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DR. VON MOSCHZISKER.—We take pleasure in announcing the arrival of this distinguished oculist and aurist in our city. Dr. VON M. requests us to state his extreme regret at having been unable to visit New Orleans last winter in consequence of the multiplicity and pressing nature of his engagements elsewhere. He proposes, however, to remain amongst us as long as possible, so that all persons afflicted with diseases of the eye or ear may be enabled to avail themselves of his skill experience and tact. Dr. VON MOSCHZISKER'S apartments for the present are at the St. Louis Hotel. In a day or two he hopes to be permanently provided with a suit of rooms for the reception of patients.

GRAND UNION SILVER CORNET BAND.—We invite attention to the advertisement of this celebrated band, which consists of twelve finished performers. Those desirous of engaging the services of this band, can do so on application to SIMON GECKS, leader, No. 36 St. Charles street.

MUSIC AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.—It will be seen by the advertisement in our columns that Mr. A. ELIE has opened his extensive establishment, No. 66 Royal street, for the sale of music and musical instruments. Mr. ELIE is the agent for the celebrated pneumatic pianos of H. HERZ, and for the Sax instruments. A skilful repairer and tuner of pianos is always to be found at Mr. E.'s store.

We direct attention to the sale, without reserve, at the St. Louis Exchange, by H VIGNIE, of a spacious lot of ground, with building thereon, situated at Gretna, directly opposite the Planters' Foundery, and known as the Mechanics' Coffee House, well rented on a long lease, and offers a rare chance for a safe and profitable investment.

A lot of ground on St. Louis street, between Roman and Prieur street.

Several slaves, comprising cook, washers, ironers, house servants, and a No. 1 carpenter.

The Sheriff sells at auction THIS DAY, at noon, at the City Hotel, Common street, a lot of ground, with the improvements thereon, situate on Josephine street, near Gormley's Canal. See advertisement.

The particular attention of city and country buyers is called to the extensive sale of Foreign and American Dry Goods, without reserve, THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock, by VINCENT & CO., at their auction rooms, No. 32 Customhouse street.

The particular attention of buyers is called to the extensive sale of 866 cases boots, shoes and brogans to take place THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock, at E. ROGER & CO.'s auction room, No. 18 Old Levee. Terms at sale.

The National Democratic Executive Committee had a meeting at Washington on the 7th, and fixed the time of the meeting of the Charleston Convention to take place on the 23d April, 1860.

The Iconia Couple *Democrat* says:

Sugar grinding is drawing to a close. But few now make granulated sugar, so the damage has been done by the late frost. The crop will be still poorer than any one even anticipated.

We must except from the above those who have the foresight to windrow their cane prior to the heavy frost. Those planters will have saved nearly their entire crops by that process.

By Telegraph.

[TRANSMITTED TO THE NEW ORLEANS BEE.]

THREE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE

ARRIVAL OF THE PERSIA.

New Difficulties in Europe.

NO PROSPECT OF A CONGRESS.

DECLINE IN COTTON.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The Cunard steamship Persia, Captain Judkins, has arrived at this port, the 1st Liverpool on the 24th ult., and touched at Queenstown on the following day, bringing three days later advices than were received by the Edinburg.

The steamships Nova Scotia, Arago and Jason had arrived safely at their ports of destination.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, November 26.—The sales of Cotton during the week amount to 38,000 bales, of which 1200 were taken by speculators and 5800 by exporters.

There has been little inquiry, and prices are weak and irregular. In some cases quotations are barely maintained.

The sales on Friday were 6000 bales, of which speculators took 1000 bales. The market closed quiet at the following quotations of the Brokers' Circular:

Fair Orleans, 7¼d.; Middling Orleans, 7 5-16d.; Fair Mobile, 7¼d.; Middling Mobile, 7d.; Fair Uplands, 7 5-16d.; Middling Uplands, 6¾d.

The stock of Cotton at Liverpool amounts to 425,000 bales, of which 367,000 are of American production.

CONSOLS.

LONDON, November 26.—The funds show a slight improvement on the week. Consols for money closed at 96¼ to 96¾, and 96¾ to 96¾ for account.

MONEY MARKET AND BULLION.

The amount of specie in the Bank of England has increased during the week £125,000.

The money market was easy, and rates were generally unchanged.

MANCHESTER TRADE.

LIVERPOOL, November 26.—The advices from Manchester continue favorable.

The market was quiet, but firm at full prices.

HAVRE COTTON MARKET.

HAVRE, November 25.—The sales of Cotton for the week amount to 4000 bales. The market is quiet in the early part of the week at an advance of from 2 to 6 francs, owing to the scarcity of Cotton in the market, but subsequently declined, and closed at nominal prices, under the effect of arrivals from American ports. Orleans Tres Ordinaire is quoted at 113 francs; Orleans Bas 108 francs. The stock of Cotton at Havre amounts to 33,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS AND PROVISIONS.

The Liverpool Breadstuffs market generally closed dull, and prices have generally remained unchanged since Tuesday. The Provision market generally closed dull. Lard was more active and closed firm.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

James Hewitt & Co.'s circular, per steamer Persia, says Cotton has slightly declined; Middling Mobile and Orleans have declined ⅛c.; Uplands are flat; the better qualities are scarce. Breadstuffs at Liverpool are declining. The Breadstuffs market on the continent is firm. Lard is advancing.

The Manchester trade is unfavorable.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

The general and political news by the Persia possesses considerable interest, as indicating new complications in the affairs of Europe.

It is now positively asserted that France has not issued invitations to a Congress, as was reported, owing to the fact that difficulties have been started, which might indefinitely postpone the meeting.

The nature of these difficulties is not known, but Lord Cowley had suddenly left Paris on a mission to London, with a view, as is supposed, of attempting an amicable arrangement between France and England.

It is reported that the Emperor Napoleon has proposed a general disarmament as a preliminary to the proposed Congress.

ACCOUNTS FROM INDIA AND CHINA.

The latest accounts from India and China were still more encouraging.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—In the senate this morning Senator Slidell gave notice of a bill of appropriation to facilitate the acquisition of the Island of Cuba.

In the House the entire session was occupied in the discussion of the slavery question, Harper's Ferry, etc., and no attempt was made to proceed to second ballot for speaker.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP PERSIA AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The steamship Persia arrived at her dock this morning, and her mails were sent South in the early morning train.

LATEST NEW ORLEANS MAILS FOR EUROPE.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The latest New Orleans mails for Europe which were taken out by the steamship Africa, which sailed for Liverpool yesterday, were those of the 1st. The latest telegraphic dispatches which we have taken out by the Africa are those of the 6th.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The *Shipping List* of yesterday reports the Cotton market as firm. Middling Orleans is quoted at 11½c.

The Sugar market is firm, with a moderate demand. Molasses is dull and unchanged.

Tallow is unchanged in prices.

The Tobacco market is quiet and firm.

Sterling Exchange has suffered a decline, and is now quoted at 109½ to 109¾ for bankers' Bills. Two hundred thousand pounds worth of Western Bankers' Bills sold at 9½ premium. There is a good supply on hand. French Exchange is firm.

Wright's circular, which went out in the steamer which sailed yesterday for Liverpool, reports the Cotton market firm, and quotes Middling Orleans at 11¾c. The sales of the week ending yesterday amounted to 11,000 bales. The stock on hand at this port and on shipboard amounts to 35,000 bales.

Liverpool freights are quoted at ⅛c.

Wolterspoon, Kingsford & Co.'s circular of yesterday reports Cotton at a decline of ¼ during the week.

Middling Orleans is quoted by their circular at 11¾; Middling Orleans in transits is quoted at 11⅛., with 9-16 freights.

Bill Brothers' circular estimates this year's crop of Cotton. They say that it will probably exceed 4,300,000 bales.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The Cotton market closed firm. Sales to-day amount to 5000 bales, including 4000 in transits.

FURTHER BY THE STEAMER PERSIA.

Difficulty with the Italian Regency.

THE PROPOSED DISARMAMENT.

Shipping Intelligence.

NEW YORK, December 9.—The mails by the Persia report an unusually large number of disasters to American shipping, severe storms having prevailed for several weeks.

MARINE DISASTERS.

The ship Epaminondas, from Shields for New Orleans, and the ship Athlone, from Liverpool for Galveston, have both been abandoned at sea.

The ship Duke of Wellington, from Liverpool for Bombay, was burned at sea off Cape Finisterre. The officers and crew were saved.

Arrived at Liverpool from New Orleans on the 19th, ship Felicia.

HAVRE, November 20.—Arrived from New Orleans ship New England.

Arrived at Antwerp November 21, ship Troy, from New Orleans.

Arrived November 23, after having been ashore, ship Houghton, from New Orleans.

A ship from Liverpool for New Orleans, November 30, Adelaide Bell.

ITALIAN AFFAIRS.

It is reported that Austria has raised a difficulty respecting the Italian Regency strongly opposing it, but Victor Emmanuel has refused to withdraw the Chevalier Buoncompagne's nomination.

It is also stated that the Emperor Napoleon has consented to his acceptance of the Regency of Central Italy.

TUSCANY threatens to oppose in the Congress the restoration of the Grand Dukes by force.

The Austrian Government has granted a full amnesty to all Italians.

INDIA.

Further advices have been received from India, which, however, do not confirm the death of Nana Sahib.

The British army of India was to be augmented by a force equivalent to eleven regiments.

FRANCE.

The French papers have been requested to advocate the plan of a general disarmament according to the suggestion of the Emperor.

The London *Post* thinks the Emperor's proposal to disarm is simply absurd, and thinks that the preliminaries for the assembling of a Congress are in a fair way of being settled.

ARRIVAL OF STEAMSHIPS.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The steamship Anglo-Saxon, which left Liverpool on Wednesday, the 2d ult., arrived at Portland this morning. Her advices have been fully anticipated.

The Vanderbilt steamship Ocean Queen has arrived at this port. She left Southampton on the 30th. Her advices have been anticipated by the Persia.

The European mails by the Persia and Ocean Queen were forwarded South by the evening mails to-day, Thursday.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS — SECOND BALLOT FOR SPEAKER.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—In the House of Representatives to-day (Wednesday), after an animated discussion upon Clarke's resolution, a second witness was made to elect a Speaker, which resulted as follows: Sherman (Rep.), 107; Bocock (Dem.), 88; Gilmer, 72; scattering, 14.

In the Senate the discussion was continued upon Mason's resolution without coming to any action in the matter.

THIRD BALLOT FOR SPEAKER.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—In the House to-day, after a protracted discussion which occupied nearly the whole session, a third ballot was taken, which resulted as follows: Sherman, 110; Bocock, 88; Gilmer, 20; scattering, 13. After which the House adjourned.

TALKING AGAINST TIME.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—In the Senate to-day Mr. Trumbull, in discussing Mr. Mason's resolution, underwent a lengthy cross-examination by Southern Senators, which produced much merriment for a time.

The Senate adjourned over to Monday.

In the House a rambling and general discussion was kept up upon Mr. Clark's resolution and other matters, with the object, as is supposed, to consume time till parties can secure the attendance of members now absent.

FIRST QUARREL.

At one time during the discussion much excitement prevailed, owing to an altercation which took place between Mr. Kellogg, of Michigan, and Mr. Logan, of Illinois, which amounted almost to a quarrel, but they were prevented from coming to blows by the interference of members.

The difficulty arose from the former using offensive language towards Senator Douglas, in coupling Douglas with Greeley in an attempt to sell the votes of Illinois last fall to secure the election of Mr. Douglas.

In the Senate Mr. Trumbull, in explaining the principles of the Republican party, advocated the purchase of a territory contiguous to ours for the purpose of transporting thither our free negroes instead of sending them to Africa.

KANSAS STATE ELECTION.

LEAVENWORTH CITY, December 9.—The returns of the State election so far as have been heard from indicate the election of the entire Republican ticket for State officers.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING AT FRANKFORT.

FRANKFORT, KY., December 9.—The Democratic members of the Legislature of this State held a meeting here to-day, and after preliminary business having been gone through with, nominated Mr. Breckinridge, the present Vice-President, as the candidate for the Presidential chair for the next term.

LARGE UNION MEETING IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, December 9.—A large and enthusiastic meeting of Union men was held here to-day, in which the members expressed their abhorrence to all anti-slavery fanatics, and also expressed their earnest sympathies in regard to and with Virginia.

ARRIVAL OF MINISTER PRESTON.

NEW YORK, December 9.—Mr. Preston, our late Minister to Spain, has arrived here from Europe. He came as a passenger in the steamship Persia, from Liverpool.

FAILURE OF THE CHICAGO AND FORT WAYNE RAILROAD.

PITTSBURG, December 9.—The property of the Chicago, Fort Wayne and Pittsburg Railroad have been sequestrated, and a receiver has been appointed to attend to the affairs of the company.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 9.—A destructive fire occurred here to-day, which entirely consumed the extensive piano manufactory of Messrs. Gilbert & Co. Their loss is estimated at $125,000.

LARGE FIRE IN CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, December 9.—The rotary house of the candle factory belonging to Messrs. Hiatt & Woods was this morning discovered to be on fire, and notwithstanding the efforts of our city firemen to subdue the flames the entire building was destroyed. Messrs. Hiatt & Woods's loss amounts to $20,000, but they were insured to that amount.

DEATH OF THEODORE SEDGWICK.

BOSTON, December 9.—Theodore Sedgwick died at South Bridge, Mass., to-day.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, December.—The Cotton market closed firm; sales to-day amount to 2500 bales.

Flour closed firm; sales to day amount to 1350 barrels; new white is quoted at 83c. to 90c.; new yellow is quoted at 86 to 90c.

RIVER INTELLIGENCE.

ST. LOUIS, December 9.—The Mississippi river at this point has fallen one foot during the last twenty-four hours. The ice is getting soft and a speedy resumption of navigation is expected.

LOUISVILLE, December 9.—The Ohio river at this point is rising rapidly, with eleven feet of water on the falls.

STEAMBOATS PASSED.

VICKSBURG, December 9.—The steamer Ingomar passed down at 11 o'clock last night. The Tecumseh passed down at 1, the John Raine at 3, and the T. L. McGill at 6 o'clock this morning.

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VICKSBURG, December 9.—The steamer Southwester passed down at 6 o'clock this morning and the Red Rover at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

NORTHERN MEXICO.

By the steamship Arizona, Captain Smith, arrived yesterday evening, we have received Brownsville papers to the 2d instant. We extract the following important news from the *American Flag*:

Our advices are full of importance. On the 13th instant Gen. Miramon met Gen. Degollado (others say Doblado) in battle, at the Estancia de las Vacas, near Celaya, and defeated him totally and completely. But learning just then that a movement had been made by the Constitutionalists at Puebla towards the City of Mexico, Gen. Miramon immediately after his victory, countermarched upon Mexico, and Gen. Doblado occupied himself in recollecting his section of the line in which he reports himself to have well succeeded. Of the latter army, Gen. Tapia was severely wounded and Gen. Justo Alvarez, it is supposed, taken prisoner.

Here is seen the peculiarity of civil war in Mexico. The president of one party and the commander-in-chief of the other meet with the whole of their forces on a field of pitched battle. One of them is defeated; he loses all his artillery, very many prisoners are taken from one army to the other, and he runs off complete and thorough. But the other has hitherto had uninterrupted possession of the capital city and of the populous and wealthy country around it; yet he finds that after he left to fight his enemy, a comparatively contemptible band had started to occupy his palace and his throne in his stead, before the seat had been fairly cooled from the occupation of it. So, in as great haste as that in which his vanquished opponent fled, the victor returns to his capital without daring to remain and reap the fruits of his victory.

A similar state of things exists in Nuevo Leon. General Zuazua, the friend of the deposed General Vidaurri, learning that the arms and ammunition purchased by Lic. Galindo for that State were about to start from Matamoras for Monterey, got together four hundred men with the view of intercepting the wagons. General Zaragoza, an officer of the new State Government, went out with two hundred men to protect them, and came up with them on the 15th, during the night of their stay there, Zuazua surrounded their camp, and at daylight, finding four hundred rifles pointed at them, Zaragoza's men yielded the armament under their protection to that of Zuazua, and, it is said, were so much better pleased with the generosity of the latter than that of their own commander, that four hundred of them joined Zuazua. On the 26th General Zuazua arrived at the Quinta of D. Juan Lopez, near Monterey. Here he received a requisition from the city, and an arrangement was made to this effect: that a popular election should be held at the Plazuela del Mercado (the market place in Monterey) for the office of Governor, the citizens' candidate being Governor Arramberri, Gen. Zuazua's D. Domingo Martinez, First Magistrate of the City Council; and whoever was elected should be obeyed by all alike.

This course was doubtless precipitated by the defeat at the Estancia de las Vacas.

So we see that no government can be stable in Mexico; no victory, however complete, can adjudicate any question or decide the ownership of the country; that each President or Governor, or Chief of Staff, has only so much space as he stands upon with his forces, and is liable to lose that through the vacillation or fickleness of his own men without a moment's warning, and that the classification of parties in Mexico and their enumeration would be more difficult than it would be to perform a similar service for the stars of heaven were the present knowledge of them lost.

A letter from Shanghai, denouncing the coolie trade and exposing its horrors, says: "It seems that a ship having on board several hundred of these unfortunates, returning from Havana to their homes, sprung a leak in a gale, put into Rio de Janeiro for repairs, and these being more than she could pay, *the coolies were sent on shore and resold for a term of years*, to pay expenses. This is almost incredible; but there is, unfortunately, too much reason to believe that it really occurred."

The ivy weather experienced here has been fair still more severely at Baton Rouge. The *Advocate* of the 7th inst. says:

Last night was one of the coldest nights ever known in this State. At 8 o'clock in the morning the mercury was at 60 degrees, and at noon there was a cold norther, accompanied with rain and high wind, which lasted during the night to a gale. At 8 o'clock this morning the mercury was 22 degrees above zero, showing a fall of near 50 degrees in twenty-four hours, which is remarkable, if not unprecedented. We had cold weather in January, 1851, and February, 1856, and in January and November in the year 1857, but last night was probably colder than at any time, except 18th January, 1852, when the mercury marked 16 degrees above zero in the city of New Orleans. What effect this weather is to have upon the cane remains to be seen.

At 9 o'clock this morning it fell to 20 degrees.

THE UNION AND THE CONSTITUTION.—The Boston *Courier* of the 2d inst. says:

An informal meeting of many of our leading citizens was held at the Tremont House last evening, to make arrangements for an assembly at Faneuil Hall, some day next week, to express their views upon public affairs. The feeling was one of entire unanimity in regard to the propriety of manly declaring their devotion to the Union and the Constitution, and disapprobation of recent manifestations of the South, especially of the mistaken demonstrations at home. We have no doubt that such a meeting will be held at an early day, if every one responds in this call. It is time to rebuke, and we will not say reconcile, but to remonstrate our brethren in other parts of the country, but like to promote a fair feeling state of facts amongst themselves. We need hardly add a representation of the patriotic sentiment widely diffused among the people of Massachusetts to enable it to exercise a most salutary influence.

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We are free to admit that when we perceive a murderer and a traitor extolled by the North, because he perished in the effort to stir up domestic sedition; when we see that his gibbet is compared to the cross, and himself to a sainted martyr; that sermons are preached glorifying his abominable crime; that he is are tolled on the day of his execution; that prayer meetings are held and that cries of vengeance are uttered against the South for simply protecting herself and punishing a desperado who deserved a thousand deaths, we must confess that nothing but the conviction that the fanatical demonstrations are but the madness of a part of the Northern population, and that the largest part condemns and repudiates them, prevents us from lapsing into a state of flat despair of the Republic. It is absolutely certain that if the sympathizers with the felon and assassin whose life has paid the just forfeit of his crimes, embrace a majority of the people of the free States, this glorious Union of ours, which our fathers fondly deemed imperishable, will prove as destitute of cohesive power as a rope of sand.

But these are as yet no more than gloomy forebodings, and until they are converted into certainty by events, we for one shall not surrender our attachment to the Union, or our hope in its perpetuity. We need hardly say that deeply as we should regret the election of a Black Republican President, we should be very far from regarding such an event as a plea for dissolving the Union. While we have a Constitution and laws, we of the South, equally with the North, are bound to acquiesce in the result of a chief magistrate, legally and constitutionally effected. As well might the North invoke disunion as the sole remedy left in case HENRY C. WISE, or any other slaveholder, should be elected President. Whomsoever the people may elevate to the highest office in their gift, the South should respect, until either through his own action, or that of a hostile Congress, some law should be passed plainly and palpably at war with the guarantees of the Constitution and the rights and liberties of the slaveholding States. Then, indeed, the South would with one accord and without one opposing voice, break the bonds connecting her with the North, peacefully if she could—forcibly if she must.

DR. VON MOSCHZISKER.—We take pleasure in announcing the arrival of this distinguished oculist and aurist in our city. Dr. VON M. requests us to state his extreme regret at having been unable to visit New Orleans last winter in consequence of the multiplicity and pressing nature of his engagements elsewhere. He proposes, however, to remain amongst us as long as possible, so that all persons afflicted with diseases of the eye or ear may be enabled to avail themselves of his skill experience and tact. Dr. VON MOSCHZISKER'S apartments for the present are at the St. Louis Hotel. In a day or two he hopes to be permanently provided with a suit of rooms for the reception of patients.

GRAND UNION SILVER CORNET BAND.—We invite attention to the advertisement of this celebrated band, which consists of twelve finished performers. Those desirous of engaging the services of this band, can do so on application to SIMON GECKS, leader, No. 36 St. Charles street.

MUSIC AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.—It will be seen by the advertisement in our columns that Mr. A. ELIE has opened his extensive establishment, No. 66 Royal street, for the sale of music and musical instruments. Mr. ELIE is the agent for the celebrated pneumatic pianos of H. HERZ, and for the Sax instruments. A skilful repairer and tuner of pianos is always to be found at Mr. E.'s store.

We direct attention to the sale, without reserve, at the St. Louis Exchange, by H VIGNIE, of a spacious lot of ground, with building thereon, situated at Gretna, directly opposite the Planters' Foundery, and known as the Mechanics' Coffee House, well rented on a long lease, and offers a rare chance for a safe and profitable investment.

A lot of ground on St. Louis street, between Roman and Prieur street.

Several slaves, comprising cook, washers, ironers, house servants, and a No. 1 carpenter.

The Sheriff sells at auction THIS DAY, at noon, at the City Hotel, Common street, a lot of ground, with the improvements thereon, situate on Josephine street, near Gormley's Canal. See advertisement.

The particular attention of city and country buyers is called to the extensive sale of Foreign and American Dry Goods, without reserve, THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock, by VINCENT & CO., at their auction rooms, No. 32 Customhouse street.

The particular attention of buyers is called to the extensive sale of 866 cases boots, shoes and brogans to take place THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock, at E. ROGER & CO.'s auction room, No. 18 Old Levee. Terms at sale.

The National Democratic Executive Committee had a meeting at Washington on the 7th, and fixed the time of the meeting of the Charleston Convention to take place on the 23d April, 1860.

The Iconia Couple *Democrat* says:

Sugar grinding is drawing to a close. But few now make granulated sugar, so the damage has been done by the late frost. The crop will be still poorer than any one even anticipated.

We must except from the above those who have the foresight to windrow their cane prior to the heavy frost. Those planters will have saved nearly their entire crops by that process.

By Telegraph.

[TRANSMITTED TO THE NEW ORLEANS BEE.]

THREE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE

ARRIVAL OF THE PERSIA.

New Difficulties in Europe.

NO PROSPECT OF A CONGRESS.

DECLINE IN COTTON.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The Cunard steamship Persia, Captain Judkins, has arrived at this port, the 1st Liverpool on the 24th ult., and touched at Queenstown on the following day, bringing three days later advices than were received by the Edinburg.

The steamships Nova Scotia, Arago and Jason had arrived safely at their ports of destination.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, November 26.—The sales of Cotton during the week amount to 38,000 bales, of which 1200 were taken by speculators and 5800 by exporters.

There has been little inquiry, and prices are weak and irregular. In some cases quotations are barely maintained.

The sales on Friday were 6000 bales, of which speculators took 1000 bales. The market closed quiet at the following quotations of the Brokers' Circular:

Fair Orleans, 7¼d.; Middling Orleans, 7 5-16d.; Fair Mobile, 7¼d.; Middling Mobile, 7d.; Fair Uplands, 7 5-16d.; Middling Uplands, 6¾d.

The stock of Cotton at Liverpool amounts to 425,000 bales, of which 367,000 are of American production.

CONSOLS.

LONDON, November 26.—The funds show a slight improvement on the week. Consols for money closed at 96¼ to 96¾, and 96¾ to 96¾ for account.

MONEY MARKET AND BULLION.

The amount of specie in the Bank of England has increased during the week £125,000.

The money market was easy, and rates were generally unchanged.

MANCHESTER TRADE.

LIVERPOOL, November 26.—The advices from Manchester continue favorable.

The market was quiet, but firm at full prices.

HAVRE COTTON MARKET.

HAVRE, November 25.—The sales of Cotton for the week amount to 4000 bales. The market is quiet in the early part of the week at an advance of from 2 to 6 francs, owing to the scarcity of Cotton in the market, but subsequently declined, and closed at nominal prices, under the effect of arrivals from American ports. Orleans Tres Ordinaire is quoted at 113 francs; Orleans Bas 108 francs. The stock of Cotton at Havre amounts to 33,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS AND PROVISIONS.

The Liverpool Breadstuffs market generally closed dull, and prices have generally remained unchanged since Tuesday. The Provision market generally closed dull. Lard was more active and closed firm.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

James Hewitt & Co.'s circular, per steamer Persia, says Cotton has slightly declined; Middling Mobile and Orleans have declined ⅛c.; Uplands are flat; the better qualities are scarce. Breadstuffs at Liverpool are declining. The Breadstuffs market on the continent is firm. Lard is advancing.

The Manchester trade is unfavorable.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

The general and political news by the Persia possesses considerable interest, as indicating new complications in the affairs of Europe.

It is now positively asserted that France has not issued invitations to a Congress, as was reported, owing to the fact that difficulties have been started, which might indefinitely postpone the meeting.

The nature of these difficulties is not known, but Lord Cowley had suddenly left Paris on a mission to London, with a view, as is supposed, of attempting an amicable arrangement between France and England.

It is reported that the Emperor Napoleon has proposed a general disarmament as a preliminary to the proposed Congress.

ACCOUNTS FROM INDIA AND CHINA.

The latest accounts from India and China were still more encouraging.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—In the senate this morning Senator Slidell gave notice of a bill of appropriation to facilitate the acquisition of the Island of Cuba.

In the House the entire session was occupied in the discussion of the slavery question, Harper's Ferry, etc., and no attempt was made to proceed to second ballot for speaker.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP PERSIA AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The steamship Persia arrived at her dock this morning, and her mails were sent South in the early morning train.

LATEST NEW ORLEANS MAILS FOR EUROPE.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The latest New Orleans mails for Europe which were taken out by the steamship Africa, which sailed for Liverpool yesterday, were those of the 1st. The latest telegraphic dispatches which we have taken out by the Africa are those of the 6th.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The *Shipping List* of yesterday reports the Cotton market as firm. Middling Orleans is quoted at 11½c.

The Sugar market is firm, with a moderate demand. Molasses is dull and unchanged.

Tallow is unchanged in prices.

The Tobacco market is quiet and firm.

Sterling Exchange has suffered a decline, and is now quoted at 109½ to 109¾ for bankers' Bills. Two hundred thousand pounds worth of Western Bankers' Bills sold at 9½ premium. There is a good supply on hand. French Exchange is firm.

Wright's circular, which went out in the steamer which sailed yesterday for Liverpool, reports the Cotton market firm, and quotes Middling Orleans at 11¾c. The sales of the week ending yesterday amounted to 11,000 bales. The stock on hand at this port and on shipboard amounts to 35,000 bales.

Liverpool freights are quoted at ⅛c.

Wolterspoon, Kingsford & Co.'s circular of yesterday reports Cotton at a decline of ¼ during the week.

Middling Orleans is quoted by their circular at 11¾; Middling Orleans in transits is quoted at 11⅛., with 9-16 freights.

Bill Brothers' circular estimates this year's crop of Cotton. They say that it will probably exceed 4,300,000 bales.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The Cotton market closed firm. Sales to-day amount to 5000 bales, including 4000 in transits.

FURTHER BY THE STEAMER PERSIA.

Difficulty with the Italian Regency.

THE PROPOSED DISARMAMENT.

Shipping Intelligence.

NEW YORK, December 9.—The mails by the Persia report an unusually large number of disasters to American shipping, severe storms having prevailed for several weeks.

MARINE DISASTERS.

The ship Epaminondas, from Shields for New Orleans, and the ship Athlone, from Liverpool for Galveston, have both been abandoned at sea.

The ship Duke of Wellington, from Liverpool for Bombay, was burned at sea off Cape Finisterre. The officers and crew were saved.

Arrived at Liverpool from New Orleans on the 19th, ship Felicia.

HAVRE, November