

CLOSING RATES
Yesterday's Close: Liverpool cotton, 74. New York cotton, 13c. Memphis gold, 106 1/2.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.
W. DEPT. OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR, WASHINGTON, D. C., January 12, 1877.
Indications for Tennessee, the Ohio valley, and lower lake region, rising and high barometer, rain and high westerly winds, decidedly colder than yesterday, with snow and sleet, succeeded in first two sections by clearing weather.

Table with columns: Place of observation, Bar, Wind, Clouds, Thermometer. Lists various locations like Washington, New York, Philadelphia, etc.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DEATH OF HON. W. R. BARKSDALE

W. R. BARKSDALE, of the State of Tennessee, died at his residence in Memphis, Tennessee, on the 11th inst. at 10 o'clock P. M.

Special to the Appeal.
JACKSON, Miss., January 11.—The death of the late Hon. W. R. Barksdale, as telegraphed yesterday, was formally announced in the morning.

Action has been taken to devise a bill for the readjustment of representation in the house of representatives, so that there may be at least one representative from each county. It meets with favor and will doubtless become a law.

The law which regards common schools will be amended so that they can be conducted on a more improved plan than heretofore. Every voice seems to advocate the maintenance of a sound and progressive system, giving to all, irrespective of race, the advantages of education.

Both houses have acted favorably on two bills concerning Isaaciana county—one as to funding the outstanding warrants, and the other provides for the readjustment of lands. The bill regarding that part of the agricultural line which relates to growing crops has been defeated; another to amend the registration laws was introduced to-day.

FROM THE PACIFIC.
An Editor-Killer Released.—The Oregon Legislature released a convict who had been in the State Prison for 10 years.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 11.—In the case of Granger, who killed Madden, editor of the Appeal, the jury returned a verdict of acquittal on the charge of murder.

A Portland, Oregon, dispatch says that a large meeting of the board of trade last night endorsed the bill now before congress extending the time for the New York and New England Pacific railway; also the bill for the protection of the salmon fishing interests in the Columbia river.

A dispatch says, regarding the allegation of eight thousand dollars in gold sent from New York to be employed in influencing Governor Grover's action in the recent election, that the gold was generally known and admitted that the sum mentioned was sent to Grover to secure certain political results, and that the gold was sent by a public lawyer who made the principal argument before Grover in behalf of issuing a certificate to Cronin, received a hundred dollars for his services as counsel. Cronin got a similar sum, and the remainder was returned. Upon reliable authority, neither Grover nor Cronin received a dollar of the money said to have been sent from New York.

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RAILROAD MURDER.
A Night Train on the Virginia Midland Throws Down an axle of a locomotive and Three Passengers Seriously and Twelve Slightly Injured.

One Sleeping-Car Splintered to Pieces—Another Train on the Chesapeake and Ohio Falls Forty-Five Feet into a Ravine, and Seven Persons were Injured.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., January 11.—The night train on the Virginia Midland railroad, which left here at a quarter to three o'clock this morning, ran over a broken tie one hundred and fifty yards north of Kettle run bridge, between Manassas and Bristol. The engine, baggage-car and forward passenger-cars passed over in safety, but the two sleeping-cars—one from Boston to Danville, and the other from Washington to New Orleans—fell into a deep ravine, and the latter was completely wrecked. Three passengers were seriously hurt and twelve slightly injured. Among those severely wounded were J. M. Lyle, of Alexandria, City, Pennsylvania; Miss Lyle is slightly injured. The first of the sleeping-cars went over the side, and the second was crushed by its descent, and striking against the abutment of the bridge, was smashed into a thousand pieces. One of the passengers says that he completely was the car demolished that there was not a piece left which could not have been put in a four-horse team. The other sleeper followed, and, although badly damaged, was not so completely splintered. Most of the passengers were in a state of alarm as they way to Florida. Mr. Lyle, being over seventy years of age, may not recover.

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RICHMOND, January 11.—A passenger-car on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad this morning plunged the track near Greenbrier river, West Virginia, and plunged down an embankment forty-five feet to the frozen surface of the river. The ice was firm, and the car did not go through. Seven persons were hurt, but none fatally. The other sleeper followed, and, although badly damaged, was not so completely splintered. Most of the passengers were in a state of alarm as they way to Florida. Mr. Lyle, being over seventy years of age, may not recover.

Latest from Australia.
SAN FRANCISCO, January 11.—The Pacific Mail chartered steamer Leeward, arrived Sunday, from Auckland and Honolulu, bringing the British mail from Sydney. The Leeward says the notorious slaver brig Carl was wrecked at Bluff Harbor, South Australia.

The South Australian Register states that a contract has been entered into with the Netherlands steam navigation company for the establishment of a regular service between Port Adelaide, Port Darwin and Batavia. The South Australian and Java governments pay the service.

The New Zealand steamer to California of salmon eggs resulted in complete success. New discoveries of salmon eggs are reported.

Boston, January 12.—The suspension of Sargent Brothers & Co.'s dry goods house is announced. The firm, established in 1817, was founded by David A. Sargent, who, after the death of his partner, also suspended. Liabilities, \$20,000; assets, \$25,000 secured by real estate; assets, unknown.

WASHINGTON.

The House Committee on the Electoral Vote will Report that No Vote Can be Counted without the Consent of the House.

Investigation by the House Committee into the Management of the District of Columbia Affairs—Nominations.

Consultation Upon Louisiana Affairs—The Texas Pacific Railroad—The Oregon Electoral Vote—Frost, of Missouri—Henderson Pardoned.

Proceedings of the House and Senate—The Military Academy Appropriation Bill—Remonetization of Silver—Establishment of New Postal Routes.

WASHINGTON, January 11.—The house committee on the privileges, powers and duties of the house of representatives in counting the electoral vote held a long session to-night, and finished their report on that subject. Their conclusions are: First—That the power to count the electoral vote is conferred by the constitution upon the president of the senate. Second—That this power is conferred by the senate upon the committee on the privileges, powers and duties of the house of representatives. Third—That in the execution of the power to count the electoral vote the house of representatives is at least co-ordinate and equal with the senate. And fourth—That in counting the electoral votes no vote can be counted against the judgment and without the assent of the house.

These propositions were agreed to by a strict majority, and the committee have reported to the house of representatives in a resolution. Representatives Knott, Tucker, and Sparks, Democrats, in the affirmative; and Henderson, Seelye, Burdick, and McMill, Republicans, in the negative. Representative Knott will make a report to-morrow, and will ask that a day be fixed for the consideration of the report. Knott will move that two more members be added to the committee, additional members to be named by the resolution of Representative Willis, which instructs the committee to inquire whether any vote had been given contrary to the prohibition contained in the first section of the second article of the constitution. There was also discussed the report of Representative Kasson to ascertain whether any electoral votes had been cast by persons whose political rights were in doubt.

WASHINGTON, January 11.—The house special committee to inquire into the acts of the District of Columbia, reported to-day by examining Major Richards, superintendent of police, who testified that about the time of the election he had received the decision of the board, requested him to detail detectives to see if they could find a confederate. He said he did not find a confederate, and arrest him while there, with a view to publishing this in the newspapers. He said he was not expected in a few days, and which, Murtagh said, would amount to the persecution of the secretary of the navy, and that he was not in the habit of visiting any respectable place in Washington, it being known and admitted that the sum mentioned was sent to Grover to secure certain political results, and that the gold was sent by a public lawyer who made the principal argument before Grover in behalf of issuing a certificate to Cronin, received a hundred dollars for his services as counsel. Cronin got a similar sum, and the remainder was returned. Upon reliable authority, neither Grover nor Cronin received a dollar of the money said to have been sent from New York.

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Colombia.—The house a bill was introduced directing the insertion in insurance policies a cancellation clause, under which the policy may be cancelled at the option of the holder; and also making notes given for policies not transferable.

Wisconsin Governor Luddington's Message.—The assembly met yesterday, and after transacting routine business, adopted the message of Governor Luddington, which contains a report on the financial condition of the State for the year ending September 30, 1876. The total receipts for the year were \$1,976,074; disbursements during the same period, \$1,699,297; balance, \$276,777. The total receipts for the year ending September 30, 1876, were \$2,225,798; disbursements, \$2,028,479; total surplus, \$1,976,074. Estimated receipts for the current year, \$1,138,313; expenses, \$976,725. The message reports entirely devoted to local and State affairs.

Prussian Election News.—BERLIN, January 11.—The city returns to parliament four progressive, four socialist, and one national party. Von Forckenbeck, president of the parliament, Strasbourg returns an autonomist, it being the object of that party to elect a candidate who would be elected by the people. The socialist candidates have been remarkably successful, and have received more than twenty-four out of three hundred and ninety-seven districts, and serious misgivings are expressed as to the result of the election. Later returns show that Von Forckenbeck, although having a majority, has not received enough votes to constitute an election, and a second ballot has been necessary.

Arlansan.—Inauguration of Governor Miller.
LITTLE ROCK, January 11.—At twelve o'clock to-day, before the joint session of the legislature, Governor William B. Miller was inaugurated. In his address, which was short and pointed, he said that he was wedded to no particular financial policy; that the free school system would receive undivided attention and support; that the colored people should be protected in every legal and constitutional right; that he favored education, but was opposed to false frugality. During the inauguration the galleries and lobby were crowded with visitors. General T. J. Churchill, state treasurer, and William F. Henderson, attorney-general, were also sworn in.

A Reported Ashtabula Victim Confesses.
JAMES R. BARNARD, of New York, who was charged with the murder of a woman in Ashtabula, Ohio, has confessed to the crime.

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The Two Louisiana Legislatures and the Two Governors Still Performing their Real and Assumed Functions in Peace.

Six of the Packard Party Gone Over to the Democratic Side, Indignantly Protesting Against the Ballot-boxes.

Everything Now Looks Favorable for a Democratic Victory—General Angur Still Under Orders to Maintain the Peace.

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THE EAST.

The Conference as far from a Solution of the Eastern Problem of Peace as Ever—Bismarck Impassive as the Day.

He Urges upon Lord Derby that the Policy of Europe Demands that the Porte be Restored to its Last Turkish Position.

CONSTANTINOPLE, January 11.—It is asserted that although the Porte maintains its opposition to the proposed international conference, it is still possible that a basis for an understanding will be reached by the voice of a majority of the people, in any matter when ascertained, I would at any hazard yield my most earnest obedience; if it would determine the majority of my constituents in Shelby county, it would be my duty and my pleasure to resign my seat in the legislature, and to be satisfied that it is largely divided and dissatisfied. Understanding the sentiment of the people, I have no objection to my resignation, and I am convinced that no one man, more than another, can be claimed to be their choice for United States senator, or for any other office. Entertaining such a belief, and being vested with the high prerogative of a representative, I must exercise my duty in casting this ballot. Guided and controlled solely by a sincere desire to promote the interests of the State of Tennessee, and of her good people, recognizing the fact that a general election is upon us, involving, perhaps, the very existence of the Republic as a form of government; and every consideration of patriotism and duty demands that I should endeavor to elevate her foremost men to the American senate. It is my solemn duty, in justice to myself and to the people of this State, to vote now for the individual who, in my profound convictions, leads me to believe will fill the exalted position of United States senator with the ability, with most wisdom, with most statesmanship, with most patriotism, with most honor both to the State and the State of Tennessee. In the absence, therefore, of anything which can fairly or legitimately consider instructions, I cast my high pleasure now to vote for Hon. James E. Bailey.

Paris, January 11.—A dispatch from Bucharest reports that a band of Bashi-Bazouks, led by the Turkish general, and plundered a Roumanian outpost and killed two Roumanian soldiers. There is great excitement in Roumania at the outrage.

London, January 11.—A telegram from Constantinople, dated Thursday evening, says that the Turkish plenipotentiary, Baron von Werder, declared in the house of Germany that no further concession would be made by the Turkish plenipotentiary to the European powers, and that the Turkish plenipotentiary would not present to-day a new project for understanding. The next sitting was fixed for Monday, and the Turkish plenipotentiary would not present to-day a new project for understanding.

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Cincinnati, January 11: The board of trustees of the Cincinnati Southern railroad filed a petition in the supreme court this morning for further compensation for services rendered.

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The Question of the Short-Term Senator not yet Decided, and Seemingly far from a Decision as Ever—Bailey Ahead.

The Contest still between him and Bate and Turney—Outside Names Fall to have any Charm for Members—Another Week of Balloting Possible.

The Comptroller's Report—What We Own and Can Pay—Public and Private Schools of the State—Insurance Interim Migration.

Special to the Appeal.
NASHVILLE, January 11.—Senate.—The joint resolution to have a new convention of the two houses to recount the vote for governor, with the house amendment fixing the hour at eleven o'clock to-day, was taken up and concurred in. The following were referred: By Mr. Smith: To enlarge the liabilities of official bonds. By Mr. Smith: To define the duties of the attorney-general of the State, to prosecute and defend in person in the supreme and Federal courts suits to which the State is a party. New resolutions—By Mr. Trousdale: For a joint convention on Monday next to elect a comptroller, treasurer and secretary of state. The house then took up the special order resolution on conference with the creditors of the State in New York. By Mr. Chalmers: An amendment that four persons, not creditors of the State, two at least to be members of the assembly, all to be nominated by the governor, and elected by a concurrent vote of the two houses, as commissioners to negotiate with the creditors or as many as represent one-third of the bonded debt, and report as soon as practicable what adjustment of the bonded indebtedness of the State can be made. Said commissioners not to leave the State unless deemed absolutely necessary by all, and the governor to do so; the governor to preside over the board, and the time engaged in negotiating not to exceed thirty days in no case. Ross offered, in lieu of the above resolution, an amendment, as follows: "That the governor open a correspondence with the bond creditors of the State in relation to an arrangement for the settlement of the public debt on terms equitable to the creditors and honorable to the State; the correspondence to be as early as practicable, so that the public assembly may act." This matter was made the special order for to-morrow.

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