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## Eastern States.

CHICAGO, May 14—Different specials give different prognostications on the Impeachment. The *Journal* says Henderson will vote against all the articles. Many think the vote will be scattering, some voting for one and some for another article, but not enough to convict.

The *Post* says the managers called a special session on account of information of a startling character. Witnesses summoned claimed evidence that will prove that two Senators received large sums of money for going against conviction. If proven true exciting times are expected.

WASHINGTON, May 14—In the House Pike introduced a bill to establish telegraphic communication between military posts and the construction of a telegraph line to Puget Sound. Referred.

CHICAGO, May 16, noon.—The Senate has voted on the eleventh article. The vote stood 35 for conviction and 19 for acquittal. The following Senators voted with the Democrats: Fessenden, Fowler, Grimes, Trumbull, Van Winkle, Ross and Henderson.

The Senate are now discussing motion to adjourn.

## California.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14—The Golden Age sailed for Panama this morning.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15—Sailed May 15—Bark Milan Teekalelt bark Florence, Seabeck,

The steamer California is expected to sail for Victoria to-morrow. [Since postponed until the 19th Ed.]

The sailing of the Portland steamer J L Stephens has been postponed until Tuesday.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16—The overland telegraph is still down East of Cheyenne City.

Wheat, quiet at $2@2 12½.

Barley, sales of 1050 sacks, good in two lots $1 80, quotable as to range at $1 75@1 80.

Oats $2 15@2 40 from wharf, and $2 25@2 50 for small lots from store.

Arrived, ship Aureola, from Port Discovery.

Sailed May 16—Ship John Jay, Seattle.

## DELAYED DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—The public debt statement shows the total debt less cash in the Treasury of $2,500,528,827 56. The decrease within the month is $18,680,857 80.

In the Senate Bingham continued speaking till 4 o'clock P. M., when he said he was fatigued, and the Senate adjourned.

The Reconstruction Committee to-day discussed the constitutions of the Southern States looking for re-admission, and finally agreed to report to the House the Constitutions of Arkansas. First, they will insert a clause relative to the franchise as well as put it in the Alabama Constitution. This clause will be inserted in all the other Constitutions so as to make them conform. The committee meet on Wednesday.

WASHINGTON, May 6.—In the House yesterday Dawes offered a resolution that the committee investigate the Washburne-Donnelly affair; he also instructed to investigate the charges made by Brooks last Friday against Butler, relative to his administration in New Orleans. After considerable discussion it was adopted.

The Speaker presented a communication from the President, enclosing copies of the South Carolina and Arkansas Constitutions.

Carey offered a resolution, that in view of the exhibition in the House on Friday, Saturday and Monday, the Managers be requested to withdraw the 10th article of impeachment. He referred to the scandalous debate between Brooks, Butler and Logan on Friday, and Washburne and Donnelly on Saturday. Without action the House adjourned.

CHICAGO, May 6.—The Methodist General Conference is now in session in this city. Fifty-five regular conferences are represented, besides thirteen mission conferences, including those in the Southern States. This conference will be a very important gathering. The address of the Bishop was presented yesterday, recapitulating the progress and changes since the last general conference, four years ago.

NEW YORK, May 6.—The strikers at Prospect Park were dispersed by the police, to prevent an anticipated riot.

The trustle work at the Erie Railroad depot, Jersey City, gave way to-day, letting the locomotive into the river. The engineer and fireman were drowned.

Three thousand one hundred and seventy-seven emigrants arrived at this port to-day.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Mr. Bingham resumed his argument, which was concluded about 3 o'clock. At the conclusion of the speech, applause, loud and continued, arose from the galleries. The Chief Justice, after a futile attempt to restore silence, ordered the galleries to be cleared. The doorkeeper was unable to eject the people. Considerable confusion ensued on the floor of the Senate, several Senators desiring order not to be enforced, others demanding its prompt execution. Finally, the Metropolitan Police were called in and the galleries cleared. The doorkeeper then cleared the diplomatic gallery of the foreign Ministers and ladies, and finally also cleared the reporter's gallery. After closing the doors, Mr Morrill, of Maine, submitted an order to adjourn, which was lost by 22 to 29.

Mr Edmunds then moved that when the Senate adjourn, it be till Friday. Several objections having been made, it was proposed to take up the several orders which had been laid over during the trial. The Chief Justice said it was in order.

Mr Edmunds offered a motion to let in the reporters, but before it was voted upon was laid over.

Mr Howard called for the reading of the twenty-third rule.

Mr Anthony moved that the rule be so amended as to give fifteen minutes for the speeches instead of ten. This was laid over, after which the Senate took a recess. Upon re-assembling, the Chief Justice said that the case will be considered closed on both sides if neither had anything more to offer.

Mr Hendricks moved that the preliminary order be considered in open session. Several Senators objected.

On motion of Mr Edmunds the doors were again closed for deliberation.

CHICAGO, May 5.—Specials confirm the report that Fessenden has written an argument setting forth his views in opposition to the President's removal. One account says it is in opposition to conviction on the Stanton article, holding that the President's disregard of a statute for the simple purpose of having it tested before the courts does not constitute a crime of sufficient magnitude to justify impeachment, and that the whole subject of the final verdict has been much canvassed to-day. Some Senators pronounce Bingham's argument twaddle, which it is supposed indicates that they are unfavorable to impeachment. Fessenden himself confessed that he is preparing an opinion on the first three articles. He does not deny that he will vote for acquittal on each of these, and he seems to think the other articles not worth much.

A gentleman of prominence says that for the last two weeks he has regarded the result of the impeachement trial as in a great measure in the hands of Fessenden more than in any other. His influence among his associates is so great that it is thought he will take with him at least six Republican Senators, and possibly a larger number. Various parties have talked with him, but he seems firm in his position. He has answered several Democratic Senators that there is not the slightest doubt that Johnson will be acquitted. The opinion is expressed in some quarters that jealousy among Senators in regard to the Vice Presidency is at the bottom of the whole affair.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The *Times'* Washington dispatch states that Senator Fessenden has not indicated to any one how he will vote.

Senator Morrill says if Fessenden has written anything he certainly don't know which side he takes. No opinion or indication of how they shall vote has been given by either Trumbull, Sherman, Anthony or Henderson, and the others about whom certain statements have been made.

RICHMOND, May 9—The Supreme Court to-day decided that all debts contracted in Confederate money shall be computed at the value of the money when the debt matured, and not when contracted.

A memorial celebration took place to-day. Over 14,000 Confederate graves were decorated with flowers.

Gen. Schofield has removed the Mayor of Danville, and the municipal officers of nearly all the towns in the State are now being changed.

NEW ORLEANS, May 9—An affidavit has been filed by one of the late registrars before Commissioner Wells, to the effect that the newly elected Recorder of the First District was not naturalized until after his nomination, and that Conway, Republican, Superintendent of Education, is not a registered citizen of Louisiana, although appearing on the ticket from the parish of New Orleans. The same affidavit says Commissioner Shanlon attempted by threats to intimidate the affiant from performing his duty according to his oath.

NEW YORK, May 10—Judge Field, of the Supreme Court, and Lucille Western, the actress, are among the passengers for California to-day.

The *Herald's* Havana special says: The affair of the American steamers Liberty and Cuba, at Havana, is likely to be made an international affair.

Weston, the pedestrian, is backed for a five thousand mile walk, from Bangor, Maine to St Paul, Minn., and return to Buffalo. The wager is $25,000, and the walk is to be made in 100 days, including Sundays; but Weston will not consent to walk on Sundays. He will leave Bangor about the 18th of August, and must walk one hundred miles in 23 consecutive hours during the trip.

ST LOUIS, May 10th—The incorporators of the Southwest Pacific met yesterday. After the requisite amounts were subscribed, the Board of Directors were elected, and books for subscription of stock will be opened immediately in this city and New York.

The Indians have been committing serious depredations along the line of the Kansas Pacific road. Two companies of cavalry have been sent in pursuit.

NEW YORK, May 11—A mob in Bridge street, Brooklyn, on Saturday night attempted to rescue two prisoners who were being taken to the station house. Stones and bricks were hurled at the officers who had them in charge. Several pistol shots were fired. Charles McHenry, in his own store at the time, was severely wounded in the thigh. The prisoners were finally secured.

A tornado visited Hudson river near Cold Springs on Saturday, capsizing one vessel and throwing another on her beam ends, and driving others ashore. No lives were lost by the storm.

Dr G W Drygles, his wife and three children were poisoned in Newark on Saturday by eating shad which had been bought of a travelling fisherman. One child died. The rest of the family were still alive yesterday evening.

At the anniversary of the American Home Missionary Society last night, the Rev J V Thompson preached the annual sermon. The report sets forth that the Society had employed 500 preachers during the past year and expended $204,668 of the $292,130 in the treasury.

## California.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—A man named Roberts was arrested this afternoon, and when searched in the city prison, about $60 in bogus gold and silver coin was found in his possession.

A very cleaver counterfeit of the twenty dollars has been recently put on this market by Chinamen.

The funeral of Mrs Washington Wright (Topsy Turvey) took place yesterday, and was largely attended.

The stopping and garroting of persons on the streets, of late hours at night, is becoming frequent. The city at present is infested with a gang of robbers and thieves.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 5.—Grace Philbin, who was recently injured by a runaway horse at the Cliff House, has sued Killip & Nathan, from whom she obtained damages in the sum of $5,000. The driver was killed.

The store of Jas. O'Brien, on Davis street, was fired by an incendiary last evening. The incendiary was arrested in the act, but was rescued by a gang of roughs. He afterwards returned and fired the building again, and then made his escape. No serious damage.

Every berth and sofa in the first cabin of the Golden City, which sails to-morrow, is engaged, and at 2 p. m. to-day only five berths in the 2d cabin are disengaged. Among the passengers are Capt. Ben. Hartshorn, Bishop Kip, S. B. Whipple, Esq., and their respective families.

The debts of Grace Church, amounting to $23,000, have been paid by private subscription.

The Board of Supervisors last evening passed a resolution to print Mr Canavan's resolutions justifying the Mayor and City Attorney in settling Marriott's claim of $24,480, for the destruction of the *News Letter*, by the payment of $13,500. A similar resolution to settle the *Monitor's* claim by the payment of $8,500 was lost.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—A number of contractors met last night to adopt measures for their own protection and passed the following resolution: That ten hours should constitute a days work for men in our employ, and that the following scale of prices be adopted as a standard: Men to be paid 20 cents per hour; monthly men to be paid 12½ cents per hour and that 40 cents per hour be paid for man, horse and cart.

A number of laborers struck this morning, and gangs of them are going about the city endeavoring to coerce other laborers into joining them. Patrolmen were appointed by the police department, and thus far there has been no serious disturbance.

The steamer Moses Taylor arrived from San Juan this morning, having been overdue since last Monday. For the present this route will be abandoned.

It is stated that the Union State Central Committee have purchased the *Abend Post* newspaper, and that it will be conducted as a German Republican daily.

About 12 o'clock last night, Engine Co. No. 2 undertook to pump out a cistern at the corner of Bush and Montgomery streets which has been closed up for some time. J. J. Kelly, Foreman of No. 2, lowered a lantern into the cistern, when a terrific explosion ensued, which severely burned several persons who were standing about the cistern and shook the ground like an earthquake. It is supposed that the cistern was full of gas which had leaked from the gas pipes.

The State Telegraph Company successfully laid a submarine telegraph cable from Fort Point across the Golden Gate to Lime Point this afternoon. This company will reduce their tariffs one third on dispatches to the interior on and after June 1st.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—The jury in the Eugene Tucker case returned a verdict of manslaughter. The prisoner and his brothers seemed greatly delighted by the verdict.

During the progress of a fire on Jones' street, yesterday afternoon, the walls fell and buried six firemen, all of whom were more or less injured, but not seriously.

The strike among the laborers has subsided, and the most of them will return to work under the old arrangements.

A test of Col, Foote's Petroleum furnace for steamboats was made on the steamer Amelia yesterday. She ran thirteen miles in fifty-six minutes and consumed one barrel of petroleum, which cost five dollars. It would have required sixteen dollars' worth of coal to have produced the same result.

Last evening about seven o'clock a general fight occurred on Vallejo street, between John Barry, P. Murphy, Mary Barry and another party. During the melee Murphy was pretty severely cut across the neck with a jack-knife.

A large number of laborers met last night at Dashaway Hall, for the purpose of forming an organization on the eight hour system.

Some of the strikers still hold out, but the contractors are equally firm and will probably carry their point.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—Judge Province to-day rendered a decision in the Sunday law cases. He overruled defendant's demurrer, and sustained the law.

Zach Montgomery and Michael Flaven sue the city for $16,862, damages alledged to have been sustained by the destruction of the *Occidental* newspaper in April, 1865.

In the District Court on Saturday, Frederick Wilson copyrighted a letter purporting to have been witten by Jesus Christ, found eight-four miles from Iconium, sixty-five years from his crucifixion, translated from the Hebrew and sent from Jerusalem by a converted Jew. To this is added the letter of King Abgarus to Christ, and his reply, together with Lentulus' epistle to the Senate of Rome concerning Christ.

Sonoma county has voted for the railroad appropriation to the Sancelito Company.

Yesterday and to-day were extremely warm days in this city. The thermometer ranged to 80 degrees yesterday, and to 78 to-day.

## Mexico.

GALVESTON, May 1—A special express from Monterey, April 24th, brings an official complaint from Consul Ularich to Secretary Seward, of an outrage upon six American merchants of Monterey, named Lockard, Potter, Katherus, Montgomery, Scaptha and Pye, who were sent to the calaboose by an order of the Governor's Secretary and detained among filth and vermin and the vilest felons until morning, when they were commanded to perform the most disgusting offices and sweep the prison. Refusing to do this they were flogged by order of the jailor and arraigned before the Alcalde, fined and compelled to pay for the return of their watches and money, and no apology or redress has been offered.

HAVANA, May 7—Plumb, acting American Minister, had presented a document from the Government at Washington, expressing regret and sympathy in the matter of the attempted assassination of Juarez, who responded in an address thanking the Minister and the American Government, and expressing a wish to preserve always amicable relations between the two Republics.

The attempted conspiracy at Orizaba has been defeated. Collectors of the Customs throughout the Republic had been enjoined to pay all drafts on the National treasury. The death penalty had been abolished.

Advices from Colima state that a priest who commanded a party of bandits at Tulmoa had been captured. Gen Bazard has defeated Negrete. The usual number of murders and robberies are reported.

## Europe.

PARIS, May 5—It is stated that Baron Talleyrand, French Envoy to Russia, has had a conversation with Prince Gortschakoff relative to the subject of a mediation by France and Russia on the Turco-Cretan question.

PARIS, May 7—It is authoritatively denied that the French Ambassador at St Petersburg had a consultation with Gortschakoff relative to the Eastern question.


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