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SAURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 29, 1866.

GEN. DIX ACCEPTS THE MISSION TO FRANCE.

Major Gen. JOHN A. DIX arrived in town yesterday and had an interview with the President and Secretary Seward. Gen. Dix accepts the mission to France. As we indicated in the REPUBLICAN of Thursday, when he appeared before the District Attorney and qualified, preparatory to entering upon the duties of naval officer of New York, he had not received notice of his appointment of Minister to France. The reason why it was not tendered to him on Monday, instead of the naval office, was because the request of Mr. BURLINGAME to be recalled had not reached the Government.

While it is to be regretted that a statesman of the ability, clearness and strength which has always characterized the public career of Gen. Dix should be removed from the political arena at home, just at this crisis, it is at the same time gratifying to know that we are hereafter to be represented at the Imperial Court of France by a positive man, who is not only sound theoretically on the great American doctrine announced by MONROE, but who has illustrated the cherished idea in his official orders and acts.

PERSONAL.

The Boston Post calls Bennett "a harmless revolver." One of Florence Marryat's latest novels is, "Too Good for Him." It is in press, and when published we shall see if it is good enough for her. Dr. LIVINGSTON writes, July 11th, from somewhere in the middle of Africa, that he is well and "pushing along."

PROFESSOR NEWTON, of Yale College, says that on the 13th and 14th of November next a prodigious flight of meteors will appear.

Bismarck, says a reliable exchange, has done more in the way of "reconciliation" in three months than the American Congress has done in eight months.

MAJOR BEN PERLEY POORE arrived in town yesterday from Pittsburg, Pa., and is en route to Boston. The Major attended the Pittsburg Convention as a Journalist—not as a delegate.

At the last celebration of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, the following formed a part of the proceedings:

The President of the United States—Guided by an overruling Providence, sustained and supported by the loyal people, may he so direct the affairs of our country that we may pass safely through the dangers that threaten it.

The Commander called upon Major BEN PERLEY POORE to respond, stating that he had come from the seat of Government expressly to be present upon this occasion.

Major Poore replied to the sentiment in a brief but happy speech, expressing his gratification at meeting so many of his old friends. He hoped that the President, as being the head of the nation, would receive the cordial support of the people of New England. He believed the President was performing his duty as he believed to be right, and he hoped that Massachusetts would stand by him while he stood by the freedom of the States.

BROWN, THE OARSMAN, AND THE SPRINGFIELD REGATTA.—MR. BROWN, the Portland oarman, feels aggrieved by the intimation in some of the papers that he sold the race at Springfield. He states that a boat was sent for him to row in there which he had condemned, and in which he refused to row, but was persuaded to do so to prevent disappointment on the part of the crowd. Before he entered the race he distinctly stated that he did not expect to win the race, and did not row with that intention. He stands ready to row any man in the country for any reasonable sum, or for the championship.

CABINET MEETING YESTERDAY, attended by all the members. Secretary SEWARD is fast recovering from his recent attack. Postmaster General RANDALL, though quite unwell, remained throughout the session, which lasted about three hours and was quite important.

JOHNSON MEETING AT YORKVILLE, N. Y.—Speeches of Hon. E. P. North, Hiram Ketchum and others. A well-attended meeting of the conservatives of Yorkville was held last evening at the corner of Eighty-sixth street and Third avenue. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Andrew Johnson Club of Yorkville, of which Thos. P. Marshall is president, and John M. Hale, secretary. The grand gathering of last evening was for the purpose of ratifying the proceedings of the Philadelphia Convention and the nomination of Jno. T. Hoffman for Governor.

Hon. E. P. North was the first speaker of the evening. During the course of his remarks he defended the policy of Andrew Johnson and "showed up" the radical doings of the hour in his peculiar style, and answered very satisfactorily the questions as to what treason was under the Constitution, showing that the black Republican, how ever the proposed impeachment of the President was merely given out for effect, and that the President had in no wise rendered himself guilty of any act for which impeachment could be called for.

Hon. Hiram Ketchum and others then followed in telling speeches, which, with the meeting adjourned with cheers for Johnson, Hoffman, and the Union.—N. Y. Herald, 29th.

NATIONAL EXPRESS COMPANY.—We published yesterday the fact that a deed of assignment of all the property, rights and credits of the National Express and Transportation Company had been made by the directors and president to John Blair Hoge, J. S. Kelly and C. Oliver O'Donnell, for the benefit of the company's creditors. Owing to financial embarrassments and complications this was decided on, and adapted to the state of affairs. The property and assets of the company are estimated from \$1,800,000 to \$2,000,000, which, with the five per cent. on the last call, if fully paid in by the stockholders, will reach, it is alleged, about \$300,000 assets, which, it is stated, about \$175,000 liabilities. The New York papers state that the directors and stockholders, has applied for an injunction in that city against the company, prohibiting them from collecting further assessments on the stock, and asking that a receiver be appointed. The regular meeting of the board of directors will take place in October, when it is understood, an effort will be made for a thorough reorganization of the company.—Richmond Times.

THEY are to have a "partial eclipse of the sun" in Boston. The sun could be expected to appear in the sky.

THE DEPARTMENTS.

Important to Heirs of Deceased Soldiers.

The Secretary of War, in compliance with the act of Congress, July 28, 1866, giving to soldiers the additional bounty of \$50 and \$100, and directing him to prescribe the "Paymaster General rules and regulations for the examination of the accounts of every soldier who makes application therefor, has decided that the word "parents" in the act includes the mother, and that all applications made by her, or by the father, or by the mother and father, if both be living, instead of by the father, as heretofore. This decision will entail an immense amount of extra labor on the accounting officers of the Treasury, who are pushing forward as rapidly as possible the examination and adjustment of similar claims. It will be of general interest to the heirs of all deceased soldiers entitled to the additional bounty under the act referred to, that the Second Auditor, in recent circulars to such claimants, says that in making application to this office for the additional bounty provided for the widow, minor children, or parents of deceased soldiers, the form of application to be the same as heretofore used in applying for arrears of pay and bounty, with the exceptions that the number of the certificate issued in the previous settlement must be given; and it should be stated that the "application is made to recover the additional bounty provided by the 12th and 13th sections of an act of Congress, chap. 178, approved July 28, 1866."

Post Office Affairs.

At Luthersville, Baltimore county, Md., J. G. Cockey is appointed postmaster, in place of Miss Elizabeth Burnside, resigned.

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Pen, Penell, and Network.

At the late drawing of Rancid Butterfield & Co's lottery, Mr. Quibble drew something—he drew an inference.

A RACONRO having been recently killed, in South Carolina, by lightning, the owner said there was some consolation in knowing that nothing but a streak of lightning ever caught him.

Last Saturday twelve negroes made an attack upon Mr. John Moore, at his store in Elizabethtown, N. C., and drove him and his family to the house of a neighbor, where they were arrested and committed to jail by the Freedmen's Bureau agents.

A Western editor thus "cusses" an opponent: "May his cow give sour milk, and his hens lay bad eggs." In short, may his daughter marry a one-eyed editor, his business go to ruin, and he go to—Congress.

The Washington and Georgetown Passenger Railroad Company, of which George S. Gibson, Esq., is president, are constantly improving their cars. Some excellent cars, of a light pattern, have made their appearance on the avenue.

Mr. Lewis Godey has lately translated into Latin the whole of the "Haven," in a measure which is cheerfully described as being "a five-line stanza of trochaic tetrameter, with a trochaic dimeter-hypercatalectic."

WHILE D. W. Voorhees was addressing a Democratic meeting at Shelbyville, Indiana, on Saturday night, a party of Radicals assailed the speaker, who had arrested a man in the crowd accused of felony. The man was imprisoned, and the mob broke open the jail and rescued him.

Trabun's correspondent says, very properly, that Mr. Murdoch's speech in the Pittsburg Convention was composed for the occasion by a "self." This seems to imply that some of the speakers had their speeches prepared by others. Who did it?—N. Y. Com. Advertiser.

It is stated that during the past fortnight the sum of \$110,000 was received from the sale of the cotton in New York, which was sold to take out in accordance with the revenue law. The stringent clauses of the amended revenue act in relation to distillers have had the effect of closing some of the smaller establishments.

A pamphlet published at Berlin estimates that 1,100,000 men the effective force capable of being raised by the new German Confederation, over which Prussia enjoys political and military supremacy. Of this number there are 650,000 men who belong to the regular army, and the remainder to the landwehr.

The day for the great Hudson Bay Company's sale of mink skins has been fixed for Wednesday, October 3, at which time Messrs. Leasing & Co., auctioneers, will offer at their store in Montreal, in lots of 250 to 300 skins, 9,000 mink. Parties will do well to make a note of the day and date.

At the sinking of the Llanid Frowan a planter from Kentucky, bound to Washington county, Arkansas, when awakened, seized his carpet-bag, containing eight thousand dollars, and rushed into the cabin, where he saw a lady straggling in the water. He threw away his carpet-bag and money, and seizing the lady carried her to a place of safety.

ASTORID, the celebrated racer, who, it was expected by many, would prove the winner in the four mile race at Fordham, N. Y., on Tuesday, was withdrawn in consequence of having sprung the tendon of his right fore-leg, in a trial over a heavy trot on Friday. The injury was not fully developed and proved to be serious and permanent until Sunday morning. He will never be able to stand the preparation for another race, and is selling for the turf. It is said that his rider, on discovering the extent of his injury, dropped the reins on the neck of the high-spirited horse and burst into tears.

The Alexandria Gazette says a young man named Charles Garcia was arrested in Alexandria on Monday for failure to pay his board bill at a hotel. He represented himself as a circus agent, and at the time of his arrest was engaged in laying out a ring, surrounded by negroes and boys. He had with him a large piece of raw cotton, which he said, was for the monkeys attached to the circus.

It is carried to the market office, during his trial, he pretended to have a fit, falling on the floor of the verandah, and barking like a dog. At the suggestion of the application of cold water, however, he revived and left for Washington.

A RAILROAD CONVENTION.—For some days past a convention of freight agents of the principal railroads in the United States has been in session in Cleveland, Ohio. All the delegates have not yet been made public, but it is announced that among the resolutions passed was one declaring that live stock shall be transported by actual weight after October 1st, and that no return passes shall hereafter be issued to drivers and others in charge of stock, but that the regular fare shall be charged for all such persons. The rates agreed upon for transporting live stock from Chicago to Buffalo, Salamanca, Pittsburg or Lehigh are 50 cents per hundred pounds.

CORN CROP.—The yield of corn in this section of country will be a good one, though not so large, perhaps, as the early season indicated. The cool, dry weather of August was detrimental to corn that was not well matured, but the warm weather, which followed, came in season for very late crops. Farmers have been very busy during the last two weeks sowing fodder. The recent heavy rains were very injurious to them in this respect, many complaining of losing nearly all their blades, and those they succeeded in saving were of an inferior quality.—Annapolis (Md.) Gazette.

ANOTHER CONTRACT FOR IRON.—We learn that the directors of the Union Pacific Railroad, eastern division, have made a further contract for iron, to the extent of 6,000 tons, making 22,000 in all. The iron to be used for the rapid extension of their road west of Fort Riley. The contractors are Messrs. Shoemaker, Miller & Co., of the Cambria works at Johnstown, Pa., who have every facility for speedily carrying out their engagements.—St. Louis Rep.

IN a "leal mine," at Memphis, Tenn., last week, some specimens of red sandstone were broken open, and one was found to contain a perfect human hand, in a perfect state of preservation. In other cases parts of skulls were found, and one black snake some five feet long, was found of the consistency and weight of iron.

THE ARMY WORM.—The Linden (Marquette county, Ala.) Recorder says that the army worms within the past week have made their appearance in that vicinity, and are making a clean sweep of the leaves, squares, and young bolls of the cotton. The rot, too, injured by late and protracted wet weather, is playing sad havoc with the larger green bolls.

THERE are several seemingly unmistakable signs in the family of Green Brown have died of cholera, after a very brief illness, and four more of the family are sick. Mr. Brown apparently hopelessly so. The sanitary condition of the premises where the disease has appeared is of the worst kind.

VISIT OF THE PHYSICIAN KING TO SHELBYVILLE, INDIANA.—The King of Prussia is expected to visit the Duchies of Holstein and Schleswig. He intends to spend several days at Altona, Kiel, Flensburg, Gottorp, and Schleswig. The municipality of Altona are making great preparations to receive him.

The Cotton Tax.

The incapacity of the present Congress to legislate intelligently upon subjects of finance and taxation is again illustrated by the arrival of a delegation of Southern and Western cotton merchants and dealers in Washington to procure a modification of the regulations imposed under the law taxing cotton three cents a pound. It appears that if the law should be enforced according to existing regulations it will delay the transportation of the new cotton crop, and prevent the bulk of it from reaching market for another year. The New Orleans Chamber of Commerce took the subject up and adopted a memorial to the Secretary of the Treasury, that was published in the Commercial Advertiser some time since. This memorial sets forth the practical difficulties of the present Treasury regulations, and suggests the means for remedying them.

In the first place, the tax of three cents a pound, amounting to nearly one-third the price of cotton before the war, falls heavily upon the planters, who are required to pay before the cotton is removed from the respective revenue districts, or else run it through a tedious and expensive bonding process.

Now it turns out that in many parts of the South there are, as yet, no organized revenue districts, and therefore no assessors or collectors. The payment of the tax, or the bonding of the cotton in such cases, are impossible, and if the cotton should be removed or sold without either of these preliminaries it is liable to confiscation. Railroad companies and transportation agents are liable to heavy fines in case they transport cotton without the tax, or the tax or the bonding of the cotton in such cases, are impossible, and if the cotton should be removed or sold without either of these preliminaries it is liable to confiscation.

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Cholera in Massachusetts.

(Correspondence of the New York Herald.)

TROY, N. Y., Sept. 26.—The cholera has broken out with fearful violence in the vicinity of North Adams, Mass. There have been eight cases and five deaths, the doctors say within twenty-four hours. Briggsville is a factory village located one and a half miles north of North Adams, on the road leading to Stamford, Vt. It numbers about 150 inhabitants, and like North Adams and the neighboring town of Berlin, was taken with cholera. This is a mountain region, lying nestled in among the ranges of the Hoosac mountains. At 9 o'clock on Sunday night, at Briggsville, a girl aged 18 years, named Guillard, who worked in the factory, and who lived in the neighboring town of Berlin, was taken with cholera. She had just recovered from the measles, and had a piece of raw turnip. In twenty minutes after, she was seized with cramps; in twenty-two minutes went into collapse, and died in three hours.

Two boys, brothers, aged respectively ten and twelve years, named Grayson Galbraith, were taken with cholera on Monday forenoon. They were both taken at the same time, and died within twelve hours, both dying within fifteen minutes of each other. Mr. Brown, aged forty years, boss dyer in Briggsville factory, was struck down with cholera at the same time as the boys, and died within ten minutes of the same time of their demise. These five cases, all terminating fatally, occurred within twenty-two hours. There have been two cases in North Adams, both occurring about the same time as the above. The patients were Miss Brackett and Miss Brown, both of whom have now recovered. At Blackington, a factory village two miles west of Adams, a factory girl was taken with cholera on Monday, and died within fifteen minutes of each other. Mr. Brown, aged forty years, boss dyer in Briggsville factory, was struck down with cholera at the same time as the boys, and died within ten minutes of the same time of their demise. These five cases, all terminating fatally, occurred within twenty-two hours.

The beautiful weather of Tuesday and yesterday morning has done much to check the ravages of the disease as no new cases are announced. There are no wells at Briggsville, and there have been heavy rains recently the water used has been surface water. To this cause the sudden appearance of the disease is attributed. Dr. Babbitt, having been called to the spot, and Dr. Briggs, of North Adams, all of whom attended in the above named cases, pronounce it cholera of the most malignant type. The victims suffered from cramps—knots as large as hens' eggs being drawn up in the limbs, and the toes and fingers were drawn down as sharply as a scythe. There is great consternation and excitement at North Adams and the neighboring factory villages in consequence of this sudden and fatal irruption of the dreaded pestilence.

A Sporting Reporter Slightly Tired. The Buffalo Commercial, having sent a special to report the great racing tournament at Dexter and Butler, sums up the result as a decidedly losing business. We have only room for the

THIRD ROUND. At the call of the judges Dexter went first to the left after three false starts, with Butler acting as center field at the quarter pole when the ropes were cut, and an alarm of police was raised, with Dexter three lengths against the cushion, and gradually passing the score to Butler. Notwithstanding the tremendous pace at which they were going, Butler was a good second, behaved wonderfully well, and showed as a pleasant, though the balls broke badly for him, and he was not accustomed to a left-hand batter. Swinging round the half-mile stretch, Butler took his gruel kindly, and delivered his mawley straight on the dial, Dexter continuing gradually to close up, with the evident intention of shutting him out. Butler was not to be led, and again broke away with Dexter at his heel, which drew the claret profusely.

It was now anybody's race, and large investments were made on the favorite at any odds. But Dexter, having read a paper "On the Antislavery race, with some speculations as to whether they were the best three in five, together with their effect upon the Decimal and Metric System of the Silurian Period," had it all his own way, and ran the game out with ease, Butler's seconds throwing up the sponge in forty-five minutes.

Week's board for reporter at hotel..... \$25 00
Extra for reporter at hotel..... 75 00
Rice crockery for reporter at hotel..... 10 00
Cholera for reporter..... 10 00
Services for reporter..... 50 00
Total time..... \$175 00

About Boston Criminals. Boston, Sept. 26.—In January last an extensive forgery was committed upon a number of banks in this city, amounting to \$200,000 or upward. The job of working up the case was given to Detective Baker and Hunt, and one John Cannon was believed to be the guilty party. Cannon was found in New York city, and a requisition obtained, when it was learned that the prisoner was in the hands of United States officials for counterfeiting. The detective company and killing of Coolidge, a confederate, and the killing of Cannon, who was believed to be the guilty party. Cannon was found in New York city, and a requisition obtained, when it was learned that the prisoner was in the hands of United States officials for counterfeiting.

Increase of Cholera at Memphis. Memphis, Sept. 26.—Forty-two new cases of cholera and thirty-four deaths were reported in the past twenty-four hours—an increase of one over yesterday.

A Fifty Thousand Dollar Donation. New York, Sept. 26.—The President's National Convention to-day an offer was received from a source not stated, of \$50,000 to establish two new dioceses at Albany and Brooklyn.

An Elaborate Apology for the Cable. As the cable has been in operation for some time, and as it is well known that the cable is still in operation, we are glad to see that communication is expected every hour to be restored. Not many persons understand that the lines in Newfoundland pass through a dense forest, and in one case a continuous distance of 230 miles. Stations are established every 50 miles, and in making repairs, to make a detour of 50 miles into the interior to get across the swollen streams. The public are unable to understand why breaks are not more repaired, but one who has tried a journey, such as the Newfoundland roads offer, can readily comprehend the delay.

Canada. Toronto, Sept. 26.—Hon. Mr. McFee, Minister of the Agricultural Department, delivered the inaugural address at the Exhibition to-day, the business of which was that the Canada could not be coerced into annexation. The Agricultural Exhibition was far from a success.

A Fenian was arrested, but released on a writ of habeas corpus. The Manufacturers' League organized to-night, and nominated Hon. Isaac Buchanan as chairman. Resolutions were made, emphasizing demanding that the late tariff be restored. Many friends of the measure subscribed money in order to agitate the matter.

Italy.—The Trouble About the Debt of Venice. Florence, Sept. 13.—A telegram from Vienna states that the Austrian and Italian plenipotentiaries are agreed upon all points with the exception of the debt. It is believed that Austria will accept the precedents of the treaty of Zurich as a guide in this matter, without any restriction, agreeably to the treaties concluded by her with Prussia and France; and that only the special debt of Venice will be charged to Italy, as was the case in 1859 with that of Lombardy. It is hoped that the signing of the treaty of peace will take place within a few days.

From Boston. Boston, Sept. 27.—The steamer Cuba has arrived from Liverpool via Halifax. Her mails will go South by the morning train, and be due at Philadelphia to-morrow. She was captured by John Williams alias Cannon was convicted of forgery to-day, and sentenced to eight years imprisonment.

Agricultural Fair. OGDENBURG, N. Y., Sept. 27.—Ov. Fenton and suite, with other prominent gentlemen, were present today at the St. Lawrence county fair. New Haven, Oct. 27.—The National Horse Fair, now in progress here, closes to-morrow (Friday). The fair is a great success, and has been largely attended.

BY TELEGRAPH