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THE WAY THE MONEY GOES.—Senator Wilson, in his speech on the extravagant sums spent by the Administration in collecting the national revenue, stated that there are at Niagara 19 men employed at an expense of $12,000 to collect $8,000; at Oswego 23 men at $18,000 to collect $6,000; at Buffalo 20 men at $17,000 to collect $10,000; at Plattsburgh 26 men at $14,000 to collect $18,000; at Burlington 33 men at $16,000 to collect $8,500; at Wiscasset 8 men at $7,000 to collect $130; at Portsmouth 21 men at $11,000 to collect $5,500; at Newburyport 13 men at $6,200 to collect $9,000; at Marblehead 9 men at $2,200 to collect $250; at New Bedford 14 men at $7,500 to collect $4,800; at Perth Amboy 13 men at $4,500 to collect $1,600; at Norfolk 23 men at $49,000 to collect $61,000; at Genevieve 7 men at $2,000 to collect $82; at Toledo 7 men at $4,000 to collect $667; at Detroit 10 men at $3,600 to collect $495; at San Francisco 134 men at $402,000 to collect $1,580,000; at Benicia 3 men at $4,400 to collect $2,300; at Stockton 1 man at $3,100 to collect $143; at Sacramento 1 man at $3,600 to collect $402; at San Diego 4 men at $7,600 to collect $30; at Monterey 3 men at $7,050 to collect $45; at San Pedro 6 men at $4,200 to collect $304.

A glance at these figures will suffice to convince any man that the number of employees at these places has been purposely increased in order to afford snug places for politicians whom the party finds it necessary to reward. Two or three men would serve to do all the work allotted to 20 or 25; but the Democratic party never hesitate about quartering its paupers on the public treasury.

THE STATE OF AFFAIRS IN UTAH.—The N. Y. *Times* publishes letters from the head quarters of the army which are characterised by a tone entirely differing from the dispatches of Gov. Cumming, and the rose-colored statements of Col. Kane. One of the letters contains statements derived from a party of 150 Mormon emigrants, who had left Salt Lake and come to the army for protection, and these are certainly entitled to serious consideration. The *Times* says:

"These men reached Camp Scott on the 26th of May, having been permitted by Brigham to leave the city, under the pledge, given by him to Gov. Cumming, that all who desired to go out should do so freely. Among this party were persons who claimed to be intimately acquainted with the projects of the Saints. Being themselves disinclined to obey the order for removal to the Southern settlements, they gladly embraced the opportunity of placing their persons under the protection of the army, content to leave their property behind. Mr. Richard James, a Mormon, who left the Valley with this party, reports that the visit of Governor Cumming, of which we have heard so much, was attended throughout by a system of *espionage*; that he was surrounded continually by a guard of fanatics, who turned away every person whose communication with him was likely to be detrimental to the interests of the Mormon leaders; and that, although the Governor fancied himself a free man, he was really watched at every step. The Governor was called upon to make a speech in the 'Tabernacle,' and did so. On the following day Brigham Young occupied the same pulpit, and addressed his followers in an inflammatory harangue, applying the most opprobrious and disgusting epithets to Governor Cumming, whom he denounced a 'dead liar, and a pusillanimous old scoundrel,' who would never have come to Utah but for assurances sent by Col. Kane, that his life would be in no danger. Subsequently, Brigham repeated his objurgations at Provo city, where he made another speech, if possible, still more violent and vulgar, scorning the offer of protection made by Gov. Cumming, declaring that Salt Lake City was the individual property of the Prophet, who had a right to burn it if he pleased, and concluding by ordering his people to remain perfectly quiet in the place where they were, until further directions should have been issued. Brigham, on this occasion, added that in *sixty days' time, or as soon its Col. Kane could go to Washington and return*, he would tell them whether they were to remain in the Valley or not."

THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH.—A letter from England to the New York *Times* would seem to indicate the probable failure of the attempt to lay the telegraph cable. It says:

"You will see, if you get an accurate report of the experimental trip, that a more favorable opportunity could not occur for practice and experiments in laying the cable. The weather was calm and the sea smooth. There was no swell,—the ship was perfectly still, yet, I must confess, it was not so successful a trial as I had hoped and expected. Disguise the fact as we may, there were mishaps, misjudgments, and miscalculations. *The cable parted at very trivial, whether new or condemned cable.* On the voyage of course, the danger to be apprehended are still greater—since the two ships have the same duty to perform, and failure on either will be fatal to the other."

22D DISTRICT.—We learn, through the kindness of DAVID L. SMITH, Esq., who arrived late last night from Bakerstown, that the conferees met yesterday, had 23 ballots without coming to any agreement, and then adjourned to Butler, with the intention of resuming the ballots last night. Mr. M'Knight was at Bakerstown during the day, but Mr. Purviance was not; and the adjournment to Butler was for the purpose of having a conference with the latter gentleman.

CORN CROP.—The St. Louis *Democrat* has information from various parts of the country in relation to the corn crop, from which it gatheres that after all the croaking there will be an abundant yield of corn. Other crops are also very promising.

MINNESOTA.—The Minnesota House of Representatives has adopted resolutions, 44 to 20, denouncing the Kansas policy of the Administration, and endorsing Douglas and Shields.—Thirteen anti-Lecompton democrats voted for the resolution.

ESTIMATED DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY BY THE LATE FRESHETS.—The diversified nature of the devastation and the vast extent of country which it covers, renders an accurate estimate of the damages next to impossible. We can, however, approximate to a result, as follows:

Cotton crop, 400,000 bales	$16,000,000
Grain crops	10,000,000
Sugar crop, 50,000 hogsheads	3,000,000
Towns, buildings, bridges, mills, levees and farming stock	3,000,000
Railroads and canals	1,000,000
Total	$33,000,000

THE CROPS.—The crops of the South, from Virginia down to Louisiana, are spoken of in our exchanges as being remarkably good. Corn and Cotton are reported as excellent. In the North and West, the wheat promises well. The prospect of a full yield of corn is thought to be damaged by the recent rains; but, with a favorable summer, there is still time for this crop to mature.

LONDON FIREMEN.—There is one man in the London fire department who is in his seventieth year; and the ages of the rest vary from twenty to sixty years. Nearly three-fourths of them have been in the navy. Each man is on his duty at the engine-house or on the premises where there has been a fire, on the average, three days and three nights, of twelve hours each, in every week.

MR. LINDAHL, the Editor of Fredernesslandet, a newspaper published in Stockholm, has been recently condemned to death by the axe for having falsely and with evil intentions, accused a demoiselle Mendelsohn of incest. His counsel Mr. C. G. Uggis, has been condemned to one month's imprisonment and to the interdiction, for having, with full knowledge, undertaken the defence of an unjust cause.

Naples (June 5) correspondence of the London Times.

THE ERUPTION OF VESUVIUS.—Looking towards the mountain, from Naples, nothing can be grander than the spectacle which it presents. I am standing in Santa Lucia, which is crowded by eager and curious spectators, who seem to be hushed by the awfully grand appearance of the mountain. They are almost silent—a wonder for Neapolitans—except when from some spot the fire flashes with greater brilliancy, then there is a shout. Vesuvius is, in fact, girded with fire—that is as far as the eye can see, from the Forest of di Favame on the north to the Fosso Grande on the south. The rest of the mountain I inspected yesterday, and the sides exhibited no signs of activity. Supposing the girdle to be carried all around one might speculate on consequences which would be fatal to the existence of one half of the greatest objects of interest in the neighborhood of Naples. There is, however, one point in the northeast where the lava has gushed forth, and flowing down towards Ottajano has destroyed a portion of the property of the Prince, so called. From the top of the cone there are given no signs of activity—an occasional flame, or a few sparks, and nothing more, for the fire is drawn off from the chain of mouths which half surround the mountain. On Tuesday, after sending off my letters, the lava, passing beyond the Fosso Grande, divided into two branches, one of which advanced slowly on the road leading to the Observatory, thus preventing the further advance of carriages. Until 2 o'clock, P. M. it remained quiet, when, deriving fresh matter from above, it was again in motion. The other branch, continuing its course, entered on the grounds of a priest, who has a villa in that direction. The old road to the Hermitage had been cut off the day before by the stream which is flowing down towards the South, and which is much more dangerous than that which descends from the North. Early in the week it had destroyed the property of several small proprietors and was threatening much more. The great incident of the week has been, however, the falling in of the upper part of the mountain, to the depth, perhaps, of 200 palms. This has been occasioned probably by the mouths which have been opened in the direction of Casdoscchi, on the property of Ottajano. Vesuvius is perforated by them, and were the circle to be completed, it is not improbable that a great change would take place in its form. Altogether seven main openings are spoken of as vomiting forth fire, the minor orifices are innumbered and the two great streams which now threaten most are the one that is flowing down the Fosso di Favame in a northerly direction, on the old lava of 1855, and the other which is coming down towards Resina, and has cut off the new road to the Hermitage. "I was up in the mountain," said Cozzolino, "with a party of French when the crater fell in. They were much frightened; as well they might be. It seem to be cut in two, and then, swaying backwards and forwards, the walls fell in, leaving a fragment standing upright. The loss of property has been very great, and the shrieks of some of the people went up to Heaven. I saved one woman who had lost all from throwing herself into the lava. I grasped her by the arm, and carried her off." The various currents of lava at their mouths appear like cascades of fire, and of these there are six near the Fosso di Favame. Nothing can be more beautiful. There is a pumping—a puffing and an occasional roaring, and then up comes the abundant liquid, which, falling over the lower ground like a cascade, rushes forward to meet the main flood. To wander about, however, as on former occasions, is now impossible, and in my description I am confined almost to generalities. As to the interest which is taken in this wonderful scene, it increases from day to day, and the crowds which go up at night remind one—if I may assume the license of an Irishman without being one—of the Derby day. Every kind of vehicle is in use, and every one in Rosina is transformed into a cicerone. It is dangerous almost to get out of the train at Portici; no other object on earth, it is supposed, could bring you there but to see Vesuvius, and you are lain hold of and hurried off without your consent by half a dozen self-baptized guides. Nothing I think is so calculated to strike the visitor with surprise at the comparative carelessness of danger with which the fire is regarded by the inhabitants of the neighborhood; to them it is a source of profit—the occasion of a *fete*, and not the slightest interruption takes place in the ordinary occupations of life. When I was there a religious procession filled the streets in honor of the *fete* of Corpus Christi. There was the usual tawdry of gold leaf and red, yellow, and blue muslin displayed on all sides, and the devout were kneeling before the Corpus Christi, while at just an hour's distance was coming down the fiery stream, and the great mountain reared up in gigantic form, adorned with a splendor which put to shame the tawdry below. From the backs of their houses the people could see the vines and trees blazing, and houses surrounded by lava, and almost smell the smoke as the wind bore it down upon them. Still they bought and sold, and, like babies, trifled with baubles, and called them the externals of religion, which had for its object the Great Being who was showing forth His mighty power so near.

"On the day before yesterday," says the official journal of the 4th inst., "the lava of Vesuvius appeared to slacken; but after a little the eruption of the craters already described increasing, it resumed its ruinous activity. The stream flowing from the Piano della Ginestra now seems to descend, destroying a lately planted vineyard and surrounding a house. It then covered the new road which leads to the Conservatory 200 paces from that of Ottrana, which had passed into the Fosso di Favame, directed its course on Cercola and San Giorgio, passing through San Sebastiano. The stream of the Fosso Grande, which measures 580 palms in front, on the same night advanced 110 palms in eight minutes, and, later, quickened its pace."

Last night, June 4, the spectacle was very grand in the direction of the north. From Naples one sees the arched form of the cascade, and it increases in intensity and magnificence.

PREPARATIONS OF FRANCE FOR WAR—WHAT DOES IT MEAN?—France is evidently preparing for war; and the nations of Europe may well be excused for asking one another, with an anxiety not very different from alarm, upon which of them the thunderbolt is likely to fall. Mr. Disraeli, when his attention was called to this matter in the House of Commons, with ready assurance dismissed it by saying that "there was no proof that any extraordinary preparations were making by one or land in any country in Europe." What Mr. Disraeli would consider "proof" on this point, it is not easy to say.—Quite possibly no country in Europe has made formal diplomatic communication to England of its intention to make "extraordinary preparations." But upon such point other eyes are fortunately quite as sharp as those of the Chancellor of Exchequer—while the owners of them have not the same reasons for denying what they see.

There can be no doubt, we presume, as to the fact. Every body in England knows that the French Emperor has been unremitting in his efforts, during the past few months, to put both the army and navy of France upon the most efficient footing possible, and to strengthen his coast defences in every possible way. Although his army already numbers half a million of men, and, although he is at peace with all the world, he has just added 42,000 to its numbers, and has called *out 70,000 sailors* to man the French fleet, who are said to have been thoroughly disciplined and to be all armed with the usual weapons—revolvers. He has ordered to be built *forty* steam line-of-battle ships, almost as many as those of the British navy. All his fortresses on the coast have been strengthened, and complete connection has been established between them by lines of railways. Now, it is very easy to *say* that all these things mean nothing, but it is not easy to make the world at large believe it. The English people, it is quite certain, are by no means satisfied by the off-hand assurance of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and an article in the London *Times* proves conclusively that these preparations have attracted the attention of the public, and are creating a demand for explanations which the Government cannot long resist. On more than one occasion England has made a similar call upon France and other nations, to know the object of extraordinary movements in their military affairs, and these demands have always been recognized as perfectly legitimate and proper. We have very little doubt that the British Ministry will find itself under the necessity very soon of calling upon its ally, the French Emperor, for assurances upon this head.—*N. Y. Times.*

THE UNION MEETING.—We are pleased and gratified to be able to announce that the great political demonstration which took place in the court house on Tuesday night last, resulted in bringing about a union of the elements of opposition in this county, against the National Administration and the crimes which are attached thereto. Never since our first experience in political matters, have we witnessed such a cordial, whole-hearted union of hearts engaged in any cause, as was exhibited the other evening by the true men of our county. If prudence and wisdom govern throughout the approaching campaign, we will give the Lecompton Democracy such a dressing as they have not had recently. We now call upon our friends everywhere to go to work, and let by-gones be by-gones, for the sake of the public good. We give notice to our co-workers throughout the State, that they may look to Indiana county for more than she has ever done. We will be on hand.—*Indiana (Pa.) Independent.*

THE Richmond *Enquirer* says that "the Administration cannot afford to see Mr. Douglas defeated." It adds after a whole shower of flowery compliments that—

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