Lost-Special.

Man or Woman-Special. Sweet Potatoes-Brown & Whitted.

Weather Conditions. (Reported by C. M. Strong, Local Fore caster.) II S Weather Bureau Office.

Lakes, with lowest barometer over the High barometer areas cover the south-

Fair weather prevails generally, being much warmer over the southwest cooler northwest. Light snow fell during the pas

twelve hours over the upper Lakes, and rain at Tampa, Fla. LOCAL FORECAST. To 12 o'clock (mdt) Thursday-Fair,

southwesterly winds. FOR THE STATE. Washington foremost to 12 o'clock (mdt) Thursday-Fair, southwesterly winds.

TEMEPRATURE. 1896-8 a. m., 30 degrees; 8 p. m., 20 degrees; highest, 30 degrees; lowest, 19

1897-8 a. m., 53 degrees; 8 p. m., 59 degrees; higest, 68 degrees; lowest, 47 Miniature Almanac-Sun rises 6:47 a. m.; sun sets 5:45 p.m .; high water at Southport 8:16 a. m.; high water at

Wilmington, 10:03 a. m. Moon's Phases-New moon, 1st, 3:05 p. m.; first quarter, 9th, 2:17 p. m.; full moon, 17th, 5:03 a. m.; last quarter 23rd, 10:35 p. m.

### PITHY LOCALS.

Messrs. George L. Peschau and Warren Johnson have been appointed marshals to represent Wilmington at the New Berne Fair, in adddition to those we have already mentioned.

The regular meeting of the New Hanover county Fruit Growers' and jen's remarks, the hall rang with ap-Truckers' Association will be held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the court house. A full attendance of the

from the country caught hold of a this President Rathjen invited the aswater pipe running down in front of the place of business of Mr. William cheer. The invitation was accepted Calder, on Water and Chesnut streets, but he received a shock that sent him sprawling. In some way a live electric cisco's Italian harpers discoursed wire over head had come in contact music from the stand. As the crowd with the pipe and it was charged with gathered around Mr. J. G. L. Gieschen, a strong current.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Kelly Terry, of Stellla, is here. guest of the Orton Mr. John R. Mewborne, of Kinston,

was here yesterday. Mr. H. W. Hood, of Southport, spent in response to calls there were toasts

yesterday in the city. Sheriff S. G. Wooten, of Bladen, was in the city on business yesterday. Mr. Lewis Wacksmuth has moved his family to South Rocky Mount.

Mr. A. P. Caldwell, of Lumberton, Mr. S .S .Crittenden, of Charlotte, was registered at the Orton yesterday. Mr. C. P. Harvey, of Kinston, was among the visitors in the city yester-

Mr. E. J. Hale, Jr. of the Fayetteville Observer, arrived in the city last

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. French, of Rocky Point, came down to the city John W. Blomme sang several pretty

Col. J. J. Crosswell, of Fayetteville, route agent of the Southern Express Company, was in the city yesterday. Smithfield, are in the city visiting the

Mr. and Mrs. Josh G. Wright, Jr., of royally. Petersburg, Va., arrived in the city last night on a visit to the former's father, Mr. Josh G. Wright.

Newsom's, 208 North Seventh street.

of the Whiteville bar, was a welcome Duls, George Tienken and W. H. visitor at the Messenger office yesterday afternoon. Mr. Wishart was a make the affair enjoyable to everycompositor on the Messenger a year or body, and they succeeded admirably in so ago but studied law and was ad- doing that and in making it a committed to the bar about six months plete success.

Mr. R. K. Bryan, Jr., of Scott's Hill, was in the city yesterday. We are glad to learn from him that his venerable father, Mr. R. K. Bryan, is better. He states, however, that his sister, Miss Mary Bryan, is quite sick. Miss Sallie Bryan, of this city, is with

Much of life's misery is due to indigestion; for who can be happy with a as well as the members of Cape Fear and strengthener of the alimentary organs, Ayer's Pills are invaluable, their use being always attended with mark-

### Judge Meares Resigns.

The Hon. O. P. Meares, judge of the Eastern circuit criminal court on yesthat the Halifax criminal court will convene next Monday with a heavy docket containing one capital case. Governor Russell will therefore have to act promptly in appointing Judge

bench will cause regret throughout the Walker Taylor, and Mesers. Benjamin hour, when Weilip adjourned the state, but the new order of things po- Beil, W. M. Hays, N. Jacobi, C. Schullitical in North Carolina discounts men of his stamp. Judge Meares has made an able and fearless judge, has reflected honor upon the courts of our or in the tissues of a healthy living have been many notable weddings in state, and all true North Carolinians body, either of man or the lower ani- Nashville, but none have approached regret the eveil day that sends such mals." So says the celebrated Dr. Brown, a member of one of the oldest men back to the private walks of life. Koch. Other doctors say that the best and most aristocratic families in the He will engage in the practice of law medicine to render the blood perfectly exclusive section of the south, and the pure and healthy is Aver's Sarsana-Hon. Archibald J. Majoribanks, broth-

From Historic Ground. Major Graham Daves showed us

yesterday at Mr. George Honnett's a pretty gavel made from a piece of tim- George C. Gillican reached here yesterber cut from a live oak tree that grew day from Savanpah, Ga., where he died on the site of old Fort Raleigh, on on Tuesday. His many friends here Roanoke Island, the scene of the first will be deeply grieved over his un-English settlement in America. When timely demise, and deeply sympathize the monument was erected at the old with his bereaved relatives. He was 23 settlement last year, Major Daves se- years and 21 days of age and was the Catarrh Cure. cured the wood, and Mr. W. J. Reaves, son of the late Mr. Newton and Mrs. at Burr & Bailey's, fashioned it into a Annie Gillican. He was a brother of gavel. Mr. Honnett will mount it with our young townsman Mr. Newton Gilsilver and put this inscription upon it: lican. He leaves a sorrowing mother, "Fort Raleigh, Roanoke Island, the three sisters and two brothers. First English settlement-1585-1896." The remains will arrive here today The first date represents the time the at 12:15 o'clock by the Atlantic Coast colony settled on Roanoke Island and Line and will be taken immediately the latter the date of the erection of from the depot to Bellevue cemetery the monument. . . . . . . . . . . . where the funeral will take place.

ENJOYABLE OCCASION.

Howard Relief Fire Engine Company Cele brates Its Forty-First Anniversary Yes. Howard Relief Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1, celebrated the fortyfirst anniversary of its existance yesterday. The members of the company assembled at the engine house in full

taking their engine out for trial. The practice took place from 10 till 11 o'clock, at Ninth and Markstreets, and once more this from Texas northeast over the lower crack old company did itself proud. The trial was exceedingly satisfactory and it was witnessed by a large crowd. Upon returning to the engine house, the company assembled in Adrian hall and gave a reception that was attended by a large number of the honorary members and invited guests.

uniform, and began the celebration by

Mr. Martin Rathjen, so long the clever and popular president of the company, called the assemblage to order, and in the cordial and happy vein peculiar to him, said:

"Friends and Fellow Firemen: meet together today to celebrate the forty-first anniversary of this old organization-the Howard Relief Fire Engine Company No. 1. May we all live to celebrate as many more as has been celebrated. It is an old custom. and a good one, to celebrate any important event in the history of an organization, with a jubilee. Not desiring to be behind the age in this respect, we have arranged for our friends this reception. The Howard Relief Com-pany has stood for many years past, and has done noble and faithful service, and has always been on time when duty called her. Keep up the record in the future as you have done in the past, and do not let one star be dimmed, but all press onward and stand by the company's motto: "We

will do our best." "To our deceased members who have crossed the dark river and now sleep in that beautiful Oakdale-city of the dead-let us cherish and love their memory, for they have been faithful and have done their duty.

"To our friends and invited guests who have honored us with their presence, I wish a cordial and hearty welcome, for I want you all to enjoy yourselves and have a jolly time." President Rathjen received hearty applause and many a handshake upon

At the conclusion of President Rathplause and his hands were warmly wrung by the firemen and their guests.

In the north end of the hall there was a table laden with sandwiches and liquid refreshments, and around semblage to gather and make good enjoyed with a zest while Senor Franthe secretary of the company, read communications from the chief of the fire department Martin Newman and Alderman W. C. Von Glahn, chairman heir atten company continued success. The cominto the enjoyment of the occasion, and | knack for the business.

by the following: President Rathjen, and Messrs. H. F. Haar, foreman of the company, C. Schulken, Martin Schnibben, first assistant foreman, T. W. Clawson, of The Messenger, Captain J. B. Ewan, of the schooner W. C. Wickham, Captain J. S. Boole, of the schooner Ida C. Schoolcraft, Otto Banck, manager of the Portner Brewing Company, John Haar, A. D. Wessell, J. G. L. Gieschen, H. T. Duls, J. D. Doescher, James H. Cowan, of The Star; John W. Blomme, H. W. Palmer, of The Dispatch, Henry Oldenbuttel, W. H. Coleman, Henry Bornemann, and others. Captain Ewan later created great amusement by giving the sailor's toast, and Mr. songs, accompanied by the orchestra. Three hearty cheers were given for President Rathjen, Assistant Chief Schnibben, John Haar, and for the committee, the invited guests and the press. The occasion was made ex-

never was hospitality dispensed more The celebration concluded last night with a grand ball at Adrian hall. There was a large attendance and the dncing was kept up till this morning. the city and is stopping at Mr. T. J. At midnight Mrs. P. N. Frick and her clever husband served a splendid sup-We are glad to note that Rev. R. C. per. The committee of arrangements consisted of Messrs. Martin Schnibben, Wade Wishart, Esq., a young lawyer chairman, and J. W. H. Fuchs, H. T. Coleman. They left nothing undone to

ceedingly enjoyable by the committee

and the members of the company and

Funeral of Alderman Maunder.

The funeral of the lamented Alder-

man John Maunder, who died suddenly Monday morning, took place yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from the family residence, No. 11 South Eighth street, relatives and friends. The members of and scalp sores, the board of aldermen and board of audit and finance attended in a body, Lodge No. 2. I. O. O. F., of which the deceased was a past grand, having been a member since 1870. The solemn services were conducted by the Rev. R. A. Willis, pastor of Grace M. E. church, assisted by the Rev. Will B. Oliver. paster of the First Baptist church. The remains were followed by a large concourse to Oakdale cemetery where the remains were interred in accordance with the impressive ritual of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The Rev. Will B. Oliver, chaplain and Mr. C. D. Jacobs, noble grand, of Cape Fear Lodge, conducted the services at the and Alfred Alderman; active, Col. populists. The din was kept up for ar

"Bacteria do not occur in the blood pure and healthy is Ayer's Sarsaparilla

Death of Mr. George C. Gillican. The sad news of the death of Mr.

THE OPERA HOUSE.

Primrose & West's Minstrels Play to a Big House Last Night-The Famous Danseuse Tonight-Eugene Blair Coming.

Yesterday was an ideal day, sunshiny and balmy, and was peculiarly auspicious for the appearance of Amer ica's greatest minstrel organization-Primrose & West's mammoth double company. Yesterday morning the company gave a magnificent street parade, and last night they played to a packed house. The performance began at 8:30 o'clock and lasted until nearly 11 o'clock. It was doubtless the finest minstrel production ever seen ever seen in our city, and the audience man-

Wilmington's favorite commedian, George Wilson, was the star of the company. After an absence of four years this great fun maker, received an ovation when the audience caught sight of him. He always has something new to spring and proved himself as funny as ever. In his specialties he was encored time and again. One of the most notable features of the show was the specialties of Jimmy clever commedian. He received num-

erous encores. George H. Primrose also demonstrated that he is a wonderful commedian. W. H. West made the finest interlo-

Th company has two of the finest acts were marvelous and highly appre-No doubt the most enjoyable feature

of the great performance was the fun- and will furnish a powerful argument ny musicians, Messrs. Howe, Wall and hereafter against "Miss Flora Mc-Walters. Their act was novel and their cornet playing especially was exceptionally good. The ensemble singing of the company was good and the quintette of genuine

negro vocalists was extraordinary. The dancing of some of the negro members of the company was splendid. The dancing of Henry Williams, the greatest living buck dancer, was mar-George H. Primrose and his picanin-

ny cake walkers and dancers is a great feature of the big show. most wonderful performance of the kind ever witnessed here. The concluding number was "The

West's happiest creations. The drill with alacrity and the good things were | of the guards was certainly a magnificent thing for the curtain to go down The company has the finest orchestra ever with a company here, and it is

that gifted young North Carolinian who is the musical director. Much credit is due onr young townsof the fire committee, expressing re- house the company got. He has man- wide attention all over the United grets that circumstances prevented aged the advertising of the company States, was opened at the Arlington press matter. His work was thorough- W. H. Milburn, of Washington, the pany and its guests then entered fully ly done and displays his wonderful blind chaplain of the United States

La Loie Fuller, the famous danseuse a large audience, judging from the advance sale of seats, will greet this, her

first appearance, in this city. York and all the largest cities. The management has prevailed an Messrs. William A. Brady and Edward E. Stevens, her managers, to stop off at Wilmington en route from the city of Mexthat La Loie will give in detail -" bow great dances the same as given in all

which have made her name fargowns she wears during her dance. The "rainbow" dress is one of the pretedge of graduating rainbow tints, one merging into the other. The "flower" dress of gause, garlanded with blossoms, is also a Frenchy looking costume, in which the little dancer looks radiantly lovely

remarkable performance by the wonder of the nineteenth century, Eliason in morvelous acts of modern magic Seats are now on sale at Gerken's. Prices, \$1.50 and \$1.00.

EUGENIE BLAIR NEXT WEEK. Mr. Albert Riddle, manager of Eugenie Blair, the charming actress who has heretofore delighted our theatre going people, arrived here yestrday to make arrangements for her appearance

at our opera house. Arrangements have been made for a matinee performance, with East Lynn as the bill, at 3 o'clock next Monday. On Monday night Miss Blair will give a perform ance of Jane Eyre.

Hall's Hair Renewer contains the natural food and color-matter for the hair, and medicinal herbs for the scalp, where was gathered a large number of curing grayness, baldness, dandruff,

A Row in the Kansas Legislature, Topeka, Kas., February 17 .- There was almost a riot in the house of representatives, and a repitition of the executive war of 1893, is threatened. Republicans and populists clashed and

the house became a mob. The ser-

geant-at-arms was unable to quell the disturbance, which continued for an Trublood, populist, moved to refer the calendar to a revision committee to have certain bills advanced, The republicans objected and claimed i took two-thirds vote to change the two-thirds and the speaker pro ten (Weilip), held the majority was suffiroll call on the motion, but Weilip regrave. The floral tributes were very carried by a vive voce vote. Every repretty. The pallbearers were as fol- publican member jumped on his desk. lows: Honorary, Messrs. R. J. Jones shouting: Roll call, roll call, low at the

> Wedding in High Life. Nashville, Tenn., February 17-There er-in-law of the premier of Canada, Earl Aberdeen. The wedding ceremony was performed in the First Presbyterian church of this city, and a more brilliant collection of old families has not been seen in a long time. The young couple will make their home in England.

> house. No blows were struck, but

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FIREMENS' BENEFIT BALL.

Beauty Unadorned' -Opening Buds and Full-blown Flowers in Calico-Major Hale's Graceful Address-African Melodiles -Valentine Party - Foreign Ap-

(Correspondence of The Messenger.) Fayetteville, February 17. A large crowd of very highly pleased cople filled the outer tier of seats in ne opera house last evening; and, until 12:30 o'clock were regaled with a very attractive programme of entertainment, introduced and accompanied throughout by Remsburg's flue or-

The "Calico Ball," the striking fea-

ture of the evening, was led alternateifested its appreciation and enjoyment ly by Messrs. Walter McRae and John by convulsive laughter and storms of C. Thomson, Jr., and the young ladies participating were: Mrs. S. strange, Misses Hinsdale, of Raleign; Croswell, of Wilmington; Mills, Greenville, S. C.; Mable Dye, of Ashby Junction; Mary Macrae, Stella Thomson, Rebecca Haign, Nan Kyle, Bert Watson, Lizzie Brady, Lottie Thornton, Maggie McNeui, Eliza Williams, Bessie McNeill, Fanne Williams, Mabel Elliott, May Broadfoot, Lillie Slocumb, Mamie Alexander, Maud Haign, kilen Underwood, We are very anxious for the firemens' fund in the legislature, for our nre department is very dear to Fayetteville hearts. With Wall, who is a wonderfully chipper and the committee of judges Missibile Siocumb's costume was the avorite (Miss Maggie McNeill's coming second, and Miss Brady's third), and to this young lady Major Haie, editor of the Observer, presented a beautiful bouquet of flowers with the care, grace and faultless taste characteristic of him. Misses Lillie Slocumb, Maud Halgh, Mamie Alexander and Mabel Elliott contortionists in this country and their were lovely debutantes at this balltheir charms, if possible, enhanced by the plebian crackle of calico instead or the rustle of silk. The 75 cents frocks

> Flemsey. Captain McNeill, chief of the fire department, gave us a genuine surprise with his Afro-quartette-four colored men, T. J. Lomax, R. H. Kelly, Ed. Adams, J. H. Hill, whose singing was exquisite-the bass, especially, a won-

The chaperons were: Mesdames J

were as charming as a Redfern gown,

D. McNeill, W. A. Robeson, John C. Haigh, E. J. Lilly, W. S. Cook. A pleasant valentine party was given in the parlors of th Hotel La Fayette Monday evening in promotiion of the interests of the library. Mr. A. H. Slocumb, of this city, is prominently spoken of for an important foreign appointment under the incoming administration, and his many their Indian clubs was the finest and friends of both parties will rejoce at proper recognition of his merits. Your correspondent, knowing thoroughly

his qualifications, cannot speak to highly of those qualifications; he will Phantom Guards," one of Mr. W. H. do honor to his government wherever he may be placed-a man of broad culture, varied attainments, and, withal, a business man of marked ability. Fertilizers are beginning to move briskly: and from present indicatons, the sales of this year may exceed those The National Congress of Mothers.

Washington, February 17.-The first session of the "National Congress of man, Mr. James K. Collier, for the big Mothers," which has attracted such throughout the city and prepared the hotel at 10 o'clock this morning; Rev. senate, delivered the opening praye, the congress, made the address of welcome. Speaking of the objects of the congress she said it was the most comes to the opera house tonight, and worthy of attention, and as this was the woman's era when so much arose to distract women from the care of their children, this congress had taken upon itself to try to point out the way She has been the talk and rage of all in which children should be brought the foreign countries, as well as New up. The desire was that coming generations of mothers should have a college education and a general knowledge of the needs of childhood in order that they might better be able to direct the footsteps of the young. If closing, Mrs. Barney said: "This is no sex movement, but one in which sons should be interested alike.'

ico, where she played three performan- and daughters, fathers and mothers Mrs. Mary Lowe Dickinson, of New York city, responded. She spoke of the good results of kintergarten work. She also referred to the great wrong often committed by fathers in allowing the mother to assume all the responsibility of rearing the children when it was equally as important to teach a child the ways of the world. Many distinguished women occupie seats upon the platform, among them being Mrs. Adlai E. Stevenson, wife of the vice president; Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, Mrs. W. L. Wilson, Mrs. Harriet A. McLean, Mrs. James H. McGill Mrs. Mary A. Mumford, Miss. Emma Morton, Mrs. A. A. Birney and Mrs.

> Rheumatism Cured in a Day. "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. moves at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first lose greatly benefits. T. F. Anthony, Ex-Postmaster of Promise City, Iowa, says: "I bought one bottle of 'Mystic Cure' for Rheu-matism, and two doses of it did me took."75 cents and \$1.00. Sold by J. H. Hardin, druggist, Wilmington

A Big Fraud Unearthed

Baltimore, February 17 .- Anthony Comstock, of New Jersey, has unearthed a big fraud conducted by Jesse I McDaniels, alias G. W. Baird, of this McDaniels was arrested last night charged with violating the laws of the United States against using mails for promoting a lottery. The prisoner has, it is alleged, been elling tickets in all sections of country purporting to be issued by the "Royal Havana lotter," which is operated under protection of the govern ment of Spain. McDaniels had, how ever, no connection with the Havar ompany; his tickets were a clumsy orgery and his scheme made it impos ible for any purchases to at any time Eleven thousand of the fake tickets were found in McDaniels' house. No 50 Madison avenue, this morning Also there were bundles of letters con-taining remittances and orders from his agents throughout New England and the Middle States. Comstock asserts that McDaniels used the mails in having orders and remittances sent to Baird & Co., 6 irm existed, however, and a standing order at the New York postoffice directmatter be for varded to McDaniels in Baltimore, Mr omstock said today that the arrest o

The Naval Appropriation Bill, Washington, February 17-The naval appropriation bill as agreed to by the ub-committee of the naval affairs ommittee, was reported to the full committee today. The routine appropriations, which are about the same as allowed for the present fiscal year, were disposed of. The questions of drydocks, the increase of the navy and armor plate were passed over, and will pe considered at a meeting to be he tomorrow. The bill provides for a repair and machine shop at Key West, rla. The Mare Island yard will receive a good appropriation for con-tinuing improvements there. The bill also authorizes an appropriation to dredge a fresh water basin at the League Island yard for vessels out of commission to lie in.

McDaniels was really more important

han has yet been shown, and that

Richmond, Va., February 17 .- A deed of assignment was filed this afternoon by Mr. Cyrus Boisseaux, teamster and business man, of Richmond. The lia-bilities are placed at \$50,000. He assigns all his real and personal property. The deed covers a large list of creditors, divided into five classes. Mr. Waller Scott, furniture dealer, filed a deed of assignment in the clerk's office of the chancery court this morning. His liabilities are estimated at \$7,000.

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The Fleet at Charleston to Break Up-Int portant Results of the Practice With the Guns and Search Lights.

Charleston, S. C., February 17 .- It is inderstood that the maneuvers of Admiral Bunce's fleet off Charleston are about over, and the remaining two days which the ships will remain in these waters will be spent in feasting and pleasure. There will doubtless be a review in the presence of Secretary Herbert, of the navy, tomorrow when he sails out in the Dolphin, which came into port this morning, but the work which the fleet came to Charleston for has been accomplished, and the fleet will break up Saturday. It is understood that the New York, Columbia, Massachusetts, Indiana and Fern will proceed direct to Hampton Roads for coal and thence to New York, where they will arrive not later than March 2nd. The Dolphin and Vesuvius will go to the Florida coast, looking for filibusters, and the Maine will proceed to New Orleans. Should the Terror oin the fleet in the meantime she will go to Norfolk with the flagship. The Amphitrite will remain here until Mon-It is impossible just now to rightly stimate the result of the maneuvers. Officers who will discuss the matter at all express great satisfaction at all that has occurred. This consisted

mainly in exercises with the search lights and guns of the ships. Nightly here was practicing with the lights on ships' boats sent out for the special purpose. The ship would pick the hoat up and then following it with the light, record would be made of the obser vation taken at all distances until the imit of the light was reached. The practicing with the main batteries was especially important and interesting. With the smaller guns considerable ac curacy was developed, some of the frequently. The work with the heave pieces was less accurate, but far more nstructive, as the men needed this oractice the most. The New York, for nstance, struck her target no less than twenty times during the practice with both of her batteries. While the officers do not say so, it is probable that the work with the search lights was somewhat disappointing at times On clear nights the lights achieved powerful results, but they proved utterly inadequate to cope with heavy og or mist. On the night which the resuvius ran the blockade, the lights lid not carry five hundred yards. It is stated positively by persons in hat the ships stood the firing of the reat guns well, neither the guns, turets nor gear of any kind receiving any

Telegraphic Sparks. A favorable report has been ordered by the house labor committee on the Lorimer bill, "to prevent conspiracies to black list.' Gen. Alfred Pleasanton, the famous

cavalry leader, who has long been ill died at his residence in Washington City at 3 o'clock yesterday morning. The house committee on coinage weights and measures has postponed intil Friday next further hearings or the senate international monetary con-Senator Thurston has offered a bill

appropriating \$1,085,156 to pay prolucers of sugar the balance on their claims admitted and allowed under the sugar bounty provisions of the McKiney tarıff act. An amendment has been favorably reported from the senate committee on laimsappropriating \$25,000 to reimourse Richmond college, Richmond,

Va., for the destruction of its buildings and their contents by United States roops in 1865. At New Orleans, Messrs. Thorne and Sargent, officials of the Texas Pacific railroad, who pleaded guilty in the Inited States circuit court to an inictment charging them with violating he inter-state commerce law were

ined each \$4,000 by Judge Porlange. Pardoned by the President. Washington, February 17.-The Presilent has pardoned Frank Porterfield, of Nashville, Tenn., ex-pesident of the First National bank, sentenced in Deember, 1893, to ten years in King's ounty, New York, penitentiary and osts, for embezzling the bank's funds. in his endorsement the president says: "This convict has already been imprisoned for a longer term than that mposed upon his equally guilty associates in the offense of which he was onvicted. He has made all the restitution in his power and without the promise of favor he gave indispensable estimony upon the trial of those concerned with him in wrong doing. His pardon is earnestly requested by the udge who sentenced him, and strongly ecommended by all those engaged in his prosecution. I am satisfied that this pardon is justified by every consideration that may properly appeal

o executive clemency." Meeting of Sugar Trust Directors New York, Februark 17 .- The directrs of the American Sugar Refining Company held a meeting this afternoon. After the adjournment Treasurer Searles declined to state what acion the directors took regarding the equest of the Lexow committee for the permission to examine the com-pany's books. John E. Parsons also eclined to make any statement, saying that it would be contempt to the

committee for him to do so. Mrs. Cleveland's Reception to the "Mothers" Washington, D. C., February 17 .-Mrs. Cleveland's reception at the white house to the congress of mothers comnenced at 11:30 o'clock, and for an nour a steady stream of visitors shook hands with her in the Blue parlor, the officials estimating the number of visitors at 1,800 mothers with a sprinkling f minor offspring and an occasional father. The introductions were made by Mrs. Theodore Birney.

Railroad Men in Session Charleston, S. C., February 17 .- Th neeting of traffic men of the leading roads in the south was continued and concluded here today. The railroad nen were in session during the entire forenoon, and most of them left the city for home tonight. Without excep tion, they declined to give out anything for publication, saying that the busi-ness before their meeting was merely outine and technical.

Killed His Faithless Wife, Birmingham, Ala., February 17.— Chris Collier, a well-to-do Greek of this city, caught his wife in bed with a man at 6:30 o'clock tonight and fired four shots into her body, killing her. He also landed a bullet in his own stomach, and it is thought he will die. Deceased was formerly a notorious courtesan of this city, known as Mattie Henry. The

Galveston's Street Railways Tied Up. Galveston, Texas, February 17 .- The entire system of street railways was tied up this morning by a strike of employes. Not a car is moving. The company recently announced that the pay of extra conductors would be reduced from 15 to 14 cents an hour and their time would be shortened.

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ATTEMPT TO LYNCH FLANAGAN. A Determined Body of Officers, WithDrawn Revolvers, Kept the Mob Back-Testi-

mony as to Flanagan's Insanity. Atlanta, Ga., February 17 .- A mob made a rush for Edward C. Flanagan at the railroad station at Decatur tonight after the trial. Sheriff Austin light draught vessel, meant for coast had started to bring his prisoner into and harbor defence, and will not be Dekalb county jail. For three days there has been talk of lynching Flanagan, and this morning his counsel, W. C. Glenn, asked for a mistrial, stating that it was impossible to get a fair trial on account of public sentiment. Judge Chandler refused the request and stated that he and the sheriff would protect the prisoner. The judge did not think there was a disposition to lynch Flanagan. The people of Dekalb, however, are

indignant at the prospect of Flanagan

sanity. All day there were mutterings OPERA HOUSE

escaping the gallows on the plea of in-

in and around the court and when the sheriff left the building he was follow-

ed by fifty men. He found as many

more at the depot. The sheriff was not

unprepared, however, and when the crowd began to move in on him he and | Paris, London, Berlin, New York, all Europe his deputies surrounded their prisoner and with drawn pistols threatened t shoot whoever attempted to lay hands on Flanagan. The show of resistance cowed the mob and the sheriff stepped on a train in a few minutes and brought his man to Atlanta for the Nearly all the evidence today was devoted to an explanation on certain phases of insanity. Dr. Pinckney stated that he believed fr m an examination of Flanagan that he is insane and not mentally fit to be tried for murder. The physician deciared that in his opinion Flanagan could not give his counsel any assistance in the trial. Assassinated From'Ambush,

Knoxville, Tenn., February 17 .- John Heck, manager of the Royal Coke and Coal Company, of this city, was shot by an unknown assassin from ambush and instantly killed this afternoon at Coal Creek. The murderer fled towards the best stock sold in Gareyville and is being pursued by a posse. The deceased leaves a bride of this city, but this time Gareyville and is being pursued by a

Mother-"You must never put off till morrow what you can just as well do today." Freddie-"Then let me fin- and handsomest lot I ish that pie now."-Fliegende Blatter. An Interesting Speculation.-Mamma ever bought. Can suit 'Johnny has broken every tool in his new tool chest." Papa-"I wonder what you for drivers, work he will use now to destroy the furniture."-Puck. A Good Scheme-"Mrs. Bigsby lets and speed, and sell as

her husband practise on his cornet at home." "What's that for?" "It gives low as anyone. her an excuse to be away all the time. -Chicago Record. Doctor-"You want some strength-ning medicine, sir." Mr. Mulligan (emphatically)-"Oi do that, docther. Shure, my woife is much stronger than

Oi am, an' she bates me onmercifully! "What possible fascination can there be about arctic exploration?" for one thing, they have such a long night there that no one can object to a man staying out occasionally."-Philadelphia North American. Syracuse Courier: A. Niles, Mich. girl is paying an election bet with her

lover of a thousand kisses. What a calamity there would be if there was a miscount and the couple should have to go back of the returns! An Old School Gentleman-"Colonel Barfleigh is an old beat, but somehow enjoy listening to the old fellow

"So do I. His sentences are as florid as his nose and as polished as his clothes."-Indianapolis Journal. Poetic License-Jack Bacheler-"So you think Scribbler is a true poet because he only gets his hair trimmed twice a year, is that it?" Fritz, the Barber-"Ach! no. I tink he vas a true poet because he neffer pays me for trimming it, py chiminy."-Puck. Miss Passay-"I think this talk about appendicitis is all nonsense. Why, when I was a child, I used to swallow grape seeds and all sorts of things without the slightest bad effect." Miss Rosebud-"Yes, but you must remember that appendicitis hadn't been invented then,"-Brooklyn Life.

His Specialty-"Has your son any especial talent?" asked one man. "Yes," replied the other: "I think he's an inventor." 'Has he invented many things?" 'Yes; most of them reasons why should give him money."-Washington

Aunt Maria (at the theatre)-Why do all those men rush out in breathless haste the moment the curtain falls?
Uncle Henry-Just wait till they ome in again, and you'll understand

When they returned there was not a breathless one among them. Boston "In the third act," said the hamfat star, "where I am supposed to jumfrom the roof of the castle, they throw a stuffed man over instead." "That's strange," commented the very low comedian. "I thought after witnessing the show that a stuffed man went through your part, and that

you made the jump."—Philadelphia North American. When the tempest broke, the roof of the barn struck the tenderfoot on the chest, a haystack fell on his head and a cord of wood pinned his feet to the

Tears sprang to his eyes, "t reminds me," he sighed, "of sit ting in a crowded trolley-car when I goes around a curve."-Detroit Jour Why He was Sick-He-Did you know that in some parts of China pigs are harnessed to wagons? She-That's nothing. Here, in this country, pigs often ride in the street cars occupying seats and paying fare just the same as men. Do you chev

But he swallowed it and had to ge off at the next crossing.-Cleveland DIED. GILLICAN-In Savannah. Ga., Tuesday, February 16th, Geo. C. Gillican, son of the late Newton and Annie Gillican, aged 23 years The remains will arrive on the Atlantic Coast Line train at 12:15 o'clock today and be taken immediately to Bellevue Cemetery for inter

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