Local and State News.

The salutation, "How's your cough?" has been changed to "How's your horse?"

The diphtheria seems to prevail somewhat extensively in this vicinity.

Partridge advertises in our columns a remedy that is highly recommended for the great horse malady.

The liberal offer "My kingdom for a horse!" is likely to be changed to "My kingdom for a yoke of oxen!"

Mr. Thompson, at Brick's dry goods store, is ready to show to customers the advantages of the Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine

How terribly Mr. Jack Hale must feel, shut up in the Insane Hospital, if he knows the epidemic is carrying off his horses!

Edward Rowse has a large assortment of Opera Glasses at his store on Water street, besides his usual large stock of goods in his line

Dr. Wm B. Lapham of the Maine Farmer, left the city on Saturday, to spend a week amid the "scenes of his boyhood" in Massachusetts.

The horrors of the steam whistle is being vigorously agitated in some portions of the State. A strange whistle of dolorious sound, has appeared in this city, and is being discussed and cussed likewise.

Don't forget Miss Fanny Herring, the unrivalled New York comedy actress, and the splendid company, at Granite Hall, this evening. The play is the "Little Detective," and the admission as usual.

A Pleasant Occasion.

On Wednesday evening last the friends of Mr. George McGaffey gathered in large numbers at his house in Mt. Vernon, to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of his marriage day (silver wedding). Almost every conceivable article of silver was brought, including ladels, forks, spoons and napkin rings The presentation address was made by Rev. Mr. Clark, and Dr. Burbank led in the singing which followed. The large number present on the inclement evening, and the profusion of presents, only showed the estimation in which the worthy couple are held by their friends.

Teachers' Institute.

The regular annual institute for Kennebec county will commence to-day at the High School building, under the charge of Prof. Tenney and Mrs. Anna Randall Diehl. Prof Tenney has achieved a high reputation in connection with the schools of New Hampshire and New York, while Mrs. Diehl is well known as teacher in the Oswego Normal School and the author of a standard work on Reading and Elocution. Their work thus far in this state in connection with the institutes establishes their rank as first-class educators. Of course our teachers will not fail to give a full and constant attendance. We learn that Mrs. Diehl will give public recitations and readings one evening of this week—free to all. Our exchanges speak very highly of her. The institute will continue five days. Free return tickets over the Maine Central will be given to regular attendants.

Death of a Venerable Printer.

We announce this morning the death of Mr. Gilman Smith, a practical printer, well known to the members of the craft in this and other States. Mr. Smith was born in Sanbornton, N. H., in 1807; was an apprentice to the printing business with John Dorr, Esq., in Wiscasset (Mr. Dorr still resides in this city); worked at the business in New York in the same office with Horace Greeley; worked at his trade also in Boston, Andover and other places, and came to this city to reside permanently in 1836, where he has ever since lived. His brother, Wm. R. Smith, Esq., cashier of the Augusta Savings Bank, had just started "The Age," democratic newspaper, and Gilman became foreman of the office, holding the relation for about twenty years, the paper in the meantime passing into the hands of several different proprietors. He was appointed mail agent by President Pierce, and after losing the office by a change of administration he became foreman of the book department of the Kennebec Journal, and held the place for two or three years. He was the last publisher of "The Age," which died out during the rebellion. Since that time he has retired from active life and for a year or more has been in feeble health. He was able to be about until within a fortnight Mr Smith was one of the pioneers in the printing business, and learned his trade at a time when apprentices considered themselves under some obligations to their employers. He was a well educated and skilled workman, and especially competent to have the charge of nice book work.

Meeting of the City Council.

Regular monthly meeting was held on Saturday afternoon.

In the common council, Hon. J. W. Patterson was chosen President pro tem

On petition of Geo. E. Weeks, representing that the street at the junction of Gage and Water streets is sadly out of repair, it was ordered that the Street Commissioner for the western district repair the same under the direction of the Committee on Highways.

Petition of J. D. Pierce and 21 others for a street gas lamp at the top of Rines' Hill, at the turn of Gage street, was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Petition of S. S. Brooks and 40 others for a concrete sidewalk on Arsenal street from Cony street to St. Catharine's Hall, was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Roll of Accounts No. 8, amounting to $2,906 22, was ordered to be paid.

The Committee on new streets reported on the petition of Geo. W. Quinby, that a street be laid out—Beginning at a stake in the north line of Geo. W. Quinby's land, and from thence running south 21 degrees west about 89 rods to the north line of Lincoln street, said line passes over a stone bound at the south-east corner of Joseph H Ellis' land, on the north side of Patterson street, and another stone bound on the south side of Patterson street, both of which are on the westerly side of a reservation made for a road by the heirs of the late Samuel Patterson; the road to be four rods wide and east of the line above described No person appeared to claim damages. The report was accepted and the street established as laid out.

Ordered, That if upon examination the Committee on Highways shall be of opinion that a permanent stone wall and culvert are necessary to be built at the junction of Gage and Water streets, they are hereby empowered to cause the same to be done by contract or otherwise as they shall judge for the best interest of the city, under the supervision of the Street Commissioner; payable August 1, 1873,—having enough done this fall to protect the road from being washed away.

Supreme Judicial Court—Danforth J. presiding.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th.

No. 204, Carlos Hammond & al. vs. Annie A. Sinclair & al., on trial at the close of our Friday's report, was given to the jury that evening and they brought in a verdict for the ptfs. for the amount of the note and interest against both defts.

No. 220 William Rollins vs. Hannah E. Crocker, Benjamin for ptf., Stilphen for deft., trial begun Friday evening. This action is brought to recover $100, the balance due on a contract for building a barn, and the ptf., also seeks to enforce the mechanic's lien-claim provided by statute, for materials and labor used in the erection of said barn. In defence the deft. denies that the contract was made with her, or that she ever assumed it, and also contends that the contract was never performed, and that the ptf. has not pursued the legal remedy to secure his lien. Verdict for ptf. for $95.

In order for trial Monday Nos. 202, 137, 176, 249, 235, 247, 248, 343, 394 125, 309.

The Recent Accident.

MR. EDITOR: I notice an extract in your paper copied from an editorial of the Boston Advertiser, in relation to the recent accident at Seabrook, in which an attempt is made to cast censure upon the Maine Central railroad because it was their cars which were smashed in that great calamity. Now I have no connection with the management of any road, nor have I any special interest in defending any road from censure that is justly deserved, nor should blame be attached to parties who are blameless in the matter.

The statement of the Advertiser is that all the cars in the train that had the Miller platform and air brake were not injured, while those without these improvements were telescoped and destroyed.

I have no disposition to detract from, or in any way lessen the value of these improvements, or any other discovery which shall tend to save life or prevent accident, but would insist that they should be adopted as fast and as far as they prove useful in this direction, but the attempt to throw blame upon the cars of another road, for an accident occasioned by a misplaced switch is, to say the least, a poor way to prevent such accidents in the future.

Any person who has been on a train when a collision occurred, knows very well that the safety of any passenger upon the train is due to the fact that there is something that will give way, otherwise a swiftly rushing train meeting a sudden resistance would destroy the life, or maim every one on board.

Now in relation to this affair at Seabrook, the testimony of the engineer of the Pullman train is that he noticed the misplaced switch, sounded down brakes and jumped from the train, calling upon the fireman to do the same. In this case it is evident that if all the cars had been of sufficient strength to withstand the shock, there would not have been a person on board uninjured.

It is because I have witnessed a disposition on the part of the Maine Central railroad managers to adopt any and all improvements tending to lessen risk of accidents, that has led me to write this article, and also to say that after railroad managers generally have done all in their power in this direction, careless or unfaithful operatives will render it of no avail. Therefore let it be impressed upon the minds of all managers of railroads and all other public conveyances, to have none in their employ, if possible, who are not entirely faithful. It may be a question with the managers of all our railroads, whether sufficient importance is attached to the position of a switchman, so that the pay in such cases will of itself command the services of the best of men.

Summary of Religious Intelligence.

The "Communion of the Holy Orders" was celebrated for the first time in Portland, at the Catholic cathedral on Monday. It was a very impressive ceremony.

A deep religious interest is at present prevailing in Wilton. Rev. E. S. Adams, the pastor, informs us that recently several persons have been converted, and several reclaimed. Eleven have recently been baptised, and others are expecting to receive that ordinance soon.

The fine new organ which has just been placed in the Universalist church at Stevens' Plains, Deering, gives excellent satisfaction The ladies of the circle have taken it upon themselves to pay for it. The cost is $900.

The work on the interior of the Payson Memorial church in Portland, is going rapidly on. At a late meeting of the society it was resolved to hold a fair in the City Hall, on the 20th and 22d of December next.

Rev. R. H. Davis, formerly filling the north church pulpit in Belfast, has received and accepted a call in the town of Hiram.

Rev. George T. Chapman, who was rector at St. Paul's church, Portland, from 1832 to 1835, died in Newburyport on Friday, aged 86.

The Maine State Christian Association closed its annual session in Newport Village the 17th inst., at noon. The Association was incorporated in 1868. Its main object is to raise money to aid the feeble churches of the Christian denomination in this State, and to advance our Sabbath school interests. The Association has had a gradual but constant growth thus far, and many of our most able and intelligent men are aiding it with commendable zeal and energy. The action of the Association was harmonious on all subjects of vital interest to the church, and the meetings throughout were a success.

Rev. A. J. McLeod of Rockport, is about to leave that village to be settled as pastor of the Congregational church at Waldoboro'.

Rev. A. Bartles, recently of the Universalist church in Bangor, has removed with his family to West Newton, where he is pastor of a Unitarian church.

The Methodist church in Monticello have just completed a new house of worship, 50 by 36 feet, 19 feet posted. It is a neat and commodious structure, on a stone foundation, built in a substantial manner, and finished in brown ash, pews and pulpit The parish is prospering; some revival in the town.

Four persons were received by baptism and letter to the communion of the Pine Street Free Baptist church, Lewiston, on Sunday afternoon,

Rev. H. Pierce has closed his pastoral connection with the Baptist church in Skowhegan.

Mr. O. C. Hunt has resigned the pastoral care of the Baptist church in Windsor, to resume his studies.

Rev. Mr. Park of Gardiner is now in Russia.

It is expected that the Crescent street Biddeford Congregational church will be dedicated some time during the coming holidays.

The York and Cumberland Association of Universalists met with the society at South Windham last week, and had a very profitable session.

"Campmeeting John" is now holding an interesting series of meetings at the Allen Mission in Portland.

The Catholics of Waterville and vicinity are making arrangements for a fair for the benefit of their new church.

The Free Baptist church at Lisbon Falls, is being moved from its former location near Farwell's Mills, to a spot nearer the railroad station.

The Universalist levee in Rockland which took place last week, netted $300.

The Park street Methodist church in Lewiston, has an excellent system of defraying the expenses of the Parish—by means of weekly contributions of attendants, boys, girls, men and women,—giving from five cents to one dollar per week, but a stated sum of some size or other each week.

Rev. W. F. Ober was installed as pastor of the church at Damariscotta and New Castle last week. Rev. J. O. Fiske of Bath, preached the sermon.

We believe that Rev. Dr. Shaw of Waterville has received more "calls" than any other man in America. He has just received a call from the Baptist church in Belfast, but he will not leave his present field of labor in Dexter, there being every inducement, in the relation of pastor and people, for him to remain.

The Methodist church edifice in Brewer is undergoing repairs.

SUNNYSIDE.—The Second Congregational church in Biddeford, has received another donation, in the shape of $2000 from E. P Morgan, Esq., of Saco. The parishioners of Rev. Mr. Grovenor of Auburn, Hampshire street Methodist church, paid him a surprise visit the other evening, leaving behind them valuable gifts, including a generous sum in greenbacks.

The Horse Epidemic.

The Disease increasing to an alarming extent in this vicinity.

There was more alarm manifested in this city on Saturday afternoon at the spread of the horse epidemic, than at any previous time. On Saturday, Water street is generally crowded with teams from the country, but last Saturday a less number put in an an appearance than on ordinary days. Most of the teams of the local draymen were housed and coughing, and the news of the disease having spread into the country, the farmers and others were afraid to come in. And so trade was duller than usual on the day which is commonly the harvest time of the week. It is impossible to give an acurate and complete list of the persons who have horses afflicted. Some are very closed, mouth and pretend that the disease has not invaded their precincts. To sum the matter all up in one sentence, about half the horses in town are in some degree affected by the epidemic. We may be allowed to specify a few cases.

Not a livery stable claimed exemption on Saturday, notwithstanding the precautions that had been taken. At Reed's there were a half dozen coughing horses, but no appearance of the mucous matter. Signs of the disease are noticed at Keegan's stable, D. Alden's horse, kept there, has it. Dow's hack horses are affected. Means & Butler's horses are getting along well.

The horses at the stables of the Mansion House and Augusta House are more or less affected. Emery & Whitehouse have five sick, one too sick to work; all of Harlow's truck horses have given out, and he says that he will be compelled to purchase a yoke of oxen; Benson's horses are sick, John May has several trotting horses in Boston, all sick, and is unable to bring them home; J. C. Boynton, horse taken suddenly; Hill & Dow, one horse; F. & H. Hamlen, one; Joseph A. Homan, two; C. H. Freeman, one; DeWitts' continue sick, but no other fatal cases.

Mr. J. M. Sanborn, who has a horse afflicted, gives the following recipe for treatment: Take a dish of tar into which put live coals, so that the tar may be burned, making a flame. Place the dish so as to allow the fumes to arise and be inhaled by the horse, which has the effect to relieve the horse's head of the binding and offensive matter. A horse tended thus has eaten with a good relish.

A man was driving from Gardiner to this city, and his horse fell down in the street. Was apparently unaffected when he started.

A gentleman from Winthrop states that the disease is spreading rapidly in that town.

There was a concert in the forenoon of horses coughing, as they were hitched along Water street. Many must have had the disease hastened by being out in the rain in the afternoon.

DANCING SCHOOL AT MECHANIC HALL. Mr. C. F. Berry, leader of the Augusta Band, will give a course of twelve lessons in plain and fancy dancing at the above hall as soon as the work on the stage is completed. Strict attention given to beginners. Tickets for sale at J. W Cross' shoe store, Augusta. oct26-†2t-w1t

Fellows' Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites will speedily and certainly arrest the depressing influences of disease upon the nerves and muscles. It restores the appetite and induces a disposition to take on healthy flesh. It causes the formation of living blood, strengthening the action of both Heart and Lungs. It braces the system under trying circumstances, and causes the healthy developing of all the organs necessary to our existence. oct22—†&w1w.

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Daily Kennebec Journal.

PORTLAND.

Portland, Me., Oct. 27. A visit to the livery stables to-night shows that nearly every house is sick, and probably nine-tenths of the horses in this city are affected. No horse cars have been run to-day, and a dozen horses have not appeared upon the streets. The horse car company has some forty or fifty horses sick, and the animals belonging to the bakers are similarly affected.

A man named Sewell Thurlow was seriously, and it is thought, fatally stabbed in the abdomen, at North Jay on Friday night, by John Farwell. Farwell was arrested.

BANGOR.

Bangor, Me., Oct. 27. Aaron Boiner, one of the men injured by the explosion of a blast on the 24th of Sept., died of his injuries yesterday. He was fifty-two years old, and leaves a family. One of the heaviest rains of the season fell last night. It lasted about twelve hours.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 26. A dispatch received from Montgomery says that troops are being quartered throughout Alabama. On enquiry at the war department, it is ascertained that not more than two companies have been distributed at three or four points in that State.

Washington, Oct 27. Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Richardson, will soon have ready for the public his book of practical information relative to the national finances.

It has heretofore been stated that the issue of the reserve of $44,000,000 of United States notes is left of the Secretary of the Treasury, and several instances are given by the Assistant Secretary where the privilege has been exercised.

The Treasury Department decides that yellow sheathing metal may be withdrawn from bond for the construction of vessels to be engaged in foreign trade, under the 10th section of the act of June 6th, 1872, and the regulations of the department made in pursuance thereof. The department also decides that the manufacture of yellow sheathing metal with a rebate of duty on the copper cent be allowed, for the reason that it is impracticable to prove the quantity of foreign copper in yellow metal, or the quantity of spelter coming from old metal.

News From New York.

New York, Oct. 26. Ship Lantallon Castle, which arrived here to-day from Calcutta, reports, July 28th, took on board the captain and crew of the Spanish ship China, from Havana for Hong Kong, the China being in a sinking condition.

The national democracy has made the following nominations: Mayor, John McCool; Judge of the Supreme Court, John McKean; Judge of the Superior Court, James C. Spencer.

Ludwig Krebs, arrested under the extradition lately for forging a bank book in Mecklenburg, is held to await the arrival of the necessary papers from Germany.

Judge Woodruff has dismissed the suit of Frank J. Tinkham against Ex-Collector Sherdan Shook to recover the value of 262 barrels of whiskey, on the ground that Tinkham had no legal claim to the whiskey at the time Shook got possession.

The safe in J. L. Morgan & Co.'s office, 47 Fulton street, has been robbed of $6000 in bonds of the People's Ferry Co, and $200 cash. A package of $800 was overlooked

Arrived, steamer City of Washington from Liverpool, and Rising Star from Aspinwall.

The governing committee of the New York stock exchange has decided to subject to discipline two members who engaged in a fist fight in the board room decently.

The horse disease in this city is not abating. The railroad lines have comparatively few cars running. In Brooklyn the disease still prevails extensively. The city railroad companies hauled off nearly all the cars today for the purpose of giving needed rest to well horses. On some lines no cars were run, and on others at long intervals.

Minister Washburn says he came from Paris to vote for Grant and take part in the campaign, and shall return to France as soon as possible.

John N. Norton shot and probably fatally injured John J. Henry in their boarding house, 47 Bond street, on Saturday night. Norton was arrested.

Bishop Barton of Portland, Me., officiated at the confirmation yesterday of the orphans on Randall's, Ward's and Hart's Islands and the boys on the school ship Mercury.

The Mayor of Poughkeepsie offers to send 100 or more yoke of oxen here in the case their services are deemed necessary on account of the horse disease.

The democrats and liberal republicans held an immense mass meeting last night in and around Tammany Hall for the purpose of notifying the national and city tickets.

Geo. S. Boutwell addressed a republican meeting in Jersey City last night.

The total registry of New York this year is 114 810 against 152 592 last year. In Brooklyn the registry is 73,000. The present registry law of this city is so stringent that the ex-collector, Thomas Murphy, was unable to secure registration. It is intimated that a close scrutiny of the registry lists will cut the striking of a number of names from them.

At an O'Brien meeting on the corner of Roosevelt and Water streets on Saturday night, opposing politicians threw a chimney on the people on the sidewalk, and Thomas Mangin was killed, and several were wounded. It is not known who overturned the chimney, but there are four arrests on suspicion.

The committee of seventy will print tickets for the boxes on election day.

Chief of Police McWilliams of Jersey City, on trial for complicity in a burglary, testified yesterday, denying point blank all that the burglars Dennin and Proctor had sworn.

A special despatch says that the defalcation of Wm. R. Teller, late paying teller of the Virginia State Bank, is over $16,000.

Charity Sitts, on trial at Montibello, N. Y., for the murder by poison of her husband in Sept., 1871, has been acquitted, and John Davis, indicted as an accomplice, has been discharged.

Oliver Charlick, President of the Long Island railroad and delegate to the Baltimore convention, has resigned from the Tammany general committee and supports Havemeyer for Mayor

About twenty five horses died to-day.

Barque Neversink was damaged to the extent of several thousand dollars by fire to-night occasioned by the explosion of a kerosene lamp

Launching at Camden.

Camden, Mass., Oct. 26. A fine three-masted schooner of 350 tons, ready for sea, was launched this morning at Rockport for the yard of Carleton, Howard & Co. With the exception of the captain's interest, she is owned mostly by parties in town.

Telegraphic News in General.

FORTRESS MONROE, Oct. 26. The Prussian corvette Vineta and Gazelle sailed to-day for the West Indies.

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 26. The fires of a steam boiler at Graves' ship yard exploded to-day killing Peter Evans (colored), the engineer in charge, and Peter Tynes who was passing along the street.

Lockport, N. Y., Oct. 26. There is no abatement of the horse disease in this neighborhood, but new cases are occurring. It causes a general depression to business.

Middletown, N. Y., Oct. 26. The corner stone of the first Homœpathic insane asylum in America was laid here to-day.

Philadelphia, Oct. 26. Fletcher Mills, for twelve years a clerk in the office of the Delaware Safety Insurance company here, has been arrested as a defaulter. He has issued $43,000 worth of fraudulent certificates of scrip of the company, and these he had placed with genuine ones, so that all could receive the signatures of the officers of the company. Of the $43,000 worth issued he realized $35,000. The property he has restored to the company will only bring about $10,000. His operations extend back to 1869, and were cunningly concealed by manipulation of the profit and loss account of the company.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 27. The card of M. J. Wicks, President of the Memphis Savings bank, in the morning papers, announcing the suspension of that bank, has been the all absorbing topic to-day, as that institution has been regarded one of the safest in the country. It is reported that the liabilities are $175,000, though they may exceed that amount. The heaviest losers are said to be the Security Company and the Carolina Life Insurance company, the former being nearly $150,000.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Oct. 27. The horse disease has reached this city in one stable of the twelve horses, eleven are down.

Albany, N. Y., Oct. 27. The horse disease is spreading in this city. Nearly every horse in Syracuse is affected. The cars on two street railroads have discontinued this morning and other lines of cars only run hourly. Several deaths occured yesterday.

Lowell, Mass., Oct. 27. The horse disease is the main topic of discussion here. The livery stables were closed to-day, owners fearing to let out even well horses on account of the weather. Horse cars continue to run as usual. A large number of horses are diseased, but no fatal results have yet been reported.

New Orleans, Oct. 26. A dispatch from Matamoras to-night states that Porter C. Bliss, U S. Charge de Affairs in the City of Mexico, telegraphs to Thos. J. Wiken, U. S. Consul at Matamoras, that he had been informed from Oaxaca that steamer Guatemala on the Panama and Acapulco line was wrecked on the bar of Simaloa Chiapas on the 18th ult., and twenty-three lives were lost. Those saved are at Tehauntepec awaiting transportation.

Syracuse, N. Y., Oct. 27. They are using oxen to cart goods to the depots.

Philadelphia, Oct. 27. This morning a passenger train on the Reading railroad collided with a coal train. Edwards, the engineer, jumped from the engine and was killed.

Chicago, Oct. 27. The Sunday liquor law was not so well observed to-day as last Sunday, a majority of the beer saloons in all parts of the city being open all day.

Boston Items.

Boston, Oct. 26. Twenty-seven small-pox deaths have occurred this week.

The first known and authenticated case of horse distemper in a human being, took place to-day. Russell White, the driver engine No. 6, while attending his horses was suddenly taken with the disease, and was conveyed to his home. He had all the symptoms of coughing, running at the nose and eyes, and general feverish debility.

At Roxbury, this morning, Patrick Buckley was arraigned and held in $2000 to await the action of the Grand Jury, on a charge of decoying Mary Ann Ryan, aged 119 years, into some woods on the evening of Oct. 11th, and repeatedly ravishing her.

Thos. Good, a thirteen year old boot-black, fell from the balusters of Nassau Hall, four stories, to the ground floor last night and was instantly killed.

Arrived, barque Excelsior for Cadiz.

Boston, Oct. 27. Arrived, steamer Blackstone from Baltimore.

All horse-railroad travel in Boston and vicinity was suspended to-day. Rain continues. Owners of horses unattacked by the distemper keep them sheltered for safety, and a horse is just now a rarity in the streets. Many animals first attacked are said to be convalescing, and it is believed have got about the worst of the visitation.

Weather.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER
WASHINGTON, Oct. 27—8 P. M.

From the lower lakes to the Middle Atlantic and New England coasts northeasterly to northwesterly winds; clearing and partly cloudy weather with possibly occasional light rain on Monday for the South Atlantic Gulf States; clear weather and northerly winds in the Northwest; a falling barometer with partially cloudy and warm weather with brisk and southeasterly winds extending with increasing cloudiness to Lake Michigan, and with light southerly winds to Illinois. The Ohio river will rise from Pittsburg to Louisville on Monday.

News From Salt Lake.

Salt Lake City, Oct. 27. Gen. Maxwell, the administration candidate for Congress, served Apostle Cannon yesterday with notice that he would contest the election on grounds of illegality. Among the reasons for contesting the election are the voting of aliens and minors and those living in open and recognized polygamy in violation of the laws of Congress, the throwing out of the Gentile vote and general informalities of election. Testimony will be taken in the case in a few weeks.

There was an unusually severe snow storm to-day

News From California.

San Francisco, Oct. 26. The steamer Sacramento has sailed for Panama.

The Hamilton stage was stopped by six highwaymen and the treasure bag was taken The passengers were unmolested.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Paris, Oct. 26. Paris papers for Fridayows the adoption by the coming session of the Assembly of the constitutional amendments making Thiers President for life, and creating an upper chamber office of Vice President, partially remodelling the Assembly and providing restrictions upon the right of universal suffrage.

The evacuation of the department of Marne or upper Marne will not be completed until November 4th.

A detachment of French hospital assistants on their way to the Camp of Chalons, by mistake left the train at the town of Chalons which is still occupied by the Germans. They were [illegible] and their side-arms were taken from them. One of the Frenchmen who hustled a German sentinel, was sent to the guard house for three days. The others were released and forwarded to the Camp of Chalons.

A Versailles journal, the organ of Count Chambord, appeals to the Orleanists to unite with the legitimists and aid the rightful heir to the throne, with heart, soul, and sword.

Madrid, Oct. 27. The cortes of the Cortes have authorized the introduction on Monday of a resolution for the impeachment of Seinor Segasta, and the members of his ministry. The committee of the Cortes has refused to make a favorable report on the resolution to abolish capital punishment for political offences.

Rome, Oct. 27. The Italian Parliament is convoked for November 20th. An order will be issued to re-arrange the district of Alfa, and strengthening the garrison.

Brindisi, Italy, Oct. 27. The Grand Duke Nicholas of Russia, embarked here to-day, for Greece.

FINANCIAL & COMMERCIAL.

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 26

COTTON—sales 3919 bales, mid. uplands 19¾.
FLOUR—sales 6700, state $90@7 65, round hoop Ohio 7 00@9 50, Western 5 90@9 25; Southern 7 25@12 00.
WHEAT 68,000 bu; No. 2 spring 148@1 54; new 2 do winter red and amber western 1 57@1 60
CORN—2,000; steamer 63½; sail 63@64½
OATS sales 19,000; western 40½@41½, new 43@45
PORK—15 80@; prime 11 50
LARD—8½@8¾; kettle 9
BUTTER—state 24@28 Western 10@12.
WHISKEY Western free, 93
RICE Carolina 7½@8¾.
COFFEE 16@18¾.
SUGAR Porto Rico, 9¾@10¼, Muscovado, 9¾@9¾
MOLASSES—N. O. 90@93
SPIRITS TURPENTINE—63@65½
ROSIN—$4 45@4 50
PETROLEUM—crude, 14¾@15, refined, 26¾@27½@
TALLOW—9¾@9 5-16
FREIGHTS TO LIVERPOOL—Grain per str. 9¾@9¾d, corn per steamer 9

Chicago Produce Market.

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.

FLOUR—spring extras 5 00@7 62½
WHEAT—No. 1 68
CORN—No 2 80@30½
OATS—29½@
RYE—No 2, 50½
BARLEY— 63½ for No. 2
MESS PORK—12 75@1287
LARD—summer 7¾@7¾; winter

Cincinnati Produce Market

CINCINNATI, Oct. 26.

MESS PORK—14 25@14.50
LARD kettle 7½; steam 7½, summer 7¾; winter 7¾@7½
BULK MEATS sides 10½, clear rib 10
BACON—shoulder, 6½@ clear rib 10, sides 11
WHISKEY— 89

STATE NEWS.

Ship John Sidney of Richmond, Me., Bartlett, master, from Liverpool for Philadelphia, has been wrecked off Cape Henlopen. The John Sidney was built in 1855 at Richmond, and registered 1002 tons.

Washington Engine No. 4 of Gardiner has been thoroughly overhauled, repaired and painted.

The address delivered before the literary society of Colby University at the last commencement by Hon. Wm. Whiting of Boston, has been printed at the request of the friends of the institution. It received marked approval at the time of its delivery, and is probably one of the most valuable orations ever presented there on a similar occasion.

On Sunday night the dwelling house of James Owen, Jr., in Pembroke, situated a short distance from the village, was entirely consumed by fire. Mr. Owen and his wife, there being no other assistance at hand at the time, succeeded in saving nearly all their furniture and clothing. The building was insured for $500. The loss is estimated at $800.

The new paper at Portland, "The State," will make its appearance this week.

The Portland Light Infantry have returned delighted, from their trip to Providence.

The Press says there are two cases of small pox at Woodford's Corner, and the selectmen have taken the ordinary precautions to prevent the spread of the contagion. One of the patients is seriously ill, and the other case, in the same family, is of mild form.

The Dexter Gazette says that the shoe factory in that town is now getting fairly into operation, and Mr. Smith, the proprietor, expresses himself as much pleased at the manner in which the operatives take hold of their work. This institution seems now to be the chief object of curiosity among the natives, who call in large numbers to "see 'em peg."

A cheese factory of 400-cow capacity can be put up for $2500. The average production is fifty lbs. per cow. Several of these factories have been started in this State, and so far as we can hear, the result has been satisfactory in every instance.

Maxwell, the associate of Bickford, the burglar, by whose testimony as State evidence the latter was convicted, was arrested at North Berwick recently for stealing a harness of a Lebanon man, bound over to court in $1000, and is now in Portland jail.

A man aged about forty by the name of Francis H. Butler, a boot and shoe manufacturer at Springvale, committed suicide by hanging, at his residence Thursday about noon. At his request the family went away to spend the day, and on their return found him dead in the attic. He leaves a wife but no children.

People like to read bear stories, and here is one from the Ellsworth American: It is not often that a legal argument is enlivened by a veritable bear story, but such was the case at the recent term of court in this county, in a case between the towns of Gouldsboro' and Franklin. The principal witness for the ptfs. was an old man of fourscore years, who, although physically infirm, still retained his mental vigor in a remarkable degree. The defts.' counsel sought to disparage his testimony before the jury on account of his age and decrepitude. Col. Hale on the other side in reply happily introduced this story, to show that the witness in his younger days possessed great pluck and powers of endurance: Some sixty years ago the witness, alone and unarmed, except with an ordinary jack-knife, encountered a bear. The man would not retreat, neither would the bear. For a few moments each looked defiantly at the other, and then the man advanced. His opponent did the same. They met, and on the instant when the bear opened his mouth to bite his antagonist, he thrust his naked hand into the bear's mouth, seized his tongue, and in spite of the lacerations of teeth and claws, held on, and with the other hand stabbed the vital parts of the bear with his knife until he killed him. The scars and marks of the teeth were still visible on the hand and arm of the old witness and were noticed by the jury. It is perhaps unnecessary to add that the verdict of the jury was given in favor of the teller of the bear story.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The French Government will soon give up a portion of the £26 000 000 sterlings which it now hold.

The Cunard mail steamer Delta, from Halifax, N. S., for Bermuda, went ashore on North Reef, but got off, and reached Bermuda in safety.

Ann Campbell, a dairy-maid of Cornwall, confessed at the last assizes of that county, that she had murdered three children by poisoning them with arsenic.

There are five hundred persons in Paris who have been living comfortable livings by picking up pieces of bread thrown into the streets by the Prussians.

Mrs. Maria, daughter of the late Lord Nelson, heir presumptive to the Duchy of Bronte, is in jail in Christiania, charged with violating by perjury Christian Johnson.

The scarcity of silver, notwithstanding repeated official contradictions, continues to be a substantial inconvenience in Paris. Among the poorer classes the want is keenly felt.

Late advices from Belize, Honduras, state that the British troops have pursued the rebellious Indians who recently attacked the whites settlements, and killed forty of them in an encounter.

The Pope is hard upon the heels of Luther for he said, on having that Father Hyacinthe was married, "The Saints be praised! the renegade has taken his punishment into his own hands. The ways of Providence are inscrutable." Yet there must be witty priests, or else where would the world get its supply of Popes to say witty things?

NEWS BY MAIL.

The natives of the Chatham Islands, in the South Pacific ocean, have risen against the whites, and threaten to exterminate them.

Gen. Banks has been offered and has accepted the Labor Reform Convention's nomination to Congress from the Fifth District.

The Sunday law is exciting much discussion in Chicago, and the Germans condemn the law as a relict of Puritanism. As an offset the temperance men held meetings in various parts of the city yesterday, and declared their determination to maintain the law at all hazards.

The cabinet decree of Emperor William of Germany was communicated to England and America through their embassies at Berlin yesterday. It believes that the American claim is most in accordance with the true interpretation of the treaty of 1871. The London press is savage over the decision. Odo Russell has congratulated Mr. Bancroft over the decision.

Wm. Teller, paying and receiving teller of the State Bank of Virginia, Richmond, is missing. He left the keys of the bank and a note intimating suicide, but was seen at the Southern depot, Friday morning, and left on the train. An investigation at the bank shows that he had certified checks which were not good. The amount of the defalcation is not known, but will probably reach $16,000.

The convention of the General Christian Missionary Society, appointed the evening of the third Wednesday of November, as a day of prayer throughout their churches, and for the prosperity of missions.

The Horse Disease.

The Boston Journal of Saturday, gives the following statement of the way business is affected in that city by the horse disease:

The full force of the calamity was felt by the public, when from store and workshop, clerks, seamstresses, mechanics and laborers sallied forth in quest of the customary conveyances, little dreaming perhaps of the disagreeable alternative which awaited them, either to stay in the streets all night or walk home. Thousands of people lined the sidewalks, where they stood in the drizzling rain waiting in vain for the approach of the familiar lights of the cars of their respective routes. The various waiting rooms in Bowdoin square, Cornhill and Tremont street, were crowded to excess, and hundreds of weary weather bound mortals stood patiently under the old elms, unwilling to accept the situation. The few cars that arrived were instantly filled by unreasonable human beings, who hung on as it were by their eyelids, rather than go home on foot. During the afternoon the cars were so overloaded that out of sympathy for the sick and jaded horses the conductors refused to take on more passengers, a thing scarcely ever done before, while a zealous official connected with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals actually cleaned out a car in Cornhill, the horses of which were unable to draw their load. 'Tis an ill wind, etc., and so the horse roads reaped the benefit of the suspension of the horse cars. All the trade with which the street railways have come in competition run extra cars, and went out loaded with the residents of suburban towns.

By six o'clock the streets were deserted, and in the absence of horse cars, omnibuses and hackney coaches, assumed a dismal and death-like stillness. Now and then a solitary hackman urged his reluctant steeds over the slippery pavements, but the principal thoroughfares were as quiet at seven o'clock as they usually are at midnight on Sunday.

It is a well-known fact that theatres and concerts depend very largley upon the suburban patronage, and this, as a matter of course, has been almost wholly cut off by the lessened facilities of transit in the horse cars. The attendance at the several places of amusement last evening was much smaller than usual, although strong bills were everywhere offered. In consequence of the intended withdrawal of all the cars Sunday, Mr. Peck has wisely decided to postpone his concert announced for Sunday evening.

The disease has made such inroads among the horses of the great express companies, that they will be compelled to yield to the fate which has overtaken their less pretentious neighbors. The United States and Canada Express Company stopped receiving orders and calling for goods yesterday, and should the storm continue to-day, all merchandise arriving here, except such as is perishable, will be stored in the office. The Adams Express Company will probably adopt the same course.

The malady prevails among the trotting horses at the race course. Beacon and Mystic Lake, and the valuable horses belonging to Mr. Balch have taken the disease in a mild form. Physicians are among the sufferers, and Dr. Gregg, city physician, and his assistant are put to no little inconvenience in going their rounds among the small-pox patients. Reports are in circulation to the effect that the infectious nature of the disease is not confined to the horse alone, but is also transmitted to human beings. This seems by no means improbable, as there are several cases of sickness in this city and in New York which strongly resembles the disease. A writer in the New York Herald says that he found himself on Sunday morning suffering from symptoms usually called catarrh, but which might be more properly called, in his case, semi-acute bronchitis—viz, cough, expectoration of a muco-purulent phlegm, soreness in the larger bronchial tubes, sneezing and a general feeling of debility. He attributed all these symptoms to the peculiar condition of the atmosphere the preceding Friday, which was a wet, warm, most disagreeable day. It is not unprovable to believe that it was on this day that the horses contracted the disease, which subsequently developed into influenza, catarrh or whatever else it may be called.

Oxen have begun to arrive in this city to supply the places of horses which have been prostrated by the epidemic. A pair of large white cattle passed down Cornhill last evening on their way to the stable.

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