

Zerah C. Whipple, the founder and principal of Whipple's Home for Deaf-mutes, at Mystic River, Ct., died on Sunday of typhoid fever. He was secretary of the Connecticut Peace Society, and for several years edited "The Voice of Peace," its official paper.

Princess Louise and husband have been at Toronto, at the great Canada Fair, and it is recorded that she has committed two offences which the American female who pencils her eyebrows and bangs her hair, will indignantly declare as disgraceful. First, she recommended teachers to instruct their pupils in cooking, before Italian; and, second, she appeared on horseback, at a grand review, in an old, worn riding-habit, in which a hole showed conspicuously. These are not at all in consonance with popular ideas concerning princesses, and it looks as if the Princess Louise had been praised altogether too highly.

Mrs. Mary Gano Burnett, a Cincinnati lady, writing of her school-days and of Lafayette's reception in the Western cities, says: "I was one of those that walked in the Lafayette procession, and we wore green sunbonnets instead of calashes. They were lined with pink crape inside, which gave us a very rosy appearance. We also had broad blue sashes, with 'Lafayette' on the tips, and the same on the back of our gloves. Our slippers had the same decoration."

The uncle of President Hayes, the Hon. Austin Birchard, died at Fayetteville, Vt., on the 12th instant, aged 86 years. He was born at Wilmington, Vt., and first took part in politics at the time of the anti-Masonic excitement, assuming a leadership of the opposition to Freemasonry. He had charge of the Windham County Savings Bank for twenty years; was a strenuous opponent of Slavery, and a liberal contributor to missionary and Bible societies. He was twice married, and by his second marriage, with Mary A., daughter of John Putnam, of Chesterfield, N. H., he had four children, two sons and two daughters. Sardis, his younger son, lost his life in the Andersonville Prison pen, and his younger daughter was killed in the railroad disaster at Ashtabula, Ohio. He joined the Congregational Church in 1864.

The Yellow Fever.

The National Board of Health says that the difference between the epidemics of 1878 and 1879 becomes more and more marked as the season advances. During the past week there has been no increase of cases at the chief centers, and but one local outbreak beyond their limits, viz: at Buntyn Station, Tenn. The work of cleansing, disinfection, and isolation, is pressed with still more vigor at all infected places. A table prepared by the Board shows that while for the current week this year there have been two new cases at New Orleans and no deaths, there were during the same week last year 1528 cases and 530 deaths. In Memphis, for the same period, there were 145 cases and 44 deaths, while last year there were 687 deaths, and the number of cases could not be ascertained by the authorities. Against fifteen places in 1878, the fever is now confined to the three points above mentioned. A large furnace, built by an official of the State Board of Health, was put in operation at Memphis on Friday, and the results were very satisfactory. Hereafter all infected bedding and dry refuse matter are to be burned, as also the blocks of the old Nicholson pavement now being replaced by stone.

New cases at Memphis, Tenn., Saturday, 23, deaths 4; total number new cases for the week, 132; whites 62, colored 70: number to date, 1136; number of deaths officially reported for the week, 48; white 32, colored 16.

City and Vicinity.

The Brooklyn Temperance Brotherhood of Christian Churches have decided to hold a series of Gospel temperance meetings in the Brooklyn Rink, each Sunday afternoon during the months of September and October, Dr. Fulton having offered the use of the Rink in the intervals between his morning and evening services.

The New York Horticultural Society is holding its Fall exhibition this week—Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday—at the Madison Square Garden. A liberal list of premiums is offered, and the show of flowers, plants, and fruits, is very fine. Among the novelties, in preparation at this writing, are some night-blooming tropical water-lilies, with crimson or scarlet and white flowers, measuring a foot across.

Tompkins Square, on the east side of the city, looks finely, and the thronged tenements which surround it, are greatly benefited by this pleasant breathing place. Many of the shade trees planted in the early Spring have died, but a good number are green and flourishing.

A report that it is intended to cut up Jerome Park into building lots, is denied by Mr. Leonard Jerome, who says that the park shall be continued as a race-track during his life, and that he has made provision to have it still used as such after his death. Yet, Mr. Jerome himself being referee and judge, we doubt if he would give the palm to this sort of monument and memorial!

The American Institute was opened yesterday. The general superintendent, Mr. Charles Wager Hull, says that the Fair this year promises to be the most successful one since 1871. The number of the exhibitors is larger, and the display of goods is much better than usual. The machinery branch of the exhibition is particularly attractive. The exhibition will close no later than Nov. 29, as the Dairy Fair will be opened a week afterwards. The usual medals will be awarded by the Board of Managers.

David Steers and William Miller were on Thursday last sentenced by Judge Armstrong in the Queens County Court of Sessions, to nineteen years' imprisonment for robbing churches on Long Island. They were without partiality as regards denominations.

Advices from Abroad.

A Liberal Madrid newspaper says that the Government would have submitted a bill abolishing slavery in Cuba forthwith, but it was feared that serious trouble to agriculturists would ensue from a lack of laborers.

A despatch from Rome now says that the negotiations with the German Government are to be dropped until after the imperial elections have taken place.

The British were still in pursuit of King Cetuywayo of Zululand, at last accounts, and reported they had the bush where he was concealed surrounded by 300 men.

The principal buildings in the business part of Jacmel, Hayti, were recently burned,

at a loss of \$600,000. The town of Gonaives has been burned by the provisional government troops. A number of lives on both sides were lost, and numerous atrocities were committed.

Suliman Pasha, the prominent Turkish general of the Russo-Turkish war, died Saturday at Bagdad.

Russia has completed the survey of the route for the proposed railway in Central Asia.

Russian Nihilism is not dying out. The St. Petersburg correspondent of The Cologne Gazette declares that the continuance of those conditions which gave birth to it, begetting discontent, contempt, and general hatred of Government institutions, brings regular accessions to its ranks. The great organ of the party "Land and Liberty" continues to appear in St. Petersburg, and was never so influential as at the present moment.

Serious abuses are reported to exist in the monasteries and nunneries under the jurisdiction of the Holy Synod of Russia, and a work of reform is contemplated.

Current Events.

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

The will of Patrick McKanna, grocer and flour merchant of Baltimore, makes bequests to a number of Catholic benevolent institutions, and one of \$50,000 to build a church.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the formation of the Republican party, was observed by a grand mass meeting in Worcester, Mass., on Monday evening.

President Hayes, accompanied by Mrs. Hayes and General Sherman, will leave Fremont, Ohio (whither they went near the close of last week), for Neosha Falls, Kansas, on the 22d inst., by way of Chicago.

The total receipts of the Patent Office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1879, were \$703,146.79. The total expenditures during the same period were \$513,652.47, showing a net profit to the Government of \$159,495.32. This amount is the largest in the history of the office, with the exception of the year 1869, when the excess of the receipts over the expenditures amounted to \$200,000.