

breast heaved and he raised his arms three several times, working his fingers convulsively; but the mode of Ellis' death was the cruelest of all. At the moment after the noose had been adjusted he suddenly turned his head and disarranged a portion of the knot, and before it could be readjusted the signal was given and the weight fell, the knot slipped and became fixed beneath his chin, he began to writhe terribly, and placing his feet against the boards at the side of the scaffold he attempted to raise himself and relieve the strain upon his neck. He then swung around and convulsively seized Thompson, who was hanging next to him, and again endeavored to raise himself. He even succeeded in twice clasping his legs around Thompson's waist, and by thus easing his neck he was enabled to breathe more freely, and to prolong his agony. He seized the rope just above the knot, his arms having been fastened too loosely, and as he did so his handkerchief, which was in his hand, fell over his shoulder and he was heard to cry aloud—"Save me," and his breath was plainly discernible, as it issued beneath the cap that covered his face. Strong men turned away pale and trembling from the sickening spectacle, and there were murmurs of "Take him down" and "Cut the rope," but fortunately there was no need of a double execution, for in his struggles he again slipped the knot, and the noose suddenly closed around his windpipe and he was strangled to death.

The *Star and Herald*, of Panama, says that the twelve-oared cutter race, in the harbor of Callao, between the crews of the U. S. steamer *Richmond* and a Peruvian man-of-war, was won by the Peruvians, by two hundred yards. The distance was two miles and a purse of \$2,000 in gold. The Americans used a regulation boat belonging to the *Richmond*, while the Peruvians pulled a boat built for racing, and seven hundred pounds lighter.

In Huansta, Peru, during the voting for President, a riot took place, during which twenty persons were killed outright, and an unascertained number wounded.

WASHINGTON, 17.—The trustees of the Howard University have unanimously elected Mr. Smith, late Commissioner of Indian Affairs, President of the University.

The Postmaster General has before him an official paper proposing that the present postage law remain precisely as it is except to exclude from the operation of the act of Congress increasing the rates on third class matter, all transient newspapers and magazines, inserted circulars and prospectuses, and to expressly fix the rates of these as they were before the increase.

The President has appointed Geo. F. Seward, consul general at Shanghai, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to China, vice Avery, deceased; and James Birney, of Michigan, minister to the Netherlands.

NEW YORK, 17.—At the weekly prayer meeting at Plymouth Church to-night, a report was introduced asking for a council of the Congregational churches to determine what discipline should be used with absenting members, and to decide other similar questions. On a motion being made to adopt the report, with a slight amendment by Shearman, Beecher asked if that would not open up the whole investigation of 1874. Shearman said "Yes." "Then," said Beecher, "I am for it." (Applause.)

ST. LOUIS, 17.—General Babcock has been sent for, and he is expected here to-morrow to plead, and have his case set; it will doubtless be certified up to the U. S. Circuit Court, Jan'y term, and come on after those of McKee and Macguire. A report which has been circulated here that some important documents which were to be used against Babcock had been purloined from the desk of the U. S. Court, proves to have been entirely unfounded.

PHILADELPHIA, 17.—The congressional delegation reached here about 8 p.m., and were driven in carriages to a hotel. The President and his wife and Col. Fred. Grant and wife are the guests of G. W. Childs; Postmaster General Jewell is the guest of Col. Wm. McMichael; Secretary Robeson and Attorney General Pierrepont are stopping with ex-Secretary Borie; Justices Waite, Fields and Bradley are the guests of Hon. Thos. H. Dudley, of Camden. The whole party—

the Cabinet, Supreme Court, Senators and Representatives and newspaper correspondents number about four hundred. The buildings of the Reform Club, American Club and the Neptune Club are illuminated and decorated, presenting a striking appearance. The crowd in attendance at the Continental Hotel was so great, both inside and out, that the police were obliged to put ropes to make a passage way for the guests. A committee of merchants escorted the party to this city, meeting them at Wilmington. Mr. Mitchell, chairman of the committee on reception, presented to the President, at Wilmington, a letter from the mayor of Philadelphia, extending to him and the distinguished delegation the hospitalities of the city. President Grant replied in a few remarks. The newspaper correspondents are being entertained to-night by the reporters of Philadelphia.

SAN FRANCISCO, 17.—A. Woodward, arrested here, was sent east this morning in charge of Sheriff Anderson, of Shelby county, Tennessee, on a requisition from the Governor of Tennessee; Woodward was treasurer of Shelby county some two years ago, and absconded, being a defaulter in the sum of seventy-seven thousand five hundred dollars. He went to New York and thence to Mexico, and came here about three weeks ago.

They commenced raising ore from the Con Virginia shaft on Wednesday; it is reported that the managers contemplate soon increasing the stock of the company.

A dispatch from Carson says that a man named Thomas Burt, hung by vigilantes last night, was found this morning hanging to the gate of the cemetery; he had been recently engaged in many cases of arson and robbery, and had escaped imprisonment for want of legal evidence. He had received repeated warnings to leave the vicinity, which he had disregarded; he was taken quietly from his bed by masked men and hung without any disturbance. He was a native of New York, and twenty-six years old.

OTTAWA, 17.—Owing to the refusal of the U. S. authorities to allow Canadian vessels to navigate American canals on the same footing as American vessels, the Dominion government has prepared a case and forwarded it to Secretary Fish.

MONTREAL, 17.—This forenoon about a thousand unemployed people, mostly French Canadians, assembled in front of the City Hall, where they remained for some time in an excited state, but beyond relieving a bread wagon of a dozen loaves no reprehensible acts were committed. Ald. Gresniers spoke to the crowd, advising them to adjourn until three p.m., when the council would be ready to give some answer in response to the demand for work or bread. The majority of the assembly then marched through the streets in a tumultuous column. At 3 p.m. a disorderly throng of over 2,000 surrounded the City Hall, and despite a large body of police the mob attacked a beer wagon, took the casks and drank the contents; a bread wagon was then cleared out, and in ten minutes later a fight took place, and order was restored with difficulty. The aldermen locked up the various departments and discussed the propriety of reading the riot act. The mayor then addressed the assembly from the balcony, and counselled the greatest moderation on their part, that violence only made the matter worse. He said the council was to meet and would give their case earnest consideration. He reflected on those who would create disorder, and was interrupted by cries of, "We are suffering and want food." At a quarter to four the council commenced its deliberations, and in the mean while several encounters took place between the police and the excited mob, Chief Penton taking an active part. Several arrests were made, and upon the approach of reinforcements the crowd fled in every direction. A number were intoxicated, and while no doubt a large number of the laborers present really desired work, many simply waited an opportunity to plunder.

NEW ORLEANS, 17.—The steamboat *U. S. Pike* arrived last night from the Bayou Sara, with a cargo of 997 bales cotton, 288 hds of sugar, 594 bbls of molasses and other freight; she landed near the foot of Canal St. where she took fire this morning, and was burned to the water's edge, with her entire cargo except about 160 bales of cotton

which had been discharged; the boat and cargo are valued at \$100,000, insured in local companies for \$50,000. Several persons on the boat were badly burned, and a number of deck hands who are missing, jumped overboard and were drowned.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb. 18.—First sergeant Charles Shaw, Co. H, third cavalry, has deserted from Ft. McPherson, taking over a thousand dollars belonging to the men in the company.

NEW ORLEANS, 19.—Advices from Fort Clark, Texas, dated the 17th, state that Mexicans crossed the river below San Felipe, and stole 800 head of cattle and 50 horses from Strickland and slaughter, the citizens of which are raising companies and threaten to cross the river. Great excitement prevails. The citizens of San Felipe to-day called on the military authorities at Fort Clark.

The barge *Terry*, from Houston, for Galveston, was destroyed by fire in the canal, near Morgan's Point, last night; 600 bales of cotton were burned. It is stated that the cotton was set on fire.

SAN FRANCISCO, 18.—A dispatch from Campo says that this morning an armed body of Mexicans advanced on the town. Business was suspended, the people were under arms, and sentinels were stationed. At ten this morning the Mexicans approached, but on being apprized of the preparations for defense they retired. Armed citizens arrived from San Diego to-day, and if troops are not soon forwarded the place must be abandoned.

People who are arriving daily at Tucson, from Sonora, report that it is impossible to remain in that State and preserve their property.

ST. LOUIS, 18.—About five this morning the U. S. express car, on the St. Louis Kansas City, and northern train, due here at 6.15 a.m., was entered between Ferguson and Jennings, some ten or twelve miles from here; the messenger, Chas. Kinkaid, was thrown into a large package chest and locked up, and the safe was robbed of from \$10,000 to \$20,000 in money and goods. Kinkaid says he was lying on one of the packing boxes in the car, half asleep, when he felt a heavy hand placed on his shoulder, and he turned his head around and was confronted by a pistol in the hands of a masked man, and before he could speak he was seized by the collar from behind and found himself under cover of more pistols in the hands of another masked man. He was thrust into the large packing box by the robbers, and the lid was closed on him and locked. When the train reached St. Louis he was released. He heard the men working at the safe and supposed they were robbing it. He says the doors of the cars, besides locking with an ordinary snap lock, are secured by chains fastened loosely on the inside, so that they can be opened four inches, but still so secure that nobody can enter the car. He, on taking charge of the car at Kansas City, observed that one of the staples on the rear door had been drawn out, and the chain on that door was useless. After leaving Mexico he has nothing to do, and usually takes a short nap in that end of the route. When Kinkaid lay down on the packing box he took the precaution to place his heaviest trunk, weighing about 150 pounds, against the door, but so noiselessly did the robbers enter that the messenger did not hear them. On being released he was in a half smothered condition. The car was in pretty good order, few packages being scattered about. The safe was rifled of all its valuables. Kinkaid can give a very meagre description of the robbers, and the detectives here have so far discovered no clue to them.

PHILADELPHIA, 18.—This a.m. the guests of the Centennial Commission left the Centennial Hotel for Fairmount Park. President Grant joined the company, which arrived on the Centennial grounds about half past eleven, after a drive of over an hour. The party entered the Horticultural Hall, which was tastefully decorated, Secretary Chandler escorting the President, G. W. Childs, Mr. Grant and Secretaries Bristow and Robeson following. The beautiful building inspected, the company entered the Banqueting Hall, and, after prayer by Bishop Simpson, partook of a delightful *dejeuner*, made more enjoyable by the music of a fine orchestra. J. C. Bullitt presided.

BOSTON, 18.—James Carr, eighteen years of age was found, to-night, frozen to death on the Merrimac River.

NEW YORK, 18.—David Felsenheld, of San Diego, is now here for the winter, to aid ex-Governor Brown, of Tenn., in the outside management of a movement in favor of the Texas Pacific Railway bill. A full lobby to operate against the bill has not yet appeared in Washington, Jay Gould being sick, and probably not deeming it worth while to commence the fight before the enemy shows some force. The Union Pacific Company has as yet no lobby representative in the field.

WASHINGTON, 18.—Piper has introduced a bill to reimburse California, Oregon and Nevada for their expenses in the late rebellion. It authorizes the payment of all claims for enrolling, equipping, paying and transporting troops for the suppression of the rebellion or for the defense of said States, and includes all extraordinary expenses incurred and payments made in relation to said troops, except the moneys paid as bounties for their enlistment.

LITTLE ROCK, 18.—W. B. Thompson was hanged yesterday at Lewisburg, for the murder of Mrs. Stover, a widow woman, about six months since. Thompson confessed the crime, but said he did it at the instigation of a son-in-law of the deceased. On the scaffold he was cool and collected, smoking a cigar before putting on the black cap. He bid good bye to the crowd, and kissed his hand to the ladies. About six thousand persons witnessed the execution.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., 18.—Ex-Governor Brown has been appointed vice president of the Texas Pacific Railway, and has accepted.

MONTREAL, 18.—The Recorder sentenced four of the rioters at the City Hall this a.m., to six months imprisonment each, with hard labor.

The police are on guard, and destitute working men are prevented from gathering in crowds. Work is promised to some of them on Monday.

OTTAWA, Ont., 18.—At the instance of the Fish and Game Protection Society for the counties of Prescott and Russell, a party of seven hunters from the United States, arrested for killing deer out of season in the vicinity of Moose Creek, have been fined, and the game confiscated.

SAN FRANCISCO, 18.—The Savage Mining Co. has levied an assessment of one dollar a share, delinquent January 19.

It is reported that a compromise has been effected between the California Pacific Railroad and the bondholders; the management agree to bring the overland travel over that road, and to make Vallejo the terminus of the California and Oregon road.

The British ship *John Renlie* arrived off the heads from Auckland, in ballast, Nov. 30th. She received orders to go to Portland on the second inst., and when about 400 miles north of here she was thrown on her beam ends in a gale; she shifted her ballast, sprang a leak, cut away her main and mizzen top-masts, lost one man overboard, carried away her bulwarks and everything on deck, and arrived here this evening.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., 19.—The Providence Tool Company, in its statement, says it has a contract to manufacture six hundred thousand rifles for the Turkish government, of which 220,000 are completed; that during the past year it has reduced a debt incurred in making preparation to the amount of \$800,000, and has added \$300,000 to its general assets. A combination of unfortunate circumstances has compelled it to ask its creditors for an extension. The assets of the company are estimated to exceed its liabilities by a million and a quarter dollars. The stockholders, who are wealthy, intend to employ their utmost resources to aid the extrication of the company from its embarrassment.

BUFFALO, 19.—The pilgrims of St. Joseph's Cathedral, numbering over 10,000, paraded the streets to-day, headed by Bishop Ryan, and Father Cronyn, editor of the *Catholic Union*, this being the last day of the pilgrimage; the weather was the coldest of the season.

SAN FRANCISCO, 19.—A dispatch from San Diego says that all the Mexicans living on the road between San Diego and Campo are concentrating in Lower California; about one hundred are just below the line and a large number in Neate valley. Further trouble is apprehended, but the citizens of Campo are well armed and vigilant.

The following is from the Hong Kong Press, to Nov. 15—

The Peking Gazette publishes a decree regarding foreign travellers in the provinces, requiring them to take out passports with proper official seal; foreigners committing unlawful acts are to be turned over to the nearest consul.

An attack was recently made on the Dutch residency and fort at Menando, Celebes Islands, by three piratical prohs; some fifty landed and attacked the fort, but were repulsed; they then attacked the house of the resident and gutted it. Mrs. Van Musschendorck, the resident's wife, and children and nurse, were in the house, but they were saved by the arrival of troops. A fight ensued and the pirates were routed with great loss, and fled to their prahns, two of which had been in the meantime seized by a government schooner. About fourteen got into one prahn, but were finally captured. In all twenty were killed and the remainder captured and held in custody. The prisoners were all Mahomedans, and, from their statements, the attack seems to have been instigated by religious fanaticism.

DETROIT, 20.—H. D. Winsor, who was arrested at Buffalo, in June, for the forgery of the names of Bernard Stroh and E. W. Hudson, to a large sum of paper, the proceeds of which were used in Utah mining speculations, was acquitted by the jury without leaving their seats, on the ground that Winsor had authority to sign the names.

NEW YORK, 20.—A dispatch from Kingston, Jamaica, announces the death, by apoplexy, of Edward Eddy, the American actor.

Duncan, Sherman & Co. have been adjudicated involuntary bankrupts, on a petition signed by over 200 creditors, whose claims aggregate \$2,168,000.

WASHINGTON, 20.—The speaker announced the committees to-day. The following are the chairmen of the various leading committees: ways and means, Morrison; appropriations, Randall; elections, Harris; judiciary, Knott; foreign affairs, Swann; banking and currency, Cox; Pacific railway, Lamar, of Miss.; public lands, Saylor.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., 20.—Drexel, Morgan & Co., New York, Baker Bros. & Co., Boston, and James G. Smith, Royal C. Taft, and Henry L. Kendall, of this city, have been invited to meet the officers of the Providence Tool Co. to-morrow, to make an examination of the affairs of the company, and such recommendations to the creditors as they may think advisable.

The famous trotting stallion, Rhode Island, formerly of the Sprague farm, but purchased on Friday by Lieut. Gov. Sesson, for six thousand dollars, and taken to the sea coast died yesterday.

RECORDED.

To the wife of Dr. J. M. Benedict, of this City, Dec. 15th, a son. Mother and child are doing well. This is the Doctor's first son.

DIED.

Dec. 12 in the 16th ward, Salt Lake City, of convulsions and inflammation of the lungs, JOSEPH WILLHA, son of Luke and Nancy Shaw, aged 4 yrs and 14 days. *Millennial Star*, please copy.

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