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WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1878.

SUNLIGHT.

Plaving football by electric lights is all the rage in England.

The sexton of Dagenham parish, Essex, in England was buried alive while digging a grave.

A committee has been formed to erect a monument to Rabelais at Chinon, his birthplace.

Petersburg Index-Appeal: Byron paints an old pirate in Don Juan, of whom he says that he was as "mild a mannered man as ever scuttled ship or cut a throat.' That is the kind of pirates in politics Mr Haves is.

The people of Illinois at the late election ratified the proposed drainage amendment to the constitution of their State. Ninetysix counties give 260,000 votes in its favor.

A Chicago juror went to one of the parties in a lawsuit while the trial was in progress, and said : "I'm on the make, and if youl'll give me \$75, I'll guarantee you the verdict." The juror is now in jail.

Hon Jeremiah Morton, a well-known Virginia, died at his residence in Orange county, in that State, on Thursday last, in the 87th year of his age. Mr. Morton served several terms in the Federal Congress before the war, was frequently a member of the Virginia Legislature, and was also a member of the Virginia State convention which passed the ordinance of secession.

> Grand Lodge of Masons. Raleigh News, 5. SECOND DAY.

The committee on the Orphan Asylum was announced, composed of the following: W. R. Cox, Jno. Nichols, Eugene Gris- the tobacco interest was suffering, on acsom, Geo. W. Blount and Jas. Southgate. count of the uncertainty regarding this I have been obliged to call for your atten-Blair Burwell, of Clinton Lodge, intro- taxation. Upon examination of the record dance at an unusual and probably to most Afghans from their several positions

FORTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

SUN TELEGRAMS.

men's Savings Bank---The

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 .- SENATE-The Vice President announced as special commissioners, in regard to the vellow fever investigation authorized by the resolution of Mr. Harris, adopted vesterday. Messrs.

Harris, Matthews, Lamar, Paddock, Conover, Garland and Eustes.

of Berlin will be satisfactorily carried out. Estimates for the ensuing year will in due tion, calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury for information as to the amount of deposits in the Treasury to the credit of the Freedmen's Savings and Trust Company, whether the interest should be allowed thereon, the expenses of the commission to settle 'the affairs of' the compans, what legislation is necessary to finaly close up the affairs of the company, and have the commissioners retire. He said he understood the commissioners were willing to retire, but could not close up under the law. In his opinion the original managers of this institution should have been criminally proscented. Agreed to.

session, a bill reducing the tax on tobacco. went over under rules without reference to the committee on finance. He, therefore, now moved it be taken from the table and referred to that committee. He hoped there would be a speedy report made, as

vened in session to-day. The Queen's EARLY AND MIDNIGHT REPORTS speech was read in the House of Lords and

GREAT BRITAIN.

Victoria's Address to Parliament.

Loxdon, Dec. 5 .- The Parliament con-

ment together and making to it a commu-

on the subject will be laid before the Par-

liament. Assurances from all foreign pow-

ers are friendly, and she has every reason

Yellow Fever Committee---Freed-Tobacco Tax. &c.

to believe that the arrangements for the Mr. Morrill, of Vt., submitted a resolu-

time be submitted to the House of Commons. She proposes after a full deliberato anticipate Parliament's usual time of meeting and after suitable recess it should proceed to the consideration of various measures for the public benefit, which will be laid before it. In the House of Commons this afternoon H. E. Stanhope, under the Secretary of State tor India, gave notice that he would on Monday next submit a motion that the

Mr. Withers said, at the close of last Stanhope's motion.

> LATER-QUEEN'S SPEECH CORRECTED. The Parliament met to-day. The Queen's speech was read in the House of Lords by royal commission. It as follows : "My Lords and gentlemen. I regret that

GENERAL WASHINGTON DIS-PATCHES.

More Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 .- In view of the was unusually short. Her Majesty regrets pending indictment against him for fraud. that she has been compelled to summon in the Circuit Court of the United States Parliament at a date earlier than usual. at Chicago, Supernumerary Architect but the action of the Ameer of Afghanis- Hill was to-day suspended from duty by tan compelled her to send an expedition order or the President until after his into his territory, and she has taken the trial. John Frazier will for the present earliest opportunity of calling the Parlia- discharge his duties.

nication as required by law. The papers Brown, Texas. from the cavalry rendezvous at New York.

The subscription to the four per cent. loan to-day reached \$145,000. The Treasury Department will discon-

pacification of Europe made by the treaty | time the issue of gold certificates. The committee on expenditures and the State debt. which is investigating the offiial conduct of Minister Seward, transacted no business to-day, on account of tion upon the matter which have led her the absence of G. Wiley Wells, who will be examined when he arrives here.

THE AFGHAN WAR.

General Roberts' Victory.

LAHORE, Dec. 5 .- General Roberts has gained a complete victory over the Ameer's forces, capturing Piewar and Kotal, and expenses of the Afghan war be defraved all the Afghan cannon. The enemy's loss gave further notice that he would oppose | Captain Anderson were among the killed. Gen. Roberts telegraphs from Piewar-Khotal under date of Dec. 3d : "During the night of Dec. 1st the Afghan position break on the 2d, when the 72d Highland ers and 5th Goorkhas gallantly drove the

LATEST MAILS.

NORTH CAROLINA NARROW GAUGE ROAD.

To the Editor of the Sun :- Owing the North Carolina narrow gauge railroad? to the fact that all the good iron ore in By a similar quarrel between Raleigh Pennsylvania is fast disappearing, the pro- and Wilmington, the Wilmington, prietors of the large foundries, rolling Raleigh and Gaston railroad was aban-Fifty recruits have been ordered to Fort mills and furnaces, are now taking time by doned and divided into the Wilmington the forelock and purchasing large quan- and Weldon and the Raleigh, Gaston and tities of mineral land in Southwestern | Columbia railroads. Millions squandered and West Virginia, as well as considera- thousands of our best citizens ruined, and ble quantities of such lands in some parts the cause of internal improvements reof this State. The parties interested, both | tarded for twenty years May a kind and in the manufacturing establishments and merciful Providence prevent these two old both sides. It is too tame for the bloodythe mineral lands above mentioned, are and chronic belligerents in connection with shirt Republicans, and has just enough of now making arrangements to construct the Norfolk precinct of Raleigh from consome three or more long narrow gauge rail- spiring and working manfully together to roads in the two States above named, and defeat this great and most important State in which they now own large tracts of min. road ever proposed in the State. No. ex-Confederate Senator Feote to-day eral land. That one of these roads will at never, never let it be said that they or any is accepted as notice that he moves no distant day be extended into this State one of these cities have done or said aught admits of little doubt at the present time. to prevent this noble work from being Let our people believe and say what chartered and constructed, and as speedily

they may, the fact cannot be longer gain. as it may be possible for it to be done. said that the large Pennsylvania iron man- But, on the other hand, let them each from the Indian Revenue, and Mr. Henry was heavy. The British loss was eighty ufacturing establishments are new, and banish all their fears and bury, and that Fawcett, a Liberal member for Hackney, killed and wounded. Captain Kelso and will continue hereafter to be forced by forever, all their old grudges and animosity, stern necessity to procure all the iron ore, and unite their funds, like true patriots, all or nearly all they manufacture outside of along the line of the proposed road and a pretence of hunting after the Louisiana the limits of the Keystone State. Hence labor to make it a speedy success-a road electoral theft and the Florida cipher diswas turned by a flank march over Speng- this absolute necessity of the narrow gauge that shall be worthy of the name of a patches, but the chances are that neither wai pass. We surprised the enemy at day-railroads now contemplated. They are North Carolina railroad, the country to search for. The judgment of the most absolutely essential to enable the parties through which it passes, the people who considerate leaders of both parties is interested to transport these ores to their built it, and the towns and cities to which against wasting the time of Congress in a

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WHERE HAYES STANDS.

What Both Parties Think of Him Restless Uncertainty Among the Leaders-No Settled Policy to Guide Them.

special from the Editor of the Philadelphia Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 .- There is restless uncertainty among the leaders of both parties in Congress. Neither the Republicans nor the Democrats have anything approaching a settled political policy to guide them in the present session. Haves has united the Democrats against him without uniting the Republicans in his support with any degree of cordiality. His message on sectional seasoning in it to alienate the Democracy. The Republicans are inclined to tolerate the President now, but bothing more, and his nomination of slowly in his return to the partisan camp, if he means to return at all. I regard it as reasonably certain that the political investigations of this session, especially such as aim at election frauds, will either be formally abandoned on both sides or so directed as to do no special damage to any one. Both parties see skeletons in their own households which they prefer not to have exposed to the world. There may be duced the following resolution, that a com- it was ascertained that the bill was refer- you inconvenient session. The hostility They afterwards endeavored to reach Pei- respective works in Pennsylvania. It is it runs and through which it passes. We disgraceful effort to expose each other's crimes and hide their own. There is confidence felt in administration circles that resumption can be successfully maintained and that the financial problem will thus settle itself and cease to be a disturbing element in politics and business. A. K. M.

mittee be appointed to consider the best way to extend Masopic information in Sub- the close of last session. ordinate Lodges, and report, which was | adopted, and Blair Burwell, S. H. Rountree and Jas. Southgate were appointed committee

J. C. L. Harris introduced a resolution. which was adopted, authorizing the appointment of a committee of three to inquire into the legality of the sale advertised in to-day's Observer, to take place Dec. 7th, by Mr. J. E. Bledsoe, Commissioner, of the Grand Lodge property, on the corner of Morgan and Dawson streets. The following were appointed committee J. C. L. Harris, T. S. Kenan and W. R. Cox.

Ordered that all resolutions relating to the Orphan Asylum be referred to that committee, without debate.

On motion the committee on the Orphan Asylum was increased to ten, and the following were added: J. A. Leach, J. C. Munds, J. W. Cotton, L. L. Green and C. W. Alexander.

Action in reference to the Orphan Asylum was made special order for to-morrow at 10 a.m.

J. C. L. Harris introduced a resolution proposing to amend Article one, Section one, of the Constitution, relating to the membership of Past Grand Officers in that Grand Lodge, so as to cause the membership of any such officers to cease and determine in the Grand Lodge as soon as mem bership in the Subordinate Lodge shall for any cause cease and determine. Referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Committee No. 1, on charters and dis pensations, reported that they had examined the proceedings of Iredell Lodge, at Mooresville, Iredell county, Sunw.Lodge at Sugar Grove, Cumberland Lodge and Pollocksville Lodge, and recommend that charters be granted to each. Adopted. J. H. Mills, Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum at Oxford, read his report, which was referred to the committee on the Asylum.

E. A. Wright introduced a resolution instructing the committee on the Napuan to report the amount paid by each Lodge of the 5c. per month for each member, and \$5.00 for each initiation fee, under resolution one, page 32 of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge for the year 1877. Adopted.

The committee on credentials made an additional report. There are now 124 Lodges represented.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Labor resumed at 3 o'clock. The following brethren present as the accredited representatives of Grand Bodies near this Grand Lodge, were received as such: M. W. John Nichols, P. G. M. Grand Lodges of Wisconsin and Chili : M. W. Geo. W Bloupt, Grand Lodge of Indiana; R. W. Donald W. Bain, Grand Lodges of Alabama Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, New Jersey, Tennessee and Texas.

the report and books of the Grand Secre- from \$17,500 to \$15,000., of the second

red to the finance committee, just before Owing to the absence of General Butler,

tive Springer. who is engaged upon another a peremptory demand for a redress. This in the afternoon. committee, the Potter committee held no session to-day, and will probably not assemble for business before Tuesday. House .- Mr. Singleton, of Mississippi, from the committee on appropriations, reported the consular and diplomatic bill, which was reported to a committee of the whole and made the special order for Tues-

day next. Mr. Clymer, of Pennsylvania, from the reason to believe that arrangements for same committee, reported the naval appropriation bill, which was referred to a treaty of Berlin will be successfully carried Mississippi. committee of the whole.

Mr. Regan, of Texas, introduced a bil for the restoration of the records and files of the United Staets district and circuit courts for the western district of Texas, which were lately destroyed by fire. Mr. Jones introduced a bill regulating ation upon matters which have led me to the rank of navy chaplains, which was re ferred to the appropriate committee.

Mr. Ferry, of Michigan, was, upon his own request, excused from serving on the special committée of inquiry as to Senator onover's connection with the omission of the Hot Springs clause of the sundry appropriation bill passed dast session.

Mr.Dawes, of Massachusetts, was appointed to serve in Mr. Ferry's place, but was excused at his own request, as were Messrs. Davis, of Illingis, and Coring. Mr. Randolph, of New Jersey, was the only member not excused.

HOUSE ADJOURNED THL MONDAY-SÉNAT IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The resolution for the appointment of a yellow fever commission, reported from the committee on rules, was adopted. The House then adjourned till Monday. At 1.35 this afternoon the Senate went into executive session.

STANDING COMMITTEES IN THE SENATE. The House committee on foreign affairs held its first meeting to-day, and referred to a sub-committee, consisting of Messrs. Cox, Schleicher and Williams, the bills of Cox and Springer to terminate the Bancroft treaty with the North German Confederation.

The Senate to-day, by unanimous con sent, made the following changes in the standing committees; Mr. Wallace, of Pennsylvania, in place of Mr. Eaton, of Connecticut, in the committee on appropriations; Mr. Eaton to replace Mr. Morgan in the committee on patents; Mr. Morgan to take the place of Wallace in the committee on foreign relations. Senate adjourned till Monday.

PROPOSED REDUCTION ' IN . DIPLOMATIC SALARIES..

The committee to which the COL sular and diplomatic appointment bill was referred proposed to reduce the sal-s responsibility for his dispatch and would

The committee to whom was referred aries of foreign ministers of the first class not withdraw a single sentence. Earl Grey moved an amendment to the tary stated that they have been kept in a class from \$12,000 to 10.000 of the third address expressing regret that Parliament was not summoned as soon as possible af class from \$10,000 to \$8,000 per annum. war became probable. No provision is made for ministers resident The Duke of Dommerset cordially supported the prosecution of the war. The Marquis of Salisbury repelled personal charges that he had deceived Parliament by denying any change of policy towards Afghanistan.

towards my Indian government manifested by the Ameer of Afghanistan, and the manner in which he repulsed my friendly demand having been disregarded, I have

directed an expedition to be sent into his territory and have taken the earliest opportunity of calling you together and making to you the communication required by law. I have directed that the papers on the subject shall be laid before you. I receive from all foreign powers assurances of their friendly feelings, and I have every the protection of Europe made by the

into effect." Gentlemen as the House of Commous, the estimates for the ensuing year are in course of preparation and will in due time

be submitted to you. My Lords and gentlemen. I propose that after a full deliberanticipate your usual time of meeting, and after a suitable recess you should proceed to the consideration of the various measures for public benefit which will then be laid before you. I confidently commit to your wisdom the great interests of my Empire, and I pray that the blessings of Almighty God may attend your Council. In the House of Lords an address in reply to the Royal speech was moved, and debate begun. Earl Granville complained of several omifsions in the Queen's speech, particularly the absence of mention of the war in South Africa, which was viewed with great anxiety to those best acquainted with the colony. He said he did not

intend to move amendment to the address because of the lateness of the publication of the correspondence concerning Central Asia. It could not make great difference to Parliament whether it met now or next FedruarA so far as any influence it could exercise on the war which has already commenced. Nobedy doubted the absolue prerogative of Crown

to make war, but it is perfectly certain that the continued recurrence of such surprises will seriously weaken the foundations of the preregative. He repeated the accusation that Lord Cranbook's discommunications to the Ameer of Afghancluded as follows :

been, however convinced we may be that you have completely played into the hands of our great rival, we urge this house to the House of Commons to make the most ample provision for our gallant troops. We trust that the government has not disposed to proceed against them, as they made a fallacious estimate, underrating had been against the Barsanti clubs? expenditures, as in the Abyssinian war."

Lork Cranbook, Secretary of State for India, declared that he accepted the entire

war-Knotal but an assault could not delivered on that side. We threatened their different large manufacturing estabthe enemy in the rear and attacked and who has not yet arrived, and Representa- mission, left me no alternative but to make carried Peiwar-Khotal at about 4 o'clock

The Commercial Convention.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 5 - The Commerial Convention was called to order to-day by the President

Communication were read from the Martinez and Venezuela Consulate, and order. ed spead upon the minutes. A resolution was offered by Mr. Lenhan, of Iowa, recommending a liberal appro-

priation for the improvement of the upper nect with the Atlantic, Mississippi and A resolution was offered . by Mr. Cane, of Texas, to memorialize Congress for such

legislation as shall increase the silver dollar to its full value and preserve it as a as will be seen from the paragraph which I legal tender.

The committe on the improvement of the Mississippi river reported resolutions

recommending the appointment by the Governors of the States bordering on that river and its tributaries of commissioners to constitute a permanent board whose duty it shall be to gather information relative to the commerce of the valley and the best methods of preventing overflows and improving novigation, and communicate tomac Railroad has been put under conthe same to Congress with the view of obtaining appropriations for the proposed improvements. These resolutions maintain that it is the paramount duty of the government to maintain levees along its channel, and recommend the appointment of Mr. Underwood, of Louisville, Ky., as a committee of one to urge upon the Governors of the States bordering on the Mississippi comdliance with the suggestions ginia, to Quantico, where it will connect thein contained. A speech was made in support of the resolutions by Hon. Jefferson Davis, of Mississippi.

The Italian Crisis.

ROME, Dec. 5 .- In the Chamber of De outies, last night, Signor Minghetti, an extreme conservative, supported an interpellation, regarding unlawful associations. patch misrepresented the conduct of the He said he had heard that some of the ties for transporting iron ore and other Gladstone government and Lord Lytton's Barsanti clubs had been closed, and he wished to know if the same course would istan were harsh and indiscreet. He con- be taken against the republican associations. He said he knew that there was a "However unneccessary war may have great difference between the internationals and republicans, but he would ask the same enterprising and patriotic gentlemen ministers of the association whether they are designed to divide Italy once again co-operate in the strongest manner with | into fragments and to replace the dispossessed, princes on their thrones, or to establish a republic. Were the ministers

> LONDON, Dec. 5 .- A dispatch to the Times from Rome says the situation is unchanged, but a opinion begins to prevail

that the ministers will secure a majority. pondent, as follows : "The future of the

easier to build these roads than to move lishments, builders and machinery. We may therefore expect to see all of the proposed roads rapidly called into existance. One of these roads will lead from the Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio Railroad down from the Cape Fear to the mountains, we New River to the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad to Hinton. Another from Hinton on as directly as possible to Pittsburg. A third road will lead from Danville via

Henry Court House to New River. It will be seen that these three roads cou-Ohio, the Chesapeake and Ohio, the Bal-

timore and Ohio, and also the Richmond and Danville Railroads. Nor is this all, take from the Richmond Dispatch of the 30th ult .:

A NEW RAILROAD.

The editor of the Harrisonburg Old Commonwealth writes from Philadelphia, Pa., to his paper as follows : " I am gratified to be able to announce that within the past weeks over two hundred miles of the Potract and that work will be commenced on the first twenty miles, from Charleston east through Kanawha, within the next ten days, to be completed not later than banks to protect the lives and preperty of October next. Work will be commenced state pride, self-interest and patriotism all by the invention or discovery of the woodits citizens and deepen and improve the on other portions of the line at an early demand that this should be done. And day, and the whole pushed as rapidly as what should be done in this matter, it is possible." This narrow gauge railroad is to extend from Charleston, Western Vir- alacrity, good will and great unanimity. with the Potomac & Baltimore Railroad, a branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The distance from Charleston to Quantico

is said to be three hundred and twenty-five interested, will soon be able to come to a miles. It will be readily seen by examining a good map that when all the proposed to the time the lower section should roads are completed, that Pennsylvania be put under contract. These are matwill have the most direct and cheap faciliproducts and produce that can be possibly devised to every manufacturing establishment in the Keystone State, no matter where located within her bounds. These

are interested in no inconsiderable tract of mineral land in this State, and it is my decided impression if the proper steps are taken, some of them can be induced to take a lively interest in the construction of a narrow gauge railroad from Wilmington,

via Fayetteville, Greensbord, Mt. Airy and Sparta, to Ore Knob. in Ashe county. I take this to be an important matter and A dispatch to the Times from Paris worthy of the most serious thought aud says Garibaldi writes to a Sicilian corres- the profoundest consideration, and more the entire mensuration system required tade among many warm friends in the Con-

can build it, if we can agree among ourselves and get from the next Legislature a liberal and proper charter for the road. Now is this all ? I am sure, with cordial union and harmody, zeal and activity manifested all along the line, by its friends

sible that Wilmington and Fayetteville

will stand longer snarling at-each other

like two lean, mad and hungry mastiffs,

and prefer to starve than to become

reconciled. Had they not better agree

and unite with these true friends and well-

wishers and go to work at once and build

can, after we get fairly underway, easily manage to procure some little pecuniary aid to help complete this noble work, which, if we stand still for two years longer, will be given to another and a different road, that, when built, will turn all the trade of the Piedmont country from us to the towns and cities of Virginia and South

Carolina. It may be proper to say that it road in a day, or a year either. But it is decidedly meet and proper and important at the ensuing Legislature,

for all the parties interested in this great and redeeming State work, should at once organize and proceed to take into consid. eration all of its future connexions, and

ceed, though it be slowly yet surely, to continue on with the work, until the same shall be completed and fully equipped from one end of it to the other. Prudence, manifest, should be done at once, and with Wilmington by Shoe Heel, or by the way of Clinton or by some other more direct route, it is hoped those most directly satisfactory and amicable understanding.

ters that should be carefully considered and agreed upon, and that before the Legislature convenes. The necessary steps should now be taken to secure the road and its ultimate completion at as early a day as practicable. This much is due to all who shall aid its construction, and the country through which it shall pass, when

completed.

The Public Surveys.

'Herald Washington Special, 4th. The report of the National Academy of Sciences on the scientific surveys of the territories of the United States was communicated to the House to-day. After careful consideration of the facilities at the disposal of the several existing organizations engaged in this work, the Academy believe that the coast and geodetic survey is, practically, the best prepared to execute | labor, causes an unusual degree of solici-

FASON.

More Wonderful Yet.

Detroit Free Press.

CHARLOTTE, Mich. Nov. 28 .- The telephone invented by Willard & Cheney of 'harlotte is attracting considerable attention. Its special superiority over all others consists in its faithful reproduction of every articulate sound. It is, beyond question, the very best short line "talking machine" in the world It is as loud and distinct as ordinary conversation, and voices are readily recognized. The ticking is not hoped to build the proposed of a watch or tread of a fly over the tympanum of the instrument can be plainly heard a great distance. It is neither an

"electric" nor a "carbon" telephone. All are more or less familiar with the peculiar acoustic properties of wood. It is well known that the ticking of a watch or the articulate sounds of the voice can be distinctly heard throughout the longest stick of timber; but these properties have see that we get the Legislature to give us never before been utilized in the construca subsidiary charter, by which we can pro- tion of an acoustic telephone.

The trouble with acoustic telephones heretofore has been that the reverberations drowned the articulate sounds, or ren dered them too indistinct for practical use. This difficulty is now completely overcome en telephone, which is simply a solid block of wood in which a cup or funnel is turned in such a manner that the bottom of the cup forms the tympanum of the instrument to which the line or vocal cord is attached. Whether the road ultimately enters connecting with a similar instrument at a distant office. The cup gathers and magnifies the acoustic wave, not only from the tympanum, but also from the surface of its own walls.

The instrument, works perfectly always, and gives entire satisfaction. It is made of ash and walnut.

Bishop Pierce.

Charlotte Observer.

The resolution of sympathy with Bishop Pierce in his affliction. passed during the losing hours of the Conference, bad more ignificance than many supposed. The distinguished prelate is in very bad health, and was not really in condition to preside over the body at any time during its 'session, though he was present at each meeting except on the last day, when his place was filled by Dr. Closs. He is now at the residence of Mr. John W. Wadsworth, and will probably remain in the city for some time, being unable to travel. For several years he has been afflicted with an affection of the threat, which renders breathing very difficult, and at times painful, and this, added to general debility, superinduced by a life of arduous and incessant mental

most systematic and accurate manner.

Resolved that Rev. George Patterson, D. D., Maj. Robert Bingham and Maj. H. in Belgium and the Netherlands, nor for W. Reinhart are requested to examine the charge d'affairs to Denmark or Switsuch books as may be accessible to them zerland. The change proposed in the conand report at our next annual communica- sulate are mainly in the line of reclassition by essay, lecture or otherwise, any in- fication.

formation they may deem of interest to the craft, in regard to our ancient and illustrious brother Pythagoras and his lectures on Masonry.

It was announced by the G. T. that the with the captain, mate and four hands late B. F. Moore, whose will was probated sick. to-day, bequeathed to the Orphan Asylum the sum of \$1.000.

EVENING SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to labor at 7 o'clock. The Lodge proceeded to elect by ballot a Superintendent for Orphan Asylum, at Oxford, for the next ensuing masonic year, which resulted in unanimously re-clecting the present encumbent, J. H. Mills. This a handsome which arrived here to-day. and well deserved compliment to this faith ful officer.

This being the regular time for the election of Grand Officers, the ballot was taken, with the following results :

Grand Master .- Gen. W. R. Cox, of Raleigh.

Senior Grand Warden .-- C. W. Alexander, of Charlotte.

Junior Grand Warden-H. F. Grainger, of Goldsboro.

Grand Treasurer-W. E. Anderson, of Raleigh. Grand Secretary-D. W. Bain, of Ral-

eigh.

A resolution was adopted leasing for five years the third story of the Holloman building for the use of the Grand balconies of the palace, amid the accla- Brazilian also landed 1,100 seeep in good 000 bushels have gone East from Buffalo Lodge and the Masonic bodies of Raleigh. mations of the multitude.

Marine Intelligence.

LONDON, Dec. 5 .- The barque Haven, of Wilmington, N. C., arrived off Scilly,

The barque Peile, from Bull River, was this morning. In two hours it was totally

abandoned November 16th.

VINEYARD HAVEN, MASS., Dec. 5 .- The Liverpool, was abandoned in a sinking condition, November 16th, in latitude The captain and crew were taken off by the schooner Leroy Arecibo, for Boston.

VINEYARD HAVEN, MASS, Dec. 5 .- The schooner Terry arrived at this port, bring- | rebuilt. ing the captain and crew of the barque

Brothers of Whitby, of England, from Charleston to Liverpool, with a cargo of rosin, which was abandoned in a sinking condition in latitude 30.50, longitude 71.

Ovation to Emperor William. BERLIN, Dec. 5 .- The Emperor and Emress reached the palace in this city to-day. The route from the railway station was densely crowded with people, who gave them an enthusiastic reception. The

condition.

Finest Cotton Mill in America Burned.

BALLSTON, N Y., Dec. 5.-Geo. West's Cotton Mill took fire in the upper story

destroyed. The structure was brick with a mansard roof, 200 by forty feet, and embarque Brothers, from Charleston, for ployed 65 hands. It manufactured cotton

varn før J. W. Thompson & Co., of Valley Falls. The loss on buildings and machin-30° 50' north, longitude 71° 29' west. ery is \$50 to \$60,000 ; insured for \$20.000. The loss on stock is \$5,000 ; insured for

\$1,750. The mill was built over 50 years ago by Chapman & Beach. It is the finest mill property in the country. It will be

American Cattle in Britain. LONDON, Dec. 5 .- The Warren Line of Steamer Brazilian, which left Boston Nov.

16th, yesterday landed at Birkenhead a large consignment of American cattle and sheep in so satisfactory a condition as to

seem to set at rest the question whether the trans-Atlantic trade in live stock can

majesties responed by appearing on the tle, each weighing over 2,000 pounds. The pondingly larger. Something like 18,000,-

world is republican-say so openly to the Sicilian young men-for the present it behooves us to support the Cairoli minis try."

Russia and England.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 5.-The Journal de St. Petersburg and the Golos ridicule the idea of General Kauffmann's recall from his command in Turkestan. The Golos says Russia has as much right to ask for Lord Lytton's recall from India as England has for the recall of General Kauffman. The Journal de St. Petersburg expresses the belief that Lord Lytton's policy of forcing the Ameer to enter into relations with Great Britain was determined before the Russian Embassy were sent to Cabul, and that latter was a mere pretext for the position now assumed by England.

A Conductor Indicted.

NEW YORK, Dec 5.- The Norfolk county rand jury at Dedham, vesterday, indicted Hartwell, the conductor on the Old Colony railway, for manslaughter, charging the beautiful fertility and healthy counhim with criminal carelessness, thus causing the Wallaston disaster.

More grain has been transported through the Erie canal this year than in any prebe carried on safely during the winter. Not ceding year. The aggregate, 58,735,504 à single animal was lost during the voy-age. There were shipped at Boston 253 son of 1876. The number of boats cleartrades societies and public generally pa-raded the street past the palace. Their cows in calf, and also about 40 prize cat-1877, and the receipts for tells are corresby rail-also a very marked increase.

greatly mistake the signs of the times, the present is a critical moment-aye, an important crisis in the history of our State. It is the last remaining chance for our

people to construct a cheap, independent State read, running diagonally through the best and most productive part of the State, from near the southeast corner at Wilmington to transferred from the Treasury Department Ore Knob near the northwest corper of our to the Department of the Interior, retaingood old common wealth. Now if the next ing its original field of operations, and as-Legislature can be prevailed upon to give suming, also, the entire mensuration of the a favorable charter to the North Caropublic domain, and that, so modified and lina Narrow Gauge railroad to be constructextended, it thereafter be known as the United States Coast and Interior Survey. ed over the line indicated above, no one This organization would then embrace, in other than an inspired Prophet can tell all the good and grand results that will flow

from such a state-redeeming work. It would most assuredly give to the cities at its terminal points great and con-

intendent of the Coast and Interior Survey stantly increasing presperity as well as to should be appointed by the President and tries through which it will pass. Now the Interior.

while the people of Danville and these residing along the valley of the Dan are

striving to extend a road from Danville to Herald, are collected by the Attorney Statesville, and from Mount Airy via States to the Chester and Lenoir Narrow Gauge Railroad for the avowed purpose of defeating, if possible, the North Carolina Narrow Gauge Railroad from being built judge thus to intercept the course of jus-Narrow Gauge Railroad from being built from Wilmington to Ore Knob. Under upon his own motion, and the case may be The right maid was soon found, and the such circumstances as these, can it be pos- brought before Congress for its action.

ference. Bishop Pierce is now in his 68th especially that of the good people of Wil- within the public domain. The dominant mington and Fayetteville. If I do not interest of the United States is centred in year, and has long been regarded as one of the public lands which remain to be sur- the leading spirits in his denomination, as veyed and sold. The administration of well as one of the most eloquent and imthese lands, consisting of 1,101,107,183 pressive speakers in the Southern Church. acres, is necessarily within the Department | The sermon delivered by him on the occaof the Interior, while the coast and geodetic | sion of the withdrawal of the Southern survey, having been originally inaugurated | branch of the Church from the Northern to meet the wants of commerce has been Methodists, gave him a national reputahitherto under the Treasury Department. In view of the paramount importance of the public lands, the Academy recommends that the Coast and Geodetic Survey be

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tion-one which he has not failed to maintain in after years when the occasion demanded the full exercise of his powers.

-----Marriage Mistakes.

John Parry, incomparably the most humorous comic singer England ever had, used to sing a song about a short-sighted man who, when the marriage ceremony was concluded, found to his horror that he had married his intended wife's waiting maid. addition to its former work, a geodetic sur- A few weeks ago a similar sort of blunder vey of the whole public domain; a topo-graphical survey, comprising detailed topo-ing in Devon, England, went to the parish church to be married. The bridegroom, graphical work and rapid reconnoissance instead of taking his intended bride at the and land parcelling surveys. The Superchurch door and accompanying her to the altar, walked thither with the bride's sigshould report directly to the Secretary of ter, who was one of the bridesmaids. The bride appeared to have thought that her intended husbaud had changed his mind at the last moment, and she retired into a pew in a very dejected state of mind. The ceremony proceeded, and it was not until. When all the facts in the case, says the the clergyman came to the important question, "Wilt thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife?" that the bridegroom was conscious of his mistake. He then looked round the church with astonishment, and

General of Virginia the Governor will present the case to the President, in order to have the question determined properly tice and set convicted criminals at liberty exclaimed:-"This is the wrong maid, sir!" right maid was married to the right man,