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WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, 21.—A letter has been received from General Spencer, dated Berlin, July 17, which says he was to dine with Minister Bancroft the next day, in company with the Rothschilds and other bankers, to talk over the new American loan.

NEW YORK.

Hudson, 21.—The cotton mill of Abbott & Valatie was burned this morning, together with its contents. Loss \$200,000; insured \$300,000 in the New York, Providence and Hartford companies. The origin of the fire is unknown.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Boston, 21.—A fire broke out this morning and is still raging in Noye & Crocker's dry house, which contains 70,000 feet of black walnut and spruce lumber; insured for \$35,000.

PACIFIC COAST DISPATCHES.

Another big fire at Truckee—Suspicious conduct of Lisle Lester.

SAN FRANCISCO, 21.—James W. Laughlin, who stabbed J. J. Hughes a month since and was on July 6th sent to the county court for trial on the charge of assault with a deadly weapon, was today committed to jail on the charge of murder in the first degree, the latter having died in the meantime.

The Western Union Telegraph operator at Truckee reported at 10 o'clock last night that a large fire was raging in that place and that he was obliged to remove his instruments as the fire was approaching the telegraph building. The fire was distinctly visible at Reno.

The weather continues cool, cloudy and foggy. So long a term of cold and disagreeable weather has not been experienced here for the last ten years.

Dispatches are received from all the business portion of Truckee has been burned; the loss incalculable.

The committee of conference, appointed by the different factions of the Democratic party, got together late last night, and after the mingling was over made short work of fixing up the treaty of peace satisfactory to all; the points are as follows: The proposition to hold primaries was abandoned; the county committee to appoint one-half of the delegates to the nominating convention; the citizens' committee (Casey's) one-fourth, and the Independent City (Friedlander's) one-fourth. This settles all troubles, and writes all factions on a general ticket.

The case of Mrs. Higbee, otherwise known as Lisle Lester, a friend of Mrs. Fair, who alleges that she was assaulted and had her skull fractured on account of her interest in the Fair case, elicits much inside comment. Chief Justice, to test the truth of her assertions, decided to see the threatening letters she had received; but she then stated that they had been sent to her husband; the chief then proposed that a consultation of physicians be had to ascertain the character and extent of the alleged injuries, to which consent was given, but subsequently he was notified that Mrs. Higbee would not consent to see the physician named by her husband; he is an allopathist and the physician is an homoeopathist, so the mystery, if there is any, is as far as ever from being cleared up.

The same detectives have investigated the matter of an alleged assault on Mrs. Hughes at a large party in the presence of the Queen's Ward, and the affair was simply dodged to create an impression that Mrs. Fair and her friends were being persecuted for righteousness sake; others believe implicitly in her assertions and are satisfied that an attempt was made to murder her.

The chief of police is so well satisfied that he has ordered all investigations of the affair to cease at once.

The Republicans will likely have a large ratification meeting this evening, though the grand demonstration will not come off until next Saturday.

FOREIGN NEWS.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, 21.—In the House of Commons this evening, Darwell moved to lay on the table the Queen's Ward, and abolishing the system of purchasing army commissions.

TYPICAL TREES.—For gouty people, the sassafras; for asthmatics, the date; for school-boys, the birch; for

Irishmen, the oak; for conjurers, the palm; for negroes, the yew; for young ladies, the man rose; for farmers, the plantain; for fashionable young ladies, a set of firs; for dandies, the spruce; for actors, the poplar; for physicians, the yew; for your wife, the willow; for lovers, the holly; for the disconsolate, the pine; for engaged people, the pear; for sewing machine operators, the hemlock; for boarding-house keepers, the ash; always on hand, the paw-paw; who is this written for, yew.

Population of the city of New York.

Full returns of the census of New York city give a grand total of 942,292 as the population of that municipality.

Of this number, 510,558 are white, of native birth; 418,646 are white, of foreign birth, and 13,088 are colored.

Of this last element only 448 are of foreign birth. The proportion of native Americans born outside the state of New York is not so large as may have generally been supposed, all the rest of the Union furnishing 35,207 population to the city against 475,346 born in this state.

New Jersey sends the largest contribution of population, furnishing 7,445 against Massachusetts' 5915, and Pennsylvania's 1,559. But the great state of Pennsylvania keeps her children at home, even Connecticut sends more abroad, 4,687 being set down as our quota from that land of steady habits.

The far off Alaska sends one native white; there are 210 reported of California birth, and one each from Colorado, Arizona and Dakota. Of the Southern or ex-slave states, Maryland contributes the largest number to the city's population, 1,233, and Arkansas sends but 19. Of the Western states, Ohio has the largest representation, claiming 1,186, and Indiana has but 17. It would be interesting to know how the element is of city birth, and how much the city has been replenished by fresh reinforcements from the country, as well as from other states.

Of the 43,546 persons of foreign birth (white), the largest number is from Ireland, that island sending 201,999 of the total foreign element. We have 90,404 from Germany, but this was before the consolidation of the German empire was complete, for we have 31,464 from Prussia, to say nothing of the immigrants from smaller German states. We have 24,328 of English birth, and 7,551 from Scotland. To illustrate the thoroughly cosmopolitan is the population of this city, it may be noted that every quarter of the globe figures in this census.

In addition to the 35,207 population that arrives only as white natives of "Asia," we have white residents from Arabia, China, Japan, India, and Persia. The Canaries, Malta, Madeira Islands, Atlantic Islands, and the West Indies, each send representatives, and not less than 35 were born at sea. Then we have Mauritius, New Zealand, Isle of Man, Gibraltar, Bahamas, and Australia in the list; and 30 claim to be of white African birth.

Outside New York state, Virginia has contributed most largely to the native-born colored population of the city—925 of the whole number claiming that state as their birthplace. But nearly every state of the Union is represented in the long list, Pennsylvania sending 632. Of the colored people of foreign birth the largest number are from the West Indies—99 reporting themselves somewhat indistinctly from thence, but 17 to 17 in Cuba and several of the smaller islands, especially enough the large number of 64 are reported of Irish birth. The Indian shuns the town, now as of old, and the colored population of the city is 10,000, of which 10,000 are of African birth, and the other three from different parts of the continent. The largest number of colored people is in the Seventh Ward; the largest population of any ward in the city is in the Second, which is 6,494.

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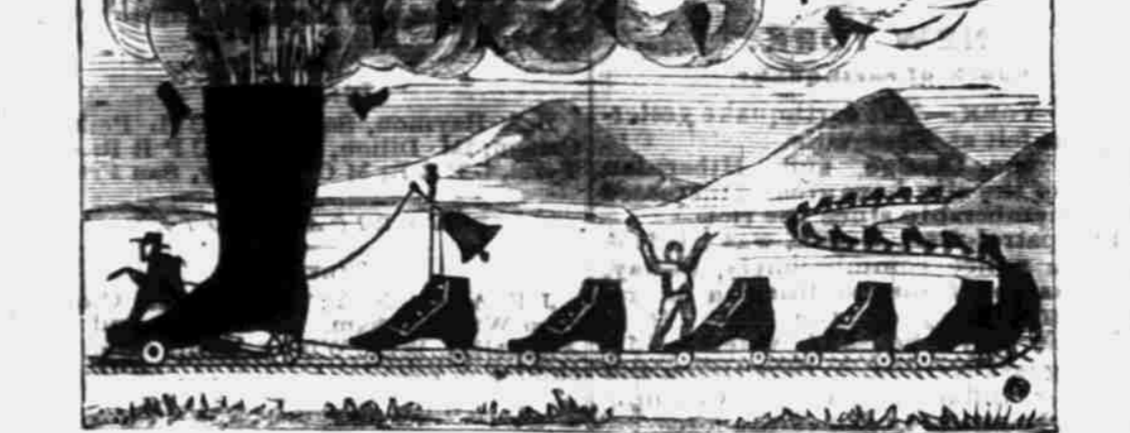
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