

EDITORIAL SUMMARY.

Sweet oranges at Palatka, Florida, are \$2 per bushel.

Pennsylvania has as many German papers as any other State.

A civilized Indian opened the first pawnbroker's shop in Denver.

Letters, like fashionable young ladies, must have the stamps before the mails (males) will take them.

"It's a shame, husband, that I have to sit here mending your old clothes!"—Don't say a word about it, wife; the least said the soonest mended."

Some journals in Ireland and Scotland sustain exclusive telegraph wires in London.

The Union Pacific company have now covered all the troublesome cuts on their road with snow sheds.

A car load of salmon caught in the rivers of the Pacific coast, has reached the market in New York City, via the railroad, in excellent condition.

It is said that Longfellow was so delighted with Mrs. Howard Paul's impersonation of his "Excelsior," that he presented her with an autograph copy of the poem.

At a concert, recently, at the conclusion of a well-known song, "There's a Good Time Coming," a farmer got up and exclaimed: "Mister, you could not fix the date, could you?"

At a lawsuit in Crawfordsville, Indiana, the principal witness got drunk, and the lawyer made a speech of several hours' duration to kill time, until the man could get sober enough to testify.

The Louisville Journal hopes that there will be a strong effort made to find out who is the author of "The Fly," and then that somebody will shoot him.

One of the young Astors, who is studying sculpture with Taglioni, in Rome, is said to display considerable artistic ability, and is mentioned in society as the "American Marquis of Bute."

Emma Carroll, a notorious courtesan, lying at the point of death, in Green street, New York, willed \$200,000, most of her fortune, it is said, to founding a home for fallen women.

In examining a class of students, Dr. Abernethy asked one of them what he would do in the case of a man being blown up by gunpowder. "I should wait till he came down again," was the cool reply.

Simp Dickson, a notorious outlaw, was killed recently by a squad of United States soldiers, near Springfield, Texas. He was armed with three revolvers, and fired seventeen shots before he fell.

Orrin Death lives in Warren, Ohio. When he was married, the minister said: "Thou dost take this woman for thy wife, to watch over her in life, or Death." A poet celebrated the event in some lines beginning, "Thou hast all seasons for thine own, O Death."

A prosecution in England discovered the fact that the head workman in a large factory at Barking has been in the habit of flogging the girls in her employ for even the most trifling offenses. The discipline was as severe as any in the navy. The magistrate who tried the case dismissed the work woman because the girls had signed a contract in which they agreed to be whipped if guilty of misbehavior.

The Pall Mall Gazette says that there really seems good reason to believe that some adventurous impostor transformed himself, by the aid of a tailor, into an Oriental prelate, gained admission to the Ecumenical Council, and listened for some days to the debates with a silence which passed for episcopal gravity. The intruder is now enlarging his experience by becoming an inmate of a Roman prison. The pseudo prelate is said to have been the correspondent of an American newspaper.

In a lecture on archeology, Professor Winchell, of the Michigan University, said that it had been a common error among scientific men of late to figure man as older than he is. There was no evidence that man antedated the glacial period, which was not more than 10,000 years ago. The progress of events had been faster than we thought. Man might be reckoned to be about 8,000 years of age. Because man existed contemporaneous with the mammoth and other animals now extinct, it did not follow that he was hundreds of thousands of years old. The mammoth was more modern than we had supposed, and man not so ancient.

Quinine is produced from a forest tree in South America, known as the Chinchona, of which there are many varieties, but the Chinchona canasaya and Chinchona rubra yield the medicine in great abundance. So great has been the demand that, in most of the districts whence it has been obtained, the supplies are gradually diminishing; and, as no substitute is likely to be found, it is of the utmost importance that new sources should be discovered. In Jamaica the Chinchona rubra has been cultivated sufficiently to show that it will grow well on that island, and the Government is urged to encourage and assist in its cultivation on an extensive scale. It seems, however, that only upon mountains 1,500 to 2,000 feet high, where the forests are often bedewed with mists, does this tree arrive at a perfection that will make its cultivation profitable; but there are several sections on the island which will answer the requirements. Also, there are other islands in this quarter of the world where similar conditions prevail, and, if the efforts are made, the world's supply of quinine may continue unexhausted.

By Telegraph.

CONGRESSIONAL.

HOUSE.

Bills Introduced.

Clarkweather introduced a bill for pensioning the widow of Gen. Mower; referred.

Schofield, of the naval committee, reported a bill for the removal of the Brooklyn navy yard; recommitted.

The committee on rules were instructed to inquire into the expediency of the rule that a previous question cannot be seconded until two hours' debate had been allowed, unless by a three-fourths vote of the members present.

The Secretary was asked for a detailed statement of the expenditure of one hundred thousand dollars appropriation, in 1862, for the colonization of freed men.

The Tunnel bill was discussed and tabled; 126 against 41.

The committee on appropriations reported the consular diplomatic appropriation bill, appropriating one million, one hundred and ten thousand dollars for the same purpose. It was made a special order for Tuesday.

The Speaker presented a special message from the President on the subject of American commerce, declaring that it is a national humiliation that this country is now compelled to pay from twenty to thirty millions annually, exclusive of passage money, for freight, which should be shared by the American citizens with the people of other nations, and urging an early consideration of the subject. He believed that a direct money subsidy was less liable to abuse than an indirect subsidy, and recommended the passage of two bills reported by a select committee, which was referred to a select committee on the decline of American commerce.

TENNESSEE.

Stagnation and Government interference.

NASHVILLE.—Numerous building contracts at Nashville are suspended on account of the proposed Congressional interference of the government. It is stated that Governor Senter declares that he is opposed to such interference, and he called upon the President for military aid merely to be prepared for an emergency.

KANSAS.

LEAVENWORTH.—A man named Hauke was killed in a row with soldiers at Fort Leavenworth, last night. The Leavenworth Coal Company reached, by a shaft, last night, an inexhaustible bed, not exceeded in quality by any west of Pittsburg; there is great satisfaction among the citizens and the manufacturing interests thereat.

ILLINOIS.

Federal aid to Actors.—The Callum Bill—President and Troops (for the South)—Will Remedy General Amnesty—San Domingo Treaty—Unanimous.

CHICAGO, 23.—The funeral services of J. G. Burnett, a veteran actor, were held yesterday at Trinity church and were very impressive. There was a large attendance of members of the profession and others.

The Times' Washington special says it is the general belief that the polygamy bill will be amended in some particular and then passed. The opponents of the bill denounce it as a war measure.

The President is said to doubt the propriety of stationing troops through the Southern States, as no good result is likely to follow.

The President, to-day, told certain Southerners it was his intention, as soon as Texas was admitted, to send a special message to Congress recommending a universal amnesty, by the removal of all political disabilities imposed by the fourteenth amendment.

The Tribune's dispatch says there is getting to be a good deal of feeling about the San Domingo treaty, and the discussion, to-morrow, in secret session by the Senate, will be warm. The President has twice visited the Capitol to talk with Senators about its ratification. Yesterday he invited a number to call on him at the White House. Half a dozen waited on him last evening, and several went this morning. There is quite a party there to-night. He presses the ratification vigorously and has undoubtedly won several gentlemen over to his side. In some quarters there is severe condemnation of what is called his lobbying, and it is not likely that the consideration of the treaty will be finished to-morrow. If a vote is reached, it will probably be defeated. Some Senators want to postpone the action till commissioners can be sent down to make an investigation. The time expires next Thursday week. The report of the Senate foreign committee against the St. Thomas treaty is said to be unanimous.

SOUTH AMERICAN.

Commercial Panic.

LISBON, 23.—A commercial panic is prevailing at Buenos Ayres; several failures have occurred and it is supposed that others will follow.

PENNSYLVANIA.

ARMY GENERAL'S Organizing a Society. PHILADELPHIA.—General's Sheridan, Pleasanton, Custer, Davies, Torbet and other cavalry leaders are consummating plans for organizing a cavalry society. All cavalry officers and privates are invited to meet in a convention called for the 8th of April, to meet in this city.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Train Thrown off.

CONCORD, N. H.—A train on the Concord and Passumpsic River railroad was thrown from the track to-day by a broken rail. Two cars went down the embankment and ten passengers were injured, but none were killed.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Fire.

WORCESTER.—A fire last night destroyed a large building owned by D. Goddard and occupied by a number of firms. The loss of the building amounts to \$17,000, aggregate loss to the occupants, \$25,000.

KENTUCKY.

Loss by Fire.

LOUISVILLE.—An extensive stable, used as the Louisville City railroad stable, with a number of adjoining buildings, occupied as saloons and boarding houses, were burned this afternoon; loss, \$22,000; insured.

NEW YORK.

Dreadful condition of Paraguay; the people starving—Deserters committing depredations—Will leave.

NEW YORK, 23.—The steamer *Marrimac*, from Rio Janeiro, brings some information about the dreadful condition of the Paraguay country. It is said to be one vast ruin of towns depopulated; the people are literally starving. There are thousands living on roots and whatever fruits they can find. Twenty thousand widows are hanging about the steamer, vainly striving to procure a passage to Buenos Ayres or Montevideo. Deserters are prowling through the country, robbing and murdering. Lopez is safe in the mountains; he is succored by the Indians; but the Brazilians hold possession of the whole country, with that exception. The Hon. Mahlon Chance, of Ohio, who has been appointed U. S. Consul to Nassau, will leave this port for his consulate in the steamer *Missouri* to-morrow.

WASHINGTON.

Sensational Caucus.

WASHINGTON.—A caucus of the Republican Senators was held this morning in reference to the Secretaryship of the Senate, some efforts having been made to effect the removal of the present incumbent; this movement does not, however, involve any question whatever connected with his official duty. A committee was appointed to examine into the subject and report at an adjourned meeting.

FOREIGN NEWS.

FRANCE.

Royal Letter Approved.—Against Infallibility.—Prince Napoleon's Case.

PARIS.—The Emperor's letter to Orlivier is warmly applauded by the Orleanists. The *Journal Des Debats* accepts it as a restoration of the parliamentary regime. Petitions against Papal infallibility are circulating in Switzerland.

The opposition organ considers the Emperor's letter to Orlivier as an antidote to his coup d'etat of December. TOURS.—The high court of justice opened this morning; witnesses were examined to prove that Faville said that Noir slapped the Prince in the face. The lawyer for the prosecution dwelt with effect on some grave contradictions in the testimony of a number of the police, who testified concerning the remarks made by Faville after his arrest. One of the prosecuting lawyers created a sensation by declaring that the original report of the police in this case was not to be found; the only copy that could be produced is dated ten days later. One witness swore that he heard Faville exclaim, if his pistol had not missed fire, he would have shot the Prince; this had quite an effect on the spectators, who, evidently, were inclined to lean towards the side of the Prince.

M. Arnold testified that Victor Noir had not an intention to attack the accused when he went to his house. Rochefort was called as a witness for the prosecution; much agitation was caused among the spectators at the announcement of his name. Rochefort entered the court, accompanied by two soldiers, and then took his place in the witness stand; he was pale but very calm; and, after repeating the contents of the letter sent to him by the accused which contained the visit of Victor Noir and Faville, retired to the bench reserved for journalists. Many shook hands with him as he took his seat.

Louis Noir, brother to Victor, was called upon to testify; he was much agitated, and said that Victor Noir could not have slapped the Prince, because the gloves on his hands were found intact. Other witnesses corroborated the statement of Arnold, that Noir did not intend to quarrel with the Prince. M. Morrel testified that the witnesses who now swear to Faville's admission that he slapped the Prince, did not say so at first.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Business in the House and Commons. LONDON.—In the House of Lords last evening the coinage bill was passed through by a committee, and the consolidated fund bill was read a second time.

In the Commons Gladstone denied, amid merriment, reports recently published in the Spanish newspapers and elsewhere, that Bright had offered to retrocede the rock of Gibraltar to Spain. The bill for the enforcement of the law in Ireland was then taken up, and the debate was resumed. At the conclusion of the discussion the House divided, and the bill passed 425 against 12.

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