

SECOND EDITION.

BY TELEGRAPH.
IMPORTANT FROM WEST VIRGINIA.

A Six Hours' Fight at Moorefield.

The Rebels Driven from the Place.

STIRRING NEWS FROM NORTH CAROLINA.

Moorehead City Threatened.

The Railroad in Possession of the Rebels.

The Gunboat Underwriter Captured and Burned.

GREAT CONFLAGRATION AT HARTFORD.

DESTRUCTION OF COLT'S PISTOL FACTORY.

Several Persons Killed by Falling Walls.

Loss from Half a Million to a Million.

FROM WEST VIRGINIA.

WHEELING, Va., Feb. 5.—Gov. Boreman received the following from General Kelley this morning:

"I have just received a despatch from Col. Mulligan, stating that after six hours' fighting he has driven the rebels under Farley from Moorefield, and his cavalry was pursuing, and was sharply engaged with Gen. Rogers on the South Fork at the date of the despatch."

EXCITING NEWS FROM NORTH CAROLINA. FORTRESS MONROE, Feb. 5.—A messenger has just arrived with despatches to Major Gen. Butler from Newbern, N. C., dated Feb. 24, 5.15 P. M.

The post in Newport is attacked and the rebels have the railroad between Newport and Moorehead City. The post at Evans Hill is surrounded. Colonel Jordan still holds Moorehead City, but may be forced to retire to Fort Macon. As long as we can keep the river we are well enough off.

The rebels captured the gunboat Underwriter by surprise, and destroyed her.

COLT'S PISTOL FACTORY ON FIRE. [By the People's Telegraph, Office No. 411 Chestnut street, leading Room Merchants' Exchange, and Girard House.]

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 5.—Colt's Pistol Factory is in flames.

The fire broke out at about fifteen minutes past eight, this morning.

The fire is terrible and rages furiously. The chance of extinguishing it is small. The loss will be immense.

HARTFORD, Feb. 5, 9.45 A. M.—The oldest and largest building facing the Connecticut river is a mass of ruins; it appears to have but one wall on the North side standing; the fire has been arrested on the Connecticut Building, and hopes are entertained that the new building will be saved. The office, a large building separate from the others, is now in flames. The name of the Company is "Colt's Patent Fire Arms Manufacturing Co." Several lives have been lost by the falling of the office. The names are as yet unknown. The loss, it is said, will exceed one million of dollars. The fire is still raging, with indications that the new factory will also be destroyed.

ANOTHER DESPATCH. The original building of Colt's pistol factory was destroyed by fire this morning with all the machinery and other property.

The building was five hundred feet long and sixty feet wide, with a wing 100 by 60 feet, and an office building, three stories in height.

The new building, in which Minie rifles are made, was saved.

Seventeen hundred workmen are employed in the works, about 900 of whom will be thrown out of employment. The loss will reach at least \$500,000; indeed, the machinery alone was valued at that sum. There is an insurance of \$750,000 in New York and New England offices.

RUMORED CHANGE OF MILITARY COMMANDERS. [Special Despatch to the Bulletin.]

New York, Feb. 5.—The Herald has a despatch which states that it is rumored, at the Headquarters of the Army of the Potomac, that General Hunter is to have the place now occupied by General Meade. It is also rumored that General Thomas is to be the new commander, and that General Hooker will take the latter's command in the West.

FROM ARKANSAS. FORT SMITH, Feb. 3.—A terrific storm swept over the entire Southwest last Sunday. About 11 o'clock in the morning it rose to a tornado, which raged with tremendous violence some twenty minutes, and extended over a portion of the Indian Territory, and down the Arkansas Valley. Immense damage was done. The telegraph wires were prostrated for miles. The line to Little Rock was almost totally destroyed.

Brigadier-General Thayer has arrived at Fort Smith from Little Rock. He took command yesterday.

The river is booming. There are five feet clear on the bars, and rising. The rise has amounted to eight feet thus far, since Sunday night.

General Thayer, accompanied by his staff and his wife, was out in all the Sunday storm.

They suffered terribly while the tornado raged, being unable to obtain shelter.

The Union Convention at Little Rock has nominated Judge Isaac Murphy for Provisional Governor, and have organized a Provisional State Government. Its proceedings are to be submitted to a vote of the people in May next. County officers will be elected in many parts of the State in March.

Major T. J. Anderson, Chief of Staff, has been relieved from duty at his own request. He will join General Blunt at Leavenworth in a few days.

FROM WASHINGTON. [Special Despatch to the Bulletin.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The Democratic members of the House insist that they shall have two more speeches on the Confiscation bill before the vote is taken, and there is a prospect this morning that the Republicans will give way.

The story that a large amount of greenbacks have just been brought to Washington from New York for immediate issue is false. They are to take the place of old notes which will be burned.

The Navy Department has thirty-eight steamers building, which will have nearly the speed of the Entaw.

The Committee on Public Expenditures voted this morning to ask leave of the House to go to New York to investigate the Custom House frauds.

The Committee on Military affairs in the House will probably agree to exempt Quakers. The Committee on Ways and Means has agreed to the Senate bill increasing the pay of Inspectors of Customs one dollar per day.

Mr. Chase recommends the measure.

The Senate Military Committee took up the bill making General Grant a Lieutenant-General. Wm. Washburne was before the Committee. They will probably agree to the House bill.

The Select Committee on Emigration is maturing a very important bill to encourage immigration. Indigent emigrants will receive pecuniary aid.

[By People's Telegraph Line.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Captain Berry, the efficient commander at the Central Guard House, and a detail from the 14th New Hampshire under him, have been relieved from duty and ordered to join their regiment.

Lieutenant J. P. Waddell, a faithful soldier, takes Capt. Berry's place.

It is said the Legislature, in session in Alexandria, will take no action in reference to the collection of State taxes for the years 1861-2 and 3, and therefore the collection of the same will be in enforced, and for that reason the rate of tax on real and personal estate for 1864 was fixed at only five cents on the hundred dollars. The tax on slaves, as was stated yesterday, was repealed.

A bill has been passed by the Legislature in session in this place, extending the Stay Laws to 1865.

It is said that the Superintendent of the contrabands here is giving notice to the owners of lots and shanties now rented by contrabands, that the rent of the same must be reduced.

The body of a man was found this morning in the river near the foot of King street. The body appeared to have been in the water for some time and was dressed in soldier's clothing.

The inmates of the Campbell Hospital, on Seventh street, Washington, have instituted a new feature in hospital life. They have organized a course of lectures which are to be delivered every Friday evening. To-night Hon. William D. Kelley lectures for them.

Thirty-nine persons were committed to Forest Hall on Wednesday, and by six o'clock last evening fifteen others were in custody, and a large number arrived by the evening trains.

Capt. Scheetz's detectives secured Flemming Ross, a drafted man, who did not respond to the call of Uncle Sam. He was, mustered into the service.

OUR RELATIONS WITH FRANCE. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The rumors recently put forth of real or apprehended difficulties between the United States and France are without any foundation.

A STEAMER BURNED AT LOUISVILLE. LOUISVILLE, Feb. 5.—At two o'clock this morning the steamer C. Taylor took fire in the oil room, and was burned.

She was owned in St. Louis and valued at \$22,000, on which there is an insurance of \$16,000. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

The flames communicated to the tug boat R. E. Lee. She was valued at \$2,000, on which there was no insurance.

The steamer Taylor had seven hundred tons of commissary stores for Nashville, and the loss to the Government by the fire amounted to \$20,000.

Captain Rhodes, Engineer Jones of Pittsburgh, and another person whose name is unknown, jumped off the boat, and were probably drowned.

A negro boy belonging to the steamer, is missing. Both of the boats are a total loss.

XXXVIII CONGRESS—FIRST SESSION. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—

The Senate is not in session to-day having adjourned over till Monday.

House.—A motion to adjourn till Monday was negatived.

The House proceeded to vote on Mr. Holman's (Ind.) motion to table the resolution amendatory to the Confiscation act.

Mr. Holman's motion was disagreed to by a vote of seventy-two against eighty.

Mr. Ashley (Ohio) moved that two speeches be allowed on each side, and that the question on the resolution shall be taken after the passage of the Enrollment act.

The proposition was agreed to, but Mr. Stevens (Pa.) objected, saying that the majority should rule.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE. HARRISBURG, Feb. 5.—

SENATE.—The Senate met at 11 o'clock. Mr. Johnston, Speaker pro tem., in the chair.

Mr. Connel asked leave to read a bill in place entitled "An act to incorporate the National Express Company." Not agreed to—yeas 12, nays 12.

Mr. Hildreth moved that when the Senate adjourns it adjourn until Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Yeas 14, nays 10.

Mr. Butler moved to proceed to the thirteenth ballot for Speaker. Negatived—yeas 12, nays 12.

Mr. Lowry moved to adjourn. Carried.

HOUSE.—The House met at 11 o'clock. A. M. Reports were made from committees as follows:—

Mr. Cochran, of Phila., from the Committee of Ways and Means, a report on the act providing for the payment of the interest on the State debt, approved 1863.

police men from two years to five years, with money, and put into the hands of the police.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of public bills, and the following were passed:—

An act in relation to the execution of tax collectors in relation to cases in partitions.

An act giving the Control of Mines. Fields certain powers in equity proceedings.

THE NOVA SCOTIA GOLD FIELDS. HALIFAX, Feb. 5.—Among the Arabian's passengers, are Captain M. D. Field and Messrs. Carlos, Pierce, and John E. M. Gilley, of Boston, who have made various explorations in the gold districts of that province. They take with them \$25,000 in gold, the product of mines in this vicinity for the past fortnight. The excitement here in consequence of the recent discoveries of gold is increasing, and bids fair to rival the Colorado and California gold fever.

A STEAMER IN DISTRESS. NEW YORK, Feb. 5th.—The steamer Whirlwind from Boston for Fort Monroe, with a cargo, has put into this port with her machinery deranged.

THE CANADA OUTWARD BOUND. BOSTON at 8 o'clock this morning and sailed for Liverpool at ten.

PRICE OF GOLD. NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Gold is quoted at 157 1/2.

PRICE OF GOLD IN NEW YORK. [By the People's Telegraph Line.]

New York, Feb. 5.—The following are the prices of gold in New York:—

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WEATHER REPORT. The following telegraphic report of the weather at 12 o'clock, at the points named, has been received:

Wind. Weather. Therm. Portland, S. E. Cloudy 41
Boston, S. E. Clear 33
Springfield, S. E. Clear 33
New York, W. Clear 41
Philadelphia, S. W. Clear 40
Washington, S. W. Clear 38

MARKETS. NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Cotton is dull at 64 cents; Flour quiet. Sales of 5,000 bushels, at \$5 1/2 to \$5 3/4 for State, and \$5 1/2 to \$5 3/4 for Ohio. Wheat heavy; sales of 25,000 bushels at \$1 1/2 to \$1 3/4 for Chicago Spring and \$1 1/2 to \$1 3/4 for winter. Corn heavy; sales of 175,000 bushels at 52 cents in store. Oats quiet and advanced 1/2 cent. Provisions steady; Whiskey dull and nominal at 75 cents. Sugar quiet; Howard street superfine No. 7 1/2. Wheat very firm; \$1 1/2 to \$1 3/4 for Kentucky White. Corn, active; \$1 1/2 to \$1 3/4 for white, and \$1 1/2 to \$1 3/4 for yellow. Whiskey dull; Ohio 90% proof. Cloverseed active, \$9 25 to \$9 50. Groceries dull.

REAL ESTATE AND STOCKS, TUESDAY NEXT. [By the People's Telegraph Line.]

Next Tuesday, Feb. 6, the following real estate will be sold by order of the Court:—

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