

EVENTS ABROAD.

of the Chinese Foreign Office Dismissed for Advocating Peace.

of Russia, Germany and Will Meet on the Fifteenth Instant.

CHINESE DIFFICULTIES. REPUBLICAN OF ENGLISH. Sept. 7.—The Republic...

REPORT DENIED. Sept. 7.—The Voss Ga...

BOMBARDMENT EXPLAINED. Sept. 7.—The Temps explains...

THE TREATY OF PARIS. Sept. 7.—The National states...

SHOOT HIMSELF. Sept. 7.—Prof. Guga...

THE FRENCH ACADEMY. Sept. 7.—The three vacant...

MINISTER IN WEST AFRICA. Sept. 7.—Lieut. Gabriel Fe...

REVIVING THE QUESTION. Sept. 7.—The Republic...

EGYPT. THEY GOT THERE BY THE NILE. Sept. 7.—The Nile...

RUSSIA. THE ROYAL FAMILY. Sept. 7.—The czar, ex...

ENGLAND. THE BIRMINGHAM BOXER. Sept. 7.—Tan Hill...

EATING A GIRL. From Escape from Cannibalism on a Snowed-in Train.

people who have never been on a verge of starvation can realize at the range of hunger...

Water and Wine in Venice. A traveling correspondent of the Salt Lake City Tribune...

There is no telling just when the music began, but just as the street car turned...

DISGUSTED SPECULATORS. There is no telling just when the music began...

IN PURSUANCE OF THE INSTRUCTIONS. In pursuance of the instructions...

CONVENTION AT LOUISVILLE. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sept. 3.—The Southern Association...

A CHANGE OF BASE. AUGUSTA, Ga.,—Mr. Jas. S. Davant...

IMPROVING THE LINE. COLUMBIAN, Ind.—The C. H. & G. road...

NOTES. The railing behind the Union depot...

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Col. Emmet of the Air Line is preparing to run a cheap excursion to Potomac and return the next week.

Mr. E. F. Satterfield has been appointed freight agent for the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Wheeling, W. Va.

There is more express matter handled at Fort Worth than at all the other Texas towns combined. So say the boys.

If you think there is no work in an express office just wipe your glasses and look at Agent Koon in the Missouri Pacific.

It is nice to work on the platform of the Union depot; there is nothing to do only haul a car-load of freight on a pair of trucks. It's nice.

George W. Friedley of this state has been appointed general solicitor of the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago road, succeeding Bennett H. Young.

Chicago & Northwestern earnings for the fourth week in August were \$269,200, a decrease of \$257,000, and for the month \$1,199,700, a decrease of \$402,700.

The reduced live stock rate is on a basis of twenty cents per 100 pounds from Chicago to New York. This rate was in vogue on several rate-cutting lines before it was made general by Commissioner Fink.

J. E. Gimperling has been appointed superintendent of the Dayton division of the Toledo, Cincinnati & St. Louis road, vice W. W. Cumming resigned. C. E. Henderson, general manager, announces that W. T. Williams, now traveling agent of the I. B. & W., will be appointed general freight agent of the above division.

Robert M. Hughes, who recently resigned the position of assistant to the president of the Black Diamond system, will take charge of the editorial department of the National Trade Journal and Railway Review of New York. The first issue of this paper will not appear until January next. Hughes goes there in November. The paper will be issued monthly and owned by a leading philanthropist of that city.

PORTSMOUTH, Ohio, Sept. 3.—This city has been in holiday attire to-day celebrating the visit of 150 merchants from along the line of the New Cincinnati and Eastern Railroad, who came as the guests of the merchants of this city. The railroad carried them free of charge. They arrived here at 1:30 p. m., and have been treated to an excursion on the steamer Minnie Bay, a display of the fire department and an entertainment at the opera-house. The procession of the carriages in the escort was over a mile in length.

The Louisville and Nashville financial plan provides for the issue of \$5,000,000 of ten-forty bonds, secured by mortgage on the railroad real property, and \$7,000,000 preferred stock now cumulative. This makes the capital \$22,000,000 common and \$7,000,000 preferred. The new bonds and stock are to be offered to the present shareholders, for which purpose the company's books close September 20. Officials do not deem it advisable to state the terms upon which they will offer the new issue.

In pursuance of the instructions of the general passenger agents, the district passenger agents of the Indiana, Ohio lines met to-day at noon to grow twice his ordinary size; his fury was magnificent and he called in thunder tones for some one to "put up or shut up."

Whatever the question was, no one will probably ever be informed, but it must have been notoriously untenable, as several gentlemen upon inquiry approached him and offered to take him up. One gentleman pulled out a handful of "fives," but he was jostled aside by another who reached down in his inside vest pocket, pulled out a handful of bills and rushed up to the speaker, offering to cover his money. "You say you will put up?" asked the first.

"Yes, sir, I'll cover your money."

"Well, you bet your money!"

"My money goes; cover it!"

"How much do you want to bet?"

"I want to bet the fat 'roll.'"

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"Yes, how much? Put it up."

"I want to bet money; I want to bet a half a dollar, and I dare you to cover it!"

The gentleman with the large roll of bills was the most disgusted man in town; he left there right quick.

RELIGIOUS.

Interesting Religious Challenges on Various Subjects.

Some Home and Foreign Church and Missionary Notes.

The committee having in charge the revision of the Old Testament have consented that several members shall undertake the revision of the Apocrypha.

Mrs. Wall's "beggars' meetings" in Rome continue to be a great success. Each meeting is attended by some hundred and fifty poor creatures who learn scriptures and hymns.

The Protestant Episcopalians are having their Book of Common Prayer printed in the Chinese language for use by their missionary work. The work is being done in New York.

Mr. Moody, when asked whether he was perfectly satisfied with the work accomplished in connection with his recent labors in London, replied: "Very much pleased, but not satisfied—I am never satisfied."

It is significant that an infidel journal recently admitted that "throughout the length and breadth of the civilized world there is not a single monk or cleric to be found in which the autocratic yoke of religion has been shaken off."

A Sunday-school pupil illustrates "responsibility" in this way: "It's got two buttons for their 'spenders, so's to keep their trousers up. When one button comes off, why, there's a good deal of responsibility on the other button."

The two Moravian missionaries to Alaska have reached Nushik, and ascended the Kokokwim river in skin-canoes. Large numbers of Eskimoes are living in that part of the territory, which they intend to explore thoroughly.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton makes the remarkable statement in the last North American Review that "it was at a Jewish polygamous wedding that Jesus performed his first miracle, and polygamy was practiced by Christians for centuries." It would be very hard for E. C. S. to prove that.

It is stated as an illustration of the power of special prayer offered for the Moravian vessels, that for 120 years a ship has annually left England for the Moravian mission in the Arctic regions of this continent, and that not a single ship or passenger has been lost by storm, iceberg or wreck.

In the exploration of the old Temple area in Jerusalem one of the stones placed round about the low parapet dividing the court of the Israelites from the court of the Gentiles, has been dug up, with the inscription in Greek still legible, forbidding a Gentile under pain of death, to pass the parapet.

A joint effort is being made by the members of the New Church in England and America to raise sufficient money to erect a monument to Swedenborg in Stockholm. The intention is that the memorial shall consist of a church, a book-room and a pastor's residence.

James Russell Lowell, the United States minister to the court of St. James, at a recent meeting in England in honor of the poet, Browning, said some good words for Calvinism. Mr. Lowell is himself an Unitarian. Among other things he said: "The doctrines of Calvin have produced some of the noblest characters the world has ever seen, the very fiber and substance of which enduring commonwealths are made. Look at Coligny, for instance. Nay, the political and intellectual freedom we enjoy springs as truly perhaps from the lots of Calvin as from anywhere else."

The Established church of England has about eighty churches and congregations in northern Europe, of which the bishop of London has the oversight. Those in southern Europe, and in the islands of the Mediterranean are more than seventy in number, and are under the supervision of the bishop of Gibraltar. The needs of English travelers, who have increased a hundred fold, have greatly increased the number of churches, and under the latter bishop ten are now in process of completion. A church is nearly completed in Moscow, while there are three of these churches within the walls of Rome.

That quiet, unobtrusive folk, the Society of Friends, report a total membership in this country of about 75,000, and in Great Britain and Ireland about 18,000. They carry on considerable mission work. Among the various Indian tribes they have twenty-five Friends engaged in teaching, and in the foreign field are doing a noble service. They are sustaining thirteen missionaries in Madagascar, five in India, and a medical mission in Turkey under the care of the London Yearly Meeting. In Syria they have two stations, Bermuda and Mount Lebanon, with training home for boys and girls, three Sabbath-schools and nine day schools. At Hammallah, near Jerusalem, they have seven schools. These are under the care of the New England and London Yearly Meetings.

The prohibitionists in MICHIGAN have nominated for governor David Preston. In these days when presidential politics cannot be fully and freely discussed in the family circle it is a positive luxury to read of a gubernatorial candidate such words as these in a paper—the Cleveland Press—which avows another party: "Preston is no politician, but he is a man of large means, a generous giver to all worthy charitable and religious projects, universally known and respected throughout the state, an earnest Republican for many years, but distinguished more than anything else for personal humility and piety. In 1872, the bank of which he has been the head for generation suspended payment. Preston issued a proclamation declaring that with the help of Jesus Christ he would resume and pay every dollar the bank owed. The ungodly laughed and jeered, but the bank did resume, pay all its debts and continue in business more profitably than ever before. He is without doubt the most influential lay member of the Methodist Episcopal church in the state and will poll a much larger vote than any other man the prohibitionists could have nominated. When his name was first mentioned for the place many of his friends in one of the other besought him to decline, but he answered them by publishing a letter stating that if nominated he would accept, and for this special reason beside others, that the prohibition party is the only one which recognizes God in its platform."

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A popular London newspaper says it is service a short time since a servant whom he had taken, out of charity, from the work-house. One day she was very incident to her mistress, whereupon the comedian told her that if it occurred again he would certainly send her back to the place whence she came. "I won't go there," she replied, "no; any account. If the worst comes to the worst, I'll go on the stage."

RAILROAD RACKET.

The Rate War Declared to be Only a Little Difficulty, Easily Adjusted.

The Bears Arming Themselves for an Attack on Wall Street—Local Notes.

BATTLE IMMINENT.

Wall street is watched with interest by all holders of railroad securities, and the respective friends of the bulls and the bears are elated or depressed as the market takes a favorable or unfavorable turn.

Cannock and Woerishoffer, who have led the bear campaign that have been so successful in the past two years, have started in again, and they will try to make the furry ere long. Gould knows all about it, and has put himself on the defensive. Deacon White has hurried to his aid, and they will make their stand with Union Pacific and Western Union. The quarrel will probably be over Union Pacific, although the bears will try to smash the Grangers and some of the Vanderbills.

To-day the giants of Wall street slumped glaring at each other. The bears were waiting for some adverse news with which to knock the market, and the bulls were waiting for the attack—result, the dullest day in the month.

Northwest was weak on stories of a fresh Granger war and of the stock's decreased earnings, but St. Paul inched up because the official report of its earnings made a less bad showing than was expected. Railroad people say that none of the trunk lines have openly announced reduced rates for tickets, and that there will probably be no change until the 23d in the Northwest Traffic association, as that is the date that the Chicago and Northwest company has given for withdrawing from the pool. It is not probable that a war will soon follow this as the result of the withdrawal, and the roads will very likely continue to operate on the old basis of rates until a new association is formed. The purchase of the Blair system of roads by the Northwest company has complicated affairs in the tripartite alliance, and it can not be very well revived on the old basis.

As to the general market there is really nothing new. The general situation continues unchanged, although the bulk of the news is of a less encouraging nature. Exports have been very light of late, railroad earnings show up very poor and the Vanderbilt roads can be doing little if anything more than earning fixed charges.

The corn crop is watched closely, and to-day's news in the street was that Western weather had been very favorable for a few days. But dullness was the only feature of the trading today. The battle royal will begin soon, and then the fun will come thick and fast.

RATES UNCHANGED.

The rumored rate war among the railroads is likely to turn out to be little more than a family quarrel. The late advices from New York say there was no important change in the rates of passenger traffic to the West made by the ticket brokers yesterday. It is understood that the evidence has been secured of the sale of Chicago tickets at the office, at \$17, against the rate \$15.00, as heretofore maintained. The brokers are selling Chicago tickets at \$16, and the only importance attached to these irregularities on the part of the West Shore is that they may be used by the old trunk lines as the justification for an open cut at their town office. There seemed to be something moving "in the air," in the opinion of several brokers, because of the untidy number of "spotters" that were canvassing the Broadway office in order to get at the lowest current rates. This fact was interpreted as indicating a possible preparation by some of the pool lines for more openly aggressive steps than have yet been taken. A gentleman informed us to Commissioner Fink's opinion said: "It is incorrect to say that there is a passenger war. There is none. The fact is simply that there are no regular rates, and some lines are paying commissions while others are not. There never has been a pool on passenger business, so far as a division of business and settlement of balances under the division is concerned. Agreements regarding rates, etc., have existed and none of the old trunk lines will withdraw from them, but it is tacitly understood that the experiment of paying commissions shall be tried until the West Shore and Lackawanna are willing to accept a division and to sever relations with the scalpers. Mr. Fink is not lifting his finger at present to end the trouble, because he believes that if the cutting goes on long enough the new trunk lines will get so sick of the situation that they will be willing to co-operate with the other lines. He was confident that at the proper time the West Shore and Lackawanna will be glad to accept the trunk line agreements and that the Grand Trunk will consent to abandon its old policy of paying commissions, even while the American lines were not doing so. There is no principle involved in the present cutting and no dispute except over the allowance of commissions."

Terrapin in China.

In the medical reports of the inspector-general of customs in China Dr. Macgowan gives an amusing account of some of the reputed poisonous animals of that country and of superstitions connected with them. He speaks of the terrapin, a single-eyed, sunken-eyed, etc., which are not to be trifled with. The three- and four-toed terrapins may be eaten, but the five-toed, which are transformed snakes, and the six-toed, which are transformed scorpions, as the people believe, are fatal poisons to those who eat them. But for thorough business habits in a wicked animal the three-legged terrapin has the first place if the following statement be true: "A man of Taitung ordered his wife to cook a three-legged terrapin, which he ate and went to bed. Soon afterward he was changed to blood and water, his hair alone remaining. The neighbors suspected foul play, and a former magistrate, who ordered a condemned prisoner to eat one of the tripod cephalopods. This he did, and in the morning the judge inspected his blood, water and hair, and acquitted the widow of the other."

Water and Wine in Venice

A traveling correspondent of the Salt Lake City Tribune, writing from Venice, says: "The people live chiefly upon cistern water collected by drains from all the neighboring houses into bronze cisterns situated in every little square in the city. In every three or four days you can see a crowd of men, women and children drawing their supply and carrying it away in their practical copper buckets. It looks very much like an Eastern scene. But speaking of water reminds me that the people are not much given to that beverage, but consume large quantities of wine; and as we passed a dingy little lane one day we saw the very simple process of its manufacture. I had been on the lookout all along for that charming sight so beautifully described by the poet when he speaks of the maid 'with milk-white ankles splashed with wine.' How true is the life's disappointment I saw instead, jumping on the unfortunate grapes piled up in tubs, with feet booted, greasy-looking men, with guide sticks and ankles—well, the guide sticks seemed assured as that they performed ablutions before their grape-pressing became away with unpleasantness, but I was under the best of circumstances it is unpleasant to 'put your foot in it,' but to have others put theirs in it for you is certainly repugnant to a person of refined tastes."



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