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WASHINGTON, May 18.—This afternoon the Navy Department received a confirmation of the press dispatches to the effect that the Charleston sailed southward from Acapulco last evening, leaving the Esmeralda in port. There was no word of the Itata. The presumption is that the Charleston's commander was satisfied that the Itata passed Acapulco either before he arrived there or while he was in port, and has resumed the long chase. It is estimated that the Itata is steaming along at about seven knots. As she was ten days out last Friday night, she should at that time have been just off Acapulco, where, it is reported from that place, she met the Esmeralda. As she is a much smaller vessel than the Esmeralda, and burns much less coal, it is regarded as within the probabilities that the latter vessel might have supplied her with this necessary article, which would account for the strait the warship is now in respecting a further supply of coal.

It is believed that the Charleston left Acapulco Friday night, she had two full days' start of the Itata when she left Acapulco. This about the same time she had from San Diego, so it does not appear that the chase is any nearer a conclusion. But if the two vessels now follow the same course, the Charleston, steaming at four knots, should come up with the Itata before to-morrow night. This event, of course, is based on the supposition, which is not founded on strong probability, that the vessels are steering exactly in the same course. If the Charleston passes the Itata to the north, the Esmeralda is likely to be heard from in Panama, about 1,200 miles from Acapulco, or Puyton, Peru, still further down the coast. As it is, the vessel will have to travel the distance to Iquique, the nearest Chilean port.

A prominent Bureau Chief of the Navy Department has said that he believed the commander of the Charleston will not hesitate to take the Itata, even though he would have to lay hands on her in Chilean waters. The Itata's relations will prevent him from taking her in a neutral port. Should the Charleston's commander catch up with the runaway vessel within a marine league of Chile, the officer says he thought the Charleston's commander would seize the Itata and let the courts decide the question as to his right to take her into port.

THE ESMERALDA SPOKEN. SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—The steamship Newbern arrived from Mexican ports to-day. The Esmeralda was sighted on the down trip of the Newbern at San Lucas. Two officers of the Esmeralda visited the Newbern and asked Capt. W. H. Bell to take her to the nearest station was. The latter directed them to San Diego. They said nothing about taking coal from the Newbern, and after their departure the vessel went to Vancouver, they took their leave.

NO RECOURSE IN LAW.

Decision in a Trust Company Suit in Missouri. ST. LOUIS, May 18.—A trust company has no recourse in law, if a member of the trust violates an agreement not to go into business, in a decision of a division court by Judge Thayer in the United States Court to-day. The decision was rendered in the case of the American Preserves Company against the Taylor Manufacturing Company. For years prior to 1888, the Taylor Company had been carrying on business in this city, but the temper came, and the American Preserves Trust bought out their business. The Taylor Company returned to the country for twenty-five years, or until the trust died. In 1880 the company returned to this city, and when the American Preserves Company brought suit to enjoin them they claimed that the agreement only bound the three stockholders, and that the Taylor Company then replied, saying that if the company was bound by the agreement, it would be bound to pay the Taylor Company the amount of the bill was sustained.

BRIGHTENING FROSTS.

Great Damage to Fruit Crops in New York and Michigan. NASHVILLE (N. Y.), May 18.—A real calamity befell the inhabitants of the Genesee Valley Saturday night in the destruction of an enormous prospective fruit crop by a brightening frost. Ice formed half an inch in thickness, and it was the coldest snap of the season since 1878.

Death Record.

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Terrible Results of an Explosion of Gasoline.

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Two Men Struck by Lightning in San Luis Obispo County—Fruit Canneries Syndicate Incorporated—An Arizona Rancher Killed by Apache Indians—An Ex-Mayor of a Kansas Town Arrested at Seattle on a Charge of Embezzlement.

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SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—A gasoline stove was exploded in the rear of No. 519 Post street late this afternoon, setting fire to the house. One man was burned to death, and four men and two women seriously injured. The cause of the explosion is not known.

Charged With Embezzlement.

SEATTLE (Wash.), May 18.—O. B. Wilson, ex-Mayor of Great Bend, Kan., who is wanted there on a charge of embezzlement of \$40,000, was arrested here to-day by Sheriff Woolley. He has been here since the 12th inst., and is held in the city on a charge of embezzlement of \$40,000.

Must Stand Trial.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—Albert Blackman, a private from the United States garrison at the Presidio, arrested for the murder of Gottlieb Honeman February 12th last, demurred to the charge to-day in the Superior Court, on the ground that he was in military jurisdiction. The demurrer was overruled and the case set for trial to-morrow.

Struck by Lightning.

ARROYO GRANDE, May 18.—At 6 o'clock this evening James Price and James Joyce were struck by lightning on a ranch five miles southwest of this place. When the courier left Joyce was dead from the effects of the stroke. At the time they were working in a field. Justice Eddy has gone to bring the body of Joyce to town to hold an inquest.

Brook Trout.

CARSON (Nev.), May 18.—Fish Commissioner Mills shipped a hundred thousand brook trout to the Humboldt River to-day, under the charge of Byron Cise, his deputy. Millions of spawn are now hatching in the State hatchery, to be dispersed throughout the State this summer.

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FRUIT CANNERY SYNDICATE.

Several Companies Incorporated Under a New Name. SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—For the past few months H. Francis, who represents a syndicate of English capitalists, has been endeavoring to persuade the canners of this State to combine. As a result of his labors the California Fruit Canners Company has incorporated with a capital stock of \$2,000,000.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC.

The Annual Report Shows an Increase in Earnings the Past Year. SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—The annual report of the Southern Pacific Company was issued to-day. The mileage of the company up to December 31, 1890, was 7,155, an increase of 292 miles during the year. The gross earnings were \$8,362,503, an increase over 1889 of \$1,884,540; operating expenses, \$3,115,102, an increase of \$748,675. After deductions of all charges there remained a balance of \$2,377,713, as against \$1,333,346 in 1889. The total assets of the road are \$26,498,226. The liabilities are: Mortgage bonds, \$15,185,216; capital stock, \$11,408,327; balance from income account, \$24,882,214.

Accident to a Mill Hand.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—Gus Spalding, a young man employed at the Mechanics' Planing Mills, corner of Mission and Fremont streets, had his right arm broken in two places this morning. He started to get a pail of water that was on the big belt, which was running at a high rate of speed. He lost his footing and fell upon the belt, which dragged him under it. The wounded man was removed to the Receiving Hospital where Police Surgeon Williams set the injured member.

Beautiful Residence Burned.

LOS ANGELES, May 18.—The beautiful residence of Baron Rogniat at East Los Angeles was burned last evening. The establishment was estimated to be worth \$25,000, and was insured for but \$5,000. Most of the furniture, pianos, mirrors and library were saved. Among the items destroyed was a chandelier which cost \$8,000. The origin of the fire is not positively known, but it is believed to have been from a crack in an earthen chimney in the kitchen.

IN THE OLD WORLD.

A Priest Arrested for an Offense to Empress Frederick.

EX-EMPEROR DOM PEDRO SOON TO VISIT ENGLAND.

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Dom Pedro who has returned to his residence at Versailles, after a sojourn of several months in Cannes, is coming to England in the middle of June for two months, accompanied by the Conte and Comtesse Deu. He will reside during his stay at Bussey Park, which the Duc de Devonshire has purchased for his residence. Nothing has been done half so much to allay the existing labor agitation and general political uneasiness in Brussels as the throwing open of the Mecken Vliet gardens to the public last week. The King and Queen moved about unattended and the guests and entered into conversation with several of the assembled and much-gratified visitors.

The abdication of King Charles of Portugal is expected at any moment. Although not yet 30, he has grown so unwieldy as to be almost unable to move, and he wholly lacks both energy and peculiar tact which made Don Luis, his father, so popular. King Charles deeply offended the Portuguese by what they describe as his unseemly levity during the contest with his father, and his father, and they entertain the rooted belief that the present sovereign is entirely under the influence and sway of his relatives, Queen Victoria and Miss Eames.

Julian Story and Miss Eames are to be married in New York in autumn. Story proposes to take studies in New York and paint portraits. Miss Eames is fulfilling her operatic engagement. The Dowager Duchess of Marlborough has shown such vitality that her recovery now seems certain. For three or four days she has been at her door, and nothing but the tender care with which her four daughters nursed her put her through. For nights they sat up and doted on her.

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