

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19, 1855. In the Senate to-day, they were engaged in receiving and disposing of petitions from naval officers...

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proposed one hour to be devoted to the introduction of bills to be referred to the appropriate committees to be elected hereafter...

Several gentlemen objected to that plan—the law of 1789 being in the way, prescribing that a Speaker and Clerk shall first be elected...

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After remarks from several members, the House adjourned on Monday, Dec. 21st...

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Saturday Morning, December 29, 1855.

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EXPRESS ROBBERY.—Oliver King and Warren C. Ayres were arrested on the night of the 17th inst. in Lawrence, Mass., by Messrs. Ham and Savage, Boston police officers, charged with robbing the American Express at the West, of fifty thousand dollars in gold...

W. C. White, the express messenger, who had charge of the money between Chicago and Detroit when it was stolen, is also under arrest, and circumstances growing out of it with the others. A fourth person is also in custody...

THE KANSAS WAR ENDED. The invasion of Kansas by the border ruffians of Missouri, for the purpose of subjugating the Free State, has ended, as we expected, in the precipitate and disgraceful retreat of the Missourians...

LETTER FROM P. P. BLAIR. We publish on our outside an able letter from ERASMUS P. BLAIR, well known by reputation to our readers as the late editor of the Washington Globe, in answer to the Republican committee of Washington city...

STATE ARMS MISSING.—A discovery has lately been made, that a quantity of the public arms at the State Arsenal, Harrisburg, have been surreptitiously removed...

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THE LACKAWANNA HERALD states that the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg Rail Road Company have recently negotiated their bonds to the amount of \$500,000, which will enable them to prosecute their road with increased vigor, and insure its completion at an early day...

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LOCAL ITEMS.

CENT SUPERINTENDENT.—Some weeks ago we published a communication charging that the County Superintendent had made an appointment on Sunday, for the purpose of examining teachers. The author of this communication having become satisfied that he was misinformed, has sent us the following correction...

LAKEVILLE, November 19, 1855. Dear Sir, The undersigned published a communication in the Bradford Reporter, some weeks since, on the subject of the County Superintendent. In that it was stated that our County Superintendent came to this place on Sunday, for the purpose of examining school teachers...

MASONRY.—At the regular communication of Union Chapter, No. 161, N. E. M., held in this borough on Thursday, 29th instant, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing Masonic year...

REGS OF TEMPERANCE.—In compliance with the liquor law of the last Legislature, the term for which our taverns were licensed having expired, they have closed their bars, and there is now no place in this borough where a thirsty man can buy a drink—legally—of old Otard, London-dock, Rum, Gin, or even Red Corn—without purchasing a quart...

THE PROSPECT OF PEACE.—Peace rumors abound in Europe, created and caught at principally by capitalists and bankers. Positive basis, official or other, they have none. And yet the English and French papers speak with a certain assurance about propositions and representations sent to St. Petersburg by several second rate German Powers, which are said to depreciate a perpetuation of the Czar's obstinacy...

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Washington News and Gossip.

EUROPEAN WAR OR PEACE. Correspondence of the Tribune. WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 24, 1855. I state on good authority that the Administration received by the last mail from Europe official advices to this effect:

Austria has submitted an ultimatum to France and England, which they can accept, and substantially have accepted. I cannot state its precise nature, but it is based on the celebrated Four Points, and inclines to the Western interpretation of them. Austria engages now to present it to Russia, and stands pledged to the Allies, as a condition precedent of their assent to it, that, if Russia refuse to assent to it, she will make common cause with the Allies.

You can guess whether this ultimatum has or has not been submitted to the Russian Cabinet. Advancing to all interests, I think it strengthens the prospect of peace.

AID TO THE FILIBUSTERS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 24, 1855. Private letters, received from New Orleans, report that Col. Grant has over one thousand men enlisted, all fully armed, for an expedition to Nicaragua. One hundred of the men were to leave that city on the schooner Gen. Scott, which vessel had been fitted up for their reception, and was advertised to leave the new basin on Tuesday morning, Dec. 18,