

\$1.50 A YEAR. The Press entered its thirty-third volume on January 1st, 1884.

—Destructive floods are reported in the West.

—The crowd of office-seekers in Washington is said to be unprecedented.

—Bishop Linus Parker, of the M. E. Church, died in New Orleans on the 7th inst.

—Gen. Grant is reported better on the 9th. His physicians do not give any hope as to his final recovery.

—The Orange Presbytery will convene in Henderson on the 25th inst., and remain in session four days.

—Bread riots in Cracow, Poland, on the 8th inst. They were suppressed, and the most active of the rioters arrested.

—The Governor of Mississippi has appointed Gen. E. C. Walthall U. S. Senator to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Lamar.

—Wolsely promises his troops to take Khartoum and avenge the death of Gordon. No doubt he would if he could.

—The insurance company tax was reduced by the Legislature from \$25 to \$50, and repealed the \$10,000 deposit law.

—Theatrical circles in New York are immensely excited over the arrival of Herr Adolph Sementhal, the greatest of German tragedians.

—Donovan, the winner of the six-day roller-skating match in New York last week, made a score of 1090 miles. His resting time was 20 hours.

—Mrs. Eliza Blaine Walker, only sister of James G. Blaine, died in Baltimore early last Tuesday morning. Her brother, husband and daughters were with her until she died.

—The Charlotte Observer has made quite an addition to its office by the purchase of a folding machine, which folds the papers as they come out of the press.

—Great inconvenience and loss is felt in New Orleans on account of the strike of the freight handlers. No freight cars left New Orleans on the 9th inst.

—Last Saturday night the powder magazine of Mr. V. Wallace, in Salisbury, N. C., was raided by thieves and robbed of a considerable quantity of powder, including thirty-one kegs of Dupont Rifle Powder.

—George Noremac, who has been walking at Midlothian Hall, New York, for the past 100 days, finished his 5,000 miles on Thursday night. The pedestrian was in good condition. The walk grew out of a wager of \$2,000 that Noremac could walk 100 days in succession and score 50 miles each day.

—Richard Short, the assailant of Captain Phelan, and Mrs. Iscutt Dudley, who shot O'Donovan Rossa, were arraigned in New York on Saturday. Short plead not guilty. His bail was increased to \$5,000. Mrs. Dudley remained silent, and a plea of not guilty was entered for her. Her bail was fixed at \$500, and she was taken back to prison.

DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN PUBLISHER.—T. S. Arthur, the well-known writer and publisher, died at his residence in Philadelphia, Pa., on the 6th inst., from kidney troubles. Mr. Arthur was born in Newburgh, New York, in 1800. When quite young he removed to Baltimore, where he afterwards published a weekly newspaper called the Atheneum. In 1841 he removed to Philadelphia, where he has since resided. Mr. Arthur was actively engaged in literary work, and in editing Arthur's Home Magazine until three weeks ago, when he was forced to close his labors and take to his bed.

—Ex-secretary Chandler called to see private secretary Lamont, but the latter was absent at the time. The ex-secretary picked up one of the papers lying around and read aloud an editorial criticizing the last administration for taking "Bill Chandler from the lobby and placing him in the cabinet." He remarked that he was now in a position to strike back, and he proposed to do so vigorously. While in the cabinet he restrained from saying certain things in the press which he could now utter as a private citizen. Men whom

he knew to be rogues he proposed to show up in reply to their attacks upon him. He intends to devote his best energies to the newspaper business, and proposes to make a lively Republican paper in Washington. In speaking of the inaugural message he said it was a first-class Republican document, and he would be willing to remain in the cabinet and endorse it.—Lx.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Legislature adjourned on Wednesday, the 11th inst.

We will publish the Captions of the most interesting acts and the outlines of the most important laws as soon as received.

There are very few changes in the revenue bill.

I. B. Watson, of the House, has furnished the News-Observer a table showing how the professional men in the House voted on the dog law question last week: Lawyers, 7 for law, 12 against law; farmers, 24 for, 19 against; physicians, 1 for, 4 against; merchants, 2 for, 11 against; editors, 0 for, 1 against; teachers, 1 for, 0 against; preachers, 0 for, 1 against; bankers, 0 for, 1 against; negro vote, 1 for, 4 against; total, 38 for, 54 against law.

The Senate has confirmed the following appointments made by Gov. Seales: Directors of the Western Asylum, for term expiring the 1st of March, 1891—F. T. Fuller, of Wake; Jos. J. Davis, of Franklin; F. C. Robbins, of Davidson. For term expiring 1st of March, 1887—J. G. Hall, of Catawba; Jas. R. Harper, of Caldwell. Directors of the Raleigh Asylum, long term—Richard H. Smith, Wm. S. Battle, Wm. S. Harris; short term—R. H. Dillard. For the Goldsboro Asylum, long term—Dr. J. W. Vick, E. B. Borden, Dr. Matt Moore.

THE INAUGURATION.

We give the particulars of the Presidential inauguration day, in a supplement, this week. The inaugural address is well received everywhere. Even the Republican papers find very little, if any, fault with it.

The Philadelphia Times, Ind. Rep. says:

President Cleveland's inaugural address will be no disappointment to those who had confidence in his strong political sense and his firm grasp of political principles. The singular dignity and simplicity of the address are not more remarkable than the well-grounded conviction that underlies its modest but unhesitating declarations, and those who have thought of Mr. Cleveland as an apprentice in politics will be undeceived if they have themselves the knowledge to perceive how clear an understanding of constitutional Democracy inspires both its substance and its phraseology.

N. Y. Times, Rep.

Mr. Cleveland's inaugural address is dignified, simple and forcible. It has in it the tone of sincerity and directness that has come to be regarded as characteristic of the man. It is clear that he enters on the duties of his office with a deep sense of responsibility to the whole country, and the whole country will receive with hearty and grateful assent his deprecation of partisan spirit.

N. Y. Journal of Commerce, Ind.

This brief and pertinent and most eloquent address will be read throughout the country by millions of people. It must call forth a hearty response from every true citizen. It is in no sense partisan.

Baltimore American, Rep.

It is a carefully drawn paper, modest and reserved, as becomes the occasion, and yet upon the main points is clear, definite and decided.

From the staff correspondent of the Augusta Chronicle's Washington letter we extract a few enjoyable items about the inauguration ceremonies:

"Arthur bore himself with dignity and good breeding throughout. Cleveland was as composed as if engaged in some ordinary occupation, but looked happy. He is like his picture except being much balder. He has a very full stomach, but walks briskly and firmly. His nerve never forsook him for an instant, every day facing a mighty mass of 150,000 people. It was a touching sight to see this man of destiny sworn upon his mother's Bible as President of a mighty republic. The inaugural address is generally commended as patriotic, conservative, pacific, honest and business-like. The procession was without precedent in numbers and grandeur. Vice President Hendricks and Gen. Fitzhugh Lee were tremendously cheered all along the march. Pennsylvania had of all the States by far the most men in the line, but the Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia companies made perhaps the best display."

—That was a sad ride towards Washington for young Carrington, of Richmond, Va., son of Col. Carrington, ex-Mayor. He was mortally wounded in three places by a young fellow from Lynchburg named Joseph Martin. The Charlotte Observer says:—[Star.]

"The two young men had been occupying the same seat and had a bottle of whisky from which they had been taking copious drinks. At the breakfast station, Martin went out and left Carrington to keep the seat for him. When he returned, Carrington refused to give up the seat, whereupon Martin struck him in the face and at the same time drew a pistol and began firing at Carrington's body, one ball lodging in his neck, one in his left side and one in his abdomen."

FROM WASHINGTON.

President Cleveland's Cabinet.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 6.—The Senate in executive session today confirmed the following nominations: Thomas F. Bayard, of Delaware, to be Secretary of State; Daniel Manning, of New York, to be Secretary of the Treasury; William Endicott, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of War; William C. Whitney, of New York, to be Secretary of the Navy; Lucius Q. C. Lamar, of Mississippi, to be Secretary of the Interior; William F. Vilas, of Wisconsin, to be Postmaster General; Augustus H. Garland, of Arkansas, to be Attorney General.

The New York World thus happily sketches their qualities and characteristics:

Senator Bayard takes into the Cabinet experience, dignity, intellect, integrity, a strong American sentiment and entire familiarity with international questions. Senator Lamar contributes the highest culture, statesmanship, philosophical thought, loftiness of patriotic purpose and true strength of brain. Mr. Manning supplies sagacity, prudence, a quick sense of the great issues, and that complete knowledge of practical politics desirable to the success of an Administration. Senator Garland brings to the counsels a keen intellect, an analytical, national mind, a clear judgment and a well-grounded and thorough knowledge of law which has won for him the reputation of the greatest Democratic lawyer of the Senate.

Mr. Endicott is a scholarly, cultivated gentleman. Mr. Whitney to culture, honor and brains adds a thorough knowledge of the law, familiarity with politics and practical devotion to reform. Mr. Vilas is a dignified, popular man, a good lawyer and a fine orator. And, like their 4 associates, they are all Democratic to the backbone.

They are all honest men. Among Republicans they would all rank as poor. Mr. Manning has a small competency gained by years of hard and honorable work. It is to the honor of the 3 Senators that long terms have let them no better off financially than they were when they entered Congress.

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Disinfection at home, it is urged, should not be relied on; but immediately on return to school the pupil should be washed with carbolic acid soap (10 per cent) from head to foot, in a hot bath, and that clothes, books and every thing brought back by him should be completely disinfected.

With regard to the question, —When may a pupil who has had an infectious disease go home or rejoin the school? the following are recommended as safe rules: Scarlet fever—In not less than six weeks from the date of the rash, if desquamation have completely ceased and there be no appearance of sore throat.

Measles in not less than three weeks from the date of the rash, if all desquamation and cough have ceased.

German measles (Rotheln or epidemic roseola)—In two or three weeks, the exact time depending on the nature of the attack.

Smallpox and chicken pox—When every scab has fallen off.

Mumps—In four weeks from the commencement of swelling, if all swelling has subsided.

Whooping cough—After six weeks from the commencement of the whooping, provided the characteristic spasmodic cough and the whooping have ceased, or earlier if all cough have completely passed away.

Diphtheria—In not less than three weeks, when convalescence is completed—there being no longer any form of sore throat, or any kind of discharge from the throat, nose, eyes, ears, or other parts nor albuminuria.

These rules seem severe, and it may be objected that, since some of these diseases are of frequent occurrence, many pupils may be condemned to lose much valuable time. Yet, as civilization increases it will become more and more evident that unless information can be imparted without risk to life it is better unimparted. The living, healthy child always has a chance for obtaining knowledge, and knowledge is of little use to the being who is broken down in getting it.

EL MAHDI.

The man who now confronts the British in the Sudan was made a Khouan, or brother preacher, of the order of Sid Abd-el-Kader about twenty years ago; five years ago he was elected by the council of the order to take command of the army in the South. He was thereupon proclaimed Mahdine (sublime), the "arm of the Almighty," and invested with absolute authority over the faithful, whom he promptly invited to join his forces under penalty of death. His name is Mohammed Ahmed. He was born in Dongola, Nubia, about 1840, and was educated at a religious school near Khartoum.

El Mahdi proclaimed his call to fulfill the prophecy touching the coming prophet of the South, and began to organize an army in 1881. The Governor General of Khartoum commanded him to disavow his pretensions, and sent a small force against him to enforce the command. These the Mahdi soon defeated and dispersed. A second detachment met the same fate; then a cotman, surveyor general Wm. H. Hicks, for Florida; naval officer of customs Wm. H. Burwell, New Orleans, La.

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