

The Democrats of Washington county Miss. have nominated a colored man for the State Legislature. Is that what might be called bulldozing?

The Raleigh News says a daily paper will be started in Raleigh about the first of September by Maj. Hearne to be called the Peony Post. Maj. Hearne is a good writer, and we wish him a success.

JOHN SHERMAN removed the son of Parson Brownlow from his position of special revenue agent in Tennessee because he thought that Tennessee Republicans were "solid for Grant." A free country and Republican institutions indeed.

THREE of the mob who murdered Standing, the Mormon missionary in Georgia a short time since have been captured and lodged in jail. They declare that while they had Standing in the woods and were about to whip him, he picked up a pistol and deliberately shot himself in the face.

Mrs SPRAGUE has written a letter explaining the affair between her husband and Senator Conkling. She denies any undue intimacy with the Senator, and says all the stories about her are false. Whether they are false we do not know, but one thing is certain, even if there is no truth in them, Mrs. Sprague can blame no one. She by her imprudence and indiscretion, has given rise to the slander. She cannot expect to exhibit her friendship with the Senator in such a reckless manner, even if it be innocent and not have people talking about her. She living in Washington ought to know that the slightest departure from the strictest propriety is sufficient cause for all kinds of stories, and she ought to have acted accordingly.

PRESS CONVENTION.

The convention met at the Gregory house in Goldsboro on Wednesday the 20th, Col. W. L. Saunders president in the chair.

Mr. W. A. Davis, secretary, called the roll and reported about fifty members present. Others afterwards arrived and increased the number to seventy.

The president read his address which paid a high compliment to the State press, and attributed to it a power which was greater for good or evil than any other institution in the State or out of it. It contained much good advice to the profession and ended by paying a glowing tribute to Maj. Jos. A. Eglehard. We only wish we had room to publish the address in full. After the address was delivered, Capt. Ashe moved that a committee of three be appointed to prepare suitable resolutions on the death of Maj. Eglehard. The motion was seconded by Mr. Deake in a few remarks which were very touching. Capt. Ashe, Mr. Deake and Mr. H. A. London, Jr., were appointed as such committee.

Mr. Deake offered a resolution that Col. Creedy, Robinson, Woodward and Ward be constituted a committee to express our sympathy with the sufferers by the Deafout disaster was adopted.

The report of the secretary and treasurer were ordered to be submitted to a special committee.

On motion of Mr. London a committee was appointed to revise the constitution and by-laws and report at the next convention.

A committee of five was appointed to consider and report upon the subject of legal advertising.

Mr. Wm. Bantz invited the association to be his guests at the next meeting.

Mr. Freeman read an invitation from the citizens of Asheville to hold the next meeting at that place. The invitation was accepted with resolutions of thanks to Mr. Bantz for his invitation. Mr. Stone, for the proprietor of the Glen Alpine springs, extended an invitation to the convention to pay a visit to his springs which was accepted.

The members then on invitation proceeded to the residence of Mr. J. A. Bantz of the Messenger where they were wined and dined to a degree which threatened serious consequences to their vest buttons.

At 2 o'clock Mr. Clem Manly of the Nat. Shell read his fine poem to the press. Mr. Manly was appointed by the convention last year and his poem showed that his brethren were not mistaken in selecting him. We hadn't the pleasure of hearing it read, but have been assured that it was of a great merit, and delivered in an impressive manner.

An invitation from the citizens of Wilmington to visit their beautiful city was declined because the members had previously made arrangements to visit Glen Alpine springs.

After the reports of resolutions by the committee the convention adjourned.

At 8 o'clock the meeting again came to order and the president announced that the annual address would be delivered. Mr. Fair, of Warrenton, in a few well chosen and pleasant remarks introduced Col. Cameron, of Hillsboro who for about an hour held the attention of all present by his elegant address, full of flights of eloquence and occasionally a gleam of humor, which brought applause from his hearers.

After resolutions of thanks to the citizens for their hospitality and to the president the meeting adjourned sine die. Do-sey Battle of the Southerner was elected president, Messrs. Greedy Freeman, and London vice-presidents and Jordan Stone secretary and treasurer.

The remaining part of the night until late bedtime was spent in pleasant conversation among themselves, and next morning just before leaving, all were taken over to brother Bantz rooms, drank wine, ate fruit and cake, cracked jokes and nuts, sang songs and told anecdotes until the trains left. Many went up to Glen Alpine springs where they will spend a few days in the enjoyment of all that's pleasant, calling on the Governor in Raleigh on their way up. We made many pleasant acquaintances while in Goldsboro, and had such a pleasant time generally it made us glad that we belong to the press gang.

NOT YET SATISFIED.

EX GOVERNOR SPRAGUE SAYS HE IS SURPRISED.

A DISPOSITION TO FORCE CONKLING TO SETTLE MATTERS SATISFACTORILY - WHAT HE DECLINES.

[From the New York Times, 20th.]

It was not expected by his friends of ex-Governor Sprague that he would make a public reply to Mrs. Sprague's first statement, and the general feeling at the Pier, in Providence, and in Newport, was that Mrs. Sprague would not see fit to address the public again, except under great provocation. One of Mrs. Sprague's friends, upon being asked whether the lady had not been directly insulted and grossly compromised many months ago, when several Washington correspondents alluded to the uncommon relations supposed to exist between her and Senator Conkling, pretended that Mrs. Sprague was not aware of those reports. Ex-Governor Sprague says that he is surprised at this, as his wife is an habitual reader of very many newspapers, and is interested in all newspaper gossip. He himself takes very few papers, never reads them carefully, and often passes a week without reading a paper. He has not looked at any of the public prints since the scandal, but he was prepared for Mrs. Sprague's additional statement, and cannot effectually object to her making as many references as she likes. He declines to contradict his wife's public utterances, and

DEPRECATES HER ACTION.

As one of his most intimate and faithful friends puts it, he does two things, "he holds the fort and keeps quiet," but he is of the opinion that Mrs. Sprague's main endeavor is to shield Senator Conkling, and in Mr. Sprague's opinion, the Senator needs shielding indeed. The ex-Governor is not impressed by Mrs. Sprague's statement that Senator Conkling came to Canochet to influence or shape any policy in regard to the management of the bankrupt estate, with which the ex-governor has nothing whatever to do. Practically, the whole Sprague property is in the hands and under the control of the trustee, Mr. Zachariah Chafee. The trustee is not interested in Mrs. Sprague, or her worldly fortunes. Like all the hard headed and cool-headed business men of Providence, he

DEEMED HER EXTREMELY EXTRA-AGANT.

and, as one of the Sprague creditors says, neither the males nor the females of the Sprague concern were decided to Mr. Chafee. The latter has no objection to the ex-governor occupying Canochet, with or without his wife, but he objects to Mrs. Sprague being in charge, or being there alone. Nor does he allow the ex-governor to sell anything belonging to the estate—not even a basket of fruit or a load of hay. Should the ex-governor undertake to do anything of the kind, both he and his family would be removed from Canochet, and their relations with the Sprague estate would terminate until the day of final settlement, when they would receive the portion which might be due them. This statement, which is authoritative, disposes of Mrs. Sprague's story that Senator Conkling visited Canochet to help to solve legal or executive questions connected with that or any property, formerly or now held by the Sprague family. Ex-governor Sprague coincides in this view. Practically he has nothing to do with the estate now, and it is not certain that he will in the future. He is living at Canochet on sufferance. Senator Conkling's presence at Canochet has not been accounted for, and he is known to have waited at Newport until it was certain the ex-governor was absent. Then he went to Canochet. He was received at the landing by Mrs. Sprague, and how he installed himself at Canochet is testified to by the German teacher, by the children, and by the servants. Ex-Governor Sprague has shown by his actions how he viewed the intrusion. The opponents of Senator Conkling do not charge him with criminality, but with ungentlemanly conduct, impudence and cowardice. Ex-Governor Sprague

DOES NOT CONSIDER THE AFFAIR ENDED.

He thinks himself outraged by the senator and demands satisfaction. It is freely stated among responsible people that Senator Conkling has compromised

Mrs. Sprague's honor, not criminally, but socially, and that he ought to restore her good name and fame. A statement is therefore expected from Senator Conkling, and it is hoped that he will restore to Mrs. Sprague what he has taken away from her—her domestic peace and her good name as a wife who may have been wronged by her husband, but has remained faithful to her vows.

CONFIDENTIAL CHARACTER OF POSTOFFICE BUSINESS.

In the matter of involving the question whether a postmaster is required under the law to testify in a judicial proceeding who rents a box in his office, who took the letters from it, etc., tending to show what became of certain correspondence, the subject was referred to assistant Attorney General Freeman, of the postoffice department, and he has advised the Postmaster General that the postmaster should not be required to answer the inquiries. He says: "The postmaster is an agent of the government, and there is no relation which the government sustains toward the people of such high trust and of such peculiar and confidential a character as that which it sustains in the transmission of sealed communications. The name of the person addressed is written on the outside of the letter for one purpose alone, that of enabling the postmaster to deliver to the proper person. For any other purpose the postmaster is presumed to have no knowledge of the address. Not only so sacred does the law regard the right of private and confidential correspondence that it requires letters addressed to a particular box or place to be delivered at that particular box or place, even though directed to no particular person, thus enabling parties if they choose to protect themselves against the unlawful disclosures of any one holding the mail."

He recommends that the postmaster appear, and, if required, purge himself of any supposed contempt by the statement that the questions addressed to him relate to matters within his knowledge only in his official character, acquired in the discharge of his duties as postmaster, and not in his individual capacity as a private citizen, and that by the law and the regulations of the department, which have the force of law, he is forbidden to answer the question.—Rat. News.

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