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those Passes for the California trade, as well as for the Asiatic.

Now, the three parties all profess a desire that the route shall be open equally to the commerce of all nations; but, in whose possession, or under whose guardianship shall they be? This is, apparently, the vital question.

The President declines for the United States. England and France will not concede. They put in their claims. Each party has a navy force on the coast, to help diplomacy. Neither would like to be aggressor.

An exceedingly dangerous feature of affairs, just at present, is the escape of an American vessel, from Mobile, with some two hundred filibusters.

The danger of a conflict with France is far greater than with England. Our means of annoying England are immense—our access to the Canadas, the destruction we could bring upon her shipping, cotton, and the stoppage of our extension trade with them, are evils which would extend far beyond the direct necessity.

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Shoes. An exchange paper says that every eighth man in Massachusetts is a shoemaker. Boston has two hundred and eighteen shoe-makers, doing a business of \$52,000 annually.

Access to New York. We understand that the connection between the New Jersey Central and Lehigh Valley Roads and the Pennsylvania Road, will be made in the course of January next.

Foreign Intelligence. By the steamship Phoenix, which arrived at New York on the 13th inst., we have Liverpool news to the effect that the Indian Empire, which left our shores some two months ago, with passengers, had not been heard of. She is probably lost.

shore and had not been tested since it was laid down.

The Galway steamship line has contracted for three new steamers of the first class, to be ready next summer.

It was considered certain that the steamer Great Eastern would make her first trip to Portland about the middle of next summer.

The trial of M. Montebello occupied only half a day. Mr. Berryer and Dufaure made brilliant, able, and most spirited speeches in his defence.

The London papers publish the heads of the arguments, but the French journals are silent, with the exception of announcing the result of the trial, which was a conviction. He was sentenced to six months imprisonment, and a fine of three thousand francs.

The Jewish Consistory had resolved on prosecuting Mr. Weill, of the Unions, for having accused the Jews of cannibalism—occasionally breakfasting or luncheon on the flesh of their kindred.

It is reported that an Anglo-French fleet will leave on the 15th of December for the Gulf of Mexico. The French fleet will have on board a battery of artillery, in order to oppose any enterprise of the filibusters against Central America.

The squadron destined to act against the Rif pirates, left Cadix on the 22d ult., and the second division of the squadron destined to act against Mexico, had also sailed from the same port.

Notices. The PRESBYTERY OF BLAIRVILLE will meet, according to adjournment, on the second Tuesday of January, 1856, to be opened with a sermon by Rev. Dr. Kirkpatrick.

Married. The PRESBYTERY OF HEAVER will meet on the third Tuesday of December, at 10 o'clock, at the residence of D. C. BROWN, Street Clerk.

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New Books for the Highways. At THE TRUST HOUSE, No. 529 CHESTNUT STREET.

CHILDREN'S FAMILY GLEANINGS. 60 bags choice Rio Coffee; 25 do. Old Government Java Coffee; 25 do. choice Java Coffee.

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