Richmond Dispatch.

THURSDAY.....DECEMBER 28, 1865.

The Presbyterian General Assembly.

This body of distinguished divines and laymen, which had been in session at Macon, Ga., for some days, adjourned on the 19th instant. The name of the body was changed to "The Presbyterian General Assembly in the United States," the Northern General Assembly already having the descriptive designation "of the United States." It was decided during the session to raise a sustentation fund for existing exigencies of the church, a collection for which fund is to be taken up on the second Sabbath of February next, or as soon afterwards as practicable. The last Thursday of February was appointed as a day of special prayer on behalf of the youth of the country, with a view to the increase of the ministry.

Rev. Dr. Brown presented the Pastoral address, which was adopted, and ordered to be printed in pamphlet form, and also to be read in the churches on the second Sabbath in February.

The next session of the Southern General Assembly will be held in Memphis, Tenn.

The Byrom Murder—Green Identified by Mrs. Byrom.

The arrest of a man, supposed to be James Green, the murderer of Mr. Byrom, has already been announced. About 12 o'clock yesterday, Mayor Brown, accompanied by Mrs. Byrom and several others, visited the jail for the purpose of identifying the prisoner. They were shown into the reception room, Mrs. Byrom seating herself with her back to the door. The prisoner was sent for, and had advanced into the middle of the room, when Mrs. Byrom turned round with a quick start and exclaimed, "That is the very man who shoved me against the bureau." Green became suddenly pale and sank into a chair. Concealment was no longer possible; he felt that he was a doomed man.

It appears that Mrs. Byrom's exclamation referred to the night of her husband's murder, when, seizing Green by the collar just as he was about to shoot, she was thrust by him rudely against the bureau. She states most unequivocally that the person now in custody is the ringleader in the assassination on the night of the 12th instant.

After such evidence, it was impossible to doubt the identity of the criminal, and he was accordingly indicted by the Grand Jury for the willful murder of Mr. Byrom.—*Nashville Banner, 22d.*

INDICATIONS OF COAL OIL IN GEORGIA.—Evidences of petroleum in the northwest section of this State are so abundant that they are attracting capital from all parts of the country. The surface indications of this wonderful oleaginous fluid are very striking to the eye of the experienced "oil hunter" throughout the entire area of this coal region. The cliff of the geological strata of Northern Alabama and Northwest Georgia—the formations of slate, sandstone and shale—and the discovery of oil, in many localities, floating on the surface of stagnant pools and streams of water—all tend to confirm the belief that these sections are rich in this newly-discovered source of immense wealth; and the fact that petroleum has been recently found in Kentucky and Tennessee in quantities that promise to surpass even the famous wells of Venango county, Pa., is another strong indication that this valuable material exists throughout the entire chain of the Cumberland Mountains, from Pennsylvania to the Mississippi river. In all sections of these States preparations are making for testing the existence of oil. Some of the most sagacious of our capitalists are interested in these enterprises, and should success attend their operations, the whole of our people will be benefited, and prosperity scatter her blessings over the land.—*Macon Telegraph.*

CAUSES OF SUDDEN DEATH.—Very few of the sudden deaths which are said to arise from diseases of the heart do really arise from that cause. To ascertain the real origin of sudden deaths, an experiment has been tried in Europe and reported to a scientific congress held at Strasbourg. Sixty-six cases of sudden death were made the subject of a thorough *post mortem* examination; in these cases only two were found who had died from disease of the heart. Nine out of sixty-six had died from apoplexy, while there were forty-six cases of congestion of the lungs—that is, the lungs were so full of blood they could not work, there not being room enough for a sufficient quantity of air to enter to support life. The causes that produce congestion of the lungs are: cold feet, tight clothing, costive bowels, sitting still until chilled after being warmed with labor or a rapid walk, going too suddenly from a close, heated room into the cold air, especially after speaking, and sudden depressing news operating on the blood. These causes of sudden death being known, an avoidance of them may serve to lengthen many valuable lives, which would otherwise be lost under the verdict of heart complaint. That disease is supposed to be inevitable and incurable; hence many may not take the pains they would to avoid sudden death if they knew it lay in their power.

TRIAL OF GENERAL MERCER FOR SHOOTING UNION SOLDIERS.—The court martial of Brigadier-General Hugh W. Mercer, at Savannah, for the alleged murder of seven Union soldiers, which has been going on since the 16th instant, seems to excite very little local interest. It appears that the soldiers General Mercer is charged with shooting were originally prisoners of war, taken from the Union forces. They were released from the Southern prisons upon condition of taking the oath of allegiance to the Confederacy and entering its military service. There were three battalions of them, averaging ten companies each. One of the battalions was stationed at Savannah under General Mercer. They were all styled "Foreign Battalions" by the official promulgations of the Confederate authorities. The seven members of the Savannah organization were caught in the act of deserting back to the Federal side, and were shot while General Mercer was in command of the post. Evidence for the prosecution is difficult to secure, and the trial has been delayed. General Mercer put in his parole by Sherman in defence, claiming United States protection under the Johnston-Sherman agreement.

SHERMAN AND JOE JOHNSTON AT THE GAYOSO.—For the first time since his deposition by Jefferson Davis, Joseph E. Johnston met General Sherman, evening before last, at the Gayoso House. It is needless to say that the greeting of these soldiers was kindly and cordial. Hundreds of citizens called on two Generals whose genius lends brightest lustre to the annals of fratricidal war. General Sherman left last evening for St. Louis at the same hour with General Johnston, *en route* to St. Louis.—*Memphis Bulletin.*

KILLING IN MONTGOMERY.—A young man, named Garrett, was stabbed by young Dalton Yancey, son of the celebrated William L. Yancey, a few nights since, at a dancing academy in Montgomery, Ala. Garrett has since died. Yancey has delivered himself to the civil authorities. The difficulty was of a private nature.

A PHYSICIAN CONVICTED OF MURDER.—The trial of Dr. John W. Hughes, charged with the murder of Tamzen Parsons, in the county of Cuyahoga, Ohio, on the 9th day of August, by shooting her in the back of the neck with a pistol ball, has just been brought to a close in Cleveland. He was found guilty of murder in the first degree.

BENEFIT AT THE MOBILE THEATRE FOR MRS. STONEWALL JACKSON.—General De Russy having given permission, the people of Mobile caused a performance at the theatre in that place, on Christmas night, for the benefit of the widow of "Stonewall Jackson."

FORT DELAWARE.—The engineer department has been directed by the Secretary of War to commence at once the cleansing and repairing of Fort Delaware, either by contract or otherwise, as may be most economical and consistent with proper dispatch. The cost will be defrayed from the rebel prison fund.

ALEXANDRIA VESSEL SUNK.—The schooner Buena Vista, from Alexandria, Va., for New York, laden with coal, sprang a leak and sank on Sunday morning last off Sandy Hook. All the persons on board were rescued.

The Hon. Porcher Miles, formerly a distinguished member of Congress from Charleston, S. C., is in our city, and, we are pleased to learn, entertains the idea of permanently locating here. Mr. Miles is a gentleman of great learning, ability and accomplishments, and of high moral and personal worth.—*New Orleans Picayune, 19th.*

Mrs. [illegible] died at St. Louis on the 17th instant, aged one hundred and six years, two months and twenty days.

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