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THE LAND OF LITTLE PEOPLE." Ver the find of little people is a lovelier land

with its mine of new-found treasures, mossy des and fairy bowers. Firth her robe of choicest beauty spreads to most the tender feet,

And the angels whispering round them thrill the air with accents sweet.

Men we brings no pang of sorrow, troubles lettly pass away, Hope's horizon is tomorrow, and the sky is

bright today. profes moment has its blessings, sweeter thoughts and fairer flowers;

Yes the land of little people is a lovelier land than ours. got from o'er the silent river comes to us a

puret glowi was even than the sunbeams that the little prople know; And the love song of the heavens steals upon

the wearied ear, sweeter than the angels' whispers that the little people hear.

And the wanderer, overstriven, humbled as a little child, Knows the past is all forgiven, and his God

1- reconciled, When around his faltering footsteps comes the blessing of the dove. From the fairest world of any, from the

" home of truth and love. - C. Willis, in St. Louis Republic.

A QUEER LITTLE AMERICAN.

At the big World's Fair, for which such grand preparations are now being made in Chicago, there is what is called an Esquiman village. The village consists of a party of men, women and children who have been brought from the far north to show us, here, how people look who have been born and brought up in the arctie regions. It is very curious to see them. The men are very short and stout, with stubby little noses and the funniest twinkling little eyes you can imagine. The women are shorter than the men and have little, screwed-up faces, just as if they were shivering

The Esquimaux are very industri. ous people, though, in spite of their queer appearance, short stature. They are neat and quiet, and not at all quarrelsome.

But the queeyest thing about the Esquimaux village-the thing which you want to hear about-is the arrival of three cunning little Esquiman babies. They are tiny little creatures with very brown skin and eyes, so small and fat, that you could never guess their color. Unlike other babies, these little Americo-Esquimaux do very little crying, and are content to sleep all day in a tur-skin bag which is slung on mamma's back. The last little Esquimau baby, which joined the village two weeks ago, is named Christopher Columbus Tuktoosiua .-The Leader.

MIDAS AND HIS GOLDEN TOUCH.

Midas was a gentleman of antiquity who has passed into fable. He was King of Phrygia, and troubled very much with the sin of cupidity. So he prayed the gods that he might have the power to turn everything he touched into gold. His request was granted, but the privilege carried with it a terrible sting which very soon made itself felt.

After the king had put his newly acquired gift fully to the test by touch ing all the furniture in his bedroom and transmuting it into gold, he started to take his morning bath in the lake. He had experienced a little inconvenience at having his bedclothes become metallic, but he soon forgot that. But here a most alarming thing happened. As soon as his body touched the placid surface the water became rigid and took on the flashing yellow hue of the precious metal There it lay a mass of solid gold.

His arder for making gold somewhat cooled, the King began to think of his bodily wants and called for breakfast, only to find the most tempting yıands and luscious fruits turn to the cold, hard metal when they came in contact with his person. Midas now began to wish he had

never received the miraculous gift. But the climax came when his litt' aughter bounded into the hall an' rushed up to her father. He held out his arms to receive her, but-O, horrible to relate-that fatal touch, and she instantly became a motionless statue. All her life had gone out and nothing remained but a beautiful figure of pure gold. Oh! that detestable metal. Midas cursed the day he prayed for the fatal gift. His touch became a plague. His household became accusing statues of cold metal. Everywhere it gleamed hatefully up at him. Then he prayed to be relieved of the deadly power and the gods smiled on him and gave him back his child and his household, but took away his power to change everything to gold, and Midas was happy .- [New York

THE N. C. LEGISLATURE What They are Doing in the General

Assembly. Bills Upon Bills All Intended for th Good of North Carolina.

KALEIGH, N. C .- 11th day .- In the Senate bills were introduced: A bill defining the rights of married woman; to require the county superintendents of public schools to report the names of the deaf and dumb and blind in their re-

spective counties; to authorize the coun-

ty commissioners to appoint tax collectors in townships. The bill to pay solicitors an annual salary was passed over. In the House. The members discussed the weather considerably and wondered whether to-day's record of 2 degrees below zero would be surpassed at this session. Principal bitls introduced were: To allow Burke county to levy a special tax for fencing i s stock law townships; to allow Harnett county to sell its county home; to change the name of Hote! township, Surry county, to Elkin township; to amend the law relative to contracts, so as to repeal the provision that contracts of corporation exceeding \$100 shall be in writing and place corporations on the same footing as persons; to so amend The Code so as to properly regulate the incorporation of private com-panics, and to amend the act of 1889 rel ative to bank deposits; to so amend sec-tion 2555 of The Code as to relieve school

teachers; to amend the act of \1891 in reference to pleading the statute of limitations; to allow the commissioners of Buncembe to erect suitable building for the holding of elections.

RALEIGH, N. C.-12th day.—The following bills were introduced in the Senate: A bill to amend the charter of Rocky Mount; a bill in relation to fees of registers, etc.; to amend the constitution relative to the homestead and personal property exemption; to prevent the manufacture and sale of pistols, etc. ; to pay justices of the peace per diem. The calendar was taken up and the following bills dispo ed of: A bill to incorporate the Burlington & South Western Railroad Company passed its third reading; to remove the colored Normal School from Warrenton to Franklinton passed second and third readings; to prevent the sale of liquor within one mile of Pleasant Hill M. E. church in Randolph county was recommitted so that an omnibus bill could be framed. A bill relative to executors and administrators pleading statutes of limitation passed its third reading. In the contested election case of Leach against Handerson, the former was continued in his seat.

There are said to be plaus on foot before Legislature for some important changes in counties. For in tance it is proposed to carve a new county out of Richmond with Laurinburg as the county seat; one out of Chatham with Siler City as the county seat, and one out of Guilford with High Point as the county seat and one out of Surry with Elkin county seat. It should be borne in mind, however, that it is extremely difficult to pass a bill creating a new county. Few things are more difficult, as the promoters of such schemes have found any time these ten years past. There are also some plans under consideration for changes of county seats. These are to change the county seat of Surry from Dobson to Mt. Airy; of Stokes from Dinbury to Madison; of Rockingham from Wentworth to Reidsville. These plans will lead to a fight no doubt. A petition was presented by the Speaker of the House, sent from Asheville, asking that the liquor law in that place remain as present.

Among the bills introduced in the House were the following: To repeal the merchants' purchase tax; to establish a S ate colored normal school at Elizabeth City:to incorporate the town of Robbinsville, Graham county; to amend The Code in regard to the office of clerk of the Superior Court, so as to require them to keep a record of probates; to amend The Code relative to insurance, so as to add after the word "agent" the words "or pretending to be such;" also imposing a fine of \$200 for failure to do business save in the way authorized by the State. The Senate resolution authorizing the payment of \$6,696 due on the State oyster patrol steamer Lily passed its second and third readings by a unanimous vote. Mr. Norwood introduced, by leave, a bill to provide a road fund for counties. The text of this is as follows: "That all sums collected by the State as back taxes from any railway company shall be divided pro rata amongst the several counties of the State, and shall be expended by the boards of commiss'oners in the improvement and repairs of the public roads of their several coun-

RALEIGH, N. C .- 13th day .- The following bills and resolutions were introduced; a resolution looking to a more thorough listing and collection of taxes; a bill relative to securing better title to land; a bill be protect persons on lands rented or leased for agricultural purposes; a bill to change the corporate called for. I will recommend that so limits of Thomasville; a petition to amend the charter, of Wilkesboro; a petition to incorporate the town of Faulkland, in Pitt county; The calendar was taken up; the bill abrogating the rights of married women came up. The committee submitted a substitute that married women may contract debts in the same manner as if unmarried, but that she shall not mortgage real estate without the consent of her husband; there shal be no privy examination. The bill was postponed; the bill to determine conflicting claims to real property passed its second and third readings; the bill in relation to sheep husbandry, which proposes to tax female dogs, was widely discussed, amid much merriment. Many Senators moved to exempt their counties; a message was received from the House proposing to join the Senate at 12 o'clock for the purpose of going in s body to the place set spart for the inauguration of Governor Carr and the induction of other officers. The resolution

of the House was concurred in. Among the bills introduced in the House were the following; to incorporate the Colored Baptist Missionary nvention; to county; a bill to amend the election law allow Sampson county to borrow money; of 1889; to incorporate the bank of Welto amend the act relative to tax on to- dou; to authorize the commissioners of stead by allowing as small a quantity as a quart to be sold; a bill to relieve the overseers of public roads came up with

an untavorable report. It provided for to increase the efficiency of the Agriculing the only vote in its favor.

OUR NEW GOVERNOR. At 11:45 Gov. -elect Carr arrived in the city, and was escorted to the capitol by the battalion of troops, and on to Stro-nachs Auditorium where were gathered number of 1,000. The oaths of office were administered by Chief Justice Shep-After dwelling on national affairs he

"The prospect for the settlement of ent system of State and county governper cent. of them are engaged in agriduty is to heal these differences and unite the people of all parts as to the material welfare of the State. There is little surplus of farm products, so great is the demand, yet the profits of farm work yearly diminish. The farmers feel that something is wrong. The Legislature has it in its power to do great good and to instill new life and hope in the agricultural classes. Imp se as little tax as possible upon a people who are now groaning under as much as they can bear. Aid should be given the agricultural department and college and the various | wife. fairs, developing agriculture as much as possible. The geological survey should receive the care and attention of the The railroad commission merits special should set the example by surrendering paid off long ago.
at once any privileges of exemption. No property should be exempt save that de-voted strictly to church and charitable

"I ask your attention to the University. now waxing strong once more. It demands your faltering care. There should be hearty co-operation between it and the public schools. Such action up-builds the State. I urge you to aid the public schools. The State will never have done its duty until it has compiled with the mandate of the constitution and provided four month schools. We are trifling with the most vital interests of the State in failing to come up to the constitution's requirements in this matter. If under the recent decision it becomes necessary, this Legislature must consider the question of taking the school tax out of the constitution. (Applause) An efficient system of public population. Its provision is an imperative duty.

"The public roads demand attention Their condition is deplorable. The system is a failure and the roads a disgr. ce to civilization. I shall watch with picu liar interest the work of the State road congress and will send you a special mes-

sage on that subject.
"The tax assessment system in the State is extremely unequal, and badly managed. The law should be changed so as to reach every class of property The work of the State board of health is commended. That work needs to be up held, as this year the State is menaced by a terrible visitor, the cholera. Take wide precautions to guard against this.

"The State Guard deserves your care. Snch a military organization is a necessity. The Guard has served a most useful purpose. Do nothing to discourage its patriotic members, who have made it an ornament and bulwark of the State. "I am glad to see you have already taken hold of the important subject of a State bank law. No question before the Legislature involves more for the people than this. The amount of currency is not equal to the public needs. I believe there is wisdom enough in this Legislature to devise a system of State banking which will make the notes as safe as those of national banks.

"I note the action of my wise predecessor in regard to the use of the direct tax. I believe that of that tax \$25,009 will remain uncalled for and so favor at the World's Fair, which is a matter of great importance to North Carolina. is going to be immense, (Applause.) Having never sought office nor held it I am unacquainted with the routine. Governor Holt's administration was one of the ablest in the history of the State. It shall act as a stimulant to me. I assure you that if errors do creep in they are errors of the head and not

of the heart." (Great applause.) At 1:35 the exercises thus ended. President King declared the joint assembly dissolved. He called on the Senators to return to their own hall where Hon. R. A Doughton was with due ceremony inaugurated as Lieutenant Governor. Speaker Overman called on the

House to meet in its own hall. RALEIGH, N. C .- 14th day .- Both Houses of Legislature met in the morning, and immediately adjourned, this being the birthday of Gen. Robert E. Lee.

RALEIGH, N. C .- 15th day .- In the Senate there were introduced: A petition against the sale of liquor in Guilford bacco warehouse; to amend the law re- Rutherford county to purchase a farm lative to the sale of liquor on the home- for paupers; to enact a special fence law

pay of \$2 per day. It was tabled, Mr. tural Department; to print 1,000 copies Crews, who spoke in support of it, cast-ing the only vote in its favor. of the Governor's inaugural address; to incorporate the Bank of Lexington; to pay solicitors an annual salary was passed

over. The bill for the relief of money borrowers was considered and elicited a spirited discussion. The bill proposes to make 6 per cent. the maximum amount charged for money borrowed. all the officials of the State, newly elect-ed ones, and prominent people to the county per diem and mileage passed its herd. Gov. Care delivered his inaugural. asking the judiciary committee to presecond and third reading. A resolution pare a bill looking to a more thorough

listing and collection of poll tax passed.
In the House the principal bills intronational affairs is indeed bright. I con- duced were: To allow McDowell county gratulate the State upon the high character of the present General Assembly. Its election preserves inviolate the pres- The Code in regard to the removal of cases in justices' courts, by allowing the masses of the people in North Carocase once; to create a board of pardons; lina are not prosperous. Twenty-five to restore to the railroads the right to culture or kindred pursuits. For four owners of land to convey crops raised years past the condition of this class has thereon. This bill was referred some been peculiarly oppressive. We have felt time ago and the committee recommendthe hardships perhaps as keenly as any other section. The pall of the mortgage hangs over the agricultural section. In parts of the State lands which but a few This substitute was adopted and the bill years ago were valued at \$25 an acre now thus amended passed its readings. The sell under executions, for only 3, and are bill passed protecting children from fire not sought after at that figure. The people justly cry out at these things. Our at home to place them in the care of

EX-PRESIDENT HAYES DEAD.

The End Came to Him at His Home at Fremont, O. FREMONT, OHIO. - Ex-President Ruth erford B. Haves died unexpectedly at 14

o'clock Tuesday night. His death was

The funeral took place Friday after noon. His remains were buried in Oak wood Gemetery beside those of his late

A Modest Man. WASHINGTON, D. C .- Representative Bunn, from the committee on claims, will State, which the interest of the people demand, and it is heartily commended. report adversely the claim for twenty million dollars, being compound interes mention. The high character of its at 10 per cent. for 110 years on \$15,645 members insured its success from the furnished by General Daniel Morgan, hero very first. Its work is of great value and of the Cowpens, (S. C.) as subsistence it has saved large sums to the people and | for his troops in that memorable camthe State. I oppose the exemption of paign. It is brought by Daniel Morgan, corporations from taxation. (Applause,) of Wisconsin, his sole survivor. The I think all should be taxed and bear their | matter was fully investigated in the Treas share of the burdens. All railroads ury Department by the Third Auditor which belong in any part to the State and Register, and found to have been

> A Historic House Burned. RICHMOND, Va. - Information was feceived here of the burning of the old Bowlett house located on the south bank of the James river opposite Dutch gap, and famous in war annals. There was a Confederate battery of artillery stationed at this house during the war and while General Butler was cutting his canal through Dutch gap, his troops were constantly fired upon from this point. It was occupied by a family from Michigan, who lost all their personal effects. The loss is \$1,500, with no insurance.

South Carolina Places \$2,000,000 of

Her Bonds. COLUMBIA, S. C. Governor Tillman has entered an agreement with the Baltimore Trust and Guarantee Company to purchase \$2,000,000 worth of 4 1-2 per schools is the only hope for the farming cent. State bonds at par. The inducement offered is \$130,000, amount of semiannual interest on stock, which is to bear interest on stock, which is to bear interest from January 1, '93, to July 1, The Supreme Court yesterday decided that the Governor had a right to pay six months inte est as a bonus.

A Deal to Name His Successor. WARWICK, N. Y .- Postmaster G. H Quackenbush has planned to name his own successor. He is a Republican County Committeeman, and has arranged to resign at once in favor of W. A. Bradner, his post-office ffixtures and stationers stock and to ret in Quackenbush as his clerk. Republican State Committeeman B. B. Odell is relied upon to fecure Bradner's appointment before President Harrison's term expires.

Cigarettes Go Up in Smoke. RICHMOND, Va. - The cigarette factory of Allen & Ginter, a branch of the American Tobacco Company, and Valentine's meat juice works, was destroyed by fire Tuesday morning. Loss about \$250,000; insured. Two firemen badly frost-bitten. Lewis Ginter and John Pope, members of the Ailen & Ginter Co, have between six and seven millions of dollars worth of securities in the safe now in the debris of the burned building.

A Great Crowd Looked For.

WASHINGTON, D. C .- The committee the use of that sum: the Legislature to on public comfort, of which Mr. I. much be set apart for the State's exhibit of the country that it is evident that the crowd at the inauguration of Cleveland

Put a Bullet in His Brain.

RICHMOND, VA.-Thomas G. Jickson, prominent member of the Richmond bar, shot himself through the temple and killed himself while alone in his room. Jackson was a great sufferer from wounds received during the war and had been in ill health for several months.

The Port Royal Naval Station. WASHINGTON, D. C. - The House naval committee ordered a favorable report to be made on the bill providing for the purchase of additional land adjoining the naval station at Port Royal, S. C., the

Mary Ann Nelson, positively he last of George Washing on's army of colored servants, was found dead in her; shanty near Chicago Tuesday. She remembered lighting Washington's pipe for him be-fore the Revolution, and claimed to be 30 years old.

cost not to exceed \$10,000.

It is rumored that senator Charles J. Faulkner, of West Virginia, is to wed the very rich willow of Senator Hearst, of California. Senator Faulkper is a widower. Mrs. Hearst's fortune is estimated at \$30,000,000.

DIXIE NEWS.

The "Snowy" South Gleaned and Epitomized.

All the News and Occurences Printed Here in Condensed Form.

The property of the Georgia Confederate Soldiers' Home is for sale. The home was built as a refuge for the needy and helpless veterans of the State in their declining years, and was given to the State, the only condition being the appropriation of a small annual amount for its support. Two successive Georgia legisla-tures refused to give it, and the home is

Reports from over the State show that South Carolina has not had such severe weather for forty years.

Norfolk, Va, now is by great odds the largest lumber dealing port on the Atlantic coast and the largest peanut mar ket in the world. A German Jew named Max Sallat,

Thursday, at Hamburg, S. C., ki led Sam Edmunds, colored. No cause for the deed is given. Joshua G. Wright, of Wilmington, while presiding over a meeting of Carolina

Lodge, Knights of Honor, Monday night,

was stricken with paralysis and is help-At Edenton, N. C., the by and sound have been frozen ov r for 10 days and all navigation is closed. A party of 4 gen-tlemen with a sled and 600 pounds of

baggage crossed the sound from Edenton to Raper, a distance of 8 miles. It is reported that if the new underground electric railway system, now being put in on the Washington and Arlington road, is a success, a branch road

will be built through Alexandria and Fairfax counties to Fall Church, Va. Edwin Barbour, at one time editor of a paper at Cu'pepper, Va., and subsequently at Big Stone Gap, has gone to New York to accept a position on the the party in our State. But I do not excity reportorial staff of the Sun. He is a son of Hon. B. Johnson Barbour, nephew of the late Senator Barbour, and author of the "Virginia Mavericks."

It is creditable to the health of the town that in a place the size of Henderson, N. C., with more than 5,000 inhabitants, there was not a single death among its people during the month of Decem-

A gentlem n from Rosboro, N. C. says that the partridges in that section are so poor that the dogs can catch them on the rise. They have not been able to knows, and he believes the Presidentget much to eat for the past three weeks | elect does not know, when he will do. on account of snow an I ice.

Mourning Dixon, living near Bahama, N. C , is the mother of twenty four children, and she has a daughter who is the mother of sixteen children. Mourning is now over one hundred years old and very active. She can walk a mile as quick as a young woman.

The Lockhart Shoals Mfg. Co., to erect a cotton mill, has been incorporated in S. C.; c pital stock \$300,000. The Farmers' Alliance Store, of John-

ston, S. C., has been incorporated; capital stock \$50,000. The Poultry Show at Columbia, S. C.,

was well attended.

The man Snipes, now in jail at Bakersville, N. C., and whose reported lynching caused such a sensation last week, is a Burke county man and worked for some time on the stre t gang in Morganton for some pet'y offense.

It is estimated that there were at least 6.000 rabbits brought to Fredericksburg, Va., last week, besides large quantities of partridges, wild turkeys, etc.

THE WORST IN FORTY YEARS.

Telegraph Poles and Wires Down and Business Suspended in Charleston.

CHARLESTON, S. C.-Charleston was completely off from all telegraph communication north and west. The only connections possible were with Savannah a Democrat, the latter agreeing to buy and Jacksonville. The Western Union wires are down from Florence to Charleston, 108 miles, and for miles along the South Carolina Railroad, from Charlesto Augusta. Friday morning the regular passenger train on the South Carolina Railway was delayed greatly by telegraph poles and wires which were blown across the track, and it was necessary to send a wrecking train ahead of the passenger train before the latter could move. Telegraph wires are also prostrated. Linemen have been sent out to repair the damages, but the t legraph manager here says it will take a week or ten days to get the wires on the South Carolina line in good working order again. Connection will be made by the Atlantic Coast Line.

> There has been a practical suspension of business on change, and the bulls and bears nursed their frost-bitten fingers while counting their chances on the antioption bi l. The weather here has been very wet and raw. The thermomoter at night was at freezing point.

CONVICTED OF A HORRID CRIME.

Hugh Dempsey Found Guilty of Poisoning Non-Union Men at Homestead.

PITTSBURG, PA -- Hugh F. Dempsey, district master workman of District Assembly No 3, Knights of Labor, was found guilty as indicted for causing poison to be administered to the non-union men employed in the Homestead mill. The jury retired at 10:20 a. m. and after being out until 1:10 p. m. came in for further instruct ons from the court. The judge told the jury that if they found the defendant guilty at all it must be on the first count, charging Dempsey with assaulting W. E. Griffith with intent to commit murder. Several questions of an unimportant nature, but which showed plainly that the jury intended to bring in a verdict of guilty, were asked, and answered by the court Ten minutes later they returned their versict and were discharged from further service with the thanks of the court.

Dempsey was in a measure prepared for the verdict and betrayed no signs of emotion. He le't the court room and a crowd outside gath red about him and offered their sympathy, His attorney said the verdict was a false one and he would move for a new trial.

President elect Cleveland attended ex-President Hayes' funeral at Fremont, O.

NEW U. S. SENATORS.

The Elections by the Various Leg-

In West Virginia Senator Faulkner was re-elected U. S. Senator and Gov, Camden elected to fill the short term caused

by Senator Kenna's death. Eugene Hale was re-elected Senator by the Maine Legislature.

Ex Gov. Wm. B. Bate was re-elected to the United States Senate by the Tennessee Legislature. He had a walk over. Edward Murphy, Jr., of Trey was elected Senator by the New York Legislature to succee i Frank Hiscock. In Michigan Senator Stockbridge was

elected his own successor. The Massachusetts Legislature e'ected to succeed Senator Dawes, Henry Cabot

Senator Frances Marion Cockrell was re-elected to the U. S. Senate from Mis-The Minnesota Legislature re-elected

Senator Davis. Senator George Gray was re-elected by Delaware. The Pennsylvania Legislature returned

to the U. S. Senate Matthew S. Quay. The Indiana Legislature returned David Turpie to the U. S. Senate.
In joint session the Legislature of Con

necticut re-elected Jes. R. Hawley. Stephen M. White, Democrat, of Los Angeles, was elected United States Sena tor from California to succeed Charles N

Felton, Republican SHELL AND HEMPHILL TALK

Their Views About Cleveland's Dealings With South Carolina. WASHINGTON, D. C .-- One of the Congressmen of each of the South Carolina

factions were interviewed regarding Mr.

Cleveland's attitude toward the State. Mr. Shell, of the dominant wing, said: "I think the President-elect, by talking to Senator Irby and Representative Hemphill, shows a disposition to harmonize pect him to give either wing a member of the cabinet, or a corresponding place in rank. Doubtless we shall have some good second-rate appointments at home and abroad. Personally I would be pleased to see Mr. Hemphill honored. Something has been said of bestowing the railroad commissionership, which Gen. Jos. Johnston held, on Gen. Wade Hampton and I would be gl d to see it done.'

Mr. Hemphill says Mr. Cleveland is trying to get information when he talks to Southern men. No body, he says, This was in reply to a question about his own cabinet chances

Shall Women Vote?

Th: U. S. Senate has had favorably reported to it by Senator Warren, of Wy ming, a joint resolution to amend the Constitut on, extending the right of suffrage to women. It provides that the right of citizenship shall not be denied or abridged by the United States, or by any State, on account of sex, and that Congre's sha! have the power, by appropriate legislation, to enforce this provision. Senator Vance submitted a mi nority report, which stated that in the first session of the Forty-seventh Congress a similar report was made by this committee, accompanied by the views of dissenting members, and the minority believe that it cannot do better than to readopt the lat er's ideas. The report referred to was submitted by Senator George on June 5, 1882, and sets forth that the matter in question involves the rights of States, and should be left for

them to determine. A Night in a Snow Drift.

ASHEVILLE, N. C .- The train on the Murphy branch of the Western North Carolina Railroad which left Asheville Tuesday morning struck a saow drift on Balsam Mountain. Four extra engines were sent to aid the train in getting through, but noting could be done, and the train with its passengers. had to spend the night in the drift, six feet deep where it first struck. Wednesday morning the luck was better, and the drift was removed, the train reaching Murphy in the afternoon. The train coming to Asheville stalled on account of snow beyou I the the Balsam, but was finally helped to Balsam where the passengers spent the night and arrived here 36 hours off schedul. The obstructions by snow are the greatest in the history of the road.

Western Civilization Transplanted in the South.

RADFORD, VA .- The wife of A. W Fillie, who came here from Illinois re cently, was found chained in a deserted born near town. Fillie had spread a story that the woman was insane and would soon be sent to an asylum. She proved perfectly sane. It is supposed that Fillie and a woman, who passed as his house-keeper, were trying to put Mrs. Fillie out of the way Fillie is under arrest and the jail is heavily guarded, as there is danger of a lynching.

No More Lynching.

[From the Atlanta Constitution.] RALEIGH, N. C.—The Legislative Committee on Judiciary decided to make a favorable report on a bill intended to put a stop to lynching. It imposes penalty of \$500 and imprisonment on any person eng ged in a lynching. It also holds the authorities of a county responsible if a lynching occurs. The Governor will be allowed to send a judge and Solicitor directly to the, place where a lynching occurs and try any persons concern d in the affair.

Mr. Cleveland Must Pay the Duty. BALTIMORE, MD. -Arthur Robson, a Custom-House broker, has notified Mr. Cleveland that the steamship Rossmore will arrive this week with a consi nment of one pair of woollen gloves intended for the President elect. The charges for the President elect. The charges ure for construction of two revenue cutters have been prepaid, but not the duty, so for the Pacific coast—Several amendments Mr. | leveland wi I have to pay the Mc-Kinley rate on woollen goods. In the same package comes a pair of silken hose for the wife of Vice-President Morton.

Want Immigration Restricted.

WASHINGTON, D. C .- Cabot Lodge presented in the House a petition signed by W. O. Rob rt and 7,000 other North Carolinans, for the restriction of Immigra-

IN GREAT PERIL.

Foes of the French Republic Talk of the Future.

Hints of a Military Dictatorship With a Duke at the Head.

The New York Sun's Paris correspondent says: The situation has suddenly assumed an ominous phase and grave events seem to portend. I cabled that the Boulangist and Socialist leaders believed a military usurpation was at hand. Signs multiply that some sort of a crisis may be expected at any hour It will not be made by the people. The danger of an uprising of the masses on account

of the Panama revelations has passed.

That the present Government believes it is menaced by great perit is demon strated by the extraordinary and arb trary measures whi hit adopted toward foreign newspaper correspondents in Paris. One was arrested. He and two or three others will be conducted to the frontier and forbidden to reenter France. Two more have been officially admonished Their offence is that they have telegraphed to their journa's matter which has been allowed to appear in the Paris papers with-

out hindrance. I visited a certain army barracks in the outskirts and learned that orders had been received to be ready for active service at a moment's notice. Artillery, cavalry, and infantry are in the same readiness for instant response to an alarm as a Fire Department. I give now, without comment, the outline of the views expressed by a French army officer to an intimate friend. It is worth reading

carefully: I do not believe either Gen. Saussier or Gen. Gallifet will lead in establishing a military dictatorship. The former would never attack Parliament. If Gallifet came forward, barricades would spring up like magic all over Paris. The people would not have forgotten his ruthless slaughter of 25,000 men, women and children in the days of the Commune. Suppose, however, that younger Generals, supported by offic rs and men, should undertake to purge the Government of thieves and without overthrowing the Constitution should put honest men in control until the people can elect new rulers. Su pose they should proclaim the Duc d'Aumale Consul-General of the Republic. The Duke is recognized throughout the country as a military hero and a loyal republican. He is loved for his heroism in Algeria and his kindness to his soldiers. His repudiation of his nephew, the Count of Paris, and the gift of Chantilly to France have proved his loyalty to the present Constitution. He is the close friend of Casimir Perier, now President of the Chamber, who, when the decree expelling the Duke from France was passed, resigned his seat as a Deputy, although an ardent Republican, in protest against the injustice of the

"Would he make a safe and honest ruler through such a cris's? I believe he would, and that he would be elected President after his dictatorship. Hundreds of officers and thousands of men in the French army think the same thing. Will such a coup de main be attempted?

I do not know. Withdrawals of funds from the banks and other institutions have been so general in the past few days that the supply of bank no'es has been exhausted. The Bank of France now makes all payments in coin.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

In the Senate.

? 21st DAY .- Most of the session was occu pied by a discussion of the Nicaragua Canal -Then the Anti-Option bill was entitled to consideration; but Mr. Wolcott (in opposition to that measure) moved to proceed to the consideration of the first bill on the calendar. The vote on Mr. Wolcott's motion was nine to thirty-one (no quorum).

22D DAY,—The Anti-Option bills was dis-cussed—The McGarrahan Claim bill was 23D DAY.—A bill to repeal the purchase of silver bullion was reported by Mr. Sherman from the Finance Committee -- The Senate refused to pass the McGarrahan bill

over the veto--The Anti-Option bill was

24TH DAY. -Immediate adjournment was ordered out of respect to the memory of ex-President Hayes. 25TB DAY.—The Anti-Option bill was discussed-Mr. Wolcott introduced an

amendment to the Silver Purchase Repeal

bill -A bill to enforce the Sunday closing of the Fair was presented -Mr. Wolcott proposed to discontinue the sale of the Col-umbus postage stamps. 26TH DAY. - The Senate adjourned at once out of respect to ex-President Hayes's mem-

In the House.

24TH DAY. - The time was principally consumed in the consideration of the bill ratifying the agreement with the Cherokee Nation of Indians for the cassion to the United States of the tract of land known as the "Cherokee outlet," the Government to appropriate \$5,000,000 to carry out its part of the contract —Secretary Foster, of the Treasury, sent in a request for an appropri-ation of \$8000 for bath houses and disinfecting apparatus at Camp Low, Sandy Hook, N. J., these improvements having been recommended by Surgeon-General Wyman.

25TH DAY.—A resolution proposing a constitutional amendment for popular election of Senators was passed—The Swamp Landbill was defeated.

bill was defeated.
26TH DAY.—Mr. Brosius introduced a bill for the issue of two per cent. bonds and the repeal of the silver purchas: law --- A few private measures were passed, and the Committee on the Judiciary having, under a prior order, the right of way, called up some bills of secon lary importance.

27TH DAY.—The Sundry Civil bill and the

report on the Reading deal were presented The announcement of the death of ex-President Hayes was then made by Mr. Haynes, of the Fremont (Ohio) district. Remarks upon the life and public services of Mr. Hayes were made by Mr. O'Neill, of Pennsylvania, and others who served in the House with the ex-President. Then the House adjourned out of respect of the ex-

President's memory.

25TH DAY.—Dilatory tactics defeated action on the bill appropriating \$100,000 for the erection of a monument to the prisonship martyrs in Brooklyn, and on the measurement of the prison of the to the Interstate Commerce law were passed -The National Quarantine bill was the next in order, but its opponents succeeded

in staving it off. 29Th DAY The Deficiency Appropriation bill was rejected, after which the House adjourned in memory of ex-President Haves.

County Court House Burned. The court house at Elizabethtows, N. C., with all the records, was destroyed by fire Saturday night.