

United States.

Letter from Kansas.

We give place to an extract of a letter from a young man in Kansas to his mother in Vermont. We are well acquainted with the parties and can vouch for its truthfulness. It is no otherwise important, except in corroborating the accounts received from the other sources of the unsettled state of things in that unfortunate Territory.

June 15, 1856.—We have not been molested at Topeka, and although there has been much threatening, we do not anticipate it at present, if at all. A strong movement is now being made to send a large force of ruffians to invade the Territory, but the U. S. troops are now being concentrated below here, so as to intercept any bodies of men coming from Missouri for the purpose of invading the Territory. A large body of U. S. troops passed through here to day from Fort Riley on their way to some point below. Outrages are being committed below, and south of us, and the roads are so blocked up and invested by those marauding bands of robbers, that there is no safety in traveling, as repeated robberies and murders have been committed; and no goods, or provisions are allowed to pass into the Territory, every wagon being searched and taken back and the goods put in store.

Even in the city of Westport, these highway robberies are committed in open day, without rebuke from the civil authorities, and with the countenance of the community.

We are hoping for more peaceable times ere long, but time alone can tell what will be our fate.—N. Y. Chron.

The subscriptions for Kansas, in Boston, have reached a handsome amount. Four gentlemen in that city have offered to give \$5000 each, on condition that the sum of \$100,000 be raised in the State of Massachusetts. Similar movements are in progress in different sections of the country, and the indications are that a large sum will be realized for the aid of the Free-State men in Kansas.—ib.

CONGRESS.

Both houses of Congress have been occupied during the week in discussing Kansas affairs.

In the House nearly the entire session has been occupied in the consideration of the bill for the admission of Kansas into the Union, as a Free State, with the Topeka constitution. A motion to lay it on the table was negatived by a vote of 101 to 70, and after some further discussion of the subject the bill was defeated by a majority of one vote—106 to 107. This result, as unexpected as it was disheartening to the Republicans was brought about by a union of the opponents.—ib.

The Republican, or People's National Convention, assembled at Philadelphia, on Tuesday, the 17th inst. Delegates were in attendance from all the Free States, and also from Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, and from the Territories of Kansas, Nebraska and Minnesota. A National Executive Committee was appointed, consisting of one member from each State and Territory, represented in the Convention.

After some discussion, the Convention proceeded to ballot for a candidate for President. The prominent names before the Convention were Messrs. J. C. Fremont, of California, S. P. Chase and John McLean, of Ohio, and N. P. Banks, of Massachusetts; but before the first informal ballot was taken, the names of Chase and Banks were withdrawn, and the vote resulted for Col. Fremont 359; Judge McLean 169. A formal ballot was then taken, when Fremont was unanimously nominated.

Hon. JAMES BUCHANAN has written a letter accepting the Democratic nomination for the Presidency, and adopting the platform of the Cincinnati Convention. Ex-President Fillmore has also, in a formal letter, accepted the nomination of the Know-Nothing or American party. The Presidential tickets in the field now are as follows:

Democrats—For President, James Buchanan, of Penn.

Republicans—For President, John C. Fremont, of Cal.—ib.

WAR BETWEEN SPAIN AND MEXICO.—Accounts from Madrid of the 28th ult, says the Government was determined to proceed with the greatest energy in the Mexican affair. At a Cabinet Council, held the day before, it was resolved to send to the Gulf of Mexico, independently of the naval forces detached from Cuba, two ships of the line, one frigate and one corvette, which are to be placed under the command of a distinguished naval officer.

The Cabinet had held several Councils to decide on the course to be pursued with respect to Mexico. There is every reason to believe that Spain will declare war against that Republic, should the latter refuse to execute the stipulations of the treaty of 1853 in favor of the Spanish subjects whose claims had been solemnly recognized by the Mexican Government and confirmed a Legislative vote.

CALIFORNIA.

Things are verging towards a revolution in California. This might have been anticipated from the doings of the Vigilance Committee of which our San Francisco correspondent gave so full an account. Since that letter was written, Casey and Cora have been hung by the Committee. Yankee Sullivan had also been arrested, and to escape a public execution, had committed suicide in prison. It is said that before dying he made important disclosures in reference to election frauds—like Poole, this great prize fighter had come to a violent death at last. He himself said that he deserved death, and was so conscience-stricken that he could not be persuaded that he would not be hung, and it was from sheer terror of such a fate, strengthened by a dream which he had the night before his death that he was induced, as is believed, to commit suicide. The office of the Committee, is guarded with cannon, its members are in arms, and thousands of men have offered to serve under it in the interior. The following extract of a letter will give some idea of the state of feeling existing in San Francisco.

"Do not be alarmed for us. Our city, we learn from the papers, is under martial law, but we should not know it otherwise. Every thing is quiet and orderly, and we have no fear of an outbreak. It would be madness in the Government to force matters. The people will sift to the bottom of the evils that have afflicted us, and no military power can be raised in the State that would dare attempt to prevent it."

Never were the elements of war so ripe among us as now, though we have so much confidence in the conservative sentiment of the country that we do not anticipate any extensive outbreak. The people, we trust, will ere long rise in majesty, and will say to those waves of civil discord "hitherto shall ye come but no further."—N. Y. Chron.

LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.—Casey and Cora were hung on the 22nd of May—the same day on which Mr. King was buried. Perfect decorum was observed throughout the proceedings.

The Vigilance Committee had arrested several other desperate characters, including the notorious Yankee Sullivan. The latter committed suicide in his cell at the Committee Rooms, leaving a confession touching the elections in San Francisco.

The excitement was on the increase, and martial law had been declared at San Francisco.

Advices from Costa Rica state that the army is disbanded. Cholera was raging fearfully throughout the State. Baron Burrow died of it while on his retreat.

CHICAGO, July 2.—Passengers from Lexington bring intelligence of the capture of the Ottawa company of emigrants, on board the Arabia on Friday night. The men were robbed of everything, and kept close prisoners. It was resolved by the mob to take the Massachusetts men by the river, to hang their leader, Mr. Decatur, and keep the remainder as prisoners, confiscating their arms, money, provisions and baggage to the mob.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.—Dates from the Sandwich Islands, of the 19th April, have been received. The Legislature had met and addressed the king, dilating on the financial condition of the country with joy, and promising to pass laws against the use of intoxicating liquors and narcotic stimulants. Agriculture would be promoted and sanitary rules extended. Mr. Gregg, U. N. commissioner, had taken official offence at the action of the editor of the Hawaiian newspaper—organ of the Government—for re-publishing an article hostile to the United States, taken from the London Times. His Majesty appealed to the American rule of "free speech and free press." A member of the Legislature, who was once convicted of polygamy, had been unseated on that account. The married ladies of Honolulu had presented a petition, praying for the suppression of theatres and circuses, on the ground that they kept their husbands out all night.

RIOT AT WASHINGTON.—Washington, July 1.—A riot occurred at the Fillmore demonstration last night, during which Mayor Mugger and several of the Police were attacked with stones and bludgeons. The Mayor was badly injured the mob following him more than a mile with cries of "Kill him; kill him." The mob was finally dispersed and one or two arrests made.

The New York *Albion* says—"St. Lawrence and the Mississippi are united for practical purposes; a steamer from the latter—by way of the Wisconsin and Fox Rivers, and Winnebago Lake—having entered Lake Michigan and Green Bay. This great fact was consummated on Monday the 16th ult.

AUSTRALIAN GOLD.—At the latest dates received in England from Melbourne, March 18, the gold fields of Australia were yielding more largely than ever—at the rate of nearly £20,000,000 per annum; and the produce of the first three months of 1856 is nearly double that of the corresponding three months of 1855, being close upon 700,000 ounces.

One day last week, says *The Cleveland Leader*, a fugitive slave passed through Columbus, who was almost as white as any person in that city. He was about fifteen years of age, and was sent off by his own mother—the daughter of her master! to save him from being torn from her to be carried South for a market! A father holds his own daughter as a slave—this daughter has a son by her own half-brother, and that son was to be sent to New Orleans for Market; and sent, too, by his own grandfather! How far below the grade of human nature must that man be fallen, who boldly advocates such a monstrous institution! Who is base enough to shrink from the duty of opposing the spread of such a system of Slavery, for fear of being called an Abolitionist?—*Buffalo Rep.*

From all parts of the country, we hear but one sentiment in regard to the prospect of the growing crops. Wheat, probably, never bid fairer for a universal good crop than it does at this moment. The cool weather of the spring has been just right for wheat, rye, barley, oats and hay. Although Indian corn is very backward, it may still make it all up in July and August, which are the great months for perfecting this great staple crop of America.—ib.

European Intelligence.

Arrival of the Baltic at New York.

The Collins Steamer Baltic arrived at New York, on the 6th, inst, from Liverpool.

A London paper gives the following summary of the news of the week as regards relations with the United States:

Judging from the country newspapers, most of which reach us at the end of the week, we should say that the country is delighted with the turn that the American question has taken, and it is surprising how much the public have become enlightened on the subject by the cheap press, almost every newspaper of that class has devoted itself to a rational exposition of our American difficulties. The country is also pleased with the nomination of Mr. Buchanan, but it does not appear to understand that Mr. Buchanan, in order to attain this honor, has set his face against the great movement for the emancipation of the slave.

The London *Times*, warns the government to have the Central American affair settled before Buchanan shall come to the Presidency, the Recruiting question having been Mr. Pierce's question, and the Central American Mr. Buchanan's.

The probable loss of the American ship Ocean Queen, Capt. Smith, of the London and New York line, with 110 lives, has been reported at Lloyd's. The ship left the London docks on the 8th of February, with a full miscellaneous cargo, and 85 steerage passengers. On 15th February she was spoken off the Isle of Wight, all well, since which nothing has been heard of her, and there is reason to fear she was lost in the ice in which the steamer Pacific perished.

The ship Moro Castle, (of Windsor, N. S.) timber laden, was abandoned at sea, and has been towed into Crookhaven, water logged, and with masts gone.

The ship Marco Polo had arrived at Liverpool from Melbourne, with £316,000 in gold.

Prussian papers reassert that Queen Victoria will certainly visit Berlin in September next. No intimation to that effect has transpired as yet in London.

It is current that the Sardinian government has just issued a note in reply to that of Austria. Sardinia denies the imputation of fostering revolution, but expresses a fear it may break out if existing governments do not place themselves at the head of Italian nationality.

The town of Kars has surrendered to the Turks, and the Turkish troops had evacuated the fortress of Redout Kaleh.

FRANCE.

DISASTROUS EFFECTS OF THE INUNDATIONS.

The French papers are filled with accounts of destructive inundations.

The extent of the disaster is very great. Five hundred houses were destroyed at Lyons and one hundred and fifty at Avignon. At the latest accounts the waters were subsiding. Ten millions of francs had been voted by the government for the relief of the sufferers.

The last advices from Madrid state, that the preparations for the naval expedition against Mexico continue. It is hardly possible to conceive folly greater, and which is so likely to work its own retribution.

The King of Naples is renewing the political trials, notwithstanding the remonstrances which are said to have been addressed to him by the other crowned heads of Europe. This infatuated simpleton is rushing on his ruin with all the impetuosity of a tyrant and a madman.

The Lord Mayor of London has remitted 100,000*l.* to the prefect of the Seine, as a first instalment of the London subscriptions in aid of the fund for the sufferers by the inundations in the south of France.

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From Liverpool, to sail 20th to 25th August, positively.

THE A. I. CLIPPER SHIP "ALLIANCE," C. J. Card, Commander, will be on a loading berth in good time to sail for Halifax 20th to 25th August. As this ship has made very quick passages, and delivered her Cargoes in first rate order she offers without exception, the only speedy and safe chance for importers of fine and heavy GOODS from Liverpool to this Port. Importers will please make their arrangements in good time to ensure their Goods coming by this conveyance, as the "Alliance" will positively sail as advertised, and every attention will be given by Captain and Agents to see that proper care and attention is given to their Property, as well in the delivery as in the receiving of it.

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SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

OFFICE OF GRAND SCRIBE, Halifax, June 23rd, 1856.

THE next Quarterly Session of the Grand Division, S. of T., of Nova Scotia, will open in the Town of Yarmouth, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of July next, at 10 o'clock, A. M., of which Officers and Representatives will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

The D. G. W. P's. are earnestly requested to forward the Returns and per capita tax of the Divisions under their charge, to this Office, on or before the 15th day of July. By order, PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S. June 25. till 22nd July.

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