

Weather Report.—The following weather report was received by Deseret Telegraph, at eleven o'clock to-day—

Paris, Idaho—Snowing a little.

Franklin, Idaho—Looks like snowing, and is hailing now.

Logan—It snowed some yesterday; nearly all melted this morning; clearing up and cold now.

Brigham City—Snowed three inches last night; sun shining now.

Corinne—Clear and cold.

Ogden—The snow is going off; trying to clear off.

Sandy—It has been stormy this morning; cloudy but not storming now.

Provo—It has been storming nearly all night; about one inch of snow fell. The sun is shining now.

Payson—Cloudy and cold; rained last night.

York—Cloudy and cold.

Nephi—It snowed a little last night; clear, frosty and pleasant now. The roads are a little muddy.

Fillmore—It is very cloudy, and the roads are a little muddy.

Cove Creek—Fair; snowed about two inches last night.

Beaver—Clear, sun shining, roads good.

Parowan—Clear and pleasant.

Cedar City—Heavy fog this morning, but clear now. The roads are a little muddy.

Toquerville—Fine and pleasant. The roads are very good.

St. George—Clear and pleasant.

Pine Valley and Hebron—Clear and pleasant.

Fairview—It snowed a little last night; cloudy and hailing this morning. The roads are good.

Mount Pleasant—It looks very much like storming and is very cold.

Ephraim—It is very cold and snowing.

Manti—It is cloudy, quite cold and snowing a little.

Salina—It is clear and pleasant; rained a little last night.

Richfield—It rained a little last night, but is clearing up now.

Bingham—It snowed some last night, but is clear now.

Alta—Two feet of snow; just clearing up now. It has stopped snowing.

Departed.—Colonel Alden A. M. Jackson died, at St. George, at 9 o'clock this morning, of apoplexy.

By Telegraph.

AMERICAN.

WASHINGTON, 26. — From the official statement prepared for the Postmaster General, it appears that the operations of the free delivery system for the year ending June 30th, 1876, were as follows: Number of offices 87; number of letter carriers 2,269; number of letters and postal cards delivered 288,418,755; number of newspapers delivered 80,875,040; number of letters and postal cards collected 234,230,582; number of newspapers collected 23,453,088; number of pieces handled per carrier 278,433; total cost of service \$1,581,183; average cost per piece in mills 3 13-100. The amount of postage received on local matter was \$2,065,592 in excess of local postage; over the local cost of service \$84,375. These figures show that the service is now somewhat more than self-sustaining, and by comparison with the statistics for the previous year, it appears that the revenue from local postage has increased between six and seven per cent., while the increase in the cost of the service has not increased more than five per cent.

By the President of the United States a proclamation: From year to year we have been accustomed to pause in our daily pursuits and set apart a time to offer our thanks to Almighty God for special blessings he has vouchsafed to us, with our prayers for a continuance thereof. We have, at this time, equal reason to be thankful for his continued protection, and the many material blessings which his bounty has bestowed. In addition to these favors accorded to us, as individuals, we have special occasion to express our hearty thanks to Almighty God that by his providence

and guidance our government, established a century ago, has been enabled to fulfil the purpose of its founders, in offering an asylum to the people of every race, securing civil and religious liberty to all within its borders, and meting out to every individual justice and equality before the law. It is, moreover, especially our duty to offer our humble praises to the Father of all mercies for a continuance of his divine favor to us as a nation, and as individuals. By reason of all these considerations, I, Ulysses S. Grant, President of the United States, do recommend to the people of the United States to devote the 30th day of November next to the expression of their thanks and prayer, to Almighty God; and laying aside their daily avocations, and all similar occupations, to assemble in their respective places of worship, and observe such day as a day of thanksgiving and rest.

As witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, etc.

DES MOINES, Iowa, 26.—The United States Circuit Court, Judge Dillon presiding, has been engaged since the 10th instant in trying one of the most important crooked whiskey suits ever brought in this country. In 1865 J. A. Rhombert, a saloon keeper of Dubuque, started a distillery. In the winter of 1865 he paid an assessment of \$190,000 on account of frauds. In 1874 he was assessed \$50,000, which he refused to pay. This suit is brought to recover the amount of his bonds \$110,000. The Government is represented by its district attorney, Col. Lane, of Davenport, and Col. Henderson, of Dubuque. The trial shows the immense labor which has been performed by the counsel for the Government and revenue agent Brown, in unearthing the frauds. After a lapse of ten years they were fortunate in procuring the book-keeper and another employee of Rhombert's, employed by him during the time covered by the alleged frauds, who testified to the magnitude of the steals. Col. Henderson opened the case for the Government in a speech of nearly eight hours. His review of the evidence of the Rhombert's and of Phil. McKiger, the principal witnesses for the defense, was amusing and scathing.

CHARLESTON, 26.—The President of the Chamber of Commerce has united with the Methodist, Catholic, and Episcopalian Bishops, and leading Presbyterian, Lutheran, Baptist and Jewish ministers, and Presidents of all the National and other banks in Charleston, in an address on the condition of South Carolina, to the people of the United States, which denies that the white people of South Carolina are disloyal or disaffected to the United States Government; that any part of the State is in insurrection; that law cannot be duly enforced within the limits of the State; that any lawful cause exists for federal interference; that the white people of the State are disaffected towards the colored people, or desire to infringe on their political or civil rights; that rifle clubs in the State are combinations against law, and that in the recent race collisions the white people have been the aggressors.

BISMARCK, 26.—Gen. Terry was still at Standing Rock last evening. He had succeeded in disarming and gathering in the ponies of all the Indians at the agency. It is believed that the Indians have hid most of their arms, as they had a day's warning, and only about two hundred stands have been found, including shot guns and revolvers. A large number of ponies will yet be brought in; about six hundred have already been surrendered. The Indians seem to take kindly to the move as they come to understand it, but some were at first disposed to resist. General Terry informed them that the property would be sold and the proceeds invested in cattle and such things as would be useful for them. None outside of General Terry and those immediately connected with him have any idea as to where he will go next, whether to Cheyenne or to strike the hostiles.

OMAHA, 26.—The convention of Governors concluded to-day. After adopting resolutions looking toward the destruction of the grasshoppers, recommending, in the States and Territories interested, the making of laws to encourage their eradication, and other steps necessary to rid the country of the scourge, the President of the convention was requested to draw up and present to the President of the United States

a letter setting forth the urgent necessity of the action of the General Government in behalf of the sections ravaged. The Governors of Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Colorado, Wyoming, Dakota and Idaho are requested to transmit to their respective delegations a record of the proceedings of the convention, and request them to urge on Congress a speedy action in this matter. It is ascertained that the grasshoppers have not done the amount of damage imagined; that they can be encountered and exterminated with much less labor and difficulty than heretofore supposed, by united and concentrated efforts at the proper time. No fears need be entertained as to serious results the coming spring.

In the afternoon session of the court, after the arguments had been made by counsel, Judge McAllister admitted the defendant to bail in \$8,000. In answer to strictures on the part of Mr. Reed, the Court vigorously defended himself from the imputations, and repeated his belief that there was no murder; that Sullivan was wronged more than wronging, and accused the prosecution of stirring up public sentiment against him by their persistent remarks about his rulings. Berry, the juror who held out for conviction, states, to-night, that he was abused and assailed by his fellow jurymen while they were locked up. That he was, part of the time, in fear of his life, and that he scarcely dared to sleep.

CINCINNATI, 26.—Miss Anna Spear, residing at Clifton, suicided this afternoon by shooting herself through the head. Cause, ill health.

READING, Pa., 26.—During the democratic parade in this city, to-day, a railing in front of the portico of Brenezer Hall, gave way, and precipitated about thirty persons, some of them children, to the sidewalk, eighteen feet below. Twelve persons were severely hurt, having sustained fractured limbs or internal injuries.

NEW YORK, 27.—As a procession was passing along Third Avenue, quite a serious disturbance took place between Nineteenth and Twentieth Streets, resulting in a free fight and several persons badly injured. During the confusion of the fight some of the torch-bearers set fire to a large banner of the 16th Assembly District Republican Association, and it was totally destroyed. A new one will be raised in its stead this evening, when the republicans of the district will meet in large numbers.

This morning a freight train on the New Jersey Midland Railroad fell through the trestle and bridge work at Hawthorne, the engine and tender landing end foremost upon the Erie track, and the cars tumbling in a pile upon them. The engineer, fireman and three brakemen were fatally injured, and the conductor had both legs broken.

The Central Railroad of New Jersey offers a reward of \$1,000 for the conviction of the party or parties who misplaced the switch on the night of Oct. 24th, which resulted in the loss of three lives and the wounding of fourteen passengers.

The entire board of excise was arrested, to-day, on complaint of a liquor dealer, who charges them with the violation of the excise law, in granting license for the sale of spirituous liquors to proprietors of eating-houses.

Jas. J. Brooks, of Philadelphia, for a long time in the Government secret service, has been appointed to succeed Col. Washburn as chief of the secret service of the division of the Treasury.

CHICAGO, 27.—A telegram from the Yankton agency says the steamer C. K. Peck, passed down at noon to-day, with the Sioux peace commissioners on board. They report that their mission has been satisfactory and successful. They held councils at all the agencies on the Upper Missouri, and the treaty was signed by all the head chiefs of the different bands. The Commission, at the request of the Indians, struck out the section proposing to remove them to the Indian Territory. The Indians accepted all the other propositions without objection.

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt., 27.—This morning, at Cahoon Falls, six miles north of this place, Frank Johnson, of Windham, Me., Chas. Putney, of Concord, N. H., and Jos. Heon, of St. Johnsbury, were excavating for a paper mill, and placed some red rock to dry under

a stove in the basement while they were at work on the first floor. The explosive ignited and blew the building, twenty feet square, into kindling wood, and hurled the men skyward. Heon was denuded of clothing and filled with splinters, and may die. Johnson and Putney will recover. A falling derrick instantly killed E. W. Hawkins, one of the proprietors of the St. Johnsbury Granite Co. Hawkins was thirty years old and recently married.

WASHINGTON, 27.—E. L. Stanton, son of the late Secretary Stanton, and attorney for the District of Columbia since the formation of the present form of the district government, has tendered his resignation, to take effect on the 31st inst. His resignation has been accepted by the Department of Commission.

ANNAPOLIS, 27.—Cadet midshipman R. R. Cockle, of Ills., who refused to testify in the investigation of the case of the hazers, has been dismissed from the Naval Academy. This is the ninth cadet dismissed for the same offense within two weeks. The whole of the third class, it still appears, will have to be dismissed. The court of inquiry into the hazing is still in session.

PHILADELPHIA, 27.—Wool dull, supply light. California fine and medium 27 @ 28, coarse 19 @ 22.

DES MOINES, 27.—The jury in the case of the United States vs. J. A. Rhombert, returned a verdict for plaintiff. One hundred and three thousand dollars, the amount due on distillers bonds. This is the first of a series of suits against Rhombert for \$434,000 for whiskey frauds.

CHARLESTON, S. C., 27.—News has just been received here of the murder of two aged sisters, widows, named Trodock and Stoddard, residing alone in Laurene County. An ax was the instrument used.

Sixty northern merchants, residents and doing business here, had a meeting to-night, and adopted an address to the people of the United States declaring Governor Chamberlain's proclamation unwarranted by the real condition of the State, and fully endorsing the recent statement issued by the clergy and bankers of Charleston.

MAYS LANDING, N. J., 27.—John Hill and Jno. Fallen, who were convicted of the murder of George Chislett, near Elwood, on August 5th, were hanged here this afternoon.

LITTLE ROCK, 27.—In the federal court, to-day, Judge H. C. Caldwell presiding, four convicted proprietors of illicit distilleries were sentenced, Newton Storms to one year and \$1,000 fine; David T. Inman, one month and \$1,000 fine; Frazier Carr, one year and \$5,000 fine; Ames T. Curtis, one year and \$5,000 fine.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., 28.—Cadet Midshipman Homer C. Poundstone, of Virginia, was convicted of hazing and dismissed yesterday from the naval academy. Cadet Midshipman F. A. Woodworth, of California, and R. W. Barclay, of Missouri, are under arrest for hazing, and await their trial by court-martial.

NEW YORK, 28.

A Paris dispatch says the American colony resident there is greatly exercised over the publication of a letter to friends in Germany, by M. Deismann, chief of the French commission to the Centennial Exposition. The letter is summarized as follows: The accounts transmitted to me from my deputy are of the most grievous character. That the Americans themselves set fire to the building containing the empty cases of the French goods, hoping to destroy the French merchandise and articles for exhibition stored in the galleries. A second attempt of the same kind has been made within the last month, worse than all. The police employed by the Centennial commissioners are purposely chosen from the worst and most degraded elements in the United States; the keepers are thieves without exception; they steal openly from the exhibitors in the French department and all others. There exists an understanding between these knaves and the judges. The judges call up the rogues for hearing when the complaints are made at hours unknown to the complainants, and as a result, no witnesses of criminal guilt being present, they are acquitted. Even worse than this, if such a thing be possible, the thieves count on the judges themselves to give them the signal when the discreet moment has arrived to begin the work. This outrageous epistle concludes

with a vile attack on the virtue and manners of the American women which cannot be transmitted by cable or reproduced in print.

NEW ORLEANS, 28.—Captain Brenner, of the British steamship *Chilian*, from Kingston, Jamaica, reports the severest hurricane ever experienced at Grand Cayman Island, lasting from the 17th to the 21st. One hundred and seventy houses and a large number of fruit trees were destroyed, and a portion of the island submerged and many cattle washed away. The inhabitants are in a destitute condition.

LITTLE ROCK, 28.—Three Methodist ministers, while riding their circuit in Pope county, Ark., were shot from the brush yesterday, by two illicit distillers, named Hughes and Hale. It is believed Hughes and Hale mistook them for revenue officers and marshals coming to arrest them, as warrants are now out for their arrest for illicit distilling. One of the ministers was mortally wounded and died two hours after being shot; the other two were seriously, if not fatally wounded. There are a large number of illicit distilleries in that part of the State, and six of these parties have been convicted during this week in the United States court of this district.

AUBURN, N. Y., 28.—Edward S. Stokes, convicted of shooting James Fisk, Jr., was released this morning from the State prison, his term of sentence having expired. A great crowd was at the railroad depot to see Stokes, who, with his friends, started eastward.

WASHINGTON, 28.

The jury in the case of Johanna Turbin, colored, indicted for the murder of her husband in July last, returned a verdict, to-day, of guilty, accompanied with a petition to the President, signed by the full panel, to commute the death penalty to imprisonment for life. The judge presiding, as also the district attorney, expressed their intention to give their personal aid to furthering the object of the petition.

CHICAGO, 28.—The *Tribune's* Montreal dispatch, from Boston, declaring the Fenians are preparing that for another raid into Canada from Vermont, has caused much excitement. It is supposed to have been inspired by some agent of the Fenian brotherhood to arouse the feelings and hopes, and again unloose the purse-strings of servant girls. The only ground for the report, so far as can be learned is, that some rusty arms are said to have been stored in a house near the North Pound, Vermont; but it is believed these were left there from the last raid.

A correspondent writing to *Nouvel Monde*, from Vermont, says the Fenians are holding secret meetings in Vermont that bode no good to Canada, and should England become engaged in a war with Russia, they will make another attempt to cross the Canadian frontier.

James G. Blaine addressed an immense audience in the Exposition building to-night. Probably not less than 20,000 persons were seated, and standing as near the speaker as they conveniently could, and far more than that number were unable to get within hearing distance, and after lingering for a brief time left the building. His address was received with marked enthusiasm, and he was applauded to the echo.

RICHMOND, Va., 28.—In the United States Circuit Court, to day, Judge Bond presiding, Ezekiel Myers, recently convicted of illicit distilling in Petersburg, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment and a fine of \$5,000.

BOSTON, 28.—Wool active, strong, stocks rapidly disappearing, and holders are indifferent about selling. Ohio and Pennsylvania have been in active demand, and very full prices were obtained; sales 395,000 lbs., including XXX; Pennsylvania 52; XX Ohio 45 @ 46; X Ohio and Pennsylvania 40 @ 46; No. 1 40 @ 42. Michigan and Wisconsin in demand; Michigan 36 @ 40; Wisconsin 36 1/2 @ 40, desirable lots very firm at 40; sales 212,000 lbs. Combing and delaine in steady demand and full prices; sales of 181,000 lbs. at 45 @ 51, including fine delaine and good average lots of combing. Choice selections 54 and 55. California in demand; fall comes forward slowly and meets ready sale at 18 @ 25. There is very little doing in spring, the stock being about exhausted; sales 551,500 lbs. Pulled has been in better demand, and prices are firm; sales 218,000 lbs. superior and X 35 @ 40; choice eastern and Maine superior 42 1/2 @ 45.