

[SPECIAL TO THE DESERT NEWS.]

## By Telegraph.

## GENERAL.

NEW YORK, 9.—The National Woman's Suffrage convention have adopted resolutions hostile to the election of Horace Greeley, and admonishing the conventions to be held in Philadelphia and Baltimore, that unless there is a proper recognition of the woman's convention, a National Woman's Association will be held and a representative ticket be placed in the field.

CHICAGO, 9.—The *Journal's* special says Senator Wilson has fourteen States that will go for him for vice-president. All he now requires is the support of New York and is very confident of success. Vice-president Colfax said yesterday, that while he was in favor of Grant for President, yet if it should happen at Philadelphia that the convention would agree not to renominate Grant, he, Colfax, wanted it understood that he would be a candidate before the convention. A similar position will be held by speaker Blaine and Henry Wilson.

The U. S. Minister to Spain will soon be withdrawn, and no successor appointed until Spain is more disposed to act according to treaty stipulations; and

PITTSBURG, 9.—This afternoon an extensive fire broke out in Somerset, Pa. The telegraph office was among the first buildings burned; the operator opened a temporary office in the street and reported two-thirds of the town destroyed. Before he could give particulars the fire drove him away.

CHICAGO, 10.—The *Tribune's* Washington special has a sensation story to the effect that a plot has been discovered, which comprehends the rejection of Grant by the Philadelphia convention, and the substitution of Senator Morton as candidate for the presidency. It is alleged that ex-Governor Burbank, of Idaho, a brother-in-law of Morton, now residing in Omaha, has been sending confidential letters to the delegates already appointed to the convention, in which the plan is set forth, and their co-operation solicited. The despatch says that one of these letters was for

The St. Louis "Republican" publishes a list of one hundred Democratic papers in various parts of the country, east, west, north and south, which have expressed themselves upon the Cincinnati nomination, and classifies them as follows: In favor of straight-out nomination by a Democratic convention, eleven, including the "Washington Patriot," "New York World," "Pittsburg Post," "Philadelphia Age," "Baltimore Gazette," "Savannah News," "Boston Post," "Detroit Free Press," that speak well of the ticket, but await the action of the Democratic convention; and twenty-four including the "Albany Argus and Times," the "Louisville Courier Journal," "Chicago Times," "Richmond Enquirer," "Cleveland Plaindealer," "New York Express," and the "Mobile Register," that commend the ticket to the support of the Democrats; sixty-five, including the "Cincinnati Enquirer," "New Orleans Times and Picayune," "Illinois State Register," "Dubuque Herald," "Richmond Whig," "Irish Citizen" and "Irish Democrat" N. Y., "Indianapolis Sentinel," "Buffalo Courier," and the three other Democratic papers in St. Louis. The majority of the last named class are country papers, many of them wealthy.

NEW YORK.—Information has been received at the Naval Department at Washington from Havana, that Moro Castle is being rapidly strengthened, and that fifteen inch guns, pointing seaward, are now being put in position. Workmen are clearing away the debris preparatory to rebuilding Midas.

PITTSBURG, 10.—The fire at Somerset, Pennsylvania, this morning, destroyed six squares in the heart of the town, embracing a third of its area, but two-thirds in value, including three hotels, every business house, store and shop, but one, both banks, both printing offices, lawyers' offices, post office, United States Assessor's office, two churches, the Masonic and Odd Fellows' halls, telegraph and express offices, and over thirty dwellings. Fifty families are homeless. The loss is estimated at \$1,175,000.

WASHINGTON, 10.—The President has approved the bill to regulate elections in Washington and Idaho Territories.

The Senate has passed the bill authorizing the distribution of a thousand breech loaders among the citizens in exposed districts in Montana.

Morton denies that he is a candidate for the Presidency under any circumstances, he is for Grant first and last,

and is satisfied no combination can defeat his re-election.

CHICAGO, 10.—The *Evening Journal's* Washington special says the last dispatch from Earl Granville, received by cable yesterday, is not acceptable to our government, but negotiations are still progressing. Fish is very confident the matter will be amicably adjusted, for the British government cannot afford to let the treaty fail. Others, however, equally familiar with the pending negotiations and who belong to the foreign committee of Congress, are of the opinion that the treaty is virtually dead.

NEW YORK, 11.—At a meeting of Radical reformers last night, Victoria Woodhull made a characteristic speech, denouncing the constitution. She predicted another would be substituted in 1886. At the close of the speech Judge Carter, of Ky., nominated Victoria for the next President, which honor she gracefully accepted. A dozen candidates were named for the vice presidency, including Fred. Douglas, Beecher, Tilton, Ben Butler, and Spotted Tail, but without making a selection the meeting was broken up.

Mr. C. Bryant has been chosen orator for the inauguration of the Shakespeare statue in Central Park on May 23d, the three hundredth anniversary of the poet's birth. Edwin Booth will recite passages from Shakespeare.

CHICAGO, 11.—A Washington special says that Gen. Butler said to-day that notwithstanding the talk about a change of front at Philadelphia, Grant would be nominated on the 1st ballot by a large majority. He imagined there would be some opposition to this programme, but not enough to amount to anything.

WASHINGTON, 10.—The last memorial of the committee of one hundred, of San Francisco, was presented by Cole yesterday. It implies that the associated press suppressed the previous anti-Goat Island memorial, which was promptly sent by the agent of the associated press to Simonton, whose views are clearly in unison with his sympathy in the cause. The individual papers are the parties responsible.

The supreme court, in the case of *Carpentier vs. Montgomery*, involving the title to the site of Oakland, has decided sustaining Judge Hoffman's decision, that the confirmation of the Peralta tract to the two sons of the original grantee did not inure to the benefit of any of the other children, so as to enable them to maintain an action at law. If they have any interest, it is merely one to be enforced by an equity suit.

The secretary of the Interior has restored to California, as swamp land, 20,000,000 acres between the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers, near their junction.

The President has signed the bill to aid in the development of the mining resources of the United States.

A desperate fight, with canes and pocket knives, occurred to-day between General James W. V. and Colonel Alvin Sayne; both received serious injury.

DETROIT, 11.—Gov. Baldwin received a dispatch, to-day, from the sheriff of Houghton county, Mich., in the Lake Superior mining district, stating that 1,500 miners are on strike, driving the men from their work, and threatening the destruction of the property of the mine owners and the lives of the mine agents and overseers. The sheriff asks that troops be sent at once, and General Cooke, commanding the department of the lakes, has furnished two companies of infantry at the request of the governor, who will sail early in the morning for the scene of trouble. The telegram urged haste in sending the troops, and as the dispatch was unaccountably delayed, great anxiety is felt lest an outbreak has already occurred. Further advices are eagerly awaited.

SCRANTON, Pa., 12.—An explosion occurred while a party of engineers were examining the gangway of a colliery near Wilkesbarre, killing three men, and badly wounding another.

NEW YORK.—About eighteen hundred members of the United American Society of Carpenters and Joiners of this city are on a strike this morning for eight hours work. A number of prominent bosses have notified their journeymen that they will accede to their demands.

WASHINGTON.—The statement of the Alabama situation is that a further attempt has been in progress since Friday to settle the points of difference upon indirect claims by means of a supplemental treaty, which shall embrace a fourth rule for the guidance of the Geneva Conference, exempting neutrals

from any claims except for direct damages. The additional treaty as proposed will be so drawn as to obviate pending difficulties and allow arbitration to proceed. The State department has prepared most of the correspondence which has passed since the controversy began, which will be transmitted to Congress to-day by the President, with a message. Some letters which have not as yet reached their destination by mail will be probably withheld.

WASHINGTON, 12.—The latest advices from Spain indicate that Dr. Howard will soon be released. The non-arrival of official papers alone causes delay.

CARLISLE, Pa., 12.—The disastrous fire raging the past week on South Mountain is worse to-day than ever, rapidly descending the mountain toward Holly Springs.

WASHINGTON, 12.—The President has requested the resignation of Casey, collector of customs at New Orleans, and his deputy, Heviwig, in consequence of the revelations of the congressional investigation committee, though there is nothing in the report reflecting on the honesty and efficiency of these gentlemen officially; but owing to the character of certain portions of the testimony it was thought a change in these officers might promote the general interest of the service.

FORT WAYNE, Ind.—The *Gazette* this morning says editorially they have information from one of the members of the national central Republican committee that Grant is not anxious to be nominated, that the presidency already has cost him eighteen thousand dollars above his salary and that he desires to retire to civil service. The *Gazette* intimates that if such be the case it might be well to make some other nomination at the Philadelphia convention.

WASHINGTON, 12.—The Secretary of War recommends the appropriation of \$120,000 for the erection of a five company military post near Beaver City, southern Utah.

Ten or twelve Republican Senators had a consultation with the President last night in regard to the statements that the treaty of Washington will fail of execution. Gentlemen in official positions are not willing to make such an admission.

NEW YORK, 12.—The funeral of T. Buchanan Read will take place next Tuesday, from the residence of his brother-in-law, J. E. Caldwell, Philadelphia.

The preliminaries of the prize fight between Mace and O'Baldwin were arranged finally yesterday. The parties signing the new articles agree for the fight to come off in Virginia on the 16th of July, for a thousand dollars a side.

The *Herald's* financial article says a strong bull movement is predicted by some stock operators next week.

John Moore is under arrest on suspicion, he closely answering the description of the burglar who shot Phelps, the jeweler.

HAVANA, 11.—The Spanish man-of-war *Pizarro* has arrived at Santiago de Cuba, from Aspinwall, having abandoned her watch of the steamer *Virginus* on the arrival of the U. S. steamer *Kansas* and her declaration that the *Virginus* was an American vessel.

HARTFORD, 11.—Scott and Charst, the Windsor lock murderers, were convicted to-day of murder in the second degree and sentenced to the penitentiary for life. The testimony was circumstantial.

TROY, 11.—Peter Gray, a wealthy resident of Pittsboro, Rensselaer Co., was murdered last night by an unknown assassin.

POUGHKEEPSIE, 12.—Reports from Chester, Westchester Co., say the mountain fires there are three miles in length. Birds and game are fleeing before the flames. All day on Friday the smoke was so dense that the sun was obscured. The united efforts of 150 men alone saved the village. The atmosphere was so hot at times that they had to throw themselves face downward on the ground to avoid suffocation.

WASHINGTON, 12.—The committee of conference disagreeing on the amendments to the deficiency bill, had a two hours' session yesterday.

Fort Washington barracks, 12 miles below the city, are on fire to-night. Damage yet unknown.

NEW YORK, 12.—The bark *Caroline*, from Bremen, had 17 deaths during her passage out of 414 passengers, and the bark *Gessener*, from Bremen, with 270 passengers, had sixteen deaths.

PITTSBURG, 12.—The lead works of Fohuenstock, Hazlet & Quartz, Liberty street were destroyed by fire to-day, together with a dwelling near. The loss is very large and will probably reach half a million.

WASHINGTON, 11.—The Alabama dead lock still continues. The American government firmly persists in the presentation of the claim for consequential damages as the only practicable method to secure the settlement of an international principle.

England, satisfied that its claim will fail, unless the case be submitted to Geneva, has made a new case by which her punctilio and our principle may both be saved. This manifestation of anxiety for satisfactory adjustment promises probable success, but the matter is insufficiently advanced for clearer disclosures.

The minority report on Senator Stevenson's French arms investigation takes the ground that sales of arms were made in violation of the law and imprudently in large quantities, thinks there must be a collusion between ordnance officers and Remington & Co., or lack of vigilance of the former, or he would have known that arms were going to France, and concludes with an exoneration of any Senator or citizen of complicity in the illegal transactions in the case.

NEW YORK, 11.—T. Buchanan Read died at 11 to-night.

The bank statement shows an increase of over a million and a half in specie. Shipments of specie to-day \$2,394,000; for the week \$4,064,000. Gold closed at 14, stocks higher, W. U. 75½, Quicksilver 41½, W. F. 85, Pacific Mail 75½.

Stephen B. Babcock, a prominent broker, has been charged with illegality of registering.

Bonner's colt "Startle" trotted at Prospect Park yesterday, 2 19-20.

WASHINGTON, 13.—An important meeting of the National Union League is announced at Philadelphia on Thursday next.

The President has sent to the Senate the correspondence on the Alabama claims, confidentially. It is not decided whether it will be made public.

SAN FRANCISCO, 11.—Seven mining companies were incorporated to-day with an aggregate capital of \$22,240,000; the last three were the Hugaran M. Co., State of California, \$1,000,000 capital, Cedarburg; First Northern Extension Gold M. Co., Eldorado Co., California, capital \$2,240,000, Chapman; No. 2, M. Co., Ely Dist., Nev., capital 3,000,000. A Gas Manufacturing Co., capital \$10,000, was also incorporated to-day.

PORTLAND, O., 11.—The late frosts have greatly injured the fruit prospect in this section. Corn and potatoes are cut down. The peach crop is entirely destroyed in some locations.

JACKSONVILLE, 11.—Attorney General Williams returned from Josephine County last evening. He addressed one of the largest audiences ever seen here to-day. He leaves for Douglas Co. to-morrow evening.

Politics are boiling hot. The Democrats express great dissatisfaction at the nominations of last Thursday and have issued a call for the Democratic convention to meet here on Wednesday next. Everything seems to indicate that there will be three tickets in the field.

SAN FRANCISCO, 12.—Phil Smith was arrested last night, on charge of defrauding Child & Libby stock-brokers, out of \$25,000.

Pavis' dog, sledge, and raft expedition in search of the open polar sea will sail in a few days.

The roads to the Calaveras Big Tree Grove and Yosemite are in good order.

## FOREIGN.

LONDON, 10.—It is rumored that the negotiations between England and the United States, in regard to the indirect claims, was suddenly broken off to-day. To-night Granville in the lords, and Gladstone in the commons, promised a statement on Monday.

PARIS, 10.—The Carlists claim that the accounts of the battle of Oroquita are greatly exaggerated in importance, that only the rear of the Carlist forces were engaged, that the prisoners taken were nearly all inhabitants of Oroquita suspected of sympathizing with the insurrection, and only 200 Carlists were killed and wounded. It is said Carlos has joined his partisans.

ATHENS, 10.—Twenty persons were killed and many wounded by the explosion of petroleum and gun powder at Tripolitza.

HALIEX, N. S., 10.—The brig *Venture* from Demarrara, picked up in the gulf stream, a buoy with 500 fathoms of chain and 500 fathoms of telegraph cable attached, supposed to belong to the West India cable company.

LONDON, 11.—A special says the downfall of the Spanish ministry is imminent. Segasta has become unpopular with all parties and a strong influ-