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THE EVENING TELEGRAPH, from its original establishment, has been in the receipt of telegraphic news from the New York Associated Press, which consists of the Tribune, Times, Herald, World, Sun, Journal of Commerce, Evening Post, Commercial Advertiser, and Evening Express. The success which has attended our enterprise is, in itself, a sufficient evidence of the freshness, fullness, and reliability of the news which we have received from this source.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS DESPATCHES The discussions arising from the false report of the arrival of the steamship City of Boston at Queenstown have awakened an unusual degree of public interest in the whole subject of the supply of telegraphic news to the daily journals. We have, therefore, deemed this a fitting occasion to explain the position of THE EVENING TELEGRAPH in this matter, more especially as its relative advantages in obtaining and promptly publishing the very latest intelligence from all portions of this and other countries have recently been greatly improved, and it is right that readers and advertisers should be apprised of the character of the arrangements upon which our unquestionable vantage-ground over all afternoon contemporaries is based.

NITRO-GLYCERINE. An explosion of nitro-glycerine occurred on Wednesday near Ridgely, New Jersey, which was only less destructive to life and property than some other similar disasters because the opportunities were not so great. As it was, the disaster was of sufficient moment to increase the dread of this terrible compound, and to induce the query as to whether more stringent laws ought not to be made and enforced with rigor for the protection of those who are obliged in any way to come in contact with such an agent of slaughter.

OBITUARY. Gullan C. Verplanck. The death of Hon. Gullan C. Verplanck, a well-known author and politician, is announced as having taken place yesterday evening in New York City. Mr. Verplanck was born in that city in August, 1786, and was consequently in his eighty-fourth year at the time of his decease. He entered on his collegiate studies in Columbia College when he was but twelve years old, and graduated in 1801. He then studied law for the sake of study only, and was admitted to the bar after which he practiced for several years.

At the time of his death, he was Vice-Chancellor of the University of the State, and had held the office of Registrar forty-one years. In this he was the successor of Matthew Clarkson, an incumbent of forty years' standing.

us at such an hour that, while we can print and circulate it in our later editions, it cannot be used by the Bulletin or furnished to its readers, except on the following day. It is natural, perhaps, that the Bulletin, since it has been forced into this strait, should deny the value of Associated Press despatches. But it displays questionable taste in denouncing them on the one hand and systematically copying them on the other, and among those who understand this subject, the course it is now pursuing will not assist, in the slightest degree, its efforts to extricate itself from its present dilemma.

THE INCOME TAX. Tax income tax is certainly the most onerous and unpleasant that could possibly be imposed, and it has only been submitted to with any degree of patience from the supposition that it was a necessary war measure that would cease as soon as possible after the occasion that made it necessary. Admitting that it was and is a necessity, it is obviously the duty of the Government to render its collection as little burdensome and inconvenient to the citizens as possible. It is unfortunately the case, however, that many of the assessors and collectors behave towards those who are compelled to transact business with them as if they were the masters rather than the servants of the public. Some of these men are boorish and insolent in their demeanor almost beyond endurance, and even those who have in some degree the manners of gentlemen take very little pains to be accommodating. Many of the assessors only keep their offices open between the hours of 9 A. M. and 1 P. M., just when most men cannot leave their business without great inconvenience and loss of time and money. Others are gracious enough to receive the returns between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock in the evening on one evening in the week, apparently thinking thereby that they are making a great concession, for which the miserable wretches who are unfortunate enough to have taxable incomes ought to be sufficiently grateful. The collectors, for their part, show a fastidiousness about the cleanliness of the United States legal-tenders that are offered them that is unheard of in the ordinary pursuits of business, and they refuse to accept notes that are in any way torn or that show marks of rough usage in the good cause of sustaining the Government credit, no matter how plainly their genuineness may be apparent. It is certainly high time that there was some remedy for this sort of thing, and the gentlemen who are employed to assess and collect this burdensome tax made to show some slight regard for the convenience and rights of those who are obliged to have business relations with them.

THE METHOD OF VOTING at present in vogue in England will, in all probability, be changed before another election to that of the ballot as it is in this country. Most English politicians of the radical school attach great importance to this device for registering votes, and it is feared that they are destined to discover that the ingenuity of man is quite capable of carrying on frauds, intimidation, bribery, or anything else, in front of the ballot-box. But the privilege of secret voting has been very highly prized by the radicals, and it is impossible to deny it to them much longer.

THE NAVIGATION and Commerce of the United States. The monthly report number 5, current series, of the Bureau of Statistics, on the commerce and navigation of the United States, sets forth our imports from and exports and re-exports to foreign countries, during the month of November, 1869, and the eleven months ending the same, compared with the corresponding periods of 1868, as follows:—

Table with columns for Month ended Nov, 1869, 1868, and 1869, and sub-columns for Imports, Exports, and Re-Exports. Includes sub-tables for American vessels and Foreign vessels.

THE EVE OF SPECIE PAYMENTS. THERE is a degree of fragrance about the news from Baltimore. We are informed that the Franklin Bank of that place has commenced paying coin for its own notes, which although but a resumption of specie payments in a small way, yet it is pleasant to hear of. It is the forerunner of heavier and more important movements in the same direction, and tells the death knell of the jobbers and speculators in gold. Business transactions all around us indicate that the people are ready, nay, anxious to return to a specie basis, and will welcome the jingle of coin for change. Now, let us have Mr. Sumner's bill passed and made a law without delay. Let the issue of paper currency below twenty-five cents be stopped immediately, and by the 1st of July we will be ready to clear the market of all notes of less than one dollar in value. With the silver already in the country, and that which is constantly arriving from one source or another, we have an abundant supply; it is too heavy for speculation to carry. Pass Mr. Sumner's bill and specie payments will follow.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES. CLINTON STREET CHURCH, TENTH STREET, below Spruce. Rev. Dr. MEADES will preach to-morrow at 10 1/2 A. M., and Rev. Dr. WISWELL at 7 1/2 P. M. Subject for evening, "The True Rule of Success in Life." All persons cordially invited.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH, SEVENTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BROAD STREET and PENNY MOON CHURCH, will continue to receive and preach to the children, singing by the Sunday School. The next service at 10 A. M.

ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCH, TWENTY-THIRD and CHERRY STREETS. During Lent service and sermon every Wednesday and Sunday evening at 7 1/2 o'clock. Sermons free. Service to-morrow 7 1/2 o'clock.

REV. C. WADSWORTH, D. D. Pastor, will preach to-morrow, in the THIRD STREET Church, at 10 1/2 A. M. and 7 1/2 P. M.

OFFICE OF THE SECOND AVENUE RAILROAD COMPANY. The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Second Avenue Railroad Company, for the election of Directors and Officers, will be held on MONDAY, April 19, 1870, at 2 o'clock P. M., at the office of the Company, No. 20 Broadway, New York City.

OFFICE OF THE WESTMORELAND COAL COMPANY. The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Westmoreland Coal Company will be held at 2 o'clock P. M., when an election will be held for eleven Directors to serve during the ensuing year.

REMARKS ON THE STATE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA, TREASURY DEPARTMENT. The interest maturing on the Bonds of the State of South Carolina, will be paid in gold, on demand, on and after April 1, at the banking-house of H. H. KIMPEL, No. 4 NASSAU STREET, New York.

WARDALE G. MCALLISTER, Attorney and Counselor at Law, No. 201 BROADWAY, New York.

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THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE RISTOW RAILROAD COMPANY AND NORFOLK DIVISION OF THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY. The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Ristow Railroad Company will be held at 2 o'clock P. M., when an election will be held for eleven Directors to serve during the ensuing year.

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SPECIAL OPENING. J. M. HAFLEIGH, Nos. 1012 and 1014 CHESNUT STREET, WILL EXHIBIT On MONDAY, March 21, A Full and Complete Stock of DRESS GOODS, SILKS, LACES, EMBROIDERIES, Etc., Purchased during the late depression, and will be SOLD AT LESS THAN GOLD COST.

SPECIAL NOTICES. OPENING OF SPRING OVERCOATS AT JOHN WANAMAKER'S, MONDAY MORNING, March 21. A very large and very beautiful assortment made in NEW SPRING STYLES OF WULFINGS, GRANITES, CARR'S FINISHED MELTONS, CREEPS, LONDON COATINGS, LIGHT WRIGHT DEVONSHIRE KERSEYS, CUBAN TWEEDS, TRICOT LONDES, And many other new materials. Gentlemen are invited to look through our stock and post themselves in the spring styles of Overcoats.

JOHN WANAMAKER, FINEST CLOTHING ESTABLISHMENT, Nos. 518 and 520 CHESNUT STREET. ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS, NO. 106 CHESNUT STREET. SHERIDAN'S RIDE, LIFE-SIZE PAINTING BY THE FINEST ARTIST, T. BUCHANAN READ. THIRD WEEK OF THE EXHIBITION. GALLERIES THROUGHOUD DAY AND EVENING. OVER 30,000 VISITORS.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MUSIC. THE STAR COURSE OF LECTURES. HUMOROUS LECTURE BY JOHN G. SAXE, ON MONDAY EVENING, March 21. Subject—FRENCH FOLKS AT HOME. At the conclusion of the Lecture, Mr. SAXE will recite (by request) from his new work "THE PROUD MISS McBRIDE" and "THE PRESS."

CITY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, No. 213 S. FIFTH STREET, PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 26, 1870. The act of Assembly approved April 23, 1868, requires that all keepers of Hotels, Restaurants and other selling Liquor by measure than one quart shall make application at this office for Licenses in the month of March only, as required by law. The law in this respect will be strictly enforced.

OFFICE OF THE WESTMORELAND COAL COMPANY, No. 201 BROADWAY, New York. The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Westmoreland Coal Company will be held at 2 o'clock P. M., when an election will be held for eleven Directors to serve during the ensuing year.

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