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AMUSEMENTS TO-MORROW EVENING.

BROADWAY THEATRE, Broadway—MARIANA—TWO BUSTARDS. BOWERY THEATRE, Bowery—NORAH CRINA—THE LOCHINVAR—COLUMBIA'S SON.

TO-NIGHT. METROPOLITAN THEATRE—SUNDAY CONCERT.

New York, Sunday, January 7, 1855.

The News.

In the House of Representatives at Washington, yesterday, leave was asked to introduce a resolution calling on the President to furnish a list of persons holding situations in the departments, designating those appointed since March 4, 1853, and stating the number of foreign birth; leave was not granted.

It is stated in our Washington despatch that large numbers of men are being enrolled by Col. Kinney's recruiting agents. Recruits are required to pay \$25 in advance, and to be at Baltimore for embarkation, and are promised six hundred and forty acres of land and three hundred dollars at the end of the year.

From the report of the City Inspector we learn that there were 471 deaths in this city last week—an increase of 25 over the preceding week. Of these 97 were men, 115 women, 143 boys and 116 girls.

We, however, regard the gaining of this important point as a concession full of danger to the Spanish government, and to the pacific relations still ostensibly subsisting between that government and ours.

As some foul play was suspected in the case of the young woman found dead in a room of the house No. 24 Rose street, on the 4th instant, the Coroner yesterday held an inquest on the body.

A delegation of the "Veterans of the war of 1812" left yesterday for Washington, to attend the "Convention of the Soldiers of the war of 1812," which meets in that city to-morrow.

Early yesterday morning a fire took place in a sheepskin leather factory situated in Forty-third street, destroying it and damaging several other frame buildings.

A special election has been ordered by the Governor to be held on the 30th inst., in the Senatorial district No. 29, comprising the counties of Ontario and Livingston, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Myron H. Clark.

We have received our files of the Singapore Bi-Monthly Circular, dated to the 1st of November last.

A bill yesterday passed the Illinois House of Representatives repealing all license laws.

THE SIX WAR STEAMERS.—The six steam frigates ordered at the last session of Congress, are, we understand, slowly being constructed at different navy yards.

BREAK UP OF THE HARD SHELLS.—The hard shell committees are enjoying themselves in fighting lustily over the remnant of their power and their prestige.

THE MAYOR AND THE DEPARTMENTS.—We understand that Mayor Wood, in the exercise of his concurrent authority with the heads of departments, has demanded certain information from the governors of the Almshouse, and has met with a prompt refusal.

THE COLLINS STEAMERS.—The question of enabling this magnificent line of American steamers to continue their weekly voyages across the Atlantic, with a regularity which almost defies the elements, is again before Congress.

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Important from Madrid—Our Relations with Spain—Tactics of Soule.

According to our London and Paris correspondence, published in yesterday's HERALD, our minister at Madrid in his conferences with the new Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs, has fallen back upon the "soothing system," very much to the surprise and mystification of the diplomatic circles of the French and English capitals.

The true solution is simple enough. It was necessary that our warlike minister should put on the domino of a peace maker, in order to obtain a hearing of M. Luzziariga. Those duels, the rupture with M. Pacheco, Queen Isabella's former Minister of Foreign Relations, giving him twelve hours notice to answer an ultimatum of peace or war; the Spanish newspaper controversy, implicating our ambassador in the schemes of the Madrid sans culottes for a counter revolution; his mysterious departure from Spain; his suspicious presence at the Ostend Convention; his brotherly familiarities with the continental refugees in London; the order of Louis Napoleon interdicting his return to Spain through the French territories; the facts connected with the revocation of that interdiction, and in all these things the well established filibustering and demagogic proclivities of Soule, had put the Espartaco Cabinet fully upon the defensive.

His only resource, then, was the soothing system; and he has availed himself of his first opportunities to this end accordingly. Hence his pretensions of peace to Luzziariga, which the wily Spaniard appears to have received with some misgivings, but which, nevertheless, have broken the ice, and paved the way for a resumption of negotiations.

For, it must never be forgotten, the most salient of the distinctions between the various forms of Paganism and Christianity lies in the manner in which female character is dealt with in both. In the Greek and Roman mythology—as in the farrago of monstrosities which served the most enlightened nations of the East as a religion—female virtue was a thing unknown, undreamt of. Their goddesses were models, not of godliness, but of purient vice and immorality.

Such, we apprehend, will be the ultimatum of these pacific protestations to the new Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs. The first point in the Cabinet, a new Cabinet upon a war footing; and perhaps, if Congress in the meantime shall have adjourned, we may also be started with an extraordinary convocation of the two houses, a war message, and a call upon the "Order of the Lone Star" and the Cuban jingals, from New York to New Orleans, to "let slip their dogs of war."

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The Papal Bull on the Immaculate Conception.

The public will learn from documents published elsewhere that, on the 8th of last month, Pope Pius IX. declared it to be an indispensable article of the Roman Catholic faith that the Virgin Mary was conceived immaculate or without original sin. The point had long engaged the attention of the faithful; and now, we are told by one apparently well qualified to judge of the Roman Catholic mind, its solution "has given joy to the world," and may effect "the pacification of the nations and a general prostration of heretical and persecuting forces."

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EUROPEAN IGNORANCE OF AMERICAN AFFAIRS.

It is only a few weeks since the London Illustrated News got universally laughed at for the gross ignorance of the institutions of this country which it displayed in confounding the election of the Governor of the State of New York with that of the head of the federal executive. It will be seen by the letter of our Paris correspondent that a writer in the Presse has just done as the favor of singling us out as the object of some equally ridiculous blunders.

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WISDOM IN VIRGINIA AND SEWARD IN NEW YORK.

—Henry A. Wise in Virginia, and W. H. Seward in New York, are the chosen champions of their respective parties against the Know Nothings. But the tactics of the chivalric Virginian and the steady New Yorker are as widely different as day and night. Our Richmond correspondent aptly compares the gallant Virginia "renegade whig" to the brave and dauntless Don Quixote, mounting his Rosinante, and boldly sallying out in broad daylight to attack the Know Nothing windmills wherever he can find them. Seward, on the contrary, is like the sneaking Camanche Indian, stealing into the camp of the white man under cover of darkness, and carrying off the spoils.

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The Southern Mail.

—We have no mail this morning, the 31st of August. The Charleston papers speak of the horse transportation of the mails as having gone into operation, but the papers still continue to arrive here in the usual time.

MARKETS.

PHILADELPHIA STOCK BOARD.

STOCKS ARE DULL. BRADDOCK'S STOCKS, 12 1/2. LONG ISLAND RAILROAD, 12 1/2. PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD, 43 1/2.

THE BRITISH STEAMSHIP GLASGOW, from Glasgow, arrived yesterday morning, with about one hundred passengers.

PROGRESS OF THE MUNICIPAL REVOLUTION.

THE PEOPLE CONSTITUTED A GENERAL COMMITTEE ON THE QUESTION OF THE CITY—TERMINUS THIRTIEN—REPORTS OF THE POLICE, ETC.

CITIZENS' REPORT OF NUISANCES, ETC.

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