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THE DAILY BEE.

Saturday Morning, Dec. 10, 1853.

The NORTHERN MAIL came through yesterday with the latest dates.

MORE OF IT.

The New Orleans correspondent of the New York *Tribune*, who made the notable discovery that the city was about to be desolated by an invasion of cholera, in its most malignant form, for reasons best known to himself, seems to be included to pick up and jot down a few more morsels of truth in his letters—though generally mingled with mendacity. On one point, he says:

He [our papers] noticed the fact of there having been some cases, *there would have been no record of it all*, as it is well known that last year had some ninety deaths of Cholera during the month of Nov., and in the year 1851 about two hundred deaths in the same. I have no doubt that the silence of the press has caused many exaggerated reports to be sent to the world.

No stronger demonstration of the inventive genius of the writer need be required. It is a fact known to all that the earliest rumors of the existence of the Cholera amongst us were noticed by the press, and the first cases which occurred were promptly attributed to the unseasonable warm, murky and warm weather then prevailing. In fact, the press alluded to the subject in the official publication of the Board of Health, a frankness and honesty which we believe to say, the papers of New York under such circumstances, would not have imitated. The only "exaggerated reports" that have gone forth to the world, emanated from the correspondent in question. He is the same imaginative writer, who last summer, during the Yellow Fever, contrived to paint pictures more hideous than even the terrible reality, and accumulated horrors with a power and profusion that Mrs. RADCLIFFE might have envied.

The aforesaid correspondent terminates his career in the city press with the following peculiar and pithy sentence:

I hope in my next to report the city perfectly healthy.

Now, there is a scintillation of truth in this last phrase which contrasts exquisitely with the previous falsehood, throwing the latter into a bold and beautiful relief. If on the 22d, New Orleans was to be ravaged by epidemic cholera in a most malignant form—if the Hospital was to be crowded with cholera patients; if nine-tenths of the cases had proved fatal, and if the press merited castigation for its silence, how is it that on the 24th, within forty-eight hours from the date of the first lugubrious epistle, the *Tribune's* correspondent hopes to announce the return of the city to perfect health? There is an old and somewhat coarse adage which recommends long memories to certain ingenious class of people who have to draw on their imagination for their facts. Like most fibbers the *Tribune* letter-writer is afflicted with a treacherous recollection, else he would not have exposed himself to palpable and incontrovertible an evidence of a ridiculous concoction.

But our Northern brethren appear exceedingly prone and unmistakeably eager to publish the most extraordinary calumnies respecting the health of New Orleans, to catch up every rumor unfavorable to her sanitary condition. We deem it but just to set forth one of the ingredients to which they are liable. Millions of dollars worth of goods are annually purchased in New York by our wholesale and retail dealers. The winter is the harvest of the New Orleans merchant. If he fail to sell his wares, he will probably be disabled from honoring his notes to the New York houses. The natural and evident tendency of these one sided and highly mendacious statements touching the insalubrity of New Orleans is to generate and maintain a feeling of distrust in the community, to prevent our winter customers from forcing them to city, to ruin business operations, and to put in jeopardy the standing of every merchant whose capital is not large enough to defy the menace of a disastrous season. It strikes us that a motive of self-interest, if not a higher and nobler sentiment be present, should induce our New York brethren to pause, ere they wantonly and deliberately and in despite of all rebuking the Crescent City. Rely upon it that if they prove successful in killing business in New Orleans, their own will not escape unmolested.

[illegible] Wardrobe of the Howard Association are far more conspicuous for their [illegible] than their beauty—yet, as men are wont to [illegible] upon their weakest points, a [illegible] the most active members of the Association together a rabbit or two ago, and indulged in a protracted though friendly, discussion touching their personal charms. There was a sandy and bewhiskered K***, whose [illegible] were most eloquently urged. B*** no [illegible] and compared his round [illegible] to a Paris ball room, he would be [illegible] with his bill face and prominent [illegible] looked compliment and self-satisfaction. [illegible] R***, confident in the matchless [illegible] of that seamed and grotesque Szaxon [illegible] his styles his face, calmly exercised [illegible] opponents with compassionate disdain. After long argument, and great felicity of illustration, we were unanimously selected as umpire, and invested with [illegible] power to decide who was the handsomest man of the Association. Little investigation was needed, for the good humored and [illegible] of our friend R*** was beaming [illegible] the serenity of its extraordinary [illegible] configurations. To him we unanimously awarded the palm of beauty, [illegible] a coarse burst forth from the disappointed, such as LISTON or MAY [illegible] never emitted. The sonning and successful candidate bore his blushing honors with [illegible] meekness, and invited his friends [illegible] to triumph in bumpers of choice Fa[illegible]

NEW BOOKS.

Our thanks are due the publishers, G. P. PUTNAM & Co., through J. C. MORGAN, Exchange [illegible] for the following new works:

Irving's Complete Works, Vol. 2, Knickerbocker, with critical and explanatory notes, by GEORGE WASHINGTON GREENE. The second volume of a remarkable publication, embraces the learned and delightfully discursive Notes on Models, the Treatise on Addison, the Essay on Virgil's Georgics, the Sketches on Attic and Modern Learning, Essays on the Christian Religion, Letters and Poems. We need say nothing of the merits of this edition, for the fame of Addison is [illegible] wherever the English language is spoken, and Messrs PUTNAM & Co. have printed their work on excellent paper, with full, large and clear type—a boon the which weak eyed readers will be duly thankful for.

The Putnam Papers, compiled from Putnam's Monthly. Our readers no doubt remember the many acute and clever papers upon scientific and literary subjects, which will be glad to learn that they are now collected together in a single volume.

Harper's Monthly Magazine. We are in receipt of J. B. STEEL, No. 60 Camp street, for the December number of HARPER—a splendid issue, illustrated with great beauty. In its [illegible] contents we note such titles as the following: Memoirs of the Holy Land; The Virginians of Canada; A Pilgrimage to Plymouth; The Newcomes, by Thackeray, &c.

[illegible] CELESTE.—This greatest of Meyerbeer's [illegible] operas has been brought out in very fine style by Marsden in New York. Its reception [illegible] has been triumphant and profitable.

[illegible] JULLIEN has given a series of concerts [illegible] at Metropolitan Hall, on the 5th [illegible] will continue a month. The first concert [illegible] for the benefit of the Charitable [illegible] the St. George's Society. The series will terminate with a grand *Bal Pare*, tickets [illegible] which, it is supposed, will bring enormous [illegible] At present, Jullien is concertizing at Baltimore.

[illegible] our former Prima Donna, Madame DE VRIES, is performing with PERSIANI, TaffaneIli [illegible] Italian opera in Baltimore.

WILLIAM SPENCER ATHERTON.—The late Senator ATHERTON, of New Hampshire, has left a will to President PIERCE, $8,000, and the balance of his property, amounting to over $30,000, to his wife and cousins.

FRENCH MUTUAL BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.—The French Mutual Benevolent Society of Jefferson will celebrate their anniversary, by a ball and supper, to take place this evening at six o'clock, at Mr. Xavier Bernard's, corner of Nunis and Lesseps streets. We acknowledge the courtesy of an invitation.

SUDDEN DEATH.—Coroner Rowan, on the [illegible] held an inquest on the body of Mr Henry M. Crane. The jury, consisting of Messrs Mathias Hugh Meyer, Jones and Leggett, brought in a verdict that he died of an affection of the heart.—*Shreveport Southwestern*.

☞ The particular attention of buyers is called to the unreserved sale of Foreign and American Dry Goods THIS DAY at 11 o'clock, by Vincent & Co., No. 45 Bienville street. Also, 300 dozen muslin shirts, for street interest.

☞ An important sale of Real Estate takes place THIS DAY at Bisso's Arcade. The sale is under charge of Messrs J. A Beard & May, and the whole of the Property will be sold without any reserve.

In the lot for sale are several residences, and a number of choice building lots

LATER FROM MEXICO.

By an arrival from Vera Cruz, we have files of papers from the city of Mexico to the 22d ult inclusive, being some five days later than previous accounts.

The preparatory work for the construction of a pier or quay at Acapulco, has been commenced.

There is a vast amount of speculation in the Mexican journals touching the supposed filibustering expedition to Sonora. The *Diario* of the 19th states positively that the port of La Paz was taken by the American adventurers, and that they had secured the person of the Commandant Rebolledo, and of a vessel on board of which he had embarked, and finally that Mr. Rafael Bojiosos had been seized in his own house. *El Universal* pretends that 1,500 men have embarked in the expedition and makes it the subject of a long and lugubrious leader, in which it inveighs against the covetousness, lust of power and territory of the United States, and declares that Mexico will defend her soil at all hazards and to the last extremity. The papers state that the facts relative to the invasion; the number of the party; the names of those engaged in it have been made known to President SANTA ANNA, and by him communicated to the Minister of the United States,—and that the government looked for early and complete satisfaction from the North American Republic.

The *Siglo* announces the distribution of the new decoration of the order of Guadalupe.—Gen BRAVO was the first to receive the Grand Cross, and will consequently be Vice President and Chancellor of the Order. The same insignia have been bestowed upon the Archbishop of Mexico, the Bishop of Michoacan, the Abbe of the College of Guadalupe, the eldest son of Iturbide, General Lombardini, and the two Generals Cervantes. The establishment of a "Legion of Honor" like that among the French, is spoken of.

The cholera has completely subsided at Oajaca.

The latest accounts from Durango are to the effect that the Indians continue as heretofore, their work of devastation, pillage and murder. Troops have been sent to the frontier, but in sufficient to keep the marauders in check.

Under the head of "INTERESTING NEWS," the *Universal* of the 22d gives the following: "Yesterday a rumor prevailed in the capital, that a telegraphic dispatch had been received from Guanajuato stating that the authorities and inhabitants of Guadalajara and other places has proclaimed, as the will of the nation, that his Excellency General Santa Anna, should continue invested with the extraordinary powers which he now enjoys, as long as in his opinion the maintenance of public order may require; and that consequently the meeting of Congress provided for by the plan of Jalisco, modified by the terms of the 6th February, should be deferred. It is likewise rumored that at the approaching exposition at Guadalajara, a plan will be matured for securing the supreme authority in the event of any misfortune happening to the person of General Santa Anna; and lastly, that a petition has been addressed to the President to carry into effect the decree creating a Captain-General of the Army, and to assume that title himself."

The *Universal* does not vouch for the authenticity of this intelligence.

TELEGRAPHIC.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2, 1853.

Senators James, of Rhode Island, Thompson, of New Jersey, Stuart, of Michigan, and some thirty Representatives arrived to day. There is unquestionably a quorum of the house now here.

Mr. Benton has selected the seat and desk long occupied by John Quincy Adams, on the Whig side of the House, which is regarded as ominous of his future political associations. The Anti-Benton members have been assured that Watson, who is Mr. Benton's candidate for the St. Louis Post office, shall not be appointed.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 24

Yesterday a large number of suits under the small note act were brought against our banks and other note issuing institutions, by Absalom Morris, late dry goods merchant, of Pittsburg, and two others, one of them a citizen of Ohio, their supposed object being to obtain one half of the penalty, which will amount to a large sum. The number of suits are as follows:—Against the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. 6; against the Citizens' Deposit Bank, 14 against the Allegany Savings Bank; 62 against the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad Company; and 13 against the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad Company.

NAWFORT, Dec 1.

The Morgans have been sentenced to pay all costs, and confined for ten days to the county jails. The Morgans appealed, but the appeal was decided against them, after which they were taken to jail in a carriage by the sheriff. The civil suit has been withdrawn by Mr. Hone.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.

Dates from AUX CAYES to the 21st of NOVEMBER have been received. The fever was prevailing to an alarming extent, especially among the shipping. The British brig PEARL, which brings the news, lost five of her crew. A French brig has returned shortly after leaving port, the captain, mate, and six hands having died, leaving only two of the crew. A number of other vessels had lost part of their crew.

STATE OF THE TIMES.—The New York *National Democrat* calls attention to the fact that "the administration" are endeavoring to draw a free soil cordon around the Hunkers of that city, by means of subsidizing the press of the neighboring States with the federal patronage. Withers, the brother in law of Secretary of the Custom House on the Editors of the "New Brunswick *Times*," the "Jersey City *Union*," and the "Rahway *Republican*." The Editors of these journals the *Democrat* tells us, are rampant free soilers,—so "dyed in the wool" indeed, that the very last Democratic County Convention repudiated the journal one of them owns, and would not even have their proceedings published in it. The *Democrat* adds:—

"Simultaneously with these appointments these papers have been breaking ground for the softs and barnburners of New York, and Speer particularly distinguishes himself by attacking the National Democracy of this State. Speer was the editor and proprietor of the New Brunswick Times in the campaign of 1848, which was the only Democratic paper in that State that hoisted the name of Cass, and supported the Van Buren and Adams ticket—a fit conductor truly to assist in the restoration of the Van Buren dynasty.

We notice that the Washington Union has already discovered that the Rahway Republican, edited by Asaphat Olden, is a wonderful paper, and quotes from its columns approvingly.

When they next copy from the Rahway Republican, the New Brunswick Times or the Jersey City Union, let them announce that the editors are the *elects* and tools of the Cabinet in the New York Custom house.

It is also said that negotiations are in progress for purchasing another paper in Monmouth country, with a Custom house office. Are not such bare faced attempts to subsidize the press ineffably disgusting?

THE OHIO AND INDIANA RAILROAD is now constructed from the crossing of Mad River Railroad to Upper Sandusky. Operations on the Western end of the line have been in a great measure suspended, owing to the stringency of the money market, and the non-arrival of the iron for the track. The whole force and means have been concentrated on the eastern end, so that the road will be made available as fast as constructed, forming one continuous and unbroken line of travel, gradually extending westward.

THE LOCKERMAN MURDER.—We learn from Easton, that on Thursday last, in the Talbot County Court, Theodore Kerchival, charged with the killing of young Lockerman, was found guilty of manslaughter. The petit jury, grand jury, bench, bar, and citizens, with an unsightly unprecedented, have signed a petition to the Governor for a full and immediate pardon. The grand jury has subsequently found a true bill against the brother of the murdered man, charging him with instigating and planning the fatal result with malice aforethought.

NEW YORK TRIBUNE.—This journal boasts of enjoying the largest circulation of any newspaper either in America, or elsewhere according to the *Tribune*, its actual circulation on the 1st December 1852, was as follows:

DAILY	21,500
CALIFORNIA	4,040
EUROPEAN	240
WEEKLY	43,150
SEMI WEEKLY	3,300
Aggregate	83,930

THE METHODIST CHURCH CASE.—In the adjustment of the Methodist Church controversy, it is said, that the Church South will receive the regular dividends with interest since 1845 amounting to $750,000; the presses at Richmond, Nashville and Charleston valued at $30,000, all the dues from the Southern States—about $30,000, and in cash $141,000. The trustees of the Book concern in Cincinnati have not assented to these terms, but probably will.

SANITARY COMMISSION OF LOUISIANA.—We understand, says the New York *Herald*, that Dr. G. H. BARTON, of New Orleans, who is a member of the above commission, is now in this city, on the Prescott House. He has been deputed to visit the Northern cities to investigate their sanitary and quarantine regulations, and to collect facts and documents having reference to the public health.

The government, also, at Washington, has issued instructions to the West Indies, South America and the Mexican coast, to obtain statistical details of the climate and diseases of their places, and to communicate them to the Sanitary Board.

The object in view is to discover the best sanitary system applicable to the city of New Orleans, and to ascertain whether or not the recent visitation of yellow fever, which decimated four of the Southwestern States had any connection with the late epidemic in the West Indies and South America.

☞ Oliver Scott writes to the Arkansas Independent, that he is in South America hunting monkeys. He tills about 2,000 a year, and sells the skins at Bremen. They are bought by Frenchmen, and tanned for the manufacturing of kid gloves, those articles being now made, it is said, wholly of monkey skin. He gets from 20 to 40 cents for each skin.

MURDER IN GEORGIA.—The Griffin *Union* of the 1st instant, says: We learn by private letters, that an awful murder was committed about twelve miles from Athens, at a town called Fairburn, on the night of the 25th ult. A physician was found dead at the door of his office, with his throat cut and his skull fractured. No clue by which to detect the murderer was discovered.

KOSSTA arrived at Boston on Wednesday. He was quietly received by a few friends. He stays a few days in Boston, previous to leaving for this day. The "Sun," in announcing his arrival, says:—

"Kossta has not the elements of a "lion." He is a plain unassuming man, apparently about 40 years of age, possessed evidently, of considerable firmness, and of more than ordinary mental power of intelligence. The impression can not be long away in, that he is astute, calculating, but exhibits brilliancy or fire.

WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE.

WASHINGTON, December 2d, 1853.

A large number of members of Congress are here, and the city is rapidly filling up. The Speakership is very actively canvassed by various candidates and their friends, and in this is mixed up already, the conflict between the "Hards" and the "Softs" or "Freesoilers" of New York lately, but no longer a mere *local* conflict. A considerable portion of the Democrats endeavor to exclude this schism in the party in that State and in Georgia, from extending itself here, and to treat it as a matter with which the party generally have nothing to do; but it is a spirit that will not be laid, and cannot be forced down. The administration itself has made it a national affair by interfering with it and taking sides in the quarrel. Having espoused the cause of the Freesoilers, and undertaken to "crush out" the national Democrats, who are charged with "insubordination" the latter have boldly resolved to maintain their rights, resist oppression, and fight against any odds sooner than yield to Executive dictation.

Nor will they fight alone. The great body of the party, it is true, exhibit a degree of timidity, and a subserviency to power, which is truly astonishing, and as humiliating to a proud, high-minded American as it has been unlooked for; but there are *some* noble, fearless spirits in the party whom threats cannot intimidate, "spoils" and "public plunder" purchase, nor Executive flattery, dinners and blandishments, silence; and these are the kind of men who exercise most influence upon others in a crisis like the present. While the *South* has shown a most wonderful spirit of acquiescence in the policy of giving all the posts of honor and the rewards of victory—a victory over "Freesoilers"—to the Freesoilers themselves, and have appeared quite willing to affiliate with that class of whom of late they professed to have such a holy horror—to hate as the devil hates holy water—a large portion of the party at the North and West have stood up manfully and boldly and resisted the buy-up policy of the President and his Cabinet.

Among the most decided, independent and fearless opponents of this freesoil affiliation policy at the west, is Senator BRIGHT of Indiana, who, by the way, is not a man to shrink behind a bush at any time, or on any emergency. Nor is he a man to be driven or controlled from his purpose, when once his mind is made up and his course taken. Standing along side of him is the Sentinel, of this city, which pours a daily broad side of hot shot and shells into its neighbor, the *Union*. Its scathing rebukes of the Administration and their subservient organ, and its fearless and indignant exposure of their aberrations from that course of policy which the Baltimore Platform marked out and Mr. Pierce was in *honor* bound to pursue, one well calculated to stir up feeling, arouse indignation, and rally a strong opposition party.

Senator Douglass, of whom we hear more in the papers than of many others much his superior in every respect, seems to "fight shy" on this question; and, as the saying is, attempts to "ride both sides of the palings," which is the case also with Gen. CASS, who, of all things in the world dislikes "noise and confusion," and wishes to be every body's friend, so that every body shall be his friend. In an affair of this sort, he is not the man to take any *decided* part and lead.

At present, the two most prominent candidates for Speaker are, Mr. Disney of Ohio and Mr Orr of South Carolina. Boyd is trying hard to be re elected, but his utter incompetency is very much against him. Disney is described by "Hall" and is supported by the N. York Nacional Democrats, while Orr belongs to one of the extremes, and on that account has the best wishes of the Administration, though he now *professes* to be "national." This however, is thought by many to be merely an electioneering ruse, though it may win the prize for him The "hurrah" do not as yet, seem their strength nor can they, until some opportunity presents of forcing men to take one side or the other in this controversy; hence they may be beaten or out generaled in the organization of the House One thing operates against Disney, namely: his colleague, Olds, being a candidate, and a majority of the Ohio delegation being for him. Olds is a "Softs" or Freesoiler, and so are a majority of the Ohio delegation, hence their favoring him, though about the last man that should be placed in the Speaker's chair. But as this is the day of small men and corrupt, profligate politicians there is no knowing what improperly may be committed; how much done to cause a true American to blush and hang his head.

Forney may be elected clerk, despite his infamous letter to Roberts of your city, to procure testimony against an injured woman; for Dandridge Spotswood has a much thicker hide than the side of a rhinoceros, with which it covers the sins and shamelessness of its devotees and favorites, while it will, at the same time, use a whip of scorpions upon those who dare expose its tergiversations, or refuse to pay its humble and submissive allegiance.

It is given out that Mr. MARCY and Mr. CRAMPTON have concluded a treaty in regard to the fisheries, by which Great Britain is admitted to an equal participation in our immense coasting trade, a trade nearly or quite equal to all the foreign commerce of England! I can scarcely believe this. What would be the result, were it true? Why a British vessel could take a cargo from Liverpool to New York, reload for California, reload there for Canton or any port in the East Indies, and then reload from thence to Liverpool or London. What a splendid business her shipping could then do! Surely, with all Marcy's latuity in party politics, he has more sagacity as a *Statesman* than to commit such a blunder.

There was a contest here lately between the "Softs" and the "Hards," of New York, for the place of Postmaster at Troy, made vacant by the defalcations and forgeries of the late Democratic incumbent; and, as usual, the Softs triumphed. Marcy got his man appointed, which showed that he was still all powerful in the Cabinet, notwithstanding the defeat of his party in New York.

The guillotine has been put in operation by the new collector of New York, and some scores of heads have bitten the dust. But this time *Democratic* heads fall, instead of *Whig* heads. The "war of the Roses" in England, first broke the chains of feudal tyranny by which the people were enslaved and oppressed. There is some comfort in this reminiscence.

OLDSCHOOL.

The Effect in London of the Turkish War.

LONDON, Nov. 15, 1853.

To the Editor of the New York Herald:

The money market here is comparatively easy, establishing the fact that the fear of war causes a more stringent money market than actual war. True, none of the great Western Powers are as yet involved, nor is it likely they will be before Spring. You will see by Nesselrode's late despatch, that Russia will do everything in her power to confine the war to the narrow limits of the provinces. Yet you must not come to the conclusion that Russia can entirely control the action of Europe. For I know that the Porte has asked France and England to guarantee the neutrality of Austria, alleging that it takes a larger force to guard the rear of Omar Pasha's Army from a sudden attack of the Austrian army of observation, than it would require to march to the heart of Hungary. I also know that unless Austria withdraws her forces, or that England and France shall guarantee her neutrality, that the Porte had advised her that he will declare war against her, and that she cannot be regarded as neutral while she has a large army on his frontier, which requires and equally strong force to watch.

We have advices that Kossuth's agent was openly received at Constantinople, and that the Porte made no secret of the fact, that unless Austria withdrew her armies from his frontier, or that England and France shall accede to his demand for a guarantee of the neutrality of Austria, that Kossuth will be invited to "come on," maybe and placed at the head of a strong division to march on Hungary.

Captain Porter, of the Golden Age, an Mr. Howard, the agent and owners, are now in London, and I understand that they have offers which will probably result in their going to Constantinople.

Very respectfully,

GEO. N. SANDERS.

☞ We would like to see, says the Richmond *Mail*, an accurate statement of the losses sustained by newspaper establishments from the neglect and procrastination of their patrons. We think we may safely conjecture that no other employment or profession suffers so much loss. Could those who thoughtlessly defer or altogether omit to pay their newspaper account reflect upon the trouble, difficulty and sometimes ruin, their negligence occasions, they would learn to observe justice, punctuality and system as strictly with newspaper establishments as with merchants and mechanics.

Murder at Sea.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.

The bark Thomas C. Sumner, has arrived here from Mobile, Her mate, Captain Dunham, and Lee West on the 29th ult., and her first officer, Robert Thomas, at sea, on her passage from Key West to this port.

Captain Ingraham.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.

In the House to-day, Mr. Barry introduced a resolution requesting the thanks of Congress to Captain Ingraham for his conduct at Smyrna, and authorizing the President of the United States, to present him with a sword with a suitable inscription. The resolution was adopted.

Mobile Cotton Market.

MOBILE, 8th Dec.

There has been a fair demand for Cotton in this market during the past week, with sales of 50,000 bales. Middling is quoted at 8c @ 9c.

The receipts of the week have been 6,300 bales. Exports, 7,500. Stock remaining on hand this evening, 36,000 bales.

[By the National Line.]

Congressional.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.

In the Senate to-day, Mr. Benjamin gave notice of a bill granting the land in Louisiana in aid of certain railroads in that State.

Chaplains to Congress.

The Chaplains chosen for the two Houses of Congress are both Methodists.

President's Message.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 7.

The President's Message was published in this city this morning.

Riot on a Railroad.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.

The Railroad troubles at Erie have resulted in a riot of the citizens turning out tearing up the track, burning bridges, &c., to the extent of $20,000 a great amount of damage to the road.

Illness of Governor Hunt.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.

Governor Washington Hunt has been dangerously ill, but is now improving.

Ohio River---Markets---Steamboats.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 7.

The river here is yet falling, with 3 feet 10 inches water in the channel.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 8.

The river here is falling, with scant 7 feet water in the channel.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 7.

The river here is stationary, with 4 feet water in the channel.

The steamboats Lexington and Sorma have left for New Orleans.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 8.

The river here is yet falling, with 3 feet 6 inches water in the channel.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 8.

The river here is still falling slowly. Sugar is kept at 6¼ 32¼ @ cwt.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 7.

There is about 5 feet water in the channel, and the river stationary.

The steamb at Duke has arrived from New Orleans.

[By the American Line.]

SOUTHWEST PASS, Dec. 7.

The schooner Southerner, Captain Snow, Hilliard from Rosine Pass, has arrived here.

LOCAL ITEMS.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The Board met last evening per-suant to adjournment. Nine members present; Mr. Caldwell in the chair.

A message from the Mayor was read, stating he called them together at the request of the Board of Assistants, and recommending them to make a large portion of the Levee bar given way, and the necessity of a speedy repair of the River, and other matters of interest to the city of New Orleans. Referred to the Committee on Levees.

STATEMENT OF CONTROL.

[illegible]

Mr. Kenner moved that all ordinances and resolutions relative to the Levee be referred to the Committee on Levees. Carried.

Mr. Kenner moved that the Mayor be requested to call a meeting of Citizens, to take into consideration the propriety of petitioning the Legislature for the passage of an act to authorize the Levee Commissioners to borrow money for the purpose of repairing the Levee