

[SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.]

By Telegraph.

GENERAL.

CHICAGO, 26.—Washington specials say that the government has instituted measures to bring about a treaty between all maritime nations on the subject of ocean cables, and that instructions have been sent on this subject to our ministers in England, France, Germany, Spain and other countries. The government asks that no exclusive concessions shall be given to any party; no government shall have the right to examine the telegrams, and that the cable shall have all the right of neutrality.

The death of Stanton has led some to believe that Hoar may now be confirmed as a Supreme Justice; their idea is to have Hoar appointed to a Northern Circuit. It is not probable, however, that this will succeed. Pennsylvania will present Judge Strong for the vacancy caused by the death of Stanton.

The Samana Bay treaty will be ready for presentation upon the re-assembling of Congress. The administration desires early action.

The *Times* special thinks there is no truth in the rumors that an attempt will be made to break up the Georgia Legislature for a few weeks, no matter what its political complexion now is. The State is forced to adopt the terms proffered by Congress.

CINCINNATI.—A terrible family quarrel took place at Westwood village, last evening, resulting in the fatal wounding of a wife and the self-destruction of the husband, Cordilla Wilder and John R. Wilder. He was known in the Western cities as a furnisher of houses, and accused his wife of prostitution. She had a family of twelve children. Wilder first cut his wife's throat and then shot himself.

A movement is on foot to divide Texas into three States, to be called respectively Houston, Lincoln and Texas; this to be developed when Texas is admitted to the Union.

The funeral of Stanton will take place at 12 o'clock tomorrow from his late residence in Franklin Square. At the request of the Justices of the Supreme Court, concurred in by the family, the arrangements are to be taken charge of by the War Department. But, in accordance with the wishes of the family, there will be no military display at Washington.

The commission of Stanton as Associate Justice, had not been signed at the time of his death; but in the course of the day the President signed and sent the commission to the widow as a mark of respect.

At a meeting of the members of the House of Representatives held yesterday, appropriate resolutions were adopted of respect and condolence. It was decided to attend the funeral in a body.

Fredrick S. Cozzens, the well known author, was buried to-day.

No business was transacted in official quarters to-day, owing to Stanton's funeral.

The funeral of Stanton to-day was largely attended. The services were merely those of the Presbyterian Protestant Episcopal Church, and were performed by the Reverend Dr. Stooker, of the Church of the Epiphany, of which the deceased was a member, assisted by Mr. Pinkley, of the church. Among those present were President Grant, officers of his household, with Vice-President Colfax, Senators and Representatives now in the city and members of the Cabinet and the Judges of the Supreme and District Courts, the officers of the army, of the War Department, the principal officers presiding in the naval and marine service. The diplomatic corps was represented by Minister Thornton and others, the City Council, members of the bar; a large number of citizens were also in attendance. Only a few intimate friends were privileged to see the face of the deceased previous to closing the coffin in the chamber where he died. The floral display was the finest ever seen here on a similar occasion. The coffin was covered with wreaths of bouquets of the choicest flowers. Many persons accompanied the remains with expressions of affection and condolence. The procession was not very large, through the prevalence of a rain storm. The remains were conveyed to Oak Ridge Cemetery for interment.

NEW ORLEANS.—Ellise's cotton packery was burned on Friday night. Loss \$80,000.

NEW YORK.—The last of the Spanish gunboats sailed yesterday.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher eulogized Edward M. Stanton in his discourse at the Plymouth Church yesterday.

At St. James' Church, on Sunday, the evergreens and decorations caught fire, which created a panic in the congregation.

The last three of the Spanish gunboats lay off quarantine until some men can join them, as they are insufficiently manned.

A number of prominent citizens left for Washington last evening to attend the funeral of Stanton.

Geo. Francis Train delivered one of his characteristic harangues at Tammany Hall last evening.

A case has come to light, where an agent of a prominent South American Republic, who was deputed to come to this country and purchase gunboats has been swindled out of nearly a million dollars in bonds by a pretended ship broker.

A tug-boat blew up near the Atlantic Wharfe on Friday night. Three men were aboard, two of whom escaped unhurt, although the boat was nearly torn to pieces.

General Hurlbut, the new American Minister, at Bogata, has been officially received. The speeches made on the occasion alluded favorably to the proposed Darien Canal.

An advertisement appears in this morning's *Herald*, headed "Northwestern Republic and Red River, British America," for capable men, soldiers preferred, as guides to parties leaving the United States. Written application only received at the American Annexation League, 448 Brown street.

The *Tribune* has a report from Washington, to the effect that the Administration has now under earnest consideration the propriety of changing its course in regard to Cuba and its speedily recognizing the belligerent rights of the insurgents. This course is impelled by the feeling of the people and the temper of the majority in Congress. The report further states that Secretary Fish and Senator Sumner have expressed, within three days, such views as would indicate a change of policy towards Cuba.

SYRACUSE.—A most destructive fire occurred here to-day; seven large brick stores, on Salina street, owned by Gifford, Hamlet and others, were destroyed. The loss will be about \$450,000; insured to the amount of \$225,000.

CHEYENNE.—Last night two women stopped the Denver stage fifteen miles from here, containing the driver and two passengers, all unharmed. The robbers, after firing several shots, took the stage team and mail and drove off, leaving the passengers to walk to Cheyenne. Sixty cavalrymen have gone in pursuit to-day.

PROVIDENCE.—At Mapleville, one day last week, Coas. Murray, a wool sorter, had an altercation with his son and cut his throat so badly that he died soon after. The murderer escaped.

PHILADELPHIA.—The Columbian sugar refinery of Rogers and Mitchell, was burned to-day, loss \$220,000; insured \$120,000.

BOSTON.—A young rough got into a quarrel with an Irish woman yesterday about five cents, when he stabbed her in the throat, killing her.

By order of Gov. Claflin all flags throughout the State are to be displayed at half mast to-day out of respect to the memory of Stanton.

George D. Prentice is quite ill; he has been confined to his room for several days.

PITTSBURG.—A large meeting of citizens was held at noon to-day, Mayor Bruss presiding, at which eulogies were pronounced and resolutions read in respect to the memory of E. M. Stanton, and manifesting sympathy for his family; between 12 and 1 o'clock the city bells were tolled, and business generally suspended.

A fire broke out on Fourth Street, above Market Street about one o'clock yesterday morning, which destroyed property to the value of nearly two hundred thousand dollars. The flames are supposed to have originated in the hardware store of Ruder & Thatcher, whose loss is \$50,000. The other heavy losers are B. E. Sutton, boot and shoe maker, \$20,000; Musselman & Kirk, wholesale dealer in carpet yarn, \$50,000; Thos. Casson & Co., notion dealers, stock damaged to the amount of \$50,000; other firms lose more or less.

Another fire last night destroyed the four grain warehouses of Thos. Worley, with 80,000 barrels of flour. The loss falls short of \$80,000.

Later.—The fire is still burning. It is feared the adjoining warehouse, containing 5,000 barrels of whiskey and quite a large stock of flour, will also go.

St. Louis, 28.—At a meeting, last

night, of the committee appointed to consider the project of holding a World's Fair here in 1871, after discussing several plans, a committee was appointed to draft articles for the incorporation of a World's Fair Association, with capital stock of a million dollars, the articles to be submitted to a mass meeting to be called here on January 3rd.

Nearly 500 Chinese will arrive here to-night and will immediately proceed to Texas to work on the railroad.

PORTLAND.—A committee of ten, appointed to arrange for the reception of the remains of Peabody, met last night and consulted over the affair. It was determined for the funeral not to take place in the town of Peabody until ten days after the arrival of the remains. When the Monarch arrives, the civil authorities will take charge of the body.

NEW YORK.—The statement to the effect that irregularities have been discovered in the Merchant's Exchange National Bank proves to be true; a committee is now in session to discover the extent of the same. So far, the defect is a hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and the amount will probably prove to be much larger; at present no names of delinquent parties are made known. The bank claims to be fully equal to meet the defalcation.

Prominent members of the Union League Club in this city have taken measures to raise money to place Stanton's family in a comfortable pecuniary condition.

A theatrical squabble broke out in the Grand Opera House yesterday. Alice Dunning applied to Judge Dodge for a warrant of arrest against her husband, William Needham, alias Wm. Horace Lingard, a well known comedian and mimic. Mrs. Needham Lingard Dunning alleges that her husband habitually abuses her, and that yesterday he threatened to blow out her brains with a pistol. Justice Dodge issued the warrant, and they both sang as usual last night.

Maximilian Steffler, one of a gang who have been perpetrating heavy robberies along the line of the Erie and New York Central for many months, was arrested yesterday. A large amount of goods was found in his possession.

The *Sun* this morning says that the American Annexation League, which has recently been formed in this city, is with the avowed purpose of procuring by persuasion or force the annexation to the United States of all countries and provinces in North America and all islands along the coast. The national safety of the United States demands the acquisition of all the North American and West India Islands. Prominent citizens are members of the League. The officers are the following well known men: Col. Geo. W. Gibbons, President; Gen. A. L. Gurney, Vice President; Gen. Geo. A. Cole, Secretary; Gen. Jos. E. Rerrigan, Financial Secretary; Gen. Jas. B. Colt, Treasurer.

The organization is preparing itself for an active participation in the affairs going on in the Red River Country against the representative of the Canadian Government. The expedition is to consist of fifteen hundred men, of whom eight hundred have already been enrolled. Twenty-five guides have been hired, familiar with the Red River country, who will conduct the troops from the last railroad station across the border line. Fifteen hundred Spencer rifles have been stored away ready for use; the ammunition and other supplies, also are all on hand. No further great expense is anticipated. A prominent railroad man, who is a member of the League, has promised the troops a free transit to within 200 miles of the border line; from that point to the place of operations the filibusters will make their way by forced marches.

They will depart from New York in squads of from one to two hundred, as quietly as possible, to avoid detection or delay. The first squads are to start before the 15th of January; perhaps as early as the 1st of the month; the last detachment is expected to leave this city before the beginning of February. Four bodies, numbering, together, 250 men, have started for the Red River country already, from Chicago, Buffalo, Detroit and St. Louis and have probably crossed the border line already, but no news has yet been received from them.

SAN FRANCISCO, 28.—The Camilla Urso's proposed musical festival for the benefit of the Mercantile Library in this city, is meeting with success. Sacramento, Stockton, Marysville and other interior towns have decided to send delegations of musicians.

The Indian Bureau has received official reports from the Navajo agency, stating that the Indians received their

annuity of goods and presents of goats and sheep from the Government, which had the effect of strengthening their relations of peace.

NEW YORK.—The European steamship lines refuse to carry the mail after January the first for the sum offered by the Post Master General, viz: two cents for each letter. Creswell is now here, endeavoring to arrange matters.

The *Star* says there is great distress among the cigar makers of this city. One of the heaviest firms, who are manufacturers, have discharged a thousand hands within the past three weeks; other trades and business are suffering in proportion, owing to the unsettled condition of the gold market. Wholesale clothing firms, with thousands of employees, have almost entirely ceased manufacturing goods for future sales. Carpenters, bricklayers, coopers, and others, are suffering, over a thousand of whom have left the city in quest of work.

It is understood that Mayor Kalbfleisch, of Brooklyn, in his annual message will unfold some facts relating to unfaithful police Justices, who are suspected of retaining a portion of the money collected in fines.

The ferry-boats, *Jay Gould* and *James Fisk*, collided with terrible force in the middle of North river to-day. *Gould* struck *Fisk* amid ships, crushing her badly; *Gould* had her bow partly stove in. *Fisk* was towed to the docks in a sinking condition. No passengers were injured; loss \$20,000.

A bundle, containing \$6,000 worth of bonds, stolen fifteen years ago, were left at one of the police stations to-day, by a boy, who escaped arrest.

The steamer *San Jacinto*, from Savannah, reports passing two Spanish gunboats off Hatteras, Dec. 17th, which are supposed to have been accidentally separated from the main fleet.

Post Master General Creswell arrived this evening to make arrangements for transporting the mails to Europe. He declares his determination to carry out the provisions of the postal treaty with Great Britain at any cost.

Thomas Hays, a night watchman, while on duty at the foot of Montague street, Brooklyn, was shot by Edward Perry.

A Virginia dispatch says that twenty-six distinct shocks of earthquake have been felt at Marpassa. The water in the Cole Tunnel mine increased, thirteen inches; at steamboat Springs water was forced through the earth to the height of twenty-five feet. Shocks were felt this morning and last evening; the mines are uninjured.

MEMPHIS.—On Thursday night, Steve Bennet and Tom Judson, colored, had an altercation at Belles Station on the Memphis and Louisville R. R., during which the former was brutally murdered. Last night a party, masked, took Judson from the custody of the constable, when they carried him out and shot him.

BOSTON.—Thomas Coyne, a convict in the State prison, under sentence of imprisonment for life, attempted to commit suicide this morning by throwing himself from the fourth story balcony to the ground floor of the passage below. The distance is 38 feet. He struck the stone floor but received no serious injury.

ST. PAUL.—Governor McDougall's family arrived to-day from Red River. They left Pembina on Saturday and will await the arrival of Governor McDougall, who is expected here on Friday. They deny the reports that Governor McDougall had anything to do with the arming of Indians or inciting them to rise in his favor against the inhabitants. They believe the mass of the inhabitants at first favored McDougall, but were deceived and controlled by a few designing leaders who misrepresented McDougall.

A St. Paul's dispatch, commenting on Red River news from New York, to-day, says the report that squads of filibusters will be passed over the railroads to within 200 miles of the British, is a fabrication, as the nearest railroad point is 400 miles from the border. Their forced marches will be over ground covered with snow, with the mercury from ten to thirty below zero. It is not probable that the Winnebagoes would rely upon any material aid from such an expedition, as it may only exist on paper.

CHARLESTON.—The officers of a fleet of thirteen Spanish gunboats, anchored off the battery, were entertained at a collation to-day, by the municipal authorities. The fleet is to remain three or four days. It is expected that they will make this port their rendezvous. The frigate, *Pizarro*, and three other gunboats are expected to-night.

NEW YORK.—The trouble between Wm. Horace Lingard, the "Captain

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