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In reply to a resolution of the House, calling upon him for information in reference to the recent changes adopted in the Patent Office in printing the specifications of patents instead of having them written, as was previously the practice, and by what authority of law the change was made...

The colored Convention. The last evening session of the Convention of freedmen was held this evening at the Union League Hall, on Ninth street. Before the proceedings commenced the President, J. M. Langston (colored), stood round for inspection by the audience a caricature of an old colored woman named Jane Scott, who contributed the first five dollars for the erection of a monument by the colored people to President Lincoln in this city...

John H. Harris (colored) of North Carolina, addressed the Convention. He said that although the negroes were ignorant, there were none so ignorant as to become rebels, like some white men he had heard of. Give us, he continued, our votes, give us arms, and then let the rebels in the South attempt to break up the government and we will deal with them.

Mr. Forten, (colored) from Pennsylvania, addressed the Convention. He said he was an American citizen and not an African. The colored men of America had nothing whatever to do with Africa. They should stand by God for their rights, and which every party should show themselves the friends of the negro and go in for equal rights, and nothing less, should have the negro's support...

Mr. Hamilton, of Texas, was introduced, and commenced his address by saying that he was honored by the invitation to address the Convention, and cared nothing for whatever jeers he might meet with for doing so; and after a few further observations he said he would read to the Convention an address which he delivered a few days past at Boston. He did so; after which he contended that the State of New York did not do justice to their colored population in regard to the elective franchise. The black man was obliged to have certain property before he could vote, while the Irish man, who chased him through the streets for his life, and burned the hospital in which the kindred and children of the blacks were, was allowed to vote, although he never had a dollar in his pocket in his life.

A resolution was then adopted for the erection of a monument by the freedmen of the United States to the memory of Abraham Lincoln. A model of the monument prepared by Miss H. S. Hooper is at present on exhibition at Boston, and it was further resolved that her design should be adopted. The President then read several letters from gentlemen, regarding that they were unable to attend the Convention, and wishing the movement every success. He also read the following letter from Senator Sumner:—

DEAR SIR—I am glad that the colored citizens are about to assemble in convention to discuss their rights, and their welfare, and to secure those equal rights to which they are justly entitled. You seek nothing less than the equal rights of the colored citizen, and you are right. Let them calmly but constantly insist upon those equal rights which are the promise of our institutions. The people of Congress and they should also appeal to the courts. I cannot doubt the power and duty of Congress and of the courts to see justice done to the colored citizen, and to remove all such discrimination. The fountain head is pure; the waters which flow from it must be equally pure. Accept my best wishes, and believe me, dear sir, faithfully, your friend, CHARLES SUMNER.

Representative of the State of Texas who are now in the city have expressed their belief that nothing can be done to improve the alarming condition of affairs in that State under the present administration. They represent affairs there as even worse than in any other of the late insurrectionary States. The civil law is rather a means of oppression to Union citizens and freedmen than of justice. Officers of the army are annoyed by the civil authorities on every little pretext. They state that more outrages are committed upon loyal men in Texas than in any other State, and think that more troops should be stationed there. There is a very large loyal population which should be protected, and these gentlemen state that in a vote of twenty-five thousand recently cast, twenty thousand were Union votes.

Heavy Damages Against a Railroad Company. The jury in the case of John A. Harris against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, an action to recover damages for injuries received by the plaintiff at the time of a collision, which the plaintiff charges was caused by negligence, rendered a verdict awarding \$5,200 damages. On the former trial \$20,000, the full amount of the damages claimed, was awarded.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS. Second Session. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. WASHINGTON, July 13, 1867. Mr. STEVENS, (rep. of Pa.), introduced a bill for the payment of bounties to the soldiers of the One Hundred and Eighty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers. Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. PAINE, (rep. of Ohio), introduced a resolution declaring that the American government ought to protect American industry, but that if the people are compelled to submit to free trade in the products of agriculture, they ought to have at the same time free trade in the products of manufacture. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HALL, (rep. of Ind.), introduced a bill extending the term of the judges of the United States circuit courts. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. CLARK, (rep. of Ohio), introduced a bill to declare the effect of certain patents for land. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. CLARK, (rep. of Ind.), introduced a bill to secure the speedy construction of the Union Pacific Railroad, Southern branch, and Telegraph line, and to provide for the government the use of military, postal, military, and telegraph lines. Referred to the Committee on the Pacific Railroad.

Mr. HOOPER, (rep. of Pa.), introduced a bill for the relief of James M. Bishop, of Quincy, Ill. Passed. The House adjourned at ten minutes past three P. M.

SENATOR CONKING, of New York. This gentleman is a native of the State of New York, having been born at Albany in the year 1818, and is, consequently, somewhat over forty-eight years of age. His family is well known throughout the State, the male members having been prominent politicians.

SENATOR CAMERON, of Pennsylvania. The prominence which this gentleman attained during the first days of the late war is such that a brief sketch of his life is all that is needed. Simon Cameron was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1799, and being left an orphan at an early age, was left almost to his own resources while yet a boy. Being apprenticed to a printer, he succeeded in educating himself while learning his trade, and after serving as a journeyman printer for some time, he became a successful business man.

C. D. BRADY, of Missouri. This gentleman is the nominee of the republican members of the Missouri Legislature, and his election is quite assured. He first became prominent as a politician in 1861, when the secession excitement was at its height in Missouri. A lawyer by profession, he had always been identified with the democratic party until that time, when, in the Missouri Legislature, he decidedly rose to the position of a republican, and was no longer a democrat, but an unconditional Union man.

G. F. MORRIS, of Indiana. Prior to 1860 Mr. Morris was a local reputation. At that time, however, he was elected Lieutenant Governor of the State of Indiana, on the same ticket with Mr. Lane. Upon the election of that gentleman to the Senate of the United States, Mr. Morris, according to the State constitution, became Governor, and it was while in that capacity that he became a prominent politician. He was elected to the Indiana Legislature having a majority of democrats in both houses.

NEWS FROM THE PACIFIC COAST. In the United States District Court a test case was made in the trial of one Larry, Deputy Assessor, who refused to make returns to Assessor Bigler, of Sacramento. The indictment was found to be defective and quashed, but the Attorney General has proposed to the United States District Court to indict him, and every deputy who had failed to make returns to the proper officer.

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Disaster to the Steamer Equator. Captain Johnson of the steamer Equator, which was wrecked on the coast of Peru, has been rescued. The vessel was carrying a large quantity of goods, and the crew were all saved. The wreck was discovered by a local fisherman, and the vessel was raised and brought to port.

THE EXCISE LAW. Arrests for Violation of the Sunday Law. Closing of the Concert Saloons. Twenty-five arrests were made by the police throughout the city this morning for liquor dealers for keeping open after twelve o'clock. Most of the arrests were made in the upper part of the city.

THE ASPECT OF THE AMAZON. A large audience assembled last evening in the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, to hear a lecture by Professor Louis Agassiz, entitled "The Aspect of the Amazon." The research and experience which Professor Agassiz has brought to bear upon his late survey of Brazil ought to command unusual attention, and attach more than ordinary importance to his reflections and observations on the great South American river and region over which it traverses.

THE ARION IN SEASON. The Arion in season—Curious scenes at the Germania Assembly Rooms last night. On account of the Excise and Sunday law notwithstanding, the Arion was in high glee last night. They were assembled in force at their headquarters, the Germania Assembly Rooms, which on this occasion were fully decorated by carnivalistic devices and a series of curious and non-sensational emblems.

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MEXICO. The Reported Occupation of Zacatecas and Manzanilla Continued—Three European Consuls Imprisoned by the Imperial Government at Colima—The Evacuation of Acapulco Doubtful. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12, 1867. Antonio Marillas, late editor of a Mexican liberal paper here, goes to Mexico by the next steamer to solicit from Juarez certain political concessions to parties in San Francisco. He retains a grant of land in Durango to form an American settlement.

Another Envoy from Francis Joseph to Maximilian. NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 12, 1867. A courier direct from Europe, via New York, left here today in the steamship Mexico for Vera Cruz. It bears a letter from Francis Joseph of Austria to Maximilian. It is surmised that the letter relates to a reconciliation between them.

THE LOUISVILLE MAYORALTY. The Deposition of Mayor Tompsett Declared Illegal by the Court of Appeals. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 12, 1867. Mayor Tompsett, who was impeached and deposed last spring has obtained release. The Court of Appeals has decided that he was illegally deposed from the Mayorship, and that he should therefore supersede Lythgoe, the present incumbent.

A YOUNG LADY MURDERED AT DAYTON, OHIO. A young lady, named Christina Kett, was murdered at Dayton, Ohio, yesterday. She was found lying in the kitchen of her home with her head terribly shattered by a pistol ball. No clue to the murderer.

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INDICATIONS OF FURTHER INDIAN HOSTILITIES. A despatch from St. Joseph says that late advices from Denver report large numbers of buffalo going into the Platte valley from the south. As buffalo never willingly travel north in the winter the Denver news indicates that the Indians are behind them, with hostile intentions on the settlements along the Platte. All previous indications in the winter have been favorable to the Indians, and the news apprehends a recurrence of the Indian massacres of two years ago.

THE NASHVILLE METROPOLITAN POLICE LAW DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL. In the Circuit Court Judge Campbell to-day declared that the bill of the Tennessee Legislature creating a metropolitan police force for Nashville is unconstitutional, on the ground that it was a partial law, that some of the officers were to be appointed by the law, and some by the franchisees, which could not be done, and that the law was irregularly passed, and was unconstitutional in its provisions. An appeal was granted to the Supreme Court.

THE REBEL GENERAL PRICE AT ST. LOUIS. The rebel General Sterling Price and family arrived yesterday from Mexico.

COURT OF APPEALS CALENDAR. The day calendar of the Court of Appeals for January 14, embraces Nos. 60, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80. There will be no further day calendar at this term.

DEATH. HAYWARD—In Jersey City, on Saturday, January 12, Charles Hayward, aged 70 years, died. He was a native of Massachusetts, and had resided in Jersey City for many years. He was a member of the firm of Hayward & Co., and was a prominent citizen of the city.

SHIPPING NEWS. Arrived. Steamship Raleigh, from New York, with cargo and passengers, at Liverpool, on Saturday, Jan. 12, 1867. For other Deaths see Seventh Page.

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