



The shops at Altoona (Pa.) have received an order for the construction of 1,000 box cars.

The Cleveland (Ohio) wire mills recently received a single order for 60,000 pounds of square iron for umbrellas.

The men in the car-shops at West Troy, N. Y., are working twelve to sixteen hours a day to complete orders from all parts of the world.

Mr. Joseph Segar is trying to get pay as senator from Virginia by reason of his election by the Alexandria Legislature.

An earthquake at Cua, in Venezuela, killed 600 persons. Heavy shocks were felt at Caracas. The heat at Laguna is intense, and the health of the city is bad. There are but few vessels in port. Business is stagnant.

Further reports from Port Jervis, N. Y., state that the heavy frosts of the past four nights have been very disastrous to growing crops, that gardens were to be replanted, and it is feared peaches, pears and grapes are almost entirely destroyed.

A body of strangers are reported as encamped in the woods near North Troy, Vermont. They are all Irish, well dressed, and accessions are hourly arriving, going to show that there is some foundation for the apprehensions of a Fenian raid.

The number of pounds of tobacco consumed in the manufacture of cigars in Florida last year was 728,504, producing nearly 29,000,000 cigars, the internal revenue tax on which was \$170,201.

The Blagovest Yeoman thinks the recent cold snap failed to do any serious damage to the growing crops in Washington county. The vegetables, however, suffered severely.

In New York, on Saturday, the clothing of Mrs. Abraham J. Cole, who was married two days previous, was set on fire by the explosion of a can of liquid polish, and before assistance could reach her she was fatally burned, dying on Sunday.

James Jameson, a man seventy years old, attempted to cross the railroad track at Long Run, Doddridge county, W. Va., Thursday morning, in front of the express train. The engine struck him and he fell under the wheels and was instantly killed.

Joseph Gordon, an alleged counterfeiter, who has figured quite extensively in Philadelphia and Baltimore, was arrested in Philadelphia yesterday, and committed in default of \$5,000 bail.

William McKenny, of Princess Anne county, seeded last fall on his farm in that county 1,000 bushels of wheat, averaging one and a quarter bushels to the acre. Present prospects indicate that he will raise 30,000 bushels of wheat.

It will be remembered that Senator Conkling early in the session introduced a resolution of inquiry into the President's right to restore Benjamin P. Blood to the rank of major in the army, and his motive was generally supposed to be a characteristic desire to "spite" Mr. Hayes. The resolution was referred to the judiciary committee, which, it is now said, has agreed to report that the President's action was unauthorized by law.

A Bradford (Pa.) dispatch states that another heavy frost destroyed all the fruit in the valleys in that section Wednesday night.

The New York Times has special from a large number of important points in the North and West concerning the damage done to the crops by the recent frosts, from which it appears that while hardly any section escaped the visitation, the loss will be confined chiefly to small fruits and early vegetables. The general effect of the cold snap is to put back the crops a week or two.

The trial of Rev. Geo. V. Voshurg, pastor of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, Jersey City Heights, is in progress in the Hudson County (N. J.) Court. He is charged with poisoning his wife under peculiarly atrocious circumstances. The case excites extraordinary interest, and the courthouse is thronged to excess with spectators.

The Williams & Guion steamer Wyoming, which sailed today, took out sixty-eight head of horses for the English government, part of an order being filled by Isaac Mehrbach, of Nos. 152 and 154 East Twenty-fourth street. Fifty more will be shipped to-morrow, and thirty on Saturday. Seventy were shipped on Thursday last, and thirty-five on Saturday. They are purchased in various parts of the country, and are generally large farm-horses.

A rope walker collected \$7 from a crowd that had gathered in Catasaqua, Pa., to see him perform. He spent the money in a barroom, and was drunk when the time came for his feat. The rope was stretched across a street from the roofs of two houses. He started unsteadily, reached the centre, and fell. His recovery is improbable.

A special train of fourteen cars on the Port Royal railroad was thrown from the track last Saturday morning at Canp Branch, sixteen miles from Brunswick, S. C., the fireman, Anthony Gibbs, killed and the locomotive and cars damaged to the extent of \$12,000. The wreck was caused by upright obstructions placed in the way of providing effective atonement.

A heavy mail storm passed over Wheeling, W. Virginia, last evening, breaking glass and destroying trees, fruit, grain, &c. The extent of the loss is not yet known, but it is supposed the storm covered but a small area.

Foreign News.

The Russians are enthusiastic on the subject of cruisers, but the London Times remarks that even if they succeed in equipping their fleet that it will be more likely to fall victim to British cruisers than inflict damage on British merchant men. The election for member of Parliament for Oxford University is in progress, and is regarded as a test of the feeling of the English clergy on the Eastern question. It is believed a settlement will be reached to-day with the Blackburn cotton strikers on a basis of ten per cent. reduction for three months, wages then to be increased in proportion. The great Cheshire handi-cap at Chester, England, was won by Woodlands, who was second in the race for the Chester Trades' cup yesterday.

Appointments of Americans on the international jury at Paris are announced.

A terrible explosion occurred in a Paris ammunition factory yesterday. It is believed to be in progress in Blackburn England. An abridgment's house has been partly wrecked and the windows of all the walls smashed. The Japanese minister of the interior has been assassinated. The complete reconquest of Kashi-gar by the Chinese is announced. Fresh complications are reported in Roumania. An Austrian occupation of Bosnia is talked of as a feasible proposition.

The debate on the movement of the Indian troops was begun in the British Parliament yesterday. Both houses were crowded. The Swedish government denies that Germany has proposed the closing of the Baltic against the British in case of war. A meeting of social democrats has been prohibited at Gotha, Germany. Clementine won the race for 20,000 francs at the Bois de Boulogne, Paris, Sunday. The cable connecting Europe and Brazil is interrupted between Bahia and Rio. A riot is reported in Constantinople. Anglo-Canadian advisers report war in the East inevitable.

Fish Destruction and Preservation.

The Petersburg Post mentions a very destructive disease among the fish, which is said to prevail to an alarming extent in Rappahannock and other rivers in Virginia. At some points the shad are attacked by trichina, and the perch were to be seen in great numbers lying dead along the shores. It is stated by a correspondent of the Post that forty-five years ago as many as 25,000,000 of shad and 750,000,000 of herring were caught annually in the Potomac river, while now it is estimated that not over 250,000 shad are caught in that stream. Professor Baird says "we have destroyed them by fish murder, and the weapons used were gill nets and other destructive contrivances. In spawning season the fish have been mercilessly pursued and not given a moment's rest."

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At about three o'clock proceedings under the second call of the House were disposed with, as Mr. Potter stated that all the members in the city who could be reached were now at the capitol buildings. The speaker then announced that the question was now announced for the previous question. The yeas took their places in front of the speaker's desk, and the long line of democrats commenced to march between them. It was generally understood that a portion of the democrats had been ordered, as they came up by the vote, many members exclaimed that at the same time as the yeas. One hundred and thirty-seven members were required to constitute a quorum. As Mr. John B. Clark of Missouri, marched between the tellers, they counted 147, the number which the democrats had been fighting ever since. Mr. Miller then called the roll and broke into loud and long continued applause, which was renewed at Mr. Lynde, of Wisconsin, walked through the tellers, making 148. Mr. Carter Harrison, of Illinois, then walked through and announced one vote in the negative. The republicans all sat still watching the process as it went on, but not one of them voted. The vote was then announced as 148 in the affirmative and one in the negative, and the demand for the previous question was seconded.

ANOTHER SCENE OF DISORDER.

The republicans then renewed their dictatorial tactics, and the motion to live the resolutions on the table was made. Gen. Banks caused a sensation by raising and objecting to the vote of Mr. Goode being recorded, on the ground that the latter was paired with Mr. Loring. Gen. Banks was very persistent on this point, although several times assured by the speaker that the question of pairing was entirely with the gentleman who made them for their own convenience, and was a matter which neither the speaker or Gen. Banks had any control. Gen. Banks' persistence caused a renewal of the disorder and confusion which has been the rule during the whole of this week.

AN EXPLANATION.

Above the din could, however, be heard the voice of Goode demanding that he should have the opportunity to state his position. At last quiet was once more restored, and Mr. Goode made an explanation of the circumstances of his pairing with Dr. Loring, and established to the satisfaction of every one that he had observed the rule in this respect. He stated that the pairing was not made until after the time he might with perfect propriety have terminated it. Gen. Banks, whose strange conduct was evidently the result of undue excitement, then withdrew the point he had made. On the motion to lay on the table all the republicans voted, and the result was 115 affirmatives and 145 negatives.

MORE DELAY.

The question recurred on ordering the main question, and as to the policy which they had adopted of idly discussing the whole of the day, they possibly could not be expected to do any more than to demand the yeas and nays on this motion. In vain hope of breaking the yeas which the democrats had after so much labor secured the republicans still obtained from voting, and two or three of them who had thoughtless answers to their own questions, withdrew their yeas. This could only be permitted by unanimous consent, but at the request of Speaker Randall the democrats showed more generosity than their opponents, and made no objection. On this vote 147 democrats were recorded in the

The Investigation Resolution—Triumph of the Democrats.

THE STRUGGLE RESUMED.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The House met at 11 o'clock, as usual, with well-filled galleries and a very large attendance of members on the floor. The first business in order was announced to be the motion to second the demand for the previous question. The same scene which has been enacted since Monday last was repeated, the republicans refusing to vote, and thus refusing to vote, and thus preventing a quorum. Some dilatory motions were made from the republican side, and after a scroll of the House had been ordered, and all of the republicans answered to their names, which showed 238 members in attendance, further proceedings were called for were suspended with, and, on motion of Mr. Potter, the doors were closed and the sergeant-at-arms sent after the absentees with a speaker's warrant for the arrest. The republicans then showed in motions to grant leave of absence to members on that side who were not present in the House. The yeas were taken by a general grant, and was also done in the case of several democratic absentees.

AN EXCITING EPISODE.

The most exciting scene which has occurred during the struggle of the week was occasioned at this period. A Massachusetts member, in announcing the absence of Mr. Loring, of that State, on account of sickness, stated that he was paired with Mr. Goode, of Virginia. Mr. Goode, who said that the pair had expired, Mr. Conger, of Michigan, who seems to think his name entitles him to privileges not claimed by younger members, announced that Mr. Goode, in testimony of the pair, had violated his honor by absence to members on that side who were not present in the House. He called attention to the fact that Mr. Goode had declared that if the gentleman from Michigan assailed his honor he would hold him personally responsible for it. Members gathered around the two gentlemen, and Mr. Goode's remarks excited much indignation on the side of the House and from the galleries. The speaker rapped loud and long for order.

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THE REPUBLICAN ADDRESS.

Of numerous expressions of opinion on the republican manifesto against the fraud investigation we present the following well considered and to the point: "We do not wonder that the republicans in Congress should have put upon Mr. Hale, of Maine, the responsibility of signing the wild and unwise address which they issue today to the country. To describe a resolution looking to the investigation and punishment of frauds upon the electoral vote, and to measure such may effectually prevent the perpetration of frauds upon the electoral vote, as an attempt to 'magnate anarchy and Mexicoize the government,' is to excite the very clamor and confusion which those who misrepresent the action of the democratic majority pretend to deplore."—N. Y. World.

"The republicans in Congress have made the most lamentable attempt to excite the fears of the country because the democrats in Congress propose to investigate the frauds committed with the electoral vote in the presidential election in Louisiana and Florida. If there are no frauds investigation will not hurt anybody. If the President and no connection with fraud he need not be afraid to give an inquiry. The talk about revolution is only intended to produce the evils the republican Congressmen pretend to deplore. Nobody will be hurt by the investigation. The party that pairs itself in the position of sustaining a fraud which has been denounced as infamous by its own leaders will be the laughing stock of the country."—Philadelphia Record.

"A folder political address was necessary to the American people. One that which has just been put forth in the name of the republican party. This address pronounces the movement to inquire into the electoral frauds revolutionary. What does that mean? Has our government been based on frauds? Has the republic been founded on frauds? Is the republic a fraud? The republicans will hardly admit that. It is an effort to 'magnate anarchy and Mexicoize the government.' Now what meaning is there to that? Is the exportation and demand of frauds peculiar to Mexico? If so Mexico enjoys the highest position of honor among the nations of the earth. If so it would be to Mexicoize all other governments."—N. Y. News.

"Another illustration of the insincerity that marks this whole business is the fact that the republican manifesto issued by the republican party over the signatures of Hale and Conger. The pretense that the movement for investigation is revolutionary can mislead no one. The issue, so far as it affects Mr. Hayes, may be left to take care of itself. It will be time enough to cry 'wolf' when the wolf is in sight."—Philadelphia Times.

Francisco Peralto, a Mexican rider, attempted at Brooklyn, N. Y., Saturday, the feat of riding 305 miles in 15 hours. He began at 4 a. m., having a fresh horse for every mile. He accomplished the first 100 miles in 4 hours and 20 minutes, averaging per mile 2 minutes and 40 seconds. At the 25th mile he was 7 minutes ahead of time. After this three heavy showers fell in succession, the track became very muddy and the time ranged from 2:50 to 3:18 per mile, and when he was on the 302nd mile the judges declared the time was up. Peralto continued, however, making the 305 miles in 15 hours and 10 minutes. His fastest mile was the 188th in 2:13 and the slowest the 295th in 3:18.

A Republican Manifesto.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The republican congressional committee has issued an address to the voters of the United States, declaring that the resolution adopted by the House for an investigation is to lay the foundation for a revolutionary expulsion of the President from his office; that it is the culmination of a plot on foot, from the day Hayes was inaugurated, and that no reliance can be placed in any promise not to displace Hayes made by the democrats. It refers to Speaker Randall's decision that the resolution was a question of the highest privilege because it concerns the "election of a President" as proof that it was framed to express this object; justifies the republicans in filibustering against it; that ground; characterizes the refusal of the democrats to allow any inquiry into the Oregon "bribery" as "shameless," and warns the public that the scheme, if pursued, will further paralyze business. In conclusion it says: "The new effort of the democracy to inaugurate anarchy and Mexicoize the government by throwing doubt upon the legitimacy of the title of the President is in keeping with the record of that party, one wing of which rebelled against the government, while the other wing gave them aid and comfort. The rebellion of 1857, without distinction of party, to rally again to the support of law, order and stable government, and to overwhelm with defeat the reckless agitators who, to gain political power, would add to the present distress of the country by slinking the foundations of the government they failed in a four years' war to destroy. By unanimous order of the committee, GEORGE HALE, Chairman, GEORGE C. GOBBINS, Secretary."

THE FINAL VOTE.

The final question was then reached, which was on the passage of the resolution. The republicans again called for the yeas and nays, and again refused to answer when their own names were called. The vote on the passage of the resolution was 145 affirmatives and two negatives, making exactly a quorum. The negative vote was made up of the yeas of Mr. Miller, of Texas. The announcement was then made from the desk that the resolution had passed, and the democrats celebrated their triumph with applause and clapping of hands. The republicans have by their action caused the utter wasting of a whole week of valuable time, and have nothing to show for it. The absurd stories of their defeat in the democratic ranks, which was to take place to-day, were not verified. Mr. Stephens, who had been credited with the purpose of leading the revolt, was at the House this morning, but did not remain very long and indicated no intention to take part in the proceedings. But three democrats, Harrison, of Ill., Mills, of Texas, and Morse, of Mass., separated from their party residing during the day, but the votes which they cast were of no material importance. The republicans made no effort to take part in the proceedings, and was also done in the case of several democratic absentees.

THE INVESTIGATION.

The republicans are expressing much dissatisfaction with the appointment of Gen. Butler on the investigation committee. Mr. Hale states that Speaker Randall came to him on Saturday to consult with regard to the republican representation on the committee, and it was understood that Mr. Dannel, who had been a member of the Florida investigation committee at the appointment of Gen. Butler on the investigation committee. Mr. Hale says the speaker came to him and said that Gen. Butler's name had been substituted for that of Mr. Dannel. The Hayes republicans say the speaker was bullied by his democratic associates into putting Butler on. It seems that Mr. Hale has of late become very intimate at the White House and has been the recipient of some patronage, from which he fancies himself to be the special champion of the President. He therefore thought that he should be allowed to name the republican members of the committee of investigation. A Massachusetts republican, friendly to the President, said that the committee now stood there were only three republicans on it; that Ben. Butler would act in perfect accord with the democrats in the investigation, and would attend the caucuses of the republicans to learn their secrets and report them to his democratic allies. The anti-Hayes republicans, however, will not do this with Butler's appointment. Many of them openly expressed their wish that the capitol, that the investigation would result in discovering everything that the democrats hoped for. Judge Blair was prominent on the floor of the House, and was in exceedingly good humor. He seems to be content with the course he has taken, and is well satisfied with Butler's appointment. Many of them openly expressed their wish that the capitol, that the investigation would result in discovering everything that the democrats hoped for. Judge Blair was prominent on the floor of the House, and was in exceedingly good humor. He seems to be content with the course he has taken, and is well satisfied with Butler's appointment.

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