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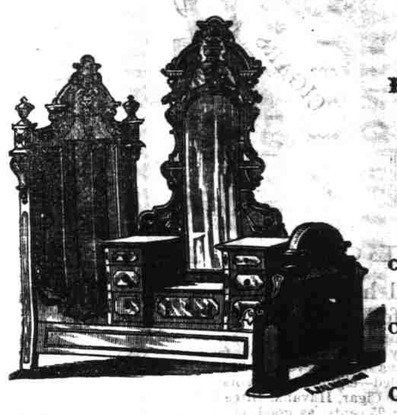

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I have removed my stock of Hardware, Stoves and Tinware to the NEW AND ELEGANT STORE ON TRADE STREET, lately occupied by J. Mc. Alexander as a Boot and Shoe Store.

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The Popular ZEB VANCE STOVE a specialty.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

WASHINGTON.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

Italian Commemorative Service—Death of a Commodore—The Great Tobacco Question—What the Lorillards Want.

General News and Gossip.

WASHINGTON, Jan 19.—Under directions from the Italian government the Italian legation will, on Tuesday, celebrate an official commemorative service in honor of the dead king, Victor Emanuel, at St Aloysius church. A grand requiem mass will be sung. The pews of the Italian delegation will be draped with Italian & American flags. The President's pew will be draped with American flags. The pews of the foreign legations and cabinet ministers will be draped in black catafalque, covered with black cloth. White satin, surrounded by burning candles, will rest within the chancel, and in the second raise of the catafalque will be placed the coat of arms of Italy, environed with an appropriate motto. On the head of the coffin will be placed a royal crown and the sides of the catafalque will be draped with the colors of Italy The celebration will be one of the most solemn affairs which has ever taken place here, having all the essential elements of an international affair.

Commodore Geo N Hollins died last night of paralysis, aged 79. It was he who, while commanding the sloop of war, Cyane, bombarded Greytown, Nicaraugua, in 1854. At the commencement of the late war he entered the Confederate service. For the past few years he has been crier in the city court of this city.

NIGHT DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, Jan 19.—The committee on Banking and Currency have directed their chairman, Gen Ewing, to report a resolution asking for power to send for persons and papers and otherwise investigate the amount of coin in the country available for resumption.

Gen Sheridan will shortly make a tour of inspection through his department. Gen Whipple, of Sherman's staff, will accompany Sheridan.

Mr Seidler appeared before the subcommittee of the Ways and Means committee, to-day, in the interest of Lorillard & Co, of New York, protesting against the proposed reduction of the tax on tobacco, claiming that, whereas, he had orders for 1,200,000 pounds in November, in December, after the agitation set in, he had orders for only 300,000 pounds; that his establishment worked 2,500 men; that it had a capacity of 60,000 pounds per day, and that his orders would average 50,000; that he was surprised that the Virginia manufacturers should be agitating this project; that the price of leaf tobacco depended upon the supply and demand; that the consumption was entirely irrespective of price; that there were only 8,000,000 consumers, consuming an average of fifteen pounds; that the price had nothing to do with the number of consumers or with the amount consumed; that the tax of 24 cents was low as compared with those of England, France, Germany, Spain and Austria, the tax in England being three shillings on manufactured tobacco; that if the tax was reduced the tariff would have to be increased and an income tax would have to be imposed; that if the tax was reduced to 12 cents the revenue from it would be reduced to one half; consequently, the cost of collection, which was now 4 per cent, would be 8 per cent. Business was now in a very unprofitable condition, but he attributed it to other causes than the tax; that one of the reasons why it was so unprofitable to Virginia manufacturers was because it was shipped to commission merchants and was, therefore, sold with heavy charges against them; and their reason was that they did not have advantage of the chemical processes which were had in New York, and that they were making inferior goods for the purpose of underselling; that these were reasons why Virginia manufacturers were so depressed, and not because of the tax. The fine cut men of the West and North-west came in for their share of these criticisms. Kentucky was not alluded to.

He further said that if the tax was reduced now it would have to be restored soon. He was further questioned by some gentlemen present, that if the present tax was building up such a giant establishment as he claimed, if it would not be better to double the present rate. He said that the smaller and poorer manufacturers were more liable to defraud the government than were the larger ones, because from the latter larger bonds were required and more people were watching, the argument being that it would be beneficial to the government to concentrate the manufacture in the larger establishments. He admitted that tobacco was very low now, lugs in the New York and Western markets being 2 or 2½ cents, and in Virginia 3 cents. In order to save their Western trade Lorrillard & Co gave guarantees to their customers, that in the event of a reduction of the tax, it would involve them in a loss of over $300,000.

In regard to the rebate on the tax Mr Seidler argued that the stock on hand would be nearly one half of the year's supply. Some 60,000 pounds at 12 cents would cause a loss to the government of $7,200,000. He said that Mr Kimball, chief of the tobacco bureau in this city, had stated to him that it would open a vast area of perjury and fraud.

Col Burwell was present and prepared to present argument in behalf of Virginia manufacturers; but owing to the prolonged session he was requested to furnish his views in writing, which he will do early next week.

A Maritime Association Declare Against Silver.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—At the Maritime Exchange yesterday, the following memorial to Congress was signed by many merchants, bankers and representatives of the leading Marine Underwriters Steamship Companies and shipping houses of the city:

"We, the undersigned members of the Maritime Association of the port of New York, feel it to be our duty to remonstrate against any legislation that shall make silver an unlimited legal tender, as in our opinion such legislation would unsettle values, disturb confidence, retard resumption in gold and impair the national credit."

THE GREAT WAR.

The Armistice to be Offered by Russia Will Probably not be Accepted by Turkey—Grand Duke Nicholas and the Turkish Delegates Meet to Make Peace—The Ravages of Typhus.

LONDON, Jan 19.—A special to the *Times* from St Petersburg says a person who helped to draw up the armistice conditions states that they are such as are not likely to be accepted by the Turks. The same dispatch states that the minister of the Interior has instructed the press to be moderate in its remarks about Austria and England.

The *Times'* Pera dispatch has the following: "It is said that Grand Duke Nicholas, accompanied by his staff and Gen Ignatieff, met the Turkish delegates Friday morning, at a station on the Jamboli railway. The Grand Duke had advanced to meet the delegates because of the difficulty on the road, and courteously invited them to return by carriage with him."

The Constantinople correspondent of the *Standard* telegraphs Thursday evening: "I am assured that the council of ministers to-day decided to order the Turkish ambassadors at Vienna and London to request the explanation of the protests against a separate peace recently lodged by Austria and England, and to ask how far Turkey may count upon the support of these countries."

The correspondent of the *Times* at Vienna declares positively that Austria has made no communication to the Porte concerning the terms of peace since her answer to the Porte's note, December 12th, asking mediation. The present report seems to be founded upon the reservations which Austria then made.

The *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent at Pera states that the Turkish delegates met Grand Duke Nicholas at Tirnova Semenli, and preliminary notes were exchanged. The Grand Duke then announced that he had decided to treat only at Adrianople, which should be immediately evacuated. The delegates having assented, orders were telegraphed to D'Jeniel Pasha to evacuate Adrianople. Upon this decision being communicated to the foreign consuls at Adrianople, they telegraphed to their ambassadors for instructions, and were ordered to remain and protect their countrymen. D'Jeniel Pasha then prepared to retire upon the fortified lines before Adrianople where reinforcements are now concentrating. The Russians will probably arrive at Adrianople in two days, Tirnova Semenli being 35 kilometres distant therefrom. Negotiations will then begin. It is generally thought here that the wisest policy is for Turkey to make peace at once."

The *Times'* Pera correspondent says: "Queen Victoria telegraphed the Sultan that he was already acquainted with the action of the British government, and that she had herself urged the Czar to make prompt and honorable peace."

LONDON, Jan 19.—The *Times'* Bucharest correspondent who has gone to Giurgevo to try and cross the Danube at that place into Bulgaria, telegraphs from Giurgevo: "The mortality among the Turkish prisoners at Frateshti is fearful. The station of Frateshti is becoming a terror to travelers between Bucharest and the Danube. Even if there is nothing worse there than ordinary typhus, the mortality is evidenced by the numerous graves in the plain surrounding the prisoners' camp, justifies the apprehensions of travelers. I saw Russian soldiers digging huge graves, and near them fifty Turkish corpses lying in confused heaps as they were emptied from the dead carts. Their rugged, half clad forms and the frost bites visible on their naked limbs, gave evidence of the hardships they had suffered on their dreadful march from Nikopolis."

Uncle Sammy Gains a Victory on that Income Tax Business.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The adjourned case of Governor Tilden's alleged unpaid income tax came up before Judge Blatchford in the United States District Court to-day, on an argument on demurrer to the complaint. Mr. Aaron J. Vanderpool appeared for Gov. Tilden and District Attorney Woodford for the United States. There are nine counts in the complaint to all of which demurer is made on technical grounds, the merits of the case not being gone into. It was decided to take up each count separately. The first count charges $3,000 back tax for the fiscal years of 1861 and 1862.

Mr. Vanderpool claimed that the laws passed about that time were recognized as necessary war measures and annulled the law requiring the payment of income tax in that year.

Judge Blatchford sustained the demand, giving Tilden the first victory.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Powers, Garton & Co., dealers in boots and shoes, have suspended; liabilities $260,000; nominal assets $265,000; real, $15,000.

George L Watrous & Co., dealers in hats, furs and straw goods in New York, have assigned; liabilities $160,000; assets unknown.

John Thomas, mining stock broker, late president of the "Queen of the West" silver mining company has made an assignment; liabilities $88,000; assets nominal.

It is reported that Owen Murphy, the fugitive excise commissioner, is dangerously ill at Ottowa, and that his wife is insane.

The ship Abyssinia, from Liverpool, yesterday, took 200,000 pounds of specie.

Messrs Beveridge & Helliwell, of Montreal, importers of woolens, have failed; liabilities, $75,000.

The Louisiana Returning Board Arraigned in the State Court.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan 19.—The members of the returning board have been arraigned in the superior criminal court. The indictment charges them with forgery and with altering the returns from Vernon parish. The counsel made a motion to quash the indictment on the ground that the proceedings were irregular. The motion was overruled without argument. The members of the board then pleaded "not guilty," and were admitted to bail on their old bonds. The day of trial has not been fixed.

The Charter Oak Life Insurance Company.

NEW YORK, Jan 19.—A Hartford, Connecticut, dispatch says a new effort is being made to save the remaining assets of the Charter Oak Life Insurance Company by keeping it out of the hands of a receiver, and re organizing it as a purely mutual company. The stock is to be merged and wiped out, and the policies scaled. Legislative intervention is necessary in order to effect this, and, therefore, a new charter was asked for. It is thought that most of the policyholders will co operate with the managers in their efforts.

HARTFORD, CONN, Jan 19. A further postponement of one week was granted by the court hearing the question of a receivership for the Charter Oak Life Insurance Company.

The Government and the Chicago Postmaster.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—The government has commenced a suit against late Postmaster McArthurs for $300,000 deficiency. The bondsmen have set an answer, which alleges that the government was cognizant of and approved the deposits by McArthur of funds in the banks, and that the sureties are not therefore liable for the amount lost by the failure of any bank.

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13 Talented Artists Will Appear

POPULAR PRICES.

The management respectfully announce that in view of the stringency of the times, and yielding to the general demand for low prices notwithstanding the fact that the company they bring this season is the strongest in point of artistic talent, and the most expensive they have ever travelled with, they announce the following scale of prices: Admission 75 and 50 cents. NO EXTRA CHARGE FOR RESERVED SEATS which can be secured at the Central Hotel News Stand. jan16 1w

AUCTION SALE.

By virtue of a deed of trust to me executed by W R Lee, I will sell at auction for cash, on the 30th day of January, 1878, at the late stand of F Scarr & Co, the entire stock of drugs, medicines, oils, chemicals, fixtures, furniture and other articles of property lately in the possession of said firm.

W M SMITH,
Trustee.

FURTHER NOTICE.

All persons indebted to said firm of F Scarr & Co, must come forward and make payments to the undersigned without delay, no one being authorized to collect any bill due said firm but myself.

All persons having claims against said firm will please present to the undersigned.

W M SMITH, Trustee.
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QUICK CLOSING SALE

OF

E. D. Latta & Bro.'s Entire Stock of Overcoats, Cassimere Suitings and Winter Underwear,

At prices that will induce the purchaser to invest and hold for future wear.

There will be a *grand rush* and we would advise our friends to call early, in order to enjoy the best advantages in selections as well as bargains. We have concluded to sustain a heavy loss on our stock in order *speedily to close out our business*,

YOU CAN BUY

Our $35.00	Overcoats	(Silk-lined) for	$22.50
" 30	"	"	20
" 25	"	"	17.50
" 20	"	"	15
" 16	"	"	12
" 14	"	"	10
" 12 & $10	"	"	7
" 6 & $7.50	"	"	5
" 4	"	"	3

TO-MORROW

will begin the Grand Distributing Sale of the Mammoth Stock of E. D. Latta & Bro

YOU CAN BUY

Our $30.00	English Cassimere Suits	for	$22.50
" 27.50	" "	" "	20.00
" 25.00	" "	" "	18.00
" 20.00	Fancy "	" "	16.00
" 18.00	" "	" "	10.00
" 14, 15, & $16	" "	" "	12.00
" 12.50	Fancy "	" "	8.00
" 10. & $9	" "	" "	6.00
" 8.00	" "	" "	5.00

TO-MORROW

We will offer a lot of our $2.50 and $3 All-wool Cassimere Pants at the closing price...$1.50.

E. D. LATTA & BRO.

You can buy our $1.50 Excelsior Dress Shirt for 75 cts. Our Unlaundried Shirt, the very finest in the market, at 65cts—one half the standard value, $1.25. E. D. LATTA & BRO.

—You can buy our standard $2.00 Acme Shirt for *one lovely* dollar. E. D. LATTA & BRO.

—Ladies, you can buy for your sons our $5.50 School Suits—Coat, Vest and Pants—at our *closing* price $3.00.

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—Will be sold our finest Imported Silk Handkerchiefs including all lots of $1.00 and $1 25 at the closing price 65 cts.

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—You can buy our superfine Medicated Flannel Suits $5.00 for 3.50, or $1.75 for Shirts or Drawers.

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—You can buy any grade of our Underwear at astonishing prices—Our 50 cent Merino Shirt for 25 cents.

—You can buy Gloves at prices that will make you ashamed to go with hands uncovered. E. D. LATTA & BRO.

—You can buy a Hat at a price to pay you *well* in holding until you need it. E. D. LATTA & BRO.

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—Citizens, enhance your reality, protect your interests, do justice to your families, to your corporeal being. by investing in the great closing sale of E. D LATTA & BRO.

—Will be presented the rarest opportunity ever known in the Merchantile Experience of our age. The tremendous stock of E D LATTA & BRO. will be offered at "*crushing* prices."

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—Forty Thousand Dollars worth of Clothing and general wearing apparel will be dispersed broad cast at and below New York *Manufacturing* prices. E. D. LATTA & BRO.

—Not a "Dissolution" nor the "*Sham*" furor of reducing stock, but the determined *solid fact* and *quick closing sale* of our *entire business*.

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and the business is now carried on by the undersigned in his own name. I assume all just liabilities of the old firm and overtake all claims due it.

I enter the commercial battle-field with grateful thanks to the citizens of Charlotte and the public in general for the very many marks of confidence they ever evinced towards onr firm, and to me personally, and my greatest aim in the future will be to so conduct myself and my business as to remain worthy of a continuance of their favors and esteem.

To those indebted to the old firm, I call upon "not to be backward" in coming forward to settle, and start their accounts with me. Very respectfully,

S. WITTKOWSKY.

TO THE CUSTOMERS OF THE OLD FIRM:

I beg to say that the business will be carried on, in all its branches, as heretofore, and that I have greatly replenished my Stock, which is now splendidly assorted with new and seasonable Goods. *S. WITTKOWSKY.*

Jan 19, 1878.