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The STAR stands squarely by its statement that "THE PEOPLE of North Carolina appear to have preferred that their Governors should be men 'native and to the manner born.' " A far as we know or can ascertain the statement is absolutely and unqualifiedly true. Since 1792 Governor Turner is the only one who was born

abroad. THE PEOPLE of North Carolina have never elected a Governor who was not a native. Gov. Turner was chosen by the Legislature. If this is not true strictly we pledge ourselves to correct it. "Turn on the light." Let the anonymous correspondents bring out the proof-trot out the nag.

The Governors elected by the people were Edward B. Dudley, John M. Morehead, William A. Graham, Charles Manly, David S. Reid, Thos. Bragg, John W. Ellis, Zebulon B. Vance, Jonathan Worth, William W. Holden, Tod R. Caldwell, Zebulon B. Vance and Thomas J. Jarvis. If any of these was not a native we are not so informed. The Charlotte Home-Democrat says relatives of Gov. Morehead in that city say he was born certainly in North Caro-

As to Capt. Coke the STAR has nothing personal against him. We do not know him, and what we have heard is favorable. He is a young man, born in another State, and has much merit according to his admirers. If he is the choice of the Convention for Representative at Large in 1882, or for Governor in 1884, this paper will support him. If in the judgment of the Convention he is abler, more available, more deserving, has more claims upon the people of North Carolina than George Davis, Judge Bennett, Joseph J. Davis, W. T. Dortch, Walter L. Steele, Judge Howard, W. M. Robbins, Col. Armfield, Robert Vance, A. M. Scales, Judge Fowle, Judge Merrimon, and many others, then the STAR will bow to the will of the people and render him faithful service. We prefer one of these gentlemen to Capt. Coke-that is all. We have none but feelings of respect for him, but we cannot be driven by clamor to assert the false, to stultify ourselves or to do violence to our convictions. Is it a crime in North Carolina to prefer for high office one of our own tried and long trusted sons? If so we are criminals.

Ralph Waldo Emerson is dead. The most original and powerful intellect among the New England literati. He was poet, one of our best, essayist and philosopher, and was a man of very remarkable powers. Carlyle regarded him most highly, intellectually and personally. He has done more to shape the thoughts of the cultivated men of his section than any other man who has lived among them. He was born in Boston in 1803. A great man-an illustrious and many-sided American-has fallen. popular poet to the spirit world quickly. Emerson, like Longfellow, rejected Christ.

A gentleman living in Baltimore, where Judge Bond resides also, writes to the Day as follows:

"Let the people be told the truth as to this modern Jeffreys, so that he may not by his subtle speech, and through the medium of his club and other social advantages, be able to deceive well meaning and honest citizens of both parties. If the people were not blinded by the sophisms of a partisan press, they would demand that he and all others of a like character be removed. from the positions they have so much abused. Before condemning the tyranny abused. Before condemning the tyranny of courts and rulers in other countries, let the American people raise a protest against judicial corruption at home."

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1861-65-WHAT NORTH CAROLINA Convict from this County Killed. The Raleigh Visitor of Wednesday says:

· DID. When the North Carolina Roster is completed it will astonish people who are full of brag and who superciliously sneer at this State. We have known since 1862 that North Carolina furnished more troops than any other Southern State. We have known for nearly ten years that out of a voting population of not more than 112,500 that the State furnished over 124,000 soldiers. Maj. Moore, under an act of the Legislature, is preparing a Roster. He has published one volume. A second one is nearly ready. He thinks it will re to what was formerly known as the "Red quire eight volumes to contain the names of the soldiers from North Carolina. It has been given out that he thinks there will be 150,000 names. Let us wait. Whatever the number it will show this:

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3. That according to voting population she sent more soldiers than any other State in the Union.

4. That she furnished at least 25, 000 more soldiers in four years than she ever gave votes in one year prior to the war. 5. That she lost more men in the

war than any other Southern State. Generals Hampton, Hood, D. H. Hill, A. P. Hill, Cook, Lane, Trimble and Heth-none natives of this State-have given it as their opinion that there were no better soldiers in the war tnan those from North Carolina. At least five of these Generals regarded them as the best. When the Roster is complete we hope its main facts will be made known through the leading papers of the country.

We prepared this on Thursday. Since then we have received the News-Observer of that day and from an interesting editorial upon our North Carolina soldiers, and the extreme difficulties encountered by Maj. Moore in preparing the Roster, we copy the following:

"* * We learn that great care has been taken that the names should be arranged alphabetically, and the fate of each man given where it can possibly be ascer-

"Much help that might have been given by surviving soldiers of the State has been for some reason withheld. Many musterrolls made out and sent to those supposed to be able and willing to correct them, have never been returned, and in this way the labor has been greatly increased by the fresh transcriptions that thus became necessary. Every help should be given this patriotic scheme of the last Legislature. No State or community ever had a nobler period in its history than were the four years of the late war to the old common wealth of North Carolina. Nothing can more fully demonstrate the heroism and sufferings of the men of that day than this record of their service. * * * The pages are thick with evidences of the mighty uprising of our people and of their devotion unto death. Had all the commands been reported, as were the 26th and 28th Regiments, a force far beyond any es-timate yet ventured on would have been disclosed; and surely no soldiers have ever surpassed them in the expenditure of blood. North Carolina, like 'Old Mortality,' is thus seeking to preserve the names of her mar-tyrs. She does so in no spirit of disloyalty to her newly-resumed duties to the American Union. She is only preserving the memories of those who were faithful unto death, and in this manifesto no disregard of duties and responsibilities assumed in

Guano Monkeys.

Mr. Edward Bryson, who keeps a board ing house on Nutt street, has on exhibition in his back vard two animals known as guano monkeys, which are said to be peculiar to Navassa Island, where much of the material for fertilizers is obtained. They have very little the appearance of monkeys, reminding one more of young alligators. They are apparently twins, and one of them is quite ferocious. Mr. B. says they have not eaten anything in two

Special Term of the Criminal Court. Hon. O. P. Meares, Judge of the Criminal Court, has issued his proclamation convening said Court in special session on Monday, the 29th of May, in consequence of the fact that the Superior Court for this county will convene on the 1st Monday in June, being the fifth day of the month, He followed New England's most | which would be the regular time for the meeting of the Criminal Court.

Hapid Increase. Mr. J. T. Walker, writing from Ashton, North Carolina, under date of April 27th, tells us of a farmer near that place who, although he does not devote much of his time to the raising of stock, domestic animals, etc., had for this month quite an increase in the quadruped families on his place, as follows: 9 kittens, 5 pups, 14 kids, 20 pigs, 6 calves and 1 colt.

turned from a trip through Onslow and 84 years, and Mrs. Martha Wilson, aged 77 Duplin counties says he found nearly all of | years. The youthful couple have our the peach trees literally loaded down with kindest wishes for a happy and prosperous fruit, and all of the indications pointing to career; but we hope the "old folks" had week, of which four were for white and a splendid fruit year.

"About 4 o'clock this morning two of the convicts (col.) at work at Cook's brickyard, just south of the city, attempted to make their escape. They were halted by the guard, but paid no attention to the demands. The guard fired on them, and Nat. Hill, from New Hanover county, was instantly killed. He had been in the penitentiary only a few months. He was

entenced to ten years." Nat. Hill was sentenced at the February term of the Criminal Court to six years in the penitentiary for swindling an old colored man from the country out of a considerable sum of money by a confidence game. His companion in iniquity was Dick Boston, who received a similar sentence. Nat. belonged String Band."

Sale of Wrecked Material at Auction. The wrecking material of the schooner Minnie, ashore on Frying Pan Shoals, including sails, rigging, blocks, chains, etc., together with vessel and cargo, were sold at auction by Messrs. Cronly & Morris, auctioneers, yesterday morning, under inspection of the agent of the Underwriters. The schooner was knocked down to Capt. Sears, of the barque Horace Scudder, at \$2.25-cheap enough, in all conscience, for a fore-and-aft schooner. The ninety tons of Peruvian guano on board was then put up and finally sold to Capt. Sears for \$3.75. The spirit casks on board, about five hundred in number, were knocked down to Mr. Sol. Bear for \$2.50, and the sale of the material saved from the wreck was then proceeded with. At the close of the sale Messrs. Watson & Eckel purchased the vessel and guano from Capt. Sears for \$10,

Mr. J. T. Carson did a very handsome thing in connection with the accidental shooting of Mr. Vincent on the steamer Murchison, an account of which appeared in the STAR. Learning that Mr. Vincent was a poor man dependent on his daily la bor for a support, and that his wound in the arm, though not serious, would incapacitate him for work temporarily, Mr. Carson paid him a full month's wages and agreed to pay more in case he could not resume his occupation at the end of that period. This was both generous and kind in our friend "Kit."

the latter making \$4 upon his investment

Interested in the Scheme. E. F. Martin, who is engineering the proposed scheme to build a railroad to the Sound and thence along the coast to Onslow county, is so enthusiastic and determined in the matter that he has been dubbed "Railroad Martin." He is certainly persistent, if that is to be taken as a token of success. He showed us letters vesterday, from parties in Ohio, Louisiana, Michigan and other States, who have seen the article lately referred to as having appeared in the Philadelphia Press, and who

Brunswick County. Sheriff E. W. Taylor, of Brunswick, under date of April 26th, states that there have been two or three cold nights during the present week, but no frost. It was cold enough for frost, but light winds during the nights referred to prevented it. The people, he says, are very busy planting cotton, corn and rice. The high prices of provisions recently are causing the people to look to their interest in making supplies. If provisions should rule high and turpentine decline for two or three years, the Sheriff thinks Brunswick would raise surplus of the former.

express themselves interested in the

Foreign Exports. The following comprised the foreign ship ments yesterday: The Norwegian barque Hektor, Capt. Tellefsen, for Stettin, Germany, by Messrs. E. Peschau & Westermann, with 3,940 barrels of rosin, valued at \$9,150; and the British brigantine Signal, Capt. Williams, for Bristol, England, by Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son, with 500 casks of spirits turpentine and 2,065 barrels of rosin, valued at \$19,150. Total foreign exports for the day, \$29,300.

Carolina Central Railroad. At the annual meeting of the stockhold ers of the Carolina Central Railroad Company, held at the office of the Company, in this city, yesterday morning, the following Board of Directors were elected for the ensuing year: M. P. Leak, of Anson; D. W. Oates, of Mecklenburg; C. M. Stedman, of New Hanover; J. L. Minnis, of Baltimore; W. W. Chamberlain, of Norfolk; Severne Evre, of Baltimore; J. C. Winder, John M. Robinson, and R. S. Tucker, of Raleigh; J. S. Whedbee and R. C. Hoffman of Bal-

Immediately after the adjournment of the stockholders' meeting the newly-elected Board of Directors assembled and unani-mously elected Col. John M. Robinson as President.

The New Smithville Hotel.

The last of the material for Mr. B. L. Perry's new hotel at Smithville, which has been in process of preparation at Mr. J. W. Taylor's mill for a week or two past, was placed on lighters yesterday and was expected to be towed to Smithville yesterday evening or this morning. There is included in the lot about forty thousand feet of lumber, fifty thousand lathes, door frames, etc. The work of erecting the hotel will now be pushed forward with all possible dispatch.

Got Married.

A correspondent informs us of the marriage, on the morning of the 17th inst., in - A gentleman who has just re- Pender county, of Mr. A. Hanning, aged been fully advised of the step.

The Portlof Wilmington. The New York Maritime Register of April 19th has an editorial in reference to this port, a portion of which we reproduce, as

"Among the ports on our South Atlantic seaboard none seem more prosperous than Wilmington, N. C. Already the principal seaport of North Carolina, it gives promise of assuming a prominent position in the ranks of our principal ports. Its trade in naval stores has made it famous, but now other products are exported thence in in-creasing quantities. Its character as a sea-port has been materially benefited by the im-provements made at the bar and the mouth of the river, and the benefits which have accrued therefrom are demonstrated by the fact that the marine assurance rates for that port are as low as for any port south of it."

The article then refers to the largely increased business for the past year, as demonstrated by the published statistics, much of which it quotes, and then continues: "Railway combinations have overlooked this port to a great extent, but the advantages which are to be found in its neighborhood will well repay enterprise. The back country wants developing. This is being done probably on a small scale every year, but there needs to be more railroads and small manufactories started. As we said above, the port itself has been improved, and the Government is not yet through with its work at the mouth of the river. It is reported that recently a vessel drawing 18 feet went to sea over the main bar and one drawing 15 feet was loaded at the wharf of the city. It is said that 16 feet of water from Wilmington to the sea will probably be obtained before the next cotton season. These few facts show that Wilmington has a bright future, and it is certain that her advantages must tempt capital to seize upon the trade which she certainly offers to the enterprising."

The Lumber Business.

The lumber business has become one of the most important articles of trade and export among the numerous industries which are giving Wilmington her rightful place among the prosperous and thriving commercial cities on the Atlantic coast, sides the large amount turned out by the various mills here, of which there are six. owned respectively by Messrs. Edward Kidder & Son, Jas. H. Chadbourn & Co., Northrop & Cumming, J. V'. Taylor, Parsley & Wiggins and A. Y. Wilson, all in full blast, we note the arrival by rail of large quantities from the numerous mills located on the W., C. & A: R. R., and the Carolina Central Railroad, for shipment to both foreign and coastwise ports. We noticed a long train of freight cars laden with lumber at the depot yesterday merning, which had just come in on the former road.

Claim for Salvage. A preliminary hearing was had in the U.

S. Court in New Berne on Wednesday in the case of certain claimants for salvage for assisting the Norwegian barque Guldbringa, which went ashore in Beaufort harbor some weeks since, laden with steel rails for the Midland Railway. Messrs. Clark & Clark appeared for the schooner American Eagle and the steam-tug Blanche, both of this port, the former of which claims \$500 and the latter \$1,500, while the Baker Wrecking Company of Norfolk claim \$6,000. Counsel for the barque intimated that there would be no serious contest except in the case of the Baker Company, and on motion of defendants the various suits were consolidated. The matter was then referred to Commissioner T. J. Hamilton to take testimony and report to the Court. It was expected that the case would come to a final hearing in a few days.

Fire in Brunswick County.

The house, kitchen and smoke-house belonging to Col. John McRae, on a place owned by him in Brunswick county, on the Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta Railroad, about eight miles from this city, were destroyed by fire on Wednesday afternoon last, about 4 o'clock. The fire is supposed to have been started from a stove. The dwelling was occupied by Miss Mary Williams, who saved most of her household furniture. There was no insurance on the

Explosion in a Mill at Goldsboro. A passenger from Goldsboro informs us that the boiler of a steam saw mill located

just outside of the city limits at that place exploded on Wednesday and resulted in the complete destruction of the mill and the badly wounding of several employes, four of whom (all colored) were being borne through the streets on a litter when the train passed. The mill belonged to a man named Hammond or Hyman,

Agricultural.

We are requested to state that there will be a meeting of the farmers of Lockwood's Folly, Brunswick county, on Saturday, the 13th day of May, to permanently organize an Agricultural Society for the county at large, as well as for the different townships, and transact other important matters in the interest of agriculture. All persons favorable to the cause are invited to attend

Fire in Pender County. A barn belonging to the Messrs. Westbrook Bros., near Rocky Point, Pender county, was destroyed by fire a night or two since, together with its contents, consisting of fifteen hundred bushels of peanuts. The loss is estimated at \$2,500, to cover which there was insurance on the barn to the extent of \$500 and on the peanuts \$1,500. The origin of the fire is a mystery; but it is the general impression, we hear, that the barn was first robbed and then set on fire.

- The Register of Deeds issued seven marriage licenses during the past three for colored couples.

STEAMBOAT HORROR.

Terrible Explosion on the Watered River, S. C.-List of the Killed and Wounded, &c.

The officials at the Company's office in

this city received a telegram from their agent at Eastover, S. C., on the W. C. & A. R. R., giving the particulars of a terrible accident that occurred near there yesterday morning, by which a number of persons lost their lives and others were fatally wounded. It appears that a party consisting of about twenty-five or thirty persons, embarked on the U. S. steamer Marion, engaged in cleaning out the Wateree River, for a short excursion down that stream, boarding the boat at Bates' Landing, nine miles below the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, at 9 a. m. The boat moved down the river about two hundred yards, when it was signalled back to the landing to take on certain parties that had been left. The belated excursionists were received on board, and the boat again proceeded on her trip, and had gone a short distance, arriving at a bend, when the captain had succeeded in getting his boat in proper position, and was standing at the aft bell, which he had just sounded as a signal to go ahead, when the engineer let on steam and a terflic explosion immediately occurred, bursting the boiler and killing Miss Fannie Henry, Miss Minnie Henry, Miss Mattie E. Henry, Mr. Arville Steele and Mr. Thomas Richardson, whose bodies had not been recovered; also, mortally wounding Miss Lizzie Henry, Miss Minnie Bates, Mr. J. C. Eason Mr. Willie Tremble, and John Williams colored, and slightly wounding Miss Jessie Stack, Miss Nettie Rawlinson, Miss Carrie Bates, Miss Lou Tremble, Mrs. Sam. Garner, Willie Williams, and several others, whose names are not mentioned. The boat will prove a total loss.

Quick Dispatch. The Norwegian brig Thela, Capt. Ramloff, arrived on last Thursday morning consigned to Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son, discharged 160 tons of stone ballast and loaded her outward cargo, 3,300 barrels of rosin, for Trieste, Austria, and cleared at the custom house yesterday, all inside of 47 hours. This is probably the most re markable case of dispatch on record at this port, considering the weather, which partly delayed operations.

Clinton and Point Caswell Railroad. We are glad to hear that the Wharf Com nittee, charged with the duty of soliciting subscriptions to the proposed Clinton and Point Caswell Railroad, will start out to-morrow morning for the purpose of calling upon our business men in that connection The proper effort is doubtless all that i needed to secure the amount of subscrip-

Foreign Shipments.

The foreign shipments yesterday were as follows: The Norwegian barque Erragon Capt. Weber, for London, with 4,293 barrels of rosin, valued at \$8,568.50; and the Norwegian brig Thela, for Trieste, with 3,300 barrels of rosin, value not given. Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co. were the shippers by the *Erragon*, and Messrs. A. Sprunt & Son by the *Thela*.

VIRGINIA.

The Court of Appeals and the "Coupon Killer" Bill-The Alleged Bribery Case-President Arthur's Visit to Fortress Monroe.

(By Telegraph to the Morning Star.) RICHMOND, April 26.—The Court of Appeals to day rendered judgment in the matter of Antoni vs. Greenhow, a test case to ascertain the constitutionality of the act of the General Assembly commonly known as the "coupon killer," a measure of the Re-adjuster party to restrict the reception of oupons for taxes. Judge Moncure, Presi dent of the Court, is absent and did not sit The other four members of the Court were equally divided; two for awarding the mandamus asked for, and two against. The case goes to the Supreme Court of the

RICHMOND, April 27.-State Attorney General Blair, in behalf of the Common wealth, to-day obtained from Judge Wellford a supplementary injunction, restraining the Board of Sinking Fund Commis sioners and George H. Kendall and G. P. Shelden, representatives of the Kendall Bank Note Company, from executing the contract entered into between them to print bonds for the State. The Attorney General illeges that, as law officer of the State, he was not asked to examine and approve said document; that corrupt influences were applied by Kendall and Shelden to said Comoners, and that there was collusion beween them to execute said contract. The Judge ordered the injunction prayed for, as supplemental to the one issued a few days

FORTRESS MONROE, April 27.—The President and party arrived here at one o'clock, and the shore programme was carried out. Troops were reviewed, the fort inspected and the exhibitions of heavy artillery practice given. To night the graduating exercises of the artillery school will be held, and to-morrow a naval review and the concluding exercises will take place.

The Injunction Against the Bond Printing Contract Vacated by Judge Wellford-The Naval Review at [By Telegraph to the Morning Star.]

RICHMOND, ADRII 28.—The injunct obtained by State Attorney General Blair, to restrain the carrying into effect of the contract with the Kendall Manufacturing Company for bond printing, was vacated to-day by Judge Wellford in the Circuit Court, and a new restraining order prayed for, based on yesterday's amended bill of complaint, was denied. This action leaves the contract in full force.

FORTRESS MONROE, April 28.—The naval review and inspection of the fleet by the President and party was carried out to-day according to the programme, except that so much time was spent in inspecting vessels and exercising crews for the enter-tainment of visitors that no time remained for a visit to the Norfolk Navy Yard. The President and friends departed for Wash-President and including ington at 6.30 this evening.

The crop of sugar on the island of Jamaica is expected to be very large.

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SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Barnwell Case in the U. S. Court CHARLESTON, April 27.—In the U. S. Circuit Court to-day, the case against John T. Hogg and thirty-eight other defendants, charged with obstructing qualified voters in Barnwell country. in Barnwell county, was resumed. The entire day was consumed in the examination of four witnesses for the defence. The testimony given corroborated the testimony given by defendants' witnesses yesterday. The case will certainly consume the re-

Execution of Three Criminals at Greenville-The United States Court

at Charleston. [By Telegraph to the Morning Star.] CHARLESTON, April 28.—Pleasant Adams, oe Burton and Richard Bates (all colored) were hanged at Greenville, S. C., to day, for burning the Academy of Music at that place on December 7th, 1879. Burton, Bates and Adams passed last night in singing and were attended to the gallows by colored ministers. Each of the condensed colored ministers. Each of the condemned men made brief declarations of his innocence and gratitude to his counsel. Bates and Adams died in seventeen minutes and Burton in nineteen. A detachment of State militia was in attendance. Only the witnesses allowed by law were present at the execution. There was a large crowd in the

streets, but no disorder, and all the arrangenents were excellent The whole of the U. S. Circuit Court to-The whole of the U.S. Circuit Court to-day was occupied in hearing further testi-mony for the defence in the case of the United States against Jno. T. Pegg and others, charged with obstructing qualified voters in Barnwell county. Twenty-one more witnesses for the defence were examined, corroborating the testimony of those preceding them. The defence then rested, and argument will commence to morrow. Judge Bond has limited the argument to two hours on each side. U. S. Court-The Barnwell County Case Given to the Jury.

CHARLESTON, April 29.-In the U. S. Circuit Court to-day argument was heard in the case against John T. Hogg and others, charged with obstructing qualified voters in Barnwell county.

Argument for the prosecution was opened by Mr. Warren R. Marshall, who is asso-ciated with the District Attorney. Col. Robert Aldrich, of Barnwell. next followed with the opening argument for the defence. Ex-Judge Mahr, senior counsel for the defence, followed, and District Attorney Melton closed the argument with a reply for the prosecution. The jury were then briefly charged by Judge Bond, and retired to their room at 3.30 P. M., and at a late hour this evening they had not agreed.

MINNESOTA.

Massachusetts Man Lynched for Vile Crime at Minneapolis.

Boston, April 28.—A special to the Herald from St. Paul, Minn., reports the lynching by a mob at Minneapolis, at 2 o'clock this morning, of a man who gave the name of Frank McManus, and who was in jail charged with rape upon a four-year old daughter of J. P. Spear, a prominent citizen of Minneapolis. About 2 o'clock a mob of sixty men battered down the jail door with a neavy picture. the sheriff and took from a cell a man whom they supposed to be the one wanted, and marched him to Spear's house, where he was fully identified. He was then hanged to an oak tree and left there. He showed no signs of fear, and said his real name was Frank Crowly, and his home in Boston. He confessed his crime, and said that he was drunk at the time.

THE INDIANS.

Citizens Organizing for Protection-Reported Capture of Galeyville and Killing of Thirty-five Persons In-

San Francisco, April 27.—A Tombston dispatch says a meeting has been held by the citizens of Bowie, and a company of mounted men organized for the protection of the town against the Indians.

The report of the capture of Galeyville and the killing of thirty-five persons is in-correct. Only one man was killed and he was three miles from the town. There are two companies of troops at Galeyville, and the Indians did not attack the place.

WASHINGTON.

Confirmations-The Star Route Cases -Tyner's Denial, Etc.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—The Senate to day confirmed Nicholas Fish, of New York, Minister to Belgium, and John M. Francis, of New York, Charge d'Affairs to Portugal. Ex-Assistant Postmaster General Tyner says that there is no truth in Rerdell's story to ex-Postmaster General James and ex-Attorney General MacVeagh that the mail contractors' ring presented him 2,000 shares of mining stock, or with anything else, to influence his official action. A. M. Gibson makes a similar denial, and adds that at the time he is said to have received the mining stock he was not in the service of the Post office Department, and might with entire propriety have purchased from these people mining stock. Gibson says that only a parof Rerdell's statement to MacVeagh and James was true, and that much of it was manufactured for the purpose of hoodwinking these officers; that Rerdell had no intention of serving the interests of justice, but only wished to redress a grievance against Dorsey and escape punishment himself. The examination of the witnesses in Rerdell's case proceeded to-day and was accompanied with a constant and was accompanied with a constant wrangle between the lawyers, counsel for the defence objecting to the introduction of nearly all the evidence presented, and the court steadily ruling against the objections and in favor of admitting testimony. The day was spent in presenting documents from the files of the Postoffice Depart-

Representative Singleton, of Mississippi, introduced a bill to-day to extend the time for the completion of the railroad from Brandon, Miss., to the Gulf of Mexico. This is one of the roads embraced in the bill now pending before the House which declares forfeited land grants on certain railroads which have not complied with the terms of their charters.

CALIFORNIA.

The Celestials Must Go-Action of th Anti-Chinese Convention. [By Telegraph to the Morning Star.]

San Francisco, April 28.—The Anti-Chinese Convention last night adopted a plan of action which includes a scheme to divide the Pacific coast iuto districts, which shall be notified to remove the Chinese within a specified time. Failing in such action the district is to be declared dangerous. and peaceably disposed citizens to be warned to abandon it, and if the Chinese are still harbored in the district a league is to remove them by force, using such force as may be necessary until the country is rid of them. The convention then elected an executive committee and adjourned sine die.

are selling at 60 cents per hundred and plenty in the market. — There is a rumor here that Col. Yates has resigned as General Manager of the Midland Railway, and that Captsin A. Oaksmith will succeed

— "One story is good till another is told." The whale story, wherein one Jonah played an important part, has held the boards long enough. A modern adept now claims the honors. He writes to the Reidsville Times: "Mr. Henry Edmunds, of Charlotte county, Va., had a large red hound named Bose that one day caught a rabbit in the field where they were cutting wheat, and swallowed it without biting it. It killed the dog. The rabbit scratched out."

- Winston Sentinel: The fruit crop in this section is still uninjured. — Elder Richard Poindexter, of the Church of Christ, closed a meeting at Old Muddy Creek meeting house, last evening, with thirty-six additions to the church. The series of meetings at the Baptist Church this week have been of unusual interest. A number have professed faith in Christ, and there have been several appli-cations for membership by the ordinance of

- Favetteville Examiner: We regret to learn that on Tuesday, the 18th inst., one of Mr. John Blue's distilleries, located near Blue's Crossing, was destroyed by fire, together with sheds, barrels and a consider able amount of raw material on the yard. The accident was due to a defect in the ket-- Last week a mad dog is reported to have invaded the quiet precincts of Eliza-bethtown. He bit sixteen dogs and eight geese, says our informant, after which he

- The University has been presented with 200 specimens of woods by Professor C. S. Sargent, special agent for the tenth census of the United States on Forestry. Many iron ores, minerals, coals from Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama, and tropical fruits from Florida were obtained at the Atlanta Exposition. The Agricultural and Industrial Museum, and the Department of Physics have been enriched recently with specimens of glass, apparatus, &c.

- New Berne Journal: Mr. G. N. Ives received a roe shad a few days ago which weighed 71 pounds. He says it was the largest he had ever seen in this market. — Superintendent J. H. Mills, of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, is in the city buying potatoes, corn and fish for his family which numbers one hundred and thirty-five. Couldn't have found a better place in North Carolina, for since we have strolled around these streets, by ways and docks, potatoes, fish and corn were to be found in abundance.

- Oxford Free Lance: The Republican Convention to nominate a candidate for Congress from this district will meet in Raleigh on Wednesday, August 2nd. —We have on exhibition in this office some specimens of iron and copper ore from mines in various sections of Gran ville county, which have been examined by experts and pronounced of the very best quality. —There is some talk of getting Dr. Talmage to lecture in Oxford for the benefit of the Orphan Asylum. — On Friday morning the dwelling house, kitchen and smoke house of Mr. Mordica Sears, in Fishing Creek Township, about eight miles from Oxford, were destroyed by fire.

- Pittsboro Record: We are informed by Mr. Thomas N. Womble, of Gulf township, that Mr. Nat. Lloyd was plowing in his field, a few days ago, and found a bunch of "black-snake root," which he picked up, and soon thereafter seeing a black snake coiled up, he dropped the bunch of roots on it. Immediately the mouth, and, turning on its back, its mouth turned "wrong-side outwards," and in a few seconds died. - We much regret to learn that in some portions of this county the growing wheat is badly injured by the rust and some kind of fly. So great is the injury to some few fields that their owners will plow the wheat under and plant corn

- Weldon News: On Wednesday night of last week as Capt. Slocum's train was approaching Mt. Olive, some persons threw four or five stones at one of the passenger cars, breaking two or three windows: fortunately no one was injured. — We learn that the cold has not injured the fruit; but that the trees both apple and peach, are unusually full. — On Sunday morning last, while Capt. R. E. Moseley was sitting in his store, about eight miles from here, he dropped his cane, and upon attempting to pick it up found that he was helpless. It was an attack of paralysis. He became unconscious and remained so until Tuesday night, when he became better. This is the third attack of the kind he has had, and it is the most severe. one side being entirely useless

- Raleigh News-Observer: Adam Hill, colored, from Union county, was one of a gang of convicts employed at the pen-itentiary farm, that is he was such yesterday, but to-day he breathes free air, having in some way contrived to make his escape. He is black, about 25 years of age, and is under a ten years' sentence for larceny.— Granville items: On the 7th inst. Rog. Harris, colored, took a mule from the stable of William Gregory, near Williamsboro, and on Saturday, while he was trying to sell the animal in Louisburg, Sheriff H. C. Kearney's suspicions were aroused, so he arrested the negro, and the Oxford court gave him five years' board at the penitentiary. Bill Johnson, colored, got six years at the same institution for making an assault on a Mrs. Allen. — ELIZABETH CITY, April 26.—Sixty members of the press are present. The editors are much gratified with the fisheries at Avoca and the country. All well. - Raleigh News-Observer: The

colored Republicans appear to be rather di-vided on the municipal election question. - There is renewed talk about a new ho tel on Fayetteville street. - Mayor Manly is quite sick, but was somewhat im proved last evening. — Morris Thompson, colored, was yesterday released from the penitentiary, having served out a term of five years for larceny. - The revival at Person Street Church continues. It is now in its fourth week, and there is no abatement in interest. — Messrs. George H. Williams and Charles Ferrall, who have been at work at the shad hatchery at Avoca-for some weeks, arrived in the city last evening from that point. They brought up 200,000 shad fry, which they deposited in Neuse river, at the railroad bridge.

—The Presbytery of Yadkin is now in session in this city at the church of which the Rev. George Smith is pastor. The opening sermon was preached by the Rev. W. A. Bryant, of Salisbury. His text was the 55th chapter of Isaiah, 3rd verse. The sermon was well considered and very acceptable. The Presbytery then organized by electing Rev. L. R. Johnson, of Greensboro, moderator; and for temporary clerk, L. V. Berry; Rev. A. S. Billingsby, the stated clerk, is also present in the discharge of his duties. — Granville items: Old Granville stands at the head of the column of tobocco counties. No county in this or any other State raises finer "bright tobacco." Her tobacco farmers are resting un-der a financial cloud just now, caused by the damage done to their crops by an early frost last season. This damage will, it is said, approximate nearly three hundred thousand dollars. Farmers are planting a