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NEWS OBSERVATIONS. James Noble, one of the pioneers in developing the iron interests of Georgia and Alabama, died at Rome, Ga., Friday, aged 82 years. He was a native of Scotland.

PROCEEDINGS IN SENATE AND HOUSE. THE NOMINATION OF MR. LAMAR—"BILL DAY" IN THE HOUSE CONTINUED—OTHER NEWS BY WIRE. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.—SENATE.—The President's messages as to an international convention on the greater security of life and property at sea in relation to fixing a prime meridian and a universal day, and as to the protection of submarine cables, were presented to the Senate and were referred to the committee on foreign relations; also the President's message as to the reduction of the reservations of certain Indians, which was referred to the committee on Indian affairs.

Another Smash. West Market Street Methodist church has raised the funds to buy a new \$500 bell. Haverhill, Mass., Jan. 10.—The Portland express which left Boston for Portland at 1 o'clock met with a serious accident at Bradford this afternoon while crossing the Haverhill bridge over the Merrimack river. The train consisted of a locomotive and eight cars. It had passed on to the bridge from the Bradford side in safety, when suddenly the forward truck of the smoker broke. The work of clearing up was immediately pushed forward with energy and at 3.30 six bodies had been taken from the wreck. Several of them were disfigured beyond recognition. The list of the killed and wounded as far as can be ascertained is as follows: John O'Brien, John Madden of Bradford (railroad section men); C. P. Goodwin, wife and child of Kinnebank, Maine; and an unknown man having in his pocket a card on which was the name J. Hazelton.

SUIT FOR DAMAGES BROUGHT BY A PROMINENT MINISTER. JACKSON, TENN., Jan. 10.—At this term of the circuit court, which convened yesterday, one of the most interesting suits for damages ever tried in the State was called. It is the case of Rev. Frederick Howard, D. D., pastor of the Central Baptist church in this city, for \$5,000 damages against 16 of the leading members of the First Baptist church, including the pastor, and also against the Forked Deer Blade, of Chattanooga. The papers included in the suit published strong articles in 1886, signed by 16 members of the First Baptist church, in which the most record of Dr. Howard was painted in dark colors. They charged that he had borne two or three aliases in South Carolina and Georgia, as "Howlett," "Hewlett," and "Howard," that he had eloped with another man's wife in South Carolina, and had associated with negroes; had been guilty of malfeasance while an official, and other damaging charges. Howard is an Englishman by birth, and his father lives in London. Both sides have taken voluminous testimony in Europe, and attorneys Bullock, for the defense, and S. D. Hayes, for the plaintiff, have just returned from South Carolina and Georgia, where they have searched the court records and taken depositions comprising hundreds of pages. Eminent legal talent has been employed, and the case will be ably handled.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Jan. 10.—A convention composed of more than one hundred delegates from the leading cities of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida and Tennessee, assembled in this city today to take action for the purpose of securing cheap rates on all the southern railroads for excursionists from the north who desire to take up residences in the south or visit this part of the country to make investments. Most of the delegates were appointed by the boards of trade in the various cities. The following committee was appointed to confer with the railroads and see what can be done: Edw. Scott, Chattanooga, chairman; W. R. Golden, Alabama; W. K. Hyer, Florida; John T. Graves, Georgia; J. W. Rockford, Mississippi; T. A. Frierson, Tennessee; W. B. Gwynn, North Carolina; R. M. Anderson, South Carolina. A resolution was adopted approving the object of the convention, which will be held at Decatur, Ala., on the 17th inst. to ask Congress to appropriate money for the completion of the work.

CONGRESS. SIX LIVES KNOWN TO BE LOST—OTHERS HORRIBLY WOUNDED. A GREAT PLOT AGAINST THE CZAR—PARTIES OF HIGH POSITION IMPLICATED. The call of States for the introduction of bills, unfinished yesterday, were introduced and referred by Mr. Woodburn, of Nevada, directing the purchase of not less than four million dollars worth of silver bullion per month and the coinage of the same into standard dollars.

By Mr. Gallinger, of New Hampshire, for the protection of the public service. This bill requires the dismissal of all persons in the public service who are not citizens of the United States either by nativity or naturalization.

By Mr. White, of New York, to authorize the refunding of the national debt into a uniform consolidated bond.

By Mr. Henderson, of North Carolina, to prescribe the term of office of persons employed in the civil service.

By Mr. Nichols, of North Carolina, for the repeal of the internal revenue laws.

By Mr. McClumny, of North Carolina, for the erection of a public building at Fayetteville, N. C.

By Mr. Cowles, of North Carolina, to pay salaries to marshals and deputy marshals, and to collectors of internal revenue.

By Mr. Simmons, of North Carolina, for the erection of a public building at New Bern, N. C.

By Mr. Harner, of Pennsylvania, to increase the pensions of those who have lost eyes or limbs or who are deaf. This is the bill endorsed by the U. S. named soldiers' league and the G. A. R.

By Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, to prohibit the use of stoves or oil lamps on passenger trains; also to limit the premium above par at which the Secretary of the Treasury may purchase bonds for the sinking fund.

By Mr. Phelan, of Tenn., to extend the free delivery system to monthly periodicals.

By Mr. Enloe, of Tenn., to punish dealers in counterfeit money or pretended counterfeit money.

By Mr. Wise, of Va., for the erection of a public building at Manchester, Va.

By Mr. T. H. Browne, of Va., to grant pensions to widows and orphans of surfmen who lose their lives in the line of duty; also for the erection of a public building at Newport News.

By Mr. Guenther, of Wis., to create a commission for the investigation of combinations having for their object the enhancement of the price of articles of inter-State commerce.

By Mr. Norwood, of Ga., for the erection of a public building at Brunswick, Ga. Adjourned.

REPORT OF THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ON MR. LAMAR. WASHINGTON, D. C., January 10.—The Judiciary committee of the Senate took final action on the nomination of Mr. Lamar this morning and will report its report at the first executive session. The majority report is adverse and the minority report favorable to confirmation.

The nomination of Mr. Vilas, to be Secretary of the Interior, will be reported favorably and unanimously, and that of Mr. Dickinson, to be Postmaster-General, will probably be reported by Senator Sawyer, of the postoffice committee, at the same time. There is an understanding that if action in the Senate is delayed upon the nomination of Mr. Lamar, those of Messrs. Vilas and Dickinson shall be taken up and acted upon.

A Plot Against the Czar. VIENNA, Jan. 10.—The Allgemeine Zeitung says it has received information from a reliable source in St. Petersburg that a plot against the Czar has been discovered and that numerous persons, including several army officers, have been arrested on the charge of being implicated in it.

A Big Conspiracy Against the Czar. BERLIN, Jan. 10.—A private dispatch received here from Warsaw says that a conspiracy against the Czar had its centre in St. Petersburg and that it was of unusual magnitude as regards both number and position of persons implicated.

Deaths. CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Jan. 10.—During a quarrel between Lew Owens and J. D. Barnes, of the boot and shoe firm of Barnes & Nix, this morning, the former was shot three times by Owens. The wounds of Owens are mortal.

Made an Assignment. BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 10.—John L. Syckel and John F. Hollen, trading as Syckel, Hellen & Co., notions and white goods, made an assignment to-day for the benefit of their creditors to Wm. J. Dixon. The bond of the trustee is \$200,000.

Washington Notes. WASHINGTON, D. C., January 10.—Secretary Lamar took informal leave of his assistants at 12 o'clock today. Assistant Secretary Muldrow assumed the duties of the office of secretary pending the confirmation of Mr. Vilas.

Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias. The Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias of this State will meet here in annual session on the second Tuesday in February. The local lodge will give the visiting members a banquet. A large attendance is expected.

Gold Broker Murder. BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 10.—News was received here yesterday of the shooting of Paymaster Ruffin at the railway camp on the Birmingham Mineral railroad. He became involved in a row with a negro, and another negro compelled him at the mouth of a revolver to hold up his hands while his assailant shot him. Ruffin is still alive but will almost certainly die. The negro who did the shooting escaped but his partner is in jail here.

A Big Verdict for Breach of Promise of Marriage. NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—The jury in the case of Miss Campbell against the office merchant Arkbuckle for breach of promise of marriage returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$45,000.

Many of the finest farm lands in the South and West are mortgaged to foreign capitalists at usurious rates of interest.

Secretary Lamar's Resignation. Secretary Lamar has tendered to the President his resignation as Secretary of the Interior, and it has been accepted by the President. The following is a copy of the Secretary's letter of resignation, dated the 7th, to the President: "Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th inst. inviting me to accept the vacant judgeship in the Supreme Court, you expressed the wish that as the court was not in session, I should postpone the resignation of my present office until the meeting of Congress allowed you to send my nomination to the Senate, as there were certain matters before the department, inaugurated by me, which it was, therefore, desirable that I should close before leaving, and as I would have been very reluctant to take the place upon your resignation until your nomination had been confirmed by the Senate, I cheerfully consented to your request. My nomination has now been submitted to the Senate, and recognizing both their right and duty to subject its fitness to the most critical examination, I would still wait in my present position their decision. But I think I am warranted in supposing that the final decision may be delayed for some time. As you have at the same time nominated both my successor in this department, and his successor in the Postoffice department, this delay may to some extent, at least, embarrass the administration of the public business in the departments affected. To avoid such embarrassment, which is my duty to you and to the country, and to leave before the Senate in its final judgment upon my nomination the sole question of my fitness for the position, dissociated from any other consideration, I now respectfully ask you to accept my resignation as Secretary of the Interior, which I hereby tender. In terminating my relations to you as a member of your official family I desire to express my grateful sense of the obligation I am under to you personally for the consideration and kindness which have always characterized your treatment of me, and for the generous confidence and support which you have steadily given me in the trying and anxious administration of the department. I shall always be proud to have been associated with the honorable record you

will leave upon the page of your country's history. Sincerely and respectfully, L. Q. C. LAMAR, Secretary. The President's reply, also written Saturday, January 7, is as follows: "My Dear Mr. Lamar: When I determined to nominate you to a position upon the bench of the Supreme Court, the personal gratification afforded by the tender to you of so honorable and suitable a place, and the satisfactory conviction that an important executive duty would thus be well performed, led me almost to forget that my action involved the loss of your conscientious and valuable aid and advice in cabinet counsel, which for nearly three years I have so much enjoyed and appreciated. Your note of today forces me to contemplate this contingency with the most profound and sincere regret. But since I know that the separation you now insist upon arises from that conception of public duty which has always so entirely guided your conduct in our official relation, I am constrained to accept the resignation you tender, hoping that it only anticipates your entrance upon the discharge of higher and more congenial functions than those now relinquished. "What I have thus far written seems very formal, indeed, I intended this, because I am sure that the close confidence and the relations of positive affection which have grown up between us need no expression or interpretation. And yet I find it utterly impossible for me to finish this note without assuring you that the things which I have characterized your conduct and bearing in the position from which you now retire—all your devotion to your country and your chief, all your self-sacrificing care and solicitude for public interests, all the benefits which your official service have conferred upon your fellow-countrymen, and all the affection and kindness so often exhibited toward me personally—I shall constantly remember with tenderness and gratitude. Yours, very sincerely, "GROVER CLEVELAND."

"Deeper than a'er plummet sounded" some people's coughs seem to come from, try a bottle of Dr. Ball's Cough Syrup will cure them. It gets away down to the bottom of the matter and works wonders. Pleasant to take and good for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, etc. Price 25 cents. Pure gold always has its base imitations. It is so with salvation oil, which is worth its weight in gold to all sufferers from rheumatism, neuralgia, or gout. See that you get the genuine. 25 cents. When a man becomes firmly convinced that he is a genius it is then that the fringe slowly begins to form on the bottom of his trousers' leg. "Another Woman's Discovery." "Another wonderful discovery has been made and that too by a lady in this country. Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she clutched its severest tests, but her vital strength was undermined and a death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly and could not sleep. She bought of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It first does that she slept all night and with one bottle has been miraculously cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus wrote W. C. Hamrick & Co., of Shelby, N. C.—Get a free trial bottle at Lee, Johnson & Co.'s drugstore. The University of Pennsylvania proposes to send out an expedition to Babylon for the purpose of making excavations. ADVISOR TO MOTHERS. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are teething. It soothes the little sufferer at once, produces natural quietude, relieves all kinds of pain, soothes the inflamed gum, breaks the pain, relieves the child, softens the gums, abates the inflammation, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for diarrhoea, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle. CORNED BEEF. Extra choice briskets, corned to order—about ten days in salt and in fine condition. Baltimore sausages twice a week. E. J. HARDIN. FOR SALE—A pair of fine Mules. Apply to Jno. Robinson, Com'r of Agriculture, Raleigh, N. C. Teacher—Correct the sentence: "The liquor which the man bought was drank." Smart boy—The man which bought the liquor was drunk.

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