Man approaching— Nother wheel— Maiden fear begins to feel; Tried to dodge him,

Then together Wheel and wheel Crash with shock that wren
Man takes header,
Maid a flop,
Both together take a drop.

"Clumsy creature Shrieks the maid Then uprising

Deadly wheel,
Forth to other conquests steal.
Frank B. Welch in Detroit Free Press.

Billy Sims was enjoying that period of rest and peace which comes to a man when his wife and family go to the seaside and leave him in possession of the

Billy had expected to stay at the sea his suburb that the house would be closed for a fortnight, and he asked them to keep an eye on the premises. Billy's faith in the force was somewhat shaken when he unexpectedly returned, found he had left his latchkey at Ma-

rineville and was thus compelled to climb in at a window after midnight, yet no notice was taken of him. He got out in the same way next morning and telegraphed for his keys. He roamed all over the house with a lighted candle at various periods of the night, but the guardians of the peace never disturbed him, and Billy made up his mind that the next time he went away he would take out a burglar insurance and not trouble the guardians who guarded so

a day off, took a day on, as it were, and went for a long spin through the country or his bicycle. He had dinner at a waysine —and got home late and tired. Putting his machine in its shed, he entered the house, poured out for himself a glass of cooling stimulants, and rested his weary body in his most comfortable armchair, sipping the gratifying mixture in accordance with the directions on the bottle.

The house was very quiet, and soon Billy dropped off to sleep. He woke up suddenly and found everything still very quiet and very dark as well, yet he had the feeling within him that he had been awakened by a noise. He listened intently, sitting still in the comfortable chair, and presently the chandelier above his head gave a slight rattle, as it was in the habit of doing when some one was walking in the room overhead. Billy did not believe in ghosts, for he was a newspaper man and could hardly be said to believe in anything. Again the chandelier jingled, yet there was no noise of a footstep overhead, and it faculties that whoever was above him was going around in his stocking feet, trying to be as silent as possible. Billy regretted that he did not own such a that at last ourglars were in the house. He vaguely saw himself writing an account of the incident, headed: "Desperate Encounter With a Burglar. Heroic

Conduct of a Suburban Householder." Fired by this thought, and in spite of the distinct creeping of his scalp which we exaggerate into terming the sensation of the hair standing on end, Billy grasped the poker that lay on the fender by his chair and cantiously crept out into the hall, making his way like a cat up the stair, fervently hoping that no step would creak.

At the landing above Billy peered into the bedroom from which the light issued and was appalled to see, not one burglar, but three. This exceeded Billy's most ardent expectations. He had been prepared for a desperate encounter with one, especially if he could have crept in on him and landed on his head with the good thing.

One of them would be certain to have a pistol, which would make things even more interesting. Glad as he would be to have an exclusive item for his paper, he had no desire to have some one else write it up and head it, "Dastardly Murder of a Reporter In Lonelyville. There are some sacrifices that a man does not care to make, even for his pa-

The burglars had evidently come to the house, for no guard was set. They moved about quietly, but that merely came from long practice in an arduous profession where there was much night off, and that they were most industrious while other people were sound asleep. We generally think that our own particular occupation has the most drawbacks, giving little heed to the discomforts of

One man was holding a bag open and the other two were creeping about filling the receptacle with various articles prized by connoissenrs and collectors. "I think we've got as much as we can

This remark enused Billy to reflect So he emulated the conduct of the cele-He realized that if he went to the police station, which was some distance away, the burglars would be gone be-

fore help came. Then the brilliant idea occurred to him that he might follow the thieves silently on his bicycle, mark their lair, come with an ample police force at his back and capture the whole outfit, thus earning the eternal gratitude of the entire neighborhood. Then the item would headed, "Clever Capture of a Band

Billy got his machine out from its shed, noiselessly unlocked the back gate, closed it again as silently as he had opened it and waited in the shadow of a tree across the way. In a very few moments the burglars came out, each carrying a bag. They peered up and down the deserted street, and then slipped out, walking rapidly away to-gether. Billy had no difficulty in fol-lowing them. His only trouble was the

as he could by keeping on the opposite side of the road from them. He hoped he would meet a policeman, so that he might give the alarm, and his wish was gratified. The officer stepped unexpectedly out from beside a tree, and he

grasped Billy by the arm.
"Why are you cycling out at this time of night without your lamp lit?" "My lamp lit, you fool!" gasped Billy, taken by surprise, and therefore not having time to choose his language with the care a man should use when addressing so important a personage as a policeman. "How the —— could I chase burglars with a lit lamp?"

"That's all very fine," said the offi-cer. "I've heard that kind of a story before. A man doesn't get up and dress himself in a full bicycling suit to chase burglars at 2 in the morning."

"But I slept in my bicycling suit, you ass!" protested Billy, feeling, as he said it, that it sounded rather thin and unbelievable in the keen morning air. "I'll report the language you are using to the magistrate," said the policeman calmly, knowing the whole machinery of the law was with him.

"My house has been burglarized," cried Billy. "The three thieves passed you with their swag, and I don't suppose you ever saw them. Precious lot of good you idiots are, not only letting the rascals slip, but arresting a man who is robbed and who is trying to do the work you are paid for doing.

"Come and tell all this to the officer on duty at the station. You're bicycling without a lamp at night, and that's all I have to deal with, and I'm going to deal with it."

Billy broke into language that was both deplorable and indefensible, but the policeman merely noted it down and took the unfortunate man to the station. Billy speedily convinced the night man at the police station that a mistake had been made, and two of the force were sent to investigate. They reported that the house had been burglarized with neatness and dispatch, but the burgling birds had flown.

The magistrate told Billy next morning that if he had been more moderate in his talk his miscarriage of justice might not have happened. He should not use such language, the magistrate said, and when Billy asked what else he could have used, seeing that he had no club with him, the magistrate remarked that he would fine him for contempt of court if he tried his flippancy

on the bench. So the item appeared as "Burglary at Lonelyville," and another paragraph stated that Billy Sims, a well known journalist, had been fined for riding about the streets at 2 in the morning on a bicycle with an unlit lamp, and that Billy was supposed to have been intoxicated at the time, whereas the truth was that the magistrate let Billy off

with the reprimand aforementioned. As the police have not yet succeeded in capturing the thieves, although they are always coming on a new and gratifying clew, Billy thinks this is a hard world.-Luke Sharp in Detroit Free

Foraging In India. All the captured cattle were penned into the houses, and filled them all, so the troops and officers had to pass the night in the open with no bedding and no food. It was bitterly cold and beyoud green wood, which would not burn, no fuel was obtainable. It was amusing to see the officers trying to cook some mutton for themselves, as one of the sheep was killed for dinner, but what with the green wood, its smoke, no cooking pots, etc., and the impossibility of obtaining any hot water, the meat dinner had to be given up. Some one said pea soup would be excellent. So, procuring a small brass pot, he proceeded to soak some of the mules' gram, but this also was left, as not even fusebox could be utilized with success to make sonp in.

Milk from the Waziri cow was the next suggestion, so three specially selected officers were deputed to try to tame a cow. After many trials and heroid efforts, and many butts and kicks, a cow was caught and tied; but, alas, she was dry. Goats were the same. Finally hunger conquered, and pieces of multon stuck on to a stick and roasted over the smoking fire had to be accepted as the evening meal. The cold at night was very to ring, and sleep was denied to all, for one seet grew so cold that every hour a sharp walk was imperative to keep one's circulation up. Added to these, there were a wdy camel and a vicious horse careering wont most of the night, and last, but not least, an army of rats, who would insist on race ning over one's face and body. - Black wood's Magazino.

EXPERT HOTEL ROBBER. He Relieved Schuyler Colfax of a Bag Full

of Securities. "Did you ever hear of Charley Holt, the prince of hotel thieves?" said Detective James McDevitt. "Well, I had two encounters with that gentleman here in Washington. My first experience was brief and devoid of sensational incident. "A guest in an up town hotel awoke one night and saw a man going through his clothes. He gave chase to the robber, who dropped his booty, consisting

of a watch and several hundred dollars, n the hallway. "He managed to outrun his pursuen and reached his room on an upper floor unseen. The hotel people sent for me, and after searching the register and making some inquiries I went straight to Holt's room and put him under arrest. He accompanied me to fleadquarters without a murmur, but as we had no proof against him he was let go, with a warning never to show up again at the

"He staid away three years, but the

capital.

next time he came he did a job of no less magnitude than to rob the vice president of the United States, Schuyler Colfax, of \$125,000 in bonds and socurities. The robbery occurred at Wormley's hotel, between 5 and 6 o'clock, on the evening of Feb. 22, 1869. I had been to Alexandria that day and heard of the affair as soon as I reached the city, about 9 p. m. The first thing I did was to go to a restaurant keeper and ask him if any crooked people were in town. He replied that there was a party in the badger line at a place on Tenth street, near the old gas office. In company with the chief of police I went to the house and asked of the landlady if she had any strangers stopping there. She said yes, and on telling her our business she admitted us into the parlor, where a good looking young man was walking

"Before we could say a word he remarked: 'I know who you are after. Charley Holt has stolen a lot of bonds belonging to the vice president. He told me so himself and said he was nearly scared to death when he found whose property he had taken. You'll find the stuff in the express office, for he boxed it all up and shipped it to Philadelphia

this evening. "Here was a revelation to take a man's breath away. I never dreamed of making such a swift capture. We went to the express and got the securities right enough without any trouble. It would have been an easy matter to get Holt, but Mr. Colfax, for some reason, vetoed the proposition to catch him, and he went scot free of that particular crime. The fellow who told me was a crook, but had nothing to do with the transaction, and in consideration of the 'give away' was allowed to leave the

BONAPARTE'S OPPORTUNITY.

How He Took Advantage of the Over-All night long, from the 16 to 17 Brumaire, a committee of the Ancient was in session, minutely perfecting their plans. Next morning at 7 the faithful majority, having been summoned according to form, convened as the coun-cil, for the doubtful members had either not been summoned at all or had received notice of a later hour. As soon as a quorum was present, Cornet, a well known butt for the wits, rose and denounced the terrible conspiracy which was menacing them. Regnier then moved that, according to articles 102, 103 and 104 of the constitution, both branches of the legislature should meet next day at noon, and not before, in the palace of St. Cloud; that General Bonaparte should be intrusted with the exe-cution of their decree, and that to that end he be appointed commander of the Paris garrison, of their own special gnard and of the National gnard; that he therefore appear and take the oath, and that these resolutions be duly communicated to the directory, to the five hundred, and also to the public by printed proclamation. The motion was

carried unanimously. During these proceedings all the gen erals present in Paris except Jourdan and Augereau, who had not been invited, but including the stanch republican Lefebre, commander of the garrison, had gathered in and before Bonaparte's house. They had been requested to come in uniform in order to arrange for a review. It was noticed that Bernadotte, though present, was not in uniform: He had so far yielded to the blandishments of his brother-in-law as to come, but declared that he would obey only what was at that moment the chief authority in the state. Lefebre was in uniform, but having met on the way bodies of troops moving without his orders, and not being initiated, he was naturally startled. But Bonaparte knew his man. "Would you, a supporter of the republic, leave it to perish in the hands of these lawyers?" was his greeting. See, here is the sword I carried at the Pyramids, I give it to you as a mark of

my esteem and confidence.' "Let us throw the lawyers into the river," came the expected answer. A few moments later arrived the authoritative summons from the Ancients. Bonaparte stepped out on the porch and read their proceedings aloud. By a united impulse the officers flourished their swords in response. It was but an instant before they were mounted, and with Bonaparte in front the cavalcade. headed by men either already famous or destined to become so—Macdonald, Sernrier, Murat, Lannes, Andreossy, Berthier and Lefebre-proceeded to the council chamber. It needed but a hasty glance, as they passed through the city, to see that preconcerted orders had already been carefully executed. The troops were all under arms and at their stations in commanding places throughout the town. Arrived at the Tuileries,

the general and his glittering escort entered the chamber. "Citizen delegates," he said, "the republic was falling. You understood the situation; your course has saved it. Wos to them who cause disorder or disturbance! With the help of General Lefebre, of General Berthier and my other brethren in arms I will arrest them. Let no man look for precedents in the past. Nothing in history is comparable to the end of the eighteenth century, nothing to the present moment. Your wisdom passed this motion; our arms will execute it. We desire a republic founded in true liberty, in civil liberty, in popular representation. We are going to have it. I swear it in my own name and in that of my brethren in arms!" "We swear it!" was the antiphonal response of the assembled generals. Some one indiscreetly suggested that Bonaparte had sworn, but not the oath of allegiance to the constitution required by their previous action, but the president hurriedly declared all further proceedings out of

order, the assembly having adjourned by its own act. - Professor W. M. Sloane's "Life of Napoleon" in Century. The Fly's Mouth. The fly's mouth is really nothing more nor less than a tongue which, at the proper time, runs in and out of a hole in the fly's head, like the tongus of a snake. Even this latter effect may be proved to be a delusion if you are careful in examining a fly while in the act of eating, for it is then that it may be seen that the combination mouth and tongue is simply a tiny black, threadlike proboscis which unfolds from be-

th the head, where there is a little niche or socket prepared for it. When this tembination tongue and mouth is unfolded ready for business, it spreads out, dividing into two flat leaves, which are planted smoothly and evenly over the surface from which the little insect hopes to extract a meal. Should the surface prove dry or unyielding, the fly is equal to the emergency, and by a muscular feat he immediately changes his smooth, soft, leaflike tongue into a rasp which works with lightning rapidity over the lump of sugar or other substance, the particles thus disledged being quickly sucked into the stomach. In case the meal is a liquid one the mouth and tongue combine to make an excellent pump for transferring the food to the place where it will do the most good.—St. Louis

The Pogonip. The following explanation is given of the remarkable condition expressed by the word pogonip: "This is said to be a name given by the mountaineers of Nevada to a sort of frozen fog that appears sometimes in winter, even on the clearest and brightest days. In an instant the air is filled with floating needles of ice. To breathe the pogonip is death to the lungs. When it comes, Indians as well as whites rush for shelter. It appears to be caused by the sudden freezing in the air of the moisture which collects about the summits of the high peaks."-New

His Occupation. The street car was crowded, and as it turned a corner sharply a man who was standing in the aisle made a grab at a strap, but missed it and involuntarily embraced a sharp faced young woman

standing near him, "Oh, I beg your pardon," he said. "Sir," she exclaimed, "you are s boor."

"No, madam," rejoined the penitent offender, "I am not. I am a newspaper "You are, hey?" was the contemptuous rejoinder. "What do you do abou a newspaper office, I'd like to know?"

"I am the pressman." The sharp faced young woman turned a little redder, but she didn't say any thing more. - Chicago Tribune.

The Soubrette-How do you like your part in the new play?

The Leading Woman-Oh, it's just lovely! I go through a dying scene in the second act, but I come to life again in the third and die all over again to slow music at the end of the play. It's sure to be a go!-New York Herald. A Drawback.

Mrs. Newly-There's one thing about loomers I don't like. Mrs. Lately—What's that?

Mrs. Newly—The pockets are so easy to find. My husband empties them every night, and I never have a bit of change in the morning.—Brooklyn Eagle.



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ARMENIAN MASSACRES ANOTHER BLOODY OUTBREAK IN

ASIA MINOR. . England's Troubles in South Africa-The son and His Acts in the Transveal-Brit-

Home Government Repudiates Dr. Jame ish Cruiser Dallas Ordered to the North American Station-Disaster to the Cunard Line Eteamship Cephalonia. By Cable to the Morning Star,

LONDON, Jan. 1 .- Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies. has issued an official statement that he is now in communication with President Kruger of the South African Republic, in an endeavor to avert serious consequences of the unauthorized and altogether unjustifiable act of Dr. Jameson, the administrator of the British South Africa Company, in leading a force of from 500 to 700 men into the Transvaal to assist the Uitlanders in their contenion against the South African Repub-

Gov. Robinson of the Cape Colony has issued a proclamation publicly repudiating the act of Dr. Jameson and has caused to be published in the newspapers of Pretoria and Johannesburg an inunction in the name of the Queen to all Her Majesty's subjects in the Transvaal not to give aid to Dr. Jameson, but to bey the law and observe order. Messengers have been sent to over-

take Jameson, conveying orders to him and every officer accompanying him. that they shall retire from the Transvaal territory immediately. The situation is very much aggravated by the fact that Dr. Jameson cut the wires behind him, rendering telegraphic communication

with him impossible. Mr. Chamberlain sent a dispatch to the British South Africa Co., asking them to repudiate Jameson and his acts. To this dispatch the Company replied that they were entirely ignorant of Jameson's acts or purposes. Mr. Cecil Rhodes, Prime Minister of the Cape Colony, in connection with this reply, stated that Jameson had acted without authority. He (Rhodes) had tried to stop him when he learned that he had gone into the Transvaal, but found that the wires had been cut, and that conse-

quently he could not communicate with Dr. Jameson wrote a letter to the comdraw from the Transvaal and avowing that he would proceed upon his original plans, which, in the acceptance of the invitation of the principal residents of Rand, were to assist them in their de-

The cablegram sent by Chamberlain to Dr. Jameson, ordering him to return, cannot reach the latter until he arrives at Johannesburg, at which place there are arms enough to equip 80,000 men for fighting. It is rumored here that advices have been received announcing the arrival of Dr. Jameson with his followers

at Johannesburg. President Kruger, according to the latest information received here, has called the burghers to arms, and a large force of them is proceeding against Johannesburg. They are advancing rapidly and a battle is hourly expected. LONDON, January 1.—The British crusser Dallas has been put in commis-sion at Portsmouth and ordered to join the North American station. She will sail in two weeks. The Dallas is a steel screw vessel of 2,575 tons and 7,610horse power. She carries eight guns and crew of 217 men. BERLIN, January 1.—Considerable excitement prevails here over the crisis in saved. It is estimated that the Transvan and the attitude of Great thousand will cover the loss.

Britain is denounced upon all sides. The National Zeitung says: "The South Africa Company, holding the charter of the Queen, has committed a grievous breach of the peace and violation of the law of nations. Germany's interests de-mand that the independent Republic shall be maintained intact and we expect Germany to interpose with all possible emphasis to assist President Kruger."

The Vossische Zeitung says: "The preceedings of the British Scuth Afri-

can Company cannot be tolerated and Germany must immediately take energetic steps to protect the South African Republic." The paper expresses hope that Dr. Leyd, the Secretary of State of the South African Republic, who is sow in Berlin and in close communica-tion with the Foreign Office, has already telegraphed to Pretoria that Germany will grant the Boers protection that will nct be merely diplomatic.

CONSTANTINOPLE, January 1 .- The Porte has made evasive replies to the foreign diplomats who have offered to mediate between the Turks and the Armenians for the surrender of Zertoun, which place is now in the hands of the Armenians.

The foreign representatives accordingly held another meeting sesterday, and decided to make another effort to induce the Porte to accept mediators and named the foreign consu's at Aleppo as such. There were disturbances at Orfah on

December 28th and 29th, but no details have been received. PARIS, January 1 .- The Estafette, in an article treating of the Venezuelan dispute between Great Britain and the United States, suggests that France, Germany and Russia might intervene to settle the trouble.

LONDON, January 1.-The Cunard

line steamer Cephalonia, Captain Sec-combe, from Boston December 21st, for Liverpool, struck a rock at South Stack, near Holyhead, at 7.80 o'clock this morning. Her passengers were at breakfast at the time and many of them were thrown from their seats by the shock. Everybody rushed on deck and the wildest excitement prevailed. Captain Seccombe succeeded in calmthe panic-stricken passengers ordered the boats lowered. When the boats were got into the water the women were placed in them first, the men afterwards. The boats then put for shore, the captain ordering their crews to return to the ship At nine o'clock the vessel, ass sted by the rising tide and her own steam, backed off the rock and the passengers learning that the ship had not been damaged returned to her and she proceeded for L verpool. Fifteen of the Cephalonia's passengers landed at Queenstown yesterday. She had a stormy voyage throughout. The Cep-halonia, after being floated, put in for Holyhead, but was finanlly beached at the upper end of New Harbor. Her after hold is apparently full of water. A thick fog prevailed at the time she struck the rock at South Stack. While

she was fast on the rock a life boat was sent to her, but it was not needed CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 1.-United States Minister Terrell has received telegrams from Aintah, Asia Minor, saving that slight disturbances had taken place there in which three persons were killed. The telegrams also said that there had been a bloody outbreak at Orfah, lasting two days. Miss Corinna Shattuck, missionary at that place, the dispatches said, had received the assurance that she should have a guard and

be conveyed in safety to Aintah. Dragomans from the various embassies went to the Porte Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of obtaining a defini e reply to the requests of the foreign diplomats that the matter of the surrender of Zeitoun by the Armenians to the Turks be arranged through the nediation of the consuls at Aleppo. Telegrams from Harpoot say that the Government has put a stop to the work of relieving the needy and suffering at that place, which has been conducted through the missionaries.

On December 16:h the Armenians in Zeitoun made a demand upon the Porte for food with which to feed the Turkish prisoners in their hands. On December 28rd the Sultan issued an order that the food should be supplied.

During the massacre at Malatia two Armenian members of the Government's Council rushed into the presence of the Governor and begged him to save their lives. The Governor refused to interpose in their behalf, and the men were killed by the guards in the Government building.

The Turkish commission of six which was sent to pacify Armenia have visited three cities. They refused to pay any attention to the written complaints of Armenians, but summoned the most prominent Armenian inhabitants before them. The summons was obeyed and the Armenian notables were blamed for causing all the trouble in Asia Minor nd threatened with death if quiet was not at once restored. The commission secretly met the most prominent men of he Moslem inhabitants before they ummoned the Armenians before them.

MANCHESTER MARKETS.

Better Feeling Noticeable and Fair Inquiry for Cotton Goods, By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANCHESTER, January 1 .- The Guardian in its commercial article says: A distinctly better feeling is noticeable and there has been a fair inquiry in several departments, though a holiday temper is apparent. The Eastern inquiry, especially that for India, shows signs of broadening and occasionally the limits have improved. A moderate proportion of the bids are workable. but sellers are firm and have declined to repeat the ousiness done at the prices previously taken. A feature of the market has been the boom in American cotton, the movement in which has enhanced the hope of an increased business in 1896 The decline in the price of silver and the nomeward rates of exchange with falcutta is disappointing. There has been a revival in the inquiry for China in some quarters. Heavy sheetings and shirtings are generally unworkable. There have been also moderate offers from Japan but the prices are not attractive. Indian offers for dhooties ar plentiful and business in jacconets has been placed at easy prices. Bombay has taken a few lines of staples but the trade elsewhere is scant, Yarns have been steady, with a more cheerful tone and a moderate business.

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- Greensboro Record: Our neighporing town of Asheboro is progressing. It has had a first-class fire, which started yesterday in Boyette & Richardson's drug store. The buildings burned were Boyette & Richardson's drug store, J. L. Brittain's law office, Burns' botel, W. F. Moragne's jewelry store, E. A. Moffitt's store and the Argus newspaper office. There was no insurance except on the drug store stock and on Mossitt's store house. The others are a complete loss, except Brittain and Sapp's. The library, part of the drug store stock and part of the furniture of the hotel were saved by the most heroic efforts. The store of W: P. Wood & Co., the court house, I. A. Black's residence, N. H. Stack's residence, the law offices of J. A. Blair, Wm. C. Hammer, Geo, S. Bradshaw, Wiley Rush and M. S. Robinson were saved. It is estimated that twenty five

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET. STAR OFFICE, Dec. 26. NAVAL STORES.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE. - Dall

at 27% cents per gallon for country and 28 cents for machine-made ROSIN-Market firm at \$1 80 per obl for Strained, and \$1 85 for Good TAR.-Market steady at 90 cents per CRUDE TURPENTINE .- Market firm at \$1 40 for Hard, \$1 80 for Yellow

Dip and Virgin, Sales at quotations. Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 241/c; rosin, strained, \$0.95; good strained \$1.00; tar \$0.95; crude turpentine \$1.10, 1.50, 1.60. RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine..... Rosin Tar Crude Turpentine. Receipts same day last year-18 casks spirits turpentine, 405 bbls rosin, 94 bbls tar, 48 bbls crude turpentine. COTTON MARKET. Nothing doing. Quotations: Ordinary 53% cts \$ 10 Good Ordinary 6% "
Low Middling 7 5-16 " "

Same day last year, middling 5c. Receipts—428 bales; same day last year 1,589. STAR OFFICE, Dec. 27. NAVAL STORES. SPIRITS TURPENTINE .- Steady

Middling..... 736 " "
Good Middling..... 8 1-16 " "

at 27% cents per gallon for country and 28 cents for machine-made ROSIN.-Market steady at \$1 35 per bbl for Strained and \$1 40 for Good Strained. TAR.-Market quiet at 90 cents per bbl of 280 lbs.
CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at \$1 40 for Hard, \$1 80 for Yellow Dip and Virgin. Sales at quotations. Quotations same day last year-Spirits

turpentine 24%c; rosin, strained, \$0.95; good strained \$1 00; tar \$0.95; crude turpentine 1 10, 1 50, 1 60. RECEIPTS. Spirits Turpentine..... Rosin.... Tar Crude Turpentine

Receipts same day last year—27 casks spirits turpentine, 211 bbls rosin, 101 bbls tar, 13 bbls crude turpentine. COTTON MARKET. Steady. Quotations: Middling 7% " "
Good Middling 8 1-16 " " Same day last year, middling 5%c. Receipts-420 bales: same day last

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 28. NAVAL STORES. SPIRITS TURPENTINE.--Nominal at 27% cents per gallon for coun-

try and 28 cents for machine-made

casks. ROSIN-Market firm at \$1 80 per bbl for Strained and \$1 85 for Good Strained. TAR.-Market quiet at 90 cents per bbl of 280 fbs. CRUDE TURPENTINE.-Market firm at \$1 40 for Hard, \$1 80 for Yellow Dip and Virgin. Sales at quotations. Quotations same day last year-Spirits turpentine 241/c; rosin, strained, \$0 95; good strained \$1 00; tar \$0 95; crude

turpentine \$1 10, 1 50, 1 60.

RECEIPTS. Receipts same day last year-97 casks spirits turpentine, 451 bbls rosin, 71 bbls tar, 26 bbls crude turpentine. COTTON MARKET, Steady. Quotations:

Ordinary..... 5% Good Ordinary 6% Low Middling 7 5-16 " " Middling..... 7% "
Good Middling..... 8 1-16 " Same day last year, middling 5c. Receipts-134 bales; same day last

vear 225. STAR OFFICE, Dec. 80. NAVAL STORES. SPIRITS TURPENTINE .- Nothing ROSIN-Market steady at \$1 80 per bbl for Strained and \$1 85 for Good Strained. TAR.-Market quiet at 90 cents per

bbl of 280 lbs.
CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at \$1 40 for Hard, \$1 80 for Yellow Dip and Virgin. Sales at quota-Quotations same day last year-Spirits turpentine 241/4c; rosin, strained, \$0 95; good strained \$1 00; tar \$0 95; crude turpentine \$1 10, 1 50, 1 60. RECEIPTS,

Spirits Turpentine..... Rosin.... Tar Crude Turpentine Receipts same day last year-40 casks spirits turpentine, 287 bbls rosin, 112 bbls tar, 48 bbls crude turpentine COTTON MARKET. Quiet. Quotations:

Same day last year, middling 5c. Receipts-297 bales; same day last STAR OFFICE, Dec. 81. NAVAL STORES. SPIRITS TURPENTINE,-Nothing ROSIN.-Market steady at \$1 80 per bbl for Strained and \$1 85 for Good

TAR .- Market steady at 90 cents per bbl of 280 lbs. CRUDE TURPENTINE.-Market firm at \$1 40 for Hard, \$1 80 for Yellow Dip and Virgio. Sales at quota-Quotations same day last year-Spirits turpentine, \$414c; rosin, strained, 0.95; good strained, \$1 00; tar, \$0 95; crude turpentine, \$1 10, 1 50, 1 60. RECEIPTS.

Crude Turpentine.

funded. Price 35 cents per box. For Receipts same day last year-80 casks spirits turpentine, 774 bbls rosin, 184 bbls tar, 112 bbls crude turpentine. COTTON MARKET. Firm. Quotations: Ordinary...... 5%
Good Ordinary..... 6% cts 3 Low Middling..... 7 5-16 " Middling 7% Good Middling 8 1-16 Same day last year, middling 6c. Receipts—118 bales; same day last

year, 1,759. STAR OFFICE, Jan. 1. NAVAL STORES. SPIRITS TURPENTINE.-Nothing

ROSIN.—Market steady at \$1 30 per obl for Strained and \$1 35 for Good

firm at \$1 40 for Hard, \$1 80 for Yel-low Dip and Virgin, Sales at quota-Quotations same day last year-Spirits turpentine 24%c; rosin, strained, \$0.97%; good strained \$1 02%; tar \$0.90; crude turpentine \$1 10, 1 50, 1 60,

RECEIPTS. Spirits Turpentine...... Tar COTTON MARKET.

Firm. Quotations:

Middling..... 7% " "
Good Middling..... 8 1-16 " " Same day last year, middling 51/4c. Receipts-252 bales; same day last

COTTON AND NAVAL STORES MONTHLY STATEMENT. RECEIPTS.

For month of December, 1895. Spirite. Rorin, Tar. Crude 2,898 20,260 RECEIPTS. For month of December, 1894. Spirits. Rosin, Tar. 15,502 6,508 EXPORTS. For month of December, 1895. Cotton, Spiritz, Rosin, Tar. Crude 5.8.8 2.260 9.0 5.552 67 19,646 1.253 20,871 39 20 85,019 8 7.0 21 271 5,591 EXPORTS. For month of December, 1894. Cotton. Spirits. Rosin. Tar. Crude. 1,661 8,119 7,499 1,938 10 534 33 72,964 3,594 18,663 7,581

STOCKS. pore and Affort, Jan. 1, 1896. Ashere, Aftent. 15,723 3,975 26,480 10,331 564 STOCKS. Ashore and Affont, Jan. 1, 1895, Spirits. Rosin. Tar. 20,551 13.5 21,911 4,864 QUOTATIONS. Jan. 1, 1868. Cotton ... 734c Spirits ... 10 Rosin ... 1 300 \$14 \$0 9.34@1.0234 1 30@1 85 rude..... \$1 10@1 60

CONGRESSIONAL MATTERS. The Bond Bill Likely To Be Destroyed In Committee of the Senate-Unortain'y Reg rding the Tariff Measure.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, January 1 .- The Senate Committee on Finance will hold its first meeting under the reorganization to-morrow. Although financial action may not be taken on either the bond or tariff bill recently passed by the House, some members of the committee will urge speedy action, and, if possible, an immediate report. The best judgment of the situation indicates that the boud bill will be destroyed in committee and a substitute in the shape of a free coin? age bill reported. Nothing short of this will satisfy the silver men on the committee, and as they have eight votes to five against silver any messure they agree upon can be easily adopted in committee. Mr. Wolcott, of Colorado. one of the new men added to the committee, has not been in Washington this Winter, owing to ill-health, but his absecce makes little difference, the silver men still having a working majority of two in committee and a clean majority

in the Senate of ten or twelve. It is probable that the Tariff bill will be reported to the Senate without amendment. Republicars have been making every effort to get together on this measure and the silver Republicans who will vote for free coinage as a sutstitute for the bond proposition, it is believed, can be persuaded refrain from putting such an amendment on the Tariff bill. Republican leaders hope to see the bill pass the Senste as it came from the House. It is believed the President will veto it and it is thought by Republicans to be good politics to put the President where he will be compelled to veto a measure that is intended to increase the receipts and produce adequate revenues. Whether Republicans can be lined-up on this proposition and persuaded to not insist upon amendments is a question no one can yet answer. It is not unlikely that after the bill is reported a Republican caucus will be held to dis-

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strong posse is in pursuit. EXPORTS FOR THE WEEK. COASTWISE.

New York-Schr Thos Clyde-287,-920 feet lumber. NEW YORK-Str Oneida-223 bales cotton, 233 casks spirits turpentine, 160 bbls rosin, 1,354 do tar, 107 do crude turpentine, 75 do pitch, 124,700 shingles, 800 bags mill feed, 85 pkgs mdsc. NEW YORK-Str Geo W Clyde-2,148 bales cotton, 241 casks spirits, 894 bbls rosin. 1.024 bbls tar, 405 bags mill feed, 20,000 feet lumber, 4,800 shingles, 148

pkgs mdse. FOREIGN. PORTO RICO-Schr Aldine-159,588

feet lumber. MARINE. Sir Geo W Clyde, 1514 tons, Robinson, New York, H G Smallbones. Steamship Uneida, Chichester, George town, H G Smallbones. Dan schr Ocean Traveller, 113 tons, Johnson, St. Croix, Geo Harriss, Son Schr Henry Crosby, 846 tons, Stubbs, Matanzas. Jas T Riley & Co. Schr Maggie Abbott, 212 tons, Mc-Intosh, Kingston, Jamaica, Geo Harriss, Son & Co. Schr Julia Fowler, 218 tons, Cum-Schr Jao C Gregory, 860 tons, Andreassen. New. York. Str Geo W Clyde, Robinson, Georgetown, H'G Smallbone Nor barque Glenndal, 498 tons, Ton-nesen, Hamburg, Heide & Co. Schr Edgar C Ross, 879 tons, Quillan, Norfolk, Geo Harriss, Son & Co. Schr R S Graham, 825 tons, Outten,

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street lamps, which he avoided as well

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A CAPTURE.

house. Then a person can stay out as late as he likes. He may smoke in any room in the house. He may even go to bed with his boots on if it so pleases for a couple of weeks, but a telegram had recalled him to town after being a day or two away, and he came joyfully back, for the sea bored him, and there was nothing lively going on at the resort his family had chosen. Before he left town Billy had told the police of

carelessly. On Saturday afternoon Billy, having

poker before the burglar was aware that there was anybody else in the house. but a fight with three was too much of

per. Moderation in all things was Billy's motto. the conclusion that there was no one in work and little thanks from a callous public. Billy did not pause to think that these men had no Saturday night

earry," whispered the man who was holding the bag. that if he was going to do anything in the matter it was time to set about it. brated Duke of York, who marched men up the hill and straightway marched them down again. Billy crept down the stair with the unused poker still in his | the floor, apparently in a pervous con-

on lurglars—The Silent Cycle Follows
The to Their Rendezvous."