TWELVE O'CLOCK; M.

THE CAPITAL.

Virginia Election Proclamation-Lutherans Call Upon President Grant-The "Colured" Question in the Typo-

as the time for submitting the Constituas the time for submitting the Constitution passed by the Richmond Convention in December, 1867, to the voters of Virginis, registered at the date of such submission, for ratification or rejection, and submitting to a separate vote the disqualification and test oath clauses. The voter is to voter a ballot designated "for the Constitution," or "against the Constitution," and is allowed to cast a separate ballot for or against either or both of the tion," and is allowed to cast a separate ballot for or against either or both of the excepted provisions.

excepted provisions.

The following is the proclamation:
By the President of the United States of America: A Proclamation. In pursuance of the provisions of the act of Congress, approved April 10th, 1869, I hereby designate the 6th day of July, 1869, as the time for submitting the Constitution passed by the Convention which met in Richmond. Virginia, on Wednesday the third day of December, 1867, to the voters of the State registered at the date of such submission, v.z. July 6th, 1869, for ratif. submission, viz: July 6th, 1869, for ratifi-cation or rejection, and I submit to a separate vote the fourth clause of section one article third of said Constitution, which is in the following words:

of a city or town, Coroners, Escheaters, Inspectors of tobacco and flour, and Clerks of the Supreme, District, Circuit and County Courts and the Court of Hustings, and Attorneys for the Common-weath; Provided, that the Legislature may, by a vote of three-fifths of both s, remove the disabilities incurred by this clause from any person incurred by this clause from any person included therein, by a separate vote on each case." And I also submit to separate vote the seventh section of article third of the said Constitution, which is in the follow-

ing words:
"In addition to the foregoing oath of office, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, members of the General Assembly, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer, Attorney Ge eral and all persons elected to any Con-vention to frame a Constitution for this State, or to amend or revise this Constitution in any manner, and Mayor and Council of any city or town, shall, before they enter on the duties of their respective offices, take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation; provided the disabilities therein contained may be individually removed by a three-fifths vote of the General Assembly: 'I, and o solemnly the contained may be a three-fifths the contained may be individually removed by a three-fifths vote of the General Assembly: 'I, and o solemnly the contained may be solemn sembly: 'I, ____, do solemnly swear or affirm that I have never voluntarily borne arms against the United States since I have been a citizens thereof; that I have voluntarily given no aid countenance, counsel or encouragemen engaged in armed hostillty thereto; that I have never sought or accepted nor attempted to exercise the functions of any office whatever, under any authority or pretended authority, in hostility to the United States; that I have not yielded a voluntary support to any pretended government, authority, power or constitution within the United States, hostile or inimical thereto; and I do further swear or affirm that to the best of my knowledge and ability I will sup-port and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without menial reservation or purpose of evasion, and that I will well and fathfully discharge the duties of the office which I am about to enter, so help me God.' The above cath shall also be taken by all the City and County officers before entering upon their duties and by all other State officers not included in the above

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I direct the vote to be taken upon each of the above cited provisions alone, and upon the other portions of the said Constitution in the following manner, viz: Each voter favoring the ratification of the Constitution arcerties the provision stitution in the following manner, viz:
Each voter favoring the ratification of
the Constitution, excepting the provisions above quoted, as framed by the
Convention of December, 1867, shall express his judgment by voting "for the
Constitution;" each voter favoring
the rejection of the Constitution; excluding the provisions above quoted, shall
express his judgment by voting are to be redeemable at the office of the
bank designated upon demand; each
bank is always to have on hand to redeem them one dollar in gold to every
will be allowed to cast a separate ballot will be allowed to cast a separate ballot for or against either or both of the pro-

visions above quoted:

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this 14th day of May, in the year of one Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty. nine, and of the independence of the United States of America the inhibitativation.

U.S. Grant. By the President:

HAMILTON FIRM, Secretary of State. LUTHERANG AND THE PRESIDENT.
About two hundred Lutheran ministers paid their respects to President Grant this morning. They were received in the Past room. The President, on entering, was greated with appliance. entering, was greeted with applause, when Rev. Dr. Polham, of New York, addressed him as follows:

"It is not usual for coolesiastic bodies

holding their sessions at the Capital of the nation to desire to pay their respects to the honorable Chief Magistrate, but the custom of boring him with long speeches is, in my opinion, more honored in the breach than in the observance. I shall therefore content myself with merely introducing these members of merely introducing these members of the General Synod, and then follow the example of the illustrious chief who said, 'Let us have Peace,' and so I shall say, 'Let us have Peace.' You see be-fore you the representatives of the Gene-ral Synod of the Evangelical Tather.

The "Colured" Question in the Typegraphical Society—Appointments.
(By Telegraphy o the Pittsburgh Gaiette.)
WASHINGTON, May 15, 1869.
VIRGINIA LLECTION PROCLAMATION.
The President's proclamation has just been issued. It names the 6th of July as the time for submitting the Countin.

South not yet reconstructed others in South not yet reconstructed, others in the far West not Americanized, and there ny brethren, perhaps they would be sat-

To this there was a general response of "No, no. We want to shake hands with

The President then said to Dr. Polham The President then said to Dr. roinam, General Ekin and Rev. Dr. Butler that he would shake hands with them individually. The ministers then separately approached the President and were introduced and shaken by the hand. The bresident when the caremony was over. President, when the ceremony was over, entered into conversation for a few minutes with the few who remained. THE "COLORED" QUESTION AND THE

which is in the following words:

"Every person who has been a Senator of President or Vice President, or who held any office, civil or military, under the United States, who, haying previously taken an oath as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of Congress, or as a member of any State Legislature, or as an affectuative or Judicial officer of any State, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or coinfort to the enemy thereof. This clause shall include the following officers: Governor Lieutemant Governor, Secretary of State, Audikor of Public Accounts, Second Auditor, Register of the Laid Office, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Sheriffs, Sergeants of a city or town, Commissioners of the Revenue, County Surveyor, Constables, Overseers of the Poor, Commissioner of the Board of Public Morks, Judges of the County Court, Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Councilmen of acity or town, Commistee is expected to report. Inspectors of tobsece and flour, end the application of Lewis H. Douglas, as on of Frederick Douglas, culored oration of Frederick Douglas, culored oration, the application of Lewis H. Douglas, as on of Frederick Douglas, culored oration, fit was referred to the Committee on Nomingations. A member of the Union of the Typographical Union, sented a preamble and resolutions sented a preamble and resolutions, setting forth that as the application of the Was an improper person to be admitted, if would be received at Denver, Colorado, by a subordinate Union of the Typographical Union, on the ground that he was an i PRINTERS. The Columbia Typographical Union of ciety were present and much feeling and interest is manifested in the matter, which it is believed will be eventually referred to the National Typographical

APPOINTMENTS. The following appointments have been made by the President: W. D. Farrand, Consul at Calloa; George R. Maxwell, Register of the Land Office for Utah; H. C. Bennett, Pension Agent at San Francisco; A. W. Swett, Receiver of Pub-lic Monies at Helena, Arkansas; J. J. Remington, late of the Internal Revenue Office, has been appointed Chief Clerk in the Secret Service Division of the Treas-ury Department.

CURBENCY STATEMENT. No fractional currency was printed this week. Shipments, 5634,490; amount redeemed \$354,206. National Bank notes issued, \$177,020; actual circulation \$299,-

MISSISSIPPI AND TEXAS. The President has not yet taken pre-liminary action for submitting the Con-stitutions of Mississippi and Texas to those States respectively.

PACIFIC MAILS. Since the opening of the Pacific Rail-road the Government Departments have received their daily mails from the

CANADA.

Episcopal Bishop Elected-The New Banking System. By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.] MONTBEAL, May 15 .- The Episcopal Synod and House of Bishops, after three days balloting, have unanimously chosen Rev. Ashley Oxenden, of Kent, England, Bishop of Montreal and Metropolitan of OTTAWA, May 15. -In the House of

Commons last night Hon. Mr. Rose brought down a series of resolutions on brought down a series of resolutions on banking and currency, which, if carried into effect, will make a racical change in the banking of the Dominion. The general features of the scheme are copied from the National Bank system of the United States, though there is considerable difference in several particulars. The bank notes and government legal tenders now in circulation are to be called in and no more such notes will be issued. The currency is to consist here. issued. The currency is to consist here-after solely of bank notes secured by Govornment debentures; the banks are to purchase Government debentures in such amount as they may severally five dollars in notes in circulation bear-ing its appereription; should any bank fail to redeem its notes on presentation, the debentures deposited with the Gov-

SACBAMENTO, May 15.—Flour firm at 84.37½(25.25. Wheat; choice \$1.50(2).55. Legal Tenders 73½. Mining Stocks during the week was strong, and closing with considerable tone; Alpha 55; Belicher 23; Bullion 27; Chollar 2.47; Confidence 37; Crown Point 67; Empire Mili 70; Gould Curry 1.18; Hale Norcross 1.80; Imperial 99; Kentucky 2.65; Occidental 83; Savage 1.15; Bierra Nevada 66; Yel.

FOUR O'CLOCK A. M.

NEWS BY CABLE. Political Agitation in Paris—Public Meetings Dispersed - The Spanish Cortez Rejects the Proposition for a Republic - A Regency Probable-Speech by the Emperor of Austria-Reverdy Johnson Takes Leave of Queen Victoria by Letter-Peaceful Manifesto by France.

By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gasette.] FRANCE. Paris, May 15.—Political meetings, in

the city, continue to be attended with disorder and the police are frequently obliged to interfere. Several arrests have been made of parties prominent in creating disturbances. The Prefect of Police has issued an order prohibiting gatherings in the streets in the vicinity of the electoral meetings.

PARIS, May 16.—Election meetings were held in all quarters of Paris yesterday up to a late hour, but the excitement moderated as the day advanced. Late at hight some crowds which had collected in the streets were dispersed by the police. They made no resistance and no serious disturbance occurred. The Government has issued a warning, which is placarded throughout the city, declaring that a renewal of the recent disorderly assemblages and demonstrations will not be tolerated. Minister Forcade La Roquette has issued instructions to Prefects advising them to dissolve any meeting likely to lead to a disturbance, and strictly to enforce the law prohibiting the holding of political meetings within five days of the election.

London, May 16.—11 P. M.—Telegraphic advices received to night from Paris, May 16.-Election meetings

condon, may it—ii P. M.—Tele-graphic advices received to night from Paris show that political agitation there has revived to day, and the excitement is very great, especially in those sections of the city where the Liberal party is strongest. The authorities are taking extraordinary massures of pregnition to extraordinary measures of precaution to prevent disorder, and at last accounts no serious trouble had occurred. The Paye

joiced at the friendly arrangements made with Hungary and the condition of the finances and army, and felt that peace was indispensible to the national prosperity, and the present relations of Austria with the other powers of the world assured him of its continuance. He reviewed the late reforms enacted by the Reichsrath, and hoped they would become the basis of harmonious and pacific relations between Church and Street. relations between Church and State concluding he thanked all the members exertions, and expressed the hope that all would support the constitu-tion, as Austria offered full liberty to the people of every nation, and guaranteed their right of self government. The Emperor was often interrupted by loud

SPAIN. MADRID, May 15 .- The Cortes have rejected the Amendment to the Constitution in favor of making Spain a Federal Republic. The vote stood 182 against to 54 for the amendment. A proposition for the creation of a triennial directory, to be appointed by the Cortes, has been introduced and is now under discussion. MADRID, May 16.—The Cortes yester-day, after a long debate, rejected the proposition for the establishment of a triennial directory. It is now confidently believed a regency will be created, with Marshal Serrano at its head.

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Several members of the Civil Guard,
in this city, have been arrested on charges at present unknown.

Trouble has arisen with volunteers for Cuba, in consequence of non payment of their bounties.

GREAT BRITAIN. London, May 15 .- Mr. Johnson, the American Minister, took formal leave of the Queen by letter, not in a personal in-terview, as was reported. He had an in-terview with Lord Clarendon, the Foreign Secretary, on Thursday, when he offi-cially announced his retirement and pre-

sented Mr. Moran as Charge d'Affaires intil the arrival of his successor. Reports, which are believed to be based on good authority, are in circula-tion that the French Government will soon publish a peaceful manifesto and simultaneously reduce the army.

MARINE NEWS. PLYMOUTH, May 16.—The steamer Germania from New York arrived last

night, and this morning sailed for Ham ourg via Cherbourg.
Southampton, May 16.—The steamer Dors, from New York for Bremen, has arrived. Queensrown, May 16.—The steamer Liberis, from New York May 5th, arrived

at two o'clock for Liverpool. PINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL LONDON, May 15.—Evening.—Consols: money, 92%, and account, 92%. Erie, 20%. Illinois, 96. Atlantic and Great Western, 25%. Stocks quiet, 5-20s, 78%. Tallow, 42s. Sugar, 39s. 6d. ANTWERP, May 15 .- Petroleum, 50% FRANKFORT, May 15 .- Five Twenties,

LIVERPOOL, May 15,—Cotton a shade easier; middling uplands at 11½d; and Orleans at 11½d; sales of 8,000 bales. California white wheat at 9s. 4d., and red western at 8s. 7d. Western flour, 21s. Barley, 5s. Peas, 38s. 6d. Pork, 100s. Cheese, 92s. Bacon, 59s. 6d. Beef, 90s. Lard, 67s. 6d. Petroleum unchanged.

The Peace Society—The Reduction of Cable Rates—The Police Commission— ers at a Dead Lock—The Tribune Managing Editorship—Sudden Disap pearance of a Banker. (By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazetie.)

NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, May 15, 1869. The Universal Peace Society held its closing session to day. Only thirty persons were present. The speeches were uninteresting, and the only action was the adoption of a resolution protesting against the present manner of carrying out the measures of peace with Indians,

out the measures of peace with Indians, urging upon Congress proper measures of legislation for Indians and the full transfer of Indian affairs to the Civil Department, thus making the Indians citizens instead of outlaws.

It is officially announced that the tariff on telegrams from New York to Great Britain and Ireland will be reduced to ten dollars, gold, for ten words or less, including addresses and signatures, and one dollar for each additional word; also, one dollar for each additional word; also, that any newspaper or association of newspapers may transmit general or po-litical news in plain language for publication at half rates.

The Board of Police Commissioners

made an ineffectual effort to organize to-day. Several ballots were taken for President, Judge Bosworth and Commissioner Brennan, the two Democratic members, voting for Bosworth, and the two Republicans voting for Commissioner

The Mail says: We are informed that the stockholders of the Tribune deter-mined, at their meeting last evening, to abolish the office of managing editor, and that Mr. Hassard will be in charge of the paper during the day, and Mr. Whitelaw Reid at night. Mr. Young thus loses his position, but is not removed from it. Letters which left San Francisco on the evening of the 6th of May were dis-tributed at the postoffice in this city before nine o'clock this morning. Pas-sengers arrived, to-day in eight days from San Francisco.
W. T. Groesbeck, of Cincinnati, sailed

for Europe to-day in the City of London.
Rufus L. Lord, the vicilm of the celebrated Lord bond robbery, died yesterterday at bis residence in this city.
Much consternation was caused in a

Much consternation was caused in a prominent banking house yesterday by the disappearance of the junior member of the firm, taking with him two certified checks for \$95,475, and one for \$23,550. He left the office about two o'clock, carrying with him the certified checks and certificates of stock to the amount of Reichsrath yesterday, made a long, pleasant speech. He recalled the situation of Austria in 1866, compared that with the present condition of things, and traced the course of the legislation of the Reichsrath since that time. He was relicited at the frequity expression of the Reichsrath since that time. He was relicited that instead of making deposite he had obtained the certified checks above mentioned and decamped. His destination has not yet been discov-His destination has not yet been discoy. with visitors from the South. The indiors Paraguay, from London via Havre,/ April 28, Ateppo, from Liverpool via Queenstown 5th; and Bavaria, from Ham

burg, 1st. SOUTH AMERICA

News from the American Minister, Mc-Mahon—Desperate and Successful Ex-ploit of Lopez, the Paraguayan Chief. By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gasette.) New York, May 15 .- The Buenos Ayres Standard, of May 30th, states that United States Minister McMahon had arrived at Ascunsion, but is very reticent in regard to his trip into the interior. A small force of Paraguayan cavalry had frequently appeared at the outposts of the Allies, but made no attack. Signs of insubordination broke out in the ranks of the Allies when ordered to march into the interior. It was not expected the Allies would be prepared to advance for at least two months

A Buenos Ayres letter to the New York
World, dated March 27th, states that on
March 11th Lopez rigged up two railroad cars with two forty pounders, and enclosing them like baggage cars ran them with a locomotive right up to where a large force of Brazilians were repairing a bridge and fired on them right and left, bridge and fired on them right and lett, and after raking the encampment fled unharmed, the guard being armed only with lances. Next day the first corps of the allied army, tenthousand strong, encamped near the bridge and the San Martin regiment scoured the country, but as usual the Paragrayang did not appear to the country. but as usual the Paraguayans did not apbut as usual the raraguayans did not appear when expected. Lopez has established a powder mill near him. There is believed to be a large number of families wandering in the woods who do not wish o return to Lopez and a force was about be sent out to give them protection and oring them into the allied lines. The city of Montevideo was under a fi-

nancial crisis and a total suspension ousiness was threatened. GEORGIA.

More Assagainations by the Ku-Klux, By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette. New York, May 16 .- A special to the Tribune, dated Atlanta, Georgia, May 16th. says: The celored man who drove the carriage of the Hon. Joseph Adkins when that gentleman was assassinated, is said to have left Warrenton county last week, to escape death. When near Thomas Station he was met and murdered by the Ku-Kulx, Reliable in formation received here announces the murder some weeks ago, in Jefferson county, of Hon Alexander Stone, one of the expelled members of the legislature he same county which Dr. Ayer repre-

Sales of Kansas Land—Great Rush immigration.

By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.] Sr. Louis, May 15.—Thirty seven housand dollars worth of Kansas Pacific Railroad lands were sold by the National Land Company in the month of April. These lands were sold to actual settlers, These lands were sold to actual settlers, mostly in tracts of forty to one hundred and sixty acres, averaging about three dollars per acre. The immigration to the line of the Kanass Pacific road is egreater than ever before. Odlonies from all perts of the country are formed. all parts of the country are forming and moving on these lands. One hundred and fifty families from Northern Onio HAVRE, May 15.—Evening.—Cotton went up and settled near Bayaria, in Sa HAVRE, May 15.—Evening.—Cotton | went up and seating distribution of the guild and unchanged.

ARTWERP, May 15.—Evening.—Petroleum quoted at 19fr. 75c. for standard white.

Extensive fire at Dayton, Ohio-Loss

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette-] DAYTON, O., May 16.—At one o'clock this morning Turner's splendid Opera House in this city took fire and was entirely destroyed. The building was occupied by McKee, Woodward & Hackley, wholesale grocers, Black & Fox, wholesale china and queensware, Grover & Baker sewing machine company, and F. Lange, restaurant and billiard rooms. Nothing was saved but a few sewing machine company. DAYTON, O., May 16.—At one o'clock F. Lange, restaurant and billiard rooms. Nothing was saved but a few sewing machines. The fine residences east of the Opera House on First street, of J. Schwab, Joel Estabrook and A. Kuhns, were also destroyed. The fire communicated to the buildings south on Main street, owned by M. Ohmer, and entirely destroyed them. including the large furdestroyed them, including the large fur-niture establishment of M. Ohmer and the grocery store of Sandmier & Bro. the grocery store of Sandmier & Bro.

Herman Sandmier, while endeavoring
to save some of his goods, was crushed
to the floor by a portion of the wall falling on him. His brother and several
others endeavored to extricate him, but it was impossible. He lived in this condition for a while, when another crash

came burying him in the ruins. His wife and family were present, but no human power could save him. The numan power could save him. The scene was heart-rending.
The total loss is estimated at between \$600,000 and \$800,000, on which there is an insurance of about \$100,000. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary. The Opera House was one of the finest in the West and is owned by J. M. & W. M. Turner. The whole loss will be about \$250,000 over and above an insurance of \$43,000.

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The Southern Railroad Project. By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette. 1 CINCINNATI, May 13.—The committees if the City Council, Chamber of Commerce and Board of Trade held another meeting to-day on the subject of the Southern Railroad. Speeches were made Southern Kailroad. Specifics were made by Gov. Scott, of South Carolina, General Harrison, President, and Colonel Lowe, Engineer, of the Blue Ridge road, South Engineer, of the Blue Ridge road, South Carolina, Mayor Berden and Hon Jno. H. Crozier, of Knoxville, Coi. Terry, of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad, Colonel McGhee, of the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, Mr. J. B. Lafitte, of Charleston, S. C., Coi. Gaw, of Chattanooga, Dr. Taylor, of Somerset, Ky., and Edward D. Mansfield, of Ohio. The meeting was the largest and most interesting that has been held. South Carolina proposes to push the Blue Ridge road through if Cincinnati will meet her, and the East Tennessee and Georgia road agrees to Tennessee and Georgia road agrees to permit Cincinnati to fix her own rates and form the route. There was a large array of figures and estimates submitted in regard to the various routes and the strongest desires expressed to have the connections made at the earliest period. Since the passage of the Ferguson bill the city has been constantly thronged the checks.

New York, May 16.—Arrived: steam.

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The council will fix the termini of the craft array of the council will fix the termini of the craft array. Intermediate points and connections will then remain to be determined. The probability is strong that the road will take an air line from here to Chattanooga.

Wisconsin Railroad Bond Case. tBy Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette. CHICAGO, May 16.-Judge Miller, of

the United States Circuit Court, In session at Des Moines, Iowa, yesterday delivered the following opinion in the County Bond case:

We are of opinion that it is our duty to hold these gentlemen in person or in custody of United States Marshal, until they obey the mandate of this Court. We feel that we are bound to announce this opinion but we feel that we are bound to announce this opinion, but we feel happy to say that the Court will cheerfully act upon the suggestion offered by counsel for rela-tors, namely, that those who shall agree to obey the mandate of the Court in good faith before its next term, may be permitted to go on the ball already given, and their cases for contempt will be continued until that time.

New York Evangelical Alliance.

By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette. New York, May 16.-The meeting of the NEW York, May 16.—The meeting of the Evangelical Alliance took place this avening at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, corner Fifth avenue and Ninetech street. The President of the Association, Hon. Wm. E. Dodge, made an address stating the objects of the alliance, which he said were principally to prevent the spread of catholicity and infidelity, and to concert measures to fidelity, and to concert measures to counteract the efforts of the emissaries of the church of Rome. Addresses were also made by Rev. Wm. Adams, and John Cotton Smith.

First Through Train from the Pacific. [By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.] St. Louis, May 16.—The first through passenger train from Sacramento, with about five hundred passengers aboard, arrived at Omaha yesterday. The travel west from Omaha is very heavy.

Butchers' Tournament. A butchers' tournament took p'ace at Chicago on Saturday. The Butchers' Society of that city some time since had

prepared a champion belt of solid silver, with gold clasps, to be awarded to the butcher who could dress a bullock in the butcher who could dress a bullock in the shortest time. There were competitors present from New York, Pittsburgh, Buffalo, St. Louis, Toronto and other places. The following were the conditions: 1. The bullock to be pitched up, decapitated and the two fore feet off. 2. Time-keeper to notify butchers when to commence work. 3. Each butcher to be allowed a helper to onen breast and neck. mence work. 3. Each butcher to be allowed a helper to open breast and neck, but not to chop or saw them. 4. Helper to put in the beef tree, hoist up bullock and clean out entrails. 5. The butcher making the fastest time and best work, according to the decision of jidges, to get the belt. Charles Leyden, of Chicago, a youth of eighteen, was declared the champlon, two of the five judges, however, dissenting. He did his job in four minutes and forty-five seconds. The time of the other contestants was: Thos. Mulrony, of Chicago, six minutes and fifty-six seconds; Robert Woolsey, of St. Louis, seven minutes and forty-one seconds. Louis, seven minutes and forty-one seconds; Michael Hartigan, of Canada, seven onds; Michael Hartigan, of Canada, seven minutes and twenty-two seconds; Mark finith, of Buffalo, five minutes and aleven seconds. The winner is regarded as the champion butcher of America, is the examination, the study of English and the examination, the study of English to give security for the safe keeping of language and literature will be pursued in the belt, hold himself open to contest once every three menths for one year, if challenged, and if at the end of one year he retains the belt, he can regard it as his own property.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

—The Jamestown and Franklin Rail-road is about to be extended to Oil City. —The total value of taxable property of the State of Illinois, as returned under the recent equalization, is \$471,555,966. -Three thousand dollars worth of jewelry was stolen from Hill's store, in Canandaigus, N. Y., on Saturday morn-

-An explosion occurred Saturday morning in Brockmen & Co.'s cotton and oil manufactory at Jersey City, resulting in a loss of \$68,000 by fire and damage to machinery, stock, &c.

—Gen. Philip St. George Cooke, the new Commander of the Department of the Cumberland, arrived at Louisville on Saturday. Gen. Thomas will leave for California next Thursday.

-Col. Duncan and tol. Capehart, aspirants for the place of Superintendent of the Interior Department, indulged in a fight at the Capitol at Washington Sat-urday. The latter was worsted. -At Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Sunday

evening, a man named Frank Albert committed suicide by jumping from the fifth story of the St. Charles Hotel to the pavement. He was killed immediately. The new whipping post and pillory erected at New Castle, Delaware, by the authorities of New Castle, to supply the place of the ancient and worn out one;

was inaugurated on Saturday with usual interesting ceremonies. The safe of the Douglass Axe Manufactory at Douglass, Massachusetts, was opened by burglars Friday evening of last week, and fifteen to twenty thousand dollars in cash stolen therefrom. The safe was literally torn to pieces.

-At Richmond, Va., considerable interest was excited on Saturday by a statement that the United States Grand Jury had found indictments against several office holders for perjury, in taking the iron-clad oath after having aided the

—The shippers of the first two cargoes of bulk grain by sail from New Orleans to Europe have received notice of the arrival of the same in perfect order in Liverpool. The bark Jno. Geddes madethe passage in twenty-six days. Other

cargoes are en route, and more are to follow. —Capt. E. McBaron Timony, late of the United States Army, who last full, at the American Hotel in Atlanta, Ga., shot and killed in self-defence Richard-son, a member of the Georgia Constitutional Convention, has been found no guilty of the charge of murder and re leased from custody.

Baltimore has granted authority to the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad to pass through the western section of the city by tunnel, to intersect the Northern Central Road. The appropriation of a million dollars, to complete the Wes. tern Maryland Road, will be put through

the Baltimore Conncils this week. The Opera House at Memphis hasbeen handsomely arranged for the approaching convention, divided into sections for different States, with ample arrangements for delegates and members of the press. The order of ceremonies provides for a display of the Fire Department, grand procession, on the first day, and a series of excursions, banquets,

hops, &c., during the remainder. -A meeting of cattle dealers and other business men was held at St. Louis, Satarday evening, to consider measures for the establishment of union stock yards at that city. It was concluded the object could not be accomplished without the co-operation of the railroad companies, and a Committee was therefore appointed to ascertain what arrangments could be made, the Committee to report to an adjourned meeting.

During a thunder storm at Eddy-ville, Ulster county, N. Y., Saturday morning, the lightning struck a build-ing on the Delaware and Hudson canal, setting it on fire. Before the fiames could be subdued five barns, two stores, storehouse and the huildings and wave of a ship yard, together with a boat, were destroyed. Three bundred hands were fortunately rescued from death.

Loss not yet ascertained. -Monday morning last a well-to-do-man of Cincinnati went to wake his daughter, aged seventeen years, and found a young man in bed with her, both asleep. He carried the man's clothes down stairs and went for an officer. Before he returned the man got his clothes, jumped from a second-story window and escaped. The daughter went to a house of prostitution, and yesterday was discovered and sent to the

House of Refuge. —It was disclosed at a public meeting held by the Railroad Investigation Committee of the Massachusetts Legislature, on Friday last, that Mr. Thomas Drew, vho, it will be remembered, was committed to jail by the Senate of that State for contempt in refusing to give evidence in an investigation, received ten thous-and dollars as hush money from the President of the New York and Eric Railway, to prevent damaging statements which Drew threatened to make in New York Journals.

-Under the auspices of the German Catholic Central Society of Chicago, a grand procession of various organiza-tions from different localities in the north-west took; place on Sunday, as an inauguration to the religious cere-monies which will extend through the first three days of the week. The pro-cession, after marching through many streets, led by bands of music and accompanied by the firing of minute guas, brought up at St. Peters Church, where high mass was celebrated. Considerable confusion prevailed while the procession entered the church, and the reporters generally failed to obtain admission.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.—The President of Cornell University has written a letter, in which he states that many ap-plicants for admission to this institution, while possessing moderate attainments in Latin and Greek, are without "an ordinary English education." The latter qualification is considered by the college. authorities as a far sounder basis of instruction than a half-way knowledge of a great number of other subjects, and the higher branches, and lectures on belles lettres will be delivered by James Russell Lowell, the poet, and George William Curtis, the essayist.