SIX DOLLARS PER ANNUM

BY TELEGRAPH.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

CHARLESTON BIBLE SOCIETY - COOSAWHATCHIE COUNTY-TWO THOUSAND WINCHESTER RIFLES [SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DAILY NEWS.]

COLUMBIA, February 26 .- In the Senate, the following received a third reading, were passed and sent to the House : A bill to recharter Younginer's Ferry; a bill to incorporate the Town of Pickens; a bill to alter and amend the charter of the Town of Greenville.

The following had a second reading and were ordered to be engrossed: A bill to amend an act establishing quarantine at Georgetown, Charleston, and Hilton Head; a bill to repeal an act preventing persons holding certain offices of emolument from leaving the State: a bill to renew the charter of the Charleston Bible Society; a bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Company; a bill to further define the duties of State Treasurer; a bill to incorporate Carmel Church, in Picken's County; a bill to prevent and punish duelling; a bill to amend an act to regulate the manner of drawing jurors; a bill to establish a magistrates'

Wright introduced a bill to create the County

of Coosawhatchie. Donaldson introduced a bill to incorporate the South Carolina Plantation Company, and gave notice of a bill to regulate the mode of celebrating marriages.

Cain gave notice of a bill to incorporate the Homestead Building and Planting Mutual Association.

IN THE House, Whipper reported favorably on the bill to determine the value of contracts made in Confederate States notes or their equivalent.

The bill from the Senate to change the county seat of Barnwell County to Blackville, was read a second time and ordered to be en-

Havne introduced a resolution authorizing the Governor to purchase two thousand Winchester rifles and necessary ammunition. Referred to Military Committee.

Shrewsberry introduced a resolution that all pending bills to aid railroad and private corporations be postponed to the next session. Tabled, yeas seventy-three; nays twenty-three.

A resolution to adjourn March 19th was tabled by a vote of filty-six to nineteen. The Educational bill was discussed to the

hour of adjournment.

The Governor has a proved the following acts: An act to incorporate the Union Star Fire Engine Company as part of the Fire Depariment of the City of Charleston; an act to incorporate certain fire engine companies of Charleston; an act to amend an act to organize the Circuit Courts; an act to incorporate the Rocky River Baptist Church in the County of Anderson; an act to regulate the practice of medicine in this State; an act to lease the State Road in Greenville County; an act to incorporate the Sumier Fire Engine Company; an act to incorporate the Vausiuse Manufacturing Company; an act to incorporate the Home Insurance Company; an act to renew the charter of the Stony Bluff Ferry; an act to incorporate the South Carolina Phosphate Company; an act to renew the charter of the Charleston Ancient Artillery Society.

CONGRESSIONAL.

THE ARMY BILL—THE DEFICIENCY BILL—PAYING SOUTHERN SENATORS—THE SUFFRAGE AMEND—SOUTHERN SENATORS—THE SUFFRAGE AMEND—MENT.

WASHINGTON, February 26.—In the House, the Military Committee reported the evidence in regard to the army, showing that the Quartermaster-General has 14.000 men under his control. The committee recommends that the staff should receive orders from the General, instead of from the Secretary of War.

\$50,000,000, which he would apply to paying of an equal amount of the funded debt. Mr. Alors an equal amount of the funded debt. Mr. Alors an equal amount of the funded debt. Mr. Alors and project the continues of a suring you of the continues of the New York Associated Press and the Western Union Telegraph Company to neet the views and advance the interests of the paper, of the youth.

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2. The state of our freign trade. This is an element of creat importance, of which little notice is taken in the remarks made on this subject. Mr. Morton speaks of accumulating you do the consideral of the New York Association on tract as a body for obsent him.

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The consolidation of the quartermaster's, pay and subsistence departments, also of the ordnance, artillery, engineer and signal corps, was recommended.

The Deficiency bill was again considered. It now amounts to \$20,000,000. The appropriation for the pay of Mr. Harvey, minister to Portural, was again erased.

IN THE SENATE, the bill for paying Southern senators in full was postponed.

The report on the suffrage amendment was

discussed until recess. The discussion will be resumed to-night.

WASHINGTON.

GRANT DISCLAIMS ALLEGIANCE TO ANY POLITICAL PARTY-NATURALIZATION TREATY WITH MEXICO -LOBBY IN DESPAIR-GEORGIA AND LOUISIANA COUNTED OUT-THE TORTUGAS PRISONERS-

LIEUTENANT BRAIN. Washington, February 26 .- The naturalization treaty with Mexico provides reciprocally that five yours' uninterrupted residence shall secure alienation and citizenship. The de-Caration of intention will not secure the rights of citizenship, and naturalization will be voided and original citiz mahip renewed by two years' residence in native country. The extradition treaty of 1861 remains in force.

The lobby has lost all hope of any action on private bills this session.

It is understood that the Senate will amend the Memphis and El Paso Railroad bill so as to require the road to be finished within a given

General R. S. Granger has been ordered to report to General Stoneman.

The following is one of many versions of Grant's reply to McClure, of Pennsylvania, who ventured to advise him in regard to choosing a Cabinet officer from Pennsylvania: "I am not the representative of a political party, although a party voted for me." McCluro replied: "Tuen in my conversation on the subject of your administration I have spoken from a mistakon standpoint, and my remarks have been illogical to you. I have nothing more to say on the subject."

General Sherman has arrived. General Chugman, of North Carolina, visited

General Grant to-diy. The Clerk of the House excludes Louisiana,

Georgia and other conteste I seats from his in-His ory roll of the next House.

Naval Paymas or Winslow, son of Commodore Winslow, died to-day of malignant scarlet fever. The application for habeas corpus for the Tortugas prisoners was argued to-day. Philip

Phillips for the prisoners; the Assistant and Attorney-General contia. A delegation of Baltimore Indies visited the

President to-day in behalt of Lieutenant Brain. The President's reply is considered favorable.

dered to take charge of cercam church property, because the conduct of the clerical par-

Serrano, in view of the firmly rooted and inexorable principles held by the majority, has advised the minority to pursue a conciliatory policy. As for himself, he promised them loyalty, patriotism and abnegation.

BULLION—THE SULTAN GRATEFUL. PARTS February 26 .- The bullion in the Bank of France has increased 11 000 000f. The Sultan has issued a circular thanking the

Great Powers for the attitude taken in the late

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

OF THE GRICKET-CONCENTRATION OF TROOPS AT CIENFUEGOS.

HAVANA, February 26 .- The announcement that Roda is to supersede Dulce occasions ex- the Convention: citement here. The steamer Cricket which left Charleston

for this port on the 9th has not arrived. It is supposed that she has landed provisions on the

The government has ordered all available troops to Cienfuegos and other menaced towns.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

A spanish man-of-war is watching the Peruvian monitors at Key West.

The Arkansas House of Representatives has passed a bill outlawing members of the Ku-Klux-Klan.

The Legislature of West Virginia has passed a bill fixing the capital of that State at Charleston in Kanawha County.

Governor Genry, of Pennsylvania, denies having either written or telegraphed to Grant about Cabinet appointments. Thomas E. Wilson, senior partner of the

firm of Wilson & Joler, druggists, of Louisville, Ky., committed suicide yesterday, at the age of sixty-one. Senter, speaker of the Tennessee House of

Representatives, has been inaugurated Governor of that State, vice Brownlow resigned. His inaugural foreshadows no policy.

RESUMPTION OF SPECIE PAYMENTS TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEWS.

In some remarks made by us we have taken for granted that the paper currency of the United States is redundant. The extent of the excess can only be reached by approximation. Those who have made this subject one of close examination have taken the increase of the population as the basis of calculation. Mr. Welles, the Special Commissioner of the Revenue of th nue in his recent able report, has assumed \$10 per capita of the whole population as sufficient for the currency of the United States, including both paper and specie. The next enumeration in 1870 will show 42.000 000. This multiplied by 10 would give \$420,000 000 as the proper limit of the currency of the United States. Mr. Morton, in his late speech in the United States Senate, has made the extravagant assumption that car currency is not redundant being between \$60',000,000 and \$700,000,000, which at \$10 per head, including paper and specie, would make the exces between \$200,000 and \$300,000.\$15 per head for the

whole population.

We have stated that this subject cannot be intelligently discussed, unless in connection with the public expenditure and the state of

our foreign trade.

1. The pub ic expenditure. Mr. McCulloch, in his late report, states that the expenditures of the government ought to be reduced to \$250 000 000. He estimates the revenue from the two principal sources-the customs and the the two principal sources—the cutoms and the internal revenue—at \$300,000 000—a saving of \$50,000,000, which he would apply to paying off an equal amount of the funded debt. Mr. Alorton's proposition is to apply any saving male by diminished expenditure or addition to revenue, to the extinguishment of the floating debt, in which, we have said, we agree with

n Europe at their par value. He overlook m Europe 2t 7 817 bit value. He obtained of trade. Our export of cotton for 1869-70—2.500 000 bales—at the moderate average of 20 cents, in gold, (10.1. in England), 450 pounds to the bale, will yield in money value the sum gold.

of.... The crop of 1870-71 (the high price in Europe stimulating the culti-ration in the United States), will produce 3 000 000 bales, suppos-ing the season favorable and, as-suming the price reduced to 16 cents per pound, in gold, (81, in England), will yield a money

\$141,000,000

If, therefore, we have a favorable se son we will have, when we add the other articles of export, tobacco naval stars, petroleum, &c., at least \$500,000,000 in value of exports on the gradit with an the arms. credit side of the account, as the aggregate money value of our productions for the years 1870 and 1871.

A no less important element however, is the A no iess important element however, is the aggrerate amount of our imports. The balance of commercial debt has been against us, because in 1865 and 1886 we imported in value more than we exported. The cheapness of money stimulated the consumption of foreign money stimulated the consumption of recognifications our imports were greatly above our ability to pay, and we were compelled to send our gold and our bonds to redress the balance of trade against us. The contraction of the correcty—in other words, reducing the volume of our paper money by paying off a portion of the floating debt—will have the effect of leavaning the consumption, and conserving the consumption. of lessening the consumption, and consequently the importation of foreign fabrics. This, co-operating with the increased value of rins, co-operatine with the increased value of our exports, will soon bring about an equilibrium between our imports and exports, and perhaps, produce a balance of trade in our favor. If Congress would have the moral courage to reduce the expenses, and simultaneously reduce the public floating data are the district, very full, by way of Louisville.

The 100 words extra for the middle district would enable me to make the service much more acce, take.

M. W. B.RR., W. B.RR., St. R. Courage of the Committee on Business.

neoasly teduce the public floating debt, we would be able to resume speci- payments on or before the first of January, 1872. It is on these expectations we rely; for it would greatly assist the object in view if that body would anthorize the Secretary of the would greatly assist the object in view it that body would authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to cancel legal tender notes to the amount of \$50,000,000 annually, as they are pard in for taxes, which would be at the rate only of about \$4,900,000 per month. It the revenue from customs, which is receivable in gold, and which, according to all reasonable in the state of the stat edectation, will amount, on an average, to \$150,000.000, is appared they in the proportion of one third, S y \$50.000.000, to the extinction of one third, s y \$50.000 000, to the extiguishment of another \$50 000 000 of the float ing debt, we would have \$100,000 000 applicable to that purp so. This sum, in tarce years, will reduce the floating debt from its arcsent

will reduce the Hoating debt from 124 present amount to \$250,000 000, or, in other words, so improve our paper curretcy at to bring it to an equal value with gold. That it would not embarrass the Treasury by leaving a sorolas of gold or about \$50,000,000 to pay the increase on the national dear, lastead of \$80,000,000 or too too control or and on the feet easier.

100.000 000, we feel assured.

We sum up our reasoning on this subject as concisely as possible as follows: 1. That our paper currence is refundant to an exam. That brings it to about \$15 per head for the whole of our population, instead of \$10 per heat -i s no mal proport of b for the war-say in 18.2. 2. That antil we reduce this picthors of paor money, we can never return permanently o specie payments; for if we should have a

a better market, according to that low of currency cannot encoular the motives of their interference in religious matters.

MADRID, February 26.—The ministry has made an important statement of the motives their interference in religious matters. The St. Vincent Jesni. Coll ge was suppressed because the members conspired against the government. The civil authorities were ordered to take charge of cercan clauch produced to the paper cannot cercan them to alr. Barr, who promised to forward them to alr. Barr and asked if the dispatches had been sent at the case of circulating debt; in other words, cancel or redoem \$100 000 000 per date that for this paper. In them to alr. Barr, who promised to forward them to alr. Barr, who promised to forward them to alr. Barr and asked if the dispatches had been sent at the take that for the paper and delivered them to alr. Barr, who promised to forward them to alr. Barr and asked if the dispatches were subjected upon Mr. Barr and asked if the dispatches were subjected to supervised and stated that his Mr. Barr was paid by the catled upon Mr. Barr and asked if the dispatches were subjected to supervised and stated that his Mr. Barr and asked if the dispatches were subjected to them to alr. Barr and asked if the dispatches were subjected to supervised and stated that his Mr. Barr was paid by the dispatches were subjected to the

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Report of the Proceedings.

AIREN, S. C., February 25 .- Had the Press Convention, which met in Mobile on the 17th instant, been poorly attended, or had the members frittered away their time in nonsensical discussion, I should not have desired to publish its proceedings. But, as it is, I am happy to give them the widest possible publicity as a matter of practical interest to every newspaper man in the North. West and South, and as an evidence that the public presses of the Southern States, which have hitherto fought the RODA THE CAUSE OF EXCITEMENT - NON-ARBIVAL common enemy in guerilla fashion, are now

united and ready to wage war in a body, according to strict business principles. The following papers were represented in

NORTH CAROLINA. Wilmington Daily Journal, by Major J. A. Engelhard. Wilmington Post, by Mr. J. Y. James.

Goldsboro' News, by Mr. G. W. Stickney. Goldsboro' Messenger, by Mr. G. W. Stick-Tarboro' Southerner, by Mr. Nelson, SOUTH CAROLINA.

CHARLESTON DAILY NEWS, by Captain F. W. GEORGIA.

Augusta Chronicle and Sentinel, by Mr. P. Augusta Constitutionalist, by Mr. James R. Randall and Colon I James Gardner.

The Banner of the South, Augusta, by Mr. P. Walsh.

Savannah Morning News, by Mr. W. T. Thompson.

S. vannah Republican, by Major Clisby.

Columbus Sun, by Colonel A. R. Lamar and
Mr. T. DeWolf.

Macon Journal and Messenger, by Mr. A. W. Macon Telegraph, by Major Joseph Clisby, Atlanta Intelligencer, by Major J. H. Steele. Albany News, by Mr. C. W. Styles.

ALABAMA. Mobile Daily Register, by Col. John Forsyth Mobile Daily Tribune by Captain J. R. Eg-gleston and Mr. A. G. McGinire.
Wilcox News and Pacificator, by Mr. W. B.

H. Howard. Wilcox Vindicator, by Mr. W. B. H. Howard. Talladega Monatain Home, by A. B. S. Alabima Beacon, by Mr. James G. Harvey, Montgomery Advertiser, by Mr. W. W.

Marion Commonwealth, by Mr. Wooten. Selma Times, by Mr. M. J. Williams. MISSISSIPPI. The Mississippi Press Association, by Mr. P. K. Mayers and Mr. J. Calboun. Vicksburg Times, by Mr. John Armstrong.

TENNESSEE. Memphis Appeal, by Mr. O. Woodson. Memphis Avalanche, by Mr. O. Woodson. Memphis Ledger, by Mr. O. Woodson. Memphis Daily Sun, by Dr. Y. A. Carr. Knoxville Press and Herald, by Mr. W. J.

KENTUCKY. Columbus Dispatch, by Mr. R. Summers. WEDNEDSDAY, February 17.

The Convention met at 12 M. The President Colon 1 A. R. Lamar in the chair.
The members present enrolled their names.
A committee to prepare business was appointed, consisting of Messys. Dawson, DeLeon, Engelhard, Woodson, Thompson and the President and the Convention ediomyned to tosident, and the Convention adjourned to tomorrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Thursday, February 18.
The following report from Mr. M. W. Barr, the Washington Agent, was submitted by the President, and read by the Secretary:

WASHINGTON, February 4, 1869.
Colonel A. R. Lamar, President Southern Press As-

sociation:
DEAR SIR-In making my third annual report, I

yourselves, if y ur office eco omy would allow a later hour than at present for filing the evening

I have but one suggestion to make, which would Thave but one suggestion to make, which would relieve the Vargina cities and New Orleans and Mobile, and greatly benefit a Fother points. I would like to be allowed, say one hunded words per day, exirate be sent only to what I class the mildle district. This arrangement you denable me to ke p the middle district well up to the news and save other districts much dead matter. This concession would, I think make the system as nearly perfect as possible under present telegraph facilities.

Our present resources are 200 worse at 1 o'c'ock; 5.4 words at 8½ o'clock; (for New pricans and Moble), 300 winds at 10 o'check; and all districtes originating as the youth, addressed to and paid for by the New York is cented Press, not including I canes ee and Arkansas. News from the last named States reaches you was Washington, and is included in my allowance.

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2 Winnington; 2, Columbir; 2, vugu ta; 2, Chalceson; 2, Savanuan; 2, Shaon; 2, Columbir; 2, vugu ta; 2, Chalceson; 2, Savanuan; 2, Shaon; 2, Chalceson; 2, Savanuan; 2, Shaon; 2, Monigomery.

The major tance of has ungun administration for the above iit. The tirst district, marked 1, views a ten above iit. The tirst district, marked 1, views a ten of 300 words at ten o'clock at will be sen that all matter not m decup by half past sight, the time tor filing the report of sufficient interest to be sent next morning to the second district is dead in districts I and 3, and, besides. Western markets are of no consequence in the district and are telegraphed to the third district, very full, by way of the market of the market of the consequence of the united district and are telegraphed to the third district, very full, by way of

as far as it proposed to amend the constitution so as to give one director to each State, and to give the President the power of appointing an Executive Committee, and to give the directors the power of appointing a managing director, was agreed to, as was also the following rec-

ommendation: That the convention urge and advise the Southern That he convention through a rate of a southern press for equire subsert itous to be cold invariably in advance, and to require, as far as may be, cash payment for all advertisments.

The following resont ion provoked, as it was intended by the committee to do, a long dis-

cu sivi: Resolvel. That a special committee of five be app 4 ted who shall prepare and report to this conven-tion 2 comined plan of the graphic news service for the outlier Press as contion.

ithe southern Press as contion.
It, clisovedd not war an independent news association, but thought it best to negotiate With existing ass charlons.

Mr. DeLion said the Southern press was strong enough, and in any negotiation an asso-ciation of all the papers would, no doubt, be

and to effect there favorable terms than individual new papers.

Mr. Ra dails and it appeared that there exists a regular combination against the South-ern press and that it was time, and it be-hooved us to make some organized effort to ridour-elves of this tyranny, and better our

this association.
The President of the Convention, who had

The President of the Control of the Species payments; for if we should have a beautreen balance of trade in our favor and an itest x of gold, it will be exported as merchand sette first as while in that tip had occasion to send comes back next year, we would show it mail some dispatches to his paper, and delivered to the comes back next year, we would show it mail some dispatches to his paper, and delivered to them.

ty exposed the objects of art in the churches | THE SOUTHIND PRESS CONVENTION. | ern press, and not in the interest of any North-

ern newspaper or association.

Mr. Engelhard said his experience with the
New York Associated Press was a very hard
one. In 1866, his paper and another, established at that time, paid \$20 apiece for dispatches.
In the summer months the editor of that nan-In the summer months the editor of that paper, the Wilmington Dispatch, ceased to take the telegrams, and until the latter part of October, telegrams, and until the latter part of October, he was compelled to pay \$40 per week. At this time, business having sprung up somewhat, the other paper again took the dispatches and was allowed to do so without paying any bonus. A short time after the paper was changed from a morning to an arrange and the dispatches. nus. A short time atter the paper was changed from a morning to an evening, and the dispatches were turnished to it at the rate of \$12, and his toils increased to make up the difference. He was opposed to being the foot-ball of the New York Telegraph Associated Press. that he would prefer to give more than is now being paid rather than depend upon the association. Another complaint he had to make was that the press agent in his city is the publisher of a paper, and that he makes the publisher of a paper, and that he makes use of the New York Assoc ated Press as an ad-

ertising medium for his paper.

Mr. Chaby submitted the following substitute for the resolution offered by the committee, which, after being amended by Mr. Dawson,

was adopted:

Resolve!, That a committee of five members of this association be charged with the duly of making such arrangements for telegraphic news as to them shall appear most economical and expedient, and report to the meeting.

On motion, the chair was authorized to telegraph to the President of the Hajon Talaccast. on motion, the cnair was authorized to tele-graph to the President of the Union Telegraph Company for the purpose of ascertaining if they will negotiate for news. Mr. Dawson offered the following resolution,

Mr. Dawson offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the newspapers now represented in this association, woose assessments are in arrears, be notified or the fact by the treasurer, and that if their dues he not paid up in thirty days from the date of that notification, that they be stricken from the roll of the association; also, that a roll of the members be published when the said thirty days have expired.

Major Steele introduced the following resolution, prefacing it with a few elequent remarks, which was laid on the table for the present:

The President of the Convention rose and staid:

**Mr. President of the Board of Trade.—The Convention over which I have the honor to preside, desire me to express their sineers thanks to you, and through you to the members of the Board of Trade and to the people of Mooile, for the manifold and through you to the mainteent kindues, hospita ity and courtery which we have received collectively as well as individually. Nearly all of us came here strangers to you and your popple, and we can only say we leave here adding another lask in the grateful memories of our lives.

**We recollect the history of Mobile in time past when she was justly styled the Queen of the Gut, in the grateful memories of the Gonvention rose and the said:

**Mr. President of the Board of Trade.—The Convention over which I have the honor to preside, desire me to express their sincere thanks to you. and through you to the members of the Board of Trade and through you to the mainteent kindues, hospita ity and courtery which we have received collectively as well as individually. Nearly all of us came here strangers to you and your popple, and we can only say we leave here adding another lask in the grateful memories of our lives.

resent:
Resolved, That the President of this association

Account, That the President of this association appoint a committee of three to record upon the point all counds for of the South and est equally upon me attitude of the Southern States, and their return to the Union; wheher such event be the result of a gressional dictation, or "under the constitution." Mr. Scrows submitted the following resolu-tion, which, after being amended by Mr. Do-Leon, tendering the thanks of the convention to Mr. Meriwether, for his courtesy, was

Resolved. 3 hat Mr. C. G. Meriwother, Superintendent of the We tern Uni n relegraph company, be invited to a sent on the floor of 'h' convention, and receive the thanks of the convention

and rec. ive the thanks of the convention.

The following resolution, offered by Mr.

Thompson, was adopted:

Resolved, I nat the establishment of a paper depot at Augusta or elsewhere, as contemplated by the resolution at opted at the last convention of the Press Association, is in reclient, and calculated to interfere with the business interests and enterprise of real slighters.

Colonel Gardner, Chairman of the Commit-tee on Press News Service, submitted the fol-lowing report, which, after a short debate, participated in by the President, Colonels Forsyth, Styles and Glisby, Major Steele, Mesars, Do-Leon, Rundall and Dawson, was adopted: The committee, to whom was referred the consideration of the whole and confederation for the whole and confederation for the whole and consideration for the whole and consideration of the whole and the consideration of the whole and the confederation of the whole and the confederation of the confederat tions to the system now in force:

1. The territory repeet ted in the convention pays about \$50,000 annually to the NewYork vesociated Press for ted graphic news, while 150 000 is not in any way cont olded by the Southern Press Associated

ation, but is collected and remitted by the local agent of the New York Associated Press 2. The New York Associated Press caims the right of admit, and has admit d, papers to the benefits of of the Southern news system, we hout the consent of

the Southern Press Association or of the Southern Press.

3. This as-ociation has no control whatever over the app intement of local agents.

4. The pre-s distratches of members of this association may be cut off at any time at the arbitrary will of the New York Associated Press.

5. The assessments or folls may be, and have been, increased at will by the New York As-ociated Press.

of that the Southern Press have been uncertain as so that the Southern Press have been uncertain as to what would be the cost of their distatches, and

receiving its southern telegraphic news, and claim that this right bolongs exclusively to the conthern Pres Association.

4. That the Southern Press Association claim the right of mem nating the local telegraphic news agints within its territory, and that the power of appointing them be vested in he executive committee.

5. That the fixen ive Committee be an holized and instructed to regotiate with the New York Associated Press, or with the Western Union Telegraph or mutuary, or with other con panies, and to com ract ompany, or with other con panies, and to con ract for the supply my of relegraphic news to this association, upon such terms and in such a manner as will preven, the continuance of the glaring evils o

which complaint is made. Respectfully submitted, JAMES GARDNER, Chairman.
JOS. A. INGELHARD.
W. W. SCREWS.
A. R. LAMAR.
LORDON. JOSEPH CLISBY. F. W DAWSON.

The President read the following folegraphic

dispatch in answer to one sent by him.

NEW YORK, February 18.

A. R. L. mar. President outhern Press Association The Convention then proceeded to the elec-tion of officers, when the following were unaut-mously elected:

Pres de t.- Co onel A. R. Lamar, Hoorgia,

Vice-P exident.—ti lonel M. J. Williams, Althoma Secretary and Treasurer.—Ar. A. W. Reese, of Georgia.

Mr. F. W. Dawas ., South Caronna; Colonel Ja-ardner, Georgia; air. W. W. Screws, Abbama; air W. J. Ramage, Tennessee; air. John Armstrong

Mississippi.
hlajor Steele asked leave, which was granted, at the to withdraw his resolution, submitted at the meeting of yesterday, in relating to the appointment of a committee of three to report upon the political condition of the South, and especially upon the attitude of the Southern

Sout ern States.

Colonel Forsyth said he was requested by the Board of Trade to tender to the Convention an invitation to meet in Mobile next year, when they and the people of Mobis ost happy to meet the gentienan of the con-Colone: Clisby then offered a resolution that

the next annual session of the convention be held in Mobile.

The President took the floor and said, that homself as wed as every member of the con-vention, feet a problem gratitude for the kindness which prempt d the invitation and invitation would mue d be riding a fre o death; that if left to his choice he would b only too g ad to c.m. back to Mobile, but it would be iexal g generosity and kindness too

Moone again, as he had seen so much of the men and so latte of the wair in. He techniss promoted had to come back, but his judg-Coloner Fers, in a reply, remarked that the

first bjec. o. f the get a man was not valid horse" was no by any means bred, and that the people of sichie would be delighted to have identifications of this tyranay, and better our the people of alche wants of the next year, and the next yea

> convention wars under profound obligations for the extraordinary hessitality which had been extended to them by the probled falo ile, and that it would be a great pleasure for them to come back and note the prosperity, eaterto come back and note the prise and growth of the city year, experience attending press conventions, he had never met in any only such a hos-pitable reception as that extended nim in Mo-

matter was finally referred to the Board of Directors with an expression of the sense of the convention that it would be agreeable to the body if they should select Mobile as the

the body it the solution that the thanks of this association be teadered to the President, Colonel A. R. Lamar, as an evidence of their appreciation of the dignity, courtesy and ability with which he has discharged courtesy and ability with which he has discharged the ardness outles of his position.

Recoved, That the thanks of this Association be returned to the Seoreta y and Treasurer, A. W. Roese, Keq., for the rap lity, whill and fidelity with which he has discharged the difficult duties of his

Reese, ked, for the rapidly, and and duchy with which he has discharged the difficult duties of his office.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are duc, and are hereby tendered to the Board of Trade, to the members of the M massas "lub, the Mobile Fire Department, and to the ortizens of clobic generally, for the exceet ing kindness of their greeting, and for the generous and large-hea ted hospitality with which they have entertained the members of the attention Press Association.

Resolvest, That the thanks of the Association be tendered the Western Union Telegraph Company for courtesies extend d the members of this Convention in allowing the use of the wires for the transmission of social and family messages.

Recoised, That the thanks of this association be tendered the officers of the Wilmington and Weldon, Wilmington and Manchester, the South Carolina, Georgia, Atlanta and West Point, West Point and Mratgomery, Montigomery and Mobile, Mobile and Ohio, Selma and Meridian, Selma, Rome and Dalton Railroads, for their courtesy to furnishing passes to delocates.

SATURDAY, February 20, 1869.
The Convention met at one P. M., the members of the Board of Trade being present by invitation. The President of the Convention rose and

Woodruff a pair of handsome heavy silver gob-lets, containing in the course a Goddess of Liberty in medalion, surrounded by a wreath. They bore the following inscription: PRESENTED TO THE MODILE BOARD OF TRADE

Southern Perss Association.
Mobile, Feb. 29, 1269.
Commercial Independence and the Freedom of the
Press.
In these signs we conquer.

Colonel Woodruff, in receiving the goblets, thanked the President for the complimentary manner in which he had spoken of Mobile and her people, and the convention for the testi-monials, which will be retained by the Board of Trade as a remembrance of the meeting of the Southern Press Association in Mobile, which afforded him and the members of the Board of Trade and other citiz us the oppor-Board of trade and other this is the oppor-tunity of making the acquaintance of so large a number of the gentlemen of the Southern Press. He asked that the President and the gentlemen of the convention would carry to their respective cities and their merchants the highest regards and compliments of the Mo-bile Board of Trade; and in conclusion, wished the members of the convention a pleasant and

happy return home.

Both Colonels Lamar and Woodruff were

heartily cheered.

The convention then adjourned, having completed all the business brought before it. In making up my report I have been under great obligations to the reports published by

the Mobile Register and Mobile Tribune. D. FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

The Charleston Election Bill Again-The Town of Beaufort owned by the tracis; and Lancaster Kailroad-Manchester and Augusta Hallroad—The Methodist Episcopal church.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) COLUMBIA, S. C., February 25, 1869 .- The been passed to a third reading list Friday, by a vote of yeas 50, nays 11, had not been legal ly passed; that the number voting, though a majority of these present, did not constitute a quorum. The whole representation being one bundred and twenty-our members, required sixty-three in attendance to make a legal quo-

rum. Jenks thereagon introduced the following res lution, which was agreed to : Be it re closed, by the House of Representatives, That this House bereny resemble his action whereby it passed a bill to could mand destare and the re-cent election of Mayor and A demons of the City of Charleston, ordered the site thereof to be changed to that of an act, and ordered the said bill to be en-celled.

The bill was then taken up for another second reading, and the question being taken on passing the bill to a third reading and ordering it to be engrossed, the year and nays were called and resulted as follows: Yeas 72, nays 19; ab-

sent or not voting 29. Agreed to. The following papers were presented to be entered on the journal:

entered on the journal:

I vote "n" "on the passage of the foregoing bill, as I do not believe it will parant the Mayor and Alderman elect of Charleston to take their seats.

I vote "no," because I believe that the object soughs to be obtained under the bill on only be gained to rough a excision of the cours, and in my opinion this till will not only probe a main not stop in gation, but will involve additional constitutional issues, a tended with great delay and verations indigation.

I. C. i.E. Lange.

Elliott, from the Committee on Railroads, reported favorably on a concurrent resolution requesting the Congress of the United States to aid the construction of the Memphis, El Paso and Southern Trans-Continental Railroad. Rensier, was referred to the Committee on

F. deral Relations:

early or quite two- ...ir.is of the taxable property of the theory orat a Town of Beaufirs, for which or ing the people of said town mach in me servity dening the proper of said rows indicate in we asset you than would be the case f said property was so d to the tax-payers of said place; and who eas, said property is fast get g to decay, uncared for as it now set then fore, us it Resolved. That the House of Representatives of Resolved. That the nones of adjoint and so south crading the enalt consurring, requisitle congress of the United States to take ruch action as in y ma deem project, through here are t Tax commissions so rother wise, as will prace said property before the perior and Town. of better

Whereas, the United States Gov-rement owns

for suc, and that our sen tors and representatives in Congress berequestor to ald any measure which may be brought become the congress of the United States having such purpose in vi.w. Holliman presonted a memorial of the citizens of Timmonsville for the removal of the county seat of Darling; on County, from Dar-

Leslie, from the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred a bill to charter the Florence and Lancaster Railroad, reported back the same, with a recommendation that it do pass. O:dered for consideration to-morrow. and to be printed.

Leslie, from the same committee, to whom was referred a bill to charter the Manchester and Augusta Railroad, reported back the same, with a recommendation that the bill do pass. Ordered for consideration to-morrow, and to be printed.

A resolution was adopted appointing J. M. Allen, of Greenville, H. J. Lomax (colored), of Abbeville, and C. W. M intgomery, of Newberry, proxice to represent the interest of the State at the meeting of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company.

Donaldson gave notice that he will on tomorrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill to incorporte the various Boards of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in this State; also, a bill to incorporate the South Carolina Plantation Company.

AFFAIRS IN THE STATE.

Abbeville.

The Abbeville Banuer in copying the testi-nony of Tolbert, says: "It will be apparent to wony of Tolbert, says: "It will by apparent to every one, after a perusal of this testimony, that folbert has made many statements which have not the semblance of truth. But when he is in the hands of the State police, being tortured daily, no doubt, in order to extore such testimony from him for party purposes, after he had voluntarily surrendered himself after he had voluntarily surrendered himself to the conetabulary forces of the State upon the faith of their promises of a pardon for his offences, it is not surprising that he has made so many gross misrepresentations of affairs in our district within the past twelve months."

We recollect the history of Mobile in time past when she was justly styled the Queen of the Gu f, and no city stood higher f r the liberality and hospitality to her people, and the enterprise, prosperity and energy of her merchants. We recollected in those dark and dreary days, where naught save a shehing smack or a severnment steamer, carying supplies to the carrisons, appeared in y ur beautiful hav save now and then during the dark east of the night, wh n a stealthy blockader would silenty pass out carrying a few locks of the "Hoary King" to lorden parts. In those days we recollect, sir, how the peopl of Mobile banded together, and stood firm and faithful to their brethren of the South.

On the excursion ye-tarday down this same bay, we saw a portion of your merchant navy; and even when lighted up by the battle-fires from the fact of the gallant Buch man, the say never slowed brighter than on this occasion being lagated up with the bright eyes of Mobile's fair daughters. I am deputed to make you testimonial, and if we hid presented you one in value proport onate and in keeping with our feelings and the hospitality which we have received, why, sir, it would bankrupt the whose Southern press.

Colonel Lamar here presented to Colonel Woodruff a pair of handsome hoay salver goblets. Contaming in the centre a Goddless of two shares of King's Mountain Railroad stock were sold at \$8 50 per share."

The Enterprise says: "We think it due to The Enterprise says: "We think it due to a great many creditors in this and other parts of the State, that their liberal and generous course in compromising old debts should be commended as it deserves. We have heard recently of many instances of liberal settlements between parties, and we believe that the disposition to make them has decidedly ingressed of late. Parties have all become increased of late. Parties have all become increased of late. Parties have all become more and more impressed with the reasonable-ness of compromises, and a liberal scaling—public opinion of the people generally, and the advice of the lawyers, all favor them at this time. We have seen that in Anderson the juries brought in verdicts scaling old debts, and were sustained by the approval of the people and the bar. The telling as to such debts will still extend in overy county "according to the ercumstances." A pub ic meeting next sule-day is to be held at the courth use in Greenville, in reference to this important Greenville, in reference to this important matter."

REHIND THE SCEN. S.

Glimpses of Theatre Management-Expense- and Receipts-- 1 a per" Houses-The Stage and the cmpany-Ballet Girls-Tne Compen ation of Dramatic

A writer in the London Daily News gives some interesting details of theatrical management, from which we make a few ex-West End theatre the

nightly expenses average about £70 or £80 and the receipts vary from £30 to £300, according to the success of the entertainments. As a rule the receipts are below the expenses; the loss is made up by some lucky hit, when they are largely in excess. Christmas is the best thea-trical season in the year. Summer is the worst, except when it is wet. In winter, however, Columbia, S. C., February 25, 1869.—The Charleston Election bill was doubly secured in the House to-day. An impression had been made that the action of the House last Friday was illegal for the want of a quorum, and it was determined to have it over again. So this morning the Speaker roused the excitement of the state of the sta the members by the announcement that the Dutsons who have paid for their seats, it has to bill to confirm and declare valid the recent election for Mayor and Alderman, which had oughly to understand the parsimony of the human species, a man must have been the manager of a theatre. His table is covered every morning with letters asking for orders,

all conceivable pretexts.

Everything connected with bringing out a picos is under the control of the stage mana-cer. In a first-class theatre the company cou-sists of at least the following artists: One saits of at least the following artists: One leading man, one legit comedian, two old men, three walking gentlemen, two character across, two low comedians, one leading lady, one of a woman, one young leading lady, one singing chambermaid, one broad chambermaid three walking lacies, utility men, male and female supernumeraries. Salaries of stock across and acrosses vary from £12 to £2. They are by no many control of the legit in the said acrosses. no means easy people to manage. They live in a world apart, and their ideas of their own merits are frequent y at variance with those of the stage manager. No part is too good for any of them, but few parts are good enough. Those who are "cast" in pad parts in a play usually announce their intention to leave rather than play thom, but on reflection they generally think better of their decision. No one, however, will ever play a part a hair's breadth out of his own particular line. If a fi st walking goutleman were asked to play a taird walking gentleman's part, he would be as indignant as an attorney-general were he call-ed upon to defind a pickpocket in a ponce

THE STAGE.

blanagers are often blamed because minor however, help themselves, because go will not play them. Astresses stand even more on their dignry than actors; their mutu-al jealousses expeed even those of the ladies. Audiences must of en have remarked that in barlesques, so grand dances are introduced in demande of the requirement of the situation. The reason usit Smalls introduced the following preamble a sing, or, the Misser, a dance. The great and concurrent resolution, which, on motion of definity in hanging our parles quest is to find actres swill will I y the pert of gi ls. They ad want to be boy, to show their legs, which is mno cases out of ten are padded. The padding is woven into the flesh calored legtings which that war, so that it is almost impossible to de.ect it. THE WARDROBE.

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pourds. Actresses are obliged to find their own bonnets, boots and gloves. Ac ors in prays of modern iffe find their own dress. s. THE BALLEY. Bellet girls are seldom required in a theatre except when burlaques or pantonimes are played. They rec ive about twenty-five suilhigh a week. It is an error to improve that as a role, they are "fist." On the con rary, they are u-unly the daughters or meets of actors, and they work hones ty for a small pit-

Busides the persons already enumerated,

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A play is either paid for by a percentage on the profits, or at a fixed rate per night, or it is bought. It is by no means easy to obtain good ones. The number of bad ones sent to managers is enormous. They are usually written by aspiring authors who know nothing of stage effects. It requires not only talent but a vast amount of technical knowledge to write well for the stage. Managers are almost always obliged to fall back unon experienced dramatic authors, and to accept with gratitude whatever they may offer. Three or five act plays, when not paid for by a percentage on profits, usually cost from £300 to £300, or from £3 to £5 every night they are acted. The price of a cood burlesque varies from £50 to £120. Farces are seldom worth more than £10. Their success usually depends more upon the actors than the author.

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