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YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS IN BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS.

The Evening Session of the House a Farce-Fallure of Conferees to Agree-Bond Offerings, Etc.

By Telegraph to the Citizen. WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 .- SENATE .- Mr. Hoar, from the committee on privileges and elections, to which was referred the resolutions offered by Senators Chandler and Gibson, for the investigation of the recent elections in Louisiana and other States, and memorials as to political assassinations, reported them all back, to be laid on the table; and also reported the original resolution, instructing the committee on privileges and elections to inquire whether in any State the free and lawful expression of the will of the people, in the election of members of the Fiftyfirst Congress and ascertaining the result thereof, has been prevented by violence. intimidation, fraud, or other crimes. Also, to inquire into the recent election in Louisiana in April 1888; and whether that State has a Republican form of government. The committee is to report at the session to be held in December 1889.

Mr. Salisbury, on behalf of the Demo cratic members of the committee on privileges and elections, expressed atter dissent from the resolution, on the ground that the Senate had no jurisdiction over the question.

The resolution was, on objection by Gorman, laid over until to-morrow.

The Senate proceeded to the considera tion of Mr. Vest's motion to reconside the vote by which the conference report on the direct tax bill was agreed to last Saturday. After speeches from Messrs. Messrs. Harris and Morgan in favor of it, the motion to reconsider was rejected, yeas 8, nays 48. The conference report now goes to the House for its action.

The Senate then proceeded to the consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill. Ame ng the amendments reported by the committee on appropriations and agreed to by the Senate were the following: Fer protecting the site of the post-office building at Key West, Pla. \$3,000; making appropriations for light house service and steam tender for first light house district, \$85,000; ditto second district \$80,000; Chincoteague buoy depot, Va., \$1.250; Portsmouth depot; Va., (additional land), \$10,000; Bush's Bluff, near Norfolk, Va., \$40,000; Diamond shoal, off Cape Hatteras, N. C., \$500,000; North River, N. C., \$10,000; steamer for light house service in North Carolina, \$35,000; Hilton Head, S. C. \$5,000; Fernandina Harbor, Fla., \$1,750; Pascogoula river ranges, Miss., \$1,000; fixing the total cost of library building at Washington, D. C., \$55,000,-exclusive inserting an item of \$32,945 for a sewerage system at Fortress Monroe, Va.

Mr. Harris interrupted the reading of the bill and said: "In support of the motion which I desire to make, I will state that I find in the Record that four bundred and fifty-eight nominations have been sent to the Senate."

Presiding officer lugalls asked Mr. Allison, in charge of the sundry civil bill, whether he yielded to the Senator from Tennessee.

Mr. Harris-"I have a right to make a statement?"

Presiding officer-"The chair thinks that the Senator cannot submit a motion without unanimous cousent."

Mr. Harris-"Does the chair think that no motion is in order? I do not think that the yielding of the Senator of Iowa is at all necessary to my purpose, although I am satisfied that the Senator from lowa will not object to yielding it it is desired, but I do not ask the Senator from lowa to yield."

Mr. Allison-"Then if the Senator does not, I will not do so." Presiding officer-"The reading of the

bill will proceed." Mr. Harris-'Does the chair decide that I have not the right to be heard in relation to any matter about which I may wish to speak while this bill is pend-

Presiding officer-'The chair does so hold that this bill is not debatable, but the chair will hear the Senator from Ten-

Mr. Harris thereupon proceeded to make his statement. He had found, he said, that 453 nominations had been sent to the Senate by the President. Of these 133 were regular promotions in the Consequently as each measure was navy, army and marine hospital service, called to the attention of the House and were all confirmed but two. Mr. Campbell raised the point of no quo-Of the 225 other nominations which had been made + to fill official vacancies, there were only fortyeight confirmations and no rejections, leaving 177 not acted upon. Out of 261 presidential pestmasters nominated, only 23 had been confirmed, leaving 238 not yet confirmed, or rejected. He held it to be as much the duty of the president to make nominations to fill official vacan-

cies as to perform any other official du- but as one of them afterwards expressed ties, and as much the duty of the Senate it, they "made haste but slowly." The to consider and confirm or reject nomina- demands of the House conferees do not tions as to perform any other Senatorial meet the approval of the Senate conferees, duty. He recalled the facts that President Arthur had, after the presidential the former as yet show no signs of recedelection of 1884, sent to the Senate 612 ing, present prospects of an agreement nominations, all of which were con-

notion was rejected by a party votenys 26, yeas 24.

THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE

Mr. Harris-"I shall give the Senate an pportunity to vote on this motion every day to the end of the session." Mr. Edmunds-(Ironically.) "That is

right."

The reading of the bill was then reumed. The amendment to pay Mrs. Waite, widow of the late Chief Justice Waite the balance of the year's salary excited some opposition, but it was agreed to-yeas 28, nays 16.

The amendment appropriating \$40,000 each for statues of Gen. Philip H. Sherifan and General John A. Logan, in Washington, was agreed to, and Mr. Without completing the bill, the Sen-

House.-The first hour of the session olutions were passed providing for print- ed policy regarding remote foreign ing the various public documents.

of the whole, on the postoffice appropri- The disavowal by Mr. Bayard of ation bill, and the pending motion, offered by Mr. Cannon, of Illinois, to strike in raising the American flag and declar- old story of Damon and Pythias, adopted out the paragraph regulating the sala- ing a protectorate in the name of the the thought of the friendship of Pythias ries of assistant postmaster-generals. was lost. Mr. Cannon moved to reduce and need not be further discussed, but a society. Although all may be familiar the minimum salary of stenographers to postmasters, from \$1,200 to \$800, orate was thrice, indeed, four times repetition. It runs as follows: Much objection was shown to this proposition, principally by Messrs. Blount

for the purpose of considering the conference report on the bill to pay the direct well, who stated that Mr. Oates, of Ala-Vest and Blair upon the general subject of Mr. Oates was not present when Mr. rumored, however, that Steinberger had nysius consented and Pythias returned Caswell submitted the report, and this gentleman said that in view of the necesport, he must demand the previous ques- committee on foreign affairs to inquire cred fellowship.

ession, offering motions to adjourn, to take recess and to adjourn until Thursthe chamber, and Caswell called attention to this fact, but his only response from the Democratic side, was a loud de- President on May 1st, 1876, by transmand for the regular order.

The motion to adjourn till Thursday having been voted down, Mr. Morse, of was stated that Steinberger appeared to Massachusetts, entered the ranks of the have exceeded his instructions. Accomfilibusters with a motion to adjourn till panying this report was a dispatch from Friday next. Mr. Caswell called Mr. Fish to Steinberger dated May 6th, Morse's attention to the understanding 1875, in which the former, referring to which had been entered into last session the allegation, that Steinberger had ments, except in a few cases, were entirely that no dilatory tactics should be re- promised the Samoans the protection of insignificant, there were unfavorable genuine before the first article on "Parsorted to in order to defeat the passage the United States, said: of appropriations heretofore made; and of the bill. He regarded the action now standing

Mr. Morse replied that he had not been Finding that it would be impossible to you to make." secure a vote on the conference report tothe consideration of the House, announce a United States flag over the Samoan

ing that he would call it up to-morrow. nittee of the whole, for the consideration was the similar raising of the American of the postoffice appropriation bill. The flag for the purpose of declaring protecpending amendment, reducing to \$800 a tion in Pebruary, 1878, when Griffin was phers to postmasters, was defeated.

bill, and at 5 o'clock p. m., the commit- between the United States and Samoa, tee rose, and the House took a recess un- was in this country whither he had come, ed by the committee on military affairs.

perfect parody on legislation. It was called for the consideration of business clude the treaty subsequently ratified tion on Tuesday, the 26th inst., at 2.30 was complete, and it is estimated by presoffairs. The first bill called up was one appropriating \$100,000 for the erection until they had learned the result of their to the memory of victims of the prisonships, Mr. Kilgore, of Texas, raised the had then no trenty with the islands, between Indianapolis and Pittsburg expoint of no quorum against this measure and the way was clear to the United and it was withdrawn. But although the bone of contention was thus removed, the contention still remained, and Felix Campbell, of New York, irritated at the defeat by one man, of the measure in which he was specially interested, determined that no measure called up should receive favorable consideration. rum again, and it was withdrawn. Appeals and entreaties were of no avail, tainable. Other buildings damaged were and Campbell was unrelenting and Nos. 11, 15 and 17 Bank street; Nos. would permit no legislation to be en-

The parody continued until 10 o'clock. when the session expired by limitation.

THE CONFEREES PAIL TO AGREE. The conferees on the omnibus territorial bill were in session again this morning, even after a night's consideration, and as are not bright.

Hayes had, after the presidential elec- The treasury department to-day accep- The receipts amounted to about fortytion of 1880, sent to the Senate 680 nom- ted \$555,100, four-and-a-half per cent. five dollars, which will be applied to inations, nearly all of which were con- bonds at 1091/4. The First National church purposes. All who were present firmed. In view of these facts he moved Bank of Florence, Ala., has been authoriz- thoroughly enjoyed the occasion, and that the Senate do now proceed to the ed to begin business with a capital stock were gratified at the success of the ladies consideration of excentive business. The of \$50,000,

THE SAMOAN QUESTION.

ANOTHER STATEMENT CON-CERNING THE ISLANDS MADE PUBLIC VESTER-DAY.

Stineberger Promised Protectio to the Natives in 1874 Without the Instruction or Sanction of the United States Government.

By Telegraph to the Citisen. WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19 .- The following statement in regard to the Samoan question was prepared at the Department of State and furnished for publication to day. The interest lately manifested in tee amendments were disposed of he reference to several incidents which dis- to would offer a similar amendment for a closes the position heretofore maintain statue to Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock. ed by the United States, concerning that Which was delivered most gracefully by group. The advocates of the establish- Gen. Johnstone Jones, following immediment of a protectorate over those islands by the United States appear to have lost | beautiful jewel adorned with the emble was occupied by reports from the print- sight of the fact that this government in matie F. C. B., to Mr. Jacobs. ng committee and a number of joint res- pursuance of its traditional and establish-

The House then went into a committee to assume such relations.

previously discarded by this government. into the extent and character of the From this little beginning of five men

was recalled. Mr. Crispraising the ques A. B. Steinberger, as special agent or and fifty thousand members, three thousion of consideration, and Messrs, Rogers, commissioner, to the Samoan or Naviga- and lodges, and has expended during the of Arkansas, Breckenridge, of Kentucky, tion Islands, and to call upon the Secre- last year six millions of dollars in charand McMillan, of Tennessee, in quick suc- tary of State for all correspondence be- ity. We hope and believe that its future ment of State, touching the object, oper- as it is, upon the simple, yet all powerday. At this moment Mr. Oates entered ation and result of such mission or ful, maxim:-"Do ye unto others as ye agency.

This resolution was answered by the NEW YORK STOCK MARKET. mitting to the House the report of Mr. Fish, then Secretary of State, in which it

"If this be as represented it is much to made nor any hope of protection was held out by warrant of this government. a party to that understanding, and that and such promise, if made, was one against the Grangers they were strong he was acting in his individual capacity. which this Department in the absence of enough to induce the bears to turn their No quorum voted on Morse's motion. a formal treaty, or of the sanction of attention in other directions and finding

In 1877 Mr. Colmesnil, then United flag, but his act was not sustained by The House then resolved into a com- his government. But more notable still, time, Marnea, the Samoan who signed No further progress was made on the with Evarts, the treaty now existing

# A Half Million Fire.

By Telegraph to the Citizen Bank street extending through a block the Pennsylvania railroad. bearing the Nos. 18 and 20 Strawberry street, was totally burned this morning. It was occupied by Rudolph Blankenburg & Co.'s large importing house. Their insurance is \$227,000, and their loss considerably more, but not accurately ascer-12 to 34 Strawberry street, and the rear of Philip J. Walsh's clothing stores Nos. 28, 30 and 23 South Second street. The total loss will aggregate about \$600,000, divided among fifteen or twenty firms in clothing, knit goods, hosiery, yarns, Germantown wools, worsted and kindred trades. A great many people were employed in the burned and damaged ings, and many narrowly escaped, but so far as is known, no person was

### killed or injured. The "Y's" Oyster Supper.

In Johnston Hall, was liberally patronfirmed, except 20; and that President BOND OFFERINGS, AND A BANK AUTRORIZED. ized and largely attended last evening.

ENIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Friendship, Charity, Benevolence

Such indeed prevailed and were exem plified by this noble Order, at its silver anniversary last evening. The lodge at old, numbers sixty members, all of them select men, indeed, with whom it is an onor to any to be allowed to associate. Their entertainment, to which about ne hundred and fifty guests were in vited, embraced sweet music, a most in-structive address, and delightful refresh ments-to each and all of which we wish we could do justice; but, as we are not musical, and have a mind above eating Daniel gave notice that after all commit- the Samoan Islands renders a pertinent and drinking, we must confine ourselves

ately upon the presentation of a most

Gen. Jones gave a brief history of the order, informing us that it was organpossession, has at least five times refused ized twenty-five years ago, by five gentlemen in Washington City. The idea originating with one of them, Mr. J. H. Consul Greenbaum's act three years ago Rathbone, who, reading over again the United States, is fresh in the public mind as the foundation-stone of a benevolent similar refusal to assume such a protect- with this story, we think it worthy of

"Damon and Pythias, two noble Pyth It will be remembered that in 1873 one agoreans of Syracuse, have both Steinberger was sent out by President been remembered as models of faithful Pending discussion, the committee rose Grant as a special agent to report on the friendship. Pythias having been concondition of the islands. Having made demned to death by Dionysius, the tyrhis report he returned in the following ant of Syracuse, begged to be allowed to tax, which was presented by Mr. Cas- year as the bearer of some presents and go home for the purpose of arranging messages from President Grant to the his affairs, and Damon pledged his own life bama, had refused to sign the report. natives. It having subsequently been for the re-appearance of his friend. Diopromised the natives the protection of just in time to save Damon from death. fact was called to his attention, but that the United States, the House of Repre- Struck by so noble an example of mutual sentatives on the 28th of March, 1876, affection, the tyrant pardoned Pythias, sity for early action on the conference re- adopted a resolution instructing the and desired to be admitted into their sa-

The famous dead-lock of last season power conferred by the United States on the order now embraces two hundred tween said Steinberger and the depart- will develop great things indeed, based would that they should do unto you."

**Bull and Beclining Throughout** 

the Entire Day. By Telegraph to the Citizen.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19 .- The stock list was dull and declining almost throughout the day. Although the move- letters were genuine. He was convinced that the Bran and Parnell letters were circumstances helping the decline. Atch- nellism and Crime" was published by the ison was sold freely for Boston account Times. early, and arrested the improving ten-While considerable pressure was brought A Two Hundred Thousand Dotto fractions.

# Harrison's Ride.

By Telegraph to the Citizen

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 19.-The schedule til 7:30 p. m., the evening session to be as his people well understood, for the ne- for President-elect Harrison's train from for the consideration of business report- gotiation of a treaty for protection. At Indianapolis to Washington has been the same time the British High Commis- arranged. It will leave the former place, done to it, except the burning of a has been done already to the great in-The session of the House to-night was sioner was at Apia, in a man-of-war, en- over the Pennsylvania road, at noon on deavoring to induce the Samoans to con- Monday next, and arrive at its destina- loss to the railroad company's property quickly, at that, reported from the committee on military with Great Britain, but the natives refused o'clock in the afternoon. The train will to enter into any agreement whatever, consist of president Roberts' private car, there is an insurance of about one-half of demand, is somewhat exhausted, and in at Opera Hall for the evening of the 27th two Pullman sleepers and a baggage that sum. The machinery and buildings consequence the consumers, making a inst. of a monument at Fort Greene, Brooklyn, application to this government for a car, and will be run as a section of the treaty for protection. Germany also Atlantic express. No stops will be made States to assume protection if it had thought proper to do so. further stop to Washington. The President Roberts' special car, which is now PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19 .- Number 13 being renovated at the Altoona shops of

# Made the Manager Skip.

By Telegraph to the Citisen. Montana, says: A critical state of afof lack of funds, and the men have not

# Coming Back to Kenna.

By Telegraph to the Citizen. CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 19.-Two ballots were taken to-day for Senator in the joint assembly. On the second ballot Goff received 42; Kenna 33; J. O. Wilson, 6; Robertson, union laborite, 4; Price 2; Walker and Hereford 1 each. Several delegates who deserted Kenna vesterday returned to-day, and will now cast their votes for him. There remains but three days of the session.

Bre'r Greeley's cold wave struck Ashe ville square in the face this time

ACROSS THE WATER.

RECORD OF VESTERDAYS HAPPENINGS IN FOREIGN

O'Brien Sentenced to Six Month Session of the Parnell Commission.

By Telegraph to the Citizen

SIX MONTHS WITHOUT HARD LABOR. DUBLIN, Feb. 19 .- When the case of William O'Brien was resumed to-day O'Brien refused to allow Healy, hi counsel, to apologize for the language the latter had used to Col. Turner during the progress of the case yesterday. O' Brien also declined to make any further defense against the charges brought against him under the Crimes act, and the magistrates thereupon sentenced O' Brien to six months' imprisonment without hard labor.

THE PARNELL COMMISSION LONDON, Feb, 19-The court room was crowded to-day when the Parnell commission resumed its sitting. Henry Labouchere, John Morley, George Shaw, Le-Fevre and other prominent persons were present. Mr. MacDonald, manager of the Times, was the first witness called and he was cross-examined by counsel for the Parnellites. He declined to say whether he regarded the letters of Janu ary 9th, and of May 15th, as the only important ones among the first five which Mr. Houston, secretary of the Irish Loy: I and Patriotic Union handed to him. Presiding justice Hannen sharply rebuked the witness for his refusal McDonald in reply to further questions said that the letters had to be taken as a whole, and that as a whole they were compromi ing. He particularly avoided asking from what source the letters were obtained, ecause Houston said he was bound to secrecy which he asked the witness to respect. The witness first knew tha Pigott, former editor of an Irish new paper, supplied them at about the time to publication of the articles on "Parne lism and Crime," was begun. He did not know that the letters had been show the marquis of Hartington who he as rted, had nothing to do directly or i directly with their publication. Ho ston showed witness as tending to confirm the genuineness of the writing, a etter written by Parnell to Pigott, which was not submitted to the experts be ause it was private and confidential. The witness said he forgot whether wien he submitted the other specimens of Egan's writing; he could not be positive whether he then had an actual spe imen of Egan's writing. He forgot what material he gave the expert

By Telegraph to the Citizen. the general list somewhat. The general the Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis & creek bettoms. day, Caswell withdrew the matter from States commercial agent at Apia, raised anxiety over the Chicago convention de Chicago Railway were found to be on terred buying, and Union Pacific and fire. A strong wind was blowing from dealers to a distance of twenty miles from Richmond & West Point joined the weak the west, and when the firemen arrived their tracts, as over that distance the haulstocks. In the afternoon the market the entire property was doomed. The ing would be an insurmountable obstacle; closed dull and heavy at about the low-building in which the fire started was a but with other roads, which we hope est prices. Sales were only 216,000, and one-story wooden structure, and was soon to have (if our legislature will allow the list is almost invariably lower this soon not only ablaze itself, but sending it), ramifying our mountains and valleys year, the minimum salaries of stenogra- United States consul at Apia. At that evening, Losses are generally confined fire-brands into and upon all other build- in all directions, the supply will be pracings surrounding. The fire department tically inexhaustible for years to come, was out in its entire strength preventing and we trust our land owners who are the spread of the fire. The "Big Four" outside of the twenty-mile radius will elevator was in great danger but escaped. | beed this and order the "woodman spare A span of the Cincinnati Southern Rail- that tree" until it can be used for a betroad bridge approach runs over the ter purpose than to be deadened and works, but being of iron, no harm was burned merely to clear the land. This few ties waich were easily replaced. The jury of us all. Let it be stopped, and ident Ingalls at \$200,000, upon which were valued at \$150,000.

# Chicago Market Review.

By Telegraph to the Citizen

CHICAGO, Pebruary 19 .- A nervous unsettled feeing existed to-day in wheat. dent and his family will occupy presi. Trading was fairly active, but the spasmodic go erning power was lower. Speculation opening for May was slightly better then yesterday's closing, ad vancing \$ .. ruled irregular and weak, and finally sold off at 156c.; then rallied sharply, : Ivancing 3; broke off bec; MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., February 19,-A again adv need 134c ruled irregular, and special to the Tribune, from Helena, closed 17 higher than yesterday. The planted it until the means of reaching it early stre gth was possibly influenced are improved. fairs prevail at the Castle mining camp. by the change to colder weather, and one The mines have been closed on account reported c crease by Beerbohm of wheat on ocean passage, but market advices York, and there kiln-dried and forwarded been paid off. Manager King escaped were of in unfavorable tenor. Soon lynching a few days ago by possessing after the pening, it was discovered that her dealer in that city. We have i a fast horse. The men having failed to there was a fair quantity of wheat on the thority for saying that it was much adreceive anything out of the sale of bul- market, and upon an effort being made mired there, especially for the peculiar lion, rioting has occurred and more to sell, prices quickly declined. Then when parties who sold early, undertook to get the r wheat back, they found the North Carolina, that in the low country soon by a report that some wheat has in getting the latter tested, but Messrs. cargoes of California wheat. There was have it duplicated if possible; it beats winds, becoming variable. a fair business in corn, trading being western ash all hollow more general than of late; the feeling developed was weaker, and a lower range of our manufactories of lumber, etc., etc., of prices was established. Oats were and will now close with the remark that

But One Firm Alone in Western North Carolina Bells Eighty of Lumber Per Year.

It is our purpose, as heretofore an ounced, to inform our readers from time to time, of the various lines of business. which experience proves to be profitable, in this section, and to-day we invite at-

THE LUMBER TRADE.

which we can show, will appear small and insignificant to a lumberman of Michigan; or even of Florida, or the pinewoods section of either Carolina or Georgia, but it must always be remembered, ago, no one ever dreamed of exporting umber from the precipitous sides of our on silk. nountains, which are only now accessiole to railroad facilities.

In gathering the following facts, it was our good fortune to meet Mr. S. F. Chap- all around the edges with bands of gold, man, of the firm of Cushing & Chapman, who are, perhaps, the most active shippers of lumber that we have in Asheville, the cashmere figure. The lining is of the although many others will be found in various portions of our adjoining coun- has over two hundred jewels, while that ties. These gentlemen have their princi- of Theodora has half as many. Nine pal office at this place, and devote their girdles are used and are heavily jeweled. time and capital to the manufacture, pur- The scenery is a counterpart of the fachase, shipment and export of rough sawed lumber, almost entirely, with an occasional deal in unsawed logs.

Their manufacture, if you may so call it, is done at several large saw mills of their own, situated on Ivy and Pine Creek, N. C., and at Wolf Creek, Tenn. and their purchases embrace the entire productions of mill-men, on Shut-in Creek, Ivy, Laurel and Spring Creek, N. C., and at several other points.

By the word shipment we mean that portion which finds sale in American markets, while export refers to that sent across the water, to European-chiefly British ports. In the first list this firm consider Boston, New York and Baltimore, in the order named, as their best

business points. The total annual purchases and sales of Cushing & Chapman aggregate about six million feet, and is composed chiefly of poplar, oak, cherry, walnut, white pending before the United States supreme pine and ash-by far the greatest quantity being of poplar, which is growing rapidly in favor and competing successfully for many purposes, with the best qualities of northern white pine, as the owners of the latter fully appreciate. It is also time nearly evenly divided. used extensively for the cheaper classes of furniture, for which it is peculiarly adapted, by the readiness with which it takes stains, imitating the more expensive woods.

Another purpose, to which poplar is to enable him to ascertain whether the adapted (and in fact at present it is the only material used), is the manufacture of harrel bungs, a business coming rapidly into importance,-several large factorics being recently established in Lynn, Mass., and at other points. It does infeet of lumber being consumed, in the bung of a barrel. Yet, such is the case, CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 19-Shortly after and this does and will provide a market and the call of the House was ordered. Congress, had no right to authorize a weak spot in Oregon Shore, all of them three o'clock this morning the machine for the immense poplar or tulip trees, were rapidly marked off. This affected shop, car shop and locomotive house of which adorn our mountain sides and

As yet the scarcity of railroads confine

The supply of this timber, once in great virtue of necessity, find that they can get along without it, and most of it now seems wanted at foreign rather than American markets. Cushing & Chapman have just completed a shipment of thirty-four car-loads of walnut to Glas-gow, Scotland, which they value at ten housand dollars cash.

This lumber at present is very inacces sible, growing as it does on the highest ost precipitous mountains. and cost of obtaining it as yet almost equals that of imported mahogany, which it closely resembles in some respects, and

A trial car-load of oak was sent to New

Of this there are two kinds found in offerings ight and the market quickly differing widely from the same timber in responded to the demand in a sharp ad- the mountains. The former, which is in- sight, and are being taken out. vance. The improvement was helped ferior, has so affected the State's character in market that a difficulty been taken at New York for Glasgow, Cushing & Chapman say that whenever and that here was a better demand for they can sell one car-load they are sure to

In a short time we will mention some fairly active, but weaker, suffering a de-cline of 14614, and closing steady and owners of trees, amounts to the re-th lower.

Harle Hilforde and Wm. F. Citie at Opera Hall To-Morrow

These well-known and popular actors will present the above-named play at Opera Hall to-morrow eveni play is a good one and the artists per-

ect. The costumes are magnific There are six costumes belonging to Theodora and all are marvelously beautiful. When seated on the imperial throne We are fully aware that the figures, in the first act, she appears in a gown made of the cloth of gold woven in net work; all over the robe are scattered oriental flowers of strange oriental designs and colors. Across the hem peeping out from among wreaths of these same flowthat here, in its infancy, until a few years ers and bands and beads of heavy beaten gold are heads of cherubs, embroidered

Theodora wears the counterpart of the 'Mantle of the Cæsars," the robe of state. It is of light blue satin finished set with precious stones. The robe is embroidered with every known jewel in cloth of gold. The crown of Justinian mous production by Bernhardt. The robes of the courtiers, slave and embassadors are all her original possessions. Reserved seat tickets are now on sale, at usual prices, at Sawyer's.

A WRIT OF ERROR

Granted, and the Tax Bond Case Certified to the United States

Washington, February 19 .- In the case of Morton, Bliss & Co., against Roberts, auditor of the State of North Carolina, action on bonds issued by the State and subsequently repudiated, Judge Bond, of the United States circuit court, has, on petition of counsel for the plaintiffs, granted a writ of error to the supreme ourt of the United States. This case is n some respects similar to the other State bond cases from North Carolina and Louisiana circuits, and which are now court; but were passed when reached on the regular call, until a full court is sitting, for the reason that they raise a constitutional question for decision, on a line upon which the court has been for some

CITY BRIEFS.

Capt. Natt Atkinson left for Raleigh on the noon train vesterday.

Capt. J. Roessler, of Charlotte, was at the Grand Central yesterday. Hilforde and Clifton in "Theodora"

at opera hall to-morrow evening. Twenty-six dollars in fines were collected in the police court yesterday morn-

Lost-a post office key, No. 3443product of of such a little thing, as the 21923. Finder will please return same to this office.

> New developments in railway progress will be made public in these columns durng the next few days.

The bill to incorporate the Anheville Christian Congress was introduced in

the House Monday. "Theodora," at Opera Hall to-morrow vening. See the beautiful costumes, and

witness an excellent play. The Spring term of Buncombe Superior court convenes on Monday, March 11th. Judge John A. Gilmer presiding.

The attention of our readers is called to the mortgagee's sale-saw-mill, etc., by the Bank of Asheville, in this issue

Attention is called to the advertisement

of C. E. McClure, Sup't. So. Bell Tele-

phone Co., for poles, to be found in this

A rendition of "Damon and Pythias," by local theatrical talent, is an attraction

Mr. Augustus J. Lyman returned to the city yesterday from an extended trip to New York, Philadelphia and Hart-

Among those who will attend the Harrison inauguration ceremonies at Washington from this city, are Mayor Harkins and Alderman Miller.

Severe criticism has been made by many of our citizens regarding the late so-called "write-up" of Asheville by the with which alone it seems to compete. It New York World's correspondent. It was tough, to be sure; but experience is a dear school, and, home papers, it seems are not deemed good enough through which to set forth home enterprises and

From the Fire.

By Telegraph to the Citizen.

advantages.

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 19 .- Two additional bodies have been taken from the Park Central botel, both badly burned. One was identified as Dr. Laveletti Perrin, and the other is believed to be Mrs. Perrin. Two other bodies are now in

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The Haywood land relief bill pe the lower house of the General As at Raleigh yesterday, as we are infor by a special telegram from Reg ive W. H. Hargrove, of Haywood,