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# News of the Week.

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#### EXECUTIVE.

Nomination .- The President has sent the name of Senator Cowan to the Senate, as Milister to Austria, vice J. Lothrop Motley.

The President, in accordance with the requisitions of Congress, has reported a list of the principal per-sons pardoned for being engaged in the Rebellion, including members of the old army and navy, members of the Rebel Congress or government, majorgenerals in the revel army, &c., with the names of those who recommended the pardons. The list runs as follows: Alabama, 33; Arkansas, 29; District of Columbia, 25; Florida, 8; Georgia, 18; Kentucky, 12: Louisiana, 21; Maryland, 3; Mis sissippi, 15; Missouri, 8; North Carolina, 17; South Carolina, 21: Tennessee, 15; Texas 13; Virginia, 48; West Virginia, 9. There have been issued some 15,000 or 16,000 pardons of rebels less known to fame, but it was impossible to report them in time. A large mass of applications for pardons still lie in the Attorney General's office.

#### CONGRESS.

Senate .- Jan. 8. The discussion of the Nebraska Bill, with the regular routine of business occupied the day.

Jan. 9 .--- The Nebraska Bill was amended as follows: "That this act shall take effect with the fundamental and perpetual condition that within said State of Nebraska there shall be no abridgment or denial of the exercise of the elective franchise, or of any other right, to any person, by reason of race or color, excepting Indians not taxed." The Bill then passed by a vote of 24 to 15 The bill for the admission of Colorado was taken up and an amend-ment in language identical with that of the Nebraska bill was adopted After discussion, the bill was passed—yeas 23, nays 11, The petition of the citizens of Virginia for a republican form of government in that State, was referred to the Reconstruction Committee.

Jan. 10 .- The bill providing for the meeting of the Fortieth Congress and each succeeding Congress on the 4th of March, was passed, and goes to the House for concurrence in an amendment, which provides that no member of the present Congress shall receive mileage for attending this extra meeting. The bill amendatory to the organic acts of the Territories was called up, and a substitute establishing universal suffrage in said Territories was agreed to-yeas 24, nays 9-and goes to the House. The bill to prevent removal from office by the Executive, without just cause, was discussed, and an amend-ment applying its provisions to the Cabinet was reiccted.

Jan. 11.—The House bill enforcing the Anti-Sla-very amendment was referred to the Judiciary Committee. The Finance Committee reported the new Tariff bill, based mainly on the form proposed by Commissioner Wells.

Jan. 12 .- Senate not in session.

Jan. 14.—The House bill appropriating the In-ternal Revenue proceeds of the Territories, in 1866 ~7-8, to erect penitentiaries was passed. The Pension Agent bill was considered and an amendment requiring all appointments to over \$1,000 a year, to be confirmed by the Senate, was lost.

House .- Jan. 8 .- The bill granting the suffrage to all loyal citizens in the District of Columbia, without distinction of color, was passed over the President's veto. Yeas 118, nays 38. Mr. Thayer's bill, (accepted as a substitute for Mr. Kasson's joint-resolution,) was discussed and adopted by a vote of 116 to 23, (nine Democrats voting aye.) The Bill is as follows:

the second session of the Thirty-eighth States, at prorosed to the several States for adoption the hirteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which has now, by the ratification of hree-fourths of the States of the Union, become part of the Constitution, and which, by its terms, orever prohibits slavery or involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, where the party thall have been duly convicted; and whereas, in ome parts of this Union, it is asserted and mainained that, notwithstanding this amendment, it is

Simon Cameron has received the Republican nomination for U.S. Senator. In the caucus the vote was as follows : Cameron, 46; Curtin, 26; Stevens, 7: Grow, 5. The two Lancaster Senators did not go into the caucus. On motion of Mr. Curtin's friends the nomination was made unanimous. The Democratic members of the Legislature united on Edgar lowan as their candidate. Representative Kerns, who introduced the bill to egalize Sunday cars, has been appointed Chairman of the Committee on Municipal Railways. Gen. Geary, the Governor elect, was inaugurated

on the 15th inst. with imposing displays and appropriate ceremonies. Kentucky .-- The House of Representatives, Jan. th, rejected the Constitutional Amendment without debate; a substitute to adopt having been rejected by a vote of 62 to 26. The Senate concurred by a

ote of 24 to 7. District of Columbia .- The Anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans was celebrated by a barquet under auspices of the National Democratic Execu-Pesth.—A motion has been introduced into the tive Committee. President Johnson was present and availed himself of the occasion to air his opinions in a toast. In response to the toast, "The Supreme Court" Judge Black, (of Penna.,) denounced the military trials as a mockery, and declared that every Christian man should offer up the prayer that the Supreme Court may long live and exercise their reat authority. Kansas .- The Legislature met Jan. 9. and organ-

zed. The Governor in his message says : the poplation had increased 40,000 in one year. Legislature has ratified the Constitutional Amendnent

Minnesota.-The Governor's Message to the Legis lature shows progress and prosperity in the State. The taxable property is \$57,500,000, an increase in one year of \$12,000,000. The population is 340,000 and 52.000 children are attending school. There were 731,937 acres of the public landsentered in the past year, including 334,541 for homesteads. He recommends the ratification of the Constitutional amendment.

Missouri,-The election of United States Senator has led to an acriminous contest The radical cancus separated in confusion, and on the 9th. Mr Drake received seventy-seven votes and was declared ected. Mr. Drake is a stanch Radical.

Virginia.-The Legislature, on the 9th inst., rejected the Constitutional Amendment. The Senate voted nnanimously against it, and only one member in the House voted for it. There was no debate.

Illinois .- On Jan. 7th, there arrived at Chicago gentleman from France, who proceeded to the residence of Mrs. Lincoln, and, without pomp or thirty thousand French people, in token of their espect for Abraham Lincoln

Texas.—Gov. Throckmorton, having received an application from citizens of Caldwell county, for protection against outrages specified therein, writes December 7th to Gen. Sturgis: "I am informed of outrages perpetrated at Prairie Lea, Caldwell county, upon the freedmen and others. I would be glad to have you send a part of a company of cavalry say twenty men-under a judicious and discreet officer, to be retained there for some time, for their protection. I should be glad to consult with you before they go, and to have them sent within the

present week

New York .- The State census returns show that the population of New York city is on the wane. Thus: population 1855, 629,810; population in 1860, 814,254; population in 1867, 726,386. De-cline in six years, eighty-eight thousand, eight hundred and sizty-eight; The dirty streets and bad-that can afford to go.—The Constitutional amend-ment has passed the New York Logislitute. ment has passed the New York Legislature .- The excise law has been strictly enforced throughout the city last Sabbath. The police met with no resistance. About 125 arrests were made up to midnight. -Hon. Roscoe Conkling has been nominated by the Republican caucus for U.S. Senator.

Louisiana.-The United States Grand Jury have failed to find an indictment against any of the per-sons concerned in the July riots. The U.S. District

dict has been laid upon the services in the Scotch Protestant church, by the authorities, and they threaten to stop the services in the American chapel Jan. 12 .- Vienna .- The morning journals of this city officially announce that the Sublime Porte has called 150,000 men into service to quell the Greek insurrection in the Mediterranean.—*Pesth.*—M. Deak publicly condemns the recent patent for the reorganization of the army. He says that the scheme will prevent an arrangement of difficulties. and adjures the Emperor to concede the claims of

Hungary, Jan. 13—London. Evening, A report from Madrid states that Garibaldi has gone to Candia. -Paris. Evening. A ministerial crisis has taken place at Constantinople, and the Porte has recalled his ambassador from Athens. Reinforce ments for the Cretan insurgents have been landed from Greek ships, and the Cretans are receiving supplies of arms again. St. Petersburg. The Czar and his Court were present at a ball lately given in Hungarian Diet, declaring that the patent for the organization of the army is void, and that all who order its execution shall be punished for treason. Jan. 11.—Paris. Noon. An ineffectual attempt to assassinate Napoleon is rumored.—St. Peters burg.—A general amnesty to the newspaper press has been issued.——*Florence.*—Differences between Italy and Turkey have been adjusted. The Turks pay indemnity for firing on an Italian steamer.---

Madrid .- A strong and stirring address, has been published by the revolutionary junta. — Berne.forces.—U. S. 5-20's, London, Jan. 14, 72<sup>\*</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, Paris,

723; Frankford, 761. The American Colony of Jaffa is discouraged. They have been deceived by their leaders; many have died, others are sick, and they beg for a manof-war to take them home. Mean while the Porte has entered a protest against the whole project of American colony at Palestine.

**Diplomatic Courtesies.**—The "Independence Belge" says: "It is said that the dispatch complaining of the non-withdrawal of French troops from Mexico, will not be inserted in the "Yellow Book," unless Mr. Seward consents to modify some of its frained from officially admitting the probable fail ure of Maximilian. It has merely admitted the possibility of an independent local government to be established in Mexico under the auspices of France peech, presented her with a medal on behalf of and the United States. It has declared that it would not refuse to recognize the chief thus elected even were he Juarez, provided that this establishment of a new authority were made under the auspices of France and the United States. The "Moniteur says: "The American press brings us very incomplete extracts of the diplomatic correspondence recently laid before Congress. Among them figures a dispatch, dated 23d November, from Mr. Seward to Mr. Bigelow. The French Government has never had knowledge of this document."



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Jan. 10 .- The Senate amendments to the bill fixing the meetings of Congress and establishing equal suffrage in the Ferritories were concurred in, and these bills go to the President. The Nebraska bill was considered, and an exciting discussion took place, but the call to put it to the vote was not sustained.

Jan. 11.-The Committee on Territories reported a substitute for the North Carolina Reconstruction bill, which was recommitted.

Jan. 12 .- The Nebraska bill came up, but was postponed, and the joint resolution, raising salary of Government employes in Washington, 20 per cent, was agreed to.

Jan. 14.-Numerous bills were introduced and committed, including one to establish female suf-frage in the District. The resolutions declaring it to be the duty of Congress to impeach the President was taken up. The mover, (Mr. Loan of Mo.) broadly hinted at Johnson's complicity in the Booth conspiracy, and was indignantly challenged to produce proof. The Judiciary Committee's joint resolution to repeal the clause which authorizes the payment of loyal owners of colored volunteers, adopted. A resolution discountenancing the farther introduction of Coolies into this hemisphere and the adjacent islands, was unarimously adopted Messages were received in regard to Mexico and Candia. The Nebraska bill was then discussed and the previous question carried, but the House adjourned without voting.

#### STATES.

New Hampshire.—Gen. Walter Harriman re-ceived the nomination for Governor, in the Republican State Convention, there being 349 votes cast for him and 318 for the Hon. Onslow Stearns. The nomination was made unanimous, and accepted by the nomince.

Pennsylvania .-- The House of Representatives have Resolved, That it is the imperative duty of Con-

gress to enact such laws and provide such governments in the rebel States, as will insure each loyal person therein full and complete protection to life, liberty, property and enjoyment of equal political rights, to the end that the foundation of such governments may be fixed on principles of eternal justice which will endure through all future time; and that the clerk forward a copy of this resolution to ConAttorney declined to apply the test oath to the TRAVELERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, urors

Tennessee .-- Chancellor Campbell decides that the law providing a metropolitan police force for Nashville is unconstitutional as a "partial" law. as depriving the people of their franchises, and is-sues perpetual injunction against the police commissioners. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court, now in session.

The Indians.-A mail party was attacked by Indians, last Friday, while on the way from Fort La-ramie to Fort Phil. Kearney, and lost their wagon and mules. Troops are concentrating at Fort La. ramie. Two companies of United States infantry are ordered to Arizona, to protect the settlers from the Indians.

Kentucky. - The Court of Appeals has decided that Mayor Tempert, deposed last spring, was illegally removed.

Colorado .-- The House of Representatives have rotested against the admission of this territory as a state, because, first, the people, whom they represent. alone have a right to a voice in the selection of the character of their government; second, they have not a sufficient population to support the exenses of a state government.

Idaho .- The Territorial Legislature has approriated \$30,000 for the Catholic schools of the ter-Indiana .- Gov. Morton has received the Repub-

lican nomination for U.S. Senator.

City.-Sophia Donaldson, recently deceased, bemeaths to the Howard Institution (under the care f an association of women Friends,) \$500; Union School and Children's Home, Moyamensing, \$1000 Sunday School of the Third Presbyterian Church, Pine Street, \$500 .- The whiskey market is supplied with an article at \$1.70, or 30c less than the U. S. tax.

Financial.-The total Internal Revenue receipts from July 1 to Jan'y 12 amount to \$175,471,184.

### FOREIGN.

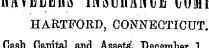
#### BY THE ATLANTIC CABLE.

Jan. 8.-London, noon.-The Times says, upon ood authority, that Sir Frederick Bruce, has been instructed to ascertain whether the United States Government will submit the Alabama claims to ar bitration, provided that points for arbitration are agreed upon previously.——Reports from Hong-Kong state that the French fleet in Corea is about to leave those waters for the winter without being ble to obtain redress from Cochin/China.

Jan. 10.-London.-Reliable advices have been eceived here that the plot of the Greeks on the Mediterranean islands to assert ther independence is spreading rapidly. Formidable popular uprisings have occurred in other islands, and the Greek cause

has suddenly brightened. Jan. 11.—London.—The Paris journals, in lead-Jan, 11.—London.—The Paris purnals, in lead-ing articles, warn Americans that the impeachment of Johnson is a very serious step. The *Times* de-clares it revolutionary.—*Pariss*—Carlotta's men-tal and bodily health is improving.—A Japanese embassy has arrivel in this city and will shortly leave for America.—*Madrid.*—The Americaniron-clad Mianotomah is attracting great attention on her visit to the Spanish coast.—*Rome.*—An inter-

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