

Revenue cutter out of the reach of Black rods, and the sergeant at arms could not get a quorum in the Senate.

The House of Representatives adjourned on the 4th to meet at noon on the 5th, the Governor called his adherents together for an extra session on that day at 10 a.m., under their guards the house deposed the speaker and elected one Brewster in his place.

Carter the ousted speaker after vainly protesting against this assembled his friends at the Gem Saloon, Royal Street, and resumed the functions of the House of Representatives of the State.

The people of Louisiana are thus provided with the spectacle of two lower Houses and a Senate pretending to be in session without a quorum, the Governor's party sit in the State House surrounded by guards and batteries, and have been openly buying over their opponents, the prices varying from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per head.

The Carter faction are in session at the Gem Saloon, and carrying on this affair by kidnapping their opponents, frequent feys occur between the parties in one of which a member of the House of Representatives named Wheyland, was killed. The President of the United States has ordered the officer in command at New Orleans to put down rioting by force.

A similar row is going on in the New Mexico Territorial Legislature, and the study of the phenomena in political science is recommended to the British admirers of Yankee institutions. The sovereignty of the people is a great institution, when all are kings none need obey; the ballot box is beautiful apart from the fact that the voter is bribed, the Representatives can command from \$5,000 to \$10,000 each for their votes, thus purity of election, the interests of the public, but above all, that of the individual is served and promoted, and if a fellow buys a constituency he can sell it again.

This state of affairs would suit the English Whig radicals and their masters the Manchester pedlars exactly, as it reduces everything to a standard value.

### NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The health of the Prince of Wales is improving, the 21st inst was observed as a day of thanksgiving for his recovery throughout Great Britain, at all theatres the people displayed their feelings by singing the National Anthem and God save the Prince of Wales.

John Stuart Mills has refused to act as Chairman at meetings where Sir Chas. Dilke would address the people. It was feared that if the friends of the latter attempted to carry out any demonstration it would lead to serious trouble, as the mass of the people, especially the working men, will not tolerate Republican demagogues, and will put down any attempt at meetings by force. Sir

Samuel Baker, whose probable loss was reported, is now known to be in good health, at Khartoum. Dr. Livingston is reported to be alive at Ujji.

A severe snow storm occurred in London on the 24th and extended over Great Britain, serious disasters occurred to shipping and property.

The French Government propose to cede a monopoly for the sale of tobacco for a period of thirty years to the Rothschilds and other bankers, provided that they advance sufficient money to pay off the Prussian indemnity.

A formal demand has been made on the Austrian Government for the extradition of Degichio, who was Gambetter's private Secretary during the German war, but who afterwards joined the Commune.

Efforts are being made to bring about a fusion of the members of the House of Orleans.

Efforts are being made by the Spanish Government for the suppression of the "International Society." Reinforcements are constantly sent forward to Cuba.

Great activity prevails in the dockyards and arsenals of the United States. The New Orleans Imbroiglio still continues, and except the proceedings are repressed by force of National Troops bloodshed will assuredly follow.

It is stated that the political tendencies are towards close alliance with Great Britain and a separation of interests from those of Russia, the latter power appears to have suffered from the ill advised acts of its minister, (Baron Catacary) and especially from his ill-considered attempt to prevent the ratification of the Washington Treaty.

If the political friendships could be depended on, and if the efforts of the public men of the States were directed to the development of the interests of their own country the British alliance would be the first true effort towards that desirable consummation.

Mexico still continues in a state of turmoil, it is reported as the desire of the United States to annex that country. If such a course is attempted it will take 100,000 soldiers, and at least 10,000 miles of railway to civilize the Greasers. What with the Spanish Mexican and Russian affairs on hands, Washington politicians have an uneasy time of it.

In Her Majesty's dominion of Canada affairs progress with the usual steady pace; on every side signs of unexampled prosperity are to be seen; the recent meetings of the Dominion Board of Trade disclosed a state of material prosperity since the abrogation of Reciprocity which few were prepared for, and effectually settles the question as to what our commercial relations are to be.

Advices from Lake Superior speak of wonderful yields of silver and plentiful gold indications in Manitoba and British Columbia, tranquility and prosperity obtain.

The most notable event during the week has been the fall of the roof of the drill shed at Montreal, and consequent damage of about \$20,000, a fatality attends these structures, they all appear to have been badly designed.

### REVIEWS.

We have received a prospectus of a new journal about to be issued under the title *Westward Ho* devoted to the interests of Immigration. Judging from the style of the document, and the well known ability of the editor, we believe the new addition to our newspaper literature, will be both valuable and useful.

It recommends itself in a special degree to our agricultural population who are interested in this question of cheap labor, because it will be the means of inducing a supply of that necessary article into this country by placing before the English intending emigrant authorized and *semi official* information of the advantages to be found in choosing Canada as a home. *Westward Ho* (as we understand the matter) will be non political, in perfect accord with the Ministry of the day, and will thus be enabled to shape a course best calculated to advance the interests of Canada in the direction indicated. We wish the adventure every success, as a project it is well deserving the support of a people desirous of supplying their most pressing needs and increasing their profits at the same time. *Westward Ho* will be published weekly at Ottawa, by Mr. James Norris.

We have to acknowledge the receipt of the *Trade Review*, printed at Winnipeg for Alex. Begg and devoted to the commercial interests of the North West. We admire the energy of the spirited proprietor who has already distinguished himself in literature by a very impartial history of the Red River troubles under the title of "the Creation of Manitoba." and we know he will be able to make his enterprise a success. In the present number he has touched on one theme which affects the interests of the whole Dominion, that of the cost of transport to Fort Garry, to which we mean to draw attention as an evil to be remedied.

The *Phrenological Journal* for February has been received. It contains a large amount of interesting and instructive reading of a scientific nature.

Like the fabled phoenix, Chicago has arisen from her ashes with invigorated powers, and as an evidence thereof, Waters, Eberts, & Co., Chicago, have issued an illustrated weekly paper, entitled *Our Fireside Friend*. It appears to be a remarkably well got up journal, the articles are good and it is published for the small sum of \$3 yearly, at 783, State Street, Chicago.

The *Scientific American* has been received, it is a remarkably good number of this valuable work.