

MORNING EDITION.

There was no session of the Senate yesterday; in the House, after considerable debate, a bill was passed by a close vote, appropriating \$20,000 for the relief of the Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary of Virginia.

Emperor William, of Germany, died yesterday morning about nine o'clock; his illness was very brief, and his last moments were free from pain; official announcement of the death was soon after made in the Prussian Diet, and in the Reichstag Prince Bismarck announced that the new King would assume the title of Frederick the Third; he also deposited the Imperial order closing the session, the last official document signed by the late Emperor; Frederick William will leave San Remo to-day for Berlin.

Total receipts of cotton at all the ports since September 1st, 4,977,449 bales. A noted incident was hung at Jeffersonville, Ky., yesterday, for the murder of a fellow convict; he was in a laughing mood when he was swung off. Chief Arthur, of the Brotherhood of Engineers and Firemen, has issued a circular, in which he states that they "must win or die," and that every honorable means will be exhausted to win the fight with the Burlington system.

There are three new dailies to band. The Greensboro News, N. H. Cullum, editor and proprietor, is a small morning paper. It has reached number 11. The Asheville Sun is a neat morning 24 column daily, published by Hobgood and Fitzgerald at \$6 a year. It is to be Democratic but of the independent swing.

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Manitoba is reported to be arming. At Ottawa there is said to be much alarm over the situation.

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Mayor Hewitt, of New York, says he does not desire to be Mayor, Governor or President. He ought to be sent to the U. S. Senate. He is one of the ablest of New York State politicians.

Of the one hundred and forty four names mentioned by "Many Citizens" in connection with the Governorship, how many of them can poll the full strength of the Democracy and meet "my son Oliver" on the hustings?

Under Arthur it cost 3.77 per cent. to collect the taxes at the custom houses. Under Cleveland for the year ending 30th June, 1887, it cost 3.16 to collect. Arthur was an improvement on his Republican predecessors, we believe.

DEATH OF EMPEROR WILLIAM.

Emperor William of Germany is dead. He passed away at 9 o'clock yesterday. He was born on 22d of March, 1797, and was therefore nearly 91 years old. He was a man of many good traits and loved his German people with genuine fatherly affection.

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Thus far over ten thousand bills have been introduced in the Congress. This is a nice way to waste time, spend money, and get a little cheap glory with innocent constituents for excessive zeal in their behalf. Humbug is not dead.

THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
A. SHRIER—Clothing and hats.
S. A. SCHLOSS & Co.—Auctioneers.

Local Notes.
— Mr. Chase, city engineer, was on Tenth street yesterday, lowering and adjusting the water-pipes that the Seacoast Railway crosses.

— On to-morrow morning Revs. D. H. Tuttle and W. S. Creasy will exchange pulpits, while in the evening they will as usual occupy their own respective pulpits.

— Second Presbyterian church: Sermon to-morrow morning on Mark 10:49—"Be of good comfort, rise; He calleth thee." At eight p. m., on John 3:16—"God so loved the world," etc.

— The contractors building the Seacoast railroad are pushing matters vigorously. Altogether there are about one hundred and seventy hands employed, and a hundred more will be put on next week.

— Three old gentlemen—all hale and hearty—were together on the streets yesterday—Mr. George R. French, aged 86 years; Mr. Charles Bradley, 83, and Dr. A. J. DeRosset, 80. Their combined ages are 249 years.

— The engineers of the Seacoast R. R. for the last few days, have been leveling up the trestle stakes from Manning's Point to the Hammocks. The work going on at both ends now presents a lively appearance and attracts a good many spectators.

— We understand that memorial services will be held by the pastor and people of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, in view of the death of the Emperor of Germany.

— The following are the indications for to-day, received at 1 a. m.: For Virginia, light to fresh easterly winds, warmer fair weather.

— The first race—Mr. Orrell's bay gelding "Strider," trotting against time—brought out numerous bets from the boys. The first heat (one mile) was made in three minutes and fifteen seconds, the second in two minutes and fifty-six seconds.

IMPORTANT ENTERPRISE.

Cypress Swamps to be Drained and Utilized.
In 1883 Mr. O. H. Blocker, of Maxton, interested Messrs. Geo. Smith and Wm. N. Jennings, of Pennsylvania, in his contemplative purchase of Big Swamp in Robeson County, and they bought the whole swamp, which consists of 28,145 acres.

The programme throughout is one that cannot fail to attract attention and there are so many pleasing features that it is difficult to determine which was the best.

This afternoon there will be a matinee and all the children should attend, for they will be sure to enjoy it. Another inducement offered the children this afternoon is a free ride on the horses if desired.

The company will give their last performance to-night and will no doubt be welcomed by a good house.

The Wilmington Spring-Bed and Mattress Company have started a manufactory for their specialties in the three-story brick building opposite the City Hall on north Third street, and have already a force of skilled workmen busily engaged.

The company consists of Mr. C. B. Howell, of Virginia, who is an expert in the business, and Mr. W. M. Cumming, a young gentleman of this city of energy, good business training and experience.

The Democratic Executive Committee of the Sixth Congressional District met at Wadesboro, Thursday. It was decided to hold the next Convention in this city on the 27th of June.

Samuel Sandford, colored, a West Indian sailor, was arraigned before the Mayor yesterday on two charges—disorderly conduct and larceny. He was proven guilty of smashing furniture, belonging to Harriet Davis, with whom he lived, and confessed to the larceny of coal from the gas house and clothing, rope and other articles from a vessel in port.

Harriet Davis, who made complaint against Sandford, was also committed to jail on the charge of receiving stolen goods.

Willie Davis, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, was sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars or be imprisoned twenty days.

OPERA HOUSE.

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THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, March 8th, 9th and 10th.
Family Matinee Saturday at 2.30.

Statement SHOWING THE CONDITION OF THE Mutual Life Insurance Co. ASSETS December 31st, 1887.

Table with 2 columns: ASSETS and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Value of real estate, Loans on bond, and Total Assets.

Losses unpaid, including fire, \$35,950 67. Reserve, as required by law, \$104,912,623 00.

W. L. SAUNDERS, Secretary of State.
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

A. Shrier's NEW SPRING CLOTHING AND HATS.
MY IMMENSE STOCK OF NEW SPRING CLOTHING.

S. B. Cough Drops. THESE CELEBRATED DROPS CAN BE found at the following Drug and Confectionery Stores.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
A. G. MCGIRT, Auctioneer, BY S. A. SCHLOSS & CO.

To the Front. H. C. FLEMING IS STILL IN FRONT, AT No. 7 South Front Street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BROWN & RODDICK, 9 North Front St. WE ARE DAILY RECEIVING NEW GOODS.

Ladies' Corset Department. WE HAVE GIVEN THIS DEPARTMENT SPECIAL ATTENTION this season, and offer the largest assortment south of New York.

Woye Corsets. OUR WONDER CORSET we retail for 50c.

New Gingham. WE ARE NOW EXHIBITING ON OUR COUNTERS A GREAT many Novelties in Gingham, at prices from 10c to 15c.

Black Surah Silk. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED A FULL LINE OF Surah Silks and offer them very low.

BROWN & RODDICK, 9 NORTH FRONT STREET. Bargains for All.

Geo. R. French & Sons, 108 NORTH FRONT STREET. CAR WHEELS! FOR 10 CENTS.

Decorated Glass. STAINED, OPAQUE AND CATHEDRAL GLASS in all shades and patterns.

Artist Material. DON'T SEND OFF FOR YOUR PAINTS, Brushes, Pencils, Palettes, Academy Board, Drawing Paper, etc.

Fishing Tackle. A FULL LINE OF FISHING TACKLE AT GILLES & MURPHYSON'S.