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STATE ITEMS.

SOMERSET county is making maple sugar.

MERCER county has two surviving soldiers of the war of 1812.

45,000 have been subscribed to the stock of the Somerset and Mineral Point Railroad.

THE people of Safe Harbor, Lancaster county, spend their nights in digging for buried treasure.

THERE are now from two to three hundred oil derricks erected in and around Lawrenceburg.

THE Schuylkill Navigation Company will have their canal ready for business about the first of March.

AN effort is being made to form a new county out of a part of Luzerne, with the county seat at Scranton.

ADAM Rolf of Easton is missing. We know a good many fellows who enjoy names sounding like this.

MRS. Wm. Morehead, of St. Clair township, Beford county, died last week after an illness of fifteen minutes.

THE Keystone Coal Company has subscribed seventy-five thousand dollars towards the Salisbury Branch Railroad.

JOSEPH P. GROVE, residing near Titusville, was caught in the machinery of his grist mill last week and crushed to death.

THE Altoona *Sun* says that Charles Murray, the inventer of cork limbs, is an inmate of the Cambria county alms house. This is too bad if true.

WESTMORELAND county has two hundred and eighty-seven school houses, valued, with the grounds and property belonging to them, at $356,000.

THE Armstrong county sheriff has bagged a number of saloon keepers of that modern Sodom, Parker's Landing, on a charge of illegally selling Liquor.

CONSTABLE John H. Walter, of Union township, Bedford county, died very suddenly last Saturday in a sled in which he was traveling on the way home from a sale.

ALBION, Erie county, is still afflicted with the new fever. The patient takes a chill and dies inside of a day. Some twenty-five cases were reported and about ten deaths.

ELDER Green, of Mosiertown, Crawford county, has sued some members of his congregation for malicious mischief, in placing his carriages where they did not belong.

AN old lady of Altoona bought a shroud for her husband, remarking that he was not dead yet, but particularly ailing, but seo didn't know that she could buy it so cheap again.

QUITE an extensive cave has been discovered near Bellefont, Center county, by some men engaged in working in a lime quarry. The cave is said to contain some genuine cave stalactites.

SUDDEN DEATH.—Mr. Rhoades Hower, an old resident of Ashland, Schuylkill county, slipped and fell on the ice on Thursday, rupturing himself inwardly, from the effects of which he died shortly after.

PENNSYLVANIA, since the establishment of the United States, has had twenty-nine different United States Senators. All were natives of the Commonwealth excepting two foreigners and one Maryander.

THE Meadville *Republican* says: We hear it stated that the Ohio Company now boring for coal some eight miles south of this city, near the line of the old turnpike, have struck a vein of coal five feet in thickness.

IT has been decided in the Court of Columbia county that the business of a barber in shaving on Sunday is a worldly employment, not excepted from the prohibition of the act of 23 April 1794. It is not the work of necessity or charity, but of mere convenience.

WE have published a clipped statement to the effect that Gabriel B. Eldred, of Susquehanna county, asked for an appointment from Gov. Geary to succeed a then dying officer. The part of Mr. Eldred has been fully, fairly and honorably explained, and the traveling item started by some Bohemian should be stopped in exchanges.

MR. E. W. SHIPPEN, Meadville, has a span of French (Percheron) horses, which he imported last May. They are a dapple iron-grey, and of remarkable strength. The Meadville *Republican* says: "We have seen the weighmaster's certificate from Mr. James Hazlett's scales, in which one load of wet shales is put down at 6365 lbs., wagon 1500 lbs., total 7865 lbs., almost four tons or two tons to the horse, and this was hauled by them up over a hill."

OHIO ITEMS.

AKRON has a $4,000 fire last week.

SPRINGFIELD is to have a new postoffice and Akron wants one.

THE Postoffice at Mount Vernon was robbed on Wednesday night of last week. What amount was stolen is not known.

A young man in Stonington tried to clean his gun by putting a red hot poker down the barrel. He can't find one of his fingers.

THE State Board of Agriculture of Ohio have decided to hold the next State Fair at Springfield during the second week in September.

MR. H. N. GILLET, of Lawrence county, raised from one potato twelve and a half bushels of potatoes. The soil was pond muck.

SPIRITUALIST societies are in existence in Akron, Ravenna, New Philadelphia, and most towns of any size. There are not enough in Canton to meet.

PARTIES selling patent rights and taking notes, and not inserting in the notes "given for a patent right," are liable to go to jail in the State of Ohio.

REV. W. H. MORTON, A. M., for the past two years pastor of the Martin's Ferry M. E. Church, has been elected President of the Wheeling Female College.

MR. AND MRS. ROSWELL LEE, of Farmington, the parents of Mrs. Cyrus Clark, of New Castle, celebrated their golden wedding on the 1st inst., in the homestead which they occupied when married, fifty years ago.

COL. P. H. OLMSTEAD, who died Feb. 20, aged 67, began in 1841 to publish the *Columbus Gazette*, the pioneer of the *State Journal*. Excepting Mr. Brown, of Cincinnati, he was the oldest surviving newspaper man in the State.

THE grade of the Belmont and Toledo Railroad, if built on the track recently surveyed from McMahon's Creek *via* St. Clairsville to Wheeling creek, north of the Infirmary farm, will not exceed eighty feet to the mile, and the cost of construction will be far less than the average of the Central Ohio.

THE certificate of incorporation of the Zanesville Woolen Manufacturing Company was filed at the office of the Secretary of State last week. The capital stock is $50,000, in shares of $100. The corporators are C. W. Potwin, Wm. Houston, Robt. Fulton, H. Elliott, and Wm. A. Graham. Putnam is also to have a new woolen mill.

THE Noble county *Republican* says: John Frakes, of Bloomfield township, is a nephew of Louis Weizel the great Indian fighter of early days. Mr. Frakes was one of the earliest pioneers of Ohio, and helped very vigorously and with a hearty good will to drive the "noble red man" out of our beautiful State. For Mr. Lo he has the bitterest dislike and most profound contempt. To him there is no romance about the child of the forest, only a mass of dirt and feathers, carrying a tomahawk and scalping knife, ever ready to raise the "hat" of any unfortunate pale-face that may fall in his way. Mr. F. is about eighty years of age, and possesses the vigor and activity of many men of forty. He boasts that he can split one hundred and fifty rails per day without difficulty.

GENERAL NEWS.

MORNING ENVELOPES—dressing gowns.

A WRINGING MACHINE—the income tax.

ANOTHER female firm is to start on Wall street.

MISSOURI has venison at four cents a pound.

SPIRITUALISM is called "Spiritism" in Australia.

A PRUSSIAN is to introduce horse-cars into China.

WALL (street) flowers—Woodhull, Claflin & Co.

VICTORIA has frequent quarrels with Albert Edward.

FASHION REPORTERS take opera glasses to church in New York.

A MEXICAN has an oath "registered" to shoot Juarez and Romero.

CHANG, the Chinese giant, has joined an Ethiopean minstrel troupe.

IT costs almost as much to run the Œcumenical as to run Congress.

OLD STOCKINGS are the favorite banks and pocket-books in Canada.

A NEW drink is made from the sweet potato and is called Aromatica.

GUSTAVE DORE is to make a sketching tour of the United States this season.

COUNT OTTO VON BELLOW, of New Jersey, is a brother of Lord Ainsley.

HOW do persons manage to sleep on a spring mattress all through the winter?—*Judy.*

THE grasshopper that was seen in the fields two weeks ago is now stiff at the joints.

SANTA ANNA is stumping along through his seventy-second year of revolutionary existence.

THERE is a terrible jealousy and a newspaper war between Cincinnati and Louisville.

THE City Council of Baltimore is taking steps to prevent trapeze performances in that city.

A CALIFORNIA paper says that John Chinaman can be converted to christianity "in just one fight."

Four hundred new money offices will be opened by the Postoffice Department on the 1st of July.

MISS MAGDALEN LOUISA STOCKWELL is a member of the Freshman class of Michigan University.

A COUPLE of Englishmen have made the ascent of Mount Blanc in January, and came down alive.

The father of Hon. Anson Burlingame, Joel Burlingame, Esq., is living in Dunton, Cook county, Ill.

THE British Astronomer Royal has a salary of £1,000 a year. He may thank his stars for it.—[Pun.

TEXAS is competing with California in matter of naming its towns. It now has Hog Eye and Sand Fly.

MRS. ELIZABETH CADY STANTON, who has been seriously ill, is recovering. She will lecture here this week.

The French Prince Imperial contemplates a tour through Germany and Prussia, with his military tutor.

THE habit of going to sleep with a lighted cigar in his mouth proved fatal to a Kentuckian the other day.

Exchange papers say that Patti-Caux will "pay one visit to the United States, and then retire into private life."

JESSE D. BRIGHT is in favor of taxing private bills that come before the Legislature, which is a bright idea.

THERE is a movement in the Council in favor of beards, and the Pope is not disinclined to the innovation.

ACCIDENT insurance is unprofitable in Bloomington, Ill., where the city pays a man $350 for a sprained ankle.

A MAN has been pronounced insane in New York because he lived as a hermit and carried his money in his hat.

FARRAGUT's life is not considered in danger after his successful contest with those seven Chicago doctors some months ago.

JOHN FOLGATE, aged 105, claims to be the oldest man in Ohio, but Elias Sudduth, also of Ohio, claims to be three years older.

A MAN has been fined $50 in Buffalo for selling explosive kerosene oil, the more appropriate penalty would be to compel him to use it.

THE St. Albans *Messenger* says that the winter has amounted to so little this season that people have had no more complimentary notices of it.

THE New York *Herald* claims that it has already affected public sentiment in Prussia, in Austria and France. Fejee Islands not heard from.

REV. WM. BAUCHEM says that the most perfect description of a gentleman ever written is contained in the thirteenth chapter of the first Corinthians.

"PRACTICAL VALENTINES" are the feature of this season in London. They contain not only rymes, but pictures, pencil cases, jewelry and other gifts.

PRESIDENT WOOLSEY, of Yale College, has memorialized Congress for a census all incomes, large and small, in order to determine the national resources.

OWING to modern scientific improvements, the little busy bee is said to be no longer responsible for much of the canned honey on the grocer's shelf.

NINETY-NINE speeches delivered and nine Bishops dead is the record of the Œcumenical Council. So it only takes eleven speeches in Latin to kill a Bishop.

THE fact that the Zurich defaulting cashier stole as high as $650,000 did not prevent his sentence to eleven years' imprisonment. Swiss justice differs from ours.

A CORRESPONDENT believes that many of the girls remain single only because they cannot find money and a brown stone house, with a man attached as a coupon.

IN Worcester, Massachusetts, they are going to try a man who attempted, and failed, to kill himself. If punished at all, it should be, not for the attempt, but for the failure.

BROADHEAD has explained his speedy return to his Sheffield admirers. He says that the American press created such a prejudice against him that he couldn't obtain employment.

In Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Hatfield, arguing against the woman reform, declares "that as many men suffer from the effects of a woman's tongue, as women suffer from drunken husbands."

SOMEBODY writes from California that it is a hard place for the poor man and laborer there at the present time. Taxes are oppressive, the prices of most commodities exorbitant, crime abundant, and the courts corrupt.

A "BUTCHER BOY" became so deeply effected over Lucille Weston's rendition of "East Lynne," in Cincinnati, the other evening, that the police were obliged to remove him. We are told that his "sonorous sobs" were painful to hear.

THE women of Florence, New Jersey have just found out that no female "can be healthy herself or have a healthy child" unless she wears a costume made up of a "man's gray trousers, a black kersey sacque and a woman's bonnet." The bonnet is what none of them will give up, even for a "healthy child."

WEST VIRGINIA.

CREEK ICE has been laid in at Wheeling.

CHARLESTON is the coming capital of West Virginia.

H. A. ZIEGLER, Superintendent of the State Public Schools, died recently at Wheeling. Alvan D. Williams has been appointed his successor.

AN ATTEMPT was made to blow up a boiler where a large number of men were employed in Griffith & Brewers' machine shop, near Morgantown.

THE following is the amount of internal revenue for the year ending December 31st, 1869, from West Virginia: Spirits, $333,758 48; tobacco, $177,651 90, and on incomes and from other sources, including spirits and tobacco, the aggregate amount is $649,649 28.

FIRST EDITION.

MIDNIGHT.

NEWS BY CABLE.

Sale of Cereals by Weight—Billiard Match—The Struggle in Spain—Montpensier Defines His Position—Carlist Disturbances—Conscript Demonstration at Lyons—Napoleon and His Ministry—The Carnival Season—The War in South America—Reverse to Lopez—The Missing Steamer City of Boston.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, February 26.—In accordance with resolutions adopted by the Convention of Chambers of Commerce, a bill will soon be brought before Parliament legalizing the sale of all cereals by weight.

The Duke of Richmond has accepted the Tory leadership in the House of Lords.

Another splendid game of billiards was played at the Corn Exchange, at Aylesbury, last evening, between W. Cook, Jr., and W. Dilton. Cook gave his opponent 200 points in the game of 1,000 and made the unexampled run of 189, spot, winning easily.

LONDON, February 27.—Oxford and Cambridge are both making changes in their crews for the annual University race. Cambridge has rejected Spencer and Oxford Haulbion.

FRANCE.

PARIS, February 26.—There was a demonstration on the part of conscripts at Lyons on Thursday, but the troubles were suppressed without bloodshed.

Archbishop De Ronald of Lyons, is dead.

Two more editors have been arrested for publishing obnoxious news.

It is said that the Emperor is dissatisfied with his Cabinet on account of its inability in removing political disputes in the Corps Legislatif, and its tendency to extreme measures not sanctioned by a majority, as instanced in the vote on the question of supporting the official candidate for the Chamber.

PARIS, February 27.—The Emperor declares officially and personally perfect harmony exists between himself and the present Ministry, and he believes they have the sympathy of every honest Frenchman.

The journals which support the deputies of the Right have commenced an attack on the Olliviere Ministry. The *Legre*, a court organ, declares it will not join in the attack, but protests against the measures of Ollivier as contrary to its principles.

It is asserted the Council of State will propose a reduction in the army contingent.

The first day of the carnival passed without the slightest trouble. There was a procession which marched through the streets quietly and was not interfered with by the police. The weather was very fine and the display attracted great crowds of spectators.

The Bishop of Lavel publishes a letter declaring he would die rather than aid in the interests of shareholders, but so long as the latter are ready to invest capital in such enterprises the public will not complain, and the government has no occasion to interfere. He called attention to the fact that the House Committee, after sitting two years consideration of the subject, unanimously agreed, near the close of last session, an adverse report against the Hubbard, and two or three other schemes. He also called attention to the error of the Senate Committee's report in regard to the charge for messages from Washington to the following places:

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MILWAUKEE.

State Capital Removal—Kerosene Accident.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

MILWAUKEE, February 27.—Citizens of Milwaukee assembled in mass meeting last night and adopted resolutions pledging themselves to furnish the State with grounds and a capitol building, equal if not better than the present one, provided the capital be removed to Milwaukee. A number of members of the Legislature were present and spoke strongly in favor of the removal, and thought if the question was submitted to a vote of the people nine-tenths would vote for it. A committee of influential Milwaukeeans was appointed to visit Madison and labor in the cause. As nearly all the members of the Legislature have to pass through Milwaukee to get to Madison, and the hotel accommodations at Madison are so meagre, it is thought the majority for removal will be large.

Two servant girls named Kostar and Ear, employed in the City Hotel, were fatally burned this morning by kindling a fire with kerosene.

ST. LOUIS.

Precautions Against Indian Raids.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 28.—In view of apprehensions of hostilities by the Indians this spring, orders have been issued from the military headquarters here to furnish all employes on the Kansas Pacific Railroad from Fort Harker to the terminus of the road with arms and ammunition for defense. Small infantry guards are to be stationed along the extension of road beyond Fort Wallace to protect working parties. In addition to this detachments of cavalry will be placed so as to defend settlers on Solomon, Saline and Republican rivers against inroads by hostile or roving bands. Posts will be established on Sibley Lake, on Republican river, Great Spirits Spring on the Solomon and Wolf creek on the Saline, between which points the troops will patrol. It is believed these measures will prevent any hostile demonstrations and secure peace to the frontier.

Upper Rivers.

(By Pacific and Atlantic Telegraph.)

OIL CITY, February 28.—River is at a stand, with thirty inches of water in the channel. Weather cloudy and raining. Thermometer 45 degrees at 7 p. m.

BROWNSVILLE, February 28.—River rising slowly, with 5½ feet of water in the channel. Raining. Thermometer 39 degrees at 7 p. m.

DEATH ON THE RAIL.

Fearful Accident on the Mississippi Central Railroad—Over Twenty Passengers Killed.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

OXFORD, MISS., February 26.—A fearful accident occurred about four o'clock yesterday afternoon to the regular morning train on the Mississippi Railroad, for New Orleans. The train, leaving Humboldt behind time, rapidly approached Buckney trestle, which is forty feet high and over a ravine. The engine crossed safely, but the remainder of the train ran off the track, crushing the trestle and completely wrecking the baggage, mail, express and three passenger cars. The cause of the accident is believed to have been the unsound condition of the trestle, the timbers of which permitted the rail to slip out of place and thus switch off the cars which crashed through the trestle and plunged into the ditch. Every car was utterly destroyed. The baggage, mail and express freight broke loose and were scattered on the sides of the ravine into which the wreck plunged. The first and second passenger cars were shattered to pieces, and the remaining passenger car kept its place on the track, while the forward end rested on the wreck of the second car in the ravine at an inclination of fifty degrees. Two women, four children, twelve white and three colored persons are known to be killed, and it is feared some others.

Among the killed was Colonel Spoors, a planter, residing fourteen miles from Jackson, who was returning from Chicago with thirty laborers; also S. C. Moorehouse, of Elkhart, Indiana, Mrs. Duncan K. Farrell, who just arrived from Scotland via New York, and J. McDonald, superviser of southern end of the road. The names of the others have not been ascertained, but it is believed they were all from the west and south.

Among the injured was Miss Aggy Elliott, of New York, who was fastened an hour in the wreck by the side of five women who died around her, but she was rescued without apparent injury, except a badly mashed hand. Colonel Sam Tate, President of the road, was nearly suffocated by passengers thrown upon him in the wreck. One man's leg was badly crushed, another's was crushed, many were cut and bruised and three or four suffered severe internal injury.

A special train from Louisville was only half an hour behind the wrecked train with a large party of northern and western railroad men, with their ladies and a few passengers, including Lord Russell and wife, J. W. Simonton, General Agent of the Associated Press, and wife, of New York, and Mr. Gorron, of New Orleans. The party are all safe and assisted in succoring the victims.

The wounded were chiefly brought to Oxford, where the citizens proffered every assistance.

H. McCarthy, mail agent of the train, telegraphs Colonel Fogg, superintendent, and adds. The southward bound passengers will proceed to-day.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., February 28.—The *Ledger's* Oxford (Mississippi) special says seventeen persons were killed by the railroad accident, among whom were Col. Spoors, of Hinds county, Miss., killed, the road master, two ladies and two children, names unknown. The remainder will be killed, with few exceptions, were emigrants en route for Arkansas. Fourteen or fifteen passengers were wounded, several fatally. Sam Tate, President of the road, was slightly wounded, also J. McComico and son. M'Donald's body was horribly mangled and hardly recognizable. The train, except the engine, is a complete wreck.

CHICAGO.

The Lydia Thompson Blonde Troupe and the "Times" Proprietor in the Police Court—Closing Saloons on Sunday.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

CHICAGO, February 26,—The trial of Lydia Thompson, and a portion of her troupe of blondes, took place this morning at the Armory, in the presence of an immense audience, embracing all classes. When the blondes made their appearance they were received with lively cheers. Mr. Story, when he made his appearance, was greeted with hisses and slipped with a bang on his face. Lydia Thompson and John Van Annan appeared as counsel for the blondes. Mr. Story employed no counsel. After the examination of a number of witnesses the Court said, which were detailed all the facts of the cowhiding, Justice Sommerfield imposed a fine of one hundred dollars each on Lydia Thompson, Pauline Markham and Mr. Henderson, and ten dollars each on Adelaide Phillips and E. W. Eldridge. The fines were paid.

This afternoon, just before the commencement of the matinee, the Lydia Thompson troupe were called before court at the instigation of Mr. Story, charging them with riot. This rendered it necessary to empanel a fresh jury, when Union Mr. Hubbard, in his reply, contended that in Europe, under the control of the government, four miles of wires cost no more than one of the Western Union; that the average rate abroad was forty-five cents per message against seventy in this country; that the telegraph is more used in Europe than here; that the adoption of the postal system will reduce the average rates fifty per cent., and that under the postal system in Europe the business has increased one hundred per cent., while the expenses increased but twenty-five per cent. He believes a great saving of expense will also be made by uniting the telegraph with the postoffice without corresponding increase of the expense of that department.

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SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK, A. M.

THE CAPITAL.

Gen. Butler for Next President—Postal Telegraph Scheme—Disabilities Bill—The Case of Georgia—Gold Sales and Bond Purchases.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26, 1870.

GEN. BUTLER FOR NEXT PRESIDENT.

In accordance with published notice, the meeting of the friends of Gen. Butler was held at Union League Hall to-night. Remarks were made, the orators speaking in eulogistic terms of that gentleman, as having by a company of Massachusetts troops at the beginning of the war saved the Government. One of them remarked that able was only the beginning of a movement to elect Butler to the Presidency. Another said that while he admired Butler, he thought this movement premature and would do him more harm than good. A few colored persons were present and a band of the same race played during the intervals of speaking. Resolutions were adopted tendering thanks to Gen. Butler for his services in the army and outside the army, in Congress and out of Congress. His friends then proceeded to his house for the purpose of serenading him.

CASE OF GEORGIA.

The Senate Judiciary Committee have unanimously agreed upon the report on the resolution of Mr. Ferry, relative to Georgia. They do not recommend any further legislation, but say there were irregularities in the organization of the present legislature. They decide that Pendleton, the Governor, and legislature commenced in 1868. The report is considered favorable to Messrs. Hill and Blaine, although the committee make no special recommendation in regard to the senatorial question.

GOES TO THE PRESIDENT.

In the confusion attending the adoption of Senator Revels to a seat in Congress, Senator Wilson withdrew his motion to reconsider the vote by which was passed the bill removing political disabilities from about three thousand persons in the South. The bill now goes to the President for his signature.

THE WOUNDED WERE CHIEFLY

The proprietor of a New York weekly newspaper to-day had an interview with the Senate Post Office Committee and offered to furnish the Postmaster Genral with a statement showing the number of newspapers he has subsequently interviewed Postmaster General Creswell on the same subject. He also urged the abolition of the franking privilege.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27, 1870.

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH SCHEME.

At a special session of the Senate Postal Committee yesterday morning Mr. Orton continued his argument against the Hubbard scheme. In the course of his remarks Mr. Orton said: Twenty-three new lines in operation in the majority of the States, all of which were being extended, and that if the business was not interfered with by Congress, it was probable that within a short time, a year or two at the farthest, competition in telegraph would exist all over the country. Competition really promoted the interests of shareholders, but so long as the latter are ready to invest capital in such enterprises the public will not complain, and the government has no occasion to interfere. He called attention to the fact that the House Committee, after sitting two years consideration of the subject, unanimously agreed, near the close of last session, an adverse report against the Hubbard, and two or three other schemes. He also called attention to the error of the Senate Committee's report in regard to the charge for messages from Washington to the following places:

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NEW YORK CITY.

Another Missing Steamer—The Situation in Cuba—Indictments in U. S. Court—Revenue Matters—Coal Strike—The Tobacco Trade—New Masonic Temple—Evangelical Commission—New Railroad Scheme, &c., &c.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NEW YORK, February 26, 1870.

ANOTHER MISSING STEAMER.

Another ocean steamer is missing, the Bremen steamer Smidt, which left Bremen January 10th. She had two hundred and ninety-eight passengers. There is much anxiety about her.

THE TOBACCO TRADE.

The national tobacco association before adjourning resolved to recommend the separate collection of the tax on spirits and tobacco, and the abolishment of monthly returns.

UNITED STATES COURT.

In the United States Circuit Court today the recognizances of several members of the Cuban Junta were declared forfeited for non-appearance when their names were called to answer to presentments from the grand jury.

Indicted: General Thomas Egan and Frank Webb, for frauds relating to fraudulent weighter's pay rolls; Samuel T. Blatchford, R. B. Caldwell and others, charged with drawback frauds; Richard Clarke, the notorious counterfeiter, and E. T. Oakley, defaulting cashier of Merchants Exchange National Bank.

THE SITUATION IN CUBA.

The Cuban Junta have the following dispatch:

Jacksonville, Feb. 25.—The Spanish winter campaign came to a disastrous end at Najasa, Cuba, on the 28th of January. The Spanish retreated to the town of Najasa, leaving a detachment of classes of the Cuban army are begging for arms to attack the towns. (Cespedes and Quesada are with the army, and Colonel Adolfo Varona to an important foreign mission. They sailed from Cuba in the middle of the month, arrived here now at Jacksonville, and will be in New York some time between the 26th inst. and the 1st of March.

Gen. Quesada, chief of staff of the Cuban army, passed through Savannah, Ga., on Saturday, from Florida. The General is in excellent health and cheerful in regard to the cause. He represents the Cuban army at 30,000, but says they need arms. He says they will succeed whether aided or not.

REVENUE MATTERS.

The charges against Kohler & Kamions, brewers, for defrauding the revenue, have been dismissed.

Commissioner Betts has denied the motion to dismiss the complaint against Internal Revenue Harrington, charged with revenue frauds.

A movement is reported on foot for the removal of Michael Scanlon, Collector Revenue Assessor for the 19th District. The names of several candidates are mentioned.

RUMORED COAL STRIKE.

The coal trade are circulating a report that the miners in the Lackawanna and Schuylkill districts are about to quit work in consequence of a reduction in wages. It is supposed to be a pretext to raise the price of coal.

BROADWAY TUNNELL.

A car accommodating twenty persons to-day traversed the Broadway tunnel, now three hundred feet long and twenty-one feet under the level of the street.

SILK BONNERY.

The importing firm of Hermans, Feldman & Co., Reade street, was robbed last night of twenty-five hundred dollars' worth of silks.

ACTOR DEAD.

John Nunan, a well known actor, died on Thursday.

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MASONIC TEMPLE.

The corner stone of the magnificent Masonic Temple, corner of Twenty-third street and Sixth avenue, is to be laid on the 1st of June. By that time the Masons will have $60,000 cash on hand with which to commence the building. The cost of the building is estimated at $100,000. The not yearly income is estimated at $40,000.

EVANGELICAL COMMISSION.

The American Christian Commission, organized to evangelize the whole American people, met this evening. Addresses were made by Rev. Dr. Adams, of this city, and Rev. J. T. Burgess, of Brooklyn.

NEW RAILROAD SCHEME.

A new railroad enterprise, with the title of Manhattan Beach Railroad, is projected, starting at Croton, on the Hudson river, and connecting at Brewster's Station with the Boston, Hartford, Erie, Harlem and other roads.

ABSCONDED.

The *Sunday News* reports that Nathan Kingsley, Sr., of the firm of Kingsley & Co., Wall street manufacturers, absconded with thirty thousand dollars, leaving his son and partner in the lurch.

CHURCH OPENING.

The new Methodist Episcopal Church, erected at a cost of $80,000, was opened in Brooklyn to-day. Bishop Janes preached the sermon.

APPOINTMENT.

Thomas C. Acton, ex-Police Commissioner, has been appointed Superintendent of the United States assay office of this city.

ENGINEERS' MEETING.

A Board of Engineers, headed by Gen. McClellan, held a meeting yesterday to devise means for the rapid transit through Manhattan Island.

MORE DOCTORS.

One hundred and forty doctors graduated yesterday from Bellevue Hospital Medical College, representing twenty-four States.

WORK RESUMED.

Work at the Brooklyn Navy Yard will be commenced with vigor. About one thousand workmen will be engaged by Tuesday.

NEW COUNTERFEITS.

Counterfeit twenties on the Market National Bank of this city were put in circulation yesterday.

A DENIAL.

The rumored resignation of Mr. Rucker as General Superintendent of the Erie Railroad is officially denied by Fisk.

SEWARD BANQUET.

The Seward banquet is set for next Thursday evening at the Astor House.

BOSTON.

The Remains of Mr. Burlingame—Alleged Embezzlement by a Postmaster—A Swindling Bankrupt.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

BOSTON, February 28.—A cable dispatch states that Minister Curtin will take charge of the remains of Mr. Burlingame, in connection with members of the Chinese Embassy. The body is to be embalmed and lie in state at the American Legation and finally be sent to America in charge of representatives of both China and the United States. It is said said the negotiations commenced with the Czar of Russia will be completed by the Embassy and they will then return to China. It is understood Mr. Burlingame caught a heavy cold, which culminated in a congestive chill, resulting in death.

Wm. W. Lander, of Salem, was arrested to-day, on a charge of the misappropriation of six thousand dollars of funds belonging to the United States while Postmaster at Salem. He gave bail for a trial.

Hugh Clark, of Randolph, lately convicted on a charge of concealing property from creditors in bankruptcy, was sentenced to day to fifteen months imprisonment in Dedham jail.

Convicted of Murder and Sentenced.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

DETROIT, February 27.—The trial of George Vanderpool, at Manistee, Michigan, for the murder of Herbert Field, concluded on Saturday, with a verdict of murder in the first degree. Being asked why sentence should not be pronounced, the prisoner spoke ten minutes, calling God to witness his innocence of the crime. He was sentenced to solitary confinement for life.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

—Ice cutting has commenced on the Hudson and the supply promises to be plentiful.

—The grand musical festival at San Francisco closed on Saturday. The gross receipts are estimated at $50,000.

—The store of Beers & Son, at Cauldwell, Conn., was burglarized Thursday night last to the amount of $180 in currency and checks.

—The Boston steam fire engine Howard exploded her boiler Friday night last while working at a fire. Several firemen were injured, not fatally.

—At Milwaukee, on Saturday, a servant girl named Doyle, in the employ of W. H. Wheelock, was burned to death by kindling a fire with kerosene.

—The flags of the public buildings and shipping at San Francisco were at half mast on Sunday out of respect to the memory of Minister Burlingame.

—Professor Jefferson E. Williams was sentenced on Saturday, at Philadelphia, to eighteen months in the county jail, for an indecent assault on two little boys.

—The shirt factory of S. & R. Panton at Danbury, Conn., was destroyed by an incendiary fire on Saturday morning. Three hundred workmen are temporarily thrown out of employment.

—Nearly thirty prominent firms of New York city are accused of selling smuggled oils, causing a large loss of revenue to the Government. An investigation is in progress and three arrests have been made.

—A Des Moines (Iowa) dispatch says the weather there has been wonderfully warm for February. On Saturday the blue birds were out singing. In the southwestern part of Iowa the farmers were sowing wheat.

—An old man named John Holden, residing in Chicago, on Saturday morning took a dose of liniment, supposing it to be some other medicine, and died in a short time. The liniment he swallowed contained about an ounce belladonna.

—A bill providing for the improvement lands of Minnesota, in such shape as to pay old railroad bond indebtedness of that State, passed the Minnesota House Representatives Tuesday night 23 nays 15. It is thought the bill will pass the Senate.

—John Scott, the reason, ex-Federal General of Fenian notoriety, was taken to Richmond, Virginia, on Saturday, from West Virginia, on a requisition from Governor Walker, charged with obtaining money by representing himself to be a revenue officer in York county.

—Letters from Ottawa report a stirring debate in Parliament, in which Sir John Gale spoke in favor of a change of government, independence or annexation, and Hon. Mr. Hincks, in favor of annexation, but favored confederation as the great step toward independence.

—At Baltimore, yesterday, Right Rev. Thomas Foley was consecrated Bishop of Pergamus and Bishop Coadjutor of Chicago. There were present Bishops McCloskey, of Louisville, Mac Closkey, Bishop, Bishops Rosecrans, of Ohio, and Beckert, of Delaware. The latter preached the sermon. The ceremonies were imposing, over two hundred priests taking part.

—E. H. Stein, a well known Chicago merchant, has been fined one hundred dollars for a violation of the act of Congress which prohibits the issuing of advertisements of any kind made in the combination of United States bonds or currency. The defendant issued numerous imitations of two dollar bills, but all containing his name. The suit was brought in behalf of the United States.

—Prominent Irishmen of San Francisco propose a monster petition to the Government of the United States, in reference to the cruel treatment of Irish political prisoners in English prisons, stands upon the Irish press, and asking the Government to appoint a Commissioner to visit the different prisons and ascertain the real facts. The petition will be signed by the whole Irish population and forwarded to Senator Casserly for presentation to the President.

—A woman named Sarah Clarke, with six children ranging from an infant to seventeen years old, arrived at St. Joseph, Mo., Thursday night of last week, having walked all the way from Philadelphia, except between Chicago and Quincy, railroad passage having been procured for them between these points by some citizens of the former place. They left Philadelphia three months ago and are bound to Lawrence, Kansas, where the woman's husband met with serious accident some months since. They were out of money when they started and have begged their food along the road.

—A young man named Charles E. Lewis, confidential clerk and keeper of the commission house of C. Hinckley & Co., doing business in the Chamber of Commerce building, Chicago, has absconded taking with him United States bonds valued at six thousand dollars and $700 thousand dollars in cash. He has been in the employ of the firm for about five years and had borne an excellent reputation. He had lately been somewhat disinclined to extravagant in his habits. When he departed he left a note in his room, addressed to Hinckley, in which he said "My brain is crazed. I cannot stand this process much longer. When you find me you will learn the quickest manner of death and I bequeathe to you all that is left of me."

The Falls of Saint Anthony.

The mill seats on the Mississippi river, at Minneapolis and at St. Anthony, are arranged according to a novel device in hydraulic engineering. The bluffs of the Mississippi are composed of a stratum fourteen feet thick of limestone, supported by a layer of soft white friable sandstone. As the result of this formation, the Falls of St. Anthony have changed greatly within the last sixteen years. In 1854, the natural dam at this point was formed by a rocky ridge sixteen to eighteen feet high, and the stream below was filled with immense masses of the stone, which had fallen down from the ridge and the bluffs by reason of the washing out of the sandstone. This work of undercutting the limestone rock, has been going on continuously, and the dam has been retreating up the stream. In order to prevent the further destruction of the falls,