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The Burden Bearons of That City of Pala-oct and Hovels—The Burro Corresponds With the Am of Holy Scripture and Can Walk Along Under a Load That Covers Him Out of Sight—Understands Spanish and Knows the Whistle of the Stree erful Parade of Mexico's Arist The Life of the Peon Dis ways to be Applanded

En Route Home from Mexico, March 3.—The last letter dealt with some of the scenes in and around Mexico City and some of the events in which the editorial party participated. Little has been or will be attempted in the nature of description of scenes or buildings, it may be said of the City of Mexico were all. The capital city, how-

streets, asking alms; the venders of fruits and everything else pay a tax for the privilege of doing business; the landlord's rent receipt has a stamp, which is reid fruits and fruits and fruits and fruits and everything else pay a tax for tendent of health; appropriating \$ tendent of health; ap which is paid for, of course, by the unhappy tenant. The stamp of the government is upon everything.

Speaking of the wealth and the dis-play thereof, it is a sight to behold the parade of the aristocracy as it sweeps, every afternoon about dusk, in its elegant equipages, around the Paseo de Reforma, the fashionable drive, through San Francisco street, the principal thoroughfare, and return. No other city on the continent of equal popula-tion—300,000 to 400,000—could approach this exhibition. The carriages, victo-rias, landaus and other styles of conveyance are all American or Euro-pean and are the handsomest that the daring of the manufacturer has attempted. Beautiful horses prance in their mounted harness; liveried drivers sit in stately dignity upon the boxes, and in the equipages ride richly dressed and bejewelled ladies, and elegantly dressed gentlemen, gloved and beav

ered, and idly fingering their cigarettes, and occasionally bowing with stately grace to acquaintances of equal rank

more than heart can wish." Meantime the peon with his burden upon his back, trudges along the same street, and the voices that cry "Centavo!" are never stilled. Speaking of the burden-bearers-htese are two: the peon and the burro; and it may be fairly doubted which carries the heavier load. Drays and draymen atters, or who loves animals, we will the heavier load. Drays and draymen and free, upon application, a copy of are practically unknown in Mexico. If the "ALLIANCE," the organ of this one wishes a Saratoga trunk transferelety. In addition to its intensely in- red from one point to another, a peon resting reading, it contains a list of takes it on his back and transfers it. valuable and unusual premiums en by the paper. Address. If a householder wishes to move, peons are employed and they load his house-THE NATIONAL HUMANE ALLIANCE, hold gods and goods upon their backs and move him. Securing with a strap the article or articles to be transported, they pass this strap across their foreheads, and thus with the combined strength of head, neck and back, they carry loads under which an American horse would want to fall down. If the CHARLOTTE NATIONAL BANK native has a rival in burden-bearing he equaled by his patience and docility. If new banking room No. 9 East Trade the street a quarter of a mine street. We solicit your account and you may be sure there is a burro under the walk away with a cart-load it. They walk away with a cart-load silver ore in bags, their long cars ment and every facility consistent with

flapping backward and forward, and make way for nothing except the shrill whistle of the street car driver. The whistle of the street car driver. The administrators embezzlement. To ex-strangest load that any of them was empt undertakers who are funeral di-C. W. TILLETT, J. W. HUNT, FON LIDDELL, B. D. HEATH, NO. M. SCOTT, O. F. WADSWORTH, Y. F. BORERTSON, C. VALAER, R. J. BREVARD, seen carrying was a block of granite, perhaps four feet square and four inches thick, poised upon its backbone and secured by ropes tied under it. But for the matter of that, a native was seen carrying a similar block upon his when not registered in new y created back, the block lashed around his body counties. To repeal the assignment act by ropes, and the inevitable strap en-circling his forehead. The advantage surance; that is writing of policies in the native has over the burro is that he can speak Spanish, smoke cig- agents here.

are densely ignorant and superstitious tute, graded schools at Chapel Hill.

and have no ambition save to exist. I take that back. They are not densely ignorant. Every one of them knows every saints' day, and in every settlement the most imposing building is a cathedral surmounted by a cross. The cathedral surmounted by a cross. The cathedral surmounted by a cross. cathedral, surmounted by a cross. The images and paintings in some of them, especially such as represent the Savior Industrial Development Laws.—To on the cross or represent the torture of the martyrs, are calculated to make the

ood run cold. Reference was made awhile ago to the alacrity with which the impassive looking burros clear the track when they hear the whistle of the street car driver. It might have been said that the burros, whether seen singly or in droves, are innocent of bridles or other appliances with which they may be guided. The driver walks beside or behind them, or rides one, and controls speech, and every burro understands Spanish and governs himself accordingly. If the owner, or charge d' affaires, rides one of them—and he al-ways does unless its back is loaded and there is no room for him behind the oad-he invariably sits on the small of its back, as if from a desire to make timself as heavy to it as possible, and t is no unusual thing to see two men, ither of whom is as heavy as the other animal, sitting astride it, their feet barely avoiding the ground. But this is an interjection, having nothing to do with the street car business. The movtive power of the cars are little mules. Sometimes there are two and some-For staple and fancy Groceries, we quote lowest prices for strictly cash. Our goods are the best offered prices are right, and our system cannot be beaten. Your neighbor has found it so. Have you? Dealing with us will prove that one hundred cents will purpose there are two and sometimes four. Sometimes there are two and sometimes four of the two are hitched tandem and again abreast. But they are the only things in Mexico that ever get in a hurry. When the car gets behind, by reason of frequent stops of the two are hitched tandem and again abreast. that one hundred cents will purchase sires celerity of movement, he gives the one dollars worth of goods. We guar-word, the little mules tuck their heads between their forelegs, and move off in a dead run, as if going to a fire. The discrimination of the street car con-

ductors is not always to be applauded. happened to get on a crowded car at the same time that it was boarded by an old lady, a little boy and a man who weighed 325 pounds, all Americans. The ctor contrived to make me under stand that he had sized me up as the head of the family and insisted on collecting four fares from me—sels centa-vos, six cents each. I protested, but he made me to know that he was on to my curves and did not propose to be beat, and I finally gave up a quarter, the conductor forgetting to give me a centavo in change. The fat man enjoyed the controversy, as only fat men can enjoy the embarrassments of other eople, and afterwards handed me the 18 ents which had been the subject of The street cars themselves are as modern is are to be found in any American city. And now I am about to come to the point at which about to come to the point at which this paragraph was aimed in the be-ginning, which is that the Mexican driver's whistle is a better institution for the purpose for which it is intend-ed than the American motorman's bell. The whistle is not a whistle, after

all, but a horn, like unto the Christmas horn of the American small boy, and its sound is more distinctive than that The True Remedy. W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill.,
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Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but
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ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE Batch of General Laws—The School Laws—The Industrial Development Act —Boad Tax—Banks Chartered—Stock

Observer Bureau, Park Hotel,
Raleigh, March 13.
At the session of the Legislature just
anded the following were the principal

acts ratified: To appropriate \$30,000 of State board of education fund to stimulate local taxation for schools in rural districts; to restore to the State control of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad; to give deputy clerks of court power to probate deeds and conveyances; to allow express matter to be carried on Sunday trains; to promote the oyster industry, the fellow servant act, making railways reliable for employes, injuries; to annul the charter of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad; to as a whole that it is a city of palaces and hovels; of luxurious nabobs and degraded insurance and we there is degraded paupers. And yet there is county commissioners; to make change more indication here than at any other in the seventh and eighth congressions county commissioners; to make changes point in the republic that was visited by this party, of what we in America call the middle class. Nowhere else was there any outward indication whatever the existence of such a class that the control of the existence of such a class that the control of the existence of such a class that the control of the existence of such a class that the control of the existence of such a class that the control of the existence of such a class that the control of the existence of such as the control of the existence of such as the control of the existence of r of the existence of such a class. their capital to one person or corpora-There were the rich and the poor- tion; also to make stockholders liable to allow tramps and vagrants to be ever, is becoming Americanized, and this accounts for the difference here in capital cases (does not apply to all and there. One cannot contemplate the splendid buildings, such, for instance, entering bar and billiard rooms and as Chapultepec and the national pal-ace, the cathedrals, "whose spires touch female convicts on public roads or on heaven," the costiy collections of art and sculpture, without one's thoughts turning to the wretched peons whose sweat and blood paid for them all; for it wants to be known that there is no tax on land in Mexico and that it is the overty of the country which pays its tect coal miners and provide for inof the country which pays its spection of mines by State labor com-

Morganton; for school for white blind that would please everybody, at Raleigh, and for negro deaf-mutes and blind at Raleigh. To provide for the maintenance of hospitals for the insane. To give new charters to the hospitals for the insane, and to take control of them and of the penitentiary out of the hands of the Democrats. To of ple protect school entertainments from rowdies. To appropriate \$5,000 for the colored teachers' training school. To require officers and directors of all on the sidewalks. These are the Mexi-cans of the pure strain. "Their eyes stand out with fatness; they have banks, railroads, etc., chartered by the Legislature, to take an official oath.

centennial. To allow sheriffs to collect arrears of taxes. To allow the State Treasurer to pay out appropriations Treasurer to pay out appropriations tigated and found guilty by the require railroad companies to redeem unsold mileage tickets. To appropriate \$50,000 on a policeman's testimony a saloonconvicts to be worked on the public bidding adulteration of spirits of turpentine with kerosene oil. To make an
itemized statement of account properly
verified evidence of its correctness. To native has a rival in burden-bearing he finds it in the burro. This little animal corresponds exactly with the ass to the Elizabeth City colored Normal charged and goes on his way rejoicing. of holy Scripture. He is of the size of a and Industrial School. To amend the yearling calf and his strength is only election law, abolishing State supervisors. require all county make contracts for the State printing recording election returns. To make embezzlement of funds by guardians or

empanies not licensed in the State oy arettes and drink pulque. Otherwise the equality is undisturbed. If the na-To establish graded schools tive has a home it is shared equally by himself, his wife and children, his chickens, pig and goat. If he has no home, it makes no difference—when he gets sleepy he drops down wherever he happens to be, draws his blanket over his hand and sleeps. Of the 12 000 per himself, his hand and sleeps. Of the 12 000 per himself, his hand and sleeps. Of the 12 000 per himself, his head and sleeps. Of the 12 000 per himself, his head and sleeps. Of the 12 000 per himself, his head and sleeps. Of the 12 000 per himself, his wife and children, his cademy. To incorporate Mt. Moriah Academy. To amend school law for Littleton. To incorporate Mt. Moriah Academy. To amend school law for Littleton. To incorporate Mt. Moriah Academy. To amend school law for Littleton. To incorporate Mt. Moriah Academy. To amend school law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' schools at Hickory. To allow graded schools at Hickory. To allow graded schools at Hickory and school law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' schools at Hickory and school law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school and the law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges' school an l keep the most reliable goods and make them to measure in the very best manner by thoroughly skilled workmen here in Charlotte. Price guaranteed to be as low as the same class of goods and work can be had elsewhere.

It is head, and sleeps. Of the 12,000,000 to 10, of people of Mexico, these peons are lination. To incorporate Hominy Valley Institute. To incorporate trustees of the others are Indians and Spaniards schools at Wilmington, special tax in Wake Forest township, Whitsett Institute and elsewhere.

School, graded school at Hayesville, de-fining duties of local boards of colored normal schools. To incorporate Elizaamend the charter of the Wadesboro cotton mill. To allow Cashie & Chowan Railroad to hold 100,000 acres of land. Amending the charter of the Roanoke Navigation and Water Power Compa-Company. To allow Monroe to issue water works bonds. To allow Concord to vote on improvement bonds. To alhouse. To incorporate the Williams-Fitzhugh Lumber Company. To in-corporate Asheville Electrict Company. Road Tax Laws.-For Alamance, Wil-

kes, Macon, Madison, Rockingham, Yancey, Greene, Wilson, Wayne, Raleigh road district increased, Caldwell, Charlotte township, Chatham, Hertford, Sanford township (Moore county) White Oak township (Bladen county), Guilford, Haywood, Jackson, Nash, Cherokee, Washington, Union, Tyrrell Sampson Banks Chartered .- Savings of Person,

Bank of Pitt county, Bank of Littleton Bank of Maxton, Cabarrus Savings, Bank of Greenville, Levi Bank of Ruth-erford, Bank of Kinston, Tar River Bank of Rocky Mount, Commercial of McDowell, Bank of Brevard, Bank of Randolph,Chatham, Moore and Harnett (at Sanford), Mutual Aid and Banking Company of Newbern, American Trust and Savings. Stock Laws.-To turn stock loose three nonths in the year in Halifax county.
Railroad Charters Repealed.—Golds-

oro & Morehead. 2,500 for foreigners who use seines in the sands. To prohibit the use of certain nets in Albemarle sound and its tributaries. To prohibit the use of dutch or pound nets in Neuse river.
Towns Incorporated.—Roanoke Rapids, Oak Ridge, Redmon, Dudley, Whittier, Winterville, Farmers', Colletts-ville, Hamlet, Robbinsville, Livette, Hardin Cotton Mills, Star, Bridgewater, Tillery, Williams,

City and Town Charters Amended .-Ashville, Elizabeth City, Southern Pines, Spring Hope, Ciyde, Poliocks-Insurance Companies Chartersd.— Farmers' Mutual, exempted from tax; incorporating the Underwriters of Goldsboro, Commonwealth, Newbern Mutual, fire. Insurance Charters Amended.-Caroli-

na Mutual, fire; Southern Stock Mutual.
Railroads.—Tar River & Carolina;
Winston-Salem Southbound, Snow Hill; Duplin & Wayne; Stone Moore County & Western; Pinehur electric; Asheville & Biltmore Street Railway; Chathem Traction Company; Taxanny Company; Carolina, Chimney Rock & Tennessee; Carolina Southern Railway and Lumber Company; Lumber River; Harnett Central; Railway charters amended, etc.—Fay, etteville & Albemarie; Marienbad luncheon and wear a yellow gown at Springs, Lumberton & Lumber River; the same unless she wants her guests Cape Fear & Northern; Moore County & Western; Wilmington & Powells—as the "yellow" journals whose patron

ernor of the State. It is proposed to have the Governor of the State instead of the mayor of the city name the board of police commissioners. The anxiety of New Yorkers may be better imagined when it is remembered that Mr. Black is Governor. He has not been Governor three months yet, but in that time he has shown that he is about the unfittest Governor New York ever had, though he was elected Governor by the largest vote any can-Governor by the largest vote any candidate for that office ever got. He has shown his unfitness by his appointments to office. That is what makes us anxious. The Lord deliver us from the sort of police commissioners that he would appoint.

which is of itself an indication of broadening trade, but it is also true that New York has offered an excellent market for interior borrowers. A letter to the paper from Kansas City says that some of the best paper there has been going to New York at low rates; that continued favorable offers have drawn conwould appoint THE MAYOR'S DILEMMA.

The proposition to take the power of appointment from the mayor and vest appointment from the mayor and vest it in the Goverhor, is caused by the per-petual squabbles in the present police board which the mayor did appeint. There are four men on the board, two Republicans and two Democrats. They are paired in animosity, but not on party lines; a Democrat and a Republican being against a Democrat and a Remission; to allow mission; to College at Raleigh, and same amount to the one at Greensboro. To regulate procuring of bodies for dissection. To create a short form of agricultural lein. To locate the line between North Carolina and Tennessee. To fix the time for holding courts in the fifth, sixth, seventh districts. To increase and regulate revenue. To increase the power of the railroad commission. To exempt all fraternal benevolent associations from tax. To provide for new building at the deaf-mute school at Morganton; for school for white blind law will not permit that and no Re publican Legislature is likely to make a law that will. That would be the sort of home rule in the police department that New York wants, but Republican Legislatures don't exist for the purpose of pleasing New York. Quite the con-

A DEMORALIZED FORCE. These dissensions in the police boar have, it is alleged, demoralized the whole police force by creating among Legislature, to take an official oath. To create a separate board of trustees for the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Raleigh. To prevent the introduction of the San Jose fruit scale and other fruit and crop pests. To provide for an exhibit at the Tennessee centennial. To allow sheriffs to collect be just as full of sin as the one inves for the general fund to encourage lo-cal schools. To fix fire insurance rates The reason he gives, or rather intin farm risks (not to exceed those in mates, is that the policemen won't tes-Virginia). To furnish 250 convicts and tify right. His intention when he arsurveyors to the Winston-Salem Southbound Railroad. To allow the State tify right, but on the way from the satify right, but on the way from the sa loon to the court the character of th oads between July 15 and March 1. For saloon-keeper's offence assumes a new liceman, nay, worse, that reform licemen are almost habitually "fix GETTING AROUND THE DRINK

It is said that the police board laught at this magistrate's allegations or in-sinuations as "silly." But while he himself says he has no proof to offer, and neither has anybody else except perhaps the policemen themselves and saloon-keepers. I have no doubt the saloon-keepers, I have no doubt that a large proportion of the citizens, probably a large majority believes them.. It is popularly supposed that the "reform" police may be and are bribed by the same people who used to bribe the Tammany police. And why not? The "reform" police are in the main the same men as the Tammany police, for the Lexow investigation force worth mentioning. People have to believe either that the police didn't see the violations of the liquor laws or that they profit by them. They choose to believe the latter. But it can't be proved, and it never has been proved. Two things are certain, however. One is the Raines law is violat ed; and the other is the citizens don't care if it is. Popular opinion in this town is against the enforcement of any law which will keep anybody who wants it from getting a drink any time he Republican farmers in the Legislature

in trying to obliterate that fact are but-ting their heads against a stone wall, and laying up wrath for their party against the day of election. RAINES LAW REACHING OUT. But the Republican farmers are din'-headed. Instead of relieving the galling yoke of the Raines law, they now propose to extend its provisions to clubs and make every club, from the ny. Incorporating the James Baker Union League and the Manhattan down, pay a liquor license of \$800 a down, pay a liquor license of \$800 a Union League and the Manhattan Lumber Company. To allow Charlotte to issue \$250,000 water works bonds. To let the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad straighten its tracks. To incorporate the North Carolina Land and Timber the North It does not require any initiation fee or yearly dues to be a member of a large and growing club, composed of all low Durham to issue improvement sorts and growing cipo, composed the bonds and buy water works. To allow Gastonia to vote \$25,900 for a court have to do is to buy a glass of beer. have to do is to buy a glass of beer. The "meetings" of these clubs are usually on Sundays and are held over, or next room to, a saloon. The name of the sundays and the sundays and the sundays are sundays and the sundays are sundays and the sundays are sunda To incorporate the Falls of Yadkin Power Company. To incorporate the Atlantic Development Company.

next room to, a saloon. The name of the club and the place of meeting are sometimes posted at the street entrance and sometimes not. Some men trance and sometimes not. Some men belong to so many clubs that they cant remember their names. These days everybody is a "clubman." Why

this state of things? Simply because clubs pay no liquor license. You can imagine the awful howl that will be raised if a tax of \$800 a year is imposed on clubs. Some howls are being howl-ed already at the bare threat of it, the loudest being from people who belong to really sure-enough clubs. Speaking of these the Times asks fiercely, "By what system of espionage or intru-sion will this prohibition of liquor-

DAY CLUB AND THE COLOR QUESTION.

The Rainy Day Club, after disposing of its own satisfaction of the question of the proper dress for street wear on unity days, has now turned its attention to the proper color for a schoolurm's gown. One would suppose the street of the stock of the proper color for a schoolileast, a man. rainy days, has now turned its atten-tion to the proper color for a school-marm's gown. One would suppose at least, a man would-that the color her eyes was far more important, the color of her gown being quite immaterial by comparison. But not so, according to the Rainy Day Club. The club does not even mention eyes. But if you are a school-marm don't wear a red dress. That's what the Jersey nember says, forgetting perhaps that there was once a garment called a "Jer-sey" which when red often warmed to ts wearer some fond masculine heart member of the club also nool-marms, "Don't wear says to school-marms, "Don't wear red." She says that she herself wore cholars never have forgiven her. She wore a red dress embellished with red ribbons and the sight of her infuriated he children as if they were wild bulls. Neither will it do for a teacher to wear white, for that, says the Jersey mem-ber, makes the children inane and dull. Can it be that the Jersey member has

ANY COLOR SO IT ISN'T YELLOW. This progressive and scientific wo-man's club is of the opinion, further, unt is the 'yellow kid" delight in, unely, marden, suicides and divorces. D. T. D.

A Proposed Law by Which Governor Mark Will Appoint Following for the Metropolis-Judged by His Record, His Appointments Would be of a Bad Kind —A Bad State of Affairs in New York Police Chroise-The Ferre Demoralized —Violations of the Raines Law It is to Be Extended to the Clubs—The Rainy Day Glab and the Coles Question.

Correspondence dities Observer.

New York, March 12.—Charlotte's recent anxiety (so happily ended) over the fate of the police commission bill in the Legislature ought to make its people sympathize with New Yorkers just how. For the Legislature of New York is now threatening to enact a law which will take the control of the police force of this city out of the hands of its citizens and vest it in the Governor of the State inistead of the mayor of the city name the board of, police commissioners. The Philadelphia reports the same activity ued favorable offers have drawn siderable business from that point. Suc transactions probably account for the loans. There are indications, however that the remarkable ease in money will not continue indefinitely. Funds un doubtedly are in better demand, and a further reduction in the reserves of the New York banks is not at all improba-The contraction this week is \$2, 693,375. The loss of \$2,385,200 in cash i accounted for by the heavy Freasury ransactions and the interior move-nent. Deposits increased \$1.232,700, and irculation contracted \$194,900. This reiction, which has been going on sine ctober, has resulted up to the presen time in a shrinkage of nearly five milons in bank notes taken out by the New York banks. The movement has

though the continued high prices main-tained on government bonds make the profit on circulation smaller than ever. Mar. 13, '97. Mar. 14, '98. Mar. 16, '95. Loans, \$505.9!2.500 \$468.525,900 \$488.004,000 \$6.538.000 \$468.525,900 \$489.004,000 \$7.578.600 \$6.584.000 \$7.578.600 \$6.584.000 \$7.578.600 \$6.584.000 \$7.578.600 \$6.584.000 \$7.578.600 \$7.578.

BRIEFS OF GENERAL NATURE.

For the 140 places in the new Library f Congress (one-half of them laborers 7,000 applications have been filed. Secretary Sherman has appointed William B. Gaitre, of Marietta, O., as is confidential clerk at a salary of \$1,200 per year. A bill has been introduced in the New York Legislature to authorize an ap-propriation of \$100,000 by the city of New York to establish a colony for habitual drunkards.

> [For the Observer. CHARITY.

The narrow alley was bleak Anu the narrow alley was cold, When a sad-eyed man sat tolling And cursing his lack of gold.

Day after day it was cold. Day after day he sat toiling. And cursing his lack of gold.

one day a woman went by He knew not from court or cot: A look and word were all he felt-If he noticed her gown, he forgot The alley seemed to grow light And sunshine banished the cold. With a happy will he toiled away.

And he forgot his lack of gold. -LEGILA BROWN.

Cotton Extremely Dull-No Speculative NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET

Feeling Whatever-The General Situaspecial By Private Wire to Harrison Watts.

New York, March 13.—Cotton was extremely dull to-day, total sales of all options being only 27,000 bales. There was no speculative feeling whatever. The slight improvement in prices was influenced by Liverpool responding a little more than had been expected to our raily of late yesterday, spot cotton advancing 1-32d, and futures 3-64d.

Outside of wet weather in the South and overflows of the Mississippi river in the Gulf States, delaying farm work, the general situation was unchanged.

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on to 1,000 bales. E. B CUTHBERT & CO.

Wheat Developed Unexpected Strength, Notwithstanding the Continued Lower Liverpool Markets Chicago, March 13.-Wheat developed Chicago, March 13.—Wheat developed unexpected strength to-day, notwithstanding continued lower Liverpool markets, and closed firm at ½c. net advance from May and 1c. for July option. Liverpool's decline of ½ to ½ in futures was especially discouraging, but it was offset by the publication of the Illinois State Agricultural Bureau's report, stating that many heavy injury reports has been coming in from the winter has been coming in from the winter wheat section, killing the plant equivalent to 59 per cent. of the acreage last fail, when 1.479,000 acres was sown. The blizzard in the Northwest kept the receipts down to 109 cars, and this, together with the Argentine shipments for the week, aggregating only 216,000 bushels, offset the influence of the light cash and export demand and the light learances. The shorts became ner-ous and covered a large portion of their interest, and this buying, together with some purchases by traders, who unloaded on the break yesterday, abces. The visible supply on Monday-will decrease about one million bushels.

E. B. CUTHBERT & CO. Active Speculation on the Stock Exchang -The Vanderbilts the Leaders.

By Southern Associated Press. New York. March 13 .- Speculation at the stock exchange to-day was more active and the market broader than for long time past. The sales for the two hours amounted to 110,864 shares and the business was unusually well distributed. A feature of the trading was the increased demand for outside account. The Vanderbilts were again the leaders of speculation and it was stated that a powerful syndicate was at work drinking be enforced?" It will be a sad Sunday when, to escape the "espionage" and "intrusion" of the police. Chauncey M. Depew, for instance, has to dodge behind a screen while slaking his thirst at his club.

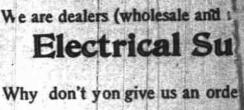
HALINY DAY CLUB AND THE COLUME THE COLUME AND THE COLUME THE COL ence of covering short contracts and Rubber was pressed for sale, the common falling from 18 to 16% and the per-ferred from 68% to 65. The decline was due to rumors from Boston of troubles in the trade. Chicago Gas. Leather last named was bought on reports of an early adjustment with the outside dis-tilieries. Western Union was less prominent, the demand from the shorts having abated. The weekly statement had little influence. statement reflects the recent heavy withdrawals of goods from bond and the more active inquiry for time money Surplys reserve was reduced \$2,693,37 and the hanks now hold \$52,790,550 Speculation closed firm in tone. Net changes show gains of 4@2 per cent, Nickel Plate second preferred leading Bonds were active, and strong. The sales footed up \$1,273,000. Treasury balances: Coin, \$131,130,941

urrency, \$64,751,386. A Quiet Day in the Dry Goods Market. New York, March 12.—Business in the dry goods market was quiet to-day. The general tone has not undergone any material change during the week in

CITY PRODUCE MARKET. Daily by Gee. S. Hall, Gr and Produce Dealer.)

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LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET. Liverpool, March 13, 1 p. m.-Middlin 31-33. Futures-Closed firm.

BALTIMORE PRODUCE MARKET. BALTIMORE PRODUCE MARKS 1.

BALTIMORE March 13.—FLOUB—Dull.
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4 8 24 36; spring wheat patents 4 2524 50;
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WHEAT—Firmer. No. 2 red spot and
March May 80%; steamer No. 2
red ... Southern by sample 88290; do On grade ... Mired spot and March CORN-Firmer. Mired spot and March 274@274; April 374@274; May 275@27%; Steamer mired 384@374; Southern white 264@37; yellow 264@37;

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET. New York, March 13 —The weekly statement of the associated banks shows the following church:

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New York, March 13.--FLOUR.--Dull, weak. Winter wheat, low grades, 2 3003 25; do fair

No. 2 white 23%; mixed Western 31024.

LARD—Stronger. Western steam 4 45; city
4 10; May 4 55. Refined firm; continent 4 75;
S.A. 4 75; compound 44/24%.
PORK—Stronger. New mess 8 75@9 25.
COTTON SEED OIL—Quiet, easy. Crude
2020%; vellow prime 23%.
OOFFEE—Closed steady, quiet at 5 to 15
Soints down. March 8 60; April 8 60 May 8 55
8 60 Sact Bio dull, weak, No. 7 3%.
SUGAR—Baw. dull, firm. Fair refining
2 13-16. Refined active, from Off A 4 1-16/24%; standard A 4%; cut loaf and 5 ushed 5 00; granulated 4%. CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

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CLOSING STOCKS.

Michigan Central... Missouri Pacific.... Reading.... Rock Island..... St. Paul.... do preferred... Silver Certificate

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United States new 4's, coupon. CHARLOTTE COTTON MARKET.

The market was firm.

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