TWELVE O'CLOCK, M.

HARRISBURG.

Proceedings of the Legislature-Large Number of Bills Passed - The Thayer- Greenbank Contested Election Case—Registry Bill—The Constitutional Amendment.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)
HARRISBURG, March 23, 1869. SENATE. HOUSE BILTA PASSED.

The following House bills were passed Relating to the assessment of city taxes in Meadville.

Legalizing bountles paid to volunteers of East Deer township. Allegheny county. -For the draining of Pymatuning marsh, Authorizing the School Board of Pine township, Armstrong county, to pay its bounty indebtedness.

Exempting certain citizens of Jefferson township, Butler county, from payment of bounty tax.

Preventing cattle, horses, mules, sheep.

goats and swine from running at large in Sugar Grove and Freehold townships, Warren county, and Plum township, Venaugo county.
Providing for the payment of damages

awarded the Armstrong Agricultural so-dety, and executors of Daniel Reynolds, deceased, George Dodd, John Gilpin and W. F. Johnston.

Authorizing the School Board of Nine-teepth, and Twenty-first wards, Pitts, burgh, to borrow money and levy a spe-dial tax for building purposes. Authorizing Harmony Society to carry their oil across the Allegheny river.

Preventing owners or controllers of oil refineries from running oil, tar or other refuse matter into Oil Creek or tributaries in Crawford county. utaries in Crawford county.

SENATE BILLS PASSED. The following Senate bills were passed

finally: Declaring and confirming the jurisdic beclaring and confirming the jurisdiction of the Common Pleas Court of Butler county in certain cases of equity pending therein, in which Butler county is plaintiff and the Northwestern Rail-

road Company et al. defendants.

Protecting fish in the Shenango river.

Incorporating the Young Men's Christian Association of Pittsburgh.

Enabling the School Board of the Sixth ward, Allegheny city, to borrow money. money.

Allowing interested parties to testify

n Erie county.
Adjourned till evening. METHODIST CHURCH, UNIONTOWN. In the Senate, in the evening, Mr. SEA-RIGHT, called up the bill authorizing the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal

church in Uniontown, to sell the house of worshin and lot attached. Passed

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. PRIVATE CALENDAR.

The whole morning session was occupied in the first reading of bills on the private calendar, on which no final scion was taken.

Adjourned till afternoon.

BILLS PASSED FINALLY. In the House in the afternoon the fol-In the House in the alternoon the lol-lowing Sepate bills were passed finally: Authorizing the Wilmington and Read-ing Railroad Company to raise money by mortgage to build lateral railroads of not exceeding nine miles.

Authorizing the Uniontown Gas and Water Company to transfer its franchises. Authorizing the Western Maryland Railroad to construct and operate a portion of said road in Pennsylvania.

For grading and paving in Temperance-

Authorizing oral testimony of the will of Thomas Calvert, late of Greene county. Extending Allegheny City paving law

HOUSE BILLS PASSED The following House bills passed finally:
Authorizing William Douglass, his heirs and assigns, to construct a bridge over the Youghlogheny for the transportation of coal and other minerals.

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For the better prosecution of disorderly persons in Milivale and Orinsby, Allegieny county.

Authorizing the Kittanning School Board to sell real estate.

Exempting the Washington borough
Methodist Parsonage from t Parsonage from taxation.

Relative to appeals from assessments on coal property in Westmoreland. Changing December term of Court in Washington county. Extending to Washington county the

provisions of the act of 1868.

For the sale of homestead lots within Washington borough.

Creating a Board of Water Commissioners in Pittsburgh, and providing for the management and control of the water

works in said city. Authorizing the city of Pittsburgh to issue, bonds for retiring matured and maturing bonds of said city, and to purchase and improve grounds for a public said. Authorizing the Burgess and Council of Venango City to increase the borough

Extending the fimits of Fallston borough, Beaver county.

Increasing jurisdiction of Burgess of
Beaver Falls.

For a State road in Westmoreland and Allegheny.

Requiring the Supervisors of St. Chair tewnship, Westmoreland county, and East Wheatfield, Indiana county, to take charge of nonfoon bridge over the Cone. charge of pontoon bridge over the Cone-mangh and keep the same in order. Authorizing the Supervisors of Cook and Donegal townships, Westmoreland county to levy a tax for a bridge over Four Mile creek.

Incorporating the Juniata Railroad Company from Hollidaysburg down the Roystown Branch.

Incorporating the Pickaway Valley ailroad, Chester county.
Requiring the School Directors of Meadville to publish immediately the re-ceipts and expenditures.

Authorizing the School Directors of O'Hara district, Twelfth ward, Pitts-burgh, to borrow money and purchase real estate for enlarging school building. Renealing the act connecting Warren Repealing the act connecting Warren county with the Fifth Normal School District. Incorporating the Allegheny City

Incorporating the Ailegheny County Monumental Association. Relative to sale of liquors in Tarentum.
Prohibiting sale of Thioxicating liquors
students of Northwestern Normal
school, Edinboro.

School, Edinboro.

Extending the Lycoming county law, prohibiting other than regularly licensed druggists from vending and practical and account of the second of the seco ticing medicine, to Mercer, Lawrence and Armstrong. Prohibiting licensing of billiard tables, bowling and ten-pin alleys at Edinboro,

Prohibiting licenses to sell spirituous, vinous, malt or brewed liquors in Conneautylle or Spring boroughs, Crawford county. Exempting mortgages from taxation in Armstrong county.

Incorporating the Somerset and Gar rett Railroad Company.

Transferring a portion of the Steubenville turnpike to Temperanceville.

Authorizing the Catawissa Railroad to construct branches.

BILLS DEFEATED. The bill for grading and paving in Sharpsburg was defeated, on motion of Mr. MORGAN, The bill extending the vehicle license law of Pittsburgh to Sharpsburg was voted down, on motion of Mr. MORGAN.

EAST END GAS COMPANY. The bill incorporating the East End Gas Company of Pittsburgh, was opposed by Mr. HUNTER, of Westmoreland, and supported by Mr. WILSON, of Alleboth Houses, elightly amended in the

Adjourned till evening. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. In the evening the Constitutional Amendment was discussed, pending which the House adjourned. The vote on second reading will be had to-morrow ght, and the final vote Thursday night

at 10 o'clock. CONTESTED ELECTION CASE. The Joint Committee on the contested The Joint Committee on the contested election of Thayer, Republican, against Greenbank, sitting District Judge of Philadelphia, was decided this afternoon in favor of Thayer, giving him over seventeen hundred majority. There will be two reports to morrow. The minority two reports to morrow. The minority claim two hundred for Greenbank. The majority throws out all the districts in which disturbances and fraud prevailed.

NEW YORK CITY. (By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.) NEW YORK, March 23, 1869. At a meeting of the members of the Produce Exchange, resolutions presented by Robert Getty, Jesse Hoyt, Carlos Cobb, David Dawes, and others, were unanimously adopted, recommend-The registry bill, as reported by the special committee on the subject, was taken up and eight sections passed ing the Legislature to reform the management of canals, and proposing an amendment to the Constitution giving power to the Legislature to borrow, on power to the Legislature to borrow, on pledge of canal revenues, such sums as are necessary to improve the canals to the maximum capacity of transportation, in order to reduce the cost of transportation and present the distribution of the sum of th ion and prevent the diversion trade; and also that the Legislature autrace; and also that the Legislature authorize the appointment of a board of five engineers to examine the condition of the canals for transportation, and report to the next Legislature the most feasible plan for their improvement; and inviting all Boards of Trade in the State to comparate in the grant of the grant of the comparate in the grant to to cooperate in the general movement to complish these objects. In the case of Fisk vs. the Union Pa-

cific Railroad, a motion was made by the defense for the dismissal of the cause. Judge Barnard refused to entertain the motion and after some sparring the hearing was adjourned to Saturday.

The Supreme Court rendered a decision in favor of the defendants in the

case of Vanburen and others, who sued the Manufacturers' National Bank to recover the value of the stolen \$50,000 and certificates, the property of plain-fills, which had been received and cash-ed by the bank.

Charles Best, postoffice clerk at Hud-son, was committed for trial on a charge

of embezzling letters.

Intelligence has been received from Intelligence has been received from Europe of the death of the eminent French composer, Hector Berloise, in his sixty-sixth year.

The trial of Morton and Thompson, the

upposed robbers of the Merchants Union Express Company, has been post-poned till May, by the West Chestey Court of Quarter Sessions. Rumor says the Company have recovered the stolen \$3,300, except what was paid to the de-

The report that Wm. M. Tweed, Jr., had been appointed Receiver of the Union Pacific Railroad Company is error neous, and probably sprung from his emporary appointment as Receiver of the Credit Mobilier.

The workingwomen of this city in

favor of the eight hour law held a mass meeting this evening in and around the Cooper Institute. There was an immense attendance. Resolutions odging support to printers on a strike and asserting the rights of workmen were adopted. The speaking was exclusively confined to workingmen. Much enthusiasm prevailed.

The report started by an evening paper that the World newspaper has been sold to Seymour, Church and Cassidy is understood to be without foundation in fact.

Arrest of Virginia Officials. (By Telegraph to the Pittaturgs Gasette.)
RICHMOND, March 23.—Last night

about ten o'clock, the police arrested Gov. Wells, H. C. Bond, Register of Bankruptcy, and L. E. Dudley, Secretary of the Republican Central Committee, on a charge of purloining from the pastoffice a letter written by W. H. Samuel, Ex-Secretary of the Republican State Central Committee, to Edgar Allen, Ex-member of the State Constitutions. State Central Committee, to Edgar Allen, Ex-member of the State Constitutional Convention. The parties were before United States Commissioner Cahoon, to which time the case was continued. This is the same charge that was published at the time of the Petersburg Configuration.

FOUR O'CLOCK A. M.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS. [FIRST SESSION.]

SENATE: Tenure-of-Office Repealing Bill Recommitted-Bill to Re-organize Judiciary Passed-Also the Bill Authorizing the Pre-payment of Interest on the Public Debt. House: Revision and Consolidation of Statutes-Burlington and Missouri River Branch of the Pacific Railroad-Political Disabilities. By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, March 23, 1869. SENATE. Mr. ANTHONY was chosen President pro tem., in the absence of Mr. Colfax. Mr. MORRILL, from the Finance Committee, reported the bill passed at the last session amending the national

currency act; also, an act extending penalties punishing accessories. A bill authorizing the pre-payment of nterest on the public debt was passed. The Tenure of Office repealing act was ecommitted to the Judiciary Commit-

ee.
The joint resolution to continue the pay of enlisted soldiers at sixteen dollars per month, till the first of July, 1871, was referred to the Military Committee.

The bill reorganizing the Judiclary system was taken up.

Mr. DRAKE resumed his argument in favor of his amendment, offered yester

Mr. TRUMBULL defended the bill, Mr. TRUMBULL defended the bill, which had already passed both Houses, and failed to become a law because not signed by the President.

Mr. WILLIAMS fayored postponement till noxt session, and made that motion.

Mr. SAWYER opposed postponement, urging that in his section immediate relief was necessary, as the Courts were completely overlundened.

completely overburdened.
Mr. STEWART supported the bill.
Mr. THURMAN thought Mr. Drake's amendment would, if adopted, produce an insurrection of the bar. Mr. Williams' motion was rejected-11

against 44. Mr. Drake's amendment was also reected, as was another, he subsequently dired, providing that no judgment of dirmance shall be made in any case in the U. S. Supreme Court when the Judges are equally divided—the latter by a vote of 15 to 25.

Mr. SUMNER offered a new section, providing for the retention of Judges over seventy years of age, with continu-

Mr. TRUMBULL, while he had no objection to the provision, opposed it on the ground that it would defeat the bill in the

The amendment was rejected, and the bill then passed.
Mr. SPRAGUE introduced a bill to provide for the loaning of the public money and for other purposes. Referred to Committee on Finance. Mr. WILSON, from the Military Com-

mittee, reported a bill to abolish the office of Chief-of Staff to the General of the Army, and a bill in relation to retired officers, with amendment.
Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on Finance, reported adversely the bill to allow Deputy Collectors and Assessors of Internal Revenue, acting as Collectors and Assessors, the pay of Collectors and

Mr. POMEROY, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported, with amendment, a joint resolution giving construc-tion to the acts of Congress granting lands to the State of Wisconsin to aid in building railroads.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Mr. POLIAND introduced a bill pro-Mr. POLIAND introduced a bill providing that the Judges of the Supreme Court shall not sit in the hearing of appeals and writs of error from their decisions as Circuit Judges. Referred to Committee on Revision of Laws.

Mr. JULIAN asked leave to offer a resolution instructing the Committee on Reconstruction to incurre into the expension of the

Reconstruction to inquire into the expediency of reviving and enforcing the collection of direct tax in the States late-Mr. BROOKS objected, unless the resolution was referred to the Judiciary Committee or the Committee on Ways

ness, and yet he understood that gentle-man had not put ben to paper on the revisions.
Mr. BUTLER said Mr. Cushing early saw it was a futile attempt, and had ceased work and ceased taking pay.
Mr. BENJAMIN moved an amendment, that the Commissioners should give their whole time to the work, which was agreed to, and the bill passed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, suggesting that he be authorized to antidipate the payment of interest on the public debt. for a period not exceeding six months on a period not exceeding six months on a period. ceeding six months, on a rebate of inter-

est at six per ceut., was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means. The Senate amendments to joint resolution supplying omissions in enrollment of certain bills were concurred in. Several Senate resolutions were appro-priately referred. That relative to Consular fees was passed, as was also the one relative to light houses on the coast of

Oregon.
The Senate joint resolution in relation to the Burlington and Missouri River
Railroad branch of the Union Pacific
Railroad was the next business in order.
Mr. ALLISON moved to have the bill put on its passage. He explained it

riefly, and stated that the subject had been considered by the Committee on Public Lands, and he understood the Mr. JULIAN correberated that stateee was imanimous in favor of it.

Mr. LOGAN protested against one committee considering the business that properly belonged to another Committees. There were two Committees, each Committee on Public Lands had. Those were the Committee on Public Lands had. Those were the Committee on Public Lands had. were the Committee on Pacific Railroad and on Railroads and Canals. If the Chairman of Pacific Railroad Committee were to allow such business to be taken jurisdiction of by other Committees, he (Mr. Logan) wanted to know it, for he would decline serving on such Committee any further.

tee any further.

Mr. WHEELER, Chairman of the Pa cilic Railroad Committee, said he had been absent on account of illness, and did not know anything of the subject before the House. The gentleman from Illinois would find him as zealous for the rights of the Pacific Railroad Committee Mr. LOGAN said he made no imputa-

had usually been referred to the Commit tee on Public Lands. Mr. JULIAN said the Committee had not assumed any jurisdiction. It had merely considered the bill informally to iccommodate the gentleman from Iowa.

Mr. WINANS, another member of the
Committee on Public Lands, said the bill had been informally considered and oposed by the members of that Committee that Committee had considered a subject not referred to 11?

Mr. WINANS replied the members of the Committee had considered it by virtue of the right which God and their constituents had given them.

Mr.LOGAN—A God given right; that is a new feature in legislation. (Laughter)

Mr. WINANS moved an amendment,

ar. Winans moved an amendment, providing that the company shall have no more or greater proportion of land or other aid than it would have been entitled to if the act had not been passed. The question was further discussed by Messrs Ward, Clarke, Paine and Taffe, when Mr. ALLISON moved the previous question on the passage of the bill.

The previous question was not seconded and then, on motion of Mr. WARD, the bill was referred to the Committee on Pacific Railroad.

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The Senate resolution rescinding the concurrent resolution of last session for the creation of a Committee on the Re-organization of the Civil Service was on-concurred in and a Committee of Conference asked

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The Senate bill to remove the charge of desertion from certain soldiers of the Second North Carolina Mounted Infantry was passed.
Mr. HILL introduced a joint resolution extending the provisions of the act establishing a line of American steam-

estanisming a fine of American steam-ships between New York and Europe. Referred to Postollice Committee. Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, from the Committee on Reconstruction, re-ported back the Senate concurrent reso-lution for a joint Special Committe on the removals of disabilities, and moved non-concurrence, on the senate moved nonconcurrence, on the ground that the Senate had since then appointed a Special Committee of its own

Mr. BROOKS said he trusted the ru mor that the Reconstruction Committee would soon report a general hill for amnesty would prove true—amnesty not for one party alone, but for men of both parties, without preference or distinction.

Ar. BUTLER said he thought and hoped the Reconstruction Committee would come to the same conclusion—that there should be some means by which would come to the same conclusion—that there should be some means by which mon could have their political disabilities removed without having to come to Cougress, and getting it through omnibus bills. He hoped within a day or two to present to the House for reference to that formulities some such proposition.

ommittee some such proposition.
The resolution was non-concurred in.
Various other bills on the Speaker's able were referred and the House adourned.

Railroad Accident in Itiinois—List of the Injured Passengers.

Ey Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette. 1 CHICAGO, March 23.—This morning, about nine o'clock, two coaches and a sleeping car were thrown from the track on the Toledo, Peoria & Warsaw Railroad, two miles west of Washington, Iil. There were a large number of passengers, including Governor Seymour, of New York, thirty-five or forty of whom were more or less injured, though but few severely. Wm. Scott, of Peoria, had a bad injury in the back: Wm. Guthrie. of Columbus, Onio, slight injuries in the bead, hips and back; James Wooley, of Mr. BROOKS objected, unless the resolution was referred to the Judiciary Committee or the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. JULIAN declined to have it so referred and withdrew the resolution.

Mr. BINGHAM reported a bill providing for the publication of opinions of the Attorney General. Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. POLAND reported a bill extending the statutes for three years.

Mr. BUTLER criticised unfavorably the manner in which the work was done, saying each Commissioner was paid \$5,000 per annum.

Mr. POLAND said Caleb Cushing, three years ago, promised, if he was appointed, he would make it his business, and yet he understood that gentleman had not put pen to paper on the revisions.

The Park Question in Chicago. By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.] CHICAGO, March 23.—The South and West divisions of the city, with the adjoining towns of Hyde Park, Lake Cicero and Jefferson, voted to-day on the Park question, and all of them, five in the comparing ballawayds. Park question, and all of them, five in vinumber, with connecting boulevards, have been carried, two in the South division by two thousand majority, and three in the West division by five hundred majority. This result adds about two thousand acres to the Park grounds of the city. Although much interest has been manifested in the question for over two weeks, wet the vote is quite light. two weeks, yet the vote is quite light.

Erie Railroad Affairs. By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette. 1 ALBANY, March 23 .- In the Assembly to day the report of Jay Gould, President of the Erie Railroad, as to the capital

THE CAPITAL.

Nominations by the President -Naval Academy Appointments—Wemorial from the Cherokee Indians-Bill Autherizing the Pre-payment of the Public Debt Interest-Absconding United States Marshal—Visit of the Banking Committee to Secretary Boutwell.

By Triegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette. 1 WASHINGTON, March 23, 1869. APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT. The President to-day nominated to the Senate J. C. Bancroft Davis, as Assistant Secretary of State; Lewellyn Powers, Collector of Customs at Arostook, Maine; John D. Hopkins, Assistant Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Fifth ion on the gentleman.

Mr. ALLISON said this class of bills sistant Assessor for the Fourth Pennsyl-

The following appointments of midshipmen at the Neval Academy have been made by the President: John Marshall Robinson, son of Brevet Major General J. C. Robinson; J. Kendall Dexter, of Philadelphia; Edmund B. Underwood, of New York; Frederick Van Vilet, son of Brigadier General Stewart Van Vilet, of Illinois; Thomas Benton Howard, of Illinois; Jas. Duane, son of Howard, of Illinois: Jas. Duane, son of Brigadier General Duane; Frank J. Jenkins, son of Commander Thornton A. Jenkins; J. Stockwell Jewett, son of Commander J. E. Jewett; Charles J. Bedger J. Stockwell Jewett, Starles J. Rodger, son of Commodore Rodger; Augustus L. Case, Jr., son of Commodore A. L. Case.

THE CHEROKEES. Lewis Dowing, principal chief of the Cherokee nation, in a memorial to Congress, calls attention to the fact that since 1866 treaties have been made with various tribes of Indians, with a view of settling them on the Cherokee domain. They were made in plain violation of the Cherokee treaty of 1866, in this: The Cherokees, so far from laving contracted with the said Indian tribes in the sale of these lands were not contracted. these lands, were not even consulted as to the price at which the United States has undertaken to dispose of them. He begs leave to express the earnest desire of the Cherokees to carry out the provisions of the treaties with the utmost good lons of the treaties with the utmost good faith, and that he, as their chief, will spare no pans and loose no occasion to preserve and strengthon the happy relations now existing between the Cherokees and the United States Government. But he deems it his duty to state most respectfully, that he Cars it will be beyond his power to restrain the Cherokees from resisting all encroachinents from other esisting all encroachments from other

ndians. OFFICIAL VISIT. The Committee on Banking and Currency, with Mr. Garfield, Chairman, at their head, paid an official visit, this morning to the Secretary of the Treasury. The currency was the topic of con-Secretary an effort would be made to pass the bilt for a redistribution of the nation al banking currency before the close of the session. Mr. Boutwell said if that was done, he did not know of any further legislation necessary at this time under that head.

PREPAYMENT OF INTEREST. The following is the bill introduced in The londwing is the one introduced in the Senate to authorize the prepayment of interest on the public debt:

Be it enacted, &c., That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized, whenever he deems it for the public interest of the public interest of the public interest of the public interest. whenever he deems it for the public est, to prepay the interest of the public debt for a period not exceeding one year, upon a rebate of interest at the rate f six per cent. per annum.

PRESSURE SUBSIDING. There was an evident diminution of There was an evident diminution of the throngs of olice seekers, both at the departments and the capitol to-day. Secretary Boutwell has appointed William B. F. Prescott, of Concord, N. H., special agent of the Treasury Department, in place of Harvy Bingham. Mr. Prescott will be assigned to dair in Naw Free. will be assigned to duty in New Eng-

CONE TO OHIO. Vice President Colfax, with wife and sister, left this morning for Andover, Ohio, his wlie's former home. He will return to this city in a few days to pre-side in the Senate till the end of the session. He is not going to New Orleans, as incorrectly reported.

NOMINATION CONFIRMED. The Senate in Executive session to-day confirmed only one nomination, that of Chas. B. Barrett, Assessor of Internal levenue for the Fourth District of Pennsylvania, in place of Fongeray, commission expired.

MARSHAL ABSCONDED. The Treasury Department is in receipt information that the United States Marshal for Georgia has absconded with one hundred thousand dollars of public

CABINET MEETING. The Cabinet meeting to-day, at which all members were present, continue over two hours.

South American News, By Telegraph to the Pittsburga Gasette. 18. New York, March 23.—The Brazilian Times of February 23d, for steamship Merrimack, mentions the arrival of several Generals from the seat of war, at eral Generals from the seat of war, at-flicted with disease of wounds. An ex-pedition into the country from Ascan-sion had returned with one thousand starving Paraguayans. Lopez was still in the mountains. Minister McMahon was still with him. The Paraguayans who remained when the army left were massacred by souting parties of Lones's who remained when the army left were massacred by scouting parties of Lopes's army. Cholera prevalled throughout the country and quarantine was established at Montevideo. The iron clads had been ordered back up the river. Several bridges and considerable other property around Pernambuco had been swapt away by a sudden rise of the river. There was a severe drought in river. There was a severe drought in the interior and the inhabitants were fleeling to the sea coast for food and water. Large numbers of cattle were dving. Freights to United States have advanced.

Snow Storm in New Hampshire. By Telegraph to the Pitisburgh Gazette.] CONCORD, N. H., March 23.—A heavy snow storm has prevailed all day. Rail-road trains are all delayed and the Mon-treal road is quite obstructed.

NEWS BY CABLE.

By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

GREAT BRITAIN, LONDON, March 23.—The strike of cotton operatives, which commenced at Preston, is spreading to other parts of the country. In Glasgow it has become general, and mills have partially sus-pended operations for want of hands. In the House of Commons this evening the Committee on Mail Service to the United States submitted a report refusing to sanction contracts made by the government with the Cunard and Incomment with the Cunard and Incomment an steamship lines for carrying mails on the present terms

SPAIN. MADRID, March 23,—In the cortes a proposition, made by Senor Arnez, to disqualify persons holding office in the service of the State from sitting as Representatives in the Assembly was adopted. esentatives in the Assembly, was adopted, though strongly opposed by the Gov-

rnment. A procession of two hundred women marched through the streets yesterday to the hall of the Cortes and presented a position. against military conscription.

FRANCE.

Paris, March 23.—In the Corps Legis-PARIS, March 23.—In the Corps Legislatif yesterday the army contingent of one hundred thousand then, required by the government, was voted. The session was then adjourned to the 31st inst. Madame La Marquise De La Vallette, wife of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, is dead.

The French and Belgian journals publish the preliminaries of the proposed. Conference between France and Bel-gium to harmonize their mutual com-

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. London, March 23.—Evening.—Consols, 93%; Five-Twenties, 83%. Stocks steady; Erie, 24; Illinois, 97. Sperm Oil, £104. Calcutta Linseed, 59s. Tallow, 46s. Sugar, 39s. 9d. on spot, 29s. 6d. afloat. Refined Petroleum, 1s. 83/d.

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anoat. Reined Petroleum, 1s. 83/d. Turpentine, 31s. 6d. Linseed Oil, £29 10s. Antwerp, March 23.—Petroleum, 54@ 541/f. FRANKFORT, March 23.-U. S. Bonds,

7% @87%. PARIS, March 23.—Bourse firm at 70f. LIVERPOOL, March 23.—Cotton firmer, but not higher; Middling Uplands, 12d.; Orleans, 12i.d.; sales, 12,000 bales. California white Wheat, 9s. Sd.; red Western, fornia white Wheat, 9s. Sd.; red Western, 8s. 9f. @8s. 10d. Western Flour, 23s. Corn, 30s. for old, and 29s. 3d. for new. Oats, 3s. 4d. Barley. 5s. Peas, 41s. Pork, 100s. Beef, 90s. Lard, 75s. Cheese, 76s. Bacon, 62s. 6d. Common Rosin, 5s. 6d.; fine do., 15s. Tallow, 44s. 3d. Refined Petroleum, 1s. 8/4d. Turpentine, 30s.

HAVRE. March 23.—Evening.—Cotton closed firmer, but not higher.

The Insurrection in Cube By Telegraph to the Piktsburgh Gazette HAVANA, March 23.—Advices from Santiago de Cuba to the 18th represent the insurgents massing their forces on the south side of the Island. The inhabitants in that section demand more troops

The Havana journals are all silent in regard to the movements of government. regard to the movements of government troops and insurgent forces. Nothing has been made known for some days of the operations of Count Valmaseda and Colonal Lono, or of the rebel Generals Queseda and Marcial. The Diario, in a leading article, praises the Jesuits, and deeply regrets the scolety was not established in the Island twenty years ago. All the journals, except the Voz, are reticent, as usual, concerning the late exciting occurrences.

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The Captain-General, to-day, held a grand review of all the regular and volunteer forces in Havana, General Duice was enthusiastically cheered by the vol unteers as he passed along the lines. Troops continue to leave on railroads

Troops continue to leave on railroads for the interior.

The Nassau Herald reports the capture of the American brig, Mary Lowell, at Ragged Island, by the Spanish man-of-war Andalusia. The brig at the time of capture was in possession of the British Custom House officers, on a charge that she was carrying arms and supplies to the insurgents in Cuba. The British was carrying arms and supplies to the insurgents in Cuba. The British war steamer Cherub has sailed from Nassau for Ragged Island, to investigate the affair. The Hawan government is fully advised of the conduct of the commander of the Andalusia.

The Perusian provides

The Peruvian monitors remain at Ragged Island. During their voyage one of the rams broke loose, and ran in the steamer Havana and sunk her. Several of the crew of the Havana were drowned. Sugar unimportant on account of the holidays.

Central Pacific Railroad. [By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—Another section of twenty miles of the Central Pacific Railroad was completed yesterday, making five hundred and ninety miles of track east of Sacram

Writ of Error Refused. (By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.) PHILADELPHIA, March 23.—The Su-preme Court of this city to day refused the application for writ of error, in the case of Twitchell, thus finally disposing of the case.

Markets by Telegraph. CHICAGO, March 23.—At the open board in the afternoon a good demand existed for No. 2 spring Wheat, and the market for No. 2 spring Wheat, and the market was active and firmer, opening at \$1,10%, advancing to \$1,11%, and closing at \$1,10%, and closing at \$1,10%, and closing at \$1,11 1,11%—an advance of 1@1%; and since 'Change large option sales were made, seller April at \$1,12, and seller May at \$1,16. Corn quiet but held firmer; 55e was bid for new in store. Oats, Rye and Barley inactive. In the evening Wheat was quiet and nominally unchanged at \$1,11@1,11%. Other grains inactive. Provisions quiet but with a more settled feeling; among the sales were 500 bbls. Mess Pork, seller April, at \$30,50, 2,000 lbs of dry salt shoulders, seller March, at 11%; the same lot was resold, buyer April, at 12%.

April, at 12½c.

NEW OBLEANS, March 23.—Cotton active and 26½c higher; middlings 22c; receipts, 2,542 bales; exports, 639 bales. Sugar.duli; common 10½c, prime 14½c. Molasses scarce; prime 75@78c. Whisky depressed; western rectified 85@90c. Coffee dull and lower; fair 14½@15½c; and the 16½@17½c. rime 16%@17%c.

NASHVILLE, March 23.—Cotton firm and prices higher; sales of low middling at 25c, and good ordinary at 24c.