FOR THE SOUTHERN STATES.

Government Officer Visits Raleigh to Investigate for Federal Prison.

BIG THING FOR CAPITAL CITY

He Called On the Covernor and Supt, Mebane and Later Visits the Penitentiary.

The Post of the 11th says: Mr. R. V La Dou, a special representative of the Government in Washington, D. C. arrived in the city yesterday for the purpose of ascertaining the propriety and advisability of establishing a United States prison at the penitentiary

Mr. La Dou called at the Governor's office yesterday and made known the object of the trip. Later he saw the superintendent of the prison, Mr. J. M. Mewborne, and visited the peni-

Chairman Dockery, of the Penitentiary Executive Committee, has just been to Washington, where he saw the Attorney-General and urged the designation of the North Carolina penitentiarp as a prison for United States convicts from the Southern States.

The Department sends Mr. La Dou here to investigate the matter, and if there is sufficient work to keep them constantly at work the prison will be nade a Federal penitentiary also.

Federal prisoners are now sent to Albany, N. Y., and Columbus, Ohio, to serve sentences.

The establishment of a Federal prison here for convicts from the Southern States, in conjunction with the State penitentiary would be a big thing for

Received a Large Check. State Treasurer Worth received a few lays since a check for \$105,007, the argest individual check he has received | tion. since he has been in office. The amount At Lexington, Ky., a crowded stairof the check was for payment of the 85 per cent, semi-annul interest on the of ten colored persons, one or two of State's investment in the North Carolina Railroad. The check was signed by E. 8. Walton, secretary of the North Car-plina Railroad, and was made payable to W. H. Worth, State Treasurer, The sheck was given on the National Bank of Wilmington, and is No. 0727. Treasurer Worth has received sums of money so arge as this on former occasions, but never a single check for so large an

Building Cotton Mills.

Several cotton factories are soon to be built at Vaughan's, a little station on the S. A. L. Railroad, about 12 miles north of Warrenton. A large colony of Pennsylvania people have bought land in that section and some of them are already there at work. Prospects are bright for the Vaughan secion. - Raleigh Post.

Impostors at Work.

The grand secretary of the grand odge of Odd Fellows gives notice that there are some impostors at work in this State securing money from mempers of the order by getting their eniorsements on notes and drafts. None of these have struck Charlotte yet, but the members of the order here are ou the lookout for them. - Charlotte News.

Audited Expense Account. V. S. Lusk and J. A. Smith, last week, as a committee of the directors of the North Carolina Railway, audited the expense account in connection with the suit to annul the lease of that road to the Southern. They say they find the expense of attorneys' fees to be about \$2,500; other expenses \$885.74.

Worth Company Chartered. The State grants a charter to the Worth Company, of Wilmington, composed of members of the family of that

name, with \$100,000 paid-in capital and power to increase it to \$500,000. The company will do a general merchandise business and also lease, buy and sell ands and property of all kinds. Concord's Water Impure.

The State Board of Health is making good progress with its analysis of the water supply of the various cities and towns in this State. It finds the water at Concord impure and gives warning shout it - Wilmington Messenger. Te Be Invited to the state.

Supt. Mebane is making an effort to have the next annual meeting of the Department of Superintendance of the National Educational Associations to meet in North Carolina.

He Thought Life a Failure. B. W. Weston, who committed suicide at a mine near Morganton, left a letter for his brother saving he did the deed because he had come to the con-

clusion that life was a failure. A Very Horrible Thing.

Moonshiners in Rockingham county did a very horrible thing. A lot of them swore that a white man named Bowles had outraged a white girl. The man was actually on trial for his life when his lawyer exposed the scheme. -

Number of Odd Fellows and Masons. From a record in the hands of Captain James M. McGowen we ascertain that there are at present in the United States and Canada 960,094 Odd Fellows, and 837,395. - Wilmington Mes-

Making Elaborate Preparations. Charlotte is making elaborate preparations for the 20th of May celebration this year.

Penciled Paragraphs.

It seems that under the act of 1887 there can be no local option elections this year.

In eastern North Carolina the acreage in tobacco is to be almost if not quite doubled this year.

The State charters the Either Lumber Company, of Either, Montgomery county, capital \$5,000.

Wake county Alliance has subscribed \$1,000 for the establishment of a depository for the Hillsboro shoe factory in

SNAP SHOTS AT THE NEWS.

The South. By a decisive vote in the Virginia House the bill to re-establish the whip-ping post was defeated. J. W. Rice was arrested at Roanes, Va., charged with counterfeiting 5 cent

President Andrews, of Brown University, will deliver the commencement address at Wake Forest College, May

The North Carolina penitentiary will put in cultivation 300 acres of rice land near Wilmington.

The industrial reports from West Virginia are encouraging. The woolen industry alone gives employment to 5,009 people.

Rev. Wm. Meade Clarke, of Richmond, has declined to accept a pro-fessorship in the Virginia Theological Seminary

Arthur Garvey, of Rocky Mount, N. C., had his jugular vein severed by falling through a pane of glass at Richmond, Va. He bled to death from the

At Camden, S. C., the jury in the case of J. Hale Stephenson, a merchant, on the charge of assault on Miss Jesse W. Arrants, a 15-year old girl, last September, resulted in a mistrial, and Stephenson was admitted to bail in the sum of \$3,000.

The Atlanta (Ga.) Federation of Trades condemn the movement for a Southern Confederacy of Labor. One of the principal reasons given is that it will result in renewing the bitterness and hatred caused by the late war and will divide the country into factions.

Seven councilmen were sent to jail at Covington, Ky., for contempt of court. John W. Carroll, one of the wealthiest tobacco manufacturers in this country,

died at his home in Lynchburg, Va. Near Wadesboro, N. C., a colored girl, six years old, was burned to death. Postmaster J. H. Polk was murdered and his store at Goodwin, Ga., robbed by unknown assassins.

In the Virginia Legislature a bill has been passed incorporating the Fred-ericksburg Battlefield Park Associa-

whom are expected to die.

In revenge for being ordered to cease his visits to his daughter, Peter Pieffer was shot and killed by John Schofield, at Louisville, Ky.

Two well-diggers at Lexington, N C., were entombed by the bricks of the side giving way, and died before rescuers could reach them.

The Louisiana Constitutional convention, at New Orleans, will amend the suffrage laws and disfranchise many negroes.

The Virginia State Senate, after cut ting down the appropriation from \$150, 000 to \$100,000 ordered to its engrossment the bill providing for enlarging the cell accommodations of the peni tentiary. The money is to come out of future earnings of the prison.

Before the South and West Commercial Congress, at Tampa, Fla. Gov. Geo. W. Atkinson, of West Vir ginia, made a lively speech on the wonwonderful resources of the South.

Col. Thomas E. Moore, of Bourbon Breckenridge, son of Col. W. C. P Breckenridge, to a duel. In Henrico county, Virginia, Mr. R.

L. Montague, a lawyer of Richmond, was shot in the head and back by J. C. Bailey, a farmer of the county and plaintiff, though not seriously wound-Mr. E. A. Saunders, went out in the ceuntry to be present at the sale of Bailey's farm, under a deed of trust. Bailey, who has twice been in an insane asylum, had armed himself with two shot suns, and not only fired upon Mr. Montague, with the above result, but made Mr. Saunders deliver up his watch and overcoat. He subsequently returned the watch.

The North.

State Senator Robert J. Hanby, of Delaware, is dead. Hon. Wm. J. Bryan made a speech on Abraham Lincoln at Lincoln, Neb., on

The State Board of Arbitration has sustained the demands of striking miners in the Northern Colorado district.

The New York board of health's estimate of the population of the consolidated city gives a total of 3,438,899. The milling industry of the North-

west is vigorously pushing the bill to punish adulterations of flour. John Williams, a Democratic leader in Bartholomew county, Ky., was shot

and killed in a quarrel by James Lewis. Mrs. Mary Maschin, who kept a New York boarding house, has been sent to the workhouse for begging food on which she fed her lodgers.

Students at the University of Michipus or in the corridors, in obedience to memory of Lincoln." demands of the girl pupils.

Train robbers were scared from an Iron Mountain train near Bismarck, | valuables from one man.

Booker T. Washington, of Alabama. was one of the speakers at the meeting | proclamation of emancipation. of the Armstrong Association, at New | York, on the 12th. This association is for furthering negro industrial education and promoting the work of Hampton Institute. Ex-President Cleveland ham Lincoln from the Southern standwas expected, but did not attend.

Miscellaneous.

The steamer, "Teese" sailed from Vic toria, B. C., on the 9th with 100 miners for Klondike.

had over 40,000,000 hogs at the beginning of the year 1897. Iowa alone having nearly 4,000,000.

The extensive milling industry of the Northwest is organizing to secure favorable action on the "pure flour" bill introduced by Pearce, of Missouri.

Evangelist Moody, who is holding a from a man who defrauded the customs of that sum.

It has been decided to send ten companies of troops to Dyea and Skaguay, Alaska, immediately for the purpose of preserving order and protecting life and ENRAQUE DUPUY DE LOME.



(Spanish Minister to the United States who has resigned because of the publication of a letter in which he criticised President McKinley.)

A Notable Celebration by the Marquette Club at Chicago.

EX-PRES. HARRISON SPEAKS

In His Speech He Said That Europe Did Not Know Lincoln and the

South Hated Him.

The anniversary of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln was generally ob served on the 12th, At Chicago there was a notable celebration by the Marquette Club, ex-President Harrison being the speaker of the occasion at the Auditorium Hotel. He said in part: had placed him. Europe did not know him. To the South and to not a few in the Northern States, he was an unthe South, not only for his principles, but for himself. The son of the cavalier, the man who felt it to be a stain, despised this son of the people, this

ehild of toil. kindliness with which he judged the of 1897. South and the slave-holders. He was some masters were cruel, but upon reasons that kindness to the slave did | and 4,169,000 bushels in this week a not answer. 'All men' included the black man. Liberty is the law of pass the limits of the State; God's law

embraces creation. "Mr. Lincoln loved the 'plain people,' of whose ranks he came; but not with a class love. He never pandered to ignorance or sought applause by appeals to prejudice. The equality of men in rights and burdens; justice to all, a government by all the people for all the people, was his thought-no favoritism in enactment or administration—the general good.

he won it fairly; not by art or trick. He could therefore admonish and restrain with authority. He was a man who spoke to all men and was heard. Would there were more such! There is and in the labor assembly.

bined to make a man who has won the eral officers. love of mankind. He is loved, He This ends the taking of testimony. stands like a great lighthouse to show It will be sent to Judge Simonton, of the way of duty to all his countrymen | the Circuit Court, for his decision as to and to send afar a beam of courage to whether there was a fraud in the making those who beat against the winds. We to the Southern Railway of the lease gan will no longer smoke on the cam- do him reverence. We bless tonight the for ninety-nine years of the North

At New York Addison F, Andrews, State. son of the late Rufus F. Andrews, who was surveyor of the port of New York Mo., by the passengers, after stealing under Abraham Lincoln, presented to the New York Press Club the per with which Abraham Lincoln signed the At the thirty-third annual banquet of

the Lincoln Assoration of Jersey City, N. J. Senator John W. Daniel, of Virginia, responded to the toast, "Abrapoint.

Died from Vaccination.

James Herbert Martin, son of Osborne F. Martin, of Shelby, N. C .. died Feb. 10th, at 11 a. m., with spasms The United States is said to have from vaccination. The child was one year six months and ten days old. -Charlotte (N. C.) Observer.

> Ensign Breckinridge Drowned. A cablegram has been received at Washington from Consul-General Lee: at Havana, which says;

revival at Montreal, has received 8965 Cushing, was washed overboard and drowned a few hours before the arrival of the vessel at this port. The body was recovered, and I am arranging to have it embalmed and sent

His remains will be interred at Lexington, Ky., his home.

WORLD OF BUSINESS.

LINUULN. A Much More Cheerful Tone to the

Bradstreet's commercial review for the past week says in part: "What might be regarded as a minor feature in the business situation, though at the same time conveying much to the interests involved is a quite general improvement in the Central West and the South, where the spring trade is re ported opening in good shape. Less favorable features of the week are the slowness of spring trade in dry goods to develop at New York and other eastern centres except Boston, and the mild weather in the Northwest rendering it likely that retailers' stocks carried over will be larger than earlier expected. Although the advance in cotton has been claimed to be too rapid, it has undoubtedly imparted a much more 'In the broad, common-sense way in cheerful tone to the Southern business which he did small things, he was situation and the situation with iron larger than any situation in which life and steel has done much to add to the confidence with which the trade outlyok for 1898 is regarded.

"Business failures continue to make couth jester, an ambitious upstart, a favorable comparisons with previous reckless disturber. He was hated at weeks and years, the total for the week just ended numbering 278, against 301 in the corresponding week of 1897. "Exports of wheat fall slightly below last week's reduced total, aggregating

for the week 3,419,504 bushels, against "He was distinguished from the 3,635,000 bushels last week, and 2,051,abolition leaders by the fairness and | 000 bushels in the corresponding week "Corn exports show a gain, amountopposed to human slavery, not because ing as they do to 4,508,000 bushels, against 4,104,000 bushels last week,

year ago. "Bank clearings continue to point to nature. The human enactment cannot an immense business doing in the country at large, in a total aggregating for the week \$1,434,000,000, less than 2 | holds that it is a violation of the State per cent. smaller than last week."

> TAKING OF TESTIMONY ENDED. President Spencer, of the Southern Declines to Answer Questions.

At Salisbury, N. C., the hearing of the case of the State of North Caro-"He had the love of the masses and lina against the Southern Railway in the North Carolina Railroad lease was resumed before Special Master Craig on

President Spencer, of the Southern, great need of meu now who can be was examined regarding the earnings, heard both in the directors' meeting expenses and other details of the system; but declined to state the amount "Qualities of heart and mind com- of his salary or those of the other gen-

Carolina Railroad, which belongs to the

Sunday Racing Defeated.

At St. Louis, Mo., after three days of work, the national assembly of the League of American Wheelmen the all-important question of local option in the matter of Sunday racing was again defeated. An amendment providing that State divisions be granted i awaiting the full report promised by the right to determine for themselves whether or not Sunday bicycle races are to be permitted was introduced but defeated by six votes.

Battlefield Park Bill Approved. The Governor of Virginia has ap proved the bill incorporating the Battlefield Park Association, of Fredericksburg and vicinity.

Against nome Quarantine.

The net result of the three days' session and extended deliberation of the quarantine convention at Mobile, Ala., is a square declaration in favor of a "Ensign J. R. Breckinridge, of the national and uniform quarantine system | measuring sixty feet long, jaw bone that will make impossible another such disgraceful exhibition as marked the last yellow fever epidemic in the Southern States.

> A Hotel Chartered. The Swanannoa Hotel Company of Asheville, N. C., has been chartered. and Skaguay, Alaska, with 500 pas-Capital \$7.000.

Radical Wing, in Secret Meeting, Propose Terms to the Insurgents.

THE PROPOSITIONS DRAWN UP.

All the Autonomists Except Galvez, Montero, Zayas and Delonte Agree to the Terms.

Havanna, via. Key West, Fla., (Special). - The radical wing of the Autonomist party, formed of Senors Elizo Giberga, Arturo Ambiard, Leopelde Sola, Carlos Font, Miguel Gnor, Eduardo Dolz and others, assembled in secret meeting on the 12th, to discuss the situation which is considered very serious, owing to the continuance of the insurrection despite the fact auton. omy has been granted to Cuba. Senor Antonio Govin, Colonial Secretary of the Interior, did not take part in the deliberations, but sent his assent to the resolutians adopted. It was resolved to open negotiations with the insurgents, in the belief that the revolution could not be suppressed by force of would not accept the new terms, it was resolved that the colonial government would open negotiations thus saving the Madrid government from the responsibility. The following proposi-tions will be formally tendered to the insurgents:

"First-The volunteers will be dissolved and a Cuban militia formed. Second--The insurgent colonels and gen-

eral will be recognized. Third---Cuba will be called upon to pay only \$100,000,000 out of the \$600,000,000 indebtedness due for both wars. Fourth--- uba will pay \$2,000,000 a year

for the crown list. Fifth-Cuba will make her own treaties without interference by the Madrid govern-Sixth --- Spanish products will have only-a

10 per cent margin of protection over similar products from other countries. Seventh --- No exiles or deportations will be made, even in war time, to Spain, Africa or to penal settlements elsewhere. Eighth .- I) eath sentences for rebellion shall

Ninth == Martial law cannot be ordered by the captain general without the assent of both the House and Sepate, if those boiltes are in session, or without the assent of a majority of the Cabinet if they are not in Tenth--The archbishop of Santiago de

Cuba shall always be a native Cuban. Eleventh -- The actual insurgent party shall have three seats in the first cabinent. Twelfth -- An armistice of fifteen days shall be granted for the discussion of the terms of

These terms are accepted by the Autonomist party in full with the exceptions of Senors Galvez, Montero, Zayas and Delonte.

Two Centenarians Dead. A special to the Charlotte (N. C.) Observer from Elkin, says: Lewis Harris, the centenarian, died at his home near Roaring Gap Hotel on the 11th. He was perhaps the oldest man in the State, he being 104 years of age at the time of his death. When he settled in this country this vast domain was all a wilderness. For the past three years he has been in a state mania for burning everything in sight, and his people had to keep a continual watch over him to keep him from burning up the house and furniture. Judith Martin, the oldest negro woman in the State, and perhaps in the South, died at hed home near Ronda, Wilkes county, on the same day, aged 115 years. This is authetic. About two years ago this old negro cut her second set of teeth, and her eyesight, which

had failed, returned to her. The Lord's Prayer Shut Out. Attorney-General Crow, of Missouri, has rendered his opinion in which he law to have pupils recite the Lord's Prayer or for the teacher to read the Bible as a part of the opening exercises in the public schools of the State. He holds that these exercises are forms of religious worship, and hence are for-

school hours.

bidden in a rublic school house during

Arms for Cuban Patriots. A large Cuban expedition, under command of Gen. Sanguilly, slipped away from Tampa, Fla., on the 13th. It is understood that 5,000 rifles, 6,000 pounds of dynamite, 200,000 rounds of cartridges and a large lot of supplies, including seventy men, made up the

Nomination Again Postponed. Washington special, 14th: At the request of both Senators Pritchard and Butler, the Senate committee on judiciary today again postponed consideration of the nomination of Mr. Ewart to

be judge of the Western district of Awaiting Woodford's Report. While the personal incident of criticism of President McKinlev in the de Lome letter is considered closed, but the statements as to Spain's duplicity regarding the proposed commercial treaty and Cuban autonomy may still be the subject of alarm by our govern-

Minister Woodford.

ment; on this point the administration

Strike Seems Imminent, At Boston on the 15th, at a meeting of forty-five representatives of textile unions in New England, it was unani mously voted to recommend that all unions call out the operatives in every cotton mill in New England. The strikers at New Bedford, Mass., wish to fight it out alone.

A Big Whale Caught.

Capt. Moore's whaling crew on Shackleford Banks, near the bar, at Beaufort, N. C., killed the largest whale captured there in many years. seven and a half feet long. The whale will make sixty-five barrels of oil, and is estimated to be worth \$1,800.

Food for Alaska.

The steamship Oregon sailed from Portland, Ore., on the 13th for Dyen sengers and 1,200 tons of freight.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS. Proceedings of Both the Senate and

House Day By Day. THE SENATE.

36TH DAY.—In the Senate strong Cuban resolutions were introduced. Cannon wanted the United States to serve notice on Spain to withdraw her forces from Cuba and give that Republic liberty. Mason's resolution calls upon the President to notify Spain that the war must at once cease, and that the United States declare and maintain peace on the Island. Allen wanted the belligerency of the insurgents recognized.

87TH DAY. -For more than three hours the Senate chamber rang with eloquent appeals in behalf of the Cuban insurgents, Cannon, of Utah, and Mason, of Illinois, being the principal speakers. Mason in his remarks, urged the President to take immediate action, and Cannon spoke in support of his resolution introduced the day before to give Spain until March 4th to stop the war. Hale made a cool-headed speech and had the resolution referred. Butler, of North Carolina, presented an amendment to the constitution, en-abling Congress to levy and collect an income tax.

38rn Day. During the entire ses-

sion of the Senate, the Indian appro-

priation bill was under discussion. The reading of the bill was completed, and all of the committee's amendments arms. Anticipating that the insurgents of a minor character were attached to the measure. Allen, of Nebraska, enlivened the proceedings a few minutes before adjournment by making an attack upon Speaker Reed, Gen. William Booth, of London, England, founder of the Salvation Army officiated as chaplain at the opening session today. Mr. and Mrs. Booth Tucker, the son-in-law and daughter of General Booth, were in the gallery during the prayer. Previous to the meeting of 8 the Senate the entire party held a brief reception in the Vice-President's room. 39TH DAY. - The Senate passed the Indian appropriation bill, after being amended somewhat by Pettigrew, of South Dakota. The bill carries nearly \$8,000,000. Allen, of Nebraska, introduced a resolution directing the committee on foreign relations to inquire whether the yacht Buccaneer, owned by Wm. R. Hearst, has been seized and is being held by the Spanish government. The resolution was agreed

40TH DAY. - The Senate Foreign Reations committee reported against placing Allen's Cuban beligerency amendment on the consular bill and recommended that it be faid upon the table. Benator Allen spoke on his resolution providing for the free coinage of silver without waiting for action by any other country. Morgan called ur his resolution asking that the President be called upon for certain information in regard to Cuba. It was passed. -

THE HOUSE.

41st DAY. - The House entered upon the consideration of the Aldrich Plow man contested election case, from the fourth Alabama district. The majority of the committee reported in favor of seating the Republican contestant, on the ground of conspiracy, an allegation vigorously denied by the minority. Mr. Plowman's prurality, on the face of the returns, was 2,957, The majority revised the figures so as to give Aldrich a plurality of 342. During the early part of the session the Senate amendbordering on imbecility. He had a ments to the agricultural bill were dis-

agreed to, and the bill was sent to con-42D DAY. - The House by a vote of 143 to 112 unceated Plowman (Dem.) of Alabama, and gave the seat to Aldrich (Rep.) A special deficiency appropriation bill was passed carrying \$200,000 for the payment of jurors' fees in the United States Courts, and \$175,000 for

witness fees. During the debate on the contested election case of Plowman vs. Aldrich, Linney said the negroes in the South were steadfast in their loyalty to the Republican ticket. "As well expect to be able to shoot off the horns of the moon with a pop-gun," said he, "as to make a Southern negro voluntarily

vote the Democratic ticket." 43D DAY. - The House was in a very bad temper, and the whole session was consumed in filibustering against two bills of minor importance, and the other to make Rockport, Me., a subport of entry. Neither got further than en grossment aed third reading. Roll cal followed roll call all day long, and partisan feeling reached a high pitch. Finally, when it became evident that no progress could be made with the bills presented, an adjournment was taken

until Monday. 44TH DAY. - The house committee on foreign affairs reported and called up for consideration the house resolution calling upon the Secretary of State for information as to Spain's dealings with the starving Cubans, and also as to the progress of efforts for the establishment of autonomy in Cuba. After a short debate the resolution was adopted. Another resolution was adopted calling for the correspondence relating to the exclusion of our fruits, beef and horses from Germany. The remainder of the day was devoted to District of Colum-

Washington Jottings. The National Congress of Mothers will meet in Washington in May.

bia business.

Washington special says: The ma jority report in the contested election case of Thorp vs. Epes from the Fourth Virginia district, filed in the House, re verses Epes' plurality of 2,621, and gives Thorp a plurality of 812. The returns from nineteen rejected precincts in Petersburg and Lunenburg-county, where it is alleged the returns were suc cessfully impeached, precincts at which Democrats were judges of election, increased Thorp's plurality in the precincts carried by him to 2, 197.

Will Lose the Interest.

There will be no postponement of the sale of the Kansas Pacific Railroad. The reorganization committee has offered to bid \$6,303,000, the full amount of the principal of the debt due the government. The latter will, however, lose the interest, amounting to \$6,624,-

To Regulate Hotel Rates.

A bill in the Kentucky Legislature fixes daily rates in first-class hotels at \$1.50; boarding houses 50 cents, and restaurant mea's 25 cents each.