GOVERNMENTAL GOSSIP.

EVENTS OF INTEREST IN AND ABOUT THE DEPARTMENTS.

Prospective Resignation of Appointment Clerk Eugene Higgins.

About Eighty People Attend the President's Reception To-day.

His Resignation Again Rumored. The report is revived that Appointment Clerk Higgins is about to resign from the Treasury Department to return to private business.

In Memory of E. M. Watson.—A meeting of the bar was held in the Court of Claims this afternoon to take appropriate ac-tion in reference to the death of Assistant Attorney-General E. M. Watson.

The President to Go to Philadelhia.—President Cleveland has accepted an evitation to a dinner at the Hotel Bellevue, in Philadelphia, to be given January 25 by the Society of the Constitutional Centennial

Pisheries Commissioners have postponed further conferences until January 4, and Sir Charles Tupper has returned to Ottawa. Secretary Dayard has invited his fellownegotiators to a trip to Mount Vernon to-day on the Despatch.

Colonel Saxton's Retirement.—The order directing Colonel Rufus Saxton, Assistant Quariermaster-General, after closing his accounts, to repair to Germantown, Pa., has been so amended as to surrect him to repair to his home at Washington, D. C., to await retirement.

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Sugar-Making in Mexico.—Consul William R. Greathouse reports to the State Department from Tampico, Mexico, that a centrifugal sugar mill has been imported into San Luis Potod, and the growth and manufacture of retined sugar will be attempted on an extensive scale.

Engene Higgins' Retirement.—Mr. Emene Higgins' Retirement.—Mr.

Eugene Higgins, Appointment Clerk of the Treasury Department, said this morning that he intended to resign at an early date. His retirement is purely columnary, and is, he states, due to no other reason, than a desire to attend to his private business.

Portrait of General Sheridan.—A balf-length portrait of General Sheridan, by Mrs. Leonora Darragh of Philadelphia, is on exhibition at the War Department. It is one of the three portraits which have been pre-sented to West Point Military Academy by Mr. George W. Childs of Philadelphia.

General Ruger's Report,-Brigadier-General Ruger's Report.—Brigadier-General Ruger, commanding Department of Diskota, states in his annual record that there has been § great decrease to present year, as compared with former years, in Indian depredations, and in raids between reservation Indians. This betterstate of allairs is attributed to continued activity on the part of the troops and the gradual accommoda-tion to their more dependent condition, fol-lowing the extinction of the burdalo and the loss of their formor places of refuge.

The President's reception at 1:20 to-day was attended by about eighty people. The findings of the cours-martial in the case of Lieutenant H. C. Fisher, Marine Corps, have been received at the Navy Department.

THE "BRANCH" BRIDGE.

The Ballroad Company Subusts a Proposition to Colonel Haines.

Work was last week recommenced on the Branch bridge. No more work will be done on the northern abutment, over the location of which the trouble began, until that trouble is settled finally. The work now being done is the driving of piles for the piers that are to be located in the water.

Last week the Baltimore and Potomac

Real Estate Sales.

Seymour W. Tullock, trustee, to Wm. V. Cox, \$6,375, sublot A. square \$82, property 21 feet on Maryland avenue and \$7 feet on Tenth street southwest.

John L. Weaver to Mary R. Campbell, \$9,000, sublot 25x27, square \$90, fronting \$8 feet on Twentieth street and \$8 feet on Boundary northwest.

Elena W. Clark to Wm. H. Barstow, \$70,000, part of Woodley, 24.9 acres on the Woodley road.

The "Fence" Convicted. Harriet A. Dorsey, the colored woman at whose house, on Twenty-sixth street, the clothing and silverware stolen from Senator Dolph and Mrs. Marshall was found, was tried in the Police Court this morn was tried in the Police Court this morn-ing. Detectives Raff and Horne testi-Bod to finding the articles. Mr. Carrington, for the defense, put on a number of wit-nesses who testified to Mrs. Davey's good character. Judge Suell imposed a fine of \$50.

Dr. Lindsay's Successor.

Rev. Jacob A. Regester, who has resigned the position of assistant minister at Grace Church, Baltimore, will leave that city on Thursday for his new charge at St. John's

THE SENATE COMMITTEES.

Full List of the Standing Committees the Scaute. The Democratic Senators in caucu

The Democratic Senators in caucus this morning finally agreed upon their committee representation, as will be shown by the complete list of Senate committees printed below:

The Committees on Engrossed Bills, Epidemic Diseases, Potomae River Improvement, Additional Accumunodations for Library, Nicaragnan Claims, Private Land Claims, Berolutfoury Claims and Woman Suffrage have Democratic chairmen.

The Committees

THE CONSTITUES.

Agriculture—Palmer, Blair, Plumb, Sabin, Paddock, George, Otheon, Jones and Bate., Appropriations—Allison, Dawes, Plumb, Hale, Yarwell, Beck, Cockrell, Call and

Haie, Farwell, Beck, Cockrell, Call and Gorman.
Censha-Haie, Morrill, Wilson of Jova, Stockbridge, Davis, Berry, Blodgett, Daubel and Turger.
Contingent Expenses—Jones of Novalla, Paddock and Vance;
Civil Service—Chare, Dawes, Manderson, Stanford, Hawley, Voorhees, Walthall, Wilson of Maryland, and Berry.
Coast Delenae—Dolph, Cameron, Hawley, Hissock, McPherson, Hampton and Reagan, Common, Fernae, Charles, Canada, Dolph, Cameron, Sawyer, Cullon, Palmer, Ramona, Gorman, Kerna, Coke, Vestand Gibson, Chinas-Spooner, Hoar, Milchell, Stewart, Quay, Jones of Avansas, Wilson of Maryland, Pageo and Faulkner.
Centennial of the Constitution and Celebration of the Discovery of America—Hiscock, Shermon, Hoar, Hawley, Voorhees, Eastis and Colquitt.
District of Columbia—Ingalls, Spooner, Chace, Riddleberger, Farwell, Marris, Vance, Blackburn and Faulkner.
Education and Labor.—Blair, Dawes, Palmer, Sawyer, Wilson of Ione, Call, Pugh.

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Exidemic Diseases — Harris, Stanford, Chandler, Stockbridge, Hampton, Eastis and Bayenditures of Public Money—Farwell, Plumb, Platt, Sherman, Frye, Beck, Kenna and Gibson.

To Examine the Several Branches of the Civil-Service — Quay, Addrich, Allison, Hampton and Gray.

Finance—Morrill, Sherman, Jones of Nevada, Allison, Adrich, Hiscotk, Beck, Me-Pherson, Vocchees, Harris and Vance.

Fisheries—Stockbridge, Dawes, Stanford, Hampton and Hostack.

Foreign Relations—Sherman, Edmunds, Frye, Evarts, Dolph, Morgan, Brown, Saulsbury and Payne.

Improvement of the Potomac River Front—Manderson. Riddleberger, McPherson, Spooner, Innson and Hearst.

Improvements of the Missistippi River—Padock, Chandler, Farwell, Hawley, Easti, Bot and Walthon.

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Injersiate Commerce—Cullom, Platt, Riail. Wilson of lowa, Hiscock, Harris, Gorman, Easis and Reagan.
Indian Traders—Chandler, Platt, Cullom, Coke and Hackburn.
Indian Affairs—Dawes, Bowen, Sabin, Platt, Stockbridge, Morgan, Jones of Arkansas, Hearst and Daniel.
Judicary—Ethounds, Ingalls, Hoar, Wilson of Jowa, Evarts, Pugh, Coke, Vest and George.
Library—Exaris, Hoar and Voorliees.
Additional Accommodations for Library—Voorliees, Morfill, Chandler, Butler and Hosen.
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Naval Affalis—Cameron, Hale, Riddleberger, Stunford, Chandler, McPlerson, Butler, Blackburn and Grony.
Mines and Mining—Stewart, Josies of Nevada, Mitchell, Toller, Rate, Turple and Faulkner.
Patents—Teller, Chace, Platt, Hiscock, Jones of Arkansas, Gny and Kenne.
Privileess and Elections—Hoar, Frye, Teller, Evarts, Spooner, Saulsbury, Vance, Teller, Evarts, Spooner, Saulsbury, Vance, Pugh and Kirells.
Public Lands—Plumb, Blair, Dolph, Teller, Peddock, Morgan, Cockrell, Walthall and Berry.
Public Buildings and Grounds—Stanford, Morrill, Spooner, Guay, Vest, Daniel and Pasco.
Pensions—Davis, Rair, Sawyer, Paddock, Quay, Wilson of Maryland, Hawley and Gorman.
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Transportation Routes to the Scabearl—Mi

Last week the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad officials and the representatives of the bridge company met in Wilmington to confer about the trouble, and they reached an agreement which will be formally submitted to the War Department through Colonel Haines.

This proposition contemplates the straightening of the tracks, so that they will run in a straight line in the direction of the main portion of the railroad bridge to a point nearly opposite Listret south, where they will curve to the west and enter the city at the same point that they now do. At present there are three curves in the track between the end of the bridge and the city proper. If altered according to this plan there will be but one.

The tracks, according to the proposed plan will come fown over the waters of the Branch on a trestle bridge, and passing and sold proposed bridge, not under the shore span as before dontemplated.

Colonel Hains said to a Chitic reporter to-day that the proposition of the railroad company to straighten their tracks had been made to him Saturday, and that he had answeried that he could not consider it all until placed before him in writing, after which he will submit it to the Sagotary of War.

"Yes," said the Colonel, in answer to a question, "the bridge can be finished within the sum specified in the contract. As to making the bridge carb efficiency of the customs have.

The railroad company's proposition will probably be received in a few days and then tail before the Secretary.

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In the Criminal Court this morning the case of Join Catey, charged with forgery of the name of Join Edwards, his employer, for \$50, was called. Assistant Prosecutor Lipsecomb told the court that Juror Bart had been on the grand Jury which found the indictment three years ago, and the judge excused the juror, and after Mr. Bart's place was filled, the trial proceeded. The Jury is now composed of:

Francis H. Barbarin, B. H. Walker, James Rieks, Andrew Archer, Evan Lyons, E. N. Hickman, Wm. A. Watson, F. B. Libber, Ir., Robit, T. Heistin, Ges. W. Jones, Jas. C. Brooke and Henry D. Green.

An argument commenced on Friday as to

Mr. Lamar and the G. A. R.

The resolutions adopted Saturday night by
the Veterane Rights Union is said by members of the Grand Army not to reflect
the sentiments of that organization towards Mr. Lamar. Captain
Filler of the Interior Department watch
said to-day that he believed every Grand
Army man in this Department would sign
a pelition for Mr. Lamar's confirmation.

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—Patrick Dugan, the religious crank who same the doxology at the opening of Congress, was arrested yesterlay by Officer Suisson for attempting to hold services on the avenue. He was taken to the First Precinct where a charge of obstructing the sidewalk was placed against him.

—It was resolved at a meeting of the Brickmakers' Boad Association to appoint a committee to employ coursel and considered suit against the Alexandria and Prederickshurg Railroad Congrain, to compel them to either put the wagon road from the Arlington turnpike to the Long Bridge in order or vacate it.

—At a meeting held in the Chapel at

At a meeting held in the Chapel at Kenniall Green yesterday, President Galiandet, Messers, Charles, James, Buck, Wendermann and Goodall each malea few remarks upon the subject 'Joy.' Misses Elliott, Rudd and Black recited in unison the Christmas carol "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

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THE 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DISCOVERY OF AMERICA.

The Centennial of Constitutional Government in America.

Important Action Upon These Great Projects in Both Houses of Congress To-day.

In behalf of the National Board of In behalf of the National Board of Fromotion, composed of Governors of thirty-two States and Territories, one hundred and fifty-five presidents and secretaries of Boards of Trade throughout the United States and other prominent citizens, representing in all forty-five States and Territories, Senator Eastis of Maryland introduced in the Senate to-day the following bill, which was referred to the Select Committee on the Centennial of the Constitution and the Discovery of America:

To provide for a joint celebration at the National Capital in 1880 by the sixteen American Republic in honor of the centernial of the Constitution of the purent Republic, the United States.

Whereas the spring of eighteen hundred and eighty-time will be the one huldredth universary of the Constitution of the United

Whereas the spring of casheen mularistic and eighty-nine will be the one hubdredth undiversary of the Constitution of the United states;

Whereas the fifteen Spanish-American Republies have, to a greater or less extent, also the Constitution of the United States as model of their organic laws; therefore Be it enorted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of American a Congress Assembled: That in order to prepare for an appropriate evidentation of this man historic event, the President of the United States be and is hereby, authorized unit requested to invite the President of the United States be, and is hereby, authorized uniterstant Republics, namedy. Nexteen Brantschamerican, Republics, namedy, Nexteen Guardenia, Nexargana, Costa Rica, Salvador, Honduras, the United States of Colombia, Venezuela, Bolivia, Peru, Chill, Uruguay, Paragany, Ecuador, and the Argenthe Republic, to visit Washington in the spring of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and join with the President of the United States, the Seate and House of Representatives, the Justices of the Supreme Court, the Governors of the forty-six States and Territories, and others who may be invited, in avitable cremomes in honor of said event.

Sec. 2. That for the purpose of making adequate preparations for said celebration a commission of nine newbers, to be known as the Constitutional Centennial Commission, is hereby authorized, to be appointed as follows: Three by the President of the Centes and three by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, which commission shall have charge of the preparations for, and the ceremonies of, said eclebration. Sec. 3. That the sum of \$500,000, out of any money in the Treasury of, the Cuited States not otherwise disposed of, be, and is hereby, appropriated, or so muteb thereof a may noney in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise disposed of, be, and is hereby, appropriated, or so muteb thereof and yoperared on the content of the United States not otherwise disposed of, be, and is here

Sec. 4. That said Commission shall from time to time report directly to the President of the United States.

This select committee of the Senate to whom this bill was referred consists of Senators Hiscock of New York, Shorman of Ohio, Hoar of Massachusetts, Haw-ley of Connecticut, Voorhees of Indiana, Colquitt of Georgia and Eustis of Louis-iana.

House Proceedings.

In the House of Representatives General Charles E, Hooker of Mississippi introduced the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

Rules:

Realed, That a committee of seven members of the House be appointed to be known as the Select Committee on the "Centennial of the Constitution and the Discovery of America," to consider the expediency of celebrating in 1889 the 1994 anniversary of the imaguration of the Constitution of the United States, and in 1892 the 500th anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus.

Alexandria News.

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Alexandria, V., Dec. 10.—At the Democratic caucus Saturday night C. W. Summers was nominated for Council over J. T. Harrison by a vote of 21 to 19.

Julian W. Holt has been elected a delegate to the Grand Lodge of the Knigts of Pythias, which convenes at Dunville in February.

of Pythias, which convenes at Darville in February. ALEXANDEA VA., Dec. 12.—The trial of Phillip's Williams for the murder of Policeman Arnold will probably come up at the February form of the Corporation Court, but it is not generally believed that there is sufficient evidence to convict blin.

The Famelon Club, whose dances have been so largely attended this season by guests from Washington, will give the third of the series at McBurney's Hail, January II.

The young halies of Trinity M. E. Church, under the instruction of Lieutenant Monroe of the Light, Infantry, are daily practicing for an exhibition drift, which will be given at the Opera-Homes for the benefit of that church, December 20. "The Great Dondee."

sings in a truly incisive style when he thus lyams the appointment to the Cabinet of that east-from Democratic politician, Don Dickinson.

Dickinson;
And Grover named the great Diondee,
With four and trembling, we contose,
Not that he leved the briedee more,
But that he loved the briedee more,
For that he loved the Magwange less.
Verify the Masse Magwangeless, the Maja
wange By, lights not on the great Dondee. He
is no man without a party, and he longs to
lamps the slotly green color of the two-sens
stamp, to a good, and healthy brown, as it
should be.—[New York Him.

Temperance Pound Party, he Temperance House for Soldiers, Sall-and Civillans, under the amplies of the C. T. U. will hold a pound party at thome, No. 329 Missouri avenue north-

Ocean Steamships Arrived. New Yark-Normandie from 1 Aurania from Liverpool: Rugia from Havrs risburg, Geiser from Christiana.

Imparting Information.
Teacher—Yes, children, the hairs of our ad are all numbered, smart Boy (pulling out a hair and presting it)—Well, what's the number of this ire.

hair?
Teacher — Number one, Johnny, and pulling out several more) these are numbers two, three, four, five and six. Anything else you want to know?
Smart Boy—N-no, elr.—[Harper's Bazar.

The Noticeable Features.

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First Pfitsburg Citizen—You saw Congress open, did you?
Second Pittsburg Citizen—Yes; 1 watched the proceedings two days.
First Pfitsburg Citizen—And what were the most noticeable features?
Second Pittsburg Citizen—Its ayes, noes and chin.—[Pittsburg Chronicle.

—Covaries stay O'Ninte of Missing is not ill, neither is his wife. With the exception of these two mistakes the report in a morn-ing paper that they were both sick is correct.

MR. PARWELL'S BANK BILL.

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The Objections To It As stated by a Chicago Dank President.

Mr. Lyman J. Gage of the First National Bank of Chicago is not altogether in favor of Senutor Ferra-U's bank bill, which proposes to give national banks the privilege to put up railroad bonds of an approved kind, at 30 cents on the deliar, and manicipal bonds at the rate of 75 per cent. Mr. Gage says: "Suppose, in a community in Kansas, Nobraska, Iowa or Minnesota the people feel the need of a bank. They put tegether their funds mul make a capital of \$100,000. When this is denother is, it is claimed, \$100,000 that may be loaned. If such a bench took out circulation on railress! bonds, if you please, it would deposit \$100,000 that may be loaned. If such a bench took out circulation on railress! bonds, if you please, it would opposit \$100,000 that and would receive in circulating notes, and would receive in circulating notes \$50,000. It is plain enough that in such a case a bank would have \$50,000 to loan the community where it is alunted, indeed of \$100,000, and there would be a real depiction of loanable capital of \$50,000." Another objection is that there would be no profit to such a bank in taking out of circulation over what there would be in lending its capital direct without circulation.

MORE STREET RAILWAYS.

MORE STREET RAILWAYS. Incorporators Request the Commis Approval of Their Plans.

The Commissioners this morning, in response to a request for their approval of the chartering of two new street rail-ways in the city, wrote two important

letters.

They had no particular objection to the roads in question, but thought some of the innecessary multiplication of cartracks on the city should be avoided. They also hold find the consent of property-owners along the lines should be obtained; that a proportion of the proceeds of the business should be paid the District, which should have control over the details of construction.

The incorporators of the proposed (icorpotown and Tenleytown Railway, called on the Commissioners this normalized.)

called on the Commissioners this morning, and submitted their plans. A description of which recently appeared in Tux Carrie.

The Chivic.

The Anacostia and Potomac River Railroad Company bave submitted a bill for the extension of their line from Sixth and M streets southwest, to Seventh street and Louisiana avenue, via Sixth street, and from Eleventh and M streets southeast, to C, themee west, via C street, Indiana and Louisiana avenues, to Seventh street west,

What Will He Do With It?



Grover C., National Econout: "There's a

See Cleveland stab the big balloon.
To let the surplus out.
"Why don't you have a bigger hole?"
The watching offlions shout.

WHERE AUBERTIN LIVES.

WHEATE AUBITUM LIVES.
The Assaliant of M. Perry Hegarded as a Dangeron Lunatic.
Pants, Dac. 12.—The home of Aubertin, who shot M. Ferry, was found to be in a garret in Palais Royal, where he lives with an elderly woman who claims to have sunk a fortune in Aubertin's schemes and patents. It is learned that the prisoner's father committed suicide over business troubles. Aubertin is regarded as a dangerous lunatic.

The Stock and Money Market.

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New Yons, Dec. 12—Money 3 per cent, exchange steady; posted rates, 48164884; overnment steady, currency 6, 1194 bid, s. coupon, 125 bid, div. do., 167; bid.

The stock market this morning opened tail at unchanged prices. The bears, however, soon began to sell the list. They specially hammered the coal stocks, and closs under their lead dealised 1 to 2 per cut, by 11 o'clock. In the heart on meaning more recovered practionally and at the cessuit wirling the morket is dull but steady, leading is the strongest stock. The Dempsey and Reagan Match. New York, Dec. 12.—Denoisey and the an, their backers, the referres, balt a dos tab men and three-porting reporters boar

His Congregation With Him. of the First Universalist Church ap bine of the First Universilist Church ap-pealed to his congregation yesterday against a request from the austress for his resigna-tion became of his inivocacy of Henry fuenge sileas. The congregation resolved itself into a business meeting, and after nuch confusion it was decided to perspone the matter a week. The majority are in favor of Mr. Grumbine, and he will doubtless be retained.

Money Was His Ruin. Money Was His Ruin.
Minwanker, Wis, Dec. 12—Satirphy aftermoon the death of Charles Zetter occurred
at the county hospital, where he was taken
suffering with delirium remeas. Zetter's
life of dissipation dates from the time of his
vocabing a large reward for shing in the
capture of Tiller, the St. Louis express robber.

Pall of a Bridge Span.

Moxroognay, Alle, Dec. 12.—The centre
upon of the Louisville and Nashville road
ridge ovic the Absona River, five milesabove Montpomery, fall in yesterby at noon.
Eight near west down. Charles W. Sherwell of Louisville, K.y., was drowned.

CINCINNATI, INC. 12 - Thomas J. Cogui chairman of the Democratic County Con chairmant of the Democratic County Composition of the Democratic County Composition of the Democratic County Composition of the advertises and taken in Columbus yesterling to answer to an indictinent for election transle their two years agn.

A Cold Wave Counting.

The Signal Office amountees a cold wave and a fall of about 24 in twenty-four hours.

IN CONGRESS TO-DAY.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS INTRO-DUCED IN THE SENATE.

Among Them the Memorial Bridge and Dependent Pension Bills.

Speaker Carlisle Requests the House to Appoint the Committee on Elections.

When the Senate convened to-day there were not half a dozen vacant seats on either side of the shamber. After the Journal had been read Mr. Hoar presented the list of committees agreed upon by the Republican and Democratic cancases. The list was read and adopted without dissent.

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Petitions and memorials began to pour in tron all points of the chamber. The petitions called for increased compensation for postimasters, for prohibition, for woman suffrage, for pensions, egainst the admission of Ulah, and for immemerable other objects.

Mr. Pruden arrived from the White House with a long list of recess appointments, together with the following Southwarms of Posymaythes.

William W. Fish, Athol. Mass.; Frank. A. Campbell. Woonsocket, R. 1., Lonies, T. Long, Greenville, Ala.; James W. White, Koseinske, Miss., Louis E. Humitchouse, Digition, Kas.; William W. Threkeld, Sout, Kas.; Herbert Rollenberg, Hay Springs, Net.; Frank Pay, Benkleman, web, Clarcone S. Cark, James Cile, Wis. William S. Morrow, Nashyffle, R.; Hugh C. Armstrong, Reashe, Mo.

When the introduction of bills for reference to committees was in order a score of Senators were on their feet.

Mr. Dawes introduced a bill to grant lands in severalty to Sloux Indians in Dakota.

Mr. Beck, to provide for the issue of coin certificates.

Mr. Dolph, to encourage American

Dakota.

Mr. Beck, to provide for the issue of coin certificates.

Mr. Dolph, to encourage American manufacture of heavy ordnance and steel, and to repeal the pre-emption and timber culture land laws.

By Mr. Harris, to provide for warchousing fruit brandy.

By Mr. Howen, to provide a new basis for Sational Bank circuition.

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By Mr. Kameron, to adult certain foreign rate the American Fruit. Company of the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Kutals, for a new postofice building at New Orleans; also a bill referring to the Centernial of the Constitution.

By Mr. Morrilly for a bronce statue in this city of Professor Spence r F. Bairl; also for the return of direct taxes to the States and to reform our immigration laws.

By Mr. Spoomst. Emiss.

Dy Mr. Butler, to provide for a grand me-morial bridge across the Potomac River from Observatory Hill.

By Mr. Aldrich, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to apply the surplus in the Treasury to the purchase of United States bends.

THE DEPENDENT PERSON RILL.

By Mr. Manderson, the Dependent Pen-sion bill indorsed by the Grand Army of the Republic. Mr. Manderson said be would address the Senate in favor of the "Put it upon its passage now," remarked Mr. Edmunds. By Mr. Vance, to repeal the Civil Service

law. By Mr. Stewart, for the issue of coin certi-

Benfes.

PINE ANT RUBBAU.

By Mr. Call. to prevent adulteration of food in the District of Columbia, also to establish at Government Bursay of Fine Arts. Children of Columbia, also to establish to Columbia Dursay of Fine Arts. Children of Columbia Department of Columbia the Employment of convict labor on public works.

By Mr. Hale, to provide for the work of public printing by like lowest bidder.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

By Mr. Paldock, to amend the secon courth sections of the Interstate Com law.

By Mr. Reagan, to mmend section four of the Interestate Commerce act (the long-and-short-inut) clause).

the Interstate Commerce act (the long-and-short-hand clause).

YHE OCKNIAMOARINE LAX.

By Mr. Farwell, to repeal the tax on oleomargazine. A dispute over the reference of the bill followed, but the bill was referred finally to the Committee on Agriculture, objections being withdrawn.

By Mr. Blair, the Educational bill and a bill to grant sufrage to women; also his bill of last resion to restrict the sale of optium. By Mr. Edmunds, to establish a Government postal telegraph system; algo to provide for an inebrate asylum in this District. By Mr. How, for the evention of a monument at Howard University to the colored soldiers and sallors liftled in the war.

Ily Mr. Edmunds, to pay Professor Baird's widow for the sixteen years gratuitous service rendered by her Intoband as Fish Commissioner.

Mr. Sterman introduced a petition from

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The committees embrace several of local The District Committee is changed from

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The other members are Manderson, Riddleberger, Spooner and Henrich and the committee his several members sheared with the reserved in the proposed in the prepared and welfare of the District. The committee has been order had a Republican majority, but is now evenly divided.

vided. The Committee on the New Library Build-ing Langith under the chairman hipport Mr. Voorbees, who has led the movement in Cobigress for years. The other humbers are Schatters Builler, Glosco, Morrill and Chundler.

Supposes Bittler, Gloson. Morrill and Clandler.
The Committee on Celebration of the Constitutional Contential will consist of service Herces's charteness and Senators Sherman. Hour, Northers Eastin and Colquitt.
The new Sumate District Committee will meet as soon as persible for purposes of organisation, and will unfortisedly continue Priday as the regular weekly meeting day. The Subscommittee we Uniform the Subscommittee of Endrod Investigation will be authorized to proceed with the work.

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Announcement was made by Mr. Cox and Mr. Canron, chairmen respectively of the Democratic and Republican cancenes, that meetings would be held immediately after adjournment.

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The Republicans of the House this afternoon agreed upon Rowell of Illinois, Cooper
of Ohio, Honk of Tennessee, Lyman of
Iowa, Johnston of Indiana and Lodge of
Massachusetts as the minerity of the Committee on Elections. The Democrats then
went into cancus.

Capitol Notes.

The President expects to lay before the senate within the next few days about 609 cross appointments for confirmation. Three sundred and sixty-five of this number are confirmed to the confirmation.

postmasters.

The Senate will probably spend a consable portion of this week in executive sion considering nominations.

Quite a number of visiting postmasters were on the floor of the House this morning consulting with Members.

Dr. Mary Walker, after a prolonged absence from the city, made her appearance at the Capitol to-day with a large roll of papera under her arm.

Inder her arm.
James P. Dunham of Arkansas has been appointed messagger mader the Doorkeeper of the House, whe Samuel Divine.
E. T. Lee of the Adjutant-General's office has been appointed clerk of the Senate Committee on Territories.

HARPER CONVICTED. The Embezzling Bank President Sen-tenced to the Penitentiary. teneed to the Pentlentiary.
CINCHNAM, Dec. 12.—An excitel
throng filled the corridors leading to the
United States Court room from early
morning. In the immediate vicinity of morning. In the immediate vicinity of the jury room and court room doors the crowd was densest, and almost fought for vaninge position. Judge Sage took his seat promptly at 10 a.m. Judge Jackson was not present, having gone to Covington to hear cases. At 10:97 the jury took their seats. When each man had answered to his name Judge Sage tarned to the jury and said: "Gentlemen, have you agreed upon a vertice?" "The defendant is not in court, your Honor," remarked Presecutor Burnet, In a rooment the accusedMrs. Harper, Miss Matthews and Major Blackburnen-tored the room. Mr. Harper was slightly pide, but his step and general bearing were firm. He first was that the ladies were seated, and, then taking his own seat, braced kinnelf for the verdict. His fate was soon known.

binnelf for the verdict. The faile was soon in the deputy opened the cavelope containing the verdict and read; "Circular Fenral Turbled States for the Southern District of Other-the United States for the Southern District of Other-the United States of America against E. L. Harper, We, the jury, find the defendant gainty are charged in the indictment, Shas Williamson, Soreman, "Mrs. Harper made heroin straightes to control her feefings, but when the verifiet was read she broke down completely, and burying her head in her handlacrehief, sobbed as if her heart were breaking. Major Blackburn under a motion in arrest of judgment, which the Court promptly overruled. Prosecutor Burnet than a uses and moved that a cumulative sentence be imposed upon the defendant. The Court, after considering this motion, by reviewing stationarities overwind the motion. Judge Sago then asked the prisoner if he had anything the may while the prisoner if he had anything the may while the prisoner if he had anything the may while the prisoner if he had anything the may while the first and importal frial, and prays that the Court will be as needed as the circum

increase and content of the proper that the Court will be as merelful as the circumstances will warmed and permit.

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The echicace was prepared by Judge Joesson.

Major Blackburn requested that the exception of sentence should be stayed, as the defendant had business matters which needed Medicine and the prisoner be taken to that the prisoner be taken by the Medical that the prisoner be taken by the Medical that the prisoner be taken by the prisoner by the color of the prisoner by the fact the prisoner by the marginal to tolurants the anticone. Mrs. Harpers grife you amanded the sentence and the order of the prisoner by any distribution. The San Francisco Bribery Case.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.