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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1867.

Final Passage of the Military Reconstruction Bill.

Conoress resumed its consideration of the bill for the government of the Rebel States yesterday, and finally passed it with amendments.

We have followed the course of this bill from its introduction to the present time, but a brief review of its history may serve to give our readers a clearer idea of it.

The bill, as originally introduced by Mr. Stevens, was merely a police bill, dividing the Rebel States into five military districts, and subjecting them to the military authority of the United States. It made it the duty of the General of the army to assign the commanders to these districts, and restricted the power of the judicial authorities of the United States to grant writs of habeas corpus in behalf of persons in military custody. In this shape the bill passed the House of Representatives, Mr. Blaine having vainly endeavored to attach to it a scheme of quasi reconstruction.

The bill, after consideration in the Senate, was passed by that body, with amendments giving to the President the assignment of commanders for the Military Districts provided for in the bill, dropping the section in regard to the habeas corpus, providing that no sentence of death should be executed without the approval of the President, and adding a scheme of reconstruction essentially similar to that offered by Mr. Blaine in the House.

The bill was now returned to the House, where a motion to concur in the Senate's amendments was voted down, a majority of the Republicans voting to concur, but being outvoted by the united votes of the Democrats and of the Republican minority, led by Mr. Stevens. The House then voted to non-concur in the Senate's amendments, and asked a committee of conference.

The Senate again took up the bill, adhered to its amendments, and refused a committee of conference.

The bill was again returned to the House, but so much time had now been consumed, that but few hours remained in which a bill could be sent to the President, and not encounter the liability of being killed by a pocket veto. The Democrats began to filibuster to consume these few hours, and the House adjourned to yesterday. The consideration of the bill was resumed yesterday, and the Senate amendments were concurred in, with the following additional amendment by the House, viz., an amendment to the fifth section, pro-

"That no person excluded from the privilege of holding office by the said proposed amend ment to the Constitution of the United States, shall be eligible to election as a member of the convention to frame a constitution for any of the said Rebel States; nor shall any such person vote for members of such convention.'

And a new section enacting:-'That, until the people of the said Rebel States shall be by law admitted to representation in the Congress of the United States, any civil governments that may exist therein shall be deemed provisional only, and shall be in all respects subject to the paramount authority of the United States at any time to abolish, modify, control, or supersede the same, and in all elections to any office under such provisional governments, all persons shall be entitled to vote, and none others, who are entitled to vote under the provisions of the fifth section of this

act; and no person shall be eligible to any office under such provisional governments who would be disqualified from holding office under the provisions of the third article of said Constitu-tional amendment." The bill, as thus amended, passed the House by a strict party vote of 125 yeas to 41 nays.

The Senate immediately took it up, and concurred in the amendments of the House by a vote of 35 yeas to 7 nays, Reverdy Johnson, of Maryland, voting for it on the ground that he saw in it a mode of rescuing the country from the perils that now threaten it, not because he approved of it in any particular.

The bill now goes to the President for his action. As there are not ten days, exclusive of Sundays, between the passage of the bill and the expiration of the session, he can kill the bill by neglecting to sign it; or he can veto t and return it immediately, which would allow of its being repassed over his veto; or he can veto it near the close of the session, when, by filibustering, action upon the veto could be staved off until the expiration of the session. We think the President will pocket the bill.

Life Insurance.

MRS. WARREN, in her sensible little book on housekeeping, which has attracted attention on both sides of the water, enumerates in the foremost rank of the necessary expenses of a family, a certain annual sum for a pelicy of life insurance. If the necessity of laying aside for this distinct purpose a fair proportion of every man's income could but be impressed on the head of every family, the destitution, abject penury, and breaking hearts which are now so common would be, to a great extent, avoided. We earnestly wish that we could lend to our readers a part of our conviction that it is one of the great duties of a husband and father to see that those dependent on him during life shall not suffer after his death. We do not write in behalf of any company. We do not advocate any special plan of insurance; but we seek to impress on all who read our words that they owe it to their families to at once provide for that unavoidable exigency, an unexpected decease. The Bible declares that he who neglects to provide for his family is worse than the infidel. We all know in what light a man stands who allows his family to be in want while he lives. The respect of the world is meted out to a citizen in proportion as he surrounds his offspring

with that protecting care which all laws, human and divine, impose upon a father. Yet many of the most faithful of our people, men who, during life, would shrink with soorn from the thought of letting their loved ones want, will unaccountably neglect to provide for the support of their families when they are called to their long account. When we think of the uncertainty of life, when no man knows when he leaves his home in the morning that he will return again at night, we stand amazed at this gross negligence of these otherwise cautious men. Merchants and men of business, who provide continually for the failure of an enterprise or the occurrence of an unanticipated event, go through life as though they were immortal, and as though they would ever be here to watch over and support their families.

We hold it to be a duty on the part of every man to set aside part of the receipts of the year to pay for his policy of insurance. The poor man can save but little, and as during his life his family are not accustomed to live in elegance, so only need the state of his finances, at his death, afford the ordinary styles of living for his family when he is gone. A small policy will be as much to them as a larger one to a family accustomed to all the conveniences of life. Let the rich man also provide according to his means. While the laborer cannot afford to secure more than a few thousands, the rich man can secure more; for although he may, at the present time, justly anticipate a rich legacy for his heirs, a sudden turn of the wheel of fortune may leave him a beggar and his children penniless. There is no more secure investment than a policy of insurance. We know it is stated that many of the companies are bogus, and will defraud those who invest in them. Such may be, and doubtless is, true of some, but the very large majority of these institutions are thoroughly reliable. Their reputation depends on their promptly meeting claims whose justice even is doubtful, rather than let public confidence be impaired by an exposure. The picture engraved on the policies of some of the associations, of the agent of an association paying to the widow and children the funds which raise them from penury to ease, is not a fancy sketch. It is a reality which occurs every day, and hundreds of thousands of families rise up and bless the foresight which induced the father to see that they be not left destitute by his death. The grief at the loss of the head of a family is enough to be endured, without the additional agony of being in doubt as from whence their daily bread will be secured. Let, then, each of our readers who has not already attended to this essential duty, avoid delaying it a single day. None know how soon they may be removed, or what disaster may overtake them. Let each then prepare for a catastrophe, and see that when death or failure arrives, those they love more than themselves are not left both destitute and desolate.

THE MULDER YESTERDAY.—The true cause of the fearful tragedy enacted yesterday in the Court of Quarter Sessions, is to be laid at the door of the inefficiency of jury trials. The distracted father, feeling confident that the proper punishment would not be meted out to the prisoner by a jury, took vengeance in his own hands, and the community was startled by another dreadful murder. As long as the present system of jurors continues, so long will every injured man dread to let justice be meted out under the rule. The acquittals of murderer sin direct opposition to facts; the find ing of manslaughter where wilful homicide was clearly established; in fact, the unreliability of a Quarter Sessions jury, is producing a feeling in the community against the whole system. The trial by peers was doubtless an admirable institution in the days of the Magna Charta but the peers of gentlemen will not serve on modern juries; and to-day we would rather have a case decided by a bench, where ignorance certainly does not rule, and where there can be no greater partiality than is found under the present arrangement.

The Storm Predicted.

The heavy fall of snow that is now taking place was predicted some time since by Professor Agassiz, who declared, at the cessation of the January storm, that the heaviest snow storm of the winter was yet to come. Professor Agassiz has been made responsible for more things than he ever dreamed of, but if he actually predicted the present storm, it is evident that he would be an acquisition to a weather almanac-maker.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING,-JOY, COE & CO. Agents for the "TELEGRAPH." and Newspaper Press of the whole country, have RE-MOVED from FIFTH and CHESNUT Streets to No. 144 S. SIXTH Street, second door above WALNUT. OFFICES:-No. 144 S. SINTH Street, Philadelphia TRIBUNE BUILDINGS, New York. 730 pp EV. THOS. ARMITAGE, D. D., T IS

EVENING at 7% o'clock. Subject—"Immerse versus Raptize," in Second Baptist Church, NEW MARKET Street, above Poplar. PHILADELPHIA UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY.—The Commencement session 1808-7, will be held at MUSICAL FUND HALL, on SATURDAY, 2nd inst., at 12 o'clock M. Proessor James McClintock, M. D., will give the Valedictory Lecture. The public are invited. Beck's Band will be in attendance.

WILLIAM PAINE, M. D.,

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Dean of the Faculty.

LECTURE. - REV. JOS. S. C. OPER, D. D., will repeat his Lecture on "SCENES AND INCIDENTS OF A TRIP TO CALIFORNIA." in the SIXTH U. P. CHURCH, RACE Stree', above Twenty-first in THURSDAY EVENING, February 21. Tickets, 25 cents. Proceeds for the bene it of the Sabbath School. 2 19tuta2ts

GIRARD COLLEGE.

Notice is hereby given that a vacancy exists in this Institution in the Professorship of "INDUSTRIAL SCIENCE."

(Natural Philosophy and Chemistry, as applied especially to the arts), and that applications for the position will be received by the undersigned until the lat of March next, Salary, \$220 per annum.

HENRY W. AREY. Secretary Girard College, No. 257 South NINTH Street

SPECIAL NOTICES.

NOTICE,—FRIDAY NEXT BEING the BIRTHDAY of WASHINGTON, which, by a statute of the State, is made a HOLIDAY, the offices of the under-pained INSURANCE COMPANIES will be CLOSED ON THAT DAY:—PHILADELPHIA, February 19, 1867.

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In pursuance of a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Wilmington and Reading Railroad Company, passed February S, 1867, notice is hereby given that the whole amount of the Capital Stock of the said Company, to wit, the sum of eight bundred thousand dolls rs. has been subscribed, and that the sum of ten per cent, thereof has become due and payable; and the subscribers thereto are hereby notified and required to pay to the Treasurer of the said Company the said sum of ten per cent, upon the amount of their respective subscriptions. Subscriptions.

Notice is also given that the Annual Meeting of the Suckholders of the said Company will be held at the Bingham House, in the city of Philadelphia, on the fourth day of March next, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M., for the purpose of electing thirteen Directors, and of transacting such other business as may come before it and that at the said election no person shall be entitled to vote unless the said instalment of ten per cent, shall have been paid.

W. S. HILLES, Secretary.

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OFFICE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY.

PHILADELPHIA, February 19, 1867.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The Annual Election for Directors of this Company will be held on MONDAY, the 4th day of March, 1867, at the Office of the Company, No. 238 South THIRD Street. The polls will be opened from 10 oclock A. M. until 6 o'clock P. M. No Share or Shares transferred winth sixty days preceding the election will entitle the holder or holders thereof to vote.

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CHANGE,

PHILADELPHIA, February II, 1867.

NOTICE.

The Annual Mee ing of the Stockholders of the Tramont Coal Company will be held at No. 16 Philadelphia Exchange. In the city of Philadelphia, on TUESDAY, the twenty-sixth day of February, at 12 o'clock M., at which time and place the Annual Election for President and Directors, to serve the ensuing year, will be held.

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IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR THE CITY IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA.

Estate of WILLIAM W. SMITH, Deceased.

The Auditor appointed by the Court to audit, settle, and adjust the account of SAPIO SEWELL, Excentor of the last will and testament of WILLIAM W. SMITH, deceased, and to report dustribution of the balance in the hands of the accountant, will meet the parties interested for the purpose of his appointment, on MONDAY, the 4th day of March, 1857, at 4 o'clock P. M., at his office, No. 402 WALNUT Street, in the city of Philadelphia.

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PENNSYLVANIA STATE LOAN.

PROPOSALS FOR A LOAN

\$23,000,000.

AN ACT TO CREATE A LOAN FOR THE REDEMITION OF THE OVERDUE BONDS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Whereas, The bonds of the Commonwealth and certain certificates of indebtedness, amounting to TWENTY-THREE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, have been overdue and unpaid for some time past:

And whereas, It is desirable that the same should be paid, and withdrawn from the market;

should be paid, and withdrawn from the market; therefore, Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same. That the Governor, Auditor-General, and State Treasurer be, and are hereby, authorized and empowered to borrow, on the faith of the Commonwealth, in such amounts and with such notice (not less than forty days) as they may deem most expedient for the interest of the State, twenty-three millions of dollars, and issue certificates of loan or bonds of the Commonwealth for the same, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the 1st of February and 1st of August, in the city of Philadelphia; which certificates of loan or bonds shall not be subject to any taxation whatever, for State, municipal, or local purposes, and shall be payable as follows, namely:—Five millions of dollars payable at any time after five years, and within ten years; eight millions of dollars payable at any time after five years, and within ten years; and ten millions of dollars at any time after fifteen years, and within twenty-five years; and shall be signed by the Governor and State Treasurer, and countersigned by the Auditor-General, and registered in the books of the Commonwealth, at the

the Auditor-General, and to be transferable on the books of the Commonwealth, at the Farmers' and Mechanics' National Bank of Philadelphia; the proceeds of the whole of which; loan, including premiums, etcetera, received on the same, shall be applied to the payment of the bonds and certificates of indebtedness of the Commonwealth.

Section 2. The bids for the said loan shall be opened in the presence of the Governor, Auditor-General, and State Treasurer, and awarded to the highest bidder: Provided, That no certificate bereby authorized to be issued shall be negotiated for less than its par value.

Section 3 The bonds of the State and certificates of indebtedness, now overdue, shall be receivable in payment of the said loan, under such regulations as the Governor, Auditor-General, and State Treasurer may prescribe.

the Auditor-General, and to be transferable or

General, and State Treasurer may prescribe; and every bidder for the loan now authorized to be issued, shall state in his bid whether the same is payable in cash or in the bonds, or certificates of ind btedness of the Common-

Section 4. That allstrustees, executors, administraiors, guardians, agents, treasurers, com-mittees, or other persons, holding, in a fidu-clary capacity, bonds or certificates of indebt-edness of the State or moneys, are hereby authorized to bid for the loan hereby authorized to be issued, and to surrender the bonds or certificates of loan held by them at the time of making such bid, and to receive the bonds authorized to be issued by this act.

authorized to be issued by this act.
Section 5. Any person or persons standing in
the fiduciary capacity stated in the fourth section of this act, who may desire to invest
money in their hands for the benefit of the
trust, may, without any order of court, invest
the same in the bonds authorized to be issued
by this act, at a rate of premium not exceeding twenty per centum. ing twenty per centum.
Section 6. That from and after the passage of
this act, all the bonds of this Commonwealth
shall be paid off in the order of their maturity.

Section 7. That all loans of this Commonwealth, not yet due, shall be exempt from State, municipal, or local taxation, after the interest due February 1st, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, shall have been Section 8. That all existing laws, or portions

thereof, inconsistent herewith, are hereby re-JOHN P. GLASS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

L. W. HALL,

Speaker of the Second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

JOHN W. GEARY.

In accordance with the provisions of the above act of Assembly, sealed proposals will be received at the Office of the State Treasurer in the city of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, until 12 o'clock M., of the 1st day of April, A. D. 1867, to be endorsed as follows:—'Proposals for Pennsylvania State Loan,' Treasury Department, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, United States of America.

Bids will be received for \$5,000,000, reimbursable in five years and payable in ten years;

ble in five years and payable in ten years; \$8,000,000, reimbursable in ten years, and payable in fifteen years; and \$10,000,000, reimbursable in fifteen years and payable in twenty-five years. The rate of interest to be either five or six per cent. per annum, which must be explicitly stated in the bid, and the bids most advantageous to the State will be accepted. No bid for less than par will be considered. The bonds will be issued in sums of \$50, and such higher sums as desired by the loaners, to be free from State local and municipal taxes.

State, local, and municipal taxes.

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