

BY A VOTE OF 129 TO 127.

He predicts the defeat of the Republican State ticket by at least 40,000 majority. Harris is an old stager, although not a very old man, and he has had some experience in running the machine, is pretty well acquainted with Republicanism throughout the State, and has a pretty good idea of the feeling since that convention met, which was a hot and dried affair, and represented nobody but the Federal and other office holders who bossed and ran it.

The fact that all the nominations were made by acclamation and that there was no scramble over them is proof positive that the fellows who made the nominating didn't expect to elect the ticket, and hence predicting its defeat is a pretty safe business, although 40,000 is a pretty hefty majority in this State. But every Democrat should exert himself and work to make the majority as large as possible, for the deeper the Republican party is buried the harder it will be for it to get out of the grave.

Governor Roosevelt's uncle thinks the Republican ticket will be McKinley and Root, a sort of "root hog or die" ticket.

The Philadelphia *Press* prints the pictures of three persons, two men and one woman, who are trying the starvation cure for ailments. The picture of one of the men was taken on the fiftieth day of his fast, of the other on the thirty-sixth day, and of the woman on the twenty-seventh. Their clothes seem to fit them as well as they ever did.

Webster Davis while talking for the Boers, says President McKinley is not responsible for the Transvaal policy, but it is the fellows around him. That's what's the matter with McKinley, he has too many awfully bad advisers, and he is wax in their hands. He may mean all right, but he manages to get all wrong.

When Mark Hanna was asked what he thought about Neely, the Indiana man who is charged with getting away with \$36,000 of post-office money in Cuba, replied that he didn't "know a d-d thing about Neely," and wasn't bothering his head about him. Hanna has enough to bother him on other lines.

a man should have a monument with these words inscribed upon it, "Here lies a man who, to gain a seat in Congress, disfranchised and defamed the honest people of his district."

Representative Linney closed for Pearson in a tirade against the Democracy of North Carolina. His speech was evidently for home consumption and contained nothing relative to the case. He said that when he first heard of Governor Russell's interview he thought it a joke and that in his estimation Russell was crazy. That he was a good Republican in the ranks but that promotion swelled his head; that Russell was only more because Pearson's resolutions at Raleigh did not contain his name.

During Linney's speech he was surrounded by White, Pritchard and Pearson, in close, confab. Immediately after Linney's speech the minority resolution favoring Crawford retaining his seat was voted on. The votes as announced showed a tie, being 193 to 198. The House then took up the majority resolution favoring Pearson which was adopted by the close vote of 198 to 197.

The chair then announced that through an error the first vote had been announced as 198 to 198 when it should have been 128 to 128.

Between the two votes the Republic

One of the southern express companies has also been excellent and there are no shippers by this route butting the wishes of Mr. J. J. Crosswell, the enterprising route agent on the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad, who by personal effort and solicitation has done much for his company and for the people.

It is believed that as yet no consignments have been sold at a loss and all appear satisfied with the magnificent schedule maintained by the transportation companies.

It is estimated that as many as 200,000 crates were handled from the Wilmington trucking belt during the past week, which if sold even so low as \$3.00 per crate of 32 quarts would bring \$600,000. Most of the shipments this season have been to New York.

Virginia Wants to Come.

Manager James Sinclair, of the W. L. I. base ball team, is in receipt of a letter from Mr. J. Lardner Humbert, manager of the University Summer team, saying that the Virginia boys are expecting to take a Southern trip in June and would be very much interested in coming to Wilmington. Manager Humbert states that he can show fast ball and wants a guarantee of \$150.00 for a game. The date for the W. L. I. and O. A. N. contest has not yet been decided upon.

Secretary Root has sent to the Senate a report showing that 886 claimants aggregating \$143,565, have been filed for private property taken and used during the war with Spain.

WILMINGTON, N. C., May 12.
Editor Morning Star.—I agree with you in your correspondent about it being the duty of our people in this favored land of ours, where actual starvation is absolutely unknown, to help to feed some of the millions of people who are actually starving in India. I think, at least, \$1,000 ought to be raised by a community like ours. Your correspondent seems to have overlooked the fact that was raised and sent out by the *Wilmington* a week or so ago, which amounted to something over \$100. I contributed what I felt able to that fund, but I will also contribute to dollars to your fund if you will make it up to \$100; and if you will make it up to \$500, I will make my contribution \$35. The trouble about such subscriptions is that many people think they can't give much, they need not give at all; when, in fact, a large number of small contributions aggregate as much as a few large ones. Urge everybody to contribute, if only a small amount each. Five cents will save the churches all right. I have seen that churches all ought to take up special collections for this great and appealing need.

Yours, for charity the world over,
CITIZEN.

The executive committee of the Southern Educational Association have decided to have the next annual convention of the association in Richmond, Va., on December 27th, 28th and 29th.

late on the liquor traffic began in the Southern Baptist Convention to-day at Rev. Dr. J. B. Cranford, of Texas, introducing a resolution declaring the traffic in alcoholic liquors to be contrary to the traffic even form. Cranford was denounced for nullifying the abolishing the canteen, and the establishment of the army canteen and a resolution was declared to be his on civilization. The resolution was adopted.

This morning's session was largely devoted to the discussion of the century or 1900 movement, which has been the most memorable in the Church's history. It is proposed to have committees in Church association States hold meetings to let the people know what we are doing and what they should do.

The afternoon session was taken up in a discussion of the 20th century movement and Sunday school board. There was a lively discussion over the report of the centennial committee.

Rev. Dr. W. E. Hatcher, a venerable delegate from Richmond, Va., laboring up a lively debate by the States' rights in church affairs. He said the proposed board of missions would be a homeless concern which would claim to be led by churches and State associations what they should give to missions.

Labor troubles at Tampa, Fla., have taken a turn for the worse. There is now a general strike in all the factories and the Havana-American company and fully 10,000 people are out.