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We print on the inside pages of this morning's GAZETTE—Second page: The Registry Law in full. Third and Sixth pages: Finance and Commercial, Markets, Imports, River News. Seventh page: Epigrams, Clippings, Amusements.

U. S. BONDS at Frankfurt, 87.

PETROLEUM at Antwerp, 51 1/2.

Gold closed in New York Saturday at 184 1/2 @ 184 1/4.

An eight-per-cent. rate of interest for money is now lawful in Ohio.

We publish the new Registry Law, omitting those sections which apply exclusively to Philadelphia.

The Pennsylvania state Fair will be held at Harrisburg this year, commencing on the last Tuesday of September. All entries by exhibitors will be free, except of horses entered for speed.

In the event of hostilities between France and Prussia, European journals anticipate another popular movement against Rome, for which GARIBOLDI and MAZZINI are supposed to be already plotting.

The Pacific Railway connection is not yet made. The Central rails were laid to the point of junction on Friday, but the Union is delayed by heavy rock work, which may require all of the present week to overcome.

The Brazilian Mission has been given to Hon. H. T. BLOW, of Missouri. The intention, of the President, to renew his offer of diplomatic appointment to Mr. J. S. CARROLL, is again rumored, but, as we trust, without sufficient foundation.

THE APPOINTMENT of our philanthropic fellow citizen, F. R. BURTON, Esq., as one of the unpaid Indian Commissioners, is one heartily endorsed by this community. Mr. BURTON is a gentleman of ample means and leisure, a zealous Christian, and we are sure will fill the requirements of the position with honor.

RICH DEPOSITS of bituminous coal, nearly equal to that found in the mines of this neighborhood, have been discovered at several points on the line of the Union Pacific Railway, and in the heart of the Rocky Mountains. There is no telling how rich in mineral resources that hitherto unknown and unexplored region of our Continent will prove, when its development properly commences.

The Butler murder trial which has occupied much of our space during the past ten days, was brought to a close on Saturday, the jury finding the prisoner, ZACHARY TAYLOR HOCKENBERRY, to be guilty of the highest grade of homicide. It is not improbable that a new trial will be granted the prisoner, and that he may escape a second conviction.

The Pittsburgh Post says, of the existing bridge obstructions to the navigation of the Ohio, that they are built of perishable materials, which the Company proposes ultimately to replace with an iron structure. The Post adds: "If so, it would be no more than even-handed justice, and no retrospective exercise of the court's power, to order them to conform to what has been for years the law of the land. The casualties of the last week on the Ohio demand it."

The majority of our Supreme Judges have been politically known as Republicans, not Democrats, as inadvertently stated on Saturday. We hasten to correct our own error on that point. In the same connection, it is proper to remark that the act of one Nial Frius Judge, in overturning the rulings of another made at the preceding term, has no other public importance than as encouraging the hope that the conflict of opinion may ensure an ultimate decision by the full bench upon the contested questions.

The official Treasury statement shows a decrease of the public debt, during April, of nearly six and half millions. Of the \$24,000,000 due for interest May 1st, upwards of \$3,000,000 has been paid in advance, the Treasury securing a proportional rebate. Had a greater stringency been felt in financial circles, during the month, a much larger demand, in this way, would have been made upon the idle cash in the Secretary's hands. The use already made of this resource, by the public creditors, is a significant indication of the extent to which these funds may be utilized, in an emergency, and abundantly sustains the Treasury policy.

The action of Assessor WYSEBRO, of New York—in holding bankers liable, as such, to the tax of one-twenty-fourth of one per cent. per month upon so much of the money employed by them in the busi-

ness of banking as is borrowed from day to day, or for a longer period—has been sustained by Commissioner DELANO. All banking capital is held to be subject to tax, whether permanent or borrowed for any length of time whatever. This ruling has been stoutly opposed by the private banking firms of the country. Its effects will be largely beneficial to the public revenues, and, moreover, are likely to check certain practices of Wall street, which have not been favorable to the financial interests of business circles generally.

Mr. HORACE GARVELLY prints a card, in his New York Tribune, correcting their erroneous report that a change had been made in the management of that journal. Mr. YORGE GREENE finds nothing in the recent publication, which may justly impair the confidence of his associates in the gentleman who has been assailed, but insists that the charge involving treachery to the Associated Press ought to be fully investigated, suspending, for that purpose, his own judgment thereon. It is stated that libel suits are to be instituted against all journals which copied the original scandal from the New York Sun. But few Western journals reprinted the full text of the publication; but the synopsis, which was prepared and telegraphed by the Associated Press agent in New York, has appeared in probably every newspaper in the country which regularly receives news through that channel. In this connection, a Philadelphia journal charges that the New York agent of the Association is a personal enemy of Mr. YORGE, and that he has availed himself of his official position to gratify his inimical feeling. This charge has enough of plausibility to entitle it to a hearing in the proper quarters, and we commend it to the attention of the Executive Committee of the Western Press.

THE MARY LOWELL. England makes a peremptory demand upon the Cuban government for the release of the Mary Lowell, an American vessel seized by those authorities in British waters, and in violation of the British sovereignty, which was at the moment responsible for her protection. This demand also includes such other reparations as justice requires. The vessel has been already condemned by the Spanish Admiralty as a lawful prize—that verdict standing upon the fact that her cargo consisted of war material, understood to be for the insurgent use—so that the position cannot fall to embarrass the Cuban government. But the violation of her sovereignty, of which England complains, was flagrant, and could not be submitted to, even without that American demand, for the enforcement of the English maritime-law, which rests at the foundation of this case. It is satisfactory to perceive the promptitude and vigor with which the affair is taken up at London, and which will be fully sustained in the West Indian waters, in securing, in any event, the redress thus insisted on.

THE ALABAMA IN ENGLAND. The English press comment upon the rejection of the Alabama treaty, and upon the accompanying speech of Mr. SUMNER, with a freedom of criticism which was naturally to be expected. They are quite willing to await Mr. MOTLEY's arrival, and to listen to his propositions courteously, but all the journals are agreed that the American ultimatum, if substantially in accord with our Senator's positions, will not deserve the consideration of an hour.

The cable also supplies us with what purports to be a synopsis of the Ministerial deliberations. It is noticeable that the Premier, GLADSTONE, expressed confidence that American diplomacy would not insist upon the extreme views presented by our Senator, but would meet England upon fair and reasonable terms. Lord CLARENDON held a similar opinion, and avowed his faith in the efficacy of friendly negotiations for the final adjustment of the controversy.

It is apparent that popular feeling in Great Britain inclines to look upon the American claim as aggressive, and to resist it as such, and not because of its intrinsic injustice. John Bull, when confessedly in the wrong, would rather fight than submit to be bullied. He will see that his newspapers ridicule our claims as unreasonable, and humiliating to the English pride, and it will need but a very little time to get the back of the British lion into its most pugnacious curve. It will be quite as well we need expect, if the national sentiment does not turn out strong enough to control Ministers, and force their Government into an attitude much less friendly toward America than their present judgment indicates. Public opinion is a power in this country, but it is an element of at least equal strength in Great Britain. Upon this question, the crisis of excitement has passed by in popular feeling here, but it is just settling in on the other side of the water.

It is quite probable that Mr. MOTLEY will be instructed not to reopen negotiations for the settlement of the Alabama claims. With an official announcement of the opinions which his own government entertains, our Minister will refrain, at all events, from further discussions; at all events, he will take the initiative in no formal propositions looking to any definite arrangement. We are in no haste, in this matter. If the British public would have

time to become cool, they can have as much as they wish for. In due time, after the popular excitements, on either side, have passed away, the questions at issue will be again taken up, and with better success.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

Our sympathizers with the Cuban insurgents are encouraged by a transient gleam of light in the direction of Mexico, which recognizes the belligerent rights of the rebels. There is not much in this. It is true that Mexico, although an otherwise insignificant figure in the great family of nations, is still a nation, with all the nominal prerogatives of an independent and established sovereignty. This recognition was equally within her discretion and her authority. But she has no marine. Her flag is never seen in the Gulf, or upon the seas. This recognition leaves her still neutral; she takes by it no part in the existing hostilities, beyond the simple acknowledgment of each of the two flags as equally entitled to their legitimate freedom of the seas. But neither of them may establish prize courts in her ports; neither of them may make her neutrality a cover for any new form of warfare against the other. Unless Mexico goes yet farther, in her old hatred for Spain, and allies herself with the rebels, which would be war for herself also, she cannot suffer her neutral flag to be prostituted for letters of marque, or exhibit her sympathies by any overt act whatever. All that the insurgents have really gained is the assurance of their own flag, flying over their own shipping in the Mexican harbors. Of course, no obstacles are likely to be put, by her officials, in the way of shipments of warlike material for rebel use, but in that assurance she will risk the forfeiture of her own neutrality, for, if persisted in after remonstrance, it will be a good cause belli for Spain, whose navy is ample to blockade her ports. The Juarez government has little inclination, and less ability, to support an unnecessary war, and will therefore, we think, abstain from every overt act of hostility, even against the hated Spaniards. Hence, the Cubans, who have not yet one seaport of her own, need expect but little of substantial benefit from this recognition.

Again, come rumors from Washington, that the Administration inclines to follow the Mexican lead, by supporting the rebels with their own naval resources. It is even declared that a recent order from the President, for the sale of our surplus war material to any applicants therefor, is issued expressly in the interest of the rebels. We have a surplus of war material, at the command of any cash purchaser. Its removal from our coast, in violation of our own obligations to a friendly power, is prohibited by law, and therefore quite another affair. It would equally be prohibited by the same laws, even if we were to recognize the rebels as belligerents. Neutrality would then forbid us to afford, to either party, such material aid.

The Administration has no official knowledge of the existing insurrection. It is thus far considered, in the diplomacy of the two nations, as a riotous resistance to a legitimate authority. It is in this way that Spain chooses to avoid the embarrassments which our own recognition of the Southern rebellion brought upon our Government, eight years since. Whether it would be wiser for the Spanish Government to recognize the Cubans as insurgents, and to put all other powers upon their just neutral responsibilities, is a question which is likely to be determined by the events. Until then, our Administration must ignore the insurrection as politically a fact, or take a long and most desirable step toward the interruption of friendly relations with Spain. Such a step has been, and still is, most improbable. Any existing difficulties in the maintenance of a strictly neutral position, by the American government, between Spain and her colonial subjects, would be immeasurably increased by our recognition of the rebels. The President will not multiply his embarrassments in that way, unless he proposes to go still farther, in a direction which the National sentiment cannot justify.

MEXICAN ANNEXATION.

It is rumored that dispatches, recently received from our Minister in Mexico, cover a proposal from that Government to cede the two provinces of Sonora and Sinaloa to the United States for a fixed money consideration. A special meeting of the Cabinet was held on Friday afternoon, the President summoning the attendance of such Secretaries as were then away from the city. It was then supposed that the subject for Cabinet consideration would be the nature of instructions to be given to Minister Motley, but it is now thought that the Mexican proposition occupied the meeting. In either event, none of the conclusions reached in the council have yet transpired.

These Mexican provinces would constitute, in respect of their vast mineral wealth, a desirable acquisition to the territory of this Republic. But their geographical position is so peculiar as to exclude the idea of the annexation of these provinces alone. Skirting the eastern coast of the Gulf of California with a narrow strip of territory, of a width varying from one hundred and fifty to four hundred miles, east and west, and more than fifteen hundred miles in length,

north and south, and hemmed in on the eastern border, for that distance, by the Mexican States of Chihuahua and Durango, these States are confronted by the Gulf and, beyond that, by the Mexican peninsula of Lower California. The States of Durango, Chihuahua and Coahuila are interposed between Sonora and Sinaloa, on the West, and Texas on the East. Against the annexation of an area thus situated, there appear the strongest political and military objections. Indeed, such annexation would necessarily involve the speedy absorption of the three other Mexican States which now cut them off from our present Texian border. Nor could Mexico hold the peninsula west of the Gulf for any length of time.

It is probable that if Mexico proposes any cession of her present territory whatever, it includes the States of Sonora and Chihuahua alone, or perhaps the peninsula also. Such a re-arrangement of boundaries would conveniently round out the northern possessions of the neighboring Republic, and would give to us the control of nearly all of that vast area stretching due west from Texas to the Pacific Ocean.

As annexation in that direction, and with a just regard to the geographical relations of the two nations, is much better worth our while, than anything to be found in the Caribbean Sea. In the first case, we should render our imperial territory solid, compact, defensible, and sweeping the continent clear from the Gulf of Mexico to the Western Ocean. The construction of the Southern line of transcontinental railway would at once follow, and the mineral resources of the new territories—which are very inadequately known, but of which we know enough to warrant the belief that they are practically inexhaustible, when thoroughly developed by the energy and skill of our countrymen—would, in a very few years, repay all the outlays of the nation and of individuals. Mexico is to-day, as she has been since the expulsion of the French invaders, enjoying an unusual exemption from domestic commotions. President JUAREZ holds the Government with a firm and steady hand, and, on the whole, as it seems, over a people more contented and obedient to authority than Mexico has known since Santa Anna's palmist days. But his treasury is empty, and he looks in vain, for resources, to a people whose agriculture is limited to the simple procurement of their own subsistence,—an easy matter in that climate—who have no manufactures adequate even for similar domestic necessities, and whose mining interests, once fruitful of the precious metals for the commerce of the world, have dwindled into an absolute insignificance. Burdened with vast public debts, and altogether without means to discharge them, the Government supplies its current necessities by forced contributions and arbitrary impositions of every sort upon the people. It is not, then, surprising that the old project of a territorial sale to this powerful and wealthy Republic of the North should be again revived, but it will be a novel experience for Mexico if by this project be now consummated, with the consent of a people which has ever jealously resisted all similar propositions. If Juarez seriously contemplates it, and shall succeed in carrying it through, he will not only find us willing customers, but he will exhibit to the world a most convincing proof that his power has a substantial hold upon the loyalty of his own countrymen.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

It is understood Mr. Grinnell has notified Secretary Boutwell of his intention to vacate the New York Collectors' office, as he finds his duties too hard.

The Mexican proposition comes in the form of a protocol for a treaty, which has been negotiated principally by Senator Romero, the Secretary of the Treasury of Mexico, and former Mexican Minister to Washington. It is understood that the Administration decided nothing Saturday.

A movement is on foot to have the Ways and Means Committee to go to Washington, to meet the Secretary of the Treasury, and to negotiate a new reciprocity treaty for the exchange of agricultural products, bituminous coal being termed an agricultural production. The committee will have to draw ten thousand dollars to pay their traveling expenses, &c.

The statement that the President will suspend Hon. James M. Ashley from the Governorship of Montana Territory, is simply ridiculous. He can, of course, remove him by appointing another person, subject to the approval of the Senate, but we do not intend to do anything of the kind.

The Alabama Claims—Comments of the English Press on Mr. Sumner's speech.

The London papers open their editorial pages with comments on the speech lately delivered by Mr. Sumner on the subject of the Alabama claims, and the relations generally existing between Great Britain and America. The writers suppress the text of the speech, however.

The Star, John Bright's organ, says: "The claims of Sumner are so new and startling, so vaguely put that they must be regarded simply as enormous, and without so unexpected that if they convey merely the shadow of his instructions to Minister Motley, he will come to the English metropolis in a very different official guise from that under which Minister Johnson arrived."

The Star deprecates the rejection by England of the early overtures made by ex-Minister Adams for the settlement of this question. President Grant, it is not, it is said, a whole-souled lover of peace, as was Lincoln. He has intense determination of character, but is a western man with that natural genius which characterized Lincoln, who instead of reading had the experience of the world. President Grant has no training, either as a lawyer or politician. He is intensely American, and the entire world is acquainted with his resolution of purpose.

After defending England from the charge of general sympathy with the Confederation, the writer confesses that the escape of the Alabama from England was both deplorable and disgraceful, forming the worst precedent in Great Britain could establish for the future in such like contingencies.

The Star expresses, however, its amazement at the character of Mr. Sumner's demand for reparation. If Mr. Motley's instructions are couched in a similar spirit, his mission will be fruitless, as the extravagance in the propositions will strike the public at once. Every one knows how anxious the British people are to deal fairly on the subject, but justly considers that if her concessions are to be merely used as stand points for the furtherance of unreasonable demands, England must carefully consider the position, lest by yielding unduly, she should establish a worse precedent than that of burning ships on the high seas, by admitting a discussion of the demands as utterly untenable, and which ought to be resisted.

The Times designates the estimates of the American damages put forth by Mr. Sumner as portentous, as it has already reached \$242,000,000, and may in the future embrace the possible earnings of the cotton plantations from the fields of the protracted labor by the means of the slave. It adds, it is worthy of Mr. Sumner, who would, however, something more than the ordinary estimation of the value of the cotton plantations, and public humiliation. Treaties of peace, however, dictated by conquerors at the head of armies, are found to be unremembered by such expressions. An acknowledgment of moral liability for these claims, made beforehand, would prejudice the controversy and nullify the proposed settlement.

In the event of an arbitration, the court declaring England not liable to pay damages, would her apology be taken back? The views taken by Mr. Sumner's demands on the subject, are, in our opinion, reasonable and unobjectionable. The Times argues that the concession of belligerent rights to the South was a simple act, in fact not dependent on the Union blockade, for had there not been a blockade it would not have altered the case to any appreciable degree. Mr. Sumner makes, it is said, no complaint against France, although Napoleon was desirous of recognizing the independence of the Southern Confederation. It is alleged that though England is held forth as the only foreign power implacably hostile to America, it is not too much to say, that at one moment during the war the fate of the American Union depended on the voice of England, whose sword sheathed in the scales would have altered the result. She declined the contest, and it evinces a degree of unfairness, bordering on infatuation, to leave this consideration out of account. It is an unparliamentary and unbecoming common practice with American journalists and politicians to vilify England, and the protective tariff plan is popular with them, merely as likely to inflict an injury on Great Britain. Let statement be made for the insulting language by individuals, and it will be seen whether England and America, by a retrospective verdict of public opinion, will continue the cultivation of that mutual reticence which is as necessary as in the private relations of life. Nations, as such, only deal in general acts, and these constitute merely possible subjects for pecuniary compensation.

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