

dispatch from Havana stating that on the 14th the Spaniards commenced a large operation against Cubans, who, at the first fire, lost eighty killed, also five chiefs; two hundred insurgents had surrendered at Santa Esperitu, and a hundred and thirty at Cuba and that three hundred negroes, at Cinco Villa, were utterly discouraged.

The Saratoga gas building was damaged considerably to-day by an explosion through the escape of gas. Two workmen were burned.

There is a prospect of a lively fight between the Express Companies. The Adams company claims the right to run between Pittsburg and Chicago, by virtue of a contract with the Pennsylvania Central Railroad, which has leased Pittsburg and Chicago road, insisting that it is their privilege to run over the Pennsylvania Central. In case the Adams attempt this the American Express Company will proceed to open offices between Washington and Boston, and run upon that route. The threatened action of the Adams people will violate arrangements which have been in force for twenty-five years.

The rapers in the case of 147 Wall Street brokers, charged with not paying the tax on their capital in active use, were transferred to Commissioner Shields to-day; two of the firms have paid the tax.

The strikers at Jersey City remain firm. It is rumored that the majority of the Erie merchants at Susquehanna, Port Jarvis and Buffalo have imitated the example of the friends of the Association Locomotive Brotherhood at Port Jarvis, and have decided to do no more repairing on the Erie engines as it would interfere with the strikers.

A serious riot at Yonkers on Sunday evening; two policemen were brutally beaten.

WASHINGTON.—A. M. Clapp, Government Printer, in a letter referring to the special dispatch to a New York paper, stating that the investigation by the Banking Committee of the accounts of the Congressional Printer shows that a hundred to a hundred and fifty thousand dollars have been recklessly used, says that no charge whatever has been made against him, and that no investigation will take place, and the whole affair is a complete conspiracy against him.

Among the nominations sent to the Senate to-day were Milton Kelly, as associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Idaho; Edmund Kearney, U. S. Marshal; Orange Jacobs, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Washington Territory; J. B. Church, for assessor of internal revenue in Montana.

In the Supreme Court to-day, the death of Stanton was announced. The attorney general pronounced a eulogy and the Court adjourned.

The Committee on Banking Institutions, instructed to inquire into the late gold panic, heard, to-day, the testimony of Hodgkins & Bonnell, bankers, of New York; Benedict, late President of the Gold Exchange Bank, and Cloute, late Cashier of the Tenth National Bank. James Fisk, jr., Jay Gould, and Mr. Corbin, are summoned appear before the committee on Monday.

To-day, Elisha B. Allen was introduced to the President, by Secretary Fish, and delivered his credentials as Envoy Extraordinary from the Hawaiian Islands.

Boston.—There has been a clerical error or defalcation of some fifteen thousand dollars discovered in the city treasurer's office; the employees of the office are held under arrest till an investigation is made.

A cable despatch last night conveyed to Parepa Rosa the announcement of the death of her mother.

John Hayes and John Long who were discharged from the State prison on the discovery of their innocence, after four years' imprisonment, have applied to the legislature for compensation.

LOWELL.—Rev. Dr. Ames Blanchard a church clergyman in this place for forty years, died last evening of heart disease, aged 63.

The defalcation in the Boston City Treasury is charged upon Kopl W. Collins, late of California, a clerk entrusted with the duty of paying the internal debt. He confesses to having converted coupons into gold, of which he lost nine thousand in gambling. He had in his possession five thousand, with which he was about starting for Europe on a tour. The total of the embezzlement is from ten to sixteen thousand.

CINCINNATI.—Early this morning a stone wall a hundred feet long and thirty feet high, in the rear of a building in Third Street fell, crushing a sick woman named Heing, who was making a fire in the kitchen; when liberated by her husband she had a leg broken. In

another house a boy seven years of age was killed in bed; two girls were in the same bed, one of whom was badly bruised, the other unhurt.

There was a great rain fall last night which was the immediate cause of the accident. The wall had been considered unsafe for two years.

The total Collector's returns for the revenue tax to December, in the Second District of Ohio, amounts to three hundred and eighty-eight thousand dollars, being an increase over the December previous of a hundred and seventy-five thousand.

CHARLESTON, S. C.—Thirteen Spanish gunboats under convoy of the Spanish frigate *Isabella Cattolica* put into this harbor yesterday for coal and supplies. They expect to remain about ten days.

PORTLAND, ME.—The fleet conveying Peabody's remains was at Madeira, January 1st; the vessels intend to coal at Bermuda.

A Baptist minister at Grasshopper Falls, Kansas, suicided on Friday. He leaves a wife and three children.

Both Houses of the Kansas Legislature have passed resolutions instructing their delegates to Congress to vote against further appropriations for public buildings in Washington.

ATLANTA.—Seventeen Democratic members of the House and three Democratic Senators who were in the old organization there, have taken the oath declaring themselves eligible; they have made a written application to be relieved of their political disabilities.

SAVANNA.—Among the passengers on the steamer *Ereupatia*, from Vera Cruz, were Secretary Seward and party.

ATLANTA.—A committee of the Legislature has addressed a letter to General Terry, protesting against the assembling of that body as illegal and unconstitutional. Governor Bullock has declared in favor of a recess of the Legislature till Wednesday, to give time for the pending investigation in regard to the eligibility of the members.

CHICAGO, 17.—A Washington special says that the Secretary of the Treasury holds a tax on the salaries of government officers, levied under a special clause, and that it will not cease till Congress so declares. The disbursing officers of the government have been ordered to continue income tax from their salaries till further orders.

The President declines to give the women clerks leave of absence to attend the women suffrage convention this week, he says he will allow no more general leave of absence for department clerks.

The prospect for the passage of the census bill is not altogether favorable, ex-superintendent Kennedy and others opposing the Bill, desiring to have the census taken under the plan adapted ten years ago.

The House committee's investigation is bringing out facts of a grave nature: one of the national banks with only two millions capital and deposits, issued certified checks to the amount of forty millions on one of the days of the gold battle. Such paper as this was used as an essential means of carrying on the contracts. Some things in the evidence look bad for Judges Barnard and Cardoso, whose injunctions were issued in such rapid succession that some persons suspect they must have been prepaid before hand, and that these Judges were in the ring. A number of the leading business men of New York want the committee to contrive some plan to break up this injunction business of the city Judges; they say it puts legitimate enterprise at the mercy of members of the gold and stock ring and if not checked must end in the formation of a vigilance committee.

A severe storm of wind and rain swept over the greater part of this section on Sunday night. In the St. Joseph country several buildings were destroyed and one man killed.

A Washington special says that the House Committee on mining will report a bill by which placer miners may obtain a title to ten acre lots at two dollars and a half per acre; the law already provides a way by which workers of ledge and quartz mines may get a title.

The bureau of education is in great danger of being overthrown, the feeling being prevalent among Congressmen that the present commissioner, Barnard has proved unequal to the task of organizing the Bureau and making it meet the requirements of the times, and the Committee on Appropriations have refused to make a provision for carrying on the work and show a decided disposition to repeal the law creating the bureau.

CHICAGO, 18.—R. W. Pope, the grand chief operator of the telegraph league, telegraphs to the chief operator of the strikers here as follows: "I have can-

vassed the position and situation and I believe it useless to continue the strike, and I hereby absolve all the Western Union members from their oaths, and advise them to return to work."

NEW ORLEANS.—The Governor has signed the bill repealing the gambling law.

HARRISBURG, 18.—Governor Geary was inaugurated to-day, for his second term; he made a very long address. There was a grand military and civil procession.

PITTSBURG.—Thomas J. Campbell, convicted of the murder of his wife by beating her to death last November, has been sentenced to eleven years, nine months and twenty-eight days in the penitentiary, that being the longest term that could be imposed.

BOSTON.—The Old Brattle Square Church took fire this evening, from an over heated flue; this is a relic of Revolutionary times and was fortunately saved from extensive damages.

ST. LOUIS.—There was a large meeting of Frenchmen here last night, who adopted resolutions denouncing Prince Bonaparte for killing Victor Noir, and expressed the hope that the entire Bonaparte family would soon disappear from public notice.

ST. LOUIS, 18.—The legislature has adopted a resolution instructing their Senators and requesting the Representatives to vote against further appropriations for public buildings in Washington.

The Governor of Nebraska will convene the legislature of that State for the purpose of ratifying the 15th Amendment.

A talk with members of Congress shows a stronger free trade sentiment than before.

MEMPHIS, 18.—During a storm yesterday some freight cars standing on a track near Huntsville, Ala., were lifted and carried 309 yards away.

MONTGOMERY, ALA.—In the house to-day, a bill was introduced to relieve all persons married during the war from the obligations created; this is done in consequence of the recent decision of the Supreme Court declaring that all legislation, Judges and Justices during the war illegal. A bill was also introduced and referred, to allow former slaves to cohabit provided they will sustain the relationship of man and wife.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., 18.—The House passed a resolution to ratify the 15th Amendment, by 59 to 9. The Senate passed a similar resolution last June.

LOUISVILLE, 18.—The river continues to rise at the rate of two and a half inches hourly. Boats on the stocks at the Jeffersonville ship yards have been scuttled to keep them from being swept away. Thousands of dollars and large quantities of clothing were sent to the sufferers at Cave City to-day.

CINCINNATI, 17.—George Leet, a Georgian, undertook to drink forty-one pints of medicated warm water in twenty four hours to cure the rheumatism; he began at seven last evening, and at half past twelve had taken twenty-nine pints; he was suffering excruciating pain, and this morning he died.

CINCINNATI.—The telegraph operators applied to-day for reinstatement. About ten applied to the Mayor for transportation to New York; they said they had no money and wanted to get home.

WASHINGTON.—The Committee on Reconstruction to-day discussed the question of the general removal of political disabilities, and from what occurred it is supposed that a bill for that purpose will be brought before the Committee at its next meeting.

The Senate to-day confirmed J. Wilson Shaffer, of Ills. Governor of Utah.

A letter received here, dated Zanzibar, October 22nd, from Consul Webb, states that a letter had been received at the British consulate from Dr. Livingston, dated May 30th, at which time Livingston, was at Ugigi on the Yaunyaiki lake, where he had found his supplies. He was in good health and spirits and proposed traveling to the windward of Yaunyaiki unless some boatman and further supplies, for which he had sent, reached Ugigi.

An early adjournment of Congress is probable, and is considered practicable by a number of members, some arguing that with industry the necessary business can be finished by the first of May.

JACKSON.—The legislature has ratified the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments. The election of Senators takes place on Monday.

NEW YORK.—Rev. Horace Cooke has again disappeared mysteriously; it is thought that he has destroyed himself or gone west to commence anew.

Dr. Harris, Sanitary Superintendent, publishes a card denying that there is any small pox in the public schools; a

contrary report comes from Hunter's Point, where the disease is so violent in the schools that the teachers are resigning.

A boy, twelve years old, was fatally stabbed in the Bowery, last night, by a Chinaman, named Antonio Como.

BUFFALO.—A gale last night blew the water down the lake, causing a sudden rise in the river and doing considerable damage. The Niagara Falls branch of the New York Central R. R. was torn up for the third time this season.

ALBANY.—A fire, yesterday, destroyed the court-house, jail, hotel and several stores and dwellings.

NEW YORK.—Rev. Henry Ward Beecher this morning announced to his congregation that he declined to receive the offer recently made him to advance his salary. He said the first information he had of such an advance having been resolved upon was from the newspapers.

WASHINGTON.—The Congressional Temperance Society held a meeting to-night at the Metropolitan Hotel. The meeting was crowded with ladies and gentlemen. Senator Wilson was President. The Secretary read the following recommendation. This society believes that the habitual use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage causes poverty and suffering and crime, and that there is safety alone in total abstinence and that a personal pledge and co-operation has the effect, and tends to secure and maintain such abstinence, the Congressional Temperance Society suggests and recommends to the ministers of churches and all Temperance organizations, human philanthropists and patriots throughout the land to hold simultaneous meetings in their several towns, townships, cities and wards on the 22nd of February, next, the birth day of Washington, and unite in the organization of Union Temperance Societies, based on the simple pledge of total abstinence; and that they adopt practical measures to have such pledges presented to every man, woman and child over ten years old. There are one millions members in christian churches, and millions of children in the Sabbath and public schools, and millions of others who it is believed might be persuaded to pledge their faith, truth and honor wholly to abstain from the use of intoxicating drinks. The Secretary believes, if a concerted, vigorous and persistent effort be made to that end, that one third of the nation would, within a few months, be thus pledged.

Senators Pomeroy, Willey, Patterson, and Buckingham, and Representatives, Whitmore and Perry, and Vice President Colfax addressed the meeting. Senator Wilson said it was proposed to hold meetings every two weeks during the session of Congress, and that churches be procured for that purpose.

LOUISVILLE, 17.—A terrible storm visited Cave City station, on the Louisville and Nashville Railroad at an early hour this morning, resulting in the destruction of a large amount of property. Seven or eight persons were instantly killed, including the tank man, his wife and two children. Eighteen persons were more or less injured, a number of buildings blown down, and timber scattered in all directions. It is not ascertained how far the hurricane extended. The storm passed over a portion of this city, accompanied by hail the size of walnuts, stripping the trees entirely of their small limbs. The river continues rising at the rate of six inches per hour, which is faster than has been known for years. If the flood continues great destruction of property will ensue.

Later reports of the tornado, which visited Cave City station, say that it is entirely demolished. Nine persons were killed, ten mortally injured and a large number of others more or less hurt. About sixty families were rendered homeless. The storm came from the southwest and passed on to the northeast.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—A fire broke out at Morrison's Opera House at nine this evening, and is still raging. Morrison's block, containing five wholesale houses, was destroyed. Fears are entertained that the adjoining block will also go.

NASHVILLE.—This section was visited last night by a terrible storm, accompanied by thunder and lightning. Many public and private buildings were unroofed and otherwise damaged here and at Murfreesboro; no loss of life is reported.

COLUMBUS.—The water sets of the river are higher than they have been for twenty years; great damage has occurred.

A bill was introduced in the House of Representatives to-day by Ward, one of the Cincinnati delegates, to prohibit the reading of the Bible and the singing of hymns in public schools.