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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The report that England had forbidden the importation of American cattle is denied.

Several thousand Liverpool workmen, belonging to the various trades, are on a strike against a wage reduction.

A report comes from South America that the terrible plague has broken out in the province of Cars, in Brazil.

A correspondent at Rome reports that a basis of agreement between Bismarck and the Vatican has been attained.

Two of the Directors of the City of Glasgow Bank have been sentenced to imprisonment for eighteen months, and five others to six months each.

A London cablegram says the great excitement prevailing throughout Europe concerning the fate of Prof. Nordenfelt's Swedish Arctic exploring expedition, which attempted to find a northeast passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific oceans via the north capes of Europe and Asia and Behring's straits, is daily growing more intense.

The new French Cabinet has been constituted, and the following are the changes: M. Waddington, President of Council and Minister of Foreign Affairs; Senator Leroyer, Minister of Justice; M. De Marce, Interior, and also Public Worship, ad interim; M. Jules Ferry, Public Instruction and Fine Arts; M. Lepere, Agriculture; Admiral Jaunqueriberry, Marine.

France is taking measures to prevent the introduction of the plague.

The visit of the American industrial deputation to Mexico promises to result in greatly developing the trade between the sister republics.

A cable dispatch of the 8th inst. reports that from 30,000 to 35,000 men were on a strike at Liverpool. Many sailors had joined the strikers, and the demeanor of the idle crowds was threatening.

The Chinese are on the Australian bark Kate Waters, from Hong Kong for Foo Chow, mafusified, mundered the officers, and scuttled the vessel.

Our English cousins have recovered from their cattle-disease scare.

The Russo-Turkish definitive treaty of peace has at last been concluded and signed, and the Russians will at once evacuate Turkish territory.

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

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Gen. Geo. C. Cadwalader, an eminent citizen of Pennsylvania, died at Philadelphia last week.

In New York, a few days ago, John Flanagan, a laborer, returned home from an unsuccessful search for work, and found his wife and a 2-year-old child dead from starvation, and his two elder children nearly dead.

West.

of the Cheyenne Indians, convened in Fort Hays, and led to a general war on the cañon race; over 300 men were killed in one township.

At Carrollton, Ill., Dr. McAuliffe, the noted Dr. James Havener, was hanged by a mob, and near Columbia, Ill., Jerry Collins (colored) was lynched for outraging the daughter of William Grubb.

The military court convened at Carrollton, on the 1st of January, to inquire into the conduct of Maj. Russell at the battle of the Little Big Horn, when Custer and his comrades met their sad fate, has concluded the testimony. The court sat for three weeks, and examined some two dozen witnesses. The testimony is regarded as favorable to Maj. Reno. The latter made a sworn statement in his own behalf, in which he said that, while he regarded Gen. Custer as not lacking in bravery, he had no confidence whatever in his genius as a soldier.

South.

The New Orleans Mint has begun coining money again for the first time since the war.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

Canadian papers say there is no foundation for the story that Sittin' Bull has returned to American soil.

The President has nominated Dugay V. Miller, Collector of Customs at Detroit, Mich.; Algeron S. Badger, Collector at New Orleans; George L. Smith, to be removed, and William S. McMillan Postmaster at New Orleans, vice Badger.

Secretary Sherman believes that a good plan to raise funds to meet the requirements of the new Pension law would be to authorize \$40,000,000 of 4-per-cent bonds, which he could sell after taking up all available sixes the latter part of the year; but the better plan still, he thinks, would be to enact a national income tax, and pay pensions out of the proceeds at the rate of \$8,000,000 or \$10,000,000 annually.

The Finance Committee of the Senate have voted to recommend a reduction of the tobacco tax to 10 cents per pound.

POLITICAL POINTS.

An analysis of the vote on the confirmation of Gen. Merritt as Collector of the Port of New York shows that fifteen Republicans voted to sustain the administration by confirming the nomination, namely: Burnside, Cannon, Kirkwood, Matthews, Ogden, Teller, Blaine, Chaffee, Hamlin, Kellogg, Paddock, Sargent, Edmunds, Inglar, Sharpe, Dorsey and Cameron. The Democratic vote largely in favor of confirmation—Barnum, McPherson, Cook, Reid, Eaton, McDonald, Garland and Vorhees (seven) being the only Democrats recorded as voting in the negative.

A Washington dispatch says, that at a joint caucus of Democratic Senators and Representatives it was decided to add a clause repealing the act to some important appropriation bill, and insist upon its passage. They also agreed to support a bill abolishing national bank and replacing national bank currency with greenbacks.

The New York Democrats talk of nominating Horatio Seymour for Governor next summer.

Moses W. Field, Chairman of the State Committee of Michigan, was a witness at the Potter sub-Committee at New York, on the 8th inst. He was sworn the same

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RENSSELAER, JASPER COUNTY, INDIANA, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1879.

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called a State Convention of the party for Feb. 23.

The President has appointed N. P. Banks United States Marshal for Massachusetts; John Parker, Marshal for the Western District of Michigan; Ex-Senator John N. Patterson Marshal of New Hampshire; Martin J. Townsend United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York; and Decius S. Wade Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Montana.

James H. Maddox was before the Potter Investigation Committee. Washington, and denied all of the testimony of witness St. Martin, so far as it related to him. Maddox swore that St. Martin had offered to correct or withhold his affidavit for a money consideration, but that he (Maddox) declined to entertain the proposition.

The President has made the following appointment: Ephraim McMurtry to be Collector of Customs of the District of Minnesota; F. H. Hartman, Postmaster of Philadelphia; James Pollock, Naval Officer of Philadelphia; A. London Snowden, Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint; Martin Parry Kennard, Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Boston, and Thomas Stevenson, Collector of Internal Revenue of the Fifteenth District of New York.

Col. George W. Carter, of Louisville, testified before the Potter Committee, at Washington, in relation to St. Martin's statements. He denied the allegations of St. Martin so far as they concerned him and said he had no knowledge whatever of how subpeenas were served, of the coaching of witnesses, etc. A. M. Gibson, of the New York Sun, testified before the committee that St. Martin's story, so far as it related to him, was a tissue of falsehoods.

The Signal Service Bureau at Washington promulgates the following weather prognosis for the month of February: For the upper lake region, winds blowing from the southwest or southeast, or from directions between those points, are found to be the winds most likely to be followed by rain or snow.

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Mr. Harris, from the Select Committee on Epidemic Diseases, reported a bill to prohibit the importation of the smallpox virus.

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