

(Special to the Deseret Evening News.)

By Telegraph.

GENERAL.

San Francisco.—The people of this city and Sacramento are in a state of feverish excitement with regard to the completion of the Pacific railroad; grand preparations are being made at both places for the observance of the event, which will occur on Saturday. The bankers of this city have given notice that their houses will be closed that day, and business, generally, will be suspended.

Arrangements are made with the Western Union Telegraph Company that each stroke of the hammer, on the last spike driven, shall be reported simultaneously in New York and San Francisco by telegraph. Besides a silver mounted and polished Californiate, and a spike of gold, a silver pick and a silver hammer, for use in the completion of the road, have also been forwarded to the end of the track. The excursion train for the eastern end of the Central road, with the Commissioners and Governor Stanford and guests, was nearly wrecked yesterday by a large tree which had fallen across the track; the obstruction was discovered in time to preserve the passenger cars uninjured, but the locomotive was damaged and thrown off the track.

Wm. Carey, of Galena, Illinois, who has been confirmed assessor of Internal Revenue in Utah, declines the appointment.

A Washington Special says the Spanish minister has informed the State department that should this country recognize the belligerent rights of the Cubans, Spain will regard it as a declaration of war, and will authorize the fitting out of privateers, which must do great harm.

New York.—It is stated that the French cable company will land the shore end of the cable at Cape May, whence three main lines will deviate, one to Washington, another to Philadelphia, and a third along the shore, north, to New York. The steamer, with the cable, will leave France in July.

Washington.—Gen. Terrill, of Indiana has been appointed Third Assistant P. M. in place of Zevely.

Cincinnati.—A bold attempt was made to assassinate a policeman on his beat at one o'clock this morning. Matt. McCarty, a desperado, who has often been before the court for assault and battery, stole upon, and behind officer Bennett and placed a four-shooter within two inches of his head and snapped it twice, without discharging it. Bennett turned and collared the would-be assassin and knocked him down with his mace, and got two more blows in. Two by-standers interfered and prevented a fatal result. McCarty was badly, but not mortally wounded, about the head; he was taken to the station house and the charge of attempting assassination was lodged against him.

Delegates from the saloon keepers' societies met in convention in the Turner Hall last night; St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati, Springfield, Illinois, Louisville, Covington, Urbana, O. and Jeffersonville, Indiana were represented. Their object is to form a National Association, for which a committee, to draft a constitution, has been appointed; they will continue in session several days.

Indianapolis.—During a storm yesterday, a woman and child were killed by lightning at Sharpsbury.

In the Common Pleas court, before Judge Daly, Frances Wailand recovered a verdict for \$6,890 with interest, against John Livingston, a lawyer, who was the administrator of the deceased husband of the plaintiff, and had flagrantly defrauded her. Judge Daly administered a severe rebuke and pronounced Livingston a disgrace to his race, country and profession.

A Key West special says the British Commodore, Philemore, arrived at Kingston on the first. He goes to Havana to investigate matters there pending, and then to Nassau to investigate the report from Bermuda, and afterwards to Hayti, where the British consul holds a steamer of Salvage as indemnity for a cargo seized at St. Mary.

The World has a private dispatch from New Orleans, stating that the blockade runners *Peru* and *Lion*, engaged in carrying filibusters from New Orleans to some point contiguous to the Cuban coast, have landed their cargo at the island of Grand Evoqua, twelve hours sail by steamer from Florida Keys, and that the filibusters have

gone into quarters, awaiting reinforcements. The World also insists that the *Arago* did sail for Cuba, with 420 men and 84 officers, under General Jourdan; and that among the officers were Brig. General Charles May, Lieut. J. F. Magie, of the brigade artillery, Lieut. Edward Berre, of the French cavalry, Major Geo. Ingman, of the seventh R. I. infantry, Capt. T. C. Bailey, formerly of the fifth U. S. cavalry, Lt. Thos. Fitzgibbons and many others. The

World says four other vessels have sailed within three weeks, the first under Col. Johnson, taking 552 men; the second under Gen. Spinola, with 300; the third, with 600, and the fourth under General French with 580 men. The World says within the last 33 days we have positive information that 9,000 men have left the cities of Charleston, Baltimore and New Orleans for a point adjacent to the Cuban coast, and for the island itself. Twenty-five hundred have left the city of New York, and 500 more are now waiting to get off.

Hartford.—The Senate has ratified the 15th Amendment, twelve Republicans against five Democrats.

Omaha.—A dispatch says a telegram has been received from Gen. Dodge, which announces, positively, that the last rail will be laid on Monday at noon. The celebration at Omaha will be a grand affair; the military, under Gen. Augur, will participate.

Reports from Columbus state that a band of Sioux had murdered a woman and captured a lot of stock near Shell Creek; a party of citizens is now in pursuit. Gov. Campbell, Secretary Lee and Chief Justice Howe left for Wyoming yesterday; they intend to organize the Territorial government as soon as practicable.

St. Louis.—Tom Allen, the pugilist, has made a second deposit of \$300 for a match with McCoolle. He goes to Cincinnati to-morrow, where he will go into training. McCoolle has reduced himself twenty pounds within the last two weeks. He is in good condition and is doing well. It is expected that he will get below 200 pounds. He now weighs 223. Bets are being made 100 to 75 on McCoolle.

Washington.—John T. McLean has been appointed special customs' agent in San Francisco.

The Peruvian minister, Garcia, took his leave of the President to-day in a farewell speech. The President in reply, hoped that friendly relations would continue between the two countries.

Westfield, Mass.—The manufactory of the American Whip Co. was burned to-day, loss \$70,000.

The Harvard crew practice on the Charles River course two hours every evening, for the international race, the hopes of the friends of the university are high for success.

New York.—The cable rates will be positively reduced on the 1st of June to \$10 in gold for ten words, with five words for address and signature; the press will pay half these rates for general news, and full rates for ciphers.

Washington, 7.—Regulations are being prepared by the solicitor of internal revenue, fixing the kind and the amount of proof required from railroad companies, corporations and individuals who have been taxed as non-resident aliens, under the provision of the internal revenue act, which was repealed March 10, 1866, and who now apply to have the amount of tax, which was withheld while the act remained in force, refunded. The nature of the proof required will be the affidavit of the claimant, attested by an additional affidavit from some other responsible party, and the certificate of the Consular agent of the nearest port to which the claimant belongs to the effect that he is a non-resident alien.

Arrangements have been made for a special service at Trinity Church to-morrow at noon in thanksgiving for the completion of the railroad across the continent.

McCarty, who attempted to assassinate a policeman, was held to bail in \$5,000 to-day; the bail was given.

The Secretary of the Treasury, to-day, paid Judge Paschal, Attorney General of Texas, two indemnity bonds, embraced in the great suit of Texas against White, Childs and others.

Judge Paschal has commenced a suit against the 1st National Bank at Washington for the recovery of a large amount of those bonds, which are useless to their holders, the Supreme Court having decided that they are not negotiable unless endorsed.

Washington.—Governor Curtin, the President of the East India Telegraph Company, and A. K. McClure, Solicitor of the Corporation, had interviews

with the Secretaries of State and the Navy to-day, in relation to the introduction of telegraphs into China. The company have a grant, procured by Burlingame when he was American minister in China, authorizing them to lay a cable between Canton and Shanghai, thus connecting the commercial cities of the Asiatic coast by telegraph. They have 500 miles of the cable ready to ship and lay down, and will have the remaining 500 miles made during the summer. Orders will be issued to the Commander of the Asiatic squadron to render all necessary aid and protection, and the State department will instruct our Minister and consuls to give official aid to the enterprise. This line will be completed the present year, and by that time there will be a continuous line from the Mediterranean by India to China, thus connecting the commercial cities of the coast with Europe and America.

An Omaha dispatch says 200 Sioux attacked 40 Bannock and Snake Indians near South Pass City, 10 days ago, and killed 29.

Baltimore.—Orchard Marley, one of the oldest odd fellows in the United States, died yesterday aged 78.

St. Louis.—The estimated loss by fire, last night, is \$75,000. The museum of the Academy of Science is almost totally destroyed, involving a loss of \$50,000; no insurance.

The report, that the project of bridging the Mississippi directly opposite the city has been abandoned, and that the bridge will be built just above the city, is authoritatively denied; it is further stated, by authority, that the work on the bridge will be pushed forward with increased vigor. It is expected that the piers and abutments will be finished within a year.

Springfield, Mass.—The entire force of workmen at the car factory of this city united, this afternoon, to celebrate the opening of the Pacific Railroad. The company are now building 52 passenger and a large number of freight cars.

New York, 8.—The Spanish Consul had an interview with Marshal Barlow this afternoon; he stated that he had received positive information that a steamer and several small sailing vessels were being fitted out to take volunteers and arms to Cuba for the insurgents; he demanded that such expeditions be stopped. He also called attention to the various recruiting offices in this city, and furnished a list of them. The Marshal, yesterday, received an order from Secretary Fish to prevent any such breach of the neutrality law relating to Cuba. The chief officer of the steamer *Quaker City*; to-day, denied, on his honor as an officer and a gentleman, that the owners had the slightest intention to send her to Cuba or even to the West Indies.

Alfonzo Brett and Wm. Jones, printers, 83 Nassau street, are in custody, charged with being engaged in printing counterfeit notes on the Haytian government. John Russell is also arrested as the party who ordered the printing of the notes. He says he was deputized by an officer of the Haytian government to procure for them notes representing \$2 each in gold, to the amount of \$800,000. There were \$600,000 printed and sent to Hayti, and placed in circulation before their real character was discovered; the balance have been recovered here. Three Haytian officers, including an Admiral, are implicated.

A serious riot occurred at Hudson City last evening, between some English miners and a crowd of Irishmen; a number of persons were injured, two perhaps fatally. Several were arrested, but were subsequently admitted to bail.

Police superintendent Kennedy has received an anonymous letter from Lancashire, England, stating that there has been several private meetings of shareholders in the Erie, who have been swindled to considerable amounts by the Erie directors, and they are determined to dispose of the principal thieves, as they called them, of the Erie Co. The writer urges a sharp lookout for all boats arriving at New York for the next few weeks. It is the express belief that Fiske will be dispatched.

Chicago.—The Tribune's special says the government has received a late report from Gen. Davis, commanding in Alaska, which gives further particulars regarding the burning of the Indian village; but the main facts have been anticipated. It makes no allusion to and irregularities among the officers, and the authorities have no official information concerning the alleged disgraceful conduct of certain officers stationed there.

Several passengers arrived this morning, eight days from San Francisco.

They say much work must yet be done on the road to put it in first-class condition. The announcement that Durant and others had been cornered by the workmen on the Union Pacific road caused some alarm among bondholders, but the officers have announced that the matter will be satisfactorily arranged to-day.

San Francisco.—The Pacific railroad celebration to-day was one to be remembered for all time in San Francisco. The day was ushered in by a salute of a hundred guns. At noon all the Federal forts in the harbor fired a salute, the bells of the city were set ringing, and steam whistles screaming. At night the whole city was illuminated, and presented a brilliant appearance. The procession was the largest and most enthusiastic ever witnessed in San Francisco. The people, willing and eager to observe an event of so much importance to this city and the Pacific coast, turned out *en masse*. Business generally was suspended, and nearly every citizen exhibited a hearty interest in the demonstration. The military and civic display was grand. In addition to the State militia all the available U. S. troops from the several forts and the presidios participated on the occasion, while the civic societies turned out in full ranks. The city and harbor presented a magnificent sight during the day, the principal streets being draped with the banners of every nation, and thronged with excited and joyous people. The shipping was dressed in fine style. A dispatch, received from the junction of the roads, announcing the driving of the last spike of the Central Pacific railroad at 10 a.m., sent a thrill of joy through the city. Congratulatory messages were transmitted to the Directors of the Central and Pacific roads by the California Pioneers. At Sacramento the event was celebrated in a grand and enthusiastic manner. The city was crowded with a multitude of people from all parts of the State, and the Nevada Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, in session in this city, accepted an invitation to attend the Sacramento demonstration; the fire and military companies from Vallejo, San Francisco, Placerville, San Jose, Marysville, and Virginia City and Gold Hill, Nevada, were also in attendance. The lines of travel to and from Sacramento were thrown open to the public free, and immense numbers of people took advantage of this circumstance and flocked thither. The C. P. Company had thirty locomotives gaily decked, ranged at the city front, and as the signal gun announced the driving of the last spike the row of locomotives opened a chorus of whistles, and all the bells and steam whistles in the city joined in. Profound regret was expressed that the roads were not joined to-day; the failure is attributed to the obstinacy or inability of the U. P. road to make the connection. Dispatches from the Promontory say that several hundred men seized a train at Piedmont, on which was President Durant, telling him that they were hungry and must have their money, and would detain him till it was forthcoming. The non-arrival of Durant is the alleged principal reason for the postponement of the ceremony of joining the roads until Monday next.

Chicago.—A heavy hail storm in Southern Illinois, on Wednesday night, greatly injured the vegetables, strawberries and other crops; the ground was covered, in many places to the depth of two feet. The stones were uncommonly large and crushed all the vegetables before them. The storm extended south to Memphis.

Washington.—It has been decided that the dealers in liquor, who sell quantities of less than five gallons and also quantities of five gallons and upward, must pay the special tax both as wholesale and retail dealers.

The Mississippi river is near high water mark; danger of a crevasse is reported below the city; the efforts which are being made to close it are apparently unavailable.

The Tribune's New York special says the Sun has an account of a gold discovery at Hoboken, where a ledge has been opened for the foundation of the Stephens Free College. Some rock was taken out which yielded eighty dollars to the ton.

The emigration society for English working men has sent sixteen agents to the West to select lands. A location is to be made in Nebraska.

A party of Americans, making a boat journey up the Nile, were recently attacked by the Arabs and two of them killed.

Washington.—A dispatch says the State Department has received a report from the Government officer at New York in reference to the story of the