

Evansville, Ind.—The annual M. E. conference was in session here yesterday, and voted down lay delegation by a vote of 60 to 33.

Boston.—P. S. Fisk, widely known throughout the country from his connection with the Express business, died yesterday.

Leavenworth, 11.—Yesterday the first passenger trains passed over the Leavenworth, Atchison and Northwestern Railroad, carrying large excursion parties both ways.

St. Louis.—The Quincy, Alton and St. Louis Railroad Company was organized at Quincy yesterday.

The Governor of Nevada will appoint delegates to the National Capital Convention, and will be present himself if possible.

John H. Bobb, of this city, has brought a suit against his father, Chas. Bobb, to compel him to render an account of his trusteeship of an estate left his children, valued at half a million.

W. J. Hatton, of San Francisco, arrived this morning en route for Cincinnati, to make final arrangements with the Red Stocking Base Ball Club to visit San Francisco.

Plymouth, Pa.—Subscriptions for the relief of the Avondale sufferers have begun to reach Treasurer Henderson Gaylard, at the First National Bank, Plymouth; the amount received thus far is \$3385.

Philadelphia.—The spice factory of Weikie & Smith, Front street, was burned this morning; loss heavy.

Cincinnati.—At a meeting of the Catholics, to-night, it was arranged to raise funds to send Archbishop Purcell to the Ecumenical Council at Rome.

Full arrangements have been made for the celebration of the Humboldt centennial exercises, which are to consist of a salute of guns, speeches at the rink, banquet, etc.

Philadelphia.—The national ex-committee of the Union League met to-day, and took action relative to the pending elections in Pennsylvania, Mississippi and Texas. Geo. H. Stewart, treasurer of the Avondale relief fund, has received over \$12,000.

Cincinnati.—The Board of Trade, to-night, passed resolutions asking the Legislature so to amend the laws as to have real estate re-valued every three years, also to increase the compensation of assessors of real estate, and have them chosen irrespective of politics.

The Democratic County Executive Committee held a secret session to-day; it is rumored that they decided on strict party nominations, instead of endorsing the reform movement.

Nashville.—The funeral of the Hon. John Bell takes place to-morrow. At a meeting of the bar and citizens of Nashville, held to-day, resolutions commendatory of the deceased were passed. The citizens' meeting was addressed by Henry S. Foote, Ex-President Johnson and others. Mr. Johnson spoke of Mr. Bell as a statesman and patriot, with whom he had disagreed politically, but to whom he was pleased to pay the tribute due to eminent worth and unwavering honesty.

Utica.—An incendiary fire destroyed nearly the whole of the business portion of Martinsburg, Lewis county, on Friday; loss \$30,000.

Memphis.—The *Evening Post*, a Republican paper here, suspended to-day, Gov. Senter having withdrawn the State printing from it.

The moderators of the Presbyterian General Assembly have addressed a letter to Pope Pius, combatting the suggestions contained in his Encyclical.

Boston.—Col. Broadhead, one of the State liquor commissioners recently arrested on a charge of violating the revenue laws, in neglecting to stamp packages of imported liquors, was acquitted to-day and honorably discharged.

New Orleans.—The crop prospects are less favorable; the cane is backward. It is reported that the caterpillars are destroying the cotton in several parishes.

New York.—Henry T. Moore, the owner of Ruthford Park, N. J., shot and killed himself on Tuesday. He was worth about \$200,000. He leaves a family.

The case of Sheridan Shook is postponed on the motion of the prosecution until Saturday to procure testimony.

The floor of a balcony on Pennsylvania Avenue gave way this morning, precipitating a number of persons, who were witnessing the passage of the funeral procession of Gen. Rawlins, to the pavement. One lady was injured internally, her son sustained a compound fracture of the thigh.

Manhattan, Ks.—The sale of the State agricultural lands has closed, \$185,000 worth being sold, and the balance withdrawn.

Hartford.—A private letter states that an attempt has been made to assassinate Mr. Hollister, Minister to Hayti, at his residence at Port au Prince; threats have also been made against Mr. Bassett. Hollister's wounds are not fatal.

Nashville.—Hon. John Bell died at his residence at the Columbia iron works, at two a. m. to-day. He had been confined to his bed for several weeks with fever, but the immediate cause of death was suffocation from the accumulation of secretions in the air chambers of the lungs; his remains will be brought to Nashville to be interred.

Philadelphia.—This afternoon a man drove to the house of Mr. Marshall, in the northern part of the city, and entered and attempted to kill Mrs. Marshall with the butt end of a whip. Mr. M. came to his wife's assistance and the assassin fled, but he is known and will be arrested. The cause of the outrage is unknown.

Worcester.—A vessel of Cuban filibusters who left here last evening was driven ashore by the gale. The leader was arrested by the United States authorities.

San Francisco, 10.—The particulars of the wreck of the *Harlock Castle* have been received. The vessel, during a heavy fog, struck a sunken rock not down on the chart, and soon after disappeared; nothing was saved. Two of the sailors were drowned.

Eben Rhoades, Treasurer of the State of Nevada, died suddenly at the Occidental yesterday.

Portland, Me. 9.—Gen. Geo. B. McClellan received quite an ovation to-day; there was an immense crowd present. He visited the Catholic Cathedral with Major Putnam, and was received by Bishop Bacon and the clergy. He declined a serenade tendered him, not wishing any personal demonstration when the city is in mourning for an honored citizen and statesman. He visited the fair grounds this afternoon, and was the guest of the members of the press.

A locomotive on the Erie Railroad, near Port Jervis, exploded and was blown to pieces, last evening, killing the engineer, fireman, flagman and brakeman. The engineer's body was not found. The other bodies were taken to Port Jervis.

Cincinnati.—The President and the officers of the army of Tennessee held a meeting last night and passed suitable resolutions in reference to the death of Gen. Rawlins.

Chicago, 10.—The pigeon shooting match, between King and Bogardus, fifty double and fifty single birds for a thousand dollars a side, took place yesterday. Bogardus killed all his fifty single birds, King only forty-one; the match was postponed till to-day.

Wm. H. Underhill, a well known and highly esteemed merchant of this city, was instantly killed yesterday, being struck by an express train on the Illinois Central road, near Hyde Park.

The ground for the Lincoln monument was broken yesterday at Springfield; the association has funds to the amount of nearly a hundred and sixty thousand dollars.

T. Burke, a planter living near Napoleon, Arkansas, was shot and killed while sitting with his family a few nights since; the authorities are after Benjamin Wing, who is supposed to be the assassin.

Boston.—It is reported that the paying teller of the North National Bank in this city, is a defaulter to the amount of ninety to a hundred and thirty thousand.

FOREIGN.

Paris.—It is reported that the Khediva of Egypt has submitted to the Sultan, on all points except the matter of the budget and loans; the Great Powers will bring a strong pressure to bear on the Sublime Porte against pushing matters to extremity.

London.—The *Morning Post* says the Pope is about to make great efforts to convert the negroes of Africa: two hundred are now studying for the priesthood.

London.—The *Daily News* says it is rumored that the proposition for the purchase of Cuba by the U. S. has found a powerful friend in the administration; but the interests of England and France in the West Indies are scarcely inferior to those of the United States and they will have their say before any settlement is regarded as final.

London.—The *Examiner* says the prevailing question is not solicitude regarding Napoleon's health, but the consequence of the discontinuance of despotism which must occur by a change in the political system on his death, which, whenever it comes will be but a relief and a benefit to the human race.

A writer in to-day's *Standard* says McMahon, U. S. Minister to Paraguay, denies the charges recently brought against Lopez and says that he is intelligent, polished and courageous, and conversant with European manners and diplomacy. Only two or three English desire to leave Paraguay, but they are too timid to express the wish.

Paris.—The official newspapers, to-day, announce that Napoleon is well.

The rumor that the regency of Serrano will be extended is gaining ground in Spain, all parties favor the proposition.

London.—A Paris letter, published here, to-day, says the rumors of a possible abdication of the Emperor, fore-shadow a not improbable event, as the Emperor is liable to a return of his sickness which will incapacitate him from business. Many think his son's majority will be proclaimed on his next birthday.

Madrid.—The *Imperial* newspaper confirms the report that 24,000 men will be sent to Cuba. It states that the merchants of Havana have raised nine million reals for their pay.

King Victor Emanuel, of Italy, in reply to the overtures made to the Duke of Aosta in connection with the Spanish throne, declares that his son shall never reign in a free country, unless by the unanimous call of its constituent chambers.

Halifax.—The steamer *Hornet* has been released from custody. It is still believed that she is intended for Cuba and will receive men and arms at sea.

London.—The bishop of Bath and Wells has resigned.

Madrid, 8.—A slight disturbance has occurred in this city, owing to the removal of the volunteers from the posts they have held since the revolution. Several volunteers were wounded.

London.—Arrangements are being made to repeat the Boston jubilee at the Crystal Palace, at Sydenham.

The rebellion in New Zealand is increasing and creating great alarm among the people.

The crops in Russia are good, except in the northern provinces, where they are only half the average.

Constantinople.—The frontier question between Turkey and Persia has been satisfactorily arranged.

The London press comments on Sickles' note to Spain about Cuba. The opinion is, that if the United States recognize Cuban belligerency, she will take the same course as that of England in '61, for which the latter has been so much blamed.

The Byron scandal is being discussed with much earnestness, some condemning, and others applauding Mrs. Stowe for her revelations in the *Atlantic Monthly*.

A statistical Congress has opened its session here.

Paris.—Lambert's Polar Expedition is unable to start for want of funds.

The health of the Emperor is more satisfactory.

A Havana letter states that the government exercises a rigid surveillance over the telegraph and mails, and allows nothing to be telegraphed giving accounts of military operations except that which it furnishes. The letter says the Captain General is in constant dread of the volunteers, and fears they will drive him out and seize the government, and declare the island independent of Spain. General Lesca, who has been here some time, is known to be in the interest of the volunteers. Outrages increase fearfully, and are of a character too revolting to be believed.

Lisbon 11, Rio Janeiro, July 29.—According to the Paraguayans' account a sharp engagement had occurred between the Brazilians and Paraguayans in which two hundred of the former and sixty of the latter were killed; owing to the unfavorable nature of the ground the Paraguayans were unable to pursue their foes. News from Brazilian sources says the Allies were continuing preparations to attack Lopez in force.

Paris.—It is reported here that General Sickles, in his late note to the Spanish government, declared that though the United States have not yet recognized the insurgents of Cuba as belligerents, still, if the situation is not moderated soon, it will take steps to that end.

Spain is about to dispatch 24,000 reinforcements to Cuba; the first detachment, six thousand strong, will embark during the present week.

Lisbon.—The Republicans are extending their influence in Portugal; their organizations are increasing in number.

Brussels.—The Belgian government declines to join Bavaria in carrying out Prince Hohenloe's policy, respecting the forthcoming Ecumenical Council;

that government has also determined to send no official delegate to the Council.

Washington.—A southern gentleman who is visiting Cuba for the purpose of ascertaining the state of affairs for himself and his friends, writes from Cardenas, under date of September 1st, that the recent success of the Cubans near Puerto Principe, Sagua La Grande and Los Tunos, has given an impetus and life to the patriot cause which will prove irresistible. The enthusiasm of the Cubans knows no bounds; they are rising *en masse*, and flocking to the liberating army by hundreds. The Spanish openly assert that the revolution is successful and that their forces are almost destroyed, and that Spain cannot send sufficient reinforcements to regain the positions lost by these battles. It is reported that the Cubans in these engagements fought with great determination and daring, and showed discipline equal to that of the regular troops. The Spanish troops are everywhere demoralized and have no confidence in their officers. Many of the regulars are known to be sympathizers with the Cuban revolutionists, and honestly believe that they will succeed and that the independence of Cuba will be attained. The outrages perpetrated upon inoffensive and helpless people by the volunteers and their friends are of the most revolting character, and exceed even those perpetrated by Indians on the frontier of the United States. Everywhere the evidence of these outrages can be seen. Buildings are burned, churches destroyed, and there are hundreds of homeless and starving wanderers, and this once beautiful and luxuriant island is now a barren waste, and should the war be prolonged six months, it will be almost uninhabited. Now, along the eastern coast of the island, the people are on the very verge of starvation, and are dying by hundreds from disease superinduced by want.

Paris.—A fearful hurricane has swept over the North of France, causing much damage to crops and other property.

BREVITIES.

Madame Ristori is said to be the best pistol-shot in Europe.

Passengers by the Pacific Railroad stopping at Sherman station are warned to look out for bears.

Tennyson has a printing-office in his house, and sends his works to the publishers in type.

Napoleon finds it necessary to pad in order to bring himself up to the standard of sovereign bulkiness.

A Springfield (Mass.) paper contains an advertisement for a governess, closing with "No woman's rights woman wanted."

On the fifty-fourth anniversary of Waterloo, just past, there were living one hundred and thirty-five English officers who took part in that battle.

Sidney Smith compares the whistle of a locomotive to the squeal of an attorney when Satan first gets hold of him.

Black tongue is killing the cattle in Fiod county, Ga. Four dead deer were found in the woods killed by it.

A house without children is like a lantern and no candle, a vine and no grapes, a brook with no water gurgling in its channel.

Cuyler says that with an average Methodist audience, Bishop Simpson will call out nearly ten "amens" to Morley Punshion's one.

The San Francisco *Bulletin* says the sea wall is slowly and surely creeping around the city front. The work has progressed as far as Mission street wharf.

The pastime of swinging is attacked in a Boston paper as being highly injurious to the health of persons, young or old, who indulge in it. The writer also attacks the use of the cradle as damaging to infants.

One of Napoleon's teachers, when he was in his teens, wrote, "Keep an eye on young Bonaparte and promote him as fast as possible, for if you do not he will make his way for himself."

An Albino boy, Amos Rochman, weight one hundred and twenty pounds, and the fat girl, Julia Hatlason, whose traveling weight is four hundred and ninety-five pounds, were married at Aurora, Iowa, a few days ago, while Bailey's circus, to which they were attached, was stopping there.