

CLOSING RATES
Yesterday of cotton and gold: Liverpool cotton, 5 1/2-1/2...

WEATHER INDICATIONS
WAR DEPT., OFFICE CH. SIO. OFFICE, WASHINGTON, April 16, 1 A.M.:

OBSERVATIONS YESTERDAY.
WAR DEPT., SIGNAL SERVICE U. S. ARMY, MONDAY, APRIL 15, 1878, 10 00 P.M.:

WALL street was absorbed with the subject of resumption yesterday.

There was a notable increase in the number of failures reported by telegraph yesterday.

All the mills of Lowell, Massachusetts, have given notice of a general reduction of from five to fifteen per cent. in wages.

A Berlin correspondent states that Bismarck is of opinion that if the powers will consent to the retrocession of Bessarabia, the extension of Russia into Asia...

The New York Times says: "Austria is indignant at Russia's attempt to bribe Serbia with the offered cession of Bosnia."

CLARKSVILLE IN RUINS.
Fifteen acres of the business part of the Town Laid Waste by an Incautious Fire—Buildings Destroyed.

The Loss Estimated at Half a Million Dollars—Names of Sufferers, and Amounts of Losses to Insurance Companies—Particulars of the Fire.

NASHVILLE, April 14.—A destructive fire occurred at Clarksville last night. The best estimates make the loss at a million dollars.

NASHVILLE, April 15.—It is now definitely ascertained that fifty-seven houses were destroyed by the Clarksville fire, including the best buildings in the city.

INSURANCE.
The following companies are the principal losers by the Clarksville fire: Equitable, of Nashville, \$150,000; Hartford, \$125,000; Continental, \$110,000; Phoenix, \$125,000; Home, New York, \$100,000; Liverpool, London and Globe, \$60,000; American, \$50,000; London Assurance, \$30,000; United, \$100,000; American Central, \$100,000.

DISASTROUS TORNADO.
Several Persons Killed and Injured and Considerable Property Destroyed—Railway Cars Struck on the Track. Etc.

TOPEKA, April 15.—A tornado struck Cottonwood station, on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad, on the 13th inst. Saturday afternoon, the thirteenth. The Cottonwood hotel and several buildings were blown down.

Whisperings of Love.
Your baby's life is in danger whenever it is troubled with a cough or cold. Give Dr. Bull's cough syrup.

CONGRESSIONAL.

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STILL UNSETTLED.

Is that Little Row over Yonder, and It is a Fruitless Effort to Try to Arrive at a Conclusion as to What Will Happen.

When One Point of Bifurcality is Explained Away, Another and More Formidable One Presents Itself—Plenty of Work for Correspondents.

LONDON, April 15.—The state of affairs with reference to the eastern question remains substantially the same. There is no change in the attitude of the powers.

Mr. Cox (N. Y.) said that while he agreed with the rule, as stated by the speaker, he did not agree with the speaker as to one of the points of bifurcality.

The speaker stated that under the standing rule which assigns the third Monday of each month to the consideration of the business of the District of Columbia...

Senator Wallace, from the committee on foreign relations, reported favorably on a bill authorizing the use of postage stamps on colored citizens going to Brazil.

Senator Stanford introduced a bill to amend the act of March 3, 1877, relating to the house bill to place the name of James Shields on the retired list of the army with the rank of major general.

Foreign Summary.
In consequence of Russia's remonstrance the Porte has promised the immediate evacuation of Varna and Shumla, but Derwish troops are still in the city.

The insurance in Thessaly is reported almost overwhelmed by large forces of Turkish troops. The former declares a state of siege for the province.

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MRS. TILTON.

Publishing to the World her Confession of Adultery with Rev. Henry Ward Beecher—The Lie she has Lived Four Years' Becomes Intolerable.

NEW YORK, April 15.—The following letter from Mrs. Tilton will appear to-morrow in the morning papers.

MY DEAR SIR—A few weeks since, after long months of mental anguish, I told, as you know, a few friends whom I had hitherto deceived, the charge brought by my husband of adultery between myself and Rev. Henry Ward Beecher was true, and that the lie I had lived so well the last four years had become intolerable to me.

Mr. Beecher's letter to the Standard, in which he stated that he had never been in New York since the publication of the Standard's article, is a most interesting and valuable contribution to the truth.

THE members of St. Elmo Commandery, No. 1, K. T., O. E. S., of this city, have decided to hold a public meeting on Tuesday, April 16, at 7 o'clock, at the residence of Mrs. Tilton.

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LADIES, NOTICE!
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