ANOTHER REPORT

FROM THE SUGAR TRUST BRI-BERY COMMITTEE.

It Sets Out the Refusal of the Wit nesses to Testify-Asks to Bave This Certified to the District Attorney - Senator Hill's Opposition-The Bank Tax Repeal Bill Under Discussion, SENATE.

WASHINGTON, May 29,-In the morning half-hour in the Senate Senator Kyle specified in having his Hawaiian resolution taken up, and accepted as a substatute for it the Turpie resolution, as reported from the Committee on Foreign Relations. It declares that, from the facts and papers laid before the Senate it is unwise and inexpedient, under exising conditions, to consider at this time, any project of annexation of the Hawaiian territory to the United States. that the Provisional Government have Jeen duly recognized, the international interests re

mire that it shall pursue its own line of and that foreign intervention in to political affairs of the island will be recorded as an act unfriendly to the Generalment of the United States. The resolution was then displaced by

Tariff bill, and Senator Proctor took his speech at 11:45 o'clock, and then Senmosition of the bill.

Sometor Gray rose and said that he are, appointed on the 17th of May, to make a partial report, and he asked that

Senator Hill said that before making any objection he would like to know from the Senator from Delaware what the programme was.

Senator Gray replied that he had no programme other than indicated in the prort which it considered as one of hat there was no question that the reort was in order at any time. It conmed the privileges of the Senate, and asked that the report be read in order hat the Senate might determine whether

was a question of privilege or not. Senator Hill-In the light of the exanation of the Senator from Delaware, rather in the light of the explanation which he does not give, I am compelled.

Senator Gray-I make the point of nder that a report concerning the privigas of the Senate is one entitled to presat consideration and is not subject to

vere read. The presiding officer (Faulkner) ex-

resed the opinion that the Senator

from Nebraska was right. The report was then read. It consists bony where answers were refused. A Edwards appeared before the commitee May 24th, and stated that he was a orrespondent of the Philadelphia Press, and wrote the letter signed "Holland" relrtain Senators. It appears from this re- regard to one part of the ruling of the att that the specific questions Mr. | chair. lwards declined to answer were those sking him who informed him of Mr. arisle's recent visit to the Committee these questions sought to ascertain the authority for the statement that Seclary Carlisle signified his willingness limself to prepare an amendment to the of the chair was laid on the table. gar schedule, which he thought would fair to the Government and yet just the sugar interests; who gave the st of 400 amendments as prepared by further order of the Senate. Senator Jones, was in the hands of one he members of the brokerage firm of

Referring to the testimony of John | Senators Hale and Peffer to the lumber Ner, correspondent of the New York | schedule. Both were rejected. ad Express, the committee quoted from his letter detailing what a proin a talk between Senators and represena member of Congress gave him the ina response to the direct question, he deined to give the name of either the ongressman or the wire manufacturer, whom he referred in his news dis-

In the opinion of the committee each I the questions put to each of said witsee was a proper question and pertient to the question under inquiry beore the committee and was necessary to hake the examination ordered by said resolution of the Senate, and that each Catchings, at the opening of the sesof the said witnesses is in contempt of sion to-day, moved hat when the House the Senate and merits to be dealt with adjourn it be until Thursday at noonfor his misconduct; and that each of said witnesses by his various refusals to answer the questions as herein setforth has violated the provisions of that certain | The first speaker was Mr. Cox, Democrat, act of congress in such cases made and of Tennessee, who was permitted to

Statutes of the United States." The closing words of the report are as

"Wherefore, the committee request that each witness his aforesaid failure to and Currency was the next speaker, taktestify and his aforesaid refusals to ing a position opposite to Mr. Cox. He answer and all the facts herein, under spoke an hour and three-quarters, and the seal of the Senate, to the United | was followed by Mr. Black, Democrat, of States district attorney for the District | Georgia, also a member of the committee said witnesses may be proceeded against | by Mr. Springer, chairman of the Comin manner and form provided by law."

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concluded Senator Hill took the floor binding on the House. It would be, he and argued that the report did not present | said, remembered that, at least, in one displace the pending bill. If the report | the Federal Election laws) that doctrine had been on the first part of the inquiry | was entirely repudiated. The Congress (the attempt to bribe two Senators) it would have been a question of the high- ment, and was no more dependent upon est privilege, but that report had been | the Supreme court for an interpretation already made and disposed of. But the of the constitution than it was upon the second part of the inquiry-as to whether | House. In support of this Mr. Black Senators had been speculating in sugar | quoted Jefferson's letters to John Adams stock-did not involve a question of crime, although it might involve a question of impropriety.

that the report presented no question for at 5 o'clock the House adjourned until the Senate to vote upon and, therefore, Thursday. no question for the Senate to debate. loor to speak against it. He finished | There was a statute which devolved a duty on the chair on the presentation of ator Pettigrew addressed the Senate in the report, and the chair alone could act upon it.

Senator Hill, regardless of Senator and been directed by the select commit- Harris' point of order, went on with his own argument and was after awhile again interrupted by Senator Harris, who asked the ruling of the chair on his point of order.

The Vice President, who had resumed the chair, made the following ruling: "This is a privileged report. And it is not such a report as calls for any action for 9,130 shares, leaving only 45,582 for on the part of the Senate. The only ac-The committee had submitted | tion called for by this report is the action

of the presiding officer. That is the dehe highest privilege, and he supposed cision of the chair. The question before the Senate is the amendment of the Senator from Kansas to the lumber schedule of the tariff bill. Senator Hill appealed from the decis-

ion of the Vice President, and argued that the Senate had a right to direct the presiding officer not to proceed further in the matter until after further action of the Senate. The statute in question was loosely and carelessly drawn. But t this time, to object to the reception of | the Senate had complete jurisdiction of the matter until the last moment. Con-

tinuing he said: "So long as you have entered upon this inquiry-foolishly, in my judgment -it is your duty to exhaust it and to go to the bottom. If you have seen fit to Senator Manderson coincided with the | investigate mere idle newspaper charges, wexpressed by Senator Gray, and not founded on affidavitts, not founded argued that the chair, or the Senate, on personal knowledge, then carry it build not determine whether it was a out and do not simply take the newsnestion of privilege unless the report paper men who started the inquiry. There is no objection to swearing every Senator around the circle. If any newspaper man had circulated a story which reflected on my honor and integrity as a Senator and if the Senate had seen fit to tive printed pages, some of it being have an investigation of this sort and if dotations from that part of the testi- | the newspaper man disclaimed on the stand all personal knowledge of the matortion of the testimony is also submit- ter, I should be the next witness to be of to the Senate. It relates that Elisha | called. I do not think it was wise to have entered on this branch of the inquiry, but the committee having entered upon it should follow it up. I desire to offer a resolution on this thre to the doings of the Sugar trust and subject, and I withdraw the appeal in

Senator Harris objected to a part of Senator Hill's appeal being withdrawn and also to the reception of Senator Hill's | tion of frosts, which were predicted for | did. a Finance, when he, as Mr. Edwards resolution, but Senator Hill continued to lleged, made an appeal to the Demo- hold the floor and read the resolution ratic members in February, that appeal | which he desired to offer: "That the eing supposed to have reference to a questions asked and refused to be answeruty on sugar. The committee states | ed are not pertinent to the inquiry; and hat it overruled the objections of Judge | that the presiding officer be requested Attenhoefer, Mr. Edwards counsel, and not to certify the same to the district sisted upon an answer to the questions. attorney until further direction of the Senate.

The resolution was not received and Senator Hill's appeal from the decision

Senator Dolph offered a resolution reciting that Elisha Edwards, a witness having been lawfully required to testify. Mormation concerning the alleged in- had refused to answer questions and dierviews between officers of the Sugar recting the presiding officer to issue his trust. Mr. Havemeyer, the New York | warrant commanding the sergeant-atagar refiner, Senator Brice and Senator arms to arrest and bring to the bar of the who was his informant that on | Senate, the body of Edwards, in order to that day Senator Voorhees denied any show cause why he should not be punamendments were proposed to the bill, ished for contempt, and, in the meanas originally reported to the Senate, the time, to keep him in custody to await the

Recalling his experience a counte years ago when the newspaper correspondents Moore & Schley; that the draft of the declined to tell him and the Committee gar schedule, as finally adopted, was on Rules how they obtained information he result of a conference between Sena- of what occurred in executive sessions, for Caffery and representatives of the Senator Dolph said that this was his opfust, meeting in one room of the Capitol portunity, and he quoted from Mazeppa silding while the committee was in the line that "Time makes all things ssion in another. All of these ques- even." His resolution went over till toons the committee say, Mr. Edwards, morrow and then the Tariff bill was ting upon the advice of his counsel, re- again taken up—the question being on the amendments offered yesterday by

Senator Allen offered an amendment putting on the free list logs, lumber. ent wire manufacturer was alleged shingles and such building materials as have overheard at the Arlington hotel are commonly used in the construction tatives of the Sugar trust. Shriver said He warned Democratic Senators that their bill would not be swallowed by trnation, and the committee say that, him and other Senators of his party without some modifications.

Without action on Senator Allen's amendment, the bill was laid aside with patches. In conclusion the committee ule will be disposed of on Thursday without any further discussion.

Then after a short executive session the Senate at 6:25 o'clock adjourned till Thursday at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. 1 -morrow being Decoration day, Mr. ! Syrup."

agreed to. The House went into Committee of the Whole on the 10 per cent. bank tax bill. provided, being Chapter 7 of the Revised | speak without limit. He favored the repeal of the law. At 2:30 o'clock Mr. Cox concluded his remarks, having spoken almost two hours.

Mr. Johnson, Republican, of Indiana, the President of the Senate certify as to a member of the Committee on Banking of Columbia, to the end that each of He first referred to the statement made mittee which was, he said, not the least There is no reference to the case of of the strange doctrines asserted by Harry Walker, correspondent of the the latter, that the Supreme court was the final arbiter of what the constitution When the reading of the report was meant and was, and that its decision was such a question of privilege as should | instance in this Congress the repeal of was a co ordinate branch of the Governupon this subject, which he commended

to the chairman. Without concluding his remarks, Mr. Senator Harris interrupted Senator Black gave way to a motion that the

Stocks and Bonds in New York-The Grain and Provision Markets of Chicago.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

NEW YORK, May 29.—The dealings in stocks to-day amount to 137,000 shares against 144,000 yesterday. In to-day's total, American Sugar, Burlington and Quincy, Chicago Gas and St. Faul figured the remainder of the active list. Sugar went down to 99% and rose to 100% and closed 100% to 100%. The stock is still sensitive to Washington rumors. The old stories about prospective legislation were circulated and the stock moved up new development to account for the rise | heard that his daughter, who had rewhich was generally attributed to the turned home, was to be married during efforts of a short interest to cover. The the day. He determined to prevent this of \$98,515 for the corresponding and was rapidly driven to her husband's stock named and proved to be a disappointment to the shorts in the Grangers. Reading was in better request on rumors | umphed. from Philadelphia that various bondholders' committees will get together in the early future and that the assessment on junior securities will be a small one. London bought moderately of its specialties. In the last hour there was a reaction of 1 to 1 per cent. on realizations, but at the close there was a recovery and the market left off firm in tone. Net changes show gains of 1 to 1 per cent. for the day. The bond market was strong. Sales of listed stocks were 98,000 shares; unlisted, 38,000.

prevailed in wheat to day. Unless something extraordinary happens this is the customary manner of anticipating a holiday, the precedent being followed in this instance. Pardridge did some fine work on the curb, forcing prices down &c from last night's close and with this loss the market opened. Most of the wheat bought on his bulge, in expectasome States, was for sale at the start, the looked-for freeze not materializing. The weight of these offerings caused a few minutes, after which there was a slight recovery. July wheat opened at to 55 c, closing at 55 c, a net loss of tc

for the day. Cash wheat was steady. At first the corn market was firm on | be in the procession to-morrow. its own account. After the temper had moderated there was less disposition to go it at one and more to abide by the tone in wheat shown. July sold between 381 and 374c, clusing at 384c. There was a fair inquiry for cash corn. Offerings

were moderate and price held steady. crop prospects being the sustaining factor. The trade was not large on account

The dullness in product was more profound to-day than for some time past, the inactivity being accentuated by the approaching holiday. Wheat opening Tate left for Sharpsburg, or Antietam, to weak and some grades of hogs selling lower caused an easy opening and the recovery of gain, with a later report from the yards, quoting a firm close in that market, resulted in a better tone to weeks. Gen. Harry Heth will meet provisions. The close was 24c lower them at Washington and go to the bateack for July pork and ribs and 5 to 7 to the ground with them, he being a memlower for July lard.

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IN WAKE JAIL.

THE FIEND MADKINS PLACED THERE FOR SAFE KEEPING.

He Confesses His Crime and Says He Would Repeat it-Mr. Englehard Again Celebrates His 21st, Birthday-The Wilkinson-Alcott Marriage - Address to the King's Daughters.

> MESSENGER BUREAU, RALEIGH, May 28.

Thus far over \$30,000 of stock in the Melrose cotton mills here has been taken. To-day a well knowg gentleman asked the directors to allow him to take \$10 .-000 of the stock. The matter has not yet been acted on.

Governor Carr to day received from

Mrs. J. M. Manning, of Henderson. \$50 for the Vance Monument fund. It was realized at a performance of "Esther" given by the Vance county association. Saturday afternoon the negro who outraged Miss Mary Phillips at Burlington was arrested in Caswell county. He was taken to Burlington yesterday morning and made a confession. He begged the people not to burn him but to hang Hill with a question of order, and argued | committee rise. This was agreed to, and | him. Excitement was intense and it was openly said he would be lynched last night. Solicitor Parker addressed the people urging them to obey the law. night and was safe there to day. At least 1,000 people were at Burlington yesterday from the country and it ap-

There was quite a romantic marriage here at 11:30 o'clock this morning. Mr. H. A. Wilkinson, press operator at the News Observer Chronicle office, was married to Miss Mamie Allcott, daughter of ment After becoming acquainted with Tuttle performed the ceremony. The graduated at Peace Institute this even-

[By Special Dispatch] Yesterday the president of Peace institute received an anonymous letter saying that Miss Allcott was to be married to-night and sent this note to her and down according to the tenor of the father. This made a change of plan advices. Chicago Gas figured for 27,000 | necessary and so the marriage occurred shares in the total sales. There was no | this morning. This afternoon Mr. Allcott April statement of Burlington showed a and went in search of Wilkinson. While surplus of \$40,323, against a deficit he was away his daughter left the house period in 1893, and had a good effect | boarding house, and there the angry on the Grangers and especially on the father found them. He was shown the marriage certificate and departed. It was another case where loved tri-

MESSENGER BUREAU, RALEIGH, May 29.

Robert Madkins, the negro who outraged Miss Mary Phillips at Burlington was brought here this morning about 9 o'clock and placed in jail, for safe keeping. This transfer from the jail at Graham was made by order of Judge Hoke, who is now holding court at Greensboro, and was done to prevent a lynching. Solicitor Parker says he will use all the means in his power to get a special term of Alamance court to try this case. Mad-CHICAGO, May 29.—A holiday spirit kins' arrival caused no sensation here. It was not expected he would be brought here. The train on which he was on his way here was delayed at Durham and a great crowd gathered there. He is only 21 years of age and has rather a good face. He confesses his crime freely and expects to be hanged but had the audacity to say he would do the same thing over again if matters happened as they

Two companies of troops from South Carolina passed here this morning on the Seaboard Air Line, on their way to further drop of to in the space of a very | Richmond. There were ninety six officers and men.

Adjt, Gen. Cameron left yesterday 55%c, sold between 55% to 55%c and 55% afternoon for Richmond, and this morning Cols. Benehan Cameron and E. G. Harrell left for the same place. All will

Gen. Mead post, Grand Army of the Republic., will have charge of the decoration day ceremonies at the beautiful National cemetery here tomorrow. Rev. A. W. Curtis delivers the address and Rev. I. McK. Pittinger, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, will offer Oats were independently firm, the poor the prayer. The members of Meade post specially invite all Confederate veterans. and particularly the inmates of the Solof to-morrow's holiday. July closed to diers' Home, to join with them in the higher than yesterday. Cash oats were observances. The veterans from the in good demand and prices to to higher. Home will go to the cemetery in a body, as they did last year.

This morning Judge Walter Clark, Mr. John C Scarborough and Col. S. McD. mark the position of the North Carolina troops there. Mr. J. M. Monie, another member of the commission, left yesterday. They will be engaged perhaps two

ber of the National commission. Mrs. Wilkinson (Miss Mamie Alcott) whose marriage was the local sensation yesterday, was not present at Peace institute last evening, her name was not called, nor did she receive her diploma, as a member of the graduating class. Her husband is a very clever and popular young man, and is a native of Lynchburg. All parties have become reconciled and the matter ends most

pleasantly. Capt. E. B. Engelhard, chief of the Raleigh fire department, to-day celebrated his birthday (said to be the 21st) by giving a picnic at the water works pump house in compliment to Mr. and Mrs. James P. Ferrall, who were recently married.

The weather is again unreasonably cool and fires were in vogue this morning. There were heavy hailstorms near here yesterday afternoon. Cotton is ! having a hard time this season,

Special Agent Spaulding is here, making an inspection of the revenue office. Six convicts were brought from Robeson county to the penitentiary last night by Sheriff Frank Floyd and four

from Halifax. by Sheriff Alsbrook. 'The band of the Lafayette Military academy, of Fayetteville, has been engaged to furnish music at the Teachers' Assembly at Morehead City next June. Mr. Logan D. Terrell, clerk of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, is in yery poor health and left to-day for Pan-

acea Springs. Mrs. Davis, of New York, one of the founders of the King's Daughters, was here yesterday and at Edenton Street M. E. church addressed all the members of the order in Raleigh. She left this morning for New York.

Invitations have been received for the commencement exercises of the Agricultural and Mechanical college. It is the second annual commencement. Congressman W. H. Hatch, of Missouri, delivers the annual address June 19th. Rev. W. A. Creasy preaches the baccalaureate sermon June 17th. The next day the class exercises will be held. There are eight members of the graduating class. On the 19th of June there will be an exhibition of practical work and military drill. The next day is commencement

A BAND OF FIENDS

A Conspiracy Among a Band of Negroes Against a Number of White Women-The Leader Lynched.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 29 .- A special to the Times Union from Palatka, Fla., says: The people of this section The negro was taken to Graham last are very much excited over the discovery of a diabolical conspiracy among the negroes to commit a series of outrages peared certain that the scoundrel would upon white women. The particulars are that about eight weeks ago a negro preacher by the name of Burgis came to the turpentine stills in the neighborhood of Putnam Hall, and procured employ-Mr. Wayne Allcott, of Raleigh. Rev. D.H. | the colored employes, he made damaging remarks about the daughter of a matter was kept very quiet as the bride farmer living nearby and proposed to and the total contemplated, reduction of the negroes that they should size this force, numbering 500, is about accomgirl and several other white women and carry them into the swamp and make them submit to their demands. It is understood that several negroes agreed Of the discharges to day, twelve were to the plan, and that the preparations were being made to carry it into effect.

Fortunately the white people got a hint of the conspiracy and began to make an investigation. They secured evidence | are all recommended in the Legislative, that such a conspiracy did exist, and Executive and Judicial Appropriation they took steps to guard their homes. Meanwhile, the negroes learned that their diabolical plan was known and, secretly, they began to leave the country. One of those to leave was Burgis, who had suggested the outrages upon the women. He fled just in time to escape from a number of white men who had gone to secure him. It was learned that father of the young lady whom he had against the negro. The Georgia authorities were communicated with and Burgis was arrested.

A Florida officer left to secure the negro Sunday. The officer returned with him and fearing a mob, stopped off at a tom has been found and a light house little station called New Burg, intending | can now be errected. An appropriation to secret the prisoner at a friend's home near by. The officer started to this house, but had not proceeded more than | found, the work will be prosecuted as half a mile when he was confronted by fast as possible. 75 or 100 mounted men. They covered him with guns and rifles and demanded the prisoner. Being overpowered, there was no other alternative but to give him up, and the next morning Burgis was seen hanging from a limb two miles from the place where he was taken from Deputy Lane

Burgis was about 45 years of age. He confessed to Mr. Lane that the report he circulated about the farmer's daughter was untrue, but he made the remark about her to interest the negroes in his damnable undertaking. The white people are wild with rage and it is believed that more lynchings will speedily follow,

A WONDERFUL EXPLOSIVE

Twenty-five Thousand Bullets Fired from an Electric Gun.

PARIS, May 29.—The Patri publishes to-day a sensational article in which it is said that Turpin, the inventor of the explosive known as panclastite, offered to a new explosive of very great power, to heavy battery, which had been decided automatically 25,000 bullets. The article impossible the approach of an enemy, was refused by the French War Office and was afterwards sold by the inventor to the German Government. The Patri calls the French Government's refusal of the invention an act of high treason.

Deputy DeRamel, referring to the Patri's story, says that he recently wrote to Casimir-Perier, then Premier, insisting that the French Government should acquire the invention, even if it possessed only the one-hundredth part of the power claimed for it, and that ment could not negotiate with M. Turpin, in view of his recent quarrel with the artillery department. Deputy LeHerissee has given notice that he will question Gen. Mercier, the new Minister of War, on the subject in the Chamber

on Thursday. La Presse asserts that the invention was purchased by England.

Mother and Daughter.

SALISBURY, N. C., May 10 .- I and my daughter have been using Hood's Sarsaparilla. We have taken three bottles and find it an excellent medicine. I can testify to its great merits. I recommend it to all who are suffering with indigestion or diseases peculiar to women, MRS. A. W. NORTHERN.

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SUCCESSFUL BORING FOR ITS FOUNDATION.

Solid Rock Bottom Found-The Lighthouse to be Built at Once-Senator Gorman Very III-Wholesale Discharge of Clerks by Secretary Lamount-A Menace to Navigation.

WASHINGTON, May 29,-Senator Gorman has not been in his seat in the Semate since the day he delivered his recent speech upon the Tariff bill. It was known that he was indisposed, but each day the announcement was made that rest was all he needed. To-day, however, the Senator's brother is quoted as saying that Senator Gorman is a very sick mann. Overwork, he says, is the cause of him illness. In addition to the neuralgia with which he has been suffering for several years, he has suffered from some trouble with his kidneys. He is also said to be subject to fits of nervousness which have brought on frequent attacks of insomnia, which latter have also been aggravated by his old enemy, neuralgia. In addition to the above causes, ever since the inauguration of Mr. Cleveland last year, Senator Gorman has been besieged at all hours by crowds of office seekers who have literally worn him out. That he is a very sick man is admitted by all his friends.

The wholesale discharge of clerks, for which Secretary Lamont has so long been preparing, took place in the War Department to-day, nearly 300 employes receiving notices that their services were no longer required. Many of them were also notified that they would be allowed pay until various dates in June on account of regular leaves of absence, Nearly 100 vacancies had already been created in the record and pension offices, plished, although it is expected that twenty five or thirty more vacancies will be created by the end of the fiscal year. from the Secretary's office, and 200 from that of records and pensions. The adjutant general lost thirty and the surgeon general nineteen. These reductions bill now under consideration by Congress. The Secretary will next turn his attention to sending back to their regiments about half the regular army officers now on duty in the department To-day's discharge amounts to one-sixth

of the entire force of the Department. Capt. Evans of the light house board Treasur, Department, to-day received a Burgis had gone to Georgia and the telegram from J. F. Rettig, superintendent of construction of the light house so vilely slandered swore out a warrant | board, announcing that he had carried out his orders with entire success. This brief telegram meant that the borings the light house board has been making off the dangerous coast of Hatter as, N. C., have been successful. A solid bot of \$500,000 for this purpose is now available and a solid bottom having been

> Capt. Phillip, commanding the cruiser New York, reports, to the hydrographic office, from Bluefields, that Capt. Clarke, of the British warship Magicienne, has discovered a dangerous shoal having but seven feet of water over it directly in the channel off east of Servia bank in the Carribean sea. This is but a little distance north west of Roncador reef, where the Kearsarge was wrecked, and is right in the course of vessels from United States ports bound for Colon and Bluefields. Naval officers say that if the New York or any war ship should strike this shoal there would be little or no chance of saving her.

The naval stability board was in ses sion to-day considering the alleged crankiness of the war ships. Capt. Brownson, of the Detroit, which was one of the vensels upon which the board, some months ago, recommended changes, and Capt. Dayis, of the Detroit's sister ship, Montgomery, were in consultation with the board. Capt. Brownson showed that the Detroit's steadiness had been severely tested on her cruise to Rio and back, and the French Government some time ago he protested against the removal of her be used in an electric metrailleuse, firing | upon. He declared that it would, in his estimation, be a shame to curtail the goes on to say that this invention, which, fighting power of the ship. It was the to the army possessing it, would make Detroit that fired the first gun at a foreign vessel since the civil war. The board finally determined to recede from its recommendation to use 4-inch guns on the Marblehead, Montgomery and Detroit, and to equip those vessels with 5-inch rifles. There are enough 5-inch guns on hand to fit out these three vessels at once, while 4-inch guns would have to be made. This decision will result in the immediate equipment of these vessels which are now at Norfolk, and will enable the Marblehead to go to sea as soon as her battery can be placed. It is the Premier replied that the Govern- thought the Marblehead can sail next week.

The New Line to Augusta.

It has been stated on the best of any thority that the Atlantic Coast Line system will begin the survey of its proposed line between Ashley Junction and Augusta this morning. It is understood that some of the high officials of the road will be in the city to-day and that the preliminary steps towards making the survey will be taken. The readers of the News and Courier will remember that it was stated some time since that the construction of such a line as this was contemplated by the Atlantic Coast Line system. The proposed road it is said will if completed run in as straight a line as is practicable between Ashley Junction and the city of Augusta.-Charleston News and Courier, May 29.