MR. OLIVER'S REPORT.

Mr. Oliver has presented a report on Kansas affairs, in reply to that of Messrs. Sherman and Howard. The following is the conclusion, and suming up:

First. That at the first election held in the Territory under the organic act, for delegates to Congress, Gen. John W. Whitfield received a plurality of the legal votes cast, and was duly elected such delegate, as stated in the majority report.

Second. That the Territorial Legislature was a legally constituted body, and had power to pass valid laws, and their enactments are therefore valid.

Third. That these laws, when appealed to, have been used for the protection of life, liberty, and property, and for the maintenance of law and order in the Territory.

Fourth. That the election under which the sitting delegate, John W. Whitfield was held, was in pursuance of valid law, and should be regarded as a valid election.

Fifth. That as said Whitfield, at said election, received a large number of legal votes without opposition, he was duly elected as a delegate to this body and is entitled to a seat on this floor as such.

Sixth. That the election under which the contesting delegate, Andrew H. Reeder, claims his seat, was not held under any law, but in contemptuous disregard of all law; and that it should only be regarded as the expression of a band of malcontents and revolutionists, and consequently should be wholly disregarded by the House.

Seventh. As to whether or not Andrew R. Reeder received a greater number of votes of resident citizens on the 9th, than J. W. Whitfield did on the 1st of October, 1855, no testimony was taken by the committee, so far as the undersigned knows, nor is it material to the issue.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. OLIVER.

AN AWFUL AND STRANGE CIRCUMSTANCE

The *New York Times*, of the 28th has the following:

MAN KILLED BY HIS OWN COFFIN.—On Saturday night last, a man who resided in twenty-ninth street was killed in a most singular manner. The following are the peculiar circumstances, as far as our reporter has been able to learn them—for, in consequence of the opinion entertained, concerning his relatives, by the deceased, who was a man of considerable wealth and respectability, they have made great effort to keep the particulars from the public ear. It appears that nearly a year ago the deceased, who was fifty-three years af age, became strongly impressed with an idea that, when he should die, the parsimonious disposition of his relatives would lead them to put him in a cheap coffin, while he had a strong desire to be buried in one of polished rosewood, lined with white satin and trimmed with silver. Soon after this strange idea got possession of his mind, he discovered an elegant coffin in one of the principal warehouses, which suited him. He purchased it at $75; had it sent to his residence at nightfall, and stowed it away in a small closet adjoining his bed-room, where it remained until the time of the accident. How it occurred is not known to a certainty, for the first intimation the family had of the lamentable occurrence was from a servant, who, on going to call him to breakfast, found the door wide open and the deceased lying upon the floor, dead, with his coffin at his side. She screamed, which soon brought the family, and on raising the body the skull was found crushed in upon the brain. He was discovered about eight o'clock yesterday morning, when, to all appearance, he had been dead several hours. On examining the closet, a bottle containing a quantity of sherry wine was found, and as Saturday night was excessively warm, he is supposed to have gone to the closet in order to procure the wine to use with some ice water he had on a small table by his bedside. It is thought that he must have sought for it in the dark, and by some mistake upset the coffin, which stood nearly upright. Becoming sensible that it was falling, he probably made an effort to get away, when he fell, and the outer end struck his head with sufficient force to fracture his skull and cause almost immediate death. The inquest will be held with all possible secrecy. The unfortunate impression of the deceased concerning his relatives is a sufficient reason for withholding the names of the parties.

MORE MEN FROM THE CRIMEA.

Another company of English laborers from the Crimea came out in the Orient, and have applied for employment at the office of the American Industrial Association, No. 67 Greenwich street. They are a part of the "Army work corps," the whole numbering at the time of their discharge 3,880 men. A copy of the articles of contract shows, that these men were employed as laborers, excavators, or navies, for a period of two years, and is required, for three years, at thirty shillings per week, including rations, such as are supplied to the soldiers. These articles further stipulate that notice may at any time be given them that their services are dispensed with; in which event, or at the expiration of the agreement by affluxion of time, each person singing the articles shall, if his conduct be approved by the officer in command of the corps, be entitled to receive a gratuity of twelve pounds and a free passage home.

On the arrival of the men in London they received their arrears of wages, together with the gratuity above stipulated. In an address delivered to them by their commanding officer at the time of their disbanding, they were advised to emigrate to some of Her Majesty's Colonies. A large number, however, it appears, have given the preference to the land of the Stars and Stripes, some of which have already arrived, and the rest are on their way, having embarked in London. The notice of the arrival of these men, which appeared some days since in our columns, has led to correspondents, from several quarters, with the Secretary of the Association, with a view to the locating and employments of these emigrants, and no difficulty will be found in giving profitable employment to all who may seek our shores with the intention of becoming industrious and peaceful citizens.—*New York Times, 28th.*

A HEROIC WIFE.

A passenger on board the Northern Indiana gives an account of the narrow escape of Cicero Fowler and wife, of Tully. There was but one life preserver for Mrs. F. and her husband; he insisted imperatively that she should put it on; she peremptorily refused, saying she "was in poor health, and his life was worth far more than hers!" The preserver having no strap, Mrs. F. tore the hem from her dress, and fastened it to her husband, whom she continued to encourage, saying she could hold on to him, and if the preserver could not sustain them both, she would be the one to let go and leave him to save himself.

The fire was getting hotter and hotter. The water was thick with human forms struggling for life; she tore her bonnet, already on fire, from her head, and hand in hand with one she loved better than herself, took the dangerous leap. As they arose from the water, Mr. Fowler assisted his wife in procuring a good hold of him on or about the shoulders. She wiped the water from his mouth and eyes, and encouraged him to retain his hope of being saved. He continued to struggle with the waves. Half an hour elapsed and there was no sign of assistance. His strength was rapidly failing; his wife observing it, tried anew to cheer him. He said he could not stand it any longer; it seemed as though he must give up. At that moment she heard a steamer coming rapidly through the water. She says, "My dear husband, a few moments more and we are safe—don't you hear a boat coming?" He said he did, and immediately revived, made all the effort in his power, and struggled for himself and his heroic wife until the Mississippi came up and took them, with scores of others, on her commodious decks.—*Syracuse (N. Y.) Journal.*

SHARP WOMAN.

A well-dressed and highly respectable looking woman, a few days since entered a fashionable store in Cincinnati, and desired to look at some gloves. They were shown to her, and she selected one pair. The clerk left her for a few moments to get change, and she quietly secreted in her bosom a half dozen pairs of the same gloves. As she was nearing the door, the proprietor stepped forward and stated that he had perceived the theft, and requested her name and residence, that he might send the bill for the stolen gloves. She was indignant but he was stern, and took great pride in evincing how smart he had been. Finding escape impossible, she begged him to keep the matter secret, and she would pay at once; for that purpose she handed a twenty dollar note he decucted five dollars for the gloves, and gave her fifteen in change and allowed her to depart. His exultation over the result came to a sudden termination next day, when the twenty dollar note was returned from the bank as a counterfeit. He thinks he did not make much by giving her fifteen dollars in cash as a present, for stealing half a dozen pairs of gloves.

SAVAGE ASSAULT UPON A LATE MEMBER OF THE SAN FRANCISCO VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.—Mr. Edward A. Jessell, a resident of Jersey City, who recently returned from San Francisco, and who while there, was a member of the Vigilance Committee, was attacked on Monday evening by Andy Shehan, a fellow well known to the prize-fighting community, who beat him in a terrible manner. It appears that Shehan had known Mr. Jessell, by sight, in California, and happening to meet him at the corner of East Broadway and Catherine street, on Monday night, he accosted him, and accused him of having aided in the capture of Yankee Sullivan, and acted with the Vigilance Committee in their crusade against the gamblers and others, who had been expelled from the State. He then fell upon Mr. Jessell and beat him until he was hauled off by some bystanders. No policeman was about, and Shehan escaped arrest at the time, but yesterday he was captured by officer Masterson of the Chief's Bureau, but as Mr. Jessel had made no complaint against him, he was released from custody. Later in the day, Mr. J. made a complaint against him before Justice Welsh, who issued a warrant for his re-arrest. At the time of the assault, Mr. J. had in his shirt bosom a pin containing twenty-five diamonds, which he valued at $600, which was missing immediately afterward, and has not been seen by him since.

There is to be a gathering of deaf mutes at Concord, New Hampshire, on the third of September next, when an oration will be delivered, in the sign-language, by Mr. Laurent Clere, who has been chosen orator of the day.

AN INCIDENT OF THE BURNING OF THE NORTHERN INDIANA.—An incident, which created intense excitement among the lady passengers on board the Mississippi, was the discovery of a sweet little baby about a year old, which by some means had its little arms across a board and was holding on with a death grip. It was now mounting the top of the waves, and now down in their troughs, and it seemed as though at each moment it must relax its hold and go down. The ladies watched it with the most intense anxiety, and among them were mothers whose eyes were moist and sobs audible. But it was not long before one of the boats picked it up, and the most fervent exclamations of joy at its rescue were heard on every side. Fortunately its mother was among the saved who came to this city on the Mississippi, and the scene, as she clasped to her bosom her child, whom she thought drowned, is altogether indescribable.—*Exchange.*

PALACE DISCOVERED UNDERGROUND.—The remains of a magnificent palace have been discovered under a garden in the Isle of Capri. It must not only have been splendid in structure, but in situation, commanding a view of the bay of Palermo and Naples. Marble of various colors was used in its construction, and all its apartments, so far as the excavations have proceeded, are of the most spacious and elegant character. The doorway is twelve feet wide, and of white marble, and the rooms are paved in mosaic, while the walls are painted red, blue, yellow, &c. Several coins of the reign of Augustus and Tiberius have been found, some of them disclosing the curious fact that the coins of one reign were at times recoined in another.

A PRINCE ON HIS TRAVELS.—The Paris correspondent of the *Boston Atlas* says that Prince Napoleon intends being absent for some time on his arctic cruise, for he will visit the Shetland Islands, Iceland, and Greenland, and the coast of Norway. He travels under the title of the Count de Maudon. There are several scientific men in his suite; M. de Saulcy, member of the Institute; M. Chamourtois, Professor in the Mining School; M. Stahl, an artist of skill in taking casts, will make the phrenological experiments; M. Rousseau, of the Garden of Plants, will take the photographs; M. Giraud, will execute the drawings, and M. Choidsky, will be the historigrapher of the expedition.

THE LATEST DODGE.—The Vigilance Committee of San Francisco, in the course of their investigation into the case of a coroner whom they had arrested, elicited satisfactory evidence that he was in the habit of disinterring the bodies of persons who had been buried, for the purpose of dropping them into the docks, and thus receiving the fees attending an inquest. In this way, it is said, one body has been made to do service three or four times—or as long as it would hold together. This accounts in part for the great number of bodies that, but a little while ago, were constantly found under the wharves of San Francisco.

RE-ELECTION OF BROOKS AND KEITT.—*Columbia, S. C.*, July 30: The special elections in the districts in South Carolina lately represented by Brooks and Keitt, have resulted in the unanimous re-election of both. The vote was large.

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Mr. John Parker and son were attending some fish lines on the river about three miles above here, when they were surprised by a continous, unusual roaring, towards the middle of the stream. The night was without wind. Owing to the darkness, no effort was made to ascertain the cause of this strange noise until daylight, when it was seen that a whirlpool of large extent was in active operation some two hundred yards from the Missouri shore, which still continues in operation, drawing in a great body of water; so much, indeed, that the volume of the river below is sensibly lessened.—Driftwood and large floating logs go in and disappear totally. Many hundred yesterday went up to see this strange sight. Unless this chasm soon fills up with water, the effect upon navigation will be calamito s indeed; for it would seem that the bottom of the river has really fallen out.—*Squatter Sovreign, (Atchison, K. T.)*

DRIVEN TO SUICIDE BY A WRONGFUL CHARGE OF THEFT.—On Sunday evening last a young girl jumped from one of the piers in the city of Racine, and was drowned. She had been accused of stealing money from her employers, which impelled her to this act of violence. After her death the money was found in the house where she had lived. It had been mislaid. We do not learn the names of the parties.—*Wisconsin, 22d.*

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