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THE WORLD'S NEWS.

A CONDENSED SUMMARY OF A WEEK'S DOINGS

Wyoming Sends Two Women to the Minneapolis Convention.—The female delegates from the West, Louisiana Confederates Want Pensions.

THURSDAY, MAY 4

There was a very severe snowstorm in Wisconsin, Minnesota and South Dakota yesterday.

Michigan and Wisconsin Democratic delegates have been instructed to vote as a unit for Cleveland.

A motion for a new trial for murderer Almy was refused yesterday by the Plymouth, N. H. court.

Two more victims of the Philadelphia Central Theater died at the Pennsylvania hospital yesterday, making eleven in all.

The Rochester, N. Y., police commissioners have ordered the poolrooms and other gambling places in that city to be closed.

The St. Louis Sash, Blind and Door Company's works at St. Louis, Mo., were burned yesterday. The total loss will foot up about \$100,000; the insurance will cover the loss.

Harvard College has received \$12,000 from the sale of real estate under the will of Edwin Conant, of Worcester, Mass. Three bequests remain to be paid, after which the remainder of the estate will be given to Harvard as residuary legatee.

FOREIGN.

The Manchester, Eng., Chamber of Commerce has voted 164 to 156, in favor of bimetallism.

The merchants of Samoa have abandoned the use of Chilean money as the medium of exchange and will in future use English, German and American gold and English and American silver.

The recent gales that have prevailed in the North Atlantic have proved disastrous to vessels that were caught in them in the vicinity of the Faroe Islands. Several were blown upon the rocky shores and lost.

FRIDAY, MAY 5

President Adams of Cornell University has resigned on account of differences with the trustees.

Fire did damage to the amount of \$150,000 yesterday in a Rushville, Indiana, furniture factory.

The Vermont Democratic convention has endorsed Cleveland's administration but sends her delegates unpledged to the National convention.

The Republican State Convention which met on Wednesday at Cheyenne, Wyoming, selected two ladies as alternate delegates to the Minneapolis convention.

The Richmond cotton factory, near Augusta, Ga., has failed. The liabilities are given at \$50,000; assets unknown. Two years ago the company was reorganized with a capital of \$100,000.

A vestibule train on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, went through a trestle yesterday near Waver, Iowa, killing seven persons and injuring about twenty others. The entire train is a mass of wreckage in the river 36 feet below the bridge.

FOREIGN.

The Italian Government was defeated yesterday, in its Chamber of Deputies, on a financial question.

Nineteen hundred steerage passengers left Bremen for New York this week, on the steamer *Moncheon*.

The police of Paris have notified the St. Petersburg police of the departure from France of a party of Nihilists who are plotting against the Czar.

SATURDAY, MAY 6

The total amount of gold engaged at the New York sub-treasury for shipment to Europe to day is \$2,600,000.

The main streams of the past two days in Illinois are without parallel. Traffic on the Rock Island road between Joliet and the Mississippi river is entirely suspended and the entire system practically tied up, owing to numerous washouts. The damage to all kinds of property will be enormous.

Swartzschild & Sulzbergers' immense slaughter house at Forty-fifth street and East River, New York, was the scene of a destructive fire yesterday which did damage amounting to about \$250,000. Several firemen were injured. The fire was at first reported to have been of incendiary origin but later this has been contradicted.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Business has been much retarded throughout most of the Western States by the unusual and continued rains. A somewhat better tone appears at the South and business at the East is fairly active for the season. Money is everywhere abundant. Failures for the past week, in the United States and Canada, 209 against 211 the previous week.

FOREIGN.

The head of the Hammerstein banking house, of Berlin, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself in the head.

David John Nichol, editor of the London Anarchist paper the *Commonweal*, has been sentenced to 18 months imprisonment at hard labor.

The resignation of all the members of the Italian Cabinet have been handed to King Humbert by his Prime Minister. The King has not yet decided to accept them.

SUNDAY, MAY 7

The Associated Banks of New York now hold \$14,808,500 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

DELEGATES TO STATE AND CONGRESSIONAL

Conventions Chosen. A Good Attendance With Sentiment Favoring Party Lines and Principles. No Instructions Given to Delegates.

The Brunswick County Democratic Convention was held on last Saturday, May 7th, at Lockwoods Folly, lower bridge. The attendance was good, and the rumor which prevailed in some quarters, previous to the meeting, that a strong Third party movement would be made was found to be incorrect, the only thing favoring such a sentiment being the attempted introduction of a resolution, endorsing the St. Louis labor conference, (particulars of which can be found elsewhere in this paper,) which was promptly declared out of order. The wish on all sides was for harmony, and less sectional county feeling was seen than for some time. The test on election of delegates for the State and Congressional conventions was one of Democracy, and no distinction was made or necessary, between members of the Farmers' Alliance and those not belonging to the order. The attendance from the upper townships was noticeably large.

FOREIGN.

Minister Lincoln and Lord Salisbury yesterday exchanged ratifications of the Bering Sea treaty.

M. Very, whose restaurant was recently blown up by Anarchists, and who was wounded by the explosion, died yesterday at the hospital.

An official statement shows 130,000 troops stationed in Russian Poland, and the movement of troops towards the western frontier continues to agitate military circles.

MONDAY, MAY 8

There was a bloody conflict yesterday at Chicago between a squad of policemen and about 200 striking World's Fair employes. Two of the leaders of the strikers were arrested.

Death has claimed one more victim of the Central Theater fire, at Philadelphia. Harry McCloskey, a fourteen-year old boy, died yesterday at the hospital. This makes twelve persons in all who lost their lives at this fire.

A severe cyclone passed near Morrilton, Ark., yesterday, timber, fences, and out-buildings were done. The greatest damage was prostrated at Marrenstadt, three miles north of Morrilton; where the Catholic church and monastery were destroyed. They were valued at \$12,000.

A meeting of New Confederates held yesterday at New Orleans demands the passage by the next legislature of a law giving pensions of from \$6 to \$12 per month to all Confederate veterans crippled, disabled or otherwise incapacitated to support themselves. This demand, if granted, will cost the State from \$50,000 to \$100,000 per year.

FOREIGN.

The cabinet's strike in Vienna was declared off yesterday.

Two slight shocks of earthquake were felt at San Remo, Italy, yesterday.

The French Government has called the attention of the Swiss Government to the fact that the undefended condition of the valley of the Rhone will allow the access of an Italian army to French territory. The Government will probably erect fortifications.

TUESDAY, MAY 9

The body of William Astor arrived yesterday at New York and will be placed in a receiving vault until Thursday.

Report says that Buffalo gnats are causing great loss in Western Kentucky. It is estimated that 1,000 horses have been killed by them.

The Academy of Natural Sciences, of Philadelphia, has chartered the steamer *Kite* for the Peary relief expedition. The *Kite* will sail on June 1.

Butler & Peters' Salt and Lumber Company's works at Ludington, Mich., were burned to the ground yesterday morning. Five hundred men will be thrown out of employment. The loss will be heavy as the works cost about \$300,000.

Rain has been doing immense damage in Missouri, Iowa and other States. Growing crops have been badly damaged and thousands of acres will have to be replanted. The Mississippi and other rivers are overflowing their banks.

FOREIGN.

King Humbert has asked Signor Gioiotti to form a Cabinet.

Five miners were instantly killed and others badly injured yesterday at a colliery at Gilly village, near Hainaut, Belgium. A cage and its occupants was precipitated to the bottom of a shaft by the parting of a chain.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

The broom factory of the Goodman Manufacturing Company, at Richmond, Va., was damaged \$25,000 by fire on Monday.

Geo. McElwain, head bookkeeper for Steadaker Bros., at Salt Lake City, has been arrested charged with the embezzlement of several thousand dollars.

Confederate memorial day was observed yesterday at Richmond, Va., Charleston, S. C., and many other Southern cities, with imposing ceremonies.

The Norwegian bark *Nor*, from Rio Janeiro to New York, has arrived at Lewis, Del., with seven convalescent yellow fever patients on board. Two others of the crew died during the voyage and were buried at sea.

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Military students at Shun-King, China, have taken forcible measures to expel British missionaries from that city.

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RALEIGH'S BUDGET.

A CORRESPONDENT'S VIEWS ON RALEIGH AFFAIRS.

Third Party Men Hissed at the Primaries Increase in Federal Court Business Shall the Fish Commission Be Re-established.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 10.—The question which the Democratic State Convention will have to settle first of all is as to whether the people who believe in the St. Louis "demands" are Democrats. There will certainly be contesting delegations. One from Wake presents the question fairly and squarely. And it ought to be presented in the boldest way. The Democrats have drawn the line, clearly and sharply. In some way, possibly by magnetism, they have discovered just who the people with Third party proclivities are. Such men were spotted here very promptly. There are few of them in this city, and in the purity of its politics Raleigh is an honor to the State. Amid so much of political rottenness it is pleasant to know that the good old conservative Democratic spirit yet exists in all its strength and purity. The Third party men are politically ostracized here, just as much as, if not more so than the Republicans, and this status of the case has for them only begun. They were roundly hissed here last Saturday night at the primaries. The temper of the Democrats has been sorely tried for months. Your correspondent was attacked and termed an extremist because he believed (and believes now) that the Democratic convention should be of Democrats only and should be purged of any people not Democrats. This is no doubt the view which many Democrats now take. For months the woods have been shelled by your correspondent, who saw how the *Progressive Farmer* was going.

There has been a remarkable increase in the business before the Federal court, at the terms which have just ended. There are more convictions than heretofore, mainly of moonshiners and violators of the Postoffice laws. There were some convictions of perjury, a very common crime in the Federal courts. It is said that nearly one fourth of the persons who are charged with crime escape on account of perjury, and that in many cases this is flagrant.

The Odd Fellows orphanage near Goldsboro has opened and the first inmates were received there to-day.

The case involving the State's right to impose a tonnage tax on commercial fertilizers is to be heard at the June term of the Federal court, and before Judge Seymour instead of Judge Bond. The department of agriculture secured the postponement and transfer of the case.

There is now much unanimity of view among the thinking people as to the importance of re-establishing the fish commission in North Carolina. There was much clamor against it some years ago by people who thought only of the present expense and not of the future benefits.

The construction of a distinctive building for North Carolina at the World's Fair is now assured. The ladies have made such progress as to make this certain. The building will be of pine mainly, and will all be put together in North Carolina, then taken down and shipped and reassembled at Chicago. There labor is terribly costly and a strike may occur at any time. It is best to take no risks. It is also an assured fact that there will be such a display of iron ores and building stones as will surprise everybody save State Geologist Holmes.

The Supreme court has adjourned. The term was the shortest in quite a while and the docket was lighter than in a score of years past. There has for some years been a gradual decrease of business before this Court. This corresponds with the decrease in the lower courts. It was remarked by a lawyer that "the people have not the means to engage in law suits." This must surely mean greater contentment for the people. There are now very few special terms of Superior court, while a few years ago these were numerous.

The increased attention to good roads is a hopeful thing. Your correspondent was struck with the practical side of the question as presented by a farmer. He said that thanks to good macadamized roads in this township, he last winter was able to haul over 50 loads more than he could haul over the ordinary roads, and made \$1.25 on each load thus handled.

WORLD'S FAIR NOTES.

The gate receipts at the Exposition grounds are already averaging \$300 per day, although the admission fee is only twenty-five cents.

The Belgian Government has asked its Parliament for 300,000 francs to defray the expenses of a creditable exhibit at Chicago.

The Single Tax Leagues of the United States are endeavoring to arrange a Congress to be held during the Exposition.

If the foreign demand for space in the Fine Arts Department now stretching 1400 feet along the lake front was complied with, the building would have to be increased vastly beyond the present magnificent proportions. The portion devoted to the United States exhibit lies in the north-west galleries of the main pavilion, and the west galleries of the east pavilion, joining France, on one side, Germany on the other, and England on the third.

The grounds immediately surrounding the Horticultural Department are being laid out in flower beds. Within the building, thousands of plants in pots, now line long rows of benches, preparatory to being set out.

A recent incident of interest to archaeologists, was the opening of an Indian mound near Columbia, South Carolina. The mound is on the plantation of Mr. John C. Seegers and has never before been investigated. At the urgent request of Mrs. Brayton, looking to securing possible specimens of scientific value to the Exposition, Mr. Seeger consented to permit the opening of the pre-historic structure a few days ago. Although the excavation was slight, and merely preliminary to a thorough examination, relics of sufficient interest to set scientists on the qui vive were brought to light; and the local papers are publishing full accounts of the curios found.

A delegation from the joint committee on ceremonies left for Washington on Tuesday to deliver to the President and to the Congress of the United States the invitation to attend the dedication ceremonies in October next. The invitation to the President is bound in seal, the corners being elaborately ornamented in filigree silver. In the centre of the cover are the dates "1492-1892," and preceding the invitation proper is the name of the President, "Benjamin Harrison" richly illuminated in colors.

Plans and drawings for an Aztec temple, to be erected by the Costa Rican Government have been prepared. This building, which will be a very fine one, will be surrounded by a garden, in which there will be a complete collection of palms, ferns, bromeliads, schilas and other tropical plants, and it is probable that specimens of the native animals and birds will also be sent. In addition to this a fine archaeological collection will be sent.

The Board of Lady Managers, through the President, has addressed letters to all important officials, and many influential women in South America, asking the appointment of a committee of women to co-operate with the Board. These letters, accompanied by a communication from the Secretary of State, will be transmitted through the regular official channels.

The Virginia World's Fair Board has invited the Normal Institute (colored), of which General S. C. Armstrong is principal, to make an exhibit of the progress and acquisitions of the negro and Indian students in the educational exhibit from that State. This institution is under the patronage of the Government.

Steps have been taken towards a thoroughly classified representation of the wood industry of the United States. A committee consisting of Edward A. Green, of Philadelphia, and Hon. John W. T. Rick, of Elba, Michigan, has been appointed to look after the matter.

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NORTH CAROLINA.

The *Blade* announces that a brass band has been organized at Carthage.

There is a fair prospect of a good yield of fruit in this (Catawba) county.

The Lutheran Synod held recently at Salisbury pledged \$1,500 to the Winston Mission, to be paid in three equal annual instalments.

The town is slightly demented on two subjects—baseball and bicycles. It's a draw game as to which set of cranks is the more enthusiastic.—*Charlotte Observer*.

Charlotte will have a creamery with a capacity of 700 pounds of cheese and 600 pounds of butter per day. The stock is all subscribed and work on the building will begin at once.—*Charlotte Democrat*.

We rather think that Judge Winston made a mistake in sending John C. Davis, the Wilmington defaulter to the Asylum. Because before he is there six months he will have a mortgage on the superintendent and Asylum.—*Central Times*.

The Iredell Blues will attend the 20th of May celebration in Charlotte. The company is practicing now and will enter a team in some of the shooting contests. It is probable that the orchestra or band, as the case may be, will go also.—*Statesville Landmark*.

Mr. R. T. Wilson, of Hoffman, was killed last Saturday by a falling tree. He had only been married about four months and was a young gentleman of much popularity.—Thieves entered the kitchen of the Oxford Orphan Asylum last Saturday night and stole half a beef which was to have been cooked for the pupils' Sunday dinner.—*Raleigh Visitor*.

The manager of E. and J. T. Winslow's saw mill, located near the plank road five miles south of Asheboro, reports that their sawyer, J. C. Pritchard, cut in 15 days and 6 hours, 213, 100 lumber on a 20 horse power engine, making an average of 13,660 feet per day. This beats the record and our informant says that Anthony Hohn, Randolph's boss sawyer, will have to whet up and come again if he beats his pupil Pritchard.—*Asheboro Courier*.

The excavators at the Great Falls canal unearthed a large number of Indian curiosities last week, consisting of pottery, needles, arrows, bones, and numerous other evidences of a once Indian camp on the banks of the river. A large skull with receding forehead, in a remarkable state of preservation, was taken out; also leg and arm bones. The needles were exhibited here Saturday. They are made of bones, and are thought by many to have been made from the tusks of the wild boar.—*Roanoke News*.

Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock a large whale was sighted off Morehead City disporting in the waves. As soon as he was seen throwing up great columns of water the news spread over Morehead City and Beaufort, and about a dozen boats equipped with fifty-two men started in pursuit. The huge monster was followed and chased until late in the afternoon, but he proved too much for even these skilled and bold fishermen. Two bombs were fired into his body, besides being repeatedly harpooned. He finally escaped but it is thought that he will be sure to die.—*Newberne Journal*.