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THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Eastern and Middle States. FRANK TURNER, of Westfield, Mass., who was charged with the Springfield shooting trial on a charge of perjury, committed suicide in his cell by hanging.

By the falling of a mass of scaffolding in the Wood building at Stamford, Conn., five men were thrown to the ground, two being killed and three severely injured.

FIRE in a paper house on the Five Points, New York City, destroyed property valued at \$300,000, and seven men were injured while escaping from the burning structure.

The anarchists of New York, Pittsburgh and other cities observed the first anniversary of the hanging of their brethren in Chicago for causing the Haymarket riots.

FREDERICK KNORR and his wife, with their eleven-year-old daughter, were perished in the burning dwelling at Vernon Center, N. Y. Knorr was a laborer, thirty-five years old. The origin of the fire is unknown.

BOODLER JAENEH, of New York, must finish his term in Sing Sing. The Supreme Court has refused to grant a writ of habeas corpus in his case.

AFTER traveling abroad for six months Mr. Carter Harrison, ex-Mayor of Chicago, returned to New York by the steamship Alaska.

MISS SARAH J. ROBINSON, who was to be married to a Boston banker, was arrested in the city of New York on a charge of perjury.

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DEATH IN A SHAFT.

Fatal Fire and Explosion in a Kansas Colliery. Many Entombed Miners Meet a Dreadful Fate.

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LATER NEWS.

A PARTIALLY completed ice house in Dedham, Mass., was blown down and thirteen men were injured, three of them fatally.

The iron workers of Pittsburg, Penn., threaten a general strike against a re-arrangement of working hours.

A COLORED man named Showers, sixty-five years old, has been charged with the murder of his two grand-children.

The house of Mrs. Frank Knecht, at Wilkesbarre, Penn., was burned while she went out to get some milk.

THE General Assembly of the Knights of Labor has begun its annual session at Indianapolis, Ind.

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OUR POSTAL BUSINESS.

Annual Cost of the United States Postal Service. Three Thousand Million Pieces Mailed Last Year.

The annual report of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General of the United States shows that the total cost of the Postal Service for the last fiscal year, inclusive of amounts carried by the subsidised railroads, was \$58,136,041.

The postal and money order receipts amounted to \$22,600,176, leaving a deficiency of \$35,535,865.

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THE State Department at Washington has been informed of the passage of a law by Ecuador allowing foreign vessels to enter their coasting trade.

THIRTY miners were killed by an explosion of fire damp at Hour, Belgium, on the 27th inst. The explosion was caused by a gas which had been allowed to accumulate in the shaft.

GOVERNMENT CROP REPORT.

The Yield of Cotton, Corn, Potatoes, Hay and Stock-Raise. The United States Department of Agriculture reports a good season for cotton picking during the year.

The returns of the yield of corn indicate a yield per acre quite as large as that of 1885. The aggregate growth on a large area will exceed that of any previous American year.

THE average yield of backwash is approximately twelve bushels per acre, and crop nearly 11,000,000 bushels.

INDIAN PERIGES. A Winnabigo Buck Sacrifices a Maiden to the Hunting God. Great excitement prevailed at Red Wing, Minn., over the report of a crime committed by some of the remnants of the old Winnabigo Indian tribe.

ALASKAN STATISTICS. Governor Swineford Reports Progress. One Day Possession. Governor Swineford, of Alaska, reports to the United States Secretary of the Interior that the Territory is getting along nicely.

TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE. Astronomers Go to California to Make Observations. One of the corps of astronomers attached to the Harvard College Observatory will go to California to observe the total solar eclipse which is due on New Year's Day.

JUMPED TO DEATH. Six Men Killed and Four Fatally Injured in Rochester, N. Y. The most disastrous fire ever experienced in Rochester, N. Y., has occurred at the works of the Steam Gauge and Lantern Company.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC. PATT goes to bed at 9:30 p. m. and rises at 5:30 a. m. W. S. GILBERT, the English librettist, has dramatized George Eliot's "Romola."

THE French government has decided to send a captured ex-King of Annam to the United States. Duke Maximilian of Bavaria, who was stricken with apoplexy a few days ago, is dead.

WEEKLY MARKET.

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AN AWFUL MURDER.

Six Men Killed by a Steam-Breaker's Error. A most disastrous wreck has occurred at Valley Falls, W. Va., on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

WASHINGTON.

THE report of the Adjutant General Drum shows that the number of soldiers in the army is 240,000 men.

THE LABOR WORLD.

THE Farm and Labor party is a Minnesota institution. DEAM bread this winter is what the laboring men are crying out for.

A FINANCIAL CRASH.

A Durham (N. C.) Bank and Six Others Fail for \$1,000,000. The largest failure ever recorded in the State of North Carolina, has just occurred.

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