

Whig & Courier.

FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.

Gen. Schofield leaves for his new command to-morrow. He will be accompanied from here by Col. Wherry, Capt. Monks and Lieut. Rathbone, of his staff, who have been on duty in the War Department. Col. Campbell remains at the Department.

The President sent several nominations to the Senate to-day, but said they were not of an important character.

The Senate today confirmed the following nominations—

Frank Moore, of New York, Second Secretary of the American Legation at Madrid.

John T. Forbes, Pension Agent at Philadelphia.

There were no other confirmations.

The President and family will commence their occupancy of the Executive Mansion to-morrow.

Senor Garcia presented his credentials to the President to-day, as Minister of the Argentine Republic. In response to his address the President said—

"Mr. Garcia—I welcome you as the diplomatic representative of the Argentine Republic in this country. It shall be my endeavor to reciprocate the kind sentiments which you express on behalf of your government and its desire to strengthen those relations of friendship and commerce which unite both nations. I notice your letter of credence is signed by your predecessor, now the chief magistrate of the Argentine Republic. The personal and official character which he maintained while here, warrants the assumption that in selecting you as the Minister of the Republic, he was actuated by his usual discretion, and had no reason to apprehend that your career would not justify his choice, as similar confidence is entertained by me."

Lieut. Gen. Sheridan will postpone his departure from this city until to-morrow. He will proceed to New York and pass a few days there, and afterwards visit St. Louis and Fort Leavenworth. It is understood that the General has determined to establish his headquarters at Chicago.

Mr. Washburne retired from the State Department at noon to-day, and Mr. Fish took possession.

The resignation of S. M. Clark, as Disbursing Clerk of the Construction Bureau of the Treasury Department, has been received and accepted by Secretary Boutwell. This act closes the official connection of Mr. Clark with the Treasury Department.

CABLE NEWS.

Madrid, March 17. The Cortes has appointed four permanent committees to supervise the business of the Assembly. It is said the draft of the new Constitution which is to be submitted to the Cortes, establishes complete civil and religious liberty, but retains Catholicism as the religion of the State.

London, March 17. The annual contest for the championship between the Oxford and Cambridge Universities of eight oared boat crews, took place this afternoon at four o'clock, and resulted in a victory for the Ox-fords by four lengths.

London, March 17. Large meetings have been held in Dublin and Belfast, at which petitions to the Queen against the disestablishment of the Irish Church were adopted.

Madrid, March 17—Serious disturbances growing out of opposition of the people to military conscription are reported in Andalusia at Xuves and Montaro. Barricades are erected, and there was some fighting between the people and troops. In the latter places two men were killed and six wounded.

Minister Sagosta has advised the Cortes not to enforce conscription.

Railroad Accident

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., March 17.

The afternoon express train from Boston for New York, via this city, had a narrow escape from a serious accident, in consequence of a broken rail while running at full speed one mile East of Palmer. The engine passed over the spot in safety, but two baggage and four passenger cars were thrown off and dragged twenty rods, one of the baggage cars was tipped bottom side up, strange to say not one of the two hundred and fifty persons in the train, was seriously injured. The rail was broken by a great rock which fell upon it from a ledge above, and then bounded to the other side. The road will be clear for passage of trains to-morrow.

The Cuban Insurrection.

HAVANA, March 17.

Many rumors come in from the interior, of unimportant engagements with the rebels.

Troops have been sent to Remedios.

Two Mexicans who arrived at Monicaragua who have been imprisoned on suspicion of being officers in the rebel service.

Sugar dull.

Counterfeiters' Den Discovered.

ST. LOUIS, March 17.

A counterfeiter's den about 4 miles from this city, was discovered yesterday and some \$15,000 in bogus city warrants and fifty cent. National currency, tools, presses, &c., were found. A woman living at the place was arrested, but no man connected with the establishment has yet been caught.

Geo. A. Allen, charged with robbing Mr. Cross, Adams' Express delivery messenger, of \$7000, some months ago, was convicted and sentenced to twelve years in the Penitentiary.

St. Patrick's Day.

CHICAGO, March 17.

The Irish citizens very generally took part in the commemoration of St. Patrick's Day. The procession extended a mile in length.

BOSTON, March 17.

The procession of Irish societies and citizens today, was escorted by the 9th Regiment, and included nine bands of music, the whole numbering about 4000 men. It was one of the most imposing demonstrations ever witnessed here on St. Patrick's Day.

NEW YORK, March 17.

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated with more than the usual display by Irish citizens here and in Brooklyn, Jersey City, Newark and other neighboring localities. In this city the procession consisted of upwards of 40,000 men, and contained 35 bands and was two hours passing the City Hall.

Breach of Promise Case.

WORCESTER, March 17.

The breach of promise case of Sarah Sherman vs. Richard Rawson, which has occupied the time of the Superior Court of this city for several days past, resulted today in a verdict of \$4,000 damages for the plaintiff.

A man named McGinniss fell through the Railroad Bridge at West Boylston, while intoxicated, receiving fatal injuries.

Escape from Prison.

TRENTON, March 17.

Three prisoners escaped from the State Prison last night, by cutting through the roof and letting themselves down by ropes.