

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gathered from All Quarters.

CONGRESS.

THE SENATE on the 18th, after the passage of about a dozen pension bills, including the bill increasing the pensions of the widows of General Custer, Admiral Wilkes and General Daniel Ullman to \$100 a month, took up the Copyright bill.

THE SENATE on the 19th Mr. Ingalls, in a brief address, tendered his resignation as president pro tem of the Senate, to take effect on the election of his successor.

THE SENATE on the 20th passed one hundred and thirty pension bills, and after other business a resolution was passed with the consideration of the Nicaragua Canal bill.

THE SENATE on the 21st the sundry civil appropriation bill was reported, and the Nicaragua canal bill was taken up as the unfinished business.

THE SENATE on the 22d the credentials of Senators Platt and Jones (Ark.) for the term beginning March 4 next were filed.

IN A bulletin issued by the Census Office on the 20th it is stated that the center of population of this country on June 1, 1890, was in Southern Indiana, near Greensburg, and twenty miles east of Columbus.

THE Loyal Legion has recommended the erection on the battlefield of Gettysburg of a composite monument of General Meade and his corps of commanders of the Army of the Potomac, to cost \$200,000.

THE officials of the National City Bank at New York City were unable to open the safe on the 20th, and had to borrow money to carry on the day's business.

THE House Committee on Post-offices and Post-roads has authorized a favorable report on the bill introduced by Representative Evans, of Tennessee, to establish postal savings banks and encourage small savings among the people.

THE ship Elizabeth, of New York, was ashore on the rocks at North Head, near San Francisco, on the night of the 20th, and the captain and seven of the crew were drowned.

LAGER beer breweries of New York, representing \$8,000,000 capital, have perfected arrangements for forming a rival pool to protect the interests of those who were left out of the combination made in November, 1888.

NELSON FOLEY, of New Albany, Ind., was bitten by a dog on the 9th of last December. The wound healed rapidly, and he felt no uneasiness.

THE drouth which has prevailed for some time in Southern Illinois was broken on the 20th by one of the heaviest rainstorms in many months.

ELMER H. WILLIAMS, the forger and embezzler recently arrested in Manitoba, has been returned to Lancaster, N. H.

THE coroner's jury in the case of William Protzman, who died recently at Des Moines, Ia., under Christian science treatment, has returned a verdict to the effect that death was caused by reason of neglect and the disregard of all dietary rules.

THE schooner James H. Gordon, which sailed from Bridgeton, N. J., on January 13 for Jacksonville, Fla., has been given up for lost and it is feared that her crew of nine men have perished.

JOHN L. WILLIAMS, the leader in the notorious Cotton Belt train robbery perpetrated at Spur Switch in June last, has been convicted at Linden, Tex., and sentenced to nineteen years in the penitentiary.

THE Brook Iron Company's rolling mill and nail factory at Birdsboro, Pa., resumed operations on the 23d in all departments as a result of the acceptance by the puddlers of a reduction from \$3.75 to \$3.50 per ton.

THE railroad coal operators' association of the Pittsburgh district, at a meeting on the 23d, decided to demand from the miners that wages be reduced on the 1st of next May.

THE annual report of the New York state board of health shows that 5,000 people died of the gripe in that state during the year 1890.

FIVE of the men entombed by the recent mine explosion at Jeansville, Pa., were found alive on the 23d. They had been buried in the mine eighteen days and their escape is considered miraculous.

A FIRE at Evansville, Ind., on the 23d totally destroyed the People's theater and badly damaged adjoining property, causing a total loss of \$100,000.

GENERAL SHERMAN was the only one of the famous Union commanders who lived to complete his seventieth year.

THE president on the 21st sent to the senate the nomination of ex-Governor Foster, of Ohio, to be secretary of the treasury, vice Windom deceased.

JOHN WILEY, one of the oldest and best known publishers in the country, died at Orange, N. J., on the 23d.

CAPT. DAVID BARNUM, known from one end of the great lakes to the other, as "the Ancient Mariner," died at Cleveland, O., on the 21st, aged eighty-five years.

COLONEL W. D. CROCKETT, a noted horse breeder and a lineal descendant of the famous Kentuckian Davy Crockett, died at Waukegan, Ill., on the 23d, aged 71 years.

JOSEPH REYNOLDS, who owned the "Diamond Joe" line of steamers plying between St. Louis and St. Paul, from which fact he gained the sobriquet of "Diamond Joe" Reynolds, died recently at Prescott, Ariz.

SIR KNIGHT J. O. DICKERSON, on whom a skin-grafting operation was tried some months ago—one hundred and thirty-two brother Masons contributing skin from their arms to be grafted on a cancer wound in the hope of saving the patient's life—died at the Emergency hospital in Chicago on the 23d.

IN THE British House of Commons on the 20th Mr. Morgan's resolution in favor of disestablishment of the church in Wales was rejected by a vote of 235 to 203.

THE Employers' Labor Association of Liverpool, representing shipping of 750,000 tonnage, comprising all the leading lines and owners, has united itself with the Shipping Federation.

THE Great Eastern railway company's channel mail steamer, which plies between Harwich and Rotterdam, recently collided with the steamer Queen in the North Sea.

MESSRS. O'BRIEN and Dillon have been removed from jail at Clonmel to Galway, where it is expected they will complete their six months' term of imprisonment.

DISPATCHES received at Calcutta from Rangoon state that fifty insurgents have been killed in a fight which recently took place on the frontier of Wuntho.

ANOTHER MINE HORROR.

Terrible Explosion in a Nova Scotia Coal Mine Near Halifax.

One Hundred and Twenty Victims Meet a Horrible Death in the Underground Depths—An Appeal for Aid in Behalf of the Widows and Orphans.

SPRING HILLS MINE, N. S., Feb. 23.—An explosion took place on the west side of the east slope Saturday. Black damp has made its appearance. Miners who have come up say the levels are blocked in the locality of the explosion with debris consisting of timbers knocked out by the terrible force of the explosion, which was felt above ground.

The work of recovering the bodies of the dead is being pushed rapidly forward. The total number of deaths is now estimated at 117. Many of the bodies taken out are almost unrecognizable. The dead are being identified by sorrowing friends and relations amid heartrending scenes.

In several families the affliction is very great. Reid Carter and his two sons are among the dead. The Carmichael family loses three sons. Jesse Armishaw went down No. 2 slope and found his three sons and a brother piled together in a heap in one corner of the mine.

The scene of the explosion was in the immediate vicinity of No. 6 and No. 7 slopes. The greatest number of deaths occurred there.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 24.—The following appeal has been issued by Mayor Hall: "To the Public: A mining disaster, attended with fatal results unparalleled in the history of Canadian mining, has fallen upon the town and the people of Spring Hill, N. S.

This appeal is being sent broadcast and the necessity for a prompt response is great. The first subscription to the relief fund was telegraphed from J. W. Clendenning, president of the Acadia Coal Company, New York. It amounts to \$300.

SPRING HILL, N. S., Feb. 24.—Three more bodies were taken from the ill-fated mine Monday afternoon, making the total number recovered so far 120. It is thought now that all the bodies have been recovered, but the rescuing party will continue the search until every foot of the ground has been gone over.

A sad accident in connection with the disaster occurred yesterday. While Oliver Dupe, a Frenchman, accompanied by his only living child, was engaged in removing from the morgue the dead body of his son James, one of the victims, the little fellow slipped on the ice and broke his neck.

MONTRÉAL, Feb. 24.—Senator George A. Drummond, of this city, is one of the directors of the Spring Hill mines. He shows an official report of the manager of the mine which tells a remarkable story. It is dated February 16, and in it underground superintendent Swift says that much uneasiness had been caused among the miners by "old Mrs. Coe," known in the neighborhood as the "Pious Prophetess," for foretelling an explosion which was to take place in the Spring Hill mine.

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THE INDIAN TROUBLE.

A Disturbance Among the Big Braves Quelled by a Policeman.

The officer had interfered and broken up a row among a lot of boys in Essex street, and he then called to one and said: "Now, then, tell me what this ruction was about."

"Well," replied the boy, "me and Wounded Knee were coming along here and we met Man-Afraid-of-His-Horse. He struck us for ten cents. Just then Man-on-a-Buffalo came up and give us—"

"What on earth do you mean?" interrupted the officer. "And then Mud-on-his-Bill, Man-who-Talks and Fire-on-a-Hill came along and put in their gab, and—"

"Who are all these boys?" demanded the officer, in great astonishment. "And the first thing I knew Walk-Down-a-Hill he hauled off and hit White Crow on de chin, and den Little Antelope he gav it to Bear-in-the-Night on the eye, and we was retreating to the Rosebud when you cum up and skeert the life out of every Sioux and Cheyenne in the pack. It's all over now, and me'n Horse-who-Limps and Sore-on-his-Nose is going up to Pine Ridge Agency to train fur a wrestling match."

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