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Monetary and Commercial Events.

BALTIMORE, February 1, 1862.

There was some movement to-day in Northern Central Railway shares, but in other stocks there was very little done. The operations in Northern Central were of a speculative character, sales being made of 150 shares seller 60-days at $17¾@17⅞, and 100 shares buyer 30-days at $18. It closed regular way at $17½ bid, which is an advance of ⅛ on the price bid at the close yesterday. A sale of 9 shares Baltimore and Ohio Railroad was made at $49⅞, and it closed firm at $49⅞ bid, $50 asked regular way. Nothing was done at the Board in Railroad bonds, but they were generally firm, Baltimore and Ohio 1867's closing at 83 bid, do. 1875's at 71 bid; do. 1885's at 73¾ bid; Northern Central 1885's at 83 bid, 63¾ asked; Northwestern Virginia second mortgage at 63 bid; and Western Maryland first mortgage guaranteed by Baltimore at 79 bid, 80 asked City 6's closed firm at 88¾ bid for 1880's; 89¾ bid, 90 asked for 1875's; and 90¾ bid, 91¾ asked for 1890's. The only sale to-day was one of $173 1890's at 91¾. For Maryland 1870 6's 91¾ was bid, but there was no inquiry for any of the other State stocks on the list, nor were there any offered. Bank and Insurance stocks continue firm, but there are no sales making. A sale of 50 shares Guilford Mining Co was made to-day at 40 cts., but nothing was done in any of the other Mining stocks. For Springfield $1.95 was bid.

SALES AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD

SATURDAY, February 1, 1862

$172 Baltimore 6's '90	90¾
9 shares Balt. & Ohio Railroad	49¾
150 shares Northern Central Railroad ... s60	17¾
100 do. do. ... b30	18
50 shares Guilford Mining Company	40

PRICES AND SALES OF STOCKS IN NEW YORK

BY TELEGRAPH.

Through WILLIAM FISHER & SON, Stock and Bill Brokers, No. 22 South street.

	1st Board	2d Board
Virginia 6's	51	00
Missouri 6's	41¾	41
Tennessee bonds	43	00
North Carolina bonds	62	00
Canton Company	19¾	00
Erie Railroad	33¾	33¾
New York Central Railroad	82¾	82¾
Reading Railroad	40¾	40¾
Rock Island	53¾	00
Treasury notes 2 years 6 per cents	99¾	00

heavy. unsettled.

The New York *Post* of Saturday afternoon says:

The stock market took a heavy downward surge to day, amounting at one time to almost a panic, influenced by the unfavorable news by the Africa yesterday. The decline in some instances is equal to 4 per cent, with heavy sales, but at the close there is a decided rally, some descriptions recovering ½@1 per cent from the lowest points. The real cause of the decline is seen in the heavy fall in those stocks which were most affected by the belligerent attitude of England on the Mason and Slidell capture. Pacific Mail, Erie gold stock, Fells preferred, and Michigan Central are most pressed for sale, being generally most sensitive to any new foreign trouble. Pacific Mail dropped to 96¾, Michigan Central to 49, Erie, old, to 53¾, Erie preferred to 54. After the board there was a recovery from these prices, with more disposition to buy. Government stocks were lower, but not offered in any quantity. The 6's of 1881 are nominally ¼@¾ per cent. weaker. The coupons sold at 88¾@88½.

Gold is quiet, and the fluctuations from day to day have rectified down to ½ per cent. The bulk sold at 103¾ and sell at 103½. At the brokers' board there is less dealing in it, the price is 103¾ cash and 103¾ on buyer's option. The money market is unchanged; the supply is good at 6 per cent, on call. Prime paper is current at 8¾@9 per cent. The foreign exchange market closes steady. A better inquiry is looked for by the Boston steamer on Tuesday from importers, several heavy cargoes having arrived within a few days. Best bills on London are 113¾@113½.

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

SATURDAY, February 1.

COFFEE.—There is nothing doing in Coffee and the market for it is unmistakeably dull and heavy. Holders are however generally indisposed to sell except at full rates, and we still quote as follows, viz: Rio at 18¾@19 cts. for fair, 20@21 cts. for good to strictly prime; Laguayra at 23@24 cts. and Cepsbo and Java at 24@25 cts. per lb. The stock of Rio here, has been increased some 6,000 bags within the past week, and it is now about 23,000 bags.

FLOUR.—Flour is dull, and the feeling in the market is rather heavy. The only sale we have heard of is one of 100 bbls. Howard Street Extra at $6 25 per bbl., at which figure more could readily have been had. Howard Street Super is offering at $5.75, but there are so far as we can learn no sellers at a lower rate, and we quote Ohio do. nominal at $5 62½@5 75, and City Mills do. at $5.00@5 62½ per bbl. Extra Flour closes as follows, viz: at $6 12½@6 25 for Ohio; $6 25 for regular shipping brands Howard Street; and $6.50@6.75 per bbl. for standard brands City Mills.

FAMILY FLOUR.—Family Flour is still selling by the dray load to the trade at $8 25 for the best brands Baltimore, $6.50@6.7 for Ohio and Howard Street, and Baltimore high grade Extra is bringing $7.75 per bbl.

RYE FLOUR AND CORN MEAL.—We quote Rye Flour at $4, and Corn Meal at $3.20@3.25 per bbl. for both Baltimore and Brandywine, but there is nothing of consequence doing in either of these articles.

GRAIN.—There were a little rising 15,000 bushels Grain at market, about 5,500 bushels of which was offered at the Baltimore, and 10,000 bushels at the Maryland Corn Exchange. The market for all descriptions was quiet but prices were pretty well maintained. The sales of Wheat embraced a lot of 450 bushels common white at the Baltimore Exchange at 130 cts., and 2,500 bushels red at the Maryland at 133 cts. In Corn the transactions were trifling. Sales were made at the Baltimore of 500 bushels white at 59 cts., and at the Maryland of 4,500 bushels white at 60@65 cts., and 2,500 bushels yellow at 57@59 cts. There was nothing done in Rye, but we quote it steady at 75 cts. for Pennsylvania. Oats were however in fair request, and the receipts, about 2,500 bushels, were mostly sold at from 41 to 43 cts.

MOLASSES.—Molasses is very dull, but we still quote nominally as follows, viz: old clayed Cuba at 20@25 cts.; new crop do at 29@32 cts.; old Muscovado at 26@28 cts; new crop do. at 30@33 cts; Porto Rico at 35@40 cts; and New Orleans at 52@56 cts. per gallon. The stock here today adds up 734 hhds. and 200 bbls.; 1,933 hhds. and puncheons, and 558 bbls. at the same period last year.

PROVISIONS.—We heard to day of a sale of 250 tierces India Mess Beef for export on private terms, but this is the only transaction of importance that we have heard of in Provisions. For Bacon there is a little retail demand, and sales to a limited extent are making at 5¾ cts. for new Shoulders, 6¾@6¾ cts. for new Sides, and 6@8½ cts for old and new Hams. Bulk Shoulders may be quoted at 4@4¼ cts., do. Sides at 5@5¾ cts., and do. Hams at 6@6¾ cts., but there are no sales making. We quote Lard at 7¾ cts. for City, and 8 cts. for Western in bbls. and tierces, but although there is a demand for it no sales have been made for some days past. Beef Hams is steady at $12 50@12 75, and we quote Prime do. at $10@10.50; Rump do $9@9.50; and Beef at $12.50 for No. 1; $13.50 for Mess; and $14.25@14.50 per bbl. for Prime.

RICE.—There is no Rice selling but we quote it at 7¾@7¾ cts for Carolina, and 6@6¾ cts. for dressed East India.

SALT.—For Salt prices are unsettled, but the market for it is firm with a decidedly upward tendency. Liverpool may be quoted today at 115@120 cts, for Ground Alum, 175@185 cts. for Marshall's, Jeffrey & Darcy's, and Worthington's fine; and 200 cts. per sack for Ashton's do. Turks Island Salt is held at 35 cts. per bushel.

SEEDS.—Cloverseed is in fair request, and firm at $4.37½@4.62½ per bushel for good to prime lots, but there have been no sales of importance for a day or two past. We quote Timothy Seed as before at $2@2.25, and Flaxseed at $1 8@1.90 per bushel.

SUGARS.—There were sales yesterday after we left the market of 50 hhds. Porto Rico Sugar, the terms for which were kept private, but to-day no sales of Sugars have been so far as we have heard. The market is dull and heavy, and we quote to-day as follows, viz: Cuba at $7@7 50 for refining, and $8@8.50 for grocery grades; English Island at $7 ⅝; Boston at $7@7.25 for common; $8@8 75 for fair to prime; and New Orleans at $8@8 75 for fair to prime. We give below a statement of the stock here to day and the same period last year:

	Feb. 1, 1862.		Feb. 1, 1861.
Cuba	175 hhds.	Cuba	3,470 hhds.
Porto Rico	198 "	Porto Rico	674 "
Eng. Island	940 "	Eng. Island	382 "
New Orleans	200 "	New Orleans	295 "
Total	1,513 hhds.	Total	4,721 hhds.
Cuba	450 boxes.	Cuba	5,514 boxes.
Braz	9,283 bags.	Brazil	21,026 bags.
Manilla	none.	Manilla	24,615 "

WHISKEY.—Whiskey is held with considerable firmness at 21¾ cts. for Ohio, and 21@21¾ cts. for City, but we have heard of no sales being made to-day.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

BOSTON, January 31.—Flour is steady, with rather more inquiry, but the sales have been at $5@5.12½ for common brands Western; $5 37½@5.50 for fancy; $5 62½@5 87½ for extra; and $6@7.25 for superior, including choice St. Louis brands; Southern Flour is quiet and prices are nominal. Corn is quiet with small sales—we quote Southern and Western yellow at 67@70 cts., including new and old; and Western mixed at 67@68 cts. per bushel. Oats have been selling at 41@43 cts. per bushel for Western and Canada; and Prince Edward Island at 41 cts. Rye—sales at 76@78 cts per bushel.—Shorts $15@16; and Fine Feed and Middlings at $19@21 per ton.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1st.—Flour has advanced 4 cts; sales of 7,700 barrels at $5 55@5 60 for white, and $5 ⅝@6 05 for Ohio; and $5.80@6.10 for Southern. Wheat advancing; sales 45,000 bushels, at an advance of 1@2 cts. Chicago spring $1 30@1.34; Racine spring $1 35; Michigan $1.42@1.47. Corn buoyant; sales of 15,000 bushels, at 64¾@65 cts., for mixed. Pork firm; sales of 2,000 bbls. mess, and unchanged. Whiskey dull, 23 cents offered and 23¾@23½ cts. asked.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 31.—Flour dull; sales 1,000 bbls. at $5 25 for Superfine. Wheat dull; sales 2,000 bushels: red $1.33; white $1.40@1.51. Corn dull; sales 3,000 bushels at 55@56¾ cts; and 60 cts. for old. Lard 8 cts. Hess Pork unchanged. Whiskey dull at 21¾ cts

ALBANY, Jan. 31.—Barley in active demand; sales of 7,000 bushels at 75 cts. for winter; 76@77 cts. for State two-rowed, and 82 cts. for State four-rowed. Whiskey 22¾ cts. Dressed Hogs dull; no receipts of State and no sales.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Flour quiet. Wheat ¼ cts. better; 74¾@74½ cts. for No. 1. Corn¼ ct better. Mess Pork $9 60. Green Hams in fair request at 3 cts. Lard 6¾ cts. Beef Cattle in good demand at $2 30@2.75. Dressed Hogs 5 cts. higher, $2 40@2.75. Live 5 cts. higher, $2 25@2.45. Exchange unchanged. Gold 3 per cent. premium.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

[Per telegram to London by Bordeaux steamer from River La Plata, via Lisbon.]

BUENOS AYRES, December 15, 1861.—Urquiza accepts the conditions of Buenos Ayres. Corrientes, San Luis and the other Provinces have declared themselves in favor "*clamence cause.*" (Query?)

Business improving; ounces 393; Exchange 67. Flour in more demand. Lumber very quiet. Hides rising, 43 rls. for United States, sales 30,000; 50 rls. for Germany; 46¾ rls. for salted Hides—small contracts.

MONTEVIDEO, December 17, 1861.—Tallow 18¾. Fine Wools declining; ordinary in demand. Business without change. Flour without demand. Barks "Seneca" and "Pyrmont," of Baltimore, and brig "Volante," of New York, arrived. Timber very quiet—last sale of superior assortment at 328. Hides for United States 57 rls. without buyers. Salted Hides 67 rls. Horse Hides 15¾.

[*By Telegraph via Lisbon and London.*]

RIO DE JANEIRO, 24 Dec. 1861.—Coffee—Sales of coffee since last packet, 62,000 bags, of which 14,000 were for the United States—price for U. S. lots, 6|500@6|750. Stock 260,000 bags. Shipments to the United States in December 6,400 bags; loading 12,000 bags.

Flour—Stock in first and speculators' hands 51,000 bbls. Quotation, Baltimore Super 15|500, and Extra 17|500.

Freights nominal. Exchange 25s. ¾d.

MAXWELL, WRIGHT & Co.

PERNAMBUCO, 20 December, 1861.—Flour—Stock 31,000 bbls., retailing at 18|500 for Extra.

Codfish—Stock 9,500 drums, retailing at 12@13|000.

Freights to the Channel 70 shillings per ton. Exchange 26d.

IMPORTS INTO BALTIMORE.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK—*Schr. Gen. Burton*—200 casks copper ore, Baltimore Copper Company; 100 bbls. syrup, Woods, Ridges & Co.; 12 bdls. leather, Poland, Jenkins & Co.; 3 bales chairs, Iiles & Austin; 6 bales tow, 56 bbls. bristles, Wm. Wilkins & Co.; 1,435 packages merchandise, sundry persons.

NEW YORK—*Schr. S. D. Bellows.*—100 boxes tin, Baker Bros. & Co; 109 boxes raisins, 74 cases sardines, 50 do. oil, 20 boxes soap, 50 do. raisins, 20 bags almonds, 20 do. filberts, 1 do. nuts, Schwartze, Dix & Co; 10 bbls. camphene, C. West & Son; 10 do. turpentine, P. Malcolm & Co; 110 bars iron, Keyser, Troxell & Co.; 336 pkgs. mdse., 10,000 staves, order.

NEW YORK—*Schr. I. P. Phoro.*—400 bbls copper ore, Baltimore Copper Company; 700 bales hay, A. Warthman.

NEW YORK—*Schr. Rhodalia Blow.*—20 bbls. molasses, Levering & Co.; 100 bbls. syrup, 150 boxes raisins, Woods Bridges & Co; 100 bbls. do. do., Wm. Bridges & Son; 49 bags almonds, Schwartze, Dix & Co; 5 cases prunes, E. L. Palmer & Co.; 87 casks ale, J. F. Jameson Jno Henderson & Co; 91 pkgs. mdse, Wheelwright, Hudge & Co.; 45 do. wine, R. Lemmon & Co.; 9 do. hardware, C. E. Waters; 64 bbls. bristles, Wm Wilkins & Co.; 6 bbls. cider, Cornell & Son; 6 casks zinc, F. I. Parker & Co; 18 cases cigars, A. Seemuller & Sons; 60 bbls. apples, Jas. Sloan; 1,300 pkgs. mdse., 400 bales hay, sundry persons.

NEW YORK.—*Schr Yorktown*—264 pkgs. tea, M. Gillet & Co; 5 cases sardines, 100 do. oil, 35 pkgs. almonds, 20 boxes raisins, 10 bbls. currants, W. G. Price & Co; 100 bbls syrup, H. Withington; 7 casks glassware, Baker, Bros. & Co.; 154 rolls matting, McIlwell, Robinson & Co.; 38 bbls. currants, 50 bags almonds, 100 boxes raisins, Brazil nuts, 5 cases prunes, Wm. Bridges & Son; 9 bags hair, 25 bbls. mdse, 10 do. bristles, Wm. Wilkins & Co.; 50 pkgs oil, Thomsen & Co.; 4 cases segars, A. Seemuller & Son; 220 pkgs. mdse., sundry persons.

NEW YORK—*Schr. L. W. Birdsall.*—50 tons iron, 600 bales hay, order.

NEW YORK.—*Schr. Samuel Colt*—250 tons coal, H. Abbott & Co.; 300 bales hay, John Williams & Son.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMERS

STEAMERS TO ARRIVE.

SHIPS	LEAVE	FOR	DAYS
United Kingdom	Glasgow	New York	Jan. 11
Teutonia	Southamp'n	New York	Jan. 15
Edinburgh	Liverpool	New York	Jan. 22
Hansa	Southamp'n	New York	Jan. 22
Niagara	Liverpool	Boston	Jan. 22
Bavaria	Southamp'n	New York	Jan. 22
Arabia	Liverpool	Boston	Jan. 28
Asia	Liverpool	New York	Jan. 29
Borussia	Southamp'n	New York	Feb. 1
Bremen	Southamp'n	New York	Feb. 8
			Feb. 19

STEAMERS TO SAIL

SHIPS	LEAVE	FOR	DAYS
Karnak	New York	Nassau	Feb. 4
Europa	Boston	Liverpool	Feb. 5
City of Washington	New York	Liverpool	Feb. 8
Bavaria	New York	Hamburg	Feb. 8
Anglo Saxon	Portland	Liverpool	Feb. 8
Glasgow	New York	Liverpool	Feb. 10
United Kingdom	New York	Glasgow	Feb. 11
America	New York	Liverpool	Feb. 12
Africa	New York	Liverpool	Feb. 12
Hansa	New York	Bremen	Feb. 15
Edinburgh	New York	Liverpool	Feb. 15
Niagara	Boston	Liverpool	Feb. 19
Cleator	New York	Kingston, Ja	Feb. 20
North American	Portland	Liverpool	Feb. 21
Teutonia	New York	Hamburg	Feb. 22
Asia	New York	Liverpool	Feb. 26
Bremen	New York	Bremen	Mch 15

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF BALTIMORE, FEB. 2.

Arrived.

Steamer Adelaide, Cannon, from Old Point Comfort, —M N Falls. Reports in Hampton Roads, Bremen ship Neptun, Bahle, 42 days from Liverpool, with salt to A Schumacher & Co, for orders. Captain B came up in the Adelaide, and makes the following report of the ship—encountered very heavy weather for 15 days of the passage. Spoke, no date, lat 39, lon 52 W, bark Union, Horstmann.

Steamer Wm Woodward, Cundiff, New York—mdse to J A Shriver.

Steamer Georgeanna, Pearson, Old Point Comfort, Va—M N Falls.

Steamer Elizabeth, Fowler, Philadelphia—mdse to J A Shriver.

Steamer Henry L Gaw, Ier, Philadelphia—James A Shriver.

Steamer Georgeanna, Pearson, Old Point Comfort, Va—M N Falls.

Steamer Fanny Cadwallader, Pierson, New York—J A Shriver.

Schr Mohawk, Staples, from Ponce, P R, 12th ult—sugar to Sterling & Ahrens. Encountered very boisterous weather on the passage. Jan 30, was boarded by an officer of the U S steamer Dawn, blockading the Rappahannock river. Left in port bark John Benson, Johnson, from and for New York, wtg; brig Scotland, Francis, fm and for Hartford, to sail in 8 days; schr James Armstrong, Schofield, from and for New Haven, in 4 days.

Schr Ocean Wave, Price, from New York—Government stores to order

Schr Lamartine, Johnson, from New York—hay to master. Was in company on Friday afternoon, off Cove Point, with a ship, two barks, two herm brigs, and several schooners. All bound up.

Cleared.

Steamer Adelaide, Cannon, Old Point Comfort, Va—M N Falls

Steamer Fanny Cadwallader, Pierson, from New York to J A Shriver.

Steamer Elizabeth, Fowler, Philadelphia—James A Shriver.

Schr Emily Murray, Todd—Fortress Monroe—W Applegarth & Son

Schr Ida H Moore, Ingersoll, do

Schr Ocean Wave, Winder, Accomac, Va

Schr Galveston, Russell, do

Schr Whildward, Todd, do

Schr John Wesley, Chance, do

Schr Somerset, Hillman, Somerset Co, Md

Schr John Thomas, Lodd, do

Schr Splendid, Tyler, Suffks Island

Schr Jas Braden, Somers, Manskin river

Schr John Bradley, Bramble, Vienna

Schr E C Thomas, Litch, Patuxent river

Below.

Br bark Sharston, from Rio Janeiro via Delaware Breakwater—coffee to Hugh Jenkins & Co

Arrivals from Baltimore.

Ship Bremerhaven, (Br) Hilken, Bremen, 12th ult

Ship Carl, Von Harding, Liverpool, 12th inst

Bark Seneca, Feinlagen, Montevideo, Dec 7th

Clearances for Baltimore

Schr Geo Twible, Miller, Philadelphia, 31st ult

Schr D Holmes, Holmes, New York, 30th ult

Memoranda.

☞ Steamer Wm Woodward, from Philadelphia, did not arrive, as reported in afternoon paper—not being due

Ship Casilda, Stafford, from New York, arrived at Liverpool 15th ult. Had violent gales during the passage, and on the 13th, when off the Isle of Man, had bulwarks and deck house stove in. The Casilda entered outward on the 16th

Ship Mary Whitridge, Cressey, for San Francisco, sailed from Hong Kong, Nov 24th

Ship Scotia, Miskelly, for Baltimore, sailed from Helvoet, 14th ult, and was off Dover 16th

Ship Volant, (Br) Tourney, for Baltimore, sailed from Troon, 13th ult

Bark Talisman, Thompson, was ready for sea at Havre, 18th ult, to sail for Baltimore

Barks Seneca, Fienlagen, and Pyrmont, Oliver, both of and from Baltimore, arrived at Montevideo, 17th Dec.

Bark Escoriaza, Ryder, for Cork for orders, remained at Montevideo, Dec 4th

Bark New Light, Reynolds, from Genoa, arrived at Palermo 6th ult

Bark Gallego, Washburn, for Marseilles, sailed from Constantinople 30th Dec

Bark Ella Virginia, Focke, from Plymouth, Eng., arrived at Bremerhaven, 10th ult

Brig Mary, Wilson, sailed from Cardiff, 15t ult, for Monteviden

Brig Roanoke, Long, for Buenos Ayres in a few days, was at Bahia, Dec 9th

Brig Ianthe, Ellingwood, from Palermo for New York, sailed from the Straits of Gibraltar 43 days since

Brig Ann Elizabeth, from Cardenas for Baltimore, was spoken 25th ult, lat 33, lon 75

Schr Caroline Knight, Wilson, sailed from Lubec, 24th ult, for Pembroke, to load iron for Baltimore

In Hampton Roads, schr Ocean Ranger, Wheeler, from Portland for Philadelphia, with a cargo of Kerosine oil, in distress, having experienced severe weather, and was blown off the coast; damaged spars, sails, &c., and got short of provisions. Will come to this port for repairs

Schr J W Fisher, Shaw, from Portland for Baltimore, arrived at Gloucester, 28th ult

Schr Alice Mowe, for Baltimore in 9 days, was at Mayaguez, 9th ult

Schrs E G Willard, Parsons, hence for Fall River, and Mary D Cranmer, from Boston for Fortress Monroe, sailed from Newport, 28th ult

Schr Fischer, Hutchinson, from Baltimore for Winterport, Me, arrived at Newport, 29th ult

Schr Wm Penn, Conley, from New York for Baltimore, sailed from Delaware Breakwater, 25th ult

Disasters.

Schr Jas A Parsons, Shaw, which sailed fm Baltimore, Dec 18th for Boston, put into Edgartown the 27th, having lost foremast and jibin the gale of 25th. She chartered new sails and sailed for Boston, January 1. In the gale of the same night came to anchor under Nausett, parted both chains and was blown off the coast. Experienced very heavy weather; lost and split sails and received other damage. Put into Maurice River, N J, January 28th, for repairs.

Eastern Ports.

NEW YORK, January 31.—Arr steamships Africa, Liverpool; Bavaria, Hamburg; Evening Star, Leghorn; Maria, Antwerp; J S Parsons, Liverpool; D H Wilder, Bremen; Osborn'Howes, Havre; barks Loveland, Bilboa; Iqes Queen Elizabeth, Dublin; Princess Royal, Bermuda; Ann Marina, Pernambuco; Poney, Rio de Janeiro; schrs Abbie Forrest, Port Plata; J S Farland, Montevideo; Narragansett, Havana.—Cld schrs A Bradford, Gibraltar; Mary Frances, Fortress Monroe.

PHILADELPHIA, January 31.—Arr ship Amelia, Liverpool; barks Annie Hall, Sligo; C W Poultney, Plymouth, England; brigs Julia Ford, Messina; Delhi, Port Prince.—Cld ships Charter Oak, Liverpool; John Siddey, Belfast, I; schrs J Maxfield, Matanzas; Lizzie Maul, Trinidad.

BOSTON, January 30.—Arr brig Gipsy, Cuba; schr. Amelia, Mayaguez.—Cld bark Fury, Palermo.

PORTLAND, January 29.—Arr steamship North America, Liverpool

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

(Regular Session.)

FRIDAY, Jan. 31, 1862.

FIRST BRANCH.—The Branch met at 5 o'clock. Present WM. S. CROWLEY, Esq., President *pro tem.*, and all the members.

Mr. SULLIVAN presented a remonstrance from a number of citizens, against the passage of an ordinance granting permission to the City Passenger Railway Association to run cars on Sunday. Referred.

Mr. YOUNG presented a report from the Committee on the Fire Department, with a resolution adverse to the application of Jacob Francis to make an addition to his dwelling on Eastern avenue.—Laid on the table.

Also, a report, with a resolution granting permission to Joseph Clarkson & Son to erect a steam-engine in their premises, No. 75 North Front street. Laid on the table.

A communication was received from the City Counsellor, who gives the opinion that it is not a violation of the law to erect awnings which extend but half way across the footwalk. Referred.

Dr. SCHWARTZE called up the ordinance providing that all persons elected to or selected for office, on and after the 20th of February, whether of honor or profit, must first take an oath of allegiance to the Government of the United States.

Mr. SAUERWEIN moved to strike out the words "on and after the 20th of February, 1862," so as to make the law take immediate effect. Carried.

The same gentleman offered an amendment making it incumbent on each officer who takes the oath prescribed to file a certified copy of the same with the City Comptroller within five days after his election or appointment. Carried.

Mr. SAUERWEIN also offered an amendment to the effect that any officer who fails to take the oath shall be immediately discharged and his place filled by appointment. Carried.

The bill as amended was unanimously passed.

Mr. SULLIVAN called up the ordinance providing for a ferry between Broadway and Locust Point Passed.

Mr. KIMBERLY presented a report from the Joint Committee on Police and Jail, with an ordinance relative to the imposition of fines for violation of ordinances. Laid on the table.

Mr. DUER presented a report from the Committee on Highways, with a resolution authorizing the City Commissioners to have the Liberty road, at Gilmore street, repaired. Laid on the table.

Mr. YOUNG offered a resolution to have a gas lamp placed at the corner of East and Low streets. Adjourned.

SECOND BRANCH.—Branch met. CHARLES J. BAKER, Esq., President, in the chair, and all the members present.

An ordinance providing for the extension of the time allowed the City Collector for the collection of taxes was received from the First Branch and unanimously rejected.

A resolution requesting the Board of Visitors to the Jail to remove Dr. James A. Stewart from his position as Physician to the Jail, in consequence of refusing to attend soldiers there incarcerated, was received from the First Branch and referred to the Committee on Police and Jail.

The Branch then adjourned.

LATEST NEWS.

TELEGRAMS.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Our Foreign Relations.

WASHINGTON, February 2.—Notwithstanding the alarms and croakings of some of the foreign journals and letter-writers about the stone-blockade and other similar sinister reports the despatches received at the State Department are regarded as conclusive of a complete restoration of the *entente cordiale* between the United States and Great Britain, and of the best possible understanding of the governments of France, Italy and other continental States. Yesterday Secretary Seward and Lord Lyons exchanged congratulations on the adjustment of the Trent affair in a spirit similar to that which, in the same case animated Earl Russell and Minister Adams.

The Privateers Released and to be Treated As Prisoners-of-War.

WASHINGTON, February 2.—On Friday last the Secretary of State directed the release from Fort Lafayette of all the persons taken from on board of insurgent armed vessels, which order has been undoubtedly executed. It is true, as has been stated, that General Wool, under instructions, asked Gen. Hugar whether if Smith, the privateer were delivered to him at Norfolk, Colonel Corcoran would be restored to liberty and sent North. The answer in the negative was on the ground of a difference in rank as to the two persons.

Hon. Alfred Ely, member of Congress from New York, late prisoner at Richmond, had an interview with the President and Secretary Seward yesterday, and it has been determined to place the Confederate privateers now in New York and Philadelphia upon a footing of prisoners of war. An order has been issued removing them to military prisons, with a view to their exchange for citizens of the United States incarcerated in the South. This important and humane course on the part of the Government may result in the return of Colonels Corcoran, Lee, Coggswell, Woodruff, Wilcox, Vodges, and the other officers now held as hostages for these privateers. A general exchange of all the prisoners will, it is believed, speedily follow. The interview of Mr. Ely, in conjunction with several of his associate members of the House of Representatives, was not only interesting, but is described as affecting.

Lieut. Edward Connolly, of the 69th New York regiment, a prisoner of war, has arrived from Columbia, S. C., and was present at the interview with the President and Secretary of State. He reports that the health of Colonel Corcoran and other prisoners there is good.

The Government Tax Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—It is understood that the Tax bill is now being perfected in its details by the Committee of Ways and Means. It proposes a moderate rate of taxation upon most articles of necessary consumption, with higher rates on distilled liquors and other articles of luxury, on legacies and probates, on passengers by railroads and other conveyances, newspapers and telegraphic messages. From these sources, taken in connection with the tariff on imports, it is confidently expected, after most careful investigation, that the Government will derive an annual revenue of at least $150,000,000. This Tax bill will give to the United States bonds a sure specie-paying security. The committee have also considered the subject of a National Banking Law, which will require the deposit of United States Stock as security for the bank notes that are circulated as currency.

General Lane to act Subordinate to General Hunter.

WASHINGTON, February 2.—The President in conversation yesterday with Representative Conway, of Kansas, stated that he appointed James H Lane Brigadier-General with the express understanding that he was to serve under Gen. Hunter. That General Lane frequently declared his willingness to do so; that he (the President) had and has the strongest desire to oblige General Lane, and consequently appointed a large staff to suit and gratify him. That while he hoped and expected an expedition somewhat to his liking would be sent forward under him; he expected it to be done by an amicable arrangement with General Hunter. He never intended and does not now intend that it shall be independent of General Hunter, or in any way offensive or dishonoring to him. That General Lane must receive his orders from General Hunter, and the President will be glad if General Hunter, acting within the range of his orders and sense of duty so the public, can give such orders as will be satisfactory to General Lane.

The Knights of the Golden Square.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Information has reached here that Isaiah Butler, David C. Wattles, Matthew Hodge and Richard Boyle have been arrested at North Branch, Michigan, on the borders of Canada, upon the charge of destroying the mails at that postoffice, in retaliation for the suspected act of the postmaster in causing the arrest of a man named Guy Hopkins, who was a member of a secret treasonable society called the Knights of the Golden Square. Hopkins is at Fort Lafayette, and these prisoners are at Detroit, awaiting trial.

It is known here that a number of Southern secessionists are in Canada whose business is to collect money from sympathizing friends to forward and receive despatches from Europe, and place them in such secret channels that they may reach their ultimate destination. It is not likely that such proceedings will be much longer continued.

Secession Rumors.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The rumors circulated in New York on Saturday, and which, it is represented, threw that city into something of a panic yesterday, are regarded here as inventions of the Secessionists in London and Paris. The communications which have been received from Great Britain and France, as well as other European States, by the last two steamers, are more frank and cordial than any since the insurrection began.

Affairs at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The re-union at Secretary Seward's, on Friday, embraced the largest attendance of members of the diplomatic corps and their families, than has been witnessed at a similar assemblage for a year past. Washington society is cheerful, waiting only for Congress to establish a financial system for the Government, and for sunshine to dry up the roads for military operations.

Appointment of an English Officer to the Command of a Michigan Regiment.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Lieutenant Colonel Sir P. Windham, late commanding Second Brigade in the Italian army, has been appointed Colonel of a Michigan regiment of lancers.

Military Orders.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Captain Ambrose Thompson, lately attached to General Wadsworth's Brigade as Quartermaster, has been ordered to Gen. Lander's Division, in the same capacity.

FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

From the Burnside Expedition.

FORTRESS MONROE, January 31.—The United States steamer Ericsson, from Hatteras, with the D'Epineuil Zouaves on board, arrived here this (Friday) afternoon. The Ericsson was not able to cross the Hatteras bar. She left on Monday afternoon and was driven out to sea by a storm. The Ericsson brings nothing later, except that the Burnside Expedition was about to move to its destination.

When the Ericsson left Hatteras Inlet the weather was too rough to land the troops, and she being unable to cross the bar, General Burnside ordered her to return to Fortress Monroe. The troops were in good health.

Most of the vessels had started from the mouth of the Inlet towards Roanoke Island, which it was understood would be the first place attacked.

The greatest panic prevails at Norfolk and Richmond in regard to the Burnside Expedition.

The sloop-of-war Hartford will sail on Saturday morning for Key West.

A prisoner-of-war named Taylor, of Cincinnati, has arrived here by a flag of truce from Richmond. He says that General Beauregard has left for Kentucky, taking with him fifteen thousand men from Manassas, and that Jefferson Davis is to take command in person of the troops at Manassas after his inauguration as President on the 22d of February.

Mr. Taylor says that he was accompanied by a detective to Norfolk, who was very watchful not to let him carry any papers with him, from which fact it is supposed they must have contained some important information.

It was understood at Richmond that General Beauregard would reach there on Saturday on his way to Kentucky.

The opinion at Richmond was that the Merrimac was a failure.

The French commodore having returned from Norfolk, the captain of the Pomone will go to Norfolk on Saturday, on his way to Charleston.

Nothing further from the South—The Constitution Ordered to Ship Island.

FORTRESS MONROE, Feb. 1.—In consequence of the foggy and stormy weather, no flag of truce was sent to Craney Island to-day.

The steamers John Tracks and Ericsson are expected to leave here for Annapolis to-morrow morning.

Contrabands who have recently come on board the Young Rover, stationed off York river, report that there are about 1,500 Confederate troops at Gloucester point, and six or 7,000 at Yorktown. An attack is constantly expected from Gen. Wool in the rear of Yorktown.

The steamer Constitution has been taking in coal to-day. Col. Shepley, who returned from Washington yesterday morning, brought orders to sail as soon as possible for Ship Island, her original destination.

From California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 31.—Another rain storm has commenced here. The storm through most of the interior counties has subsided. Communication with the mining districts is still suspended. The Legislature have agreed to assume the California portion of the National direct tax.

Fire at Boston.

BOSTON, February 1.—Granite block, on Washington street, occupied by Messrs. Pray & Sons, George B. Davis & Co., William R. Storms & Co., was destroyed by fire this morning. Loss $50,000; mostly insured.

Arrival of More British Troops.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., January 31.—The steamship Calcutta, with troops from England, put into the Bay of Bulls last night, short of coal and with loss of spars and boats. The Calcutta will come here for coals as soon as the ice clears away.

The Latest from Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, February 1.—A party of Confederates, under J. C. Morgan, of Lexington, captured five telegraphers near Camp Bellaville, with their instruments and wagons. They also burned a church at the station. All is quiet below.

Arrival of Cotton from Liverpool.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Arrived steamship John Bell, from Liverpool, with 1,618 bales of cotton. The Mary Alice was to sail for Bath in eight days.

From Cairo.

CAIRO, February 1.—Another expedition, perhaps larger than the recent reconnoitering expedition, is evidently in the course of preparation, from this point, but its real strength and destination is of course kept secret.

The troops at Fort Holt have been removed, in consequence of the high water there.

Operations in the South-West—The Gunboat Fleet.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1.—The intelligence from the South-West is meagre, and several days may elapse before the occurrence of anything important. Commodore Foote being in want of men for his gunboats, General Halleck has issued an order to transfer a sufficient number from the army to that service.

WAR ITEMS.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Washington Correspondence N. Y. Times, Jan 31.

THE DANGER OF FOREIGN INTERVENTION.

Private letters received in Washington from persons abroad, confirm the impression you have in New York, that the Governments of England, France and Spain meditate an early recognition of the Independence of the Confederate States. This recognition, it will be pretended, is made in the cause of humanity. Their Ministers assume that the war on the part of the "North" is rapidly degenerating into a fanatical crusade against the social order of the South, which must end in servile insurrections, slaughter of women and children, and finally the general massacre of slaves by their masters. To prevent these horrors, the "leading Christian nations" feel it their duty to interfere.

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THE CASE OF MR.