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jan10 HENRY P. MORRIS.

SALE OF FOUNDRY FIXTURES.

I offer at private sale the Patterns, Flasks and Fixtures in Union Foundry, belonging to the late firm of W. W. Miller & Co.

The purchaser can secure a reasonable lease of the Foundry and grounds. The building is 55 feet by 65 feet, centrally located with good light which cannot be obstructed, and contains all the necessary appliances of a first-class Jobbing Foundry.

For further particulars apply on the premises to H. B. MILLER, Receiver.
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CHEAP MILL PROPERTY FOR SALE.

The one-half or whole interest in the

NEW STEAM SAW MILL

Situated at the foot of the town of Martin's Ferry, Belmont county, Ohio, is offered for sale on very reasonable terms. This Mill is in one of the best locations on the Ohio river and has the best log harbor known. Also a two acre lot in Martin's Ferry will be sold with or separate from the Mill. Terms very easy. For particulars see or address.

S. B. WILLIAMS,
Cor. Second and Walnut Sts., Wheeling Island.
jan9

TRUST SALE.—BY VIRTUE OF A Deed of Trust executed on the 21st day of December, 1870, by Henry Koehler and Augustina, his wife, and now of record in the Recorder's office of Ohio county, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book No. 3, page 272, I will on

SATURDAY, February 10th, 1872,

at 10 o'clock A. M., at the front door of the Court House of Ohio county, West Virginia, sell the following described real estate, that is to say: That certain piece or parcel of ground lying and being situate in the south-east corner of square number three (3) in Carroll & Baker's addition to the city of Wheeling, being lot No. 10 in said square and situate on Fulton street in that part of said city known as East Wheeling. There is erected on said lot a frame house, stable, fencing and other necessary improvements.

Terms of sale, cash.

jan9 PHILIP SCHUHLE, Trustee.

VALUABLE FARM AND COAL PROPERTY, within one mile of Wheeling

FOR SALE AT AUCTION.

The farm of the late Edward Thomas, dec'd, of Belmont county, O., lying opposite Wheeling, and below West Wheeling, Ohio, containing 163 acres, the whole underlaid with a 6 foot vein of coal, known as the river hill vein, together with the Cows, Hogs and all the Personal Property of the late Catharine Thomas, dec'd, will be sold at Public Auction on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20th,

At 10 o'clock A. M., on the premises. The Farm is one of the best in Belmont county; the soil of the best lime stone; over 100 acres under cultivation, the balance well timbered. Upon the Farm is a large Brick Dwelling, having an excellent spring of never failing water in the yard, a large Barn, Milk House and other outhouses. Also, a double Log House, suitable for a tenant house, and an orchard of choice fruit. The Farm can be easily divided by the county road into two nearly equal parts, and make two farms of 75 to 85 acres each, and would make excellent Garden or Dairy farms, being within one-half mile of the ferry at the foot of the Island.

The Coal is of the best quality, fully equal to any about Wheeling. The tract will be sold as a whole or in parcels, and either with or without the coal, as may suit purchasers, or the land and coal will be sold separately if desired.

TERMS OF SALE—One-third cash in hand, balance in two equal payments of one and two years, with interest from day of sale.

For information inquire on the premises, or of Stone & Thomas, Wheeling, or

JAMES KELSY, Administrator,
jan8 West Wheeling, Ohio.

FOR SALE.—I OFFER FOR SALE MY

COUNTRY PLACE,

With all its improvements, in whole or in parts, which is four miles east of the city, on the National Road. It is too well known to require any description of it.

THOS. HORNBROOK,

Office No. 118½ Main St., up stairs.
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THREE DWELLING HOUSES FOR SALE.

A good Brick House on Huron street, of 6 rooms and pantry. A Frame House of 5 rooms on Locust street. Also, a Frame House of 3 rooms on Huron street. These houses are pleasantly situate on the Island, and will be sold on easy terms by S. L. CUTHBERT,
dec30 Monroe Street.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

The BRICK HOUSE I reside in, on Main street, between now and April 1, 1872.

For Rent—One Small Frame House and one Brick House, both on the Island. Possession given immediately. Apply at THEODORE PINK'S Feed Store, on Quincy st. dec28

FARM FOR SALE,

Containing 100 acres, all under cultivation, five miles from the city, on the ridge between Glen's Run and the Ohio river. No better neighborhood or better laying Farm in the county.

dec11 I. IRWIN, Agent.

DWELLING HOUSE FOR SALE.

I offer for sale the house in which I now reside, situate on John street, a few doors east of Fifth. The house is a substantial two-story brick containing eight rooms, besides a bath room and kitchen, and a finished attic, with a good cellar, hot and cold water in bath rooms. The house is in good order and well located and in every way a desirable property, being but a little over a square from the Post Office. There is also on the premises a good

BRICK STABLE,

sufficient for four horses, and a carriage house. Any one wishing to purchase can examine the premises at any time.

sept25 JNO. F. McDERMOT.

ISLAND LOTS FOR SALE.

Having sold all the lots offered at $300 each, except two, I now offer ten lots fronting on the east side of Elm and Chestnut streets and extending to the river. Price from $500 to $1,000 each, according to size and location. Terms, one-fourth cash, residue in equal installments at one, two and three years.

aug24 JNO. P. GILCHRIST, At Top Mill.

WEST VIRGINIA, TO-WIT.—AT Rules held in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Ohio county, on the first Monday in November, 1871.

Amanda Thornburgh, Complainant,

vs.

David M. Thornburgh, administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Thomas Thornburgh, deceased, Rachel Thornburgh, George Miller, Sarah Miller, late Sarah Thornburgh, William C. Thornburgh, Josiah Thornburgh, Edith Thornburgh, Lilley Thornburgh; Phebe Thornburgh and Sarah E. Waddle, heirs at law of the said Thomas Thornburgh, deceased, Dick Moxly, legatee of the said Thomas Thornburgh, deceased, and Henry Branstross, Defendants. In Chancery.

The object of this suit is to enforce the complainant's dower in the real and personal estate of the said Thomas Thornburgh, deceased, late of Ohio county, West Virginia, and it appearing by affidavit filed with the papers of this suit that the defendants Josiah Thornburgh, Edith Thornburgh, Lilley Thornburgh and Phebe Thornburgh, are not residents of this State, it is ordered that they do appear here within one month after the date of the first publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

SAMUEL B. McCOLLOCH,
Clerk Circuit Court.

November, 1871.
E. C. SNODGRASS, complainant's counsel.
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The Intelligencer.

A CORRESPONDENT furnishes some figures this morning, in connection with the projected Wheeling & Tuscarawas Railway, that we commend to the consideration of our readers in Belmont county. The writer deals in facts; and while facts are stubborn, they are also instructive.

SECRETARY BOUTWELL is reported as saying Monday night that he has had no proposition regarding six hundred millions of the new loan from any source, or any proposition involving any amount, which he has deemed it advisable to consider, or has considered.

ALONG with a synopsis of Mark Twain's lecture, we give our readers this morning a sketch of Artemus Ward and the peculiarities of his humor, written by a new candidate for popular favor in the same line, "Eli Perkins," of the N. Y. *Commercial Advertiser*. Those who heard A. W. lecture here early in the war, will like to refresh their recollections of him by way of comparison with the gentleman who succeeds him as the first American humorist of the day.

IMMEDIATELY after the rebellion the papers teemed with prophecies of the result which had been (nominally) made long before. The close of the Franco-German war produced another crop of these *ex post facto* prophecyings, and now a new candidate has entered the field. When Talleyrand died he left strict orders that his autobiographical memories should not be published before 1888. The injunction has been sacredly regarded; but, nevertheless, the press is now publishing a supposed extract from the work, in which the dead statesman predicts the rapid rise of Prussia, and advises Napoleon to take speedy measures to check her threatening growth.

WASHINGTON.

The Reported $600,000,000 Offer for the New Loan.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—The exact terms offered by bankers in Europe for the absorption of six hundred millions in the new United States loan has not yet transpired, but the subject is before the Secretary of the Treasury.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

Fernando Wood will call a caucus of the Democratic Congressmen next Tuesday evening, to confer on their political situation.

THE COLORED FOLKS GET THE PRESIDENT IN A CLOSE CORNER.

The President was visited to-day by a delegation of colored men who are advocating the passage of Sumner's supplementary Civil Rights bill. They ask that the President would send a message to Congress, asking for the passage of this measure as an amendment to the pending Amnesty bill. The President remarked that he had no doubt that the colored people were deprived of some rights and privileges that they had a clear claim to. His impression was that the recent amendments to the Constitution conferred upon them all the privileges of citizenship. He thought the courts would accord all the legal rights withheld. With regard to amending the Amnesty bill by the addition of the supplementary Civil Rights bill, the President considered that such action would jeopardize the passage of the amnesty law, while from his knowledge of Sumner's bill, he believed it could pass its merits as a separate measure.

FUNDS GIVEN AWAY.

An official statement shows the land concessions made by Congress to State corporations for railroad purposes, namely: estimated quantities embraced in the limits of grants. Total, 207,460,031 acres. The estimated quantities which companies will receive from the grant is 172,739,430 acres. The number of acres certified and patented up to June 30, 1871, is 18,995,907 acres.

Commander Alexander H. Semmes, of the Navy, was found guilty of cruel punishment of his men, abuse of official power, oppressive and inhuman conduct, unbecoming an officer and gentleman. His sentence is, to be suspended for three years, and repremanded in the general orders by the Secretary of the Navy.

Mr. Williams to-day formally took charge of the Department of Justice. It is understood he will pursue the exact course in the Ku-Klux trials laid out by Mr. Ackerman.

The National Woman's-Suffrage Convention held its regular semi-annual meeting to-day. The usual force of woman's righters was present. Cady Stanton was elected President. In her address she said the sex wanted to work with the men in the free trade and other great principles of the country. Women didn't propose to petition the men who had championed the foreign riff-raff element, but proposed to petition the courts. Victoria Woodhull's address was in advocacy of Spiritualism. Another oratrix wanted suffrage on the basis of Spiritualism.

Petitions from various parts of the country, for reducing the tariff to a revenue basis, and especially for the removal of duties on salt, coal and pig iron, forwarded through the tax payers of the Union, numbering eighty-six, and embracing about seven thousand signatures, will be presented in the Senate to-morrow.

The Republican delegations from Philadelphia, held a meeting to-day, at which sub-committees were appointed to wait on the members of the National Republican Executive Committee, to urge them to select Philadelphia as the place for holding the Republican Convention. The sub-committees having attended to this duty, claim that the majority of the Executive Committee are for probate selections.

The Governor of Michigan Returns Thanks.

DETROIT, January 10.—Gov. Baldwin, of this State, has issued a proclamation and address to the people of the United States, in which he says he now takes pleasure in announcing that further contributions of money for the relief of the sufferers by the late disastrous fires in Michigan are unnecessary. The Governor tenders the hearty thanks of the whole people of Michigan to those whose earnest sympathy and liberal aid have so greatly alleviated the suffering of so many of our citizens.

BY TELEGRAPH.

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THE LOUISIANA WAR.

THE KILLING OF WHEYLAND.

Indignant Comments of the Press.

MARTIAL LAW DISCUSSED.

Warmoth Refuses to Hold Communication With Carter.

NEW ORLEANS, January 10.—The morning papers publish the names of several persons who witnessed the shooting of Wheyland yesterday, and also state that the shooting was done by a policeman early this morning. A large number of Metropolitans armed with Winchester rifles took a position on Royal street, occupying almost the entire street from Canal to Custom House street, preventing the assembling of the Carterites at their usual place of meeting.

The statements regarding the killing of Wheyland are contradictory. Capt. McCann testified before the coroners jury, so the *Republican* states, that McCullough acknowledged that he had shot Wheyland in the discharge of his duties as Sergeant-at-arms of the House of Representatives. The *Republican* says when the evidence closed, the jury, accompanied by Maj. New, one of Gov. Warmoth's council, who had been present all through the trial, adjourned to a room on Common street, where the verdict was agreed on, as follows: "That Walter B. Wheyland came to his death at the hands of certain persons at present nameless." This morning Coroner Cringh promulgated another verdict in the same case, charging McCullough and McCormick's with the murder of Wheyland and Geo. W. Carter with being accessory. The Governor says in consequence of this verdict he sent policemen on Royal street to arrest Carter.

The *Times* says: "The most lawless and reprehensive of all acts yet done during the faction fight now progressing, was that which was done this morning in the occupation of Royal street with the Metropolitan police, armed with Remington rifles."

The *Bee* says: "The federal government would not only be justified in putting down the administration of Warmoth, but it is bound in duty to cause such a rule to cease as that which he has established in this State. If martial law is justifiable in any conjecture, it is surely so in a crisis like the present." Gov. Warmoth to-day issued another proclamation ordering the Carter faction to desist from further proceedings and commanding the members to return to their seats in the General Assembly.

The *Picayune*, under the caption of "Suspension of Business," in the course of its comments says: "We are in the midst of our too short, annual and busy season, when if ever our merchants must accomplish the years' work in order to meet the year's expenses. Yet houses whose sales amount to millions in the very heart of the city are obliged to close their doors against a mob at midday. There is an incalculable loss suffered by our citizens in this manner. An application of the Governor for an injunction from the 8th District Court, restraining the Carterites from further action, came up this morning, but was postponed till Saturday. There is no material change in the condition of affairs to-day. Business is dull and very few laden on Canal street. At 2 o'clock, the hour it is usually thronged, not twenty could be seen there, and no business in doors. The men were generally out.

A shooting affair occurred on St. Charles street this afternoon, in which two persons, not implicated in the row, were shot—one dangerously.

The *Picayune* opposes martial law. It says: "We hear, with deep regret, that some of our citizens are about to unite in a petition to the Federal authorities that a Military Governor and military rule may be substituted for the present State Executive and Government of Louisiana. They are provoked to this measure by wanton misrule; by systematic persecution; by stupendous extravagance; by multiform acts of oppression; by trading in offices; by the sale of votes in the Legislature; by ruinous monopolies; by ancient civic franchises being trodden on; by systematic, deliberate and persistent violations of the sacred rights of suffrage and by all the wicked mockery of a free government which we have suffered for the past four years. The provocation is very great and we as fully sympathize in their sentiment as we share in the annoyances of which they complain, but we must warn them against greater evil which they invoke as an antidote, believing it to be virulent to the person and more lasting in its damaging effects. We want no magistrates in uniforms. We would rather bear years of misrule than years of military despotism."

The *Times*, under the caption of "How the Legislature is made up," says: Mr. Wheyland, a member of that branch of the House which holds its session on Dryadas street, and who was killed on Canal street last night, affords an example of the shameful abuses of the election and legislative laws by the constituted authorities. He was sent to the remote Parish of Sabine, in this State a few days before the registration of the voters of the Parish as a registrar, and though a perfect stranger to the people of the Parish, and it was found beyond a doubt that though nearly all the votes of the Parish were given to Mr. Smart, one of the oldest citizens of the Parish, Wheyland was returned as the representative of Sabine, and all the influence of the administration was employed successfully to keep him in his seat. It was in vain that Mr. Smart was brought to this city and exhibited to the Legislature, the evidence in the form of affidavits of the voters themselves is that at least four-fifths of them voted for Smart. Wheyland was of the same class as Con and Dewees, and because he wavered the powers that he must be seated in this house whether he was elected or not. At the time of his return we called attention to the outrage of admitting him as member, but were laughed at for the impotency of our protest. Three-fourths of the members of the House which Gov. Warmoth claims to be the legal Legislature of Louisiana, owe their seats to this shameful interposition and the despotic conduct of unscrupulous party politicians who were sent to various parishes as registrars with expressed or implied instructions to return themselves to the Legislature regardless of the votes of the people, in order to fill the Assembly with the friends and supporters of the State administration."

A committee from the Committee of Fifty-one called on Gov. Warmoth and asked him to appoint a committee to meet a committee from the Carter faction for the purpose of settling all questions of difference. The Governor replied that he could hold no communication with Geo. W. Carter, whom he regarded as a fugitive from justice. The Governor stated that all the absent members of the House would be gladly welcomed back.

NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, January 10.—The Workmen fur factory on Broadway was burned last night. Loss $5,000.

A dispatch from Mahoney, Pa., states that the miners ignore Mr. Kealy as President of the Workingmen's Society, and that the organization is practically a dead letter.

Wm. M. Evarts was last night elected President of the Bar Association.

A petition has been forwarded to the State Senate at Albany, setting forth that proofs are abundant that the election of Tweed was the result of fraud, and praying that his seat be declared vacant. The evidence of the frauds accompany the petition.

The father of James Fisk has gone crazy from the assassination of his son.

There is no extraordinary activity at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

It has been stated that the steamship Oceanic, from Liverpool, has arrived.

It is generally believed Mayor Hall will soon formally resign. President Cochrane, of the Aldermen, is acting Mayor.

A report is current that the bank account of Mayor Hall has at last been found in the Manhattan Bank, and that a prosecution based upon it is about to be made by the Attorney General.

The Brooklyn Supervervisors commenced an investigation into the number of sinecure offices, yesterday, finding 33 officers attached to one court.

A Columbia, S. C., letter states that the defence in the Ku-Klux cases has entirely broke down, and those implicated are fleeing. The klan is almost effectually broken up.

Wheyland, who was assassinated in New Orleans last night, was formerly a member of the thirty-first Massachusetts regiment.

Rev. Dr. Thompson, of Chicago, last night telegraphed his acceptance of the rectorship of Christ Church in this city.

The rumor that Stokes is already indicted is probably untrue, though it is understood the case is under consideration by the Grand Jury.

It is believed Tweed will go to Albany to-night. The *Commercial* is informed it is the intention to place the Tammany society distinctly on reform ground, at a meeting to be held early in February to fill the vacancies in the sachems. It being understood that Hall, Sweeney and others have pledged themselves to retire then.

The officers of the Manhatten bank, positively deny that Oakey Hall ever had a cent deposited there.

The statue of Franklin was placed on a pedestrial at Printing House Square, and veiled with an American flag.

The Staten Island ferry boat Castleton, was seized and libelled, for non-compliance with the law of Congress, in not having a steam recording guage.

The railroad trouble at Hempstead, Long Island, is ended. The attacking parties showing no disposition to renew the war.

The Coroner says he will not bail Stokes; that he was undetermined what to do about presenting the case to the grand jury till legally advised.

In the case of Wm. Arthur against John A. Griswold and John M. Wheeler for money lent the Iron Mountain Company, of Lake Champlain, in 1867, the jury gave the plaintiff a verdict for $51,122 99.

River News.

CAIRO, January 10.—Arrived—Quickstep, from Evansville, at 9 P. M.; Belle of Memphis, from Memphis, at 9 A. M.; Belfast, from New Orleans, at 11 A. M. Departed—Quickstep, for Evansville, at 1 A. M.

MEMPHIS, January 10.—Clear and pleasant. The river has risen one foot.

CINCINNATI, January 10.—River 20 feet 9 inches; fallen 18 inches. Arrived—Kate Putnam and Charles B. Church, from New Orleans; Kate Robinson, from St. Louis. Liberty No. 4 arrived yesterday. Departed—Charmer, for Evansville. Weather cloudy and moderate, but threatening.

ST. LOUIS, January 10.—River falling slowly, but a thaw, which has been quite rapid to-day, will soon cause a rise, and navigation will again be fully resumed. There is plenty of freight here for the South.

EVANSVILLE, January 10.—Cloudy and cold. The river has risen 8 inches. Mercury 29 to 30 degrees. Business good.

CAIRO, January 10.—River stationary. Clear; mercury 34 degrees.

PITTSBURGH, January 10.—Cloudy and freezing. Monongahela 5 feet and falling. Arrived—St. Charles and Juniatta. The St. Charles leaves Friday.

LOUISVILLE, January 10.—River gradually declining, with 9 feet 2 inches in the canal and 7 feet 2 inches in the chute. Cloudy and cold.

The Iowa Senatorship—Harlan Defeated in Caucus.

CHICAGO, January 10.—A dispatch just received from Des Moines, Iowa, says, in the Republican Senatorial caucus to-night Allison was nominated on the third ballot. The private vote will be sent soon.

DES MOINES, January 10.—The Des Moinites and the balance of Iowa are wild with enthusiasm over the nomination of Hon. W. B. Allison for U. S. Senator by the joint caucus of the Republican members of the Legislature. The whole number of votes cast was 120; necessary to a choice, 61. On an informal ballot Allison received 60 votes, Harlan 38 and Wilson 22. On the first formal ballot Allison 55, Harlan 42, Wilson 20. Second ballot, Allison 63, Harlan 40 and Wilson 17. Immediately after the caucus the many friends of Allison assembled at the Savery House, and after repeated calls Mr. Allison appeared and addressed the crowd.

Nothing of importance transpired in either branch of the Legislature to-day.

New York Legislature.

ALBANY, January 10.—A bill was introduced in the Assembly to-day, providing for a convention composed of three delegates from each Assembly District in New York city, to be elected by the people, to form a new charter for that city.

A bill providing for the payment of certain bonds of the city of New York falling due this month, was passed by both Senate and House this morning.

—It is announced at Rome that the Pope will shortly send his ultimatum to the Roman Catholic bishops who have not accepted the dogma of Infalibility.

42d CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10, 1872.

HOUSE.

The mint and coinage bill was taken up, Mr. KELLY explaining its provisions.

Mr. WOOD alluded to the position taken by Mr. DAWES yesterday against increasing officials salaries. He said the people were more anxious as to the integrity and ability than as to the pay of officers. If Mr. DAWES would devote his abilities to effecting a substantial reform in the civil service, he would effect a good for which the country would thank him.

Mr. DAWES, in reply to Mr. Woods' assertion that the Democracy commenced the reform in New York, said the Republicans sent their theives to the penitentiary, while the Democracy sent its thieves to the Legislature. [Laughter.].

Mr. WOODS responded that if the Republicans sent all their thieves to the State prison, there would not be prisons enough in the country to hold them, [Renewed laughter.]

Mr. WOOD, in the course of his remarks, said the report of the Committee on Civil Service reform contained an astounding statement that according to the calculation of those who had made a careful study of all the facts, that one-fourth of the revenues of the United States were annually lost in collection.

After some little discussion the coinage bill was recommitted to the committee.

Mr. HOAR, from the committee on elections, submitted a majority report in favor of the right of W. T. Clarke to a seat from the Third district of Texas. The minority report being favored by C. Goodings he proceeded to argue the matter in its support.

A motion of Mr. FARNSWORTH to recommit the whole case was rejected.

A resolution for the admission of Clarke was adopted—yeas 102, nays 79. Clarke was then sworn in. Sargent was also sworn in as a Representative from California.

SENATE.

Messrs. WRIGHT, MORRILL, of Maine, and NORWOOD, were appointed a committee to investigate the charges against CLAYTON.

A bill from the Foreign Committee, to authorize the admission of six Japanese youths to West Point, without expense to the government, was introduced, occasioning a long debate as to the precedent set by such a proceeding, but finally went over.

Mr. CARPENTER offered a preamble and resolution setting forth that any rules and regulations taking from the President the power of nominating public officers would be contrary to the Constitution, and said that at an early day he would call it up for the purpose of submitting some remarks on the latest political delusion called "Civil Service Reform," which takes it from the officer in whom it is vested by the Constitution and gives it to the board of schoolmasters sitting at Washington. Laid over.

On motion of Mr. WILSON the bill to prohibit the detention of soldiers' discharges by claim agents or attorneys was adopted.

On motion of Mr. LOGAN the Secretary of the Interior was requested to inform the Senate whether the railway from the mouth of the Ohio river to Mobile has been constructed as contemplated by the act of 1850, donating public lands to facilitate its construction, and if not, what steps have been taken to complete it.

Several bills were introduced and referred, after which the Senate adjourned.

SAINT LOUIS.

Movements of Alexis.

ST. LOUIS, January 10.—The Grand Duke Alexis has accepted an invitation from the Missouri Legislature to visit Jefferson City, but what particular day the party will go up is not decided. The Duke and a portion of his suite attended the theatre last night in an unobtrusive way, their presence being known to but few. To-day the party will visit the public schools and to-night the Duke and the younger portion of his suite will probably attend a regular party of the social club called the Home Circle. It is not known yet when the Ducal party will leave for the plains, or whether they will go at all, as the late snow storm has interfered somewhat with the contemplated buffalo hunt.

Twelve frame buildings in Holden, this State, were burned last Saturday. Loss not reported.

The Grand Duke and suite will leave to-morrow *via.* the Missouri Railroad for Kansas City. Thence they will go to Fort Hays or Fort Ellis, Kansas, where they will spend two or three days hunting Buffalo. This change in the original programme was caused by the recent fall of snow in the region more northward, and also for the reason that by this route the heart of the buffalo range can be penetrated by rail and long horseback or ambulance rides avoided. The special train that brought the party here will convey them on their western trip. On their return the Duke and suite will prepare for their departure South. For this trip The steamer Great Republic, the largest and most magnificent on the western waters, has been chartered and will be held in readiness to receive them either here or at Cairo, according to the condition of the river. Their departure will take place either on the 27th or 28th inst.

On Monday last, United States Deputy Marshals Prescott and Tocket came upon an illicit distillery in New Madrid county, and arrested Moses Conoy, its proprietor, and two other men. They then seized two barrels of whisky and an ox team and started for Charleston. After proceeding about eight miles, the team stalled in a swamp, and while efforts were being made to extricate it, some eighteen masked men suddenly appeared and demanded the release of the prisoneas, which was complied with, resistance under the circumstances being useless.

Earthquake in the Northeast.

QUEBEC, January 10.—A heavy shock of earthquake was felt here at 8 o'clock last night, lasting about five seconds. The citizens were considerably alarmed and ran out of their houses. The congregation in the Methodist Church was very much excited by the shock. No damage was done. The shock was also felt at Riviere du Loup, Grand Island, Metes and Three Rivers.

LANCASTER, N. H., January 10.—There was a slight shock of earthquake here last evening.

Light Wanted in Tennessee.

NASHVILLE, Jan. 10.—Dr. Sears, custodian of the Peabody fund, has appropriated $1,500 to pay an agent to travel over Tennessee and arouse the people to the importance of free schools. J. B. Kilbrem has been appointed agent.

—The Standing Committee of the Pennsylvania Labor Union meet February 7th at Harrisburg.

THE CUSTOM HOUSE INVESTIGATION.

NEW YORK, January 10.—The Congressional Retrenchment Committee continued its sessions at the Astor House to-day. Mr. J. Bayson testified that his books were seized by government officers last February, kept five months and then returned without any charges being proved against him.

Mr. Little, from Cornell, stated his inability to name the exact residence of the custom house employees.

Mr. Casserly demanded that these should be found.

Ezra B. Wheeler, importer, testified to the seizure of his books for alleged irregularities. His lawyer settled the difficulties by paying large sums, though he believed the amounts due by him were small.

John D. Ferry, a clerk in the custom house, said the charge against Captain Grant as to the connivance of the customs officials in the election frauds was false. He said he was promised promotion by Collector Murphy about a year ago.

John S. Beecher, importer, testified that his goods were seized in the fall of 1860—a lot of sherry wine; we compromised by paying the government $35,000; the charge was, undervaluation of our invoices, which we knew was not the case; the reason we compromised was because our business was stopped by the seizure of our books; we never had been able to find out who made complaint. The attorneys we employed were recommended by the custom house people; they told us we could settle it for $50,000, but afterwards we got it down to $35,000.

John D. McKenzie testified that the government weighers did not do the weighing; said the custom house clerks were busy getting the business facilitated; when a grand juror knew of a $150,000 fraud case being settled by custom house officers for $50,000.

Horace B. Clark, of Brooklyn, testified to the seizure of the books of his firm by Clifford Thomson, who was dismissed from the internal revenue office. The informer was Thomson's brother-in-law, Elliott, who was an employe in my store; I discharged him for embezzlement in 1869; shortly after my brother was secretly informed that the affair would be compromised for $12,000; we refused, the case went to court and cost $100,000 to defend myself; the result was in my favor. Leet & Stocking used to charge ten per cent for storage, while nine was the regular price—being informed that these exorbitant prices were put upon goods because the collector or deputy collector of this port was a partner of Leet's and had to get his share. Our merchandise was lost frequently while in charge of the custom house; knew of bottles being taken, and spirit packages sent to appraiser's department. He wrote to Secretary Boutwell, who took no notice.

Gen. Palmer testified that he had seen President Grant at Long Branch; the President was anxious about the retention in office of one Carrigan, who got three dollars a day as packer. Carrigan was retained to do Murphy's work on the city wards. Witness said he dismissed three important officials, by order of Secretary Boutwell, because they did not vote the way Murphy wanted them. Gen. Alfred Pleasanton said the men would be dismissed if they didn't vote that way; Pleasanton and other officials had been instructed to vote that way. The man whom witness discharged for malfeasance was reappointed by Murphy to an inspectorship. Having heard the charge made that he was unfriendly to the administration witness went to Washington to see the President; Senator Porter kept him from audience some time; saw the President, who said he need have no fears of removal; in three weeks after witness was removed. Gen. Bayard at this point put the inquiry which brought out the fact that one Bliss who was interested on the side of the Republican party, was behind witness and was handing a written question to Senator Howe, whereat Howe retorted tartly.

Here Senator Casserly condemned the intermeddling of the Custom House officers.

Gen. Palmer further said that the Custom House officers were employed to control the last two State conventions.

Adjourned.

OHIO LEGISLATURE.

COLUMBUS, January 10.—The General Assembly, in joint session at 12:30 to-day, elected John Sherman United States Senator, he receiving 73 votes. 59 votes were cast for George W. Morgan, 5 for Jacob D. Cox, 1 for Robert C. Schenck, and 1 for Aaron F. Perry. An immense crowd was in attendance and a portion of the session was boisterous.

In the Senate to-day a bill was introduced to make wild game the property of the persons on whose land it is found, and to prevent the killing of game on the property of another.

A resolution was offered favoring a general amnesty.

In the House a resolution was offered deprecating Federal interference in State politics. A bill was introduced to allow Building and Loan Associations to increase their capital stock. Bills were introduced to authorize the granting of injunctions to restrain persons from engaging in the lottery business while suits are pending against them; and requiring the removal of thistles, grass and weeds from roads, highways, streets and alleys; also, to make husband and wife incompetent to testify for or against each other.

CALIFORNIA.

A Desperate Fight with one of the Nevada Convicts.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 9.—The three weeks' storm has ceased at last.

The latest advices from the head waters of Kern River, where the fight between Charles Jones, an escaped convict from the Nevada State Prison, and Francis Armstadt, who was pursuing him, occurred, have confirmed all the particulars at first regarded as apochrical. Jones was hit twelve times and missed nine, with a Henry rifle at ten paces. Both died. The fight was the most desperate ever recorded.

James B. Larue, a California pioneer, died at Brooklyn, Alamada county, yesterday morning.

The Central Pacific is now receiving all eastern bound freight offering.

Thousands of cattle perished in the flood in Sacramento Valley. The storm continues, and the rivers are still rising. The weather is very warm. Two hundred and seventy overland passengers and mail from New York to December 28, arrived last night.

—The Pennsylvania Legislature in joint meeting, yesterday, elected Robert W. Mackey State Treasurer.

FOREIGN.

SPAIN.

General Sherman at Madrid---He Meets a Cordial Reception.

NEW YORK, January 10.—A Madrid special of the 9th states that Gen. Sherman and Lieut. Grant arrived there on the 7th. They were presented to King Amadeus by the American Charge d'Affairs. The King is reported as saying he was pleased to see so famous a representative of the American army as General Sherman, and that he always entertained friendship for the American people. He desired the most cordial relations, as between neighbors whose interests can only lie in the preservation of peace. May it always exist between the United States and Spain.

In the evening a banquet was given by the United States Legation, at which were present Senor Malcamp, Minister of Marine; Senor Topete, Minister of the Colonies; Senor DeBlas, Foreign Minister, and others. The following toasts were drank and responded to: "The King," "President Grant," and "The Armies and Navies of the United States and Spain." The utmost cordiality and friendship marked the sentiments of the speakers of both countries. Admiral Topete said he hoped that peace between the United States and Spain may never be disturbed. Foreign Minister DeBlas said no difficulty between the two countries is known here but can be settled through the representatives of Spain at Washington.

The same special says the excited feeling in Spain in regard to the United States has entirely calmed down, and at Madrid the war cloud was considered as passed away.

The same special states that the announcement of the recall of Roberts, Spanish Minister at Washington, and Captain-General Valmaseda from Havana is premature, and has not the slightest official confirmation.

MADRID, January 10.—It is announced that Senor Saganta will at the first sitting of the Cortes explain the programme of the Government recently formed by him, and will demand of the representations of the people a decision between his policy and that of Zernalla.

ENGLAND.

LONDON, January 10.—Arrangements have been made for the introduction of American cars on English railways.

The Captain of the ship Windsor Castle, which run down a vessel in the channel and was reported to have passed on without heeding the cries of the drowning mariners, has been acquitted of all blame.

Sir John Somerset, of Pakington, addressed a conservative meeting at Rochdale to-night. He stigmatized the policy of the Government as sensational and extravagant, and in alluding to Ireland he said the administration of the affairs of that country were eminently unsuccessful.

FRANCE.

PARIS, January 10.—A dispatch from Dijon says: Cremar, summoned to trial for the execution of the supposed Prussian spy, having refused to appear has been arrested and brought before the court where the trial for murder is proceeding.

The Weather To-Day.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10—7:30 P. M.

PROBABILITIES.

The barometer will probably continue at its highest on Thursday, with pleasant weather in the Southern and Gulf States, except in Florida, where northeast winds and rain may be experienced. The pressure will continue to fall northwest on the Ohio Valley, diverging into an area of low barometer, with rain from Minnesota to Michigan. Southeast winds and cloudy weather will continue on the lower lakes. Dangerous winds are not anticipated for the Atlantic and Gulf coast tonight.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 10.—Judge Bryan, of the United States Court, has received a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of the Ku-Klux prisoners.

Gov. Scott, in his message answering the impeachment charges, denies flatly that there has been any over-issue of bonds, or that any one bond of any class has been issued, except in pursuance of law. He attributes the depreciation of the State credit to Ku-Kluxism, which, he says, has, during the last three years, had the same effect financially as would be produced by war.

MINOR TELEGRAMS.

—Ten of the most prominent strikers engaged in the effort to prevent the laborers from going to work in the coal mines at Nelsonville, Ohio, were arrested Tuesday. Twenty-seven hands have gone to work in one of the mines, and others were expected to resume labor Wednesday.

—As Joseph Hayden was crossing the Baltimore & Ohio railroad track near Mt. Airy, Ohio, Tuesday, his wagon was struck by an approaching train and entirely demolished—Hayden being killed at the same time.

—Chas. McFarland's distillery at Sagetown, Illinois, was burned Monday. Loss, $20,000; insurance, $3,500.

—At Janesville, Wisconsin, Wednesday morning, Delo Burtch fell against a circular saw while in motion, cutting his leg off in two places, and splitting his right arm from the wrist to the shoulder. He died in two hours.

—The steamship Oceanic, which arrived at New York, Wednesday evening, had a terrible passage. She lost three blades of her propeller, sails, etc.

—The store house of the Woonsocket Manufacturing Company, at Woonsocket, R. I., was damaged by fire, Wednesday, to the extent of $10,000.

—The dwelling and tannery of M. D. Gardner, at Mohicanville, Ashland county, Ohio, valued at $15,000, was entirely destroyed by fire, Tuesday night. Supposed to be the work of an incendiary. Insured for $9,000.

—A bill has been passed by both Houses of the New York Legislature providing for the payment of the indebtedness of the city of New York falling due this month. It authorizes the raising of $6,500,000.

—It is rumored in New York that Gen. McClellan is to be the successor of Fisk as the Vice President of the Erie Railway company.

—The Massachusetts Senate on Wednesday adopted an order requesting the committee on railways to inquire into the expediency of providing a law that passengers on railway cars shall be exempt from the liability to pay fares until they are provided with seats.

CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, January 10.—Messrs. Fleischmann & Co.'s distillery, at Riverside, just outside the city limits, was burned at half-past six o'clock this evening. Supposed to be the work of an incendiary. Loss $60,000; insurance $30,000, mostly in Cincinnati companies. A portion of the distillery was used for manufacturing compressed yeast. The building was frame and cost not above $10,000