

LATE NEWS BY WIRE.

Furious Gales Reported on the Atlantic.

THE STEAMER AURANIA OVERDUE.

Some Uneasiness Felt for the H. H. Meyer.

OLYMPIA'S ROUGH PASSAGE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The Cunard steamer Aurania, which was due here yesterday morning was not reported up to 11 o'clock today.

By far the roughest experience of any vessel that has come in from sea since the terrific hurricanes of last week is that of the British steamer Olympia, commanded by Capt. Coleman, which arrived this morning.

ST. JOHN'S, N. S., Dec. 18.—The British steamer Corean, about which there has been so much speculation, arrived here this morning.

NEW LONDON, Dec. 18.—The schooner Jennie G. Pillsbury, Capt. Spencer Terry, on the flats in New London harbor Saturday night and is in a sinking condition.

ROANOKE'S NEW CHIEF.

Hugh N. Dyer, who was chief of police at Martinsville, Va., was appointed chief today.

WAS WITH MAXIMILIAN.

VIENNA, Dec. 18.—Baron Kodolitch, an Austrian army officer, well known in sporting circles, died at San Fermo.

FLOODS HAVE RECEDED.

BUFFALO, Dec. 18.—The flood of Saturday, which did so much damage at South Buffalo, has almost entirely disappeared.

GEORGE DE B. KEIM DEAD.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—George De B. Keim, ex-president and ex-receiver of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad and Coal and Iron Companies, died at 3 o'clock this morning.

COMPERS RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT.

After a contest within the organization of several months' duration and which in the closing days was marked by considerable bitterness and exchange of personalities, Samuel Gompers of New York was elected president of the American Federation of Labor at Chicago.

A BILL FILED.

Messrs. E. J. Stellwagen and Thomas M. Gale have, by Messrs. Hamilton and Colbert, filed a judgment creditor's bill against Thos. W. Widdicombe et al.

Verdict Set Aside.

In the case of E. N. Gray agt. the District of Columbia, decided last week by the Court of Appeals in favor of the defendant, in Circuit Court, division 1, this morning, in compliance with the mandate the verdict and judgment was set aside and a new trial granted.

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PRINTING STAMPS.

It is thought that the Government will do the work.

It is said to be almost a certainty that hereafter the government postage stamps will be printed at the bureau of engraving and printing.

THE MESSAGE IN THE SENATE.

How the Document Has Received Sentiment in the Chamber.

The President's message about Hull arrived at the Senate at noon, and Secretary Pruden, entered the chamber during the reading of the Journal.

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ALABAMA THE STATE.

Alabama Democrats Have a Fight Before Them.

CAMPAIGN OPENED BY ALL PARTIES.

Some of the Elements in the Contest.

THE NEXT U. S. SENATORSHIP.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 18.—The state campaign in Alabama, which will end with the election on the first Monday in next week, has been opened by all parties.

The Jeffersonian democrats or Kolbits and the people's party, which have practically united forces, were the first upon the scene of action.

The democrats, being the party that is at present in power, find themselves on the defensive. They are, in fact, as yet without a leader.

The contest for the democratic nomination at present lies between Congressman Oates and Capt. Joseph F. Johnston of Birmingham.

On the heels of these rumors came a shower of denials from Col. Oates' friends.

Capt. Johnston was a candidate in 1880, when a combination was effected whereby the strength of Johnston, Crook, Richardson and Oates was contended in the democratic convention on the last named day.

When the Jeffersonian democrats or Kolbit committee met here to call their state convention a short time ago, Chairman Moseley of the republicans was in conference with them.

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NEWS FROM THE FAR EAST.

Damage and Death Caused by Fire and Storm.

The steamer Rio de Janeiro arrived at San Francisco, bringing Yokohama advices up to December 2.

A more serious conflagration was only averted by the assistance of the marines from a Portuguese gunboat in the harbor.

On the 19th a bomb was thrown into the village office of the Fugeta in Ashiga-Gun-Tochigi-Ken, totally demolishing the office.

The Yemuri was not apprehended. The portmaster hears that the restoration of the monarchy in Hawaii is almost a certainty.

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