TELEGRAPH SUMMARY.

THE STATE. antic and North Carolina railroad, tells the governor the lease should not be made.—The penitentiary report for last question of reduction of passenger rates; no decision was made; the question of fertilizer rates on the Carolina Central and the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley -J. G. Mehegan and H. T. Latham. of assignment recorded, when it was said

DOMESTIC Honore Lane, the reporter deported from Cuba, says Spain will begin war on the United States in fifteen days.— Three hundred artillerymen ordered to Sandy Hook have been transferred to that place and hundreds of soldiers and nen are busy, working on the defences and mounting guns.—All wo-men, and children, under 16 years of age, have been ordered from Sandy Hook.— Near Quitman, Ga., some one assaults a negro man and his baby by shooting John Connolley, editor of The Plow Boy, published at West Point, Ga., is shot and published at West Point, Gan, it killed by J. C. Cox; the trouble grew out

tion at Charlotte this year.

The Alleged Sea Coast Rall Road Thie f in Justice Bunting's court yesterday

trial at the criminal court, and conse-

Herbert McClammy. Esq., appeared for the defendant and A. J. Ricaud, Esq., represented the state. Lizzie Klaw, colored, was tried for

receiving property stolen from the office, but was acquitted. Died on the Train

Jerry Lee, a colored passenger, died yesterday morning at 11 o'clock on train No. 49 on the Atlantic Coast Line, which Haywood Clark as conductor. Lee got of rulgia and was suffering terribly. A physician was on board and did all he could fering from miningills. He had been working on a truck farm near Norfolk. His remains were put off the train at his

When a man is suffering with an aching head, a sluggish body, when his muscles are lax and lazy, his brain dull, and his stomach disdaining food,. ne will, if wise, heed these warnings and resort to the right remedy, before it is too late. "Parker's Sarsaparilla," the "King of Blood Purifiers," makes the appetite keen and hearty-invigorates the liver-purifies the blood and fills it with the life-giving elements of the food. It is a wonderful blood maker and flesh builder. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Fen-

Odd Fellews Orphan Home

Fellows' Orphan Home held Monday at Goldsboro, the following were elected officers of the home: Superintendent-Mr. W. M. Coble, Raleigh. Matron-Mrs. E. M. Royal, of Clinton

Seamstress-Mrs. Bertha Davis. Each of the above officers are well qualified for the responsible duties they are to perform. They will take charge Abril 1st. Dur esteemed townsman, Mr. N. Jacob

who is one of the trustees, attended the

meeting.

Why allow yourself to be slowly tortured at the stake of disease? Chills and Fever will undermine, and eventually break down the strongest consti-"Febri-Cura" (Sweet Chill Tonic with Iron) is more effective than Quinine, and being combined with Iron is an excellent tonic and Nerve medicine. It is pleasant to take, and is sold under positive guarantee to cure cr money refunded. Accept no substitute. The "just as good" kind don't effect cures. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Fentress

A New Light House for Cape Fear

morning's Messenger, It will be seen that in the senate yesterday provision was made for the erection of a lighthouse This is an improvement that the navigation of these waters has long stood in

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Contents of Third Page Proceedings in congress. - Sorosis. -Market quotations and reviews-Stortifying Sandy Hook. Raleigh letter on Second page.

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THE COURT LEAVES HAVANA

RETURNS TO KEY WEST ON SUD-DEN DETERMINATION.

A Busy Day at the Departments-The Amazonas to be Manned and Brought Over-Other Preparations for Defense-A Cabinet Officer Talks-Not Afraid of European Intervention-Views of Spanish Cabinet-Srbral Again Interviewed. Washington, March 15.-This was

another busy day in the war and navy departments. Secretary Alger was enabled to make an allotment of funds from the appropriation of \$50,000,000, which will greatly facilitate the work made, but this afternoon the ordnance made during the past week, but with

Secretary Long was exceedingly busy today, having not only to give a good he was obliged to return twice, but also over to the department a few days ago and the secretary's purpose in consultcould hasten the work on one of the boats remaining on his hands, which in ordinary times would require about glar who broke in the office at the main | two months to complete. The secretary also spent a good deal of time pany, corner Eight and Orange streets, ing over the long distance telephone at intervals during the day in consultlast Friday night, was placed on trial with naval officers in New York, and The presiding magistrate decided for war purposes. Mr. (Malster, of the that the evidence was sufficient to Columbian iron works at Baltimore, tustify the defendant being held for has notified the department that he will be able to turn over to it the torpedo boat Rodgers next Saturday. The Rogers is a boat which smashed her about six months ago. It was necessary almost to replace the engines, but under the "hurry orders" from the navy department his has been done in good time. It is expected that the boat will be taken at once from Baltimore to Norfolk. The department has no disposition to waste time at this juncture in making trial trips, but knowing the boat to be of satisfactory type like her sister boat, the Winslow, and workmanship according to the naval

nspectors' reports, she will be accepted out of hand, as were the Grin and TO MAN THE AMAZONAS.

The new cruiser, Amazonas, according to present plans, will be manned entirely from the San Francisco. That vessel sailed at 6 o'clock this morning from Lisbon and will arrive in the Tyne about Friday. It is expected that she will divide her officers and crew with the Amazonas, placing Lieutenant Commander Arthur B. Nazro, executive officer of the San Francisco, in charge of the latter vessel. Without doubt the Amazonas will be gotten across the ocean as soon as possible and it is expected that the San Francisco will convoy her.

The torpedo boat Foote arrived a Jacksonville this afternoon. The Ma chias sailed from Norfolk to Boston where she will undergo some repairs made necessary by her long Asiatic The Brooklyn went to Newport News for coal. The Marblehead which is taking on stores at Tampa, salled to rejoin the squadron at Tor-

Judge Advocate General Lemly received a telegram this afternoon from Havana announcing the arrival there of the derrick Chief, in tow of the tug Underwriter. It is expected that this derrick will greatly facilitate the work of wrecking the Maine.

DILATORINESS OF CONTRAC TORS.

The war department is greatly disappointed and annoyed at the dilatoriness shown by the contractors who have undertaken to construct the new fortifications along the coat. It is said that only one among the whole number has finished his contract on time. The department has been greatly embarrassed thereby in placing its guns and has been obliged to extend the time allowed these contractors. The departent has determined not to submit to further obstruction in prosecuting the work undertaken, but will do the work itself and refrain from entering into

them after the meeting today, "is that some report will be received during the present week from the court of inquiry examining into the cause of the Maine "Yet," he added, "it would not be surprising to us if the report should be delayed for a longer time. We have nothing on which to this hope, what I know of, only feeling seems general that what I have said will be the case. There is nothing at hand as yet to indicate what will be the nature of the findings of the court. Today our time was occur-

neasure under way for the national are keeping an eye on the two ships under construction for Chili and the Argentine Republic, but it is not probable we can get them. If we cannot obtain the ships, it is a source of satisfaction to know that Spain will not

TO BUILD FIVE DRYDOCKS. The naval committee of the house treatment of weak lungs, Consump-tion, Bronchitis, etc. Leading physi-tion of five drydocks. The docks are cians recommend ft. Sold by J. C. to be located at Boston, Porthmouth, Shepard, J. H. Hardin, and H. L. Fen- N. H., Algiers, La.; Mare Island, Cal., and League island, Pa.

THE CABINET SESSION. Nothing of special importance was developed at today's cabinet meeting. 'A large part of the time was consumed in the general discussion of the measures being taken to place the navy on a proper footing for defense in case of trouble. The question of the purchase of war vessels, where they could be had and at what price, was talked over, but without coming to any definite conclusion on any new proposition. Information in possession of the was not reached until this afternoon, government is to the effect that up to after a consultation of the members. this time Spain has not consummated. It was decided, that, while further testhe purchase of the Chilian warship O'Higgins. The indications, it is

Not much concern is expressed by officers of the administration over the reported intention of European governments, at the instigation of Austria, to intervene between the United States and Spain in the settlement of the questions pending between them. So far, it can be stated that this has taken no official shape, or, at least, no indications of such a design has reached the state department. What the attitude of our government would be it representations in that line were addressed to it by the European powers

In the powers on has had a large share, are very elaborate, and Carolina. The people of that state claim that the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, made May 20, 1716, was the model for the 4th of July Declaration. A menument to the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration is to be unveiled. Carolina. The people of that state claim that the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, made May 20, 1716, was the model for the 4th of July Declaration. A menument to the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, made May 20, 1716, was the model for the 4th of July Declaration. A menument to the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration is to be unveiled. President McKinley has promised to give the invitation consideration, with the hope that he may be able to attend.

After years of untold suffering from plies, B. W. Pursell of Knitnersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Saive. Skind dobtinate sore are readily cured by this famous medy. In R. Bellamy.

The court has no prophecy to make

care to answer in anticipation. A good deal of encouragement was created at the navy department today by the report from the capitol that a majority of the naval affairs committee is disposed to substitute six battleships for the three provided for in the pending naval appropriation bill. This number is supposed to represent about the normal working capacity of

this country that are able at present to undertake the construction of bat-CONTRIACTS TO TRIANSPORT AR-

The fortifications board began its ssion today in the war department. The proceedings are guarded zealously in the quartermaster's office of the war department today for transporting some of the artillery batteries that are

It is not desired to give it the form of an official atterance, but rather an exposition from one whose opportuni-

however, the insurrection will prevent many from voting, and it is felt also that renewed insurgent activity coming at such a moment might jeopardize the successful working out of the nomist plan. Moreover, the attitude of the United States in having a war preparations in the United States are of a nature that may exert an inexpectation, she should by friendly gurated in Cuba. If the Washington insurgents that it meant to peace in Cuba and that meant an autonomic government under Spain, the insurrection would certainly die out. If later the Weyler party wanted to interfere it would then be time for the United States to take action. That action would be justifiable. Now, to make war on Spain would be a crime, and for that crime to civilization and humanity the United States would be

The foregoing statement was called to the attention of Senor Polo y Bernabe, the Spanish minister, and his views on it requested, but he maintained diplomatic reserve. After reading it carefully he said it appeared to be given by one thoroughly conversant with the situation. SPANTSH MINISTER AT STATE DE

PARTMENT. This afternoon the Spanish ministe called at the state department and had a two hours' conference with Assistant Secretary Day. It was the first call of Senor Polo for purely business purposes, the former calls having been those of ceremony. The minister came away looking highly gratified, but he asked to be excused from discussing the purposes of his call. There is little doubt, however, that it permitted a full exchange on the present situation.

THE SPANISH SQUADRON. Madrid, March 15 .- The Spanish tor pede flotilla, which sailed from Cadiz Sunday last, ostensibly for Porto Rico, will only call there for provisions, etc., and will afterward leave for Havana: 'A second Spanish flotilla will soon start for Cuban waters and will probably be stationed at Porto Rico. The friends of Senor Sagasta, the Spanish premier, deny that Senor J.

M. Ceballos, the genarl agent at New York of the Spanish Trans-Atlantic Steamship Company, has visited President McKinley at the inspiration of the Spanish government. SOBRAL AGAIN TO THE FRONT

Lieutenant Commander Sobral, the former naval attachee of the Spanish legation at Washington, in an interview at Barcelona on his arrival there, is quoted as saying he is convinced President McKinley, who, is a correct president, and the government of the United States do not wish for war, 'and will resist to the utmost the intrigues of the war party."

Continuing, Lieutenant Sobral re marked: 'Thoughtful Americans also oppose war, which is solely desired by the adventurers and agitators who compose the jingo party. The majority of the house of representatives is composed of men without prestige and of little education, who regard politics as a trade and who would have already voted the jingo proposals if they had not encountered the strength of character of President McKinley, whose autherity is dictatorial. The serious opinnembers of the cabinet," said one of jon of the country, composed of busiwhich they believe would be a veritable misfortune, as shown by the fact that the new Spanish squadron had hardly started for American waters when a panic seized all commercial and indus-

trial centres." The Imparcial says: "Yesterday we eccived two telegrams from New York which have not been published. They deal with war preparations and concern not only jingoism, but high officials of the American government who, in view of the position, ought to observe a more discreet attitude." The Imparcial follows with a truculent denunciation of Americans who, it says, are trying to frighten Spaniards by nvoking the phantom of war, of which they are more afraid than the Span-

"The United States is a country." says The Imparcial, "of bellicose selfadvertisement. By moving vessels to nd fro, she is trying to make be that her forces are greater than they really are. We sincerely advise these bogeymen not to waste their time and

SPAIN'S BIG TORPEDOES. Birmingham, England, March 15 .-The Kynochs Company has already despatched part of a large Spanish or der for special projectiles, standing 41/2 feet high, the largest ever made by the Kynochs. THE COURT RETURNS TO KEY

Havana, March 15.-The Mangrove, with the court of inquiry on board, sailed tonight for Key West. Captain Sampson, president of the board, assured the Associated Press correspond-ent that the decision to leave Havana timony might be obtained here, this the purchase of the Chillan warship of Higgins. The indications, it is stated, seem to be that this ship will be added ultimately to the United States navy.

NOT AFRAID OF EUROPEAN CON
CERT.

Not much concern is expressed by of-

as to the further duration of its sittings NOT FUGITIYES FROM JU TICE. or as to when and where the findings will be propulgated. Captain Bigs-bee will probably remain here with Lieutenant Commander Wainwright to superintend the wrecking on behalf

The court called upon Consul Genera Lee this afternoon to bid him farewell, and subsequently Captain Sigsbee said idieu to the court.

the contrary when this dispatch was

The wrecking derrick Chief, of New York, arrived here today in tow of the Boston tug Underwriter. It is under ed States for a 3,000 ton barge. The body of another victim of the Maine disaster was found late last night floating near the United States cruiser Montgomery. The remains have not been identified.

cruiser Vizcaya, at the request of the Spanish residents of Mexico, will visit Vera Cruz. It is further reported that the Spaniards at that place have decided to present the Spanish government with a warship of the same siz as the Vizcaya. Spanish troops to the number 1,400 arrived here today from Spain. Senor Rafael Arazosa, a prominent

It is reported here that the Spanish

steamer Pilar, in order that she may be armed as a warship. REAL ESTATE OF AFFAIRS IN CUBA.

resident of this place, has presented the

Spanish government with the coasting

Washington, March 15 .- Colonel Myron M. Parker, who was Senator Proctor's companion in his trip to Cuba, in an interview with a Star reporter today, said:

"You might believe, but you could entradoes in Cuba. It passes the comprehension of a man accustomed to the usual phases of life. Their emacia. tion is terrible, their suffering indescribable. We saw warehouses full of starving women and children. These people have been forced into the vilages and towns by the Spaniards, and the whole country where they lived has een devastated.

"In the ride from Havana to Sagua de la Grande, a distance of about 200 miles or more the country presented a picture of desolation. For miles and had been applied by the Spanish and insurgents alike. At intervals are blockhouses, occupied by Spanish soldiers. Above each blockhouse is a cupola, where a Spanish soldier is altrado attempts to go out from the village and across the trocha, he is shot and if an insurgent tries to come in he is treated likewise. The trocha serves, however, to prevent sudden dashes by the insurgent's into the villages at night

to burn them. "The Spanish army is largely employed along the railroads. But as closely as the road is guarded, the insurgents do with it as they please. It is general ly understood in Cuba that the rallroad company pays tribute to the insurgents for running the passenger trains. The insurgents don't want to bother the passenger trains, but they are aler to interfere with freight and troop trains. The day before we reached Matanzas the insurgents blew up a sugar train only three miles out of town. They cross the railroad at any point they desire, and whenever they please. In my onlinion. Gomez virtually has control of the island. There is not an estate in cultivation, so I was reliably informed, that does not pay tribute to

the insurgents. "The best people in Havana told me that the young men of the best Cuban families in the island were in the ranks of the insurgents, just as the best representatives of our best families were in the southern and northern ranks during the civil war. My informants also told me that the insurgent army was never as firm and strong as it is today. It gets a very large proportion of its nedical supplies from Havana and its discipline is said to be all that can be desired. The insurgents have complete control of the provinces of Santiago de Cuba and Principe. They claim to have all the supplies necessary for their subsistence, having great hends of cattle, beside cultivating large proportion of the island in the provinces mentioned. What they need is arm's, ammunition and clothing. It s generally understood in Cuba that the insurgents known as presentados, who came in and gave themselves up to the Spaniards in response to the offer of pardon, were all men who had met with the disfavor of Gomez because they had disregarded the discipline he so rigidly enforces in his army." onomy?" inquired the reporter,

"Did your investigation lead you to form any opinion on the subject of au-"No one wants autonomy in Cuba, eplied Colonel Parker, with emphasis 'Even the autonomist governors do not favor it. I know of several caldes, or mayors, of towns outside of Havana, appointed as autonomists, who are wholly in sympathy with the insurgents."

MR. CLEVELAND INTERVIEWED. Princeton, N. J., March 15.-Form President Cleveland was interviewed oday by an Associated Press reporter upon the subject of the Maine affair and the existing relations between this ountry and Spain. Mr. Cleveland at first declined to express any opinion upon the matter. "I should only be misunderstood," he said. "I have been resting here quietly since leaving Washington and I do not wish to say or do anything which may be construed in any way as a comment upon public

leave, Mr. Cleveland volunteered this statement: "Though I have no wish to be interviewed, you may state for me that, in common with others, I think every patriotic citizen ought to loyally support the government during a period of trial like the present, no matter what exigencies my arise. I will also say that I hope the present difficulties will be settled without bloodshed. It is possible that an honorable way out will be found eventually, and that there will be no war." Mr. Cleveland said he preferred to reserve all comment upon the possible and probable outcome of the Maine affair until after the official publication of the report of the board of inquiry.

THREE BODIES FOUND. Hayana, March 15 .- A body that was discovered in the mud below the wreckage this evening will be raised tomorrow. This will make three bodies recovered within thirty hours, none of which can be identified,

The congressional party returned here from Sagua tonight, but they report nothing important in addition to what has already been cabled as to the death of Mrs. Thurston. She was intensely seasick at Matanzas and at Sagua, and this undoubtedly aggravated the heart trouble.

President Mc Kinley Invited to Charlotte Washington, March 15 .- Senator Pritch-Washington, March 15.—Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, on behalf of the people of his state, has invited President McKinley to attend the colebration of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence at Charlotte, N. C., May 20th. This is to be a great occasion in North Carolina. The people of that state claim that the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, made May 20, 1776, was the model for the 4th of July Declaration. A menument to the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration is to be unveiled. President McKinley has promised to give the invitation consideration, with the hope that he may be able to attend,

President Me gan, of the A beville Bank, Denies the Charges Against Him THE QUESTION AS TO REDUCTION and Cashier fatham-Incendiary Fire Near Tarboro

(Special 5 The Messenger.) Tarboro, N. W. March 15 .- Judge Philhps lost a large barn on his Knightland farm Tuesday norning at 4 o'clock. All his farming plements on this farm were destroy). It was an incendiary fire. Judge Ph itps estimates his loss at \$1.000. He had so insurance. In yesterday! redition of The News and Observer was a dispatch taken from

The Telegrant of Macon, Ga., stating that the Bank of Abbeville, Ga., had been closed a 1 that the cashier had left for parts inknown. It also seemed ment of the be k, and before he left the wrong combini ion to the bank safe had been purposely given to the assignee. This article co cluded by saying that orders of arrest and been sent out for the cashier, H. T. atham, and the president, J. G. Mehegan

It is a fact that the bank has made an assignment but it is not a fact that the cashier of the president have absconded. Mr. atham and Mr. Mehegan are both from this county. Mr. Latham is now residn't in Abbeville, and has charge of the"tank of Abbevtile, of which ident. These two young men left here several month, ago and went to Abbeville and boug t out the bank of Abbe-

Mr. Mehegan of Tarboro, informs your correspondent that the statement as made in The elegraph is untrue. Soon after the ass ament papers were writ-ten, Mr. Lath in left Abbeville for At-lanta to have them recorded, and his Mr. Mehegan's ys that the cause of the whose time for withdrawal was not due are sufficient Pasets to pay off all the done within the next thirty days, when the bank will cesume business as be-

Supreme Court Decisions (Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. March 15.-The preme court files the following opin-

ions: Blake vs. Blake, from Wake, motion to reinstate appeal denied; Whitney Glass Works vs. Sneed, from Durham, motion to docket and dismiss defendant's oppeal under rule 17, allowed; State vs. Hanna, from New Hanover, appeal dismissed, ground that the same cannot be taken from the crime al court directly to the supreme court. Ross vs. Davis, from Granville, affirmed; Shoe Company vs. Hughes, from Orange, new trial; Blalock vs. Stra b, from Orange, error; Garner vs. Worth, from Wake, reversed; Scarborough vs. Scarborough, from Wake, affirmed, Fort vs. Penny, from Wake, revosed; McCracken vs. Smathers, from Haywood, affirmed; Causey vs. S. w, from Guilford, affirmed; Cable vs. Railroad, from Guilford, new trial; Andrews vs. Andrews, from Chatham, two appeals, decided in favor of plainting Vass vs. Brewer, from Wake, affirm d; Narron vs. Railroad, from Johnsty p. new trial; State vs. Hester, from Wake, affirmed; Ray-

mond vs. Ne man, no error. The case of Garner vs. Worth is one which involves the costs in the Pam'ico and Carte et oyster cases. The supreme court jolds that the costs aidjudged again the state are not general expenses of the state; that no appropriation i provided by law for the payment, and that the judgment of the lower court making the state liable is me by recommendatory to the legislature which will have to provide for it. Pather Worth is in a state of joy at this decision. He was greatly depressed earlier in the day because he was forced to pay for a mileage book for Chairman Caldwell of the railwif commission.

Magistrate Must Work Publ c Roads. la to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., March 15 .- The attorney general's opinion was asked today whether a in-tice of the peace has to work the high ways. The attorney general says "Yes" that section 2059 of The Code, which give exemption, is repealed by chapter 91 facts of 1889.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three litthe things created—they are the ant, the bee and De flit's Little early Risers, the last bein the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. R. R. Bellamy. . .

A Horrible Double Murder Savannah, March 15.-A special to The Morning News Trem Quitman, Ga. says: One of the blackest crimes in the history of the county occurred twelve miles north of Quitman last night at 7 miles north of Quitman last night at 7 o'clock. An o'known party slipped up to the wind or of the house of Henry Raines, a previous finent negro and shot him and his 2-yer hid baby to death. Eleven buckshot et pred Raines' head, feur lodged in the wife was sitting between him and the windew, and it is believed that the mid derer intended to kill her also. Raines had been trotting the baby on his knee, and had the gun been fired while that w. Foing on the baby would not have besided fire, he is in the act of kissing it. It is thought that the coroner's jury now in session w find an indictment.

"In a mim te" one dose of Hart's Es-"In a min ie" one dose of Hart's Es-sence of Gh ger will selieve any ordi-nary case of Colic, Cramps, or Nausea. An unexcell d remedy for Diarrhoea, Cholera Mon tha, Summer complaints and all internal pains. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. f. Hardin and H. L. Fen-

Atlanta, Gt. March 17.—John Connolley, editor of the Plow Boy, published at West Point, at was hot and killed tonight by J. Cox, a Welshman. The crime was a result of litigation over an estate! Connoley, who is well known, was administrator of the John Broad estate. It was char ad that he had misappropriated the right of this estate and had bought property and turned it over to his wife. The were several judgments obtained against Connolley and part of the property Plaimed for his wife was sold at shee it sale last Saturday and purchased by R. Redwine. The property was still alaimed by Mr. Connoley and Redwings uployed Cox to watch it. Zip Editor Killed

"I don't kr o , tihere may be others," he said, "bit I have used 'Parker's Tolu Coughe, years and we ald not be without it." he knew being a that the being urged upon he in that was being urged upon he are than to buy the inferior prepara urged upon he "Parker's Tolu Cough Syrup" has a equal. It will immediately relieve whooping Cough or Cold, whooping Cough or Cold, he so inhurious ingredients, is plet and to take and a safe respects for e siden. For sale by J. C. Sherard, J. L. Hardin, and H. L. Fen-

PASSENGER RATES.

HELD IN ABEYANCE.

Railways Lay Their Case Before the Commission-If Decision Not Made by 22nd, Date for Reduced Rates to Become Effeetive' to be Extended-Equalization of Fertilizer Rates-Question of Number of Tons to the Car-Spat Between Otho Wilson and Caldwell

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C. March 15.-Today's ession of the railway commission was of special interest, as the matter in hand was the passenger rate. The exceptions of the great systems to the reduction of the rate to 21/2 cents for first class and 2 cents for second class which were filed two days ago were read, and there were special statements by prominent railway officials. W. G. Elliott and T. M. Emerson represented the Atlantic Coast Line; W. W. Finley, W. A. Turk, W. A. Henderson, Fairfax Harrison and F. H. Busbee the Southern; E. St. John, H. W. B. Glover and L. R. Watts the Seaboard Air Line. The small office of the commission was crowded, there being a number of prominent listeners. The first half of the session was de-

voted to evidence in opposition to the passenger rate reduction. This was presented by St. John, Finley, Emerson and Glover. The last half was devoted to argument by Henderson, Day Elliott and Busbee. The railways made a powerful presentation. The presented some new matter of marked value. The most eloquent passage in the speeches of counsel was the eulogy by Day of R. R. Bridgers, and John C. Winder, deceased, and A. B. Andrews, living, as three men who more than any others developed North Carolina. Day says the case which was argued today ought to be entitled "politics vs.

prosperity." This is a pretty sharp slap at the commission. The commission did not decide the case today, but gave notice that it did not decide it before March 22nd it would extend the time for the new rates to go into effect. Its order names March 23rd as the date when they are effective. At this evening's session of the com-

mission C. E. Borden, of Wilmington. asked that the rates for fertilizers on the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley rail. way and those on the Carolina Central be made the same. There was quite a discussion between him and Glover, of the Seaboard Air Line. Orders by the commission are that the rates on the Carolina Central shall conform to those on the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley, but the question is raised whether this means joint rate allowed from Wilmington on local rate. The commission will decide tomorrow. D. B. Kimball, of Charlotte, asked hat the car load of fertilizer be reduced from fifteen to ten tons and said Charlotte was perfectly willing to pay last year's rate on ten ton lots. Crairman Caldwell said this matter had been before the commission four times and he referred the Charlotte people to the good graces of the railways. The com-

Kimball desired. Otho Wilson spoke in favor of ten tons to the car and he and Caldwell banded some rather lively words regarding co-operation and fusion. Emerson of the Atlantic Coast Line said it would be better for farmers to make twenty tons a car load.

mission declined to make the change

Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or škin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. is the great Pile remedy. Robt. F

> Opposition to the Lease (Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., March 15 .- Dr. Fox Person, director of the Atlantic and North Carolina railway, arrived today and told the governor that the road is making money and ought not to be The penitentiary directors meet to-

morrow, and the clerk says the report for the last year will be ready. Don't annoy others by your coughing

and risk your life by neglecting a cold

One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs

colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. R. R. Bellamy, Russell to Raise the Free Silver Flag (Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., March 15 .- Dr. J. J Motte makes the inspired announcement that if the democrats endorse the co-op-

eration of all the free silver elements in North Carolina, Chairman Town and Governor Russell stand ready to raise

the republican free silver standard in this state.

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