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EASTERN NEWS.

Washington, May 16.—The President vetoed the Colorado Bill on the ground of insfficient population.

In the Sanate, Mr. Fessenden gave notice that he would on next Monday,

call up the Constitutional Amendment proposition proposed by the Recon-struction Committee as passed by the

House, and press it to an early vote.

Mr. Trumbull reported a bill for
Solding the United States Courts in Richmond instead of Norfolk, which

Mr. Sherman reported the bill heretofore introduced by him for the con-solidation of the National debt, and reducing the rate of interest of the same and the expense of issuing bonds,

shall not exceed a certain per cent. In the House, Wilson obtained an order for printing a substitute for the enabling act reported by the Recon-struction Committee. The material difference being any State establishing an equal and just system of suffrage may have its representatives admitted before the final act of other States on the Constitutional Amenda ment. It is understood that the enabling act, or the act excluding certain classes or persons from holding office, will not be pressed to a vote in the House until the Senate has acted

upon the amendment.

The House also passed a bill to amend the organic acts of the Territories of Montana, Washington, Idaho, Arizona, Utah and New Mexico. The bill prohibits legislative assemblies from passing special acts conferring separate powers, but authorizes them to pass general laws for the purpose. It declares null and void all special charters heretofore granted by those Legislatures. The sixth section provides that no person appointed by the President to office in any Territory, shall receive compensation unless he shall have entered upon the discharge of his official duties within the Territory, and no officer shall be paid for the time he may absent himself from the Territory without authority from the President. It probibits legislative assemblies from granting divorces, but leaves that authority with the Courts of the United States in those Territories. The 9th Section provides that within the Territories aforesaid, there shall be no denial of the elective franchise to citizens of the United States because of race or color, and all persons shall be equal before the law. The IO Section gives the Territorial Secretary the same pay as the Govern. or while performing duties as Govern-The House refused to strike out Section 9, by a vote of yeas 36, nays 69, and the bill passed as above, by yeas 99, nays 43.

The House also passed the Post Office Appropriation bill with the Senate amendments, one of which provides that all the Government advertising in Washington be given to the daily papers having the largest circulation and no other.

The Colorado veto message was received in the Senate at 3 o clock, but not read before adjournment.

Eashington, May 16 .- It is stood that the vote in the Senate fin. ance committee on Shermas consolidation bill was laid over by a vote of 4 against 31, and is heartily approved of by all of those who voted in the affimative; the general feeling among the members of the ways and means committee respecting it is of a hostile character, and several leading mem-bers of the House declare it cannot pass that body without material amendment. It appears that all the failures of the national banks have been caused by their keeping accounts with private banks, and the controller of the currency has issued a circular ordering them in no case, to accept such hereafter.

Chicago, May 16.—Generals Stead-man and Fullerton who were appointed April 7th, to inspect and report up-

on the Freedmen's Buresu in the DALLES CATY DRUG STORE. Southern States, completed a tour of Virginia and North Carolina, and reported to the Secretary of War, under date May 8th, giving their impressions at length, and closing with a recommendation that the services of the agents of the Bureau in Virginia and North Carolina, be dispensed with, and that their duties be performed by officers commanding troops in the departments. They say there are 114 military officers and 290 civilians employ: ed as agents of the Bureau in these States, and that neither the service rendered nor that received-for the character of very many or most of its agents warrants the discontinuance of their services. In those districts where the affairs of the Bureau have been fairly and impartially administered, by a general judgment, there has been no direct conflict between the agents and citizens. Many of the agents are acting in harmony with the civil officers of the States, and are as-sisted and supported by the citizens in the performance of their duties, but in many places, where agents are not men of integrity and capacity, a very bad feeling exists. This originates in the arbitrary measures and offensive interference of agents or others, between the planters and the freedmen. These agents exercise the widest latitude over judical functions, and the effect produced is bitterness and antagonism between whites and freedmen aggrieve ed; preludice against the Government by planters and the expectations on the part of freedmen that can never be realized. Prudent and industrious freedmen rarely call on the Bureau for assistance; it is the idle and worthless who alone look to it for supports These do not include the infirm and helpless. The restoration of civil law and the recognition of their civil right remain as they have been, as evident ly there is no change in the law giving them the right to hold property, su and be sued, ect.

The report further states how th Agents of the Bureau have been inter ested in plantations, and wielded the power in a manner to aid their ow individual interests.

The report further says that opport sition existed on the south bank Trent river, in a settlement with a exclusively freedmen population, 4,00 in number, whose condition is trul deplorable. These unfortunate per ple came in our lines, and were the living in small buts built by them selves from lumber manufactured be their own hands. The settlement wa recently scourged by small-pox, and their condition is well calculated to excite sympathy. The decrepi among them are supported by Govern ment, and the remainder procure very scanty living from little job about Newbern, and by fishing small boats, ect.

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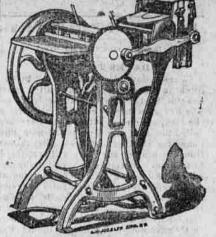
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