

Adriatic dashed into the bow of the stranger. The engine was at once reversed and backed a mile or two. Boats were lowered and as they were rowed away, the lights of the stranger sank lower and lower till they reached the water's edge, and then the hull, masts and all sank out of sight. The cries of the drowning men could be distinctly heard, and they gave directions, as they floated for a moment, as to the course to take to find them; no one, however, was rescued. It would seem that the collision was not violent enough to disturb the passengers, and they only knew of it from the talk of the crew. The *Harvest Queen* arrived at Queenstown December 29th, from San Francisco, and on the 30th sailed for Liverpool.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., 14.—Early yesterday morning four burglars entered the house of Mrs. Miller, in Mahoney township, near Shamokin, and robbed her of twenty-one hundred dollars; her son-in-law fired upon them as they were leaving the house, and instantly killed one named Hughes and seriously wounded another; a third was captured and all the money recovered.

Jonathan Williams, one of the founders of the *Virginia Enterprise*, committed suicide at Piche last night, with laudanum; he has relatives in Philadelphia and Frankford, Pa.

A San Diego despatch says that all is quiet at San Rafael. The authorities have in custody four men implicated in the border raids; they will be turned over to the U. S. authorities after an examination.

NEW YORK, 14.—The attempt to call a congregational council for the purpose of deciding the question as to the right of Plymouth church to drop from the list of membership the name of Mrs. Moulton, has finally failed; in arranging the list for the councils the names of Dr. Storrs and Dr. Buddington were included among other clergymen, and after they had announced that they would probably accept the invitation the committee of Plymouth church entered a protest against their serving, on the ground that they were partial and had enmity against the church, and when some of the other churches heard that Dr. Storrs and Dr. Buddington's churches would be left out they also declined to serve, and the calling of the council was therefore abandoned. Mrs. Moulton was apprised of the fact of the withdrawal of the churches and their disarrangement of the list, and consulted with her counsel, Mr. Van Cott, and he, to-day, sent a long letter to the Plymouth church committee, refusing to treat with them any further in relation to the mutual council, and sharply rebuked them for the course they had pursued in rejecting the churches selected.

He did not think that they had acted fairly, and said that Mrs. Moulton expected to submit testimony before the council that would show good reasons for charging the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher with adultery, now he thought the action of the church would be considered by all just men to be a deliberate attempt to avoid an investigation as to the guilt of the Plymouth pastor. The letters of Dr. Storrs and Buddington were enclosed with Mr. Van Cott's communication to the committee.

A committee of railroad agents have requested the executive committee to call a special meeting of the convention on Feb. 9th, at Louisville, to consider the question of the reduction of passenger rates to the Centennial exposition.

MILWAUKEE, 14.—The grand jury of the Circuit Court has returned six additional indictments against parties accused of defrauding the revenue.

CINCINNATI, 14.—The will of Timothy Kirby, who died recently leaving an estate of something over a million dollars, was taken to the probate court yesterday, but owing to the strange bequests made by the deceased steps were immediately taken to prevent the probate of the will by General Banning and Don Platt. It appears that lady Mary Francis, a notorious character of Cumminsville, a suburb of the city where Kirby resided, claims being the wife of the deceased and is left by will fifty thousand dollars; five bastards, whom the deceased mentions as his adopted children, are placed on an equal footing with his legitimate children, and the latter are made trustees for a period of fifteen years

for the former. Mrs. Fox, another woman, was made a handsome bequest. It seems that the entire estate has been frittered away in this manner. Dr. Thomas Wood, who had known the deceased for a number of years, testified in court this morning, that the deceased was a monomaniac, that he was infatuated with the woman Francis, and submitted to intolerable abuse from her. Other witnesses to the will, it is presumed, will testify in a similar manner, and the will will probably be set aside. The affair causes a great sensation.

IOWA CITY, Iowa, 14.—At midnight last night, the Hon. Samuel Fairall, recently indicted for adultery, assaulted his wife's house, at the head of a gang of hired ruffians, with the avowed intention of destroying her property; she was defended by her brother, Hon. Sam'l. Workman, at whom Fairall shot three times, and who returned the fire, lodging a slug in Fairall's shoulder. The attacking force was soundly beaten, and had to retreat without burning the buildings or driving off the stock.

ST. LOUIS, 14.—The *Republican's* Kansas City special says that the *Times* of that city has information from Keirnen, Kansas, Jan'y 11th, to the effect that some fifty Otoe Indians have been massacred by a band of Sioux. The Otoes passed Bloomington about ten days ago on the way to the Buffalo hunting ground; on Wednesday week six of them returned, and stated that their party had been surprised at night by Sioux, and all excepting them were killed and scalped. Great excitement is said to prevail among the settlers in the neighborhood of Bloomington, and all are ready to leave should the Indians make a demonstration.

YPSILANTI, Mich., 14.—A boiler in the mill of the Ypsilanti Paper Company exploded to-day, instantly killing Charles Mack, fireman of the mill, and Charles Otto, the wood drawer; a man named Farmer was found buried under the ruins badly bruised, but he will recover. The damage to the building is about \$20,000.

CINCINNATI, 15.—This a. m., while testing a steam boiler in the D. W. Munn, formerly Supervisor of Internal Revenue in this District, was arrested by a deputy U. S. Marshal yesterday, and taken to Milwaukee, to answer an indictment found against him for defrauding the revenue; it appears, from all the evidence in the case, that the presentment against him is for malfeasance in office in knowing of certain stealing, and that he not only did not stop it, but took a part of the money which it produced in the way of profits.

SACO, Me., 15.—The Russell House, Atlantic House and Orchard Beach House, at Old Orchard Beach, were burned by an incendiary this a. m.

RICHMOND, 15.—Ex confederates, this evening, made arrangements to celebrate the birthday of General Robert E. Lee, on the 19th inst., by public meeting to be held, at which Governor Kemper will preside, and Captain J. Hamplin Chamberlain, editor of the *Norfolk Virginian*, will deliver an oration. Arrangements have been made to canvass the city for subscriptions to the Lee monument fund.

LARAMIE, Wyo., 15.—One hundred ounces of gold and a lot of ore from the famous Centennial mine were sent to the U. S. mint, at Denver, and returns have just been received; the gold assays nine hundred and three dollars fine in gold, and eighty-six in silver. The quartz assays forty-six thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars and thirty-four cents per ton in silver, being a total of forty-seven thousand and fifty-one dollars and eighty-three cents per ton, of two thousand pounds.

A dispatch from Tucson says that advices from Sonora confirm the report of revolutionary successes; twelve towns have pronounced in favor of General Serna, who has a force of two thousand men.

On the night of the 11th the southern overland express was robbed by American highwaymen, between the Rio Mimbres and Rio Grande, of four thousand dollars in bullion and a large amount in greenbacks from the passengers.

PUEBLO, Colo., 15.—A drunken rough named Jas. Delaney was fatally shot here to-day, by a policeman, whom Delaney resisted and assailed with a knife.

CHICAGO, 16.—A *Tribune's* Washington special says the investigation ordered into Indian expenditures has in prospect some very in-

teresting developments connected with the Black Hills business. It is said that the expedition of General Custer into the Black Hills country was in violation of treaty stipulations with the Indians, that the Red Cloud commission, appointed to treat for the Black Hills country, was organized in violation of law, and that the geological survey of the Hills, conducted under the charge of Professor Jenney, was also in plain violation of law. Sec. 2,406 of the Revised Statutes prescribes that there shall be no further surveys by the government unless hereafter authorized by law; sec. 3,681 of the Revised Statutes expressly prohibits any payment of money on account of any commission, except military and naval court martials, until special appropriations for such commission shall have been made by law. The accounting officers of the Treasury paid out \$12,000 for the expenses of the Red Cloud commission and the Jenney survey in ignorance of the law. It is said that neither the President, Secretary of the Interior, nor the senators who were on the Red Cloud commission were aware of the illegality of this action until it was discovered by the accounting officer of the Treasury. It is understood that either the President or Secretary of the Interior will now have to send a communication to Congress, asking for legal sanction for what has been done, and a specific appropriation to pay the expenses.

WASHINGTON, 16.—It is said, tonight, in congressional circles, when the State of Mississippi is called in the House of Representatives tomorrow, representative Lynch will introduce an amnesty bill, when an opportunity will be afforded to vote directly on the question whether Jefferson Davis shall be excluded from its provisions; it was the intention of representative Cox to prepare an amnesty bill, affording an opportunity for a similar vote, but he has not yet prepared it, as the State of New York may not be called for bills and resolutions.

Mr. Pinchback will again be in Washington this week, to urge action by the Senate on his claim to a seat.

The *Herald's* Washington dispatch gives a rumor that ex-Governor Morgan of New York has a letter in his possession from General Grant, in which the President, in direct, explicit language, declares himself opposed to a third term, and asserts, positively, that he will refuse a nomination; the correspondent, however, says it is impossible to trace the rumor to an authentic source.

It is stated that the committee on the expenditures of the treasury, on Saturday, found items of \$250,000 shortage in the printing and engraving division; superintendent McCartie stated to the committee that this discrepancy was occasioned by the appropriation committee of last Congress, which compelled him to change the manner of printing the red seal on the currency from machine to hand work, making an additional expense of more than \$200,000.

Immediately after the sermon, this morning, at Plymouth church, the committee to make arrangements for an advisory council met, and decided to invite all the churches to take part in the mutual council except those of Storrs and Buddington, which are considered hostile.

At 10 o'clock to-day Samuel Whaley, of Brooklyn, was garrotted and robbed while passing through Water St., in that city, by two ruffians.

The *Herald's* Madrid special reports that the Spanish government has sent out a diplomatic note in reply to the American circular on KNOXVILLE, Tenn., 16.—The wife of ex-President Johnson died at her daughter's, Mrs. Judge Patterson's, near Greenville, at eleven o'clock last night; the funeral will take place on Tuesday.

NEW YORK, 17.—The National Temperance Society has issued a call for an International Temperance conference, in Philadelphia, June 18th.

CINCINNATI, 17.—Edward Richardson, a prominent citizen of Massillon, O., and member of the city council, was shot and instantly killed yesterday by his wife; she states that the act was committed in self defence, as her husband was approaching her to cut her throat with a razor. It is thought to have been a premeditated affair.

RICHMOND, 17.—The Tredegar Co's iron works have suspended;

from 500 to 600 operatives are thrown out of work.

FOREIGN.

A Berlin dispatch sets at rest the reports to the contrary, by stating that the Prince Imperial Frederick William has decided not to visit the Philadelphia exhibition, for several reasons, the most important of which is that the condition of the Emperor's health renders the absence of the heir to the throne inadmissible.

COBURG, 12.—Her Majesty Queen Victoria is expected to arrive in this city about the 10th of April next; she will probably go hence to Baden Baden.

ROME, 12.—The Marquis of Ripon, the English nobleman who recently embraced the Roman Catholic faith, has presented the Pope with 10,000 pounds sterling.

LONDON, 14.—A special from Cairo says that there have been important Egyptian successes in Abyssinia.

The Rev. Henry Varley, the revivalist, is reported to be hopelessly ill.

PARIS, 14.—Sir John H. Glover, the newly appointed governor of Newfoundland, has arrived here for the purpose of settling the differences between England and France in regard to the Newfoundland fisheries; it is believed that he is authorized to purchase the relinquishment by France of her privileges for a considerable sum of money.

Six hundred weavers at the Lower Heyes mills, at Macclesfield, have been locked out in consequence of a disagreement between the proprietors and the secretary of the weavers' union.

A portion of the North Wales colliers have again struck for higher wages. The Iron Trade Employers' Association have voted to resist any attempt of the men or the societies to restrict the price of work in the shops. The lock-out recommended by the executive committee will not be resorted to at present, as such lock-out would throw 70,000 men out of employment.

PARIS, 16.—Elections for delegates to choose senators were held to-day throughout France.

LONDON, 17.—A Vienna telegram to the *Daily News* states that the British vice consul in Crete has received numerous intimations from influential inhabitants that they are in favor of the annexation of the island by Great Britain. The Greek party, which receives its instructions from Athens, opposes the movement, and there is so much agitation in consequence of this state of affairs that the Porte has reappointed Raof Pasha to the governorship of the island with enlarged powers.

The English national rifle association have accepted the challenge of America to compete in a match for the championship of the world during the centennial.

HORRIBLE DEPRAVITY AT VIRGINIA CITY.—A most disgraceful scene was enacted all day yesterday and last night in the low dance-house kept by Rose Benjamin on D street. Laura Christie, one of the wretched girls who earn their living there, died yesterday morning.

The commonest sense of decency would have suggested the propriety of closing the house for one night at least in such an event, but instead of this the proprietress made the occasion one of money-making, and constituted the poor corpse an extra attraction for the night. The house was kept wide open and the usual orgies were allowed to proceed. In an adjoining room the dead body was laid out, with a woman named Carson, hired for the occasion, singing songs over it. Into this apartment all visitors to the house were invited, and were then importuned to subscribe for the funeral expenses. There was no need for this, as the girls in the house had offered to bear them; but had this been allowed Rose Benjamin would have reaped no extra harvest from the sale of cigars and drinks, and therefore it was not done. The musicians were on hand, but to the credit of the girls they refused to dance, and therefore drinking, smoking, singing and coarse hilarity were the only "amusements"—except a sight of the corpse.—*Virginia (Nev.) Chronicle*, Jan. 8.

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