

LOCAL NEWS.

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SERENADE TO MR. LINCOLN.

He Delivers Another Speech—Speeches of Hon. Thomas H. Corwin and Vice President Hamlin, etc., etc.

After the adjournment of the Republican meeting last night, the members formed in procession, and headed by the Marine Band, proceeded to address the assembly, numbering in all some five or six thousand, as follows: MR. LINCOLN'S SPEECH.

My friends: I suppose that I may take this as a compliment paid to me, and as such please accept my thanks for it. I have reached this city of Washington under circumstances considerably differing from those under which any other man has ever reached it.

Several Voices. "No, no." Other Voices. "Go on, sir!" "You are mistaken in that!" "Indeed you are!" I propose no lengthy address to you now. I only propose to say, as I did say yesterday, when your worthy Mayor and Board of Aldermen called upon me, that I thought much of the ill feeling that has existed between you and the people of your surroundings and that people from amongst whom I came, has depended, and now depends, upon a misunderstanding.

Several Voices. "That's so!" and applause. I hope that, if things shall go along as prosperously as I believe they may, I may have it in my power to remove something of this misunderstanding; [cries of "Good!" and loud applause.] that I may be enabled to convince you and the people of your section of the country that we regard you as in all things being our equals—in all things entitled to the same respect, and to the same treatment that we claim for ourselves; [cries of "Good!" "Good!" and applause.] that we are in no wise disposed, if it were in our power, to oppress you, or deprive you of any of your rights under the Constitution of the United States, or even narrowly to split hairs with you in regard to those rights, [loud and prolonged applause.] but are determined to give you, as far as lies in our hands, all your rights under the Constitution—not grudgingly, but fully and fairly. ["Good!" and applause.] I hope that, by thus dealing with you, we will become better acquainted, and be better friends. [Cries of "Good!" and applause.]

And now, my friends, with these few remarks, and again returning my thanks for this compliment, and expressing my desire to hear a little more of your good music, I bid you good night. Mr. Lincoln retired, amid the most vociferous cheering.

After one or two national airs from the band, the procession then formed in line, and proceeded to the residence of Hon. Thomas Corwin, on G street. The band played several patriotic airs; when, in response to repeated calls, Mr. Corwin made his appearance, and, being introduced by Mr. Clephane, proceeded to address the assembled multitude in the following language:

MR. CORWIN'S SPEECH.

Gentlemen: I cannot misunderstand the object which brought you here. I know it is the passion which every true American feels who loves his country, the Constitution, and the Union of these States. [Applause.] I think the time in which we live has come upon us for the purpose of revivifying that ancient love of true constitutional liberty, regulated by law, ["That's so," and applause,] and it gives me great pleasure, under these circumstances, to see this number of men united in that general idea and for that general purpose. ["Good!"] I am happy to say to you to-night, gentlemen, that the Congress of the United States in one of its branches to-day has said that that portion of your Constitution, made by your fathers and mine, which secures to each State the right to mould its own domestic institutions according to its own ideas of policy and propriety, shall remain so forever. [Vociferous cheering.]

I think that the developments of to-day, accompanied by such as we shall be happy to see in the course of a few weeks, will have the effect to dispel much of that misunderstanding which has led to the late unhappy consequences we all so much deplore.

Gentlemen, it is a time when men are required to cease talking and work. ["Good!"] To attest their feelings of patriotic devotion to this great and glorious country of ours—not so much by words as by deeds. ["That's so," and applause.]

Let each of us, therefore, remember that since we have a constitutional President, elected in a constitutional manner, it becomes our duty to give to that President, and the policy which he may happen to present to the country, a liberal and fair consideration. ["Good!"] If it shall not conform with the doctrine which belongs to the Constitution and institutions of this country, he will find himself abandoned by the very men who have elevated him, and be left at the mercy of the few. ["That's so!"]

Gentlemen, if I were able, and it was my purpose or mine here to confer together upon this subject for ten hours, it would be nothing more, at least, than I have said. Let each one of us remember that we are citizens of one Government; let us remember that this country is in our hands, to be saved or lost, as our madness or our wisdom may determine.

Gentlemen, I again return you my thanks for this mark of your kindness. [Applause.] From the residence of Mr. Corwin, the vast assemblage, which had by this time gained numerous accessions, repaired to the residence of the Hon. W. H. Seward, on F street, between Thirtieth and Fourteenth. After one or two stirring airs from the band, Mr. L. Clephane came forward, and stated that it was with extreme regret he had to announce that Mr. Seward was absent at a dinner party.

The procession then took up the line of march for the quarters of Mr. Hamlin, at the Washington House. On arriving there, Mr. Hamlin made his appearance, after loud and prolonged cheering, and, on being introduced by Mr. Clephane, spoke as follows:

MR. HAMLIN'S SPEECH.

My friends: Whether amid the snows of the Northern States, or beneath the genial sun that smiles upon you so gently here, everywhere in this broad land, I am rejoiced to meet American citizens. [Enthusiastic cheering, and cries of "Good!"] We have a common country, and it is a country we all love, [cries of "Good!" and "That's so,"] however bounded, or by whosever governed. ["That's so," and applause.]

We, at least, as Republicans, hold to the Constitution and to the rights that it guarantees to every State. [Vociferous cheering.] And it is in the quarters of that Constitution, and on the principles in which it has been administered in years long gone by, by sages and by patriots, that we mean to guide and direct it

now. [Cries of Good! and immense cheering.] And come what will, come weal or come woe, it is in the maxima of Jefferson, Madison, of Washington, and of Jackson, that we will stand by our common country, and maintain its integrity, and the Constitution in its purity.

Gentlemen, I am gratified to meet you on this occasion, and I thank you for the kindness and the courtesy which it manifests; but more, much more, for the principle which it exhibits in your bosoms as loyal lovers of the land. [Cries of "good," and applause.] You will allow me to bid you a kind good night.

After the conclusion of Mr. Hamlin's address, the vast crowd quietly dispersed, well pleased with the speeches of the evening, feeling confident that the men by whose hands the Ship of State is to be guided during the next four years will prove worthy occupants of the high posts to which they have been elevated by the voice of the American people.

A DINNER TO PRESIDENT LINCOLN.—The Hon. E. G. Spaulding, of New York, gave a private dinner party yesterday evening, at the National Hotel, to the President and Vice President elect. The following invited guests were present: Lieutenant General Scott, Edward Bates, of Missouri, Caleb B. Smith, Gov. Chase, Judge Harris, the Senator elect from New York, W. E. Dodge, of New York, a prominent member of the Peace Congress, Thurlow Reed, Gen. Webb, Judge Davis, of Illinois, Senators Seward, Cameron, King, Crittenden, Hale, Chandler, Representatives E. B. Washburne, H. Winter Davis, Pennington, Sherman, C. F. Adams, and J. A. Gurley.

It is represented to have been one of the most agreeable entertainments given this season in the metropolis, composed as it was of some of the most distinguished men of the day. Before leaving the Hotel, the President accepted an invitation to visit the ladies' parlor, where he received a hearty welcome from the lady guests of the Hotel.

MOVEMENTS OF MR. LINCOLN.—Senator Crittenden and other Senators as well as numerous members called on Mr. Lincoln yesterday morning. Ex-Governor Pollock of Pennsylvania, and Governor Dennison of Ohio, and others had interviews with him during the afternoon. The crowds around the hotel were somewhat smaller yesterday than on preceding days. Elsewhere, in to-day's paper, we give accounts of other interesting proceedings during the afternoon and night.

REPUBLICAN MEETING.—The Association met in large numbers at the Wigwam last night.

In the absence of the President and both Vice Presidents, Mr. Benjamin F. Wilkins was called to the chair.

After the reading of the minutes, the list of applications for membership was then called, and the following persons were elected members of the Association: Henry Messer, Charles Harron, J. H. Van Buren, F. Wyle, F. B. Van Buren, Albert Childs, John Robinson, J. H. Wynn, A. Messer, Edward Grindall, James A. Harver, James Frazier, Theodore Theilkell.

The name of Oscar O. Chrisman was called, but objected to, it being asserted that he was not a legal voter, and also that he was not a white man.

Mr. A. C. Richards moved that a committee of three be appointed to investigate, and report at the next meeting; carried.

The chair appointed as said committee, J. L. Henthaw, Dr. S. A. H. McKim, and George R. Wilson.

Mr. Clephane then stated that it had been resolved to tender a serenade to the President elect. It had not been ordered by the Association, but he hoped the Association would endorse the act, as the arrangements had already been made therefor.

A collection was then taken up for the serenade, when the amount of \$18 was collected. Mr. Clephane made a formal motion that the serenade be had, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. John H. Wise, an appropriation of \$13, or so much thereof as may be necessary, was appropriated from the treasury, for the purpose of paying the expenses of the serenade.

Mr. Bigley moved that the action of the Association in relation to the appointment of a committee to investigate the charges against Mr. Chrisman, be reconsidered; agreed to.

Mr. Bigley then moved that the Association proceed to ballot on the nomination. The motion was agreed to, and the Association then proceeded to ballot, when Mr. Chrisman's nomination was laid on the table.

Mr. Clephane then stated that the Association would meet at the Wigwam at nine o'clock on Monday morning next, to take part in the inauguration ceremonies. He also said that General Scott had stated that he intended to order all the United States soldiers now in the city to take part in the escort. Large delegations from Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, would also take part in the procession of the day. The Association then adjourned.

THE MURDER OF YOUNG MURPHY.—Coroner Woodward summoned a jury of inquest yesterday morning, on the body of Corporal Michael Murphy, who was killed by James Foley on the evening previous, at the quarters of the company to which they were both attached on Capitol Hill.

From evidence given, it appears that Foley was placed in the guard room, in which there were several other prisoners, and became very noisy, whereupon Corporal Nolan, under the orders of Major Haskins, had him removed to another room, where his hands were tied. In this room a musket and cartridge box had been accidentally left, which the prisoner got hold of, and loaded after getting his hands loose. Corporal Murphy went to the door and expostulated with him for his conduct, and started to walk away, when Foley called him back, and charged on him furiously. Murphy told him to put down the musket, and at the same time undertook to close the door; but Foley, being much the stronger man, opened it and fired. The ball, which is the Minie pattern, entered the right breast of Murphy about two inches below the nipple, and passed out through his shoulder blade, taking off a portion of the sleeve of private Langdon, the guard on duty, and entering the frame of the house. One of the men testified, that when he went into the room after the shooting, Foley was dancing around the corpse, exclaiming that he had sent the "Corkonian" to his grave without shoes. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the above facts.

The funeral of the deceased took place yesterday afternoon, and was attended by Company D, First Artillery, of which he was a member. The corpse had been placed in a neat coffin in the guard room of the company, where the burial service of the Catholic church was performed by the Rev. Father Knight, of St. Peter's Church. The coffin was then wrapped in the American flag, placed in the hearse, and the solemn cortege wended its way with revealed arms and muffled drum to Mount Olivet Cemetery, where the body was interred with military honors.

Everybody who wants to get the very best establish to be found in the city goes to Hobbs, under the Clarendon Hotel. Hobbs understands what good eating really is.

THE INAUGURATION BALL.—The managers of the Inauguration Ball have requested us to say that they desire to be as general in the invitations of ladies as possible, but that mistakes and omissions will unavoidably occur. They ask to be informed of all such mistakes and omissions, that they may be corrected.

The orchestra will be under the direction of Prof. Weber, of this city, and will consist of seventy-five pieces, the largest number ever used here on a similar occasion.

The demand for tickets is largely on the increase, and, from present appearances, the number in attendance will be fully as large as ever before, and will include representatives from every section of the Union.

Don't forget the soiree of the old Infantry, which comes off at their army on inauguration night. The Infantry have made arrangements with their usual completeness, and a first-rate time will no doubt be had by all who attend.

INSPECTION PARADE.—Yesterday afternoon, several companies of the United States troops gathered at the City Hall, for the purpose of review and muster, prior to receiving their monthly pay. We noticed Captain Griffin's, Lieutenant Fry's, and Captain Barry's light batteries, and Captain Allen's corps of artillery, acting as infantry. The troops stationed in other parts of the city were also mustered, and presented a very fine appearance.

WEDDINGS.—The East Washington Methodist Church was filled by a large assemblage last evening, gathered to witness the marriage ceremony of Mr. Rezin Pumphrey to Miss Frances Murphy. After the ceremonies had been performed by the Rev. Dr. Ryan, the happy pair received the congratulations of their numerous friends.

About the same time, the Rev. Mr. Lemmon performed a similar ceremony at Gorschup Chapel, joining Mr. John Coster and Miss Mary Smith in the holy bonds of matrimony. Many kind wishes were expressed for the happy couple.

Strangers can find most magnificent views of Washington, the Capitol, President's House, &c., letter-sheet views, Union note paper, and, finally, everything which a first-class bookseller and stationer keeps in any city of our land, by calling at 278 Pennsylvania avenue. Anybody can tell you where French & Reichstein's polite attention wins for them laurels of praise, and abundantly remunerates the purchaser. They almost give away perfect gems.

MILITARY.—The District Union Rifles had a drill meeting on Tuesday evening, four miles from Washington, on the Plank Road. They mustered thirty-five men, but there are fifty-seven enrolled members on the list, and twenty new members were nominated at the meeting. In less than two weeks the company will muster a hundred strong. The following is a list of the officers, viz: Captain, C. J. Morrison; 1st Lieutenant, J. W. King; 2d Lieutenant, John H. McChesney; 1st Sergeant, Peter N. McChesney; 2d Sergeant, George W. Thomas; 3d Sergeant, J. F. Lewis; 1st Corporal, Edward Brown; 2d Corporal, Joseph Cook; 3d Corporal, Jerome Finnan; 4th Corporal, Nelson Ferriss. Thomas Fitman, Esq., was, upon motion of Lieutenant McChesney, unanimously elected the first honorary member of the company. Messrs. McChesney, Lewis, and Fitman, were appointed a committee on uniform. After drilling for near two hours, in which the company have made surprising progress for the short time they have been organized, they gave three cheers for Captain Morrison, three for Mr. Fitman, and three for the Union; when they adjourned.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—On Wednesday evening, about six o'clock, a young woman, residing in the fourth ward, attempted to commit suicide by throwing herself into the Potomac from the foundry wharf. The water was too shallow for her purpose, and, in striving to reach a greater depth, she was seen by Mr. Dishman, who instantly jumped overboard to her assistance, and succeeded in preventing the consummation of her design.—Alex. Gazette.

ACCIDENT.—About one o'clock yesterday afternoon, as a little boy, by the name of George Gladman, about ten years of age, was crossing Seventh street, at the corner of F, in the act of distributing bills, he was rapidly approached by a buggy, containing a lady and gentleman; and before it could be stopped, the horse had knocked him down, and the buggy passed over his neck. He was immediately picked up by some gentlemen, who happened to be near at hand, and taken to the office of Dr. Waring, where it was ascertained that the injuries received were very slight, the buggy having passed over him with such rapidity as to prevent him from being much hurt. We would state that every effort was made to stop the horse before it reached the boy, but without avail; and it is very fortunate that he escaped as he did.

PERSONAL.—Hon. H. G. Wells and Colonel Charles Dickey, of Michigan, are stopping at the National.

PRESIDENT BUCHANAN'S DEPARTURE.—Mr. Buchanan will retire from the Executive Mansion on the fourth of March, according to custom, and will remain in the city until the day following, probably at the residence of District Attorney Ould, at the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Fifteenth street. On the following morning, it is expected that the battalion of Baltimore City Guards, who have tendered him an escort, will arrive here at six o'clock A. M., for the purpose of escorting him to Wheatland. They will be accompanied on their route by the Marine Band of this city. A special train will be run over the Northern Central railway on the occasion, and it is expected that, with the band, the escort will number about two hundred and twenty men.

EXTRA POLICE.—Thirty-two extra policemen went on duty last night, by order of Mayor Beret, in accordance with the resolution passed by the City Councils several weeks ago. The Mayor will add other additional force as inauguration day approaches.

BEATING HIS WIFE.—A negro by the name of Bill Carpenter was arrested, on Wednesday, by Officer Lloyd, of the seventh ward, for getting drunk, behaving in a disorderly manner, and ending his frolic by beating his wife. He was taken before Justice Donn, who, after a due consideration of the case, ordered him to pay a fine of \$2.94. This wife-beating is becoming lamely too frequent.

Go to Lamont's for fancy notions, toys, and everything of that sort.

THE FISHERIES.—The warm weather we have had for the last few days has pushed on the preparations for the Potomac fisheries, and arrangements are now in active progress for the season. We hope a successful result may reward the toil, and enterprise, and outlay, of all concerned.

AN EXTRA TRAIN.—An extra train of cars will be run from Leesburg to Alexandria on Monday next, 4th of March, for the accommodation of all who may desire to witness the inauguration of Mr. Lincoln. The train will leave Leesburg at six o'clock in the morning, and leave Alexandria at six o'clock in the evening.

ARREST OF A PICKPOCKET.—Considerable excitement was created in the Wigwam last night by the sudden disappearance of a watch from the pocket of Mr. James Brown, of the Navy Yard, under singularly suspicious circumstances. When it became known that the watch was missing, an order was given to close the door. Suspicion settled strongly on a rough-looking young man, who had been acting strangely during the evening, and who, when the door was closed, tried to open the watch, and then picked it up, as if he had just discovered it. He had pressed against Mr. Brown several times during the evening, and Mr. B. had been compelled to shove him off. He was immediately arrested by Messrs. John H. Wise and Amon Duval, by whom he was taken to the Central Guardhouse. Some others, supposed to be accomplices, made their escape. He was taken before Justice Clark, who heard the evidence in the case. Captain Goddard, who came in at the time, recognized the prisoner as the man he had been requested, by a Baltimore detective, to keep a sharp eye upon. The prisoner gave his name as John Kelly, stating that he was from Albany. Upon searching him, a watch was found lying loose in a coat pocket, and \$11.74 in other pockets. He was committed to jail to answer.

PERSONAL.—Captain J. N. Maffitt, U. S. N.; Hon. J. M. Butler, Penn.; General Webb and A. Oakley Hall of New York are at Willard's. Major Hess, of New York and Captain Irven of Va. are at the Kirkwood.

HOP AT THE WASHINGTON HOUSE.—There was a large and exceedingly pleasant party at the Washington House last evening, which was kept up till a late hour. Everything went off in the most agreeable manner.

TRAVEL.—The travel to this city is beginning to set in with even greater impetuosity than is usual about "inauguration time." Already all our large hotels and boarding-houses are filled, and the cry is still they come. Strangers arriving in the city, and desiring accommodations, would do well to consult our advertising columns.

Mr. Barry gives his second lecture, at the New National Theatre this evening. Several very vicious and unmanageable horses have been obtained, and the exhibition will, no doubt, be of the greatest interest.

A SALUTE.—At noon yesterday, by order of Gen. Scott, one hundred guns were fired in honor of the pacification measures just agreed upon, and recommended to Congress, by the Peace Conference. The time occupied in firing the salute, by two batteries of four guns each, was just nine minutes.

ALARM OF FIRE.—About six o'clock last evening, an alarm of fire was raised on Capitol Hill, but without an apparent cause. Our fire companies were not promptly, but soon returned to their engine houses, there being no need for their services.

VISITS TO THE WHITE HOUSE.—Mrs. Lincoln has enjoyed several very pleasant visits to the White House, and Miss Lane has been unremitting in her attentions whenever opportunity has offered.

EXHIBITION.—The pupils of the Gorschup Chapel Sabbath School repeated their exhibition at Ryland Chapel last evening. Everything passed off in such a manner as to render it useless to particularize any one of the numerous successful efforts of the scholars.

POLICE MATTERS.—Before Justice McKenney.—John Butler, Robert Allen, George Jackson, Daniel Blackwell, and William Neal, were arrested by Officer Donaldson, and fined \$3.58 each, for being drunk and disorderly.

CENTRAL GUARDHOUSE.—Before Justice Clark.—Charles Horn, drunk and fighting; fine and costs, \$2.94. Joseph Turner and Mary Evans, (colored,) disorderly; fined \$1.94 each. Patrick Noonan, vagrant; workhouse. Joseph James, (colored,) drunk and disorderly; fined \$1.94. John Mortimer, disorderly; fine and costs, \$2.33.

Georgetown Correspondence. GEORGETOWN, D. C., Feb. 28, 1861. The military were out again to-day, or at least a portion of it. The battalion, composed of companies A and B, Anderson's Rifles, after parading our streets, took up their line of march via the Aqueduct bridge to Annapolis island. Here they refreshed themselves for a while by a rest upon the pleasant grounds belonging to the establishment of Messrs. Powers, Thecker & Co., the worthy proprietors and hosts of that beautiful summer resort.

Company A, Capt. Rodier, then formed for a trial at the target. The firing was done remarkably well for such new recruits, and would have done credit to a much older corps. The target was well perforated by many balls. They then marched back again to town, and proceeded to their armory, where the presentation of prizes took place. A silver goblet was presented to its lucky or expert recipient, Mr. John Davis, by Capt. Rodier, in a few appropriate remarks, which were happily responded to by Mr. D. The second prize was awarded to Mr. Frank Clements, sergeant, consisting of a set of sleeve-buttons and studs. The last, and by no means unimportant, prize awarded was that won by Corporal Gray, consisting of a fine and well-finished leather medal. All of these were presented by Capt. R., and his remarks were appropriately responded to by each of the lucky ones.

I am happy to be able to state that the Superintendent of the Poor and Workhouse has been notified by its Trustees, in his deference to the announced will of the town, as expressed by the late election, that he is to remain in the office from which it had been so summarily determined to remove him. So mote it be.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

Southern Congressional Legislature—King Cotton to be Taxed with an Export Duty.

Montgomery, Feb. 27.—Mr. Wright's resolution for the discussion of the permanent Constitution will be publicly considered to-morrow. Mr. Chilton's resolution, instructing the usual committee of inquiry as to the propriety of constructing several iron-plated frigates, was adopted.

An act to raise provisional forces for the Confederate States, and for other purposes, which has been passed, directs, among other provisions, that the President take charge of all the military operations between the Confederacy and other Powers.

An act has been passed to raise money to support the Government. It authorizes the President to borrow \$15,000,000, payable in ten years, at an interest of 8 per cent. The last section directs an export duty of 1/4 of a cent on each pound of cotton exported after the first of August next, to create a fund to liquidate the principal and interest of the loan.

North Carolina Election. Raleigh, Feb. 28.—The returns from this city result as follows: For Union 712 For secession 81 For a Convention 240 Against a Convention 520 Reports from other precincts indicate a similar result.

Later from Richmond. Richmond, Feb. 28.—Ex-President Tyler and Hon. J. Seddon, Peace Commissioners to Washington, were serenaded at their hotels to-night. Both made speeches. Mr. Tyler denounced the result of the Conference as a worthless affair, and said that the South had nothing to hope from the Republicans.

Mr. Seddon said the result was a delusion and a shame, an insult and an offence to the South. Lieut. Gov. Morgan is now making a secession speech. The secession sentiment is increasing among the people, and if any measure looking to coercion be adopted by the administration, the North may rest assured that Virginia will secede.

[Who is authorized to make this statement?—Ed.] The action of the Peace Conference is generally condemned.

Pennsylvania Legislature. Harrisburg, Feb. 27.—The House has passed a joint resolution appropriating \$30,000 for the relief of the Kansas sufferers.

Connecticut Republican Convention. New Haven, Feb. 27.—The Republican State Convention met in this city to-day, and was largely attended. Daniel P. Tyler, of Brooklyn, was chosen President. The usual committees were appointed. E. K. Foster, of New Haven, being proposed for Governor, handsomely declined, and recommended the nomination of the present Governor; and thereupon Governor William A. Buckingham, of Norwich, was unanimously nominated with enthusiasm.

Affairs in Richmond. Richmond, Feb. 28.—Major Gwynn's remains were interred here to-day with military honors. In the Convention to-day, Mr. Morton made a speech in favor of immediate secession. He denounced the result of the Peace Conference as a miserable abortion. Mr. Baylor, of Augusta, commenced a Union speech, pending which, the Convention adjourned.

The Overland Mail. Fort Smith, Feb. 27.—A through overland mail coach passed this place to-day. This mail came through unmolested. The seizure of the mail before reported was at Apache Pass, about 250 miles west of El Paso, by Indians, who seized the mail, all the stock and grain belonging to the company, and broke up the station temporarily. The route along Apache Pass is now protected by a company of United States dragoons, and no further trouble is apprehended.

The Overland Mail Massacre. St. Louis, Feb. 28.—A correspondent from Arizona states that the day after the attack on the overland mail party, those at the mail stations were enticed out by the Indians with a white flag, who then attacked them. One man named Welsh was shot dead, two brothers named Carver were wounded, and James F. Wallace was captured.

Liverpool, Friday morning.—The week's cotton market closed dull, and holders were pressing their stocks on the market at a considerable decline on middling and lower grades. Hewitt's Wednesday's report quotes as follows: Middling qualities 1/4 lower, and inferior grades 1/2 @ 1/4 lower. The last report quotes an average decline on these grades of 1/4.

The sales of the week amount to only 32,000 bales. The stock in port is accumulating, and the consumption largely declining. Breadstuffs quiet and steady. Provisions dull. The Bank of England had advanced its discount rates to 8 per cent. Consols closed at 91 1/2 @ 92.

The North Briton arrived out on the 14th, and the Teutonia on the 15th. The stock of cotton at Liverpool was 726,000 bales, including 557,000 of American. Flour dull, and quotations barely maintained. Wheat quiet, but steady. Corn quiet. Sugar steady. Coffee dull.

The Bank of France had gained 43,000,000 francs during the month. An immense number of wrecks have occurred on the English coast, attended with great loss of life. The disasters, however, to American shipping have been unimportant. The consumption is largely declining. There are rumors of an intention of putting the factories at Manchester on short time. Later advices from Japan make no mention of the expulsion of the American Minister.

THE LATEST. London, Feb. 15.—The commercial public were greatly astonished at the advance in the bank rates to 8 per cent., which was considered as being justified by scarcely a single fact. It is reported that the Great Eastern will sail for New York in March. The Bonaparte case is still undecided. The

Imperial Attorney had closed his argument, and the court had adjourned its judgment for eight days.

A telegram from Paris says that the Bank of France would have reduced its rate yesterday, but for the announcement of the course of the Bank of England.

Bullion in the Bank of France has increased 43,000,000 francs.

The Pressure. Philadelphia, Feb. 28.—The Girard House closed to-day, in consequence of the political troubles preventing Southern travel.

Baltimore Markets. Baltimore, Feb. 28.—Flour dull and heavy. Wheat firm. Corn steady. Provisions steady but quiet. Coffee firm but active. Whisky firm at 19c.

New York Markets. New York, Feb. 28.—Cotton dull and unsettled; upland middlings, 11 1/2 cents. Flour, 5 cents lower—sales of 1,100 barrels; State, \$5.10 @ \$5.20; Ohio, \$5.40 @ \$5.55; South, \$5.35 @ \$5.50. Wheat, 1 @ 2 cents lower—sales of 30,000 bushels; choice Southern red, \$1.43. Corn, 1 cent lower—sales of 55,000 bushels; old mixed, 65 1/2 @ 67 1/2 cents; new do., 59 @ 60 cents; Southern white, 68 @ 75 cents. Pork steady; mess, \$17.25; prime, \$12.50. Lard steady. Whisky firm—sales of 3,500 barrels at 18 cents. Sugar steady; Orleans, 5 @ 6 cents; Muscovado, 4 1/2 @ 5 1/2 cents. Molasses unchanged. Coffee steady. Naval stores quiet. Rice quiet.

Financial. New York, Feb. 28.—Stocks are higher—Chicago and Rock Island, 60 1/4; Illinois Central shares, 83 1/2; do. bonds, 87; Michigan Southern, 33 1/2; New York Central, 80 1/2; Reading, 46 1/2; United States 5's of 1861, 95 1/2; Treasury 12's, 104.

TO THE FIRE COMPANIES OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

In consequence of the limited time between this and the day of the inauguration, the Marshal-in-chief takes this method of inviting the several Fire Companies of the District to join in the procession on the 4th of March, proximo. Those accepting this invitation will please report to me as soon as convenient, that places may be assigned them for parade.

B. B. FRENCH, Marshal-in-chief.

UNION PRAYER MEETINGS will be held every day this week in the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, on the north side of Pennsylvania avenue, nearly opposite Brown's Hotel, to commence at 4 1/2 o'clock P. M., to be continued one hour. feb 26—1f

FOR RENT. A FINE PARLOR, on the first floor, and three Chambers on the floor above, at No. 276 Pennsylvania avenue, two doors east of "Kirkwood House." Jan 1—1f

DR. W. J. CRAIGEN, DRUGGIST, CORNER OF SEVENTH AND I STREETS, Washington, D. C. Prescriptions carefully compounded at all hours. feb 16—6m

J. W. PLANT, UNDERTAKER, 418 Seventh street, Between G and H streets, east side. feb 27—3m

INAUGURATION NOTICE. MARSHAL SASHES, Batons, Gilt Eagles, Spears, Gilt Acorns, Union Cockades, Rosettes, Badges, Flags, &c., &c., will be furnished by MRS. LOWE, Trimming Manufacturer, 297 Pennsylvania avenue, south side. N. B. Saddle-Cloths Trimmed to Order. feb 27—3t

SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS.—Fancy Notions and Toys, the cheapest in the city, at LAMMONS', Seventh street. feb 27—3t*

IMPORTANT NOTICE. To Strangers visiting Washington. A VIEW of our National Capitol will be presented to every purchaser of Books, Stationery, &c., from the well-known establishment of FRENCH & RICHSTEIN, 278 Pa. av., near the Kirkwood House, feb 26—1f Washington, D. C.

RESTAURANT, 428 Pennsylvania avenue. feb 26—5t C. PAOLINELLI.

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