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That it will astonish everybody. We mean to sell out our stock and don't intend to carry any over and to do this we will make prices to suit everybody.

Youths', Boys' and Children's Suits Which we will close out for less than cost of production. Men's Underwear at greatly reduced prices.

The Charlotte Observer.

UNDER NEW PILOTS.

Figuratively speaking, the ship of State Wednesday took new pilots on board and new commanders. The country has confidence in them...

In everything that Mr. Cleveland or Mr. Hendricks has said or written their conservatism and country embracing patriotism have been conspicuous...

There will doubtless be conflicts over the tariff and the silver questions, conflicts which will beset new combinations in and out of Congress...

A Texas editor has hit upon what he thinks is just the thing to make delinquent subscribers come to him. He advertises his accounts against them in his paper...

Mr. Gladstone is in the seventy-sixth year of his age. He entered the House of Commons in 1832, and has sat in every session for fifty-three years.

Mr. Jas. G. Blaine was not present at the inauguration of Mr. Cleveland, though it would have been a graceful act in Mr. Blaine to have taken a front seat.

The passage of the act placing Gen. Grant on the retired list, on the last day of the past session of Congress, was probably hastened by the reports of the General's fatal illness...

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BEN BUTLER MUST EXPLAIN.

Discrepancies in his Accounts White President of the Soldiers' Home.

The Military Committee of the House of Representatives has made some important discoveries in connection with the management of the National Soldiers' Home at the time Gen. B. F. Butler was President and Treasurer of the institution.

The second special order, the bill for the relief of disabled soldiers, was taken up. Mr. Poole moved to amend by including "widowed mothers' Lot. A number of other amendments were offered and a lengthy debate ensued.

After exhaustive discussion the bill passed third reading. NIGHT SESSION—At 8 o'clock the house met, Mr. Overman presiding. On motion of Mr. Tate, the house went into committee of the whole on the revenue bill, which was considered by sections.

The bill was reported by the committee was substantially adopted. No amendment of any importance was offered. At 10:30 the committee rose and reported the bill to the house which adopted it.

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THE LEGISLATURE.

Proceedings in the Senate and House. News and Observers.

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Lincoln's Forgotten Him.

From Ben. Moore's Reminiscences.

One of Mr. Lincoln's annoyances was the claims advanced for having first suggested his nomination as President. One of these claimants, who was the editor of a weekly paper published in a little village in Missouri, called at the white house, and was admitted to Mr. Lincoln's presence.

He at once commenced stating to Mr. Lincoln that he was the man who first suggested his name for the Presidency, and pulling from his pocket an old, worn, defaced copy of his paper, exhibited to the President an item on the subject.

"Do you really think," said Mr. Lincoln, "that announcement was the occasion of my nomination?" "Certainly," said the editor; "the suggestion was so opportune that it was at once taken up by other papers, and the result was your nomination and election."

The President, with that apt good nature so characteristic of him, took up his hat and said, "Come along." "When they opened the door of the Secretary's office Mr. Lincoln turned to his companion and said: 'I shall have to see Mr. Stanton. Alone, and you must excuse me,' and, taking by the hand, he continued: 'God by the hand, you will feel perfectly easy about being nominated; don't be troubled about it, I forgive you.'"

Americans as Wine Drinkers. The special theme for discussion at the dinner of the New York Farmer's Association lately was "Grape Culture and Wine Making." The speech of the evening was that of Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, who after landing the "fancy farmer" as a beneficiary of the government for the benefit of his poorer neighbors, said to the one theme of the evening that he did not believe Americans would ever be wine drinking people.

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