

News by Mail

Many of the press, North and East, are already nominating their candidates for the Presidency in 1872. The Democratic papers seem divided between Salmon P. Chase, General Hancock and some other man. The Republican papers seem to have no candidates to offer, with the exception of the New York *Sun*, which comes out for Schuyler Colfax. The North Carolina *Standard*, not to be outdone by its more arrogant brethren of the North, puts up for its choice, to represent the Republicans of the South, the name of U. S. Grant, for President, and William W. Holden, of North Carolina, for Vice-President.

The butchers of New Orleans seem to be, as Nick Whiffles would say, in a "condemned difficulty." It seems that, as a contemplated sanitary measure, the late Legislature incorporated a slaughter-house company, giving it the exclusive right to land animals for meat in the city, and to slaughter them within the city limits. The effect of the act, as it seems, is to create a perfect monopoly and compel all the butchers to stop business or buy meat of this company. The butchers have held indignation meetings and resolved to retaliate by refusing to sell any meat at all. As a result, for several days there was no meat at any of the meat stores in the city. The people are highly indignant, and are suggesting various expedients for aiding butchers in evading the law, the most feasible of which seems to be the slaughtering of the animals at some convenient point in the country, and transporting the meat to the city by rail.

The journals in Russia are filled with articles on the question of Central Asia. That Russia is determined to break down and overrun all barriers between herself and the line of the British possessions in India, is evident. This accomplished, and Russia has it in her power to amply revenge herself for her defeat in the Crimea. A blow at England through her India possessions, would be a serious matter indeed.

In Spain there seems to be a strong party in favor of a Republic. This party are stirring up considerable ill feeling in regard to the enormous expenditures incurred in the effort at quelling the Cuban revolution.

Under date of May 11th, as it seems, the Congress of Venezuela, in South America, decreed that the navigation of the Orinoco and the lakes of Valencia and Maricaoibo should from that date be thrown open to the merchant steamers of the world. During ten years all machinery, fixtures and necessaries for such free navigation, are to be free of all duty. This will open a new and most important field for Yankee enterprise.

In Cuba matters seem to be in a good deal of a *statu quo* on account of yellow fever, which is raging in both the Spanish and Insurgent ranks.