

[SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.]

By Telegraph.

GENERAL.

San Francisco 15.—The courts to-day adjourned in respect to the memory of Judge Baldwin, who was killed by the railroad collision yesterday.

The cause of the railroad disaster is ascribed to negligence on the part of the switch tender at the place the Alameda and Western Pacific railroads connect; for even after passing the switch the accident would never have occurred but for the thick fog around the bank which enveloped the Western Pacific train. The Alameda train was in clear weather when the collision happened, and for miles around on the level plain trains can be seen at a long distance ahead.

The railroad officials rendered every assistance to the unfortunate passengers, and medical aid was promptly procured from the neighboring villages and this city. The scene of the calamity has been visited by thousands of our residents, some of whom went in search of relatives and friends, while others went from curiosity.

The track was immediately repaired, and the Hotel and Atlantic express trains came in on time.

The following are additional names of those killed: Robert Owen, conductor of the Alameda train; H. Peterson, Corral Hollow; F. B. Willisken, brakeman; W. P. Clowen, and an unknown man. Wounded: Philip Rigley, Stockton, badly injured; Simon Meloche, hip dislocated; E. F. Fitch, Cosumne schoolteacher, leg fractured; Captain Woodworth, badly crushed. There were also many others injured, but they were able to proceed home.

The Kentucky mining company has declared a dividend of ten dollars per share, payable on the nineteenth inst.

Cleveland.—J. C. Buell, cashier of the second National Bank, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself through the heart. The cause, it is supposed, was depression of spirits resulting from losses during the late gold panic. Rumors having been circulated that the bank lost heavily by the defalcation of the President and Directors, they publish a card, assuring the public that its responsibility is unimpaired, and pledging themselves individually that all obligations will be promptly met.

St. Louis.—The Central Church Union held a meeting in the Walnut street church last evening.

Utica.—Hon. John Butterfield died here last night.

Lawrence, Mass.—The extensive leather board manufactory of Hayden & Balcomb, and the braid factory of Webster & Miller, in the same building, were burned yesterday; loss, \$30,000.

New York.—Wm. Mean, a pressman, shot and killed Jos. Lie, this morning in a drunken fight in a saloon on Grand Street.

A fire on Greenwich street this morning destroyed Harrison's cigar factory, Clark's boot store and Wood's paper bag factory. Loss \$15,000.

New York.—It is understood that the President concedes the present condition of our finances as most favorable to a speedy return to specie payment and in his forthcoming message he will urge such measures upon Congress. He is opposed to all tinkering with currency and believes that if the present internal revenue law be suffered to remain intact another year, such a large reduction of the public debt will then have been effected as will enable the Government safely to materially modify taxes of all kinds. A resumption of specie payments, the President argues, will prevent fluctuations in gold, break up the influence of gold speculation and gambling and save the people from the ruinous effects of irredeemable currency.

Chicago.—A Washington special says that negotiations for obtaining possession of San Domingo have commenced.

Last winter Baez and Diez were anxious to get the protection of the flag of the United States and would even have accepted her protection before Seward's term had expired. Before anything can be accomplished Gen. Babcock has gone to obtain information to lay before Congress regarding the debt of San Domingo, the character of the people, &c.

Private advices report that Senator Grimes is much improved by his visit to Europe. The second paralytic shock from which he suffered left him in a feeble condition, though it was not so severe as the first. He is preparing for

an extended trip in the Mediterranean.

The brakemen of the Erie Railroad met on Saturday at Port Jervis and resolved to sustain the strike. They have been promised the support of the brakemen along the whole line; a general strike is expected.

The *Sun* says that a diplomatic note has been presented to Spain which has caused a breaking off of negotiations. It was dictated to Minister Sickles by Secretary Fish. Sickles telegraphed for permission to delay or modify the demand but was refused.

It is generally reported that a freight train on the Rock Island and Pacific railroad, ran into a passenger train, which was standing on a switch, near Des Moines, Iowa, on Saturday, smashing three box cars, including a palace car, for Colorado. No lives were lost but fifteen or twenty passengers were injured.

Washington.—Treasurer Spinner is quite ill and confined to his bed.

An official proclamation is made of a convention with Great Britain for the direct exchange of mails between New Orleans, Balize and Honduras.

New York.—An investigation of the business of several lottery policy dealers in this city, has developed the fact that the Government has been defrauded nearly two millions by false returns of income.

General Wool's property is valued at \$650,000. It will be divided, principally, between his nephews and nieces. Among the benefactions is \$150,000 to the Rensselaer Polytechnic, and \$3,000 to the Troy Episcopal Asylum. He added a codicil a few days before his death, setting aside \$50,000 for a monument to his wife and himself.

It is understood that General Babcock has sailed on the *Albany*, with papers relative to the annexation of St. Domingo. The ironclads *Dictator*, *Sangus*, *Manteonmoh* and *Terror* will arrive at St. Domingo simultaneously with the *Albany*.

New York.—The investigation of the alleged draw-back frauds were continued to-day, the case of Francis E. Howard being under consideration. Korn testified to Howard's connection with the frauds, and that he exacted ten per cent. for passing claims. The division of the spoils was as follows:

The man who produced the checks was to have forty per cent., Caldwell & Co. the same, Blatchford and Howard each ten per cent.

Assistant Treasurer Folger assumed the duties of his office to-day.

An Irish party, returning from a funeral last evening, attacked a car load of passengers on Chatham Square. The row lasted two hours, but was finally quelled by the police.

Junius Henry Browne, the well-known journalist, has arrived from Europe.

Hudson, N. Y.—A terrible explosion occurred at Savage's mill, Catskill village, this forenoon; the building was completely demolished and several lives lost. The explosion not only destroyed the mill, but shattered various buildings in the vicinity.

St. Louis.—Captain Shaw has returned from the wreck of the *Stonewall*, having completed the labor of searching for bodies; sixty-one bodies have been found. None of the officers are recovered.

Montgomery, Ala.—The Legislature met to-day. The Governor's Message was very conservative. It opposes martial law and says there has been no necessity for it; sets forth the general peacefulness of the people and the advantages offered by the State for immigration.

Nashville.—The House Committee on Federal relations reported in favor of the rejection of the Fifteenth Amendment.

New York.—The schooner *John Atwood*, which arrived to-day from Barcelona, reports having been fired upon twice by a sentry at the mouth of the harbor, wounding one of the men severely.

Cincinnati.—Geo. W. Ellis, Secretary of the Mutual Life Insurance Co., died in a street car to-day, of apoplexy.

Ex-President Fillmore, chairman of the Louisville Convention, has appointed Blanton Duncan, of Ky., and Robt. T. Sanders, of Tenn., Commissioners to have charge of the details of the preparation and shipment of specimens of American industry to the Russian exposition next year; other four commissioners are to be selected by President Grant. Samples and productions of the manufacturers of the U. S. can be sent to 363 Broadway, New York, or to Louisville, to either of the gentlemen named. One hundred thousand specimens are asked for, to show the importance and diversity of the productions of America.

The Canadian authorities have notified our Government that unless the trade between the two countries is so arranged as to be somewhat reciprocal, they will be unable to withstand the pressure from all parts of the Dominion, urging them to do away with the system of fishery license, thus compelling American fishermen to remain outside the three miles limit of the shores of Canada; to establish duty on foreign coal so that it will give a market to Western Canada and to Nova Scotia coal, instead of having it supplied, as now, from Pennsylvania and Ohio; to place an export duty on pine timber and American breadstuffs, a large market for which is now found in Canada with free admission, under the present Canadian tariff.

Boston.—O'Baldwin, the Irish giant, was sentenced to-day, at Lawrence, to eighteen months imprisonment in the house of correction, for participating in a prize fight recently at Lynnfield.

San Francisco, 16.—The Coroner's Jury, which has been impanelled to ascertain the cause of the death of the sixteen persons who were killed by the railroad accident on Sunday, met at Alameda last evening, and after hearing the testimony of several witnesses, adjourned till Wednesday night. The evidence of the switch tender at Simpson's station revealed an entire ignorance of his duties. Although having a time table, he could neither read nor write and did not know which train had a right to the track.

New York.—The gunboat *Nantucket* sailed from the Brooklyn Navy Yard, on Sunday, for Cuban waters, and was fitted up with great dispatch, men being kept at work on her night and day.

The gunboat *Palmer*, on which horrible cruelty has been committed on seamen, arrived yesterday at the Navy Yard. No orders have yet been received for her destination.

Work is very brisk at the yard, over 2,500 persons being employed.

Philadelphia.—The Custom House authorities here refused, a few days since, to enter passes for the clearance of the steamer *General Dulce*, formerly a Spanish ship, upon the supposition that it was the intention of her officers to evade the neutrality laws.

The *General Dulce* was brought into this port a short time since for repairs; but she was seized and sold for debts. A party in New York bought and fitted her for sea.

Chicago.—Washington specials say that Governor Lowe will not go to China till after the meeting of Congress, and will decline the position unless made a first class mission.

The *Times* special says that a sufficient canvass of senators has been made to show that Sickles cannot be confirmed.

The President and Secretary Fish have determined to recall him and appoint General Dix as Minister to Spain. A report has been received showing Sickles' immoral conduct at Madrid.

The Postmaster General is preparing for the letting of mail routes next spring. Among the routes to be let on the 10th of March next, are California, 123; Oregon, 41; Washington Territory, 20; Idaho, 19; Montana, 26; Nevada, 30; Utah, 31; Arizona, 12.

New York special says that a meeting of Californians will be held in a few days in that city to pass resolutions in respect to the memory of Judge Baldwin, who was killed by the recent railroad accident.

Geo. H. Battler, who was lately appointed Consul General for India, has married Rose Eytling, an actress.

Chicago.—The attempt to displace Gorham will probably be unsuccessful, as northern and eastern senators will not participate in the scheme. It is only a number of the delegation from the Pacific coast that are engaged in the attempt.

Louisville.—The Cincinnati Railroad carried thirty-nine thousand passengers during October.

There are nineteen thousand and sixty-nine pupils in the public schools, according to the Superintendent's report.

The iron of the Ohio river bridge is over four hundred feet span and will be swung by Wednesday; the bridge will be sufficiently finished by the first proximo, to permit the construction train to pass over; by the 15th of Dec., freight and passenger trains will probably be crossing regularly.

An old man, named Michael Connell, was accidentally burned to death in his cabin, near Clarksville, Indiana, on Sunday.

San Francisco, 16.—Vincent Collier, who arrived from Alaska and British Columbia this morning, carries with him a petition, signed by forty prominent citizens of Victoria addressed to

President Grant, praying for the annexation of British Columbia to the United States, and another petition of similar import which is to be forwarded to Queen Victoria. The documents are strongly worded and set forth, with great force, the isolated and helpless condition of the colony and the imperative necessity for furnishing a political alliance with the United States.

Collier represents that the feeling in favor of annexation has received a new impulse from the recent note of Earl Granville, urging British Columbia to affiliate with the Canadian Dominion; but they regard it as little less than insulting, as it would increase their burdens without affording them either political or material relief.

Huntington, Pa., 16.—The trial of Cornelius Kab, John Lynch, Edward Powers and John Mutrebill, for the murder of Pat Mackay, on the 21st of August last, was concluded to-day; a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree was returned against the four defendants.

Washington.—Thos. J. Durant is now here; he denies the statement that the President offered him a Judgeship in Louisiana and that he declined the appointment. He says he has never received an intimation that he would be appointed, nor was he an applicant for office.

The will of Amos Kendall was admitted probate to-day. After bequeathing \$10,000, and lands in Arkansas to his grandson he makes bequests to his several children, and directs that his personal property be divided between his four daughters, and gives his executors full power to dispose of his real estate, which is worth three hundred thousand dollars, to be divided among his heirs.

It was reported at the rooms of the Cuban Junta yesterday that the British Minister at Washington had been instructed by his Government to transmit a telegram to the authorities of the British West India Islands, to allow vessels bearing the Cuban flag to enter their ports and to remain unmolested 24 hours, according to the international custom.

Application was again made to the authorities yesterday for a detail of policemen to guard the Spanish gunboat at Detameter's yard. Spies say they have organized a plan for the destruction of the muskets of the fleet by fire.

The *Post* estimates that the new State constitution is defeated by 50,000; the negro suffrage clause by 25,000. There is some chance for the judiciary clause, but its adoption is improbable.

New York.—A special Washington dispatch says heavy frauds have just been discovered in the Paymaster's Department of the army, involving losses to the extent of a million dollars.

It is stated that Jefferson Davis does not intend to settle in America; he merely proceeded to Mississippi to settle his private affairs, and will soon join his family in London.

John Mitchell lectured this evening, at the Cooper Institute, before an immense audience; his subject was Grant and Smith O'Brien. The proceeds go to Mrs. Larkin, the widow of Michael Larkin, the Fenian executed at Manchester, England.

Chicago, 16.—The Alabama legislature has ratified the Fifteenth Amendment: the Senate, 24 to 1; the House 59 to 16.

A snow storm commenced yesterday morning and is raging with great violence. Telegraphic communication in all directions is almost completely destroyed and no reports can be received here. As far as heard of the storm extends as far east as Philadelphia.

New York.—It is stated that the trouble between the Erie managers and McHenry, of the Atlantic and Great Western road, has been brought to a pacific termination. It is agreed that the Erie shall pay at the rate of sixteen millions, inclusive of the lease and control of the Atlantic and Great Western. The necessary documents were probably signed yesterday. The proceedings at law have been abandoned on both sides, and the legal forces stationed at Akron ordered to disperse.

Sitka advices of Oct. 25th state that affairs in the Territory are satisfactory. The Indians are peaceable, the health of the garrison is good, the fisheries prosperous and the weather mild.

A United States steamer, just returned from St. Paul's Island, Behring's sea, brings word that while one of Lincoln's boats was attempting to land her crew on the Island, it was swamped, and three sailors were drowned. Their names are Richard Livingston, Lewis Garlin and John Breck.

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