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## THE NEWS.

By the last mail from the east, which arrived on Sunday, we received a greater amount of exchanges than by any mail for a long time past, excepting the ox express, including dates from New York and Washington to the 21st and from St. Joseph to the 24th ult.

The Charleston Convention met on the 23d, was called to order by Judge Smalley, chairman of the National Committee, and F. B. Flourney, of Ark., chosen temporary chairman. The Rev. Dr. Haneel, of Charleston, officiated as chaplain and offered up a prayer; but, if intercession was made for the spirit of unity to prevail among the members, that which was asked for was not received, for the first movement that was made, after the prayer and the appointment of a temporary secretary, produced a row, which caused great excitement among the "unterrified," and no good feeling was manifested during that day's session, which adjourned at 3 p.m., till the next morning, after the appointment of a committee on credentials. The contest for seats between the two sets of delegates from New York, Georgia and Illinois was likely to be a matter not easily settled. There were also those from other States who would contest seats.

Douglas and his friends were in high glee on the 22d, but as the delegates arrived and compared votes, his chances of success were greatly diminished and he became somewhat chafallen.

A platform was announced as the first thing in order to be decided upon after the question of seats should be settled—then the nomination.

The supposition is, from the late telegraphic dispatch, that there were more planks taken there by the delegates than could be put into one of those horizontal concerns, and that they concluded to make two—one for the North and another for the South, and adjourned, one party to Baltimore, the other to Richmond, to meet on the 18th of June; before doing which they no doubt had an "irrepressible conflict."

Judge Cradlebaugh had petitioned Congress for an indemnity; but whether it was for expenses incurred in the Provo campaign or for something else, does not appear from the journals.

Frank H. Wootton, of Maryland, says the Baltimore Sun, has been appointed secretary for Utah.

The general impression at Washington was that Congress would not do much till after the conventions were over, which, under present arrangements, will not be till the last of June.

## Republican National Convention.

The convention of the Republicans for nominating their candidate for the Presidency, according to previous arrangements, meets at Chicago to-day, but, if there is not a greater degree of union existing among the delegates who have been entrusted with the business of constructing a platform on which to do battle and selecting a standard-bearer around whom to rally in the coming political contest, than there was among the delegates to the Charleston convention, which met on the 23d ult., they will not soon get the planks for the foundation of their party structure framed together, nor agree who shall have the honor of trying his fortune on it after they shall have been fortunate enough to get it completed.

War against the "twin relics," so called, will of course constitute a portion of their quadrennial concern, which, if as "rotten" as some represent, can hardly be expected to successfully bear up under a very heavy pressure much longer. They have used that plank before for the same purpose, and, in this age of change and progression, the same materials are not often used but once for political platforms; and new planks, the strength and durability of which have not been tested, are

generally selected for those temporary structures.

It is not generally known how large a platform the Republicans intend to construct, nor how many planks it will take to make one that will suit their leaders; but we are quite sure that whatever party now in existence or that may hereafter arise in this country, or in any other, undertakes to raise a political structure out of materials that were never designed for such purposes, those moving or inciting their followers, less knowing, perhaps, than themselves, to such deeds, will regret ere long, that they did not confine themselves in their operations to matters and things with which they were better acquainted than they were with polygamy or any other institution of Heaven.

## What has become of It?

By communications received from various persons in the East, there are strong reasons for believing that the entire mail which left this city on the 24th of February, has been lost, as no person to whom letters or packages were forwarded on that day from this place, had received them; so far as heard from up to the 15th ultimo.

If any one knows anything about the missing mail, let them speak out. Perhaps it may have been cached.

## A Great Snow Storm.

On Saturday last, about three o'clock in the morning, after a slight rain, snow commenced falling rapidly and continued without cessation for about six hours, and afterwards at intervals it was sifting down till sometime in the afternoon. The snow was very damp, the ground was warm, consequently it melted very fast, and there are various opinions as to the amount which fell—some being of the opinion that if none had melted, it would have been two feet deep when the storm ended, others said not so much. To our certain knowledge it was over one foot deep in places and nearly or quite that upon a level in this city at ten o'clock a. m.

It was a most unseasonable storm, and if it was not a dreary, uncomfortable time during Saturday and most of the day on Sunday, we never saw one in this country. Some people got out their sleighs and drove about the streets before the storm was over; and on Sunday a man living south of the city four or five miles came to meeting with his sleigh, there being plenty of snow till he got within about one half mile of the Tabernacle.

It was cold and froze hard on Saturday night and all garden vegetables were killed that were not hardy enough to stand a thorough freezing. There was some snow fell Sunday morning, but before noon the sun came out and thereafter the quantity on the ground and elsewhere diminished rapidly, mud and water succeeding it in profuse abundance.

The storm was not very extensive, and seems to have been confined mostly to this county. At Ogden as reported, there was but very little snow, and at Farmington it fell only to the depth of two or three inches. In the south-west part of this valley there was little or none, the bare ground being visible in the distance as soon as the clouds had dispersed.

To garden and field crops that were hardy enough to resist the action of the snow and frost, the water from this unusual fall of crystallized vapor will unquestionably be of much benefit, overbalancing perhaps the damage that may have been done by its cooling effects upon such vegetation as withers at the touch of frost, by thousands of dollars, so there will not be much complaining, though it was decidedly a cooling, uncomfortable operation.

**MORE SIGNS OF COAL.**—Mr. H. W. Miller, of Farmington, left in our office, a few days since, a specimen of coal found lately in one of the creeks flowing from the mountains between Farmington and Centerville. Since the specimen in question was picked up, search has been made up the creek some two miles into the mountains and pieces of coal discovered along the bed of the stream, evidently washed down from some place above, which a prospecting company are diligently searching after, with great hopes of success.

The specimen exhibited is of the best quality, and if the vein from which it has been disjoined by some agency can be found, and no doubt energetic measures will be taken to discover its location, it may disclose a mine of wealth, not supposed heretofore to exist so near to this city, and of more value than silver or gold in this cold timberless country.

## VOTE ON ANTI-POLYGAMY BILL.

For future reference, as there is another day coming, we give below the vote in the House of Representatives, April 5, on the bill to punish and prevent the practice of polygamy in the Territories of the United States, and other places, except in the District of Columbia.

Much pains has been taken to get the names of the members who voted correct, as most of the statements of the vote that have been published are erroneous. In some instances names occur not found in the official list, and in others the orthography has been so changed that the real name of the person intended does not appear.

Those who voted for the bill were:

## MAINE.

Stephen C. Foster John J. Perry  
Ezra B. French Israel Washburn, jun.  
Freeman H. Morse

## NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Thomas M. Edwards Mason W. Teppan  
Gilman Marston

## MASSACHUSETTS.

Charles F. Adams Charles Delano  
John B. Alley Thomas D. Elliot  
James Buffinton Alexander H. Rice  
Anson Burlingame Charles R. Train  
Henry L. Dawes

## RHODE ISLAND.

William D. Brayton Christopher Robinson

## CONNECTICUT.

Orris S. Ferry John Woodruff  
Dwight Loomis

## VERMONT.

Justin S. Morrill E. P. Walton  
Homer E. Boyce

## NEW YORK.

Thomas J. Barr James H. Graham  
Charles L. Beale Charles B. Hoard  
George Briggs James Humphrey  
Silas M. Burrows William S. Elyon  
Martin Butterfield M. Lindley Lee  
Luther C. Carter James B. McKean  
Horace F. Clark Abraham B. Olin  
Clark P. Cochrane George W. Palmer  
John Cochrane Daniel E. Sickles  
Roscoe Conkling Elbridge G. Spaulding  
R. Holland Duell Francis E. Spinner  
Alfred Ely Charles H. Van Wyck  
Reuben E. Fenton Alfred Wells  
Augustus Frank

## NEW JERSEY.

Garnet B. Adrain John L. N. Stratton  
John T. Nixon

## PENNSYLVANIA.

Elijah Babbitt Henry C. Longnecker  
Samuel S. Blair Robert McKnight  
James H. Campbell Edward McPherson  
John Covode William Millward  
William H. Dimmick James K. Moorhead  
Galusha A. Grow Edward Joy Morris  
James T. Hale John Schwartz  
Chapin Hall George W. Scranton  
John Hickman Thaddeus Stevens  
Benjamin F. Junkin William Stewart  
John W. Killinger John P. Veree

## MARYLAND.

H. Winter Davis George W. Hughes  
J. Morrison Harris Edwin H. Webster

## VIRGINIA.

Alexander R. Boteler Albert C. Jenkins  
Muscoe R. H. Garnett Elbert L. Milson  
John T. Harris Roger A. Pryor

## NORTH CAROLINA.

John A. Gilmer Zebulon B. Vance  
William N. H. Smith

## GEORGIA.

Joshua Hill John W. H. Underwood

## ALABAMA.

Williamson R. W. Cobb

## MISSISSIPPI.

Lucius Q. C. Lamar Otho R. Singleton

## TENNESSEE.

Reese B. Brabson Thomas A. R. Nelson  
Emerson Etheridge James M. Quarles  
Horace Maynard William B. Stokes

## KENTUCKY.

Green Adams Robert Mallory  
William C. Anderson Laban T. Moore  
Francis M. Bristow William E. Sims  
Henry C. Burnett John W. Stevenson

## OHIO.

James M. Ashley John Hutchins  
John A. Bingham John Sherman  
Harrison G. Blake Benjamin Stanton  
John Carey Thomas C. Theaker  
Sidney Edgerton Cydnor B. Thompson  
John A. Gurley Garey A. Trimble  
William Helmick

## INDIANA.

Charles Case John U. Pettit  
Schuyler Colfax Albert G. Porter  
William McKee Dunn Ja nes Wilson  
David Eligore

## ILLINOIS.

John F. Farnsworth Owen Lovejoy  
William Kellogg Elhu B. Washburne

## MICHIGAN.

Francis W. Kellogg Henry Waldron  
De Witt C. Leach

## WISCONSIN.

Charles H. Larabee C. C. Washburne  
John F. Potter

## MINNESOTA.

Cyrus Aldrich William Windom

## IOWA.

Samuel R. Curtis William Vandever

## MISSOURI.

Thomas I. Anderson James Craig  
John B. Clark Samuel H. Woodson

## TEXAS.

John H. Regan

Those voting against the bill were—

## MASSACHUSETTS.

Ell Thayer

## NEW YORK.

John B. Haskin

## NEW JERSEY.

Jetur R. Riggs

## PENNSYLVANIA.

Thomas B. Florence William Montgomery

## DELAWARE.

William G. Whitely

## MARYLAND.

James A. Stewart

## VIRGINIA.

Thomas S. Bocock William Smith  
Daniel C. De Jarnette

## NORTH CAROLINA.

Lawrence O'B. Branch Warren Winslow  
Thomas Ruffin

## SOUTH CAROLINA.

John D. Ashmore Milles L. Bonham  
William W. Boyce Laurence M. Keitt  
John McQueen W. Porcher Miles

## GEORGIA.

Martin J. Crawford Lucius J. Gartrell  
Thomas Hardman, jun. James Jackson  
John J. Jones Peter E. Love

## FLORIDA.

George S. Hawkins

## ALABAMA.

David Clopton Jabez L. M. Curry  
George L. Houston Sydneyham Moore  
James L. Pugh James A. Stoworth

## MISSISSIPPI.

William Barksdale John J. McRea

## TENNESSEE.

Robert Hatton James H. Thomas

## OHIO.

William Allen Charles D. Martin  
Samuel S. Cox George H. Pendleton  
William Howard Clement L. Valandigham

## INDIANA.

William S. Holman William E. Niblack

## ILLINOIS.

Phillip B. Fouke Isaac A. Morris  
John A. Logan James C. Robinson  
John A. McClernand

## MICHIGAN.

George B. Cooper

## MISSOURI.

J. R. Barrett John W. Noel  
John S. Phelps

## ARKANSAS.

Thomas C. Hindman

## LOUISIANA.

John E. Bouligny Miles Taylor

## TEXAS.

Andrew J. Hamilton

## CALIFORNIA.

John C. Burch Charles L. Scott

## OREGON.

Lansing Stout

## Alderman's Court.

On Thursday last, W. W. Wheeler, who has obtained some notoriety within the last two months, was tried before Alderman Clinton for drunkenness and profanity, and fined ten dollars and costs.

M. L. Young and a man named Brooks were tried on Saturday, by the same court, for committing an assault on T. B. Irwin. The first was fined fifty dollars and the other twenty-five and costs.

On Monday, Levi Garnett, for selling unwholesome provisions, was fined ten dollars and costs.

**MORE ROWDYISM.**—Within the last eight or ten days, there has been considerable rowdyism about the city; more than usual. There is some cause, no doubt, for such riotous demonstrations which, in our opinion, could be easily removed, if the corporation would will it.

On Monday night last, the quiet of the city was disturbed by four or five half-civilized fellows. Two of them were taking a lesson in the lock-up yesterday. They are to be tried when their associates are caught.

One of those, yet at large, will most likely be a little shy about visiting the city for a time to come, as several pieces of lead put in motion by the force of gunpowder, and to which direction was given by a policeman, whispered him closely as he was leaving town in a hurry, yesterday morning.

**ANOTHER FATAL ACCIDENT.**—It seems that more fatal casualties have occurred lately than ever before in this Territory. Hardly a week passes without some accident happening which produces death. On the morning of the 8th inst., Mr. Jesse W. Johnston was killed at Snyder's mill, in Parley's Park, by the accidental dropping of the saw sash, while he was underneath fixing up something that was out of repair.

He was about forty years old and was esteemed as an honorable, upright man; served in the "Mormon Battalion" and came to this valley in 1849. A wife and five children mourn his loss.

**STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED.**—Gen'l Ferguson has fortunately recovered his horse that was taken from his stable by one of the late habeas corpus scape-graces, on the night of the 6th inst. It was found at Camp Floyd.

Mr. D. H. Cannon has also succeeded in recovering three mules and a horse, feloniously taken from him while on a trip to Payson about the same time. They were also found in Cedar county.