

Schleicher, from the committee on foreign affairs, offered a resolution, authorizing the committee to sit during the recess in investigation of the Mexican border troubles. Adopted.

The committee, early in the day, delegated this duty to a sub-committee consisting of Schleicher, Forney and Williams of Wisconsin.

Banning, chairman of the military committee, asked unanimous consent giving the same right to that committee, but objection was made, and objection was also made to the request of Jones, from the committee on public building, that unanimous consent be given authorizing the sub-committee to visit, during the recess, several western cities and ascertain the wants and requirements of the public service in relation to buildings.

The Senate amendments to the post route bill were taken up and concurred in.

Resolutions to pay the extra employees engaged in the doorkeeper's department were offered, discussed and agreed to, and the House adjourned until January the 10th.

#### AMERICAN.

NEW YORK, 12.—Hildreth & Co., law and collection agency, have absconded. It is discovered that members of the firm are embezzlers. The misappropriation of money began a year ago. The deficiency is estimated at \$50,000. Some of the creditors think it will reach \$100,000. The books of the firm show the cost of carrying on the business to be \$20,000 a year, while the income was only \$8,000. Both members of the firm are young men of steady habits and professed piety.

Judge Davis announces his decision in the matter of the *habeas corpus* to procure the release of a barkeeper named Trech. He said that after giving the case a most careful consideration, he had concluded to dismiss the writ and remand the prisoner. This was a test case, and the judge says the receipt given by the excise board is in no sense a license, and that the "spare beds" do not constitute an inn without other accommodations furnished at a hotel.

CHICAGO, 12.—The *Inter-Ocean's* Washington special says: The President, Secretary of War, and Gen. Sherman had a long consultation to day concerning Mexican and Indian affairs. The general opinion was that no trouble need be anticipated, and all expressed great confidence in Gen. Sheridan, to whom the management of the army in the northwest is entrusted.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., 12.—The Crab Orchard outlaws have all been held to answer for murder and robbery. The display of the armed posse has had the effect of keeping a perfect quiet during the trial.

NEW YORK, 13.—Specials from Paris say the crisis is ended and MacMahon has arrived at an understanding with the Left. A deputation of the Right waited upon him and told him that it was impossible to form a ministry. The Marshal was deeply moved, and said there was nothing to do but resign, and subsequently yielded.

The *Times'* Washington special says the silver men still intend to pass their bill in the Senate, this week. Matthews' resolution is ahead but will be laid aside the moment it is found to be in the way of the passage of the bill. The real reason it has not been laid aside is the confidence of the silver party that they can pass both the resolution and the bill, and they do not want to offend Matthews, who desires to secure a vote on his manifesto. Moreover, it is a part of his purpose to make a great dash all at once against the bloated bondholders.

Dominico Costoni left San Francisco with his wife and four children, for New York on the way to Paris. On Tuesday evening they changed cars on the Erie Railway at Hornellsville. The husband, who is not altogether sane, had all of their money, and he went to look after the baggage. When the train started Mrs. Costoni and her children were in the coach but Costoni could not be found. No tidings has since been received from him, and his family arrived in the city penniless. Mrs. Costoni is distracted with grief, and she fears her husband has been murdered, as he had a large sum of money on his person. The railway officials think that Costoni mistook the train and was carried west.

The *World's* Columbia special says the committee on federal elections in the State Senate yesterday reported adversely to further action on the resolution to require Butler to present a report of the investigating committee on Patterson's election to congress, assigning as the reason therefor that the case is already before the courts.

The *Times'* Columbia special says Governor Hampton has declared himself firmly opposed to any bargain with Patterson. He says it would be a disgrace to the State if the criminal proceedings are not pushed to the utmost.

CHICAGO, 13.—The *Tribune*, this morning, publishes a call, signed by over 2,000 citizens of Chicago, for a mass meeting, to be held this evening, to discuss the earnest necessity for the remonetization of the silver dollar.

The *Times'* Washington special has the following: The President says, in regard to the action of the Senate, that he has no reason for changing his course of action. Nothing can be definitely stated as to his future action on the subject of the New York office's. His original intention was to suspend them at his first opportunity, and there is no reason to suppose that he will change his plan, even if he has to wait until next summer, when the Senate adjourns, in order to accomplish his object. He further intends to go on and nominate such men as he sees fit, and upon the Senate must rest the responsibility of rejecting them. There is no attempt to conceal the fact that he President is sorely wounded by the result of yesterday, but he is nevertheless disposed to consider a compromise impossible.

HELENA, Ark., 13.—Fire broke out in Wooten's queensware store, last night. The entire block was burned, loss \$40,000, insured \$15,000.

BIDDEFORD, Me., 13.—The dye house of the York Manufacturing Company and boiler room were damaged \$25,000 by fire, last night. Hundreds of operatives are temporarily thrown out of employment.

BOSTON, 12.—The late Gardner Chilson, who left the Home Missionary Society \$25,000, gives also an additional \$95,000 at the death of his son.

TOLEDO, 13.—A fire in the extensive works of the Milburn wagon company, this morning, burned about one-fourth of the establishment; loss \$50,000, insured \$40,000.

WASHINGTON, 13.—The House committee on foreign affairs, to-day, examined Gen. Ord, the chief points of his testimony being that a cessation or diminution of the Mexican raids on the lower Rio Grande was attributable to the presence of a large American force, and the revocation of existing orders would elate the dangerous elements in Mexico, cause more raids, and be an obstacle in the negotiation of a treaty.

ST. LOUIS, 13.—In a quarrel between a policeman named Ost and a negro named Leech, because of an attempt by the latter to steal some coal, both parties were shot, Ost through the left lung and Leech probably mortally under the left arm.

CHICAGO, 13.—A delegation of Cheyenne Indians are in town, awaiting the return of General Sheridan from Washington. They come from Bismarck, and include Two Moons, Little Chief, Crazy Mule, Old Wolf, and High-Back-Bonco. They go to a theatrical performance to-night.

SAN FRANCISCO, 13.—The steamer *Continental* went ashore at the mouth of Eel River last night and is a total loss. The passengers and crew were saved.

The Indians are depredating again near Florence, Arizona. They have captured the mail stage and killed the driver. Troops are in pursuit.

The continued dry weather is causing uneasiness, but to-night, in the southern portion of this State there are indications of rain.

NEW YORK, 14.—Senator Conkling's supporters have elected a nominating committee in the Union League Club, an unexpected defeat for the administration republicans, who claim seventy-five per cent of the members. The recommendations of the nominating committee have usually received the ratification of the club, but the disappointed in this preliminary election say that if an objectionable ticket is presented it will be defeated.

The *Times*, discussing the prevailing apathy regarding the Sen-

ate's recent action on the New York nominations, argues that the people are as little disposed to magnify the meaning of the victory achieved by Conkling as to sympathize with the President in the mortification he has endured. Nine months ago the position of affairs was essentially different. The current of public opinion ran strongly in favor of the President; the better elements of the republican party were on his side, and the non-partisan portion of the community, sustained him heartily. The editor points out that despite Conkling's antagonism, Evarts was confirmed; so was Key, but now the President and the administration are practically powerless. They have alienated one party and not acquired any sure hold upon the other. The Senators opposed to him no longer temporize and concede. They neither offer friendship nor conceal their determination to thwart his plans and belittle his authority. They did not dare exclude Evarts from the secretaryship of State, but they wage an open and successful war upon Evarts' pretensions to be factor in the official concerns of New York. They submitted in silence to the introduction of a Southern democrat into the cabinet, but they declare boldly that in the matter of removals and appointments the President shall be of less account than the senator to whom, by corrupt partisan usage, the management of local patronage belongs. Instead of according to the President latitude equal to his responsibility, and dealing with his appointments upon their merits, they prescribe a rule which deprives him virtually of all control over the civil service, and subjects his every action to the capricious supervision of the Senate.

In another article the *Times* mercilessly ridicules Conkling's advocacy of the civil service reform as the means of saving Arthur and Cornell from removal. In Grant's time he was wont to "pooh-pooh" it. But now he dotes on it.

CHICAGO, 14.—The *Tribune's* London special says: Particulars of the battle on the river Lom cannot be learned, to-night, but it was a serious affair. At Bucharest it was reported that Elena has been recaptured with 12,000 Turkish prisoners.

Important orders were dispatched to the British fleet at Besika Bay, at the close of the Cabinet meeting, yesterday, and the war steamer *Rupert* has left Constantinople in haste to carry them to the Admiral.

Another Cabinet council will be held to-morrow, at which every member of the Cabinet will be present. A special Queen's messenger having been sent to each minister. It would seem impossible that England should take any warlike steps, yet there is a widespread feeling that some sudden action may occur to hurry her into a position equivalent to belligerency. Probably to-morrow will decide.

The *Times'* Bucharest special says: As details come in the fight before Plevna proves to have been desperate in the extreme. Had not the time and direction of the Turkish sortie been known to the Russians in advance, Osman Pasha would have almost to a certainty escaped with a considerable portion of his army. As it was he annihilated two Russian divisions, and almost succeeded in piercing the Russian lines. The advance on Sophia it is thought will take place at once, and possibly other columns, marching on parallel lines, will cross the Balkans if the weather is not unfavorable.

The *Times'* London special says the terms upon which Russia will make peace, are as follows: The independence of Roumania and Servia; the autonomy of Bulgaria under a foreign prince; the free passage of the Dardanelles; the delivery of the Turkish fleet as a war indemnity, and the cession of a large portion of Armenia. They create a good deal of excitement in England.

The *Daily Telegraph* says: There no longer remains any doubt of the Triple plot to dismember the Ottoman Empire, for it has thrown off all needless disguise during the last few days, and Turkey is not, at present, more palpably the victim of this immoral combination than that once fearless nation which, reproached by its old and faithful ally and scornfully disregarded by the three emperors, sees its traditional policy thrust aside, its treaty signature ignored, and its interests demurely undermined and out-flanked. Should Russia insist upon

these terms, there is a strong probability that England will send a fleet to Constantinople and occupy Gallipoli.

A correspondent of the *Chicago Times* at Pera, telegraphs that the Turks lay the blame on the English for their defeat, and think they have been shamefully betrayed by the course of England. Had not Turkey relied on English aid the port would long before have taken the initiative in the war against Russia, at a time when the Muscovite was less able than now to carry on the war. The Turks will now treat direct with Russia, and will give English interests the go by.

WASHINGTON, 14.—The President, to-day, signed the bill for the relief of the sufferers by the wreck of the *Huron*.

The Chinese question was the leading topic of attention to-day at the meeting of the cabinet. Recent reports to the President from San Francisco, in addition to several papers on the subject brought to his attention at various times, were laid before the council and made a matter of very earnest consideration. It was explained at the meeting that the report from the six companies was an exaggerated statement of the disorder that occurred, but the President has been advised, from several sources, of the condition of affairs which may eventuate in serious troubles. A feeling is therefore entertained by the President and members of the cabinet that a necessity exists for taking a careful view, and hence the rather prolonged discussion to-day. No conclusion was reached, and consideration of the subject will be continued at a future meeting of the cabinet.

CHICAGO, 14.—The jury in the case of Frank Sheppard, on trial for the murder of officer Arthur, brought in a verdict of manslaughter, and fixed the sentence at twenty-five years in the penitentiary.

NEW YORK, 15.—The Bank exchanges during last week, viewed as a whole, still fail to give any encouraging indication of a general condition of trade. In New York there was a gain of twenty-three one-tenth per cent, as compared with the corresponding week of last year, but as new business here has not been remarkably active and correspondingly increased exchanges failed to appear elsewhere, this increase in exchanges here was evidently due, in a great measure, to the maturing of commercial paper made during the last August and September spasm of activity and promise.

The mercantile agency of Fouse, Hershberger, & Co., have commenced a libel suit against the rival agency of Dun, Barlow & Co., in which the damages are laid at \$100,000. The plaintiffs charge the defendants with having made statements about their firm calculated to injure their business.

DENVER, Colorado, 15.—At Georgetown, Col., early this morning, a mob surrounded the county jail, forced the keys from the jailer, took Schamle, the notorious outlaw and murderer, from the jail, and hung him.

A terrible accident occurred yesterday on the Red Elephant mountain, at the Boulder Nest mine, where two men were fatally hurt by a premature blast. Their names are Charles Merrill and Henry Anderson.

Judge Dean, of Hot Sulphur Springs, Middle Park, arrived here last night, and reports that his court was yesterday broken up by a mob. A half dozen men entered the court peacefully, and having arranged themselves to suit their purposes, the ringleader, said to be the deputy sheriff elect, began to read what purported to be a warrant commanding Judge Dean to disperse his so-called court, and to deliver up the books and seal. Dean commanded him to sit down, and threatened to place him in arrest, laying his hands on his shoulder. Just then Dean was struck at the back of the ear, and the pretended officer drew a revolver and shot at Dean, the ball passing close to his head. There was a general rush, and although several revolvers were held at his head, Dean succeeded in locking up the records and seal. He is on his way to Denver to ask the governor to assist him in restoring order. With such a mob hounding him he dare not open court.

NEW ORLEANS, 15.—The *Galveston News* specials report that at El Paso trouble has broken out anew, and fighting between the

State troops and the Mexicans has been going on for two days. The following dispatch was received by the Governor from the sheriff of El Paso County:

There was fighting all day yesterday at San El zarce between the State troops and Mexicans, from both sides of the river.  
(Signed)  
CHAS GERBER.

The Governor sent the following dispatch:

To President Hayes:

I am officially informed that citizens of Mexico, in connection with citizens of El Paso County, Texas, of Mexican birth, were fighting all day yesterday in Texas with a detachment of State troops, who were aiding our civil authorities, the Mexican force being too strong to be repelled by the Texas troops, and it being impossible to raise a civil posse from the citizens, who are nearly all of Mexican blood and sympathy, and having no reinforcements within 700 miles, I ask the aid of such United States troops as may be nearest to the scene of action, to repel this invasion of our territory.

I have the honor to be your obedient servant,  
(Signed)

R. B. HUBBARD,  
Governor of Texas.

The latest dispatches from El Paso report that five rangers and a merchant named Ellis, were killed by Mexicans yesterday. The state troops were entrenched on San Elizario, surrounded by a mob of several hundred Mexicans from both sides of the river.

The government has telegraphed orders to recruit men from the nearest points in Texas and New Mexico to aid state troops.

CHICAGO, 15.—The university building at Lake Forest, a suburb on the North-western railroad, took fire at six o'clock, this morning, and was entirely consumed. The building originally cost \$80,000; it is said the insurance is but \$15,000 on the building, and \$5,000 on the furniture. Part of the latter was saved, and all of the library, a valuable collection of books. The university was started some years ago by the Presbyterian church.

DAVENPORT, Ia., 15.—The eastern viaduct of the Rock Island railroad bridge across the river was damaged this morning, by the derrick of a wrecking car striking a stringer. The viaduct fell to the road below. Conductor Macfarland was badly hurt. Repairs will commence immediately, and trains will be running by Monday night.

NEW YORK, 15.—Mexican troops continue to march to the Rio Grande. More than 1,000 cavalry are between San Louis Potosi and Saltillo, and others are following in the same direction. Several battalions of infantry are on the road to the same point, and 1,000 infantry and some artillery will be sent by sea from Vera Cruz to Matamoros. The troops are said to be well officered and armed with improved guns.

NASHVILLE, 15.—Boat Alexander (colored), who murdered Thomas Doughty, a white man, was taken from the Murfreesboro jail at two o'clock this morning and hung, and his body riddled with shot.

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