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Notwithstanding the numerous large hotels erected in this city during the past ten years, they are all well filled and several large new ones are about being opened. Although there are a number of hotels in this city, kept on the European plan, namely, paying as much a day for your room, and also, so much for each meal, according to the articles ordered, yet there are none, which, in point of comfort, quiet and cleanliness, that approach Taylor's "International," now kept by the Messrs. Gilsons.

Perhaps, the most unfortunate event in the history of New York was the great riot of last summer. It was truly a fearful time, and no one can listen to a recital of many of the excesses of this reign of terror without shuddering. And yet such political leaders as Fernando Wood, and other noted Copperheads, were in communion, if not in league, with those lawless and brutal men.

Jeff. Davis seems to have a hard time with many of the rebel politicians who denounce him and his cabinet with even more severity than Northern Copperheads do the Administration of President Lincoln.

Perhaps no government on earth has been more successful in its financial policy than ours, under the management of Mr. Chase.

The rebels themselves, while they deplore the failure of their own policy, pack in the highest terms of the ability displayed by Secretary Chase; and yet, our Northern Copperheads can find fault in his actions.

Their ideas of patriotism consist in fulsome laudations of General McClellan, whose election to the Presidency, in their eyes,

a matter of greater importance than the preservation of the Union. As a military chieftain he will not compare with General Grant and many other of our Generals.

On three occasions he might have captured Richmond without serious loss or difficulty.

If success makes the General, then the candidate of the Copperheads has been most unfortunate.

Congress adjourned on Thursday over to Monday, after choosing Speaker and Clerk in the House, and admitting the delegations from various States, which the Union men elected two years ago, attempted, on his own responsibility, to exclude from their seats.

The resolution of thanks to General Grant, and his brave officers and men, and providing for a medal to be struck to commemo-

rate their great services, unanimously passed the House, and will doubtless pass the Senate.

In both branches of Congress resolutions have been offered for the repeal of the Fugitive Slave Law. Also to exclude slavery forever from the Territories of the United States. Also to repeat the \$300 exemption provision of the Enrollment Act.

The denunciation of Jeff. Davis by Mr. Foote of Tennessee, in the rebel Con-

gress, appears to have been much more bitter than was at first reported. He reviled Davis for making a companion of Pemberton after that general had surrendered Vicksburg; he was alleged to be the cause of the Gettysburg and Murfreesboro disasters, and the cause of the opening of Georgia to 100,000 Federal troops, besides laying South Carolina liable to destruction. The probabilities are that Foote will be denounced as an abolitionist in disguise, and securely locked up in some jail.

FROM WASHINGTON.

SENATOR BAILEY'S BILL TO SUSPEND THE REBELLION.

The bill of Senator Hale to more effec-

tually suppress the rebellion is to the effect that neither all persons within the United States are equal before the law, and all claims of personal service, excepting those founded on contract, and the claim of a parent to the services of a minor child, and service rendered in pursuance of a sentence for the punishment of crime, be forever abolished; anything in the constitution and laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding.

SENATOR WILSON'S BILL TO INCREASE BON-

TUSES.

Senators Wilson's bill to increase the sum of volunteers given to those who shall be enlisting having term of three months, or having term exceeding, or to those who may have less than one year to serve, the sum of four hundred dollars, and three hundred dollars to all others.

It authorizes a premium of \$25 for the enrollment of a veteran, and \$15 for any other volunteer. The bill appropriates twenty millions of dollars for such payments. It regulates the pay as follows:

The Sergeant Major of each arm of the service,

Quartermaster Sergeants of cavalry,

First Sergeants,

Sergeants, and Masters and Postmen,

Corporals,

Chief Driller of cavalry,

Drillers,

Partners and Blacksmiths of cavalry and Artillery,

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