Fiorida to be Counted for Hayes and Wheeler.

THE GROUND TAKEN BY TWO REPUBLICAN MEMBERS OF THE COURT SAID TO BE FATAL TO THE FINAL SUCCESS OF THEIR PARTY.

ENGLISH PARLIAMENT DEBATING THE BASTERN QUESTION.

Majority and Minority Report of the Louisiana Committee Submitted to the House.

Noon Reports.

WASHINGTON.

WANTINGTON, Feb. 9.—SENATE— Mr. Windom Minks introduced a bill appropriating \$7,000 for the ex-Referred to committee on appropria

Mr. Dawes, of Manuschusetts, in trofuced a bill to authorize and equip an expedition to the Arctic ess. Referred to committee on naval affairs. The bill provides for an expedition seconding to the plan suggested by Capt. Howyate of the

gnal Service Bureau. The commission in secret session stated that each member will present elaborate reason for his vote, which may prolong the session till

Howes' committee-A. B. Levice, of ana, Republican elector, reeigned his office as Commissioner Baut Nov. 20th, 1876.

Levise tells a story about the at tempt to bribe him to vote for Til-

Little interest attaches to the co

The best opinion still is that the emmission will give the vote of Florida to Hayes.

.The House is reading bills to consame time. The proceedings still dited to Thursday, Feb. 1st.

Albert Peyser, elector to West Virginia, exhibited paturalization

MASSACHUS BYTS.

Bosrow, Feb. 9-Joseph H. Dwyer, of Dweer & Bros., insurance brokers of of this city, was arrested yesterday for fractulently placing \$23,000 insuranne with companies not authorized to de business in this State.

LONDON, Feb. 9 .- The Earl of Derby sail we must speak with reserve of the maintenance of peace, which depend on the decision of a single man. The Earl of Beaconsfield said the Eastern question was not a question of the dioration of the condition of the Obristians but a question of the existence of the empire. We must treat as

The Marquis of Salisbury protested against the doctrine that we ought to se coercion against Turkey by over browing the Ottoman empire. would create anarchy and confusion. Both houses adopted the address unan-

Yt is stated that the French Charge d'Affairs at Constantinople has apdlied for two French war vessels for the protection of foreigners.

Night Reports.

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9 .- Senator Mitchell says that a report published n New York this morning, and in the Star this evening, purporting to give he points of this his report on the regen case, is in the main incorrect.
The commission is still in secret ses-

The countel before the returning and for the Democratic party testi-

In the return from Verson Parish saw certificates from the commissioners of election. They were received on the 2d of December by the hoard, from the Secretary of the State, and opened in the presence of witness,

Governor Wells said, turn them over to the clerks, and that was all.

No other member of the board said anything about them.

He knew that Levise was a United States Commissioner as late as November 19th, and Brewster was Surveyor General of the Land office.

The commission decided not to remove from secrecy until 10 o'clock to-

It seems to be understood that the commission has decided to give the State to Hayes, but it is claimed that the conclusion was reached by two Republican members of the court, upon grounds fatal to the final success of their party.

It is true that neither party is happy over the little matter that has trans-

The electoral committee, by a vote of 8 to 7, decided that the 4 electoral votes of Florida should be counted for

Hayes and Wheeler. A final report was signed by Bradley, Edmunds, Frelinghuysen, Garfield,

Hoar, Miller, Morton and Strong. House.-The deficiency appropriation bill was passed, and went into committee of the whole on private calendar business.

The reports of the Louisana committee were submitted and ordered to

The majority report of the elections committee state that the Democratic electors were elected in Louisiana, and denounces the action of the returning board as fraudulent and void, and the minority report declares that the Hayes electors have been duly elected.

The Canata dispused the railroad.

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The Senate discussed the railroad sinking fund to the executive session, when the extradition treaty with Spain

They took a recess to 10 o'clock to

NEW YORK.

Oswego, Feb. 9 .- Cushing, Kirk & McLean, wholsale dealers in boots and shoes, have filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy. Liabilities, \$222,-000. Assets, \$100,000.

VERMONT.

MISSOURI.

Sr. Louis, Feb. 9.-Celzes Price, the State Superintendent of insurance has appointed a board of special examiners under the law to appraise assets, and especially the real estate of the Columbia Life Insurance company of this city. It is the purpose of the insurance department to apply to the court for the appointment of a receiver for the compuny, on the grounds that the defalcation of its assets, especially the charming "Cuekoo Song" its real estate, has been so great, that it is no longer safe for the company to continue business.

The indictment of John T. Douglas, the President, and E. W. Bryant, Actuary, of this company, is considered under the circumstances, a great hardship, if not an outrage, and that the said action against them, will not stand against them in court.

LONDON, Feb. 9-The bark Bozzo from London for Baltimore collided with a French fishing vessel off Beacky Head, on Wednesday. Both vessels were sunk. Four sailors, all French, were drowned.

The Other States. N. Y. Herald Washington telegram, 7th.

The Louisiana case is not affected by these preliminary proceedings her. How the On gon case is affected is not certain to-night, but it is clear that Watts, the ineligible elector there, did not resign nutil after the election, and was, therefore, eccording to many prec deuts, fre-competent to be voted for, Hi-ineligibility on this view did not create a vacancy which could be filled by the other electors. But about this there will be as much argument as the commission vill allow on both sides. It is a point on which the lawyers will take great de

t is now proposed to bring New York and London two days nearer ogether, by building seventy miles of railroad to counse! "Whitehaven, Nova Scotia, with the railway system of the United States. Whitehaven is directly in the course of occar steamships, has a sp'endid harbor, which is always open, and is but a rifle over two thousand miles from salway bay, or the entr. noe to the Bri to channel.

German educational statistics show

THE DECISION.

Florida for Hayes,

The Electoral Commission, by a strict party vote-8 to 7-decided yesterday that the vote of Florida should be cast for Hayes.

Without having before us the reasons which the members give for this remarkable decision, we are inclined to hope that they are such as will withhold Louisiana and the third vote in Origin from Hores thus securing aither the direct elec tion of Tilden by the action of the Commission, or his election by the House after Congress shall have pronounced that there has been no

election by the people.

As bearing out this opinion, read what Mr. G. C. Wedderbum says in a special lispatch from Washington, dated the 8th to the Petersburg

Index Appeal:
"The argument on the Florida case has been made in anticipation and with a view to all the cases, and the object of commission in sic a po-sition, that though they might dec de sgainst us in the pending case, they would be committed upon some question which would becure as a feverable decision in cases bereafter

"If they decide against us in the Fiorida case, it must be on the tech nicel ground of the jurisdiction of the Returning Board, and such a decision must inevitably throw out Louisiana. If they decide against us on the case of Humphreys, the question has been so made that they must decide in our favor in the case

ar of course distressed at the par-tizanehip of the Commission; but believe that this is only apparent."

The Concert Last Night. The benefit at Thalian Hall given complimentary to Prof. VanLagr and the Cornet Cinb was well attended. The rendition of every piece defies criffcism, though as a matter recall and shall continue to call back to memory while a love for what is chaste, classic and beautiful in the divine act of music remains.

"Stars of the Summer Night" a song and chorus, was delightfully rendered, Mr. Hargrove's, bigh sweet tenor showing off to fine ad-

"O Mio F. rusudo" by Mrs. Kahnweiterwas inimitable. She was justly encored and replied to the demands of an enthu instic andience by singing

The stringed orghestra was also encored, and the flute obligato to both the first piece and eno.re was the most exquisite one we have ever heard. We venture to guess it was composed by Capt. Johnson, the leader of the band, a gentleman whose performance au fait on musical instruments from a jewsharp or hand org in to a harp of a-well, fifty strings.

The Z. thers of Meant . i h l.ol. a d Van Oradell were the leading tostroments in the Stringed Orchestra.

"By the Old Mill Stream," a cong by Mr. Chas, R douson, with ocorus, was sung with great expression.

A waltz by the band opened part 2d and was encored. "The White Squall," by Mr. Harrisa Northrop, not on y brought him out a second time, but convinced his listenerthat fewer men on or off the stage on boast of a deeper, richer and

more powerful basso profundo. Mr. Hargraves' "S would." wig called for a second time, and wheth er he sings it at the lattice of his lady love or "on the boards," be doubtless listened to with great pleasure-whether the greater in the former or latter instance, this depo-

neut saith put, M. Ehrlich's original composition for the Z ber would reflect credit on an experienced composer. The master'y rendition of it was raptuously appleuded, and he played when called out a second time, the plaintively beautiful air from Il Trovaore, "Ah Che la Morte"

Mrs. Kahnweiler's second selection near the close of the Concert was a Swiss song by Eckert, and no tuneful pipe ever wound its mellow tone among the storied Swiss Hills with a clearer or sweeter cadence than that which nature and cultivation have given to that ludy's voice. Tre one we al uded to the lother day An encore soug was "Eestacy," the gen of the evening. The ac- duty.

Messrs. De Rosset and Mitchell took a difficult cornet part in the Grand which was played by Mrs. Taylor on age. the Piano in her usual elegant style, In this Overture there was an orchestral scoompaniment composed of two flates, two violius, four horns -including a base h ra which was so well managed by Mr. S. G. Hall not heretofors been published, wis : that the performance would have J. O. Millis, W. H. Barr, J C. Koch reflected honor on a Professor-a and B. W. Berry. At the same dram and violencello The effect was very flue, and Prof. Vallaer seemed determined to keep them all f'Board of Andit." together and in time,

On the whole, the evening's entertainment was a success and we hope the proceeds of it will materially benefit the Prof. and the Cornet Club, in a peenniary point of visw

The alarm of fire was sounded on yesterday morning at 51 o'clock caused by the burning of a house and store situated on the corner of Third and Wooster streets, the property of Mr. C. Jackson. The fire was evidently the work of an incendiary. It began underneath the store, in a corner immediately below, an oil can, such as is usually kept by grocers and oil dealers to retail from. This is the third time that an attempt has been made to burn these houses, one occurring as late as Wednesday night. The fiend, whoever he was this time, was determined that his undertaking should not miscarry, for a gentleman who arrived very early at the fire, saw lightwood splinters, which had not been entirely consumed, underneath the store, and apparently arranged for a purpose. The family of Mr. Jackson knew nothing of the fire until the store was in a full blaze. The store and the house were about three feet apart, though not under the

The value of the two houses was about \$1200. The house was insured of course, some of the compositions for \$500, and the store for \$100, in Swanton, Feb. 9.—Seven buildings, pleased the audience better than the Home company of New York, repincluding the Hogler block, were others. A few of these we can now resented in this city by Mr. Norwood Giles. The stock of goods in the store was valued at \$300, upon which there was no insurance.

same roof. Everything in the house

Destructive Enemy of the Oyster Just Discovered.

We hope that the singular animal peritioned below may pover reach our waters. We should hate to know that so remorseless an enemy was preying upon our delicious and magnificent New Rivers" and our sweet little Sounders." .20000 Y.30

The Pittsburg Telegraph says; Colonel Fricker was startled by a cry from one of his men engaged in opening oysters, and hastening to him he saw him holding a large open oyn-ter shell at arm's length. Inside of the shell was something that was more animal than fishy looking. The oysterman was about to throw it from him when the Colonel caught his hand, and the strange creature, which measured about two inches in length, was turned from the shell into a saucerful of alcohol. The crimal very mach resembles what is commonly called a water dog, except that it has so feet. The head resembles that of a catfish, with a large mouth full of fine teeth. Just back of its head are two large lobes, which give it a little the appearance of a small

" The animal, whatever it may prove to be, must have made its access to the shell when small, destroying the oyster it found as the natural tenant, and grew up to its present size within the shell. A similar nondescript has lately been found at Baltimore."

The New River Canal.

The Raleigh News of Friday says : Maj. Young who has been absent from the city for some time past, returned yesterday, bringing with him a lengthy petition from citizens of Wilmington, moralizing the Legislature to pass the bill for the improvement and reclamation of certain swamp lands in Ouslow and other counties; in other words to give the New River Canal Country one half the swamp lands between will mington and Pamlico Sound for the nation to the State of the other half. The petition is said to represent more wealth than any that was ever sented to a General Assembly in

Another fit is being built at the mill of Mesars, Univille & Taylor.

Another Alarm.

gracefully performed by Mr. Fred. The third (at should into been the DeRosset who played besides this, a fourth) fire district alarm was soundbeautiful Cornet obligato, and lead in ed last night at 9:30 o'clock. Only several instances on the Cornet .- a chimney burning at the Houndingvian Saloon, k-pt by Mr. Geo. F. Colley on South Water, between Overture to "Poet and Peasant" Dock and Orange streets. No dam

> Larges Jaw na We give below the names of the gentlemen who were nominated for magistrates at ameeting of the above ward, beld last week, and which have

> meeting, Mr. E G. Barnitz was

numinated as a member of the

The state of the thermometer at the various stations named below was observed at the signal office in his city

at 4:30 p. m.: Augusta,60 : Charleston, 57: Galves ton, 57; Jacksonville, 63; Mobile, 63 New Orleans, 65; Norfolk 38; Savar nah, 61; Wilmington, 53

THE COURTS,

Magistrate's Court. James Richardson was before Jus ties Gardner charged with removing a part of a crop; not guilty.

Joo. Mitchell, assault and battery; not guilty; case dismissed at proseoutor's costs.

Chas. Stevens, disorderly conduct; judgment suspended on payment of costs, not paying which he was com-

Mayor's Court.

A party for selling liquor without license was dismissed on payment of

Another party was arraigned ob the charge of taking a drink and not paying for it, but the case was dis missed.

OITY CURRENCY.

Wood is piled too near the caps of the wharves. There is a hole in the wharf foot

of Princess street. The undegrowth of Big Island was burned off yesterday.

They are filling up the lot between Messrs. Worth & Worth and Sprunt

A large private residence is being built at the northeast corner of Market and Seventh atreets.

There was a meeting of the "Com mittee of Finance" of the County Commissioners last night,

The Howard Relief Fire Engine Company No. 1 was out on yesterday, on parade and engine trial.

Rising followed by falling baromster, increasing cloudiness followed by light rains. They are repairing the side-walks

on Nutt Street, and we would sug

gest that there are several broken planks in the road-way which need We are glad to see that the resently appointed city lamp lighters are attending to their duties much

M syor discharged. Joe. Hill, the colored Representative from this county in the Legislature, made almost a Democratic speech last Thursday, on the colonization scheme advocated by some of the rantanker-

netter than the old ones, whom the

Christmas Com sid to suo The police officers were engaged vesterday in notifying merchants and bu katers to remove their boxes and stands from the sidewalks. There is a fine of \$10 for each day a box or stand of any kind remains upon the payement.

A person in this city being driven

to desperation by the hard times and

hunger, went out yesterday to find the pauper's burial ground. He determined to lay down there and die, but when he came to the place where he thought it was, he could not find it and came back to the city, saying the fence was down, Mr L H. Biwden, President of the 3rd Ward Democratic Ciub, was taken sick at the meeting of that club on Thursday night; be was out on the streets ye eday for a short while, to attend to some important private business, but had to return to his residence where he is still confined, they were the contact to

marshal's office Thursday from Halin, B njemin & Co., Brooklyn, N. Y., atating that 121 ladies' imported cloaks had been stolen from theu store, on Saturday last. The cloaks are said to be very bandsome, and made of the very best goods A

A p'nourd was received at the

At half pest two delock this morping, the alarm b il again sounded, and the fire was escertained to be on Front between Wooster and Dawon streets.

Mr. Steve Walcott, policeman, lost two houses, burned to the ground. The house in which Jane Cowan, a e dored woman, lived, was also consumed by the finnes.

At the time of putting our paper to press the fire was still raging, and the fire department experienced great difficulty in getting water.

Index to New Advertisements. Giles & Murchison-B acksmith's tools &o.

P. Heinsberger-Valentines-anim

mense stock. J. McCormick-Why pay \$20. A. D. Cazaux-C vde's New York

and Wilmington, N. C., semi-weekly steamship line -slight chauge in advertisement. J. McCormick-Spring samplesis gant business suits made to order.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF BANK OF NEW HANOVER, THE

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8777,265 87 I, S. D. WALLACE, Cashier of th Bank of New Passier, do solemaly sweat that the above stat ment is true to the bast of my knowledge an United. 8. D. WALLACK, Outlown

8th day of February, 1877. feb 9 2t L. BATES, Notary Public Evergreen and Fowers.

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Subscribed and sworn to before the this wante Block