

NEW YORK, 30.—The silk Association of America reports that the importations of raw silk for November are 1,257 packages, gold value \$965,380; and for the five months ending Nov. 26th, 4,099 packages, valued at \$10,340,489. Of the November receipts 232 packages were via England and the continent, and 1,025 via the overland route.

The Herald's London special says the Royal Geographical Society met again last night, and celebrated Mr. Stanley for his successful African explorations. The speakers declared that there was nothing in the gift of the society too high for his reward, and he deserved a reception on his return like that accorded to Speke and Grant in the old Burlington house, when they returned after the discovery of the Victoria Nyanza.

Charles O'Connor, yesterday, was able to take a little nourishment, his stomach not rejecting food as on previous days for four days before; on Sunday he was so weak that water was the only thing which his system would retain. The precise nature of his disease has not been determined, but it is thought to be paralysis of the stomach. His physicians thought, last night, that there was no doubt but that he would live until to-day, and this evening they will be able to say what the probabilities of his recovery are; they feel little hope, however, that he will get well, and his advanced age greatly diminishes the prospects of his restoration to health.

News to the 21st of October has been received from Liberia, including an account of the battle of the 10th. The following is the synopsis of a letter from Monrovia to the secretary of the Colonization Society here: All the inland settlements have been abandoned, and the inhabitants are at Latrobe; the greater portion of them have lost all. On the 10th instant our troops made an attack on a large native town, which is in sight of Harper, and were repulsed and retreated in disorder, several being killed and wounded, leaving in the hands of the enemy three brass field pieces with ammunition, which were turned on Latrobe. The troops will not likely renew the attack without cannon, and the government is unable to maintain so large a force for any length of time. For them to leave would be for the enemy to overrun the country. The national coalition is both wide and deep, extending from Basso, forty miles below Cape Palmas, between Grand Tabos and Berreby, to windward of the Grebo territories. The treasury is empty and the public credit is well nigh exhausted. It is said that English influence has been active in instigating the natives of Cape Palmas, and the arrival of every English steamer from down the coast brings to the enemy a quantity of ammunition and guns.

Gold is higher by reason of a renewal of the rumors about war with Spain.

ST. LOUIS, 30.—The prosecution in the Avery case was closed to-day by the introduction of some testimony of a general character and the following telegram—

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5th, 1874. "To Col. John A. Joyce, St. Louis.

"Cannot hear that any one has gone or is going.

"(Signed) BABCOCK."

A somewhat lengthy discussion took place, Judge Krum, in the defense, contending that three counts in the indictment against his client were insufficient, and should be quashed. General Henderson, for the prosecution, replied and admitted that one of the counts was insufficient, but maintained that the others were good and binding on the defense. The court sustained Judge Krum's position as to two counts, and said he should counsel the jury to return a verdict of not guilty as to them. The other counts he held to be counts. The defense proceeded with their side, introducing three letters of a social character, which had passed between Joyce and Avery, tending to show that they were in the habit of using such familiar terms as Billy and Aleck, Joyce's middle name and Avery's Christian name in writing to each other. Depositions of persons in Washington as to the good character of Avery were also read. This done, Judge Krum announced that to be the case for the defense. The arguments will be heard to-morrow.

The Republican's Kansas city special says that advices from Den-

ver report that the troops have been ordered from Forts Lincoln and Union to the vicinity of Cimarron, N. M., where the Apaches deserted ten days since. It appears that one of the Apache chiefs refused to take the rations offered by the agent, and after some words the Indian drew a revolver and shot the agent through the head. The affair caused great excitement, and after the Indian was placed in irons the rest of the tribe made a general disturbance. Graye fears are entertained that a general outbreak of the Apaches and Utes will ensue, and much anxiety is felt.

ALBANY, N. Y., 30.—Navigation on the canal and river is closed; the river is full of ice, and the thermometer has ranged from two to eight degrees below zero all day.

BELLEVILLE, Canada, 30.—The engine house of the Grand Trunk Railway here was burned last night; ten engines were destroyed. The other buildings were saved with difficulty. Loss \$150,000, insured in English companies.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., 30.—The activity at the navy yard increases; an extra force will be taken on to-morrow. The U.S. steamer Marion goes into commission in a few days.

TOLEDO, 30.—A fire at Oberlin, Ohio, last night, destroyed two grocery stores and one book store, together with their contents; the loss is estimated at \$45,000, insurance \$1,000.

COLUMBUS, O., 30.—Governor Allen has appointed J. Miron Milliken, of Butler County, treasurer to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Isaac Welch.

PORT JERVIS, N. Y., 30.—Navigation on the Delaware and Hudson canal is closed from Honesdale to Ellenville; all loaded boats will reach tide water to-day, when the canal will be closed for the season.

CHICAGO, 30.—Yesterday's developments in the trial of Avery, at St. Louis, were of a character tending to confirm the original statement, that the grand jury had seriously considered the propriety of returning an indictment against General Babcock as an accessory to the whiskey ring conspiracy. Testimony was yesterday introduced verifying Babcock's handwriting in certain telegrams forwarded from Washington to Joyce, and giving information as to the contemplated raids on the St. Louis ring. It was shown, with certainty, that if no error has been made as to the handwriting, Joyce, McDonald and Babcock were in secret consultation, and that numerous confidential telegrams were passed between St. Louis and Washington.

POUGHKEEPSIE, 30.—The Hudson river is frozen from Hudson to Albany; the thermometer this a.m. is at zero.

MILFORD, Pa., 30.—The thermometer indicated two degrees above zero at seven a.m. The Delaware river is frozen over.

INDIANAPOLIS, 30.—In the U. S. district court, before Judge Gresham, the case of J. W. and Gordon B. Bingham was called, and their joint appearance bond for \$25,000 was forfeited. Gordon B. Bingham is at his home in Evansville, sick, and John W. is at St. Louis, where he was surrendered by his securities on another indictment. The following parties under indictment for fraudulent whiskey transactions, withdrew the plea of not guilty, and entered a plea of guilty: P. Sillip, C. Eberwene, Col. Geo. T. Simonson, Jno. C. P. Sillip, Harneson Miller, David M. Lewis, Geo. Hagan, Geo. F. Crisp, Christopher Cochonor, Wm. Monfoot, and Dennis Reilly. The court deferred pronouncing sentence until this afternoon or to-morrow.

DETROIT, 30.—The Pamlico, with a cargo of wheat, is ashore and full of water in Little Traverse Bay. The crews of the barges Wauregon and Sweepstakes, wrecked yesterday, have been saved; some of them were badly frozen. The weather continues very severe. The vessels are all going into winter quarters as fast as they reach port. Saginaw river is closed with ice, and is frozen over nearly out to Charity Islands.

BUFFALO, 30.—Dispatches received by the board of trade state that the weather is very cold along the line of the canal, the thermometer standing from three to five degrees below zero; boats are all frozen tight, and the general feeling is that canal navigation for the season is virtually closed.

OTTAWA, 30.—Dr. Davis and wife, sentenced to be hanged for causing the death, by malpractice, of Jane Vaughan Gilmore, gave information which led to the arrest of the

seducer, and their sentence has been commuted to imprisonment for life.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, Dec. 1, 5:30 a.m.—The St. Petersburg *Gaulois* says that the incessant raids on Russian territory prove the necessity for the occupation of the remainder of Khokand by Russian troops.

6 a.m.—The *Standard* says that in consequence of a recent conference between the French and English commanders of the North American naval stations, it is hoped that all soreness caused by French interference in the Newfoundland fisheries will be removed.

LONDON, 29.—The *Mark Lane Express*, in its review of the grain markets for the past week, says that England has had a lagging trade, with an occasional decline, owing chiefly to the want of condition in samples. In Holland and Belgium firmer rates are maintained; in Germany there have been slight fluctuations; in France the quotations are generally unchanged, though in some of the provincial markets there has been an advance of a shilling, owing to small supplies.

Algeria is suffering from severe drouth.

M. De Lesseps has issued a circular, in which he says he regards England's purchase of the Khe-dive's shares as a fortunate thing, and its consequence will be the renunciation by the British government of its former hostility to the interests of the shareholders of the canal.

A despatch from Penang says it is not expected that the British troops will meet with any serious resistance at Perak.

A telegram from Shanghai says that the British inquiry commission met a man who warned them that a large force was assembled at Yunnan, and that resistance to the investigation into the murder of Mr. Margary might be expected.

PARIS, 26.—The Assembly has finally adopted the clause of the electoral bill providing for voting by arrondissements; in the division the Assembly stood 401 for and 290 against the clause.

HENDAYE, 29.—The Carlists have commenced again a vigorous bombardment of San Sebastian.

LONDON, 30.—The Right Hon. Stephen Cave, Paymaster General, will go to Egypt to inquire into the financial condition of the Khedive's government.

6 a.m.—A special from Vienna reports that no reassuring news from Khokand was received at St. Petersburg yesterday, and it is feared that the majority of the smaller Russian garrisons have already been massacred, and that Khokand is surrounded by natives.

BERLIN, 30.—Prince Gortschakoff has arrived.

The application of the public prosecutor, to the senate of the state tribunal, to indict Von Arnim for treason, has been granted.

LONDON, 30.—The postal conference meets at Berne, Switzerland, on the 17th of January, because the Indian government has announced its intention to join the Union.

Prof. Thomas Hewitt Key, philologist, is dead; he was mathematical professor in the University of Virginia in 1824.

BELGRADE, 30.—The sessions of the Shuptschina were re-opened to-day.

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