

LATEST BY MAIL.

The situation in Chicago is reported quiet, with resumption of work in various establishments.

A fire at Gainesville, Fla., on the 10th, destroyed about \$75,000 worth of property, most of which was insured.

Bishop Becker, accompanied by Rev. Father Kelley, left Wilmington, Del., for his new field of labor at Savannah, Ga.

A fire in Congressman A. S. Hewitt's library in New York, on Saturday, destroyed all his literary work of the past twelve years.

The Boston Post has again changed hands, the purchasers being E. M. Bacon and Benjamin Kimball. The price paid is stated at \$97,000.

Mr. Gladstone spoke at length in the House of Commons on Monday in advocacy of his motion for the second reading of the Home Rule bill.

A Times-Star Connersville, Indiana, special says: A tornado passed through Wayne county, thirteen miles north of here, last night, destroying everything in its track.

Frank Clements, an actor in Modjeska's troupe, committed suicide at Newark, N. J., by throwing himself under a moving train. No reason can be assigned for the act.

D. C. Ashley, deputy collector of internal revenue, has resigned, and J. D. Dunwoody, gauger at Savannah, has applied for the place, while Col. R. A. Winn is likely to be appointed gauger.

The captain of the British steamer Cornemarth, from Azores reports passing the lumber laden schooner Levin S. Nelson, abandoned in lat. 31.17 deg., long. 74.14 deg., on the 8th inst.

We learn that a boiler to a grain mill at the Fair grounds near Weldon, exploded on Saturday last, and the engineer, a colored man about fifty years of age, was so badly scalded that he is not expected to live.

Memorial Day at Wilmington, N. C., passed off quietly. An address was delivered by T. W. Strange of that city. The day was beautiful and a large crowd was present. The graves were handsomely decorated.

John W. Woltz, editor of the Free Lance, Fredericksburg, Va., attacked R. B. Merchant, editor of the Star, in the drug store of Johnston & Parson, on account of a publication in the Star. Considerable excitement, but not much blood.

Oliver Hester killed his brother-in-law, Luther Barrett, in Staunton, Va., on Monday. Hester was whipping his child. Barrett remonstrated, when Hester threw a plow-iron, striking Barrett's head and killing him instantly.

The postoffice at Mamsie, Mich., was robbed recently of nearly \$5,000, including \$1,700 in stamps, \$1,300 in currency and \$1,800 in bank stock, deposits and certificates. All the registered letters were rifled, and of these one from Bear Lake for deposit, containing \$240 was rifled.

Titus B. Latimer, a member of the Petroleum and Mining Exchange, whose office was at 51 Exchange Place, New York city, committed suicide on Sunday morning by shooting himself at the house of Wm. Gray, his brother-in-law, 128 Sixth avenue, Brooklyn, where he lived.

The body of Mr. James Mannion, a Chatham artillery veteran, of Savannah, Ga., who has been missing since Saturday, was recovered from the river near the market dock. He was dressed in his uniform and it is supposed that he stumbled and fell into the water while wandering on the dock on Saturday night.

A new flying machine to be made in Chicago is to be moved by the electric motor at a speed of forty-five or sixty miles an hour at an altitude of 8,000 feet. The plan includes a steel cylinder 270 feet long and 75 feet in diameter, with a 90 foot cone on each end. Beneath this cylinder it is proposed to suspend a passenger car 120 feet long.

Three tramps attempted to burglarize the grocery store of Amos Choeking at Haneytown, Va. A large bull dog that had been left on guard in the store attacked the intruders, seizing one of them by the neck, killing him almost instantly, and then gave battle to the other two tramps. The noise awoke the neighbors who hastened to the scene, but the tramps escaped, leaving their dead companion on the floor. There is no clue to his identity.

The condition of ex-President Arthur during last week was not such as to give his friends and attendants any ground for the slightest hope of an ultimate change for the better. He was, if anything, worse than during the preceding week, and nobody except his family are allowed to see him. Mr. Arthur has given up all hope of recovering his health, but he is brave and patient, and believes that he can ward off the approaching end for a long time yet.

Memorial Day was observed at Danville, Va., and the Confederate graves were decorated near the Confederate monument in the National cemetery. All the speakers spoke in complimentary terms of the boys in blue who sleep under the stars and stripes. That they did their duty and fought for principle was the sentiment expressed. After the speeches the soldiers and citizens marched through the National cemetery and decorated the graves of the Union soldiers with bouquets.

The May crop report of the department of Agriculture indicates an improvement in wheat growing in April of 2 per cent, with the general average of condition at 95. There is no marked change anywhere, but a slight advance is noted in the Ohio valley, Missouri, Texas, Tennessee, the Carolinas, Virginia and Maryland. The May average last year was 70. The season has been favorable and crop more advanced than usual. The averages in the principal states are: New York 96, Pennsylvania 95, Michigan 91, Ohio 97, Indiana 98, Illinois 92, Missouri 101, Kansas 97. The condition of rye averages 96, barley 97. Cotton planting has been delayed by cold rains on the Atlantic coast and by overflows on the Gulf coast. The proportion to be planted in May averages 20 per cent. In average years the proportion does not exceed 14 or 15 per cent. The stand is necessarily defective on wet areas, but replanting is rapidly filling the gaps. The proportions already planted are as follows: North Carolina 73, South Carolina 82, Georgia 82, Florida 94, Alabama 80, Mississippi 76, Louisiana 77, Texas 84, Arkansas 75, Tennessee 77.

THE SOUTHERN BAPTISTS.

A Brief History of the General Convention.

This body met this year at Montgomery, Ala. Its territory embraces the Southern States, from Maryland to Texas, including, of course, Kentucky and Missouri. It is the general representative body of the white Baptists of the south.

In 1845, owing to controversies about slavery, the Baptists of the South withdrew from active co-operation with their northern brethren and organized, in the city of Augusta, Ga., "The Southern Baptist Convention." Practically, therefore, the constituency of the convention is limited to the white Baptists of the South; but there is nothing in the constitution of the body that draws the line either by territory or race. Any Baptist Church or body in the United States may have representation in the convention by complying with the terms of membership.

The convention is composed of delegates from Baptist Churches, missionary societies, associations or other bodies, on the basis of funds contributed to the benevolent objects of the convention. One hundred dollars contributed during the year to the funds of the convention entitle the contributor or contributors to one delegate, provided, of course, the delegate be a member in good standing of a regular Baptist Church. The purpose of the convention as stated in its constitution, "to elect, combine and direct the energies of the whole denomination in one sacred effort for the propagation of the gospel." It is, therefore, in no sense a legislative body. It enacts no laws except for its own government. It promulgates no creed, and does not discuss matters of doctrine. It interferes with no church either in discipline or doctrine, but fully respects the independence of every church in its bounds. In other words it has no ecclesiastical authority whatever, and wants none. It is simply the representative of free and independent Baptist churches uniting in general organization for the spread of the gospel, as Baptists understand it, both in our own and foreign lands.

The convention meets annually and appoints its Boards for the conduct of its work; hears the reports of their Boards for the preceding year and gives them instructions for their work during the next year.

This convention has at present only two Boards; one for foreign missions, and one for home missions. The foreign mission Board is located in Richmond, Va., and is charged with the missionary work of the Baptists of the South in foreign lands. Its duty is to raise money from the churches for this work, and call for and send out missionaries. It has missions now in China, Africa, Italy, Brazil and Mexico.

The Home Mission Board is located at Atlanta, Ga., and is charged with the work of spreading the gospel in needy and destitute portions of our own land, including work done among the Indians and colored people.

The meeting of this convention this year is one of importance. There is urgent need for enlargement of work by both the Boards, and yet the contributions of the churches are far too small for the demand.

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