Letter from New York.

BRIGHTENING PROSPECTS OF THE ERIE RAILROAD—ANOTHER RAY OF DEMOCRATIC SUNSHINE—SLAUGHTER OF CITY RAILROADS—PROFANITY OF THE GREENBACKERS—THE ICE STOCK OF NEW YORK FOR 1860—FANNY KEMBLE—THE EVENING POST CAUTIONS THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION—THE "BARNBURNERS" ABOUT—A WOOD DELEGATE DECLARES FOR SCOGGS.

[Correspondence of The Press.]

NEW YORK, April 17, 1860.

The men whose faces have grown straight up and down on account of their investments or speculations in the Erie Railroad, are beginning to chirk up a bit at the rapidly improving condition of its affairs, the increase of its business, and the economies and general efficiency that have been introduced since it came under control of the receiver, Mr. Marsh, and the superintendent, Mr. Minot—gentlemen who have long been familiar with its affairs, and who are especially adapted for an energetic and wise administration of its affairs. It is not too much to say, that if, instead of committing its vast interests to the hands of its late $10,000 president, Mr. Moran, and upholding him in a policy that came nigh bringing the whole concern to irretrievable ruin, the directors had confided it to the clear-headed, sagacious, prompt, straight-forward, successful management of Mr. Marsh, hundreds of thousands of dollars would have been saved, and the property of the company would have stood in a very different condition from what it did six months ago. The earnings of the road for March were $66,000 better than in the corresponding month last year, and thus far in April the receipts are $35,000 ahead of April 1859. The legislation requisite for a reorganization of the company has been consummated, and the new corporation will be formed immediately. The clouds that have so long impended over the Erie are beginning to break, and an auspicious future is discernible.

The Democracy of Queen's county, a suburb of New York, have been doing a bright bit of politics. At the town meetings held last week, the Democrats carried every town in the county except Hempstead, where the Republicans carry their supervisor by forty-eight majority, instead of over six hundred majority, which they had last year. In case the Anakite of Illinois is put on the course at Charleston, it is confidently believed he will receive the vote of every man, woman, and child in the county.

There is a chuckle of satisfaction among the people, and much gnashing of teeth among the gridirooers, at the veto of the city railroad bills by his eminence, the head of the State. The "fight" of that functionary was placed upon the ground for several reasons: they should be made to pay some revenue to the city; should carry passengers at less fare than the horse roads; should be placed under control of the Legislature, and should be managed by persons of admitted responsibility and respectability. These trifling incidentals, not mentioned in the bills, have impelled Gov. Morgan to knock them on the scoop, and in doing so he has discharged his duty. The speculators are somewhat profane, and talk of "laying out" the Governor next fall; but we all know how disappointed people will swear, and therefore take it like philosophers.

A cool headed fellow-citizen of ours has been noting about among the ice-houses of the bailwick, and counting the quantity stowed away for consumption during the coming summer. He cyphers up 300,000 tons, packed in the various establishments that supply New York and Brooklyn. The quantity annually used in these two cities is about 200,000 tons, to insure which an additional 100,000 is required, as in transportation and delivery about one-third liquefies. Nearly 300,000 men are employed during the winter to cut and store it, and during the summer four hundred or five hundred are employed in bringing it from the various storehouses, and leaving it at the doors of consumers. One storehouse, the largest in the United States, belonging to the New York Ice Company, is situated at Athens, and is capable of holding 60,000 tons. A storehouse is built on the same principle as a refrigerator. The vacant space between them, about twenty inches is stuffed with sawdust. The cost of such a house is $60,000. Generally, the supply of ice laid up far exceeds the demand; this year, if we happen to have a warm summer, there will be barely sufficient. There is no danger, however, of having the cost raised on account of the scarcity as competition in the ice trade is now so great that said cost for home consumption is disposed of at a price barely paying the cost of cutting and transportation.

Mrs. Kemble passed through town a few days since on her way to Germantown, to visit her daughter who resides there.

The *Evening Post*, which may be said to be the fairest, as it is by far the ablest exponent of the views of the "barnburner" section of the Republican party, is out with an ably-written leader on the Republican State Convention, to be held tomorrow at Syracuse, to appoint delegates to the Chicago Convention. It admonishes that Convention that unless the utmost fairness be observed in the selection, and the "barnburners" allowed an equal half of the delegates, trouble may ensue—"giving a delegate at large to those who are of Democratic origin, and another to those who are of the Whig party, and making a like partition of the remainder—carefully selecting men of known character and intelligence, in whom the division of the party to which they belong can place confidence. If this be done, says the *Post*, there will be no pretext for complaint in any quarter; if it be not done, we do not see what is to prevent considerable dissatisfaction. It may be said that the Republican party is but one party; that its members are perfectly agreed as to the great object in view, namely, resistance to the introduction of slavery into the Territories; but the distinction of Whig and Democrat no longer exists within the party, and that if the delegation to Chicago be only made up of good Republicans, nothing more ought to be demanded. This has a plausible sound, but if it were ever so true it would not be satisfactory. The result of the Syracuse Convention must be such that no considerable class of men belonging to the Republican party can have even a semblance of reason for supposing that they are purposely excluded from a share in the proceedings of the Chicago Convention. Human nature is so constituted that even a thoughtless slight or a casual, unpremeditated measure, which has a show of exclusiveness, often becomes the cause of deep-seated animosities." The serving of this notice in advance looks very much as though fears were entertained that Wood and Seward had packed the Convention. The result will probably show that such is the fact.

Senator J. McLeod Murphy, of this city, one of the Wood delegates to Charleston, has addressed a note to Hon. Gideon J. Tucker, a State delegate on the same ticket, stating that legislative duties will prevent his attending the Convention, and at the same time expressing a decided preference for Judge Douglas, as "the only person mentioned in connection with the Presidency who stands a chance of an election." The letter is dated yesterday.

P. S.—The telegraphic intelligence this afternoon is to the effect that the Senate and Assembly have passed all the City Railroad Bills over the Governor's veto, by a decisive vote. So, the laugh is now on the other side.

IMPORTATIONS.

[Reported for the Press.]

CARDENAS—Brig Australia, Wylie—123 hhds mo lasses to E W Bernadou & Bro.

CALAIS, Me—Schr Lady White, Ames, 21 barrels scaling and 60 do do to Jones & Lewis.

WILMINGTON, NC—Schr Belle, Barter, 200 bbls spts turpentine 20 bbls resin oil 320 do pitch Dochran & Russell; 300 bbls rosin Lennox, Sharp & Keen; 20 bales yarn Hay & Mafferitt; 40,000 feet yellow pine lumber Jones & Lewis; 12 casks pen nuts 75 empty casks Master, Collins & Co.

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LETTER BAGS.

AT THE NEW-YORK EXPRESS, PHILADELPHIA.

Brig Tacamacho, Allen, ... Liverpool, April 25
Brig Ocean, Hedley, ... Rio Janeiro, soon
Brig Isa Rogers, Lewis, ... Lagunillas, soon
Brig Ann Elizabeth, Kenyon, ... Havana, soon
Brig Ariel, Bunting, ... Havana, soon
Brig Robert Jordan, ... Barbadoes, soon
Brig Neptune, Bell, ... Cork, &c., soon
Brig Sarah Carter, Carter, ... Barbadoes, soon

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA, April 19, 1860.

SUN RISES ..... 5 41—SUN SETS 6 39
HIGH WATER ..... 2 21—LOW WATER 12 51

ARRIVED.

Brig Australia, Wylie, 10 days from Cardenas, with molasses to E W Bernadou & Bro.
Schr Belle, Barrett, 4 days from Wilmington, NC, with lumber and naval stores to J Baker.
Schr Maria Hunt, Cottingham, 4 days from Deep Creek, with lumber to Jones & Lewis.
Schr Peggy Ann Cox, Paul, 5 days from New Bedford, with ballast to master.
Schr Sarah Jennett, Cowell, 3 days from Milford, with grain to J A Mackelfresh.
Schr Wm Seward, Hazel, 1 day from Smyrna, Del, with rails to Jones & Lewis.
Schr Clayton & Logan, Jackson, 1 day from Smyrna, with corn to Jones & Lewis.
Schr Lucy White, Avery, 8 days from Cedar Creek, Md, with oysters to master.
Schr Ann Eliza, Stillwagon, 3 days from Newcastle, Va, with 800 feet yellow pine flooring to Gaskill & Sylvis.
Schr Wesley Sim, 3 days from Lewes, Del, with 20 feet yellow pine flooring to Gaskill & Sylvis.
Steamer Ironsides, Carpenter, 24 hours from New York, with mdse to W M Baird & Co.

CLEARED.

Ship Solomon Crowell, Weiss, St Paul de Loanda, W C Workman & Co.
Schr Carolina Hall, Graham, Nantucket, Van Dusen, Norton & Co.
Schr Florida, Kelly, Boston, D Cooper.
Schr M Rainhart, Patterson, Mobile, Pettit, Martin & Co.
Schr Ryan, Cottingham, Deep Creek, captain.
Schr Mary Nutt, Shaw, New London, L Richardson.
Schr Orion, Keyes, Cambridgeport, do.
Schr J E Shriver, Lowery, Boston, do.
Schr Ann Eliza, Stillwagon, Newcastle, Van Dusen.

The following vessels left the Navy Yard on Tuesday morning, in tow of the steamer Jersey City, for Norfolk, viz: Frigates Merrimac, Raritan, Potomac and Plymouth, Sloop of War Germantown, and Brig Perry, to be fitted out for service in the Gulf of Mexico.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 29, 1860.

Ship Wm Penn, Lewis, for Philadelphia, 1000 tons of coal.

SAVANNAH—Cleared 12th, ship Ann Sofia, Hansen, for Philadelphia, 350 bales upland cotton.

MOBILE—Cleared 14th, brig Ann Eliza, Stillwagon, for Philadelphia, 1 bale cotton.

NEW ORLEANS—Cleared 14th, ship Ann Sofia, Hansen, for Philadelphia, 1 bale cotton.

CHARLESTON—Cleared 14th, brig Ann Eliza, Stillwagon, for Philadelphia, 1 bale cotton.

Schr S L Crocker, Presbrey, hence for Taunton, at Dighton 14th inst.
Schr R M Wright, Fisher, hence, arrived at Hartford 16th inst.
Schr Empire, Adams, hence for Pawtucket, at Providence 16th inst.
Schr Lewis Clark, Seoey, hence, arrived at Pawtucket 16th inst.
Schrs A Cordery, Allen, S Tuttle, Mayo, S F Solliday, Seaman, J H Mather, Nickerson, W F Cox, Hooker, J B Austin, Davis, Montevideo, Falkenberg, P Herbert, Farmer, E Sheed, Brinckley, White Squall, Powell, and Silver Magnet, Perkins, hence, arrived at Boston 17th inst.
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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

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By order of the Lighthouse Board

J. MELANGTON SMITH, Comm'r U. S. N., Lighthouse Inspector, Second District.

Boston, April 17, 1860.

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Treasury Department, Office L. H. Board, Washington, April 3, 1860.

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