

## GENERAL NEWS.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Feb. 17.—The Lynchburg Virginian, one of the oldest newspapers in the State established in 1808, announces the suspension of publication this morning.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The House has agreed—yeas 202, nays 40—to the conference report on the anti-Mormon bill.

The Senate passed, 46 to 7, the bill to provide for the increase of the naval establishment, Hale's bill.

Among those who voted in the affirmative in the House to-day to overrule the President's veto on the

## TEXAS BILL

were, Morrow, Anderson (Kansas), Baker, Brady, Boutwell, Brown (Ohio), Brown (Pennsylvania), Buchanan, Burleigh, Campbell (Pennsylvania), Cannon, Caswell, Clardy, Conger, Culbertson, Cutcheon, Dorsey, Evans, Findlay, Fisher, Fleeger, Fuller, Funtston, Gallinger, Gay, Geddes, Gilfillan, Goff, Grosvenor, Hale, Harmer, Henderson (Iowa), Herman, Hill, Hires, Holmes, Houk, Jackson, Johnson (Ind.), Kleiner, Laird, Lanham, Libbey, Lindsley, Lottitt, Lyman, Martin, McKenna, McKinley, Millard, Morrow, Neal, Neece, Nelson, O'Donnell, O'Hara, O'Neill (Pa.), Payson, Peters, Perkins, Plumb, Price, Reed, Rowell, Ryan, Sayers, Sessions, Small, Stevenson, Strait, Swinburne, Symes, Taylor (Pa.), Thomas (Wis.), Wade, Wadsworth, Warren (Mo.), Weaver (Iowa), Weaver (Neb.), Weber, West, White (Pa.), Wolford and Woodburn. Total, 83.

## HAMMOND OF GEORGIA

defended the conference report. In 1862 an official act was put upon the statute books, with a view of breaking up polygamy. It had been defied ever since. Additional steps had been taken. The pending bill was an additional step. It was taken because the sense of the American people was against that practice. Because the sense of the civilization of the age was against it, and when the Mormons declared that Congress should cease to legislate, the Mormons should cease to violate the law of the land and the civilization of the century.

The conference report was then agreed to—yeas 202, nays 40. The following is the

## NEGATIVE VOTE:

Barbour, Bennett, Bragg, Cabell, T. J. Campbell, of New York, Carleton, Clardy, Collins, Compton, Culbertson, Daniel, Dargan, Dibble, Eden Foran, Frederick, Hale, Hall, Hill, Irion, Jones of Texas, Kleiner, Le Fevre, Martin, Mills, Mitchell, Neece, O'Hara, O'Neill of Missouri, Outhwaite, Perry, Reagan, Stone of Missouri, Skinner, Tansley, Tillman, Turner, Ward of Indiana, Warner of Ohio and Wilson. Total 40.

Of the 40 votes, 39 were Democratic and 1 (O'Hara of North Carolina) Republican.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—District Assembly 24 was in session last night. The recommendations of the committee appointed to investigate the matter of fixed and trades assemblies, not to exclude mechanics from mixed assemblies and to make them subject to all assessments levied by their various trades assemblies, were adopted.

A letter from General Master Workman Powderly was received, which it is said advised them to use more wisdom and discrimination in declaring boycotts and to keep the same secret.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Joan L. Sullivan, the pugilist, came to this city from Boston yesterday to have his injured left arm examined by his physician, Dr. Sayre. He looked in first-class condition and seemed in excellent spirits. "Never felt better in my life," said he, "with the exception of this," throwing open his coat and exposing to view his arm, which was suspended in a black silk sling; "and it doesn't bother me much either. I can use it sufficiently to dress without assistance, and Dr. Sayre assures me that I will be able to go on the road next month. You can bet that I will get square with the next man that stands before me, and I hope it will be Cardiff. I have heard nothing as yet from either

## SMITH OR MITCHELL

or their backers. But I'm anxious to fight both of them within two weeks of each other; but I want Mitchell first. I'll fight either of them for all or nothing, and for any amount. Put Sheedy will be here from Boston Saturday to arrange for the making of a champion belt to be presented to me by the citizens of this city, Boston and Philadelphia. The belt will be made of solid gold without a bit of silver in it, and will be set with 138 large diamonds. It will be the finest thing of the kind in the world. Dr. Sayre will break the plaster of Paris on my arm to-morrow morning and make an examination, after which I will return to Boston on the first train. My mother is very ill. I am not drinking a drop."

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—It was a very peculiar matinee given at the Star Theatre yesterday. The air was heavy with the flavor of the stables. The laughter was strongly hearty and the parquette was made picturesque or uncouth as one looks at that sort of thing. It was a hundred or more cowboys who brought the stable flavor to the theatre. It was a crowd of queer Indian squaws and papooses that made the parquette look queer. They were adorned with the brightest of war

paint, their best blankets and turkey feathers. The queer audience was made up of the Wild West, who were taking in their first

## PROFESSIONAL MATINEE.

Nate Saulsbury, one of the proprietors of the Wild West enterprise, was playing at the queer audience. The cowboys laughed at everything and whistled and applauded like gallery gods in a Bowery show. The Indians did not know exactly what to make of it, though they seemed to enjoy the singing, and applauded it after their uncivilized fashion, but they thoroughly understood Nate Saulsbury's appearance in a plug hat and horse blanket in his imitation of Metamora or some other Indian and they responded to his war whoop in a lively fashion.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 17.—Dr. Lewis, one of the directors of the Warner Observatory, this morning received a telegram from Professor E. E. Barnard of the Vanderbilt University observatory at Nashville, Tennessee, announcing the discovery last evening of another comet. It was very faint and was moving rapidly in a northwesterly direction. Its position was in right ascension eight hours, four minutes, ten seconds declination, south 16 degrees ten minutes. This discovery entitles Professor Barnard to another Warner prize of \$100, making \$1,300 in all taken by him.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 17.—A Durango special to the Republican says the Jacarilla Apaches have become dissatisfied and are leaving their reservation in Southern New Mexico in large numbers for their old reservation in Southwestern Colorado. Their agent seems to have little or no influence in the matter, and two companies of cavalry have been ordered from Fort Lewis to Amargo to intercept them. Trouble between the Indians and the settlers is anticipated.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.—The snow has been cleared on the Central Pacific and all the washouts repaired on the Southern Pacific to-day. Supt. Fillmore reports all through trains on both lines will arrive here to-night.

To-day was the first clear day this month in this city, and in many portions of the interior sufficient rain has now fallen to make the crops safe throughout the State. Even where the least fell an average crop is assured.

## IN COLORADO.

DENVER, Feb. 17.—A light wind-storm set in over the entire eastern portion of Colorado at 10 o'clock last night. Its velocity steadily increased until 4 o'clock this morning, when the gale reached 60 miles an hour and continued until 2 this afternoon. In Denver many buildings were unroofed, smokestacks, chimneys, telephone and telegraph poles were leveled to the ground and plate-glass windows were broken, causing damage to the extent of several thousand dollars. Outside of Denver the casualties reported are considerably greater than in the city.

## AN ACCIDENT.

On the Denver & Rio Grande Railway, four miles north of Colorado Springs, every coach of the northbound Salt Lake express, consisting of two sleepers, two passenger coaches, baggage and mail car, were blown from the track about 3 o'clock this morning, and the mail car, with its contents, were destroyed by fire. Had the accident happened while the train was on a high embankment a short way ahead, the loss of life would have been great; but fortunately the ground was perfectly level, and no one was injured. A freight train of 20 cars sidetracked near by, waiting for the express to pass, was also derailed by the wind, and the cars badly damaged.

## A PASSENGER TRAIN

of three coaches on the Denver & South Park road, which left the Union depot for Morrison at 8 o'clock, was lifted from the track by a terrific blast and hurled down an eight foot embankment when about twelve miles from the city. One passenger had his leg broken. Several others were badly bruised.

Near Como, on the same road, the Leadville express was blown over a bridge and nearly all the passengers and trainmen severely wounded, and the coaches were badly wrecked.

All incoming trains on the various roads are from five to ten hours late on account of the storm.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—It is semi-officially stated in Russian Government circles that the conviction is now gaining ground that war between France and Germany is inevitable. In addition, it is said that the defeat of France might involve disastrous results to Russia. The Czar's government will, in the event of a war, take care to preserve entire liberty of action. He may not support France as an ally but may maintain a reserved attitude to prevent Germany from sending the whole of her army west of the Rhine. For these reasons it is declared that Russia will await the outcome of the different phases of the Bulgarian crisis with the greatest calmness, and act in such a way as to avoid being involved with Austria or England at the moment when France and Germany commence hostilities.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—All the delayed trains on the Central Pacific and Southern Pacific routes have arrived here, and mail matter is being distributed as fast as possible. There were on board these trains 700 bags of papers and 93 pouches of letters. The English mail destined for Australia by the steamer Mariposa, which was detained here six days awaiting its ar-

rival, was handled first, and the Mariposa left with it aboard to-day.

BERLIN, Feb. 18.—The North German Gazette, Prince Bismarck's organ, says that the Reichstag will be again dissolved unless the government secures a majority in the coming elections.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 19.—A Courier-Journal special from Sharpe, Marshall County, in the southwestern part of the State, relates to the discovery of a large cave by two young men while engaged in preparing a piece of land for a crop. A partial exploration developed the fact that the cave was made up of many rooms of great extent. A complete exploration will be impossible until certain large rocks are blasted or broken away. In one of the chambers were found two human skeletons, and about \$800 in gold and silver coin and a quantity of silverware. This newly found cave is believed to have been a hiding place during the late war of a band of guerrillas known as "Bloody Bill Brady's Gang." These marauders were attacked near Beuton, Marshall County, in 1864, and all but two were killed. These two escaped, and going, as it is thought, to this cave, quarreled over a division of the spoils of the gang, and following their murderous bent, shot and killed each other. Steps will be taken for further investigation, and to learn about its former occupants. It has been hinted that the cavern was most likely the headquarters many years ago of the late John A. Murrill, who robbed and murdered people of this portion of Kentucky and the neighboring State of Tennessee.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 19.—The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company has equipped two passenger trains between Chicago and Milwaukee with apparatus for heating by steam from the locomotives. The experiment has so far proved successful, but it has not stood the test of severe weather. The company is also building an iron heating car to carry a boiler for generating steam for heating a train and to run next to the engine.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Acting Secretary Fairchild to-day issued a circular to the constructors of passenger cars and steamboats and other persons, inviting suggestions as to the best methods of building railroad cars and steam vessels and heating the same so as to prevent the loss of life and property by fire. Correspondents are requested to send sketches or drawings of their designs when practicable. This action of the department is in accord with the resolution of the House adopted January 21, requesting the Secretary of the Treasury to obtain all possible information on the subject.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—The committee of Catholics recently appointed at a mass meeting for the purpose has issued an address to the workmen of the country upon the subject of the deposition of Rev. Dr. McGlynn from the Catholic priesthood for advocating the Henry George land theories. The address sets forth that those theories have been held for many centuries, that prominent clergymen hold them now and that the church has never declared on the subject, and they call on their fellow workmen throughout the country to hold meetings and meetings of their unions to rally around Dr. McGlynn, but unitedly declaring against political interference from Rome, and to support him by contributing to the Dr. McGlynn fund.

BRISBANE, Feb. 19.—A schooner from New Hebrides reports that the French were constructing three forts, increasing the number of troops and building new barracks at Port Sandwich.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 19.—The works of the Goodyear Metallic Rubber Shoe Company at Saugatuck will close down to-day for an indefinite period. They are reported to have \$1,600,000 worth of finished stock on hand.

MELBOURNE, Feb. 19.—Tonga officials accuse many Wesleyan native students on that island of being implicated in the Baker outrages and plotting the murder of the king, with the object of making his nephew chief.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Judge Cox, at the close of the arguments in the case of Lester against Benjamin F. Butler, which has been on trial for several days, said: "Before I direct the jury to find a verdict in favor of the defendant, it will be necessary to review the facts of the case and consider the time when these acts took place. No one who has listened to the testimony can doubt for a moment but that Lester was helping the Confederacy. It will be seen that plaintiff was a slaveowner; that he was engaged in the manufacture of arms for the Confederacy; that he, when he was arrested, used in his possession a contract to purchase a fast vessel to run the blockade. That when Mrs. Lester was searched, drafts were found in her possession on people in Canada who were connected with the Confederacy. That the latter had taken several oaths of allegiance before he crossed the line, and that he was connected with the blockade runners. All these facts were considered by the

## MILITARY COMMISSION,

which was a legally constituted body. The defendant was the major-general in command of the department of the Virginia, and according to the military code, was bound to obey the commands of his superiors. He received orders from the Secretary of the War to examine and arrest plaintiff, and if he had disobeyed these orders he would have been punished. The act of May 16, 1864, exempts the defendant from prosecution for damages. As the commission was a legally constituted body, its judgment is not to be questioned. I can see no defect in the organization

of the court and it is entirely clear that this defendant cannot be held responsible for these acts and I direct you to find a verdict in favor of the defendant."

The jury brought in a verdict as the court directed and Lester's counsel made a motion for a stay of proceedings for thirty days, which was granted.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 19.—A special from Wooster, Ohio, says: John Baughman aged 87 and his wife aged 85, a wealthy couple living in Dalton, this county, met with a horrible fate early this morning. The house was discovered to be on fire at one o'clock by neighbors who burst open the doors and found the aged couple in an asphyxiated state. The man was dragged out dead. The wife is still living, though not as yet resuscitated and it is said cannot recover. The fire is supposed to have been caused by the explosion of a lamp.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19.—W. T. Coleman & Co. have completed negotiations with the New Zealand Insurance Company for war risks on all cargoes shipped by them to England from June 1st next to December 31st next to the extent of \$250,000, the premium being one-quarter of one percent. It is also stated that several applications have been made for insurance on a German ship about to sail with a cargo of grain, but none has been effected, the risk being deemed too great owing to the strained relations between France and Germany.

DETROIT, Feb. 19.—Evening Journal's special from Lyons: The situation is becoming hourly more alarming. Four squads of men are working the gorge in different places in the hopes of opening the river channel. They are working on the overflowed lands where the least opening can be found. Despite the most strenuous efforts to open the water course, the river has risen rapidly until at the bridge it is within fifteen inches of the highest mark. Persons coming in from up the river say that the Lansing ice has nearly reached here and it is a tremendous body of water. Buildings are being anchored in expectation of the Lansing ice coming across the prairie. It is feared the water will reach five feet above the present limits. A cutting twenty miles west wind is blowing. Citizens anticipate the worst results.

## AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—A severe rain storm prevailed here to-day increasing in severity toward night. At six o'clock this evening it was accompanied by heavy peals of thunder and vivid flashes of lightning. One of the bolts struck a large four-story building on the American cotton docks of Tompkinsville, Staten Island, setting fire to a number of cotton bales on the top floor. The burning building contained about 10,000 bales of cotton. The loss is estimated at \$350,000 which is fully covered by insurance.

## AT LONG BRANCH.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Feb. 19.—The storm of last night was the heaviest one that has visited this section of the New Jersey coast in many years. The wind tore down a large number of telegraph poles and wires, and did damage to cottages in the course of construction. The high sea made inroads in the ocean avenue bluffs.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 18.—For several days a committee from the Indiana Legislature has been investigating affairs in the Southern Indiana State prison at Jeffersonville, and observations on the investigations as given to the press, have been anything but flattering to the management. There are found to be bad cells, and the finances are loosely managed. To-day Captain Andrew Jackson Howard, warden, tendered his resignation, which was accepted by the board of directors. It was developed later that Howard's accounts were largely in arrears. Assistant State Auditor John W. Coonse, who is an expert accountant, and who has been investigating the books of the prison in connection with the legislative committee, states that Howard's deficiency will probably amount to between \$50,000 and \$100,000. It is said also that the committee will report that great inhumanity has been practiced upon prisoners under Howard.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—This week's Farmer's Review crop summary is as follows:

The injury to winter wheat by reason of the recent sleet storms and accompanying cold weather, is reported from various portions of Illinois, Indiana, Missouri and Kansas, but the general situation as affecting the prospects of winter wheat continue to be favorable. In Hamilton, Harden and Kane Counties, of Illinois, the outlook is regarded as precarious, with many of the fields covered with frost and sleet. The fields in Michigan and Wisconsin are nearly all covered, and reports are uniformly favorable. Reports from a few winter wheat counties in Indiana and Minnesota are generally good.

The corn movement is free in Ohio and Indiana; but is light in all other Western States.

In Minnesota and Missouri there is very little corn for shipment and the movement is very light. Many Iowa and Illinois counties are barren of corn and are importing corn at from 35 to 40 cents a bushel. The roads are badly blocked throughout Dakota and very little grain of any kind is moving to market.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—On the bourse, during the past week, business was fairly active. Yesterday the market was especially animated at the opening, but

later in the day realizations were checked by an advance in prices. The week's variations include the following increases: Three per cent. rentes, 1 f. 25 c.; 4 1/2 per cent., 1 f. 10 cent.; Italins, 1 f. 40 c.; credit foncier, 40 f.; Suez Canal, 71 f.; Panama Canal, 61 f. 25 c.

Berlin, Feb. 20.—On the bourse during the week prices were firm but business was rather limited. Yesterday the market closed with a general improvement, Hungarian rentes rising 1/2 per cent on day and other foreign securities raising 1/4 per cent. Prussian 4's closed at 104.50; Deutch Bank at 154.10; Austria gold rentes at 86.90; Hungarian gold rentes at 78.00; Austrian credit at 4.47; short exchange on London at 20.40; long do. at 20.26 1/2, and private discount at 2 1/2.

FRANKFORT, Feb. 20.—Prices were firmer on the bourse, during the week past, and there was a general fractional advance. Short exchange on London closed at 20.41, exchange on New York at 422, and private discount at 2 1/2.

ROME, Feb. 20.—Cardinal Gibbons has been very busy since his arrival here. No definite information of the business of the Propaganda are known, but it is certain that great questions touching Catholic interests in America will be considered carefully. Cardinal Gibbons is expected to express an opinion on all questions submitted for his views, because his great acquaintance with the present American question and his strong love of American institutions. It is difficult to believe that the conclusions reached will be of an unfavorable character. Time is still required for the settlement of cardinals in curia.

Bishops Scarra, of Melbourne, and Keane, of Richmond, Va., congratulated the Pope in the Vatican to-day upon the ninth anniversary of his pontificate. The Pope, in his discourse, described the Baltimore council as an honor to America and to the whole church. Bishop Keane afterward thanked the Pope.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 20.—An account of the signing of a treaty with the Piegiens at Blackfoot Agency, February 10th, has just been received. The reservation of the Piegiens will be a tract bounded as follows: Commencing at Marias River, at the mouth of Cut Bank Creek, 20 miles due north to the Canadian boundary, thence west to the crest of the main range of Gockley Mountain, then southerly on the old boundary line, to a point west of the source of the north fork of Birch Creek, thence east along said north fork to the main channel of Birch Creek, thence east to Marias River, thence east to the place of beginning. The government is to pay \$1,500,000 in ten equal annual payments. The treaty, if ratified, will open a vast country as well as a valuable section of timber land south of the north fork of Birch Creek. It grants authorized railroads the right of way.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 20.—A table compiled from dispatches to the Post from managers of the leading clearing-houses of the United States gives the total exchanges for the week ending Feb. 19th, at \$350,233,405; decrease 1.4.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—One hundred delegates from New York, New Jersey, the New England States and Canada assembled here to-day at the annual convention of the Order of Kasher Sheal Barzal (Ring of Iron) District No. 1. Officers were elected and installed thus: Grand president, Levi J. Isaacs; grand vice-presidents, Leonard Leisenrohn and Moses Greenbaum; grand secretary H. Rosenthal; grand treasurer E. Lowenstein.

ZANZIBAR, Feb. 20.—The Portuguese men-of-war which recently went to Tungi have seized a Zanzibar man-of-war which was sent to defend that place.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The merchants and shippers of this city engaged in trade with Germany are doing no business, and are waiting with feverish anxiety the result of the elections which take place in that country to-day.

BOSTON, Feb. 21.—On the corner of Kneel and Federal streets stands a four story brick residence block containing hundreds of inhabitants. The lowest class of narrow stairs run from both streets to the roof, furnishing opportunities for ingress and egress that have often baffled the police. On the top of this building, arranged in heaps just inside the narrow and shallow wooden coping, was found by the police a miscellaneous assortment of bricks and paving stones. It is thought they were to be used for an attack upon the cars which pass this building. The possibilities of an attack of this nature upon the cars, if that was the object aimed at, are simply horrible to contemplate. A shower of bricks descending from this height on the crowded horse cars under the cloak of darkness would have been murderous in the result, with slight possibility of tracing the perpetrators. The South Boston road was at once notified and so the cars were taken off each night, despite the public inconvenience and police stationed in the vicinity.

BERLIN, Feb. 21.—The editor of the Tagblatt has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for printing a story that the Czar had shot Herr Villajume, a military attaché of the legation at St. Petersburg.

HAVERHILL, Mass., Feb. 21.—Rugby block on Washington street, a large four-story brick structure, burned early this morning. The loss will probably reach one hundred thousand dollars.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—In the House to-day, Randall presented a memorial of the Rhode Island Radical Peace Soc-