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The bill to amend the railroad law relating to the responsibility of railroads for damages was discussed to adjournment. The amendment seeks to relieve the roads of responsibility for damages where they are not in the wrong. The roads are held liable only in cases in which they are guilty of negligence; but the burden of proving the absence of negligence is laid upon the roads. A section is also added giving the railroads power to charge 25 cents extra when the fare is not more than 50 cents, and 50 cents when the fare is over that amount, in all cases where persons who get on at stations where tickets are offered for sale or neglect or refuse to purchase tickets. The bill was then passed to a third reading by a vote of 39 to 33.

The bill to provide for the appointment of a stenographer for the fourth, fifth, sixth and eighth judicial circuits

THE LOST TAX YEAR.

The committee of ways and means has submitted a report on the subject of the change of time in the collection of taxes so as to make up the lost year. The report recommends that a special appeal tax levy of one mill a year be made for three years, the proceeds to be held in the treasury until November, 1897, by which time and with which fund the committee think that the change in the time of collection of taxes can be made.

A DISASTER TO OYSTERMEN.

A Large Number of Them Drowned on the Rappahannock River.

BALTIMORE, December 12.—The officers of the steamer Mason L. Weems, which arrived this morning from the Rappahannock river, Virginia, report a fearful loss of life among the colored oystermen on that river in the storm of Tuesday last. About twenty-five colored men were out in their boats, tending for oysters, when the storm arose. The gale capized almost all of them, and those which were not, were unable to reach the shore in safety. The men were thrown into rough water and were unable to swim to the shore. Many of them clung to the boats for a time, but finally were washed away and drowned. Very few of them escaped. Eleven bodies have been recovered already, and as many more are said to be missing. It is scarcely possible that any of these latter have escaped death.

Additional intelligence from the Rappahannock is to the effect that fifteen canoes started from the Lancaster side, above Urbana, to go to a schooner on the Middlesex side to sell their oysters, when the storm struck them. There were three or four white men among them, and the whole number drowned was twenty-seven. Two more bodies (thirteen in all) were recovered near Mill Point, further down the river.

SHERMAN AND JEFF. DAVIS.

The General Repeats His Charges Against the Ex President.

ST. LOUIS, December 10.—General Sherman, this evening, in reply to a question by a representative of the Associated Press, as to whether or not he intended to reply to the letter of Jefferson Davis, recently published in this city, said he might do so at some future time, but he should consult his own convenience; that Davis had not addressed him but the St. Louis Republican, and that if he made any reply it would only be through the War Department. He further said that he did not suppose any reporter was at the meeting of the Frank Blair Post on the night he spoke, as the Grand Army is an organization only for the social interchange of personal memories; still he admitted that the reports published contained much of truth, but not all. He has most of his Louisiana papers, he said, to make good his assertion that the civil war was forced upon the people of Louisiana by conspirators in Washington, and that during the progress of the Rebellion Davis changed his views of the doctrine of secession, and threatened to use force in case any State of the Confederacy should attempt what was then known as "separate State action." The General has already sent to Washington some letters and papers bearing on the case, but as to their publication he stated that the authorities there must be consulted.

A Western Borgia.

WHITEWATER, Wis., December 12.—Last Tuesday Miss Annie Horan died suddenly under circumstances indicating that she had been poisoned; that about three years before her father, mother and one sister had died within a short time of each other under similar circumstances; that though it had created talk, nothing was done. This was revived by Annie's death, and to settle the question definitely her stomach was sent to the chemist for analysis. The deaths of all were surrounded by complete mystery. No one has been suspected. The *Inter-Ocean* has a dispatch from Fort Atkinson, where the family formerly lived and were much respected, which says the report was received there from Whitewater, that the third sister, Miss Nettie, died there to-day of poison, making the fifth member of the family, and before death Nettie confessed to having murdered her parents and two sisters. It is also asserted that she confessed to poisoning another person, though this is doubted. No cause is assigned for the murders. Her own death was brought about by fear of exposure through the analysis of her sister's stomach. Nettie was a school teacher, and has two sisters still living at Fort Atkinson.

Arsenic Pills by the Pint.

J. A. Smith, a Gainesville, Ga., merchant, says: "For years I was a victim to the combined effects of Erysipelas and an aggravated type of Eczema, that baffled all medical skill. I consulted the very best physicians in the United States to no good purpose. I gave every patent medicine that was recommended a faithful trial and received no benefit. I took large quantities of potash and a pint cup full of arsenic pills. This patent medicine, pills, and potash mixtures fed instead of curing the disease. They destroyed my appetite and wrecked my system—I lost flesh and energy—I lost three years from my business and spent \$2,000, in a fruitless effort to regain my health. At last, when I began to consider my case hopeless, I commenced taking S. S. S., and in a short time, I was entirely cured. I waited a year after a cure was effected, and continued to take Swift's Specific off and on as a sort of safeguard, before I was willing to make public this marvelous cure. Being assured beyond the possibility of a doubt that the cure was permanent, I wrote this history of my case for the benefit of my fellow-men.

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