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NEWS OBSERVATIONS.

Prince Bismarck is reported quite ill. Another ship, the Saginaw, is reported to have been seized by the Haytiens.

Senior Sagasta's new cabinet is considered as short-lived, being composed of weak and obscure men. Lady Salisbury, they say, is collecting subscriptions for the purchase of a souvenir to be presented to Mrs. Phelps on her departure from England.

The renowned Jesuit astronomer, Father Haag, of Germany, who was recently appointed to take charge of the observatory at Georgetown University, has arrived at the university.

Secretary Radoloff, of the Boston Home Market Club, has called on General Harrison to urge the appointment of some high protectionist as Secretary of the Treasury.

The House committee on invalid pensions has authorized a favorable report on the Senate bill granting a pension of \$3,500 per year to Irene Buckner Sheridan, widow of the late Gen. Sheridan.

A pretty type writes in Elizabeth, N. J., has sued Lawyer Carson, a republican, for \$24 for writing his campaign speeches. Lawyer Carson had better give the pretty girl \$50 and call it square.

Congressman Chipman, of Michigan, introduced a bill in the House appropriating \$4,000,000 for harbor defenses and guns, and \$4,000,000 for an 8,000 ton steel-clad war ship. It will probably not be acted on.

Mr. Chipman, of Michigan, has introduced a bill in the House for the construction of an elaborate system of coast defenses at Boston, New York, Charleston and San Francisco. It is not likely to be acted upon.

The health of the Emperor William has so improved that he is preparing to go on Wednesday on a shooting expedition in Hanover. The officials within the Emperor's circle are made to feel the influence of his pain and confinement in his intense irritability and constant demands for unnecessary work.

Jay Gould in the Richmond and West Point Terminal.

A Richmond dispatch of the 12th says: At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Richmond & West P. at Terminal Railway and Warehouse Company, which controls the Richmond & Danville, the East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia, the Georgia Pacific and the Georgia Central, it was decided that the board of directors be increased to eighteen members in addition to the president. The number now is sixteen. In conversation today with one of the stockholders who participated in the meeting, it was learned that one of the new directors would be Mr. George Gould, eldest son and partner of Mr. Jay Gould. The board as now constituted was authorized to elect the two additional members, and this will be done at an early day.

Yes, sir, the Goulds have a large interest in the Terminal. The Georgia Pacific is being completed to the Mississippi river, and when completed, which will be some time next year, it will be used as an outlet to the Atlantic for the Gould Southwest System. The Georgia Pacific joins the Richmond and Danville line at Atlanta.

Washington Bryan, Sec. Weldon News.

Mr. Washington Bryan has been President of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad company several years. Under his wise administration of the business of the road it is becoming better managed and more profitable all the time. When he took charge of it it was from all accounts in a dilapidated condition. The rails were worn out, the bridges decayed and the whole property was in bad repair. Now it has taken a new lease on life and is becoming a more desirable property annually. All this being true, and we believe it is true, we can see no reason why he should be set aside and his place given to another.

Warlike Talk in the French Journals. London Cor. N. Y. Times.

There is a marked recrudescence of warlike talk in the French journals, Camille Dreyfus, who is an influential Deputy and by no means a firebrand, prints in the Nation a vigorous demand for a policy of expulsion of all Germans in France in return for the affront put on Col. Stoffel, asserting that the French rifle is the best and the French artillery the strongest in Europe, and asking if the French are not ready now when will they be waiting for? This may be taken up in the same truculent spirit all over Germany and a season of bitter polemic may ensue. Of course, it is more newspaper talk, but in the present excited state of the French mind it may easily have serious consequences.

Fatal Explosion of a Boiler. By Telegraph to the News and Observer.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 13.—The boiler of a cotton gin on G. W. Turner's place, two miles from here, exploded this morning, killing George Turner and two negroes outright and wounding seven others.

Nominations Confirmed. By Telegraph to the News and Observer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The Senate today confirmed the nomination of Perry Belmont as minister to Spain.

VANCE

IN BEHALF OF THE AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS.

HE IS INTERRUPTED BY RIDDLEBERGER WHO IS SAT DOWN UPON VIOLENTLY BY THE SENATE—OTHER NEWS.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—SENATE.—The Senate at 12:10 resumed consideration of the tariff bill, the pending question being the amendment offered by Mr. Coke to admit cottons, etc., at the rate of 35 per cent ad valorem.

Shortly afterwards Mr. Riddleberger objected to the displacement of "morning business" and said advantage had been taken of "absenteeism occasioned by the business of the Senate."

Mr. Vance criticized the Senate substitute and declared that it was arranged "without the slightest regard for the interests of the agricultural classes."

At this point Mr. Riddleberger rose to a point of order.

Mr. Vance—"I do not care what the Senator from Virginia rises to, I decline to be interrupted. I hope he will not be permitted to interrupt me again."

Presiding officer (Mr. Berry in the chair)—"The Senator from Virginia will state his point of order."

Mr. Riddleberger—"I will do so when the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. Vance) takes his seat."

The presiding officer again requested Mr. Riddleberger to state his point of order; but the Senator from Virginia insisted that the rules required the Senator to take his seat first.

Mr. Vance retained his standing position, and as Mr. Riddleberger persisted in his demand, the presiding officer ruled that the Senator from Virginia was out of order, and that the Senator from North Carolina had the floor.

"I had," said Mr. Riddleberger, "is because the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. Berry) does not know any better."

"The Senator from Virginia is again out of order," the presiding officer declared, "and it is a question for the Senate to determine as to its correction."

At this point Mr. Ingalls resumed the chair, and with a sharp rap of the gavel, recognized the Senator from North Carolina.

Mr. Vance had not proceeded far in his argument when a point of order was again raised by Mr. Riddleberger.

The presiding officer (Mr. Ingalls) asked Mr. Vance to pause until the point of order should be stated.

"And take his seat," interrupted Mr. Riddleberger.

"The chair will attend to the enforcement of the rules of order," said the presiding officer in a tone of rebuke.

"The Senator from Virginia will state his point of order."

Mr. Riddleberger did not persist much further but stated his point of order to the effect that the morning business had not been gone through with.

The presiding officer declared that the point was not well taken and directed the Senator from Virginia to take his seat.

Mr. Riddleberger, however, did not comply with the order but persisted in his objection.

"If the Senator from Virginia does not take his seat," said the presiding officer, in a severe and resolute manner, "the chair will call on the executive officer of the Senate to enforce its rules."

There was no further contest, and Mr. Riddleberger, with an air of profound disgust, retired to a seat on one of the sofas.

Mr. Vance then proceeded with his argument and finished it without further interruption. He contrasted the injustice of giving free raw material to the manufacturers of perfume and cosmetics and refusing free raw material to the agricultural classes, whose products constituted 34 per cent of all the exports of the country.

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HARPER OF FIDELITY BANK FAME.

HE SUDDENLY GOES DERANGED—AND IS REMOVED TO AN ASYLUM—OTHER NEWS.

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POSTMASTERS

SENDING IN THEIR RESIGNATIONS TO THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

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Others have written asking whether their resignations and recommendations of republican successors would receive favorable consideration. In reply to an inquiry as to his action in these cases, the Postmaster General said that no resignations had been or would be accepted that are made for the purpose of forestalling the action of the incoming administration by the appointment of republicans.

The Postmaster General has ordered to be established a full railway postoffice line between St. Louis and Nashville on the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, thus making continuous full car service between St. Louis and Montgomery, Ala. Small cars and parts of cars have hitherto been in use on this line.

THE TERRITORIES

Moving for Admission into the Union as States.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—A dispatch from Bismarck, Dakota, says: Communitations have been received here from the Territories of Wyoming, Montana and Washington, calling upon the leaders in Dakota to take steps toward holding an international territorial convention that will act in the interest of the admission of all Territories that are properly equipped for statehood. It is quite likely that such a convention will be held. Dakota is one grand mass meeting at present and will so remain until she becomes a State. Every town and city in the Territory is holding meetings and every orator is giving his lungs abundance of exertion. Every man who owns a house or an acre of land feels confident that statehood will add to the value of his property, and every community feels that it is being held back by the fact that Dakota is still a Territory. The legislature will convene January 8, and it is expected that one of its first acts will be to call a constitutional convention and take other preliminary steps toward statehood. In nearly every legislative district the members have been instructed in favor of division of the Territory, and there will be virtually no opposition to calling a constitutional convention for North Dakota.

The Methodists.

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SECRET SOCIETIES

For Rebellion Against Russian Rule.

By Cable to the News and Observer.

St. PETERSBURG, Dec. 13.—Secret societies with extensive ramifications, composed of young educated Armenians and modeled after the Young Italian Society which flourished prior to 1848, has been discovered in Russian Armenia. Their object is to rebel against Russian rule and to establish an Armenian union and independence.

Serious Cotton Fire.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 13.—Fire broke out between 11 and 12 o'clock last night in quantity of cotton lying on Bryce's wharf ready for shipment and securely covered by tarpaulins. The fire is still burning and engines are playing on it. It is estimated that 700 bales are injured more or less. It is insured in local agencies for \$43,000. Insurance agents estimate the loss at about \$10,000. The cotton is owned by Gastover & Co.

The European Concert Co.

Called off for five years ago a meeting was held of all the musical societies of Raleigh in the photograph gallery now occupied by Mr. O. P. Wharton. The result was the attendance of about six guitar players, one flute, one violin, one violoncello and one bass player. Seeing the necessity of being instructed they engaged Prof. A. Pauli as musical director, hired a room in the Andrews building, reduced their number by leaving out all the guitars and substituting a harp and two-second violins in their place. After about four months of hard practicing they made their debut at a speaking in the Capitol building, given by the Raleigh debating society. Then they were presented repeatedly by the different churches to aid in festivals, musicales etc., to which they always cheerfully acceded. On the anniversary of their organization, they gave a concert in Tucker Hall to a crowded house, and donated half of their earnings, to St. John's Hospital of this city. A few months later they were invited to attend a musical festival given in Goldsboro, in connection with the fruit fair, and in which all the best talent in the State were invited to take part. As all their expenses were to be paid, they with some difficulty got leave of absence from their work, for they were all hard working young men, and played as requested. Some time later they joined the Philharmonic Society, and after playing a year with them as their orchestra, went to pieces when the society was broken up. Since then they have played at a great many amateur operas, cantatas, musicales, &c., for the benefit of charitable institutions, but not as an organization.

Some Three of You

they reorganized with two lead violins, a flute, cornet, clarinet, trombone, double bass viol and piano and now bid fair to make much better music than ever before. They are practicing constantly, have fine instruments and besides their organization is made up from the best talent of the city which is saying a great deal. It is an organization which reflects credit upon Raleigh and deserves every encouragement. The club, we are informed, will give a concert at Oxford during Christmas week for the benefit of the Oxford Orphan Asylum. It may be depended upon that they will give a delightful entertainment.

Salvation Oil, the greatest cure on earth for pain, may be relied on to effect a cure whenever an external application can be used.

It is the old, old story: Love at first sight! A walk in the beautiful moonlight night; both catch a dreadful cold and give up all hope, but findly find relief in a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, get married, and are at last happy.

Furs are used in combination this season; that is, one fur is used to trim another, capes, for instance, having collars and epaulettes of another species of fur. A cape of Persian lambskin may have a collar and epaulettes of sealskin, or vice versa, seal-skin jackets have vests of light brown natural seal-skin. Spotted leopard-skin, natural seal and Persian lamb are all employed in combination with other furs for collars and revers and inner sleeves.

Pimples, Sores, Chaps and Pain.

When a hundred bottles of "Sarsaparilla" or other pretentious specific fails to eradicate in-born scrofula or contagious blood poison, remember that B. B. B. (Bosonic Blood Balm) has gained many thousand victories, in as many seemingly incurable instances. Send to the Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, for "Book of Wonders," and be convinced. It is the only true blood purifier.

G. W. Messer, Howell's X Roads, Ga., writes: "I was afflicted nine years with sores. All the medicine I could take did me no good. I then tried B. B. B., and eight bottles cured me sound."

Mrs. M. Wilson, Round Mountain, Texas, writes: "A lady friend of mine was troubled with bumps and pimples on her face and neck. She took three bottles of B. B. B., and her skin got soft and smooth, pimples disappeared, and her health improved greatly."

Jas. L. Bosworth, Atlanta, Ga., writes: "Some years ago I contracted blood poison. I had no appetite, my digestion was ruined, rheumatism drove up my limbs so I could hardly walk, my throat was catarrhed five times. Hot Springs gave me no benefit, and my life was one of torture until I gave B. B. B. a trial, and, surprising as it may seem, the use of five bottles cured me."

Senator Farwell has introduced by request, a bill to increase the pay of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to \$20,500, and that of the Associate Justices to 20,000 each.

The Y. M. C. A.

Below will be found a resolution of the board of directors in reference to the resignation of Mr. Eugene L. Harris as General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Harris has made a faithful endeavor to establish for the association a plan of work which is generally admitted to be its true sphere. The rooms of the association will be kept open to build up the library and to maintain a pleasant place for our young men. All committee work will be prosecuted it is expected with vigor.

The annual election of officers takes place tonight at the rooms of the association. Resolved, That in accepting the resignation of Mr. Eugene L. Harris as the General Secretary of this association, the board of directors desires to place on record a statement of their esteem and respect for one who has labored so faithfully and with such remarkable self-abnegation for the good of the young men of Raleigh. To this high work, Mr. Harris brought a willingness of purpose, untiring zeal, the purest motives and thorough consecration for this branch of the Master's cause. We believe accomplishing much good, the result of which will be, we are sure, permanent.

The directors are reluctantly forced to the conclusion that it is neither wise or right to continue the office of General Secretary upon the insufficient support afforded the association. And although its revenues are at the present time, somewhat larger than at any previous time in its history, yet they not only have been inadequate from the beginning but continue to fall far short of the amount which the requirements of the work under its present scope demand.

The directors in conclusion, further desire to state that in the necessity for this step, the way for which has been made clear by the voluntary resignation of Mr. Harris, nothing but the most harmonious relations have existed and now exist between them, and they part from him with sentiments of the highest and warmest Christian fellowship.

Attention, Red Men!

There will be a called meeting of Ocoela Tribe, No. 1, on this Sleep at the eighth Sun. Visiting Red Men invited.

JOHN WARD, Sachem.

F. WARD, C. of R.

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Never before offered on holiday goods. Special inducements will be offered from now until 1st of January on framed pictures. Regular cleaning-out prices to make room for others. Don't buy until you have inspected my stock.

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Christmas Presents.

If you wish a cheap and satisfactory gift, give these handsome Slippers at Heller Bros' Shoe Store, as they are better prepared than ever to offer a complete line of slippers at prices to suit. To enumerate all the varieties we have would be almost impossible, so we will just name a few of the many styles such as the "Celebrated '80s Embroidered Slippers," gents' In Seal and Alligator Slippers at \$1.50; gents' Russel and Patent Leather Trimmed Slippers at \$1.75; gents' Ooze Calf and Goat Slippers at \$2.25 and many other styles. The ladies should not forget us when they wish to give an appropriate gift to their husband, brother, son, sweet-heart or friend. We also have some extra nice slippers not introduced above, namely Genuine Alligator Flush, Calf, &c.

Besides the above we would like to call attention to our immense stock of Shoes, Boots, Trunks, Valises, &c. All we ask of the public is to see our goods, get our prices and then let your own judgment decide whether you can do better elsewhere, and we are confident that you will decide in our favor, as the best, the most and the cheapest can be found at HELLER BROS' Shoe House, Raleigh, N. C.

Mrs. Emma O. Folsom, the mother of Mrs. Cleveland, says the story of her approaching marriage to Consul Henry F. Merrill is absolutely false and without foundation.

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