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MIDNIGHT.

NEWS BY CABLE.

American Ministers and the Alabama Claims—Central American Ship Canal—An English View of the McFarland-Richardson Scandal—Threatened Disturbance at Londonderry—Emperor Napoleon Himself Again—Spanish Refugees Banished—Ecumenical Council Adjourns to January 6th—The Pope's Interference in Protestants' Council Objected to by French Bishops—Another Vacancy in the College of Cardinals—Assassination in Madrid—The Government of Spain will be Monarchical—China Approves of the Action of Mr. Burlingame.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, December 18.—The *Spectator*, to-day, in reply to the comments of other London journals, on the Alabama question, comes to the defense of the American Ministers, Johnson and Motley, against the charge of their subservience to English influence. The writer says the English people believe that Johnson impartially took in them and their dinners.

The *Times* says there is great interest felt in commercial circles, as to the possibility of another ship canal, deeper, wider and less subject to fog and sand drifts, through some of the Central American States, to connect the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

The *Saturday Review* has an editorial on the Richardson-McFarland tragedy. The writer pronounces the Astor House wedding cake, grotesque, nauseous.

The Government, apprehending a riot at Londonderry to-morrow, has dispatched troops to that place to quell any disorder that may occur.

LONDONDERRY, Dec. 18.—There is intense excitement in this city in view of the threatened disturbances on the occasion of the celebrating of the anniversary of the siege of the city. Additional police have been sworn in and many troops have arrived to be used in the suppression of any outbreak. Up to this time, three o'clock, the city is tranquil.

FRANCE.

PARIS, December 18.—The Emperor has entirely recovered from his recent indisposition.

The authorities to day ordered all the Spanish refugees in the city, who were in any way implicated in the late revolution, to leave the country.

Commercial parties in this city, and particularly those having business connections with America, are much agitated in relation to the approaching termination of the postal treaty with the United States. This treaty expires on the first of January, and though the French Government is disposed to renew it immediately, during the interval that must necessarily elapse before it can be acted upon interchangeably by the two governments, letters cannot be prepaid by certain steamers, and much embarrassment is likely to ensue.

M. Lesseps, engineer-in-chief of the Suez Canal, has been congratulated on the success of the work by the Emperor and Lord Clarendon.

Henri Rochefort's new journal, *The Marseille*, made its first appearance this morning. The authorities have not interfered with it.

ROME.

ROME, December 18.—The sessions of the Ecumenical Council will be resumed on the sixth of January. The French Bishops have protested against the Pope's interference in the Protestants' Council. The Spanish Bishops, home and colonial, sustain the Pope.

Another reason was given to-day by the Ecumenical Council, for adjournment to the sixth of January. The Bishops were under the necessity of attending the Cathedral of St. Peters on account of the acoustic imperfections of the hall, and have therefore resolved to hold their sessions hereafter at another place, but which cannot be put in order for several days.

The Council has not yet named the seventy-two members of the three commissions invested for, namely, Discipline, Religious Orders and Eastern Affairs. The members of the Commission on Faith have been designated, but the names are not yet made public. Several of the bishops, among whom is Father Matthieu, have obtained leave of absence for the purpose of holding ordinations in their dioceses.

The *Civita Calicola* to-day publishes the text of an Apostolic letter, imposing rules for the government of the Council.

ROME, December 19—Cardinal Pentini, a native of Rome, died yesterday, aged seventy-two years. There are now sixteen vacancies in the College of Cardinals. It is understood that the Pope will make no nominations to fill vacancies while the Ecumenical Council is in session.

SPAIN.

MADRID, December 18.—Senor Salaverrio, a Minister of Finance under Ex-Queen Isabel, was stabbed to-day by Senor Revitadeniro, who formerly occupied a high position under the former, but who was imprisoned for frauds discovered by Salaverrio. The wound has been pronounced fatal by the attending physician.

A decree has been published appointing Senor Sank to investigate and suggest reforms advisable to be adopted by the Government.

MADRID, December 19.—General Prim publicly declares that there has been no change of opinion of the Government or of the Cortes on the question of a Monarchy. The Duke of Genoa will probably receive the crown, but should he decline it, the Government will not favor the establishment of a Republic.

GERMANY.

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—Minister Burlingame has received official notice that the Chinese Government is fully satisfied with the action of the Embassy, of which Mr. Burlingame is the head. This confirms the previous reports to that effect.

MARINE NEWS.

LONDON, December 18.—The steamers Scotia, Idaho and Columbia have arrived out.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, December 18—*Evening.*—Consols for money, 92¾; account, 92¾. American Securities—'65s, 86¾; '67s, 86; Ten-forties, 82¾; Erie, 18; Illinois, 99¾; A. & G. W., 26.

FRANKFORT, December 18.—Bonds quiet at 91⅞@91¾.

PARIS, December 18.—Bourse firm at 72f 60c.

LIVERPOOL, December 18 — Cotton easier; middling uplands 11¾d; Orleans 12d; sales 14,000 bales. California white wheat 9s 7d; red western No. 2 8s 3d @8s 4d; winter 9s. 10d. Western Flour 21s 9d. Corn, No. 2 mixed 28s 9d. Oats 2s 8d@2s 10d. Barley nominal at 5s. Peas, 35s@36s. Pork dull at 107s 6d. Beef 103s 6d. Lard 77s. Cheese 68s Bacon 65s 6d. New Common Rosin 5s@5s 3d. Spirits Petroleum 1s 4d; refined 1s 8d. Tallow, 45s. Turpentine 18s.

LONDON, December 18 —Tallow, 47s 3d. Sugar, 39s@39s 9d. Calcutta linseed firmer at 56s 6d@56s 9d.

Petroleum, at Antwerp firm at 60¼f.

At Bremen firm and quiet at 6 thalers 63 groats.

At Hamburg firm and unchanged.

HAVRE, December 18.—Cotton steady.

PARIS, December 18.—Bourse strong; Rentes 72f 70c.

NEW YORK CITY.

Additional Mercantile Failures—Estate of A. D. Richardson—Death-bed Marriage to be Contested—The November Election Frauds—Sixty Indictments Found—Morrissey-Ben. Wood Lottery Squabble—Erie Railway Litigation—Steamship Wrecked—Forged Bank Drafts—A Duel, not a Bloodless One—Greeley's Rejoinder to Gen. Butler—Departure of the Eighteen Spanish Gunboats—Pardoned by the President.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 18, 1869.

ADDITIONAL FAILURES.

The following failures have been reported since yesterday: F. A. H. Tanck, liquor dealers, West street—property taken possession of by the sheriff for the benefit of creditors. M. Deautrustegian, Wine Growers' Association, Broadway; Dry Dock Rolling Mills, East Tenth street, suspended and made assignment; Phillips & Hall, produce dealers, West street; Matthews & Bonner, produce dealers, Washington street; Robert Aikin, provisions, West street. H. F. Legran, dry goods, of Broadway, has effected a compromise with his creditors on the basis of paying fifty cents on the dollar in three months.

ESTATE OF A. D. RICHARDSON.

Surrogate Tucker stated to-day that the question, if any, which may be involved in the right of the property of the late Albert D. Richardson will come before R. C. Hutchings, his successor, for adjudication. No formal application has yet made, by any one for letters of administration. Mr. Richardson's brother, who called at the office on Friday to ascertain what course he should adopt, was informed he had no right to take out letters of administration, and that the sons of the deceased, or his widow, were the only persons who have the that right. Mr. Richardson did not make a will, and it is said the death-bed marriage will be contested by relatives of the deceased.

ELECTION FRAUDS.

The Grand Jury of Kingscounty to-day presented indictments against six election inspectors and canvassers for concern in the election frauds of November. Among the persons indicted are Wm. O. Brown, one of the Fire Commissioners, Justices Watch and Buckley. A large majority are office holders and politicians. The trials will begin next week, and the District Attorney expects to have at least half a dozen indicted persons convicted before the first of January.

WAR ON THE LOTTERIES.

The lottery war continues. After the appointment of John Morrissey as receiver of the Simmonds lotteries, in place of Ben. Wood, the latter obtained an injunction from Judge Cardozo, restraining Morrissey from proceeding under the order of Barnard. When the injunction was served, it was found that Morrissey had disposed of the property to a brother of Simmons for the nominal sum of $25,000. The case will come before the courts on Monday.

ERIE RAILWAY LITIGATION.

The motion made by Mr. Ramsey's counsel, in his suit against the Erie Railway Company to vacate the stay of proceedings granted by Judge Barnard, was argued yesterday before Judge Murray, at Delhi, Delaware county, and denied. The Court refused to hear the motion to confirm the orders of suspension of injunction and for a receiver, and adjourned till the 28th.

A TEST CASE.

An important test case was brought before Judge Blatchford to-day, which involves the right of a merchant to recover books and papers which have been seized by the Custom House Collector. The law of 1867 provides that a Judge of the United States Court may deliver up such books, after the necessary examination has been made. Testimony will be taken.

ATTEMPTS TO DEFRAUD.

The Honesdale National Bank of Pennsylvania has notified the Merchants Exchange Bank of this city that attempts have been made to defraud, in certain drafts purporting to be by the Honesdale Bank on the Second National Bank of Philadelphia and Fourth National Bank of this city. The bogus drafts are for $3,000 each.

STEAMSHIP WRECKED.

The steamship Grecian, from Palermo, ashore at James Inlet, Long Island, has broken in two. All the persons aboard, seventeen in number, were rescued at imminent risk by a life boat manned by the employes of a wrecking company.

FISK, JR., SUES FOR LIBEL.

The complaint of James Fisk, Jr., in his suit for damages for alleged libel by C. C. Norvell of the *Times*, was filed in the United States Circuit Court to-day. Fisk claims $100,000.

A DUEL FOUGHT.

A duel concerning a lady came off at Aquia Creek, Virginia, a few days ago, between Col McKenzie, a politician, and a broker named Varnum, both of New York. The latter was wounded, probably mortally.

VACANCY FILLED.

Governor Hoffman has appointed Chas. H. Van' Brunt to the vacancy in the Court of Common Pleas, created by the election of Judge Braden to the Supreme Bench.

ARRIVED.

The steamer Rhein, from Bremen via Southampton, on the 7th, arrived tonight.

The United States steam sloop of war Albany arrived to-day from San Domingo via Samana and St. Thomas.

The steamer Rhine, from Bremen, has arrived.

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PARDONED BY THE PRESIDENT

Colonel Richard Enright, who was convicted of being implicated in whisky frauds and sentenced to the penitentiary, has been pardoned by the President.

GREELEY'S REPLY TO BUTLER.

The *Tribune*, to-morrow, will publish a reply from Greeley to General Butler's response to his former letter on universal amnesty and universal suffrage. Referring to General Butler's opinion that some half dozen, more or less, of the Confederates should have suffered exemplary punishment, Mr. Greeley says: "When five more years of peace shall have intervened, I am quite confident you will consider that two or three examples would have been enough, and after the lapse of more years you will be satisfied that to have strung up, in 1865, him who was your choice for President in 1860, would have answered the purpose."

He refers to many historical precedents to show that severities after a war do not serve to save or perpetuate power. In short, he says: "If there be one lesson written all over the face of history, it seems to me that pride goeth before destruction; that the conqueror in a civilized who has gluted his vengeance, stands often very near his final downfall."

He cites Tennessee, and the overthrow of the Republican party there, as an instance of the legitimate fruits of a proscription policy, and impeaches the policy of sweeping disfranchisement and proscription as leading inevitably to such disasters. Mississippi and the defeat of Ireland he regards as a vindication of the more liberal policy.

In conclusion, he expresses his confidence that as passions cool and wrath abates, thousands who have cursed will thank him for what he has done and dared in resistance to their own sanguinary impulses, and joyfully trusts that this will become at least the common faith, and even that of Gen. Butler himself.

DEPARTURE OF THE SPANISH GUNBOATS.

At one o'clock this morning, the eighteen Spanish gunboats, whose departure had been hourly expected during the past week, took up position in the wake of the Spanish war vessel Pizarro, which had been lying in the North river during the past three weeks, and following, steamed slowly down the river and out the bay. A few spectators were present and there was no demonstration, whatever. Twelve unfinished gunboats yet remain at the Delamater works.

ANOTHER CALAMITY!

Caving in of a Coal Mine—Two Dwellings Engulfed—Ten Lives Lost—Further Disaster Feared—Intense Excitement.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

HAZLETON, Luzerne county, Pa., December 18—A terrible accident occurred at five this morning at Stockton, near this place. A coal mine caved in, filling the shaft and tunnel with enormous masses of earth, carrying two large houses down with it and choking the entrance to the mine. There were several persons in the dwelling houses at the time, who were carried down in the falling mass and instantly killed. It is yet impossible to reach the bodies. Some men are said to have been in the mine and are supposed to have been killed instantly. Ten persons in all have lost their lives. Efforts are being made to extricate the bodies. The houses fell forty feet and were broken to fragments.

SCRANTON, Dec. 18.

MAUCH CHUNK, Pa., December 18—At Stockton, two miles from Hazelton, about five this morning the earth over a mine, which has not been worked for fifteen years, gave way. One block of houses was swallowed up so quickly that two families living in them had not time to escape, except one girl, who had fled from the house, but not far enough to escape falling. She fell on top of the house and was rescued. Three families living in the adjoining block had just escaped, when the whole block went down.

There were ten persons swallowed up with the houses, George Swank, his wife and four children, and Mr. Reich, his wife, child and mother, were the unfortunates. They are still in the mine, and must certainly all be dead.

The Hazleton steam fire engine has been throwing a continual stream on the ruins since daylight, and the firemen are doing all in their power. A rope has been extended around the hole, and all persons excluded from the immediate vicinity. Trains are running from Hazleton every hour to the scene of disaster, and will do so until all the bodies are recovered, which will be some time yet, as it is still dangerous to enter upon the work of rescuing.

The earth is still continuing to fall in and enlarging the cavity continually. The excitement is very great and increasing. The families in the vicinity are moving out of the houses, fearing they will fall next. It is the general opinion that other houses will fall in. There is also danger of the mine taking fire.

Messrs. Linderman and Skeer arrived at the scene of disaster this afternoon. They are sparing no pains to secure the bodies as speedily as possible.

CAUSE OF THE CALAMITY.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., December 19.—A dispatch to the *Daily Journal* from Hazleton says the cause of the accident at Hazleton was breaking in a forest in the colliery to near the surface under the houses, there being only about twenty feet space left where they caved in. Only a few days before a couple of persons in a truck were pitched into a similar hole, where a portion of the foundation of the railroad had gone away over some workings that approached very near the surface.

TENNESSEE.

Proceedings of the Legislature—The Penitentiary—The Southern Railroad Bill—The Constitutional Convention—Great Apathy in the Election for Members.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NASHVILLE, December 18—The Senate to-day passed, on third reading, the House bill to pay Ward a bridge, house of the penitentiary, $32,000. Their claim against the State, and adopted a resolution providing for taking immediate possession of the penitentiary.

The Senate also passed, on third reading, House bill to reduce the tax on liquor dealers. The bill is a great reduction on the old tax and satisfactory to the trade.

House bill to reduce tax on merchants, adopting the *ad valorem* system, passed on second reading and was made the special order for the second Tuesday in January.

The Senate then adjourned until Wednesday next, thus cutting off action on the Cincinnati Southern Railroad bill after the fifth of January, as no quorum can be had after to-day, and the legislature will adjourn on Wednesday till the fifth of January.

The penitentiary was also the subject of discussion in the House, and that body finally passed the Senate bill, providing for the management of that institution, on its first reading, and adopted the Senate resolution requiring the directors to take immediate charge of the labor and materials of the penitentiary.

The Louisville and Cincinnati Railroad bill was taken up. It was amended so as to provide incorporations and commissioners in part of the State, giving two hundred feet for the full double track, and authorizing the company to run their road from Gallatin, Lotanon, or Hendersonville, Sumner, Ala. The bill was put upon passage, but no quorum being present, the House adjourned till Monday.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

The election to-day for members to the Constitutional Convention passed off quietly. The utmost indifference was manifested by the voters. The polls were open in only five of the ten city wards. In these 1,148 votes were cast for the Convention and one against. Considerable interest is felt concerning the weather was raw and inclement, but the voters attended themselves from the polls because they were not certain that the action of the Convention would be conservative. The opponents of the Convention did not vote. Under the law authorizing the Convention, a majority of the votes cast prevail, and the Convention will be held, though the vote be light. The apathy of Nashville does not generally prevail in the State.

MEMPHIS, December 18.—The vote on the Constitutional Convention was light. But little interest was manifested. The vote of the city is: for Convention 2,671, against Convention, 224.

The *Avalanche's* Brownsville dispatch gives the vote there for Convention 346, against 50.

PACIFIC COAST.

Practicability of the Flying Machine to be Tested—Chinese Laborers for the South—The Oregon Central Railroad—A Dry Winter Feared.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

SAN FRANCISCO, December 18.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Steam Navigation Company, yesterday, it was decided to construct a flying machine of sufficient capacity to test the practicability of the invention.

John Walker, of Texas, and Major Rhea, formerly of the Memphis *Avalanche*, leave to-morrow via Pacific Railroad, with three hundred Chinese to labor in the Southern States. They expect to reach New Orleans on the 10th of January. The Chinese are under contract for three years.

The first section of the Oregon Central Railroad, twenty miles, will be completed next week. No further extension will be made this winter.

A dry winter is feared. There have been light rains in the valleys and little snow on the mountains the present season. The weather has been unusually warm for the past week. There has been no detention of trains, and the Pacific Railroad is reported free of snow.

COLUMBUS, O.

Funeral of State Senator Russell—Election Ordered to Fill the Vacancy.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

COLUMBUS, O., December 19.—The funeral of State Senator Russell, on Saturday afternoon, at Urbana, was attended by a large concourse of citizens of Champaign county, Gov. Hayes, Secretary of State Sherwood, and thirty other State officials. Mr. Russell's pastor read a sketch of his religious and public life. He was followed by an address of his former classmate at college and afterwards pastor, Gov. Hayes closed with affecting remarks expressive of the great loss of the State in Mr. Russell's death.

An election to fill the vacancy in the Senate has been ordered to take place on December 29th. The district is strongly Republican.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK, A. M.

THE CAPITAL.

The Utah-Polygamy Question—Florida Appeals for Government Aid to Enforce the Laws and to Protect Life and Property—Reconstruction Business—Admission of Virginia Deferred till after the Holidays—Georgia Case to be Considered To-day—Tobacco Revenue from Virginia—Hostile Indians Pursued and Punished—Gold Sales this week to be Omitted—Gold in the Treasury—January Interest in Advance.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, December 18, 1869.

UTAH AS A STATE.

The subject of the admission of Utah as a State was under discussion at the meeting of the House Committee on Territories, on Saturday, and although no formal conclusion was reached, there seemed to be an entire unanimity of feeling against extending any further privileges to citizens of that territory until polygamy is abolished.

Mr. Cullom, chairman of the committee, prepared a bill, which will be introduced at an early day, taking away all the rights of Mormons as citizens of the United States, and the rights heretofore existing as citizens of a territory, unless they abandon the practice of polygamy. It is proposed to push the passage of this bill and other measures for the extinction of Mormonism.

ANARCHY IN FLORIDA.

A delegation from Florida, consisting of Representative C. Hamilton, Bishop Pierce, a colored member of the State Senate, Gen. Casas, Adjutant General of the State, and Mr. Noble, Secretary of State, accompanied by Senator Wilson, called on the President this morning for the purpose of getting troops sent to Florida to aid the authorities in enforcing the laws and protecting the lives and property of citizens. The party complain that a large number of assassinations have occurred lately. President Grant, in response to their request, stated he would confer with the Secretary of War on the subject and means should be taken to effectually carry out the laws.

VIRGINIA AND GEORGIA.

Business at the Capitol to-day was confined to the Reconstruction Committee, which was engaged in examining witnesses touching the legality of the action of the Legislature of Virginia in the various counties of Virginia. The entire subject of the admission of Virginia was postponed until after Congress adjourns. The action is regarded by many as favorable to the application of the test oath to the Virginia Legislature. Mr. Rudd, representative member of the body, stated before the Committee, in reply to a question, that a majority of the conservative members of the Legislature would be able to take the test oath.

The Committee will take up the case of Georgia on Monday next.

REVENUE FROM VIRGINIA.

The total collections of revenue in Virginia, for the nine months ending September 30, were $2,411,923, an increase of nearly $[illegible] over last year. Shipments in bond show an excess of 5,000,000 pounds.

WASHINGTON, December 19, 1869.

TRANSPORTATION OF ARMY STORES.

Hon Sylvester Mowry, here on business connected with Arizona and army contracts for that territory, had an interview with the President and Secretary of War yesterday. It is understood that transportation of army stores through Sonora for Arizona is a complete success. Transportation has heretofore been by way of the Gulf of California and Gila River. By the new arrangement, calculating the yearly transportation at two hundred thousand tons, the saving will be $240,000 over the old rates.

AN INDIAN RAID AND FIGHT.

The Superintendent of Indian Affairs for New Mexico reports to the Indian office a report of the condition of the Mescalero Apache Indians, in which it is stated they are still on the war path. On the night of November 13th, a party of twenty of them took about a hundred head of cattle from a man living twenty miles east of Fort Stanton on the Rio Hondo. The commanding officer at Fort Stanton sent Lieutenant Cushing and a detachment of thirty-two men of company F, Third cavalry, in pursuit of them. The cavalry followed their trail over a very rough and broken country and overtook the Indians in a canon on the north side of Guadalupe Mountains, about two hundred miles south of Fort Stanton, and at noon of the 18th attacked them. After fighting three hours, Lieutenant Cushing completely routed the Indians, recovered about fifteen of the stolen stock, and twenty six horses and mules belonging to the savages. The number of Indians engaged in the fight is estimated at about one hundred, and the number killed and wounded fifteen. They abandoned their property during the fight, and took to the rocks on the side of the canon. The rocks were upwards of a thousand feet high. The trail was very difficult to follow, the Indians frequently dividing into small parties and scattering over the country. Lieutenant Cushing traveled at least two hundred and twenty miles in pursuit, without water for his men and animals.

JANUARY INTEREST IN ADVANCE.

The Secretary of the Treasury has given orders for the payment of January interest on and after Friday next, without rebate. As interest to the extent of $30,000,000 will be due on January 1st, the anticipation of one week will give sufficient time for its entire payment at that date.

GOLD SALES TO BE OMITTED.

The Secretary of the Treasury has directed the Assistant Treasurer at New York to omit the sales of gold on Tuesday and Friday of the present week. This order does not effect the sale of gold on Thursday or the purchase of bonds as advertised.

GOLD IN THE TREASURY.

There is now in the Treasury about $100,000,000 of coin, $38,000,000 of which consists of deposits for which gold certificates have been issued.

PORTLAND.

Preparation for the Reception of the Remains of George Peabody.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

PORTLAND, Dec. 18.—At a meeting of prominent citizens last night, relative to the reception of the remains of George Peabody, a committee was appointed to confer with the State authorities and such other persons as deemed proper. Governor Chamberlain will order out the State militia.

PORTLAND, December 19.—The committee of the city government visited Salem on Saturday to confer with the trustees of Peabody Institute in relation to the reception here of the remains of George Peabody. It is thought the final ceremonies will take place at Peabody Institute a week or ten days after the arrival here of the remains.

Anti-Protective League at St. Louis.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—A meeting of Free Traders was held to-night at Polytechnic Hall, an Anti-Protective League formed, constitution adopted and officers elected. Hon. Nathan Cole, Mayor of the city, was elected President, and among the Vice Presidents are Lieut. Gov. Stanard, Norman J. Coleman, Jas. B. Eads, Hon. John Hogan, James Harrison and representatives of the *Republican, Democrat, Times, Dispatch, Westliche Post, Anzeiger* and *New World*. The constitution is similar to that of the American Free Trade League. The Executive Committee is composed of prominent citizens.

WINNEPEG REBELLION.

Serious Trouble Expected—Proclamation from Governor McDougall—Intense Excitement—Indignation Meeting at Buffalo, N. Y.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

CHICAGO, December 18—The St. Paul *Press* of to-day will publish a letter from Pembina, of date December 6th, which says. However incredible it may appear, it is nevertheless true that Governor McDougall is willing to enlist even savages in order to force his yoke upon the Christian people at Winnepeg. I have just learned that the McDougall emissaries were using every effort to induce the Swampy Indians near the mouth of the Red River to declare for Canada, and to take up arms in favor of McDougall.

The writer says that a notorious abominable, cut-throat, outlaw and fiend, who instigated the Sioux to destroy the United States mail, on Rollins's route to Montana, had been furnished with his outfit by one of McDougall's men, ostensibly on trade with the hostile Sioux, and camped near Moose river, but with the actual intention of enlisting from four hundred to six hundred of those bloody devils on the side of Canada and McDougall, and I am sorry to inform you that Richards, McDougall's Attorney General, has confirmed this information, and, in presence of several gentlemen, justified Canada and McDougall in making use of any force obtainable for the purpose of subjugating the Red River people.

A postscript to this letter says. The sad news has arrived that Colonel Dennis, Dominion Surveyor General of the Northwest Territories, has succeeded in raising and arming two hundred of the Swampy Indians, and a number of their English half breed relations, and that they have garrisoned the Stone Fort, and as soon as they form a junction with the Canadians and Sioux of Minnesota, at Portage, La Prairie will march upon the Provisional forces, at or near Fort Garry.

General Rollins called in his reserves, who were temporarily absent, and over three hundred armed men rejected at headquarters in a few hours. A fight is probably expected.

Another letter says a proclamation of McDougall has been captured and suppressed. Intense excitement exists, and if it comes to bloodshed, Governor Archibald and James Ross will be the first victims, they have been the first advocated the Canadian policy and abused the Hudson Bay Company.

ST PAUL, December 18.—Pembina advices to the 6th report McDougall entirely unequal to cope with whites and Indians in march on Fort Garry at once. The rebels have four hundred men to defend this position.

AN INDIGNATION MEETING.

BUFFALO, December 18—At a large public meeting to-night great indignation was expressed by citizens of this nation at McDougall, a being permitted by the United States to congregate British troops on American soil to coerce inoffensive Canadians in another country.

LATER INTELLIGENCE.

TORONTO, December 18.—A special dispatch from St. Paul, says the editor of the St. Paul *Press* has received a letter from a prominent Canadian at Pembina, in which the writer says: Governor McDougall has not arrived at headquarters, but relies on the loyal people of the Territory to repel the outbreak, and thinks he can do it without bloodshed. The letter also states that the forces which occupied Stone Fort was rapidly increasing by accessions of loyal people of all classes, and that the Indians of Indiana were ready to assist in the defence of the flag. The insurgents under Sutherland had gone to Pembina. Colonel Dennis, Fort Garry with about forty men. Dept and Smith left St. Cloud for Fort Garry yesterday.

CHICAGO.

Child Beater Convicted of Manslaughter—Death in the Street, from Rum—$10,000 Verdict Against a Railroad for Injuries—Big Bore Gold Excitement—Snow on Union Pacific Railroad—Receipts of Amusement Places.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Louis Bates, who has been on trial during the week for whipping his stepdaughter, a child, so badly that she died, was in evening convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to the Penitentiary for one year.

Last evening a little past eight o'clock, two some gentlemen were passing along Wabash avenue, near Monroe street, they noticed a man whom they supposed intoxicated staggling with his arms around a tree. They shook him and found that he was dead. The man proved to be George A. Ahern, a few years since of the well known stationery and book binding firm of Munson, Bradley & Co., and one of the most popular young men in Chicago. Ahern, five years since he married a beautiful young wife, but strong drink, in which he had indulged too liberally previous to his marriage, became his besetting sin, and until he become a sot, and this is his end.

Nicholas Tresach has just obtained a verdict of ten thousand dollars against the Columbus, Chicago and Indiana Central Railroad, for the loss of an arm and leg. Tresach was a switch conductor, and claimed that through the carelessness of the engineer, or bad condition of the road, he was thrown from a car and run over.

Joseph Sheever, a prominent business man of Sioux City, Iowa, was instantly killed on Friday last, by the accidental discharge of his own revolver.

The latest news from Cheyenne indicate that the gold excitement concerning Big Horn Mountains continues raging, and a large number of miners are now preparing to start for iners early next spring.

Considerable snow has lately fallen along the line of the Union Pacific Railroad, but no delay of trains has occurred during the past week.

C. J. Connell, cashier of the Union National Bank, has resigned, on account of ill health.

The receipts of the four places of amusement in this city during November foot up $62,709.

ST. LOUIS.

Celebration of the Union of the Old and New School Presbyterian Churches.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

ST. LOUIS, December 19.—The Union of the Old and New School Presbyterian Churches was celebrated here to-day. In the morning appropriate discourses were delivered in all the Presbyterian Churches. This afternoon there was Union Sacramental service in the First Church, and this evening a general meeting or Jubilee was held at the same place. All the services were well attended, especially to-night, the capacious church being crowded to excess. All the Presbyterian ministers and Church officers in the city took part the proceedings.

BOSTON.

Social Science Association Recommend Industrial Schools for Young Ladies.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

BOSTON, December 19.—At a meeting of the Social Science Association last evening, addresses were made by Mrs. Batchelder and Charles R. Musson in favor of establishing industrial schools, in connection with the public schools, to teach girls sewing, cutting and making garments, and all useful domestic work; also, to provide a place similar to that established by the Young Men's Christian Association, where young women of the working classes can meet for improvement, education and amusement. The project met with hearty sympathy from those present.

CUBA.

Arrival of Troops from Spain—Campaign against the Insurgents.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

HAVANA, December 18.—The Third Battalion of Catalonian volunteers arrived from Spain to day.

General Puello, commanding at Puerto Principe, announces that he will begin the campaign against the insurgents.

Murder and Robbery—$10,000 Reward.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

ALLEGHENY, Md., Dec. 11.—Dr. Andrew Mead was murdered and robbed in his store here last night. Ten thousand dollars reward is offered for the arrest of the murderer.

MEXICO.

Ovations to Ex-Secretary Seward—His Disinterestedness Doubted Revolutionary State of the Republic—Persecution of Protestants at Puebla—Funeral Pile of Bibles.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

HAVANA, December 18.—The mail steamer from Vera Cruz brings dates from the City of Mexico to the 10th inst.

Ovations to Mr. Seward continued. On the 3d Senor Romero gave a grand dinner in his honor, at which speeches were made by Senor Romero, Mr. Seward, Frederick Seward and others. On the 8th a grand ball, attended by four thousand citizens, was given at the Theatre Nationale. The neighboring streets were decorated and illuminated.

The *Monitor*, referring to Mr. Seward's speech about his disinterestedness in coming to Mexico, says a guilty conscience needs no accuser.

The French journals criticise Romero severely for toasting the King of Prussia, saying that Bismarck's spies kept close watch of the movements of Seward and Romero. Some journals compare its political significance to Mr. Seward's trip.

The entire Republic is full of pronunciamentos. There was a temporary rising in the revolution at Sinaloa. At Jerez two armed factions were confronting each other, and several skirmishes had already occurred. An armed insurrection exists in Michoacan. Bands have taken to the fields in Jalisco. At Mazatlan a revolution was hourly expected.

A company of federal troops was attacked in the State of Mexico, only eight leagues from the Capital, and a Captain and three soldiers killed. Disturbances had also occurred at Tulancingo.

The *Monitor* states that the sixth battalion of troops had joined the Puebla insurgents, and the fourth battalion had been defeated.

General Alatore had informed the diplomatic corps that he had disarmed in his troops in their present condition.

As a test of the strength of the Administration, a mob had attacked a Protestant congregation in a public street. The mob was led by an imperialist officer and urged on by priests. Many of the congregation were wounded and suppressed. Intense excitement exists, and if it comes to bloodshed, Governor Archibald and James Ross will be the first victims, they have been the first advocated the Canadian policy and abused the Hudson Bay Company.

ST PAUL, December 18.—Pembina advices to the 6th report McDougall entirely unequal to cope with whites and Indians in march on Fort Garry at once. The rebels have four hundred men to defend this position.

AN INDIGNATION MEETING.

BUFFALO, December 18—At a large public meeting to-night great indignation was expressed by citizens of this nation at McDougall, a being permitted by the United States to congregate British troops on American soil to coerce inoffensive Canadians in another country.

LATER INTELLIGENCE.

TORONTO, December 18.—A special dispatch from St. Paul, says the editor of the St. Paul *Press* has received a letter from a prominent Canadian at Pembina, in which the writer says: Governor McDougall has not arrived at headquarters, but relies on the loyal people of the Territory to repel the outbreak, and thinks he can do it without bloodshed. The letter also states that the forces which occupied Stone Fort was rapidly increasing by accessions of loyal people of all classes, and that the Indians of Indiana were ready to assist in the defence of the flag. The insurgents under Sutherland had gone to Pembina. Colonel Dennis, Fort Garry with about forty men. Dept and Smith left St. Cloud for Fort Garry yesterday.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The country of Sancta Cruz in Mancharacas, Cuba, has been totally destroyed by fire.

A Havana letter states that a regiment is being made there to revive the African slave trade.

Thirty indictments for election frauds have been found by the grand jury of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The total loss by fires in St. Louis during the first half of December was $2,[illegible] insurance $12,000.

Gen. Gordon I. Bailey, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, has resigned, to take effect on the 15th, after a congressional recess.

In the Supreme Court at Boston, on Saturday, Edward Heavy, aged seventy, was sentenced to the State prison for life for the murder of his wife.

At Memphis, yesterday, a negro named Cooper, who had killed a policeman, was taken out and hanged by a mob. Cooper was arrested.

The cotton season at New York was further prevented by the sinking of the Spanish steamship Cadiz, which reported sinking off the mouth of the Hudson River.

The frame manufactory of H. L. James, at Williamsburg, Mass., was totally destroyed by fire on Saturday morning last. Loss $[illegible], in which there is no insurance.

The Hermitage Mills, for the manufacture of drugs and chemicals, on the Rahway river, a few miles from Elizabeth, N. J., were burned on Friday morning last. Loss $15,000.

The recent brokers of Memphis have resolved to form a pool, and agree to compress their own cotton, rather than compromise with the consolidated presses. There are now twenty-five Cincinnati presses to compress at seventy five cents.

Hon. Hugh H. Henry, President of the Vermont Valley Railroad, and United States Marshal for the District of Vermont, died at his residence at Chester, Vermont, Saturday night. Mr. Henry was widely known among business men throughout the country.

At Davenport, Iowa, on the 17th, John Stewart and Thomas Kilion assaulted Christian Kemmell, when the latter, in self defense, drew a revolver and fired, killing John Kilion and wounding Thomas. Kemmell was arrested, but after an examination was discharged.

John Stewart, a worthy colored servant, employed in a saddlery shop near the outskirts of Springfield, Ohio, was assassinated Sunday morning by either of two white employes of the establishment, named George Hoffman and George Anstedt. Stewart was shot through the left breast. No reason can be assigned for the deed, save thirst for blood.

The following failures in New York are announced: Benton, Willis & Co., dealers in worsted goods; M. B. Sweeney, builder, of 59th street; Ward & Wheeler, dealers in nipickels, preserves, etc.; Frederick Wilson, coal merchant. The failure of two cattle dealers, names not given, in Hudson City, are mentioned. The following firms have made assignments: A. Colen & Son, dealers in dry goods; Dickson & Son, soda water manufacturers.

In Chicago, on Friday night last, Edward Carey, a well known thief, was observed stealing a wire skeleton, on which clothing was exposed for sale, and was pursued and caught by Robert S. Wilcox, a clerk. Carey, when brought to bay, drew a pistol and discharged it twice at Wilcox, the last shot taking effect in his side and producing what was thought to be a fatal wound. Before he was finally secured Carey wounded three other persons.

Navigation of the Hudson.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

POUGHKEEPSIE, December 19.—Ice in the Hudson has broken away near Germantown and is floating down the river in heavy masses. The steamboat Rip Van Winkle tried to reach Rondout yesterday, but had to put back. The sudden cold snap will now close