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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

WASHINGTON.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

Coinage of the Trade Dollar—Sharp Debate on the Delay in Reporting the Applications for Pensions—The Acklin-Darrell Case from Louisiana.

General News and Gossip.

WASHINGTON, Jan 30.—The cabinet has decided to resume the coinage of the trade dollar at the Philadelphia mint.

The New Orleans jury in the returning board case consists of ten white and two colored men. The latter are comparatively intelligent and never took any part in politics

There is a spirited debate in the House over extending the time for the withdrawal of whiskey from the bonded warehouses.

SENATE—During the morning hour Hoar announced that he had received a communication from the Commissioner of Pensions in regard to the applications of soldiers for pensions not having been acted upon on account of the insufficient clerical force in the office of the surgeon general, where the hospital records of the army are kept.

Hoar, Edmunds and Ingalls commented on the delay in acting upon the pension cases, and argued that it was caused by the Democratic party reducing the appropriations.

Withers, of Virginia, replied that the party with which he acted, which was now charged with being the cause of the delay, had not reduced the clerical force of the surgeon general's office, or the pension office. On the contrary the clerical force of the surgeon general's office had been increased for the purpose of promptly acting upon the pension claims.

Davis, of West Virginia, read from the report of Jencks, made to the House of Representatives, to the effect that three persons had been detailed from the pension office to act as clerks of the Republican Congressional committee in this city.

WASHINGTON, Jan 30 —In the Acklin Darrell contested election case, from Louisiana, the whole committee on Elections heard the argument on the ex-parte testimony, and the application by Darrell for a continuation of the argument was made for him by Jere Wilson, and by the contestant Acklin for himself. The committee refused the application.

The Democrats on the commission of commerce in the Senate will be governed by the views of Mr Eustis. They will be joined by discontented Republicans, and an unfavorable report on Williamson, as collector of customs at New Orleans, is almost certain. An issue will be reached tomorrow.

THE GREAT EASTERN QUESTION.

No Certainty About the Preliminary Conditions—Austria's Attitude—Open Air Meetings in England and Anti-Russian Demonstrations.

LONDON, Jan 30.—No doubt there is a little misunderstanding between St Petersburg & Vienna. Austria it seems expected that the conditions of peace would be submitted to the European congress, or at least communicated for approval to the members of the triple alliance. The Vienna correspondent of the *Times* telegraphs as follows: "Whether the preliminary conditions have been signed or not, has become of purely secondary importance. The Porte at any rate has approved them, and according to all accounts, is quite ready to accept almost anything else which the Czar may propose, merely to prevent Russia from executing her threat of marching on Constantinople."

The *Telegraph's* Vienna dispatch says "Austria's refusal to annex Bosnia and Herzegovinia is confirmed on ministerial authority. Andrassy will sanction no measure calculated directly or indirectly to bring about the ruin of the Ottoman empire. This resolute attitude of Austria within a few hours has in a certain measure been made known to Russia by Count Andrassy, as well as Lord Derby, in the form of an identical note."

The Conservatives in the House of Commons expected to give solid support to the credit vote Thursday.—There are one or two defections but no more are probable. The Liberals, on the contrary, are divided. There will be numerous abstentions, and some Liberals, who will support the governm't home rulers, have not yet determined on their course, but will probably mostly abstain from voting. Such of them as vote, mainly the Ultramontanes, will support the government. The majority for credit are already estimated at over one hundred. Meetings are being held throughout the country to influence Parliament against credit, but they are mostly by Liberal, or reform or peace organizations No non-partisan meeting has yet been attempted. An open air meeting at Sheffield, yesterday, for the purpose of opposing the government, was turned into an anti-Russian demonstration. An amendment to an original resolution against credit was carried by an immense majority, declaring that the cause of peace and the interests of the empire will be best promoted by supporting the foreign policy of the government. The meeting numbered over 20,000 persons. They sang patriotic songs, cheered Lord Beaconsfield's name and greeted Lord Carnavron's with hisses and cries of "traitor."—Some of the leading provincial newspapers are taking an anti-Russian tone.

The central committee of the Red Crescent Society telegraphs from Constantinople an appeal to all kindred committees of the Red Crescent, all benevolent institutions and all kind hearted men of all countries. It says that a considerable number of wounded soldiers are flocking into Constantinople from all parts of the country. Nearly 150,000 refugees, victims of the war, flying from the scene of military operations, deprived of all means of existence, and almost naked, constitute a situation which, considering the limited resources of the Red Crescent Society, might end disaster in a general calamity."

American Vessels for the United States Export Trade.

HARRISBURG, PA, Jan 30.—Resolutions were offered in the House of Representatives, of this State, asking Congress to instruct the Postoffice Department to employ American vessels, at reasonable rates, to carry mails between the United States and those foreign nations with which it is desirable to promote commercial relations, and which will co-operate with our own government in the enterprise. Referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

Frank Leslie, the publisher, of New York, has been arrested in Philadelphia, charged with libel.

Darwan, Williams & Shannon, boot and shoe manufacturers, of Montreal, have failed for $220 000.

The schedule of E J Dunning, Jr, of Wall street, New York, dealer in commercial paper, who made an assignment, was filed to-day; liabilities, $1,854,004; nominal assets, $618,943.90; actual assets, $484,741

Communication with Brazil.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan 30. The ship Metropolis, hence for Brazil, is the second steamer despatched by contractors for the Madeira and Mamore Railroad, of Brazil. It carries two hundred laborers, 500 tons of railroad iron and special mails for Brazil. It goes direct to Para and will be followed soon by the steamer City of Richmond.

GIVING A CABARRUS BRIDE AND GROOM A TURN AROUND.—The Bear Creek correspondent of the Concord *Register* writes as follows in last week's issue of that paper:

Mr Reuben Rodgers was married to Miss M J Moody, by Esq. Ritchie, on the 17th. On the same night a large number of Bear Creekers assembled to serenade the bride and groom, with horns, tin cans, etc. During the fun, the bride and groom went out on the porch when a pistol was fired from the crowd, the ball striking the groom, Dr Rose was called in and dressed the wound, which was slight, but an inch difference would have sent the ball through his heart. The youngest daughter of Mr Moody was burnt in the face by the powder at the same time. Too much brandy was the cause of the whole affair, as all parties were friendly.

A WATER SPOUT.—On Monday evening, the 21st of this month, something like a water spout bursted about two miles south of this village. It was seen in the air and in shape resembled a cow's horn, with well defined lines, and seemed composed of something like the folds and billows of a dense smoke coming from the smoke stack of an over-wooded furnance. It moved in an easterly direction, its parts appearing in uneasy commotion until it reached a point about two miles from this place, and a little east of south, when it bursted and emptied its contents, which flooded the ground instantly, over the small area to which it extended, to a depth of at least six inches on level ground, as we are credibly informed by persons near the spot at the time, and very soon upon it. There was a very slight rain near by, but the few acres covered by the spout were converted into a lake for awhile. It was observed by people miles away and its course watched Nothing of the sort was ever known in these parts before.—*Alamance Gleanor.*

THE PLYMOUTH SAINT RISES TO EXPLAIN.—New York, January 28 —Henry Ward Beecher, yesterday morning, previous to his sermon, said he had been subjected to angry criticism on account of reports of his sayings that were grossly wrong. He alluded to the bread and water sermon and to the sermon on hell. He said that his sermons were printed in his paper cases without revision by him. Mr Beecher said that he thought the reporters of the New York dailies had not had a long theological training He did not care for himself, but one of the baleful effects of reporters condensing sermons was that the consciences of good men were disturbed, particularly editors of religious newspapers. Those people at once take it upon themselves to moan and lament over the misbeliefs and heresies of Plymouth church. These reports also left him under the imputation of hedging. In closing, Mr Beecher said, that he did not claim to represent any sect or denomination, and no one but himself was responsible for what he said. It is a noteworthy fact, that the four reporters present when the "hell" sermon was delivered, each made the same mistake Mr Beecher complains of, though the reporters sat in different parts of the church, and had no conversation with one another.

DIED.

In this county, Steel Creek congregation, on the 16th of January, Mrs N C Collins, wife of J S Collins, aged 41 years, 5 months and 3 days

Health Notes. Statistics prove that twenty-five per cent of the deaths in our larger cities are caused by consumption, and when we reflect that this terrible disease in its earlier stage will readily yield to a bottle of Dr Bull's Cough Syrup (costing 25 cents), shall we condemn the sufferers for their neglect, or pity them for their ignorance?

Too much cannot be said in praise of that great cough remedy Cousens' Compound Honey of Tar It will not only afford relief in case of an ordinary cold, but the sufferer with Consumption may rely on it as a permanent cure if taken in time, and according to directions. To persons afflicted with chronic cough which disturbs their rest at night, it affords sweet and refreshing sleep, and for Coughs, Colds, Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Hoarseness, etc., it is simply one of the greatest medical blessings of the age. Use Cousens' Compound Honey of Tar. Price 50 cents a bottle.

What glorious achievements are possible to us if we only possess good health, with its usual accompaniment of a cheerful mind Therefore no means should be neglected to preserve its vigor, and restore it when impaired. Bear in mind that Cousens' Compound Honey of Tar, which relieves Whooping Cough, Sore Throat Hoarseness, etc, is also an infallible cure for consumption That dreadful disease which consigns so many gifted men and women to an early grave can be cured by Cousens' Compound Honey of Tar. Price 50 cents a bottle.

Now and Then.

It is only now and then that such men as Hon Alex H Stephens, Ex-Gov Smith and Ex-Gov Brown, of Ga., endorse a medicine for the throat and lungs, and when they do it is pretty good evidence that the remedy must be good for the cure of coughs, colds and lung affections. They recommend the GLOBE FLOWER COUGH SYRUP, and their testimonials are to be be seen round the ten cent sample bottles of the Globe Flower Syrup, for sale by all druggists in Charlotte. A sample bottle relieves the worst cough and will cure sore throat. Regular size bottles, fifty doses $1.

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