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CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATE.

Bills passed and bills postponed.

A large number of bills were passed, including one to repeal the act of Feb. 28th, 1863, Summer stating that it was the last on the statute book connected with slavery, prohibiting the importation of persons of color into certain States. Also the invalid appropriation bill, appropriating some thirty millions, and a bill to prevent counterfeiting foreign trade marks protected by treaty stipulations, were passed. A number of bills were indefinitely postponed, including one by Summer for the return to specie payments.

HOUSE.

Income tax.

A resolution was adopted that leave-of-absence hereafter granted for an indefinite period, shall not extend beyond the second proximo unless otherwise ordered by the House.

Schenck reported back the Senate Amendment to the income tax bill and moved non-concurrence, stating, however, that he would not ask a committee of conference. After considerable discussion the house refused to table the bill. The House then refused to concur in the Senate substitute, leaving the Senate to ask a committee of Conference. During the discussion Schenck declared that the amendment increased the amount of exemptions, and said that the committee of ways and means would at some time report a general bill on that subject and the inequity nature of the tax would be modified. He did not believe the tax could be abolished without collecting other taxes more odious and vexatious. The total number of persons paying income tax was 272,440; of this number over 107,000 paid twenty dollars or less and if the exemption reached two thousand, this class would be cut off. Sixty-nine thousand pay between a hundred and two hundred dollars, while nearly 9,500 paid over two hundred dollars.

Voorhees favored the continuance of the income tax; in his opinion the most impolitic thing the House could do would be to abolish it.

Coburn, Judd and Farnsworth expressed similar views.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Preparing for service.—Burglary prevented.

ERIE, PA., 22.—The U. S. steamer Michigan, which has been laid up at this port during the winter is being suddenly put up in readiness for active service. It is supposed that orders have been received from Washington, and that the movement has some connection with the Fenian operations on the lakes. Her destination is not positively known. Her officers are unusually reticent. She will probably go out to-morrow morning.

PHILADELPHIA.—An attempt to rob the Southwark Bank, whose vaults contained over ten millions, was frustrated last night; the burglars escaped minus their implements.

KANSAS.

Another Defaulting Collector.

LEAVENWORTH.—The investigation of ex-collector Spiers, case shows a still larger deficit than at first reported; the amount will not fall short of a hundred and sixty thousand. The evidence obtained to-day shows that forged affidavits and reports were used, by which large amounts were received from the deputy collectors, which were withheld.

MARYLAND.

Funeral of the murdered children.

BALTIMORE.—An unusual concourse attended the funeral of the murdered Marsh children this afternoon; the mother who is confined in the city jail, was a raving maniac this morning.

MISSOURI.

A shooting affair.—Accused—Military Companies bound for Fort Hayes.

ST. LOUIS.—A dispute occurred to-day between John Kearney, clerk of the city engineer, and W. H. Riley, a policeman, in which Kearney shot Riley in the face and breast with a shot gun; Riley returned the fire ineffectually. Kearney again shot him inflicting a dangerous and perhaps mortal wound.

W. Plogher, who has been on trial some days, for killing Ernest Miner, for being too intimate with the former's wife, has been acquitted.

Five companies of the seventh cavalry are now at Fort Leavenworth, under orders to proceed to Fort Hayes, for active service against the depredating Indians. Gen. Custer will command.

WASHINGTON.

Reported rejection of the Darien Canal treaty.—Shipment of Small Pox prevented.—Trade returns.—Bill to enforce 15th Amendment.

WASHINGTON.—Private advices from Bogota say the Darien Canal treaty has been rejected by the Congress of Columbia.

The Senate judiciary committee is engaged in the preparation of a bill to enforce the 15th Amendment, and has made some progress that it is expected a comprehensive measure of that nature will be reported next week. Information has been received at the war department that a large number of

buffalo robes, obtained from Indians who were suffering from small pox, the robes being undoubtedly infected with the virus, had been packed with the intention of being shipped to the leading posts in Upper Missouri, the department has ordered the officers commanding at the military posts on the river to prevent the shipments or passage of any such paltry

The monthly reports of the bureau of statistics show that for the first seven months of the current fiscal year the value of imports exceeds that of exports, gold value, three and a half millions against nearly thirty-four millions in the corresponding period of last year. The returns of the foreign trade, for January of the current year, show an excess of exports over imports of three and a half millions.

The bill for the enforcement of the Fifteenth Amendment has been drawn up. It contains twelve sections, and proposes to punish by fine and imprisonment any direct or indirect attempt to prevent any colored men from voting. It gives District and Circuit U. S. courts jurisdiction in such cases.

Private dispatches, to-day, from Springfield, Missouri, say the track of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad reached that place, three hundred miles south west of St. Louis, yesterday. Track laying was progressing at the rate of three miles a day.

NEW YORK.

Struck by lightning.—Petitioning for another amendment to the Constitution.—Ship on fire.—Office robbed.—Oyster funeral.—Swindler arrested.—The Negro elevated.—A disabled steamer towed into port.—Fenian Congress adjourned.—Judge Hackett better.—New funding bill.—Committee suicide.—Excitement in Mayti.—Terribly burned.—Funeral of Miss Halleck.

NEW YORK.—The ship Thomas Freeman, from New Orleans for Cronstad, was struck by lightning on the 18th inst., in latitude 35, long. 74, and burned; the crew were saved and brought here.

A petition to Congress is being numerously signed, asking the passage of a Constitutional amendment forbidding appropriation, by the States, for sectarian schools.

The steamer Darien arrived to-day from Lehigh. She reports that on the 20th instant, when in latitude forty-two, longitude seventy, she saw a vessel on fire. A boat was lowered, when it was found that she was a steamer, and was burned to the water's edge. This is possibly the steamer Clarissa, overdue from Havana.

The office of Bacon & Hyde, Fulton St., was robbed to-day of a box containing \$8,000 in United States bonds.

Millions of oysters have been buried to a depth of nine feet by the shifting of the beach, at the Bar, Rockaway. Oyster men lose \$25,000.

Hanson Woodruff, of Hoboken, has been indicted in jail on a charge of swindling; the amount involved is nearly a hundred thousand dollars.

ALBANY.—A bill has passed the Assembly amending the election law, by placing colored voters on an equality with whites.

NEW YORK.—The steamer Venezuela, which was disabled at sea in the latter part of February, was towed into this harbor to-day.

The Fenian Congress adjourned this afternoon sine die. O'Neill was re-elected President. The utmost secrecy was maintained in regard to the proceedings of the Convention, but the impression among those claiming to be well informed is that a war policy has been determined on.

Recorder Hackett is much better and will be able to proceed with the McFarland trial on Monday.

It is reported that the ways and means committee will offer to the House a new funding bill, and that the banking committee will report a bill authorizing the issue of 95,000,000 additional fractional currency, without any provision for the withdrawal of either certificates or legal tenders.

It is reported that Mayor Sigourney, author of the "Beautiful Snow" committed suicide to-day.

A Haytian letter of the 12th reports that the people are again excitedly discussing the San Domingo annexation question, on account of information that the U. S. war steamer had taken possession of the Bay of Masulo on the northern frontier of Hayti. The feeling is more bitter than ever. It is understood that this movement of the U. S. Authorities is for preventing Luperon entering into a hostile intent.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill, residing in Jackson fully burned yesterday, by the explosion of kerosene oil, used in hurrying a slow fire. Moral—"don't use oil."

Miss Halleck, the venerable sister of the poet Fitzgerald Halleck, was buried yesterday at Guilford Conn., by the side of her brother.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Funeral of Barlingame.

BOSTON.—The funeral of Anson Barlingame took place to-day; the service was impressive and the procession long. An endless throng lined the streets. Minute guns were fired, the flags were at half mast and business suspended. The remains were interred at Mount Auburn.

CALIFORNIA.

The Blossom Rock Explosion.—News from British Columbia.

SAN FRANCISCO, 23.—The U. S. steamer Newburn sailed for Alaska via Victoria to-day; Lady Franklin was a passenger for the latter port.

Legal tenders 893.

Mining stocks have been active during the past week.

Blossom Rock, the most dangerous obstacle in the harbor, was blown up to-

day at 2 p.m. Twenty-three tons of powder were used. A body of water, apparently 100 feet in diameter, was thrown to the height of a hundred feet. The centre was filled with smoke and stones, the latter going far above the water. Between fifty and sixty thousand people witnessed the explosion. There was no perceptible jar, and only a deep thud accompanied the blast.

The government of British Columbia has voted a subsidy to maintain the telegraph system on the main land and has levied a duty of 50 per cent on all imported liquors and spirits therefor.

The latest advices from Peace River, British Columbia, gold diggings, are favorable. The dust is fine and resembles the Australian dust. It assays 17 1/2 dollars an ounce. The miners are confident that it is the best mining region outside of California and Australia. The district is extensive, and new discoveries are daily reported.

FOREIGN NEWS.

GREECE.

The Troops and the Brigands.

ATHENS.—The Marathon brigands are surrounded by troops, but retain their prisoners and refuse to surrender.

PRUSSIA.

Bismarck better—Chinese Embassy at Berlin—Chinese treaty signed.

BERLIN.—The latest telegraphic bulletin from Varzin reports that Prime Minister Bismarck is better.

The Chinese embassy has arrived at Berlin.

Russia has signed the Burlingame treaty and has agreed to a fair settlement of the frontier question.

The Chinese embassy will go to Brussels and Paris and thence to Rome.

TURKEY.

Captives killed.

CONSTANTINOPLE.—A telegram says the Turkish Minister at Athens reports to his government that the captives retained for ransom by brigands, near Marathon, have been killed.

WEST INDIES.

Priest condemned to death.

HAVANA.—A court martial at Cienfuegos condemned a priest to death for preaching insurrection and blessing the insurgent flag.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Queen Escapes from Danger—Cause of the Fenian Panic—Rejoicing over one Ship SAVED.

LONDON.—The Queen escaped from danger to-day, when she was driving near Hyde Park, when their carriage was pursued by a runaway team with a heavy wagon attached. The driver of the royal carriage, by skilful management of his horses, avoided a collision.

The recent Fenian panic in this city was occasioned by the filing of information with the chief of police that a large number of Fenians had recently arrived from America for incendiary and other purposes, and that, together with other buildings, the officers of the Times and Pall Mall Gazette had been threatened with destruction by them.

The Globe says the police authorities have received instructions to search and watch all lodging and boarding houses, as a measure of safety.

LIVERPOOL.—There were great demonstrations of rejoicing here on the arrival of the City of Brussels. Crowds collected and guns were fired.

FRANCE.

New planet discovered.

PARIS.—Prof. Barrell, of Marseilles, has discovered a new planet.

AUSTRIA.

Protestantism in the Tyrol.

VIENNA.—There is a strong movement in the Tyrol for secession from the Roman Church.

ITALY.

The advocates of infallibility at work.

ROME.—The Prelates are active in destroying the pamphlets issued against Papal infallibility.

CANADA.

An Alarming Discovery.—Unhappy Prince—Suspects arrested—Bailed out—Damage by Floods and Freshets—Discharged.

MONTREAL.—The police profess to have discovered a plot to seize Prince Arthur and carry him off to some obscure place on the U. S. frontier, to be held as a hostage for the good treatment of the Fenian prisoners that fall into the hands of the authorities.

Four men were arrested on the arrival of the American train last evening, on suspicion of being Fenians. More volunteers were left for the frontier. The volunteers are still under arms at Quebec; two battalions there have offered their services for the Red River expedition.

Father Richott and Scott, who were arrested, accused of being accessories to the murder of Thomas Scott at Red River, have been admitted to bail.

TORONTO.—An Ottawa dispatch states that instructions have been issued by the militia department to withdraw the volunteers from the front, no trouble appearing to exist there. The country in the vicinity of Campbell's ford is completely inundated; the draws and piers on the river have been swept

away. Business is suspended. The factories and shops along the river are flooded; the damage to property is very great.

PENNY.—Most of the bridges on the Mississippi and Olide rivers have been carried away by the freshet. Reports say that the damages by the flood are very great.

OTTAWA.—Father Richott and Scott, delegates from the Red River country, who were arrested on a charge of being accessory to the murder of Thos. Scott in that region were brought into court to-day, when the prosecution stated that it had not sufficient evidence to justify the commitment of the prisoners, and they therefore were discharged.

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