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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Late advices from China report that rain has at last fallen in the famine-stricken provinces, and faint hopes are entertained that the prolonged drought, with its miseries, may soon end.

A friendly conference between Dierli and Gortchakoff is reported in Berlin dispatches. The Russian Chancellor assured the English Minister that he saw nothing objectionable in the Anglo-Turkish convention. Russia entertained no projects for aggrandizement on the coast of Asia Minor, and he could see no difference between England's occupation of Cyprus and her occupation of Malta.

Hoevel, who some weeks ago attempted the life of the Emperor of Germany, has been sentenced to be beheaded.

An Englishman who has recently returned to Constantinople from Lagos, reports that the most unadvised of cruelties are being inflicted on the negroes. The English soldiers on the mountains south of the Rhodope mountains. While villages have been burned and the inhabitants subjected to the most unadvised barbarities. A report of these horrors is to be laid before the English, Austrian, and French Ambassadors, with a view to ending out commission of inquiry to the spot, and endeavoring to put an end to these excesses which disgrace humanity.

Late advices from Sydney, New South Wales, report that two tribes of natives have risen against the Government on the island of New Caledonia, and massacred 125 whites, including women and children. They have also captured two military stations.

A report just made by the physicians attending the Emperor of Germany is in anything but a satisfactory condition. He has not regained his natural strength, has but little power of locomotion, and is unable to eat without assistance. The Emperor, however, is sanguine of his ultimate recovery.

Port au Prince, in Haiti, has been visited by a big fire, which destroyed half a million dollars worth of property.

A Constantinople dispatch says that Mr. Baring, of the British Legation, took possession of Cyprus on the 11th of July in the name of Great Britain.

The work of the Berlin congress was completed on Saturday, July 13, by the signing of the treaty which for the present restores peace to Southeastern Europe. A banquet at the palace of the Crown Prince closed the memorable day, all the plenipotentiaries being present except Gortchakoff and Bismarck, who were too ill to attend. Under the provisions of the treaty, the Emperor is to be a self-governing principality, paying tribute to the Sultan. The Prince is to be elected by an assembly of notables. Roumelis will remain subject to the Porte, but will have some of the conditions of autonomous administration, with a Christian majority, to be appointed by the Sultan, subject to the approval of the powers. All the stipulations of the treaties of Paris and London are recognized as still in force, except those which are altered or repealed in the present treaty. The proposed supplementary meeting was defeated, and Salisbury refused to accede to any proposal that should interfere with the immediate submission of the treaty to the English Parliament.

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

East.

In B. Wright, the defaulting Treasurer of South Idaho, Mass., has been found guilty of embezzling \$29,000, and sentenced to five years in the State prison.

A heavy robbery is reported from Newport, R. I. The residence of Gov. V. A. Zand was entered at night by burglars, and robbed of jewelry of the estimated value of \$35,000.

The death of Mr. George Swett Appleton, of the great New York book-publishing firm of D. Appleton & Co., is announced.

A broom-factory in Amsterdam, N. Y., was demolished by a tornado on Monday, and nine persons buried in the ruins, three of whom were killed and the rest severely injured. Alexander B. Sayre, convicted of the murder of his wife in the Church of the Ascension, in Philadelphia, in November last, has been sentenced to be hanged.

John W. Barker, cashier of the freight depot of the Eastern railroad of New York, was arrested on Monday at Massachussetts, abandoned his office recently, and already the investigation shows that he is a defaulter to the amount of \$20,000.

West.

A dispatch from Portland, Ore., reports a sanguinary engagement between a party of white volunteers and a band of hostile Indians at Willow Springs, Ore., resulting in a disastrous defeat to the volunteers. It was a second Custer massacre. The Indians completely surrounded the whites, fired strong, and shot and scalped them without mercy. Only seven of the ill-fated little army escaped to tell the story of the horrible massacre. A battle is also reported between the friendly Chinilla Indians and 40 hostile Snakelike Indians, who were defeated by the loss of thirty braves.

B. Leidersdorf & Co.'s tobacco manufacturing, in Milwaukee, was destroyed by fire last week. Loss estimated at \$100,000.

Dispatches from San Francisco give particulars of a severe engagement fought between Gen. Howard's forces, about 800 strong, and a band of Banook Indians, strongly posted in the hills near the head of Beale creek, in Oregon. The Indians were driven from their position, abandoned horses, provisions, ammunition and camp. They took a second position in the heavy timber covering the Ridge, but were again defeated, and pushed into the mountains, where the Indians were slain. Gen. Howard's loss is given as five enlisted men wounded and twenty horses killed. The loss of the Indians could not be ascertained. The troops behaved with distinguished gallantry.

A Portland (Ore.) dispatch reports that the Indians are killing settlers in the Tigh valley, about forty miles from Dallas.

A Portland (Ore.) telegram reports that the hostiles, which had been driven from the hills, had now started eastward for Snake river, along the ridge of the Blue mountains.

It is believed that the worst of the Indian war is over. Dispatches from Portland, Ore., report that the hostiles are scattering, and endeavoring to sneak back to their reservations.

The Governor of Oregon considers a general Indian war in that region inevitable, and has issued a proclamation calling for volunteers to put down the unruly savages.

Intelligence comes by way of Bismarck that the hostile Nez Percés, at present on Indian territory, are moving across the Rocky mountains to join those who do not break out in open hostilities last summer.

The Commissioners sent to the Red Cloud Indians, for the purpose of trying to settle the peace negotiations, the Missouri river, have utterly failed. Red Cloud insists on establishing himself at White Clay creek, 250 miles from the Missouri, and utterly refuses to remain at the present agency, or to listen to any terms of compromise. Spotted Tail is willing to make his camp near the Missouri, but, like Red Cloud, proposes to have his own way.

South.

Mike Shaw was hanged for wife-murder at Milledgeville, Ga., on the 12th inst. Hiram Foss (colored) was executed the same day at Princess Anne, Md.

POLITICAL POINTS.

Official returns of the California election give the following as the composition of the Constitutional Convention: Non-Partisans, 81; Workingmen, 52; Republicans, 11; Democrats, 6; Independents, 2. The Non-Partisans elected all the delegates at large. The three first named are present incumbents. The platform denounces the national banking system as oppressive and burdensome, deprecates the contraction of the currency, and demands the unconditional repeal of the Resumption act.

The Democrats of Michigan met in State Convention at Lansing on Wednesday, July 10, and nominated the following ticket: For Governor, Hon. O. M. Barnes, of Lansing; for Lieutenant Governor, A. P. Swineford, of Marquette; Secretary of State, George H. Murdoch, of Berrien Springs; for State Treasurer, John A. Edwards, of U. S. of Grand Rapids. The platform arraigns the Republican party for corruption in office, indorses the investigation of the electoral frauds, declares that gold and silver is the money of the constitution, and that all paper money is void, and opposes any further forcible reduction of the currency.

Gen. Ferdinand Latrobe has been elected Mayor of Baltimore.

Something of a sensation has been produced in political circles in New York and Washington by the announcement of the removal of Gen. Arthur, Collector of the Port of New York, and Hon. A. B. Cornell, Naval Officer at that port. Gen. E. A. Merrill and Col. W. S. Burr have been designated as their successors.

Secretary Sherman, while in New York a few days ago, was interviewed regarding the constitutionality of the currency. He has said, unequivocally, that Grant would not be nominated without any opposition.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

John A. McDowell, a brother of Gen. McDowell, has been appointed Superintendent of Construction of the Chesapeake and Potomac Rivers. He is reported to be a self-governing principality, paying tribute to the Sultan. The Prince is to be elected by an assembly of notables. Roumelis will remain subject to the Porte, but will have some of the conditions of autonomous administration, with a Christian majority, to be appointed by the Sultan, subject to the approval of the powers. All the stipulations of the treaties of Paris and London are recognized as still in force, except those which are altered or repealed in the present treaty. The proposed supplementary meeting was defeated, and Salisbury refused to accede to any proposal that should interfere with the immediate submission of the treaty to the English Parliament.

A Washington telegram to the Cincinnati Times says: "It has leaked out here, from sources entitled to the highest consideration, that an arrangement has been completed by Justice Swayne, who is to be appointed in March next, a foreign appointment, and Mr. Stanley Matthews, whose Senatorship expires at the same time, will be appointed to the Supreme bench vacancy thus caused."

Ex-Gov. Kellogg, of Louisiana, appeared before the Potter investigating committee on the 11th inst., and was examined by Gen. Butler. He testified that the election in Louisiana in 1876 was entirely legal. The witness gave a detailed statement as to the composition of the respective houses of the Legislature, and, after reciting the law of Louisiana at considerable length, he stated that Gov. Packard was legally inaugurated on the 12th of January, 1877, at which time there was a Republican quorum in both houses. Gen. Butler produced tables compiled from the Returning Board's figures, which showed that, after the board had thrown out sufficient returns to give a Republican majority, the assembly, it was found there were still two Hayes electors defeated, whereupon the Returning Board threw out parishes and precincts until they had succeeded in securing a majority of the Hayes electors. The witness stated that, assuming the figures be correct, the Returning Board had done wrong, it left the General Assembly Republican in both branches, and still left two Hayes electors in the minority. Mr. Butler—Whereupon the board proceeded to give the screw another twist? Witness—That is not my testimony. Q.—How much on the returns was turned by the Returning Board, did the Hayes elector run behind Packard? A—These tables show a majority for Governor of 401, while two Republican electors (Leveaux and Joseph) were in the minority. The Tilden electors had a majority, I believe, of 10,000 in the face of the returns cast in the different parishes originally, and so did Nicholas.... E. L. Weber was recalled and questioned by Mr. Cox in regard to the Sherman letter. Witness said he found it in a box sent from his brother at Bayou St. Louis, and that he had been in the warehouse in Donaldsonville. He found the letter after Mrs. Jenks' visit; tore it up once because it exposed his brother's wrong-doing. My brother told me there were no grounds for protesting the parishes. Witness admitted he had been indicted, forfeited his bond, and afterwards, at the suggestion of the District Attorney, made a false affidavit in order to have the bond restored. In answer to the question relating to his indictment, witness, turning to Mr. Cox, said excitedly: "You Louisiana voters use my brother who is dead to lead you not to use me on the stand to swear to any kind of a lie that you wanted in order to support and sustain you today, that you can't use me as your tool, you propose to ruin me." Gov. Cox disclaimed any such notion as that imputed to him by witness, and said he wanted to give witness an opportunity to vindicate himself.

The President has appointed Alexander Beed, of Ohio, Receiver of Public Money at Walla Walla, Washington Territory; Eliot C. Jewett, of Missouri, Commissioner to the Paris International Exposition; Caspar H. Stittell, of Schuyler, Conn., at Camperdown, Mexico; Eugene Fox-Gov. Kellogg was England.

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THE RIGHT OF REVOLUTION.

When Solomon, the rich and proud monarch of the Hebrew Commonwealth, was dead, his son Rehoboam came to the throne. The people at that time, and for years previous, had grown weary under the load of a burdensome and unjust taxation. Immediately succeeding Solomon's death the leading men of the nation, realizing the situation, sent to Egypt and recalled Jeroboam to administer the affairs of the Government. But, if possible, to avoid a revolution, the representatives of the people and Jeroboam came to Rehoboam, and petitioned for an abatement of taxes, because they had borne a heavy yoke, but the King haughtily sent them away, saying if they received hard usage from his father, they might expect rougher treatment from him. Then twelve of the people revolted, founding a new nation, and Jeroboam's reign was divided into two small tribes. Excessive and burdensome taxation under the Roman empire, while it did not result in immediate revolution, nevertheless, weakened the nation; reduced to abject poverty a large class of her enterprising and energetic citizens; and, in the provinces, and the rulers were obliged to forbear, and remit taxes which the people were unable to pay. Every branch of commercial industry was affected by the severity of the tax. The merchant, the banker, the manufacturer, the farmer, the laborer, the most obscure retailer of a sequestered village, were obliged to admit the officers of the revenue and their minions, and to see their property seized and sold to pay the taxes. To avoid a confiscation of their property by the levy of exorbitant taxes, and the historian tells us that nothing he could do to add to it. A long list of names was shown of persons connected with the Presidential test in Louisiana who had been appointed to office by President Hayes. The committee adjourned till the 23d of July, to meet at Atlantic City, N. J.

MISSCELLANEOUS GLEANINGS.

Dun, Barlow & Co. report that the "failures in the United States, for the first six months of the present year, are 5,825, as against 4,749 in 1877, an increase of over 1,000 in number, equal to nearly 25 per cent. The liabilities for the first half of 1878 are \$130,000,000, as against \$90,000,000 for the same period of last year, a percentage of increase still greater. These figures are of great importance as an indication of the state of trade. Never before in an equal period in the history of the country have business misfortunes been so numerous or aggregated an amount of loss by bad debts so great."

Contrary to general expectation, the anniversary of the battle of the Boyne was not productive of bloodshed in the city of Montreal. The Orangemen went to their hall and the Catholics gathered outside, the latter in vast numbers, backed by the Mayor's 500 special police. When the appointed hour came the Orangemen, led by their leaders, appeared in the city, and the Orangemen were arrested upon special warrants, the trial of whom will test whether the Orange body is a legal society.

UNCLE SAM'S CASH ACCOUNT.

Receipts and Expenses of the Government for Two Years.

The figures given below are compiled from the books of the Treasury Department, says a Washington correspondent, and show in detail the receipts and expenditures of the Government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1878, compared with those for the preceding fiscal year. The figures show in detail the receipts and expenditures of the Government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1878, compared with those for the preceding fiscal year. The figures show in detail the receipts and expenditures of the Government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1878, compared with those for the preceding fiscal year.

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