

of charity of the Nazareth Community.

CINCINNATI, O., 26.—A strike of the engineers and firemen on the Pan Handle road commenced here at noon to-day; the strike is against a reduction of ten per cent in the wages of those employees from the first of the present month. The report is that all the branches of the Pan Handle and Pennsylvania Central are affected simultaneously by this strike.

WILMINGTON, N. C., 26.—A fearful storm visited this section last night, blowing down a number of small houses, uprooting trees and prostrating fences.

COLUMBUS, O., 26.—The strike of the engineers and firemen of the Pan Handle route has resulted in a general stoppage of trains, none leaving here since noon. The striking engineers here disclaim any intention to molest outside engineers who may come in and take their places. A master of transportation who brought a train in here from Denison this evening, was struck on the head by a stone just as the train was entering the depot, but the engineers deny that it was thrown by the strikers. The yards here are full of trains unable to leave.

SAN FRANCISCO, 26.—To-night at Kingston, Fresno Co., a party of twenty Mexicans and several white men, all armed, entered the place and seized twenty citizens; they bound them hand and foot, and then robbed the two stores in the town, getting about \$1000 and a large quantity of jewelry. The robbers made their escape, but the people are in hot pursuit.

PETERBORO, Ont., 26.—Brenton, alias Cox, was hanged to-day for the murder of Mrs. Paine and the boy Doughty, in the township of Dummer, in Nov. 1872.

The Bank of British North America, the Bank of Montreal and of Canadian Commerce, having declined to pay the State tax, Judge Barrett, to-day, rendered a decision that they, having all the protection of the laws of the State, are liable to taxation, and he directs the tax commissioners to collect.

WASHINGTON, 27.—The President has appointed Caleb Cushing minister to Madrid, having accepted the resignation of Gen. Sickles; the nomination will be sent to the Senate immediately upon the re-assembling of Congress. It is understood that Cushing has accepted the position.

CLEVELAND, O., 27.—About 12 o'clock to-day Charles Stetson, an old and highly respected member of the Cleveland bar, shot himself with a small single barreled pistol, the ball taking effect in the temple; he is now dying. Financial embarrassment is said to be the cause.

INDIANAPOLIS, 27.—The engineers' strike continues. This evening a train started out on the St. Louis road in care of a non-striker, but just as it reached the suburbs one of the strikers concealed by the roadside fired a shot into a car, which wounded the engineer in the arm; the would-be assassin was captured.

The Sheriff of Cass Co. telegraphed from Logansport to-day for assistance to quell a disturbance there, and two companies were sent in command of General Dan McCauley; they will reach Logansport to-night.

NEW YORK, 27.—The Treasury operations for the week at the New York office includes the disbursement of \$600,000 on account of the interest and in the redemption of the 5-20 bonds; and the receipt of \$161,400 for customs. The specie shipments for the week were \$448,000, principally in silver bars.

Captain Holbrook, of the Staten Island police, attempted suicide this evening by shooting; he is not likely to recover. Domestic trouble is the cause assigned for the act.

Patrick Donnelly, aged 15, who resided with his parents and his aunt Rosa Riley, at 217 West 28th street, was killed this evening by the latter during a drunken brawl.

The survivors of the *Polaris* Arctic expedition will meet at the Metropolitan Hotel on Tuesday next, and petition Congress for additional compensation, owing to their impaired health.

The infant son of Commander Braine, now on the way to this city with the surviving prisoners of the *Virginus*, died here to-day.

Charles R. Thorne, an actor, gave bail in five thousand dollars to-day in a suit brought by Mr. Zeilheimer, the dramatic critic of the *Herald*, for damages for assault.

The police, to-day, made a descent on the headquarters of the

Kentucky lottery in this city, arrested several persons and took possession of all the property on the premises.

PATTERSON, 27.—The silk weavers are advocating a reduction of the tariff on brown silk from thirty-five to fifteen per cent., and the matter will be pressed before Congress.

NEWARK, N. J., 27.—Jacob Mate, a porter, who was knocked down and robbed on Christmas evening, has died from his injuries; the murderer is at large.

CHICAGO, 27.—A Washington special says the Oregon opponents of the confirmation of Williams are renewing their efforts during recess. They have not, as yet, filed any additional charges, but they declare his rejection certain. There is but little doubt that he will retire from the cabinet in the event of his rejection. The same special says information has reached here that the United States naval and military officers, who were sent last summer to report upon the Pearl river harbor, in the Sandwich Islands, obtained a draft from that government, ceding the harbor to the United States for a naval station, but that the proposed treaty was revoked through British influence.

PEMBROKE, Ont., 27.—Osien, convicted at the last assizes of outraging and murdering an old woman aged eighty, was hanged to-day.

CHICAGO, 28.—A Washington special says, "It is confidentially asserted, by those who are certainly in a position to know, that the President, in January, will nominate General Schenck to be Secretary of the Treasury, vice Richardson, the present Secretary to be Secretary of the Interior, and the transfer of Secretary Delano from the latter department to the mission to England. The President, it is stated, declares that, while he does not join in what he calls the popular clamor against Richardson, he is of the opinion that he has outlived his usefulness as the head of the treasury department. This is the programme, as it is gossiped in some official quarters, but it lacks evidence of the President's positive endorsement of it. He consulted no one about the appointment of Williams as Chief Justice, and did not mention the tender of the mission to Spain to Cushing, or to a single member of his cabinet. Those who are so confident of coming changes are unable to offset the President's own reticence in the matter of the appointments, and yet there are certain facts known outside that make the story probable.

SAN FRANCISCO, 28.—The robbery at Kingston, Fresno County, was committed by the notorious Tiburcio Vasquez and his gang. There were only thirteen of the party, but they captured and bound about forty men and then robbed them and the stores in which they were caught. Other citizens opened fire on the robbers, who returned the fire, but were obliged to retreat. Vasquez, himself had four revolvers on his person. Pursuit was given, and one of the desperadoes has been captured. A large force is after the rest.

It is reported that the new attorney-general of the State has decided not to recognize any of the bargains made by his predecessors with Garvey, touching his immunity from prosecution in consideration of his turning State's evidence; he considers the bargains to be contrary to good morals and sound public policy. Detectives are watching every movement of Garvey, and will arrest him if he attempts to leave the city.

The following despatch, dated Montreal, 27, was received in this city yesterday: "Genet, under the name of George T. Jackson, passed through here last night, and went to Toronto to-day." The friends of Genet say he will return to this city within two weeks and surrender himself, that he is in Canada, and only waiting to arrange certain matters before his return.

About eight inches of snow fell here last night. The storm prevailed throughout the New England States. At Hartford, Conn., the snow is two feet deep on the level.

WASHINGTON, 28.—The third assistant Postmaster General has completed a systematic and careful examination of the estimates recently submitted to Congress for the postal service during the next year, and the conclusion arrived at is that no reduction in the sums asked for can safely be made. The

Postmaster General will submit to Congress plans and estimates for the improvement of the Post Office Department buildings, together with a recommendation that an appropriation of one and a half million dollars be made to enlarge the building.

Only three witnesses have been examined by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, in connection with the nomination of Williams to be Chief Justice, namely, Assistant Attorney General Hill, A. J. Faels, chief clerk of the Department of Justice, and Representative Nesmith, of Oregon, the last named with reference to the adverse telegrams from that State. While some Senators think the nomination may ultimately be confirmed, others are of the opinion that it will die in committee.

CHICAGO, 29.—The *Times* Washington special says the selection of Caleb Cushing for the Spanish mission is due to the fact that the government needs a specially skilled minister to disentangle its business at Madrid, and that at the beginning of the difficulty he told Mr. Fish his case was a bad one. It further quotes from the Sunday *Capital* the following editorial criticism of the Attorney General's opinion in the *Virginus* case, said to have been written by Mr. Cushing: "The decision of the Attorney General embraced two points, first, that the register of the *Virginus*, being a fraud upon the navigation laws of the U. S., she had no right to carry the American flag. Second, by carrying the American flag which she had no right to carry she was as much exempt from interference on the high seas by the ships of other naval powers as if she had been a regular merchant vessel prosecuting a legitimate trade, and lawfully registered; in other words, being on the highway of nations, whatever pirate or outlaw prefers to disguise himself in American colors, obtains thereby the right to American protection as against those who may be aggrieved by her depredations. While the *Virginus* was committing a crime against the U. S., which rendered her an outlaw and liable to seizure and confiscation, and her crew to punishment, so potent is the American flag, which she wrongfully carried, that any interference with her operations is an insult to the honor of the U. S., for which we are duly bound to make war, the alternative of atonement. This is simply the doctrine that a robber going to his work in the stolen clothes of a respectable man, is not only as much entitled to the respect of the persons he intends to injure as if he were the owner of the garments he has assumed, but to the protection of the owner himself as against his intended victim. This is not the doctrine that the flag protects the ship, but the doctrine that the mask protects the malefactor. It is the offering of a premium on disguise. It is like saying to a highway robber, 'Rob with your face exposed and you shall be punished, but put on a mask and you shall not be molested.'"

FOREIGN.

PARIS, 23.—The Chevalier Nigra, Italian Minister, has had an interview with President McMahon, and proposed a resumption of the cordial relations between France and Italy.

The report of Bazaine's flight was unfounded. It is now stated that the ex-Marshal is to leave Paris to-night, for Saint Marguerite, his place of imprisonment.

LONDON, 23.—The *Daily News* reports that the hostile tone of the recent pastorals issued by the French bishops, has caused the German government to renew its complaints to France.

LONDON, 24.—A special from Berlin to the *Times* says, that in consequence of the alarming rumors in regard to the health of the Emperor William, an immense crowd filled the square opposite the royal palace last night. The people were assured from the balcony that the Emperor was comparatively well, although confined to his room, but they refused to disperse. The *Standard* reports that rumors were persistently circulated yesterday of the emperor's death; they are undoubtedly untrue, but it is certain that his Majesty is very ill.

PARIS, 24.—Bazaine is still confined in the Palace of the Trianon.

BAYONNE, 24.—Ten steamers are at Sebastian, embarking republican troops under General Marien, who cannot otherwise escape capture, being hemmed in by thirty thousand Carlists.

BERLIN, 24.—The Emperor William is much better. He has been up all day.

ROME, 24.—The rector of the American College has remitted to the Pope \$25,000 contributed by the faithful in the United States.

MADRID, 24.—The *Epoca* publishes a letter from General Sickles, declaring that early in the *Virginus* dispute the intransigents of Madrid proposed to make a demonstration hostile to the United States. The *Epoca* denies that there was any such intention, and regrets that General Sickles took no pains to contradict the despatches from America reporting that such a demonstration had actually taken place.

LONDON, 26.—Special despatches from Carthage announce that Fort San Julian, one of the strongest defenses of the city, has been breached, and in an accidental explosion twenty officers and men of the besieging force were killed.

At five this morning, the steamer *Gypsy Queen*, belonging to the River Tyne Improvement Commissioners, struck the wreck of a sunken lighter, and went to the bottom in five minutes. There were between fifty and sixty workmen on board the boat at the time of the disaster; twenty of them were rescued, the remainder were drowned.

PARIS, 26.—Bazaine has left Versailles for St. Marguerite.

BERLIN, 26.—The Emperor William is much better this morning.

MADRID, 26.—Fourteen thousand republican troops, under Gen. Moriones, have left San Sebastian by sea; their destination is not known. Gen. Lamar, with a force of three thousand government troops, remains in the city.

A desperate conflict between a band of Carlists and a republican force occurred yesterday, before Bocayerte, province of Valencia; the insurgents were defeated with heavy loss in killed and wounded.

The municipal authorities of Madrid have been suspended.

LONDON, 26.—The cattle plague has broken out in Maderia, and the cattle going thence to the Gold Coast are infected.

Dispatches from the Gold Coast announce the arrival of the Highland troops at Cape Coast Castle.

MADRID, 26.—General Moriones, who embarked at San Sebastian with 14,000 men, landed to-day, at Santonio.

PARIS, 26.—Francois Hugo, son of Victor, died, to-day, aged forty-five.

The specie in the Bank of France increased thirteen million francs during the week.

LONDON, 27, 6 a.m.—The latest reports reduce the number of lives lost by the steamboat disaster on the Tyne to eighteen.

BERLIN, 28.—The condition of the Emperor's health, to-day, is very satisfactory.

PARIS, 28.—The civil burial of Francois Hugo took place to-day. Louis Blanc delivered the funeral oration at the late residence of the deceased. Victor Hugo and all the leading radicals of Paris were present. A long procession followed the remains to the place of interment.

MADRID, 28.—The report is reiterated that the Spanish government require of the U. S. the *Virginus* and the payment of an indemnity.

HAVANA, 28.—The *Voz de Cuba*, says, it is rumored that General Burriel has been relieved of the command of the eastern department by orders from Madrid.

The appointment of Cushing as Minister to Spain was favorably received here. The Spaniards are loud in their expression of satisfaction at the resignation of Sickles, whom they charge with instigating many of the intestine troubles of the Peninsula.

The Madrid government has not only refused to accept the resignation of Captain-General Jovellar, which was forwarded on the 4th inst., but has granted him extended and extraordinary powers. The nature of these powers is not yet known, but it is supposed they embrace authority to declare the Island in a state of siege should he find it necessary. The home government also offers additional reinforcements.

ROME, 28.—Fournier, the French minister, has presented his letter of recall and taken leave of the king of Italy.

LONDON, 29.—A special to the *Daily Telegraph* says that France has given a satisfactory assurance to Germany relative to the hostile pastorals of the French bishops.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 20.

First District Schoolhouse.—This very fine schoolhouse being nearly finished, religious services were held in it, for the first time, yesterday, when large congregations assembled, both in the afternoon and evening, many attending from other wards at the first meeting, it having been announced that Elder Orson Pratt would preach. He delivered a discourse on the "Resurrection of the Dead."

The new schoolhouse is a great credit to Bishop Warlurton and to Brothers Samuel Allen, Joseph Booth and James P. Van Tassel, the three latter being the trustees of the First School District. These four brethren have been indefatigable in their efforts to forward the good work of providing so excellent a place for the educational purposes of that portion of the City. They have been nobly backed by the people generally, who, with some few exceptions, have paid their assessments without grumbling. This liberality and good feeling have not only been manifested by residents of the district, but also by property holders who do not reside there.

The school house is built of brick, is 18 feet from floor to ceiling, and is 30 ft. by 50 ft., outside measurement. There are four large windows, of a dozen lights each, on the north side, two on the south side and two in front, and the windows have paneled casings. There is a large double door at the front entrance, which is surmounted by a fan-light, composed of two oval shaped panes of glass. The plastering of the interior is completed, with the exception of the finishing coat, which will be put on within a few days. The cornice, which is in process of being cast, will be a splendid piece of ornamentation, three feet in depth. Besides, the ceiling will be thrown into plaster-work panels, and there will be several ornamental centre-pieces, from which the chandeliers will be suspended.

The children of the district met at the new school house last Friday, when a large number of prizes were distributed among them.

Brother Paul Harrison will shortly open school in the old school room, but will move into the new one as soon as it is finished.

The wood-work of the new house is to be nicely grained, in imitation of oak.

Correspondence.

PROVO, Dec. 26th, 1873.

Editor Deseret News:

The main feature of our Christmas festivities here was the convening of our Sabbath school children as per appointment in the basement of the meeting house. There were present on the stand superintendent A. O. Smoot, David John, county superintendent, assistant superintendent Wm. Paxman of American Fork, and Elders W. N. Dusenberry and S. S. Jones, with some five hundred juveniles before them, anxiously awaiting proceedings. The assembly was called to attention by Elder W. N. Dusenberry, singing by the Sabbath school choir, prayer by Elder Wm. Paxman, after which several of the Elders in turn addressed the children, telling them the story of "him who was cradled in manger of Bethlehem," the anniversary of whose birthday they were celebrating, teaching in simplicity the youth to follow in his footsteps. Superintendent A. O. Smoot exploded the idea of the old Catholic notion of "Santa Claus;" it was an error to teach this old falsehood to the young and tender mind, advising parents to discontinue it, and if stockings must be hung up—hang them up to receive presents from parents, brothers and sisters.

The sabbath school choir, under the care of Professor Jas. C. Daniels, sang several songs with all that happy, joyous freedom of expression which children's voices alone can give.

During the services presents in the shape of large packages of candy were received from the superintendent and assistants of the west branch of the Z. C. M. I. of this city, and from Peter Stubbs, Esq., which increased the supply already provided by a special committee for the occasion, and which, at the conclusion of the exercises, were distributed to the children. The time was well spent, teachers and friends being well repaid in witnessing the enjoyment of the children on the occasion. A. J.