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AMUSEMENTS.

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THE CARNIVAL.

A few Paragraphs about the Saturnalia—Movements, Number and Tendencies of the Crowd—The Day and Celebration a Big Success.

In spite of the enormous crowd that had been attracted to the city—estimated at 30,000 strong—an impression began to prevail early on Mardi Gras, that the day celebration might fall through, owing to some misunderstanding among the usual carnival revelers. It was with some apprehension and uneasiness, partly on this account, partly on account of the weather, that spectators began to repair to the City Hall.

What in the first place led them to go thither was the firing of a royal salute of twenty-two guns at about mid-day. This duty was performed by carnival soldiers in Zouave uniform, and it intimated that *Roi Faineant* had already entered the municipal building and commenced drinking champagne with the Mayor, his Administrators, and other visitors in attendance. A formal tender of the keys of the city by the Mayor to the Carnival King, was made in speeches on both sides sufficiently sententious.

Meanwhile the various courtiers, outriders, marshals and royal troops had gone through the difficult process of rigging themselves out in the various costumes incident to the occasion, and which must have been of many hundred different patterns. In the way of costumes and theatrical properties there must have been enough brass helmets, togas, purple robes, chain armor, shields, bucklers, spears and every sort of armor, ancient and modern, to have handsomely equipped most of the circuses, theatrical troupes and operas in the whole country. It is very doubtful whether even in Rome or Italy any more imposing display was ever made. Besides these were large bodies of United States infantry, who had turned out in an elegant special uniform, with very fine bands in honor of the joyous occasion. These all made a very brave appearance, and when a car containing some thirty of the chorus singers, most of the fair persuasion, from the opera (as was shrewdly guessed), wheeled to the front, and sung an anthem to the Carnival King, the interest in the spectacle received an immense impulse, which showed itself in prolonged shouts. The pageant moved off as announced in the programme printed yesterday morning, very much similar in its arrangement to the movement adopted last year. As there were then at least seventy-five columns of minute description devoted by the various city papers to the spectacle, it will only be necessary now to refer to a few general features wherein it differed from any predecessor.

In its general outline there was a vast improvement in pageantry and pomp, and in many features which attract a crowd. It was an excellent move on the part of the managers, the giving free admissions to the theatres, the reception of the King on Monday, and a general starting of the Carnival spirit on Monday. Then, too, the uniforms were much more theatrically splendid, and there were fewer of the class of advertisers who were too mean to show off their wares through the recognized avenues, and who availed themselves of the general holiday to turn it into an advertising display.

Crowds turned out or made displays in front of their houses, and there was an immense number of these mostly did so in a spirit of fun, and probably by this time the advertisers have discovered that their prospectuses fell very coldly on the public.

The most remarkable feature in the procession next to the aged Rex (who, by the way, is understood to be one of our veteran bankers), were the Mayor and Administrators, who were taken prisoners by half a dozen Amazons in very elaborate riding costumes, and an equal number of princesses of the realm, who were carried in palanquins or sedans, with very long handles, upon the shoulders of attendant slaves. The peculiarity of these lolling beauties was that their sedans swayed and vibrated to and fro, or rather up and down, with a graceful, voluptuous motion, which can only be seen to be understood, and which invariably awakened a shout of applause from the admiring crowd.

Another pretty feature was the pages bearing large silver keys, and others who went before swinging censors and diffusing as they advanced a delightful perfume of sandal wood and other fragrant odors.

Beside the court of St. Rex and the hoary priesthood of the Carnival, there were all manner of ferocious and grotesque looking characters from the saddle colored Shah of Persia down to the swarthy executioner, choristers, lancers, yeomanry, sheriffs, guilds, miscellaneous maskers, which latter not unfrequently became impatient of the royal power and attempted to break to the front, or get out of line altogether. The costumes and pantomimes of the unattached were in many instances the most interesting feature of the day.

In the front moved the private carriage of the secretaries of Rex's court clearing the way, trumpeters doing the same, and a large car, gorgeously gotten up, and filled with a hogshead of candies and bonbons, which were distributed in great handfuls to the populace. Then, too, there was the immense milk white bœuf gras, the property of the Duke Mehly of Suffolk, so fat and ponderous that the fatigue of Rex's triumphant march would probably have broken him corporeally down. He traveled in a car, and following him was a diminutive bull, upon which rode one of the royal pages, and who not unfrequently manifested a disposition to insert his horns in some of the bystanders.

The most impressive display in the whole procession was that which represented the departure or expulsion of the Moorish King Boabdil from Granada, with his surviving warriors, members of the royal family, harem and the like, in which all the traditions relating to the last of the race of the unfortunate monarch were gracefully and touchingly carried out. It was in this part of the procession that the unhappy though voluptuous looking Moorish women appear in Eastern veils mounted on horseback, or borne on the shoulders of statwart slaves. The most striking figure, of course, was that of the passionate and perverse monarch himself, dressed in rich shawls and silken vestments with green stockings and gold embroidered pink slippers and the blackest mast of waving hair ever seen upon the head of a Moorish or any other king.

The procession, estimated by numbers, extended some twenty squares, and probably included some 2000 dramatis personæ, all told. It was made up of every class, mechanics, merchants, lawyers, laborers, and nearly all the clubs and organizations about the city. In a city in which it is so difficult to agree upon anything, it is astonishing with what unanimity all classes agreed upon this. It was in every way a success; and it may be doubted whether again a saturnalia so successful can be had in this city. Possibly this could be achieved by extending branch organizations throughout the country, and arranging with the carrying routes to transport the royal train hither at little cost.

The most marked features of the mimic pageant, compared with those of Italy, was the American tendency to convert any great movement into an advertising agency. The next, the number that contrived to make out of it a money making arrangement, by picking pockets, robbing rooms, rigging up new enterprises, and the like. The last was the extraordinary good nature which marked the conduct of nearly all and the almost universal disposition to enter into the general merriment and fun. Almost all citizens contributed something to the general amusement, and in every part of the town the buildings were profusely and handsomely decorated.

One feature that should have been made impossible was that of inclosing the banquette at particular points for the benefit of some resident business man's family, or of erecting upon public ground a scaffolding which virtually excluded every body else except invited guests. It was a neglect of the police to have allowed this and should never be permitted again.

But the throng who have assembled as vassals of the Carnival King have been dismissed; the melodious notes of the bands have ceased to be heard, and we conclude our day account with the hope that an even larger crowd may next year assemble in this city (if that be possible) than have heretofore been brought together.

Amusements.

At the St. Charles Theatre to-night the young American actor, Mr. Edwin Adams, will appear in his beautiful play and character of "Enoch Arden."

At the Varieties Theatre Salvini will enact the great character of *Hamlet*. Although *Hamlet*, at the hands of Salvini, is not a personation of such remarkable power as his *Othello*, it is nevertheless an original and scholarly performance, and worthy the attention of all lovers of the Shakespearean drama.

Distinguished Prelates.

The Rev. Mathew Simpson, D. D., L. L. D., one of the senior bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Bishop J. C. Keener, D. D., of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, have arrived in this city, and will remain some time, looking after the interests of their evangelical missions. Bishop Simpson is accompanied by his wife. It is expected that these distinguished prelates will both preach in the Evangelical Church, No. 12 San Juan de Letran, during their sojourn. The English speaking public will, no doubt, be glad to avail themselves of this opportunity to hear these distinguished strangers.—*Mexico Two Republics.*

Reunion at Senator Burch's.

A pleasant party celebrated Mardi Gras with a quiet dinner at the house of our popular Senator from Baton Rouge. A most hospitable table was spread before the guests, most of them being prominent leaders of Republican sentiment, who had assembled in this social way—United States Senator B. K. Bruce, of Mississippi, and also Lieutenant Governor Davis, Secretary of State J. D. Hill, Hon. T. W. Cardoza, Superintendent of Education, all of that State, and our own Senator, Hon. P. B. S. Pinchback. Not the least agreeable remembrance of their visit to New Orleans will be the enjoyment of that social dinner.

Among Senator Burch's guests who have a distinguished place in Louisiana affairs were Lieutenant Governor C. C. Antoine, Senators O. H. Brewster and A. E. Barber, Hon. Augustus Williams, Superintendent W. G. Brown, Professor A. P. Williams, Colonel James Lewis and Lewis Kenner, Esq.

The enjoyment of the repast was prolonged till the hour for the advent of Comus, when the table was deserted for the pageant.

Personal.

Senator Pinchback and a party of friends, including our official visitors from Mississippi, visited the Central Church fair on Monday evening. The Senator's admirers, who were gathered there in numbers, gave him an impromptu levee, which must have been in the highest degree gratifying.

At this moment there is not a single State officer of Mississippi within her borders, and perhaps a majority of her legislators are also in New Orleans. The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Auditor, Treasurer, Superintendent of Education and Attorney General all came to participate in our Carnival, and the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House avoided official responsibility by the same means. What a commentary is this upon the peace and obedience to law which prevails within our sister State! Happy Mississippi!

We were pleased to meet Lieutenant Governor Davis, of Mississippi, in our office yesterday. He is one of the solidest and ablest minds in that State, and has a future before him in which he will do honor to himself and his people. Lieutenant Governor Antoine called with him.

Davenport Brothers.

These wonderful gentlemen arrived in this city last night, and have taken rooms at the St. Charles Hotel. They will commence a series of their peculiar entertainments at Odd Fellow's Hall to-morrow evening. Many theories have been advanced in explanation of their mysterious performances, but to this day they never have been satisfactorily explained, and curiosity to see them is as great as ever.

DIAMONDS, JEWELRY, ETC.—The continuation of the sale of the pledges forfeited to the Metropolitan Loan and Savings Bank, will take place this day at eleven o'clock, at No. 20 Camp street, by Messrs. Montgomery. The merchants, public and the trade in general are invited to examine the goods before the sale, which will be on exhibition from eight o'clock at the above mentioned place, where can be found the most energetic and intelligent young man, who will answer all questions regarding the quality of the goods. The above pledges must be sold regardless of the amount loaned, and parties should not fail such an opportunity. For full information see advertisement.

MYSTICK KREWE OF COMUS

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ANOTHER GORGEOUS NIGHT DISPLAY

After the tens of thousands of people had viewed the wonders of the day procession they were still unsatisfied, for it seemed as if a greater number were out after dark than before sunset. The threatening clouds had melted, and the air was soft. Long before the supposed time for the great Comus to appear, all the streets on the designated line of march were alive with men, women and children, all apparently happy.

The Mystick Krewe of Comus has been unusually fortunate this year in its selection of characters and tableaux, and in spite of many poetic and pleasing ideas hit upon for illustration by the mad fancies of Mardi Gras at previous celebrations, such as Audubon's Birds, Historical Personages of the Past, Gastronomy and such like, we give our preference to that of last night.

This subject was

THE VISIT OF ENVOYS

From the Old World and New to the Court of Comus. To carry out the idea twenty cars were put in procession, and each car represented the guests or ambassadors from the leading nations and divisions of the earth. These were all dressed and posed in accordance with popular beliefs and traditions upon the subject, and had about them such paraphernalia and articles of use as readily suggested each given nationality to the surrounding beholders. Thus Asia appeared upon her elephant, Britannia as mistress of the seas, and so on. The idea was a thoroughly poetic one, and worthy of Hawthorne's genius—the putting of these fantastic characters into procession—and was carried out with excellent effect.

We rather regretted the absence of Cleopatra, or at least the ibis and sacred crocodile, which ought to have represented Egypt, and looked around once or twice for those old fellows the Greeks and Romans, whom we have all heard so much about.

However, the cards of even such a thoroughly jovial old gentleman as Comus can not always be accepted, and while the phantom pageant is passing in our front, far be it from us to complain of the absence of any of his guests. Let us rather in the brief half hour in which the great personages of the earth flit through our streets, by the light of passing tapers, take down a memorandum of the different tableaus for leisure reference.

At the head of the procession journeyed, in car No. 1, the immortal and festive

KING COMUS

Himself. His place is that of a host, who discharges the duties of hospitality to his guests, or who is showing them around through the peopled arena of Crescentia. In spite of hard times, the old man appears just as fantastic, bizarre and royal in his appointments, as if money still grew upon the royal fruit trees.

EUROPA

Riding a white bull (upon which to-day possibly Comus will make his breakfast). As Europa is fond of good company, she has traveling along with her Art, Science, Peace, Strength, and the balance of the strong-minded crowd.

BRITANNIA

Upon the deck of a ship is surrounded with maritime spoils, and accompanied by her children, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

FRANCE,

A female with the Phrygian cap and tricolor, gazing upon the empire which has become a wreck to republican principles. The shadows of the past who contribute to her glory, Charlemagne, Napoleon and Louis XIV. figure in the background.

GERMANIA

Is seated upon the classic banks of the Rhine, with its pepper-box castles and towers, watching its peaceful flow. The heads of the German race, Allemand, German and Teuton, are of course on hand.

RUSSIA

Represents the absolute autocrat as seated upon his throne. Poland kneels at his feet in chains; a Cossack soldier stands at her side, and in the group is a Greek priest.

ITALY.

The representative of St. Peter, holding the keys, a bishop and cardinal on either side, the Italian brigand, and a figure representing Devotion, make up the group.

SCANDINAVIA.

The Heaven of the Scandinavian mythology—Walhalla, Odin, Thor, Valkerias—beautiful, but, like Uriah Heep, humble. The heroes retiring from the battle to the feast, from labor to refreshment, are attended and well taken care of by followers of both sexes.

SPAIN.

Espana appears with the liberty cap in one hand and the old royal standard in the other. The struggle between monarchy and republicanism is strongly typified by a vessel going down at sea amid tropical tornadoes and touches of guitar music. One of the old Moorish race, as characteristic of former greatness, stands upon the prow. The fandango is danced amidships, with the bull fighter or matador conveniently at hand.

ASIA

Rides upon an elephant with an Oriental attendant.

TURKEY.

The Sultan with the Sultana lounging upon a divan. Doubtless ere this he has extinguished his pipe and condemned Fatima to the bowstring. In front is the Mohamedan heaven, a garden and fountains, with ladies of the harem, eunuchs, female tambour players, etc.

ARABIA.

A Bedouin of the desert, surrounded by four Arab horsemen.

CHINA.

The Emperor on his royal lounge; at his side a royal Mandarin artillery officer officiating at a sumptuous repast of rats, mice, cats and puppies. The rat eater, Gushing Clorinda, with oblique eyelids and the tom-tom, make up the tableau.

INDIA.

A Rajah, or the Grand Mogul, enthroned. Other characters, the Sepoy soldier, a Brahmin priest and a cultivator of the soil.

PERSIA.

The court of the Shah with a lady and attendant upon one side and a gate opening into Paradise on the other; a garden with fountains and flower beds; soldiers on duty and a suggestive pyramid of human sculls' completes the scene.

AFRICA.

Appears as a female riding upon a camel with representatives from the different African tribes Kaffer, Hottentot with snake charmers, etc.

AMERICA

Is riding in her chariot with a team of Buffaloes and an Indian girl as driver.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Is sitting upon the traditional spread eagle, offering homage to the genius of the country. Her attendants are "Old Probabilities, the telegraph, steam and the monitor.

MEXICO

Rides a mustang pony.

BRAZIL.

The South American republics, Guiana and the Antilles.

THE ARCTIC QUEEN

On her throne of ice. In front the Esquimaux. Polar bear and such like.

The route taken was from the Clay statue and proceeded to Chartres street, down Chartres to St. Louis, thence to Royal, up Royal to St. Charles, up St. Charles to Julia, thence to Camp, down Camp to the upper side of Canal, along Canal to Dauphine, down Dauphine to Customhouse, thence to the Varieties Theatre.

It is useless to say that the scene in the theatre was gorgeous, and that the tableaus were of surpassing beauty. Everything was as complete as could be; indeed, it is doubtful if there is another city in the world which can produce the like.

THE BALLS.

Of all the balls of the Carnival given last night, the Rex ball at Exposition Hall was the largest and most brilliant. The great hall was a moving sea of living loveliness. It was attended by our best citizens, and the strangers among us. The gentlemen present were generally attired in full evening dress, and the ladies, among whom were the fairest of our dark-eyed Creole beauties, and many belles from the North and West, were bewilderingly beautiful in elegant costumes. His majesty, the King of the Carnival, with his suite, arrived about midnight, and in the hall adjoining the ball room graciously received his loyal subjects. The entrances to the hall and the King's room were tastefully decorated, and the entire entertainment could scarcely have been better managed. Dancing was kept up until a late hour, and it was early morning before this, one of the finest balls ever given here, came to an end.

At the Academy of Music was given a fine masquerade and fancy dress ball. It was elegant and select, and proved highly enjoyable. The little theatre was prettily decorated, and looked as bright and inviting as a ladies' drawing room. Thousands of people looked in during the evening, and many of the visitors stopped for a dance. Mr. Bidwell and his assistants deserve great credit for the excellent manner in which the ball was managed.

The old St. Charles Theatre also came out strong on the occasion of its nineteenth annual Mardi Grass ball. The entire parquette and stage made an immense ball room, with space for all who wished to dance. Maskers, grotesque, elegant and comical, were there, participating and making fun for the many. With good music, and a company on pleasure bent, it could not and did not fail to be attractive and pleasing to looker on and dancer.

Not the least entertaining to those who were present was the fancy dress and mask ball given at Economy Hall, on Ursulines street. Though in a modest way a happy assemblage of people made the hours pass pleasantly away.

The ball at the Opera House was of the same old sort, and given in the usual way. It was less select than the other assemblies, and persons were admitted who brought no certificates of Sunday School membership; but it was Mardi Gras night, and this ball was part and parcel of the great Carnival. Mirth, music, folly and fun run riot here, and all present seemed to like it.

At Masonic Hall, corner of St. Peter and St. Claude streets, another of those neat little re-unions was had for which that hall has become famous among our creole people. The pleasures of the night will be long remembered by all who attended last night.

The National Grange.

The National Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, which has been for some days in session in St. Louis, has finally adjourned, but not until the question of the Boston Grange had been disposed of. A report was submitted and adopted ruling out that organization on the ground set forth in the following extract:

After a careful examination of testimony, the only occupations we could fix for the members of this grange were grain dealers, commission men, a reporter and editor of a business paper, with one single exception, the present lecturer of Boston Grange, who stated to us that he is carrying on a farm near Boston, but his principal income was derived from the business he carried on in the city.

This report is signed, among others, by H. W. L. Lewis, representative for Louisiana. Perhaps, in submitting this report, Mr. Lewis forgot to notify the body how he had imitated the authority that instituted the Boston Grange in the formation of a grange in this city, over which he himself installed as officers two doctors, two newspaper men, a druggist, a cotton broker and a preacher, though he can hardly do otherwise than as Worthy Master Adams did when he discovered how the work of the order had fallen into wrong hands in Boston—revoke the charter, and order the books and ritual returned.

More especially will the Louisiana Grand Master be compelled to take this course, since on the last day's session of the National Grange the following resolution, on motion of Colonel Chambers, of Alabama, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That in the sense of the National Grange, the expression "Interested in agricultural pursuits," in article five of the constitution, means "engaged in agricultural pursuits, and having no interest in conflict with our purposes."

Senator Morton's Speech.

The speech recently delivered by Hon. O. P. Morton, of Indiana, in the Senate of the United States, on the Louisiana question, we publish in full this morning. It is one of the ablest productions of that ablest of our statesmen, and, though lengthy, will well repay a careful perusal.

BY TELEGRAPH.

CONGRESS.

Senate.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—Mr. West presented a copy of an act of the Louisiana Legislature ceding jurisdiction and conveying title to the United States of all State lands required for the proposed Fort St. Philip ship canal.

Mr. Fenton presented the petition of John Fisk, of the suspension bridge, New York, claiming to be the original inventor of the so called ram for harbor defense, and praying that the same rights be granted him as were granted to the person who claimed to be the inventor of the monitor.

Leading bankers and business mem memorialize for a speedy return to specie, and against an increase of currency.

Mr. Gordon introduced a bill to repeal all laws which deprived the widows and children of old soldiers at the South of pensions, because of participation in the rebellion. It makes it the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to restore to the pension rolls the names of all who were dropped from them during the war, and to all their rights under the pensions laws.

Bills passed relieving McMullen, of the Teche district of Louisiana; detaling a board of medical officers of the army to inquire about cholera.

Equalization of the currency occupied the balance of the day. No action.

House.

Five hundred dollars were appropriated for a special clerk to copy the Buell court of inquiry documents.

The bill establishing a military prison at Rock Island passed.

The Willshire and Gunter contest, from Arkansas, occupied the balance of the day. Willshire was seated on prima facie evidence. A motion to reconsider and table, to make the action final, provoked dilatory motions, and, after much filibustering, the House adjourned without final action.

WASHINGTON.

Recommendations.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—The House Committee on Expenditures will, it is said, recommend the abolition of all special agents of the Treasury Department, and also recommend various reforms in the bureau of printing, not the least important of which is that all note printing shall be done by the government, thus saving expressage—not an inconsiderable item—between New York and Washington.

The Howard Court of Inquiry.

A change has been made in the assignment of officers on the Howard court of inquiry, Colonel J. J. Reynolds, of the Third Cavalry, taking the place of General Holt on the court.

The Female Whisky Raiders.

Dispatches from the West show that the numbers of women raiding upon the saloons are not large, but they comprise a very determined class of the fair sex. The saloons close upon the approach of the women, and reopen after they leave.

The Dictator Adrift.

The Secretary of the Navy to day received a telegram from Commander Braine, of the United States steamer Juniata, dated at Savannah, saying that he parted company with the monitor Dictator, which the Juniata had in tow, on the night of the fourteenth instant, off Charleston, the weather being thick at the time and sea runnig heavy, and that the Dictotor had not arrived at Savannah on the night of the fifteenth.

Commander Braine suggests that she may have gone to Key West, but it is thought at the Navy Department that she has more likely been drifted off shore, and is waiting better weather to put into port. The Dictator is known as a good sea boat—one of the best of her class in the service.

WASHINGTON, February 17, Midnight.—The Navy Department has no additional news regarding the Dictator. They regard her as one of the most seaworthy of the monitor fleet, and though anxious, have little fear of her not reaching a port. She made a tour around the island of Cuba without a convoy.

King of Sandwich Islands Dead.

The State Department has advices of the death of Lunalilo, King of the Sandwich Islands, on the third instant.

Full Cabinet Meeting.

There was a full Cabinet meeting to-day.

The Gettysburg Sailed.

The steamer Gettysburg left for Pensacola, whence she will take the inter-oceanic commissioners to Aspinwall.

Illicit Stills.

Twelve illicit stills were recently destroyed in East Tennessee and ten persons arrested.

The Chief Justice and the President.

Chief Justice Waite visited the President to-day.

Transportation.

Colonel B. W. Frobell, of Georgia, delivered an argument in favor of water transportation before the House Committee on Railways and Canals to-day, which the committee unanimously ordered printed.

NEW YORK.

A Fatal Stabbing Affair.

NEW YORK, February 17.—Dennis Killard, of No. 425 East Seventy-first street, yesterday fatally stabbed Michael Barry, a boarder. Jealousy is said to be the cause.

Fire.

The Combination Rubber Company and C. E. Becker's window shade establishment burned. Loss $250,000.

Gladstone's Advice.

A *Herald* London special says Gladstone will advise the Queen to send for Disraeli.

Dead.

John C. Johnston, the night watchman in Hoboken who was assaulted by a mob on Sunday night for shooting David Bowie, is dead.

Help for Sing Sing.

Assistance is going from all directions to the Sing Sing fire.

Dangerous Forgery Discovered.

Forgeries regarding the Western Union Telegraph and Wabash and Toledo railroad on 'Change, caused intense excitement and a general decline in values. The forgeries represented an increase of stock for repairs, and immense transactions at a decline followed. The managing committee are endeavoring to discover the swindlers.

A Defaulting Postmaster.

Edward P. Bresley, for fifteen or twenty years collector and postmaster of Lawrence, Long Island, is defaulter of about $7000.

Important Suit Arising from the Tehuantepec Grant.

A suit was commenced in the Superior Court to-day in which John P. O'Sullivan lays claim to $50,000 damages from Marshall O. Roberts. A company was formed in 1857, in New Orleans, which received a grant of lands and privileges in Mexico, on condition of making a canal and road across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, and Juarez confirmed the grant. The grant was assigned to the defendant, and he employed plaintiff to procure confirmation of the grant from Maximilian, which he did.

By the time Mr. O'Sullivan returned to New York, Maximilian had lost his crown, and the whole canal scheme fell through. The plaintiff claims Roberts promised him $50,000 for his services. Roberts replies that he paid the pluintiff's expenses, and was personally responsible for nothing more; that the $50,000 was to be in stock of the company when organized, and that as it never was organized, there is nothing due. The case is likely to last several days.

ENGLAND.

The Gladstone Ministry will Resign.

LONDON, February 17.—The ministry have resolved to resign. Gladstone goes to Windsor.

The House of Commons now stands 343 Conservatives to 300 Liberals and Home Rulers.

The journals generally approve the determination of the Gladstone government to resign. The *Times* says only one member opposed the decision.

Marine.

The schooner Hartatine, from Liverpool, for Tybee, which was ashore off Sally Cotton, got off and has arrived at Queenstown.

Discovery of Mount Sinai.

Dr. Beke, an English traveler, reports that he has discovered the true Mount Sinai. It is situated a day's journey northeast of the village of Akaba, Arabia, at an altitude of 5000 feet above the level of the sea. Dr. Beke says he found remains of animals that had been sacrificed; he also discovered Sinaitic inscriptions, which he copied.

Mr. Gladstone was received by the Queen at Windsor Castle, and the resignation of himself and colleagues was delivered. Mr. Disraeli has been summoned to Windsor.

FOREIGN.

Sent to Spain.

HAVANA, February 17.—Severe Horachion, a surgeon of the army and president of a republican club, was sent to Spain in order of the Captain General.

Fight Between the Spaniards and Insurgents—The Former Victorious.

A heavy engagement has taken place in the Central Department, of which the Havana journals give the following account.

General Bascones, with three thousand men and four pieces of artillery, attacked the main force of the insurgents at Navarjo. The latter were five thousand strong, under the Marquis of Santa Lucia, Cuban commander-in-chief. The battle lasted seven hours, and resulted in success for General Bascones.

The Spaniards lost fifty killed and one hundred and eighty wounded. The rebels took no prisoners, their losses not given.

The insurgents in the central departments are setting fire to farm houses in all directions.

Burriel.

General Burriel has sailed for Spain.

Castelar will Support Serrano.

MADRID, February 17.—Castelar in the event of a plebiscite, will support Serrano's candidature for the presidency of the republic.

A Denial.

BAYONNE, February 17.—The report of the death of General Dorregarray proves false.

International Courtesies.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 17.—The Czar is indisposed. Meantime, the Emperor of Austria is entertained with brilliant fetes by the Grand Dukes and other members of the imperial family.

Promotions.

The Russian envoy at Vienna and Austrian envoy at St. Petersburg have been raised to the rank of ambassadors.

Death of a Veteran.

General Alexander Von Luders of the Russian army, who held a command in the Crimean war, died yesterday, aged eighty-four.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Race on the Ice.

GLENN'S FALLS, N. Y., February 17.—The trotting stallion Joe Brown won the race on the ice at Ticonderoga to-day, in three straight heats, making the remarkable time of 2:27, 2:18¾, 2:21.

Quiet Election in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, February 17.—The election is very quiet. The vote will be large, and the contest is regarded as close.

Details of the election come in slow, but the indications are that Stokely is elected by 10,000 majority.

The Boston Collectorship.

BOSTON, February 17.—The *Advertiser* says the nomination of William A. Simmons to the Boston collectorship is objectionable from every point of view and ought not to be confirmed.

Boiler Explosion.

BALTIMORE, February 17.—A boiler explosion at Calacton furnace killed three negroes.

Taxpayers' Convention.

COLUMBIA, S. C., February 17.—The taxpayers' convention met at noon to-day. Two hundred delegates were present. In his opening address, President Porter said that the bad faith of the State government and public corruption and extravagance made the reassembling of the convention necessary; the taxpayers are in despair; they have no civil freedom, but are subjects of a plain and naked despotism.

The preponderance of political power is in the hands of non-taxpayers, who refuse the taxpayers a fair representation for their protection. The proprietary interest, representing $170,000,000 of property, is taxed ad libitum, without its consent, by those who bear no burden, and enjoy the spoliation; that while the taxable property of the State had declined from $500,000,000 to $170,000,000 the taxes had risen from $400,000 to over $2,500,000.

Great Fire at Sing Sing.

POUGHKEEPSIE, February 17.—A large fire is raging at Sing Sing. Two blocks, including Olive Hall, are burned, and another block is now burning. Engines have been sent for to Peekskill and Yonkers.

The fire at Sing Sing was got under control after destroying twenty-six places of business, principally on Main, Spring and Leonard streets and Central avenue. Most of the buildings were of wood. Olive Hall was a new brick structure, four stories high. The fire originated from the heater in Olive Hall. Loss $125,000.

Killed by a Runaway Horse.

ATLANTA, Ga., February 17.—John Jones, familiarly known as Cotton Jones, was killed to-day by a horse which ran away. Mr. Jones was an extensive cotton planter before the war.

The Richmond Duellist Pardoned.

RICHMOND, February 17.—Governor Kemper has pardoned Page McCarty, sentenced to confinement for engaging in a duel. Physicians certified that further confinement would be fatal.

Evans, the New Hampshire Murderer, Hanged.

CONCORD, February 17.—Franklin B. Evans, the Nostwood murderer, was hanged here to-day. He made a confession, admitting the killing of Georgiana Lovering, his neice, a young girl, in the fall of 1850, and in the detail tells the story of his useless and licentious life.

Death of Lunalilo—Struggle for the Succession.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 17.—The steamer City of Melbourne brings particulars of the death of Hawaiian King Lunalilo on the third instant at his palace on the island of Hawaii. His demise has been expected for several days. The members of the Cabinet were called together at once, and ordered a meeting of the Legislative Assembly on the twelfth of February to consider the condition of the affairs of the government at Kahoolama.

On the fourth instant a mass meeting declared in favor of David Kalakao, the most powerful chief in the nation, as Lunalilo's successor. Queen Emma, widow of Kamehameha, is also named for the succession, and there will probably be several contests in the legislature over the question.

Illegal Railroad Bonds.

CHICAGO, February 17.—The Supreme Court of Illinois has given a decision which declares $336,000 of bonds, issued to the Paris and Decatur railroad, illegal.

Mardi Gras at Memphis.

MEMPHIS, February 17.—Raining continuously since three o'clock this morning, but despite the inclemency of the weather the streets are filled with maskers and citizens. The city is crowded with visitors, but unless the weather clears off the procession of the Memphis Mistick Krewe will be post-poned

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