

There are a great number of cases of typhoid fever at Wilkesbarre, Pa. The water supply is impure and this was aggravated by prolonged wet weather.

A New York syndicate, controlling a process for converting cotton stalks into fibre, is trying to raise a company with \$1,000,000 capital to build a series of factories.

Ghastly stories of inhuman cruelty to patients in Lunatic Asylums still come from the States. The last is from Minneapolis, and is worse than any of the former ones.

The total receipts of the United States Government in the past fiscal year were \$388,591,675, and the expenditure \$300,064,795. In the previous year the amounts were \$379,266,074 and \$267,624,801 respectively.

It is estimated at the treasury department that there has been a decrease of about \$15,500,000 in the United States public debt since June 1. This will make the debt reduction for the fiscal year ending June 30, \$88,182,200.

The gentle, genial, and chivalrous Mr. Sullivan is reported to have "knocked out" Mr. Kilrain in the 75th round of their little friendly spar. Boston will, it is presumed, be happy again in contemplating the renovated prestige of her most illustrious citizen.

P. T. Barnum is going to take his great show to England next year. Several of the largest steamers will be required to transport the circus across the Atlantic, and the whole show will be so great that no attempt will be made to exhibit outside of London.

Chicago recently absorbed a number of adjacent townships, adding some 200,000 to its population, bringing the total it is claimed up to 1,100,000. Chicago with the newly annexed territory has an area of 174 square miles, making the largest city area in the United States.

Since the new American administration came in 11,050 dismissals and appointments have been made in the post office department. Even some strong Republican journals consider so great a number of changes "scandalous," and still the process is going on at the rate of about 1,000 a week.

The first estimate of the loss of life at Johnstown appears to have been the more correct one after all. It has been discovered that many large families have been registered over and over again, thus swelling the list of saved far beyond the actual number. The number of those lost must be over 10,000.

The Italian monument to Columbus in New York city is to be ready for erection next year. It will cost between \$35,000 and \$40,000, and, with pedestal, will stand 150 feet high. The money for its purchase will come almost entirely from small subscriptions from the Italian colony in New York.

Says the *Louisiana American*: "About 350 Mormon proselytes arrived from Europe this week on their way to Utah. It is probable that nine-tenths of them come to this country because of the misrepresentations of the elders who do the missionary work. If this proselytizing business could be stopped there would soon be an end to Mormonism."

A collision between the street employes on strike at Duluth, Minn., and the police occurred on Saturday afternoon. A battle with rifles and revolvers ensued, during which two strikers were killed and at least 35 wounded on both sides. The militia was called out. The crowd was dispersed at the point of the bayonet. Five strikers were arrested as ringleaders.

The magnificent Roman Catholic Cathedral at Hong Kong holds 4,000 people.

Lord Zetland will assume office as Lord Lieutenant of Ireland about the middle of July.

The Portuguese Government has agreed to submit the Delagoa Bay railway question to arbitration.

The Princess of Wales has presented Ellen Terry with a diamond bracelet as a souvenir of the latter's visit to Sandringham.

The marriage of the Princess Louise to the Earl of Fife will take place in London at Buckingham Palace on the 17th inst.

Editor Stead, of *The Pall Mall Gazette*, has resigned. It is probable he will start a new radical morning paper in London.

The Massachusetts rifle team have been doing good shooting in England, defeating the English crack shots by many points.

The marriage of Princess Sophia, sister of Emperor William, and the Duke of Sparta, Crown Prince of Greece, will take place October 18th.

A large fire occurred on the river front, London, G. B., on the 6th inst. A large number of buildings were destroyed and the loss is about \$300,000.

The Rome correspondent of the *Independence Belge* says the Pope at a recent consistory advised that Cardinal Lavigerie be selected his successor.

The Wimbledon team is securing excellent practice at Cambridge. This being vacation the customary match with the University team cannot take place.

A "Guide to the Churches of London" shows that the number of Metropolitan churches has increased between 1883 and 1889 from 928 to 1,016.

An explosion of fire damp occurred in a coal pit at St. Etienne, France, on the 3rd inst., killing 213 miners. The Chamber of Deputies has voted 200,000 francs for the sufferers.

The military pigeon service has become a part of the military system of almost every country in Europe. Franco, Germany, Austria, Russia, Italy, Spain and Portugal have adopted it.

The Governor of Tripoli has issued a decree abolishing the slave trade.

Mr Edward Boehm has executed for Queen Victoria a colossal bronze statue of John Brown, which has been erected in the grounds at Balmoral on a wooded bank near the garden cottage.

Numerous fissures have suddenly appeared in the earth near Matanzas, Havana, and have created great alarm among the inhabitants. Some fissures are 600 feet long, 24 feet wide and 20 feet deep.

The Duke of Portland has decided to devote all his past and future winnings in horse-racing to the erection and endowment of alm-houses for the poor people on his English estate at Welbeck.

The *Daily News* says communications between the English and American Governments have resulted in an understanding which will avert any collision in Behring Sea during the seal fishing season.

The Pope has sent a copy of his recent allocution to the Powers with a note asking whether they will interest themselves in his condition. It is believed that the Italian Government has foreseen and provided against its effects. It is certain that all reports of the Pope's departure are disseminated from the Vatican itself. They are therefore believed, to be more or less a means of exciting the attention of Europe.

The encounters that have occurred near Arguin between the Egyptian troops under Col. Woodhouse and the Dervishes, have proved disastrous to the latter. Thus far 900 of the Dervishes have been killed and 700 have been taken prisoners or have deserted. Col. Woodhouse says his force is not strong enough to make another attack upon them. He is following them with all available troops in steamers, and advises the collection of a strong force at Assuan to co-operate with him.

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The PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between W. C. DELANEY and J. F. MERRILL, under the style of

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W. C. DELANEY,
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Halifax, June 1st, 1889.



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Persons tendering are notified that tenders will be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures.

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By order,
A. GOBEL, Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, 3rd July.

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