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ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The United States and Canada have shipped 883,975 barrels of apples to England this fall.

Senator Hampton's daughter, Miss Daisy Hampton, will make her debut in Washington this winter.

The Montreal Telegraph company transmits four messages on the same wire at the same time, two operators working at each end.

The live stock interests of Texas aggregate not far from one hundred million dollars invested capital.

Dan Rice, the ex-circus clown, said to a reporter: "For nine years, I received one thousand a week and was surrounded by flaterers; now I'm too poor to get along and haven't one friend in the world."

A tool that weighs twelve thousand pounds has just been made at a Wilmington machine shop for an Alliance, Ohio, iron company. It is a huge planing machine capable of planing a sheet of iron ten feet wide and twenty-four feet long.

The Shah of Persia fell violently in love with the Princess of Wales during his visit to England some years ago, and about once a year makes a tempting offer to the Prince for her. His last proposition was to give him two of his best wives, his mother and grandmother in exchange for Alexandra, but Wales still declined.

In his work on worms, Mr. Darwin points out that Stonehenge has not been brought to its decadence by time alone. The earthworm has undermined it, stone by stone, and the very monolith lately propped up by Sir E. Antrobus has probably been put out of the perpendicular by the action of the worm.

A co-operative society in Philadelphia has six stores open. This represents a steady growth from a small beginning eight years ago. The three groceries and one meat market yield a handsome profit, besides providing goods for the nine hundred and eighty members at a discount from regular rates; but the dry goods and the shoe store have barely paid expenses. On the whole, however, the enterprise is a success.

The six healthiest cities in the United States are said to be in the order following: Knoxville, New Haven, Portland, San Francisco, Cleveland and Lawrence. The unhealthiest are Charleston, Memphis, Lynn, New York and St. Louis. St. Petersburg is the unhealthiest city in the world, and is followed by Malaga, Alexandria, Warsaw, and Buda-Pesth. In New York the deaths exceed the births by a thousand a month, or twelve thousand every year.

STATE NEWS.

Raleigh *News-Observer:* It is understood that the Atlantic Hotel, Morehead, is to be opened for about a month, beginning Christmas week, for the benefit of sportsmen.

In a dozen places in the streets lie dead cats, dead dogs, dead chickens, etc. Complaints are daily made to us in regard to these matters.

The cotton gin of Dr. Geo. Gee, about five miles from Weldon, N. C., accidentally caught fire on Monday and was totally destroyed, together with a quantity of cotton. The loss is estimated at $5,000; no insurance.

Montgomery *Star:* Samuel Wright, son of Aaron Wright, of Ridge's Creek, died of typhoid fever on last Wednesday. Deceased was about 25 years of age, and unmarried. This is the second son Mr. Wright has lost within the last two weeks.

Lumberton *Robesonian:* In Wisharts township, about three weeks ago, a little child of Agrippa Phillips was badly scalded by turning over a pot of hot coffee, from the effects of which it died last Sunday evening.

In Blue Springs township on the 17th a little son of Milton Baxter was badly burned and died on last Saturday. Though the burn was serious it is not known what was the immediate cause of his death.

The gin and four or five bales of cotton belonging to John McPhaul of Blue Springs township, was burned on the 17th. The fire was accidental and it is supposed was caused by a spark from the engine. No insurance.

On Sunday, the 20th, a little daughter of Ann Eliza Tyner, of Burnt Swamp township, about seven years old, while cooking supper had her dress to catch fire and was burned so badly that she died on Monday morning.

We regret to learn that on last Wednesday the cotton gin of Mr. Lewis Pitman, of Buck Swamp township, with eight bales of cotton, was consumed by fire. The fire is supposed to have originated from a match passing through the gin and igniting. No insurance.

Laurinburg *Enterprise:* Mr. T. B. Brady, who was shot two weeks ago by Mr. D. W. McLaurin, died on Wednesday evening last from the wounds received.

Wilmington *Review:* A colored child, about two months old, was found last night at the door of the residence of a colored man by the name of Moore, residing on the corner of Market and Eleventh streets. The child was in a basket and there was found with it $2 in money and a lot of material for making clothes.

Indicted for Murder.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 1.—The grand jury yesterday indicted Michael and David Hennessey for the murder of Thomas Devereux, on October 13th. David Hennessey has been in prison since the shooting, but Michael Hennessey, who is still suffering from wounds, yesterday gave $20,000 bail, Dr. E. Roaldes certifying that his condition will not admit of his removal to the parish prison.

From Berlin.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—In the *Ricstag* today Prince Bismarck replying to a question of Prof. Virchow (progressist,) said that in providing for a Prussian representative at the Vatican he was guided by the interest of the State. Should the general interest assume prominence the appointment of a German representative there was contemplated. The time was not opportune, he said, to make a statement in regard to the negotiations.

Steamer Run Ashore.

FORT MONROE, Dec. 1.—The steamer Excelsior, of the Washington and Norfolk line, went ashore on Hampton bar last night in the dense fog, where she now lays. The tug Sampson, of Baltimore, has gone to her assistance.

NEWS NOTES.

Patrick Henry Starke, a prominent citizen of Richmond, Va., and inventor of the celebrated "Dixie plow," died in Richmond Tuesday.

Mrs. Matilda Raymond, an aged lady, who was mercilessly assaulted at her home in Woodburn, Mass., several days ago, died Monday from her injuries.

The formal opening of the ninth convention of the National Butter, Cheese and Egg Association took place at Cepar Rapids, Iowa, Tuesday. Twenty-two States were represented.

An affray occurred in the Nashville (Tenn.) penitentiary Tuesday, between two convicts named McDaniels and Lambert, in which the latter beat the former to death.

Mrs. Garfield has sent to Queen Victoria, through the State Department, a photograph of Gen. Garfield.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Pacific Bank to receive the report of the bank examiners is in session in Boston. It is known that one item shows the Pacific to be indebted to other banks $1,600,000, and there is due other banks $150,000.

Burglars broke into the postoffice at Sunbury, Pa., on Monday night, and blew open the safe. Some person attracted by the noise fired into the office, and the robbers fled. They secured only four registered letters, dropping $250 worth of postage stamps in their flight.

Insurance Commissioner Foster, believing that the State Capital Mutual Life Insurance Company, doing the largest business in Harrisburg, Pa., has not conducted its work in accordance with its charter, has ordered a thorough examination of the company's books. Some developments are expected.

Danford, the owner of the banks at Hunnewell and Caldwell, Kansas, which recently suspended, and Smith, his cashier, were arrested Tuesday, and were afterwards taken from the officers by a mob of the citizens of Caldwell, who at the last advices were holding them for the purpose of making them "disgorge." It is believed that they are in imminent peril of being lynched.

The proposed consolidation of all the grain elevators of St. Louis into one company, which was to have taken place last month, has been postponed until spring, in consequence of the inability of Jay Gould to complete his elevator in time. Work on this building is progressing, and it will be completed early in the spring, when the consolidation will be made.

An agreement has been signed by more than half of the loaning banks of the Clearieg-House Association, to go into effect on the 1st of December, setting forth that the custom of loans by Boston national banks of any excess of their reserve is full of danger, as it facilitates banks to do business upon fictitious basis. They agree, therefore, to lend no money at the clearing house, but to make such loans and render such assistance as may seem proper upon application at the respective banking rooms only.

Over one hundred suits have been begun against railroad companies in Connecticut by a lawyer who alleges they have failed to provide for the comfort of passengers as required by law.

Another ex-clerk of the Philadelphia Tax Receiver makes confession of fraud.

The Prince of Wales, as Grand Master of the English Freemasons, will move a resolution of condolence with the widow and family of the late President Garfield.

A debt of $22,000,000 hangs over the District of Columbia, which the United States at large are asked to pay to relieve the District government.

Mr. Phillips, an arrested suspect, in Ireland, says that incriminating papers were stolen from him when he had fallen in a fit in the streets.

An Express Messenger Disappears and Returns.

CARIO, ILL., Dec. 1.—G. D. Herring, Southern Express Messenger of the Iron Mountain Railroad, disappeared from his train yesterday with some money packages. He subsequently returned to Cario voluntarily and refunded the entire amount he was accused of appropriating.

Started for Atlanta.

VICKSBURG, MISS., Dec. 1.—Col. F. E. Morehead, president, and a number of prominent members of the executive committee of the Cotton Planters' Association, leave for Atlanta to-day to complete arrangements for the reception and accommodation of the members.

No Power to Make Certain Removals.

AUGUSTA, ME., Dec. 1.—The Supreme Judicial Court of Maine has unanimously decided that Gov. Plaisted has no power to make certain removals without the consent of the council.

Completed to Cedar Hill.

GALVESTON, Dec. 1.—A special to the *News* from Dallas says the track of the Chicago, Texas and Mexican Railroad was completed to Cedar Hill yesterday.

A Down Town Merchant,

Having passed several sleepless nights, disturbed by the agonies and cries of a suffering child, and becoming convinced that Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup was just the article needed, procured a supply for the child. On reaching home and acquainting his wife with what he had done, she refused to have it administered to the child, as she was strongly in favor of Homœopathy. That night the child passed in suffering, and the parents without sleep. Returning home the day following, the father found the baby still worse; and while contemplating another sleepless night, the mother stepped from the room to attend to some domestic duties, and left the father with the child. During her absence he administered a portion of the Soothing Syrup to the baby, and said nothing. That night all hands slept well, and the little fellow awoke in the morning bright and happy. The mother was delighted with the sudden and wonderful change, and although at first offended at the deception practiced upon her, has continued to use the Syrup, and suffering crying babies and restless nights have disappeared. A single trial of the Syrup never yet failed to relieve the baby, and overcome the prejudices of the mother. Sold by all Druggists. 25 cents a bottle.

TRUSTEE'S

CASH SALE.

BY Virtue of a deed in trust made to me by R. H. Brown, I will sell for CASH, to the highest bidder, at public auction, all of the stock of DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, FARMERS' SUPPLIES, NOTIONS, &c., now in his store, Trade street, Charlotte, N. C., on

DECEMBER 24th, 1881,

And continue until all is sold. Sale without reserve.

J. A. McLure is authorized to collect and receipt for all notes and accounts due to the said Brown. Such persons will please come forward and settle and save costs in my absence, with Mr. McLure.

SAMUEL H. HILTON, Trustee.

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