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Sec. 3. The Council of Censors shall hold their first meeting at the State House in ...

Sec. 4. The Secretary of State, shall cause this act to be published in two newspapers in each county in the State, where there are any, as soon as may be after the adjournment of the present Legislature.

Sec. 5. If the first constable or other presiding officer in any town, shall neglect or refuse to perform any of the duties required by this act, and be convicted thereof by the county court of the county in which he resides, he shall forfeit and pay to the treasurer of said county a fine of twenty dollars and costs.

Sec. 6. If any county clerk or sheriff shall refuse or neglect to perform the duties required of him by this act, and be convicted thereof, by the county court of the county in which he resides, he shall forfeit and pay to the treasurer of said county a fine of twenty dollars and costs.

Sec. 7. The presiding officers aforesaid shall receive for their services in returning said votes, six cents per mile, each way, from their respective dwellings, to the residence of the county clerk, or sheriff, to whom such return by this act, is to be made; and the said county clerks and sheriffs shall receive six cents a mile, each way for their travel, and two dollars and fifty cents per day while attending to the business of this appointment, to be paid out of the treasury of the state; and the auditor of accounts against the state is directed to audit the accounts of the county clerks and sheriffs, and the county clerks shall audit the accounts of the constables and other presiding officers, and draw orders accordingly.

Approved Nov. 3, 1847.

An act relating to international Literary and Scientific exchanges. It is hereby enacted, etc.

Sec. 1. The President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall appoint some suitable persons to act as agents in transmitting and receiving all objects of international exchange.

Gen Pillow was received in the Theatre at Mexico with enthusiastic cheers for him and General Worth.

Vera Cruz, at the present time, quite unhealthily. The army was very much excited. The modified tariff had become very popular, and merchants were forwarding large quantities of goods into the interior.

The Indian insurrection was spreading throughout Yucatan. Fifteen thousand insurgents were overrunning the country, and the commerce of Campeche was paralyzed.

Gen. Villand, the Mexican Secretary of War, had been accused of treason by reason of his favoring a peace. It is now known here. (New York.) Intelligence from St. Louis up to the 22d inst., has been received.

Mr. Reid had arrived from Santa Fe, bringing eighteen days later intelligence. The troops that went southward committed many acts of violence on the people in the lower portion of the Territory.

The Apache Indians charged into the Rio del Plan, drove off two hundred cattle, killed three men in the employment of Mr. Thorp, and destroyed all the wagons.

Major Reynolds left for the South with a large force, and would winter at El Paso. Only five thousand remained at Santa Fe. Three thousand Mexicans are said to be busily employed at Chihuahua, erecting forts, mounting cannon on the Castle, and other defensive works.

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Friday, Dec. 17. The Senate did not sit. House.—No business of public interest was done.

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Saturday, Dec. 18. The Senate did not sit. House.—The day was consumed in consideration of the report of the committee on Rules.—The one-hour rule was restored, and various amendments made to the Rules of the last Congress.

Monday, Dec. 20. SENATE.—Mr. Hanning of Indiana gave notice of his intention to introduce a bill to establish a Territorial government in Oregon. Mr. Calhoun of South Carolina called up his series of resolutions, and a spirited debate ensued thereupon.

Tuesday, Dec. 21. SENATE.—Bills were introduced directing the Secretary of the Navy to purchase the patent right in the Naval Ventilator, and to divide Arkansas into two Judicial Districts.

Wednesday, Dec. 22. SENATE.—A petition was received from widow Alexander Hamilton, praying for the purchase by Congress of a thousand copies of the Hamilton Papers.

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Friday, Dec. 24. SENATE.—Mr. Pettit made a speech on the message from the Interior Department; and then Mr. Thompson announced the death of Mr. Speight, late Senator from Mississippi; and the usual resolutions having been adopted, the House adjourned.

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Mr. Baldwin of Connecticut, offered a resolution inquiring into the propriety of a renewal of pensions to widows of naval officers.

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MELANCHOLY AFFAIR.—A shocking affair occurred at Buffalo Block, on Monday last. The Ghileo Constitutionalist thus describes it.—Two sons of Mrs. Thornton, who had been at play—the elder 14 years of age, the younger only six.—While engaged in their fun, the older took a gun from one of the rooms of the house, saying that he was going to shoot birds. He stepped into the yard and told his brother he would shoot him, and immediately cocked the piece, brought it to an aim, and snapped the trigger. The gun kicked in the pan, when he again primed it, picked the flint, brought it to an aim, fired, shot the brother through the right side. The gun proved to be loaded with 8 buck shot. The hapless boy lived but a few hours.

A young apprentice to the shoemaking business asked his master what answer he should give to the often repeated question, 'Does your master warrant his shoes?' 'Answer, Thornton,' said the master, 'that I warrant them to prove good, and if they don't, I'll make them good for nothing.'

WASHINGTON, Dec 24.—P. M. Congress is not in session to-day. The Hon. Robert L. Ross, a representative from the State of New York, has gone home sick.

EVERYTHING. The Telegraph has been opened to St. Louis. Capt. Walker's remains are to be buried at San Antonio, Texas.

THE WOOD MARKET. It seems as if the fates and the wood-sellers had combined the present season, with a determination to see how much they can afflict us poor mortals who have no "wood lots."

THE FATE OF A GREEN MOUNTAIN BOY. Among the brave men who left their homes to fight for country, was one by the name of Abel Blanchard, Jr., of Barnard, a private in the Vermont company.

CHRISTMAS PRESENT. Christmas passed off quiet and right. The boys and girls had an abundance of the benevolence of "Old Saint Nicholas, in the way of sugar toys and wax babies.

BRIDGE AHOY. The freshest in the Connecticut—27 feet of low water mark—has swept off a portion of new Bridge at Cabotville, Mass. It has been the course of construction, across the Connecticut for the past six months, and was not completed until recently.

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Foreign News. The Royal Mail Steamship Hibernia, Capt. Ryrie, arrived at New York this morning, at about two o'clock, having made a somewhat protracted passage of 20-12 days from Europe.

From Switzerland, a letter dated Lucerne, Nov. 29, states that deputies penitentiary arrived the day before from Berne. Nothing had been heard from the canton of Valais, but troops were on the march thither.

The British parliament on the night of the 30th Lord Lansdowne nominated the committee to inquire into the causes of the recent commercial distress, and in the commons the question was carried by a majority of 162.

NEW ENGLAND REGIMENT. An army general order is issued from the adjutant general's office, Washington, dated Dec. 22, and announcing the promotions, appointments and casualties in the army of the United States since the publication of the general orders of Aug. 5, 1847.

SCENE AT THE MENAGERIE.—Columbus, enormous elephant belonging to Raymond Waring, was the actor in an exciting scene yesterday, about 1 o'clock.

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Orange and Rutland Counties are doing their part well, in the way of new subscribers, and we are much obliged to who are favoring us in this way.