble in Samoa. He dwells upon the deplorable fact that with an inadequate force and without authority, urgency, or a likelihood of success, the Consul Knapp took measures, on Dec. 17, which resulted in the death of a large number of persons and an undesirable change in the position of planters, besides jeopardizing peace with America, while quiescence would have preserved a tolerable state of affairs. The sanction of the other treaty powers being lacking, he says, Consul Knapp's demand for the control of the foreign relations of Samoa was of no force, and compelled him (Bismarck) to notify Great Britain and America of its withdrawal. The Chancellor concludes by declaring that Germany has nothing to do with the internal affairs of Samoa; that her mission is restricted to protecting German and enabling them to develop commercial interests.

## DRIVING OUT THE MORMONS.

### Tar and Feathers and a Whipping Administered to Five of Them.

Information comes from Dale county, Alabama, that five Mormon missionaries have been severely whipped and driven from the county. They have been holding meetings among the ignorant classes and had formed a company to go to Utah. The last issue of the Ozark "Star" advised the people to tar and feather the Mormons and drive them away. Recently about forty of the so-called best citizens of the northern part of the county, without the slightest attempt at disguise, surprised a house of "Gid" Irons, a recent convert, who was entertaining the five missionaries. The missionaries were brought out, stripped to the waist, and tied in a row. Then each of the regulators, with a long switch, struck each prisoner a blow. By the time the last blow was given two of the men had fainted and the others were wet with blood. After the whipping the legs of the Mormons were coated with tar and feathers, and they were warned to leave instantly in pain of death. Irons was told that if the Mormons were found in his house again he, too, would be whipped. The names of the Mormons are Asa F. Hixson, J. H. Hagadorn, M. F. Miller, John Parrot, and Ansel Morrison. They have come to Dale county. Their followers in Dale county talk of avenging the whipping.

## Wreckage and Wrecked Vessels.

A despatch from Philadelphia says: The British brig Anglo, from Havana, reports that recently off Fenwick's Island, passed some wreckage, consisting of several casks, a fore boom painted green, with foot steps attached, and bulwarks painted white, apparently of some small vessel. Capt. Barnard of the tug Hercules reports that twenty-seven miles southeast by south from Cape Henlopen, passed a quarter deck of a vessel of about 200 tons. There was a single quarter deck with bulwarks, and the forward part of the steering wheel stand was in its place. The deck had been painted white, and the top of the bitt was covered with yellow metal that had not been polished. No other wreckage in the vicinity.

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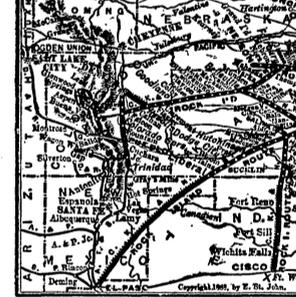
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