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Of all that holds us to this varied life,
Our Country's welfare is the strongest tie:
Strike palms, brave men, so late in bloody strife!
Your tears commingle o'er the graves where lie
Your comrades, slain on either side, when surged
The waves of battle's fury-driven sea: [merged—
Strike palms! Once more our hearts and hopes are
In Equal Rights and Laws again we're Free.

Ah! 'neath the shock how rocked the very earth!—
From Sea to Sea a common wail arose!
The Western land that gave fair Freedom birth,
Ran red with blood from fratricidal blows!
Description fails: the red waves roll, and higher beat:
See fields of beauty smote with ruin dire;—
Destruction pours from battery and fleet;—
Erst seats of wealth and peace are wrapt in fire!

Behold yon living, less'ning billows break
'Gainst cannon-fretted walls, in wrath ablaze!
As melts on ocean's breast the crystal flake,
So sink the charging host, and pass from gaze!
O'er lifeless trunks, new columns sweep the field;—
Now hand to hand have met the "blue" and "gray!"
Columbia's sons will die, BUT NEVER YIELD:
'Tis darkness, mercy-sent, that stops the fray.

The widow's moan is hushed in cannon's roar;
The glist'ning bayonet mocks the orphan's tear;
The wife despairs of seeing husband more;
The son or daughter weeps o'er father's bier.
And on, still on, the Car of Moloch sweeps—
With blood and fire, its track is red and dun;—
Around its crimson wheels a nation weeps:
How long, oh God! until thy wrath is done?

Not yet the end. The fiend of Death, supreme,
With dragon-train, rides on the dark'ning storm;
Athwart the inky skies, in lurid gleam,
Is painted hell, in its most horrid form!
With smiles sardonic, and with bitter mock,
The heartless tyrants of the earth look on;
Their subjects groan, at ev'ry battle-shock— [flown!
Despair controls each breast, whence hope hath

But see! a sun-wrought arch forms o'er the scene:
The black clouds break—they melt in golden air:—
Oh, joy! in snow-white garb, with eye serene,
The Goddess Peace descends, in diamond car!
The conflict 's o'er. Kind Heaven smiles above;
The fields blood-dyed so late once more are green:
The Pine and Palm incline again in love,
And Lake and Gulf know harmony between.

Enchanting, charmful Peace, a boon how dear!
A bird that nestles in the human breast,
And trills a melody, that quiets fear,
And sweetly lulls the soul and sense to rest!—
Sweet Peace! Companion of the Angels bright!
How sad to think thy home is not of earth!
Oh, couldst thou stay: but no; in upward flight
Again, alas! thou seek'st thy place of birth.

To arms, ye patriots! To arms once more!
'Tis honor's voice that calls you to the field:
In Freedom's cause the battles are not o'er,
So long as friends oppress'd demand our shield.
From place and pow'r the Hapsburg must be hurl'd:
REPUBLICS ONLY ON THIS SIDE THE SEAS!
No home for tyrants in the Western World!—
Unfurl again the war-flag to the breeze!

And Erin, Sea-girt Gem of Earth,
Whose soil is sacred to the Saintly tread;
Where trem'lous music had its Northern birth,
And "oft in Tara's halls" its spirit shed;
Where plumed and plated chieftains, in their might,
Triumphant plunged across Brittania's Isle;
Returned with laurels from the foreign fight—
In festive hall were paid by beauty's smile;

To thee, "Green Erin," here's a friendly hand,
A heart that beats responsive to your own;
Your strength combine, for God and Native Land;
THEN STRIKE THE BLOW!—you're not alone.
Together we have fought and fell before;
Together we can fight and fall again:
You meet the plund'ring tyrants on the shore;
Our "iron-clads" will meet them on the main.

Now home we'll come, and take a local view:
MONTANA, land of heaven-kissing hills,
Whose sides the sun doth light in ev'ry hue—
Where rush and meet a million sparkling rills,
And form Missouri grand, of Floods the Queen—
Where fertile vales, like Eden, blush and bloom
With fruits and flow'rs where'er the plow hath been—
Who boldest empire in thy quick'ning womb;—

Of thee, bright land, would sing my feeble pen.
The pioneer hath torn the ancient veil,
So long that hid thy wealth from human ken:
Increasing thousands now thy mountains scale:
Primeval rocks are crushed by sinews strong,
And vallies brighten to the sickle's gleam,
And hills are ringing with the herdsman's song,
Where THREE years back the red man ruled supreme.

(Ah! see him now, in sullen, gloomy mood,
About the tombs wherein his fathers lie!
He looks in vain for further solitude—
The "pale face" comes where'er he turns his eye.
He breaks his bow-string! Sinks to rise no more
The monarch of the mountain and the vale:
The fleets of commerce line the Western shore—
The white man crowds in ev'ry Eastern trail.

Oh! Child of Nature, couldst thou further see,
Thy heavy heart would sink in deeper gloom:
This swelling tide ALONG will carry thee,
Or 'NEATH prepare to meet an early doom!
Above those bones the white man wants a home;
Those graves, ere long, are in the plowman's wake:
If o'er the cheerless, snowy mounts you roam,
The miner there you'll find with papered-stake.)

Where 's seen yon snowy peaks, in middle air,
Was grazing, New Year last, the deer, secure—
Along those ridges snuffed the elk the air,
And all unmindful of the hunter's lure.
But now is heard, among those hoary hills,
(Appeaseless giants, ever crying more!)
The pond'rous iron-jaws of many mills,
Devouring rock that's rich in precious ore.

Within this vale the bison's track 's retained,
Tho' now it smiles with cultivated lands;
Her skins the Indian maiden dress'd and grained,
One year ago, where yonder saw-mill stands.
Our very capital is on the ground
Where three years back the grizzly roamed at will;
But miners' cabins now are strewn around
On ev'ry side—their fires on ev'ry hill.

"The star of Empire Westward takes its way,"
When Bishop Berkley wrote, was very true;
But were the Bishop living now, he'd say
That brilliant star seems FIX'D to human view.
From Eastern hives is filled Pacific's shore—
No more inviting sun-set lands are near:
The restless throng now BACKWARD pour— [HERE.
From East and West they meet, AND STOP RIGHT

Away our published maps we'll have to throw—
The books of yesterday, to-day are lame:
So swiftly, rapidly ahead we go,
Ere map or book is made we're not the same:
The stranger wishing for a "pocket-guide,"
Must learn that here we fairly FLY around;
And towns and roads are made on ev'ry side
In shorter time than books and maps are bound.

A few more months, and lightning's flashing wing
Will waft our golden fame to ev'ry place;
Ere long, the North-Pacific road will bring
Atlantic and Montana face to face,
Then come, ye men of muscle, men of brain!—
To ev'ry clime and ev'ry land the call—
There's room for millions still on our domain—
A fortune and a home are here for all.

Adieu, my patrons; and when we print
And sing of new-born year another time,
I hope, with glowing coin, FROM OUR OWN MINT,
You'll pay me for my harsh and jumbled rhyme.
Ere that, the DAILY POST its place will take,
With columns charged by the electric wire—
In MONTANA's interests wide awake,
Advancing them its aim and first desire.

An English pamphleteer speaks thus of the "Times": "The "Times" had thus asserted within a year that slavery was the cause of the war; that slavery was one cause and protection another; that slavery was the cause and protection a pretext; that slavery had little to do with the war, and protection much; that it could be 'all but demonstrated' that slavery had nothing to do with it at first, and 'quite demonstrated' that slavery has since passed out of sight; that 'some people thought' that abolition was at the bottom of the whole business, and that it would very probably be the result; and that slavery was the reel on which the coil was wound, though 'not the material of which the coil was made.' In other words, the "Times" knew nothing about it." This is a fair synopsis of its "leaders" on the causes of the war.

The "Telegraph" of the 22d ult., says that business at Salt Lake City is very fair for the time of year, and says the folks are well supplied with sleighs.

Telegraphic Abstract.

DATES TO DECEMBER 20th.

Summary of Congressional Business---First Action Taken in Congress about Polygamy--Motion for Information as to our Relations with Maximilian---Stanton will Resign--President's Message, etc., etc.

The first forty miles of the Pacific Railroad, west from Omaha, were completed yesterday. Eight miles more will be finished this week.

St. Louis, Dec. 19.—The steamer Roanoke sank near Commerce, valued at $25,000. About a dozen other boats are hard aground, or have been caught in the ice, between here and Cairo. Much apprehension is felt here for their safety.

New York, Dec. 19.—The "Post's" Washington special says the Committee on Appropriations have made a reduction of several millions of dollars from the naval appropriation.

The Committee on the Bankrupt-Law have unanimously agreed to report Jenks's bankrupt bill.

Secretary Stanton has again tendered his resignation, and insists upon its acceptance.

While the President was preparing his message, the French Minister emphatically stated that the Emperor would much regret any expression in his message which would make it impossible to recede from his Mexican scheme without humiliation. The Minister assured Seward that the French troops would be withdrawn from Mexico, as asked for, with patience on the part of our Government. General Logan is satisfied there will be no difficulty, and that the Republic of Mexico will soon be peacefully reinstated.

The Fenian Senate, in session to-day, reported twelve in favor of Roberts, as President, and three for O'Mahoney. The New Jersey Fenians hold a State Convention soon, to take action in regard to the quarrel.

A Washington dispatch says: Secretary Stanton has applied to Congress for an appropriation to purchase Ford's Theatre, to be fitted up and used for the custody of all papers relating to sick and wounded soldiers, hospitals and operations of Medical and Surgical Department of the army.

Fortress Monroe, Dec. 18.—Two hundred vessels are here wind-bound.

A fight occurred between the 20th regiment and the 30th United States (colored). The 20th fired a volley of a dozen muskets into the negroes; but the officers prevented its being returned. One colored soldier only was injured.

Senator Sprague is starting a movement to raise the tariff on all articles of domestic manufacture. The West is entirely against it.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—Hon. George Brown (the leading man in Canada) has resigned his seat in the cabinet, owing to a difference of opinion on an unknown but avowedly important question.

Congressional.

SENATE.

Washington, Dec. 18.—A return of the numerical strength rank, location and employment of the regulars was ordered, on motion of Mr. Wilson.

The Pension Committee reported a bill for granting to sailors who have lost both feet, $20 per month pension. Passed.

On motion, the House resolved to adjourn from the 24th Dec. to 3d Jan., 1866.

A national defense bill was introduced, providing for a militia organization and a Militia Bureau. Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill was introduced empowering the extension and maintenance of the Freedmen's Bureau wherever needed, and its suppression where unnecessary, through compliance with the plan of reconstruction; it also authorizes the withdrawal of troops from pacificated districts.

A bill was introduced amending the act for the disposal of coal lands. The amendment provides that the price shall be $20 per acre, and payment within two years from entry. Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

The following message from the President, was received and read: To the Senate of the United States: In reply to a resolution adopted by the Senate, on the 12th, I have the honor to state that the rebellion waged by a portion of the people against the properly constituted authorities of the Government of the United States has been suppressed, and the United States is in possession of every State in which insurrection existed, and that as far as could be done, the Courts of the United States have been restored, post offices re-established, and steps taken to put into effective operation the revenue law of the country, as the result of the measures instituted by the executive, with a view of inducing resumption of the functions of States as in the inquiry of the Senate.

Gen. Grant in his report says he is satisfied the mass of thinking men, South, accept the present situation of things in good faith. The questions which hitherto divided the people into two sections, Slavery and State rights, or the right of a State to secede from the Union, they regard settled forever by the highest tribunal, arms, that men can resist with force.

I did not meet any holding places under the Government of the Southern States who thought it practicable to withdraw the military from the South at present. There is such universal acquiescence in the authority of the General Government throughout portions of country visited by me; that the mere presence of military force without regard to numbers was sufficient to maintain order. My observations lead me to the conclusion, that the citizens of the Southern States are anxious to return to self-government within the Union so soon as possible.

HOUSE.

Washington, Dec. 20th.—A resolution passed the House, yesterday, asking the President for such information, as could be prudently made public, concerning the exact political relations between our Government and that of the Emperor of Mexico.

Mr. Stillwell offered the following preamble and resolution: "That, as the war of the rebellion has been crushed, that the representatives of the people who have been in rebellion, and who have submitted to the laws and adopted a Republican form of government; repealed the ordinance of secession, and passed the constitutional amendment; repudiated the rebel debt and passed laws protecting freedmen, shall be received as members of the 39th Congress, when they shall take the test oath. Referred to the Committee on Reconstruction.

A resolution, providing that the test oath should have effect and be required in all departments of the public service, was offered. A motion to lay it on the table was disagreed to—yeas, 36; nays, 126. The resolution then passed.

A resolution, calling on the Secretary of War to furnish a statement showing the number of men furnished by each State since the first of April, 1861, and the number of three months' men, and the number credited to each State on the standard for three years.

A message was received from the Senate, accompanied by a report from that body, proposing appropriate action consequent upon the death of President Lincoln. Report unanimously concurred in.

Mr. Washburne, of Illinois, from the committee appointed to take action on the bill for the relief of Mrs. Lincoln, reported an appropriation of $25,000, less any amount that may have been paid Mr. Lincoln, or his representatives, on account of his salary. The bill passed unanimously.

Mr. Ward, of New York introduced a resolution, declaring—That, notwithstanding the law against polygamy, that abominable institution still exists and is on the increase in Utah, and that it is the remaining barbarism of our age and country, and like its twin sister, slavery, it should be swept from the Territories of the Republic if it takes the whole power of the Government to do so; and to that end, be it resolved, that the Committee on Territories take the whole subject into consideration, and to inquire into the conduct of the United States officials in that Territory, and report, by bill, or otherwise, such law or remedy as the exigency of the case demands. There was no formal action taken on the subject.

Mr. Wilson's bill, reported from the Judiciary Committee, for extending the right of suffrage to the District of Columbia, and including the right of persons to vote, without restriction as to color, was made the special order for the tenth of January.

Mr. Alley, of Massachusetts, moved a resolution, which passed—144 to 6—concurring in the views of the Secretary of the Treasury, on the resumption of specie payment, and pledging the assistance of the House in carrying out such a policy.

Mr. Ashley introduced a bill to enable loyal citizens, in States whose constitutions were subverted or overthrown by the rebellion, to form a constitution and State Government, preparatory to resuming their relations to the Government. Referred to the Committee on Reconstruction.

Mr. Spalding introduced a bill, providing for the registering and enrolling of vessels built in foreign countries, but wholly owned in the U. S. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Wilson, of Iowa, from Committee on Judiciary, reported a joint resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution, forbidding the payment of the rebel debt. After a debate, the proposition passed, by 149 against 11.

The House Judiciary Committee agreed to report, at an early day, on an amendment to the Constitution, providing that the number of voters in States shall be the basis of their representation in Congress.

SENATE.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Mr. Wade presented a memorial from the Society of Friends, of Baltimore, begging for legislation on behalf of freedmen of the South. Referred to the Special Committee on Freedmen.

The bill for the payment of $25,000 to Mrs. Lincoln was passed.

The bill removing the disqualification of colored voters in the District of Columbia was reported. Whereupon Sumner hoped that it would be brought into operation at an early day, as the country demanded it. He was called to order, on the ground that the bill was not under discussion.

3,000 copies of the eulogies on the late Senator Collamer were ordered to be printed.

A Committee of conference on the amendment of the Senate, to the House resolution providing for a recess, was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson called up the Senate bill to maintain the freedom of the States lately in rebellion.

Mr. Sumner, in support of the measure, declared it was the right of Congress to pass such a bill, and read many letters to show that the spirit of rebellion still existed, and the rights of Freedmen were disregarded in all the Southern States.

HOUSE.

Mr. Morrill, from Committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to appoint assistant Assessors of Internal Revenue. Passed.

Mr. Stephens, of Pennsylvania, introduced a bill to pay pensions and damages to Union property, by rebels, out of confiscated property. Referred to Committee on the whole.

Mr. Lawrence of Ohio, submitted a resolution which was laid on the table, to be printed, affirming that Jeff. Davis should be tried and punished for treason, and also because of those starved prisoners.

The House concurred in conference report to adjourn over Holidays, from to-morrow, till the 5th day of January.

Mr. Hall announced the death of Orlando Kellogg.

Synopsis of General Meagher's Address for the Benefit of the Fenian Library, Nevada, Delivered in that Place, at Adelphi Hall, Saturday Evening, December 30th.

He thanked the ladies and gentlemen present for their hearty welcome; and to Mr. McElroy, who had introduced him in so complimentary a manner, he begged leave to tender the assurance of his sincere friendship, and with that the pledge of his unabated devotion to the cause of Ireland. [Cheers.] Had his heart, or his convictions, or both, undergone any change in their relations to that cause, the sentence of expatriation for life from the land of his birth, would not then have been, as it was, in full force against him. [Renewed cheers.] Were he less devoted to the liberty of Ireland—less determined to do all in his power, consistent with his American citizenship, to help his countrymen here and at home to the consummation of that great promise—or had he come to the conclusion that what he did, wrote, or spoke, in Ireland, from 1843 to 1849, in favor of the separation of his native country from England, and the establishment of an independent Irish nation, was wrong—were this the case, he would have felt no hesitation in asking permission to visit the old land. Yet he was still of the same mind and heart as he was in '48, and that being so, he could not bend himself to ask the privilege from a foreign power, to reenter his father's house. [Hear, hear, hear.] It would delight him, indeed, to revive, by association with the scenes out of which they sprang, his Recollections of Ireland. Yet as that was denied him—and his heart, associations, and purpose forbade his fate to be otherwise than it was—all he could do now, was through a clouded atmosphere, as it were, to retrace his steps to his experiences and days in Ireland—to a few of them at least. Of his school days he would not have a word to say—for any reminiscence of them could have no public interest—were it not that the beautiful old College, in which the greater number of those days were spent, was surrounded by scenes and places which had a national interest, whilst the old place itself had its share of the national history—a small share, to be sure, but a respectable and attractive one. Centuries old, it had stood a mauling from Oliver Cromwell, when the Eustaces, of Ballymore-Eustace, held it. The canting scoundrels of this copper-nosed disseminator of the Gospel—[loud laughter]—after helping themselves abundantly to her cellars, in the absence of her husband, murdered the polite old lady the mistress of the castle. [Cries of "the murthering heathen."] From the Eustaces, the Castle passed in course of time into the hands of the Brounes, from whom it took the name of Castle Broune; and in 1798, the lord and master of it was one Wogan Broune, who saw fit to enroll himself among the *United Irishmen*, and who became very creditably implicated in the revolutionary movement of that year. [Great laughter and cheers.] Bodonstown church-yard was little more than two hours' walk from the College, and in the soft rich earth of that obscure little church-yard slept Theobald Wolf Tone, who, few of his hearers had to be told, was one of the strongest intellects and boldest spirits Ireland had produced. [Hear, hear, and loud cheers.] Then the towns of Clane and Prosperous were in the neighborhood—neither of them corresponding in fortune or condition with their names—[laughter]—but both of them somewhat famous as scenes of battle where many a tough ashen staff did gallant service with the reeling ranks of the North Cork and other butchers in red