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MIDNIGHT.

NEW YORK CITY.

The Congressional Printer—Creditors' Meeting—Bank Defrauders—From Cuba—Railroad Injunction—The Erie Strikers—Beecher Accepts Increased Salary, &c., &c.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 15, 1870.

THE CONGRESSIONAL PRINTER.

Hon. A. M. Clapp, in a private letter to gentlemen in this city, referring to the special dispatch sent from Washington, which stated in substance that the investigation of the reports as to the office of Congressional Printer is said to show that from $106,000 to $150,000 had been recklessly used, says: that so far from this being true, the fact is no charge has been made to Congress of any character whatever against him, and hence no investigation has taken place. He says the whole affair is a conspiracy to damn him without trial.

MEETING OF CREDITORS.

The creditors of George Underhill met last evening to learn something regarding their affairs since the discovery of J. A. Underhill's defalcation. Much sympathy was expressed for the losses of the firm, and every disposition shown to accommodate them. A cash deficit of $230,000 has thus far been discovered and oil and mining stock securities to the amount of $215,000 have been found in Mr. Underhill's private drawer. These are nearly all worthless at present. It is not likely par value was paid for these stocks, but their purchase doubtless cost a large sum. As every entry will have to be examined which has been made within the last five years, a long time will be required for proper investigation. In the meantime the firm are sending to all their correspondents a statement of their respective accounts, with a request that it be examined. The known debts of the concern footup about $580,000. Their stock is valued at $600,000. They will pay fifty or seventy-five cents on the dollar.

BANK DEFRAUDERS.

Copeland, the alleged principal in the conspiracy to defraud the Fourth National Bank, has surrendered himself and given bail.

Gentley, the cashier of the Merchants Exchange Bank, has also given himself up, and has been bailed in $10,000 upon a deficiency of $16,000. The bank will realize $75,000 upon the tobacco owned by Cornelius Oakley, which they have taken possession of.

FROM CUBA.

The Spanish Consul has received the following dispatch, dated Havana 14th:

"Just commenced large operations, the Cubans having at first fire lost eighty killed also five chiefs. Two hundred insurgents have surrendered at Santa Espiritus, three hundred and sixty at Cuba and three hundred negroes at Cinco Villas. They are utterly discouraged."

ACCEPTS THE INCREASE.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher this morning announced to his congregation that he decided to receive the offer from them made him of the advance of salary from $12,000 to $20,000 a year. The first intimation he had of such advance having been resolved on was from the newspapers.

INQUEST CONCLUDED.

The inquest in the homicide of Conrad Ortericher, on New Year's day, in Norfolk street, traces his death to Morris Kehn, aged eighteen, his father being an accessory. Both have been committed for trial. The boy admits the stabbing, but claims that it was done in self-defence.

RAILROAD INJUNCTION.

It is reported an injunction is to be applied for restraining the Lake Shore Railroad Company from paying a dividend upon its stock, on the ground that the money for the purpose had been borrowed. The rumor is not authenticated.

DRY-GOODS FIRM SUSPENSION.

The *Commercial* says Charles A. Lord, in the dry good trade, has been compelled to suspend through having endorsed paper of Dewolt Bros. McDonald & McAuley, woolen jobbers, are also reported suspended.

THE ERIE STRIKERS.

The Erie strikers have information there will be a general strike along the line on Monday, unless the Company reinstate the discharged men, of which there seems no probability.

INCOME TAX.

The Assessors of Internal Revenue here have agreed that the law requiring tax payers on the annual list to make returns during March and April, instead of May and June, should be enforced.

THE GOLD GANG.

Sergeant-at-Arms Ordway, of the United States House of Representatives, is here to subpoena witnesses for the Committee on Banking relative to the gold panic investigation.

SUFFRAGE CONVENTION.

The Woman Suffrage Convention to-day resolved that political enfranchisement would make women more self-reliant and able to promote harmony between the sexes.

BOILER EXPLOSION.

The boiler of the steamer Parthenia exploded in Long Island Sound Thursday. Five engineers were scalded, and subsequently died. The vessel was badly injured.

A TYPE-SETTING MATCH

Will probably take place between Geo. A. Barber, of Cincinnati, and George Arcesburg, of New York.

STEAMER ARRIVED.

The steamers Cuba and Lafayette have arrived from Europe.

MISSISSIPPI.

The Legislature—Adoption of Constitutional Amendments—Gov. Alcorn's Declination of the Provisional Governorship.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

JACKSON, January 15.—The Legislature to-day ratified the 14th and 15th Amendments. The election for United States Senator will occur on Monday. B. G. Eggleston, R. N. Flower and Maj. Gen. Ames are the prominent candidates.

General Alcorn's letter to General Ames, declining the provisional governorship, says: "Coming from military authority and subject for support to the military power, the fitness of things appears to me to forbid my acceptance of it while I hold the immediate prospect of the position of civil Governor by that sanction most acceptable to my instincts as an American citizen—that of popular choice. I may perhaps be indulged in the frank confession that under the fellowship of error and chastisement by which I am bound to the southern people, I am constrained by an irresistible force of my heart to drawback from lot or part in the government by any other right than that of their own conscience."

BOSTON.

The City Treasury Embezzlement—Good Dinners and Fast Living.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

BOSTON, Jan. 15.—The defalcation reported in the Boston City Treasury is charged upon John W. Collins, late of California, a clerk entrusted the duty of paying the interest on the city debt. He confesses to having converted coupons into gold, of which he lost $9,000 by gambling. He had on hand about $5,000, with which he was about starting upon a European tour. The latter sum was found in his desk. Total embezzlement is from $10,000 to $14,000. Collins is in custody.

Thos. F. M. Hawley was arraigned today charged with embezzling $60,000 from his employer, a merchant tailor in Elm street. He waived an examination and was committed for trial in default of $10,000 bail. Hawley states he lost about $13,000 in publishing a paper called the *Boston Stage* and has expended considerable amounts for good dinners and fast living.

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NEWS BY CABLE.

Enforcement of the Press Law in France—Prosecution of Deputy Rochefort—Threats by Radicals—Earthquake Shocks—Heavy Gales on British Coast and Loss of Vessels—The Council at Rome—The Paraguayan War—Lopez Not Dead Nor Vanquished—Cuban Affairs—Rejoicing in Spain Over Successes of Troops on the Island.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

FRANCE.

PARIS, January 15.—The Government authorities announce their intention to bring actions against the proprietors of the *Reform*, a revolutionary organ, for violation of the press law. That paper has violently attacked the government lately.

Two journals in the provinces will also be proceeded against immediately for the same cause.

The Paris correspondent of the London *Times* states the Government will avail itself of the permission of the Chambers to prosecute Rochefort.

The Paris rioters of Wednesday were to-day sentenced to prison.

Extensive Republican preparations are being made for a demonstration on the reception of Ledru Rollin at Paris.

It is reported that at a Cabinet meeting held to-day it was unanimously resolved to continue the prosecutions against the violators of the press law.

Yesterday M. Emile Ollivier created a sensation by urging in his speech before the Council, that the offences against the press law be submitted to juries. To-day the project was brought before the Corps Legislatif. Judgment in the matter will be deferred until a vote can be taken on the subject in the Corps.

PARIS, January 15.—There was a great discussion in the Senate yesterday on the affairs of the interior and general domestic policy of the Government. At the conclusion of the debate the Senate passed a resolution of confidence in the late Ministry.

In the Corps Legislatif yesterday, M. Kerra moved that the debate on the arraignment of Deputy Rochefort be postponed until the 22d inst. M. Ollivier opposed the motion, and the Chamber decided that the debate should commence to-morrow, according to the original proposition of the Ministry, by a vote of 39 to 19.

The semi-official journals assert that the majority in both Chambers will support the Ministry in the prosecution of Rochefort.

Several deputies have received anonymous letters menacing them with personal violence in case the Chambers authorizing the prosecution. The radical journals threaten serious disorder should Rochefort be condemned.

Shocks of earthquake were felt yesterday at Anch, in the Department of Gers. No injury to life or property is reported.

HOME.

NEW YORK, January 15.—Special cable dispatches from London to-day contain the following:

The London *Tablet* states the majority of the Ecumenical Council favoring infallibility is 783.

The proposed changes in the ecclesiastic discipline were debated by the Ecumenical Counsel yesterday.

ROME, January 15.—The discussion which has been going on for several days in the Ecumenical Council on the subject of ecclesiastic discipline was continued to-day.

ROME, Jan. 16.—The Council yesterday held a session which lasted four hours. The oldest legate present complained that many of the speeches made were too long and that some of the fathers did not strictly observe the obligation of secrecy in regard to the proceedings of Council.

CUBA.

HAVANA, January 15.—The *Gazette* to-day published dispatches from the interior announcing the surrender of insurgents in large numbers. The Spanish troops in the Central Department are on the march to attack the insurgents.

The Spanish mail steamer which sailed to day took a memorial signed by thousands of Spaniards requesting the Cortes to defer the granting of liberties and reforms in Porto Rico. The document gives as a reason for this request that the granting of these privileges will prove highly injurious to the cause of Spain in Cuba, be used as a weapon against the Spaniards and weaken the power of the Government. The residents of Cuba at present do not desire such reforms, the country is unprepared to receive them and the people prefer to wait until Cuba is represented in the Cortes.

A car loaded with petroleum was burned at the railroad station this evening. The fire, it is thought, was caused by an incendiary.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LIVERPOOL, January 15.—Heavy gales along the coast continue, and reports of disasters to shipping are constantly coming to hand. The following are received:

The Glenoce, from San Francisco for Liverpool, experienced heavy weather on the 7th, shifted cargo and was badly damaged. The ship Kenilworth, from New Orleans Dec. 13th for Liverpool, was totally lost off Patrick's Causeway; eight of the crew were saved. John Martin, from Falmouth for Philadelphia, sunk at sea.

A squad of police in Cork were fired at yesterday while attempting to capture deserters. Considerable excitement ensued.

PARAGUAY.

PARIS, January 16.—Advices have been received at the Paraguayan Legation here which contradict the statement that President Lopez has left Paraguay. On the contrary they represent that the war is by no means ended, and assert that Lopez is in the Great Cordilleras with an army of eight thousand men.

SPAIN.

MADRID, January 16.—The Duke of Montpensier has been nominated as a candidate for the Cortes from the city of Ovide.

There is great rejoicing here over telegrams from Havana reporting important successes of the troops in Cuba.

AUSTRIA.

VIENNA, January 15.—Baron Von Brock, Minister of Finance, is dead.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, January 14—*Evening.*—Consols closed for money, 92¾; 92¾ account. American securities quiet; 5-20 bonds: 62s, 57; 65s, old, 80¾; 10 40s, 84¾. Stocks quiet. Erie, 17¾; Illinois 101¼; Great Western, 24¾.

LIVERPOOL, January 14.—Cotton firmer; uplands 11¼d; Orleans 11¾d; sales 1,500 bales. Breadstuffs unchanged. Provisions dull, except bacon, which advanced 1o3 shillings. Other articles unchanged.

LONDON, January 14.—Tallow quiet.

PARIS, Jan. 14.—Bourse closed dull.

HAVRE, January 14—Cotton quiet.

ANTWERP, January 14.— Petroleum firmer.

FRANKFORT, January 16.—American Bonds excited: 5-20s 1862 quoted at 91⅝@91¾.

PARIS, January 16.—Bourse excited. Rentes 73f. 35c.

The Bricklayers' Convention.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

CHICAGO, Jan. 16—The Bricklayers' National Convention yesterday selected Pittsburgh as the place for holding the next meeting. The report of the Finance Committee was made, showing the total receipts for the year to have been $4,622; total expenditures, $3,622; balance on hand, $2,122. The dues for the coming year were fixed at fifty cents.

The afternoon session was held in secret, at the close of which the Convention adjourned to the second Monday of November.

TENNESSEE.

The Constitutional Convention.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NASHVILLE, January 15.—In the Constitutional Convention to day, Mr. Baxter, Chairman of the Committee on the Bill of Rights, reported back a number of propositions, and asked the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the same. The request was granted.

Geo. W. Jones, Chairman of the Executive Department Committee, reported an amendment to section 9th of the 3d article of the Constitution, striking out the words "and shall state to them when assembled the purpose for which they shall have been convened," and substituting for them the following: "In which he shall state to them specifically the purpose for which they are to convene." By this amendment the Governor is required to state in his proclamation convening the Legislature in extra session the purpose for which it is convened, instead of stating them to the Legislature after it has met.

The Committee reported adversely on all other amendments referred to them.

The report was read and ordered to be printed.

A number of proposed amendments were offered and referred, one of which provides that amendments to the Constitution of the United States submitted by Congress or Conventions of States shall only be ratified or rejected by Legislatures or Conventions elected after the submission of said amendments to the States.

The Convention adjourned at an early hour to give the Committees an opportunity to work.

MEMPHIS, January 16.—The *Avalanche's* Jackson (Miss.,) special says the Legislature yesterday ratified the Fifteenth Amendment, with only one dissenting vote in the House and three in the Senate. Eggleson and Ames will doubtless be elected United States Senators.

CINCINNATI.

Fall of a Wall—Insurance Suit Ended—Circus Man Arrested.—Revenue Collections.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

CINCINNATI, January 15.—Between four and five this morning a stone wall one hundred feet long and thirty feet high in the rear of buildings on Third street west of Elm, fell toward the Third street buildings, crushing six kitchens.

A woman named Heine, while making fire in a kitchen, was caught and killed by the falling stones till liberated by her husband; her leg was broken. In another house a boy of seven years, son of Andrew Descalso, was killed by a heavy stone falling on him. Of two girls who were in the same bed, one was slightly bruised and the other unhurt. The wall was owned by B. Mackenzie and has been considered unsafe for two years. The great rain of last night was the immediate cause of the fall.

In the suit of the United States Mail Line against insurance companies for the loss of the steamer America, burned Dec. 8, 1868, between Cincinnati and Louisville, at the time of the collision with the United States which has been on trial before Judge Storer, of the Superior Court, all week, the jury rendered a verdict in favor of the Mail Line company after thirty minutes' consultation.

Hiram Marks, connected with a circus troupe, was arrested on a warrant issued by Judge Leavitt, on a certified copy of an information filed in the district court of Michigan, Detroit, charging him with being engaged in the fraudulent importation of horses from Canada.

Internal collections of internal revenue in the second district of Ohio for December amount to $383,424, an increase over December of the previous year of $174,469.

ST. LOUIS.

Judgment Rendered Against a Defaulter—Protective Tariff Association—Bishop Duggan in an Insane Asylum—Agricultural College Lands—Penitentiary Investigation—Damaging Things Reported.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

ST. LOUIS, January 15.—Alexander Martin, referee to adjust the accounts of William J. Krebbs, Treasurer of the Western Boatmens' Association, charged with embezzlement, and against whose bondsmen suit has been pending a long time, rendered judgment to-day for $20,716 in favor of the plaintiffs.

The Protective Tariff Association perfected an organization to-night by electing a full list of officers. A meeting will be held Monday night, at which speeches for and against protection will be made.

The *Western Watchman*, a Catholic journal of this city, in reply to a statement made in the Chicago papers that Bishop Duggan is confined in some ecclesiastical institution for mal administration of the affairs of his diocese, says the Bishop is positively insane and confined in an insane asylum of this city.

A State Labor Mission has been formed here.

The Lower House of the Missouri Legislature has passed a concurrent resolution memorializing Congress to convert the Agricultural College lands appertioned to this State to the use of the common school fund.

The Special Committee to investigate the affairs of the Penitentiary, report many damaging things against various officers of the prison, also against the Auditor of the State, Thompson. Much feeling exists and abusive cards against the Committee are published.

GEORGIA.

The Legislature—An Ex-Rebel Member Takes Back His Oath, and Others Yielding—The Court of Inquiry.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NEW YORK, January 15.—A special dispatch from Atlanta 14th, says: The Senate met this morning. Collier, who took the oath on the 10th, having made application to withdraw his oath, setting forth that it was made under misapprehension and party pressure, was allowed to withdraw it and by a vote of the Senate his name was dropped from the roll. The board of officers appointed to inquire into eligibility allowed the name of Collier to pass. Collier was judge of an inferior court before the war and participated in the rebellion. Seventeen Democrats, members of the Houses, and three Democratic Senators, who were in the old organization and at that time took the oath, deeming themselves eligible, have made written applications to be relieved of their political disabilities and refuse to yield to party pressure and take the oath at this time.

In the Court of Inquiry to-day a plea was entered by defendants' counsel against the jurisdiction of the Court as subversive of the right of defendants and of the civil tribunals, and claiming that Congress never intended to confer the prerogative upon the military power to interfere in such manner with the reorganization of the State. The Court was engaged all day in examining witnesses.

RED RIVER COUNTRY.

The Expected Raid by the Sioux Indians—Great Excitement at Ft. Garry.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

CHICAGO, January 15.—A letter from Pembina, dated the 3d, announces that the Sioux Indians at that time were within three miles of Fort Garry, and informed parties sent out by Reill to stop them, that they were on the "war path" against the half-breed insurgents and Americans, instigated thereto by Shawman who, assisted by the French, was employed to do this work by McDougall. Considerable excitement prevailed at Fort Garry.

Another correspondent says that Donald G. Smith, who was sent by the Hudson's Bay Company to supercede Gov. McTavish, had publicly acknowledged the validity of Riell's government.

There seems to be some prospect of the mission of Fathers Thibault and Desalaberry having some success, as these gentlemen seem inclined to concede nearly every demand of the insurgents.

—Both Houses of the Kansas Legislature have passed resolutions instructing delegations to Congress to vote against further appropriations for public buildings at Washington; also asking Congress to secure titles to settlers on what is known as Black Bob Indian lands. The latter resolutions, it is said, reflect somewhat on Congressman Clark.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK, A. M.

THE CAPITAL.

Gold Ring Investigation—Dr. Livingstone, the African Explorer—After Murderers in Montana—Woman's Suffrage Convention—Conference on Indian Affairs—Congressional Temperance Society, &c., &c.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, January 15, 1870.

THE GOLD PANIC.

The Committee on Banking, instructed to enquire into the New York gold panic, heard to day the testimony of Hodgekin & Bonnell, bankers of New York, Mr. Benedict, late President of the Gold Exchange Bank, and Clout, late Cashier of the Tenth National Bank, New York. James Fisk, Jr., Jay Gould and Mr. Corbin have been summoned to appear before the Committee Monday.

DR. LIVINGSTONE.

A letter dated Zanzibar October 22d, from Consul Webb, received at the State Department, states that a letter had been received from Dr. Livingstone dated from Dr. Livingstone, dated May 30th. Livingstone was at Ujiji on Yanyanjiki Lake, where he had found his supplies. He was in good health and spirits, and proposed traveling to the windward of Yanyanyiki, unless some boatmen and further supplies for which he had sent reached Ujiji.

FROM MONTANA.

Information just received from Montana indicates that the most resolute measures to execute the criminal laws of the Territory against the murderers of Malcolm Clark, a prominent citizen of the Territory, murdered by the Blackfeet Indians who were in the district, have been adopted. On the 22d of December Major Sullivan and Capt. Pope, accompanied by U. S. Marshal Wheeler and an adequate military force, left Helena for Seaton river to demand from the Blackfeet Indians the surrender of the murderers of Clark. If they express the belief, military operations having been active and successful, that the Cinco Villas district will be entirely pacified shortly.

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—The ice in the Mahoning river broke up Saturday afternoon, carrying away a portion of Cherry street bridge, at Toledo, Ohio. The railroad bridge sustained no injury, and no damage to stocks or shipping is reported. A large quantity of oil was destroyed on Maumee flats, ten miles above the city.

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OHIO ITEMS.

THERE is to be a new Democratic paper in Hamilton.

STANTON is to have a monument at Steubenville.

GOV. TRIMBLE is reported to be in declining health.

SINCE last July the Knights of Pythias have increased from 300 to 2,000.

THE Grand Gallipolis has during 1869 kept an average of twenty hens, which yielded 2,830 eggs.

THE modest village of New Salem wants a new county made for it from Wayne, Medina and Ashland.

AT Akron seven houses in trouble because, in rescuing a young lady from drowning, he pulled her out by the ankle.

AT Van Wert, a little boy of six years named Rison, had his arm and shoulder terribly torn by a ferocious dog.

THE Bellefontaine Postoffice has been robbed twice of late. The last time the thief got one hundred dollars for his pains.

AT Millersburg, last week, Andrew Farrs, an old citizen, fell while descending stairs, and was instantly killed, his neck being broken.

W. J. HALL, an old citizen of Upper Sandusky, seventy-four years of age, was knocked down in his room last Friday and robbed of $30.

A MARRIED lady of Alliance has been in a trance state for six weeks, and her husband refuses to send for a doctor. He says he intends to enjoy a quiet time as long as possible.

THE new Methodist Protestant Church at Dayton, in course of building, was blown down by the high wind on Sunday night, making considerable loss. It will be rebuilt immediately.

THE Superintendent of Public Instruction, of Indiana, submitted his triennial report to the Governor last week. The number of children in that State is 611,655, of which 16,000 are colored. The amount in the school fund is $8,350,000. One million five hundred thousand dollars were spent last year for the support of schools. There are 6,730 male teachers and 4,274 female teachers; pupils enrolled 459,916; average attendance, 29,376; number of schoolhouses 8,606, four hundred and five having been built during the year. Five millions two hundred and eighty-five thousand one hundred is the number of volumes in the township libraries.

Additional Markets by Telegraph.

NEW ORLEANS, January 15.—Cotton quiet and firm at 14½c; sales 5,100 bales; receipts 10,466 bales; exports 11,109 bales. Flour scarce and firm, at $5.50@6.25. Corn scarce and firmer, at $1.11@1.12. Oats at 70@72c. Bran at $1.20. Hay scarce and firmer; prime at $30. Pork at $29. Bacon dull at 13¾@15¾@17c. Lard dull; tierce at 17c; keg at 17¾c. Sugar, prime at 11¾@12¼c. Molasses, prime at 67@68c. Whisky at 90c@$1.15. Coffee firm and unchanged. Gold, 121; sterling, 51½. New York sight exchange ¾ discount.

BUFFALO, January 14.—Beeves; receipts for week 5,800, shipments 4,700; market closed weak and lifeless and 14c lower. Receipts of hogs 115, and market weak and lower, $6.71@9 for common to fair shipping steers, $8.25@9.75 for extra. Sheep; receipts 11,800; common nominally 1c lower; prime to extra unchanged.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Beef cattle steady and moderately active at $4@4.50 for common to extra cows, $5.25@4.50 for good even steers. Hogs firm, steady and packing demand fairly active at $8.25@8.65 for common, $8.75@8.90 for fair to medium, $9@9.25 for good to choice.

ST. LOUIS, January 15.—Cattle steady; 4@5½c for fair to prime, 6@6½c for choice. Hogs easier; light to good 7¼@8¼c; packed to date, 215,775; average weight, 240 lbs.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

—The telegraph strike at New York is considered about at an end.

—Eight of the striking telegraphers at New Orleans went to work on Saturday.

—Governor Warmouth, of Louisiana, has signed the bill repealing the gambling law.

—A heavy rain storm, with thunder and lightning, prevailed at Cincinnati yesterday afternoon.

—The Stanton Fund has reached one hundred thousand dollars and promises to grow much larger.

—A strike is probable on the Long Island railroad in consequence of the reduction of the wages of employes.

—The gas works building at Saratoga, N. Y., was damaged considerably on Saturday by an explosion and escape of gas. Two workmen were injured.

—Walter Graham killed Samuel Otto with an axe in the woods near Rochester, N. Y., on Friday last, during an altercation. Both were wood choppers.

—A severe rain and wind storm prevailed at Louisville Saturday night and yesterday. All the streams are rising rapidly and threatening destruction to property.

—Rev. Benj. J. Rowell, Baptist minister, of Grasshopper Falls, Kansas, suicided Tuesday last. He has twice been James Fisk, Jr., Jay Gould and Mr. Corbin have been summoned to appear before the Committee Monday.

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THE CONGRESSIONAL TEMPERANCE SOCIETY

held a meeting to-night at the Metropolitan Methodist Church. The house was crowded to overflowing with ladies and gentlemen. Senator Wilson presided. The Secretary read the following recommendation of the Society:

Believing in the habitual use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage causes poverty, suffering and crime, that there is safety alone in total abstinence, and that the personal pledge and operative effort tend to secure and maintain such abstinence, the Congressional Temperance Society earnestly and affectionately commend to the ministers and the churches, all temperance organizations and to the home circle, the importance of patriots throughout the land to hold simultaneous meetings in their schools, towns, townships and cities, on the 22d of February next, the birth day of Washington, and unite in the organization of Union Temperance Societies, based on the simple pledge of total abstinence from all that intoxicates, and to adopt practicable measures to have such pledge presented to every person of age. There are millions of members of Christian churches, millions of children in the Sunday and day public schools, and millions of others who, it is believed, might be persuaded to pledge their faith, if only sufficiently to abstain from the use of intoxicating drinks, and this society believes if a concerted, vigorous and persistent effort were made to that end, one-half the drinkers would, within a few months, be thus pledged and enrolled.

Francis Murphy, of Kansas, Willey, of W. Va., Patterson, of New Hampshire, and Buckingham, of Connecticut, and Representatives Whitmore, of S.C. and Posey, of Michigan, together with Vice-President Colfax respectively addressed the meeting.

Senator Wilson said it was proposed to hold meetings every two weeks during the session of Congress, if churches could be procured for that purpose.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS.

A joint meeting of the United States Indian Commissioners, House Committee on Indian Affairs, Secretary of the Interior and Commissioner Parker was held yesterday at the Department of the Interior. Senator Buckingham, of Conn., was chairman and Jacob V. Farrell, of Ill., secretary. Messrs. Brunot, Colyer and Bishop, of the Indian Commission, gave an account of their recent trip in the Indian country and submitted suggestions as to the treatment and future policy towards the Indians. Commissioner Bishop said that one serious objection to the present management of the tribes was the constant change of agents and sometimes of policy. Hardly any agent at the present time has been with the tribes they have charge of for over six months. Commissioner Lane, of Indiana, said he thought we should make no more treaties with the Indians, and thought Commissioner Colyer's proposal for a code of laws and constabulary good. Commissioner Colyer concluded the session with an earnest appeal for the Indians in Alaska, giving a favorable account of both people and country.

WORKINGMEN'S ADDRESS.

The committee of the National Labor Union Congress of America, consisting of Richard F. Trevellick, President, Alex. Campbell, of Illinois, John Maguire, of Missouri, and A. N. Pruitt, of Indiana, are here, preparing an address to the people of the United States, setting forth the demands of the workingmen of the nation.

Fire Last Night in Baltimore.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

BALTIMORE, January 16.—At six o'clock this evening a fire broke out at No. 8 North Calvert street, opposite Barnum's Hotel. The first and second stories were occupied by Christopher Smith as a barber shop and bathing rooms. His loss is estimated at $1000; covered by the insurance. The 3d floor was occupied by W. Summerfield as a residence. His loss is $1,200 and covered by insurance. The stock in the adjoining stores as slightly damaged by water. The cause of the fire is unknown.

STATE ITEMS.

MRS. HANNAH LLOYD, aged 73, died last week at Hollidaysburg.

EDENSBURG lays claim to having as a citizen the best chess player in Cambria county.

BRIDGEVILLE, Sullivan county, Pennsylvania, rejoices in an old lady named Hoyt, 93 years of age, who, a few nights ago, attended a hop at Westfall's hotel, and went through all the mystic rounds of the mazy quadrille.

A CLAIRVOYANT physician named Taylor, of Erie, who was some time since married to a Miss Lint there, has been arrested at the instance of a woman from Madison, Ohio, who claims him as her wedded lord. He was held to answer the charge of bigamy.

LAST WEEK the annual election of officers for the Ebensburg and Cresson Railroad Company was held, with the following result: President, A. A. Barker; Directors, T. T. Firth, H. J. Lombert, Wistar Morris, Josiah Bacon, E. Roberts, Geo. J. Rogers, Thos. Griffith, James A. Moore, John Williams, Jos. B. Myers, R. Jones, Abel Lloyd.

THEY have a prohibitory liquor law in Blairsville, passed by the Legislature two or three winters ago, and signed by a direct vote of the people. The law has been strictly enforced until recently, when several parties engaged in a hotel and saloon business decided that they would defy it openly. For this they were indicted and tried at the December term of the Indiana county Court, the matter excited much interest and excitement. The parties were convicted, and fined $1,400 in the aggregate, and five of them, including one woman, were sent to jail for fifty days each.

IT is proposed to extend the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad southward from Mount Dallas, its present terminus, to Plinstone, Maryland. Some New York capitalists have recently erected a large furnace near Hopewell, and have met in successful operation, making iron from coke made from the Broad Top coal. Investigations have discovered large deposits of iron ore along the line of the Black Valley, which extends nearly the whole distance along the line of the proposed road. In addition to this, the Cambria iron company, and other large capitalists, have made heavy investments in ore and coal lands in the vicinity, which give promise of early activity in that hitherto undeveloped section of our State.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL CRESSWELL has made the following postal changes in Pennsylvania:

Doylestown, Franklin county, Isaac Clugston, vice John Hamilton, resigned; Harnedsville, Somerset county, C. R. Shumbert, vice U. B. Lechleter, resigned; Jackson, Washington county, C. H. Boley, vice J. H. Wilson, resigned; Vanceville, Washington county, L. Vanman, vice A. O. Day, resigned; Georgetown, Beaver county, G. W. Calhoun, vice C. A. Calhoun, removed; Parnassus, Westmoreland county, W. R. Logan, vice J. T. Eeder, resigned; Corydon, Warren county, E. Sunderlin, vice C. P. Bailey, resigned; Williamstown, Dauphin county, G. Wahl, vice George Hain, resigned; Linden, Lycoming county, Jennie Donschy, vice Ellen Donschy, resigned; Paris, Washington county, Mark Redcouch, vice James Pinley, resigned; Chenango, Lawrence county, William Manning, vice A. P. Shaffer, resigned; Wicanisco, Dauphin county, B. F. Ackley, vice J. M. Kendall, removed; Beaver Springs, Snyder county, B. L. Rodnebush, vice Adam Specht, resigned; Line Mountain, Northumberland county, Daniel Bartony, vice Polly Maurer, resigned; Richfield, Juniata county, C. C. Landis, vice D. G. Shellabarger, resigned; Spruce-Hill, Juniata county, William P. Patton, vice Daniel Conn, removed; Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, T. B. Orbison, vice S. J. Cloyd, resigned; Greenville, Lancaster county, J. Seldemoridge, vice John Lowry, resigned; Collenburg; Union county, Joseph Miller, vice W. C. Mobley, resigned.

GENERAL NEWS.

A GERMAN has discovered a new kind of printing ink superior to any now in use. The essential part of the discovery is, by a peculiar process, the ink can be entirely removed from the surface of the paper at a cost of fifty cents for every hundred pounds of printed paper, and the material is then ready for use again.

THE planet Venus can now be distinctly seen by the naked eye at midday, when the sky is clear. It has reached its period of greatest brilliancy, and seen through the telescope presents the appearance of a wandering crescent. It is rapidly approaching the sun, and will reach its inferior conjunction on the 23d of February, when it will cease to be an evening star.

THE publication of the letter of Professor Gaciat, there is cause for the suspicion that all the Berlin testimonials of Dr. Schoppe are counterfeits, except, if the Schoppe confined in Carlisle is not the one, whom you left Berlin. This will become transparent soon. Before long the Rev. Schmidt, of Carlisle, will have to come forward, as he pretends to have known Dr. Schoppe six years ago, as an army surgeon, in the Austrian war against Denmark. This position he could not have had if he was convicted the year before the larceny.

THE news from and about Dominica makes it tolerably certain that, in case of the annexation of any part of that Republic," we shall have a good deal of fighting on hand, which will probably last for some time. In considering the negotiations for the purchase of Samana, or any of the negotiations with President Baez, it would be well for Congress to bear this fact in mind. We can, of course, "whip" the Dominicans, or any other enemy who dares to fight us; but still fighting cannot be called a matter of economy or pleasure.

THE Secretary of War has made a detailed statement of expenditures made under the provisions of the act of 1869, appropriating $2,000,000 for river and harbor improvements. Among the allotments are the following:

Superior City Harbor	$44,000
Green Bay	44,500
White River	44,500
St. Clair Flats	142,000
Des Moines Rapids	178,200
Falls of Ohio	126,200
Rock Island Rapids	136,650
Mouth of Mississippi River	64,350
Tennessee River	40,000
Buffalo Harbor	30,000
Chicago	29,700
Michigan	31,185

FOX some time past active negotiations have been carried on between the Erie and Atlantic and Great Western Railways. An arrangement has been finally concluded between the contracting parties, which arrangement places the Atlantic and Great Western Road,