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GROWING IN PAVOR. We have strong hopes that before two years roll around public sentiment will have changed entirely in favor of primary elections. There has been decided progress in that direction during the year. A corresponding change during the next two years will cause that system to be almost universally adopted. We noted two day ago that Wake county would take a vote on the United States Senatorial question. We do not like this, because we do not believe the people should choose the Senator. We have given our views at length before, and will not repeat. We mention the Wake case to show the progres how it is believed the primary election system is the only fair expression of the people's wishes and opin-

We have seen complaints latterly in several of our exchanges of the manner in which the county conventions recently held were managed. Yesterday we clipped the following brief paragraph from the Polkton

"We were utterly disgusted with some of the proceedings in the Township Convention last Saturday, and hope never to witness such again in a Democratic meeting. This is plain."

The editor of the Milton Chronicle is not only the oldest of our editors, but he is thoroughly independent, honest and trustworthy. No man could buy him. He says in his last paper:

"Conventions of political bodies are growing rapidly into disrepute, and hence each new-born year vields a new crop of 'Independent" candidates, and all the anathema and maranatha that the partizan press can heap upon the heads of "Independents," are heeded only as cow-bell mu-sic—they will not "down." * * * It would doubtless be a good thing if all candidates would come out as independents rather than leave the selection to the manipulation of packed or bull-dozed conventions. Hence the necessity of primary elections to select candidates. No matter if five hundred thirsty and ambitious 'independents' pop up their brazen heads, primary elections will make them pop down again when they see the shadow on the wall prefiguring their doom. Let us then provide for the choice of candidates by primary elections, and abolish the so called convention plan. It will rid the party of 'independents' in the hour of danger.'

THE SHERMAN LETTER.

The most interesting discussion now progressing in connection with the High Jenks performance on the Washington boards, 18 what became of the original of the John Sherman letter-the one that the ridiculous Mrs. Jenks now avers she dictated? Has it been destroyed, or is it in the possession of the Jenks, or has oily John Sherman at last procured the document that is supposed to be worth its thousands to him and to be more precious than even honor or fame? The opinion begins to prevail that John Sherman holds it. He probably secured it through the ingenious efforts of the cute and saucy and unprincipled Mrs. Agnes Jenks. John paid handsomely, you may be sure, for the precious prize, and the Jenks will get her reward after so long delay and so many disappointments. She has proved a friend indeed, if her story is discredited by all sensible and candid people. The Baltimore Guzette thus states the probabilities that Mrs. Jenks procured the document for Sherman and was paid a good sum for the great

was paid a good sum for the great favor shown:

"Two circumstances bear this out. In the first place, she is a woman of too much common sense to deliberately lie herself into a bad hole from which it would be impossible to get out. She has denied that Sherman wrote the letter. This she would search who contend for their continuance." favor shown: the first place, she is a woman of too much into a bad hole from which it would be impossible to get out. She has denied that scarcely do if she felt there was a faint possibility that the committee could hold the original letter against her. She must know it is so safe that she can hold fast to her story. But the lines are tightening about Sherman and his gifted accomplice. The stop Chinese immigration? It is pow-pepper column.

committee is now in possession of an affi

davit from Dan Weber's wife, now living at Donaldsville. She could not leave

home on account of sickness in her

family, but she swears that very recently she found the document wanted by

thing. Mrs. Jenks would have neither mo-

tive nor excuse for buying a worthless for-

on her shelves without a purchaser. It was genuine, or it wasn't worth a cent. She ar-

The next link in the chain will be furnished

by the sub-committee which will soon go to

Louisiana for the purpose, among other things, the examining of Mrs. Weber. If she states that the letter she sold Mrs. Jenks

corresponds with the photograph copy that

will be shown her, Sherman had better

have his resignation drawn up in advance."

OUR BOYS ABROAD.

It is gratifying to see our North

Carolina boys bearing themselves so

well from home and winning such

honors as many of them do. We

have received a very handsomely

printed catalogue of Randolph Ma-

con College, Virginia. During the

year just closed there were '141 stu-

dents in attendance. Of these 15

were from North Carolina. Virginia

had 89. There were four prizes of-

fered, and two of these were secured

by North Carolina students. W

F. Tillett, son of Rev. John Tillett,

North Carolina Conference, received

the Sutherlin Prize Medal, and Gray

Carroll, of Warren, received the

Washington Literary Society Medal,

as best orator. Last year there were

five medals awarded, and North Caro-

lina boys obtained four of them. Cy-

rus Thompson received the Walton

Greek Prize; W. H. Page the Suther-

lin Prize Medal; W. F. Tillett, the

Franklin Literary Society Medal, and

T. McN. Simpson, the Washington

Literary Society Medal, as best orator.

Who will be bold enough to say that

blood will not tell. The Faculty of

this excellent Methodist College is

THE CALIFORNIA BLECTION.

engrossing topic. It appears to have

attributes the success of the Work-

and that the movement, as a conse-

quence, need not extend. He has

confidence in the conservatism of the

laboring men who have control of the

convention, and that no agrarian or

rash measures will be adopted. This

is about the substance of his talk re-

under the leadership of Kearney and

made a vigorous fight, the old parties

from some cause appear to have been

inert or demoralized. Some of our

exchanges North of us express appre-

hension as to the ultimate designs of

the Kearneyites, and think they are

as radical and extreme as the Social-

ists of the Eastern cities-that they

mean, if possible, to overturn the es-

tablished order of things, and to in-

augurate a movement that will indeed

be a revolution. We hope Senator

Booth's view will turn out to be the

correct one, and that nothing will oc-

cur on the Western coast to give a

shock to our institutions in that part

of the world. The Washington Post

"This party is analogous to the Socialis-

tic associations of the Eastern States. It

proposes changes of the most radical char-

acter in the laws that underlie the whole

fabric of government. Its theories as to

finance, labor, the duties and powers of

government, are similar to those recently

enunciated by the Socialists of New York.

Our older politicians are accustomed to re-

gard the views of the Nationals and Labor Reformers as wild and visionary—to de-

nounce them as the dreams of dangerous

enthusiasts. But the party which Kearney leads on the Pacific slope look upon the

olatform of the Nationals as far too conser-

As we understand it, the Kearney

party proper is extreme, but thou-

sands of workingmen co-operated

with it for the time without being

identified with its revolutionary pro-

gramme, or without sympathizing

with the radical views of Eastern

Socialists. We think the Post states

We cannot see how the proposed

the fact when it says:

says of the Kearney movement:

Whilst the laboring men rallied

produced in our own language.

The California revolution is still an

now composed of nine Professors.

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erless to do so under the Constitution. It is for the General Government, through Congress, to say what shall be done. The only way the new party can be made effective in bringing

Mrs. Jenks, as detailed in the cor-respondence read, and sold it to her for a sum of money. The two Jenkses have been about a cessation of Chinese immiin Washington several wreks. The moment they arrived Mr. Shellabarger hunted them up, and acted for Mr. Sherman in everygration is by influencing Congress. It may hereafter elect enough members to the House of Representatives gery of any one, for such stock would lie to make itself felt in the legislation of the country. rived at Washington shortly after leaving Mrs. Weber, and since her arrival all her dealings have been with the Sherman tribe.

To show how dangerous is the Communistic movement in Illinois. New York, and other States, we copy some of the mottoes that were inscribed upon the banners borne in a procession in Chicago on last Sunday:

"No rich, no poor; all alike."
"All for one, and one for all."
"Without bread we cannot live; for bread we will go unto death." "Down with privileged bread." "Land belongs to society. "Capital is stolen wages."

It is true the cloud now is no larger than a man's hand, but it is growing. We have no idea that it will ever be of the portentous size feared by many. Our people are too intelligent, too law-abiding, too conservative to ever yield to the dominance of ideas and principles that can only end in national bankruptcy, in social destruction, and in individual degradation.

A NEW PROMISE.

It is now given out that President Hayes will soon enter upon a new departure. It is nothing else than to begin at last a vigorous campaign in the way of civil service reform. The old adage is true in regard to politics as well as other things-"better late than never." He, it is said, will enforce his orders in regard to the long talked of and much written about reform. We have but little confience in such talk or promise. time was once when we hoped for some real fruits from the promises made by Mr. Haves in his letter of acceptance and in his inaugural address. But when look over the list of his appointments, and see nearly every rascal concerned in the Southern outrages during the last ten years, and nearly all of the corrupt scoundrels been a flash of lightning in a clear who were engaged in the Louisiana sky. Senator Booth, of that State, and Florida rape rewarded with good. fat offices, we confess we have no paingmen entirely to the question of tience with such civil service reform, Chinese labor and emigration. He thinks that Communism has nothing and no confidence in any promises that may be made by an administrawhatever to do with the uprising. tion that appoints such varlets and He thinks the cause is purely local then continues them in its service.

The country is greatly needing a change in the civil service. No people were ever worse served. But it will hardly come now under the administration of President Hayes. When we know that such a base fellow as John Sherman is at the head of the Treasury Department of the United States, and that his brother, Gen. Sherman, has such wild and foolish notions of the duty of the army and its position before the country, and that these two worthies are cheek by jowl with Hayes, we confess to the greatest amount of incredulity when we hear the latter beginning to make new promises about civil reform. When the reform comes we will be glad, and we will be ready to acknowledge the same. But we trust to no promises. We have been disappointed once.

We have received an elegant catalogue of Wesleyan Female Institute. located at Staunton, Virginia. Among the pupils are nineteen from North Carolina. Course number one costs \$230; course number two costs \$280 year. So here is over \$6,000 taken out of the State. Our North Carolina schools are just as good as those abroad, and it is to be regretted that our sons and daughters are not educated at home.

We are in receipt of a cotton bloom, grown on the farm of Mr. Angus McFad-

gen, of Bladen county, which was taken from the stalk on the 26th-inst. We also have one from Mr. G. W. Elkins, of Columbus, four miles from Clarkton, in Bladen, which was plucked from a stalk

on his farm on the 26th inst. Crops in Pender.

A gentleman from Pender informs us that the crops in that county are very good, but later than usual. The corn is very promising. The acreage planted in peanuts is not over one-half what it was last year, but the crop is very fine and promises a much better yield than formerly.

- We have before us specimens of mammoth peppers grown by Mrs. Mary E. Stewart, on her farm near Smithville, one being four and a half inches long, and another ten inches around, two dozen of them measuring a peck. Brunswick may be assigned a position in the front rank of the

The Late Wm. A. Wright-Mesting of the Wilmington Bar. A meeting of the members of the Wilnington Bar was held in the Courthouse on June 27th, at 91 o'clock, A. M.

The object of the meeting was explained by DuBrutz Cutlar, Esq., to be to appoint committee to draft resolutions expressive of the respect of the Wilmington Bar for the memory of their deceased brother, the late William A. Wright-and on motion of the same gentleman the Hon. Geo. Davis was called to the chair and John D. Bellamy, Jr., Esq., was requested to act a

On motion of John L. Holmes, Est, committee of five were appointed. Chair to draft resolutions expressive respect and esteem of the Wilmington Bar for the memory of the late William Angus tus Wright, and to report at an adjourned meeting.

The Chair appointed on said committee the Hon. Hugh Waddell, John L. Holmer Esq., Hon. Edward Cantwell. DeBrutz Cutlar, Esq., and Major D. J. Devane. It was moved by Judge Cantwell that mid committee be instructed to report at an adjourned meeting to be held in the Courthouse on July 6th, 1878.

Amended by Judge D. L. Russell, that the time of meeting be changed from July 6th to Saturday, June 29th, 1878, which motion, as thus amended, passed.

On motion of Junius Davis, Esq., the meeting adjourned to meet again on Saturday, 29th of June, at 10 o'clock, A. M. at which time eulogies on the life and character of the deceased will be delivered.

GEORGE DAVIS, Chairman. JOHN D. BELLAMY, Jr., Secretary.

The Whortleberry Trade. As the whortleberry season in Duplin closed yesterday, and Mr. A. H. Morris, of Magnolia, has taken the trouble to keep an exact account of the number of quarts shipped from there to Richmond and Baltimore, we will give the result as follows:

"Commencing May 17th, 1878, and ending June 26th, 1878, about forty days, there have been shipped from Magnolia, N. C., to Richmond and Baltimore, per express and freight, 15,628 quarts whortleberries, which have paid the pickers, the buyers, the sellers, and the express and railroad charges, in amount of freight paid, \$147.37; and still they continue to come in, but are refused by the merchants on account of there being no market for them. H. Hollingsworth & Co., shipped 7,437 quarts, F. A. Newberry 6,181 quarts, A. H. Morris & Co. 2,010 quarts; total, 15,628 quarts."

Felony Disabilities. In order to a proper understanding of the matter of felony disabilities, by which persons are debarred from voting, we give so much of section 10, chapter 275, of the laws of 1876-'77, as relates to it:

Section 10 of the act reads: "The follow ing class of persons shall not be allowed to register or vote in this State, to wit: * * * Third, persons who, upon conviction or confession in open court, shall have been adjudged guilty of felony or other crime, infamous by the laws of the State, committed after the first day of January, 1877, unless they shall have been legally restored to the rights of citizenship in the manner

U. S. Circuit Court.

The following cases were decided in th U. S. Circuit Court at Raleigh, on Thursday, as we learn from the Observer:

The Dawson Bank vs. O. H. Blocker, late Collector of Internal Revenue for the 3d Collection District of North Carolina. Suit to recover taxes and penalties alleged to have been paid wrongfully to the Collector. Verdict and judgment in favor of the plaintiff and against the defendant for the sum of \$587.58 and costs.

The Bank of New Hanover vs. O. H Blocker, &c. Same style of suit as above. Verdict and judgment for the plaintiff for the sum of \$592.07 and costs.

Distranchised Voters.

We learn that ninety-one persons in this county are disfranchised by the late Act o the General Assembly, which prohibits those from exercising the elective franchise who have been convicted of infamous crimes. Lists of the disfranchised, as furnished by the County Solicitor, at the request of the committee appointed by the Board of Magistrates to investigate the matter, have been furnished to the different Registrars.

MR. ASHE'S ACCEPTANCE. [Correspondence.]

FLEMINGTON, N. C., June 20, 1878. Hon. Thos. S. Ashe, Wadesboro, N. C.: DEAR SIR-I was directed by the State Democratic Convention, which convened a Raleigh on the 13th inst., to inform you that you were unanimously nominated for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, and to request your accep-Hoping that you will not decline the

nomination thus tendered, I am Yours truly, H. B. SHORT,

President State Democratic Convention.

WADESBORO, June 26, 1878. DEAR SIR-Your favor of the 20th inst.

has been received, in which you are pleased to state that you were directed by the State Democratic Convention, which convened in Raleigh on the 18th day of June, instant, to inform me that I was unanimously nominated for Associate Justice of the Supreme

Court, and to request my acceptance.

While announcing my acceptance, I avail myself of the occasion to express to the members of the Convention; through you as their President, my grateful acknowledgment of the high compliment paid me, enhanced as it was by the flatterng manner in which it was bestowed.

MEETING OF THE BAR.

Resolutions of Respect to the Memory of Mr. Willem A. Wright, the "Father of the Wilmington Bar" -Addresses of Hope. Edward Cantwell and Goo. Davis, &c.

The members of the Wilmington Bar met at the Court House yesterday morning, pursuant to adjournment, to hear the report of the committee appointed by the meeting on Thursday last to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of the late William A. Wright, Hon. Geo. Davis in the Chair, and Mr. J. D. Bellamy, Jr., acting as Secretary.

Hon. Hugh Waddell, as chairman of the committee on Resolutions, reported the following, prefacing the reading of the same by some very appropriate and feeling remarks, as a brief tribute of his respect affection and esteem for the deceased:

The members of the Wilmington Ber deeply sensible of the loss which the pre-fession has sustained in the death of Wm. A. Wright, Esq., and desirous of giving expression to their own feelings under the affliction which has visited them, have adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the death of William A Wright, long recognized as "the father of the Wilmington bar," and universally beloved as he was by his brethren of the profession wherever he was known, is a cause of sincere and profound sorrow to us. The removal of such a man from our midst although at an age when such an event might naturally be expected, is to be deeply lamented. He was a wise counsellor, a learned lawyer, a genial and kind-hearted gentleman, whose companionship was always a pleasure to his friends, and who, whether administering the law from the bench or practicing it at the bar, was always just and courteous to all with whom his duties brought him in contact.

Resolved, That in the death of Mr. Wright the State has lost a true and patriotic son, who was ever alive to her honor and welfare; and Wilmington has been bereft of an honored and beloved citizen, whose whole life has been devoted to its best interests, and who has gone to his rest leaving behind him the memory of numberless good deeds.

Resolved, That we tender to his bereaved family the expression of our sincere sym-

Resolved, That the Secretary of this meeting be requested to send a copy of these and to the press for publication, and that His Honor be requested to direct the Clerk of the Court to make a memorial page of these proceedings in the records of the

Hugh Waddell, Chairman; John L. Holmes, DuBrutz Cutlar, D. J. Devane, Edward Cantwell, Committee.

Upon the conclusion of the reading of the resolutions Judge Cantwell, moving, on the part of the committee, that they be adopted, said:

JUDGE CANTWELL'S ADDRESS

We, of this Bar, have recently had to mourn the departure of three of our most gifted brethren, at short intervals of time And they were men who, besides being emisent in a professional sense, were en-deared to us by their personal character and the civil and social qualities they culti-

The first of them (Col. Strange) was man endowed with all the graces of cultivated intelligence. He enriched us with the wealth of his learning, the splendor of his rhetoric, and the nameless charm and fascination of inherited culture. The second (Mr. Empie) was a genial Caro linian, who added lustre to a name already distinguished in our local annals, and who perished just as he was about to scale the sun-crowned heights to which his ambition aspired.

These two were comparatively young men. We come here to-day to offer a tribute of affectionate respect to the memory of the Father of the Bar and our oldest prac-

One of these men, armed in all the glory of a complete physical and intellectual manhood, leaped from the spot where I which divides the life that is from that which is to come. His jewelled hand still clutched the laurels of honor and fame. His fair brow was yet wet with the dew of human toil, his eyes were still bright with earthly love when he passed from the bar of this Court into the presence of the Eternal and the Omniscient. The other gifted by nature with almost equal powers. was weakened and borne down by searching disease. His mortal frame, like some weather-beaten hulk, settled slowly to its rest, beneath the ever restless

It was the fortune of this, our friend, to reach the fulness of his time; to pass away at the very period described by the inspired Psalmist, wherein "we bring our years to an end as it were a tale that is His work on earth was done, and he continued on his eternal journey hence

peace with God and loving all mankind. Mr. Chairman, matter and spirit are both of them indestructible and immortal. In some shape or another they survive decay and triumph over death. Nevertheless, very few of our race is there any promise given of that personal resurrection which includes the reward of personal identity, and an everlasting self-consciousness. Th majority of mankind, careless of the future. and indifferent to their fate, act as if there were no hereafter, no Second Death, such as is described by England's greatest poet,

'Aye, but to die, and go we know not where, To lie in cold obstruction and to rot, This sensible, warm motion, to become! kneaded clod,

And the delighted spirit to bathe in flery Or reside in thrilling regions of thick ribbed

To be imprisoned in the viewless winds, And blown with restless violence round

The pendent world. Or worse than worst, To be of those whom lawless and incertain thoughts Imagine howling. O, 'tis too horrible'!
The lowliest and most loathsome human

Which age, ache, penury, imprisonment, Can lay on nature, is a paradise For what we fear of such a death !" I am persuaded that our departed friend

was, however, one of those of whom the Great Apostle loves to speak. One who, having on earth worn the image of the earthy, will in heaven win and wear the image of the heaven win and wear the image of the heavenly; whose corruptible shall put on incorruption, whose mortal immortality; to whom death brings no Yours, most truly,

Thos. S. Ashr.

Charlotte has received 54,725 bales cotton since September 1, 1877—an increase of 6,000 bales.

- Greenville jail is now empty. - Wilson Advance: We regret to learn that Mr. A. M. Thompson, of Taylor's township, in this county, had the misfortune to have his dwelling stonsumed by fire on Monday last. The fire originated from a stove and had made such a progressefore it was discovered that its flames were irresistible. Mr. Thompson lost some of his furniture and a lot of wheat stored in one of the rooms

Nothing is here for tears; nothing to wail

And what may comfort us in a death-so

the request that they be spread on the re-

On Mr. A. T. London's mution the meet

The Court was then called to order, His

Hon. George Davis, as Chairman of the

meeting that had just adjourned, then for-

mally presented the resolutions to the

Court, and in doing so paid an eloquent

and touching tribute to the illustrious de

ceased, adverting to his long acquaintance

with Mr. Wright, dating back some forty

years, during which he had always found

him the same genial, truthful, honest and

upright gentleman, his popularity being

such with all who had known him that, in

meeting any of our former citizens abroad.

the first inquiry almost invariably was

in regard to Mr. Wright. He painted in

glowing characters the rare virtues of the

deceased in private life, and also dwell

upon the noble examples he set his breth-

ren of the profession to which his life was

devoted. We regret that we were unable

to obtain a copy of Mr. Davis' address for

publication, our reporter being informed

At the conclusion of Mr. Davis' remarks

His Honor, Judge Eure, directed the Clerk

to make a memorial page in his Record

and enter the resolutions thereon, prefacing

the same with some very appropriate

and feeling remarks touching the great be-

reavement which had been sustained by

the Wilmington Bar in the loss of one who

had been so long and intimately associated

On motion of M. London, Esq., the

Court then, at half-past 11 o'clock, ad-

journed until Monday morning at the usual

The Republican Senatorial Convention

met at the Court House yesterday. James

Reaton was elected temporary and finally

permanent Chairman. The candidates

were J. P. Sampson and James Wilson,

and the latter finally received the nomina-

tion, the vote standing, Sampson 7, Wilson

10, the nomination being subsequently

made unanimous. There were seventeen

delegates present from Pender and New

Sampson claims that the New Hanover

delegates, that were instructed to vote for

him, voted for Wilson, and the delegates

appointed by the Hilton Convention also

voted that way, while the Pender delegates

voted for him, as they were instructed to do.

It is rumored that another Convention will be held at Burgaw on the 2d of

Mr. S. B. Jennings, of Peacock's, Co-

lumbus county, sends us the first cotton

bloom gathered from his farm this season.

He says the crops in that section are gene-

MR. SMITH'S ACCEPTANCE.

[Correspondence.]

Hon. Wm. N. H. Smith, Raleigh,

DEAR SIR-I have the honor to in-

form you that at the State Demo-

on the 13th inst., you were unani-

of the Supreme Court of North Car-

vention to inform you of your nomi-

I am, yours truly, H. B. Short,

Pres't State Dem. Convention.

H. B. Short, Esq., President Dem

receipt of your letter of the 26th inst.

conveying official information of my

unanimous nomination by the State

Democratic Convention, which assem-

bled in this city on the 13th, for

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court

of North Carolina, at the election to

be held in August, and requesting my

I am deeply impressed by the

prompt and cordial action of these

representatives of the people, and the

manifestation of confidence and es-

teem in tendering the nomination for

a position the attainment of which

may well tatisfy the highest profes-

sional ambition. While I am not un-

and of my own personal imperfec-

may be permitted to assure you, and

those for whom you speak, that if it

shall be the pleasure of the electors

to confirm the choice of the Conven-

tion, I shall enter upon the high trusts

of the office with an earnest, sincere purpose to discharge them faithfully,

impartially and firmly, as in reliance

on Divine aid I may have strength

Thanking you for the courteous

terms of your communication, I am,

Most respectfully, &c., yours, W. N. H. SMITH.

- W. L. Warren, of Caswell, re-

cently obtained for tobacco \$52, \$73 and

\$89 per hundred pounds.

and ability.

tions, in accepting the nomination

ocratic State Convention:

RALEIGH, June 27, 1878.

It was made my duty by the Con-

FLEMINGTON, N. C.,

June 20th, 1878.

hour for assembling.

July. Happy family!

Cotton Bicoms.

rally good.

from that county.

of the same.

that it had not been written out.

Honor, Judge Eure, taking his seat upon

the Bench. Hard has a row

ing then adjourned.

Dispraise or blame. Nothing but well and - Oxford Free Lance: Mr. George Badger Harris has ascended the editorial tripod of the Henderson Echo, and promises to give some "red hot views for the consideration of Democrats." — The Orphan Asylum wishes to employ a strong and healthy white woman as chief cook. Wages \$5 a month, with bed and board. At the conclusion of Judge Cantwell's emarks Mr. DuBrutz Cutlar moved that the Chairman of the meeting be instructed A widow not less than thirty years of age to present the resolutions to the Court, with preferred. Apply by letter or person to the matron, Mrs. E. J. BOBARDS.

- Pat Donan, in the Bentonville Ark.) Advance, thus refers to a well known editor: Dossey Battle, of the Tarboro Southerner, is the unchallenged "poet-lawyerate" of the North Carolina press. His poetry, ever bubbling out over the brim of his translucent soul, unites the mellow profundity of a scholastic pippin with the acuteness of a whole paper of mourning-pins, and the pungency of a secondhand mustard-plaster with the pathos of a

whippoorwill. - Greensboro Patriot: In the last Congress no Representatives worked more faithfully or zealously than the delegation from this State. They accomplished more for the State than any previous delegation ever attempted. —— Several cases of diphtheria among children reported the past week, one of which, a colored child, died. There was a large assemblage of Good Templars at Muir's Chapel, last Friday. Addresses were delivered by Col. J. J.

Hickman and others. - Tarboro Southerner : If Mr. Fisher, of the J. & W. R. R., will run, as we understand he intends, a boat from Jamesville to Franklin on the Seaboard Railroad, it will be immensely advantageous to citizens of Martin and Beaufort counties. It will enable them to reach Norfolk in one day. It will also benefit shippers. — A cup will be given by J. B. Coffield to the best average shot in the Edgecombe Guards on July 4th. Captain Haywood Clark will offer a dress hat and plume to the best single shot, besides other

-Rocky Mount Mail: Arthur Wesry, a colored man, living on his own land, adjoining the lands of Mr. S. E. Westry, of Nash county, showed us this week 1,092 grains of wheat grown from one grain of a new variety, known as the "Mammoth American Diamond." The old man says he is as happy a man as lives in Nash. Has a good tract of land of his own, and plenty of negroes to work it. He has the reputation of being an honest, hard-working citizen. He can read and write, and shows much more than ordinary intelligence, and says he is no Radical in the bargain.

- Charlotte Observer: We regret to learn that the dwelling of Mrs. A. A. Penick, widow of Rev. D. A. Penick, Sr., leceased, near Pioneer Mills, Cabarrus coanty, was consumed by fire Wednesday norning about 2 o'clock. But little of real substantial value was saved. Bedding, clothing and many other articles were con-sumed. Mrs. Ponick is in straightened circumstances, seventy years old, and quite feeble. The fire was discovered in the cook room attached to the dwelling. - This dog business is the sensation of the period. It is fun and shekels to the boys, but caplivity and death tofthe dogs.

- United States Court proceedings in the Raleigh News: The following accounts against the United States were approved by the court: J. T. Bullard, U. S. mmissioner, for \$253.10; T. C. Davis, U. S. Commissioner, for \$40.95, and J. W. Albertson, U. S. Attorney, for \$98.00. A A swasey and others, against the North and others; Gatolius Railroad Company and others; petition and interlocutory decree as to fourteen bonds issued under resolution of the General Assembly, of February, 1865; filed. Order allowing J. B. Batchelor, Special Master, \$1,000; on account of services; filed. Thos. R. Purnell, of Raleigh, was

appointed a U. S. Commissioner. - Charlotte Observer: Col. Steele never saw President Hayes and never saw but one member of his Cabinet-Postmas-Mr. G. P. Duncan, of Rocky Point, Penter General Key. — An intelligent farmer who has been traveling over the der county, sends us the first sott n bloom county considerably of late, states that the wheat is undoubtedly light. The cotton, however, he says, is more advanced than at this time last year, while the corn has a good stand and is looking healthy. ---The ice machine of Messrs. Stratton & Emerson is still working night and day in order to supply the demand upon it. The proprietors are selling all the ice they can possibly make. — Home-made peaches are driving the southern grown fruit out of the market. — Capt. W. B. Taylor is running, in the rear of his store, a shooting

gallery, which is drawing first rate. cratic Convention, held at Raleigh - Reidsville Times: Hot day, mously nominated for Chief Justice talking in Greensboro of the bank failure, old man John Young says, "My God, all my money was in there." — Our excellent young lawyer, Mr. James W. Reid, of Wentworth, delivered an address in Danville to-day before the Knights Templar. —To-day in Reidsville there was a large meeting at the Baptist Church. Rev. P. H. nation, and to request your acceptance Fontaine preached an excellent sermon from Romans 14th, 21st. After the sermon there was a resolution offered by Mr. Phil. Howard, that in view of the great increase in the drinking of alcoholic liquors, the church would hereafter withdraw its fellowship from members who drink and visit bar-rooms, that they should first be warned and talked with, and then if they persisted, be withdrawn from. The resolution cre-DEAR SIR: 1 beg to acknowledge ated much debate, and was finally passed

- Washington Press: We learn from private sources that a brutal outrage occurred in the county of Pitt, some days ago. A Miss Cox (a school teacher) was overtaken on the road and outraged by a negro. After accomplishing his sims he then cut open both her breasts with a knife and otherwise abused her, when he left her for dead. She managed to make her way to the school room, where she left a note partially describing the fiend, and the last words written were "burn him," and she is supposed to have fallen over dead, as she was found in that condition. - Our town Sergeant is busy destroying the worthless dogs in our midst. Timely notice was given every one owning a dog to pay the tax, and while many have done so, still there is a multitude who have not, and we hope that the vigilance of the officer will soon rid us mindful of its grave responsibilities of some of the terrible nuisances with which

-Winston Sentinel: At the spring term, 1877, of our Superior Court, Ed. Lineback was sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of seven years, but was released at the expiration of one year. This early release was a mystery to our citizens, but we learn that a mistake of the clerk, (here we learn that a mistake of the clerk, (here or at Raleigh, we do not know,) made the transcript out for only one year instead of seven. — The subject is being agitated, of having Winston the nucleus of a Confederate survivors' organization for this section, or perhaps the State. — It has been a great year for cherries, and we see large quantities of them, seeded and dried, brought to market. They bring fifteen cents per pound. It requires about one bushel of green cherries to produce eight pounds of dried, seeded. — The production of brick is immense in the country surrounding us. Most of the brick are still made by the old hand method.