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AMERICAN.

CHARLESTON, S. C., 18.—The reception of Governor Hampton, who visited Charleston to-day, for the first time since November, was a grand ovation. The whole community, irrespective of political or class distinction, were united. Governor Hampton rode at the head of the column through the streets, which were gaily decked with bunting and thronged with thousands, who cheered him wildly as he passed.

NEW YORK, 18.—The fire commissioners, to-day, adopted resolutions requiring all the proprietors and managers of places of amusement, hotels, churches, factories, tenement houses, and places where a large number of people congregate, to provide at once such measures for communicating alarm and extinguishing fires as the commissioners may prescribe and as directed by law.

The *Times*' Washington special announces the resignation of L. Cass Carpenter, collector of internal revenue for Charleston. He says he will not be able to live in the State under a democratic government. His resignation was accepted reluctantly.

The *Times*' Columbia special says when the republican State officers attempted to open their rooms at the State House, they found seals on the doors, and the constables present were ordered to arrest any one attempting to enter. A protest was promptly sent to Hampton, as judicial proceedings are now pending to settle the business. The republicans now excluded have a clear title till the *quo warrant* case against them is decided.

ST. LOUIS, 18.—No bodies were found at the Southern Hotel ruins, to-day. Both safes were taken out. The contents uninjured. In the largest safe was a large amount of property of different kinds belonging to the guests and boarders. Among it was \$17,000 worth of diamonds, which were delivered to the owner. Some of the interior walls of the hotel are in a very shaky condition, to-day, in consequence of which work is suspended. This afternoon about four o'clock two of the inner walls, running at right angles with the Walnut Street front, fell with a great crash. No one was injured. Shortly after this a wind and rain storm passed over the city, and part of the southern wall of the west wing fell, crushing one-story stores on Fifth Street, just south of the wall. Another wall fell about 6 o'clock this evening.

To-morrow all the inner walls will be partially taken down, so that the search for the bodies can be resumed without danger.

WASHINGTON, 18.—Discharge of 300 employees of the bureau of engraving and printing of the Treasury Department took place this afternoon. The indications are that before the middle of next week, at least 600 dismissals will be made of persons now in the employment of the government in this city.

John F. Clum, Indian Agent at San Carlos Agency, Arizona, who was recently directed to remove about 100 renegade Apaches from the Hot Springs, New Mexico, to San Carlos, reports to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs that he is on his way there, and requests authority to move 600 other Apaches at the Hot Springs to San Carlos. The Commissioner replied, granting the request, provided that he has power enough to enforce his authority. Agent Clum is supported in his expedition by a squad of military.

The President, this afternoon, accompanied by Secretary Evarts and Mr. Rogers, private secretary to the President, formally turned the call of the Russian Grand Dukes.

The Secretary of the Interior, on the 17th inst., in the case of the Philadelphia Lode versus the Pride of the West, Del Norte, Colorado, held that the protestant in a mining case has no right to appeal from the decision of the Commissioner General of the Land Office. The only party entitled to appeal is the one who files an adverse claim in time and commences suit thereon within thirty days from the date of such filing. This decision is at variance with the former practice of the department, but is in accord with the decisions which have been made for the past year.

CINCINNATI, 18.—The *Commercial*'s special says Lyle Levi, the

leader of the notorious band of counterfeiters, was arrested, to-day, in Osgood, Indiana, by United States detectives, and taken to Indianapolis for a hearing.

SAN FRANCISCO, 18.—The Supreme Court, to-day, issued a peremptory writ mandate to the Secretary of State to issue to Pacheco, the republican candidate for Congress for the fourth district, his certificate. The attorneys of Wigginton, democrat, have moved for an inquiry into the question of fact as to the contested count. The motion has not yet been heard.

A press dispatch from San Diego reports more Apache outrages in southeastern Arizona. Two men were killed, one wounded, and stock driven off. Colonel Hatch has ordered nine companies of the Ninth Cavalry to assist agent Clum to capture the renegade Chirichua.

A press dispatch from Portland says: This afternoon, just before the convening of the United States Circuit Court by Judges Sawyer and Deady, Dr. Ralph Wilcox, clerk of the court, committed suicide in his rear office by shooting himself through the head with a derringer. He was a pioneer of the State and had filled many public positions of trust. He left a note stating that drink was the cause of his suicide.

The trial of the Chico murderers and incendiaries began, to-day, at Oroville.

NEW YORK, 19.—The *World*'s correspondent interviewed John Kelly. The latter, when asked if the confession by Tweed was correct, replied, "To the best of my knowledge and information, it is." A further question was then asked him—"Have you seen the confession?" To this Kelly replied, more cautiously, "For certain reasons I have some reluctance in answering this question, but I believe the matter of such paramount importance that no obstacle should be thrown in the way of a thorough and absolute knowledge of the exact details of the confession which Tweed has undoubtedly made." Kelly further said that the names of between 250 and 300 persons, to whom he says he had paid money for corrupt purposes, are given in the confession. They embrace the names of prominent persons of both political parties in this city and in the State, many of them not heretofore suspected of complicity in the frauds.

The *World*'s Montreal special says A. B. Foster, Canada's railway king, has failed. His liabilities are stated at \$2,390,000, and chiefly are in England for the purchase of the Canada Central Railway and for steel rails. Portions of the amount are said to be due to New York banks.

The Delafield & Baxter Cement Company, who are the largest shippers to California of cement, have just closed a contract to supply all the cement necessary for the construction of a bridge over the Hudson River, at Poughkeepsie, amounting to 150,000 barrels. The contract is for immediate delivery, and will tax the entire capacity of their works to fill the order, and will prevent all shipments of the product of the company to California during the ensuing season.

The *Times*' Washington special says Evarts denies that any complaint has been received from the Turkish Government with reference to Schuyler. He says Schuyler has the confidence of our Government, and, as far as known, that of Turkey.

The Reading, Penna., *Times* says John H. Lick is to receive \$35,000 from the trustees in the settlement of his claim on the estate of his father. The estate is valued at \$3,300,000.

Joshua Hart, manager of the Eagle Theatre, has commenced suit against Miss Anna Dickinson for damage growing out of the termination of her dramatic engagement.

Cyrus G. Clarke, convicted in the General Sessions Court for the forgery of twenty-one bonds of the Central Pacific Railroad of California, with intent to defraud the East River Bank, was sentenced, to-day, to five years in the State prison.

The testimony in the Emma mine suit was finished on both sides yesterday, and counsel for the defendants began their arguments to-day.

WASHINGTON, 19.—The administration has decided, after full investigation, to retain Minister Russell at present as our minister to Venezuela, and in the meantime has opened correspondence with

the latter authorities, looking to a fuller explanation of the reasons which caused them to give him his passport.

The reports to the Treasury Department show that the counterfeiting of coin, principally silver, is increasing rapidly. A report from the Black Hills mentioned the coinage of counterfeit five dollar gold pieces and some arrests.

NEW ORLEANS, 19.—The Nicholls House rescinded the resolution expelling Gaude, who then took his seat. George Drury, of Assumption, Oscar Holt, of West Baton Rouge, heretofore acting with the Packard legislature were seated in the Nicholls House, to-day, making 59 returning board members.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, 19.—About 1,500 coopers, in the employ of the Standard Oil Co., of this city, struck this morning on account of ten per cent. reduction of wages.

ST. LOUIS, 19.—The benefit at DeBar's opera house, last night, for the destitute servant girls of the Southern Hotel, was a very generous one. The house was full in every part. Everything was volunteered, the proceeds will probably reach \$2,500.

NEW ORLEANS, 19.—The Packard legislature is rapidly dissolving. There are now sixty-five or sixty-six returning board members in the Nicholls House.

The following report came from the State house, to-night—Gov. Packard's carriage was stopped, to-night, at the corner of Rampart and Esplanade streets, where he resides, by ten or twelve armed men who, finding the only occupant to be an elderly person, an attaché of Governor Packard, bearing a letter to Mrs. Packard, stating that her husband would not be home to-night, left him without further molestation. Packard's friends states that he had been forewarned that an attempt would be made to kidnap him should he stop at his house as he had previously done, and so he sent his cab ahead to see if there was any foundation in the warning given.

READING, Pa., 19.—Two of the leading members of the Reading division of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, authorize the publication of the following proposition to General Manager Wooster:

"The insurance circular of the Reading Railroad is to be withdrawn, the company to pay the engineers the same wages they were receiving when they withdrew from their employ, and promise that there shall be no further reduction of wages. The engineers agree on their part that they, their firemen, and all other old employees will return to work, and there shall be no strike at any time if the above conditions are not broken by the company."

WASHINGTON, 19.

Secretary Sherman says he never suffered more pain in his life than he did in the recent removal of employees, so many of whom were helpless, poor and needy. His predecessor had told him that the force must be reduced, and when he entered the office he appointed three of the most trusted officers of the department to make an examination and to select those who were either not needed or were the least efficient in the service. This was done. He held the list for weeks, handed it over to Governor McCormick, when he became Assistant Secretary, by whom it was carefully examined and held until delay was inexcusable. The Secretary has refused, in every case, to restore any one on the list although some of them had been appointed on his recommendation.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., 19.—A terrific tornado passed through Rutherford County last night, blowing down fifteen houses, and killing three persons and wounding eight others.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., 20.—Jas. Elliott, aged sixty, of California, committed suicide last night by hanging himself, in the Chambers House; he left a note saying that he had been robbed in New Orleans of all he had, except \$200 in gold, which he could not find afterwards, and was too old to work and too proud to beg. He had a certificate of membership in the Christian Church at Fulton, Indiana, and some tax receipts from Marshall, Texas.

NEW YORK, 20.—The *Tribune* says, locally, the novel enterprise of transporting large steamers across the continent has been successfully carried out within a few weeks. In October, 1876, George H. Bradbury, President of the Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company, made contracts with Fletcher,

Harrison & Company of this city, for the construction of two side-wheel steamboats, each of the following dimensions: keel 200 feet, beam 32 feet, depth of hold 10½ feet. Each was to have two boilers, one a vertical beam and condensing engine, with cylinder 50 inches in diameter and 11 feet length of stroke. The contract provided that the hulls, machinery, and joiner work should be built and fitted together here, and that when completed the boats should be taken to pieces and shipped by rail to San Francisco, and there put together again. In accordance with their agreement, Fletcher, Harrison & Company, early in March, forwarded the hull and machinery of the first vessel, and they have since despatched the hull and machinery of the second, with the joiner work for both. The boilers for the second boat were delivered in Jersey City about a week ago, and are now on the way to San Francisco. The entire weight of the vessels and machinery, as shipped, was about 800 tons. The four boilers were completed before being shipped, and were taken on locomotive trucks, whence they were transferred to Lovell flats, whereupon they were transported without change to their destination. The hulls are built by Lawrence & Foulks, and the joiner work was done by H. B. Eels. Each shipment has been delivered in about twenty days after it left New York. The steamers are intended to run on San Francisco Bay, one from San Francisco to San Celito, the other from San Francisco to San Rafael. No pains have been spared to make them in every respect as comfortable and elegant as possible, and it is believed, that in point of speed they will be unequalled by any boats on the Pacific Coast.

Eighty-six Irish Canadians arrived to-day, on their way to Rome to participate in the fiftieth anniversary of the Pope's episcopacy. They bear with them for his Holiness \$30,000.

PETROLIA, Penn., 20.—Yesterday lightning struck a large tank on the Troutman Farm, containing 20,000 barrels of oil. The tank was destroyed, and the burning oil set fire to two other tanks containing 25,000 barrels of oil, which was also destroyed. The burning oil ran down the creek for a mile, destroying everything in its course. Twelve oil wells with tanks were destroyed. The town of Troutman, consisting of hotel, livery stables, billiard room, and dwellings, was destroyed. The loss in the town of Troutman is estimated at \$30,000. The loss on oil wells not known.

WASHINGTON, 20.

The Post Office department, to-day, awarded a contract for mail service between Bismarck and Deadwood, in the Black Hills country, a distance of 250 miles, the service to be performed in sixty hours, tri-weekly, commencing on May 1st and continuing until September 30th, when the route will be supplied with a permanent service for the usual term of 4 years. Monroe and Salisbury, of Salt Lake City, have secured the temporary contract at the rate of \$14,000 per annum.

HARTFORD, 20.—At the graduating exercises of the High School, to-day, Whang Kai Kah, one of the Chinese boys being educated in this country, took the second prize in declamation over six American boys.

AIKEN, S. C., 20.—Steve Anderson was hanged, to-day, for the murder of Portman and Houseman, Germans, in November last.

BELMONT, Mo., 20.—A monster sea turtle, weighing over 7,000 pounds, shipped from New Orleans, consigned to E. M. Greidheim, St. Louis, was cut loose from the flat which he was fastened to by some unknown party while being transferred across the river at Columbus, Kentucky, and he made his escape into the Mississippi River. It was impossible to rescue him, as he made headway down stream.

NEW ORLEANS, 20.—In the Nicholls legislature Gen. MacMillan, of Carroll, presented himself at the Speaker's desk and was sworn in. He addressed the House.

The *Picayune* in referring to the commission, says the labors of the members of the commission are virtually at an end. The result of their mission is a subject of congratulation to them and to the public. We congratulate these gentlemen, as well as the President and the people of Louisiana, about the successful termination of their labors—their difficult and delicate mission, although the result is that

which we claim we had a right to expect. The public appreciate the fact that it has been reached after a fair and patient and non-partisan investigation of the case. The members of the commission will carry away with them the hearty good will and high respect of the people of Louisiana.

BOSTON, 20.—The Bangor Express train on the eastern railroad, collided with the Sangus branch train this evening near Lynn, smashing the locomotive, baggage car, and one car of the Sangus train. There were 200 passengers on the express train and only one injured.

WASHINGTON, 20.—The decree of the United States District Court of Louisiana, sustaining the claims of Myra Clark Gaines against the city of New Orleans, commands the defendant to account to the master in chancery for all the income from this property during their long possession. They are ousted from their titles and from all accumulations therefrom. This decision involves also heavy claims against the city, which has a large amount of the property in question, with a full warranty of title.

At the session of the cabinet, to-day, the appointment of George A. Schneider, of Chicago, as United States Minister to Switzerland, was agreed upon.

Upon the recommendation of Postmaster General Key, it was determined to give the position of Assistant Attorney General for the Post Office Department to A. A. Freeman, of Brownsville, Tenn., vice Judge Spence, of Maryland, who resigned. Mr. Freeman was the republican candidate for governor of Tennessee, running against Gov. Brown.

The President this afternoon, addressed the following letter to Secretary McCrary—

"Executive Mansion, April 20.

"Sir—Prior to my entering upon the duties of the presidency, there had been stationed, by order of my predecessor, in the immediate vicinity of the building used as a state house in New Orleans, Louisiana, and known as the Mechanics' Institute, a detachment of United States infantry. Finding them in that place, I have thought proper to delay the decision of the question of their removal until I could determine whether the condition of affairs is now such as to either require or justify a continued military intervention of the national Government in the affairs of the State. In my opinion there does not now exist in Louisiana such domestic violence as is contemplated by the constitution as a ground upon which the military power of the national government may be invoked for the defence of the State. The disputes which exist as to the right of certain claimants to the chief executive office of that State is to be settled and determined not by the executive of the United States, but by such orderly and peaceable methods as may be provided by the constitution and laws of the State. Having the assurance that no resort to violence is contemplated, but on the contrary the disputes in question are to be settled by peaceful methods under and in accordance with law, I deem it proper to take action in accordance with the principles announced when I entered upon the duties of the presidency. You are, therefore, directed to see that proper orders are issued for the removal of said troops, at an early date, from their present position to such regular barracks in the vicinity as may be selected for their occupation.

(Signed) "R. B. HAYES.

"To Hon. Geo. W. McCrary, Sec'y of War."

The Secretary of War, after the adjournment of the Cabinet, addressed the following letter to Gen. Sherman:

"War Department, Washington City, April 20, 1877.

"To General William T. Sherman, Commanding United States Army.

"General—I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of a communication from the President of the United States, in which he directs that the detachment of United States troops, now stationed in the vicinity of the Mechanics' Institute in the city of New Orleans, to be withdrawn to such convenient barracks as may be selected for their occupation. You are hereby charged with the execution of this order, and will cause the withdrawal to take place on Tuesday next