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AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—COLONEL SELLERS. WALLACE'S THEATRE—WALKS. FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE—EVANGELINE. BOWERY THEATRE—SWAMP ANGEL.

TRIPLE SHEET.

NEW YORK, FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 1877.

From our reports this morning the probabilities are that the weather in New York to-day will be very warm and hazy or partly cloudy, probably with a thunder storm in the afternoon from the southwestward.

WALL STREET YESTERDAY.—The stock market was less active than it has been for the last few days. There was a slight advance in the prices of most stocks as compared with Wednesday's closing figures.

SECRETARY THOMPSON yesterday inspected what used to be the Navy Yard at Brooklyn.

FIVE RUSSIAN TROTTER HORSES have arrived in New York, the first racing stock ever imported from that country.

NEW ENGLAND INTENDS to receive President Hayes as warmly as Old England has received General Grant. Mr. Hayes is the luckier man of the two.

THE ATTENDANCE at Jerome Park, owing to the attractions presented elsewhere, was not as large yesterday as on some of the preceding days of the meeting.

THE WEST POINT CLASS of '77 graduated yesterday and seventy-six young gentlemen are anxiously looking for commissions this morning.

THE ASCOT RACES were attended yesterday by the wealth, fashion and beauty of London. A more brilliant scene has rarely been witnessed on such an occasion.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS ago yesterday Congress designed the flag of the thirteen States, which, with the addition of a star for every new State admitted into the Union since, has continued to be the national emblem.

THE ANNUAL REGATTA of the New York Yacht Club yesterday was full of incidents which will make the day memorable in the yachting annals of the country.

THE FAILURE of the LEGISLATURE to settle the excise question is seized upon by the temperance advocates in their crusade against liquor selling.

THE HON. JOHN JAY has written a sharp letter to the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Historical Society in regard to the reference of his paper on the late Mr. Motley to the committee.

THE WEATHER.—Three well marked areas of low pressure are now within the sphere of observation—one northeastward of New Brunswick, which has passed over the upper lake region; the second in the Northwest and central in the Missouri Valley, south of Bismarck, Dakota; the third on the West Gulf coast and Eastern Texas.

The Death of the Democratic Party—Tilden Did It.

Over all the land a wail of sorrow has gone up for Mr. Tilden. No later than last Tuesday morning he posed as the democratic Moses to lead his party out of the wilderness; now lies he in the pit of the impossible and not a swallow-tail or a short-hair so poor as to do him reverence.

When Tweed looked over the papers in Ludlow Street Jail containing the speech of Mr. Tilden we are certain he said to himself that he would sooner stay where he is than stand in Mr. Tilden's shoes.

HERE LIES THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, KILLED BY SAMUEL J. TILDEN, IN THE 60TH YEAR OF ITS AGE. R. I. P.

Mr. Hendricks is going to Europe, where he may be out of sight of the corpse whose gibbering ghost will haunt poor Mr. Tilden while he is in a condition to be haunted.

has before been recorded that sudden and overwhelming disappointment has broken stout hearts. We know that the party lived through shocking disasters and seemed to have more lives than a cat.

The contemplation of Mr. Tilden's career will always repay the student of great disappointments. He was surely what promised to be a respectable if not a towering figure in our political history.

The Approaching Doom of Mormonism.

Despite their attempts to belittle and make light of the recent exposures the Mormons are in a frenzy of alarm. Their own clamorous denials, supported by the fainter denials of a few transient visitors who are seduced and blinded by personal courtesies, produce no effect on the public mind when it is known that the law officers of Utah hold precisely the same views that have been expressed in the HERALD.

Assuredly this pestilent nest of abominations will not be much longer tolerated within the jurisdiction of the United States. It has ceased to be a merely local question; it has become a question which affects the character of our institutions.

How Public Interests Are Protected.

The Aldermen have granted the Third Avenue Railroad Company the privilege of experimenting in the use of steam power on its surface rails.

It was to be expected that the Aldermen, who are carried by the horse car companies, figuratively speaking, in their breeches pockets, would concede any demand made by the Third Avenue or any other wealthy street railroad corporation.

Hard Fighting at Kars.

The HERALD's latest despatches from the theatre of war in Armenia render it certain that the Russian commander has made up his mind that it is necessary to reduce Kars instead of simply investing that place, as it was supposed probable he might do, before pushing his advance to Erzeroum.

Kars is naturally a strong place, and has never been reduced without a severe struggle, except in 1828, when it was taken by the Russians under Prince Paskevitch after a siege of only three days.

Commerce and the War.

Russia formally notifies the neutral nations that she will, on her part, conduct the war in accordance with the Declaration of Paris, and that the subjects of all neutral Powers may continue their commercial intercourse with Russian ports and cities on the single condition that they respect and observe "the laws of the Empire and the principles of international law."

An Easy Way Out.

Right on the heels of Mr. Frederick Elliott, who politely bowed himself out of the Supreme Court a few days ago while his amiable Tombs keeper and an Assistant District Attorney were engaged in a private conversation of absorbing interest, follows Mr. William Connors, an inmate of Ludlow Street Jail, who, finding the doors of that institution ready to open at his bidding, on Wednesday last walked forth to enjoy the free air of the city.

enjoy his dessert afterward. Of course there can be no mistake about the spiritualistic work on the doors, as the devouring McCarthy had the keys in his belt, and knew that the gates were barred and all secure when his hunger got the better of his prudence.

Now here is an excellent way out of the Tweed difficulty. Tweed has escaped once already. Why can not he do the same thing again and join Harry Genet? All that is necessary is a hungry turnkey and spiritualistic locks and bolts.

Another Epidemic of Police Ruffianism.

The clubbing mania seems to have broken out again in the police force. The sentence of a Brooklyn patrolman to six months' imprisonment, with a good prospect of a new indictment with a more severe punishment at the expiration of his term, made the ruffians of the force cautious for a time, and citizens enjoyed a temporary immunity from broken heads.

Another scandalous instance of police brutality is the clubbing of a lad named Isaac Walsh, said to be under twenty years of age, by two ruffianly patrolmen of the First precinct.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Kilpatrick is in Washington. Wild roses look like pale pink stars. Herkimer has painted Wagner's portrait. Charleston, S. C., is a shuffler looking city. Hon. S. S. Cox will go to White Sulphur Springs.

THE WAR.

Four Days of Desperate Fighting Before Kars.

DETERMINED RUSSIAN ASSAULTS.

A Lodgment Effected, but the Assaultants Driven Out by the Turks.

SLAUGHTERED AT THEIR GUNS.

Bold Sorties by the Turks Repelled in the Open Field.

ROUMANIA AND THE CZAR.

Lord Derby Answered in a Manner to Satisfy Europe.

[BY CABLE TO THE HERALD.] LONDON, June 15, 1877.

Every effort has been made to obtain details regarding the great battle now in progress before Kars. The HERALD's special correspondent with the Turks in Asia Minor telegraphs from Boghaz (Bogaskoi), a small town on the direct telegraph route from Erzeroum, and situated about ninety miles southwest of Saturday last by a determined attack of the Russians.

THE RUSSIANS EFFECT A LODGMENT.

The conflict was renewed at daylight on Sunday, the Russians having effected a lodgment in one of the outer earthworks on the previous night. The struggle was sanguinary in the extreme. The Russians are reported to have held their ground during the whole of Monday and Monday night.

THE TURKS ASSUME THE OFFENSIVE.

On Tuesday the Turks began the fight, assuming the offensive by making the most desperate sorties. According to the HERALD's correspondent, quoted above (from a Turkish source, be it remembered), this resulted on Tuesday in the dislodgment of the Russians, who had been inefficiently supported.

A TURKISH FLANK MOVEMENT.

The Turks succeeded in surprising the Russians by a flank movement, and the slaughter that followed was very great. The Russians asked no quarter and the Turks offered none.

BRAVE TO THE LAST.

The last action of the Russian gunners was to spike the few Turkish field pieces which they had captured in the redoubt. This was after it became a hand to hand struggle and the guns were of no further service.

THE RUSSIAN GUNNERS SLAUGHTERED.

Retreat had meanwhile become utterly impossible. As a result nearly every gunner's corpse was found near the gun he had served. Their enemies speak of the heroism of the attacking Russians.

GROWING BOLD.

The Turks again assumed the offensive, and gaining courage and desperation with success, sallied out to attack the main body of the Russians in the open ground.

THE RUSSIANS REINFORCED.

Meanwhile reinforcements were hurrying to the aid of the Russians from the direction of Pennek, Ardahan, Gumry, Kagishman, Souricamiche and Soghanly. The sorties of the Turks were barren of result and only served to tire out the men, while the Russians repulsed every attack with apparent ease. Later and fuller details are expected momentarily.

THE CAMPAIGN BEGUN IN EARNEST.

A despatch from the HERALD's representative at Erzeroum states that a great battle all along the Turkish line between Kars and Erzeroum is imminent. The fate of the Turkish arms in Asia Minor hangs upon the events of the next ten days. Already seems to have begun the series of engagements in the valley of the Arma, which will decide the fate of Erzeroum.

TURKISH COUNTER STROKES.

An official Russian telegram received in St. Petersburg last night and dated Wednesday seems to confirm the HERALD's account. It is dated from Masra, situated about eight miles northeast of Kars, and announces that the Turks are attempting to form counter approaches and are constantly making sorties. The Russian batteries have been very successful in frustrating all these attempts. A sortie was on Wednesday repulsed with heavy loss to the Turks. Seven Russians were slightly wounded.

AN UNBLESSED ENGAGEMENT.

Three attacks were made on Friday last by the Russians against Fort Tahmaz, which was erected in 1855 to strengthen the defence of Fort Veli Pachi, which is the key to Kars. Other counter attacks followed on Saturday, but the result is unknown.

FOLLOWING FATE.

The Turks, after occupying Olti, marched in the direction of Ardahan. A Russian detachment has been sent from Ardahan