

THOUGH the Code has passed, it is not the law. We believe it takes effect in the fall.

THESE seems to be a regular hail storm of defalcations up North. The papers teem with them. Folks steal to-day who never stole before.

ELSEWHERE we print a synopsis of the railroad commission bill, prepared and introduced by Mr. Forbis. It passed its second reading in the House by a large majority.

THE earthquake reported from Rhode Island is attributed to the disappointment of that State at the impossibility of Senator Anthony's election as President pro tem of the Senate.

FORTUNE beckons through the kitchen door now-a-days. Aspiring young men should take up cooking. A New York cook, killed the other day, left an estate valued at \$75,000.

THE Legislature, which has been very hard at work, now that the end of the session approaches is exerting its energies to the utmost. They go in early and come out late. The members who are most active are showing signs of taxing themselves too much.

IT is proposed to build a railroad from Montgomery, Alabama, to Chattanooga, connecting the Louisville and Nashville system with the Florida Central and Western and Transit road. The new line would shorten the distance between Florida and the Northwest over 200 miles.

SENATOR EDMUNDS is to be the President if Arthur dies. He is accounted the best lawyer in the Senate, but he has a vein of implacable bigotry and spite towards the South which detracts very much from him as a man. However, he is honest and above board.

A YOUNG lady attempted suicide in Hoboken on Tuesday because, as the reporters say, of her "delusion that her mind was giving way." Now, if the lady were sane could she have had a "delusion" strong enough to have led her to take her own life? If insane, how could her belief that she was insane be called a delusion?

VAN VOORHIS, of New York, who said that nobody but a gambler and cut-throat would have tackled the item for improving the Sacramento river to the river and harbor bill, and kicked up a stir in the House by his assault on Page, of California, is, if the truth must be told, a Republican member from New York. Whether he is a fair representative of the party of moral ideas, we leave to his Republican constituents to determine.

THE railroad capital raised in Europe in 1882 is stated at \$564,084,000, \$164,000,000 of which was for America, while \$225,000,000 was for Great Britain and its colonies. The Russian roads raised \$25,000,000; Holland and Austria Hungary each about \$16,000,000. No other country is utilizing railroads like America, and much of the capital employed comes from the financial centres of Europe.

A NEW firm, composed of a number of the leading men of the country, has been formed for the purpose of erecting and operating works on an extensive scale for the manufacture of nails, rods, wire, barbed fence-wire, etc. These articles will be manufactured from Bessemer ingots obtained from the Edgar Thomson Steel Works. It does not seem that the iron interest is in extremis.

EMBEZZLEMENTS are matters of every day occurrence in New York now. On Thursday one young man, late secretary and treasurer of an insurance company, disappeared with \$40,000, and another, late paying teller of the Bank of Brazil, at Rio Janeiro, was arrested as he landed, on a charge of having made away with \$60,000 of the funds of the bank. Still another, who had been a letter carrier in Germany and had stolen \$400, drew a revolver and blew his brains out on being arrested. So runs the world away.

THE Department of Agriculture at Washington has issued the following comparative statement of the production of cotton, wheat and corn for the years 1881 and 1882.

THE conference committee seems to have agreed on the Senate tariff bill, with but few amendments. The changes are to increase the duties on glass and on iron, steel, sugar, &c. This bill is denounced by the New York Times as being notoriously defective. It now goes back to the two houses for agreement, although the House remains as a kind of demurrer against the defeat of the measure the constitutional question raised on the power of the Senate to originate tariff legislation. The first five sections of the bill, as it passed the Senate, relate to internal taxation.

sequent surveys showed that this plan is open to objection and the present scheme includes a connection by canals of the low lying marshes between Gates and Bisks, which were once parts of the sea bed. It is believed that the conversion of these marshes into an inland sea, in isolating Algeria and Tunis from the desert and preventing the depredations of the predatory tribes, will also facilitate commercial intercourse between the two countries and have a material influence on the climate.

A PLUCKY little woman of Gotham was aroused from sleep last Wednesday by sounds of footsteps in the hall of her residence. She looked out and saw three men, masked, trying to open the door of her bedroom. Quietly going to her bureau, she took from one of its drawers a pistol, loaded the weapon, returned to the door, drew a bead on the burglars and banged away, bringing down one of the party. We don't suppose that even education could have improved the nerve of that piece of calico.

THE cotton manufacturing business of England is considered by prudent observers greatly overdone. The excessive manufacture is more than anything else responsible for the depressed state of wages in Lancashire. In Oldham alone, the headquarters of cotton spinning, more than one million new spindles were started in 1882. The workmen say that this enormous increase is due to building speculators and stock company promoters, who start companies and make large profits out of the building contracts, and then work off their stock on unskilled purchasers who have to keep down wages to compete at present prices.

THE Durham Tobacco Journal is happy over the increased favor which it seems our North Carolina tobacco is receiving in the market, and says:

"The tobacco interests of North Carolina is rapidly and surely on the increase, if we may judge from the receipts on the Durham market, and the reports from the other tobacco towns. The sales at this point are growing more and more extensive, evidencing the fact that planters, now more than ever, appreciate the advantages of home markets.

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the annual tax on wholesale dealers in leaf tobacco at \$12 instead of \$25; on manufacturers of tobacco and cigars at \$6 instead of \$10, and they make a similar reduction in favor of the various grades of tobacco peddlers. The tax on retail dealers in leaf tobacco is fixed at \$250 instead of \$500, with an additional tax of thirty cents for each dollar on the amount of their monthly sales "in excess of the rate of \$500 per annum," and the bill enables farmers and producers of tobacco to sell at the place of production tobacco of their own growth and raising, at retail, directly to consumers, to an amount not exceeding \$100 annually. Section 4 of the bill makes the taxes on snuff and smoking and manufactured tobacco eight cents per pound instead of sixteen cents, and on cigars \$3 instead of \$6 per 1,000. On cigars weighing not more than three pounds per 1,000 the tax is reduced from \$1.75 to fifty cents per 1,000, and on cigars above that weight from \$6 to \$3 per 1,000.

It reduces the duty on steel rails from \$28 a ton to \$15.05 a ton, or about 45 per cent. It reduces slightly (by 1.10 cent per pound) the duty on tin plates; on various forms of iron and steel manufactures by some 20 per cent; on bar iron 1 cent per pound; on Russia sheet iron 1 cent per pound. The duty on cotton ties remains as at present. It reduces the duty on sugar below No. 13 some 18 per cent., and on the higher grades still more. It reduces the rates on some forms of cottons, on some forms of woollens, on fannels, on silks, and puts jute butts on the free list. It considerably increases the free list as to chemicals and as to sundries; reduces books from 25 per cent. to 15 per cent., and admits books in foreign languages free. It reduces the duty on salt 20 per cent., and grants a drawback on salt used in curing meat and fish. It makes only an illusory reduction on pig iron and none at all on iron ore. It retains the preposterous duty on copper ore at 24 cents. It advances the rates on steel blooms, and retains those on some of the more extensively used forms of iron and steel. It retains some of the most onerous duties on woollens, and appears to tax cloths more heavily than ready-made clothing. It retains the present duty on raw hemp, of \$25 per ton, and changes the cotton goods schedule in a way to interfere seriously with some important kinds of manufactures.

The work of the conference committee is imperfectly reported in our dispatches. The duties on aniline dyes were somewhat lower, and higher duties placed on crockery and earthenware and glass. But if the iron schedule be no more altered than is reported, we would suppose that the Senate would accept the changes. The temper of the House we do not know. The session ends Sunday noon, so we will know all about it in forty-eight hours.

We heard late last night that Mr. Robins had something to say in the House of THE NEWS AND OBSERVER, in regard to our not having published some correspondence between himself and Dr. Grissom—while printing Dr. Grissom's card. Dr. Grissom's card was about a public matter, concerning a public institution of which he is the legal head. Whether it was written in good or bad taste we did not consider. Had we supposed that it would have been personally offensive to anyone we would not have printed it.

The letters between Dr. Grissom and Mr. Robins are of a personal nature. We received them from Mr. Robins to look over and say whether we would print them. He did not appear very decided in his desire for us to print them, and after we had leisure to look over them we concluded to say to him that unless he wished it particularly we would not publish them, for our columns are pressed and his letter was long and of a personal, rather than a public character.

And yet we would have made room for the correspondence if he thought it desirable in any view. We went up to the House to see him, and told him that, and learn his wishes, but found him engaged in debate, and so deferred the matter. We will make room for their letters very cheerfully in our next issue. We did not regard that there was any politics at all in their letters, or in the a-ya-mum matter.

February 26th, General Vance introduced a joint resolution for the relief of the committee of the first common school district (colored) for Burke county, North Carolina, which was read a first and second time, referred to the committee on education and labor, and ordered to be printed, and Gen. Cox presented the petition of F. Wert and others, for the establishment of a post office.

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