

WASHINGTON, 1.—The officers of the Washington National Monument Society publish an appeal to ministers of the gospel and Sabbath school superintendents to take up a collection to-morrow, or on some convenient day thereafter, for a benefit to the monument fund, and request that contributions be sent to J. B. H. Smith, Treasurer at Washington.

The public debt statement shows a reduction of \$38,813.97; coin balance \$736,255.84; currency \$130,004.14; coin certificates \$28,681,400; special deposits \$3,284,006; outstanding legal tenders \$369,772,284; total reduction for the fiscal year ending this day was \$29,249,481, leaving a debt, less cash in the Treasury, of \$2,099,439,344.

A very remarkable condition of affairs exists at the Treasury Department to-day. There is no Secretary, Treasurer, nor Assistant Treasurer, and the cash room has been closed. No drafts have been paid since noon. Cameron, it is found, cannot legally assume the duties of Secretary, the ten days in which an acting Secretary may be in charge having expired, for the reason that Conant, since the resignation of Bristow ten days ago, has been filling all the duties of the office, and the law provides no further for an acting appointment. Wyman has his bonds in every respect regular and complete, except that they require the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury. As there is no such officer he cannot qualify Gilfillan, the newly appointed Assistant Secretary has not yet received his commission, so just at this hour there is no officer in the department under whose authority any moneys can be expended. The first comptroller to-day decided that the law would not permit Cameron to act. As Secretary New has not yet turned over the moneys of the government to his successor, he has assumed the responsibility of paying the warrants that were issued yesterday. Against all other payments, however, the cash roll is closed, and business, for the time being, is practically suspended. Cameron, Judge Taft, and Assistant Secretary Taft have been in consultation with the President to-day, and it is believed the difficulty will be fully adjusted in an hour or two, as it is thought Morrill will either qualify as Secretary to-day or that a new nomination will be sent to the Senate without delay.

The President to-day signed the act to provide temporarily for the expenditure of the government, also the naval appropriation bill.

The Committee of Conference on post office appropriations bill has agreed upon the report. They compromise on the rates of compensation to postmasters. Pay for railroad transportation is reduced ten per cent, below present rate, and a commission is provided to take this subject into consideration and report at the next session. Third class mail matter, transient newspapers, magazines, pamphlets, books, and all printed matter except circulars, to pay one cent for every two ounces.

TRENTON, N. J., 1.—Orrin A. House, the noted divorce lawyer, quarreled with his stepson at their residence near here last evening. The wife interfered to save the boy, when House beat and kicked her, threatening to shoot the boy if he interfered. Mrs. House broke away, and getting a revolver, shot her husband dead, as he was, as she supposed, about to shoot the boy.

WASHINGTON, 1.—Mitchell's bill has been passed by the Senate to extend the time for the completion of the surveys and locations of the Portland, Dalles and Salt Lake Railroad and its branches until April 14.

Sargent, in referring to remarks attributed to him by Yaryan, who was removed to-day from the charge of the special agency division of the Internal Revenue Bureau, denies that he ever said there were no whiskey frauds on the Pacific Coast. He ridicules the idea that he would undertake to be conscience-keeper for an entire community. What he did say was, that, although very probably there were some frauds committed there as well as elsewhere, he did not believe upon the unsupported statements of Phillips and Yaryan that men like Vandyke and Sedgewick were rascals.

PHILADELPHIA, 1.—The city is all excitement to-day; flags, banners and transparencies are flying from every building in profusion, and the streets are thronged with people. Independence Hall and

Square are centres of attraction, where the Centennial anniversary of the resolution declaring the colonies free by the Continental Congress of July 2nd, 1776, is being celebrated. The ceremonies opened at 11 o'clock by the reception of the authors at the National Museum, who had been invited to prepare a memoir of some distinguished person prominently identified with the revolution, and deposit them in the archives. The authors were received by the ladies composing the board of managers of the National Museum. After an exchange of courtesies the guests were escorted to Independence Chamber and welcomed by the mayor, Col. T. M. Elting, chairman.

The committee on the decoration of Independence Hall then addressed the assembly, after which prayer was offered by Mr. Bronson. Whittier's Centennial hymn was then sung by a chorus of fifty voices. The roll was called and the memoirs presented and laid on the table in the hall. This concluded the ceremonies, and the company was escorted to the stand in Independence Square. About 3,000 persons were upon the stand, and fully 5,000 in the square, during the ceremonies, which were opened by an address by John W. Wallace, of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. To-morrow services appropriate to the occasion will be held in the churches of all denominations in this city.

BOSTON, July 1.—There has been a better demand for wool during the past week, the transactions in domestics comprising 1,622,000 lbs of all kinds, principally California, as the stock of this description is larger, and manufacturers have a fine assortment to select from. Some of the recent receipts of New California were very handsome lots and brought 27 @ 28, but these were extreme figures and obtained only for fancy clips. The principal transaction ranged from 20 @ 25. Manufacturers have taken 6,710,000 pounds of California since May 1st, when the new crop began to make its appearance. New western comes forward slowly. Buyers are operating very cautiously, although the movement is more active than last week. The range of prices of Ohio and Pennsylvania has been 28 @ 32, and Michigan and Wisconsin 25 @ 28, but at these prices there is very reliable margin for shipment to Eastern markets; old X and XX fleeces have been sold at 35½ @ 38, choice No. 1 at 36 @ 37; good average lots of new Ohio are not likely to command over 35. The sales of Michigan and Missouri fleeces have been 69,000 pounds, ranging from 30 @ 33½. Combing is rather more inquired for, but decline is neglected, and commands but a small advance. New combing cannot be graded at over 40 @ 45; the latter is a very extreme price; and sales of unwashed combing have been in range of 30 @ 36 as to quality. A lot of new Canada combing, 50,000 pounds, to arrive, has been sold at 50; pulled continues dull, and prices rule lower and unsatisfactory; the sales of super and X have been principally in range of 30 @ 35.

WASHINGTON, 2.—The Senate agreed to the amendments appropriating \$40,000 for surveying public lands in California; \$50,000 for Oregon; \$15,000 for Nevada; \$40,000 for Washington, and \$10,000 for Arizona; also \$5,000 for incidental expenses of the office of the Surveyor General of California, from \$1,500 to \$2,000 to each of the other Pacific States and Territories.

NEW YORK, 2.—A terrific thunder storm occurred at Bellefonte, Pa., yesterday, during which a terrific excitement and panic prevailed. The rain fell in torrents, carrying off dwellings; one man was drowned and several mills and factories greatly damaged.

INDIANAPOLIS, 2.—At a mass meeting of all the German evangelical churches held in this city to-day, resolutions were adopted endorsing the action taken by the Centennial Commissioners in closing the Centennial grounds on Sunday, and expressing their thanks for said action.

PHILADELPHIA, 2.—Five men of the New York seventh regiment were overcome by the heat yesterday.

WASHINGTON, 3.—The House of Representatives adjourned, to-day, at 1:40 p. m. until Wednesday.

NEW YORK, 3.—The journals are nearly all given up to Centennial celebrations and political affairs. The campaign continues bitter. The democrats see an excellent campaign document in the

Yaryan affair. The republicans deny and prove conclusively to themselves.

An unknown insane man shot and fatally wounded another in the Bowery last night. In the excitement he managed to escape and is still at large.

Four men while rowing yesterday at Newark, while intoxicated, were drowned.

After the lapse of three years, work has been resumed on the wreck of the sunken frigate *Hussar*, near Port Morris, to obtain the treasure, to the amount of \$4,800,000, buried in the vessel. A general survey of the wreck was made on Saturday by diver Mr. Cook, of San Francisco. He found but little of the old frigate left. There remain worm-eaten keels on knees of planking below the copper line, all of which is covered with a thick deposit of sand and mud. The money is supposed to be in the ship's treasury on the run of the vessel. Over this is a solid mass of kintledge and shingle ballast, which, by the action of the water, have become so conglomerated that it is as hard as iron, and has to be drilled or blasted through. The *Hussar* arrived with the frigate *Mercury* at this port November 23, 1780. She carried money to pay off the British troops, but on arriving here the money, amounting to \$960,000, was all transferred to the *Hussar*, which also took on board seventy American prisoners and set sail for New London. Her commander determined to make the passage through Hell Gate, but failed. The vessel struck on Pot Rock and the swift current drifted her helplessly against Randall's Island, when she became unmanageable, and the captain decided to beach her in Marshy Curve, below Port Morris, with assistance of some other vessel. She went ashore on a high tide and was fastened by a hawser to some trees. As the tide receded, the strain forced the cables to part. Some of the trees were pulled up and the vessel with a sudden lurch, went over the ledge and sunk in 100 feet of water, where she has been ever since.

The *Herald's* Washington special says papers have been unearthed which implicate consul Bridgeland so seriously that the State Department will be asked to dismiss him.

The *Tribune's* Washington special says on the dead-lock in the Treasury Department, any further difficulty in the treasurer's office is avoided, as the President on Saturday evening modified his acceptance of Treasurer New's resignation, so that it shall take effect upon the qualification of his successor, and he will therefore resume the duties of the office so far as to permit the transactions of business.

The committee of conference on the post office appropriation bill have arrived at an agreement. It is understood that the basis of agreement includes the concession on the part of the Senate of a reduction of 10 per cent. on rates paid railroad companies for transportation of mails under existing laws. This reduction of compensation will, it is said, cause the discontinuance of the fast mail train. There are \$8,200,000 for railroad transportation. A commission of three is provided to examine into the question of mail transportation and report to the next Congress. Third class matter is fixed; at one cent an ounce, except for private matter, not including circulars, which is one cent for each two ounces. Postmasters' salaries are comprised on the marshal bill, as modified by the House committee.

It seems certain that the Senate will not try the Belknap impeachment case, and a probable final adjournment will be had about July 15th.

The weather yesterday was the hottest of the season. Thermometer, maximum 93, and at midnight 84. There was much suffering, particularly among the poorer classes. A few cases of sunstroke. There were only sixteen arrests for violation of the excise law. The law continues practically a dead letter, and newspapers are showing up the hypocrisy and dishonesty of the police force in trying to make believe they are trying to enforce the unpopular law. At Jones' Wood there was some attempt to rescue the arrested bar keepers by German holiday makers, but nothing serious resulted.

The annual circular of the silk and silk manufactures—imported in June 961 packages, of which 824 were by the overland route. The total gold value is \$819,638; the

total number of packages for the year ending June 30th, was \$11,545; total gold value \$2,226,856.

John McCarthy, aged 25, during a quarrel early this a. m., with his wife, aged 35, in their rooms, 464 8th Avenue, fatally cut her throat.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, 26.—The Gibraltar *Guardian* states that owing to instructions received from England, the fortress of Gibraltar is being placed in a complete condition of defense. Artillery men are everywhere mounting the guns. Two ship loads of powder are daily expected to arrive, and all furloughed officers have been recalled.

A Ragusa correspondent says Mukhtar Pasha has concentrated 35,000 men ready to attack Montenegro. Both Montenegro and Serbia are now convinced that it would be suicidal to delay war any longer.

A Berlin dispatch contains the following:—It is stated that Russia, at the eleventh hour, is endeavoring to effect a direct understanding with England.

A dispatch from Eperus reports that committees throughout Greece are diligently fomenting a revolt on the Turkish frontier. Volunteers are enrolling, and the people believe war will be declared when the king returns.

A telegram from Berlin says the great Powers refuse to discuss any proposal for the enlargement of Serbia's territory.

LONDON, 27.—A dispatch from Constantinople says it is certain that the Porte expects Serbia to take immediate action. The commander in chief of the Turks has been ordered to proceed to Nicsic, and prepare for immediate hostilities.

Edward Trickett, champion of Australia, to-day defeated Joseph H. Sadler, champion of England, in a sculling race for the championship of the Thames and a thousand dollars.

In the House of Commons this afternoon, Thos. Rowbery Hill, Liberal, asked the government whether negotiations were in progress for amending the extradition treaty, and whether Parliament would be afforded, during the present session, the opportunity to discuss the principle of an amendment to cover recent extradition cases. Sir Stafford Northcote, in reply, deprecated discussion of the extradition question at present.

In reply to a question by Miles William O. Reilly, liberal member for Longford County, Ireland, Sir Stafford Northcote denied that British ships had landed money, arms, and shoes at Kleck for the Turks, or that England was supplying arms or money to the Turks in Herzegovina. He said England had not, directly or indirectly.

VIENNA, 27.—A dispatch from Belgrade states that the departure of Prince Milan for the army is fixed for the 30th. The same day a war manifesto will be issued, and on July 1st a state of siege will be proclaimed throughout Serbia.

A telegram from Cetinje announces that all Montenegrins between the ages of 17 and 60 have been summoned to arms.

The Senate will shortly assume the reins of government in behalf of Prince Nicholas until the end of the war.

CONSTANTINOPLE, 27.—The Turkish troops on the Servian frontier and the Flotilla in the Danube, have received orders to be ready to commence hostilities at the first signal.

BERLIN, 27.—The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows a decrease of 8,933,000 marks.

LONDON, 28, 3:30 p. m.—The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day, is £98,000.

Consols, 9½ for money and account; United States bonds, 65s old 15½; 67s 108½; Erie, 12½, preferred 18.

President MacMahon has pardoned or reduced the sentences of eighty-five persons who were imprisoned on account of their participation in the Communique insurrection. A letter accompanies the decree of the President saying that measures for the suppression of the insurrection may now be considered accomplished, and that there will be no further criminal prosecutions except in cases involving attempts upon life or liberty, or in cases of insurgent leaders; such special cases will be referred to a council of ministers before being prosecuted.

Miss Harriett Martineau, the

well-known English authoress, died last night.

Silver 50½.
PARIS, 28.—*La Liberte* publishes a private telegram from Belgrade, which says the Servian army is encamped on the left bank of the Ibar and the north-west bank of the Drina. The Austrian banks of the Danube and Dane are guarded by a strong cordon of troops.

Turks are at the Bosnian towns of Zoorick and Novibozar with a numerous cavalry.

BEELIN, 28.—The Arch-Bishop of Cologne, on application of the crown, was to-day deposed from his see by the secular law court.

LONDON, 30.—A special from Belgrade to the *News* says Bulgaria has issued a declaration of independence.

The Servian government has informed the troops that Serbia is no longer a vassal state.

At Belgrade, on Saturday night, the Servian prime minister blessed seventy army banners and administered the communion to the army before commencing the campaign.

The old Turkish flagstaff on the fortress at Belgrade was demolished amid artillery salutes.

The Pera correspondent of the *Times*, in a letter dated the 23rd, says the new Sultan of Turkey, Murad Effendi, is overwhelmed with the difficulties of his position, and it is reported that he contemplates abdicating in favor of his younger brother.

The Turks are actively preparing to meet the Servian attack. The camp on the Bosphorus, opposite Therapia, where they intended to assemble in considerable force, is broken up, and every available man is being forwarded to the frontier.

It is reported that the Government has formed a desperate resolution of enlisting 80,000 Bashi Bazuks throughout the Empire, who, if they cannot do as much as soldiers, may prevent the spread of insurrection by constant menace of a general massacre of Christians.

Yesterday, Ignatoff, Russian Ambassador, embarked his children on board a Russian dispatch boat for Odessa; the General himself and wife remain, but the wives of the secretaries of the embassy have been sent to a place of safety.

In the House of Commons this afternoon Isaac Burt, home ruler, and member for Limerick County, moved for the appointment of a select committee to inquire into the nature, extent and grounds of the demands of a large proportion of the Irish people for the restoration of the Irish Parliament, with power to control the internal affairs of that country.

W. Rigby won the Abercrombie cup in the rifle match.

PARIS, 30.—*La Liberte's* special from Belgrade says the streets of that city are placarded with a proclamation, in which Prince Milan states that he puts himself at the head of 150,000 soldiers not to break the bonds connecting him with Turkey, but to obtain a special administration for Bosnia and Herzegovina.

LONDON, 30.—A Vienna dispatch says Prince Milan will arrive in camp at Belgrade early on Saturday morning.

Servia has given notice to foreign representatives at Belgrade of her intention to place torpedoes in the Danube if the Turkish gunboats quit Widdin.

The Servian army has among its officers 120 Russians and thirty Germans, who have held commissions in the armies of their respective countries.

A Berlin dispatch says the opinion is growing here that the war may be localized. Confidence is placed in the mutual forbearance of England and Russia.

A Paris correspondent reports that Prince Milan, on leaving Belgrade, harangued the troops and people as follows: Soldiers and people of Servia! I leave the capital to join the valiant army which will aid me to fight victorious by the traditional enemy of my country and religion. Adieu, until after victory!

A Berlin correspondent has private advices from Vienna that a marked coldness exists between Austria and Russia, and a meeting of the Austrian and Russian emperors at Reichstag may possibly be abandoned.

The *Times* declares that Tilden is really a soft money man, that he bought up the democratic convention, and expects to buy up the nation in November.