

FIFTH EDITION.

4:30 O'Clock.

BY TELEGRAPH.

LATER BY THE CABLE

Latest News from South America—War News Unimportant.

Annual Report of the French Minister of Finance.

A Gigantic Swindle in New York

By the Atlantic Cable

LONDON, Dec. 13, 1:30 P. M.—Consols for money, 92 1/2, and for account, 92; United States Five-twenties of 1862, 85 1/2; of 1865, 84 1/2; American stocks easier.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 13, 1:30 P. M.—The sales of cotton will not exceed 12,000 bales. Pork quiet.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Arrived—steamer Union, from New York.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 13.—Arrived—steamer Minnesota, from New York.

PARIS, Dec. 13.—The Bourse closed quiet. Rent, 7 1/2.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Victor Hugo and Louis Blanc have written warm eulogies on the late George Peabody.

MADRID, Dec. 13.—There is great rejoicing here over the news just received from New York, of the unconditional release of the Spanish gubnato now being constructed there.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The regular mail steamer from Rio Janeiro brings advices to November 22d. The war news is very unimportant. The allied army, under Prince d'El, had moved upon and captured another Paraguayan line, killing, wounding and capturing nearly four hundred Paraguayans and taking a large amount of war material. Over nine hundred families were restored to their liberties, and homes by this action. At last accounts the allies were marching on Iguatery, the last outpost of Lopez.

PARIS, Dec. 13.—The annual report of Magne, Minister of Finance, has just been published. He says the deficits in the budgets of 1868, 1869 and 1870 will be met with a surplus, and the budget for 1871 will suffice, without counting on any increase in the revenue, and that although the condition of the national finances is satisfactory.

A Gigantic Swindle.

[By Hanson's News Agency.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—For some time past forged or altered certificates on the New York bounty loan have been discovered by the Transfer Agent of the State of New York. These frauds are assuming gigantic proportions, and up to this time altered certificates to the extent of \$180,000 have been discovered. These certificates are alleged to amount to \$10,000, and generally the original names have been taken out and that of W. E. Gray inserted. The firm made a specialty of mining stocks, and commenced an active campaign in Quartz Hill, which stock was run up from \$1 to \$2 90.

The altered bounty certificates were pledged with the banks, bankers and brokers as collateral for money loaned on call. The money was obtained by the use of the purchase of Quartz Hill. At the present time neither Mr. Gray, the money, nor the Quartz Hill stock is to be found. The office of Gray is in charge of the altered certificates, and on opening the safe, found only one hundred shares of Quartz Hill wherewith to pay all the liabilities of "Gray & Co."

The Pork Packers' Tax.—The Civil Tenure Repeal.

[By Hanson's News Agency.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The Ways and Means Committee instruct their chairman to inform Mr. Dolan that they do not agree with him in his construction of the law taxing pork packers 2 1/2 per cent. The Commissioner doubtless will not collect the tax. The Judiciary Committee has unanimously agreed to repeal the tenure of office bill.

From New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The Commercial says there is considerable excitement in Wall street to-day over the discovery that a large amount of U. S. Bonds have been altered from thousands to ten thousands. The firm implicated is W. E. Gray & Co., No. 44 Broad street. U. S. Senate. They bought out an elegant suite of offices, formerly occupied by Stebbins & Co., and the firm consisted of William E. Gray and J. H. Pratt. Gray came originally from Washington, and was at one time cashier for the eminent firm of Marguard & Dimmock. Pratt's antecedents are unknown. He is the party who purchased the one thousand dollar bonds, which they subsequently altered to \$10,000 bonds. The capital of said firm is reported to be entirely in Government and State bonds. On Friday night they were reported to have some \$15,000 in bank and one hundred 1,000 dollar bonds on hand. They were supposed to be doing a flourishing business, and the money received for these securities they are supposed to have invested largely in stocks of the Quartz Hill Mining Company. Neither Gray or Pratt have been seen since Saturday, and the Stock Exchange has offered a reward of \$5,000 for their apprehension.

Boston Election.—Settled.

BOSTON, Dec. 13.—The returns from the municipal election up to noon, assure the reelection of Shurtleff by a heavy plurality. The Howland will case at New Bedford, after four years litigation, will be settled by the dismissal of the suit of Mrs. Hetty H. Green, and a compromise as to the costs.

X List Congress.—Second Session.

[Extracted from Third Edition.]

Mr. Carpenter, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported Mr. Norton a bill for the reconstruction of the courts, with amendments. The bill as amended provides for conveying the old Legislature on a certain day to be named by the Governor. It is intended to be effected by summing all persons elected to the General Assembly of the State, and requires by the proclamation of General Meade, dated June 23, 1855, and a certificate of the Governor, that no person shall be returned as a member of the Legislature on account of race or color, or previous conviction of a crime. The bill is intended to authorize the Governor, on application of the Governor, the military and naval forces of the United States to enforce the provisions of this act. Finally, it is provided that the Legislature of the State shall be organized as provisional only, until the further action of Congress.

After the introduction of a number of bills and resolutions, among them one by Mr. Carpenter, declaring that the Spanish consuls should not be allowed to leave the country, Mr. Braden took the floor, and declared his support of the bill denying jurisdiction to the Supreme Court in cases involving the constitutionality of acts of Congress.

OPENING OF THE SUZ CANAL.

The only American Flag Displayed by a Philadelphian.

The correspondent of the World, in his account of the opening of the Suez Canal, has the following paragraph:

"So our day was given to sauntering among the Bedouens of Joliff, listlessly, after the wise Eastern method, in the door of our own tent. In the Fresh-Water Canal just before us lies a delahreh, or Nile boat, which flies the stars and stripes at her stern, and from her tall mast displays a blue pendant, inscribed with the name 'Titania.' She has been brought here from the Nile by a Mr. Carver, of Philadelphia, who is on board of her with his family, and who may therefore fairly enough claim to have represented, sole and alone, I think, the maritime grandeur and glory of America at the great canal."

Success of the Enterprise.

The London Post says:

A telegram of importance to shipping has been (Dec. 11) received in reference to the depth of water in the Suez Canal. A large fleet of ships bound to India being detained until satisfactory intelligence was received as to the practicability of their passing safely through the canal, Lloyd's special agent at Alexandria telegraphs as follows: "The canal agent affirms the minimum depth five metres ten centimetres, equal to about sixteen feet ten inches, and that during drawing five metres have all passed safely through the canal. The prospectus of the Suez Canal Company stated that the canal would have a uniform depth of eight metres, equal to about twenty-six feet. The Indian Ocean steamers of the Messageries Impériales Company, each over 2,000 tons register, have, it is known, already traversed the canal, but they were lightened, only carrying sufficient ballast."

CITY NOTICES.

PRESIDENT GRANT has spoken on the Cuban Question, and his opinion expressed as much as his usual statements.

CHARLES FROXIE'S announcement of great productions in the line of very superior fashionable clothing at No. 524 Chestnut street, at Market street prices.

GENT'S BLACKING CASES, \$2 1/2, \$3 1/2, \$4 1/2 and \$5 1/2, and a full assortment of Housekeeping Articles.

FARRON & Co. Dock street, below Walnut.

MORSE & GUSCALUS, 238 South Eleventh, make the best Black Fruit Cake in the city—45 cents per pound.

TABLE ORNAMENTS, CHARLOTTE'S, MIRROR, Pencil, Lady and Black Oak and Fancy Cases, uncolored. No. 222 Arch street.

PURITY VERSUS POISON.—There is as much difference between PHALON'S VITRIFICATION SALVATION FOR THE HAIR and the hair-dressing preparations, as between the Pool of Bethesda, that an angel stirred, and a fever-breeding mud-pool. The former is a crystalline fluid, without a single impurity or noxious property, and the naturalness of the shades it imparts to gray hair is unparelleled.

PHYSICIANS ARE ASTONISHED.—They find Dr. Winslow's delightful Liver and Stomach Laxative the finest cathartic and antibilious preparation ever made. It melts in the most agreeable manner, and is just as palatable. Its operation is mild, harmless and genial. Sold by all druggists.

AS A HOLIDAY GIFT, nothing could be more appropriate than a Singer Family Sewing Machine. To be had upon easy terms at 1106 Chestnut street.

GO TO OAKFORD'S for Christmas presents of Furs, Mufflers and the most exquisite styles of Hats and Caps at their Stores, 834 and 836 Chestnut street.

SINGER'S FAMILY SEWING MACHINES. NEW AND IMPROVED. BALANCE IN MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS. F. DAVIS, 810 Chestnut street. PHILADELPHIA SEWING MACHINE M. ART.

BURNETT'S FAMOUS COCOAINE POSSESSES superior hair-dressing properties.

WHITE IRON STONE TEA SETS. BEST QUALITY, WARRANTED. Tea Sets, 6 pieces, cups with handles, \$5; Chamber Sets, 11 pieces, large sizes, \$2; Fine Glass Goblets, new patterns, per dozen, \$1. Iron Stone China Dinner Sets, 20 pieces, \$10. The above goods in quality, patterns and sizes, are equal to any offered in the city at the same prices. Packed free of charge.

B.—China and Glass loaned to Balls, Parties and Festivals for three per cent. on selling prices. Dinner and Tea Sets, Plated Forks, Spoons and Knives for hiring to parties, at 1 1/2 cents per dozen; SMALL PATENTERS & Co., No. 27 South Second street, above Spruce.

PRESENTS for Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and Mothers, of Fine Furs, Mufflers and Hats. At OAKFORD'S, under Continental.

HOLIDAY GIFTS.—Among the many useful articles for gifts during the coming holiday season, nothing could be more desirable or acceptable to mother, wife, sister or friend than one of WHEELER & WILSON'S Improved Family Sewing Machines. Call at the new and elegant store-room of PETERSON & CARPENTER, No. 94 CHESTNUT STREET, and examine these beautiful instruments. They are sold on very reasonable terms.

CHRISTMAS AND HOLIDAY GIFTS, of Fine Sable, Mink and other styles of Furs, at lowest prices, at OAKFORD'S, under the Continental.

COLD WEATHER does not chafe or roughen the skin after using Wright's Glycerine Tablet of Solidified Glycerine.

Its daily use makes the skin delicately soft and beautiful. Sold by all druggists. W. A. G. A. WRIGHT, No. 214 Chestnut street.

CORNS, Bunions, Inverted Nails, skillfully treated by Dr. J. Davidson, No. 916 Chestnut street. Charges moderate.

JUDICIOUS MOTHERS and nurses use for their children a safe and pleasant medicine in Brown's Infant Syrup.

SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS and druggists' sundries. SNOWDEN & BROTHER, 23 South Eighth street.

DEAFNESS, BLINDNESS AND CATARRH. J. ISAACS, M. D., Professor of the Eye and Ear, treats all diseases pertaining to the above mentioned organs with the utmost success. Testimonials from the most reliable sources in the city can be seen at his office, No. 285 Arch street. The medical faculty are invited to accompany their patients, as he has no secrets in his practice. Artificial eyes inserted. No charge made for examination.

STATIONERY.

WM. M. CHRISTY, PREMIUM

BLANK BOOKS

AND Counting-House Stationery,

LITHOGRAPHIC AND TYPE PRINTING.

DIARIES FOR 1870.

PLAYING CARDS.

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GOLD PENS AND PENCILS.

Foreign and Domestic Stationery

IN GREAT VARIETY.

WM. M. CHRISTY,

127 S. Third, above Dock Street.

MILLINERY GOODS.

LADIES

WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE,

That they can buy the Finest TRIMMED HATS and BONNETS at KENNEDY'S for less than they can buy the materials and make them themselves. All kinds of Goods have been marked down in order to sell off their immense stock. They are offering

GREAT BARGAINS IN

Trimmed Hats and Bonnets, Steel Ornaments, Ostrich Plumes, Rich Sash Ribbons, Felt and Velvet Hats, Bonnet Materials Cut Bins, Velvets, Satins and Laces.

This stock is acknowledged to be the finest to be found, and must be closed out at a sacrifice.

THOS. KENNEDY & BROS.,

729 CHESTNUT STREET.

TO RENT.

TO LET—IMITATION BROWN. A beautiful dwelling, six years old. Coats street, No. 22. In perfect order. EDWARD S. DELMONTE, 128 North Eleventh street.

McVAUGH & DUNGAN,

114 South Eleventh Street.

Have this week opened a fine assortment of Seasonable Goods for Present and Future Holidays.

LINEN HDKFS.

A full line for Ladies, Gents and Children, from the lowest to the finest grades.

EMBROIDERIES,

In French work and Hamburg, choice styles.

LINEN SETS,

From the plainest style to the finest imported.

TIDIES,

In great variety and entirely new designs.

LACES.

Pointe, Pointe de Auplaise, Valenciennes, Thread and Guipure, in new patterns.

COLLARS AND CUFFS,

FRENCH BREAKFAST CAPS,

And a great variety of FANCY ARTICLES.

NAVAL STORES.—208 BBLS. ROSIN, 100 lbs. each, (111) Bbls. 20 lbs. prime White Pine Resin. Call on landing from steamer Pioneer, from Wilmington, N. C., and for sale by GORHAM, RUSSELL & CO., 111 Chestnut street.

DRY GOODS.

J. M. HAFLEIGH,

1012 and 1014 CHESTNUT STREET,

WILL

CONTINUE THE SALE

OF HIS

FINE STOCK OF

DRY GOODS.

Commencing Monday, Dec. 13,

At Still

GREATER REDUCTIONS.

500 Pairs Blankets, at a Great Sacrifice.

Alpacas Reduced to 25 cents.

Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 12 1/2-2 cts.

50 Pieces Bonnet Velvets at one half former prices.

The Entire Stock Must be Closed Out

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EDWIN HALL & CO.,

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This stock is the most extensive and varied ever offered at retail in this city, and contains more novelties and staples of recent importation than can be found elsewhere.

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New Store, 1128 CHESTNUT ST.

Best Blankets, Fresh from the Mills.

Marseilles Bed Quilts.

Honeycomb Quilts, all sizes.

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Linen Sheetings, every width.

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