A Violent Earthquake Across the Water.

GREAT PANIC.

Into the Streets and Many People Were Stricken With Fright-Insted Thirty Seconds. By Cable to the Prose-Visitor.

LONDON, Dec. 17 .- Anearthquake, the most violent ever experienced in this country, has shaken every from Durham to Surry and London to the Welsh coast. The subteranous disturbance commenced at five o'clock this morning and lasted from four to thirty seconds. In some places two dis-tinot shocks were experienced. The inhabitants were panio stricken and fled from their houses. The earthquake also visited Birmingham and various points in Shropshire and was violent at Worcester and vicinity. The houses rocked and furniture was overturned, No serious damage is reported, but a great panic prevailed everywhere. Hereford eathedral was injured by severe shock felt at that place. The panic at Hereford was great; man died of fright.

Many chimneys fell crashing into the street. All pinnacles at Nicholas church toppled over.

## BRYAN NOT PRESENT:

ng of the Bimetallie Union Excen

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.
Washington, 17.—The executive committee of the American Bimetal-lic Union met today to consider measures for keeping up the free coinage fight, but came to no conclusion of a definite character.

It will probably be several days before any business of importance will be transacted. The intention of the committee to arrange for a avenues of prominent workers benefitien, does not appear to have been definitely determined.

researce, and that he was not to appear before the meeting not that a more definite answer could be given in a few days.

No Doubt of Macco's Death.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. HAVANA, Dec. 17 .- Maceo's death is still surrouded in mystery. His body is still undiscovered and there is no further proof except the offi-cial statement, which leads some bans to think he is still alive. sidents of Punta Brava, where the engagement occurred, disbelieve

Washisoron, Dec. 17.—The latest advices remove nearly all suspicion of Macco's assassination. Under ices it is hardly probable that congressional action look-ing to the recognition of Cuba will be taken. The house will be able to do nothing until after the holidays adjournment today makes foreign affairs to report tomorrow.

Fire at Pittaburg.

By Tolograph to the Press-Visitor Tunung, Pa., Dec. 17.—The i by fire early this morni The flames originated from a burst ing amonis tank in an ice machine in a skating rink. The loss was

A Wealthy Woman Minstag.

Telegraph to the Press Visitor. YORK, Dec. 17.-Mrs W n, wife of a wealthy Louis-vician is missing from the int house. It is believed he city without shelter.

Mrs. Denyton Married Again.

London, Dec. 17.-Mrs. J. Cole n Drayton, nee Astor, was mar d at 1 o'clock this afternoon to George Haig, a whiskey mer

. A 5100,000 Pire.

Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. Salventon, Texas, Dec. 17.—The

# JOBS ARE PLENTIFUL

The Civil Service Commission Anxious for Applicants to Stand Examination.

The United States civil service sion has ordered that an exsmination be held by its local board in this city on Saturday, Jan. 16, 1897, commencing at 9 o'clock a. m., for the internal revenue service.

It is a singular fact, but all those who have passed successful exami-nations heretofore have received ap-pointments in the revenue departnent. The examining board is very destrous of having a large examination and the successful ones will not wait long for appointment.

Only citizens of the United States can be examined. The age limitations for this examination are as follows: For clerk, not under 18; for all other positions, not under 21 years. No application will be accepted for this examination unless filed with the undersigned, on the proper blank, before the hour of closing business on Jan. 12, 1897. Applications should be filed promptly in order that time may remain for

correction if necessary.

The commission takes this opportunity of stating that the examinations are open to all reputable citizens of the United States who may desire to enter the service, without regard to race or to their political or religious affiliations. All such citizens are invited to apply. They shall be examined, graded, and certified with entire impartiality, and wholly without regard to any consideration save their efficiency, as shown by the grades they obtain in

For application blanks, full instructions, and information relative to the duties and salaries of the different positions, apply to N. A. Brown, secretary board of examiners, internal revenue service. P. O. address, Raleigh, N. C.

The pupils of the institution for the Blind will give an entertainment at the school next Saturday night. December 19, at 8 o'clock, to which the public is most cordially invited.

A small amount will be charged for admission for the purpose of raising a fund with which to help defray. meerning the statement that the expenses of a Christmas tree am J. Bryan might attend the which is to be provided for the ag of the committee, one of its pleasure of the little folks. The following programme is sufficient guarantee of the high order of the entertain

1. Anthem- Hark, Hark, My

ter's Wedding. 3. Plano Solo-"March de Conert'-Wollenhaupt.

4. Vocal Solo-"Under the Yew Tree-Strelezki. 5. Violin Solo-"La Cinquataine

-Gabriel Marie. 6. String Quartette-"Menuetto" -Bocherini. Part Second:-

1. Kindergarten Song - "Santa 2. Piano Solo-"Village Pete"

3. Recitation-"Our Folks, 4. Piano Solo-"Music Box."

5. Vocal Solo-"Blackberries and 6. String Quartette-"Menuette

otson Clark.

Mr. Frederick Going will give two Shakespearan recitals at the chapel at the Blind Institution here tonight and tomorrow night of this week. There are only two readers before the the public, be-sides Mr. Going, who give the plays of Shakespeare as monologues from memory. The superiority of having the whole plot of the drams given, only, is very manifest. The work Mr. Wood, of New York, an affable and many readous. and many readers shrink from the task. The recitals will occupy

about two hours each evening. They are given under the auspices of a number of prominent families. On tonight Mr. Going recites Hamlet and on Friday King Heary V.

Mr. Going is making an extended At the residence of Mr. W.D. Jor. lour of the south this winter.

Mr. Graham Haywood wrote the county, killed a hog weigh own grocer of Raleigh, has ju-ed one weighing 355 pounds killed one weightny Can you beat that?"

State Auditor elect Hal W. Ayer said this morning that he would not appoint a pension elect until the legislature adjourns, assigning as his ason the possible creation of the office of pausion and insurance commis-

This statement coming from the mirman of the populist organisa-on strongly indicates that the office will be created by the general as-sembly. At the last session of the legislature an effort was made to separate the insurance department from the office of Secretary of State.
Since the election of a populist to the office of Secretary of State it had been generally accepted that the matter would be dropped.

# STUART ROBSON TONIGHT

the Asademy of Music." At the Academy of Music tonight the great comedian Stuart Robson in conjunction with the renowned exponent of the tragic stage, Madame Janauschek, will produce that amous adaptation from the French kuown as"Mrs. Ponderbury's Past" which was so enthusiastically received in London last season and which New Yorkers gave as enthu-slastic a reception when Mr. Robson produced it for the first time in Amer-ica. The American production is said to be superior to either launched in the foreign cities, leasmuch as Mr. Robson has provided a most asodlent cast, insgnificent scenery and other stage accessories. One scene, which represents the studio of young Thorpe, and which Ponder-bury presumes to name as the place of rendezvous, when making an appointment with the fair model who nas fascinated him, is declared by



STUART ROBSON.

picture s because of the labor and expense Soul"—Shelley.

2. Recitation—"Jim Brown's Sisting this rather equivocal situation, hat Mrs. Ponderbury discovers Matthew but when she rushes in to denounce him, he rises equal to the occasion and by a novel and quick witted move assumes to be a somnambulist. It is here that the clever humor of the piece brings out the wild enthusiasm of audiences, for nothing can be more absurd than the situation and the half credulous, half defeated expression of the indignant wife.

In connection with this clever play, the one-act comedy, entitled "Mr Gliman's Wedding" will be introduced at the beginning of the program. As young Mr Gilman and as old Mr Ponderbury, Mr Robson will show forth two characteries tions, which only proves what his clientelle afready know him to be pastmaster of the art of comedy characterizations, one without peer

The Baltimore Sun says: "Steam yacht No. 83 of Pough-keepsie, N. Y., which came into port last Saturday, has had her water tube boiler taken out to have a part repaired.

friends. No. 83 was the eighty.

At the residence of Mr. W.D. Jor dan, on North Street last night at 7:30 o'clock Mr. James R. White end to Miss Julia Powell, both o this city Rev. J. L. Foster per

Pants, Dec. 17.—Baron Boign utbor and father in law of Robe

# NEW OFFICE LIKELY. DISSENSIONS IN CHINA

Large Quantities of Armsare Pouring in.

# POSSIBLE REVOLT.

ild Li Hung Chang Declare War Would Likely be Made Emperor-New Viceroy

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. VANCOUVER, Dec. 17.—The latest advices from China say that the Viceroy is bitterly hated. Large quantitles of arms are said to be pouring into the Xwangstung province. The Vicercy is reported as being very uneasy. It is said that there is every prospect of the masses rising in the near future and an insurrection can not easily be suppressed. A step like this would lead to the overthrow of the present dynasty. Some say all Li Hung Chang needs to do is to declare war in their favor and he will be made emperor.

Cowen Re-Elegied President of the B & C By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

BAIRIMORE, Md., Dec. 17.-John K. Cowen was today re-elected president of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad company by the directors of that company.

The resignation of Andrew An derson, secretary of the company since 1888, was tendered and accepted. Ill-bealth was assigned as the reason for Mr. Anderson's withdrawal from active labor.

With the exception of a couple of years, when he was superintendent of the New York and Washington through line, Mr. Anderson had been in the service of the company thirty-six years, part of which time he served as assistant to the president and as confidential secretary to the late John W. Garrett. C. W. Woolford, Mr. Anderson's assistship.

Nearly Ninety Miles on Goor.

The record for speed in the South was made by a Richmond simple engine, No. 540, on the Seaboard Air Line Railroad, on November 21st. A detailed statement of this remarkable run has been printed and sent out in leastet form, signed by Presideat R. C. Hoffman and Vice-President E. St. John. The run was from Weldon to Portsmouth and the

"Total distance from Weldon, to Portsmouth shops, Va., 76.8 miles. Time consumed, 724 minutes, which s subject to a deduction of about five minutes lost by reducing speed to comply with city ordinances at Seaboard, N. C., Franklin, Va., and Suffolk, Va., and in crossing Nottoway river, at which point a new bridge is under construction, which would leave actual running time 671 ninutes.

"Richmond Locomotive No. 540: 19x24 cylinders; weight of engine, 18,500 pounds. "Engineer, H. J. Heilig; fireman.

Nelson Gunter." Between some of the stations the running was nearly ninety miles an

So Say They All.

hour.

A gentleman who has taken the PRESS-VISITOR ever since it started and who is one of its most intelligent subscribers writes: "Please let your Parss-Vismon

keep coming till next fall, and I will gladly pay you the four dollars, for it is worth every cent of the money. In fact, I am glad you have raised the price. I think it is the best paper'I ever read. I read the Passa-Visiros through before I look at any other paper I take, and I take sev-

Fair, Warmer.

The storm yesterday central off the north Atlantic coast has moved eastward into the ocean. The pressure has risen rapidly over the eastern section of the country, with a decided fall in temperature as far south as Florida, light frost being reported this morning from Jacksonville. The line of freezing temperatures extends as far south as

cupies an extended area from north-ern Texas to Minnessota, with light rain or snow in that section. The temperature has risen in the south-

ridey night at 7:40 o'clock,

# ALDERMAN ROW.

retty Marriage Ceremony of Two Popular Young People.

Capt. TJ Alderman and Miss Anna Burwell Crow were happily united in marriage this morning at eleven o'clock at the residence of the bride's mother. -The home was prettily decorated

with palms and evergreens and the parlor was made still more attractive with the choicest kind of flowers tastefully arranged. The ceremony was beautifully, yetsimply performed in the presence of invited friends and relatives by the Rev. Dr. Daniels. 'A number of friends of the bride and groom from a distance were also present.

Mr. Sam Johnson, of Charlo-te. performed the pleasant duty of best man to the groom. The maid of honor was Miss Lizzie Crow. Little Misses Agnes Lacy and Susiene Crow were the charming flower

After the marriage ccremony Capt Alderman and bride were driven to the union depot accompanied by a host of friends, where they took the S A L train for the North. They were the recipients of hearty congratulations and good wishes. Capt Alderman is one of the cleverest of railway conductors and no one enjoys more wide-spread popularity. Capt Alderman has umerous staunch friends all over the State.

The bride is a most charming and ovely young lady. Her many graces and fine qualities have endeared her to Raleigh people.

### Evangeline Last Night.

Evangeline, the beautiful musical extravaganza with all its Manhattan beach splendor and excellent cast charmed a large and fashionable audience at the Academy of Music last evening. The production equalled all that was said of it. The cast was the same as that which appeared in New York city for so many months. The music was entrancing and beautiful and the chorus, with its many ant, was elected to the secretary- pretty faces, was exceedingly strong.

Did the audience appreciate George K. Fortescue, "Catherine, the little ballet girl?" It never tired of seeing him. Mr. Fortescue's every movement kept the audience in strain of laughter. As for "Rose," Miss Madge Edwards, a constant companion to "the little baby," she was as charming and clever as could

Miss Blanche Clayton essayed the part of Evangeline, instead of Miss Fortescue, who was ill. Miss Claycould be no improvement in her conception of Evangeline. Graceful simple and unaffected in her efforts she was rewarded by numerous encores. And there was graceful "Gabriel." Miss May Baker, the dashing lover. Her rendition of "A Soldier in Grey," was complimented more than any other selection.

Miss Baker has an ideal voice for opera. Her powers of crescendo and diminuendo are marvelous. She can fill an auditorium with magnificent volume or modulate a sweet ditty for a parlor at will. She has a voice full of volume and vet trained to softness.

Miss Prince in the "Stealaway" completely captivated the audience. Her costume was superb and her appearance was every whit the pretty fairy that she is.

The ever-present "Lone Fisherman," was portrayed by Mr. Joe Harris in a masterly manuer. Nofeature of the evening was more enjoyed than the speechless fisherman. Mr. Harris is deserving of everything that the metropolitan papers have said of him.

# Shephard -- Cameron.

Mr William Blount Shepard, of Edenton, and Miss Mildred Coles Cameron, daughter of the late Paul Cameron, of Hillsboro, were married on Tuesday afternoon, December 15th, at 4 o'clock. Owing to recent family afflictions the service took place st home in the well-known hospitable Cameron residence, and was witnessed only by the members of the immediate families of the contracting parties. The bride was "given away" by her venerable other, the state of whose health obliged her to sit during the service, which, in the temporary vacancy in the rectorship of the parish, was read by the Rev M M Marshall, D D., of this city.

It is understood that they will re turn to Hillsboro about the begin ning of the Christmas holidays.

Mr D W Allen, a progressive

## TODAY'S MARKETS:

NEW YORK, Dec. 17. Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 30 Broad street.

New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their special wire:

MONTHS.	OPEN- ING.	HIGH- EST.	EST.	CLOS
January, February, March,	6 87 . 6 93 7 03 7 10	6 94 7 02 7 11 7 18	6 82 6 92 6 99	6493- 7 02- 7 11-
April, May, June,	7 17 7 21	7 26 7 28	7 08 7 14 7 17	7 18- 7 25- 7 39-
July,	7 25	7 29	7 21	7 33
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October,	*****	*****		
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Closed firm; sales 162,400 bales.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange today:

### New York Stock Market.

	Sugar	112
ŧ	American Tobacco	76
٠	Burlington and Quincy	
1	Chicago Gas	74
ı	Des. and Crt. Feed	
	General Electric	32
	Louisville and Nashville	49
	Manhattan	91
	Rock Island	68
	Southern Preferred	27
	St. Paul	75
	Tennessee Coal and Iron	26
	Western Union	84
	Chiongo Grain and Provision Mark	et.

The following were the closing quoations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:

Wheat-December, 771; May, 801. Corn-December, 224; May, 254. Oats-December 16‡; May 20‡. Pork-January, 7.60; May, 7.90. Lard-January3.82; May, 4.02. Clear Rib Sides-January 3.85: May 4.00.

December	.90
December-January 3	
January-February	3.57 B
February-March 3	5.57 b
March-April 3	.58
April-May	
May-June 5	
Closed quiet, sales 12,000 ba	les.

Collision this Morning

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. BUFFALO, Dec. 17 .- Four persons vere more or less seriously hurt by rear end collssion on the Lehigh Valley this morning at South Louisiana street, this city. They were Rev A S Hubbel of this city, Burton other State officer to accept a pass. Townsend of Philadelphia, W P.Hayward of Oswego, and Charles Scott

It is not thought that any of the injuries will prove fatal. The accident was due to a dense fog this morning just as the grand trunk train from Chicago was coming into the city. It struck the Lehigh train at 7, which left Jersey City last night.

BRIEFS.

The cruiser Newark returned to Key West, Fla., yesterday morning. It is reported that she went as far as the Bahama banks, but she failed to see anything of the Three Friends.

Mr N E Jennett, the News and Observer's clever artist will go to New York January first to give his entire time to the study of sketching and drawing. Mr Jennett has promise of a great future before

A bill has been drawn by Mr T R Purnell to set the date for the inauguration of the Governor and other State officers. The legislature will meet on the 6th. The vote of the State officers will be canvassed on the 7th and the inauguration will take place immediately afterwards.

Mr Will M Allen and Miss Luna Straughn, were wedded last evening at the residence of Capt H M Faucette, on North Harrington street. The ceremony was performed by Rev Dr Carter, Mr Allen and bride were the recipients of many handsome presents from their numerous

Deputy Sheriff Gasque, of Marion, S. C., took from Durham yesterday morning George Jones, a well-dressed white me charged with swindling severa per Marion county, S. C. Ac To lag t Gasque, Jones is a "slick n in and the Marion is a "slick n in side the Marion people very redulous, easily deceived and a soft mark" for people who work slin games of any kind.

Us man Is Dond

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. BOCHESTER N. Y., Dec. 17,-Herman the marioian, died this morning at Great Valley while an route to Bradford, Pa.

# STATEMENTS

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

## AROUND THE CITY.

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Attention is called to the new announcement and attractions offered by Messrs Heller Bros. today.

Mr. Lute Mills, an employee on he Southern, was knocked from a a freight train at Boylan's bridge a night or so ago. He was standing on a box car at the time. His injuries are slight.

At the request of 200 citizens Judge Boykin has appointed Col. Roger A. Moore and Mr. W. F. Alexander members of the Board of county commissioners of New Han-

Mr. A. F. Hileman, a member of the legislative committee who has been here examining the State Treas urer's books, received a telegram yesterday stating that Mrs. Hileman was taken with a congestive chill

The will of the late Maj. W. W. Vass has been admitted to probate before the clerk of the Wake Superior court and Mr. W. W. Vass, Jr., has been appointed executor. The estate is valued at \$185,000.

Mr. John Y. MacRae mentions in his new advertisement today some things which will interest you even if you are not Christmas shopping. The things he talks about are always in season, Christmas and all other times.

At the performance of Evangeline last evening the company tendered a box complimentary to a party of gentlemen including Judge James E. Shepherd, Capt. W. H. Day, Messrs. M. T. Leach, Armistead Jones, E. B. Barbee, John R. Ferrall, Greek O. Andrews, E. G. Leach and John Calvert.

The nextGeneral Assembly should pass an act making it unlawful for a member of the legislature or any It is equally important that the law that now applies to judges should also apply to members of the legislature and to other State officers with perhaps the exception of the railroad commissioners. -Caucasian.

John Dowden, the father of the negro who was hanged last summer in Halifax for murdering an engineer of the Seaboard Air Line at Weldon, was robbed here last night of all his money, in a bar room. He is an employee of the Seaboard Air Line here, and says "I'm a recommended nigger. I never intend to strike another lick until I git dat money hack

Raleigh people, especially the teachers and pupils of Peace will remember Miss Howell a very popular and efficient young lady music teacher of that Institute a short while ago, and who afterwards continued the study of music in New York city. Her engagement has been announced, and she is to be married at her home at Alfred, N Y, in January next.

The enterprising and up-to-date firm of Thomas & Campbell call special attention today to a beautiful line of musical albums, musical chairs and many other Xmas novelties. Both of their stores are alive with customers these days selecting their Xmas goods. This popular and accommodating firm deserves the large share of patronage that they are receiving. By their reasonable prices and honest dealings they have built up and made their house in this line second to none in the South.

Turner's N. C. Almanac for 1897 is upon our table. For over half a century this old reliable almanac has annually wisited (23) homes of our people and is always a welcome visitor. Its great popularity is due to the reliability of the well knows publisher, Mr. Jas. H. Ennis, and hence it is known as the "Old Reliable." There is no other to compare with it. The almanac for 1897 is larger and better than ever. There are almanacs and almanacs, but there is but one standard almanac and that is Turner's almanac which always has the state capitol on its first page, Be sure you get Turner's alm