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MORAL INSANITY.

Safety of the Calhoun.

Under the head of our Havana news, we have given an account of the disastrous gale at Vera Cruz, extracted from the Havana papers. We have since received the following report in relation to the *Calhoun* from Mr. Da Costa, the purser, who arrived yesterday:

The steamship *Calhoun*, Capt. Rathbone, left this port on the 16th of December for Vera Cruz. On the 20th, at 3 A. M., when about forty miles from Vera Cruz, encountered a heavy gale from the N. W.; was not able to make Vera Cruz, so hauled up to N. E. and kept the ship off.

The gale continued until the morning of the 31st, when it moderated a little, and at 3 o'clock, A. M., 23d, it moderated so that the ship continued on her course to Vera Cruz; during the day of the 20th, at 5 o'clock, P. M., a sea boarded the ship and swept off the dining saloon, also carried off the second steersman, Peter Levy; pantryman, Peter Thompson; and the bar-keeper, name unknown; also injuring several of the steerage passengers—one of them blew out his brains for fear of drowning.

The ship arrived at Vera Cruz on the morning of the 24th, discharged her cargo and passengers, and on the 25th proceeded to Alvarado river to repair her wheels and other damages, which will cause a detention of about two weeks.

ARRIVAL OF THE PHILADELPHIA.

CALIFORNIA.

The U. S. mail steamship *Philadelphia*, John McGowan, Commander, left New York on the 24 instant, and Havana at 4 P. M. of the 9th, and arrived at her wharf yesterday morning. The *Philadelphia* landed 22 passengers and $124,000 in specie at Havana, and brings 150 passengers, the California, Isthmus and Pacific mails and $96,750 in specie for this port.

The U. S. mail steamship *Empire City*, Captain Griffith, sailed from Havana for New York at noon on the 9th. U. S. mail steamship *Granada*, Captain Gray, sailed from Havana at 4 P. M. of the 9th for Aspinwall, with the New Orleans mails and passengers for San Francisco. U. S. mail steamship *George Law* left Aspinwall for New York on the 3d, with about 600 passengers and nearly $2,000,000 in treasure. Among the passengers per *Philadelphia* is Mr. Da Costa, Purser of steamship *Calhoun*.

LIST OF PASSENGERS PER PHILADELPHIA.

From Vera Cruz—Mrs. Kathbun and son, Mrs Crowell, Miss Ruth Watson, James Ayres, Mrs Jane Barnes, Mrs Nevers and child, Professor Light, Rev J Rowland, Judge Wardell, H Brink, Mr Woodf and sister, Mrs Kelso, Mrs Kahn, W J Somar, W Roberts, J H Hall and wife.

From Havana—J Senac, U S N, A de Cuesta, Dr Le Hardy, wife & family, Mrs H Thompson, Steward, C Lazaro, M Alvarez, A Lopez, V Lopez, Prof Bertinatti and Montagnon, M J Teasis, Fonnia Cuesta, Normand, Mrs Cuesta sons, F Dousier, J Arte, J R Bayley and 3 in steerage.

From Key West—J Aguirre and 3 in steerage.

From Charleston—Mrs Marshall and son, H H Newell, Mrs Dr Hampton, D Cady, R P Johnson, Mrs Johnson, Miss Rick, J Reed, Stowerman, Peterson, Mrs Wm Williams, Wammon, Morgan, W J Horton, H B Walsh, A Gallaher, S C Cutts, G H Cutts, Miss Hipp, Dubois, J Brouner, E P Metcalf, Mrs D Mather, R Bonner, wife and 4 children, and 5 in steerage.

From Savannah—Mrs Hall and child, Mrs Crowell, Miss Ruth Watson, James Ayres, Mrs Jane Barnes, Mrs Nevers and child, Professor Light, Rev J Rowland, Judge Wardell, H Brink, Mr Woodf and sister, Mrs Kelso, Mrs Kahn, W J Somar, W Roberts, J H Hall and wife.

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The Saint Paul says *News Letter* a new and valuable sheet—furnishes a full summary of the events of the fortnight—from the 5th to the 20th December—from which we extract the following:

Summary of the Fortnight.

Land warrants took away only $2,1.0,000, with but a hundred passengers—a striking contrast to the number homeward-bound by the previous steamers. This is partly to be accounted for that there was no opposition steamer, and the fares consequently at least doubled; many preferring to wait for the next boat. Business was also quiet generally, and the holidays coming so hard upon the heels of the election, which always stagnates trade, made so much dirt from the streets leave the gold "sticking to the fingers."

General new interest has prevailed here for the past ten days, growing out of the expected Grand Jamandour swindle, and terminated by the Grand Jury, arrest, and incarceration in the county jail. The whole affair is pitilessly ridiculous and transparently forged and fraudulent, documents in which the name is founded, when called to the Grand Jury, confessed the whole fraud, and is now under arrest, and detained as a witness. The present value of the land created by this fraudulent claim is over $2,000,000, according to the last assessment. It is hardly worth while to say that the property is protected to the extent that was ever attempted, and as skillfully has the swindler conducted his business, that he procured a confirmation of his claim before the United States Land Commissioner. Real estate owners, holding under that city and the Santibam titles, and other estates were covered by the Lamandon claim, naturally feel much more safe on their property.

The firm of Adams & Co., a number of others have recently been made. The claims of the several estates amount to $1,000,000, which will be reduced by the expenses of this suit—estimated to a mere nothing. The rise in the market, eighty cents, and now they are offered at five cents, and find no purchasers. It seems to be a ray of hope to poor property owners ever realizing much from the estates, and they generally believe that, under the present management and the relief by expenses incurred on the River case.

There are still eleven Free companies of militia, and no less than 1,000 men are under arms to-day. Arrivals, 6,000; departures, 5,000; deaths, 1,333; corpses, 1,000; births, 626. Now in California, 350,000.

The *Old California* has recently changed hands, and we have been for a long time connected with the paper, and are familiar with its details. It is the oldest newspaper in the State, and is unsurpassed by any for its completeness in furnishing news. On the arrival of the last mail steamer, when important news was expected from the Eastern States, a compositor ready at Acapulco to put up the types on the voyage up. In this way it is issued about before the mail bags have reached the post-office.

Many enterprises of every description are in successful operation all over the State, and new ones are being undertaken and prosecuted. Rivers, river, tunnel, and auriferous claims, in every form, and with all imaginable and unimaginable machinery adapted each, for economical working, enliven the valley in every direction. A hundred mills, some of 5 to a hundred ingenious minds, some driven by steam, others by water, and processes, for stamping, crushing and separating auriferous minerals, all independent of each other, and consequently free from expense or and puerile interference of the most meddlesome practical knowledge in such matters, are at work day and night, enhancing the country and rewarding capitalists. Rich land at length come upon the dry diggings, and the semi-monthly loads of emigrants, arriving by the Isthmus stage-coach and steamers, are no longer wending for the East. And it is admitted on all sides that there will be more land put under crop this year than at any previous season. Further, the unprecedented experience of the mining population in the past year warrants the inference that the yield of every succeeding year will increase arithmetically at least.

In Mariposa county, specimens from the surface of a claim were found to contain as much richness with those taken from the bottom of the world. Yet these deposits are rarely found at present, owing to the difficulty of getting water, which flows in abundance at a distance, and could be rendered available were it not for the capital and quiet miners by the requisite canals and ditches. Experience has taught us that the farther up in the mountains you go, the coarser is the gold, the richer are the deposits, and the nearer the quartz; which facts have been demonstrated throughout our State. The quartz now worked on the Fremont claim is yielding from $40 to $40 per ton, and with the machinery now at work the estate must be the richest gold mine in the world.

Kelly-ann has completed his unparalleled protest against walking one hundred and six consecutive hours. The Englishman, his rival, leaves on the third day.

A very numerous and highly influential body of our citizens gave a grand complimentary banquet on the 16th ult., to Patrick H. Gallagher, French Consul, on the occasion of his approaching departure to a more elevated sphere of official duty, and as appreciative of the urbanity and courtesy which have marked his official conduct during a residence of seven years among us.

The pews erected in St. Scott's Calvary church, Bush street, have had a fancy fair, at Musical Hall, Bush street, for the purpose of raising about $5,000 for an organ for that church.

The Supreme Court has decided that the property of the city valued at $400,000, sold at a public sale, for $300,000, and $20 70 costs, and resold for the inconsiderable sum of $5,000, is pregnant with outraged fraud, and is a most disgusting example of venality and corruption. The interference of the transaction is an outrage of faith and collusion, that perverted fact in contain it. The property reverts to the city of San Francisco.

The Supreme Court has decided on the appeal of the State of Indebtedness over and above the sum of $300,000, as fixed by the Legislature. Great excitement has ensued. The Wilson Bead bill is suspended, and the Legislature of the State Capitol, at Sacramento, is now up, and the general Funding bill has been passed, with the sanction of the Legislature and the people, which will no doubt be assented to. The case, for the coupons of the bond, not unpaid, all classes of repudiation, is united from one end of the State to the other. The price for State 7's is fifty cents on the dollar.

The city's real property, which sold formerly at an $1,000, reverts to the city — and the city is, at the present time, discharged of about $1,200 of floating indebtedness.

At Dr. Scott's Calvary Church, last week, we witnessed one of the most fashionable and brilliant weddings—the marriage of Hon. Henry Bates, Treasurer of State, to Miss Helen, one of California's fairest daughters. The reception were at the Rosette House.

We can scarcely give any quotations for Stock Boards of Warrants, as none have changed hands since the late decision of the Supreme Court, and holders show no disposition to submit to a sacrifice. Fifty cents has been offered and refused for the bonds. Sale Bonds, 1855, 50c.; State Warrants, Sacramento city, 10 per cent., $100; do. do., 6 do., 52 a 53c.; rejected city warrants, 10c.; county warrants, 30c.; Page, Bacon & Co., 80c.; Adams & Co., 4c.

Panama.

We have Panama and Aspinwall papers to the 3d, instant. The Executive of New Granada has officially recognized Amos B. Corwine as Consul of the United States, in Panama. The *Star & Herald* says:

The Honorable Isaac E. Morse, Special Commissioner from Washington to Bogota, is at present in Panama, having come over on Thursday last from Aspinwall.

Mr. Morse has been sent out to co-operate with the Honorable J. B. Bowlin, United States Minister, relative to the outrages perpetrated upon Americans here on the 15th April last, as well as in regard to the mail and tonnage taxes. What the Commissioner's powers are we do not pretend to know, but we have good reason to believe that he comes out with full and positive instructions for making a settlement of the difficulties now pending between the two governments. Mr. Morse visited Taboga and other islands in the Bay of Panama yesterday, in company with Consul Corwine, in order, we learn, to report thereon to his government.

Subsequently Mr. Morse sailed from Aspinwall for Carthagena.

Nicaragua and Costa Rica.

The Panama papers contain some items of Nicaraguan news, but it is evidently derived from the most hostile sources. The private letter of the 1st December admits that the church at Granada, in which some 200 Americans were stationed, had not yet been taken, and that a desperate resistance was offered. The *Boletin Oficial* of Costa Rica, of December 13th, gives the following as the latest news:

News from Rivas is to December 8th.—Walker, with 400 men, arrived at San Jorje, one league from Rivas, and prepared to attack the division under General Canas. Only a few skirmishes with the advanced guards had taken place. Canas had 600 men, who were in good health, and well supplied with munitions of war and provisions.

Walker, in one of the lake steamers, was constantly on the move between Virgin Bay, Ometepe and Granada. According to the most reliable accounts, the forces of Walker consisted of 150 men in Virgin Bay, 40 men in a hotel near San Juan, 150 in the steamers, 50 guarding 300 wounded and sick in Ometepe. This force, with 250 lost in Measaya, and 380 in Granada, constitutes all his force, not reckoning those at Castillo or on the river.

On the 1st of December, 200 men remained, bemmed in, in the ruins of the Church of Guadalupe in Granada, who fought with desperation, and were without water, and had to subsist on their horses. They obstinately refused quarter, though offered to them by General Bellosa.

The crew of the *Once de Abril*, only forty-eight reached San Juan alive, five died next day, and thirty were sent prisoners to Virgin Bay. Of the crew of the *San José*, eighteen out of thirty-three were either killed or wounded.

Walker's forces are said to be very badly off, having nothing but what they get (and even salt) to eat, in consequence many are dying of dysentery and other complaints of the climate.

From the South Pacific.

By way of Panama, we have received dates from Valparaiso to the 30th November; Callao, December 10th; Paita, December 16th.

CHILI.—The general news from this republic is not of any particular interest.

The Valparaiso and Santiago railroad is soon to be opened as far as Limache, a distance of thirty miles.

BOLIVIA.—An attempt was made at Potosi, on the 6th November, to raise a revolutionary party by Col. Ramon Castro, but he was immediately arrested, and the attempt proved ineffectual.

The yellow fever rages in the towns and villages north of La Paz.

PERU.—Gen. Vivanco, the head of the reactionary party, seems to be gaining ground.

TEXAS.

By the arrival of the steamship *Louisiana*, we have received Texas papers to the 11th inst. We learn from the report of the officers that from the 5th inst., the steamship *Daniel Webster* arrived at Indianola, and on the same night, during a terrific norther, dragged her anchors, and went on shore. No assistance was asked.

The municipal election to take place in Houston on Monday, the 5th inst. C. Elms, Esq., was elected Mayor, over Judge Buckner.

The Galveston papers state that the 4th January passed off in that place without any demonstration, civic or political.

The Liberty *Gazette* says of Galveston:

"The city is improving fast. Before another decade, Galveston will no doubt contain a population of 75,000 souls. She will be the city of Texas, and all attempts to injure her are useless."

ANOTHER MURDER.—We learn, with regret, that, on the evening of the 25th inst., a Mr. Bateman, of Helena, Karnes county, was shot dead by a youth of that place named Garner.

The particulars, so far as we have learned, were as follows: Garner, a young man about eighteen or nineteen years of age, was about to assault and abuse a small boy; Bateman, being present, protested against such conduct, and told him he must not disturb the boy; whereupon Garner immediately went off, procured a double barrelled gun, returned to where Bateman was, and, without a word more, shot him, killing him instantly. Garner went off very coolly, reloaded his gun and went to bed with the object of doing the deed, however, arrested at a late hour of the night, and is now in custody.

The deed is described by those who witnessed it as a most disgusting affair. Bateman's wife was a most disgusting affair. Bateman's wife was a most disgusting affair. Bateman's wife was