# Cooperstown Conrier.

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COOPERSTOWN, GRIGGS CO., DAY

It is not very creditable to the sklil and enterprise of American saw-makers that, while an American band say forty feet long is produced for \$45, a French blade the same length costs \$70, and is much the cheaper even then because of its superiority.

There does not appear to be that unanimity of feeling and opinion in Ireland which precedes national victory. The old feud between Orangemen and Ribbonmen is revived, and the bitter antagonism comes to the surface in the shape of mobs and riots.

One of the greate st feats of raft towering yet recorded was toat recently announced of a raft measuring twelve feet deep and twenty-four feet wide, consisting 15,300 logs, towed in safety from St. Johns, N. B., to Jew York, a distance of 650 miles, which demonstrates the practibility of furnishing mills with logs cut at long distances from the lumber manufacturing establish nents.

A noticeable feature in South American commerce of late has been the very large increase in the number of steamers visiting Argentine ports. There is said to be a foreign steamer now for al most every day of the month. Five steamers now ply regularly between Beunos Ayres and Bahia Blanca, a fact which strikingly testifies to the development of the southern territories of the republic. These vessels are British built, and owned chiefly by British cap-

The art of tempering copper which was known among the ancients appears to have been lost, although it is so desirable that it should be understood. It has been repeatedly attempted in mod ern times, but unsuccessfully. In this the people of the dark ages appear to have been much in advance of those of the present day. Copper implements found in the graves of Indians which have undoubtedly been buried for centuries, are found to be tempered equal to the steel implement of the present

The Railroad Gazette of Sept 28th reports the construction of 208 1-2 miles of new railroad throughout the United States during the month ending September 25th, making 1,999 miles thus far this year. The total hew track reported in the corresponding date for twelve years past has been as follows: 1883, 3,995 miles; 1882, 7,285; 1881, 4,774; 1880, 3,607; 1879, 2,224; 1878, 1,267; 1877, 1,369; 1876, 1,677; 1875, 804; 1874, 1,396; 1873 2.788; 1872, 4.970. The statements include main tracks only, no account being taken of second tracks or other additional tracks or sidings. Last week's report was about the largest this year.

The London Times is supporting the project for a men orial to the inventor of illuminating gas, William Murdock. It is related of him that when he was making his experiments with fish-skins to be used by brewers as a substitute for isinglass, he went to London and took expensive lodgings at the West End. Absorbed in his new discovery, he used to go out with a fish basket, which he brought home full of fish; then he would flay the fish on his drawing-room table, and hang the skins to dry on velvet sofae and silk curtains. When his landlady caught him at work there was a scene and Murdock, much to the surprise of his simple mind, was ignominiously ejected, after being made to pay damages. The Murdock memor al committee which is to be formed under Sir William Sieman's auspices, will endeavor to collect funds for erecting a statue on the Tnames embankment, and also for purchasing Murdock's house at Handsworth, which it is proposed to convert into a gas museum, with a library and reading-rooms, for the workingmen of Birmingham.

An address of congratulation from the International Arbitration and Peace Association for Great Britain and Ireland has been sent to Signor P. S. Mancini, minister for Italy. The address dwells on the services of Signor Mancini in procuring the embodiment, in the treaty of commerce between Italy and Great Britain, signed on the 15th of June, 1883, of a clause binding the two high contracing powers to submit to impartial reference any dispute that may arise in the interpretation or application of the said treaty, and of a clause of arbitration in a treaty between Italy and Belgium, signed Dec. 11, 1882, and en his long labors to give practical effect to the beneficent principle of arbitration, 'nstead of diplomatic conflicts and ultimate appeals to force. The address is signed by Lord Shaftesbury, the duke of Westminister, Lord Aberdare, Lord Robartes, the bishop of Exeter. Mr. Bright, M. P., Mr. Villers, M. P., Sir Wilfrid Lawson, M. P., Sir John Lubbock, M. P., Sir Edwin Watkin, M. P., chairman of the Channel Tunnel company, and many members of parliament and other gentlemen.

## CONDENSED NEWS.

Washington News Notes.

Miles Rock, assistant astronomer at the government observatory, has been appointed astronomer and engineer commissioner ed astronomer and engineer commissioner of the Guatemalan government, to locate the boundary between that count y and Mexico. The boundary line is 200 miles long, and two years will be required to complete the work. Mr. Rock has also been commissioned by the Smithso ian institution to collect notes on the anthropology in the cuntry over which his survey is to extend. He is to enter upon his new duties at once.

The following are recent Northwestern postoffice changes: Iowa-Quorn, Plymouth county, one mile east. Minnesota Meadew, Rock county, one and a quarter miles south. Star service changes: Dakota— Groton to Lisbon from Nov. 1, 1883; increase in service to two times a week. Star vice discentinued: Iowa-Frederick vice discontinued: Iowa—Frederick to Piainfield. Postmasters commissioned— Rose Churchill, Armedale, Dak.: Luella Nightengale, Fandusky, Iowa: John W. Sal-ter, Unity, Wis.

According to the forthcoming report of the department of agriculture corn will average something like 29 busheles per acre, or a total crop—shout 1,425,000,000. Wheat will show a decrease of nearly 1,000,000 cushels or about 414,000,000 bushels. Oats will show up splendidly.

The President has accepted two sections of the Northern Pacific railroad; one of 75 miles in Montana territory, and the other of 36 03 miles, from Columbia river to Portland, Oreg.

Rail and River News.

The annual report of the Rock Island company gives the following statement: Total amount of capital stock, \$41,960,000; bond-d debt, \$17,500,000 upon 1,117.19 miles; aggregate libbilities, common stock and bonded debt, \$59 490.000. The total length of main line and branches is 1,380. 42, the aggregate length of all tracks main the branches, and sidings being 1,783 37. The road carried 2,767.251 passengers and 3103.496 t as of freight during the year. The total earnings were \$11,553,058, \$3,703.208 being f om the passenger department and \$7.839.255 from the freight department. The income from other sources, rents for use of road, telegraph earnings, etc., was \$589,871, making the total income from all sources \$12,142,930. The operating expenses and taxes amounted to \$6,954,437.

The Bitter Root Valley Railroad company of Montana was recently incorporated by the following ger tlemen: W. F. Sanders and Ed Stone of Helena; F. H. Woo-sy, R. A. Eddy, and A. B. Hammond of Missoula. It is the intention of the incorporators to build a railroad from Missoula up to the head of Bitter Root Valley. The capital stock is \$1,000,000.

The Buffalo, New York & Philadelphia railroad company reports its gross receipts for September to be \$265 000; net profits, \$24,650. Notwithstanding the strikes in the bituminous coal region the receipts for October will be \$325,009; the net profits 27,000, should the strike cease as it is expected it will pected it will.

## General News Items.

S. R. Crumbaugh, the collector of internal revenue of the Second Kentucky district, is in Louisville to answer before the United States circuit court on a charge of using government envelopes and stamps for private correspondence. The opinion prevails that the charge grew out of personal enmity on the part of former attaches of Crun.baugh's office, and that an investiga-t on will result in the matter being dis-

The state election in Uhio occurred on the 9th inst., and at the time of going to press with this sid- of our paper he result is in doubt It is probable, however, that the democrats have carried the state by mall majority.

The removal of the remains of the 107 North Carolina Confederate dead from Arlington has been completed. The caskets were taken to Alexandria, and will be placed in Grace church until their shipment to Baltimore on the 16th.

an examination of Dean, Donnelly and Chambers, under arrest for trying to rob the train at Coolidge, Kan., terminated re-cently in alling to find sufficient evidence to hold them, and they were discharged.

The deposits in the savings banks of California on the 1st of July last were \$56 507.163, an increase of more than \$3,000,000 within a year.

Chong Non, Philadelphia's Chinaman, has been refused citizenship by Judge Yerkes in compliance with the anti-Cninese law. A horse chestnut tree in City Hall park,

New York is in blossom.

## Doings of Criminals.

On the 11th Deputy United States Marshal Henry Marshall arrested Dr. W. H. Barteau at Fort Howard, Wis. The doctor has lived in this city for a number of years and stands high in his profession, although rumor h s it that he has not lived in persect accord with local contempor ries Dr. tect accord with local contempor ries Dr. Barteau served in the army and is himself a pensioner. Some years since he was appointed pension agent by the government for his district. It is alleged, in the charge upon which he lwss arrested, that during this period he exacted and secured from di verse parties, pensioners of the U. ited States, fees for making examinations. Pension examiners receive a salary from the government and the law says they must no exact fees from pensioners. The evidence is overwhelming. In many instances he gave receipts for fees and these will be used against him. The law imposes a heavy penalty for each and every offense, and th doctor's have extended through a series of

Frank Meyers and Aust'n Gutherie, cousins, quarreled about a girl at Black Fork Creek, Choctaw Nation. They were mounted on horseback. Knives were drawn, and a most terrible fight er sued, the combatants spurring their horses together and slashing at each other with their weapons. The fight lasted half an hour. Meyers w s cut in a shocking manner, one arm being a mass of gashes. Gutherie was terribly wounded.

At Northboro, Mass., on the 7th inst., a man named Taylor, from Brooklyn, on a visit with his wife to the home of Richard Elwood, shot his wife and then blew out his brains. The woman was induced to go organizes the adminstration and judicial to a francinto a field, and while there the shots were systems, and entirely abolishes slavery. It currency.

fired. The woman is expected to recover, the ball having entered her throat and coming out through the roof of her mouth.

The man died instantly.

Robert Morrison, an international claim agent, who occupied nandsome quarters at Pittsburg, has suddenly disappeared, leaving numerous creditors behind. People at New Castle, Pa., New Cumberland, W. Va., and Steubenville, Ohio, mourn the loss of sums ranging from \$200 to \$1.200, and oth-ers who entrusted claims to his manage-ment are still to hear from. It is believed he has gone to Boston.

Herman Hillman, a young farmer o Lawrenceburg, Ind., was recently fatally stabbed at a dance, which was given in his honor at the house of Henry Humfeldt, by Aibe t Ross Ross and one Trulock had extered unbidden, and apparently for the purpose of killing Hillman. Trulock commenced the quarrel by insulting Hillman, and Ross rusted in and stabbed him and then got away

Alonzo Keys, a resident of Marshfield, Wis., shot his wife on the 11th inst. The woman cannot live. The ressons for the shorting were jealously and domestic troubles. Keys and bis wife have lived unhappily for years, and several times separated. The murderer escaped to the woods.

Ah Lung, the Chinaman sentenced to be hung Feb. 5 at Maiden, Mont., has escaped from the Meagher county jail. The China man took with him a heavy chain (riveted about one of his ankles), and also a pair of handcuffs, with which his wrists were fas-

Charles H. Taylor has been arrested at Jamestown, Dakota, for taking a letter from the post ffice and embezzling its contents. Taylor was examined before Com-missioner O. H. Hewitt and held to the United States court in 1800, with sureties.

During the disaster at Carlyon, N. Y., the body of ex-Mayor Hayne of Chicago was robbed of everything valuable. Fra k Bottsford has been sentenced to six months in the Monroe county, N. Y., jail, for the

On the morning of the 1st inst, the cloth ing store of Rosenthail Bros., Minneapelis, Minn., was robbed of nearly all the over costs in the establishment and a number of dress suits. The loss was about \$3,000. 2 Mrs. John Austin had her husband arcested in New York for desertion. She showed 200 love letters he had received from a dozen different girls.

Thomas Carmody, the sixteen-year-old son of John Carmody, who lives on a farm four miles south of Rowley, Iowa, hanged himself in his father's barn a few days avo. Two tramps recently stoned the house of

Franklin Monroe, in Hundock's Creek, Pa. Monroe fired upon them, killing one, Samuel McNeal. Craft, the Highland, Ky., murderer, has issued a card denouncing George Ellis as a liar and begging for delay of sen-

Frederick Methews, who suicided in New York last month, left g'len Fields, his sweetheart \$20,000.

## The Casualty Record.

At Waukan, Wis., on the 9th inst., Mrs Trougert, section boss on the St. Paul railroad, his wife and baby, accompanied by his daughter and her husband and child, who live near Rush Lake, were riding on a hand-car, Mrs. Trougert's hat blew off, and in reaching for it her baby slipped out of her hands in front of the car. The little one was caught up by the gear wheels, and in aud wound upon the shaft of the machin being torn timb from limb and to fle-h car was thrown from the track, and those on it were burled some dista ce. Both wo men were very badly hurt, and are now in a precarious condition, while the other child was also quite badly injured.

When the local Texas Paci c passenger train pulled out from Marshall, Tex., a few days ago, a new or ignorant brakeman, in haste to get aboard, turned the switch beore the last trucks passed and threw the rear couch, with passengers own a fifteen foot trestle. The slow motion of the train prevented a tearful accident. As it was, en persons were more or less injrred.

While going rapidly round a curve near Austin avenue, the western suburbs of Chicago, a dum y car filled with passengers was derailed a few clays ago and thrown into a ditch. Charles Cook, it is thought, was fatally, and eight others more or less seriously wounded.

During a severe thunder storm at Min neapolis, on the evening of the 7th inst the church of the immaculate Conception was struck, and somewhat injured.

An insane man committed suicide at the Ramsey county, Minn., jail, St. Paul, on the 9 h inst., by hauging himself to the cell door with a blanket.

Sykes & Hughes lost a valuable barn and seve at stacks of grain by a prairie fire near Carrington, Dak., a few days ago.

A Mr. Lewis of Milbank, Dakota, recently fe:l under a moving train, his body being completely severed at the hips.

## From the Old World.

William Heury Musson, of Montreal, Canada, a member of one of the best French Canadia families in the province, who has filled an important office in the treasury of the corporation for over twenty years, has absconded, a ter embezzing over \$25,000. His books have not yet been fully examlued, and it may turn out that his default is far larger than is yet known. The losses by the city officials during the past two or three years, after pilfering their several departments, would amount to at least \$200.

4 The Standard's Paris correspondent under date of the 10th inst. says: In case of a tupture between Spain and France, all Spanish ubjects in France will pe placed under the protection of a friendly power—probably Belgium. It is significant that the doors of the Spanish embassy—usually open to all comers are closed even to diplomatic visitors. Forty-eight hours will decide whether France yields or the Spanish embassy leave

The government of Cochin, China, has completed an agreement with the king of Combods. It confirms the catabishment of a French protec orate, provides for lioeral instruction, and secures property, re-organizes the adminstration and judicial

also provides for the collection in district taxes. It has been entrusted to French officers. France will receive 66,000 plastres

Informer Tamie has been committed to prison, the authorities learning that 'he was about leaving the country to evade giving testimony against his prother-in-law, Poole, to be tried for the murder of Kinney. Lamie has already testified that Poole gave

The Journal de St. Petersburg denies the report published that several Russian ofreport publisher that several Russian officers had been arrested for complicity in a ninilist plot, and that a large depot had been discovered containing arms, gunpowder, dynamite booms and printing aparatus.

The report that the French defeated the Chinese at Baninh is unconfirmed. It appears improbable that the Chinese troops, which number 30,000 between Baninh and Yanan, should be defeated by a few hundred Fig. 1.

Value of exports for the Ottawa district to the United States for the quarter ended Sept. 30 is \$1,041,713 an increase of \$14,000 over the corresponding period last year. Sawed lamber alone reached \$966,660.

The Austrian and Hungarian delegations are convoked for the 23d inst. The jurisdiction of the delegation is limited to foreign affairs and war.

A man named Urena recently attempted to assassinate the president of Santa Domingo at Neyba, Hayti. The president shot the assailant dead. The would-be assassin had no accomplices.

Suze & Sibeth, East Indian and West Indian merchants, London, have failed. Liabilitie, £250,000.

The German government has prohibited the importation of swine from Russia into Germany.

A dispatch says negotiations between France and China are virtually suspended.

### Personal Gossip.

Cardinat McCabe has issued a pastoral letter in which he says that, owing to the justice and good sense of modern statesjustice and good sense of modern states-men, many former educational grievances had been redressed, but much remains to be done if Catholics are to be placed upon a level with other denominations. In this respect he says he does not ask for his peo-ple the slightest privilege as against others, but only equality and justice.

Maj. T. J. Abbott, for forty years a clerk in the war department, died in Washington a few days ago, aged eighty-four. Under his pillow after his death was found \$33,000 in government bonds. He had a considerable amount besides in other securities and

Burgeon General Crane who died on the 10th inst., had been in the office but little over a year, succeeding Surgeon General Barnes. He had a good army record and was a meritorious man in all respects.

Father Carroll, the Chicago priest, eightysix years old, who was severely hurt in New York in August, was called on by Mgr. Capel the other day. He is recover-

Pierre Lorillard has sold his Newport residence to Cornelius Vanderbilt for \$450,000

## France and China.

The Chinese government has instructed the Marquis Tseng to notify the French government that China cannot tolerate any further continuance of what the Mandarins characterizes "the paraleying," with which the Frei ch governme, nas seen fit to deal with the Tomqui mair, and the parleying, must be const ered suspended so far as China is co terned. Jules Ferry, prime mini-ter, nas instructed M. Tricon, Free chen-voy at Pekin, to explain to the thinese government what it describes as "par eying" on the part of France was enforced upon the French foreign offic, under the con-duct of Chalamel Lacour, as a necessity to evoid conflict with their interests, and that Ferry when he took the regotiations in in hand found it "necessary to resume the parleyin" for the express purpose of avoiding intermeddling. When

### A Georgia Girl's Dilemma.

A Georgia girl got herself into an awk-ward predicament the other day. She was returning home from the Atlanta Exposition, and the car being crowded she was obliged to stand up until a gentleman poher her soon litely offered her half of his seat. They soon became agreeable companions and were chatting away very sociably when the young lady discovered that she had lost her pocketbook. She accused the gentleman of having picked her pocket. He smiled sarcastically and asked her if he looked like a pickpocket. She thought he did. He proposed to assist her in searching for the lost treasure, which she soon found on her own person. The chop-fallen damsel stammered out apologies for her rudeness. The person she so grossly insulted was a Methodist preacher on his way to a con-

### The World's Coldest Places.

From the London Pall Mall Gazette.

The coldest place on the earth is not as The coldest place on the earth is not as has hitherto been believed by meteorologist's, Yakutsk, in Siberia, tut Verkoyansk, in the same region, lying it 67 1-2 degrees north latitude, on the river Yana. Its lowest mean winter temperature is 48.6 degrees below zero contigrade. This then, is the cold pole of the earth in Asia. The corresponding polein America being to the north west of the Parry Islands; and the line ad-joining these two places does not pass through the North Pole itself, which is thus, in all probability, outside the line of greatest cold. It is noteworthy that Verkoyansk, like Yakutsk, is on the moinland, a considerable distance from the Siberian coast, which possesses a comparatively milder climate. The recent Schwatka milder climate. Franklin search expedition, however, found that in the neighborhood of the back river the mean winter temperature is not far behind that of Verkovansk; of course, the minime of both places reach a much lower figure. It is well known that in the tropics, on the other hand, the greatest heat is not at the equator, but at some distance north and south of it.

### LATE MARKET REPORT.

ST. PAIL.

WHEAT—As before said, the board of trade demand was slow at the close of the week. Early it opened active for hard varieties, with buyers biding up and advancing prices, apparently independently of the lake markets, though these had some effect in afterward causing an ensier feeling. There is a good milling demand, and a liberal through shimment trade. Among millers the feeling seems to be steadler than with the large shippers, who just now are offish. Latest reports quoted lower prices in the lake markets, causing duliness here. On Tuesday on 'change the market rued dull, but at an advance of 1c on hard variedes for the entire week. Receipts have been liberal throughout and generally of good quality. Street wheat is still quotable at 87@92c rer bu. Closing quotations on 'change weak at the following prices: No. 1 hard, \$1.03 spot and October: November and December, \$1.02; No. 1, 93c; No. 2, 880—all bids.

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November and December, \$1.02; No. 1, 93c; No. 2 hard, 98c; No. 2, 88c—all bids.

CORN—Receipts and supply have been limited, causing strength in prices and advance during the week. The frosty weather has also strengthened the larger markets, sympathetically affecting values in St. Paul. Later the supply was a little better, but not sufficient to meet the demand, yet prices closed a little lower, in sympathy with other markets. No. 2, 48½c bid, 50½ asked; November, 48c bid; year, 46¾c bid; May, 49c bid; No. 3, 47½c bid, 49c asked; rejected, 43c bid. Tuesday's sales; I car No. 3, 49c; lear rejected, 43c.

OATS.—Receipts have improved some, but prices have been well sustained, on good demand in excess of offerings. The market has been firm throughout, and so closed, the advance for the week ranging at 4@ I con No. 2 mixed. Thesday there was an active inqui y, and some pressure to buy for immediate wants, while futures received attention. More oats could be used in this market if sent here. Quotations; No. 2 mixed 28c bid; beanne of the month, 27½c bid; November, 28½c bid; December, 28¾c bid; year, 28c bid; May, 32½c bid, 33c asked; No. 2 white, 29c; No. 3 white, 27c; rejected, 24c—all bids. Tuesday's sale: I car No. 2 mixed, December, 28¾c.

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FLOUR—The exports continue light but the home demand keeps the market barely steady, the light production adding in this. Minnesota patents are quoted in Bostonat \$7.50@7.75, and in New York at \$7.25@7.50. Local quotations are: Patents, \$6.10@6.00; straights, \$5.20@5.70; clears, \$4.45

@4.85: low grades, \$2@3.
MILLSTUFF—Bran and shorts have been scarce. and firm all the week, closing strong. Mixed feed and coarse corn meal are low. Quotations: Bran, in Bulk, \$8: sacked, \$9.50@ 9.75 ner too

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