NASHVILLE, TENN.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1868.

New Advertisements.

Messrs. Furman, Green & Co., wholesale drygoods merchants, announce to the trade, through our columns, this morning, that their stock is new and large, and that they desire to reduce it before moving into their new stand the first of January. We take pleasure in calling especial attention to their card, and commend their house to the merchants and dealers throughout the country. This was, we believe, about the first wholesale house that resumed business in our city after the war; and their energy and enterprize have kept pace with the demands of the trade.

Wm. H. Morrow, agent for the Rock Castle Coal Company, gives to our readers testimonials of the favor in which that celebrated coal is held by those who have given it a fair test. From their rapid sales, this new competitor in our coal market will soon rival, if it does not outstrip, our old coal companies.

Persons desiring to supply their shelves and parlors with rare shells, etc., will not fail to attend the auction sale at Murphy & Bradshaw's each evening, as they are selling cheap and the collection is the finest we have ever seen in the city.

J. W. Wilson & Co. offer a variety and quality of stoves, cooking, parlor, office and bed-room, never surpassed in this market. Their advertisement will attract attention. All their wares are guaranteed, and we can vouch for the firm as one of the oldest and most reliable in the city.

Albert & Seeman have most positively their closing trade auction sale of fancy china, Bohemian, Parian and marble ware, to-morrow, Wednesday. An admirable chance for most elegant goods in that line.

The card of the Stacey House will attract the attention of all who desire good living.

Don't forget the Opera.

See bankrupt notices.

The National Savings Company, corner Union and College streets, is doing a regular banking business, buys and sells exchange on New York, New Orleans, Louisville, and Memphis, sells drafts on London, Dublin, Paris and Germany, and pays the highest rates for gold and silver.

Yeatman, Shields & Co., make a fourth sale this morning.

Tennessee in Congress.

By reference to the proceedings of Congress as given in our telegraphic department it will be seen that Tennessee members of the House have started in with full hands. Mr. Maynard presented Hamilton's credentials and moved their reference. While they were being considered Mr. Maynard wanted the courtesy of the floor extended to the gentleman "from Tennessee at large," but the House was not so kindly disposed and refused the courtesy indicated. Mr. Stokes wanted the constitution so reconstructed that no State shall make laws forbidding franchise on account of race or color. Mr. Maynard, not to be outdone by Mr. Stokes, introduced a bill to the same effect. The irrepressible Mullins wants people seeking relief from political disabilities to give thirty days notice of application to Congress, and introduces a bill to have the thing done that way. He also wants to outlaw gentlemen connected with Ku Klux Klans, and desires Congress to give him some assistance in the accomplishment of that highly patriotic purpose. It must not, however, be supposed that Mullins, or Stokes, or Maynard, wish to run for Governor. Not a bit of it—*over the left.*

The Situation in Tennessee.

The report of Comptroller Blackburn submitted to the Legislature shows that 1,585,083 acres of land were listed in 1868, more than were in 1867, and that the aggregate value of "other property" is less in 1868 than in 1867 by $32,153,070, and that the aggregate value of the real estate and personal property for the year 1868 is less than in 1867 by $17,304 193 35; also that more polls were listed in 1868 than in 1867 by 9130, and also that the State and school tax for 1868—in the aggregate—only exceeds that for 1867 $150,991 08, notwithstanding the fact that the tax was higher on property by 15 cents to the $100 worth.

Personal.

Col. Ramage, of the Knoxville *Press and Herald* honored us with a visit yesterday.

Maj W. S. Bliss, of the Columbia *Herald and Dixie Farmer* was in the city yesterday.

We had the pleasure of meeting yesterday with Col. Bob Wooldridge of the Elephant Tobacco Warehouse, Clarksville.

Mr Grau, *quant courrier* of Grau's opera troupe was in the city yesterday to complete arrangements for an opera festival in this city. The New Theatre has been procured, and the box sheet now open at McClure's music store, Union street.

Recovery of a Stolen Horse.

Detectives Ryan and Bell Reddick recovered the horse that was stolen from a man named Thomas, in Springfield, some two or three weeks since. They found the horse in possession of Mr Washburne at Hyde's Ferry. The horse is valued at $175, and was sold to Mr. Washburne by Peter Hughes for $65, the negro who was arrested and taken to Springfield. The negro is now in jail awaiting a hearing.

Freedmen's Hospital.

This institution contains at present twenty-four patients. The diseases are of different natures. It will be abolished at the same time that the Freedmen's Bureau will. A communication was received by the Board of County Commissioners yesterday in relation to the hospital, requesting the Board to send the patients to the county hospital.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

We are grateful to learn that the protracted meeting in progress at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, will be continued during the week, Rev. Dr. Baird being assisted by the Rev. Mr. Poindexter. The religious interest in these meetings is daily increasing.

Illness of Jesse B. Ferguson.

The family of Rev. Jesse B. Ferguson, residing in this vicinity, have intelligence that he lies dangerously ill at Washington city, where he has been for some time past.

Deserter Captured.

W. C. McCullom, soldier belonging to the 5th U. S. Cavalry, was arraigned before Commissioner Davis on a charge of desertion. He was transferred to Ash Barracks.

BEAUTIFUL!! Those new styles of hats for the holidays are all the rage at Wiggins, 23, Cherry street.

Hogs! Hogs!

The highest market price paid for any quantity of well fatted hogs delivered at Morris' Stock Yard. Apply to Hart & Hensley, No. 72 South Market street.

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A Grand Ball

Will be given at the Masonic Hall, Tuesday evening, December 8, 1868, by the Order of Pale Faces, for the benefit of the Orphans. Admission fee, $1 00.

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L. C. CHISHOLM, Surgeon Dentist, does excellent work at No. 126½ Church street—up stairs. dec2 1yp

THE RECENT DISASTER.

A Season of Painful Suspense.

Return of Mr. McFerrin and Lady.

Mr. McFerrin's Statement.

Condition of Mr. Hays.

Since the termination of the war, which embraced such a long and gloomy period of affliction to the country, and especially to the people of the South, this community has not known a season of such painful suspense and apprehension as that from which our citizens are just now recovering. Early last Saturday morning it was announced in the city that an appalling calamity had befallen two of the largest and most popular steamers plying between Louisville and Cincinnati—the America and the United States—on the latter of which it was certainly known that a number of our citizens were passengers, returning home from Cincinnati. It was also stated that a large number of persons had lost their lives by the burning of the two boats, but no information could be obtained at this place until Sunday morning as to the names of the lost and saved. Owing to this fact, the most painful anxiety was felt by the many friends and kinspeople of C. M. Hays and wife, and J. W. McFerrin and wife, whose departure on the States had previously been announced by telegraph. The same dreadful suspense was also experienced by the friends of Mr. Toney, Mr. W. C. Collier, Col. Stone, and a daughter of Hon. A. V. S. Lindsley, all of whom, there was some reason to conjecture, were passengers on the ill-fated States. Of the latter named party it appears that Mr. Toney was the only one who took passage on the States, and his friends have been advised of his fortunate escape from the perils of fire and flood. How earnestly do we wish we could say the same of Mr. Hays and his wife. Were it in our power to do so, we should be spared the painful task of chronicling the serious if not fatal injuries received by our well known and respected fellow-citizen C. M. Hays, Esq., and the death in that fearful carnival of fire of Mrs. Louisa Hays, known to this entire community, where she was born and r lady of most gentle and amiable disposition. Possessing in an eminent degree the traits which most adorn and beautify the character of the good and true, Mrs. Hays exhibited in her intercouse with her friends and kindred a disposition of marked kindness and attachment which clung with unyielding tenacity to the objects of her affection. A loving daughter and sister, a devoted wife and mother, and an earnest, faithful friend, her death will make a void in many hearts that neither time nor circumstance can supply—will fall as a cloud of sorrow upon many home circles where her presence ever gave joy and happiness. May God comfort and strengthen those so sadly bereaved in this now afflicting dispensation of his providence.

While we thus lament the death of Mrs. Hays, and sympathise deeply with her family, and friends in this their sad bereavement, we do also unite in the general joy experienced by the family of Mr. McFerrin and wife, when it was ascertained that they had been saved. They returned yesterday morning by the train, and the general hand-shaking that occurred, and the tears of joy that were shed indicated how happy were those who had previously given up their loved-ones for lost.

The friends of Mr. Toney were alike gratified to hear of his fortunate escape and hope for his early return. At last account, he was at Warsaw, in charge of his brother Masons, being quite indisposed from exposure and excitement.

We met Mr. McFerrin at his store yesterday, and obtained from him the following incidents of his lucky escape:

STATEMENT OF MR. M'FERRIN.

Mr. McFerrin states that he had retired to his state-room some time previous to the disaster, but the delightful music of the serenading party had prevented him from going to sleep. Before the steamers collided, there was a great noise and confusion apparently on deck, and his wife remarked that something must be wrong, and he replied that he reckoned not. Again she repeated the remark, when immediately followed the shock of the collision. He jumped out of his berth, opened the door, and led his wife to the cabin, which he found filled with smoke. The lamps were extinguished, and everything presented a dark and dismal appearance. He said that he felt perfectly composed, with more presence of mind than he could himself even expect under the circumstances. The first thing he thought of was the remark made by his father (the Rev. Dr. J. R. McFerrin) on the evening of his late marriage, when he said, "My children, I will pray for your happiness." Standing thus in the dark cabin, nearly suffocated with the volume of smoke that was rolling through the boat more tempestuous in its fury than the agitated commotion of the winds preceding the hurricane, the farewell blessing from a father's lips sank deep into his heart, and in the midst of the exciting scenes of the moment, he felt it to be a duty to address the Throne of Heavenly Grace, and calling upon his wife, he said, "Dora, we must offer up a prayer to God," and side by side, both kneeled, and fervently appealed to Heaven. They then arose, and snatching up a life preserver, he fastened it around his wife. Rushing hurriedly through a gangway, they soon gained the guards aft of the wheelhouse, where had already congregated a number of the lady passengers. The scene that followed was beyond description. A mother threw her children overboard into the river, and then plunged in after them. Mr. McFerrin then bade his wife step over the railings, and while both were standing on the extreme edge of the guards, she wanted to leap into the water, but he said No, wait till I tell you, I will save you.

Just at this moment, a beautiful little girl, a Miss Jones, of Pensacola, Florida, called upon him to assist her, saying: "Save me, save me; I'm a little Rebel." Mr. McFerrin told her to wait for a favorable opportunity, and then jump into the river. He had hardly finished his remark when he discovered the two boats coming together. He was not able to tell whether the United States or the other boat was moving, but they were coming together He told his wife to jump and he would follow. She leaped a distance of about fifteen feet below to the guards of the other boat. Mr. McFerrin was instantly by her side. He made the leap just in time, for he discovered that the boat which he had left was now careening, and had slided out a considerable distance.

Going through the engine room of the America, he noticed the engineer at his post, working the engine. He reached the other side of the boat, which was against the Indiana shore, and jumping down a distance of some twelve feet, Mr. McFerrin and his wife were safe on the bank.

Mr. McFerrin looked out upon the fiery waters before him, and saw many of the passengers struggling with the waves and the burning timbers. Miss Jones, the little girl who had appealed to him, was floating upon the stream, but her spirit had taken its flight. She perished from the fall, or perished by the extreme heat after she had jumped into the river. Her face and features presented the same beauty and innocence as when a few short minutes before she was promenading the cabins of the palatial steamer.

Mr. McFerrin's attention was also attracted to a young German named Zeigler from this place, who had but recently married in Fremont, Ohio. Both he and wife were side by side in the water, struggling to reach the shore. The husband had tied the handkerchief around the wife's arm, and by this means, he was enabled to hold her up. They both reached the shore in safety.

Before leaving the United States, he noticed a lady rush deliberately into the flames. An old gentleman, after looking around at the condition of things, made no effort to save himself, but walked into his state-room, and said Here let me die.

Two Episcopal ministers, it is supposed, were burnt in their berth, as nothing had been heard of them. Mr. McFerrin tells us that they had an appointment to preach in Louisville on Sunday.

Barefooted and but half clad Mr. McFerrin and his wife proceeded up the bank, and in a short time were comfortably quartered at the house of an old farmer named Jackson, who treated them kindly. On reaching the house, he seated himself at a fire, and just then began to comprehend the fearful reality of the affair, and gave way to tears.

He succeeded in getting a wagon and with a white blanket about himself and wife, Indian style and fashion, they were driven to Florence, Indiana, some two miles distant. It was very cold, and Mack tells it as one of the incidents connected with this part of his bridal trip, that he was not ashamed to ask his wife to put her arms around his neck, to keep him from freezing.

Arriving at Florence, he was liberally stared at, and he jocularly remarked that the Ku-Klux had come. He took a ring from his finger and sold it for clothing, but when it was understood afterwards that he was a Mason, the ring was returned to him. He met some one who gave him fifty cents, and an old German who keeps a saloon in the place was very cleverly disposed; he gave him a drink, and afterwards brought a bottle of bitters for his wife.

Mr. McFerrin and his wife afterwards took passage on the Gen. Buell, and reached Louisville at seven o'clock Sunday morning, and reached home by the morning's train yesterday.

CONDITION OF MR. HAYS.

The following dispatch was received last evening from Mr. Murphy, son-in-law of Mr. Hays:

CINCINNATI, Dec. 7, 1:50 P. M.—Mr. Hays is doing well, and will be all right in a few days. Gen. Smiley is at the wreck, searching for Mrs. Hays.

Southern Insurance Company.

It is proper that I shall announce to the policy-holders in this Institution throughout the States of Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama and in whatever other States policies may have been taken, that a bill has been filed in the Chancery Court at Nashville, by a portion of the policy-holders in their own names, and in the names of all the policy-holders who may choose to come into the bill as complainants, on which the Chancellor has made his fiat, attaching all the property of the company, enjoining the company from the prosecution of any suits on the policy-notes, or premium notes, and the whole affairs of the company have been placed in my hands as Receiver, subject to the action and direction of the Chancellor. I make this notice for the information of all persons interested, and in pursuance of and by virtue of the decree appointing me Receiver of the property and effects of said company, I hereby request and demand of the various agents of said company that they report to me at Nashville, and deliver over to me all the assets, effects and property of whatever kind or character at once.

THOMAS H. PEEBLES,
Receiver of the Southern Insurance Co.

Saved by Presentiment.

Mr. J. R. Goldsborough, formerly of the drug store of R. A. Robinson & Co., in this city, but now traveling agent for B. A Fahnestock & Son, Pittsburg, relates a very singular coincidence. He left Pittsburg at 3:13 A. M. Friday to join his family, who are living in Louisville. Before starting he felt a strange uneasiness about the trip before him, and, on applying for a railway ticket, he told the agent that he was afraid to risk the route by way of Cincinnati. The agent rallied him about his misgiving and told him he would warrant his safe arrival at his destination by the all-rail Panhandle line. He accordingly secured a ticket on that road. Still entertaining an unaccountable fear, he purchased two life-insurance policies of five thousand dollars each, for the first time in a traveling experience of thirteen years. In taking the through rail route he avoided Cincinnati and the ill-fated steamboat United States, arriving at Louisville just in time to hear of the awful disaster, and receive the affectionate congratulations of his wife and children at his hair-breadth escape from a horrid death. Simultaneously with Mr. Goldsborough, the old man Fahnestock and his daughter left Pittsburg on a pleasure trip, and were among the victims on the United States.

A Novel Shipment.

Messrs. Craighead, Breast & Gibson yesterday shipped twenty-five dozen axe-handles, manufactured at their factory near Edgefield Junction, to Australia. The shipment was made to Mr. Park, the President of an English company, who has contracted with the above firm for furnishing the handles regularly. They are made out of hickory, and are equal to the very best.

In this connection we will state that a factory is now going up in Humphrey's county with the machinery capable of turning out two hundred and fifty dozen axe-handles daily. Messrs. Craighead, Breast & Gibson are to be the agents for their sale, and no doubt their will hereafter be a large business here in axe handles.

Committed to Jail.

Wm. Hatcher, who committed rape upon a little girl in Maury county, some time since, and afterward murdered her, was brought the city yesterday from Columbia by Messrs. Rickets and Alderson, sheriff and deputy sheriff of that county, and lodged in jail. He has been sentenced to be hung by the Maury county Circuit Court, from which sentence he appealed to the Supreme Court.

A Card.—Hobson & Cahill, 39 Union street, are the agents of the *Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company.* This Company has a capital of *Seventeen Millions in Gold!*—Losses will be promptly settled at the Bank of Nashville, and will not be referred to England for adjustment, as some are led to believe. Policy-holders are not required to wait 60 days. They will receive their money immediately on proof of loss. No charge for stamps or policy fee. Rates as reasonable as those of any first-class company. Dec4 1w.

For Printers.

We have one or two good job presses for sale, which can be had at at a bargain, by application at the office of the UNION AND AMERICAN.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Report of Michael Walsh, Revenue Collector.

The following report from Michael Walsh, State and County Revenue Collector, was received by the Board of County Commissioners yesterday:

NASHVILLE, Dec. 1, 1868.—P. L. Nichol, Esq., County Court Clerk, Davidson county, Sir: In obedience to section 18 of the amended revenue law passed by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee March 13, 1868, I have the honor to submit the following statement, exhibiting the condition of the tax-books of Davidson county, for the year 1868:

STATE TAXES.

Balance uncollected as per statement November 1, 1868, $103,927 70; collected since October 31, as per statement rendered November 1, to and including November 30, 1868, $36,134 32; balance remaining uncollected, $67,793 38.

COUNTY TAXES.

Balance collected as per statement November 1, 1868, $33,320 38. Collected since October 31, as per statement rendered November 1, to and including November 30, 1868, $12,011 42. Balance remaining uncollected, $21,308 66.

SPECIAL SCHOOL AND POLL TAX 10TH DISTRICT.

Balance due uncollected as per statement November 1, 1868, $2,174 23. Collected since October 31, 1868, as per statement rendered November 1, to and including November 30, 1868, $660 08. Balance remaining uncollected, $1,508 15.

SPECIAL SCHOOL TAX 13TH DISTRICT.

Balance collected as per statement November 1, 1868, $2,370 74. Collected since October 31, as per statement rendered November 1, to and including November 30, 1868, $628 30. Balance remaining uncollected $1,742 44.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

MICHAEL WALSH,
State and County Revenue Collector,
Davidson county, State of Tennessee, Davidson county.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of December, 1868, at Nashville, Tennessee.

WM. GRAY,
Notary Public.

County Commissioners.

The Board of County Commissioners met yesterday pursuant to adjournment, President Grant in the chair.

A petition was received from Thomas Moran, praying for a relief of taxes on lot No. 16, Underwood's addition, thirteenth district, now owned by Mr. Rumerkorf, and granted.

A communication from Jos. W. Gilray, Inspector Bureau, in regard to the Freedmen's Hospital, was read, and an order made to be entered when prepared.

The report of Judge Lovering and Enos Hopkins, who were appointed to investigate the financial condition of the county, was received and filed.

The case of Wm. Nash, colored, charged with bastardy, was dismissed, no prosecutrix appearing.

Also the case of Henry Hart, colored, charged with bastardy, was demissed.

S. C. Harbin, fifty-nine years of age, was released of poll-tax for 1867.

Wm. C. Hagar was released of taxes.

The following accounts were allowed:

Pesthouse $173 35; Poorhouse $180 76; Jail $151 60; Jas. Williamson, Janitor of the Courts, $75; R. H. Groomes, for pauper coffins, $81 20; Pleasant Todd, for glazing, $3 50.

The Board then adjourned until this morning at 10 o'clock.

Commissioner's Court.

Albert Woodfin, selling butcher's meat without license, discharged.

Edmond Hill, assault with knife; discharged.

W. G. Raines, drunkenness on street, $3 and costs.

Wm. H. Claw, making loud and unusual noise on street, discharged.

Hoc. Patton, assault and battery, discharged.

Albert Moore, using abusive language, discharged.

John Flaherty, drunkenness, $3 and costs.

Bill Moore, drunk and indecent exposure of person, $3 and costs.

John Ford, assault and battery, discharged.

Jesse Smith and Manda Reese, larceny of harness, discharged.

Mary Janey Wesley, James Russell and Ellen Smith, assault and battery—all sent down for ten days in the Workhouse.

J. P. Clemons, drunk and resisting officer, $3 and costs.

Emma Woods, street walking and being a notorious character, sent down for seventy-two days.

Kate Petway, same offense, sent to the Workhouse for fifteen days.

Ephram Hughes, trespassing on the premises of W. Peebles, sent to the Work house for thirty days.

Criminal Court.

State vs. Charles Noverdervas, larceny, *nolle* at costs.

The court ordered the misdemenor docket to be taken up on the 3d Monday in December.

Several cases of gaming were disposed of.

Circuit Court.

The appearance docket, comprising about four hundred cases, was called through yesterday.

The case of Hickman vs. Maney, suit for the hire of a negro in the year 1860, was taken up and delivered to the jury.

Released from Jail.

Charles Woodward, arrested and lodged in jail some days ago, upon the charge of stealing bacon, was released yesterday, a *nolle prosequi* having been entered in his case in the Criminal Court.

Carrying Concealed Weapons.

A man named Kepkon was fined $5 and costs by Justice Mathews yesterday for carrying a concealed weapon.

Postponed.

Judge Shackleford has deferred his decision in the great injunction case until 10 o'clock this morning.

Dull.

Criminal cases were rather dull with our Magistrates yesterday. Hardly one appeared on their dockets.

SCOTCH CAPS!! Another invoice of those popular caps just received at Wiggins' 23 Cherry street.

The Confederate Dead.

The Memorial Society of Nashville beg to inform the friends of the "Lost Cause," of Tennessee, and in all of the Southern States, that they have purchased upon very liberal terms, four acres of the new Catholic Cemetery, adjoining Mt. Olivet, to re inter the brave and honored Confederate soldiers, whose remains are now lying in the commons and fields of Davidson county. We hope all who are interested in his cause will send their contributions to the Treasurer, or to either of the following Committee:

Mrs. Jas K Polk,	Mrs. F G Porter,
" M P Maguire,	" J French,
" Thos Farrell,	" S McG Lindsley,
" Jno Kirkman,	" Wm Clare,
" T J Harding,	" T Craighead,
" Henri Weber,	" Wm Evans,
" Thos Menees,	" H B Buckner,
" G Cunningham,	" John Overton,
" E W Hickman,	" I C Nicholson,

Miss Aline McCall.
Mrs. FELICIA G. PORTER, Chm.
Mrs. H. B. BUCKNER, Treasurer.

TRUSTEES OF CEMETERY.

Gen. W B Bate, Gen. B Frank Cheatham, Mr D F Carter, John Kirkman, Wm Evans, M C Cotton. nov25 1

TENNESSEE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 7, 1868.—Speaker Senter called the Senate to order at 10 A. M., thirteen members answered to their names. There not being a quorum present the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE.

The House was called to order at 10 A. M., Mr. Speaker Richards in the chair and fifty-six members present.

The Comptroller of the Treasury sent in an extended and exhaustive financial statement of his office. One thousand copies were ordered to be printed.

NEW BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

No. 262, by Mr. Turner: A bill for calling a convention of the State. This bill provides for holding an election on the 22d of February next in the different counties of the State, the ballots to be used at such election to be inscribed with "convention" or "no convention." In the event of a majority voting for "convention" then the Governor shall call the Legislature together, when the members thereof shall constitute a convention, according to the provisions of this act, and may proceed to amend or alter the constitution as they may deem proper; the expenses of such convention to be defrayed out of the treasury in the same manner that the expenses of the General Assembly are now paid. Passed, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 633, by Mr. Richards: Providing for the sale of the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad. Mr. Singletary added an amendment including the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad.

No. 634, by Mr. Hewatt: To incorporate the Metropolis (Illinois) and Union City Railroad.

RESOLUTIONS LAYING OVER.

The resolution providing for the payment of $242 to Messrs. Rahm & Bailey for printing done by them. The Committee on Judiciary made a report, in which it said there appeared to be no law for the action of the House in ordering the printing to be done, but that the charges made were very reasonable, and as the work was done it ought to be paid for. The passage of the resolution was recommended, and it passed accordingly.

SENATE BILLS ON THIRD READING.

To incorporate the Jamestown and Crossville Turnpike Company.

Mr. Dowdy added an amendment, chartering a turnpike company in the county of Fentress. The act and its amendment passed.

Changing the lines between Putnam and Smith counties. Passed.

To regulate the fire test of illuminating oils. Passed—ayes 51 noes 5.

Adjourned to 2 P. M. to-morrow.

A Few Words from Clarksville—The Tobacco Season, Weather, etc.

Telegraphic Correspondence Union and American over Southern Line.

CLARKSVILLE, Dec. 7.—It has been snowing here nearly the entire day. The weather is now favorable for getting tobacco ready for market, and we anticipate heavy sales from this time. In addition to the regular buyers from the French, Italian, Spanish and Austrian governments, a much larger number of foreign local buyers have reported themselves as being in the market this season than usual. The Henry House is already beginning to be crowded with tobacco buyers and planters, and things are looking lively and active.

Col. Robert Wooldridge, of the Elephant Tobacco Warehouse, left this morning for your city, and thence goes to the upper Cumberland country. Extend him a hearty welcome if you see him. He is a high toned, honorable gentleman, and our up-river friends will find him sound on the goose.

The Robert Moore passed up at eleven o'clock this morning. We will look for Tom Haymon and his "Irish gal" to-morrow night. R.

Columbia Items.

We clip the following paragraphs from the Columbia *Herald* of Saturday:

STABBING AFFRAY.—On last Monday J. M. Tidwell was stabbed twice in the left cheek and five times in the back with a large pocket knife, by a colored man named Archy Cheatham. The affray occurred on the farm of S. R. Kittrell, near Mt. Pleasant. The negro escaped, and it is supposed by some that he is now secreted in this town or vicinity. Officer Sug Nixon followed him to this city and used all diligence in the pursuit. He also went to Franklin and Culleoka, but his search has so far proved unsuccessful. The negro is copper-colored, weighs 155 or 160 pounds, and is about 30 years of age.

SHOT HIM.—Bob Rainey, (col.) known as the driver of Barr's furniture wagon, got in a fight with Charley Glenn, a lad, one day this week, in which he jerked a pistol from the lad's hand and fired its contents at him, which, however, missed the mark. He was arrested and brought before Esquire Wood yesterday, but the case was continued until one o'clock, today.

NARROW ESCAPE.—Tommy Begley, the accommodating little news boy of the Columbia Accommodation, very narrowly escaped being killed Tuesday last. In attempting to cross the track in front of a moving train, he fell and certainly would have been crushed to death but for the timely assistance of that "reliable" old gentleman, Tommy Douglas, who snatched him up in time to save his life.

COTTON.—The cotton crop has been coming into town pretty freely during the past week, and bought by the various cotton merchants as follows: R. H. Jamison, Agent for J. B. Woodside & Co., 68 bales; Josh. G. Bailey, Agent for T. Parkes & Co., 66 bales; W. M. Voorheis, Agent for Bailey, Ordway & Co., 150 bales; Martin & Pickard, 10 bales; D. A. Davidson, 29 bales; Harris, Frierson & Co., 150 bales; John Frierson & Co., Agents for W. J. Frierson & Co., New Orleans, 174. The ruling prices by all the buyers, 20@21¼.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—A few days since, Mr. James Huey of Huey's Mills, in this county, was considerably used up by a log in his saw mill. Although his wounds are quite painful, yet we are glad they are not dangerous, but will compel him to use crutches for some time to come. We hope he may soon recover entirely.

ILLUMINATING OILS.

The Legislature Enacts a Law on the Subject.

The following Senate bill passed its third reading in the House yesterday, and is now a law of the State:

An Act to Regulate the Fire Test of Illuminating Oils.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That no person shall mix for sale naptha and illuminating oils, or shall knowingly sell or keep for sale or offer for sale such mixture, or shall sell or offer for sale oil made from petroleum for illuminating purposes inflamable at a less temperature than one hundred and twenty degrees Fahrenheit; and any person so doing shall be held guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred nor more than five hundred dollars, and by imprisonment for a term of not less than six months nor more than three years.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

For Sale

Old papers, suitable for wrapping, at the UNION AND AMERICAN office.

His Brow was Furrow'd and His Eyes were Dim.

OCCASIONAL.

His brow was furrow'd and his eyes were dim,
His head was bent as if in pensive thought,
His HAT was shabby, and no doubt to him
Recur'd the time when that same HAT was bought;
But meditations such as these can't heal
A broken chapeau, or a cranium sore,
Or give such ease as only those can feel
Who get their HATS from

WAIN & WALKER'S store.

FASHIONABLE HATTERS

DEALERS IN

Hats, Caps, Furs and Umbrellas,

oct17 tf

BANKING HOUSE
OF
NATIONAL SAVINGS' CO.

T. S. MARR, Pres.....L. G. TARBOX, Cash.

Deposits received. Loans negotiated.

Interest Allowed on Deposits.

Collections made, and a General Banking Business transacted. [oct16 tf

NASHVILLE QUOTATIONS.

UNITED STATES AND OTHER SECURITIES.

5-20s, 1st series	110
5-20s, 2d series	107
5-20s, 3d series	107
5-20s, New issue	110
10-40s	105
Tennessee Bonds	67
" Coupons	80
Louisville & Nashville R. R. Stock	63
" " Tax Receipts	20
Nashville & Chattanooga R. R. Stock	24
Nashville and Chattanooga R. R. Bonds	64
Memphis and Charleston R. R. Stock	45
Planters' Bank Stock	12
Union Bank Stock	12
Nashville Corporation Checks	77
" " " Bonds (1d)	55
" " " (new)	52
" " Coupons	70
South Nashville Street R. R. Stock	25
Suspension Bridge Stock	100
Davidson County Coupons	95
" " " Warrants	95
" Co. Bonds issued Louisville R.R	82
" " " other roads	71
Montgomery County Bonds	55
East Tennessee and Virginia R.R. indors'd	60

SPECIE.

	Buying	Selling
Gold	133	136½
Silver	128	134

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

On New York	par.
On Cincinnati	" ¼
On Louisville	" 1-10
On Memphis	" ¼
On London and Liverpool	$9 90 per pound.
On Dublin	6 90 "
On Edinburgh	6 90 "
On Berlin	1 62 per thaler.
On Frankfort	60 " guilder

REVENUE STAMPS.

We have made arrangements to supply our customers with Revenue Stamps at the following low rates, discount payable in stamps, viz:

On purchases under $20	Par
On purchases of $20 or more	2 per cent. dis
On purchases of $50 or more	3½ " "
On purchases of $100 or more	3½ " "
On purchases of $200 or more	4½ " "
On purchases of $500 or more	4½ " "
On purchases of $1000 or more	5 " "

All orders must be accompanied by the money or check for the amount. Stamps will be sent by mail or express, as directed.

LAND WARRANTS.

	Buying.
40s, War of 1812	$40
80s, War of 1812	90
120s, War of 1812	$120
120s, not War of 1812	130
160s, War of 1812	172
160s, not War of 1812	170

UNCURRENT MONEY.

TENNESSEE.		SOUTH CAROLINA.	
Bank of Tennessee, old issue	30	People's Bank	50
Planters' Bank	par	Planters' and Mechanics' Bank	20
Union Bank	par	State Bank	60
Union Bank Certs	par	Southwestern R. R.	28
B'k of Chattanooga	05	Union Bank	80
Bank of Commerce, par		ALABAMA.	
Bank of Knoxville, 05		Bank of Mobile	90
Bank of Memphis	95	B'k of Montgomery	50
B'k of Middle Tenn,	95	Bank of Selma	25
Bank of Paris	par	GEORGIA.	
Bank of the Union, par		Central R. R. B'k	95
B'k of West Tenn	30	Georgia Railroad & Banking Co	95
Buck's Bank	par	B'k of Mid. Georgia	90
City Bank	05	Marine Bank	95
Commercial Bank	25	Bank of Augusta	70
Merchants' Bank	par	Augusta Insurance	01
Northern Bank	par	Bank of Columbus	01
Ocoee Bank	12	Bank of Commerce	05
Bank of Shelbyville	70	Bank of the Empire State	05
Southern Bank	10	Bank of Athens	50
Traders' Bank	par	Bank of Fulton	40
Life & General Insurance	10	Bank of Savannah	50
SOUTH CAROLINA.		Bank of the State of Georgia	25
Bank of Camden	00	City B'k of Augusta	42
Bank of Charleston	30	Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank	08
Bank of Chester	08	Mechanics' Bank	01
Bank of Georgetown	06	Merchants' & Planters' Bank	05
Bank of Hamburg	05	Planters' Bank	18
Bank of Newberry	25	Union Bank	05
Bank of the State of South Carolina	20		
Commercial Bank	01		
Exchange Bank	07		
Farmers' and Exchange	01		
Merchants' Bank	05		
Planters' Bank of Fairfield	03		

There was but little fluctuation in gold yesterday. The following are the New York quotations: opened at 135¼, was 135¾ at 10:30, 135¼ at 11:10, 135¼ at 12:25, 136¼ at 2:45, and closed at 136¼ at 3 P. M. The rates here were 135 buying and 136¼ selling.

Government securities were quoted in New York yesterday as follows:

U. S. 6s of '81	115½
5-20s '62	111¾
5-20s '64	107½
5-20s 65	108
5-20s, new issue, '65	110½
5-20s, " " '67	110½
5-20s, " " '68	110½
10-40s	105

London advices of yesterday quote United States 5-20s at 74¾.

Exchange on New York was taken by the banks yesterday at ¼ discount and sold by them at par.

Tennessee bonds were quoted in New York yesterday at 68¾c for the old, and 67½c for the new.

Nashville Corporation Checks are in some demand with but few on the market. Dealers generally are holding at 80@82c.

The New York *Post* of the afternoon of the 4th inst. says:

"At the sale of Treasury gold to-day bids were filed for $2,600,000, and the $500,000 offered was awarded to Messrs. Ward & Co. at 135-45, which is about the average price in the gold room during the morning.

"The money market works very easily to borrowers on call at five to seven per cent.; the latter being the regular bank rate. Among dealers in government bonds and stockbrokers unemployed balances are generally loaned at six per cent., and in some instances at five per cent. Shipments of currency to the South continue on a considerable scale; those having the best means of judging of the amount estimate it at two to three millions per week. The market for commercial paper is dull and rates are unchanged.

"There is a firm tone to the government bond market, although the transactions at the boards are of moderate amount. Leading dealers are daily in receipt of orders from the interior to purchase for investment; this is especially true in regard to the registered issues. The amount of bonds available for speculative purposes in Wall street is constantly if not rapidly eiminishing under this demand."

The sales of Southern State bonds at the New York Stock Exchange on the 3d inst. were as follows:

FIRST BOARD.

10,000 Tennessee 6s, old	69
10,000 do do new	68½
1,000 North Carolina 6s, old	66½
2g,000 do do new	64
1,000 Missouri 6s	89½

SECOND BOARD.

25,000 Tennessee 6s, new	68½
20,000 North Carolina 6, new	68½
1,000 Missouri 6s	89½

The sales on the 4th were as follows:

FIRST BOARD.

2,000 Tennessee 6s, old	69
1,000 do b. c	69½
13,000 North Carolina 6s, new	9½
10,000 do do bt. c.	63¾
5,000 do do do 2d c	63¾
1,000 Missouri 6s	89½
5,000 do do	89½
2,000 do do	89

SECOND BOARD.

2,000 North Carolina 6s, new	63½
5,000 Missouri 6s	80½

GENERAL MARKETS.

MONDAY, Dec. 7, '68

COTTON—The market to-day was dull and irregular, with very little offering some selections of strict good ordinary to low middling bringing 20¼. We give the closing quotations as follows:

Ordinary	19½
Good Ordinary	20¼@