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THE REPUBLICAN PRESS ON THE BALTIMORE ISSUE.

From the Springfield Republican. COLONEL FORNEY, in writing inflammatory letters from Baltimore, seems determined to have political row there, if possible. The cause of the quarrel is the conduct of certain police commissioners, who are accused of appointing incompetent judges of election, and using unfair means to deprive Conservatives of the right of suffrage.

From the Chicago Republican. We not only deplore, but we heartily and unqualifiedly denounce, as dangerous to the country and fatal to the Republican party, the language which Colonel Forney writes from Baltimore. Pennsylvania and the North will reply that this Maryland quarrel must be adjusted according to law, and without any rebellion on the part of Union men.

From the New York Post. We warn the Republicans that if they resist Governor Swann by force of arms the law will be against them, and public sentiment must condemn them. The commissioners argue upon this, that the power of removal "gives no power to the Governor to try for official misconduct, or to pronounce them guilty."

From the New York Commercial Advertiser. Governor Swann has, we are forced to believe, from a perusal of the law creating the police commissioners of Baltimore, a legal right to remove such commissioners. It says that in the recess of the Legislature he can remove them for official misconduct.

The Baltimore American states that should the Governor proceed with his inquiry, and as a consequence of it remove the commissioners, "they will refuse to deliver up the books and records of their office." And then a conflict of authority will practically begin.

than a refusal to deliver up the books and papers of their office, the chance of trouble will be reduced to small dimensions. The law will be available against them; and to that, we are glad to observe, the American no longer threatens resistance.

It is satisfactory to note that the revolutionary appeals of Mr. Forney, and the violent men for whom he speaks, are condemned by the influential Republican journals of the country, with scarcely an exception. Whatever may be thought of the issues involved in the talk of removal of the commissioners, the Republican party give no countenance to the threats and plans by which a few extreme and reckless men have striven to produce collision and riot.

THE QUEBEC CONFLAGRATION. QUEBEC, C. E., Friday, October 19, 1866. To the People of Canada, to those of the Mother Country, and to the Generous-hearted of Every Land.

TWENTY-ONE years ago two conflagrations, separated from each other by an interval of but thirty days, reduced to ashes almost two thirds of our city, and left naked and on the smoking highway upward of twenty thousand human beings. At the sight of so much suffering the whole civilized world was moved to profound compassion, and abundant contributions flowed in from all sides to the suffering of such heart-rending misfortune.

On Sunday last, at about half-past four o'clock in the morning, a fire broke out on the west-side of Crown Street, on the limit of the quarter whence proceeded the conflagration of 1845, destroying all that lay before it to the eastward of the same street for a length of over a mile, and covering a width of about half a mile.

On the night following the disaster the municipal authorities caused food to be distributed, and on the day following the citizens met, under the presidency of the Mayor, to organize relief. About thirty thousand dollars have already been subscribed among our citizens, and the subscriptions are still going on, and even some distant localities have, with spontaneous generosity, already lent us their assistance; but how insufficient this will be to cover losses which do not fall short of two million of dollars.

THE MEXICAN QUESTION. Colonel Campbell Sent as Minister to the Juarez Government. The Substance of His Official Instructions.

WASHINGTON, Monday, October 29, 1866. COLONEL LEWIS D. CAMPBELL, left this city last evening with credentials addressed to the Juarez Government, and with full instructions, conforming in every respect with the tripartite arrangement between the United States, France, and the Republic of Mexico.

MORE INTOLERANCE. THE Tribune mildly protests against the attack made on General Grant and Sherman by Wendell Phillips in the Radical harangue delivered by the apostle of progressive republicanism, on last Thursday evening, at the Cooper Institute.

THE question of the impeachment and deposition of the President is the first thing in order with the extreme Radicals at present. But as Grant and Sherman, according to Phillips, are equally as guilty as the President, it follows that they, too, should be called to account and broken of their rank.

AN excursion party started from St. Louis on Wednesday for Fort Riley, Kansas, to celebrate the opening of the Union Pacific Railway (eastern division) to that point.

THE Buffalo Courier learns from authority it regards reliable that sometime ago, before the strength of the Crown's evidence in the case of the Fenians under arrest was known in England, instructions had been received from the home Government not to resort to extreme measures, even should a conviction be had.

GENERAL PRESS DISPATCHES.

From Washington. DEATH OF A CORRESPONDENT. FRANK HENRY, well known as a Washington correspondent of various Northern and Western papers for several years past, and for the last two years connected with the Western Republican Press Agency in this city, died on Monday evening at Easton, Pennsylvania, after a protracted illness.

THE UNITED STATES WILL SUPPORT A MEXICAN REPUBLIC.

They will Furnish Force if it be Necessary. A Leading Army Officer to Accompany Minister Campbell.

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OF course, with the withdrawal of the French army Maximilian takes his departure, and the fate of an empire on the North American Continent is sealed.

It is proper to state that this determination of the political government of Mexico has been attained through amicable negotiations with all parties interested.

MISS FANNIE SEWARD, daughter of William H. Seward, died on Monday morning at four o'clock. Miss Fannie was the only daughter of the Secretary.

GENERAL SHERMAN'S MISSION TO MEXICO. General Sherman had another interview with the President on Tuesday, after the session of the Cabinet, at which he accepted the military-diplomatic mission to Mexico which we state in another column had been tendered him.

SHOOTING AFFRAY AT WESTMINSTER, MD. The Westminster Advertiser contains the following account of a recent shooting affray in that place: "Late on Saturday evening, as the people who attended the mass meeting were quietly dispersing to their homes, everybody was startled by a report that four men had been shot at Sheets's Hotel by Henry Bell, a well known Radical."

THE funeral ceremonies over the remains of Miss Fannie Seward were held in St. John's Episcopal church on Wednesday. The exercises were in accordance with the ritual of the persuasion, and were of a most impressive character.

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THE affair was the result of a bit of scandal published in the papers of that city about a week ago, implicating the mother of the latter in connection with Mr. Bent. The occurrence is one of those sad episodes in society with which the journalist occasionally has to deal.

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