

FAIR'S FIRE SWEEP.

COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION BUILDINGS CONSUMED.

The Peristyle in Ruins—Casino and Music Hall Devoured by Hungry Flames—Vast Fire Force in the Great Manufacturers Building.

Loss of Life and Thousands. Fire licked up a large part of the remains of the World's Columbian Exposition Monday night.

But the work of destruction did not end with the burning of these buildings. Fire by a sudden gust, swept the roof of Manufacturers Building, and the promenade around the crown of that enormous structure was soon on fire.

The fire worked clear around the inside of the dome, burning itself out at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning.

As in the Cold Storage fire, life was lost in fighting it. William Mackie, of Engine Company No. 61, fell from the scaffolding and died an hour later at Mercy Hospital.

available foot of space in the great structure was taken. It was three times larger than the cathedral of St. Peter in Rome.

WILLIS' DEMAND ON DOLE. Formal Statement of President Cleveland's Attitude Toward Hawaii.

The great news yesterday was the arrival of Minister Willis upon the demand upon President Dole to surrender the Hawaiian Islands to the United States.

The demand of Minister Willis upon the Provisional Government to step down and out was couched in the following words:

Mr. President and gentlemen, the President of the United States has very much regretted the delay in the consideration of the Hawaiian question.

Tramps Suspected of Arson. It is more than probable that the fire was started by tramps. They have been fairly swarming in the Fair grounds since the first of the month.

ALL OVER THE STATE.

ILLINOIS NEWS CONCISELY CONDENSED.

Farmer Burr's Murderous Deed—Columbian Incurable Criminals—Building and Loan Associations Need Eminent.

Kills His Own Son. Clark Burr, a farmer living on a fine 20-acre tract near Elgin, was at supper the other night with his son Charles, aged 17, and a Swedish farm-hand.

Need for Regulation. There is much said nowadays about the need for regulation of building and loan associations, and indeed the extent to which the poorer people are using them.

Bad Records of Coin-Sweepers. Joseph L. Wilcox and W. H. Shaw, the gold-coin sweepers and shavers at Chicago, are well known at Chicago as ex-criminals.

Sane Enough to Do Business. John Hart, who is awaiting trial at Rockford for the murder of his two sisters, was yesterday in the hands of the military forces of the United States.

Gambling Must Be Stopped. Mayor Hutchins, of Rockford, has inaugurated war on the gambling and disorderly houses and proposes to rid the city of them as far as possible.

Demolition of the Park. If Admiral Mello had suddenly steamed down Lake Michigan, run his warship into the lagoon and opened fire on Brazill's pretty building at the park he could not have done greater damage than the wreckers who attacked it the other day.

Record of the Week. CHARLES DUDLEY, known as "Broncho Charley," is missing from Elgin.

CHICAGO wage-workers are asked to contribute one day's pay toward relieving the distress of the poor and needy.

MRS. CLARA MEYERS (nee Nolle)

died at Elmhurst, aged 20. JACOB SEIBALD, a Chicago and North-western brakeman, was killed by the cars at Marengo.

GEORGE W. CHATTERTON, jeweler and maker of musical instruments at Springfield, assigned for insolvency.

JOHN WILLIAMS, saw mill employe at Hurricane, fell against a circular saw and was cut in two.

WHILE attempting to stop a drunken row at Sorrento, the City Marshal killed George Dairs, a miner.

GEORGE CRUM, a laborer from Dait n City, was arrested at Decatur and taken to Springfield for confinement.

A WOMAN named Barker, living near Rochelle, was burned to death by her clothing getting afire from a stove.

THE Rev. A. M. Elliot, of Assumption, has accepted a call from the Presbyterian Church of Edwardsville.

In a fight at the residence of Augustus Petri, ten miles south of Rushville, Ed J. Bowman dismembered J. Douglas.

STANDARD residents of Evanston are alarmed by the discovery that six saloons are running within the four-mile limit.

FRANK WATTMAN, a farmer living near Quincy, was dragged by his horse, the ribs being broken and his skull fractured.

MRS. NANCY HOLMAN, aged 70, of Pleasant Plains, while returning from church was struck by an engine and instantly killed.

SUPERINTENDENT MCCARTHY's report shows the cost of street improvements and repairs at Chicago for the year was \$1,000,000.

LOUIS STEINBERG and two friends, at Chicago, bought thirty-five pounds of brass filings, supposed to be pure gold, and are out \$4,000.

AFTER a shut-down of two months, the Cops woolen mills started up at Jacksonville, with about 200 employes, at a reduction of 10 per cent. in wages.

HENRY COLEMAN, aged 26 years, while walking the "Big Four" tracks near Hillsboro, was run down by a train and instantly killed.

WHILE out hunting Ira Lewis, a young man residing at St. James, was killed instantly by the accidental discharge of his gun.

WHILE the Bloomington fire department was responding to an alarm of fire Chief O'Neill's vehicle collided with the book and ladder truck while both were running at full speed.

AN attempt was made at Highland between 1 and 2 o'clock Wednesday morning to rob the safe in the office of the Highland Brewing Company, by three masked men.

MARY VAN ROHR, was assaulted and knocked down with a revolver in the hands of one of the robbers, while another cut him in two places on the right hand. They then made their escape without securing any booty.

A MAIL-CAR which was destroyed by fire at Naperville contained 150 sacks of mail, the greater part being second, third and fourth class matter.

MCKINLEY SWORN IN.

Inaugurated Governor of Ohio for the Second Time.

William McKinley has been once again inaugurated as Governor of Ohio. Among those who stood near him while the oath was administered by the Chief Justice was one who, sixteen years ago this month, participated in the inauguration of George B. McKinley as chief executive of New Jersey.

Despite his personal desire for a quiet inauguration, the ceremony at Columbus was attended by considerable



Wm. McKinley.

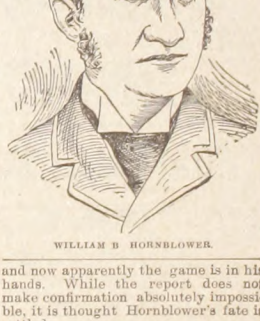
colat. Governor McKinley was escorted to the Statehouse by the joint House and Senate committee, reaching the building a few minutes before 12. The structure was filled to overflowing and the Statehouse ground was packed. The ceremonies were very simple. Prayer was offered by Rev. T. E. Taylor, and the oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Joseph P. Bradley. Governor McKinley then delivered his inaugural address.

HORNBLLOWER IS OUT.

Majority of the Senate Committee Against Confirmation.

William B. Hornblower, President Cleveland's nominee for the vacancy on the United States Supreme bench, received a knockout blow Monday. At the meeting of the Senate Judiciary Committee Senator Hill was instructed to make an unfavorable report from a majority of the committee on the nomination.

Mr. Hill, according to a Washington correspondent, has been gunning for Mr. Cleveland's man for months.



William B. Hornblower.

and now apparently the game is in his hands. While the report does not make confirmation absolutely impossible, it is thought Hornblower's fate is settled.

The fight on Hornblower has been wretched. While that gentleman is a capable lawyer, his attitude toward corporations and the apprehension that he might overturn important decisions affecting railroads caused him to be subjected to the sharpest sort of criticism.

CONDITION OF TRADE.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Review Shows No Changes.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "The cloud of uncertainty does not lift as yet. Strongly conditioned by the nearly all markets that trade must improve with the new year, but it is yet too early to expect important change. If really the year is to be a year of recovery, conditions must remain unchanged. But the proposal of an income tax is not calculated to inspire confidence, nor does it encourage hope that uncertainty about revenue laws will be speedily terminated."

The condition of the Treasury excites little interest with the public. It is only when the entire available reserves are reduced to \$90,000,000 or smaller losses caused when the free gold exceeded \$100,000,000 that the public mind is aroused.

The first half of the current year, the decrease of \$37,744,956 in customs receipts for six months, and \$104,519,173 in the internal revenue point to a large deficit for the year and a greater reduction of Treasury balances than can be safely recommended by the president.

The large volume of paper circulation, with a narrow gold reserve, the proposal to issue fifty million more paper by means of coinable silver dollar bills is not reassuring, and the Chamber of Commerce has earnestly urged an issue of short-time certificates to be issued in lieu of the Treasury. Money from the interior still floods this market, commercial inactivity still causes the amount of idle funds to swell beyond all precedent, and rates are so low that speculation might be dangerously stimulated if the money market were not so well regulated.

How the World Varies. THIEVES raided several cases of merchandise at Hammond, Ind., securing property worth \$100,000.

COURAGE IN SURGERY.

Why Experienced Practitioners Are Cool While Performing Operations.

An old surgeon, engaged for the moment in dissecting a cold roast quail and making it must be confessed, only an indifferent job of it, had been listening incidentally to the conversation of his table companions, who were discussing the calmness and nerve displayed by the average practitioner during surgical operations. Both agreed that the poise and coolness shown by surgeons at such times were extraordinary and hard to understand.

"Now, friends, if you will permit me," interrupted the surgeon at this point, "I would like to tell you that there is nothing extraordinary about it. The 'nerve,' as you call it of the surgeon under such circumstances is the most natural thing in the world. It is not a display of calmness which has been put on for the occasion, or an exhibition of courage summoned up for an unusual emergency, but simply the normal demeanor of a practical, matter-of-fact man who knows what he has to do and how he is going to do it.

"The trouble with many people who marvel at what they call a surgeon's courage is that they fail utterly to comprehend the conditions under which he performs his work. They imagine that he is experimenting, or that he doesn't know his ground, or that he will cut something that he ought not to cut. Nothing could be further from the facts. No movement in science or mechanics is preceded by a more accurate foreknowledge of its result than the average operation in surgery. There is no such thing as guesswork about it. The operator knows he is performing an operation which is based upon an exact science. He follows rules which apply to all cases, and is secure in the confidence that causes which have produced certain effects in given instances will do so in all others.

"Why, then, should there be any need in his work for extraordinary courage? There are cases, of course, so critical or so unusual in character as to excite even the calmest and most self-contained operator, and when these are under treatment the habit of work customarily acquired is frequently laxated to their utmost limit. To the man who, in such a case, can wield the knife without a visible tremor when life itself depends upon the accuracy and delicacy of his touch, we must award the praise due to real heroes. But in the average case, say of amputation or of skull fracture involving cranial operations, the surgeon neither needs nor possesses more than the courage of an intelligent, sincere man who knows his duty and has learned how to perform it. His technical knowledge of anatomy and his methodical habit of work customarily acquired under conditions which alarm and excite non-professional minds, and he goes about his task with a certain quiet, vigorous, assertive confidence in the result of his movements which the observer is quite likely to mistake for a marvellous courage summoned up for that particular occasion. It is courage of a certain sort, I confess—the courage of absolute confidence in the infallibility of the science he represents."

Altitic Difficulty. People who live year after year in foreign countries are liable to lose something of their familiarity with their native tongue, and sometimes to be troubled with the spelling of very common words.

An English clergyman, who was also a voluminous author, was in Paris, where he made the acquaintance of a hearted Scottish nobleman. This man had lived for many years in the French capital, and knew everyone. The Englishman quite enjoyed walking with him in the Champs Elysees.

As the carriage and courses raced along, the Scotsman was kept continually busy taking off his hat.

"You ought to know the ambassador," he said on day to his new friend. "I will give you a letter of introduction."

So the two men sat down, and the Scotsman went to his writing desk. "Do you happen to know," he said, "with a look of mild inquiry, 'how many d's there are in the word introduction?'"

The clergyman did "happen to know," and so the note of introduction was written.

Somebody Else Was Kicked. A young Poughkeepsian a few days since picked up a friend on Market street and took him home to lunch without notice to the farmer's wife. She called him one side and explained that there were only a dozen raw oysters and when their friend had eaten his quota of four he must not be asked to take more. All this the husband promised to remember. When their guest had eaten his four oysters the host asked him to take some more. The wife looked distressed, and the guest declined. The husband insisted that his friend should have more. The wife looked as if she were in agony, and the guest firmly refused to allow the rest of the oysters to be brought from the kitchen. Later the wife said to her husband: "How could you urge him to have more oysters when I explained to you that there weren't any more?" "I am very sorry," said the repentant husband, "but I forgot all about it." "What do you suppose was wrong with kicking you under the table?" retorted his wife. "You wouldn't ask me!" said the husband. —Poughkeepsian News-Press.

At the banquet given by men, the women get tested; at the dancing given by women, the men get roasted. The more stylish a thing is, the sooner it goes out of style.