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AMUSEMENTS TO-MORROW EVENING.

- BROADWAY THEATRE, Broadway—CINDERELLA—A BRIGIATED DRAMA. BURTON'S THEATRE, Bowery—CHECK OF GOLD—COLLEGE BOY—TOMORROW.

New York, Sunday, January 14, 1855.

The News.

The most painful event that we have had to record for many a day is the destruction by fire of the residence of Mr. Haven, at Fort Washington, yesterday morning, and the death of three of his daughters by suffocation while endeavoring to effect their escape from the burning building.

Considerable inquiry was made yesterday to know if the information of the failure of Page, Bacon & Co., of St. Louis, had gone forward to California by the steamer of last Friday.

The members of the bar of this city met yesterday to express their sorrow at the untimely loss of three of their most esteemed associates, Messrs. Edward Sanford, Abner Benedict, and Henry A. Brady, who were victims of the Arctic calamity.

The official report of the City Inspector comes to us this week in a new and enlarged form, designed to afford a more comprehensive and explicit statement of the weekly mortality.

Mr. Thomas N. Carr, late United States Consul for the Empire of Morocco, has furnished us with a most interesting communication—

The bill which was passed in the State Senate on Friday to amend the charter of the Sixpenny Savings Bank of this city, only provides for changing the location of the bank, and amending its charter by striking out the word "Empire."

March 14, 1855. Philadelphia, has put a stop to the "bloodless revolution" at Erie.

Companies of Boston and vicinity, lately of Irishmen, have surrendered and been disbanded by Gov. Gardner.

The New Liquor Bill—No Consequence—The Real Work of Temperance in other Hands.

We published yesterday, at large, the new Maine Liquor law agreed upon by the joint committee appointed to deliberate and report upon the subject to the two houses of the Legislature.

The consistencies of our peddling Albany politicians and philanthropic reformers are remarkable and somewhat refreshing in these degenerate days.

On the other hand the new liquor bill proposes to shut up the grog shops entirely, and to limit the sales of alcoholic stimulants of all kinds to the use of such articles for mechanical, chemical, medicinal, and sacramental purposes.

We repeat, however, that it is of little consequence whether this Maine liquor law is passed or fails to pass.

In another view, the party having the Maine law in charge may spare themselves the trouble of all further anxiety upon the subject; and good and sober citizens may also congratulate themselves that a new power has come into existence, which will strike at the root of drunkenness and ruffianism.

This new party are the Know Nothings; and their temperance platform is the total abolition of our existing rumhole system of primary elections.

The Know Nothings have taken the matter in hand, and their quiet secret councils are rapidly displacing the influences of the whiskey drinking cliques of our primary elections.

We say, then, that it makes very little difference whether the Maine law is passed or postponed. As a statute it will be practically a dead letter.

The immaculate conception of the Blessed Virgin.—We give our readers, this morning, as highly appropriate to the day, two distinct articles on the subject of the late decision by the grand council of the Catholic hierarchy at Rome, and the late proclamation by the Pope, of the immaculate conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Speech of Henry A. Wise.—We publish to-day a report from one of our Virginia correspondents, of a late electioneering speech of Henry A. Wise in that State, against the Know Nothings.

Hard Times.

Our city reporters note that Mr. A. T. Stewart supplies from nine to twelve hundred people daily with soup. Mr. Lindenmiller does the same thing in Chatham street, and charitable committees discharge a like duty in each of the populous wards of the city.

These are signs of the times, by no means to be carelessly passed over or neglected. Do what you will with man, his nature remains the same; he hungers, thirsts, shivers from cold, loves his wife and children just as much in hard as in flush times.

That the existing pressure of want is cruelly severe is beyond question. There has been no approach toward a fall in the price of provisions, and the facts mentioned above show how warlike has fallen off the poor would starve now were it not for the soup kitchens.

Equally clear it is that the impulse of the unemployed masses is in general radically wrong. We have already had occasion to notice the absurdity of several of their demands, such as that calling upon Congress to prohibit the export of flour.

Now are these the only causes of peril that surround us. While thousands of workmen are unemployed and narrowly escape starvation, incredible to relate, a most buoyant state of things exists in the higher financial circles.

What a contrast! Soup kitchens in Rensselaer street, and—if financiers are to be believed—overhanging banks in Wall street. Crowds promenading Broadway with woful banners calling for work, and starving wives and children in hovels on the East river—while the magnificent bankers and merchants do not carelessly put their hands in their pockets and subscribe four millions to aid an embarrased railroad.

That service of plate.—The press is most agitated on the subject of a service of plate which, as was stated in the Herald a few days ago, was dropped like a foundering at our door on New Year's eve.

The night watchman of the Farmers' Bank, Mount Holly, New Jersey, was found in the bank, this morning at 6 o'clock, bound and gagged.

The examination of the six small robbers who were arrested at Elmira, a few days since, for robbing the mails at Binghamton and Elmira, was held before United States Commissioner W. C. Bradley, and resulted in their being committed to appear before the Grand Jury, which meets in Albany next week.

them. But if the report be true it is at the late Gov. Smith has resolved to run as an independent democratic candidate, if, as an independent, indeed, will Mr. Wise be subject to a "fire in the rear," from which there will be no escape.

We fear little or nothing this session of applications from patentees to renew patents on appeal from the decision of the Commissioner.

Applications for renewals of patents would be less frequent were it not for a class of individuals who, as patent lawyers, exercise some influence both in the House and in the lobby.

This single practice throws a flood of light on the system of applications to Congress for an extension of patent rights.

From Washington. THE SUCCESSOR ALREADY SPOKE OF—ADDITION OF THE PUBLIC DEBT—THE PUBLIC DEBT, WASHINGTON, Jan. 13, 1855.

THE LATEST NEWS. BY MAGNETIC AND PRINTING TELEGRAPHS.

THE LOSS OF THE STEAMER ARCTIC. MEETING OF THE JUDICIARY AND THE BAR.

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cracked earthenware and steel pronged forks, cannot for the life of them comprehend how a man like themselves, toiling as they do, should have earned a set of silver plate.

Others hint that the anonymous present came from Tammany Hall. At the time Gen. Pierce was elected President, a strong move was made among the merchants and mechanics of Tammany Hall to present us with a set of plate as a token of the recognition by the democracy of the value of our support during the campaign.

Again, it is shrewdly suspected that the Know Nothings are at the bottom of the matter. Secrecy is the peculiar characteristic of all their movements; their type is the hand moving to strike or to reward in the dark.

BLUNDERS OF COUNTRY EDITORS.—A journal published in Toronto says that the United States should be "spat upon" because, he says, "the Herald, Times and Tribune, the leading organs of public opinion, are openly on the side of the Czar" in the present war.

THE DENIERS.—We publish elsewhere a statement made by several dentists of New York, whose purport is to remove the impression left on the public mind by the meetings recently held here in connection with Dr. Boole's case, and to restore chloroform to its former estimation.

THE ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE. CHICAGO, Jan. 13, 1855.

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From the South.

ADVICE FROM GALVESTON—ATTACK AND DEFEAT OF INDIANS—THE PACIFIC RAILROAD, ETC. GALVESTON, Jan. 12, 1855.

From Boston. THE CREATION OF BOSTON CORNERS TO NEW YORK—FOREIGN MILITARY COMPANIES IN MASSACHUSETTS DISBANDED. BOSTON, Jan. 13, 1855.

From New York. BURNING OF THE BARK J. W. DYER WITH A CARGO OF COTTON. CHARLESTON, Jan. 12, 1855.

Railroad Collision at Brockport. ROCHESTER, Jan. 13, 1855.

Railroad Collision and Death. SYRACUSE, Jan. 13, 1855.

The Illinois Legislature. CHICAGO, Jan. 13, 1855.

Weather Reports. BOSTON, Jan. 13, 1855.

Markets. PHILADELPHIA SPICE BOARD. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13, 1855.

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Brooklyn City News. SOUP FOR THE POOR.—The Brooklyn Soup Association commenced operations on Friday, at noon, and, for the first day, did quite a big business.