

as Governor of Montana, Rush Spencer, of New York, Surveyor of New Mexico, Edward L. Perkins, of Pennsylvania, as Secretary of New Mexico. The President came to the capitol about ten, accompanied by Secretaries Fish, Boutwell and Attorney-General Hoar, and occupied the time to the adjournment in examining the bills presented for approval. Among the amendments agreed to by both Houses to the Mississippi, Virginia and Texas bill is one providing for an election to be held under the new registration. It is stated this will admit fifteen thousand additional white voters in Virginia, and throw out several thousand fraudulent colored enrolled in the first list, and also admit a number of additional white voters in Mississippi and Texas.

GENERAL.

St. Louis.—Gen. W. A. Nichols, Adjutant General of the Military Division of Missouri, died this morning after an illness of two or three weeks.

In New York it is rumored that a late Prussian mail, from Bremen hither, was robbed of over a million dollars. The postoffice detectives of the department profess no knowledge of the matter.

Philadelphia.—Twitchell, who was to be hung to-day, was found dead in his cell. It is supposed he committed suicide with poison furnished by his friends. The priests left him at two o'clock and he was found dead at five.

Philadelphia.—Eaton was executed to-day for the murder of Timothy Heenan.

Providence.—Padelford's majority is 3,396; the Senate has 26 Republicans and 7 Democrats; the House 60 Republicans and 12 Democrats.

Indianapolis.—None of the newly elected Democrats appeared in the Legislature to-day. No quorum being present, both Houses adjourned. Some Republicans hold that if the new members fail to qualify within the five days allowed by the Constitution the remaining members must be regarded as the legislature and competent to do business.

New York.—Judge Blatchford refused to grant a stay of proceedings against the Union Pacific case. In the Supreme Court Judge Barnard announced that Durant and Cisco had resolved to act under the opinion of Judge Blatchford and not appear before the Supreme Court. Field, counsel for Fisk, characterized Blatchford's opinion as a more flagrant case of extra-judicial opinion than the Dred Scott case. He said the absorption of the State powers into the federal authority had proceeded far enough. Judge Barnard has rendered an opinion acknowledging no superior but the upper courts of the State, and Supreme Court of the United States and said he would submit to no other.

Fisk and Hatch have issued a circular stating that they are not concerned or interested in the above named case, they being agents for the Central Pacific, declaring the latter company is faithfully applying its subsidies and thoroughly fulfilling its obligations to the Government. The circular, after recapitulating the points of difference between the Central and the Union Pacific companies, says the actual connection of the two lines will be made in May, and the passengers, mails, etc., be forwarded without interruption till the meeting point is established.

New York, 9.—The steamer *Rising Star*, from Aspinwall, arrived at Philadelphia.

An examination of the body of Twitchell indicates his death was caused by taking cyanide of potassium, a small bottle of which was found in the toe of his boot. No clue as to how it was obtained is on his person.

Montreal.—Wm. Scott, nephew of Sir Walter Scott, died yesterday, aged 64, at St. Andrew's Home.

Albany.—The Assembly legalized the issue of the eighty per cent. stock dividend, declared last December by the Central railroad.

San Francisco, 8.—Latest advices from Gold Hill say the fire is nearly subdued. The bodies of the victims are being removed from the different shafts. Seventeen men are yet missing. It is supposed they have perished. The total number of lives destroyed is thirty-six. It is impossible to estimate the damaged property. The Superintendents of the Crown Point and Kentuck mines report them uninjured. The Yellow Jacket has declined since ten dollars a share.

Chicago, 9.—A New Orleans dispatch says that a formidable expedition, under Frank P. Blair and Gen. Steadman, is preparing there for Cuba. The first installment will be sent on the steam-

ship *Cuba*. It is said there are no fears of Government interference.

Washington.—By direction of the Secretary of War the route of travel to the Pacific coast is fixed by the Pacific Railroad; two hundred dollars in advance as mileage will be paid officers under orders from the East to California, Oregon, etc., and vice versa, upon application to the Quarter Master General.

New York.—A large brewery on forty-seventh street, was burned this morning, loss one hundred and twenty thousand. The walls fell outwardly; it is feared some lives are lost.

San Francisco, 9.—The fire raged one day in the mines of Gold Hill. The opinion prevails that the three mines are now in danger of being seriously injured. The heat is so great from the Crown Point shaft that the buildings and hoisting works are considered in danger. In the shafts of the Yellow Jacket, Kentuck and Crown Point, flood pipes are inserted, and steam forced down, in hopes of thus smothering the flames. It is thought the fire is burning on the eight hundred foot level of the Kentuck, it having been fired by heavy explosion. No more bodies were removed from the burning mines to-day. The origin of the fire is doubtful. Some allege that it was through carelessness on the part of the men at work in the mines; others that it was caused by the ignition of fire lamps, hence the explosion. Every flag in Virginia and Gold Hill is at half-mast. Hundreds of people followed the procession to the church and cemetery.

It is reported that the fires still burning furiously in the mines at Gold Hill, having broken out afresh this morning. In the Crown Point it is thought to be necessary to close the shafts in order to smother the flames. Ten bodies yet remain in the mines. It is impossible to remove them on account of the heat and smoke.

St. Louis.—The statement that Frank Blair is engaged in fitting out a Cuban expedition is false. Blair is quiet in this city.

Indianapolis, Indiana.—The Legislative situation is unchanged. It is thought the Democratic members will appear in their seats to-morrow.

Buffalo.—The Lake sailors have struck for higher wages and a large procession paraded the streets and held public meetings.

New York.—There was a disastrous fire at midnight in the malt house, belonging to Middinger, Schmidt & Co., which was entirely destroyed; loss \$300,000.

The report of the confirmation of Wadsworth is untrue.

A joint resolution making San Diego a port of delivery was passed. At midnight a motion for a recess till ten to-morrow was lost. The next business in order was the Senate bill relative to the Central and Union Pacific. Bingham moved the previous question. Farnsworth renewed the motion for a recess which was lost and the bill passed without division. The Senate bill to amend the act for the construction of a railroad from the Central Pacific to Portland, Oregon, was amended by restricting the sale of lands to actual settlers; the bill then passed.

The *Tribune's* special says the Fur Seal Protection bill was decisively killed in the House. Up to midnight the Senate was in executive session and engaged in a somewhat heated debate over Ashley's nomination as Governor of Montana.

The *Times's* special says a delegation is here from Montana opposing Ashley's confirmation. Perham, of Maine, will probably be appointed Commissioner of Pensions.

San Francisco, 10.—The latest advices from Gold Hill say the fire and smoke have considerably decreased. There is some steam issuing from the crevices where the shafts are closed, leading to the belief that the mines are filling with steam, and the flames will eventually thus be smothered. As long as there is any evidence of fire the process of injecting steam will be continued.

The Overland Mail Company is now carrying mails between the ends of the Union and Central Pacific roads, a distance of 110 miles. All the delayed mails are carried across the Steptoe swamp, and will soon reach their destination.

The Central Pacific Road to-day commenced transporting mails to the six hundred and fiftieth mile post; only fifty-two miles of track remain to be laid to complete the Pacific Railroad.

Philadelphia.—There was a large and enthusiastic meeting of citizens last evening, in pursuance to a call to American sympathizers who wish to co-ope-

rate with a secret Cuban association in this city. A resolution was adopted asking the government to recognize the Cuban belligerency before the British does.

St. Louis.—The funeral of General Nichols took place. Gen. Sheridan, Gen. Sykes and many other distinguished officers were present.

New York.—The *Alaska* sailed to San Francisco to-day with a full list of passengers. Col. Whymple, formerly connected with the Russian American expedition was among them. Senator Grimes sails for Europe on Wednesday.

New York.—The *Herald* states that General Sickles has accepted the Mexican mission. His name will probably be sent in for confirmation to-day. The *Times* says a large batch of nominations, mostly foreign appointments, will be sent to the Senate to-morrow. Many leading appointments, such as Motley to England; Curtin to Russia; Shellabarger to Portugal; Sickles to Mexico, have been agreed on for some time; but have been withheld till a larger part of the foreign list is adjusted, as a number of first class men were applying for various positions and there has been such great difficulty in making a selection to suit all considerations, merit, geographical location, and political preference.

Washington.—The President, to-day, signed a number of bills including an act granting land to aid in the construction of a railroad from the Central Pacific to Portland; also an act to fix the statutes of Judge Advocate of the army, also authorizing the submission of the Constitutions of Virginia, Mississippi, Texas, &c.; a resolution making San Diego a port of entry; a joint resolution for the protection of the interests of the United States in the Pacific Railroad Companies; an act to amend the whisky and tobacco tax. Both the Senate and House bills for the removal of disabilities failed.

Among the confirmations are the following registers of land office: Louis Dugan, Denver; J. B. Lyman, Helena, Montana; Jacob P. Clark, Olympia; David Noggle, Chief Justice of Idaho; H. W. Moulton, Marshall of Idaho; Church Howe, Marshall of Wyoming; Philip Ritz, Marshall of Washington Territory; J. M. Casey, Attorney of Wyoming.

Concord, N.H.—One hundred and fifty Swedish emigrants passed through here to-day mostly bound to Salt Lake.

Chicago.—The Twelfth Regulars arrived in this city to-day en route for California.

Nashville.—Andrew Johnson made the promised speech in this city to-day; there were about three thousand present. Johnson thanked the people for their attendance, saying his ambition had been fully gratified; he desired no office at their hands. He then made an extensive review of the national finances and public debt. His remarks on these topics are similar to those hitherto expressed. He defended his exercise of the pardoning power. He says he was not infallible, and possibly pardoned some who were undeserving; but he acted from the purest motives according to his best judgment.

New York, 11.—Lathrop, Luddington & Co. yesterday were declared involuntary bankrupts by the United States' court. The population of New York is estimated at 11,118,767. The Board of Health report that the members of three families in one row were stricken with small pox yesterday.

Washington.—The project of the Canadian annexation in the settlement of the Alabama claims, with the joint consent of England and the colonists, begins to attract attention in governmental diplomatic circles. Some believe that it will likely become a prominent feature in Grant's administration. Various circumstances encourage belief in the feasibility of the scheme as the surest mode of harmonizing interests and affording a basis for cordial peace.

Chicago.—Seventeen Republican members of the Indiana Legislature propose a guarantee to Democrats that the fifteenth amendment would not be taken up without one day's notice, but the Democratic caucus refused to accept the proposition. It is not known how the imbroglio will terminate. Senator Stein's proposal, that Republicans, having waited the five days required by the constitution, now organize and proceed to business as the legal legislature, causes much discussion, and is, by many favorably considered.

The *Times* special says, indications are that the Senate will remain in session two or three weeks that the Alabama treaty may be thoroughly discussed. Sumner insists that negotiations must begin *de novo*, and the only

admissible basis is that England must concede her actions were wrong.

The new whisky law provides that holders of unstamped tobacco, snuff and cigars, manufactured before November 23d and after July 20th, '68, shall stamp the same within sixty days. When proof is furnished of the payment of tax on such goods the amount of tax shall be refunded under the regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury. This matter will be contested in the courts. On whisky permitted to remain in bonded warehouses until June 30th, the taxes will be one cent per gallon for every month after April 20th.

Chicago, 12.—The *Republican's* special says the officers of the Union and Central roads have decided not to have an excursion to the Pacific this summer, as they have not sufficient rolling stock nor eating accommodations for a large party.

The Chicago *Times* special says Grant will withdraw the name of Edward Evans, Associate Justice of Washington Territory, he having discovered that he attended the Philadelphia Convention in '66. It is said that Congressman Pile, of Missouri, will be appointed Minister to Brazil. The delegates of several trades' organizations in various parts of the country who met here to consider the eight-hour and wages have adopted resolutions expressive of their views. Probably the unanimous adoption of the eight-hour resolution by the House, and the favorable consideration it secured in the Senate, will induce the heads of departments to decide that there shall be no corresponding reduction of wages. The delegates will wait on the President to-day.

It is said the recent legislation on reconstruction has already produced the most favorable effect in Virginia. Letters from Richmond say it seems that the load of depression has been removed, and business is reviving. It is believed the material interests of the State will be advanced many millions thereby.

The Memphis *Appeal's* Little Rock special says the steamer *G. A. Thompson*, from Cincinnati to Little Rock, is reported to have struck a snag near Pine Bluff on Friday night and sank; seventeen lives are reported lost. The boat and cargo are a total loss.

The workingmen of the District of Columbia tendered Sprague a manifestation of approval for his course in their behalf in the Senate.

Preparations are making for many removals in all departments. Many members of Congress will remain here some time on behalf of their office seeking constituents. Commissioner Delano has decided that dealers converting plug tobacco into smoking by cutting, rolling or any other manufacture, and keeping it for sale, is constituted a manufacture and must pay for and give bonds on such.

Baltimore.—Lt. Col. Follet, of the 4th artillery, succeeded on Friday evening, at Fort McHenry, in shooting himself with a pistol. He had been confined to bed for several weeks through illness.

FOREIGN.

Madrid.—Costellar is strongly opposed to the constitution. The Government resolves to disallow any amendments altering the spirit of the constitution.

Paris.—Three public meetings were held to-day and dispersed by police; many were arrested.

Vienna.—The Austrian Government has resolved to reduce the army and to postpone the call for recruits on the ground of economy.

Havana.—Francisco Neuse, a native Cuban but a naturalized American citizen, and Augustin Medina, are to be garrotted to-morrow. They were arrested in July in charge of the depot of arms at Havana.

The treasurer of the Royal University has embezzled the funds and absconded.

New York.—News from the seat of war is contradictory and utterly unreliable.

The Havana Administrative Council considered the proposed system of confiscation yesterday, and declared it unprecedented and unjust, and tabled it.

London.—All the papers, but the *Standard*, eulogize the budget submitted to the Commons yesterday.

Paris.—The decrease of specie in the Bank of France for the week, is seven millions francs.

New York.—The *Rising Star* brings Panama dates to the 1st. The small-pox is raging fearfully there. There is no other news.

Madrid, 19.—Olasego argues for a modification of ministry when the Constitution is approved.