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CHARLOTTE, N. C.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

WASHINGTON.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

Argument on the Texas and Pacific Again—Removal of Political Disabilities—The Southern Mail Contractors' Appropriation Discussed—Mr. Lamar Makes a Personal Explanation of His Position on the Money Question.

General News and Gossip.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—SENATE.—Among the petitions presented during the morning hour, was one by Whyte, (Md.) for the Hardford county, Maryland, Medical Society, favoring the removal of duties imposed on crude Peruvian bark and quinine. Referred to the committee on Finance.

McPherson, of New Jersey, by request, introduced a bill to provide for experiments and the purchase of movable torpedoes for military and naval defence. Referred to the committee on Naval Affairs.

The Post office committee ordered a favorable report on the Brazil line—one from New Orleans, touching at Galveston, and another from an Atlantic port.

Smit is on the calendar with the unavoidable report for the collector of customs of Mobile.

The silver bill will be forced to a vote to-night.

The House committee on Commerce agreed to an appropriation of \$55,000 for the James and \$20,000 for the Apomattox rivers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The argument before the Senate committee on Railroads, on the Texas and Pacific question, was continued to-day by Major Bond, vice president of that company. He called especial attention to the twenty-two feet of water in San Diego harbor or in comparison with the shallow waters of San Pedro Bay, which the Southern Pacific of California, proposes to make the western terminus of their road, and where everything has to be lightered. He showed that the entire line on the thirty-second parallel from the Mississippi river to the Pacific coast, was but 1,767 miles, or 450 miles shorter than the present line, and that the government and the public, while having the advantage of this great reduction in the travel, would also have the inconvenience of advantage of "having to pay interest on but only four millions of capital as against two hundred and fifty-one millions on the present line. He claimed that in no way could the country be benefited by being compelled to use Mr. Huntington's present line from Fort Yuma to San Francisco, as it alone was represented by a capital account of sixty-seven millions, the interest on which must be paid by the traffic passing over it, being more than the interest on the entire Texas and Pacific line, from the Mississippi to San Diego.

Major Bond contended that the best evidence of the good faith of the Texas and Pacific company was its offer to place the entire control of rates in the hands of Congress, not only on the line to be constructed, but on the 450 miles already built. He cited from the reports of the Central and Southern Pacific, companies to show that their main line to San Francisco had been saddled with about 1,600 miles of subsidizing branches so that the 2,200 miles operated in that one interest was represented by over one hundred and fifty millions of dollars, and on this enormous sum the trans-continental traffic of the country was now required to pay tribute. Major Bond also claimed that not only was the Southern Pacific of California, in default in not having built a continuous line between Fort Yuma and San Francisco, but that even the part of the line it had built was without authority of law, that company having failed to comply with the requirements of the California Legislature, and that until they had so complied with the California statutes, and also with the acts of Congress, they were not in a position to appear before a committee and assail the rights of the Texas and Pacific company, whose good faith could not be questioned.

Major Bond asserted that by thus evading the statutory requirements they had illegally obtained possession of over seven millions of acres of land, which of right day should be opened to settlement instead of being practically divided among four private individuals.

Major Bond closed by reading telegrams from California showing that the Southern Pacific had no material on hand to extend their line east of Fort Yuma, and claimed that their floating indebtedness was so heavy that they had no friends or credit to build an additional line at this time. The argument will be continued to-morrow.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Nominations: Bayard Taylor, minister to Germany; Jno. Belknap, Illinois, minister to Venezuela; Wm. C. Goodloe, of Kentucky, minister to Belgium.

Houses.— Bills were passed concerning the political disabilities of C. H. Williamson, of New York; Wm. C. Whittle, John T. Simons, C. H. Kennedy, Wm. Sharp, Thos. F. Page, V. H. Freeman, D. M. W. Nash, and C. F. Spalding, of Virginia; and John P. McCown, of Arkansas.

The bill directing the payment of \$275,000, appropriated by the last Congress for the claims of Southern mail contractors before the war, was discussed all day and no conclusion was reached.

Adjourned till Monday.

SENATE.—A vote will be forced to a vote on the silver bill. There are various amendments pending which will, by routine, prolong the proceedings to nearly dawn, and the probable adoption of one of which will carry the bill back to the House.

In the course of the debate Col. Lamar, of Mississippi, said:

"My President, having already expressed my deliberate opinions, at some length, upon this very important measure now under discussion, I shall not trespass upon the attention of the Senate further. I have, however, one other duty to perform, a very painful one. I admit, but one which is worse than less clear. I have in my hand certain resolutions of the Legislature of Mississippi, which I ask to have read."

Mr. Lamar then sent to the clerk's

desk, and has read, the resolutions of the Mississippi Legislature instructing their Senator to vote for the silver bill.

Mr. Lamar, continuing, said: "My greatest, between these resolutions and my convictions, there is a great gulf. I cannot pass it. Of my love for the State of Mississippi, I will not speak; all life alone can tell it. My gratitude for all the honor her people have done me no words can express. I am best proving it by doing to-day what I think their interests and their true character require me to do. During my life in that State it has been my privilege to assist in the education of more than one generation of the young manhood that has passed into the troubled times of her social and political life. Upon them I have always endeavored to impress the belief that truth was better than falsehood, honesty better than policy, courage better than cowardice. To do my lessons foremost to-day must be true or false, honest or cunning, faithful or unfaithful to my people, even in this hour of their legislative disfavour and disapprobation. I cannot vote as these resolutions direct. I cannot and will not shirk the responsibility which my position involves. My duty as I see it is to do all I can to relieve a headache.

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This afternoon's "Post Mall Gazette" prints Berlin dispatch saying Prince Bismarck is reported to be prepared to give a full and clear explanation of his Eastern policy in answer to a question about to be put in Parliament. The Emperor is understood to be prepared in case of need to tender his good offices to England and Russia with a view to the preservation of peace, but he is not inclined to act in any way as an arbitrator between them.

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At a public meeting of the business men of Stateville resolutions were adopted asking a reduction of the tax on tobacco, and endorsing the reparation of silver and the standard of 412 grains to the dollar, and that the double standard be by Congress restored as it existed previous to 1876.

The town commissioners of Salisbury have ordered that all poll taxes for the town be devoted to the purpose of maintaining free public schools for the children of the town; the taxes so collected from whites for a school for white children, and the taxes so collected from colored men for a school for colored children.

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