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LITTLE NELL AND THE MARQUIS...
TOKY OPERA HOUSE, No. 20 Bowery...
LINA EDWIN'S THEATRE, No. 72 Broadway...
BOWERY THEATRE, BOWERY, SHIP EAST-MY WIFE AND I...
NIBLO'S GARDEN, Broadway, between Prince and Houston...
WALLACE'S THEATRE, Broadway and 13th Street...
GLOBE THEATRE, 7th Broadway...
WORLD'S MUSEUM, Broadway, corner 23rd St...
CENTRAL PARK GARDEN, Theodore Thomas...
TERRACE GARDEN, 58th Street, between Lexington and 61st...
GLOBE THEATRE, Brooklyn, opposite City Hall...
ADVERTISEMENTS.

TRIPLE SHEET.

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SMUGGLERS are destined to come to grief. Secretary Boutwell has called the attention of revenue marine officers to the necessity of stricter compliance with their duties...

SPAIN SHOWS HEALTHY SIGNS of returning prosperity. This is the era of "new departures," and the Zorrilla Ministry has broken with the past...

A TIMELY PRECAUTION.—Our quarantine officials are on the alert, and leave nothing undone to prevent the introduction of any contagion from foreign ports...

THE NEW LOAN AND THE SYNDICATE.—A further step in the progress of the new loan in the hands of its present managers will be taken to-day in the regular opening of books for subscription...

The Expedition Against the Corea—A Great Victory, but a Great Fizzle.

The special despatches which we publish to-day from the seat of our recent operations in the Corea give a full and graphic account of the victory achieved by our forces under the command of Admiral Rodgers...

The story of the fight is very simple. On the 10th of June six hundred men landed on the island of Koughia, and with very little opposition captured the marine redoubt. They then encamped for the night. Next morning they slowly worked their way through a swamp...

In striking contrast with the precision, the firmness and the vigor of our operations in the field has been the vacillation in counsel and purpose displayed in the diplomatic conduct of the contest. Months ago we felt it our duty to sharply criticize the management of the war by the State Department in Washington...

Neither Mr. Fish nor Mr. Low seem to have formed at any juncture of the affair any very distinct idea of what they were going to do. In the official despatches we are told that the object of the expedition was to get satisfaction for the outrages upon the crew of the General Sherman...

If we simply wished by pacific means to induce the Coreans to be humane and reasonable, we ought to have sent an expedition too insignificant to suggest any menace of hostilities. How absurd and undignified, if it were determined in no case to resort to the heroic remedy of arms, to make a grand display of forces which we had not the slightest intention of calling into action!

We believe, however, that from the outset the strong probability of a war was, in a sneaking sort of way, foreseen. Such a contingency was doubtless as unpleasant to Mr. Low and embarrassing to Mr. Fish as it was inspiring to Admiral Rodgers...

tively was to march through the interior to the capital, as the French and English marched to Peking, and with their temples and perhaps also their prince in our hands, to dictate to these barbarians the opening up of their country to civilized commerce...

What will those orders be? The guarded remarks of the President to our Long Branch correspondent afford a doubtful faking of them; but a special despatch from Washington says, semi-officially, that the matter is going to be permitted to rest where it stands. Hints, however, are thrown out that England and Germany may begin some further operations against the Coreans either with or without our aid...

The Queen's Speech at the Prorogation of the British Parliament.

So Parliament has been prorogued, and the Queen has spoken (by proxy), and the world is none the wiser for it. The gentleman who penned what is supposed to be Her Majesty's oration might just as well have cut it short and said:—"Gentlemen, I have nothing to say except what you all know; so you may go and be happy."

Her Majesty then refers to the commercial treaty with France. She says she would be anxious to meet the wishes of a friendly Power and consent to some modifications; but she "would see with concern any change of a nature to restrict the commercial intercourse between the two countries."

THE HOT BLOOD of the two Cuban chiefs, General Manuel de Quesada and his former chief of staff, Señor de Varona, has been stirred, and a correspondence passed between the two gentlemen which, it is feared, can only be explained upon the miscalled field of honor...

The Potato Blight in Ireland.

The cable brings us the intelligence that the blight has appeared in Ireland and that the potato crop is almost ruined. The latter part of August is the season when the disease appears, and it has frequently happened that the entire crop was destroyed in a single week. In 1846 the crop was destroyed in a few days, though previously an abundant harvest had been anticipated...

From what we have already said it will be seen that that year was one of the most remarkable in the history of Ireland and the world. But, extreme as were the sufferings of the people, and sickening as became the details of that marvellous epoch, the potato famine of 1846 had a political significance beyond and above the most harrowing recital of want and woe...

What would be the effects of a similar calamity now? That they would be less remarkable we cannot conceive. A new impetus would be given to emigration, and Castle Garden would swarm with the fleeing multitudes. In so far as 1871 and the year's which are to follow would differ little from 1846 and the ensuing seasons...

We are led to these reflections by the possibility of this becoming true. If we can judge correctly from the meagre report of the cable the risk of famine is now as great as it was in the August of five and twenty years ago. The quarter of a century which has intervened has not only altered the map of Europe, but has changed the current of men's thoughts...

A RIGHTeous VERDICT.—The explosion of the tugboat Starbuck, following so closely upon the Westfield disaster, has fully awakened the attention of the public to the ruinous condition of the boilers of many of our river steamers and the recklessness with which officials grant certificates for rotten, worn-out vessels...

The Story of General Bergeret.

From the lips of General Bergeret himself, one of the boldest, most determined and energetic soldiers of the Paris revolutionists, we learned the story of the last hours of the Commune. To many, no doubt, the fact of Bergeret being alive will be a surprise. It was generally thought that in the general ruin which overwhelmed the desperate men who led on and were led into the bloody excesses of the second Reign of Terror Bergeret had fallen...

When we remember the vigilance of the Versailles, after Paris had fallen into their hands, in hunting down the Communists, we marvel at the escape of so prominent and well-known a character as Bergeret. Yet for six weeks, according to his own account, he was within the walls of the city and was shielded by those who still sympathize in the doctrine of the Commune...

A Chat With the President.

Our Long Branch correspondent gives a very interesting account this morning of an interview he had with President Grant the other day. It will be seen by the account that the President is enjoying himself quietly at his cozy little residence "right down by the sea," and that he is not by any means the terrible, unapproachable "Sphinx" that some people delight to make him out to be...

As for the Orange riots and the so-called Tammany frauds, General Grant is decidedly of the opinion that they will lead to the defeat of the democratic party in the State this fall. In speaking of the Orange riot he intimated that there is such a thing as a Riot act which could have been read before the troops fired...

In reference to the New York republicans fighting among themselves, the President summed up the situation most admirably, as follows:—"I don't think there is any lack of harmony among the republicans in New York. Some men there who are republicans in name claim that there is discord and that they try to make discord, but they don't amount to much..."

GENERAL McCook, democratic candidate for Governor of Ohio, in consequence of the state of his health, was obliged several days since to retire from the canvass. It is rumored that the General, unable to endure the fatigue and excitement of the campaign, has become deranged and that his name will be dropped from the ticket...

A Novel Specimen on the Political Horsemanship.

In these days of political wonders politicians who do the pipe-laying for Presidential candidates have need to be constantly on their guard against surprises. To be sure there was a time when it was only necessary for the wire-pullers to pull in a certain direction to make this, that or the other "imminent statesman" rise to the surface and take his chances for a straight run to the White House...

Under the circumstances the news furnished us by our correspondent from Paris must be peculiarly distressing to the "leaders" and all the other patriotic gentlemen who want some one of their particular friends to be President or who are itching to get to the White House themselves. It is a trite saying that a man often does his country good when he leaves it; but the idea of politicians going abroad for their own political good at home—in fact to make Europe a stepping stone to the Presidential chair—is, if not novel, certainly sufficiently startling just at present to create a decided sensation in every political circle in the Union...

Judging from the letter of our correspondent it must be that the range of American politics has become too large for this country, or at least the country has become too small for it. If this be not the case why make a foreign capital the headquarters for White House plotting and the byways of Egypt and Japan the high road to Presidential honors? We have now the secret of the grand exodus of politicians from our borders every few weeks for months past...

The only way, in our opinion, to remedy the evil is to allure them back to their native shores, where they can be abused as heartily for everything they say or do, and if they do or say nothing, for everything they do not or say not, as every other Presidential aspirant. The Sage of Auburn is a shrewd old man, and has lived many a day, and who knows, if he stays away from home much longer, what assistance his friend the Mikado may not be to him in case of a tight squeeze between candidates in the conventions which assemble next fall?

TIMMO DANASOS.—One of our special correspondents with the Corea expedition says that Admiral Rodgers refused to receive peace offerings of cattle, chickens and eggs from the white-coated natives of that country, because he preferred to accept no favors from the enemy until the insult to the American flag should be fully atoned. We wonder if the 'cute Admiral was not thinking of that famous wooden horse when he declined Korean comforts? Possibly he surmised that the sleek-looking cows and chickens and tempting eggs might be filled with cold "poison" in some ingenious fashion known only to the Celestials...

Personal Intelligence.

- Governor Bullock, of Georgia, is staying at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.
Senator Sprague yesterday arrived at the Hoffman House.
Ex-Governor Parker, of New Jersey, and Mr. J. M. Ashley, of Ohio, are domiciled at the Astor House.
General Kilmer, of the Brazilian army, is among the late arrivals at the Madison Avenue Hotel.
Senator Poland, of Vermont, is at the St. Nicholas Hotel.
General Mills, of Savannah, is domiciled at the Grand Central Hotel.
General Sedgwick, of Washington, is at the Clarendon Hotel.
J. A. Signario, Italian Consul at Memphis, Tenn., is a guest at the Grand Central.
Mr. G. O. Smith, of Rio Janeiro, and Judge Williams, of Ohio, are among the late arrivals at the Stranvogue House.
Mr. and Mrs. William J. Florence arrived in the steamship Russia last night.

THE GRAND LOCAL IMPROVEMENT FETE AT LAKE MAHONAC.

It appears that the opening of the new boulevards and inauguration of other extensive plans of improvement at Lake Mahonac will be on an imposing scale. This will take place next Thursday and Friday. A battalion of the Seventh regiment of New York, with band, colors and so forth, and numerous other invited guests, will be there. On the first day there is to be a national salute at sunrise, a general reception of guests afterwards, a rustic dance on the lawn, dedication exercises, a grand tour of the lake, a banquet, and at night an illumination of the lake. On Friday there will be a regatta, the ceremony of laying the corner stone of a national museum of natural history, and at night a grand ball. Certainly this will be a most interesting fete, and the works it will celebrate are, according to all accounts, worthy of it. General Vio, who has charge of the improvements, has shown the same ability and taste in them that he did in designing our beautiful Central Park. Lake Mahonac will be henceforth one of the most attractive of the many places of summer resort that surround and are within a convenient distance of this great metropolis.