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Notice to Advertisers. It will be necessary for advertisers to hand in their business notices before eight o'clock in the evening.

The News. William B. Reed, of Philadelphia, has been offered the post of Commissioner to China. Among other vessels of war, the steam frigate Minnesota will be ordered to China to reinforce our squadron in that quarter.

The steamship Niagara is now fully due at Halifax, with European dates to the 26th ult., three days later than advised.

We have news from Bermuda to the 31st ult. A wide spread disease prevailed amongst the potato crop. The American shipmasters at St. Georges had presented head constable Boyle with a gold watch, as a testimonial of their value of his energetic services when required by them.

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The foreign news depressed the market, and prices fell off about 50 per cent. chiefly in the common and medium grades. Prime wheat was firm, with sales of good prime Southern white at \$1 1/2 per bushel, inferior quality was rejected.

Revolution in the Pulpit—The Higher Law Expounded and Preached. One of the most remarkable political discourses that has ever emanated from the pulpit in this city, where the preacher did not belong to the ultra rabid class of fanatics, was that preached by the Rev. Dr. Cheever in the Church of the Puritans last Sunday evening.

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The inquiry into the charges against Coroner Conroy, for the perpetration of supposed wrongs during the inquest upon the body of Dr. Harvey Berdell, who was so mysteriously murdered in Bond street, will be resumed this morning before Judge Daly, in the Court of Common Pleas.

A suit has been entered in the Supreme Court against Governor King, Charles A. Dana, Judge Currier, and other prominent members of the republican party for the recovery of \$1,500 20, alleged to be due Tunis J. Campbell, a colored man, for the supper given at the republican festival on the 18th of December last, at the Academy of Music.

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The New City Charter—More Atrocious Legislation. The bill by which it is proposed to amend the charter of the city of New York, but which will in reality give us a worse government than any that has ever been inflicted upon our overtaxed population, it appears, to become a law in the course of a few days.

In the first place, then, we are to have a re-division of the city into seventeen wards, each of which will be represented at present, the Board of Aldermen having conformably with this new regulation seventeen members, instead of twenty-two.

The Comptroller has complete control of the Financial Department; the Counsel to the Corporation has charge of all matters connected with the legal affairs of the city government, the titles to its property, and the legal proceedings necessary in the opening, widening or altering of streets.

One of the most remarkable features in this bill is the distribution, the parceling out of the executive power among three officials, constituting a sort of municipal monarchy, with three heads and more horns than the terrible beast of the Apocalypse.

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THE NAVY DEPARTMENT AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRESS.—In consequence of the interest taken by the public in the laying down of the transatlantic telegraph cable, and of the importance of that event to commerce, science and civilization, we proposed to give to our readers full and authentic news of the cruise of the Niagara and Mississippi, and accordingly directed a letter to be written to the Secretary of the Navy, soliciting a passage for a reporter on board each vessel.

Mr. T. J. Tooney, of New York, has been appointed to accompany the Niagara and Mississippi, and accordingly directed a letter to be written to the Secretary of the Navy, soliciting a passage for a reporter on board each vessel.

When the British government sent their squadrons to the Baltic, and the Black Sea, reporters went in every large ship, and after every movement of importance, the newspapers were flooded with letters which showed that the writers had been favored with all needed information by the highest authorities; yet we have no doubt there exists in the British service a rule as antiquated and as ridiculous as the one which Mr. Tooney quotes.

THE KALLOCH CASE.—The delay and disagreement of the jury in the Kalloch case at Boston have been a cause of much surprise to all who are familiar with the evidence. It is unnecessary to enter into the facts in this place; suffice it to say that they pointed very strongly and plainly to a clear conclusion, and that every sensible person who became acquainted with them must have come to that conclusion.

THE FACT IS A NEW ILLUSTRATION OF AN OLD PRINCIPLE. That principle is that when men are actuated by motives in any way connected with religion, logic takes no hold upon their mind. It is evident that some persons on the jury which has tried the Rev. Mr. Kalloch are of the same religious persuasion as that gentleman, and entertain a general opinion that a clergyman for their own faith can do no wrong.

THE NEW MARIQUETTE CODE.—THE CHINA COMMISSIONERS.—SHIPMENT.—APPOINTMENTS, ETC. I learn to-day from good authority that the present administration does not entirely agree with the preceding one in their views respecting the proposed change in naval warfare. In addition to the abolition of the right to capture merchant ships by public armed vessels, as well as by privateers, we laid down in Secretary May's letter upon this subject, it is proposed that our government should be bound in the event of hostilities, if England has the right to blockade all our ports and capture our vessels that engage, there can be no free trade in time of war.

THE ST. LOUIS CITY ELECTION.—CARRYING THE WAR INTO AFRICA.—It appears that the party in St. Louis openly advocating the policy of the gradual abolition of slavery as the true policy of the State, have, in their very first battle, carried the city by some fifteen hundred majority. This is a sign. It is the entering wedge to similar movements in all the border slave States.

THE WAR OF THE TRAGEDIANES.—Madame McMahon has replied to Mademoiselle Heron. We give her letter in another column. Thus the two great tragediennes are fairly at work. Honest dramatic criticism will be benefited by the controversy.

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THE LATEST NEWS. Non-Arrival of the Niagara. HALIFAX, N. S., April 8, 1857. We have a clear sea, but as yet we have no tidings of the steamship Niagara, now due at this port, with Liverpool advices of the 26th ult., three days later than the Canadian's advices at Portland last night.

THE CHINESE MISSION.—THE APPOINTMENT OFFERED TO MR. REED, OF PHILADELPHIA.—REPORTED INTENTION OF GREAT BRITAIN TO OCCUPY THE ISLAND OF FORMOSA.—COMMERCE OF THE ISLAND AND ITS IMPORTANCE TO CHINA, ETC. WASHINGTON, April 8, 1857. The Chinese mission has been offered to William B. Reed, of Philadelphia. He has not accepted, but probably will. Mr. Reed is an old whig, and was Attorney General of the State in 1833, when Butler was Governor.

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