

By Telegraph.

News Items.

PARIS, March 2.—Despatches from Vera Cruz state that communication with the capital is interrupted, preventing the transmission of Maximilian's despatches.

St. Louis, Mo., March 2.—The central system went into operation yesterday.

Congressional.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—In the Senate, the bankrupt bill was passed.

The Foreign Committee reported adversely on the resolution to protect the rights of Americans in Mexico, and for the enforcement of claims of American investments in Mexican bonds.

The conference report retiring the compound interest notes was adopted. It provides for the issue of three per cent. loan certificates, of which \$50,000,000 only shall be outstanding.

The veto of the tenure of office bill was read. The bill was passed, notwithstanding, by 35 to 11.

In the House, the proceedings were uninteresting, until the reception of the message vetoing the military bill. The bill was passed, notwithstanding the veto, by 135 to 47.

[We received by telegraph, last night, what was intended as a synopsis of the President's veto of the military bill, but it was a something that we found impossible to decipher. We expect to receive the message in full, by mail, in a day or two, when we will present it to our readers.]

In a work just published, the Abbe Domenech gives a strange idea of the Mexican Court. He once asked who a new privy councillor was, who was to dine with the Emperor that evening. "The greatest robber in the empire," was the reply; "he annexed, last week, \$30,000, which ought to be in the public treasury." On another occasion, one of the Emperor's orderly officers, who had been aide-de-camp to General Miramon, was pointed out to the Abbe. "Before attaining this rank," remarked a Mexican, "he spent three years at the galleys, and is one of the most talented robbers in Mexico." The dressing-rooms at the court balls were invariably rifled of their contents, and ladies, after dancing, vainly sought their shawls, cloaks, &c. A ball was given by the French officers after their entrance into Mexico, when the guests cut off the gold fringes and tassels which adorned the velvet curtains of the ball-room.

MUCH TAKING OF OATHS.—A Western editor who has been a lawyer, in one of his lucid intervals, writes the following:

A practice of thirty years in the tribunals of civil and criminal justice has satisfied us that any man who will wilfully and deliberately lie for the purpose of benefiting himself, or injuring another, will as readily swear to that lie. Oaths have been so cheapened, by being so universally and unnecessarily required, that they have come to have no sanctity at all. We would just as soon take a man's testimony without his oath as with it.

Prentice, in the Louisville Journal, thus concludes a notice of the late poet of Idlewild:

"Farewell Willis! As the Hebrew girl by her loved river sits and listens to its melancholy wail, mourning for glories long since faded, so sit we tonight by thy fresh-made grave and mourn for one who was the magic musician whose lightest strain stirred our rugged nature and softened its stern chords, until only harmony—soft, sweet, delicious harmony—filled our soul. Willis, farewell."

SINGULAR DISCOVERY OF COIN.—Mr. Samuel Horton, of Rockaway, N. Y., while engaged in felling some trees in the vicinity of Grassy Pond, a few days since, came across a hollow tree, in which he found secreted the sum of \$800 in silver. From marks upon some of the coins, it is evident that the deposit was made over fourteen years ago.

A census of Alabama, taken in 1866, shows that the population of that State has only increased 9,000 in the past six years. The total population given by this census is 973,285.

A man in Philadelphia put his mother, aged seventy-nine, out in the street, to be taken care of by the police.

A fruit dealer was told by a Detroit paper that he sold berries in a false measure. Fruit dealer was awarded \$5,000 damages.

152 railway bills will be submitted for the consideration of the English Parliament at the ensuing session.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL.

LONDON, March 2.—Noon.—Consols 91. Bonds 73 1/2.

LIVERPOOL, March 2.—Noon.—The cotton market opens firm, and sales reach 8,000 bales—middling uplands 13 1/4; Orleans 13 1/4. Breadstuffs generally unchanged.

New York, March 2.—Noon.—Money 6 per cent. Exchange—sixty days 8 1/2; sight 9 1/2. Gold 38 1/4.

7 P. M.—Cotton dull and easier, with sales of 600 bales, at 31 1/2. Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat dull and drooping. Corn closed firmer; mixed \$1.05. Western pork firmer; new mess \$21@21.50.

Lent.

The Right Rev. Bishop Lynch has issued the following regulations for Lent in the diocese of Charleston:

Ash Wednesday, the day of Lent, falls on the 6th of March.

1. All the faithful, who have completed their twenty-first year, are, unless legitimately dispensed, bound to observe the Fast of Lent.

2. They are to make only one meal a day, excepting Sundays.

3. The meal allowed on fast day is not to be taken till about noon.

4. At that meal, if on any day permission should be granted for eating flesh, both flesh and fish are not to be used at the same time, even by way of seasoning.

5. A small refreshment, commonly called collation, is allowed in the evening; no general rule as to the quantity of food permitted at this time is or can be made. But the practice of the most regular Christian is never to let it exceed the fourth part of an ordinary meal.

6. The quality of food allowed at a collation is, in this diocese, bread, butter, cheese, all kinds of fruits, salads, vegetables and fish. Milk and eggs are prohibited.

7. General usage has made it lawful to drink in the morning some warm liquid, as tea, coffee, or thin chocolate, made with water.

8. Necessity and custom have authorized the use of hog's lard, instead of butter, in preparing fish, vegetables, &c.

9. The following persons are exempted from the obligations of fasting: Young persons under twenty-one years of age, the sick, nursing women, those who are obliged to do hard labor, all who through weakness cannot fast without great prejudice to their health.

10. By dispensation the use of flesh meat will be allowed at any time on Sundays, and once a day on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, with the exception of Holy Thursday, and the second and last Saturdays of Lent.

11. Persons dispensed from the obligation of fasting, on account of tender or advanced age, or hard labor, are not bound by the restriction of using meat only at one meal on days on which its use is granted by dispensation. Others dispensed from the fast for other causes, as well as those who are obliged to fast, are permitted to use meat only at one meal.

COLORED PEOPLE AND THE STREET CARS.—At intervals of about two months, we are called upon to record an instance of an obstreperous darkey attempting to ride inside the street cars in opposition to the rules of the companies and the decisions of the Supreme Court. Another instance of this kind of conduct on the part of a colored man happened yesterday, on a car of the Arch Street Railway Company, above Broad street. The colored man being requested to vacate, refused to do so. The car was put off the track and the colored individual allowed to remain inside the motionless car. A crowd soon collected and a general discussion on the subject of the rights of the colored people was indulged in. The most emphatic in expressing an opinion was a colored woman, who "didn't see what right a nigger had sticking himself amongst white folks where he wasn't wanted, and getting the white folks down on us." No further disturbance occurred, and the colored man soon got tired of his quiet position and vacated.—Philadelphia Age, 28th.

THE NEW YORK DRY GOODS TRADE.—The New York Commercial, in a review of the dry goods trade, says: Prices are not very firm. It is uncertain if any great quantities of goods could be disposed of at a reduction. Merchants are buying such amounts as the actual necessities of their trade require, and are very cautious about accumulating stocks. Woolen goods do not show the same improvement. The trade is without animation, and people have almost ceased to expect any change at present. The auction sales of foreign goods continue to be quite animated, but importers are generally submitting to a loss on their earlier importations. Some goods imported this season bring remunerative prices, but generally the dress goods and spring fabrics can be purchased here cheaper than they actually cost to import.

INDIANS AT CHURCH.—Several Indians attended the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, in Washington, on Sunday morning, when a sermon was preached on the subject of domestic missions, and, without any previous announcement, \$1,200 were collected on the spot for mission purposes. The afternoon services, at the same church, were rendered interesting by the presence of a large number of Dakotas and Ojibways, baptized members of the church. One of the Ojibways, who is an ordained deacon, was in the chancel with his surplice, and made a few remarks, in good English, explaining the condition of his tribe, followed by remarks from two others, in their own language. A choir of twelve sang two hymns very creditably, in their native tongue, and every Indian present had his prayer-book, translated from the Book of Common Prayer. The church was crowded to excess.

The investigation of "frauds" by radical Congressmen turn out as costly as the frauds themselves.

The Russian Government has made another step in advance. It has partially thrown open to the Jews two important towns formerly closed against them. Jewish merchants of the second and third guild may now settle at Sebastopol and Nikolaieff, trade there, and even acquire real estate. A still greater boon to the Jews, and one which has also a political significance, is the offer made by the Russian Government to the Jews of Bokhara and other central Asiatic countries, to take them under its protection. The offer, it is said, has been eagerly accepted by them, as they were fearfully oppressed by the Mohammedan rulers and population of those countries.

TROUBLE AMONG DRY GOODS MERCHANTS.—William A. Putney, a member of a prominent dry goods firm in Chicago, has commenced three suits against Claffin & Co., and Seth Otis, of New York, and his two partners, laying the aggregate damages at \$200,000, the charges being trespass and slander. He alleges that the defendants in these suits have conspired to get him out of his firm, and have made scandalous charges against him, in order to destroy his credit.

SHARP PRACTICE.—Congress has various "investigating" committees at work; but the one that is investigating the frauds at New York has met with an accident—the peculiarly "sharp" citizens of that place having stolen a great part of the evidence which has been taken. The committee, however, intended to call the witnesses over again.

The Denver News says there is a curious rumor from the mountains, by a gentleman just down, that a remarkable pocket or cavity has been found in one of the mines near Gregory Point, the walls of which are absolutely lined or plated with gold. Its informant had seen a small specimen from it which was valued at \$200.

A whole family in Philadelphia was discovered last week in almost the last stages of starvation, and the horror of the scene was heightened by the discovery of the appalling fact that the father of the family, who had died ten days ago, was still unburied, from lack of the necessary means to defray the expenses of sepulture.

The Japanese Ambassador now in Paris will visit the United States before returning home. His name is Ko-tole, and he bears the title of Yamato-no-Kami. He is a Minister of Foreign Affairs at Japan, grand officer of the Tycoon, and governor of one of the largest provinces.

A gold mine is said to have been discovered on the farm of John Wilborn, in Marion County, Ky. Lots twenty feet square are held at \$20,000 each. It is not said whether any have been bought, though the specimens found appear to be the genuine metal.

The English are gradually increasing their use of tobacco. In 1841, they consumed less than fourteen ounces per head of the population; in 1861, it was eleven pounds three and a half ounces; and in 1864, eleven pounds four and three-quarter ounces.

At the Virginia State Library may be seen a curiosity in the shape of a piece of white pine plank, in the heart of which is a perfect representation of a human leg and foot, complete in its proportions, as well as color.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF CHARLESTON, MARCH 2.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY. Schr. N. W. Smith, Tucker, New York. Schr. Wm. Slater, Rockport, Me.

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A large stock of EXTRA CARPET BAGS and Ladies' SACHELS. Call and examine, and be convinced.

ALFRED TOLLESON. Feb 26

Hats! Hats!



NEW STYLES! Just Received

BY R. & W. C. SWARFIELD, Feb 16 Bedell's Row.

WATCHES, CLOCKS,

AND JEWELRY.

THE undersigned has on hand and is constantly receiving the LATEST STYLES OF GOODS in his line, to which he invites the attention of purchasers. Give him a call.

Just received, a splendid assortment of Dawson, Warren & Hyde's TIP-TOP PENS.

REPAIRING. In all its branches, promptly attended to.

I. SULZBACHER, Feb 2 At J. Sulzbacher & Co.'s.

FRESH ARRIVAL!

RECEIVED per Steamers "Carroll," "Sea-Gull" and "Lulu."

3,000 lbs. prime White Maryland CORN. 500 lbs. IRISH (Sweet) POTATOES. 500 bushels BRAN.

Feb 15 BROWNE & SCHIRMER.

To Arrive.

EIGHT THOUSAND bushels PRIME WHITE CORN.

1,500 bushels Oats. 50 barrels Pink Eye Potatoes.

At BROWNE & SCHIRMER'S, Volger's Old Stand. Feb 27

CLARK & PEETE, HOUSE, SIGN and ORNAMENTAL PAINTERS, Graining, Marbling, Gilding, Glazing and Kalsomining. Paper Hanging executed in the best manner on the shortest notice.

Shop on Assembly street, next door to John Stork, between Washington and Lady streets. Country orders promptly attended to. Jan 30 3mo W. W. CLARKE. WM. PEETE.

White Corn.

JUST RECEIVED FIVE HUNDRED BUSHELS WHITE CORN, which we will close out at low figures. Apply to

LEVIN & MIKELL, Dec 6

Lime, Cement, Plaster Paris. WE have in store, and shall constantly on hand, a full stock of the above, and offer to contractors and builders, and those in want of the above, great inducements. Apply to

LEVIN & MIKELL, Washington street. Dec 6

DENTISTRY. HAVING opened my office permanently in Columbia, I may be found at all hours at the rooms over R. C. Anderson's store, on Main street. Jan 5 D. P. GREGG.

Cutlery! Cutlery! A FULL assortment of Table and Pocket CUTLERY, SCISSORS, &c., in store and for sale low by JOHN C. DIAL.

Paints, Oils, Glass, Varnishes, &c. SIX THOUSAND LBS. WHITE LEAD, in Oil. A complete assortment of Colored Paints, dry and in oil. 300 boxes Window Glass, assorted sizes. ALSO, Linseed, Tanners', Kerosene and Machinery Oils. Furniture, Coach and Japan Varnishes. A complete variety of Paint, Varnish, Graining, White-wash, Dusting and Scrubbing Brushes. In store and for sale at lowest prices by JOHN C. DIAL.

NOTICE! NO MORE CREDIT. We will sell for CASH ONLY, at the lowest possible rates. JOHN C. SEEGER & CO. Feb 13

FRESH EGGS. 200 DOZEN for sale low. E. & G. D. HOFF.

ALE! ALE! A FRESH SUPPLY just received and for sale at WHOLESALE and on DRAUGHT, for cash only. Feb 13 JOHN C. SEEGER & CO.

Baltimore Advertisements.

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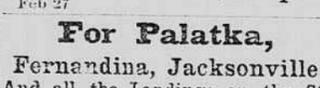
Orders solicited and prompt attention given. Feb 26 1mo

Charleston Advertisements.

Livery and Sale Stables, CHALMERS STREET, Charleston, S. C. PROPRIETORS, SADDLE HORSES, CARRIAGES, PHLETONS and Buggies to hire, at all hours. Mules and Horses for sale. Feb 27

CHARLESTON HOTEL, CHARLESTON, S. C. WHITE & MIXER, Prop'rs. Feb 27

For Palatka, Fernandina, Jacksonville And all the Landings on the St. John's River, VIA SAVANNAH, GA.



THE NEW AND SPLENDID STEAMSHIP "DICTATOR," (1,000 TONS BURTHEN,) CAPTAIN LOUIS M. COXETER.

ON and after the 26th October, this fine ship will sail from Southern Wharf every FRIDAY NIGHT, at 10 o'clock, for the above places.

For freight or passage, apply on board, or at the office of the Agency, 17 Vanderhorst's Wharf, Charleston, S. C. Oct 24 J. D. Aiken & Co., Agents.

HOES AND CHAINS. At the Sign of the Golden Pail. ONE HUNDRED doz. HOES, assorted qualities and sizes. 500 pairs TRACE CHAINS, assorted. In store and for sale CHEAP for CASH by Jan 24 JOHN C. DIAL.

SALT AND BLUE STONE. FOUR HUNDRED sacks LIVERPOOL SALT, extra large, at \$3.30. 1,000 lbs. BLUE STONE, 7 lbs. for \$1. The above will be sold at prices named, or at lower prices, if offered lower by any house in Columbia. "We will not be undersold." J. & T. R. AGNEW.

Paints, Oils, Window Glass. THREE THOUSAND lbs. pure WHITE LEAD, ground in oil. 1,000 lbs. St. Louis White Lead, ground in oil, at 12 1/2 cents per pound. 200 gallons boiled and raw Linseed Oil. Together with a complete assortment of Tanners' and Machinery Oils, dry and ground Paints, Furniture, Coach and Japan Varnishes, Window Glass, Putty, Paint Brushes, Varnish, Dusting and Scrubbing Brushes. For sale at low prices by J. & T. R. AGNEW. Oct 31

PROSPECTUS OF THE BAPTIST. WE PROPOSE to publish a WEEKLY PAPER, devoted to the diffusion of the principles of religion and the interests of the Baptist denomination. We have been moved to this undertaking by the solicitations of brethren in various portions of this State, as well as of other States, among the readers of the late Confederate Baptist, and by our own conviction that a paper of a high character would contribute largely to the intellectual improvement, the religious progress and the general welfare of the churches. The field is large, affording ample room for all sincere and zealous laborers.

The Baptist will be printed on a sheet about twenty-two by thirty-two inches, and will contain twenty-four broad columns, mostly in Long Primer type, clear and legible, so that it may be read with comfort, even by the aged. Its entire mechanical execution will be of the highest order. Our columns will be enriched by correspondence and contributions from the other Southern States, and, occasionally, from Europe and our missionary stations abroad. The entertainment and instruction of the young, especially the children, will not be forgotten; and our venerable friend, "Uncle Fabian," so well and favorably known to the readers of the Confederate Baptist, will resume his labors in their behalf. In short, we possess all the facilities requisite to produce a paper of the first rank. As such, we offer it to our brethren, and solicit their generous co-operation.

The Baptist will be issued as soon as a sufficient number of subscribers have been secured.

Terms—\$3 a year, payable on the reception of the first number; and our vendors. All communications will be addressed to "The Baptist, Columbia, S. C."

J. L. REYNOLDS, A. K. DURHAM, Editors and Proprietors.

HARVEY'S ITCH OINTMENT! It cures Itch in twenty-four hours. It cures all kinds of Itch—Barber's Itch, Camp Itch, Tetter Itch, Pile Itch, Scald-head Itch. For sale by FISHER & HEINITSH, Pharmacists. Jan 12

A Great Medicine for Horses, Mules, Brood Mares. THE GERMAN HORSE POWDER—the only safe medicine, and the only good medicine worth giving to a horse, for all diseases to which horses and mules are subject. It improves their condition, makes them serviceable, renders them valuable, makes them sleek and beautiful. For sale by FISHER & HEINITSH, Druggists.

Auction Sales

Mules, Horses, Cows, &c. By JACOB LEVIN. TO MORROW MORNING, at half-past 10 o'clock in front of the Court House, I will sell, Mules, Horses, Cows, Spring Wagons, Harness, &c., &c. March 3

Bacon, Lard, &c. By JACOB LEVIN. ON TUESDAY MORNING next, I will sell, at the old stand, corner of Assembly and Plain streets, 5 casks very superior Canvassed Hams. 1 hhd. prime Bacon Sides. 20 tubs superior Lard, in 50-lb. packages. Boxes Family Soap. Kigs prime Butter. Bags Onions, &c. March 3 2

SHERIFF'S SALE. The City of Columbia vs. Estate J. J. Kinsler.—Execution for City Taxes, \$2,105.54. BY virtue of the above writ of fieri facias to me directed, I will sell, before the Court House in Columbia, within the legal hours, on the first MONDAY and TUESDAY in March next, The following REAL ESTATE, to wit: One lot of Land, in the City of Columbia, situated and fronting on Richardson street 52 feet, more or less, and running back to Assembly street 417 feet 4 inches, together with the Bricks and Out-buildings thereon; bounded South by the old Branch Bank lot, formerly owned by the Rev. Dr. Adger, West by Assembly street, North by lot of Dr. Frederick Marks and East by Richardson street.

Also, A lot of Land, in Richland District, containing two acres, more or less, bounded South by James Tarrar, West by lands leading to Butcher Town, North by lands formerly owned by R. N. Lewis and Dr. A. W. Kennedy, and East by James M. Crawford. Levied on as the property of John J. Kinsler, deceased, at the suit of the City of Columbia vs. John J. Kinsler, deceased. Terms cash.

Also, A One-story Framed Building, 20 by 40 feet, fronting on Washington street, occupied by E. Starvenghen as a dry goods and shoe store. Levied on as the property of Scott & Heriot, at the suit of T. M. Bristol vs. Wm. E. Scott. Terms cash.

Also, All the right, title and interest of John H. Kinsler in fifteen (1,500) hundred acres of Land, in Richland District, and all the buildings thereon, about fourteen miles above Columbia, on Cedar Creek—bounded on the South by lands of Joseph Douglass, A. C. Row and James Lever; West by lands of the Estate of Felix Turnipseed and George Keith; North by lands of N. J. Dubard, John Lever and Estate of Felix Turnipseed; East by lands of A. F. DuLard and Joseph Douglass; levied on as the property of John H. Kinsler, at the suit of the Exchange Bank of Columbia vs. John H. Kinsler. Terms cash. Feb 9 J. E. BENT, S. R. D.

Toothache Cured in One Minute. THE most violent toothache relieved in one minute. For sale by FISHER & HEINITSH, Pharmacists. Feb 1

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SUGARS AND MOLASSES. 5 HHDs. MUSCOVADO MOLASSES—new crop. 15 bbls. Muscovado Molasses—new crop. 30 " Extra C Sugar. 5 " Crushed " 5 " Pulv. " 100 sacks Liverpool Salt, seamless sacks, at \$3.35. 100 lbs. English Blue Stone, at 14c. 2,000 lbs. " Copperas, at 6c. In store and for sale by A. L. SOLOMON, Second door from Shiver House, On Plain street. Oct 18

Canned Goods. GREEN PEAS, GREEN CORN, TOMATOES, Peaches, Pine Apple, Lobsters, Salmon, Oysters, Cranberry Sauce, Egg Plums, Pie Fruits, fresh Mackerel, Sardines, English and American Pickles, Calfs Sausages, &c. On hand and for sale low by J. & T. R. AGNEW. Feb 24

ALE! ALE! FIFTY doz. Bass & Co.'s PALE ALE, for sale very low by Feb 24 J. & T. R. AGNEW.

CHEESE! CHEESE! 25 BOXES choice CUTTING CHEESE, just received by Feb 9 J. & T. R. AGNEW.

Cash Notice. FOR the information of all concerned, we state that our terms are CASH BEFORE DELIVERY OF GOODS. Orders sent us from country and elsewhere will receive no attention unless accompanied with cash to pay the bill. Aug 12 J. & T. R. AGNEW.

HAMS! HAMS! 100 CHOICE Sugar-cured HAMS, just received and for sale by Jan 25 J. & T. R. AGNEW.

HERRINGS! HERRINGS! 200 BOXES HERRINGS, just received and for sale at 60c. per box by Jan 19 J. & T. R. AGNEW.

"BEWARE OF THAT COUGH!" THE changing season is productive of many afflictions of the lungs and throat. A small cough is the voice of nature telling you to beware of the danger of a neglected cough. For all kinds of coughs and affections of the lungs, use "STANLEY'S COUGH SYRUP." It will cure you. Begin at once! Don't delay. Go to FISHER & HEINITSH, and ask for "Stanley's." They are the proprietors. Nov 9

QUEEN'S DELIGHT! Queen's Delight!! HAVE you tried the QUEEN'S DELIGHT? The great American blood purifier? If not, do so at once. It is, without any exception, the greatest medicine out. Don't get any other blood cleanser. For sale by FISHER & HEINITSH, and E. E. JACKSON. Feb 3

The Two-Shilling Cough Remedy! A COMBINATION of Wild Cherry and Tar. A valuable cough-cure—for consumption, coughs, colds, asthma, influenza, catarrh and all lung diseases. Only 25 cents a bottle. For sale by FISHER & HEINITSH, Pharmacists.