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(SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.)

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK, 19.—Nothing has been heard from the Pacific Mail ship *Arizona*, fourteen days overdue. The company's officers profess confidence that she is struggling towards San Francisco under sail.

The discovery has been made that counterfeit coupons of the Union Pacific Railroad bonds are in circulation, and investigation is making to ascertain if the bonds have been counterfeited abroad. Street was deceived by the artistic excellence of the counterfeit coupons, and paid them on presentation.

Lace shawls, valued at ten thousand dollars, belonging to Henry W. Ducker, were found in a Duane street auction house and seized yesterday by the government on the ground that they were smuggled. Ducker had been connected previously with smuggling.

A registered letter, containing cut stone, to the value of \$31,000, was seized yesterday at the post office. Proceedings have been commenced in each case to secure the confiscation of the goods and the punishment of the smugglers.

The Chamber of Commerce has appointed a committee to take measures for the establishment of a board of engineers with legal powers to take possession and blow up buildings during a general conflagration.

Arrangements are to be made this evening by co-religionists for the reception of two thousand Jews, expected soon in this country from Roumania.

Senator Trumbull has written a letter declining to continue chairman of the judiciary committee. Senator Edmunds, of Vermont, will probably succeed him.

BOSTON, 19.—A special session of the Massachusetts legislature, called in consequence of the Boston fire, convened to-day. The Governor's message briefly expresses the hope that legislation will be confined to matters growing out of the recent calamity, and suggests as topics for consideration the proposed loan of the credit of the city to parties wishing to rebuild, re-chartering insurance companies, amendment of the settlement act and building laws, and the payment of soldiers called out to guard. His suggestions generally are in harmony with the recommendations of the citizens' committee and the city government.

The loss by the fire on the State street block is one hundred thousand.

CHICAGO, 19.—The Female College at Jacksonville, Ill., belonging to the Illinois Conference of the Methodist Church, was burned last night. Loss

on the building about \$50,000, insured \$35,000. Professor Demolte, president, lost about \$35,000 on furniture, &c., which was uninsured. About sixty young ladies were in the college, all of whom escaped and saved their wardrobes and books. The students were provided with comfortable quarters by the citizens. This is the third time it has been burnt in nine years. Several persons were severely injured while endeavoring to save the building.

ST. LOUIS, 19.—Senator Blair, who has been sick for some time past, had a slight attack of paralysis in the right leg and arm on Saturday, but is much better to-day. His physician says he will soon be well again. The attack resembled that of Vice President Colfax, and was caused by excessive labor and tobacco.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway reaches Red River to-morrow and Dennis, Texas, this month. The Texas Central will reach Dennis about January 1st, completing the railway line from New York to Galveston via St. Louis.

NEW YORK, 19.—A special to the *Evening Post*, dated Washington 19, says there is good reason to believe that the President will, in his forthcoming message, recommend Congress to complete the work of amnesty, by restoring those to citizenship who are now excluded by the 3rd section of the 14th amendment to the Constitution. Such a course has been urged upon the President by several men in the cabinet, and one of them is authority for saying that he has decided to do so.

The U. S. Marshal, at New Orleans, telegraphed to the President on Saturday last, for troops to aid him to arrest certain persons who are conspiring against the election, and who have manifested a disposition to resist the Federal authorities. The President promptly refused to comply with the request, deeming such action entirely unnecessary, especially when there was no information showing that the civil authorities were powerless to execute the laws.

The action of the U. S. Marshal in Alabama, in arresting the Democratic members of the legislature for alleged violation of the election laws, and consigning them to Mobile to prevent a quorum being present is severely condemned here by the administration, as unwise and unnecessary, and perhaps illegal.

TOPEKA, Ks., 20.—Wm. P. Ross has been elected chief of the Cherokee nation of Indians, in place of Lewis Golding, deceased.

Dispatches from the end of the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, on the western line of the State, say that the buffaloes are so thick that trains cannot run with safety.

NEW YORK.—The *Tribune* says, this morning, that Greeley has been seriously unwell since his wife's death, from nervous prostration, resulting, mainly, from the severe strain upon his nervous system through want of rest and sleep during the last month of her illness. Nothing but his remarkable strength of constitution has enabled him to give attention to his recent duties, but it may be safely trusted to restore him speedily to his usual vigorous health.

Every part of the Academy of Music was crowded last night to hear Father Burke, on Oliver Cromwell, in reply to Frönde. He spoke two hours and a half.

The Danish consul in this city makes a public appeal for aid for his countrymen who lost their property by the recent severe storms in Europe, and who are now in positive want.

A Roumania emigration society was formed in this city last evening, to welcome and care for the immigrants en route here.

A Havana letter states that the slave holders of Cuba are taking every means possible to retain slavery, and have expended six hundred thousand dollars to secure from Minister Zorrilla the expression that while a single insurgent remains in arms, there shall be no reforms in Cuba.

Dispatches from nearly every western city, and from various points in the west and south-west, say the epizootic is raging with the same results as at-

tended its appearance in the eastern States.

A New York special speaking of the shooting of O'Neill on Monday last, by James C. King, says the copious account of the King divorce suit and of the events which preceded the application for divorce, are very contradictory, but many facts have come to light indicating O'Neill to be the seducer of King's wife. Public opinion is more divided to day than yesterday. King first met O'Neill in the Erie Railway office, while arranging to move his household furniture to Turner's station on that road. He conceived a friendship for the handsome and obliging agent, and O'Neill became a constant visitor at his home at Turner's. Mrs. King, who is a beautiful woman, is said to have fascinated O'Neill, and at last abruptly left her home at Turner's station, to live with him and his wife in this city. Even if no criminal relations had existed between O'Neill and Mrs. King, his championship of her divorce suit has been peculiarly zealous and eager. The testimony as to King's cruel treatment of his wife is also very badly mixed. King admits that he once had a personal affray in San Francisco, but declines to give the particulars. His trial will be awaited with the keenest interest, as the degree of intimacy between the deceased and Mrs. King will then be revealed.

BOSTON, 20.—The contributions to the Citizens' Relief Fund amount to \$75,000, including one thousand in gold from Lord Dufferin, Governor General of Canada. Contributions for Harvard College aggregate \$37,000.

Deavitt Alley has been fully committed for trial on the charge of the murder of Abijah Ellis, whose remains were found in two barrels in Charles River ten days ago.

WASHINGTON, 20.—The President to-day appointed G. M. Fairman postmaster for Philadelphia, vice Bingham resigned.

Nelson, minister to Mexico, had a long interview with President Grant this p.m., relating to the condition of affairs in that country. He speaks in praise of the new President of Mexico, especially of his intelligence and desire to preserve and strengthen the friendship now existing between his country and the U. S. There seems no obstacle to concluding a new convention extending the time for disposing of the remaining claims before the U. S. Mexican commission, which by limitation will expire under the present convention in February next. It is stated that President Tejedo is anxious for such extension and will appoint an agent in good faith to carry out the design of the commission in place of Guzman, by whose action the proceedings for some weeks were interrupted, and preliminary steps have already been taken for a new convention.

BOSTON, 7 p.m., 20.—A fire has broken out in Rand & Avers' large printing house at the foot of Washington St., and the entire establishment will be destroyed. The adjoining buildings on Cornhill are threatened.

Attorney General Williams has decided adversely upon C. A. Perry and Company's claim for compensation for cattle, wagons, &c., lost or destroyed in accompanying the march of troops into Utah against the Mormons in 1857. In his opinion, Mr. Williams says the claim does not come within the law providing for payment for property lost or destroyed in the military service, either by impressment or contract, and that this law does not necessarily apply to every interference with or trespass upon the use or possession of property by military authorities, nor would a contract or destruction of property by such authority necessarily give the owners a claim for its payment under the statute.

ST. LOUIS, 20.—Gov. Brown has sent Adjutant General Siegel to Lafayette county to investigate the alleged disturbed condition of affairs.

BOSTON, 20.—The printing house of Rand & Co., destroyed, was one of the best appointed in New England, employing some 200 hands. The loss is heavy, but the amount is not yet ascertained.

Pew holders at the old South Church

at meeting to day, voted to lease the church to the government for a post office.

N. P. Morton, President of the Houghton railroad, had both his feet cut off at Canton last night, by falling upon the track while hastily jumping from a train in motion. He is nearly 70 years of age, and is not expected to recover.

BOSTON, 8 p.m., 20.—The fire is now under control and will be confined to Rand's printing house.

NEW YORK, 20.—Judge Fancher granted an application to-day for the children of King, the murderer of O'Neill, to be given into the custody of the mother.

Sergeant Thompson and three aids of the health department report, after visiting all the markets in the city and numerous wholesale poultry establishments, that they have found no disease, and furthermore the fowls never were in better condition than now.

The committee on the fire survey have printed, for the consideration of the board of fire underwriters, a new schedule which places an advance of from twenty to forty per cent. on flat rates without rebate and with five per cent. brokerage allowed.

Stanley arrived by the *Cuba* and was escorted up the bay by a delegation from the geographical societies and the *Herald* club.

Ex-Mayor Kalbfleisch, of Brooklyn, has filed an answer to the complaint of Mrs. Wade, in which she seeks 100,- \$000 damages for breach of promise. He attacks the plaintiff's character and promises proof of allegation.

AUGUSTA, Maine, 20.—A fiendish attempt to throw the evening train from a track near Farmdale. A plank and heavy tie were placed across the track. The engine cut the plank in two and the sleeper was thrown aside by the cowcatcher. Had the attempt succeeded the train would have gone down the bank twenty feet.

PORTLAND, Oregon, 20.—The thermometer at Walla Walla is 16, with five inches of snow on the ground. Large quantities of floating ice are reported in the Columbia at Dalles. The navigation above that point is closed for the season. The Willamette Real Estate Company was incorporated yesterday, with a capital of one million. W. L. Halsey, President.

BOSTON, 21.—Among the losses by the fire last night was the December number of "Old and New," and of "Little's Living Age," about seventy thousand copies. Well and Spring, the publishers of these periodicals have also lost a large quantity of paper and stock, as did Messrs J. R. Osgood & Co., Leis & Shepherd, Sampson & Davenport, publishers of the New England Register, the bill publishing company of Norwich, Conn., Ivison, Phinney, Blackman & Co., and the University Publishing Company, of New York, whose loss is in school text books.

NEW YORK, 21.—George M. Pevy, a merchant of Louisville, has been missing since Thursday last. He was known to possess large sums of money, and apprehensions are that he has been murdered.

The *Times*, upon the authority of Watson, President of the Erie railway, says H. F. Sweetser, manager of the Atlantic Great Western railroad, has resigned, and has paid over \$75,000 to General McClellan, President of that company, who had detected him in connivance with residents along the line of the road in appropriating a portion of the company's receipts. The friends of Sweetser deny his guilt. The secretary of the Great Western road is at Meadville, making a full investigation.

Stokes, in his next trial, will be defended by new counsel, his former counsel having retired.

The steamship *San Salvador*, from Savannah, with 250 freedmen for Liberia, arrived last evening. They are the advance guard of three thousand emigrants.

A verdict of wilful murder has been returned against King, who in answer to interrogatories, said he was 33 years old, was born at Morristown, N. J., is an attorney and counselor. By the advice of counsel he declined to say whether or not he was guilty.