

[SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.]

## By Telegraph.

## GENERAL.

Louisville.—The Commercial convention met to day at the Opera House, which was splendidly decorated for the occasion, and was called to order by ex-Governor Anderson formerly of Ohio. Governor Stevenson delivered an eloquent opening address.

Cincinnati, 12.—Last night, the Italians who regard the day of Columbus coming in sight of America as the date of its discovery, celebrated that event by a ball; at which Mrs. Angelina Podesta, an Italian lady of Cincinnati, 101 years old, led off in a grand march, she afterwards danced ten sets. To-night, the Italians who date the discovery from the day that Columbus landed have commemorative balls.

The *Herald* states that Senator Wilson recently urged the President to suspend the political slaughter amongst the Conservative office holders in Texas and Mississippi; but Butler and General Clark hearing of his efforts in that direction, immediately urged the President to continue the operations as the best thing for the party. He believed they are backed by General Reynolds' letter. Butler and Clark have beaten Wilson.

Worcester, Mass.—A man named Patrick Kerr was found in the street last evening alive, but severely stabbed in various parts of the body. He refused to give any explanation of the affair.

The storm last night has not proved so destructive as it was feared, although in many places the recent repairs to the roads were washed away. This is especially the case in Fitchburg and vicinity, where only the utmost efforts prevented serious damages.

San Francisco, 12.—A man named Keath yesterday killed a girl who had refused his hand and then shot himself. He is not expected to recover.

A Grand Lodge of Masons met here to-day. One hundred and ninety-two lodges were represented from all parts of the Pacific Coast.

The Oregon State Fair opened at Portland with the best show of live stock and productions of all kinds ever seen there.

Superintendent Meacham has gone to Eastern Oregon to gather the Snake Indians from the Military Posts upon the Klamath reservation.

Several Democratic members of the Washington Territory Legislature have left for parts unknown, breaking the quorum and thus preventing the election of Territorial officers by a Republican majority. The Sergeant-at-arms has been sent after the seceders.

The branch mint of Carson, Nevada, is ready to commence coining half dollars.

Three hundred recruits for the 1st and 8th regular cavalry, passed Elko, coming west on the Pacific Railroad.

Columbus, O., 12.—Leading Democrats concede Pendleton's defeat by fifteen thousand.

Boston.—An attempt was made at three o'clock this morning to rob the National Bank at Townsend, Mass., but the burglars used too much powder and alarmed the citizens. The outer door was blown off by the explosion, and considerable damage was done to the building. The burglars fled, leaving most of their tools.

The whaling Schooner, *Susan Smith*, of Boston, was lost in the hurricane of August 18th. All hands were drowned except the Captain and four seamen, who remained on deck 8 days and nights without food or water. They were taken off by an English bark and carried to London. The Captain's wife and two children were drowned in the cabin.

Washington.—All disposable recruits at Carlisle Barracks, will be forwarded to Nebraska, for assignment to the 5th Cavalry. All disposable at Columbus, N. Y., and Newport, Ky., will be sent to Omaha and assigned to the 20th Infantry.

The Government would doubtless renew the offer of mediation to Spain, did circumstances justify the repetition. In the meantime it will enforce the neutrality laws, and hold itself in readiness to serve the cause of Cuban Independence in such a manner as not to violate treaty obligations.

New York.—The Western Railway freights have advanced again to-day.

The iron frame-work of some new buildings in Williamsburg fell with terrible suddenness to-day in consequence of improper guys. Two men were instantly killed and five dangerously injured.

Bishop Whittaker is to be consecrated

to-morrow as Episcopal Minister to Nevada and Arizona.

New York.—At the banquet at Delmonico's to-night to the California Pioneers one hundred and fifty were present. W. T. Coleman presided. Among the guests were C. D. Carter, chairman of the Pioneers, W. F. Weed, ex-Senator, A. W. Coffroth, of California, Senator Casserly, Horace Greeley, J. W. Simonton, Hon. Jas. Brooks, General McDowell and Dr. W. A. Scott. Mr. Simonton read an eloquent letter from James McClathy, paying high tribute to the magnanimity of New York, being the first to show her readiness to admit California into the Union. Letters were also read from Governors Hoffman, Geary and Haight, and Generals Hooker, Sherman and Butler, who were unable to be present. General McDowell replied to the toast, "the President of the United States." Horace Greeley to the toast, "New York and San Francisco." The banquet was in every way a success.

A Washington special says the first National Bank at Austin, Nevada, has failed. A receiver was appointed yesterday. This is the first National Bank failure since the last annual report of the comptroller of the currency.

Evidence has been received going to show that the *Hornet* was armed and the crew enlisted within the jurisdiction of the United States.

Philadelphia.—Forney's *Press* says, that the Republican majority in the State is not less than 8,000; it may reach 10,000. The Republicans have both branches of legislature. The majority in the house is larger than the majority of last year.

Muscatine, Iowa, 13.—A boiler exploded in Chambers' planing mill this evening. Four persons were injured, two boys it is feared fatally.

Washington.—The President has appointed Maj. Gen. Wm. M. Belknap, of Keokuk, Iowa, Secretary of War. Gen. Belknap has served in the army from the first till the last day of the late war. He commanded one of the divisions of the 15th army corps in Sherman's last two campaigns, with great credit to himself and entire satisfaction to his superiors. He has been telegraphed to and will arrive here in a few days and Gen. Sherman will formally resign the position of Secretary of War and Gen. Belknap will enter upon the duties of his office.

The recent operations of the Collector and Assessor of the fifth Virginia district have resulted in the discovering and suppression of forty-seven illicit distilleries hidden in the mountains and ravines, and similar places, and in the destruction and confiscation of large quantities of liquor.

Troy, N. Y.—Another great rain-storm and fresher has occurred here.

Saratoga.—A heavy rain has fallen for the last thirty-six hours, injuring the roads and stopping the trains.

Washington.—The negro who outraged a young lady teacher near Fort Washington, was taken from the custody of the officer on Monday, by a party of masked men, and hung on a tree.

St. Louis.—The Wyoming Legislature met the day before yesterday and elected its officers.

Louisville.—In the Commercial Convention this morning the committee of permanent organization reported the list of Vice-Presidents and Assistant Secretaries, one from each State, and also recommended the appointment of a standing committee on the Southern Pacific Railroad, and on railroads generally, on direct trade from Europe and on various other subjects of interest to the South and West.

Louisville.—At the afternoon session of the convention it was evident that the convention was not entirely harmonious. Whenever anything came up, there was a disposition on the part of the members to retard business.

The convention has adjourned. To-morrow there will be an immense procession and grand concert at night.

Albany.—A locomotive and two cars were thrown from the track on the Susquehanna Railroad yesterday. Several passengers were injured.

There was another fearful storm here last night, accompanied by thunder and lightning. The rain fell in torrents, the streets were torn up and the docks this morning were flooded.

Rochester.—The lock-up in the village of Charlotte was destroyed by fire this morning. Two prisoners were confined therein and were burned to death.

Columbus, O.—The returns and opinions of both parties indicate that Hayes will be elected by about three thousand.

The House is Democratic and the Senate Republican. The Democrats claim that the vote will be so close that

it will require official returns to decide the election of Governor.

Schuylkill Haven.—Last night the signal tower on the Mine Hill railroad, took fire, burning to death a watchman named Owen Feeny and his two children. Feeny's sister-in-law escaped by leaping from a window.

Philadelphia.—The Senate stands Republican 18, Democrats 15. The House stands Republicans 63, Democrats 37. The City Council have a Republican majority of 30.

Boston.—Late last night, Dr. Cole of Doxonville, was called from his bed on the pretext of being required by a sick patient; on leaving his house he was shot through the cheek. Shortly after this affair, Mr. Gray, depot master, at Farmington, was aroused; on going to the window he was fired upon twice. Police Justice Adams, of Farmington, and another gentleman, were also visited, but delayed their appearance until the would-be assassin had left. Suspicion points to a desperado just released from jail for assaulting his wife, who thus attempt to murder the parties who appeared against him.

Philadelphia.—The *Evening Bulletin* Harrisburg dispatch says that leading State officials claim the election of Geary by at least five thousand. The Democrats' State central organ concedes Packer's defeat.

Cincinnati, 14.—Archbishop Purcell left for New York last night, where he will embark for Rome to attend the Ecumenical Council.

There will be a mass meeting of persons opposed to reading the Bible in the public schools on Saturday next, which will be addressed by Hon. Chas. Remlin, Judge Stalls and the Rev. Thos. Vickers.

Bangor, Me.—Captain George Wentworth, whose arrest for rape on the high seas was noticed a few days since, to-day had a hearing before U. S. Commissioner Carr, which resulted in fully committing him for trial before the U. S. District Court to be held in April next, the penalty being death and the offense not bailable.

A passenger train on the Kentucky Central railroad was thrown off the track near Paris by a broken rail, yesterday. The train was delayed for three hours. No one was hurt.

A heavy south-east rain commenced this morning and continued all day. An immense quantity of water has fallen.

Augusta.—A severe north-east storm commenced early this morning; it still continues, the river is rising slowly.

## FOREIGN.

Ottawa.—Prince Arthur arrived to-day. He was met by the Governor-General, Cabinet Ministers, members of the city corporation and a large concourse of people. Addresses of welcome in English and French from the City Council were presented, to which the Prince made suitable replies and then proceeded to the parliament buildings.

The *Herald* has a special from Madrid of very desperate fighting between the republican forces and the government troops which commenced at Valencia last Friday and still continues. Reinforcements have been dispatched to the government detachments. The troops beat the insurgents in every encounter. Alonia and Aragon republican deputies to the Cortes, having been threatened with assassination by the partisans of the government, have fled from the country and taken refuge in Portugal.

Further rioting is looked for in Madrid, but reports say there is every probability of its being quelled promptly should it occur.

Advices from Valencia state that fighting is still going on there. A republic has been proclaimed at Malaga. Disorders were attempted at Madrid, but were promptly quelled without any serious result.

London 12.—The *Times* on the Fenian amnesty says the Crown is invited to pardon rebels who do not pretend to be penitent, not because the conspiracy is crushed, but because it is still formidable enough to rally sympathisers. No one doubts the right of the government to suppress outrages against law and order, and had the forbearance of the Crown been invoked in a becoming tone with the recognition of its right to protect loyal citizens an amnesty might be a message of peace. At present we see reason to presume it will be received in that spirit by the demanders, while it must operate to discourage those who hoped to crush the Fenian outbreak. There could be no act of greater injustice or any more impolitic if Ireland is

still Fenian at heart, or hostile to the Union. We believe a majority of the Irish would rejoice at the suppression of Fenianism, and some who have signed the amnesty petitions would be thankful if they were rejected.

Paris, evening.—It is certain that the Republicans have been defeated at Valencia. Senor Castellar, the celebrated leader in the Cortes, has fled to Portugal from Sagossa, having been threatened with assassination. Suner, the Republican leader, has been abandoned by his partisans; he has himself fled to France. Soles, another leader, has been killed.

London.—The *Times* has an editorial to-day on financial matters in the United States. It says there may be circumstances in the financial position of the United States authorizing a departure from the sound rules of public economy, but it is difficult to deny that a mere struggle of gamblers, by an act of government, is magnified into an event of national importance. If Mr. Boutwell had persevered, more money would have changed hands and mere fortunes been lost or won, and other brakers would have gone mad or absconded or committed suicide, and the threat against Fisk might have been executed. It is not easy to decide whether this will be for good or evil. It might have allayed speculation for the future, and so sobered the gambling madness, weaned some helpless dupes from the exchange and rid it of some others. The arrangement argues less that the lesson will not be altogether lost, but that had the lesson gone to the end, it might have been more impressive and its precepts enhanced by a higher cost.

London.—Lord Derby is seriously ill.

Havana.—Captain-General Derodas was taken sick yesterday, he is better to-day.

Several unimportant skirmishes have taken place in the eastern department recently.

Municipal corporations in various parts of the Island are sending the Captain-General their adhesion to the existing order of things, with expressions of loyalty to Spain.

Madrid.—The railroad in the vicinity of Valencia has been destroyed. A fight has taken place near Spotin, in which 250 men were killed and wounded on both sides.

London.—The *Times* to-day has an editorial on Spanish affairs; the writer has but little sympathy for, and less faith in the Spanish republicans, in the future, of the present government in unnecessary prolonging the provisional government and in the attempt to close it up, when it has become impossible to do so. There is now no king forthcoming, and it is better to leave matters as they are. A regency is the only possible scheme. When it is understood that the dangerous questions will be dormant a change in the government will be indefinitely adjourned.

Paris.—The *Journal Official* has the following news: Several public reunions have been announced to take place here and disorders are threatened. The government, however, will enforce the law by authorizing the suppression of all meetings of a character calculated to disturb order.

London.—Lord Derby's condition is much worse to-day. He has been insensible for several hours.

The *Herald* has a special from Bombay dated Oct. 11th, which says Mr. Kirke has received a letter from Dr. Livingstone dated 8th of July 1868, in which the Doctor informs him he believes he has discovered the sources of the river Nile at a point between 10 and 13 degrees south. Dr. Livingstone was in good health at the time of writing to Mr. Kirke. Intelligence of a still later date is to hand from Seansabar which states that the trade caravan had arrived there and had reported that Livingstone had reached Ujije on the road to the coast in safety.

A Special to the *Herald* from Madrid says a considerable force of government troops prepared for, and were about to attack the position of the Republicans at Valencia this morning. Yesterday active hostilities were suspended during the space of two hours to allow time for the removal of the dead and wounded on both sides. The inhabitants of the district comprised within the suburbs of Valencia have risen and destroyed the railroad for seven leagues so the government now receives its news from that portion of the country by sea only. During the recent battle at Saragossa there were 250 men killed and wounded, very many houses were laid to the ground. Quite a number of families belonging to the south of Spain have sought refuge at Tangiers.