

Mortgages in the West.

From the Missouri Republics. A writer in the New York Sun gives a minute and interesting account of an Eastern scheme for loaning money upon farm mortgages in the West, which Western farmers will do well to keep clear of.

Latest by Telegraph.

EASTERN.

One Hundred and Fifteen Years Old. St. Louis, Jan. 5.—Mrs. Harriet N. Cooper, a colored woman, died at Chatham, one of the suburbs of this city, New Year's day.

Whisky's Work. Mrs. Bartley, alleged to be a dissipated woman, left her squalid little home in an alley off 8-7th street this morning to pass a shawl to get money to buy whisky with.

Railroad News. New York, Jan. 6.—It is said that a Boston banking house has purchased at above \$35 per share a controlling interest in the Lake Erie and Western Railroad stock.

More Money Than Wanted. Members of the Northern Pacific Syndicate announced that subscriptions received for Northern Pacific Railroad general first mortgage bonds considerably exceeded the amount reserved for this market.

Loss of Life by Fire. New York, Jan. 4.—A fire broke out this morning in the rear of 35 Madison street, a four-story tenement. Nine lives were lost as follows: Ellen Sheridan, aged 43 years; Kate Sheridan, 14; Maggie Sheridan, 5; Martin Sheridan, 3; John Walsh, 13; Thomas Cassidy, 6; Charles Cassidy, 8; a girl named Egan, aged 2, and Mrs. Sheridan, age unknown. Several persons were injured.

Ends Ship Railway. Capt. Eads has completed negotiations with Mexico for the construction of a ship railway across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, and has received the most liberal concessions it has ever granted, being a strip half a mile wide, with a mile in width for stations.

FOREIGN. Irish Trials and Troubles. DUBLIN, Jan. 3.—On resumption of the State trials this morning, the court was crowded, though the proceedings were uninteresting, simply consisting of reading of stenographers' notes of speeches of traversers.

The Irish Land Bill. DUBLIN, Jan. 3.—The Times says: No bill will be demanded of Parliament for the land bill, though possibly a remnant of the Irish church surplus may be used to aid emigration and in the reclamation of waste land.

Sharp Battle at Callao. LIMA, Dec. 9.—Early on the morning of the 4th the Peruvian launch Uroos whilst on guard duty in the bay was attacked by three Chilean torpedo launches.

A Valuable Donation. LONDON, Jan. 5.—Dr. Schlegelman has presented his collection of Trojan antiquities the Emperor of Germany to be placed in a museum in Berlin.

Troops for South Africa. LONDON, Jan. 5.—The transport steamer The Queen takes to the cape 30 officers, 257 men and 257 horses; the Hawker takes 300 men and 210 horses; the A. takes 5 officers, 137 men and 112 horses.

A Cook Cross-Questioned. "Look here, Matilda," said a Galveston lady to a colored cook, "you sleep right close to the chicken house, you must have heard those thieves stealing the chickens."

The Arresting of Ireland. LONDON, Jan. 5.—A dispatch from Birmingham states that inquiries have been made at the leading gun makers there, and the replies received confirm the reports of exportation of arms to Ireland.

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