

News of the Week.

THE EXECUTIVE.

Clarence A. Seward, nephew of the Secretary of State, has gone to France, with despatches from our Government to the Emperor Napoleon.

CONGRESS.

Senate.—July 2.—A bill was reported appropriating \$1,500,000 for the repair of the Mississippi levees. A resolution was adopted looking to the settlement of Iowa's war claim.

July 3.—The House bill for the appointment of a committee on a retrenchment was reported favorably from the Committee on Commerce. Later over for a day.

July 7.—The minority report of the Reconstruction Committee was presented and ordered to be printed. The Judiciary Committee was discharged from the consideration of the petitions for the trial of Jefferson Davis and the expulsion of Garrett Davis from the Senate.

July 8.—The Army bill was passed. House.—July 2.—A resolution was adopted calling on the President for information in regard to alleged oppressions in Georgia.

July 4.—The Conference report on the bill to prevent smuggling was agreed to. The bill to quiet land titles in California was passed. The Tariff bill was considered in Committee, and the duty on tobacco fixed at 12 cents per pound, and on coffee at 24 cents.

July 5.—An Army bill was adopted different from that in the Senate. The Tariff bill was completed in Committee.

THE STATES.

New York City.—Over 100 cases of sunstroke were reported in New York and Brooklyn on Sunday July 8. Thirty of these were fatal.

Maine.—Two thousand houses and ten millions worth of property have been destroyed at Portland by fire, which broke out July 4. Eight churches, all the bank buildings, all the newspaper offices, and nearly the entire business part of the city is ruined.

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dangers Thou hast graciously delivered us. We have found Thee "a wall of fire round about us," a very present help in time of trouble.

May Thy blessing rest on the great nation of which we now form a part. Thou hast made us equal to the necessity when treason invaded our national life, so now give moderation in victory and virtue to hold in check the vices which ruin empire.

Endow with wisdom, patriotism and virtue Thy servant, the President of these United States, and give to our assembled Congress Thy presence and aid; that they may enact such laws as shall promote order, peace and justice throughout the land.

May we not ask Thy special benediction upon the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania? Grant to Thy servant, our Chief Magistrate, the grace of Thy Spirit, that with true loyalty he has borne up the hearts of this people in the day of trial, he may share richly in the joy of a nation's gratitude.

These soldiers, veterans of our great conflict, we commend to Thy care and protection; as they have borne themselves bravely on the battlefield, and carried the flag untarnished through the horrors of war, give them Thy presence, that while they deposit their torn standards among the archives of their country, they may consecrate also their hearts to virtue and their energies to duty.

Bless, O God, the bereaved widows and the helpless orphans of our country's defenders; as their natural guardians have fallen a sacrifice to our country's life, may their widows and orphans find solace and support in the hearts of a grateful people.

Garriek Mallory, Esq., the oldest practitioner at the Philadelphia bar, died at his residence, in this city, July 4. Mr. Mallory had been ill but a few days, and though over eighty years of age, his death was at the time unexpected.

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Under the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia. DIAGRAM FOR SELF-MEASUREMENT. For Coat. Length of back from 1 to 2, and from 2 to 3.

Exports and Imports.—The entries of foreign merchandise during the year at the port of New York were, from July 1, 1865, to June 30, 1866, \$301,398,899; at other ports, (estimated), \$100,466,299.

Massachusetts.—Mr. George Peabody, on the 5th of July, made another gift of \$100,000 to the Peabody Institute, established by him at South Danvers.

Maryland.—Judge Bowie, of the Court of Appeals, has made a decision affirming the constitutionality of the Civil Rights bill.

South Carolina.—Gen. Sickles, at Charleston has refused to obey a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that it is still suspended in South Carolina.

Georgia.—Advises from Georgia state that the planters will under the new system of labor, make enormous profits from their cotton ever those realized under the old system.

Louisiana.—Judge Read, of Opelousas, has been arrested for refusing to execute the Civil Rights bill.

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THE EUROPEAN WAR. Defeat of the Italian Army.—The Italian army crossed the Mincio without meeting opposition from the Austrians. It then pushed on toward Peschiera, but was repulsed by a short cannonade from the forts of that stronghold.

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moras capitulated on the 23d, to Commissioners appointed by General Carvajal, General Mejia, with all the Imperial troops, embarking under the protection of the United States flag.—The city of Santiago has been taken by the Liberals. The Liberalists are closely besieging Tampico.

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