

Domestic News.

CONGRESSIONAL.

H. OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2. Mr. Cushman asked leave of the House to make a statement in reference to the Secretary of the Treasury.

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Mr. Calhoun's reply will be well worth hearing. I do not see what interest he can feel in upholding the course of the Secretary of the Treasury in this matter, and I fancy he will take a different view of it, from that of the sworn and pledged friends of the Executive.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5. The Senate met to-day, though it is unusual for that body, at this stage of the session, to meet on Saturdays.

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Boston, in the State of Massachusetts, asking Congress to remove the present seat of Government, from the District of Columbia to some point north, where the principles of the "Declaration of Independence" are not treated as a "mere rhetorical flourish."

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Extensive Conflagration.—On Saturday night, our city was visited by one of the most extensive fires which ever occurred in it; and three large brick tenements. The alarm was given at 7 o'clock, P. M. when the fire was discovered issuing from a basement tenement occupied by Mr. Booth, upholsterer.

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The Advertiser.

EDGEFIELD C. H.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1839.

We are indebted to the Hon. F. W. Pickens, for the "Annual Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, on the state of the finances."

The Publication of the Peoples' Press was discontinued on the 8th inst.

The South Western Rail Road Bank has made arrangements for establishing a branch at Knoxville, Tennessee.

Col. Totten has been ordered to Washington, to take charge of the Engineer Department, in the place of Gen. Gratio, removed.

The London Correspondent of the New York Courier & Enquirer says—The loan, which Mr. McDuffie has been here for some time, for the purpose of negotiating, has been at length taken, by the house of Baring, Brothers & Co. the amount being £500,000 sterling—and the price at which it has been taken is 95 with a dividend from the 1st of last July.

Captain Alexander Claxton, has been appointed to the command of the American Naval Squadron in the Pacific. The Constitution, "old Ironsides," in which he is to proceed, is now fitting out at Norfolk as the flag ship.

Rumors of Defalcations.—Several papers have contained rumors of the defalcation of Gov. Cass, and his recall from France. The Globe positively asserts that his accounts, with the Government, are balanced to a farthing.

A body of Texans, about 100 in number, commanded by General Rusk, lately entered a frontier village, belonging to the United States. Gen. Rusk stated that their purpose was to settle some difficulties, which had arisen, between citizens of Texas, and the Caddo Indians.

At a meeting of the Directors of the Louisville, Cincinnati & Charleston Rail Road Company, held at Columbia, on the 1st of December last, it was

Resolved, unanimously, That the thanks of this Board be returned to Gen. Hamilton, for the zeal, skill and ability displayed, in negotiation for the company, of a loan of \$2,000,000; with our cordial congratulations on the signal success which has attended his exertions.

The President, Gen. Hayne, in a letter, containing the resolution, addressed to Gen. Hamilton, says.

It must be a source of great gratification to you to know, that in reflecting so important a negotiation, on such advantageous terms, you have rendered an important service to the Company and the country, and that by your peculiarly fortunate arrangements in New York, after your return to this country, you were enabled to save for the Company, a sum exceeding the amount of your own compensation; thus having in effect given us the benefit of your valuable services without cost.

The following is a recapitulation of the returns of the different Banks in the State of Georgia, made on the 1st of Oct. 1838:

Capital Stock, \$10,221,587 50
Notes in circulation, 5,207,560 49
Due to banks, sundries, &c. 6,979,882 46
Checks on time, 468,350 63
Surplus profits and discount accounts, 1,121,655 43
\$23,999,066 51

Bills and notes discounted, \$13,551,129 72
Real estate, stocks, &c. 3,480,344 25
Due by banks and sundries, 2,212,908 71
Notes of other banks and Treasury Notes, 1,565,388 87
Specie, 3,186,294 96
\$23,999,066 51

Commodore Elliott.—The following singular correspondence, not long since, took place between J. K. Paulding, and that gallant sailor, Commodore Elliott. This last personage has made himself notorious for his interference in certain difficulties which occurred in Sovereign States.

Commodore Elliott to Commodore Elliott. NAVY DEPARTMENT, Nov. 15 1838. Sir: I have to request that you will point out to the department the order of Government which directs the command of squadrons or ships to import jacks, or any other animals. I am, very respectfully, J. K. PAULDING.

Com. J. D. Elliott, U. S. Navy Carlisle, Penn. From Com. Elliott to the Secretary of the Navy. Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th inst, requesting me to point out to the Department, the order of the Government which directs the commanders of squadrons or ships to import jacks or any other animals.

Commodore Crane, one of my predecessors in the command of the Mediterranean squadron, and which orders were handed down to his successors in the same command, it was stated to him that it would probably be in his power to subvert the agricultural interests of the nation by procuring information respecting valuable animals, seeds, & plants, & importing such as he could conveniently, without attention to his more appropriate duties or expense to the Government.

The murder appears to have been committed under these circumstances: At the time of his death, Gen. Bull had given a particular personal supervision to his plantation affairs. After supper on the night of the 27th ult., he walked to his negro quarters, a mile from his dwelling house. On his return, about three hundred yards from his house, he was attacked and murdered by two of his young fellows, who were lying in wait for him.

The deceased left no family, his nearest relative is a brother, living in Abbeville District.

At a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Public Buildings, for Edgefield District on Monday, the 14th January, the following resolutions were offered by Mr. Brooks and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Public Buildings for the District of Edgefield, duly appreciating the uniform courtesy and obliging disposition of Mr. Charles Beck, throughout their entire intercourse with him, as a contractor for the erection of a Court House at this place, avail themselves of the opportunity of tendering to him, before his departure, the assurance of their very favorable consideration and respect.

Resolved, That Mr. Beck is justly entitled to the approbation and thanks of the Commissioners for the excellency of the materials, and for the taste and fidelity of the workmanship of the new C. H. House.

Resolved, That the Board of Commissioners take great pleasure in recommending Mr. Beck to a liberal community as a faithful, intelligent, and tasteful architect.

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