

EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF THE NOVA SCOTIA. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. PORTLAND, Dec. 28.—The steamship Nova Scotia, Capt. Wyle, arrived at this port at noon to-day. She brings dates from Liverpool to the 13th and from London to the 14th inst.

HUNGARY. The lower house of the Diet will discuss on the 15th, the draft of the address of the states. The Royal receipt has not allayed the apprehensions entertained by Hungary, notwithstanding the promises and acknowledgments of national rights contained therein, since the request of the Diet for the immediate re-establishment of the constitution has not been complied with.

Foreign Correspondence. SYRIA. THE AMERICAN COLONY IN THE HOLY LAND.—THE DIFFICULTY BETWEEN THE AMERICAN CONSUL IN BEIRUT AND THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT.—THE METEORIC SHOWER IN SYRIA.—DESCRIPTION OF IT IN AN ARABIC NEWSPAPER.

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During the past few months the American flag was gravely insulted in Cyprus. Forthwith two United States vessels of war appeared in Cyprus. The Cretan rebels sent a petition to the President of the United States. United States vessels of war were soon at anchor in the Cretan harbors. In August last an American colony of singular composition landed at Jaffa, the seaport of Jerusalem.

With regard to the Cretan rebellion I have nothing to write. The Atlantic Telegraph and your Constantinian correspondent can give you the latest news. As an episode, however, to this diplomatic history, let us look in upon the new colonists at Jaffa. Mr. Adams—or President Adams, as he styles himself—is the prime mover and promoter of the American colony in the East. East in Maine to Down East in Palestine.

The arrival of the colony of Americans in the Holy Land is an event, which although of no great political weight or bearing intrinsically, is yet awakening attention throughout the East. It is certain that the Turkish officials in Syria are beginning to think that the "Yankee Nation" is becoming "universal," quite rapidly enough.

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WASHINGTON.

THE TARIFF BILL.—THE FORT KEARNEY MASSACRE.—BUSINESS IN THE SUPREME COURT.—A DANGEROUS COUNTERFEIT DISCOVERED.—THE NEW YEAR.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 28, 1866. The Senate Finance Committee held another long session to-day, and gave an audience to the window-glass interest, which is now suffering from competition with the European article. Arguments touching galvanizing iron, eyelets, and some other interests, were also heard. Mr. Welles was subsequently present to explain and commend the changes in the House Tariff bill, which he and his party desire to effect.

The Ways and Means Committee, who have been engaged upon the suggestions contained in Committee on the subject of the Revenue, have nearly completed the proposed amendments to the Revenue Bill. The Committee have also under consideration the question of increasing the salaries of the clerks in the Executive Departments. The Committee are somewhat divided upon the question.

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THE FENIANS.

THE TRIALS AT SWEETSBURG. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. SWEETSBURG, Dec. 28.—The court met at 10 o'clock. Mr. Devlin moved that the case of Michael Crowley, who was indicted for the murder of a Fenian, be tried by a jury of his own race.

The judge said that there were three applications. The first was for a new trial, which he could entertain if the second and third were refused. The second was an application to set aside the verdict, which he could do if the third was refused. The third was an application to reserve a point for the consideration of the Court of Appeals. This point was a question of law, but the judge said he would not decide it until the Court of Appeals had decided it.

Mr. Devlin asked that the execution be fixed for some day after the 1st of March, when the Court of Appeals will be sitting. The judge said that he would fix the execution for the 1st of March, unless the Court of Appeals should decide otherwise.

The judge said that he was a matter for the Executive. The judge then addressed the prisoner, and the jury, and the court adjourned until the 1st of March.

A dispatch received at the Headquarters of the Army, from Fort Laramie, confirms the statement that a terrible massacre occurred on Friday, 21st inst., near Fort Phil Kearney. Brevet Col. Fitch, with his command, and Lieut. Grammond of the 10th Infantry, with 61 enlisted men of the same Cavalry, were killed.

The term of the Court, which has lasted for four weeks, was then declared closed. The results are as follows: The 16 persons who were indicted for the murder of a Fenian, were discharged because the evidence was insufficient.

The Treasury Department has captured the plate of one of the most dangerous and successful counterfeiters in circulation. The counterfeit is on the Legal-Tender notes of fifty dollars, containing the vignette of Alexander Hamilton. The imitation is so perfect that it is difficult to detect.

There is official authority for stating that, at 11 o'clock a. m., Jan. 1, 1867, the President will receive the members of the Cabinet, and Foreign Ministers. The members of the Cabinet, and Foreign Ministers, will be received at the White House.

Gen. Butler arrived here to-day for the purpose of completing the arrangements of the party who have recently purchased the land known as Lower California. The land is situated in the State of California.

The last installment due to the Mexican Government will be paid to Mr. Romero, the Mexican Minister. The payment is for the services rendered by the Mexican Government during the war.

The new minister from France has been inaccessible to visitors to-day. He is said, with some propriety, to our government some commercial advantages to this country and France.

Gen. Rucker, Brevet Brig. Gen. Ludington, and Chief-Engineer Dixon of the United States Steam Navigation Company, have visited the past few days. They visited the buildings throughout the city for the purpose of ascertaining what commodities were stored therein, and for the purpose of ascertaining what commodities were stored therein.

The following dispatch was received here to-day, relative to the death of the son of Senator Henry Wilson, dated Austin, Texas, Dec. 27. Your telegrams of the 26th are received. Lieut. Wilson was of the 25th Infantry, and was killed in the morning of the 27th inst. He was killed in the morning of the 27th inst. He was killed in the morning of the 27th inst.

The Nicaraguan Transit Route. The passengers on the San Francisco and Santiago de Cuba left over at Greytown. The passengers on the San Francisco and Santiago de Cuba left over at Greytown.

Mr. Louis, Dec. 28.—Lieut. Gen. Sherman arrived here to-day from New-York.

THE SOUTHERN STATES.

LOUISIANA. THE EXCURSION PARTY IN NEW-ORLEANS.—THE RIOT INVESTIGATION. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The following dispatches have just been received at this Bureau from the Tribune Bureau in New-Orleans: NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—The excursion party of Senators and Congressmen arrived last night. They were met at Jackson, Miss., by Gen. Beauregard, President of the Jackson and Great Northern Railroad, and the committee of citizens of New-Orleans, delegated to take part in the reception. At the dinner given at Magnolia, Gen. Beauregard presided, and very magnanimously gave as a toast, which Vice-President Foster, with equal magnanimity, responded.

Another dispatch. NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—The excursionists have been entertained by the city and citizens to-day. The day has been somewhat marred by the riot of the 28th. This evening a grand dinner will be given by the city in honor of the nobles. To-morrow they will have a reception and then depart. It is regretted that many courtesies which it is the wish of the citizens to offer.

RELEASE OF THE IMPRISONED BUREAU AGENT BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—Capt. Craig of the United States Army and Bureau Commissioner for Gadsden County, Texas, whose arrest was noticed a few days since, was released after three days' imprisonment by a detachment of United States Cavalry from San Antonio, commanded by Capt. Hunt. Capt. Hunt surrounded the jail with 45 men and demanded the release of Capt. Craig, who had been imprisoned by the Sheriff of the county.

MILITARY MATTERS. RICHMOND, Dec. 27.—Texas papers just to hand report that Gen. Sturgis has assumed command of the military post at Austin, and that he had declared his purpose to do everything in his power for the protection of the frontier. The troops destined for Jacksonford were detained in consequence of a lack of transportation.

SOUTH CAROLINA. BALTIMORE, Dec. 27.—The South Carolina Legislature just previous to adjournment, rejected the Insurrection bill, after it had been passed by the Congress. The bill, after it had been passed by the Congress, was rejected by the Legislature.

DELAWARE. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—A public meeting was held here last evening to organize an association after the plan of that now operating in Maryland, for the education of Delaware freedmen. Although taxed to support public schools, the colored people of this State are not allowed to receive any instruction in them.

ARKANSAS. LOUISVILLE, Dec. 28.—The Memphis & Little Rock Railroad Company has been consolidated with the Little Rock & Fort Smith Railroad Company, under the name of the Central Pacific Railroad Company.

MISSOURI. THE TROUBLE IN LAFAYETTE COUNTY.—DONATION. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 28.—A delegation from Lafayette County has been in consultation with Gov. Fletcher, in consideration of the Insurrection bill, and the proposed duties on tonnage than are levied upon vessels belonging to citizens of France, entering the said ports.

TUNISIA. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The following proclamation was promulgated this afternoon: By the President of the United States of America.

ILLINOIS. THE RIVER AND CANAL IMPROVEMENT CONVENTION. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. ROCK ISLAND, Dec. 28.—The River and Canal Improvement Convention assembled at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. The delegates from the various States were present, and the convention was opened by the Hon. John P. Fry, of Illinois.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The following proclamation was promulgated this afternoon: By the President of the United States of America.

THE TERRITORIES. IDAHO. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—A telegram dated Silver City, Idaho, Dec. 27, says that the weather is remarkably fine. The bill to provide for a telegraph line in Owyhee County had passed the Legislature.

NEW MEXICO. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. LEAVENWORTH, Kansas, Dec. 27.—Gov. Army has issued a stringent proclamation prohibiting the sale of arms and ammunition in New-Mexico.

By the President: WM. H. SEWARD, Secretary of State.

THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND PORTS OF MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA.

GENERAL: In accordance with your instructions I have the honor to submit the following summary report of the operations of the Bureau in my District, embracing the period from last reports to September 30, 1866. At the former date, the jurisdiction of the Assistant Commissioner of the District of Columbia, including the ports of Maryland and Virginia, was divided into three districts, to-wit: the District of Columbia, the District of Maryland, and the District of Virginia.

ADVENTS.—The frequent complaint of outrages against freedmen, and the disposition of the Freedmen's Bureau, included in this District, and from Fairfax and Loudoun Counties, Virginia, induced an application by me to the Hon. Secretary of the Freedmen's Bureau, for the purpose of having a special agent appointed to visit the above-named counties, and to report to me on the state of affairs there. A few days after the Emancipation Constitution was issued, it was the practice to take the children of the freedmen, and to send them to the Freedmen's Bureau, and to have them educated in the Freedmen's Bureau.

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