

Foreign Affairs.

LONDON, January 9.—Brakford Bros., silk dealers, have failed for \$500,000.

American Matters.

LOUISVILLE, January 9.—The train last night broken-railed at Belmont Station.

NEW YORK, January 9.—The officers and ex-officers of the army and navy gave a brilliant reception to Gen. Hancock last night.

CHICAGO, January 8.—A heavy storm of snow, as fine as sand, accompanied by a gale of wind, has prevailed here since 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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ought to endeavor to avoid. General Sickles is instructed in decisive but respectful terms to remonstrate against the apparent failure of Spain to carry into effect the emancipation Act, to which she is committed.

Mr. Fish says the insurrection has now lasted four years. Attempts to suppress it, so far futile, have been made probably at a sacrifice of more than 100,000 lives and an incalculable amount of property.

The Secretary says we certainly have reason to expect that the great strain upon our watchfulness to thwart those schemes, occasioned by the long duration of hostilities in Cuba, should have some termination, though a cessation of the cause which hitherto has been supposed to make it necessary for the discharge of our duties.

The Secretary reminds Gen. Sickles of cases respecting the arrest of citizens of this country, and cases of seizure of estates, which have been referred backward and forward between Madrid and Havana, to the very verge of the exhaustion of all patience.

The Secretary further says to Gen. Sickles: It is hoped that you will present the views above set forth, and the present grievances of which this Government so justly complains, to the Government to which you are accredited, in a way which, without giving offense, will leave a conviction that we are in earnest in the expression of these views, and that we expect redress; and that, if it should not soon be afforded, Spain must not be surprised to find, as the inevitable result of the delay, a marked change in the feeling and in the temper of the people and of the Government of the United States.

Believing that the present Ministry of Spain is in a sufficiently confirmed position of power to carry out the measures which it announces, and the reforms which have been promised, and to do justice by the removal of the causes of our well-founded complaint; and not doubting the sincerity of the assurances which have been given, the United States look confidently for the realization of those hopes, which have been encouraged by repeated promises that all causes for estrangement, or for the interruption of those friendly feelings, which are traditional as they are sincere, on the part of this Government toward Spain, will be speedily and forever removed.

TALLAHASSEE, January 9.—Liberty Billings was elected President of the Senate by the Democrats, with the aid of one Republican vote. A resolution declaring Senator Gilbert elected by bribery, and requesting his resignation, was tabled, by a vote of 26 to 25.

ALBANY, N. Y., January 9.—In the Assembly, to-day, a bill providing for a new charter for New York city was introduced, being that framed by the Republican general committee; also, bills re-organizing the school system of New York city; appointing a Board of Railways; and providing for rapid transit by tunnel from the battery to Harlem River.

NEW YORK, January 9.—Warrants on a new indictment for circulating obscene literature throughout the United States mails were issued this morning against the females Woodhull and Claflin, and the man Blood. The latter was arrested; the others not found. This will prevent the lecture at Cooper Institute to-night, at which trouble was apprehended.

There is much discussion in Republican circles regarding the Louisiana complications. Many favor a joint congressional committee to investigate fully, with a view to report to Congress which is the legitimate State Government.

PHILADELPHIA, January 9.—A father and three children were burned to death by an explosion of a combination fluid, the vapor of which ignited from a stove two yards distant.

INDIANAPOLIS, January 9.—The Legislature has organized. M. L. Edwards is Speaker.

ST. LOUIS, January 9.—M. H. Seudder has been elected President of the Merchants' Exchange.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. LONDON, January 9.—Noon.—The bank rate was reduced 1/8, and is now 4 1/2. Consols 92 1/2 @ 92 1/4, 5 1/8 @ 1/4.

FRANKFURT, January 9.—Bonds 96 3/4. PARIS, January 9.—Rentes 53 1/2. 80c. LIVERPOOL, January 9.—3 P. M.—Cotton opened dull and with a downward tendency—uplands 10 1/4; Orleans 10 1/2; sales 10,000 bales; speculation and export 1,200.

GREENVILLE MOUNTAINERS. Small-pox in Anderson is decreasing.

LIVERPOOL, January 9.—Evening.—Cotton closed dull, with a downward tendency—uplands 10 1/4 @ 10 1/2; Orleans 10 1/2 @ 10 1/4; sales include 4,000 bales American.

NEW YORK, January 9.—Noon.—Cotton quiet; sales 529 bales—uplands 20 1/2; Orleans 20 1/2. Flour firm. Wheat quiet. Corn steady. Pork quiet and firm—new 14.00. Lard quiet—steam 7 1/2. Freight quiet. Stocks dull. Money firm, at 7. Gold dull, at 12 1/2. Exchange—long 9 1/2; short 10 1/2. Governments dull but steady. State bonds very quiet.

7 P. M.—Sales of futures 11,850 bales: January 19 3/4, 19 1/2; February 19 11-16, 19 1/2; March 19 1/2, 20 1/4; April 20 3/4, 20 1/2-16; May 20 3/4, 20 3/4; June 21 1/4, 21 1/2; July 21 1/2, 21 1/2. Money 7 and a fraction. Commission. Sterling 9 1/2. Gold 12 1/2 @ 12 1/2. Governments 1/2 @ 1/2 c. better. States quiet; Tennessee firm. Cotton quiet and steady; sales 1,642 bales—uplands 20 1/2; Orleans 21 1/2. Flour in limited demand and unchanged. Whiskey decidedly firmer. Pork and beef dull and nominal.

BALTIMORE, January 9.—Flour firm and unchanged. Wheat quiet—choice white and amber 2 15 @ 2.25. Corn quiet—white 65 @ 67; yellow 63 @ 64. Oats 50 @ 52. Provisions firm. Whiskey 93 1/2 @ 94. Cotton firm—middling 20 1/2; receipts 136 bales; sales 260; stock 9,763.

CINCINNATI, January 9.—Flour and corn firm and unchanged. Lard steady. Bacon steady, but 1/2 c. lower to come out of smoke. Whiskey firm, at 89.

NORFOLK, January 9.—Cotton dull—low middling 18 1/2 @ 18 3/4; receipts 2,214 bales; sales 100; stock 12,227.

NEW ORLEANS, January 9.—Cotton in fair demand and steady—good ordinary 17 1/2 @ 17 1/2; low middling 18 1/2 @ 18 1/2; middling 19 1/2 @ 19 1/2; receipts 8,625 bales; sales 5,000; stock 164,093.

CHARLESTON, January 9.—Cotton dull—middling 19; receipts 2,293 bales; sales 4.0; stock 45,222.

MOBILE, January 9.—Cotton dull—good ordinary 17 1/2; low middling 18 1/2; middling 19; receipts 1,179 bales; sales 500; stock 38,901.

BOSTON, January 9.—Cotton quiet—middling 21; receipts 97 bales; sales 300; stock 5,500.

GALVESTON, January 9.—Cotton unsettled—good ordinary 17 1/2; receipts 2,439 bales; sales 500; stock 78,313.

AUGUSTA, January 9.—Cotton dull and nominal—middling 19; receipts 57 bales; sales 726.

PHILADELPHIA, January 9.—Cotton quiet—middling 20 1/2.

SAVANNAH, January 9.—Cotton dull; good grades scarce—good ordinary 18 1/2; low middling 19; middling 19 1/2; receipts 3,136 bales; sales 2,020; stock 76,790.

ABBEVILLE ITEMS.—We clip from the Medium and Press and Banner: DEDICATION OF NEW COURT HOUSE.—The first public meeting in the hall of the new Court House was held on last Sabbath morning. A sermon was preached by the Rev. N. R. Pratt to the members of the Baptist Church in this place.

The whole front walls of the four stores lately burnt on Granite Range fell with a tremendous crash, on Sunday evening last, sweeping away every obstacle in its way. It is providential that the walls fell on Sunday, as it would have probably caused destruction of life had it taken place on a sale-day, when the streets were crowded.

Mrs. Lucinda Branyan died of small-pox, at her home, near Donaldville, in this County, on last Sunday night. Mrs. Branyan was about fifty years of age, a true Christian woman, and died lamented by many who knew her.

STATE LEGISLATURE. THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 1873. SENATE.

The Senate met at 12 M., President Cleaves in the Chair. Prayer by Rev. B. B. Babbitt.

The House sent to the Senate concurrent resolution that the two Houses meet in joint assembly on Saturday, January 11, at 1 P. M., to elect a Judge of Eighth Judicial Circuit, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Hon. James L. Orr. Amended by inserting Tuesday, 14th.

The House also sent to Senate bills to incorporate the Irish Rifle Club, of Charleston; to provide for the relinquishment to the United States, in certain cases, of titles to lands for light stations on the coasts and waters of this State.

Mr. Cardozo, from Committee on Charitable Institutions, reported favorably on a bill for the better protection of religious worship.

Mr. Cain introduced a bill to investigate and report upon the outstanding liabilities of the County of Edgefield.

Mr. Nash introduced bills to change the name of Henry Hash to Henry Hash Shiver; to amend an Act entitled "An Act for the protection and preservation of useful animals."

Mr. Whittemore sent to the chair a concurrent resolution to require the Sinking Fund Commissioners to report their transactions to the General Assembly, including sales, and how the receipts have been applied to the liquidation of the State debt, the report to be made within twenty days after the same is passed.

Mr. Olin introduced a bill to incorporate the town of Due West.

Mr. Jeter introduced a resolution that the time for the collection of the present taxes be extended to the 1st of March next; but it was afterwards withdrawn.

The Speaker of the House attended in the Senate chamber, when the following joint resolutions were duly ratified: To authorize the County Commissioners of Abbeville to levy and collect an additional tax of two mills upon the dollar; to authorize the levy and collection of a special tax to pay the past indebtedness of Kershaw.

A bill to repeal Sections 55 and 56 of Chapter CXX, Title 4, of the Act for revising and consolidating the General Statutes of the State, approved February 10, 1872, after considerable debate, was engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Wilson introduced bills to allow Mr. H. Wynn to change his name to Wm. B. Brockman; to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Townsville, in the County of Anderson," approved March 13, 1872.

Mr. Jervy introduced a bill to empower the City Council of Charleston to establish a house of refuge and industrial school, and to make ordinances for the government of the same.

Mr. Johnston introduced a bill to regulate the disbursement of the public moneys in the several Counties of the State.

Mr. Smalls introduced a bill to fund the debt of Beaufort County.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The House met at 12 M., Speaker Lee in the Chair. Prayer by Rev. E. J. Adams.

Mr. Rice—Joint resolution to supplement the bond of the County Treasurer of Union County.

Mr. Levy—Bills to encourage the manufacture of cotton and woolen fabrics in the State; to limit the appointment of Notaries Public for the city of Charleston.

Mr. Rosemon—Bill to empower the City Council of Charleston to establish a House of Refuge and Industrial School, and to make ordinances for the government of the same.

Mr. John Wallace—Bill to repeal an Act to revise and simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of courts in this State, and all Acts and parts of Acts amendatory thereto, and to establish others in lieu thereof.

Mr. Grant—Bills to repeal an Act to establish an Inferior Court in the city of Charleston, and for other purposes; to divide the State into five congressional districts.

Mr. Humbert—Bill to incorporate the Florence Educational Association.

Mr. Cain presented the petition of certain citizens of Abbeville County, requesting the General Assembly to pass a joint resolution requesting County Commissioners not to enforce the payment of the bond of L. E. Russell, Treasurer of Abbeville, as also the sureties upon said bond, the said Russell's office having been robbed.

Mr. Artson offered a resolution, requesting the State Treasurer to inform the General Assembly what amount of the appropriation made for repairs to the Military Hall in Charleston have been expended, and why the said hall has not been repaired according to the resolutions.

Mr. Levy, by consent, withdrew from the files of the House the account of ex Attorney-General Hayne.

Mr. Humbert introduced a resolution, that the House meet at 11 A. M. and adjourn at 4 P. M.

Mr. Keith introduced a resolution to authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to purchase twenty tons of coal for the use of the House.

Mr. Sperry, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as ready for passage a bill to cede jurisdiction to the United States a certain lot of land in Darlington County, known as the National Cemetery.

Mr. Lilly introduced a resolution to authorize the Attorney-General to investigate as to all payments made by Niles G. Parker, late Treasurer, and as to all moneys received by him.

Mr. Minor introduced a concurrent resolution to examine into all the outstanding debts and pay certificates due by the late Treasurer, N. G. Parker, to audit the same, and to authorize the present State Treasurer not to pay any of said claims.

A bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act for the protection and preservation of useful animals," was discussed up to the hour of 3 P. M., when the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

UNITED STATES COURT.—CHARLESTON, January 8.—In the suit of George Little & Co. against the steamship Georgia, for recovery of damages for detention of goods, a warrant of arrest against the ship was issued, returnable on the 15th instant, to be discharged on the entering of stipulations to answer the suit.

Edwin R. White, of Charleston, was finally discharged from bankruptcy.

The Atlanta Herald's report of the disaster on the Macon and Western Railroad, January 2, says: "A sad incident was the father and husband sitting on the same seat for four long hours with his dead wife and children, unable to move any part of himself (being so completely fencod in) except one hand, and with this he could reach over and touch her, knowing that she was dead."

A disease has broken out among the cats in Springfield. Some tyro in word-making calls it "catalepsis ocataracta," which is not good even for a first attempt. The symptoms of the malady are a swelling of the head, dimness of the sight, and a general paralysis of the body, but there is no hope that it will be generally fatal.

According to the Times, of India, the cotton crop in Turkistan is said to have failed this year. Formerly about 150,000 bales were sent to Russia, but this year only 60,000 have been sent. The merchants of Samarkand and Tadjikund have advanced money for the cultivation of cotton next year.

The town of Carlisle, Ky., on the Mayaville and Lexington Railroad, was nearly destroyed by fire on Saturday night. The fire broke out in Masonic block. The total loss is estimated at \$100,000, on which there is very little insurance.

Mayor Havemeyer is in favor of "plenty of elections, once a year, for all the offices—that shakes 'em up, you know," don't believe in commissions, and says that six or seven millions have been stolen at Albany—"the whole sinking fund."

It is thought in Salt Lake City that Brigham Young will never pass another summer above ground. When he dies, thirty-seven widows will mourn his loss, and 117 children will be fatherless.

The proprietor of the barn which was set on fire in capturing Wilkes Booth has petitioned Congress to pay him the value of the destroyed property.

A Madison County, Ga., farmer picked 758 pounds of lint cotton from one acre of land.

Auction Sales. Auction Sale of Material. By JACOB LEVIN, Auctioneer. WILL be sold, at public sale, on MONDAY NEXT, 15th instant, in front of the New Market, on Assembly street, the BRICK, IRON, STONE and WOOD WORK of said Market. Each kind of material will be sold separately. By order Council.

Director's Meeting. THE President of the Auxiliary Joint Stock Company desires the Directors of the Company to meet him at my office on WEDNESDAY next, the 15th January, at 4 P. M. B. O. SHIVER, Secretary pro tem.

Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F. THE regular meeting of this Lodge will be held in Masonic Hall, THIS (Friday) EVENING, at 7 o'clock. By order of the N. G. B. B. MCKAY, Secretary.

Notice to Merchants, Dealers and Professional Men. BY resolution adopted in Council, January 8, 1873, the City Treasurer was instructed to rigidly enforce the ordinance concerning the payment of LICENSES in this city for 1873. This is to notify all parties concerned that the instructions of the Council will be strictly carried out. OHAS. BARNUM, City Treasurer.

Notice. THE regular monthly meeting of the Columbia Dancing Club will be held THIS EVENING, the 10th inst., at 8 o'clock, at the Carolina National Bank. Members are requested to attend, as business of importance will be transacted. G. M. WALKER, Secretary.

Mortgage Sale. BY virtue of an authority in a certain chattel mortgage to me given, I will sell, before the Court House in Columbia, on MONDAY, the 3d of February next, one Black Horse MULE and one WAGON, seized under said mortgage. Terms cash. GEORGE E. T. WINDSOR, Mortgages.

To Farmers. WE desire to contract for 300 or 400 cords of BLACK or RED OAK BARK, to be delivered in Columbia, or at any point of shipment on any of the railroads leading here. We will contract for the whole amount or any portion of it; and where parties have the timber, but do not desire to get the bark, we will buy the trees standing and strip them ourselves. For further particulars, address us at Columbia. JOHN WATIES & CO.

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