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SPECIAL NOTICES.

MASONIC.—A special convocation of LA-FAYETTE R. A. CHAPTER, No. 5, will be held at Masonic Temple THIS (Wednesday) EVEN-ING, at 7 o'clock. Officers and members are re-quested to attend. By order of the M. E. H. P. It RICHARD J. BLAKELOCK, Sec'y.—

COUNCIL No. 4, G. F. O. of O. F. All the members of COTNOIL No. 4 are hereby notified to attend without fail the regular communication of the Council on the Evening of the 14th day of February next, at 7 % o'clock

By order of the W. G. M.:
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The annual meeting of the Society will be held on WEDNESBAY EVENING, February 12, 1879, at No. 632 Pennsylvania avenue n w., at 7½ o'clock, when the election of officers will be held; after which, Dr. George Vasey, Botanist of the Agricultural Department, will deliver an essay on "The Relation of Botany to Horticulture." All interested are cordially invited to attend.

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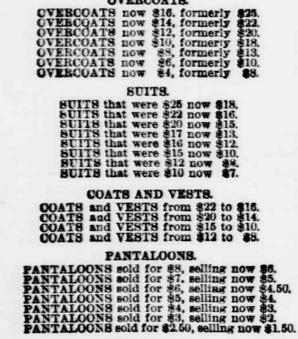
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THE EVENING STAR.

Washington News and Gossip. GOVERNMENT RECEIPTS TO-DAY .- Internal rev-

enue, \$279,210.21; customs, \$573,564.95. SUBSCRIPTIONS to the four per cent. loan tcday amounted to \$6,501,750.

AT THE WHITE HOUSE. - Among the President's callers to-day were Senator Matthews and Representatives Sapp, Price, Harris, Durham, Herbert, Lathrop, Brogden, Lapham, Sinnickson, Willis, Keifer, Representative-elect Robeson and Mr. H. W. Middleton, of Philadelphia.

ANOTHER CALL FOR FIVE TWENTIES .- Secretary Sherman this afternoon issued another call for the redemption of 5-20 bonds consols of 1867. The call is for \$20,000,000—equally divided between coupon and registered bonds.

JUDGE CADWALADER'S SUCCESSOR .- The President to-day nominated Wm. Butler to be U.S. judge for the eastern district of Pennsylvania. This nomination disposes of another bone of contention among Pennsylvania republicans. There were numerous applicants for the place and heavy influences were brought to bear to control the selection. Mr. Butler takes the place of Judge Cadwalader, deceased.

ORDER OF BUSINESS IN THE SENATE .- A meeting of the committee appointed at a caucus of republican Senators last week to determine the order of business, was held this morning. While the future order of business was not fully dotermined upon, it was agreed to press for immediate action Senator Edmunds' resolutions proposing an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the payment of claums to disloyal

THE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE to investigate matters connected with the publication o? the Patent office Official Gazette did not hold a meeting to-day, as announced, owing to the absence of the chairman, Representative Lockwood. It is doubtful, owing to the short time remaining of the present session, whether the committee will assemble at all.

Personal.-Hon. Washington McLean and wife, of Cincinnati, are at the Riggs honse. ... G. W. Roosevelt, U. S. consul at Aukland, New realand, is in the city on leave of absence. nator Johnston, of Virginia, who has been onfined to his bed for a week or more, is rapdly mending. ... Gen. A. J. Warner, M. C.-elect from Ohio, one of the apostles of the Ohio idee," is here waiting to see resumption fail, or the country go to the "demnition bow-

A WASHINGTON LETTER THIEF IN A CANADIAN Prison.—Special Agents Tidoall and Bigelow telegraph from Montreal to the chief special agent, P. O. department, that Peter Mulligan, the clerk who stole \$4,000 from the P. O. departent last week, was to-day sentene years in the Canadian penitentiary, for bringing stelen property into the Dominion. The special agents are on their way back with the purloined funds, which were turned over to them by order of the Canadian court.

SENATOR STANLEY MATTHEWS concluded his evidence before the Senate committee appointed to investigate "Presidential elections" yesterday afternoon. The inquiry of the committee is now finished.

CONFIRMATIONS. - The Senate, in executive session yesterday, confirmed the following nominations:-George Leavitt, collector of customs for the district of Machias, Maine (a reappointment); Samuel T. Thompson, receiver of public moneys, Denver, Colorado; John Cleghorn, register of land office, Delnorte, Colorado,

THE TELLER COMMITTEE has expended \$13,000 in its inquiry into alleged election outrages in Louisiana and South Carolina. There is a balance of \$4,000 remaining in the committee's treasury, and this sum will be insufficient to meet the expenses of an investigation into alleged bulldozing at the elections in Philadelphia, New York, Boston, and in Colorado. It will not require a great outlay to obtain the testimony of federal officer-holders in relation to assessments for political purposes, and this branch of the inquiry with which the committee is charged, will be begun soon. The committee will try to obtain permission to sit during the

THE DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE,-The announcement that Senator Wallace is being urged for the chairmanship of the national democratic committee, in place of Senator Barnum, is purely imaginary. Mr. Scott, of Erie, is the representative from Pennsylvania on that committee, and there is no authority to give Senator Wallace any position on it, short of the national democratic convention, which appoints these committees. The members of the national committee now in the city have practically completed the organization of a resident Congressional committee to have charge of all the details of the Presidential campaign. Of this committee Senator Wallace has been made chairman. Morrison, of Illinois, and John B. Clarke, of Missouri, have also been appointed members of the committee. The other members of the committee are expected to be announced within a few days.

ARREARAGES OF PENSIONS .- Commissioner of Pensions Bentley, in his report forwarded to the Senate yesterday by the Secretary of the Interior, answering the inquiries addressed to him about arrears of pensions by saying: "That the interest of the public service will be greatly promoted by the adjustment and payment of all of said arrears within six months. If such payment shall be delayed, it will cause great dissatisfaction, and add a great amount of unnecessary labor to the office in answering inquiries, &c. I estimate that \$2,500,000 will be ample to meet the arrearages in new cases to be settled during the present year, and \$5,000,000 will cover the arrearages in the new cases for the year ending June 30, 1880. The estimates for the current and the next fiscal year involve so many unknown quantities that the authority can be regarded as little better than a 'guess. It is my opinion, however, that the sums stated for the new cases will be found to be ample." These answers would seem to indicate that there was some mistake in the publications which represented the commissioner as saying to Gen. Rice, chairman of the House committee on pensions, that he (Bentley) did not think, that his office can adjudicate claims aggregating more than \$10,000,000 during the next fiscal

HIS SENTENCE,-Capt. Geo. Prince, of Bath, Me., who pleaded guilty to extensive frauds on the pension bureau (of which he was formerly a clerk in this city), has been sentenced to ten years' imprisonment, at hard labor, in state prison. The government refused to settle the civil claim against him for \$15,000, and will bring suit. His career was related at length in

GEN. BANKS' NOMINATION.-In the executive session of the Senate yesterday the nomination of Gen. N. P. Banks to be U. S. marshal for Massachusetts was reported from the judiciary comfirmed, to take effect upon the expiration of the term of the present incumbent, which will occur next month. This was manifestly the intention of the nomination, but as it simply proposed Gen. Banks' appointment "in place of Roland S. Usher," a discussion arose concerning the power of the Senate to pass upon it in any amended form, and the debate in regard to this parliamentary question consumed the remainder of the session. The defect in the wording of the nomination will probably be reme-

died by the President to-day. MR. P. B. S. PINCHBACK has accepted the position of revenue agent of the Louisiana district, tendered him some time ago. He is expected to leave for New Orleans the latter part of the pre-

sent week. THE INTER-STATE COMMERCE BILL.-The Senate sub-committee on commerce last night continued the hearing on the House bill to regulate inter-state commerce. The railroad interests were largely represented. Mr. Elmore said the title of the bill should read "An act to restrict commerce, prohibit transportation, prevent competition and enforce discrimination, and t rive a preference to one state over another, and to punish the innocent and let the guily go free." Mr. Albert Fink, commissioner of the trunk line, also opposed the bill, saying that it enforced discrimination, thus doing that which the bill was designed to prohibit. After fur-ther arguments the committee adjourned to

ONE OF THE LATEST APPLICANTS FOR OFFICE at the Interior department was a white-haired man, a Prussian, 99 years of age. Owing to lack of vacancies, numerous applications, etc., etc., there is some reason for fearing that he will be, at least, a centenarian before he receives his appointment.

Will There be an Extra Session of Improvement of the River Front. Congress ! THE FEELING IN THE HOUSE.

The democrats have decided to add to the egislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, when that portion is reached making provision for the judicial expenses of the government, a section repealing the statutes which provide for jurors' test oaths and also the sections authorizing the employment of federal supervisors of election. This the republicans will resist, as Mr. Hale in a speech made yesterday indicated that they were willing to sit night and day to defeat such legislation tacked on appropriation bills. If the democrats are firm in their purpose to have what they deem the obnoxious statutes repealed and the republicans are equally firm that the existing laws shall not be repealed, there is but one inevitable result and that is the legislative appropriation will fail. This would of course necessitate an extra session of Congress, because after June 30th the salaries of every public officer (except those of the army and navy) would be unpaid,

if the bill does not pass.

There seems to be quite a decided intention among the republicans of the House not to allow the democrats to force in an irregular way the repeal of laws, which have no perti-nancy to appropriation bills, and which should not be incorporated in them. It is therefore quite probable that when the repeal sections are offered in the House that the republicans will at once indulge in dilatory tactics and fillibustering. They will first try to wear out the democrats by a continuous session, (as was the case with the boot on the other leg when the Force bill was pending.) and failing in that, will trust to a republican Senate to check the democratic House

CONSERVATIVE FEELING IN THE SENATE. There is no likelihood of an extra session of ongress, because democratic Senators, with ut four or five exceptions, are opposed to tackng any legislation, except the repeal of the test ath laws, to the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation bill. The republican senators will not offer any serious objection to he repeal of the test oath sections of the tatutes. The democratic members of the House annot make a fight for the repeal of the election laws without the co-operation of the democrats in the Senate, and thus the necessity for an extra session will not arise.

Washington Society. As the season draws nearer to a close the festivities multiply, and yesterday, despite the rain, there was a very gay reception at the residence of Representative and Mrs. Randall Gibson, Mrs. Gibson and her mother, Mrs. Montgomery, and Miss Montgomery are always to be found at home on Tuesday, and yesterday they decided to give their visitors the additional pleasure of a dance. The scene within was the brighter by contrast with the gloom without. and many lingered until after nightfall, enjoy-

ing the occasion to the utmost. The ladies of the family had the agreeable assistance in en-

tertaining their guests of Mrs. Elijah Ward's attractive daughter, Miss Stuart, Miss Goode and Miss Parsons. season occurred at the White House last evening, and was by far the most enjoyable of all, for the very large company which attended contained fewer strangers than usual, and thus more sociability prevailed among the visitors. As it was the last, many who had not called previously at the White House receptions considered it obligatory to pay their respects on this occasion to the President and his wife. It

was a notable assemblage. All the parlors were, as usual, open and briliantly lighted, and the Marine Band played at intervals in the vestibule. The conservatories were lighted, and many enjoyed a promenade

The ladies were very elegantly attired. Mrs. Hayes wore a wine colored silk of the darkest shade, combined with the same hue of velvet, and trimmed with clair de lune beaded gimp. Lady Thornton, who was accompanied by her daughter and Mr. Henry Howard, wore an exceedingly becoming blue brocade, combined with plain silk the same color, trimmed with white lace. M'me de Hegermann wore a straw colored striped gauze over the same shade of silk, and scarlet flowers in her hair. She wa accompanied by her husband, both having pre viously dined with Secretary and Mrs. Sherman Sir Edward Thornton, and Justice and Mrs. Har lan also came after attending this dinner party. The French and German Ministers, and Senato and Mrs. Angus Cameron were included among Secretary Sherman's guests at dinner. Nearly all the foreign ministers were at the White House, and all wore their orders. Sir Edward Thornton had on the red collar of a K. C. B., and another decoration. Hon. Martin I. Townsend came with his daughter, Mrs. Nason, who wore a very rich cream-colored brocade, combined with the same tint of silk, and relieved with bows of scarlet satin ribbon. Miss Smith. who accompanied General Farnsworth, wore a ball dress of white satin and white tarletane. Governor and M13. Cheney, of New Hampshire, and their niece, Miss Fairley, attended. The ladies were very richly attired. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Willis were accompanied by their guest, Miss Fullerton, of Ohio. Speaker and Mrs. Ran-dall and their daughter were present, and later attended, as did many others of note, the party given by Paymaster and Mrs. Cutter, which was a most enjoyable entertainment. Senator and Mrs. and Miss Matthews and their guest, Miss Ramsay, of Cincinnati, were present, and also Major and Mrs. Goodloe and Miss Andrews, of Baltimore, who is visiting them. Representative Swann was with his wife, who wore a very

handsome toilet of pale pink silk, richly trim-Among others observed were Chief Justice and Miss Waite, Miss Bissell, Assistant Secretary and Mrs. Seward and Miss Barnes, their guest, Secretary and Miss Schurz, the Attorney General and Miss Devens, the Postmaster General and his wife and daughter and Miss Moulton, Miss Harlan, Mr. Polo, Mr. Carrie, Mr. Yoshida Diiro, Count and Countess Lewenhaupt, Aristarchi Bey, Rustem Effendi, Mr. Chichkine the Russian minister, Mr. Bartlett of the Chinese legation, Count Brunetti, Mr. Zamacona, Chief Justice Drake, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Casey. Judge and Mrs. Ferriss, Mr. and Mrs. Beecher of Chicago, and Mr. Hurd of Cincinnati, Senator and Mrs. Conover, Mr. Thomas Bryan, Dr. Woodworth, Mr. and Mrs. George Gustin and Miss Ficht, Mrs. Tisdel and Miss Roach, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Morse, Mr. and Mrs. Conger, Mrs. Nattingly, Mrs. S. P. Brawn, Mrs. and Mrs. Mrs. Mattingly, Mrs. S. P. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. and the Misses Thomas, Mrs. Eversfield, Mr. Pennington, Representative, Mrs. and Miss Sinnickson of New Jersey, First Assistant Postmaster General Tyner, Representative and Mrs. Durham of Kentucky, and Mrs. and Miss Kowan of Louisville. Mr. Webb Hayes made the introductions to his father and Colonel Casey to Mrs. Hayes. Atten o'clock the President and Mrs. Hayes and those of the Cabinet families who were present walked through the parlors and corridor and went up stairs. Of course this was the signal for departure, and then followed a general rush to have carriages called. As so many were endeavoring to find their vehicles at the same time there was, of course, a necessary delay which was protracted in some instances until after eleven o'clock. The ushers were diligent as well as the policemen in attendance in endeavoring to have the carriages come up as fast as possible. Those who intended attending other parties were naturally much annoyed at the detention, which was the fault of no one. But the reception had been so exceptionably agreeable that nearly every one had lingered until the last moment. Mrs. Frank Jones, of New Hampshire, who has been making a brief visit to her husband's sister, at Aiken, S. C., has returned to the city.

Mrs. Emma Strubel is visiting Mrs. Chas. Foster, at 937 Rhode Island avenue. The Unity Club will hold their Friday night meeting, at the Arlington, and will enjoy, with other pleasant features, an essay by Hon. A. R. Spofford, Librarian of Congress, on "Cere-"SICK OF IT."-Mr. Bliss, of New York, chair-

man of the sub-committee of the House committee on public buildings and grounds, who has charge of selecting a site for the new city post office building, says he is getting disgusted with the whole subject; that he never saw such people as there are in the District: that every one who has a patch of ground to sell impor-tunes him to buy it, regardless of its adaptability for postal purposes; that he receives more let-ters on the subject than he can open; that delegations come to the committee room and get quarreling among themselves before being in the room five minutes, etc., etc. He says that in order to do what he thought was best he had the matter referred to a commission, but the misfortune was that the commission could not agree. "I am tired of the whole subject, and have half a mind to let the matter go," said he, "or else I will send the matter back to the Postmaster General and let him decide upon the site and assume the responsibility himself. I would not serve on any committee having matters affecting the District of Columbia in charge again for any consideration. I am sick of it."

THE ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL will be referred to a a sub-committee of the Senate committee on appropriations before it is acted upon by the full committee. Senators Blaine, Win-dom, and Withers will compose the sub-com-

The District Commissioners this morning sent to Hon. J. C. S. Blackburn, chairman House District committee, a communication stating that "the present revenues of the District of Columbia, after making provision for all other necessary expenditures, afford a margin of about \$600,000 for repairs and improvements of streets and extensions of main sewers. Under an ordinary condition of streets and sewers this amount would be greater than would be absolutely required for work upon them, but the cost of additional main sewers to prevent overflows, and new carriage ways to replace the great existing amount of rotten wood pave ments, will exhaust all the means at the disposal of the District applicable to works of improvement and repair, and will continue to do so for the next four or five years; hence nothing can at present be set apart from the revenues to be applied to the reclamation of the flats on the river front. The Commissioners fully real-izing the great importance of that work, have thought it possible (in view of the extraordin-ary demands on the District treasury, as above stated,) that Congress might think it wise and

transmitted, the basis of which is an equal division of expenditures and benefits on account of the reclamation of the river frontage. They have aimed, by the preparation of three bills, to effect the best practicable results and bring about an absolutely fair apportionment between the United States and the District of Columbia. The first of these bills provides for a board of survey, upon which the representa-tion of the United States and the District of Columbia is equal, the board being empowered to reduce the cost to the lowest point consist-

proper to lend the credit of the United States in the manner suggested in the bills herewith

ent with suitable work. The second provides for the reclamation of the flats by the District, the government of the United States to advance four per cent. bonds for the first five years of expenditures, during which interval the revenue of the District applicable, as before stated to replacing rotten wood pavements and building sewers, should be expended for those purposes. After that date the amount stated in the accompanying bill can be annually expended in the reclama-tion of the flats until the work is completed. The benefits of water frontage will inure equally to the United States and the District, and the land reclaimed be equally shared between them. The interest and principal of the bonds advanced being paid from the District Treasury will fall equally on both parties.

The third is a clause for the river and harbor

appropriation bill, and embraces an appropriation for the harbors of Washington and Georgetown, the money to be expended in harmony with the general plan of improvement. The following are the

BILLS PREPARED BY THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS. Ee it enacted, dec., That the chief of engineers of the army, the superintendent of the coast survey, the chief of the bureau of navigation and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, who shall serve without compensation, are hereby created a board of survey and empowered and instructed to examine the present condition of the entire water fronts of Washington and Georgetown and determine changes or modifications are necessary or advisable in the plan of "improvements of the harbors of Washington and Georgetown," submitted in the report of the board of survey ap-pointed under the act of Congress approved March 5, 1872, and any change or modification therein determined upon and adopted by said board, or a majority thereof, shall be strictly adhered to until otherwise ordered by law, in the expenditures of any money appropriated in this or any future act of Congress for the improvement of said harbors or the reclamation of the flats along the water frontage of Washington, and said board in determining upon any modification of said plan shall be governed by the following instructions:-1. To reduce the expenditures to the lowest amount compatible with a proper reclamation of said flats, and the necessary improvements of said harbors. 2. To adopt the least expensive methods in detail consistent with permanent and effective results. 3. To secure sufficient harbor facilities for the existing sea and river commerce of said cities. 4. To carry out the reclamation of the remaining water frontages not now required for said commerce in such manner that the wharf and dock facilities can be extended, as required, to meet any future wants of said com-

Sec. 2. Said board shall also determine upon just division of the reclaimed lands between th United States and the District of Columbia upon the basis of an equal payment by them of the expenditures for the reclamation thereof.

Be it enacted, de., That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby directed to expend not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars annually for the purpose of reclaiming the flats in front of Washington in accordance with the plan submitted by the board created by act of Congress, approved March 5, 1872, to report a plan for improvement of the harbors of Washington and Georgetown, or with any modifications thereof authorized by Congress, and the control of all reparian rights of the United States in the water frontage in the District of Columbia, is hereby transferred to said District, the executive officers of which shall have exclusive supervision of all docks. wharves, landings and said water frontages, and shall charge such rate for their occupation and use as they may deem just, and all receipts therefrom shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the interest and principal of the bonds herein specified until all shall be redeemed.

Sec. 2. That in order to enable said District to reclaim said flats, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to advance, upon requisition of the Commissioners of said District, annually for five consecutive years, beginning with the year 1879, not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars of the four per cent. bonds of the United States, the interest upon which shall be paid by him from any of the revenues of said District in the Treasury of the United States: and after said five years not less than two hundred thousand dollars shall be expended yearly from said revenues by said Commissioners, o their successors in office, until said flats are reclaimed to the satisfaction of Congress, or completed as per plan or the said modifications thereof, and the streets and avenues of Washington shall be extended over the land so reclaimed, and all the portion of it not within the line of said streets and avenues shall be equally divided between the United States and the Dis-

trict of Columbia, the proper division to be made as may by law be provided. Sec. 3. That from and after the completion of the reclamation of said flats, the Secretary of the Treasury shall reserve from the revenues of the District such sums annually as invested in four per cent, bonds will, at their maturity redeem an amount equal to the bonds loaned as herein provided, and no title to any of said land shall vest the said District until all said bonds are redeemed; Provided, That sales or leases of any part or parts of said lands apportioned to said District may be made upon condition that the purchase or rental money therefor shall be paid into the Treasury of United States, to be applied to the redemption of said

A COUNTERFEITER ARRESTED. - The secre service has information of the arrest at Ral-eigh, N. C., yesterday of Lewis Jones, for manutacturing and passing counterfeit coin.

It is said that the position of director of the mint has been tendered Mr. Patterson, president of the Philadelphia Fidelity and Trust

THE FRANKING PRIVILEGE.—Speaker Randall has referred to the P.O. department the question whether members-elect of Congress are entitled to exercise the franking privilege be-fore they are sworn in. Judge Freeman will

NOMINATIONS ... The President sent the following nominations to the Senate to-day: William Butler to be U. S. District Judge for the eastern district of Pennsylvania; also, to be postmas-ters, Daniel T. Hunt, Rochester, N. Y.; Augus tus B. Farnham, Bangor, Maine, and others.

THE WORK of opening and stamping proposals for mail service in six northwestern states was finished to-day at the P.O. Department, by Messrs. French and Morton, the committee appointed by the Postmaster General for this purpose. The total number of proposals for the 2,200 routes was 40,730. DR. NORVIN GREEN, president of the Western

Union Telegraph company, is in the city to defeat in the Senate, if possible, the telegraph amendment which Gen. Butier had incorporated amendment which Gen. Butier had incorporated in the army appropriation bill. This morning, in the lobby of the House, Doctor Green was presented to Speaker Randall. The salutations between the two were cordial. Then the Speaker said: "Doctor, I am glad to meet you. We are both old democrats." To which Green replied: "Yes, but I regret that you don't adhere to old democratic doctrine down here, of non-interference with the rights of coporations in the states." The Speaker quickly retorted: "Doctor if you have reference to Gen. Butler's telegraph amendment to the army bill, I am frank enough to say to you that I endorse it, and would have supported it had I been on the floor, as I think it a just measure.

FORTY-FIFTH CONGRESS. WEDNESDAY, February 12.

SENATE.-Mr. Sargent, from the committee on naval affairs, reported favorably on the Senate bill to regulate applications for restoration to the active list of the navy. Passed. It provides that all applications of officers of the navy for restoration to the active list, or for advancement to positions on the active list, and also similar applications on the retired list, as well as pay therein, shall be made to the Secretary of the Navy, who shall thereupon order a board of officers, not below the grade o

the applicant, to investigate his case and repor

thereon; and said report with the recommenda-

tion of the Secretary of the Navy, shall be for-

warded to Congress for its action thereon. No

such application shall be made except as herein He also reported back memorial of citizens o Kentucky praying such legislation as will enable Americus Symms to accompany the Howgate expedition, and the committee was discharged from its further consideration.

Also unfavorably on resolutions of the Maryand legislature asking the restoration of Samuel Chase Barney to his position on the retired list of the navy, and the committee was discharged from their further consideration. Mr. Dorsey introduced a bill to provide for the appointment of a board of survey upon the river front of Washington, D. C. Referred to the District committee. Also, a bill to provide for the reclamation of the river flats in front of Washington and for other purposes. Referred to the same committee.
Mr. Cameron (Wis.) presented joint resolu-

tions of the Wisconsin legislature remonstrating against the proposed reorganization of the army. Referred to committee on military affairs. Mr. Allison, from the committee on Indian affairs, reported favorably on Senate bill for the relief of the Winnebago Indians of Wiscon-sia. Placed on the calendar. He also reported back from the same committee the resolution instructing the committee to inquire into the recent escape of Cheyenne Indians from Fort Robinson and their subsequent slaughter, together with letters from the Secretary of War and Secretary of the Interior on the subject, Mr. Allison said the committee was unable to report any conclusions, and it would be impossible for them to make an intelligent report at this session. They believed that the subject was one of importance; and he therefore submitted, on behalf of the committee, a resolution providing for the appointment of a select committee of five Senators to sit during the recess and inquire into all the circumstances connected with the escape of these Indians and their subsequent slaughter, the committee to have power to examine witnesses, ac. Agreed

Mr. Anthony presented memorial of the Colonization Society asking an appropriation of \$25,000 for the purpose of making explorations and surveys of the west coast of Africa with a view to promoting commerce with that counry. Ordered that it be printed and referred to the committee on appropriations.

Mr. Hamlin submitted a resolution directing

the Secretary of the Treasury to have printed the portrait of Prof. Joseph Henry to accomany the memorial volume already ordered by Congress. Referred to the committee on print-

The Vice President laid before the Senate a communication from the Postmaster General. enclosing copies of papers heretofore sent to the House of Representatives in regard to a new post office building for Washington. ferred to the committee on public buildings and grounds. Also, a letter from the Secretary of the Interior, enclosing one from the Com-missioner of the General Land office in regard to the business of his office and the necessity for additional clerical force. Referred to the committee on appropriations. Also, from the joint commission on the completion of the Washington monument approving of the plans of Col. Casey for strengthening the foundation. Referred to the committee on public buildings and grounds

Mr. Davis (III.) called up House bill to create the northern judicial district of the state of Texas, to change the eastern and western districts of said state, and to fix the times and places of holding courts in said district. Passed, Mr. Whyte presented resolutions of the Baltimore board of trade, and remonstrance of shipowners of that city against the passage of the proposed amendment to the post office approoriation bill, granting subsidy for steamship lines to Brazil. Read at length, ordered that they be printed and lie on the table, the bill now being before the Senate.

Morning business having been disposed of.

Mr. Saunders called up the bill recently submitted by him to authorize the President tem porarily to transfer the custody, control and management of certain Indian tribes from the Interior to the War department, for the purpose of submitting remarks thereon. The Vice President then laid before the Sen ate the unfinished business, being the bill to provide additional accommodations for the Library of Congress, the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Conkling to recommit the bill to the library committee with instructions to report a bill for a commission of skilled persons to examine and report touching the dif-ferent sites for the library, and especially touching practical changes which may be made in the Capitol building adapted to the accom-modation of the two Houses of Congress and

the Library. The bill was then discussed. HOUSE .- Mr. Whitthorne submitted the conference report on the bill to abolish the volunteer navy of the United States. Agreed to. On motion of Mr. Knott, a resolution was adopted for the printing of the testimony taken

by the judiciary committee in regard to the official conduct of Judge Blodgett, of Chicago, and J. I. Davenport, of New York.

Mr. Butler asked leave to take from the Speaker's table and pass, with a slight amend-ment, Senate bill for the appointment of an additional judge for the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia

Mr. Cox (N.Y.) moved that the Senate bill, in regard to the census, and the amendments of the Bouse committee on the census thereto be printed. The Senate bill was substantially the same bill that he had introduced, and the committee proposed only two important amendments. He would not press the bill in opposition to the appropriation bill, now before the House, but would call it up as soon as that bill was disposed of. The motion was agreed to. The House then, at 11:20, went into committee of the whole (Mr. Blackburn in the chair) on the legislative, judicial and executive appropriation bill. Mr. Whitthorne offered an amendment pro-

Mr. Riddle objected

viding for the indexing of the reports of committees. Adopted. Mr. Bilsworth offered an amendment reciting some remarks made by Mr. Finley yesterday in favor of a reduction of his own salary, and granting that gentleman leave to receive as little of his salary as he saw fit, the surplus of such salary to go to the ten most deserving families in his district.

Mr. Finley suggested that the surplus should go to the gentleman offering the amendment. The amendment was ruled out of order. An item in regard to the public printing gave rise to a discussion as to the management of the government printing office-Messrs. Calkins, Hanna, Fort and Luttrell eulogizing the superintendent, Mr. Defrees, and alleging that the recent investigation of that office was a star chamber inquiry—an allegation which was strenuously denied by Mr. Finley, chairman of the committee, who conducted the inquiry

Mr. Cabell moved to reduce the appropriation, for detecting and bringing to trial persons guilty of violating the internal revenue laws. from \$100,000 to \$75,000. He disclaimed any intention of crippling the service, but he believed that \$75,000 was a sufficient sum. Mr. Scales, in reply to some remarks made by Mr. Hale, said that he desired a faithful performance of the internal revenue revenue service, but there were bad collectors in the South, and he would oppose any increase of appropriations while improper agents prostituted their offices to political purposes

ucted the inquiry

Mr. Durham said that it was due to honest distillers that a sufficient sum should be appropriated to abolish moonshiners. Mr. Davis (N. C.) said that the law in regard to detecting frauds was a dead letter in Chicago and St. Louis. Large whisky corporations in those cities owned the internal revenue collectors, and the corruption was not so much in the distiller as in the detective. If honest men were sent as collectors they would find honest men to deal with Mr. Baker (Ind.) called attention to the fact

states, who had plead guilty, had never suffered imprisonment for their fault. After further discussion Mr. Cabell's amendment was rejected. Mr. Hewitt (Ala.) offered an amendment requiring the marshal or officer making the ar-rest of any person charged with violation of the revenue law, to carry his prisoner before the nearest official who is authorized to take ball. Mr. Hale made the point of order that the amendment was new legislation and not in the

interest of economy.

Mr. Whitthorne contended that the amend-

that 2,700 violators of the law in the southern

ment was both germaine and in the interest of economy, as it tended to reduce the charge for Mr. Throckmorton 'illustrated Mr. Whitthorne's point by citing a case where a marshal had brought a prisoner 125 miles, although there

was a commissioner near where he made the After much discussion the point of order was overruled, the chairman holding that the amendment was germane, and must inevitably tend to economy.

In the discussion which followed-Mr. Herbert cited a case, in advocacy of the amendment, where a commissioner sat all last winter in the city of Montgamery, issuing warrants for the arrest of persons all over the state. which persons were carried hundreds of miles to Montgomery, at great expense to the government and to their great inconvenience and in-

Finally the amendment was adopted-91 to \$4 On motion of Mr. Conger, assented to by the chairman of the committee on appropriations. the salaries of the general superintendent and assistant general superintendent of the life saving service were increased from \$3,000 to \$4,000, and from \$2,000 to \$2,500.

The District in Congress. Gen. Butler tried this morning to get up the bill providing for an additional judge in the District of Columbia, but Mr. Dibbrell, of Ten-

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE TO-DAY. Drs. Garnett, Toner, Johnson and others, had a hearing before a sub-committee of the House District committee to-day, in opposition to that portion of the proposed new license law which imposes a tax of \$25 on physicians. The concurrent testimony of the physicians present was that that tax should not be more than \$10 on regular practitioners. A delegation of policemen were also accorded a brief hearing in opposition to the threatened reduction of their pay 7 per cent., as recommended by the committee. They set forth the expense of living in this District as an argument against reduction and state that they are frequently detailed to duty at receptions, notable weddings, &c., and that the present salaries paid are hardly enough for them to keep up a respectable appearance for such special duty.

nessee, objecting, the matter went over.

ANOTHER BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.-The criticism prompted by the prevalence of "rail nursing" in the late billiard tournament in New York has induced Mr. H. W. Collender, a billiard table manufacturer, to prepare for another tournament. It is to be known as the "Grand Combination Tournament," and will take place in April or May next. There will be two series of games played, in one of which the present game will be played without restriction, and a second, or "champion" game, in which "rail nursing," while allowed, will be restricted within certain limits, not yet defined. The limits, however, will probably be the restricting of 'rail caroms' to twenty-five consecutive shots. or the introduction of an entirely new departure in the shape of the adoption of a "balk" line drawn around the table a certain number of inches from the cushion, within which shots are to be governed by the present "crotch rules, which debar all but three caroms in the angle. There will be also two series of prizes for superiority at each style of play. It is expected that the great French expert, Vignaux, will participate in the new tournament.

AMERICAN HORSES IN ENGLISH HANDICAPS. The English racing calendar brings the weights assigned to the American horses entered in the English spring handicaps. For the Newmarket handicap, a mile and a-half, to be run on April 16, Parole has been assigned 116 pounds, with the French horse Fontainebleau the top weight 124 pounds. For the Newmarket International handicap, one mile two furlongs and seventythree yards, to be run April 18, Parole has 1 pounds, with Belphoebe the top weight, at 126 ounds. For the city and suburban, a mile and quarter, to be run at Epsom April 22, Parole is in at 114 pounds, with Isonomy the top weight, at 126 pounds. For the Great Metropolitan, two miles and a-quarter, to be run on the 23d of April, Parole is in at 114 pounds and the Duke of Magenta at 112 pounds, with Belphorbe the top weight, at 126 pounds. On the same day Parole is in the Prince of Wales stakes, about a mile, at 115 pounds, with Hesper, the top, at 126 pounds. The New York World thinks no favors have been shown the American horses. It was thought on this side that Parole would have received 110 or at most 12 pounds.

HORRIELE FATE OF WORKMEN-Buried Alice y Earth Slides .- At Kansas City, Mo., yester day, a cut being made for the Chicago and Alton railroad, with its almost perpendicular walls 90 feet high, caved in and buried some of the workmen and their teams under 6,000 yards of earth. There were four teams in the cut and ten men working each tem. Besides these there were Foreman Jas. McCarthy, his clerk, and two men working with the pick. Six persons were killed outright and several were wounded. The killed are Peter Bagley, Jas. Hagen, Thos. Casey, Ed. Hines, Dan, Lucitt and Richard Rive. All the bodies were recovered. The scene is described as heartrending. An embankment at Zeigler's ore beds, 15 miles from Allentown, Pa., caved in yesterday, burying 15 persons, instantly killing one man and seriously injuring four others.

POLITICAL PROSECUTIONS IN SOUTH CAROLINA. Sam Lee, colored, convicted at Sumter, S. C., for official misconduct when probate judge, was called yesterday to receive sentence, but failed to appear, and Judge Mackey placed the sentence under seal in the hands of the clerk of the court. The grand jury of Charleston county, S. C., have found a true bill against E. W. M. Mackey, republican, for libel in publishing charges against W. L. Doggett, democrat, of stuffing a ballot box at the late election.

THE GOVERNMENT DEFRAUDED .- A statement is published in Boston that the Apolinaris Company of London and Germany has defrauded the government out of \$600,000 revenue, and that the water imported by the company is compounded, a treated liquor, and not a product of nature. It is said the government will take steps to protect its interest.

GENERAL GRANT is quoted by Mrs. Hooper as making these observations in Paris :- "All the humiliation that France underwent in 1871, and all her losses, whether of territory, treasure or of men, were but a small price for her to pay for getting rid of the empire." . "The governments of Europe are preoccupied in finding out where to impose new taxes on the people, with us, the constant endeavor of the government is to find out what taxes can be taken off.

THE INGALLS INVESTIGATION .- A dispatch from Topeka says:-"A resolution was introduced today, and laid over under the rules, providing that the committee recently appointed to investigate alleged fraudulent transactions in connection with the late election of a United States Senator, be discharged from further consideration of the matter under the original resolution, but that the committee be continued to investigate any charge which shall be made in writing, and signed by the person making the charge, and designating names, witnesses, &c.; all charges to be reported to the House prior to

SINGULAR ACCIDENT.-In New York, Monday James Dick, a laborer, stepped off the railroad track on 135th street, in front of a locomotive, and, as the train passed, he saw dangling from the caboose, or rear car, a long rope. He stooped and caught the rope with his right hand and was thrown off his feet. James Wilson, a brakeman on the train, shouted to him to let the rope go. This he could not do, for the rope had, as he caught it, coiled itself around his arm and neck, and he was dragged as far as 138th street, at which place the rope was cut by the brakeman Wilson, Wilson then sprang from the train and ran back to where Dick lay. The man was unconscious, with the rope coiled about his arm and body. His clothing was torn to shreds. It was found that his skull had been fractured, his jawbone crushed, and the flesh torn from his limbs and body, and his recovery is considered improbable.

ONEIDA COMMUNITY TO BE SUPPRESSED.—A telegram to the N. Y. Herald from Syracuse, N. Y., February 10, says: A meeting has been called at the Syracuse university for Friday afternoon, February 14, to take decided action in reference to the Oneida community. The call for such gathering is signed by Dr. Mears, of Hamilton college; Chancellor Haven, of Syra-cuse university; Bishop Huntington, of the dio-cese of Central New York; Rev. Dr. Beard, of Ply mouth Congregational church, Syracuse; Rev. Mr. Thurber, of the Presbyterian church, also of Syracuse, and several other clergymen of different denominations. Invitations have been extended to clergymen to attend from all the principal cities of the state. Between one and two hundred delegates, including the presidents of the several colleges in the state, are expected to be present at the conference. We are assured by the leaders of this movement that the time has now come when this blot on the Empire State must be removed.

A VERY HEAVY SNOW STORM Set in early yesterday morning at Milwaukee, Wis., and con-tinued all day. The storm extended west of the Mississippi river and north to Lake Superior. High winds prevailed and the snow drifted badly. The railroads were not seriously obstructed, however. The snow-fall was from 6 to 13 inches in depth.

Erastus, supervisor of registration of Kan-sas City, Mo., had an altercation with a negro yesterday, and shot him through the head killing him instantly, causing great excitement among the negrees.

Telegrams to The Star.

GERMAN REICHSTAG OPENED.

Speech of the Emperor.

THE LIVERPOOL STRIKE.

FLOOD IN CONNECTICUT.

A MILLION DOLLAR SUIT.

BALTIMORE BREACH OF PROMISE FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

The Liverpool Strike Extending, and Paralyzing Trade. LIVERPOOL, Feb. 12.-Trade here is quite par-alyzed by the strike, which has now extended to the carters and the whole body of carpenters, some of whom were already on strike, The strike among the saflors has become more general, and great difficulty is experienced in obtaining crews save at considerably increased rates. Yesterday several ships were awaiting crews, but the men were firm. It is stated that there are thirty-five grain-laden ships at Queenstown, and that the owners do not know where to send them. Meanwhile the grain may be heating in the vessels holds and rendered valueless. There are many reports of intimidation by dock hands and laborers and others to prevent men from working until the dispute is settled. The British and African Company's steamship Lualaba, which was to have sailed for the west coast of Africa on Thursday last, has not yet left her dock. The agents promise the men protection in the dock, but the men say they require protection also outside. The Cunard Company have all their vessels in the Huskisson dock, which is enclosed, and have provided within the dock walls accommodations for the men brought from Glasgow. The local authorities maintain strict supervision with the police and military, and none but

Opening of the German Reichstag-

from the strikers.

people on business are allowed within the en-

closure along the whole line of docks. There is

to be another interview to-day between the

ship-owners' committee and the deputation

The Emperor's Speech.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—The German reichstag was to-day opened by the Emperor William in per-In his speech from the throne he said that he thanked the members for assisting in the suppression of the socialist agitation, and hoped they would continue to support the government as far as was necessary for the cure of the socialist cvil. He announced the abolition of article 5 of the treaty of Prague, and re-ferred with pleasure to the friendly relations with Austria and the results of the Berlin congress. He declared that the relations between Germany and all other powers are satisfactory, and that she would continue to use her influence in behalf of European peace.

The Black Death.

ST. PETERSECEG. Feb. 12.—The Golos publishes the following telegram from the principal mem-bers of the Bourse at Astrachan:—"According to official and private reports the epidemic has entirely disappeared. There have been no cases in this government for several days.

THE BALTIMORE BREACH OF PROMISE CASE. Two Hundred Dollars Damages. BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.—The trial of a suit

10,000 damages for breach of promise of marriage, brought by Miss Anne O'Nelll against Philip Brogan, was commenced in the superior court yesterday, before Judge Dobbins and a jury. The defendant was put on the witness stand, and testified that he had known Miss O'Neill several years; never promised to marry her except when he was drunk; only talked marriage when drunk; never went to her boarding-house except when in that condition; don't know what she said when he asked her to be his wife; never appointed the time to marry her before suit was brought, and did not recollect going to church to be married until told of it by some ladies; he did not know how old he was, but thought he might be 65. Rev. Mr. Sartori testified that he was assistant pastor at St. Joseph's when the parties came to be married, in January, 1878; Brogan wanted to be married at once, in a hurry, but he had no license, there had been no publication of the banns, and Brogan was half drunk; for these reasons and others witness advised them to wait and come the next evening. Judge Dobbins instructed the jury:-"If Brogan promised to marry Miss O'Neill and failed to keep his promise the verdict must be against him, unless he was too drunk when he promised to know what he was doing." After argument by coun-sel, the case was given to the jury, and this morning a verdict was brought in for plaintiff

for \$200 damages. A Million Dollars at Stake. New York, Feb. 12.—An important suit was commenced in the U. S. circuit court to-day, before Judge Wallage and jury. It involves the whole question of the paying of head money by several steamship lines for emigrants which they had at this port. The present suit is a test suit brought by the Oceanic Steam Navigation Company against J Nelson Taddan, city chamberlain, for the recovery of head money paid to him under protest. If the plaintiffs are successful, all the other steamship companies will commence proceedings also against the state. The total amount of head money at issue, and which was paid under protest, is over \$1,000,000. The

that the law under which the money was paid as unconstitutional.

Supreme Court of the United States has decided

Floods in Connecticut.

MERIDEN, CONN., Feb. 12.—A heavy rain, which continued all through last night, caused an extensive flood, doing considerable damage in the lower part of the city. The engine and boiler rooms, plating room, and several other large buildings of the Meriden Brittania company, are flooded, and the factories are not running to-day. The Meriden Silver Plate company's factory is in the same condition; also the engine and boiler rooms of C. R & Bro.'s factories. Not less than fifty cell

ments of dwellings are completely A Kentucky Mob After a Railroad Receiver. CINCINNATI, OHIO, Feb. 12.-A dispatch from Louisville says a mob of two hundred men rode into Campbellsville, Ky., on Saturday, in search of J. R. Robinson, who had been appointed receiver to collect a railroad tax from Taylor county in satisfaction of a judgment of the United States Circuit Court at Louisville, The

search was fruitless. Robinson, it is stated, has resigned the receivership. The American Print Works. FALL RIVER, MASS., Feb. 12.—Arrangements continue to be made for the two years' extension requested by the American Print Works. A visit of Treasurer Borden to Providence yesterday was anticipated by the creditors in that city, and the extension was favorably received in Boston yesterday, and the extension will probably be given. The indebtedness in Bos-

ton is \$105,000 held by three banks. Guilty of Violating the Election Laws. BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.-In the United States Circuit Court, Judge Bond, in the case of Wm. R. Bodenhigh, indicted for interfering with a United States marshal, and Intimidating voters at the late Congressional election, the jury rendered a verdict of guilty. Defendant held for

Republican Gains in Staten Island. New Brighton, S. I., Feb. 12.—Returns from yesterday's town election in this county show a decided republican gain. The board of super-visors, which last year was composed entirely of democrats, will this year consist of three democrats and two republicans.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.-Edward R. Thompson, a retired commodore of the U.S. navy, died this morning in this city.

The Markets.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.—Virginia sixes deferred, 7½; do. consolidated, 54½; tdo. second series, 37 bid to-day. Bugar quiet—A soft, 8¾a8¾.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.—Cotton quiet and firm—middling, 9½. Flour strong and active, without change. Wheat firm—southern red, 1.00a1.05; do. amber, 1.06a1.07½; No. 2 Pennsylvania red, 1.07½; No. 2 western winter red, spot and February, 1.06½ a1.06½: March, 1.97½a1.07½; April, 1.08½a1.06½. Corn. southern higher and active; western better and fairly active—southern white, 44a45; do. yellow, 44a45½; western mixed, spot, 44½; February, 44½a44½; March, 44a44½; April, 44½; May, 45a45½; steamer, 41½. Oats firm and fairly active—southern, 30a34; western white, 32a33½; do. mixed, 30a 31; Pennsylvania, 30a33½. Bye quiet, 58. Hay steady and without change. Provisions unchanged. Butter steady—prime to choice western packed, 18a 20; rolls, 12a17. Eggs dull and lower—fresh, 15a16. Petroleum dull—crude, 8½a8½; refined, 9½. Coffee strong and uncharged. Whisky dull, 1.08½. Freights to Liverpool per steamer quiet—cotton, 4d; flour, 2s. 6d.; grain, 6½d. Receipts—flour, 2,752; wheat, 76,000; corn, 128,800; oa*s, 3,200. Shipments—wheat, 29,060; corn, 14,000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Stocks steady. Money, 2a 2½. Exchange, long, 485%; short, 488. Governments active.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Flour quiet. Wheat quiet. The Markets.

nents active. NEW YORK, Feb. 12.-Flour quiet. Wheat quiet, Corn active
LONDON, Feb. 12, 12 30 p. m.—U. 8. bonds, fourand-a-half per cents., 108%: 1867s, 104. Erie, 25%.
New Jersey Central consols, 87. Pennsylvania Central, 36. Reading, 12%. W. B. FLEMING has been elected to Congress from the Savannah (Ga.) district, to fill the place of Hon. Julian Hartridge, deceased. There

was no opposition. CHARGED WITH LIBEL.-J. C. Conn, editor of the Wilkesbarre (Pa.) Plain Dealer, was arrest-

ed yesterday upon two charges of libel, pre-ferred by President Judge Harding. One thou-sand dollars ball was furnished in each case.