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Washington, Dec. 21 .- The action of he French Chamber of Deputies yester day in passing a government bill increas ing the duties on hogs, hog products, lard, &c., is regarded as retaliatory in effect angainst the United States.

Madrid, Dec. 21.-The cold-l looded murder of Col. Ruiz in Cuba caused sort of stupefaction of horror here, and some bitter comment is made in several papers about these "bloody-minded rufflans" being the people for whom the jingoes in the United States try to arouse

London, Dec. 21.-The funeral of William Terriss, the actor, who was stabled to death on Thursday last outside the Adelphi Theatre, took place today a Brompton Cemetery, There was an immense crowd of 50,000 people present at the cemetery.

Washington, Dec. 21.-The Depart ment of State has undertaken an inves tigation of two very disagreeable incidents that may possibly cause serious trouble in the near future. These are the killing by Japanese of two sailors attached to the United States fleet on the Asiatic station,

Boston, Dec 21.-Mayor Josiah Quincy, democrat, was re-elected today by a decreased plurality over ex-Mayor Edwin M. Curtis, his opponent of two years ago, although the city went Re publican at the State election last month The attempt to split the democratic vote hopelessly by vigorous work on the part of Thomas Riley, running as a silver democratic candidate for mayor, proyed futile His meetings were crowded and his audiences were apparently intensely loval, but fewer than 3,000 voters sup ported him at the polls, the democratas a rule, standing by Quincy.

TAKING CHINA.

The English Want a Share, German Opinion on the Question, France Senda a Cruiser.

LONDON, December, 21.-It is rumore in Shanghai that the British intend to occupy Tallen-Wan, south of Port Arthur, in order to guard the Gulf of Pe-Chi Li and Tokio. It is rumored that a large Russian military force is coming overland from Siberia.

According to a special dispatch from Shanghai, the British squadron will make a demonstration at Che-Foo, or the north coast of the Shan-Tung promontory, as a warning, it is supposed, that Great Britain intends to oppose the division of China without consulting her. It is reported that there Russia has of fered China a loan to pay off the indemnity of the war with Japan, and it is be lieved, says the dispatch, that Japan and England are acting in concert to preerve China from disintegration, favoring the idea of a protectorate over Central China, with a capitol at Nank-

The Cologne Gazette has embarases. the government by declaring that the other powers would soen follow the and the other seized an ax and brained that the partition of China had actually will be brought here for trial. He was Looking For Me !

It has been hinted that Prince Henry's destination is another point that Kiao Chou, and that he will receive the su preme command in the China scas.

A special dispatch from Brest says the French cruiser Jean Bart has been ordered to proceed immediately to



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CHRISTMAS

Three Criminals Pardoned by Governor Russell.

Applications for Land Grants, Talk of New Berne Negro for Raleigh Position, Murder at Garner.

Bonds Are Worthless. Treasury Statement.

JOURNAL BUREAU. RALEIGH, N. C. Dec. 22. Covernor Russell was in a particularly pardoning humour yesterday. He grant ed pardons to two men, ! Preston Ardrews of Allegbany and Robert Dough erty of Buncombe for man slaughter and commuted the death sentence of Riley Pate of Yancey county to life imprisonment in the penitentiary.

In the office of the Secretary of State many applications for land grants were received on yesterday.

State Geologist Holmes was here yesterday returning to Chapel Hill. He had been at the Castle Hayne State farm investigating the recent find of phosphate rock there, which he finds to be of a very fine quality.

The new superintendent of the penitentlary will take charge on January 1st It was proposed for a called meeting of the board to be held Dec. 31st, so as to lay down lines for him to walk by, but that idea was abandoned, and there will be no meeting until the regular time January 17. Thus the new man will go n uninstructed.

There is considerable question here as to who will be made janitor of the post office building. It will probably be a negro and it is said that the new Collector Duncan will probably give it to a New Berne negro.

Messrs Galdwell and Pearson, Russell's appointees for seats on the R. R. Commission bench came down yesterday to eatch the decision of the Supreme court, in their right to the places, "on the fly" but no decision flew and no more will. fly

intil in February. Mr. Spencer Blackburn, the representaive spent yesterday in the city. He is ubilent over his assured appointment as ssistant district attorney of the West. It is now said that upon the retirement of Judge R. P. Dick from the U.S. Judgeship that Senator Pritchard will nessed him and Lusk of Buncombe go to the Senate as Pritchard's successor.

Should Pritchard fall into the place of U. S. Judge there will be at least one very disappointed man, for Judge Douglass of the N. C. Supreme court bench has been hoping he would succeed Judge Dick. Yesterday afternoon at Garner a small

station 6 miles from here, two negro men were quarreling when a knife was drawn example of Germany and Russin, now his enemy. He then surrendered, and commenced. Other papers have extrouble report.

The Supreme court yesterday filed an opinion in the case of commissioners of Stanly county vs Snuggs regarding the validity of the Yadkin Railway bonds of \$100,000. The opinion says that the commissioners were not authorized to issue these bonds to build the road. The judgment of the lower court was affirmed and the \$100,000 bonds are worthless. Most of them are held in New York. The University has gotten \$6,000 worth of

The following statement of the State's Financial condition is given out by the legislative board. Total receipts for Lane walked on crutches from Barns- Fiscal year were \$1,308,691.81. The disbursements were \$1,294,725.24. The bal-Eliza Ann Parker. When he arrived here ance on hand for year ending November Attention Ladies 1895 was \$88,353 03. This, added to re-Mr. Lane has employed a lawyer, and ceipts ending November 1897, make the will begin suit for alleged breach of total resources of the State \$1,397,044.84. promise. He is a widower, thirty-three This all left in the treasury November years old, and Mrs. Parker is a widow 30th, 1897, \$102,319.60. December 1st the Auditor issued penitentiary warrants amounting to \$102,000 so the treasury is by no means flush. The treasurer has refused to pay so far some of the legisla tive appropriations. Auditor Ayer says Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Selt Rheum, Fever of the report that if the receipts of 1898 equal those of 1897 all the extra appropriations can be made in full and leave a balance on hand November 1898 of nearly \$100,000. The present administration is well pleased with the condition of thing.

The Supreme court decides that the sale of the Western N. C. R. R. to the Southern R. R., is not valid until the southern, which is a foreign corporation, takes out a license in this State. This lecision comes out of the trial to try and ecover \$15,000 damages from the Western N. C. for the killing of a man. The question was if the suit should not have een brought against the Southern as the owner of the Western N. C. R. R.

The news that Albright is to be post naster of Wilmington, if true is only mother slap of Senator Pritchard at Governor Russell.

An insurance agent writes Secretary of State Thompson that he knows unli-censed companies doing business in the tate but will not give the names for fear d hurting his business.

Governor Russell assigns Judge Brown to hold special court in Pasquotank cour

ty beginning Jan. 3rd.
Treasurer Worth says that 1893 he de

NEW YORK, Dec. 21,-In a letter to the

"The death of Colonel Ruiz did not occur as the Spanish have put it, while he was negotiating as a peace messenger under a flag of truce. Again and again have the Cubans promulgated the law that all who should come to them with peace propositions not based on the independence of Cuba should be treated as spies and dealt with accordingly. Colonel Ruiz not only knew of the existence of the law, but, according to the Spanish secounts, was personally warned as to



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Herald, Thomas Estrada Palma, Cuban de'egate to the United States, defends the action of the insurgents in executing General Blanco's aide, Colonel Ruiz.



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