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NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The following is a synopsis of the fourth annual report of the board of Indian Commissioners: After three years working of the peace policy the Board finds cause for congratulation. Their anticipations of success in the attempt to civilize the tribes have been so far fulfilled that now reasonable assurance of the object in view is being rapidly attained, and nearly five-sixths of the Indians of the United States are now civilized or partly civilized. Various fraudulent dealings, through which large fortunes have been made, are now nearly abandoned. Instead of paying for thirty-six per cent. more than is received, the Government receives the full amount of the money appropriated, and the Indian gets all he is fairly entitled to. The Sioux and other tribes on the Northern Pacific Railroad are generally well disposed. The Indian Territory, with a smaller area than any of the other Territories, has a population exceeding any other, with the exception of New Mexico and Utah. It has more acres under cultivation than any other in the United States. This, in effect, fully disposes of the statement that there is considerable land idle, compared to other portions of the United States. The board deems it a matter of congratulation that public opinion in the country is so rapidly developed into purposes of justice and humanity.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7.—The mystery of Dover, Delaware, has been explained. Professor West was not killed. It now turns out that he killed a colored man whom he hired temporarily, and after the man was dead the Professor cut his hands off, and then burned them—his object being to make the authorities believe that the body was his, so that his wife could obtain the insurance of \$25,000 on his life. He acknowledges that he killed the negro, but says it was in self-defense. West is now in jail.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 9.—The Fusion members of the Legislature assembled at the Lyceum hall. They were in caucus this morning. Each member, as he passed in, was served by the Deputy United States Marshal with a copy of Durrell's restraining order. The Mechanics' Institute is still in charge of the military. Sentinels guard the State officials. The members of the Legislature recognized by the Customhouse Board, and reporters, with their political friends, are admitted. Congressman Darrel and ex-Mayor Flanders are on the floor of the House, but the Senate is doubtful. Vizers, the old Clerk of the House, whose duty it is to call the roll, was arrested yesterday by a Deputy Marshal, and has since been held a prisoner.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Packard the United States Marshal at New Orleans telegraphs to Attorney-General Williams that the Senate has at present twenty Republicans and eight Democrats, and that the House has fifty Republicans and fourteen Democrats. The State Supreme Court has sent Elmore, Warmouth's usurping Judge of the Eighteenth District Court, to jail for ten days and his clerk for five days, and has fined them \$50 each. The House has adopted the following:

Resolved, That Henry O. Warmouth, Governor, be, and is hereby, impeached, for high crimes and misdemeanors in office, committed against the constitution and laws of the State.

The Senate then declared Warmouth suspended until such time as the charges against him can be tried and decided.

At the evening session it was resolved that a court of impeachment be formed, and that Pinchbeck be nominated as Governor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Webb has prepared an argument to be submitted to the House committee on appropriations, in favor of a mail steamship line from San Francisco to Australia via Sandwich Islands. He asks a subsidy of \$500,000 for carrying the mails and is supported by recommendations

from the Postmaster General.

It is said Secretary Delano is to sail for Cuba soon, to be absent one or two months. It is hinted that he goes in a semi-official capacity, and at the suggestion of the President, who wishes thorough information on the condition of affairs in the island, and expects to get it through the Secretary.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Further accounts from the recent storm on the northern lakes show that it has been one of the most violent ever known. Not less than ten schooners are reported to be lost with all on board. A Canadian steamer is frozen in on the lake with fifty passengers on board.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—President Graham, of Walkill Bank, gave bail this morning, and was released.

The rumors on the street are that several leading bankers and merchants propose to call a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, to take measures against merchants and bankers engaging with stock gamblers in locking up money for the purpose of depressing business generally.

S. N. Pike, a well known merchant, formerly of Cincinnati, died suddenly in his office in this city this afternoon from apoplexy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—SENATE.—The bill passed to admit free of duty the statues to commemorate the sailors who fell in the late war.

A concurrent resolution with regard to the holiday recess was presented. Mr. Cole objected to its consideration, and it went over.

Mr. Hitchcock introduced a bill for the removal to the Indian territory of certain Indians of Nebraska.

HOUSE.—Mr. Beck, from the Ways and Means Committee, reported adversely on the bill for the abatement of taxes on spirits destroyed by accidents while in bond. Tabled.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—SENATE.—Cole introduced a bill providing that after June 30, 1874, it shall be lawful to receive twenty per cent. of customs dues in the United States notes, and twenty per cent additional extra thereafter until 1877, when duties may be paid in gold or United States notes.

On motion of Stewart, the bill to define the rights of miners and encourage the development of the mines was indefinitely postponed.

Sumner's joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution, confining the Presidential term, was referred to Judiciary Committee.

The Free Speculation bill was postponed till Monday next.

A motion to make it the special order for that day being opposed, it was withdrawn.

The Senate then went into Executive session and soon after adjourned.

HOUSE.—Gallegos introduced a bill for the construction of a military road in New Mexico.

Banks introduced a bill to create a Commission to award damages to claimants under the Geneva Arbitration.

A resolution to adjourn from Dec. 20th to Jan. 6th was adopted.

The Speaker announced the select committee on the Centennial Celebration as follows: Kelley of Pennsylvania, Dawes of Mass., Maynard of Tenn., Sargent of Cal., Hawley of Conn., Havens of Mo., Cox of N. Y., Marshall of Ill., and Hancock of Texas.

Dec. 15.—SENATE.—Sherman reported a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue coupon bonds in exchange for registered bonds.

Cameron reported a bill to authorize the President to release the Empire of Japan from the payment of the indemnity due the United States under the convention of 1862.

The Committee on Appropriations today heard the members of the District Board of Public Works, and will report in favor of reimbursing them in the amount of \$250,000 expended in improvements in the vicinity of the public buildings since adjournment.

Five employes of the House have died; one last night, Robert A. McPherson, of Pennsylvania.

The number of appropriation bills is fourteen. Three are before the House, and three more are to be reported before the holiday recess.

The Committee on Ways and Means had the subject of the Syndicate before them to-day, but will not be likely to come to any conclusion.

HOUSE.—Bills were introduced and

referred authorizing Collectors to grant special orders for unloading steamships at night; also establishing a new scale of fees and salaries for custom house officers; repealing the bankruptcy act; repealing the special tax on retailers of tobacco; repealing the enforcement act; and abolishing the stamp duty on bank checks.

The House resumed consideration of Coburn's bill introduced last session, to enable honorably discharged discharged soldiers and their widows and orphans to secure homesteads, but it went over.

The Indian Appropriation bill was taken up.

John T. Crofton, of Ky., is appointed Minister to Bolivia.

Charles Johnson, who murdered his wife, was hanged this morning.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—A Chicago politician, who has made application for the governorship of a Territory, has discovered that the President intends to adhere to his announced policy concerning Territorial officers, and will fill vacancies from inhabitants of the Territories.

A Washington dispatch says that Duc de Noilles, French Minister, has information that the present crisis will end peacefully. Thiers will be satisfied after making some concessions.

Blaque Bey, Turkish Minister here, received a letter from the Finance Minister of Turkey asking a series of questions with regard to Pacific railroads, condition, management, and their availability to the Mohammedan commercial interest. The letter has been referred to the Secretary of the Interior and Blaque Bey has prepared an answer.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 8.—A scaffold on a building being added to the water works, fell this afternoon killing four men and wounding four more.

At Tieber's slaughter house, W. Wolf cut the heart of Valentine Dunnen in two with a butcher knife. Liquor was the cause.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The committee appointed to inspect the Minnesota division of the Northern Pacific Railroad report that the road is well located, the grades light, the embankments and excavations within the requirements of the law, the ballasting well done with gravel, the rolling stock uniformly excellent, and the engine houses and repair shops adequate. Its acceptance is recommended.

The President and Mrs. Grant, with Miss Nellie Grant, left Washington upon the noon train for Philadelphia, to attend the marriage of Miss Borie, niece of ex-Secretary Borie. The President will return to-morrow night.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 10.—John J. Paterson was elected United States Senator on the first ballot.

On motion of Mr. Shellabarger, the Judiciary Committee were intrusted to redraft what powers Congress possessed to regulate commerce among States as regards excessive charges by railroad.

In the Senate M. Cole offered a resolution directing the Judiciary Committee to inquire into the expediency of amending the Constitution so as to provide for the election of the President, Vice-President and United States Senators by the people. Adapted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—A motion to quash the indictment against Tweed was denied to-day by Judge Ingraham.

INSANE ASYLUM.—Dr. Ellis, visiting physician to the Insane Asylum under the charge of Dr. Hawthorne, makes his quarterly report, from which we compile the following:

Whole number of patients in the Asylum August 30, 1872, 167; males, 119; females, 48; admitted during quarter ending November 30th, males, 5; females, 7; discharged during same time, males, 5; females, 5; died, males, 1; escaped, males, 1; remaining in the Asylum on November 30th, males, 117; females, 50, making a total of 167.

STREET CARS.—These metropolitan conveniences commenced regular trips in Portland on Monday last.

The Indian Trouble.

YREKA, Dec. 9.—J. A. Fairchild, P. A. Dorris, Nat Beswick, and Eben Ball went out Saturday to find Capt. Jack and Scar-faced Charley and to induce them to come in and give themselves up. These parties do not believe that Charley and Jack had anything to do with killing the settlers, but that the Indians killing the settlers are a band under an Indian known as Jim. Mrs. Boddy also said that it was Jim's party who killed her husband, Charley and Jack not being in the band.

JACKSONVILLE, Dec. 9.—Mr Odeneal, Superintendent of Indian Affairs, arrived here from the Lake country last night. He reports the arrival in the Indian country of two companies of cavalry from Camp Warner, and says that the aggregate force in the field, including some Klamath Indians who have volunteered, is about 250 men. The Indians are now being kept too busy by scouting parties to be able to commit any more depredations. He says that within a week the campaign will be prosecuted so vigorously that but a short time can elapse before the hostile band of Modocs are taken and the war ended. His terms are unconditional surrender and punishment of the murderers. Mr. Odeneal left for his headquarters at Salem this morning.

YREKA, Dec. 10.—From Doten and Alvanty, who arrived here last night from Hot Creek, we learn that there were 25 men and a few friendly Modoc Indians at Fairchild's ranch, waiting the return of Fairchild, Dorris, Beswick, and Ball, who had gone with three friendly Modocs to try and find Captain Jack and Scar-faced Charley, and get them to come in and go on the reservation. They went entirely unarmed, and many are fearful that they are trusting too much to the friendship of these desperadoes; consequently considerable anxiety is felt for their return.

The courier who left here Saturday for Fort Klamath, if he has no misfortunes, should be back to-morrow night when we will have full details of the situation on Lost River. It is hoped the greatest danger is over.

The weather is delightful and every thing favorable for the movement of troops.

IN MEMORIAM.

REBECCA DEGREE LODGE No. 1, I. O. O. F., Dec. 3, 1872.

WHEREAS: It has pleased God in his inscrutable wisdom to remove from our midst by the blighting hand of death, our beloved sister, P. F. Cross—

Resolved, that we deeply feel the severe loss which we have sustained in the untimely death of our sister who, though gone to her eternal home, yet still lives in the hearts of the poor, the suffering, and the orphan to whom she never turned a deaf ear, nor a cold heart.

Resolved, that we tender our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved husband and family, whose loss, though irreparable, and causing an aching void in each heart, will recognize the will of "Him who doeth all things well."

Resolved that the Secretary be directed to furnish a copy of these resolutions to the afflicted family, and also to each of the journals published in this city.

OLIVE S. ENGLAND, AMANDA A. WHEELER, SARAH E. MURPHY, Committee.

COMPLETED.—From good authority we learn that the work on the canal and locks at Oregon City is completed so far that boats can pass through on next Monday, the 16th instant. The company will not, however, permit vessels to pass through the locks and canal before the 20th. They will try the gates previous to that time by passing a scow through, and if all prove satisfactory throw them open to public travel.—*Herald.*

NEW BOAT.—The Willamette river Transportation Co. is actively engaged in building a steamer at Portland for the upper Willamette trade.

From Eastern Oregon.

ANTHOPE VALLEY, Wasco Co., Nov. 26, 1872.

ED. FARMER: No doubt many are anxious to know how stock are doing during the past and present storm. Snow commenced on the 8th, falling half an inch in depth, but disappeared on the 9th. Snow fell again on the 10th, continuing slowly until the 12th. Weather turned clear and cold, with the snow six inches deep on a level, and so remaining until the 15th, melting in day time and freezing at night, until now we have two inches yet, but the north hillsides are bare. The stock have done fine, there not being snow sufficient to cover the grass at any time.—Grass is spring-green on the hillsides, and the stock are fat. Butchers from Portland and the Sound are plenty, as well as beef steers. Old residents of this country expect this to be the hardest part of the winter; although the storm in some parts of the surrounding country has been more severe, the snow is deeper, and the wind rages fiercely, forming great drifts, thereby causing people to gather their cattle to feed. On an average, one man out of twenty-five has a little hay, only enough to feed through one storm. Many are driving their stock to this part now for grass, and horses are being brought in bands for wintering here in Antelope. R. F. ASHBY.

EUROPEAN.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—A terrible westerly gale throughout England yesterday prostrated the telegraph wires and demolished many buildings in this city. A large number of pedestrians were dashed violently to the ground. Street lamps and signs were blown down, injuring many. Eight ships were blown ashore at Plymouth. The flag-ship Narcissus parted her moorings at Davenport, and the gunnery ship Cambridge and three small merchantmen in the same harbor were blown ashore; the crews, however, were rescued. The telegraph wires in the north of England are not repaired. Dispatches from all other sections report great destruction of property. The gale was severe in Wales and Ireland, accompanied by lightning and rain. Many towns were flooded and several vessels driven ashore. In the harbor of Cork the damage was very great. Three pinnacles of the tower of St. Thomas' Church were blown down while the congregation were in it at worship, and falling on the roof crushed into body of the church. The congregation were panic-stricken and rushed from the building. None were killed, and their escape is regarded as miraculous. The Lebornia, from Sunderland for New York went ashore and was wrecked off Lowestoft, and the crew barely escaped. Many huts used by the troops at Aldershot were destroyed. The chapel of Orif College, Oxford University, was badly damaged. The freight depot of the Great Western Railway was entirely demolished.

It is now thought that the American creditors will not lose seriously by the failure of Jacobs Brothers of Antwerp.

No intelligence yet of the missing ship Scandinavia, and it is feared she has foundered.

THE DOG CASE.—In the case of G. Gibson vs. C. K. Reed, to recover the value of a dog killed by the defendant, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, assessing the damages at \$30. The trial established the fact that dogs are property. The case was tried at the present term of the Marion Circuit Court.