FROM WASHINGTON. Prosecution of Election Cases in the South—The Gossip About Capt. Blair—Army and Militia Reorganization-The Resumption of Specie Payments -Senator Thurman and the Ohio Governorship, &c.

[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.]

PROSECUTION OF ELECTION CASES. WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The department of justice will, with the approval of the President, employ able counsel to assist the United States district attorney in the prosecution of the election cases in Louisiana and South Carolina. It is to be expected that there will be convictions in some of these cases, as the composition of the juries selected is such as to beget the suspicion that they will not be altogether impartial.

THE BLAIR SCANDAL.

A few days ago a publication in a paper of this city to the effect that Capt. Blair, of the United States army, who a year ago married the widow of Gen. Gordon Granger, had a wife living in Scotland, created a decided sensation, as both Capt. Blair and Mrs. Granger are well known in social circles here. Since the publication it has been privately stated by the friends of Capt, Blair that there is a woman in Scotland who claimed to be his wife, but whose claim to that title could not be maintained, and that Mrs. Granger was acquainted married him. The denouement is awaited here with lively interest, and the public curiosity will most likely telegraphic copy books. soon be gratified. Captain Blair, who is stationed at Santa Fe, New Mexico, has applied for and obtained leave of of inquiry.

ARMY REORGANIZATION.

In connection with the army reorganization bill, when it comes up for consideration, it is understood that amendments will be offered designed to perfect a thorough organization of the which has been actively agitated in one number of years, and on several occasions bills in aid of this purpose and making large appropriations have been introduced. The point has been made that it was one of the main objects of organization of a well disciplined and damages. well equipped militia for all of the States. Among the propositions which are suggested in this connection is to provide for a militia force of one thou sand men from each congressional district to be consolidated into divisions and corps under commanders appointed by the President, the brigade commanders to be designated by the Governors of the States, and the regimental officers to be elected by the men. This would make a militia organization of about 300,000 rank and file. Under this and under other propositions which have been drawn up the general government is to provide for the entire arming and equipment of the militia, and the men are to receive pay at a rate not to exceed \$1 per day for time spent in drills, parades and encampments There are a number of members of Congress who favor this idea in some shape, but there are a good many Republican members from the North who will oppose it simply because, as they allege, it is wanted in the South. Several members of the House say that when the army reorganization bill is taken up in that body, they will call for its reading every time. The same call can be made in the Senate if any Senator is so disposed. As the bill covers two or three hundred printed pages, such tactics as this would be sufficient to defeat it without any debate. THE CIPHER TELEGRAMS.

political circles to-day to the effect that

Mr. Tilden has personally intimated his desire to appear before the Potter committee and tell what he knows about the cipher telegrams. It is said that Mr. Tilden has come to the conclusion that it will be to his interest to show, as he claims that he can, that he knew nothing whatever of any improper attempts to influence the result of the and physicians think she will succeed. presidential election.

RESUMPTION.

Formal resuption of specie payments will not after all begin until the second day of January, 1879, although the law says "on and after the first of January." New Year's Day is a legal holiday, both here and in New York, and the treasury in Washington and the sub-treasury in New York will be closed on that day. The banks in New York and in other large cities will also be closed, so that the rush for gold, if there is to be anv. cannot be made until the second of the month. In anticipation of the demand which may be made for coin, additional paying-tellers have been provided for the New York sub-treasury, and they will all be on hand at ten o'clock on however, anticipate any run on the subtreasury, as they say that practically specie payments have been in full operation for a week past. Some of the leading Republican politicians, who no connection with the cipher dispatchhave been in recent consultation, have determined, after resumption is pronounced a fixed fact, and this they think "though Mr. Bayard would make a can be safely done in a few weeks, to urge the President to send to Congress a congratulatory message on the subject, claiming all the glory and honor for the Republican party, because to that party alone is due the passage of the specie resumption act.

THE OHIO GOVERNORSHIP. There is a great deal of talk just now about Senator Thurman running for | ada Southern train, due here at fifteen Governor of Ohio, and the talk has been | minutes past 10 last night, was passing deemed or sufficient importance to King's Mills, Ontario, some forty miles Judge Thurman as to call from him a | west of Buffalo, and while running at statement that he cannot under any cir- | the rate of forty-seven miles per hour, cumstances consent to run. Judge an insane woman, named Storcher, who Thurman is very positive in this re- was traveling from Detroit to Oswego, fusal, yet the probabilities are that cir- in charge of George A. King, rushed to cumstances may so shape themselves the door of the car and out on the plat-that he will be compelled to take the form, jumping therefrom and landing nomination in spite of himself. The in a snow bank. Before the train could influences which are at work to make be stopped it had run some three miles. him the Democratic nominee for Gov- and when it was backed up the woman ernor of Ohio are influences which are | was discovered running toward the personally unfriendly to him. Behind train. On reaching her she refused to the movement are the leaders of the enter the car, and considerable of a soft-money Democracy of Ohio, who scuffle ensued. She was finally overhave never taken and do not now take powered and taken aboard, when it was kindly to Mr. Thurman, notwithstand- found that she was entirely uninjured. ing his renunciation of his hard money principles in order to court their favor. Yet they feel satisfied that Mr. Thurman is the strongest man who can be out, particularly if the Republicans hould nominate Secretary Sherman.

CHEW JACKSON S BEST SWEET NAVY

Personal.

The late Senator Morton's stenographer and law reporter, Chas. W. Stagg, has been declared insane from overwork. He is in the Indiana Insane Asylum.

Schuyler Colfax, who has been interviewed at Zanesville, Ohio, thinks that better times certainly must begin with the new year and resumption.

Senator Maxey says that the report as to the efforts of a party in Texas to slice the big State into five States is without foundation in fact. Texas will have fifteen new representatives after

Breathitt county, Ky., where the gur-gle of applejack is heard, has a new judge. It will be remembered that the late judge was assassinated slightly. Jas. W. Linden was commissioned as a target by the Governor last Friday.

Consul Mosby has shouted back, as he started for China-that is, if he really has started—that he will return to help inaugurate General Grant for a third term on the 4th of March, 1881. This is a precious message for the departing statesman to leave us.

Governor-that is to say, ex-Lieutenant Governor-Bross, of Illinois, has been heard from. He looks on the Greenback party as "entirely a thing of the past," and says E. B. Washburne is his candidate for 1880. There seems to be a good deal of this Washburne feeling spread abroad among the people.

General Marcus J. Wright, agent of the War Department to collect official and private documents bearing on the war of the rebelllon, has made arrangements with Jefferson Davis to copy with all the circumstances before she such papers as the ex-Confederate President has in his possession. Mr. Wright has secured already many Confederate

Rev. James A. Dixon, whose attempted suicide is reported from Memphis, is the same Dixon of smirched choker absence to come to Washington to meet | that public opinion drove out of Indithe charge. He is expected here in a ana. His intrigues with a young wofew days, and may then demand a court | man or so have been talked about in the newspapers. It is a matter of regret that the word "attempted" couldn't have been dropped from the telegram.

Miss Mary Anderson has had her trunks levied upon. She was playing Ingomar" at the Grand Opera House, in Nashville, on Christmas day, when militia of the States. This is a matter | in blustered one Robert M. Porter and another man. Ingomar, angered at the or the other branch of Congress for a interruption, blew out the footlights in one fierce stamp of her little Kentucky foot, and the manager, to mollify her, kicked the intruders into the street with his big Tennessee toe. Porter sued for \$10,000. Mary was in a hurry to the founders of the government to aid keep an appointment in another town. through the national government the Compromise. Porter received \$400

The Big Walking Fasce.

The six days' walk at Gilmore's Garden, New York, between O'Leary and Campana, came to an end at 12 o'clock Saturday night, O'Leary having in the time completed 400 miles and one lap, three miles less than he made during his match with Hughes, whilst Campana only succeeded in scoring 357 miles and two laps. O'Leary left the track in worse condition than he has been at the finish of any of his previous six days' walks, although his time was the slowest. His heels are each a great blister, and the irritating dust and a heavy cold set him to spitting blood very freely Campana was completely used up, and was only kept on the track by stimmlants freely administered by his trainers. Campana, after a brief rest, appeared and made a speech, saying: "This is my first race in New York. I was brought here by trainers who paralyzed me for two days. If Barney Aaron had been here from the first I would have beaten O'Leary fifty miles. I am now open to make a match with any man in the country for a twelve days' walk for \$5,000 a side." But as a money-making enterprise the walk was a success. The gate money receipts were \$20,000 over heavy expenses, which goes nominally to the winner, but it is understood that by private agreement entered into early during the week Campana is to share A rumor has been in circulation in liberally in the spoils.

Mme. Anderson, who has undertaken | CONDENSED TIME. at Mozart Garden, Brooklyn, N. Y., to walk 2,700 quarter miles in 2,700 consecutive hours, concluded her eleven hundred and sixty-2fth quarter at 11 o'clock Saturday night on time. In the beginning of the day she was quite stiff, but seemed fresh on the last quarter,

Time Cipher Dispatches Again. Mr. Perry H. Smith, a prominent Illinois Democratic politician, who was in Florida in the interest of Mr. Tilden during the counting of the vote in that State, and whose name appears in some of the alleged cipher dispatches, has just arrived at New York from Europe, and was speedily pounced upon by a Tribune reporter. Mr. Smith ex- Date, Nov. 10, 78. pressed surprise, in his own language. that "after stealing the presidency the Republicans had not got through crying 'stop thief' yet." Mr. Smith says Mr. Manton Marble was the generalisimo of affairs on the Democratic side in Florida, at whose headquarters the subject of buying the Florida returning January 2. The treasury officials do not, board was talked over, but he (Smith) " would never listen to such talk, and it would have been useless, considering that the Republicans had all the advantage." He is confident Mr. Tilden had es, and thinks he is now the most available candidate for the presidency. good candidate if nominated." Mr. Smith said he had no confidence in Col. Woolley or Mr. Jno. F. Coyle, though the latter was useful in getting evidence.

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same for 1879 will not be less than ten millions, of a campaign such as that in Ohio will printed in the English. German, French, Welsh. be next fall might be his physical death, and defeat as such would be his political death. But the intention is to force | ble and Interesting reading concerning health, and him to take the nomination, and his numerous testimonials as to the efficacy of Hostet-ter's Bitters, amusements, varied information, astronomical calculations and entonological items, &c., which can be depended on for correctness. The Almanac for 1879 can be obtained free of cost, from druggists and general country dealers n all parts of the country.

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