THE FEELING

Press and People Still Talking of an Anglo-American Alliance.

SYMPATHY FOR THE CUBANS.

Spain Vainly Seeking Assistance from Austria and Germany Madrid's Newspapers Ridicule the United States.

By Cable to the Morning Star LONDON, March 19. - The remarkable unanimity of the approval of both classes and masses of the mere suggestion of an Anglo-American alliance. compels belief in the sincere desire of the British public for an entente with the United States. The fact that most of the cable dispatches from America have proclaimed that the suggestion has been seriously discussed is heartily welcome here and is regarded as extremely important and gratifying, as evidencing a friendly spirit.

There are," as a diplomatist put it, inspiring hopes that the differences of the past will be buried and that Anglo-Suxons in the near future will found assuing identical notes to all opposed to their common interests.

"It is nothiny stretch of imagination to say that such a union has been longed for by the best men in Great Bestain for many years, not only because of the genuine wish for closer bonds of friendship, but because it is a snown fact that all the statesmen of Europe realize that a close alliance between America and Great Britain would constitute not only the surest guarantee of the peace of the world, but would afford proof that the reign of law and individual liberty is to be extended for the benefit of mankind in spite of the efforts to extinguish it made by reactionary rulers and gov

Discussing the subject, the Spectator remarks The Americans are quite right in assuming that they will have the support of the Britishers should a continental alliance attempt to oppress hem. If our people once realized the condition of Cuba half of England would be calling the Americans hard names because they have not in tervened earlier to stop the horrors perpetrated at their very doors.

The curious mixture of pacific assucances and announcements of active preparations for war which are coming com the United States keeps the prophets guessing; but the opinion is gaining ground that the outlook is improving and that war will be finally averted by a Spanish retreat under some more or less specious excuse and an agreement to recognize the claims of the United States, for, in spite of stories to the contrary, Spain is well aware that it is useless to build hopes of sympathy from the European

Spain's Appeals For Aid.

BERLIN, March 19. - In spite of denials, the Queen Regent of Spain has repeatedly and strongly appealed to Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria monarchs of Europe, particularly Emperor William, to secure their efforts to restore amicable relations between the United States and Spain The Queen laid special stress on the necessity of maintaining the peace of Europe and securring an entente of the European monarchs against republican, aggressive America and on the affinity of her dynasty with the | quently all excuse for the intervention Hapsburgs. It is understood that Em | by the United States would be ended peror Francis Joseph while replying to the Queen cautionsly and conservatively has actually written to Emperce William, endeavoring to elicit a reply pledging the latter to promise to tender his good service in trying to maintain peace Moreprecently Spain approached thermany and Austria

The Spanish ambassador here, Senor Mendoz de Vigo, father in law of Senor Polo v Bernabe, the Spanish minister to Washington, had a conference on Wednesday last with the minister for foreign affairs, Baron von Buelow, when the latter assured him that while thermany earnestly desired the maintenance of peace, she certainly would not pledge herself to anything but the structest neutrality Spain is believed to have received the same an ower from Vienna and Paris.

with the view of obtaining assurance

that they in the event of war, would

assist Spain is some way or the other

Senor Sandoval, the Spanish agent, has thus far failed in his efforts as a purchaser of torpedo boats and other Madrid advices of Wednesday say

the Government organ, El Globo, assumes a much bolder and loftier floating between the Atlantic and the lost their heads, are seeking to force open the magazine in order to blow commander, is represented as "doing his best to restrain his unruly crew El Globo attributes the loss of the Maine to "bad storage of her enormous quantity of explosives, arising either from too hasty preparations for war. | writers are not favorable to the United or from want of proper discipline on

The Heraldo, independent, confesses it can only smile at seeing the Yankees devoting themselves to the while their officers are conspiring difficult task of trying to frighten us by clamor and warlike display.

WARM WIRELETS.

Captain A. Nielson of the Norwe gian bark Brilliant, at Jacksonville. Fla., committed suicide. Worry over business matters is the supposed

Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett the well known novelist has instituted suit for divorce from her husband, Dr. Swan M. Burnett. The papers in the case are withheld from publication.

Congressman Jos. Bailey, of Texas, gents within a fortnight. Democratic leader in the House of Representatives, will be a candidate for the Speakership of that body next session. He thinks his chances for success are good. He believes free silver will win in 1900.

China, it is said, has offered to lease to Russua Tallien Wan and to allow the proposed railway from Petura to Kwang Chung Tu, Muklien and Port Arthur to be constructed provided Port Arthur remains in China's hands.



ITS LAST CARD.

To Secure Peace in Cuba and Prevent Intervention by the United States.

IN ENGLAND. NOT LIKELY TO SUCCEED.

Gen. Pando Seeking Conference With President Masso and Other Leaders With a Formal Offer-Result Anxiously Awaited.

By Cable to the Morning Star

HAVANA, VIA KEY WEST, March 19 -News has just reached this corre spondent from authentic sources that the Autonomist government, backed by the military authorities here and the government at Madrid, is now playing its last card to secure peace in 'uba and prevent intervention on the part of the United States.

Near Palo Prioto, and Via Jacas Fordasa, in the province of Santa lara, on the west side of Jucaro Moron trocha, are gathered several thousand insurgents, under command of General Calixto Garcia and other prominent chiefs, accompanied by enor Masso. President of the Cuban Republic, with several members of his cabinet. Also, on the west side of the trocha, in the district of Sancti Spiritus, less than thirty miles distant from General Garcia's forces, are stationed 2,000 insurgents, under Gen-erals Pancho, Carrilo, Monteagudo, Lanchez, Legon and Gonzales.

The Spanish commander, General Pando, with General Charvez and other generals, is within a few miles of

Jeneral Calixto Garcia. General Gomez is west of the Juaro Moron trocha within easy reach. All the insurgent Generals, Presient Masso and the insurgent officials. with General Garcia, got through Jeneral Pando's line, which was to be a grand military coup de grace in the province of Santiago de Cuba or province of Puerto Principe.

But in addition to passing through he trocha, the insurgents turned Gen. Pando's flank. It is just possible that this flank movement was winked at by Gen Pando for the purpose of attempting to carry out his ulterior political purposes. Such was the position of all con-

terned when the last advices were recerved at the Palace in Havana. Gen. Pando's purpose, to further which he has ordered a practical arin the eastern part of stated succinctly as follows To have a personal conference with Gen. Garcial President Masso and other insurgents, and even with Gen. Gomez, if possible, and to make them a formal offer of autonomy, according to the programme drawn up by the left or radical wing of that party.

The Spanish Offer. As previously cabled, this offer inudes, in return for the ending of the nsurrection, the disarmament and disounding of all volunteers; commercial reaties to be concluded without Spansh interference, a maximum sum of \$2,000,000 annually to be paid to Spain by Cuba, as the latter's nominal suzerain; no insurgents to be shot or imprisoned on account of the existing insurrection, and no insurgents to be sent as prisoners out of Cuba for future political offences. The advices received here are in substance, that Gen. Pando felt confident of securing the conference, while on the other hand. Captain General Blanco, Secretary General Congosto and the Spanish staff officers of high rank, and many radical members of the autonomist government, felt sure that the proposition, being the best ever offered and assuring practical independence, would be accepted; that the rebellion would be declared at an end, and that conse-

Not Likely to Succeed.

Such views, however, were not held when this dispatch was sent by those best acquainted with General Gomez and his chiefs, nor by the Spanish Odban merchants, bankers, editors or lawyers, the best in Havana. The latter were sure that nothing but the proposition of Monte Cristo (the granting of an indemnity to Spain. out absolute independence for Cuba,) would ever be considered by General Gomez or any of his principal fol

In support of the latter view it is dictally announced that after all the efforts near Manzanillo, only two privates of Salvator Ruiz's band surren It is known beside that Gen Pando, in order to advance his plans for the proposed campaign in Santiago sic Cuba, greatly weakened all the trochas, taking from them several thousand men and much artillery. It is regarded as certain, in well in-

ormed circles here, that

Generals Gomez and Garcia, after refusing to confer with Gen. Pando, or if they do confer, after refusing the terms offered will take tone than lately. It compares the sufficient cattle and provisions from United States to An immense Maine | the comparatively well stocked ranches immediately west and then inaugurate Pacrfic, some of whose crew having a raid upon the provinces of Matanzas, Havana and probably Pinar del Rio. appearing near here within fifteen or it up." President McKinley, as the eighteen days, which is considered

Letters received here from prominent

autonomists in the provinces of Santa Clara and Puerto Principe have been shown to this correspondent. The States; they still cling to the theory of autonomy and class as false the assertions that the Spanish soldiers are unpaid and unfed and living in towns. against the autonomist government and refuse to take the field, either denying the presence of the insurgents favor of autonomy fight its battles." Other letters from the same source British steamer Eastry sailed Marcu | insist that all the plans laid to secure the surrender of the insurgents have been badly conceived and poorly executed. These letters add that only in isolated instances have any of the insurgents laid down their arms, and the insurgent leader Masso who surrendered, it is still further asserted, was proscribed by General Gomez and was liable to be tried by court martial. while of the 100 insurgents who surrendered with him at Fomento, more than half were back with the insur-

that the Pando conference will in any event be

The End of Autonomy and the most sanguine assert that it will make the intervention of the Inited States imperative. Those who have this view claim that the intervention of the United States will be necessary to prevent outrages which will

The general opinion seems to be

disgrace civilization and also to protect American citizens in Cuba. Under the circumstances, news from the scene of the conference is awaited

here with the greatest anxiety. Trouble is Porto Rico. In spite of official and other denials, it is believed that serious troubles for Spain in Porto Rico are imminent and it is asserted (though the report can-

leaves Hayana, will go to Porto Rico in order to strengthen the hands of the Government officials there. News of the result of the interview

between General Pando and other delegates and Gen. Calixto Garcia. Senor Masso, president of the Cuban republic, and other insurgent leaders is anxiously awaited here. There is no change in the belief held by the best posted men that all the propositions looking to the laying down of their arms by the insurgents were rejected. There is no doubt that a con-ference was held; but, owing to the distance from Havana and also to the poor mail facilities, the result is not yet known. Meanwhile, all military operations in that part of Santa Clara province have been suspended.

Troops left Matanzas City yesterday to make a reconnoisance of the Cuban coast to the eastern extremity of the

At a meeting held at the palace yes terday of the committee appointed to secure funds for the Spanish navy Captain General Blanco was elected esident. He said he would use all his influence to induce the officials nilitary, civil and municipal, to make mouthly contributions to augment the naval fund. The function in aid of the navy which takes place to-night at the Tacon theatre will, it is believed realize more than 1100,000 in gold. For single admission to the gallery a cigar manufacturer of Havana paid \$1,200. The smallest price for general admission is \$10 in gold.

A False Report. HAVANA, March 19.-The report riculated here that General Pando the Spanish commander in Cuba, had been captured by the insurgent General Garcia is untrue. According to the latest advices General Pando had left hiego de Avila and was proceeding to the eastward, probably with Puerto Principe as his destination.

Work on the Maine. One six-inch gun and a valuable cable were recovered to-day from the wreck of the Maine. The bodies of two of the Maine victims were sent to Key West this afternoon on the steamer Olivette. Chaplain Chidwick is revising the list of the bodies thus far taken from the wreck. He inclines to the belief that a larger number have been recovered than has been stated, but will know positively as to this in a few days

POSTOFFICE APPROPRIATIONS®

Bill Passed the House of Representatives Also, Bill for Free Entry of War Material.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star WASHINGTON, March 19. - The House to-day passed the Postoffice Appropriation bill, which has been under consideration since Wednesday. The main points of attack to-day were the appropriations of \$30,000,000 for railway transportation of mails, \$171,000 for special facilities between New York and New Orleans, and \$25,000 for special facilities from Kansas City to Newton, Kansas. These items annually attract more or less of a contest. This year the opposition seemed to be less intent. All efforts to reduce the appropriation for railroad transportation signally failed and the vote on the Southern mail subsidy was 77-98, against striking out. By neat parliamentary manœuvring the opponents of the subsidy were prevented from getting a direct vote on a motion to recommit with instructions. At the opening of the session of the House to-day, Mr. Dingley, the floor leader of the majority, offered the bill reported from the Ways and Means committee, providing for the free entry into this country of guns, ammunition and other naval supplies and war material purchased abroad until January 1st, 1899. He explained that the committee had unanimously reported the bill. It was asked for by the Secretaries of War and Navy. The bill was passed without division.

ELECTRIC TORPEDO BOAT.

A New Invention Expected to Prove of Great Value for Coast Defence Purposes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star NEW YORK, March 19.-A Willets Point special to the Brooklyn Eagle

Officials expect great things from a new torpedo, or more properly, a small torpedo boat, that has reached this place. It is the invention of Lieutenant Nicholas J. Alpine, and is an electric boat with sufficient power to carry it thirty-five miles. It is expected to prove of great value in coast

The vessel was built at Dorchester, Mass, and after a trial by naval offl cers was sent to this place. It is twenty six feet long and twenty-four inches in diameter. Including torpedo and other equipments, it weighs about 2,600 pounds.

A speed of twenty knots an hour is claimed for it. A 250-pound torpedo contained in the interior, loaded with gun cotton and exploded by clock work is the chief power of destruction. Submerged, it passes below all torpedo nettings. A cable from the land regulates its movements and its speeds and returns it to land if not suc-

THE COURT OF INQUIRY.

Continues in Session at Key West Movements of Battleships-Bodies from the Maine Wreck.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star KEY WEST, FLA., March 19.-The United States Court of Inquiry into the loss of the battleship Maine conor saying "let the troops who are in tinued its session to-day on board the United States battleship Iowa. The United States cruiser Mont-

> The battleship Massachusetts and Texas will leave the Tortugas islands to-day for Hampton Roads Judge Advocate Maris came ashore later in the day. The court apparent y held a short session.

ugas with twelve inch shells for

Two unidentified bodies from the wreck of the Maine were brought here to-night on the steamer Olivette. They will be buried to-morrow. Fourteen enlisted men from two batteries of artillery stationed here left

A dispatch from Shanghai says a onspiracy, with the object of bringing about a rebellion has been started Chinese officials in the province of may prove to be the most formidable

new regiment.

since the Taiping rebellion. THAT TIRED FEELING is due to im poverished blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla enriches and vitalizes the blood and gives strength, energy and vigor. Be

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable not be verified at present) that the and do not pur. Spanish cruiser Vizcaya, when she druggists. 25c and do not purge, pain or gripe. All

THREE OFFICERS OF THE MAINE.

Their Extended Conferences With the President and Secretary Long Led to Conjecture.

DID NOT BRING THE REPORT

Their Personal Opinion, However, Strongly Favorable to the Theory of an External Cause Leading to Destruction of the Maine.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

Washington, March 19.-The arival of several survivors of the Maine and their extended conferences with President McKinley and Secretary Long furnished the most interesting feature in to day's developments on the Spanish situation. Three, officers of the Maine, Lieutenant G. F. W. Holman, Lieutenant George P. Blow and Lieutenant A. W. Catlin of the Marine corps, accompanied by boatswain Larkins, came on unexpectedly from Key West. It was said their visit was purely voluntary on their part, as they are now on waiting orders and are free to go where they please. Their long conferences at the lavy Department and later at the White House led to much conjecture, t being asserted that Lieutenant Blow brought with him the report of the Court of Inquiry, or at least the general conclusions reached by that court. It can be stated positively, however, from an authoritative source that the officers did not bring with them the report, either as a whole or its general conclusions. It is stated, with equal positiveness, and authorita tively, that they do not know what the action of the Court of Inquiry is, and, therefore, are not in a position to convey any information to the

however, individual opinion as to the Cause of the Explosion found expression. These opinions, as already stated, were purely personal and not founded on the proceedings of the Court of Inquiry. These personal opinions, however, it was learned reliably, were strongly favorable to the theory of an external cause leading to officers themselves maintain the strictest reserve. After the conferences with the President and the Secretary not return to the Navy Department | navy. and considerable care was exercised in having their whereabouts kept from public attention. Another interesting arrival of the day was constructor Hoover, the technical expert sent to Havana to identify the twisted plates in the Maine wreckage, with a view to learning whether the explosion was of internal or external origin. Mr. Hoover also maintained silence concerning the wreck. He made no report to the Secretary of the Navy, as he was sent to Havana to learn facts and then em-

President or Secretary of the Navy on

that point. Their talks were contined

entirely to graphic narratives of their

experiences on the night of the explo-

sion. In the course of this narrative,

naval Court of Inquiry.

Two New Battleships. Late in the day the prospects became much brighter for the acquisition by the United States of two exceptionally fine foreign warships, namely, the armored cruiser San Mar tino, belonging to the Argentine Republic, and the battleship Gen. O'Higgins, belonging to Chili. The hope of getting these ships had been almost given up but cablegrams received today from Commander Brownson, now in Europe, made the outlook more encouraging. Up to the close of office hours an actual purchase had not been concluded, but a high official summed up the situation by saying negotiations were getting "very hot." The San Martino was originally built for the Italian Government and was then known as the Varese, but since her purchase by Argentina she has been renamed. Her dimensions are: Length 328 feet; beam, 59 feet, draft 24 feet, displacement, 6,840 tons; horse-power, 13,000; speed, 19.98 knot.

The General O'Higgins is a battle ship of 8,500 tons, built at El Swick. Her dimensions are: Length 400 feet; beam, 62; draft, 22 feet; her contract speed, 211 knots. Her armament is four 8-inch, ten 6-inch, four 4.7 Armstrongs, eight 12 pounders, ten 6-pound ers and four submerged torpedo tubes. Her protective deck is a belt of har vevized steel seven inches thick. Her gun houses for the eight inch guns, and the casements of the six-inch guns are protected by six inch and of nickel-

Large Contract for Powder.

Both the Navy and War Departments continue their active preparations for emergency, and contracts in all branches of armanent are being made daily by the various bureaus The naval bureau of ordnance has contracted for 4.500,000 pounds of brown powder, which is probably the largest single order ever given. This was di vided between the California Powder Company and the Dupont Powder Company.

The order is sufficient in the aggregate to give 200 rounds for every gun afloat in the American navy, and with this large supply on hand the navy for the first time in years will be more than amply supplied with powder. An unusually large number of Sen tors took advantage of the fact that the Senate was not in session to-day to call upon the cabinet officers, with the hope of securing definite informa-

The Cuban Situation.

They succeeded only in learning that the report of the Maine Court of Inquiry had not arrived, but that it was expected early next week and that it would be forwarded to Congress immediately upon its arrival, unless of gomery sailed this morning for the an unexpectedly startling character. Some of them found the high officia the State Department deliberating pon the line of policy to be pursued n case the report of the Naval Court should have the effect of entirely eliminating the Maine incident from the situation. The State Department officials did not make any positive declaration that such information was in their possession, rather advancing it as a tentative suggestion, and when pressed for information on this point. replied that they only knew that the report was to come next week, and to night for Tampa. They are going | that they had no advance information to Fort Henry to become part of a as to its contents.

An Important Contract

was let out by the bureau of yards and docks of the Navy Department to-day. It was about dredging about 300,000 feet of the harbor about Fort Jeffersou on Dry Tortugas Island, which Hunan and fears are expressed that it | will enable large naval and merchant vessels to anchor very near the shore to take coal. This is the first step taken by the Navy Department toward making a naval supply coaling station at the Tortugas, work on which will be pushed as rapidly as possible. The Alabama Dredging and Jetty Company, of Mobile, were awarded the contract

There is no doubt that the authorities here are keeping themselves fully advised as to the movement of the | sale by R. R. BEELAMY.

Spanish Torpedo Flotilla now en route from Spain. Persons

acquainted with the facts say that the stop at the Canary Islands is only tem-porary and that there is no purpose on the part of the Spanish government to turn back the torpedo boats because of the removal of the Texas and Mas-sachusetts from Key West. On the contrary the purpose as made known at Washington is that the torpedo flo-tilla will continue its trip to Cuba and Puerto Rico. It was stated to-day by one high in naval authority that no steps had been taken toward intercepting this flotilla or warning it away.

The Diplomatic Aspect of the Spanish question developed no new phases to-day. Messrs. Angulo, Valer and Cadenas, the three commissioners named by the Cuban cabinet to act with Minister Polo in framing a commercial treaty, will be presented to Secretary Sherman and Judge Day on Monday next. They expect to take up the negotiations with Commissioner Kasson after the ceremony of presentation is concluded.

Fleet of Torpedo Boats. Commodore Farquhar, formerly of the navy yards, was in conference with the naval officials to-day. He reported that the finishing touches have been put on the monitor Puritan and that she is in fine condition for sea service. It is expected that the Puritan will leave soon for Port Royal, at which place it has been reported the Navy Department will locate a fleet of torpedo boats, which may be called on for assistance either by the fleet at Hampton Roads or that at Key West, should necessity arise. The monitors which it has been said will compose the fleet, include the Amphitrite, Terror, Miantonomah and

ACTIVITY AT NEWPORT.

Rush Orders at the Torpedo Statioy for Shells for the Cruiser Vesuvius and Other Ships.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NEWPORT, March 19.-Great activity is displayed at the torpedo station here. Since the Maine disaster up to vesterday, the station has gone on as usual and there was no evidence of warlike preparations. This, however, was changed by the receipt of an order from the Navy Department with "rush" instructions to get in readi ness for shipment of shells of the cruiser Vesuvius and to fill at once the war-heads of all torpedoes on the island and of those that would be the destruction of the Maine. The shipped to the station daily until the outfits for all cruisers and battleships would be completed and a number of spare ones for of the Navy, the Maine officers did | cruisers may be purchased by the

A Death Dealing Machine.

In addition to the torpedo outfits the men at the torpedo station are working on a death-dealing engine in the shape of a buoyant mine. This is an organ shaped hollow affair. The mine opens in the center and into one-half is fitted a square frame. In this frame, secured in places, are four cans filled with gun cotton, the whole discharge being equal to four service torpedoes, of sufficient power to blow the largest battleship out of water. The upper body them in testimony before the half of the mine is then clamped and through the water-tight, rubber-packed hole in its top, run four wires connected with the gun-cotton. Two of the wires connect with the shore and two contact wires project above the mine a distance of two feet. The mine is to be moored a few feet below the surface of the water by means of a mushroom ancher.

As soon as the rush torpedo orders are completed, which will require ten days at least, the whole force at the station will be put upon the buoyant mines. The entrances to Narraganse t bay, both east and west, have been plotted for mines by the United States engineer office.

The new U.S. torpedo boat Rodgers sailed yesterday from the Columbia Iron Works, where she was built, her destination being Norfolk.

A Glimpse at Bangkok, Maxwell Sommerville, in his book, "Siam on the Meinam, From the Gulf to Ayuthia," says that in the main business quarters of Bangkok pawnbroking is a leading calling. Adjoining the pawnshops were rickety shops, booths and stands, where indolent dealers are prepared to supply all the wants of the passersby, providing it does not cause them too much exertion. The bonzes, or priests, were always nu-

"They pass from house to house begging, though by the church it is considered that they are giving the people the privilege of thus contributing something for the sustenance of the cult. They are in the habit of extending this privilege to the people every morning. This is one of the institutions, not only of the church, but a custom universally recognized and approved by the people. These bonzes, wrapped in their yellow cotton garments, stand in coteries of two, three and four in front of each house, saying not a word, but holding out their bronze bowls for rice and their netted bags for contributions of fruit."

Centenarian Birds. It is well known that the eagle, raven, swan and parrot are each centenarians. An eagle kept in Vienna died after a confinement of 114 years, and at Shelbourne is an oak. known as the raven tree, in which the same pair of ravens are believed to have nested for more than 90 years. Swans upon the Thames about whose age there can be but little chance of mistake, since they are annually "nicked," have been known to survive 150 years and more. - London Echo.

A hatti sherif is an edict signed by the sultan of Turkey himself. It usually concludes with the words. "Let my order be executed according to its form and meaning."

I would fain coin wisdom-mold it, I mean-into maxims, proverbs, sentences, that can easily be retained and transmitted .- Joubert. The ovation crown, in Rome, was

made of myrtle. An ovation was a lesser species of triumph. A fool will always find a bigger fool to admire him. -Boileau.

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OTHER NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

Call of the State Democratic Convention-The Case of John Evans-Railway Commission to Meet Again This Mouth.

Special Star Correspondence.] RALEIGH, N. C., March 19. Mr. Robert Botterly, Vanderbilt's andscape gardener at Biltmore, is here laying off plots in the grounds at the Executive Mansion. Mr. Botterly will plant 50,000 pieces of shrubbery, which are a gift from Mr. Vanderbilt. There are 2,000 different

varieties. The city will build at once a tramoad, one and a quarter miles in ength, to bring stone from the rock juarry to the city for street improvenent purposes. The road will cost Every street in Raleigh is to be curbed and the principal ones will be macadamized.

The new building for the Odd Fellows' Orphanage is to be occupied at once. The building was built at a cost of \$105,000, and is one of the handsomest of the kind in the State. As soon as the building is occupied, more orphans will be taken into the asylum.

The Governor has under cousideration the case of John Evans who is sentenced to die next week. Gover nor Russell feels the responsibility of this case, which is certainly a perplexing one. There have never been so many requests received at the executive office asking for Executive clemency. Most of them come from disinterested parties, It is said the Governor believes there is a doubt as to Evans' guilt and that he will, in all probability, commute his death sentence to life imprisonment,

Chairman Caldwell stated before leaving that he would call the railway commission to meet the latter part

[Special Star Telegram.] Counsel for the Seaboard Air Line to-day gave notice to the Railway Commission that an appeal would be taken to Wake Superior Court from the decision reducing passenger fares. The Attorney General decides that Judge Ewart is entitled to the extra five hundred dollars compensation, allowed in the act giving the court civil

authority. Chairman Manly issues a call for the State Convention, as authorized by the State Committee.

WHEN HOGS ARE RIPS. Information Obtained by Jerry Rusk From Governor Rusk happened to drive over the state line once into Wisconsin, looking at the farms. He was particularly struck with one farm, on which he found everything in first class order, and riding up to the house he inquired the name of the owner, when a tall German came out and gave his name as Theodore Louis. "What do you regard as the greatest wealth producing agency in agriculture?"

the governor asked him. "The hog," was the sententious reply. "Upon what do you base this state

"He lifts more mortgages than anything The conversation which ensued developed the fact that Louis had once been what is called an all wheat farmer, and kept constantly sinking into debt. He decided that something had to be done quickly or there would be very little left for Louis, so he decided to try the hog. The first year he made a little money, the second year he made more and then he became thorough ly interested. The result was that he became recognized as a great authority on hogs. His neighbors took up his example, and mortgages began to be lifted, until

finally there was not one on record against that community. "How long would you keep a hog? asked Governor Rusk.

"I would not keep him-I would kill

"When he is ripe." "When is he ripe?" "When he is fat." "Wouldn't it pay to keep the hog for two or three years? "I tried that once," said Louis. "I took

a hog in the fall and weighed him, and I took my corn and weighed it. When spring came, the corn was all gone and the hog weighed about what he did in the fall. That made me say next year that I would kill my hogs in the fall and save my corn.' "How much does it cost to keep a hop through the winter?"

"How many hogs winter in Minnesota?" "One million. I have just looked at the auditor's report."

"Do you mean to say that we lose \$3 000,000 a year in wintering our hogs?" "Yes, that's what you do. If you kill them all in the fall, you will have left in your cribs \$8,000,000 worth of corn to sell. -Atlanta Con 'tution.

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are bringing to light many a beautiful specimen of the designer's skill and the manufacturer's efforts. We could fill a page descanting upon our Dress Goods alone, but, as space is limited and life is short, we will only say—Read these, facts, then come and feast your eyes upon the goods. Out of town customers please write for samples. Novelties, 46 inches wide, in the prettiest shades of green ground with black dot, castor ground and green and black, blue and black, cerise and black, &c., &c.; these goods have just been received in pattern suits at \$8.50. Spring Cheviots, an elegant line in the newest shades, full double width; exceptional value 25c

42-inch wide Imported Silk and Wool Novelty Dress Goods in a variety of more than 25 differ-ent styles and color combinations; regular price 75c a yard; special for this week 50c. English Granite Cloth, 45 inches wide, choice assortment of colorings and warranted to give perfect satisfaction to every purchaser, per yard, 75c. Five pieces black Brilliantine, lustrous and shiny Mohairs, fully 42-inch wide, special per yard 59c.

Lace Stripe bias Plaid Lawns only 12 1-2 Bayadere Noveitles and Mixed Worsteds in very choice assortments, at the very special price of, per yard 75c. All Silk Black Brocaded Taffeta, new designs, sold elsewhere at \$1.00 a yard, special 85 c.

Ladies' Shirt Waists and Parasols are on display. New Laces, Embroideries, Chiffons, Neck wear, Collars and Cuffs just received. THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

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If you wish to advertise at the lowest rates try the department in the STAR, on fourth page, headed "Business Locals." Situations or help wanted, srticles lost or found, rooms or houses wanted or to rent, business opportunities, and many other short miscella neous advertisements are taken for that department at one cent per word for each insertion. But no advertisement taken for less than 20 cents for each insertion.

40.inch wide English Covert Cloths in a new line of Spring colorings, also 40-inch fancy novelty dress goods at a special price of 2.5 c.

Fifteen pieces French Organdy, all new pat-terns, at 20 and 30c.

A very choice assortment of Silk and

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That's No Joke—He surely gets there, or at least his customers are all satisfied, and that means considerable. Who? Why the new Pho-tographer. Freeman B. Ellis, 116 Market St.

At N. Paul's !—At. N. Paul's fine nice yellow Bananas. Can't be nicer. Also Oranges, Apples and choice Candies. All at rock bottom

One Man in Each Town wanted to handle Arper's Automatic Oil Can. The most complete can mode. No possibility of spilling the oil. A lamp can be filled from it in pitch darkness with perfect safety. Wilmington people buy direct from us. S. L. Smith & Son, Manufacturers, Wilmington, N. C. feb 25 tf

Housekeepers Take Notice that N. C. Hams, Turkeys, Chickens and Eggs can be had at very low prices of H. J. Blerman, Wholesale and Retail Commission Merchant, 105 South Front street.

Fresh Ground Graham Flour, Big Hominy, N. C. Head Rice, Choice Hay, and all kinds of Feed; lowest prices. Jno. S. McEachern. Bell Phone 92, Inter-State Phone No. 92. de 9 tf



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Punchases delivered at depots without ex-bense, and patron's interest carefully looked ofter. OUR PENINSULAR STEEL RANGES must be seen to be appreciated, and it will be a pleasure for us to show you their construction and management. A fine and varied line of Cooking and Heating Stoves constantly on hand at low down prices. Try us and we wil

convince you.

Our lines of general Hardware, Cutlery, Brass goods, &c., are complete in each department. J. W. MURCHISON, ORTON BUILDING

TUBE-ROSE BULBS We have quite a nice lot of

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Specially low price to any one purchasing from 100 to 1.000 EASTER EGG DYES,

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Fine French Henrietta, 40 inches wide, wide, with rich Satin finish, prettiest shades of grays, blues, garnets, browns, &c., &., cannot be duplicated again after this lot is gone; special at per yard 75c.

French Broadcloth, 52 inches wide, in all the leading shades, very light spring weight, and has a rich silk finish; this cloth is sold, regularly for \$1.00 a yard, but we will sell for this week at, now yard \$5.60.

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A. SHRIER,

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A Man's solid Leather Shoe from \$1.00 a pair and upwards. A Boy's solid Leather Shoe for 95c a pair and

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Regular 50 cents a pair.
Suspenders 10 cents a pair.
Call and see the other bargains he is niso mar 18 if

NINTH SERIES.

The First Instalment of

the Ninth Series of

The N. C. Home Building Association

IS PAYABLE ON

Saturday, April 2, 1898

Those desiring stock should apply

NOTICE.

Commissioner's Sale of Real Estate

By virtue of a decree of sale made on the 21st day of February, 1898, in a special proceeding in the Superior Court of New Hanaver county, North Carolina, wherein Emily Wil lams, executrix of the last will and testament of Eliza A. McDuffle, deceased, is plaintiff, and H. M. Bishop and others, heirs at law of the said Eliza A. McDuffle, deceased, are defendants, I will at 12 o'clock M., on Monday, the 28th day of March, 1898, sell at public auction, for cash, at the Court House door in the county of

premises described in the complaint, situate ying and being in the city of Wilmington county of New Hanover and State of Norti Carolina, bounded and described as follows

Beginning at a point in the southern line of Chesnut street 105 feet westwardly from the

southwestern intersection of Tenth and Chesnut streets, and running thence westwardly with the said southern line of Chesnut street 35 feet.

thence southwardly parallel with Tenth street 66 feet, thence eastwardly parallel with Chesnut street 35 feet, and thence northwardly parallel

with Tenth street 66 feet to the southern line of

Dated and posted this, the 26th day of February, 1898. E. F. JOHNSON.

Be "Penny wise and pound

foolish." Good health is far

above the cost of food, there-

fore take no "just as good,"

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ards. Socks for 5 cents a pair and upward.

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Shoes and Gents'

BUSINESS LOCALS.

the modern scouring soap, tack signs, dis-tribute circulars, place samples, orders, etc. Steady work. Salary, \$10 weekly and expenses. The Lustro Co., Chicago. mar 20 1t Lost—Thursday evening, March 17, a gold sword scarf pin, on Water between Carolina Central R'y shed and Market street. Finder will be amply rewarded. W., STAR office. Wanted-To buy a good second hand Bicycle cheap for cash. Address M., care of the STAR. mar 201t

Salesman—\$5 a day. No canvassing. No liveries. No collections. Samples free. Side line or exclusive. Mfrs., 3941 Market St., Phila-

Hot Lunch Free every day from 11 A. M. to 1 P. M. and Saturday night. Roast Beef, Sour Kraut, Frankfurter and other delicacies

M. C. Benson, Commission Merchant, 106 Dock street, has eight years experience in the produce business. Best prices and prompt re turns guaranteed.

Your Country Produce—Ship your country produce to L. Tate Bowden, 6 Princess street, for good prices and prompt returns. Chickens, Eggs, Peas, etc., for the city trade. feb 24 tf

Ladies Wanted to travel and appoint agents for old established house. Permanent pesition; \$40 per month and all expenses. Z., Box 82, Philadelphia, Pa. de 18 D&W tf

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