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Some of the leading citizens of Washington have determined to found a National park in the Rock Creek Valley, one of the most picturesque localities in the environs of the Capital.

Indians in the United States last year cultivated 237,347 acres of land and raised 224,753 bushels of wheat, 931,972 bushels of corn, 512,131 bushels of oats and barley, 221,010 bushels of vegetables, and 101,828 tons of hay.

The man who claims to be the most celebrated horse thief in the world is now under arrest at Lorenberg, Kan. His name is Washington Waterman, and he is seventy-eight years of age.

The agricultural outlook for 1889 is already becoming a subject of interest. This is natural in view of the results of the past crop year.

The study of the science of physical culture is receiving more public attention than ever before in this country. Harvard University has spent \$10,000 for the purchase of athletic equipment.

The production of oats in the United States shows a great increase. In the last eight years the average crop has been 51,000,000 bushels, against an average of 314,000,000 for the ten years preceding.

It is a bad sign, remarks the Atlanta Constitution, to see our cities growing much faster than the States and country at large. In 1820 New York and Brooklyn contained one-tenth of the population of the State.

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NORTH AND WEST.

NEWSY ITEMS BY TELEGRAPH.

Being a Condensation of the Principal Happenings in Different States.

Four thousand men will be affected by the reduction of puddler's wages in the Pittsburgh iron fields.

At Alexandria, Minn. John Lee was hanged for the murder of Charles Bellin at Brandon, Minn. on the night of July 19, 1888.

At Tecumseh, Mich. Frank L. Silvers shot his wife and two daughters, Edith and Ada, aged 11 and 9, respectively, and then shot himself.

John Shannon, a Frenchman who resides at Bradenville, Pa. committed suicide Saturday night, on account of threats made by alleged White Caps.

The main portion of the Park Central Hotel, at Hartford, Conn., fell Monday morning, killing fifty people, and disabling and fatally injuring many more.

Nearly the entire business portion of Rock Rapids, Iowa, was burned on Sunday. Twenty-one firms were burned out. Loss \$75,000, with but little insurance.

Mrs Langtry has decided to play in Shakespearean plays in London for a season. She will shortly leave New York for London, but she says she will soon return to appreciative America.

Herman F. Keldel, Jr., partner of the firm of William Knabe & Son, and manager of the piano warehouses in New York, committed suicide early Sunday morning in the warehouses, by shooting himself through the head.

Mrs. Marianna L. Hubbard Slater, widow of the late John F. Slater, famous for his munificent gift of \$1,000,000 to Southern freedmen, died in Norfolk, Conn., Friday morning, of pneumonia, aged about 66 years.

Five thousand five hundred men were discharged from the canal works at Faverhill, Panama, on Saturday. The contractors continue to curtail the work on all the sections. There is a strong military force on the line at the canal to maintain order.

Wm Clark, aged 95, a veteran of the war of 1812, has received an invitation from Gen Harrison to visit his home at Indianapolis, or after March 4 at Washington, Clark, in the campaign against the Indians of the Northwest, in 1811, served under William Henry Harrison.

FOREIGN NEWS.

King Otto of Bavaria, has been proved to be hopelessly insane.

The Spanish Republican General Villacampous died in prison.

English people, frightened by the riots in Rome, are leaving the city in crowds.

Four more persons have been arrested at Gweedore, Ireland, in connection with the murder of Inspector Martin.

Seven blocks of buildings in Manchester, England, composed mostly of warehouses, have been destroyed by fire. The loss is \$50,000.

The British ship Anglo India, from Shanghai, for the Philippine Islands, has been wrecked at Formosa. A part of the crew were saved.

The English Parliament opened Thursday, and the Queen's speech was read from the throne in the presence of a large assemblage of members of both houses.

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Sensational Marriage.

Stacy Criv, Ia., Thomas L. Grifley, who was the first Judge of this county, and who has since held many positions of trust and honor, is defendant in a breach of promise suit brought by Miss Sallie McConahy, of Dakota City, Neb., just across the Missouri River from this city. The damages claimed are \$20,000.

The lady has just turned her thirty-ninth birthday. She is a housekeeper for her brother, a well-to-do farmer. Judge Grifley owns a big farm adjoining her brother's, and lived there for several years.

Miss McConahy alleges that the Judge made love to her and April 7, 1887, promised to marry her "if he ever married again." But the Judge, despite twenty-two years, wed and won a blooming young school teacher and moved to the city. Several attempts at compromise are said to have been made, in which the Judge offered \$500 to have the matter dropped. This was not accepted and papers were served Friday.

The Judge talks freely of the case, but denies that he ever made love to Miss McConahy or asked her to marry him. On the contrary, he says she at various times broached the subject and improved her leap year prerogative by asking him to marry her, but he never consented.

The President Friday morning approved the bill to admit as States of the Union, Washington, Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota.

There has been a great increase in the production of oats of late years in the United States.

Washington Gossip.

The President has signed the Nicaragua canal bill.

The President's last public reception brought a crowd to the Executive Mansion Friday. Probably 5,000 people filed past and shook hands with the President.

The President has granted the application for the pardon of Geo. M. Bain, Jr., the Norfolk bank embezzler, who was sentenced in March, 1888, to five years imprisonment.

A telegram was received by the Secretary of State from Mr. Hubbel, United States minister to Japan, saying that he had signed a treaty of commerce, amity and navigation with Japan.

Dr. D. W. Bliss, the well known physician who gained a national reputation on account of his connection with the case of President Garfield, died in Washington Thursday morning of paralysis, followed by cerebral hemorrhage.

The President directed the discharge of Lieutenant Landon P. Joubert, United States navy, with one year's pay. This officer was examined for promotion and was found unfitly disqualified. He was given another trial but failed to meet the requirements of the service.

The Comptroller of Currency has declared a third dividend of ten per cent in favor of the creditors of the State National bank at Raleigh, N. C. This makes in all 40 per cent on the claims proved, amounting to \$313,837. This bank failed on March 27, 1888.

A holiday bill is working its way through the U. S. Senate, which provides that all existing holidays shall continue as legal holidays, and in addition the people shall celebrate the first Monday in September as Labor Day and every Saturday afternoon between June 15th and September 15th.

Rumor has it that Mrs. Cleveland will make a mill venture into magazine literature soon after her retirement to private life, and that the readers of the Century need not be surprised to find it in one of their forthcoming numbers. Richard Watson Gilder, the Century's editor, is a close friend of the Cleveland family.

The house in Washington which Mr. Blaine has leased, the old Stewart mansion, has had an interesting history. It was built about 1820 by Commodore Rodgers, then, with Commodore Decatur, one of the naval commissioners. It was for years a fashionable boarding house, and William L. Marcy lived there at various times. Then, after various vicissitudes, it became the Washington Club House, and into it was carried Philip Barton Key when he was shot to death by Daniel E. Sickles.

Among the amendments reported by the Committee on appropriations and agreed to by the Senate were the following: For protecting the site of the post-office building at Key West, \$3,000; making appropriations for a light house service steam tender for the 1st light house district, \$85,000; for 2d district, \$80,000; Chincoteague, Va., buoy depot, \$1,250; Portsmouth, Va., depot, (additional land) \$10,000; Bush's Bluff, near Norfolk, \$10,000; Diamond Shoal, off Cape Hatteras, N. C., \$50,000; North River Bar, N. C., \$2,000; steamer for light house service in North Carolina, \$35,000; Hilton Head, S. C., \$5,000; Fernandina harbor, Florida, \$1,750; Pascagoula River ranges, Mississippi, \$10,000; fixing the total cost of the library building at Washington at \$5,500,000, exclusive of appropriations heretofore made; inserting an item of \$32,945 for a sewerage system at Fortress Monroe, Va.

Moonshiners Defy the Law.

The moonshiners in the western mountains of North Carolina become more and more troublesome every day, and are, in many sections, becoming defiant, and declare they will resist officers unto the death. It is reported that a movement has been on foot for some time among these lawless mountaineers to organize strongly, and that the organization is now perfected, but who the leader is cannot be learned, as they are exceedingly shy of strangers. It is plainly evident that they propose to manufacture and sell illicit liquors, distilleries and revenue officers. Among the more enlightened class of mountaineers it is argued that the revenue exacted by Uncle Sam is an outrage, and they do not heed it on that account. They say for fifteen years after the war they paid it as a "war tax," but they claim it is at now necessary and consequently they kick against it.

Advices from South Mountains, in Cleveland County, say that revenue officers, who have been raiding there, have received threatening letters from mountaineers, telling them they are or ought to be arrested, and intend to resist any attempt made to arrest them or destroy their business, and they will not spare life to carry their points. They warn the officers, under penalty of death, to leave the mountains. This organization among moonshiners is becoming alarming, and it is now gone to such an extent that it will be hard to break up.

She Robbed the Mails.

Hattie B. Stevenson, a pretty and stylish dressed young woman, was arrested in Yellville, Ohio, on the charge of robbing the mails. She was chief clerk in the Yellville postoffice and is accused of stealing checks and money aggregating \$500. When arraigned before Judge Wilkes in the United States Court, Miss Stevenson pleaded guilty of embezzlement and was released on \$1,000 bail.

A Family Frolic.

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Dr. A. J. Pinson, a prominent physician and druggist, of Atlanta, dropped dead in his store on Saturday from heart trouble.

Work has been renewed in the man-ganes mines near Tunnel Hill again, and, it is said, are showing up better than ever.

Atlanta has decided to enter the Southern League, and elected Capt. W. R. Joyner, chief of the Atlanta fire department, President. The entrance of Atlanta insures the success of the Southern league. The clubs now in the league are: New Orleans, Mobile, Memphis, Nashville, Charleston and Atlanta.

A cyclone passed over Burke County Monday morning. Thomas Stevens and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Meaders, were instantly killed. Another son of Mr. Stevens was injured.

Georgia's new capitol at Atlanta is nearly ready for occupancy, and the Legislature, which meets July 1st, will hold its session in it. The cost of the building was about one million dollars, and it is conceded to be one of the handsomest and most commodious State capitols in the country.

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ALL OVER THE SOUTH

NEWS FROM EACH STATE.

Farmer's Alliance Active--Notes of Accidents, Etc., Classified.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Rev James Gibson, a colored preacher, was drowned in Sugar Creek in Mecklenburg county last Sunday. He undertook to walk across the creek with a log, and when about the middle of it he fell and was swept downstream. The water being very high, his body has not yet been found.

There are no new developments in the negro exodus from the State, but it is learned that emigration agents are now trying to induce hundreds to leave Wake county. It is estimated that during the week about six hundred left the eastern counties. In Wayne county, where serious trouble was feared, everything is now quiet, and the negroes who were trying to leave are now going back to the farm.

A very interesting case was before United States Commissioner D G Maxwell in Charlotte, Tuesday. A young man by the name of W H Martin, who had been arrested at Gold Hill, in Rowan county, was tried for using the mails for the transmission of improper literature. Failing to procure bail for \$1,500, he was sent to jail. Some three years ago Henry was engaged in the same business at Rock Hill, S. C., and was sentenced to serve a term in the Albany penitentiary. This term expired on the 19th of last November, and Henry at once returned to his old calling.

Ellis Ward, a negro who is to be hanged at Jackson on the 8th of March, is a desperate character, and has spent several days after his trial, and for several days after his trial, was guarded by twenty-five armed men; and now he has been taken to Warrenton for safe keeping. He is a member of the colored Knights of Labor, many of whom live in Northampton county. It is feared that a rescue will be attempted when he is taken back to Northampton for execution, and to prevent any such attempt and to preserve order, troops will be ordered to attend the execution. Their presence will doubtless prevent what might otherwise be a serious riot.

Governor Fowle and staff, with a party of prominent gentlemen and military escort, attended the fish, oyster and game fair at New Bern. The Governor was tendered a reception and an address of welcome was made by Major Peter-son. In the evening the Governor was tendered a reception by the managers of the fair. The buildings of the fair were thrown open. They are the handsomest in the State, and the exhibits are remarkable in point of variety and beauty. The Governor formerly opened the fair and delivered an address. Senators Vance and Beck arrived on Wednesday. On Wednesday Governor Fowle went to Morehead City, and drove the last spike in the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

The next Legislature will be asked to form a new county with a court house at McCormick, from portions of Abbeville and Edgefield counties.

The valuable mills about three miles from Laurens, belonging to Capt G. W. Shell and Mr A H Martin, were destroyed by fire. No insurance; loss \$3,000.

Two incendiary fires broke out in Graniteville Wednesday night at the same time. Dwellings and stores were destroyed, valued at \$13,000, half insured.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Wilson and Summertown Railroad was opened for business. It runs from Wilson's Mill, on the Central Railroad, to a point very near Summertown, a distance of thirteen miles.

Brigadier General S J Lee and his staff, with a company of the N G of South Carolina will attend Harrison's inauguration. A colored company from Charleston will also attend.

Robert Hoser, a negro, who was chased by Sheriff Hunters from Lancaster county, S C, to Monroe, in Union county, N C, and who is thought to be a member of the Gardner-Gregory gang of horse thieves, was captured at Monroe and is in jail.

The agitation over fertilizers among the Farmer's Alliance in South Carolina continues. They propose to use no commercial fertilizers unless they can get them at manufacturers' prices, freight added. It is likely that 50 per cent less would be used at any event.

The Manchester Manufacturing Company has been incorporated for the purpose of erecting mills, etc, on Shaw's Creek, near Aiken for the manufacture of cotton, wool, yarn, and straw bagging, rope, etc. Capital stock \$300,000.

On night last week two men went to the house of Milton Williams, colored, who lived near Ninety-Six, and threw rocks on the top of his house. When he came to the door the assassins shot and killed him. There were two of them, but were not recognized.

Miss Sallie Tolbert of Black's S C, cloped with W W Thomas, connected with the Western Union Telegraph company, and they were married Sunday week ago, at Grover, N C. He deserted her at Augusta Tuesday, and she has discovered he has a wife and family at Goldsboro, N C.

At a meeting of the attorneys for the creditors of the Pacific Guano Company, held in Beaufort, two receivers were chosen, Mr Wm M Mills, the late manager, and Mr Charles M. Heister, a M Smith, of Charleston. In the Civil Court at Beaufort the case of the State of South Carolina against the Pacific Guano Company was begun.

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The special session of the Florida Legislature adjourned Friday after having passed the committee substitute for the Senate bill instituting a State board of health. The bill has been signed by the Governor and the board must be appointed within thirty days. It consists of three members and they are to be appointed by the Governor.

TENNESSEE.

A large delegation of Republicans of Chattanooga left Nashville to fight the Democratic scheme to redistrict the city of Chattanooga, which is being considered by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

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Natural gas has been discovered at Kerville, Tenn., on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, twenty miles northeast of Memphis. The gas is found at a depth of fifty feet, and the volume escaping is very great. The well in which it was accidentally discovered by workmen digging for water, was lit last week and continued to burn freely, making a brilliant light. An Ohio expert who was brought there to examine the well, says the gas is stronger than at Lima and Toledo, Ohio. There is considerable excitement over the discovery.

VIRGINIA.

At Winchester, under a trial lasting eighteen days, Joshua Lamb has been acquitted of the murder of Jonathan Mason. Both were youths of 18.

State Senator David F Houston, of Roanoke, Va., fell dead at Lancaster, Penn., on Saturday, on his return from a visit to Harrison in the Anti-Mahone interest.

Canon Hartley Carmichael, of Hamilton, Ont., has received a call from the vestry of St Paul's Episcopal Church, of Richmond, Va., to be rector, vice Rev Dr. Charles Minnegerode. St Paul's is the wealthiest church in the city.

Fire in the yards of the Tunis and Serrill Lumber Company, in Norfolk, damaged the mills and a large stock on hand to the extent of \$50,000, fully covered by insurance. The kindling establishment of Jno O Keneth was also badly damaged, to the extent of \$5,000.

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