The Press.

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 1863.

The Victory in Connecticut.

The election in Connecticut is an anticipated triumph. During the last weeks of the campaign the Democrats seemed to have abandoned the contest, and their campaign was little more than a succession of apologies. They began the contest with colors flying, and a bold declaration of their treasonable purposes. Colonel SEYMOUR was placed in nomination, because he has seemed to be, of all men in the North, the frankest and boldest enemy of the war. The convention that placed him in nomination adopted his principles, and made them the platform of the party. And, as if to prevent any misapprehension of the real character of the contest, one of Mr. BUCHANAN'S most servile minions in precipitating the rebellion—the Hon. ISAAC TOUCEY, his Secretary of the Navy—was taken from a disgraceful retirement and brought upon the stage. With Col. SEYMOUR as the representative of Southern sympathy, and Mr. TOUCEY as the representative of Mr. BUCHANAN'S infamies, the people of Connecticut could not fail to see their duty. The Democracy opened their canvass with a desperation that seemed to be unaccountable at the time, but which the recent disclosures of intrigue with a British minister and with popular generals abundantly explain. If Connecticut, with its conservative tendencies and its previous attachment to the Democratic party, could be induced to abandon the Administration, New England would be demoralized, the Middle and Western States secured, and the downfall of the Government made easy and sure.

The loyal men of Connecticut saw this, and made a fight worthy of themselves and their glorious cause. Few political campaigns in the history of the country have been fought with so much energy, skill, and courage. Loyal men of other States gave them their sympathy, and the very flower of the loyal North—its eloquence, wisdom, and experience—did battle for the Union. The result we record this morning. In the first place, the sympathizers were compelled to apologize, to explain, to mystify, to cloud over treasonable thoughts, with denunciation and clamor, and constitutional enigmas. The election itself was little more than a parade and a surrender. We have carried the State by a largely increased majority. A special despatch, received at midnight, from New Haven, gives BUCKINGHAM, the Union candidate, 3,000 majority. Another despatch from Hartford, written at a later hour, corroborates this, and makes the estimate from 3,000 to 5,000 majority. We have carried three out of four Congressmen, which is a gain, as GEORGE C. WOODRUFF, Democrat, of the Fourth district, and a member of the last Congress, is beaten by JOHN H. HUBBARD, a Republican. JAMES E. ENGLISH, Democrat, of the New Haven district, is returned by a reduced majority. In addition to this, we have carried fifteen out of twenty-one Senators, and have a large majority in the State House of Representatives. These are the fullest details we possess at the hour we write these lines. Further intelligence may change the figures, but the result is placed beyond a doubt or a contingency.

We congratulate the country upon this glorious result, and our friends in Connecticut upon having done so nobly. The country will not forget their devotion and loyalty.

The Kingless Greeks.

Over five months ago the Greek nation exercised its undoubted right, and sent its inefficient foreign ruler back to his native Bavaria—indeed, King OTHO was worse than inefficient, for he was a tyrant in his small way, the cats-paw of his wife, a woman of ability and audacity, who cared more for the patronage of Russia than for the well-being of the brave people over whom she was placed. OTHO and his Queen dismissed, the Greeks became enthusiastic and nearly unanimous in favor of an English prince as their next sovereign. His nomination followed so close upon the deposition of OTHO, that the connection of cause and effect involuntarily occurs to the mind, mingled with surprise at the suddenness with which the various moves were made. The change of pieces on a chess-board could not have been more prompt. Suspicion was awakened at the time, and exists largely still, that the deposition of OTHO and the nomination of Prince ALFRED did not take place, if not with the knowledge of England, at least with an assurance that both would not be objected to. England must have known, from the first, that the election of one of VICTORIA'S sons could not be accepted by England. It would not suit British policy. The Prince was destined for something else —namely, the Viceroyalty of British North America on completing his majority, (in August, 1865,) and succession to the Grand Duchy of Saxe Cobourg-Gotha on the death of his childless uncle. All other considerations disposed of, there still remained one insuperable objection: when Greece was erected into a sovereignty, and thus adopted into the family of European monarchy, it was solemnly agreed that, if the Greek throne should ever become vacant, no member of the reigning houses of Russia, France, or England, (the great nations that had secured the the independence of Greece,) should ever be eligible, under any circumstances, to assume the sceptre.

After more delay than was necessary, which looked as if England was coquetting with Greece, it was announced to the Provisional Government at Athens, that Prince ALFRED'S name must not be used in connection with the candidature for the crown—that members of the Imperial houses of Russia and France were also out of the question—and that Greece was at liberty, subject to the approval of Europe, to elect whom she pleased. After it was found that Prince ALFRED would not stand, certain parties in Greece variously suggested the Grand Duke NICHOLAS, brother to the CZAR; the Prince de LEUCHTENBERG, nephew to the CZAR, and cousin to the Emperor NAPOLEON III; Prince NAPOLEON, and MURAT; two sons of the late King LOUIS PHILIPPE; and several others, including General GARIBALDI, more or less known in public life.

The Provisional Government, appointed to report to the National Assembly of Greece, on the condition of public affairs, performed that duty on Monday, the 2d of February, then resigned its powers, and was reappointed, *pro tem.* Next day, the Assembly unanimously voted the deposition of King OTHO, and his dynasty. This decree, of Spartan brevity, runs thus: "The Throne of Greece is declared vacant by right and *de facto* since the 22d of October, 1862." In a few words, it overthrew a dynasty. Surely, seldom has so great a deed been performed with so much terseness.

Before the Assembly met, the Greeks had voted in the most public manner, on the question of a successor to OTHO. This, as in France, on the election of President and Emperor, was done by what is called the *plébiscite*. In the Assembly, after the formal deposition of OTHO, a report on this national voting was made, and the counting of the votes occupied three days. In all, as many as 241,202 persons voted, or about one-fifth of the whole population of Greece. It may gratify some of our readers to see how the votes were disposed of, viz:

Prince Alfred	230,016
Prince Leuchtenberg	2,400
An Orthodox King	1,917
Emperor of Russia	1,841
Grand Duke Nicholas	1,821
A King	1,763
Prince Nicholas of Russia	1,741
Zeto the Three Powers	492
Grand Duke Constantine	478
Prince Napoleon	315
An Imperial Prince of France	246
A Russian Prince	14
A Republic	93
An Imperial Prince of Russia	9
Romanoff	8
Comte de Flandres	7
Prince William of Denmark	6
Prince Ypsilante	6
General Garibaldi	3
The Duke of Aumale	3
The Emperor Napoleon	2
A Prince of Sweden	2
Prince Jolnville	1
General McMahon	1
Eynard the Philhellene	1
Otho I	1

After these results were announced, it was decreed, by vote of the Assembly, (only four or five members not joining in the *viva voce* acclamation,) that Prince ALFRED, of England, had been elected Constitutional Sovereign of Greece by the will of the people, and that the Prince be invited, according to the necessary formalities, and without delay, to take possession of the throne of Greece. The booming of cannon, a great military review, a grand procession, and cheering for "King ALFRED," concluded the whole affair.

Imposing as it was, all was the merest sham, and every one thought that it was nothing else. At that very time, and for a fortnight before, the Greeks were aware that Prince ALFRED'S election was a ceremonial which must end in smoke, for England, in his name, had formally intimated that he could not be permitted to accept the crown. All that had been done was of no value. To this hour, the throne of Greece continues vacant. England has made several efforts to get a suitable candidate, but, in each instance, has selected a member of the Cobourg family—so nearly related to the royal family of England. First, was FERDINAND, father of the reigning King of Portugal, Queen VICTORIA'S cousin, who, much loving his ease, declined putting it in jeopardy by assuming Kingly rule in Greece. Next, the Court de FLANDRES, cousin of Queen VICTORIA, was suggested, but his sagacious father, LEOPOLD of Belgium, who had himself refused the Greek sceptre in 1830, would not hear of any of his children taking it. Lastly, the Duke of SAXE-COBURG-GOTHA, Queen VICTORIA'S first cousin and brother-in-law, was spoken to, but though disposed to accept the crown, he required certain pecuniary guarantees, which the three Powers declined giving, and he backed out. At present there is actually no candidate before the Greeks, who, it may be observed, do not appear to have been at all consulted on the, to them, important question of nominating the abovementioned Coburg gentlemen.

It really would appear as if a republic rather than a monarchy would best suit the circumstances of Greece, and the wishes of the Greeks. They have weighed their king in the balance and found him wanting. The European nations, however,—or rather their rulers,—will not permit Greece to become a republic. The National Assembly, five weeks after the bootless proclamation of "King ALFRED," appointed a committee to look up an eligible candidate for the throne. The Revolution that overthrew King OTHO and his dynasty took place on the 22d of October, and in the five months that have since passed, nothing has been done, so that Greece is as far from having a ruler now as when OTHO was expelled. It is said that, in some parts of Greece, demonstrations in favor of King OTHO had been made. Prince MAUROCARDATIS, Foreign Minister of Greece, has found it necessary to inform his diplomatic agents that there is no truth in the rumor that OTHO was likely to be restored, and "that any attempt for the restoration of the fallen dynasty would be vain and senseless; that no prince of the House of Bavaria can henceforth ever reign in Greece, unless he cuts a way to the throne through rivers of blood, and over piles of dead bodies; and that any Greek who should think of such a restoration, or take part with foreigners who might show such a desire, would be guilty of the crime of high treason, and be punished with all the severity of the laws." Notwithstanding this, it is probable that OTHO has many personal adherents in Greece.

The very latest rumor is that England contemplates recommending a Danish prince to the vacant sovereignty of Greece. All through, the inhabitants are treated precisely as if they had no voice in the choice of their ruler, and must accept the nominee of the greater Powers of Europe.

The Opera.

The performance last evening was very much of a success, Mr. GRAU'S company being in excellent condition. This evening there will be no performance, to enable the company to rehearse "Roberto il Diavolo," one of MEYERBEER'S most exquisite operas. This great work will be placed on the stage in a magnificent manner, on Wednesday evening, and will be the operatic event of the season.

LETTER FROM "OCCASIONAL."

WASHINGTON, April 6, 1863.

Resolve for me, if you can, the secret of the insatiate hatred of the Government exhibited by such men as W. B. Reed, Hiester Clymer, and George W. Biddle. I have read the speeches of this angry trinity, and find them instinct with a malevolence against the Union; which, in the eyes of a stranger, must seem to be the result of injuries inflicted and wrongs never to be forgotten. The address of Mr. Reed is more venomous than I supposed even he could be. It was said of a famous spiteful politician of other days, that if he were cut into pieces he could be rolled out into scorpions, and Mr. Reed's last demonstration eloquently recalls the simile. He attacks his Government with unsparing invective, praises "the stern statesman" of the rebellion, sneers at the "sepoys" in the Union army, denounces the indemnity bill as "hideous," depreciates the national currency, and attacks all Democrats who favor a vigorous prosecution of the war. Mr. Hiester Clymer adopts another line of policy; glories in his vote refusing Andrew Johnson, of Tennessee, the right to speak in the Senate Chamber of the State, and stigmatizes him as the instrument, the partaker and the supporter of tyrannical, unconstitutional, and arbitrary measures. Mr. George W. Biddle winds up the chorus with an argument of the same character. Now, these manifestations are made not only against a generous and indulgent and suffering Government, but they are made without provocation. Resolve for me, I repeat, the secret of this insatiate hostility on the part of men calling themselves American citizens, to a country which has showered nothing but blessings upon them. Has human nature so changed that they have forgotten all the favors they have received, or are blind and deaf to the incalculable distresses of the nation? They complain, it is true, of proscription, and yet they know that nothing is asked of them but to give to the Government the benefit, not of their support, but of their acquiescence in the preservative measures to which she is compelled to resort. But while they refuse to assist, they hasten to insult her, and as they contemplate her tribulations with cold indifference, they manifest no indignation at the atrocities of the rebels themselves. Not one of these men, at any former period of his life, has taken as much interest in supporting the Government as he now does in opposing and reviling it. Considered as a class, they spend more money, and toil more steadily, to weaken and to prostrate her, and to strengthen and elevate the traitors, than they have ever been known to do in any other cause. There is but one reasonable solution of this conduct. They hate their own Government, and prefer the rebellion, because the first is the embodiment of Democracy, and the latter of aristocracy. Happily for the future, the people begin to see and to act upon this knowledge. However the Democratic masses may have disliked the Abolitionists and Republicans, and may have temporarily yielded to their prejudices, they will never consent to follow the example of men who joyfully behold the sufferings of the country, and gladly welcome every reverse as the sure precursor of the overthrow of the liberties of the people.

OCCASIONAL.

LARGE POSITIVE SALE OF BOOTS AND SHOES, &c., &c.—The early attention of purchasers is requested to the large assortment of boots and shoes ("including a line partially damaged"); also, hats, caps, satchels, valises, &c., &c., embracing about 900 packages of first-class city and Eastern manufactures, to be peremptorily sold by catalogue, on four months' credit, commencing this morning, at ten o'clock, by John B. Myers & Co., auctioneers, Nos. 232 and 234 Market street.

The New England Methodist Conference.

BOSTON, April 6.—The New England Methodist Conference is now in session at Charlestown. A report from the Committee on the State of the Union has been adopted, rejoicing over the President's proclamation of freedom, that those who were lately trampled upon may be permitted to enter the battles of the country, expressing entire confidence in the Administration, pledging moral and material support to the President in his effort to crush the rebellion—remembering their brethren in the field for their tried courage and patriotism, and cherishing the memories of the fallen as their best inheritance.

WASHINGTON.

Special Despatches to "The Press."

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Judicial Charge on Treason.

On the opening of the new court, to-day, Chief Justice CARTER charged the grand jury especially in relation to the law for the prevention of frauds on the Government and that for the punishment of treason. In regard to the latter, he said their careful consideration of this charge was demanded by the times and by the place in which they were called on to aid in the administration of the Constitution and the laws. "This city," he said, "stands on the border line between the loyal and the disloyal States. There are still left among us many who, if they are in any sense loyal, love their country with a divided heart. There are some among us, it is feared, who are traitors. There are others who aid and comfort the rebellion. It is, therefore, of the utmost importance to the whole country that the capital of the Union should be free of any taint of disloyalty. It is an important step towards restoring the public peace and tranquility that all who aid and assist the enemy should discontinue their offences, or be punished according to the law of the land. The faithful performance of your duty in making inquiry into all such offences will be no less honorable to yourselves than important to the country."

Rumored Fight in North Carolina.

Official information has been received here that the rebels have a large force at or near Washington, North Carolina, and the belief is expressed, in the same despatch, that on about the 31st of March Gen. FOSTER was engaged in fighting them.

The News from Charleston.

Up to 1 o'clock, to-day, the Government had received no intelligence regarding affairs off Charleston, other than what has already been published from the Richmond papers of Saturday.

Emigration of Contrabands.

Various parties have recently applied to the proper authorities here for a supply of contrabands to be taken to the tropics and employed in agriculture. Many of them have expressed a disposition to emigrate, but thus far there is no arrangement for the payment of the expenses of transportation thither.

The Reply of Secretary Seward to the French Government.

The State Department had not, up to yesterday, received any official response to the Secretary's letter declining the peace proposition of the French Government.

Soldiers on Furlough.

Six or eight hundred soldiers, on furlough, came up on the boat, from the Army of the Potomac, to-night.

Letters of Marque and Reprisal.

It is believed that no difficulty exists with the Administration on the subject of letters of marque and reprisal. The importance of the question is well understood, and, when the occasion demands, there is no question that the President will exercise the power in the premises, as authorized by the act of Congress.

New Military Orders.

Brigadier General WELCH has been ordered to report for duty to Major General BURNSIDE, and General FITCHER to Major General HOOKER; Major L. KEP and Captains SUMNER and AUDENRIED, aids-de-camp to the late General SUMNER, have been assigned to duty with Major General WOOL.

The Arrest of Deserters.

According to a late army order, additional means are to be taken for the arrest and punishment of deserters. All reports, in such cases, are referred to Col. FRY, the Provost Marshal General.

The Smuggling Trade.

Notwithstanding the vigilance of the Potomac flotilla, much smuggling is carried on from Lower Maryland into the rebel lines. Two of the most prominent offenders, who were recently captured, together with their horses and goods, were brought to-day to Washington.

DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA.

Deserters from the Rebels—The Enemy Starving—Demoralization and Desertion —Naval Movements.

FORTRESS MONROE, April 5.—Twelve rebel cavalrymen, with their horses and equipments, arrived here to-day on the Yorktown boat. They had deserted from Wise's Legion, and came within our lines at Williamsburg yesterday. They report that their whole company is coming in as soon as an opportunity is presented, and that destitution of food was the cause of their desertion; that the troops cannot endure the want of food and clothing much longer, and for this reason Richmond is soon to be evacuated.

The steamer State of Maine left here at noon today for City Point, with 600 rebel prisoners for exchange, in charge of Capt. John E. Mulford.

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THE STORM AT THE HARBOR.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Some fifty canal-boats were blown from their moorings at Gowanus, across our bay, on Sunday, when they stranded on the beaches of Staten and Long Islands, and on the Jersey shore.

THE STORM ON THE HUDSON—ICE ON THE RIVER.

ALBANY, April 6.—On an examination of the river to-day, it was found that quite a barrier of ice exists at Mull's Island, 11 miles below the city.

A similar barrier exists in Schodack channel, near New Baltimore. An attempt will be made on Tuesday or Wednesday, with a strong steam-tug, to force a passage.

The weather is mild, and the ice flowing rapidly.

Accident on the Lebanon Valley Railroad.

READING, April 6.—An extraordinary accident occurred on the Lebanon Valley Railroad on Saturday afternoon. It was caused by a violation of the rules of the road by an employee. The coupling of three cars of an eastward train broke, and the cars were left standing on the track, people still believing there were run into by the engine Venus, and smashed. Conductor Clarke succeeded in getting all the passengers from the train before the accident occurred, and thus saved a fearful loss of life. The engineer jumped from the locomotive, but the fireman bravely stuck to his post. The engineer of the Venus had no right to follow the train so closely.

The Storm on the Lakes.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Intelligence from the eastern shore of Lake Michigan says that the steamer Favorite was capsized on New Buffalo. All hands are reported to have been lost. The crew consisted of four or five men. Two other vessels were driven ashore on the vessel. The schooners Helen, Kent, and Mushroom, were ashore in that vicinity.

The Death of Hon. C. P. Wolcott, late Assistant Secretary of War.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Information has been received announcing the death, at his residence in Akron, Ohio, on Saturday, of Hon. Christopher P. Wolcott, late Assistant Secretary of War.

Arrival of the Steamer Dido.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., April 6.—The steamer Dido, from London, arrived here on Sunday. Her propeller is damaged; she will proceed to Halifax on Tuesday.

From San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 6.—Arrived, steamer Golden Age, from Panama; ship White Falcon, from Nicaragua.

Sailed, ship Don Quixote for Hong Kong, carrying $84,000 in treasure.

Attitude of Affairs in Louisiana.

Col. Chickering, 41st Massachusetts, who commanded at Baton Rouge during the recent affair at Port Hudson, has been detailed by Gen. Banks to be commander of the post at the former place. Gen. Grover's brigade has left to join Gen. Weitzel, at Bayou Boeuf. In fact, every thing that General Banks can well spare from other points will be immediately sent to reinforce Weitzel, who has been quite seriously threatened. He will be strengthened till his command reaches 10,000 or 12,000 men, when he will be able to deal effectually with Gen. Kirby Smith, who latterly seems inclined to stimulate his watchfulness. Gen. Weitzel was compelled to retire from Brashear City, in consequence of formidable preparations by the enemy to capture his small force. The name Queen of the West and Webb, it is said, were brought down through the Red and Atchafalaya rivers, to destroy his gunboats, while Kirby Smith had a force of 14,000 men.

PERSONAL.—Hon. Simon Cameron arrived in this city last evening, and is stopping at the Girard House.

Major General Dix arrived last evening, and is stopping at the Continental.

THE ARMY HOSPITALS.—The reports of the different army hospitals for the past week are as follows:

Hospitals.	No. admitted.	Ret'd. to duty.	Deserted.	Discharged.	Deceased.	Remaining.
Sixty-fifth and Vine streets	14	..	..	4	..	91
Harrisburg	147	35	9	4	..	323
Broad and Cherry	36	..	4	11	..	459
Islington Lane	1	..	..	..	..	47
Chestnut Hill	8	24	..	55	1	1,037
Wilmington	5	15	..	..	..	47
Filbert street	140	..	..	..	..	201
Master street	16	6	..	13	1	253
Broad and Prime	..	1	..	..	..	93
Cramer's Woods	3	4	..	..	..	17
Chester	4	5	..	1	..	303
Summit House	..	41	6	..	..	170
McClellan Hospital, Nicetown	2	1	..	..	..	473
Turner's Lane	2	..	..	..	..	178
Reading	2	..	..	..	..	93
Bestonville	..	4	..	..	..	11
Christian street	78	16	1	3	..	194
West Philadelphia	8	55	9	..	..	946
Total	474	161	40	150	1	4,763

STATES IN REBELLION.

The Attack on Charleston—The Union Troops Landed—Further Advices from John's Island—The Movement a Naval Reconnoissance—The Recent Affairs in Tennessee—Latest from Vicksburg, &c.

FORTRESS MONROE, April 6.—The Richmond *Dispatch*, on the report of the fire at Pensacola, says that the Navy Yard was burned to death while asleep in his house.

Aaron Bennett was committed to the military prison in Richmond on the 2d as a spy.

The "stirring news from the coast," which has been telegraphed from here, was contained in the Charleston *Courier*. It adds:

"We have not yet learned of any official reports of an engagement, but there is not a doubt but the enemy are in the direction indicated (Seabrook's Island.) Different rumors are afloat as to the numbers of the enemy.

"The Confederate States steamer Natchez, which was burned at Castleman's, on the Yazoo river, had 1,300 bales of cotton upon her at the time. She was one of the best steamers in the Confederacy. The loss is heavy."

The propeller Virginia, Capt. W. H. Snyder, arrived this morning from New York. The captain reports that he encountered a heavy gale. Yesterday, at 10 A. M., he passed in sight of a black steamer with three masts, the smoke-stack being near the after mast. She was aground inside of the breakers on the northwest end of Cedar Island, 40 miles to the northward of Cape Henry. She looked like the steamer Diamond State. The wind was blowing heavily from the northeast at the time.

The steamboat Express has arrived from City Point, with two hundred and eighty-six prisoners of war, forty-three citizen prisoners, and fourteen released and exchanged officers, who were captured at Harteville, Tenn., Dec. 7, 1862.

The wind has been blowing heavily since midnight from the north to northeast. At 2 o'clock, this afternoon, a severe snow storm set in. No boat arrived from Yorktown to-day, owing to the severity of the storm.

THE LATEST DESPATCHES FROM THE RICHMOND PAPERS.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The Richmond *Examiner*, of Saturday, which was received here to-day, contains the following despatches:

VICKSBURG, April 2.—The enemy made a reconnoissance up the Yazoo river yesterday, and threw a few shells at Snyder's Bluff. Nothing is in sight below.

CHATTANOOGA, April 2.—The gunboats on the Tennessee have been driven back by our sharp-shooters. The iron-clads endeavored to land at Tuscumbia this morning at daylight, but were attacked by our cavalry outposts. Heavy cannonading ensued, but without effect.

Unsuccessful attempts were made to land a party, and the vessels back down the river. There is no battle in the front, but heavy skirmishing has taken place at McMinnville.

THE RUMORED ATTACK UPON CHARLESTON.

CHARLESTON, April 6.—There are no signs thus far of the expected attack. There has been no landing in force on any of the islands below, as reported.

The skirmish on Seabrook's Island was between a few independent scouts and a scouting party from a Yankee gunboat.

DEPARTMENT OF THE SOUTH.

The Southern Papers Announce that the Attack upon Charleston has Commenced—Good News Expected—Capture of Three More Valuable Prize Vessels, &c.

FORTRESS MONROE, April 6.—The latest Charleston papers received here acknowledge that the attack by the Federal army and navy upon that city had been commenced, but contain nothing indicating whether the movements of our forces had met with a success or a repulse.

It is fair to infer that if the latter was the case they would have announced it in the most glowing terms known to the rebel vocabulary.

It is generally believed, in official quarters, that at least no reverse has been sustained by our troops or our fleet, and there is the best reason to believe that the loyal fourth will be electrified by the gratifying announcement of the capture and occupation of the spot where Charleston once was located.

NEW YORK, April 6.—A letter from Port Royal, dated the 31st of March, gives the particulars of the capture of the British blockade-running steamer Aries (a remarkably fast vessel), by the United States gunboat Hattin, Captain Devens, on the 28th ultimo, while going out of Nassau Bay, near Charleston. She was run aground, and was taken, with all her crew, including the pilot named Adkins, formerly of the steamer Marion. A part of her cargo was destroyed by the crew. She had already made one trip to Charleston.

Captain Devens says she has made thirteen knots an hour since he captured her. She arrived at New York to-day.

The United States steamer South Carolina had captured a schooner bound from Charleston for Nassau, with 70 bales of cotton.

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A female named Mrs. Atwood, who accompanies him, was also arrested, and over five hundred letters were found in her trunk, includ ng correspondence relative to the carrying of the mail between the North and South.

THE STORM AT THE HARBOR.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Some fifty canal-boats were blown from their moorings at Gowanus, across our bay, on Sunday, where they stranded on the beaches of Staten and Long Islands, and on the Jersey shore.

THE STORM ON THE HUDSON—ICE ON THE RIVER.

ALBANY, April 6.—On an examination of the river to-day, it was found that quite a barrier of ice exists at Mull's Island, 11 miles below the city.

A similar barrier exists in Schodack channel, near New Baltimore. An attempt will be made on Tuesday or Wednesday, with a strong steam-tug, to force a passage.

The weather is mild, and the ice flowing rapidly.

Accident on the Lebanon Valley Railroad.

READING, April 6.—An extraordinary accident occurred on the Lebanon Valley Railroad on Saturday afternoon. It was caused by a violation of the rules of the road by an employee. The coupling of three cars of an eastward train broke, and the cars were left standing on the track, people still believing there were run into by the engine Venus, and smashed. Conductor Clarke succeeded in getting all the passengers from the train before the accident occurred, and thus saved a fearful loss of life. The engineer jumped from the locomotive, but the fireman bravely stuck to his post. The engineer of the Venus had no right to follow the train so closely.

The Storm on the Lakes.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Intelligence from the eastern shore of Lake Michigan says that the steamer Favorite was capsized on New Buffalo. All hands are reported to have been lost. The crew consisted of four or five men. Two other vessels were driven ashore on the vessel. The schooners Helen, Kent, and Mushroom, were ashore in that vicinity.

The Death of Hon. C. P. Wolcott, late Assistant Secretary of War.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Information has been received announcing the death, at his residence in Akron, Ohio, on Saturday, of Hon. Christopher P. Wolcott, late Assistant Secretary of War.

Arrival of the Steamer Dido.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., April 6.—The steamer Dido, from London, arrived here on Sunday. Her propeller is damaged; she will proceed to Halifax on Tuesday.

From San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 6.—Arrived, steamer Golden Age, from Panama; ship White Falcon, from Nicaragua.

Sailed, ship Don Quixote for Hong Kong, carrying $84,000 in treasure.

Attitude of Affairs in Louisiana.

Col. Chickering, 41st Massachusetts, who commanded at Baton Rouge during the recent affair at Port Hudson, has been detailed by Gen. Banks to be commander of the post at the former place. Gen. Grover's brigade has left to join Gen. Weitzel, at Bayou Boeuf. In fact, every thing that General Banks can well spare from other points will be immediately sent to reinforce Weitzel, who has been quite seriously threatened. He will be strengthened till his command reaches 10,000 or 12,000 men, when he will be able to deal effectually with Gen. Kirby Smith, who latterly seems inclined to stimulate his watchfulness. Gen. Weitzel was compelled to retire from Brashear City, in consequence of formidable preparations by the enemy to capture his small force. The name Queen of the West and Webb, it is said, were brought down through the Red and Atchafalaya rivers, to destroy his gunboats, while Kirby Smith had a force of 14,000 men.

PERSONAL.—Hon. Simon Cameron arrived in this city last evening, and is stopping at the Girard House.

Major General Dix arrived last evening, and is stopping at the Continental.

THE ARMY HOSPITALS.—The reports of the different army hospitals for the past week are as follows:

Hospitals.	No. admitted.	Ret'd. to duty.	Deserted.	Discharged.	Deceased.	Remaining.
Sixty-fifth and Vine streets	14	..	..	4	..	91
Harrisburg	147	35	9	4	..	323
Broad and Cherry	36	..	4	11	..	459
Islington Lane	1	..	..	..	..	47
Chestnut Hill	8	24	..	55	1	1,037
Wilmington	5	15	..	..	..	47
Filbert street	140	..	..	..	..	201
Master street	16	6	..	13	1	253
Broad and Prime	..	1	..	..	..	93
Cramer's Woods	3	4	..	..	..	17
Chester	4	5	..	1	..	303
Summit House	..	41	6	..	..	170
McClellan Hospital, Nicetown	2	1	..	..	..	473
Turner's Lane	2	..	..	..	..	178
Reading	2	..	..	..	..	93
Bestonville	..	4	..	..	..	11
Christian street	78	16	1	3	..	194
West Philadelphia	8	55	9	..	..	946
Total	474	161	40	150	1	4,763

THE ELECTIONS.

THE RESULT IN NEW ENGLAND.

CONNECTICUT ANSWERS RHODE ISLAND.

The Administration Gloriously Sustained.

THE UNION MAJORITY ABOUT FIVE THOUSAND.

(Special despatch to The Press.)

NEW HAVEN, April 6—11 P. M.—The *Palladium* estimates the majority of Wm. A. Buckingham (Rep.), for Governor, over Thos. H. Seymour (Dem.) at 3,000. Colonel Henry C. Deming (Union Dem.), First district; Augustus Brandegee (Rep.), Third district; and John H. Hubbard (Rep.), Fourth district, have been elected to Congress. James E. English (Dem.), Second district, is elected over Samuel L. Warner (War Dem.) The Union men elect fifteen Senators to the State Senate—the Democrats six—and have a large majority of the State House of Representatives.

THE LATEST.

(Special Despatch to The Press.)

HARTFORD, April 6—Midnight.—At the office of the *Courant* the estimate is a majority of from 3,000 to 5,000 for Buckingham (Rep.) for Governor, over Seymour, (Dem.) It is thought additional returns will foot up larger gains. Union men elect Deming, Brandegee, and Hubbard to Congress, and are defeated in the Second district.

ELECTION OF THE UNION TICKET.

(From the Associated Press.)

HARTFORD, April 6.—10 o'clock P. M.—The Republicans carry the State, and elect Col. Henry C. Deming to Congress from the first district.

The majorities cannot be given at this hour.

Connecticut.

An election was held in Connecticut yesterday. The following tickets were presented to the canvass:

Republican.	Democrat.
Governor....Wm. A. Buckingham	...Thos. H. Seymour.
Lieut. Gov...Roger Averill	...James A. Hovey.
Secretary....J. Hammond Trumbull	...James R. Hoyt.
Treasurer....Gabriel W. Coite	...And'w L. Kidston.
Comptroller...Lewis W. Cotter	...Floyd H. Baldwin.

CONGRESS.

Dist. Republican.	Democrat.
1. Henry C. Deming	...Alfred P. Hyde.
2. Samuel J. Warner	...James E. English.
3. Augustus Brandegee	...Wm. M Con-erse.
4. John H. Hubbard	...Floyd H. Baldwin.

THE RESULT.

NEW LONDON, April 6.—New London gives William A. Buckingham, the Republican candidate for Governor, 343 majority. Colchester 62 majority; Waterford 28 majority; Windham 249 majority; Groton 165 majority; Stonington 165 majority—all for Buckingham.

There are heavy Union gains in all the towns yet heard from in this section of the State.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 6.—New Haven gives Seymour (Dem.), for Governor, 243 majority.

Fourteen towns in New Haven county—viz: New Haven, Orange, North Haven, Woodbridge, Naugatuck, Hamden, North Haven, Derby, East Haven, Madison, Cheshire, Seymour, Wallingford, and Meriden—give 427 majority, being a gain of 394 votes for Buckingham (Rep.) over his vote in 1860, when he carried the State over Seymour by 500 majority.

DANBURY, Conn., April 6.—In this town, Buckingham (Rep.) has 122 majority; in Ridgewood, Tier Ridding, 14; Bethel, 59. New Fairfield gives Seymour 44 majority, and Brookfield 61; Newtown, 158 majority.

NEW HAVEN, April 6.—The Union ticket, headed by Governor Buckingham, is elected by about 3,000 majority.

The following Congressmen have been elected:

First district—Henry C. Deming, (Rep.)
Second district—James E. English, (Dem.)
Third district—Augustus Brandegee, (Rep.)
Fourth district—John H. Hubbard, (Rep.)

The Republican ticket has elected fifteen of the twenty-one Senators, and a large majority of the House.

NORWICH, Conn., April 6.—The Third Congressional district, comprising New London and Windham counties, as far as heard from, gives Buckingham