

Wilmington, and Secor of San Francisco. These men were favorably contractors under the reign of Robeson. It is said the money first appropriated is inadequate, and that \$3,000,000 more will be required.

The Ordnance Department has accepted the proposal of an eastern firm for the conversion of fifty 10-inch smoothbore Rodman guns into 4-inch muzzle loading rifles, at a cost of \$100,000.

When Thompson was Secretary of the Navy, he persuaded Congress to appropriate \$250,000 to establish a sailing station at Chinquin Bay, in Central America. This occasioned much criticism; it was said to be a step in the direction of enforcing the Monroe Doctrine. The English and French people affected to decry a menace to their interests on the isthmus. Thompson went out of the Cabinet and into the Panama Canal Company before the station was established. Recently Secretary Chandler discovered that if something was not done before the close of the fiscal year, the money would be covered back into the Treasury. For some time Frelinghuysen opposed the consummation of the project, but Chandler finally won his point, and the sailing station is to be established. Now the French and English press will be called out again.

Richard, Director of the Mint, in Washington this evening upon official visit to the mining regions of the Western States and Territories. He purposes collecting statistics of their mineral production. He will also supervise the annual payment of the accounts of the Treasury in charge of the Western and assay offices.

The Secretary of the Interior has sent the following superintendents of the Yellowstone National Park: Wm. Cannon, Indiana; G. Anderson and Wm. Chambers, E. E. Sawyer, Minnesota; J. Meier, Kansas; Darral McLean, Pennsylvania; Edmund L. New York, and Jas. H. Dean, Kansas.

Congressman March, to-day, sent a letter to Secretary Folger, wherein he informed the Secretary, inasmuch as the attorney general, from among the employees of the Treasury Department (John Folger), to assist in the investigation of the affairs of Architect Hill, was acting for both himself (March), as prosecutor and defender, he (March) notified the Secretary that, so long as he was concerned, the services of Mr. Blair could be dispensed with and March would employ his special counsel in the case. March received a letter from Bros. Manufacturing Company, Chicago, wherein they state they are pleased to see him take steps to investigate the alleged malfeasance in letting contracts, and other irregularities connected with the official position. They will continue to persist in their work until bottom is reached. Crane Bros. enclose in their letter to March a copy of the letter, which they state was sent to Secretary Folger.

CHICAGO, April 17, 1883.  
C. Folger, Secretary of the Treasury.

In the spring of 1879, many among others made arrangements for the customhouse postoffice in Chicago, but in error of the superintendent in charge here, our bid was rejected, while the other adopted hydraulic elevators, which we had not made. The matter was then brought before the Secretary Sherman, who ordered an investigation, and on the report made by the fact that he had not had the court room occupancy at a certain time, could cause the whole matter to be opened and new bids were made. In charge that Hill, the architect, made a mistake in his report to Sherman regarding the fact that the rooms were not occupied by the elevators for many years subsequent to the time when the opinion passed upon by Secretary Sherman, he was for the delay in this matter, as one, I would set aside. Further assurances from this company that for the wants by the Government a full, fair opportunity would be afforded us to complete the work. Since that date

(1879) we have had no advice or opportunity to compete for such work for the Treasury Department, although we are advised that a large number of elevators have been contracted for that Department. Having thus briefly called your attention to the matter we would next respectfully ask you to cause an investigation to be made showing how many elevators have been contracted for since those for the Custom House, Chicago, in 1879, were erected, and by whom, and what competition (if any) was invited or allowed under the direction of Architect Hill. I feel great injustice has been done in not giving us an opportunity to compete for such elevators as have been contracted for since those dates cited above. Very respectfully.

R. J. CRANE, President.

PHILADELPHIA, 2.—Two Chinese opium dens were raided this morning. A man named Wood, minstrel performer, and two young women were arrested. Five Chinamen were also arrested.

Boston, 2.—Early last May the Governor obtained, through a State detective, a piece of tanned human skin from an East Weymouth tanning firm, which he used in the Tewksbury examination. The firm recently sent for their "property," but the governor refused to return it, stating that he acknowledged no property in "human hides," but if the firm think any property of theirs is being wrongfully retained, and they desire to recover possession thereof, they are at liberty to try a writ of replevin or other process of law. The Governor assures the firm, however, that the human remains in his possession will be decently buried after they have served the purpose of evidence.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, 2.—Last night's storm was unprecedented here. No lives lost, but there were several hairbreadth escapes. The rear wall of the new Opera House fell. All the bridges are down. Hundreds of families were driven from home. Many houses were damaged, in some cases a total loss of furniture is reported. Loss now estimated at \$30,000.

DES MOINES, 3.—A crowd of about 100 men assembled at Winterest, Ia., shortly after midnight this morning, and being refused the jail keys, broke in with crowbars and sledges. They then led out John Hamner, held for the murder of W. Newell, one year ago, and lynched him to a tree in the court house square; but while he was struggling one of the mob shot him through the heart. The party who fired the shot escaped on horseback. There was little excitement.

NEW HAVEN, 3.—The Sunday trains on the Houston Railroad were stopped to-day by the Massachusetts authorities. The clergymen of Berkshire County, Massachusetts, presented a petition against running trains on Sunday, but the railroad company disregarded it.

DETROIT, 3.—Reports are received here of extensive fires raging in the pinneries northwest of Iowa, but there are no details whatever. Fears are expressed of heavy damage unless rain speedily comes to our relief.

NASHVILLE, 3.—Gen. Geo. P. Buell was buried to-day, in Mt. Olivet cemetery, with military honors.

CHICAGO, 3.—Three families, numbering 12 persons, partook of lemon cream pie, purchased to-day at a bakery and restaurant on Milwaukee Avenue. All are now very sick with symptoms of poisoning. It is stated 65 other persons ate of the same pie at the restaurant during the day, but as all were transient customers, it is not known whether or not they were affected similarly.

ATLANTIC, Iowa, 4.—Frank Brown and John Anderson, two desperate members of what is known as the Crooked Creek gang, who pursued a course of intimidation in the little town of Wiota for three hours on Sunday, firing revolvers promiscuously and creating other forms of disturbance, were finally met by an armed body of citizens and shot down. Anderson is dead and Brown will die.

DECATUR, Ala., 4.—A cyclone in Bartner County on Sunday, demolished houses on the plantations of Betroument, Neely, Wildenstone, Stiles, Turner and Mrs. Neigan. One colored man was killed and several other persons wounded.

CHICAGO, 4.—Daily News, Toronto, Canada special: A Fenian plot to blow up the Welland Ship Canal has just been unearthed, but particulars are wanting at this moment.

CHICAGO, 4.—The drivers and conductors of the State Street cable railway line, to the number of 1,000, quit work at noon to-day, owing to a

reduction in wages ordered by the company. A few cars of the State Street line are being operated by new men, but the remaining three lines are abandoned.

GALVESTON, Texas, 4.—A Greenville special says: A tornado struck here last evening in a northwesterly direction with terrific force. Torrents of rain fell for twenty minutes and the total destruction of the town seemed inevitable. A survey of the city shows 150 houses blown down and a large number of old buildings more or less injured. Only one life was lost although several were seriously injured.

## FOREIGN.

LONDON, 31.—The outbreak against the Jews, which occurred at Rostoff on the 22d, on account of the murder of a Russian by a Jewish publican, was quelled the same night. One hundred and thirty houses belonging to Jews were destroyed and fifteen rioters killed by the troops.

Edwin Sherid Burnaby, member of Parliament for Leicestershire, North, is dead in his 53d year.

A boat filled with workmen capsized at Oleggia near Milan 21 men drowned.

The Standard, Rome correspondent says: Vehement antagonism exists between Cardinal Ledochowski, Archbishop of Posen, and Baron Von Schlozer. The latter accused the former of intriguing to frustrate negotiations. The Cardinal accused Von Schlozer of bad faith.

Dublin, 31.—The Lord Lieutenant has refused to reprove Caffrey, Phoenix Park murderer.

Paris, 31.—The bombardment of the capital of Anam is probable, in revenge for the death of Captain Riviere.

It is stated several German vessels leave Kiel for China next week. The French have re-entered the citadel of Hanol. Gunboats maintain communication with the sea and prevent the Anamites approaching.

The Temps says the object of the recent journey abroad of Degiers, Russian minister of Foreign Affairs, was to inform the powers that Russia was compelled to seek in Armenia an equivalent for the British occupation of Egypt. Gladstone by taking Egypt not only lost the good wishes of France, but reopened the Eastern question, and furnished Russia a pretext for effecting her immense projects, the last step in which will be the conquest of British India.

In addition to Capt. Riviere and Captain Devillers who lost their lives in the recent attack near Hanol, three other French officers were killed, and six wounded.

Berlin, 31.—The Minister of War informed a committee of the Reichstag that he considered the military pensions bill unacceptable, even with amendments excepting officers from the payment of communal taxes. The final decision of the question, however, rested with the Bundesrath.

The health of Bismarck has improved; he is now able to drive and walk out.

Von Kleist Reiztow, prominent conservative leader in the German Reichstag and Prussian Landtag, is dismissed from the presidency of the Rhine provinces, on account of ultra-tory views.

Moscow, 31.—A state dinner was given this evening. Five hundred persons were present, including the whole imperial family. The imperial family afterward attended a brilliant ball given by the nobles of the empire.

Constantinople, 31.—Alphonse Taft, United States minister to Austria and Hungary, and Eugene Schuyler, United States minister to Greece, Serbia and Roumania, were presented to the Sultan yesterday by Gen. Wallace.

Rome, 31.—There are reports of a probable rupture between Prussia and the Vatican.

Diretto says Baron Von Schlozer, representative of Prussia in the negotiations with the Vatican, will shortly leave Rome and will not return. His negotiations have failed and the relations between Prussia and the Vatican are not friendly.

LONDON, June 1.—The dynamite conspirators arraigned in the Old Bailey this morning, pleaded not guilty. Their trial was fixed for the 11th instant.

Rome, 1.—The Vatican has abandoned, for the present, all hope of establishing diplomatic relations with England.

Berlin, 1.—General Von Moltke, who recently returned from a tour

in the southern part of Europe, was present in the Reichstag yesterday.

Benghazi, Tripoli.—The Turkish troops have succeeded in completely subduing the Arabs, who refused to pay taxes, after killing or wounding 40 of them.

Paris, 1.—The Gaulois, in an account of the attack of the Anamites on the French force near Hanol, says: Capt. Riviere on leaving the fort advanced with 150 marines, leaving a reserve of 250 men. These however, remained too far in the rear to be of service to Capt. Riviere's advance guard, which was surprised by a large force of Anamite troops and almost annihilated. On the rear guard arriving at the scene, the Anamites fled, carrying off Capt. Riviere and 15 marines, all of whom were impaled next day.

LONDON, 1.—The Peruvian Charge d'Affaires, in a letter to the Times, states that Gen. Iglesias had no authority to conclude a treaty of peace with Chili, and the only effect of signing the treaty with him would be to promote anarchy.

LONDON, 1.—The Daily News says: "If one of the sons of the Queen should be appointed Governor General of the great colony, the precedent would have to be followed in other cases. There could be no reason why, if the Duke of Albany were made Governor General of Canada, another of the Queen's sons should not take the Vice-Royalty of India, and another the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland."

A dispatch from Berlin to the Exchange Telegraph Company says Prince Bismarck presided yesterday at a meeting of the Prussian Ministry. It was decided to take the regulation of church matters in their hands independent of Rome, and submit a bill in the Diet providing for a modification of the May laws.

The Pall Mall Gazette publishes a letter dated May 21st from the Nihilist Stephanie, author of "Underground Russia," in which the writer says: "The Czar will not be molested at the coronation, because the system of attacks to create terror has been replaced by plans for coup d'etat and attempts at revolt."

The committee of the Swiss Federal Rifle Match invite Englishmen and Americans to attend the meeting at Lugano from July 8th to 9th.

A special court is constituted to try the dynamiters. It consists of Lord Chief Justice Coleridge, Justice Brett of the court of appeals, and Justice Grove of the Court of Common Pleas.

Dublin, 1.—The Ladies' Committee to aid political prisoners, sent the following telegram to Gladstone:

We appeal to you on the ground of humanity for commutation of the sentences of Thos. Caffrey and Timothy Kelly, the two condemned Phoenix Park murderers. Three lives have already been taken in atonement for two. We ask for mercy. Caffrey was sentenced to be hanged June 2d and Kelly June 9th.

No reply to the communication has been received from Gladstone. Curran, divisional magistrate of the metropolitan police, Mallon, chief detective, and Juror Field have received letters threatening vengeance.

Castle-Bar, 1.—Hearing of prisoners charged in connection with the murder conspiracy in County Mayo, commenced this morning. The informer testified that he received a letter from Nally. One of the prisoners showed a paper containing a plan of the murder of the Inspector of Police, who attacked the mob at Ballina.

PARIS, 1.—It is said the United States Minister has not interviewed President Grevy relative to the Madagascar question. It is added that the American Government sees no cause to interfere in the Franco-Madagascar difficulty.

The Governor of New Caledonia is ordered to send all available troops to Tonquin. Mme Gerster Gardini had an enthusiastic reception at Pas de Loup's concert to-night.

At a meeting of 400 merchants, De Lesseps presiding, a resolution was adopted requesting the government to insure a representation of France at the Boston Exhibition.

Toulon, 1.—The French transport, Mythe, sailed for Tonquin with 1,800 troops.

Moscow, 1.—The Imperial regalia used on the occasion of the coronation was returned to the Kremlin with great ceremony.

Kiel, 1.—The vessels to leave next week for China are those recently built for the Chinese Government, not German vessels. They will take out a supply of torpedoes.

Tamatave, 1.—The French have bombarded two ports on the north-west coast of Madagascar, causing great destruction of British and other merchandise. The French Man-of-war Farber and the British war sloop Dryad, have left this harbor. The Malagassy authorities are pressing forward their military preparations.

DUBLIN, 2.—Thos. Caffrey, the fourth Phoenix Park murderer, was hanged at Kilmainham jail this morning.

LONDON, 2.—Lord Derby, Colonial Secretary, in reply to a deputation said the Cabinet would defer their decision relative to the annexation of New Guinea to Queensland, until they had received a full report of the matter from the Queensland government.

The steamer Belgravia, which left Queenstown on Thursday for New York, took 700 state-aided emigrants; and the Phoenician, which sailed from Glasgow May 30th for Boston, took 200 of the same kind of passengers.

Owing to a fact that grave imputations had been introduced by questions put in the Commons as to Irish affairs, it is contemplated to call the attention of Gladstone to the necessity of modifying the rules relating to questions.

A dispatch to the Mail from Rome says the Pope will if necessary follow up his recent circular to the Irish bishops on the recent agitation in Ireland and the Parnell fund by suspension from their functions of all ecclesiastics who disobey the commands of the circular.

Paris, 2.—In the Senate to-day, Chasselme Lacour, Minister of Foreign Affairs, replying to a question of Comte de St. Vallier, said all necessary measures will be taken to ensure the success of the expedition against Tonquin. By the end of the month, he stated, there would be a small army there capable of coping with the difficulty. The Government must endeavor to smooth the differences with China. There was no reason to believe that country would seek a rupture with France, or that she would intervene where she had no right or interest.

Berlin, 3.—In the Reichstag to-day, the copyright convention with France, and the treaty of commerce with Italy, passed their first and second readings.

Moscow, 2.—At a ball given by Gen. Von Schweintz, German Ambassador, last evening, the Emperor and Grand Dukes appeared in the uniform of German officers, also wearing German orders.

It is stated the Mayor of Moscow intends to resign in consequence of the disapproval that has been expressed of the speech which he delivered at a banquet given to the mayors of cities.

The city is almost empty of people to-day, owing to the greater part of the population having gone to Petrofsky Park to participate in an immense fete there in honor of the coronation. The fete at Petrofsky Park to-day was on a colossal scale. The land upon which the entertainment was given embraced 100 hectares. There were four immense theatres in which performances were given, circus performances, ballets, pantomimes and processions of horsemen. It is estimated there were fully a million persons present at the fete. One hundred and fifty wagons loaded with beer came on the grounds during the morning, and by noon this supply was exhausted. The Czar and Czarina on their arrival in the Park were received with deafening cheers. Large numbers of peasants had walked from distant provinces to attend the fete. One feature of this immense gathering was the lack of disturbances, the people throughout the day behaving in the most orderly manner.

Rome, 2.—The Chamber of Deputies adopted unanimously the proposal to appoint a committee to discuss and report upon the bill for erecting a National monument to General Garibaldi on Janiculum Hill, the site of Garibaldi's defense of Rome against the French in 1840, and afterwards passed the bill. The anniversary of the death of General Garibaldi was commemorated to-day throughout Italy. The Syndic of Rome unveiled a bronze bust of Garibaldi in the capitol. A number of persons formed in procession and marched to the capitol to witness the unveiling ceremony. In passing the Austrian embassy the procession shouted "Viva, viva, Oberdank."

Portsmouth, 2.—It is reported that the men-of-war Shannon and Rupert will proceed to China to reinforce the British squadron there.