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## Oregon State Temperance Alliance.

The eighth annual session of the Oregon State Temperance Alliance will meet in the city of Albany on Wednesday, February 19, 1879, at 1 o'clock P. M.

## Commissioned.

E. H. C. Taylor, of Portland, has just been commissioned aide-de-camp of the Governor's staff, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Mr. Geo. Williams, of Salem, a Notary public.

## Suicide at Corvallis.

The Statesman's special correspondent at Corvallis, under date of Feb. 5th, writes that a man by the name of Charley Braloy committed suicide by shooting himself in the head on Tuesday last; no cause assigned. He was well dressed, but left no effects, and has no relatives in that vicinity. He was a man about 35 years of age.

## Another Good Man.

Chambers, the penitentiary pet paraded out of that institution recently by Gov. Thayer, has not profited much by his imprisonment, since we learn that he was arrested in Marysville, California, charged with the commission of several burglaries in that city. This is the kind of reformation people may expect from scoundrels of his character.

## Mountain Howitzer.

There were received this week at the U. S. arsenal at Vancouver two breech loading cannons of the Hotchkiss pattern. These guns are made of steel, very light in weight and simple in construction, and carry a projectile a distance of three miles. Being easily packed upon mules they are particularly valuable in Indian warfare, and General Howard has secured these two guns—the U. S. government owning but five in all—to be ready for any trouble that may arise the coming summer.

## Too Much Avoidance.

An individual named John Paine, who had imbibed a superabundance of tanglefoot, became noisy and abusive at the Occidental Hotel last evening, and the proprietor, Mr. Thos. Smith, fell upon the man, whom he threw in the scuffle, and broke Paine's leg. A couple of waiters, ignorant of the man's injury, caught and ejected him very unceremoniously from the premises. Young Price, who was a silent witness of the row, at this juncture sailed in and gave the flunkies a sound thrashing. Paine was subsequently conveyed to his rooms at the Clarendon Hotel, and the limb dressed.

## Cook Repented.

James Cook, the man who was tried and convicted of the murder of George Craig, a few weeks ago, paid the penalty of his offense by hanging by the neck until dead. The ministers of the go-pel all visited the doomed man, but none were able to make any impression on him except Father Gaudion, pastor of St. Peter's church. After visiting him every day and sometimes twice a day for the past few weeks, he at last succeeded in bringing the hardened sinner to see the errors of his way, and on Tuesday baptized him. A petition was circulated at the Dalles, asking the governor to commute Cook's sentence to "imprisonment for life," and it received 125 signatures.

## Life Sentences in Oregon.

When W. H. Watkins took charge of the penitentiary in 1870 there were then in the institution thirteen prisoners sentenced for life. In 1867, when he turned the prison over to his successor, there was not a single one of those life men in imprisonment. Each and all had been pardoned by executives. Matt Bledsoe had served the longest term of any term in the States' prison, and that was only eight years. Wilson, of Jacksonville, one of the most thorough wretches ever convicted in the State was sentenced for twenty-two years, and he was pardoned recently by Gov. Thayer. So the people may draw their own conclusions as to the adequate punishment of crimes in Oregon.

## Wheat in Albany.

During the past few weeks considerable wheat has been taken out of this city, 15,000 bushels being taken from the Farmers' Warehouse alone, and our dealers (excepting the flouring mills) now have on hand only about 45,000 bushels. Still the price remains at from 80 to 82 cents, and no indications of an advance, for the reason that the Liverpool market still governs us. The surplus amount still in our State is about 250,000 bushels, and we cannot look for a raise in prices until this is reduced somewhat, and the mills forced into buying at fancy prices. Truly this has been a bad year on the farmer; at no time during the season has he got what is generally considered a good price for his grain, and at the present date wheat rates lower than it has done for 20 years at this time of year. We hope to see them do better

## Oregon Pioneer Association.

The Board of Managers of the Oregon Pioneer Association met in Salem pursuant to call of President, and amongst other business transacted the following:

On motion the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, Samuel C. Upham, of Philadelphia, has presented to the Oregon Pioneer Association his valuable book on early days of California, entitled "El Dorado, or Days of '49 and '50 in California," therefore,

RESOLVED, By the Board of Managers that the thanks of the Association are hereby tendered Mr. S. C. Upham for his kindness and hope that his book may meet with the sale it deserves.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Oregon Pioneer Association are hereby tendered the Sacramento Pioneers of California for the magnificent collection of photographs of 109 members of their society, and that we hope to be able to reciprocate the favor.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Oregon Pioneer Association are hereby tendered the Territorial Pioneers of California for the present of one of their magnificent membership certificates.

On motion John W. Minto was authorized to organize the committee to make arrangements for the annual ball. The Secretary was authorized to correspond with the various transportation companies in reference to the fare of members to and from the reunion.

On motion the following committee on arrangements was appointed: John W. Minto, Mrs. S. A. Clark, Mrs. W. Breynan, Mrs. Jos. Holman, J. A. Baker and Lewis Savage.

On motion the next reunion will be held at the fair grounds near Salem.

The Secretary was authorized to print badges of the association, to be worn by the members in attendance.

On motion the Oregon Pioneer Historical Association was invited to attend the reunion, also the Southern Oregon Reunion Society.

On motion the Board stood adjourned sine die.

## Hanging at the Dalles.

James Cook Closes a Life Crime on the Gallows and Explodes the Murder of Craig.

THE DALLES, Feb. 7, 1879.

James Cook was executed here to-day at 1 o'clock. He ate a hearty breakfast this morning and talked freely to everybody that came in to see him. He slept well last night, and acted like a boy let loose from a long term of school. A guard of ten armed men was posted about the jail at 12:30. Father Gaudion, the Catholic priest, went to Cook's cell at 12:35 and remained there until 1 o'clock, when they walked to the scaffold, the priest first, followed by Cook, then the Sheriff and deputies. Cook walked with a firm step, bareheaded, and was neatly dressed. On reaching the scaffold Cook and the priest sat down on the bench, and Sheriff Crossen read the death warrant, after reading which, he turned to Cook and asked him if he had anything to say why the warrant should not be executed. Cook answered, "I have nothing to say." Crossen told him to step on the trap, which he did, and his ankles were strapped. Cook then took leave of Sheriff Crossen, Father Gaudion, Sheriffs Norden and Schuster and Deputy Sheriff Haines.

At 15 minutes past 1 the noose was adjusted on his neck, Cook moving his head forward to assist the Sheriff. He looked up at the sky with a calm smile and then the Sheriff drew the black cap over his face, while he stood like a statue. At 17 minutes past 1 o'clock the trap was sprung and Cook fell three feet, dying without a struggle. His neck was not broken, but the vertebrae were dislocated. At 12 minutes the pulse ceased to beat, and in 22 minutes the attending physicians, Morrison, Logan and Richardson, pronounced life extinct. His body was then cut down and given to his friends. Quite a number of spectators, including a dozen women, witnessed the appalling spectacle. Good order was maintained during the execution. Cook died as he lived, an enigma, and his real name will never be known.

The foregoing dispatch was received last evening too late for publication in yesterday's *Bea*.

## Trip his Number Twelves.

Sam Clark has taken editorial charge of the *Bea*. This does not please the Oregonian a bit, and Scott goes for Sam in the most approved style of the big schoolboy trying to scare the little one. But the little fellow, like little fellows generally, don't scare worth a cent, and if the big one don't "look a leetle out" Sam will trip up his number twelve, and the little end of him will be downmost. Clark is a valiant knight of the quill, and Scott knows it.—Lafayette Courier.

The proprietor of a building site in Wisconsin advertises his land for sale in this wise: "The town of Poggis and surrounding country is the most beautiful which nature ever made. The scenery is celestial; also two wagons and a yoke of steers."

At Ann Arbor one of the students bet the crowd that one of the professors in the law department would treat them. After the money was put up, some one asked: "What will the professor treat us on?" "Treatise on international law," was the reply, after which there was an

## TELEGRAPHIC.

### EASTERN STATES.

#### Oregon Bills in Congress.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The Senate military affairs committee to-day reported favorably on a bill for payment to the State of Oregon the amount expended by the authorities and citizens in aid of the suppression of the Modoc war, with an amendment reducing the total amount from \$243,000 to about \$119,000.

The same committee also took favorable action to-day on a bill to appropriate \$50,000 for improvement of the military wagon road between Scottsburg and the Camp Stewart, Or., and referred it to the committee on appropriations with a recommendation for its incorporation in one of the general appropriation bills.

The committee also agreed to recommend the passage of the bill giving the court of claims jurisdiction of the claim of Robert Dunbar, for losses occasioned by breach of contract on the part of government regarding the possession and care of buildings on Fort Orford military reservation.

#### An Old Case.

The House committee on public lands to-night authorized Representative Wigginton to report to the House for passage a bill substantially identical with the measure recently introduced in the Senate by Garland, providing for the adjudication by the court of claims, and ultimately by the supreme court of all conflicting titles on claims to Rancho Panoche Grande, which includes the New Idria quicksilver mines of California. The vote upon the question of recommending the passage of the bill was 5 to 3, as follows—ayes, Fuller, Wigginton, Sapp, Patterson, of Colorado and Majors; nays, Ketchum, Howitt, of Alabama and Wright. The principal parties to the contemplated suit would be the United States vs the New Idria Co. and McGarraban.

#### Their Loss Our Gain.

There is much discussion on produce exchange and in financial circles as to the effect likely to be produced on the business interests of this country by the ravages of the plague in Southern Russia. The establishment of a military cordon around the infected districts, and the measures being taken by the European powers for preventing the spread of the disease, are spoken of as having an embargo on the export of Russian grain and other products. The dread of the plague in infected districts is also thought likely to prevent the sowing of seed for a future crop. These elements of the situation were thoroughly canvassed, and as far as yet observed, that from these troubles will spring an extraordinary European demand for cereals of the United States, and cause a consequent rise in prices and a brisk and profitable business in the transportation from the West to the seaboard and to Europe.

#### Work of Our Wards.

OMAHA, Feb. 5.—News was received here to-day that Mr. Moorhead and three other cattle men were killed by the Indians on the Upper Niobrara ranges. Northwestern Neb., January 17th, and that 80 head of cattle were run off.

#### From Fort Robinson.

FORT ROBINSON, Neb., Feb. 5.—To-day 51 Cheyenne prisoners, consisting of 7 bucks and 14 women and children, guarded by two companies of the 3d cavalry, under Captain Vron, left for Sidney en route to Leavenworth.

Private Sprad, of Company I, 3d cavalry, died last night at the post hospital, having been shot on Jan. 26th, within 500 yards of this post, while driving an ambulance, by some unknown person.

#### Is She Lost?

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The steamship Celtic hence Jan. 24th, not reported, causes some anxiety.

#### Still They Go.

Notwithstanding the expectation that England may prohibit the importation of American cattle, two steamships, hence this week, for London take 350 head.

#### Murderer Mobbed.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—A terrible double tragedy occurred at Wrightsville, a village in Southern Illinois, on Monday night. Chas. E. McAniff, a physician, invited his wife and her brother, Mr. Heavener, into his drug store, and after drinking with Heavener, shot him dead with a shotgun. The doctor fled, but was found by constables; but before they could get him to jail, an infuriated mob of sixty persons seized him and hung him to the limb of a tree.

#### Southern Pacific Railroad.

A story is current on creditable authority that the Southern Pacific Railroad, instead of being pressed forward across Texas, is to be rapidly pushed southward to Cuba, Mexico, and this reach and control the large Mexican trade, and that the Texas Pacific and California Southern Pacific Railroad Companies have agreed upon a compromise and will jointly urge the passage of a new bill providing satisfactorily for the interests of both.

#### Dairyman's Convention.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—The National Butter, Cheese and Egg Association have, through the national committee and board of vice presidents, selected Chicago as the place and from the 6th to the 7th of March as the time for the annual convention. Complete arrangements will be made. Delegates are expected from the Pacific Coast.

#### Fatal Accident.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—This morning a party of five workmen walking on the railroad track at Lawndale, were run into by an incoming train and two instantly killed.

#### Swimming 130 Miles.

OLE CITY, Pa., Feb. 4.—Capt. Paul Boynton commenced his swim between here and Pittsburg, a distance of 150 miles, at 11 o'clock this morning. He expects to reach Kittanning to-night, and Pittsburg to-morrow night. The river shows a temperature of 1 degree below the freezing point, and is running nearly clear of ice.

#### Oregon Wagon Road.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The Senate public lands committee have unanimously agreed to recommend the passage of the bill authorizing the issuance of scrip, locatable on lands in Oregon, to indemnify the owners of the Oregon Military Road grant for that portion of their grant which, after being duly listed to them, and sold to them by third parties, was taken possession of by the government and used ever since as a part of the Klamath Indian reservation. The committee are satisfied by record evidence that the Wagon Road Company's title to these lands is perfect, and they are entitled to possession and compensation; but in view of a mass of official correspondence on the subject, including letters from the governors of Oregon and California, in which it is shown that any attempt to remove the Indians would be extremely dangerous, the committee recommended that the company's proposition to accept indemnity scrip in lieu of the choice lands thus occupied should be complied with as the most feasible means of adjusting the claim without threatening the public peace.

#### Nominations.

The president has nominated Deotis S.

of Montana, and S. B. Allen for U. S. attorney of Washington Territory.

#### Twenty Millions More.

Secretary Sherman has called for the redemption of another twenty millions of 5-20 bonds.

#### Thinking With the Army.

The House in committee of the whole has adopted, 101 to 91, the amendment offered yesterday by White, comprising most of the features of the army reorganization bill.

#### A Texas Fight.

GOLIAD, TEXAS, Feb. 6.—Two men, Henderson and Lockhart, quarreled, and both drew revolvers. Lockhart caught Henderson's arm and fired six shots into him killing him instantly. Henderson's brother rushed at Lockhart with a pistol and they closed in a struggle, and Henderson emptied six chambers of the revolver into Lockhart's body, causing instant death.

#### Union Pacific Finances.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—The Union Pacific Railroad Company's statement for the year ending June 30, 1878, shows a total income of \$12,759,354; expense, \$5,807,751; interest, \$333,393; bonded debt reduced \$891,000; surplus in treasury over all outlay, \$3,765,141.

#### Chinese Restriction Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The Senate committee on foreign relations in accordance with previous individual promises, formally authorized Chairman Hamlin to-day to report back the Senate bill for the restriction of Chinese immigration to be placed on the calendar with recommendation neither for or against. Hamlin, in doing this, however, took occasion to give notice that when the bill is reached for election by the Senate, he will move that it be indefinitely postponed.

Sargent thereupon put an inquiry to Hamlin to prevent any misunderstanding of the real significance of this notice, and promptly developed the fact that Hamlin, in giving it, spoke only for himself and not in behalf of the committee. Sargent then referred to the great importance of the bill, and said that every Pacific Coast senator and representative, without distinction of party, earnestly desired its prompt passage. He therefore gave notice that he will call it up for action next Wednesday.

#### Bills in Committee.

The Senate finance committee will order to be reported to the Senate the House bill amending the internal revenue laws. The committee, five to four, recommend concurrently in the House provisions reducing the tax on manufactured tobacco to 16 cents per pound. The committee also the tax on snuff at 24 cents, and strike out all provisions relating to the tax on cigars, cheroots and cigarettes, thus leaving them subject to taxation at existing rates, and strike out the provision repealing the tax on matches and tobacco in the bonded warehouse clauses. The bill is further amended by the addition of a section to remit all taxes upon insolvent savings banks, and to exempt from taxation \$2,000 of each deposit made by one person or association in any savings institution.

The House has agreed to the conference report on the Indian appropriation bill, and the House committee on Indian affairs has agreed to report a bill prepared by the Indian bureau for the transfer of Chief Joseph and others.

#### Cost of the Pension Bill.

RICE, chairman of the pensions committee, having dismissed the question with Commissioner Bentley, concludes that over \$40,000,000 will be required for pension claims under the new bill during the coming year. The committee will probably report a bill for that amount.

#### FOREIGN NEWS.

##### From Canada.

OTTAWA, Feb. 5.—Sitting Bull is declared to be 25 miles north of the line, at Deadwood mountain.

MONROE, Feb. 5.—Cattle trade with England at a standstill, waiting decision of British government scheduling the United States as an infected country. Canada has for three months past prohibited importation of cattle or passage through the dominion.

##### Strength of the Socialists.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—A dispatch from Breslau states that at a supplementary election there for a member of the Reichstag, the Socialist candidate received 5,175 votes; Liberal, 6,564; and Conservative, 2,845. A second ballot is necessary. The government is much annoyed at the strength manifested by the Socialists.

##### Grant Going to India.

EX-President Grant and party have left Aden for Bombay.

##### France on Guard.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—The government is taking measures to prevent the introduction of the Russian plague.

##### Reformed Church in Paris.

MONSIEUR GUILBERT, Archbishop of Paris, replying to a letter from Pere Hyacinthe notifying him of the opening of the Reformed Church in Paris, writes that he regards his correspondent as deranged and a dreadful example of divine chastisement of infidelity.

##### Grey's Message.

VERSAILLES, Feb. 6.—President Grey's message says: "I do not remain below the level of what France has a right to expect from my efforts and devotion. Sincerely submissive to the great law of parliamentary government, I shall never enter into conflict with the national will conveyed through the constitutional organs. In the bills which it will submit to the vote of the chambers, the government will be guided by real wants and unmistakable wishes of the country. Now that two great powers of state are animated by one spirit, which is the same that actuates France, the government, while taking account of the rights acquired and services rendered, will take care that the republic is served by functionaries who are neither its enemies nor its detractors."

##### Murder at Sea.

SINGAPORE, Feb. 7.—The Chinese crew of the Australian bark Kate Waters, from Hong Kong for Foo Chow, mutinied and murdered the officers and scuttled the vessel.

##### Vessel Sunk.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 7.—The ship Vandiemann was sunk by collision with an unknown vessel. Two of the crew were picked up in a small boat. They report shipmates and crew of the unknown vessel probably drowned.

##### The Plague.

VIENNA, Feb. 7.—The Hungarian government will dispatch a commission to report upon the state of the public health in Roumania, Bessarabia, Bulgaria and Roumelia. The Hungarian and Roumanian governments have agreed to adopt protective measures on a large scale on the Bessarabian and Transylvanian frontiers, and to shift the Russian line of magazines in Roumania eastward behind a double cordon.

##### St. Petersburg, Feb. 7.

General Melikoff has left for Astrachan to superintend measures for arresting the plague.

##### Germany and Denmark.

BERLIN, Feb. 7.—It is reported that the German minister at Copenhagen has been recalled. The people of North Schleswig propose to issue a protest against abrogation of the fifth article of the treaty of Prague. Schleswig deputies will formally protest in

## FACIFIC COAST.

### Crop Prospects in California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5.—Crop reports from all parts of the State show that in the southern counties, and in all coast counties, indications favor a fine crop. San Joaquin valley prospects had, especially in the upper portion. Santa Clara valley will likely produce much less than average. Sacramento valley will probably be not up to the average. The foothills generally promise a good yield.

### Rain in California.

YREKA, Feb. 5.—Total rainfall here since the 1st of November, three and ninety-five hundredths. Weather clear and pleasant; very cold night and morning. Can tell nothing about the crops yet. Farmers have not yet commenced to plow and most of the Summer sown grain has been frozen.

### Murder and Fire.

MENCKE, Feb. 5.—A murder was committed at Hornitos, Mariposa county on Monday the 3d inst., by a man named Joaquin Alvarez, Antonio Silva being the victim.

DETROIT, Feb. 5.—A disastrous fire occurred here this evening. It originated in the two story brick store of Thos. Soraceo, which was completely destroyed with all its contents. Loss estimated at \$15,000; insurance \$5,000.

### Drowned.

SANTA CRUZ, Feb. 6.—This afternoon near Olmstead's ranch, six miles from here, H. Thurber and another man, were gathering mussels on the beach, when a wave knocked Thurber from the rocks into the surf, where he was drowned.

### Killed in a Mine.

RODIE, Feb. 6.—R. L. Ryan, employed as bucket man at Rodie, slipped into the shaft, fell to the bottom and was instantly killed to-day.

### Odd Fellows' Bank.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—The stockholders of the Odd Fellows' bank held a meeting last evening, Moses Heller, president, presiding. It was voted unanimously to put the bank into liquidation, for the reason that it was impossible to pay the semi-annual dividend now overdue, and that the bank commissioners had decided that they could not legally pass it. A vote of confidence in the officers and directors was also passed, unanimously, and it was resolved to entrust them with the work of liquidation. After the adjournment of the stockholders' meeting the directors met and resolved to at once take steps to convert the assets into cash as speedily as possible. In the course of the stockholders meeting the bank commissioners were severely scored for their conduct in connection with the affairs of the bank.

### The Lick Estate.

The case of the Academy of Sciences against the trustees of the Lick estate, covering the question of taking the amount of money offered John H. Lick as a compromise from the residue of the estate left to the Academy of Science and Pioneers, which was agreed to by the latter, and contested by the former in the 19th district court, and which was taken to the supreme court on appeal by the Academy of Sciences, was to-day by counsel of both parties dismissed, a compromise having been effected by which the supreme court will fix the pro-rata on which the amount at issue shall be contributed by various beneficiaries of the trust deed.

### Whisky Fight in Nevada.

ELKO, Feb. 6.—A terrible tragedy occurred yesterday evening at a wood camp near Moore's station, about four miles from Humboldt Wells. Two men procured a gallon of whisky at Wells and returned with it to the camp. They got drunk and went to the cabin of a wood chopper threatening his life, opened the door and shot at the man with a rifle and a revolver. The man seized an axe and resisted the attack, cutting each of his assailants severely. The assailants were arrested by deputy Sheriff Chase who started to Elko with them. One of them died on the train, and the other is now lying in the hospital in a critical condition and cannot survive. The party attacked is generally exonerated by those familiar with the circumstances of the case.

### Murders.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7.—About half-past 11 last night William Forsyth, living on Dora street, between Bryant and Brannan and Eighth and Ninth, came home somewhat under the influence of liquor. A woman named Mary O'Brien, who was living with him met him with reproaches and vile language, and finally, picking up a stove lighter, followed him into a bedroom and assaulted him. A struggle ensued in which Forsyth got the lighter away from the woman and struck her over the eye with it, felling her to the floor. Forsyth then called Mrs. Clark, who lived in the same house, and with her assistance placed Mrs. O'Brien on a bed on which he then threw himself and went to sleep.

In the morning finding the woman still lying motionless, he called in a physician who pronounced her dead. Forsyth went to the police office, reported the case, surrendered himself and was locked up. The parties had been living together several years as man and wife, and according to Forsyth's account had led a cat and dog life, the woman being very jealous, quarrelsome and abusive.

### British Columbia.

VICTORIA, Feb. 7.—The exports for the past three months aggregated \$829,941. The leading articles were gold, fish, lumber and coal.

A very extensive dog-fishing establishment is in course of erection on Queen Charlotte's Island.

### In His Stocking.

They shovled along on the window-sill in the post office to give Wicked Jack room to sit down, and then resumed their conversation about Santa Claus gifts. One boy got a knife, another a pair of skates, and the third stammered a little as he stated that he received a diamond pin.

"And you traded it for a dog?" inquired one.

"Well, no; I gave it to the baby to play with and he swallowed it."

"Diamonds is good 'enuff for common buteblocks," observed Jack as he cleaned his nails with a tooth-pick, "but you orter seen the gold watch I got! I tell you the fourteen diamonds and twenty-one pearls in the cases made me scream right out when I hauled it from the stocking! I was weak in the knees I could hardly walk down town."

"And is it up home?" inquired a boy with a frost-bitten ear.

"Up home! Do you think I'm lasses candy?" scornfully replied Jack as he got down. "Not much! I rented it to a member of the Legislature at two dollars a day."—Detroit Free Press.

There are two kinds of men who tell the truth—one from force of circumstance and the other for a chance.

## CONGRESSIONAL.

### Senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5. A bill was placed on the calendar providing for a new naval observatory and the removal of the present one.

A portion of Saturday next was set apart for bills reported by the committee on military affairs and the Japanese indemnity fund.

Matthew's resolution, providing for a committee to inquire into the claims of citizens against Nicaragua, was agreed to without discussion.

Eaton moved to adjourn; rejected—yeas, 22, nays, 31, Hayward and Kernan voting with the Republicans against adjournment.

### House.

The speaker announced the regular business as being the consideration of the Mississippi levee.

Robinson withdrew his amendment appropriating \$3,871,500 for strengthening the levee.

The bill then passed; yeas 155, nays 73.

The report of the committee on elections in the Florida contested case submitted in favor of Jesse J. Finley and adverse to Horace Bisbee. The minority submitted dissenting views. Both reports recommended.

House went into committee of the whole on the army appropriation bill. The number of aides de camp to which a general of the army shall be entitled was increased from three to four.

Banning moved that the committee rise in order that the amendment might be printed. This was opposed by Garfield and other Republicans who wished to have a vote taken at once; but it was agreed to: yeas 106, nays 97. Adjourned.

### Senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6. Blaine presented a memorial from the manufacturing companies of Maine, representing twelve millions capital and employing thousands of persons, asking an appropriation for a mail service between one or more of our Atlantic ports and South American ports. The memorial