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Summary of News.

The South Carolina Legislature organized on Monday last.

Brig. Gen. Lafayette C. Baker, the late chief of the government detective force, died at Philadelphia on Sunday morning last.

Peter Cauger, a prominent Democratic politician of New York, was killed Monday evening, 6th inst., by being thrown from a carriage while riding in Central Park.

A sad calamity occurred on the evening of the 4th, at Oakland, Cal., opposite San Francisco, by the giving away of the draw-bridge of a ferryboat. Sixty persons were precipitated into the water, of whom a large number were drowned. Ten bodies have, so far, been recovered.

Gen. Robert Wagner, the hero of the Abyssinian expedition, has returned home and was received by an immense crowd in London. A vote of thanks was tendered him and his officers in the House of Lords.

The cotton crop this year, may be estimated to produce about the same weight as last year. There is less ground planted, but present appearances show that the yield will be comparatively large.

A section of the elevated railway in New York city has been completed and is pronounced successful, safe and expeditious. It has been approved by the Governor and it is intended immediately to run as far as 25th Street.

Stations every quarter of a mile. It will be in running order by December.

During the dense fog on Long Island Sound, on the night of the 30 inst., the steamer, City of Boston, of the Norwich and New London line, was wrecked.

She ran into the Hartford steamer and badly damaged. A dense fog prevailed at the time. The escape from great loss was barely providential as both boats were crowded with passengers. Several persons were badly injured.

The International Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of the United States and Canada was held at Detroit, on the last week in June. The attendance was large and the exercises were characterized by zeal, fervor and harmony.

During the year the number of associations have increased from 245 to 575, and their membership from 35,000 to 57,000. In Europe there is a membership of 25,075.

It is estimated that over 2,000 persons have been converted by these associations. The associations have also laid treasures on earth to the amount of \$750,000.

Ninety associations have libraries, embracing 61,825 volumes, valued at \$1,200,000. Over 100,000 persons are reported to have received the Christian faith.

As very great interest has centered in this gathering, the daily papers of all parties have for some time been filled with comments, and numerous articles have been published in the daily papers of the Convention, and the final result.

On the first day, Saturday, a temporary organization was effected by naming Harry S. Palmer, of Wisconsin, Chairman, and E. P. Taylor, of New York, Secretary.

New York, was made President of the Convention on Monday, the second day of the session, and a Vice Presidential Secretary was elected from each of the States. The rules of the Convention of 1867 were adopted, and the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That we solemnly affirm our faith in the principles of the Declaration of Independence, and our belief in the right of every man to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

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INVESTMENT PROCLAMATION.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Whereas in the month of July, A. D. 1861, in accepting the condition of civil war, which was brought on by rebellion and insurrection in several of the States which constitute the United States, the two Houses of Congress did solemnly declare that war was not waged on the part of the government against the States which were in rebellion, nor for any purpose of conquest or subjugation, nor for any purpose of overthrowing or interfering with the rights or established institutions of the States, but only to defend and maintain the supremacy of the Constitution and the Union with the dignity, equality and rights of the several States unimpaired, and that so soon as those objects should be accomplished, the war on the part of the government should cease.

And whereas, the President of the United States has heretofore, in the spirit of that doctrine, and with the view of securing for it the ultimate and complete effect set forth in the several proclamations offering amnesty and pardon to persons who had been, or were, concerned in the aforesaid rebellion, which proclamations, however, were amended with prudential reservations and exceptions, then deemed necessary and proper, and which proclamations were respectively issued on the 8th of September, 1863, on the 22nd day of March, 1864, on the 5th day of May, 1865, and on the 7th day of September, 1867.

And whereas, the said lamentable civil war, which together, ceased, with an acknowledgment by the States of the supremacy of the Federal Constitution and the Union, and the fact that there no longer exists any reasonable ground for apprehending a renewal of the said civil war, or any other cause of rebellion, and that a full and complete resistance by any portion of the people of any of the States to the Constitution and laws of the United States.

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CELEBRATION OF THE FOURTH OF JULY.

The citizens of Putney and surrounding towns met on Monday evening, July 6th, at the Putney Congregational church, to celebrate the fourth of July.

The exercises were opened by the Rev. Mr. Foster, who read the Declaration of Independence, and then proceeded to read the following address:

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Local Intelligence.

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The receipts at the festival held by the ladies of the Congregational society, last week, amounted to \$100.00.

Mr. J. H. Foster, of Putney, will speak in the Lower Town Hall, Sunday, July 12th, at 6:30 A. M. and 6 P. M.

Grand and Colfax Portraits, Published by the National Art Association, Solicitors of Colfax and Grand Portraits, will be exhibited in Brattleboro on Wednesday, July 22nd. This circus has an established reputation for superiority. See ad.

The Senior Class in the University of Vermont, held their annual picnic at Vergennes, lately purchased, at their own expense, one of J. East & Co's Cottage Organ.

Misses, Thora & Green purchased of H. M. Lawton, of Danvers, during the first eight days of July, 18 bushels and 12 quarts of strawberries, raised on about one-fourth of an acre of ground.

A Soiree was held in the Baptist Church, Tuesday evening, July 7th, for the benefit of the Vermont Soldiers' Home, and the occasion one of social enjoyment. The receipts amounted to \$100.

The best strawberries we have seen this season were raised by M. E. Lawton of Danvers, who recently lost a son, a young man, Mr. L. who was devoted to the Wilsons, and is now reaping a golden harvest.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Windham Agricultural Society, held at Vergennes, Vermont, Sunday morning, July 5th, the following resolutions were adopted:

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