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THE COLOR LINE IN PHILA-DELPHIA. Philadelphia is the most recent

contributor to the argument of those persons who hold that race prejudices are inherent rather than geo graphical in their origin. One George Ryan drew the color line there the other day in circumstances which are worthy of comment. It is fair to presume that Ireland was the place of Mr. Ryan's birth, but there is nothing in the record to show that he had not resided in Philadelphia long enough to imbibe both the prejudices and predilections of the people of that city. But in any event the fact that he was foreign born and Pennsylvania reared is sufficient evidence that he had not been subjected to the influences which are popularly supposed to be the well spring of race prejudices in this section of the country. It may, indeed, be taken for granted that Mr. Ryan approached the race problem with an unbiased mind, and the testimony of his conduct is for that reason all the more forceful.

The incident in question is report-

ed by the New York Sun in the graphic and picturesque language so much in vogue with the correspondents of that great newspaper. A person by the name of Charles Taylor died at his residence, 215 Wolf street, Philadelphia; and it was proposed to hold funeral services over his remains which would be characterized by some pomp and circumstances. The task of conducting the physical part of the services was let out to Undertaker Ganker, who finding himself short of hearses for the moment engaged one from Under taker Kimmeria. Ryan was placed in charge of the hearse and directed to go with it to the residence of the dead negro. The pallbearers bore the body of Taylor from the house. Ryan did not observe the color of the mourners till they were about to deposit their burden in the hearse. Then, according to the Sun's correspondent, he said: "That don't go. I'll not "drive a nigger, dead or alive;" whereupon he whipped up his horses and disappeared down the street, leaving the pallbearers standing on the pavement. The Sun further declares that Mr. Ryan subsequently said: "If a dead nigger "stands between me and my job, I don't want it. It's him to drive me,

not me to cart him." The undertaker ordered Ryan back to the Taylor residence and discharged him when he refused to obey. Taylor's wife was in some way or other informed of Ryan's remarks regarding the corpse of her husband. She fainted immediately, but quickly recovered consciousness and sent for an attorney that she might begin a suit for damages against the undertaker. And so the matter stands. It is chiefly remarkable because of its locality. Philadelphia is supposed by many persons to yearn as earnestly for the obliteration of all race distinctions as does Boston. It has been frequently charged, however, that both of them were more color blind in politics than in practice. The attitude of Mr. Ryan, however, does not appear to support that view. Despite the nationality of that gentleman there is nothing to indicate that his conduct was dictated by political considerations as to the relative social relations which should exist between even a Philadelphian and a negro, dead or

A BLOW AT PRIVILEGE.

We are very much afraid that the Supreme Court of North Caroline is destined to sanguinary if not ruinous conflict with that artistic fraternity composed of the gentle men who prepare headlines for our great metropolitan newspapers.

Some days ago a prominent citizen of McDowell county, in the State mentioned, challenged another and of course equally prominent citizen to meet him on the field of honor; weapons, fists; distance, anything the combatants chose to make it. The encounter ensued according to programme, and the jointing his neck, causing instant gracious welcome by her friends and crop of three years ago.—Savannah gladiators pounded, gouged, and death. gladiators pounded, gouged, and death.

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beating, chicken-stealing, &c., fined

lums. The case was appealed, step

by step, until it reached the Su-

preme Court of the State. The

zens of McDowell county protested

that they were not disturbers of the

peace. They had fought a duel,

They were, therefore, duelists. And

the mantle of Southern chivalry en-

folded them, according to their at-

torney's brief. But the Supreme

Court had its own ideas of South-

ern chivalry, and fist fights-the

good old knock down and drag out

style of thing-were not included in

error in the constable's original hy-

pothesis, and the episode went back

upon the list of "drunks," "disor-

It is our opinion, however, that

the powerful fraternity of metro-

politan headliners will not tamely

submit to this invasion of their ter-

ritory. For years past-for so long

that the custom has received the

fights of all kinds have been spoken

of as duels in the ornamental de-

partment of journalism. No matter

what the weapons, or the distance

brickbats at fifty-and without the

slightest reference to the number of

persons engaged in the affray, almost

any kind of a scrimmage could be

sure of a romantic title. "Duel in

Louse Alley," "Duel at Jimson

Cross-roads," "Duel in a New York

Sewer," &c., &c. Everything went.

Hon. Claude Mermaduke to One-

eyed Mike. And now, does any-

body imagine that this flowery field

of metphor, this cornucopia of allu-

ring euphemism and high-sounding

phrase, is to be absndoned by its

spirited and fearless occupants at

the order of a local court? For our

part, we say "Never!" And we wish

to be understood as saying it in

thunder tones .- Washington Post.

Nearly 18,000 men have been

laid off in the last three months by

the fifteen railroads entering

Chicago. The announcement is

followed by the explanation that

there had been a general trimming

to meet the conditions evidenced by

the discharge of 100,000 operatives

in New England and the cutting of

the pay of 150,000 employes of the

United States Steel Corporation.

Yet we are told these be prosperous

The Savannah News tells of an

Ohio man who fell heir to a large

fortune, after living in comparative

poverty all his life, strewed big bills

them. He could think of no better

way in which to convince himself

The Norfolk Landmark speaks of

the pardoning department." North

Csrolina's Governor is hard to beat

at anything, pardoning criminals

and all, he having turned loose 214

evil doers in three years' time.

Charlie should hold up on this prac-

Atlanta Journal: A Georgia wo-

man was fatally burned while on her

knees in prayer, but don't permit

this to discourage getting down on

your marrow bones, O perverse and

stiff-necked sinner! Yes; lightning

Mr. Simmons in a set speech

the Senate on Friday insisted on an

investigation of the postoffice rob-

beries. The Republicans seem deter-

mined not to permit an airing of the

frauds to be had at present, how-

"Prophet" Dowie makes the an-

nouncement that he will accompany

during the millenium. Thar now.

They now tell it on Mr. Bryan

that he intends supporting W. R.

Hearst for the Presidency. If true,

it will prove the worst break of all.

The Birmingham News suggests

that the United States send her

mules to the Far East and her asses

- A Statesville special says:

News reached here late this after-

noon from Taylorsville that an aged

man by the name of Smith, a form-

er mail carrier between Taylorsville

and New Hope, was killed instantly by a tree falling on him while cut-ting in the woods near his home.

The aged man was chopping a tree

for wood, and on account of being frozen it split when it began to fall and half fell across his shoulders,

breaking his shoulder bones and dis-

to Panama.

sometimes strikes churches, too!

times!

-whether bludgeons at five feet or

sanction of general acceptance-

derlies" and "sluggings."

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1904.

SUICIDE FRIDAY NIGHT

George C. Foshee, Blacksmith at Orrell & Alexander's, Swallowed Laudanum.

DIED SHORTLY AFTERWARDS.

He Was Aged Twenty-five Years and Was a Man of Pine Physique-Leaves a Wife Here-They Came from Augusta, Georgia..

George C. Foshee, a young white man who has been blacksmith for Carroll & Orrell, and up to last Friday was employed in that capacity by Carroll & Alexander, the well known livery firm, at Third and Princess streets, committed suicide Friday night by swallowing an ounce of laudathe court's philosophy of the code of honor. The tribunal found no

After knocking off from work Friday afternoon he took some drinks with some of his friends, and at night bought a half pint of whiskey and drank it with a couple of friends at s boarding house at 115 Market street. He told them he was going to put an end to his life and that very soon and they jollied him about it, not be lieving that he would do such a rash

Mr. Foshee boarded at 118 Market street, next door to 115, where he spent short time with his friends, and it is supposed that when he left them to go to his boarding house he swallowed the laudanum while going down stairs. About 9 o'clock he was found lying in a stupor at the foot of the staircase at his boarding house, and was carried to his room where he died shortly afterwards.

Dr. O. D. Bell, coroner of New Hanover county, was summoned, and as it was a clear case of suicide, he did not deem it necessary to hold an inquest. The unfortunate man, it is said, attempted to take his life last summer They were all duelists, from the by taking laudanum.

Mr. Foshee was twenty-five years She, however, expects to become a mother in a few weeks, and his selfdestruction leaves her penniless in the midst of strangers. They came here about a year ago from Augusta, Ga., where he has a father, Richard F. Foshee, and a brother and sister.

The suicide was a young man of powerful physique, but his friends say he brooded over small troubles and at times appeared to suffer with melancholia. He is said to have been a fine

Sixty Miles an Hour on the Coast Line,

The Florence (8. C.) Times of Jan 7th, says: Almost a record-breaking run was made yesterday between here and Augusta by Engineer James L. Wysong on the first section of train 35. The distance of 167 miles was covered in four hours and five minutes. which on that road is considered very fine time. The train was local every respect, every station being in cluded in the stops. Besides this, the train had to come to a dead stop at the railroad crossings and stopped three times to get water. Each stop consumes about three minutes and to ge water requires five minutes. Thus i will be seen that a train will have to move at a high rate of speed to make the distance in that time and make all all over his floor and walked on the required stops. The schedule time made by the train, which consisted of engine No. 66 and three cars, was about 60 miles an hour. It is nothing that he was really the master of unusual for Engineer Wysong to make sensational runs. The train left here in the morning at 9:25 and arrived in Augusta in time for the crew to get dinner and leave on time re Governor Montague's "fine record in | turning.

Express Office for Southport,

The following is from the Southpor

"The Southport people will b pleased to learn that there is a movenent on foot at present for the establishment of an express office in our town. The idea is to make it a branch of the Southern Express office in Wilmington, all express matter to be transferred from that point to South-

'This is a much needed improvement, and we trust it will be successfully carried out. All express packages for Southport during the past have been delivered through the kindness of Capt. J. W. Harper. This has proven very troublesome and oftenimes unsatisfactory, and both Captain J. W. Harper and our citizens would welcome the change.'

Returned to Wilmington. Mr. I. W. Davis, who has been away from the city for three years, and who for a year and a half has been working with the Goldsboro Lumber Company at Dover, Craven county, has returned to Wilmington to reside. He has accepted a position with the Angola Lumber Company, Christ to earth within the next one and his friends are glad to see him hundred years and help Him reign back here again.

Killed 21 Ducks

From 3 to 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon in "Larkin's field," on Point Peter, Messrs. A. S. Parmele and J. Branch had some rare sport. They killed 21 mallard and black ducks and had all they could carry when they got back to the city.

- The gas expert who came here to investigate the trouble at the gas works of the Consolidated Railways Light and Power Company and who disappeared mysteriously, turned up at his home in Buffalo, N. Y. He was up against a tough proposition and left it without giving any one

- Dr. W. C. Galloway and bride came home last night from their bridal tour to Palm Beach, Fla., and other points. Mrs. Galloway is no stranger here and will receive a most nearly 20 per cent. over the record others she is to make.

DR. ALDERMAN'S POPULARITY

Intellectual Wilmingtonian Lionized in New Orleans-Enough to Turn as Ordinary's Man's flead.

The following from the Charlotte Observer concerning a Wilmingtonian will be read with pleasure by his host of Wilmington friends:

Mr. F. Brevard McDowell has re cently returned from New Orleans La, where he met Dr. Edwin A. Al derman, formerly president of the University of this State, and now president of the Tulane University. Of course, McDowell did other things while in New Orleans besides meet ing Dr. Alderman, an old friend; but any North Carolinian who has come back from New Orleans in the past year and can say: "I saw Tony' Alderman," is able to rest on his laurels for a little while.

Mr. McDowell confirms the pre-vious reports about the magnitude of Dr. Alderman in New Orleans. When Dr. Alderman faces his own student body he is cheered; when he enters a theatre he is cheered; and when he is a guest at a dinner party or a reception he throws around clever bon-mots that are remembered and quoted, and serve to increase his intellectual and social fame. In a word, it seems to be pretty generally admitted that Dr. Alderman is the lion of the hour in New Orleans, and his popularity is of the enduring sort "But he bears his honors meekly," declared Mr. McDowell. "You know that odd habit of his when he is amused? He leans forward and place his head on your shoulder and just shakes with mirth. Well, he came to ne one morning in the club, placed his head affectionately on my should der, and while he gave way to utter merriment he told me the same jokes that I had told to him twelve years ago. The jokes were revamped and embellished somewhat, but they were the same old jokes, my old jokes."

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- Two hundred and fifty-four

hildren are now cared for at the Oxford Orphan Asylum. - Mr. Wm. A. Faison, a vener-

able and useful citizen of Sampson county, is dead, aged 83 years. - The News says that Maud,

six-vear eld daughter Sallie Underwood, was burned to death Tuesday morning in Mount Airy. - The Granham Gleaner tells of 'possum that fattened for three

months and served for Christmas dinner that weighed 234 pounds net. - Bringle item in Lexington Dispatch: Mr. Thomas Cole, better known as Grandsir Cole, has s mule 52 years old and is in perfect

health. - A young farmer named Robert Adams was set upon by highway robbers a few days ago near Angler, Harnett county, and robbed of \$113

- J. A. Saunders, of Raleigh, has sued Herbert Dunn, of the same town, for \$5,000 damages because Dunn struck Saunders on the head with a nail puller.

- The net earnings of the State prison for the past year were \$85,270 The directors report the prison and State farm in excellent condition and the total number of convicts 706.

- Dr. W. M. Vines, of Asheville, has just declined a call to the pastorate of the Freemason Street Baptist Church of Norfolk, Va., the largest church of that denomination in Virginia.

- Joe Battle, the Edgecombe negro charged with criminal assault. and Len Spence, two of the most important of the nine prisoners who broke out of Wake county jail Tuesday morning, have been recaptured. - The Newbern Journal tells of

some unusually large oysters re the cars are being overhauled and ceived in that town a few days ago. Sixteen of the oysters filled a quart measure, and they were as fine in quality as they were large in size. They come from planted stock on

- Concord Cor. Charlotte Observer: A few days ago Mr. J. S. Howell, of the lower part of the county, was here with a grown squirrel that was perfectly white, and which had pink eyes. He caught it and two gray squirrels in a hole in a tree.

- The Asheville Citizen says that Paul Cochran, of Avery's Creek township, Buncombe county, was accidentally shot Monday and is possibly fatally wounded. While hunting Cochran shot a bird which fell among leaves. Cochran caught his gun by the barrel and with the butt of it brushed the leaves aside. The second barrel of the gun was accidentally discharged and the load took effect in Cochran's abdomen.

- In a freight train wreck near Greensboro on Tuesday thirteen bex cars were piled ten feet high in a cut and seventy yards of track torn up. The freight train was going at the rate of fifty miles an hour to let the north bound passenger through, when a wheel on a forward car broke, telescoping the entire train and derailing the engine. No one was injured, except two tramps, who were not seriously hurt.

- Ashboro Courier: Mr. H. H. Yow, of Fork Creek, had the misfortune to lose \$42 by dropping it | By Timely Action of an Actress at the nto the fire - The elever months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Brown, of Fork Creek, was found dead in the bed one morning last week. — Our Franklinville correspondent writes: There have

record breaking crop is predicted. blaze. Deatening applause greeted the The London Statist estimates that the output will be not less than 142,-000,000 bushels, of which 104,000,-000 bushels will be available for export. This would be an increase of

ANNEX TO PAVILION

The New Hanover Transit Company Increasing Accommodations at the Beach.

BUILDING OF TWENTY ROOMS

Foundations Aiready Laid-Bath Houses to be Enlarged to 80 Sprinkle Bath Rooms - Orchestra Engaged. The Visitors Last Season.

In the midst of Winter prepare for Summer. That is a new axiom which Captain John W. Harper, general manager of the New Hanover Transit Company, has adopted with reference to that delightful resort, Carolina

Captain Harper believes in being ready when the beach season opens, and the popularity of Carolina Beach was such last season that he is already getting ready for the increased patronage that the steamer "Wilmington" and Carolina Beach is destined to have the coming season. The past season was a big one for the beach and some ides of the public favor which it has can be judged from the fact that the steamer "Wilmington" carried down 43,000 visitors last Summer.

Realizing from the large patronage last season, that the handsome and comfortable pavilion erected last Spring is inadequate to accommodate the thousands of visitors who seek the refreshing breezes and fine surf bathing at Carolina Beach, the New Hanover Transit Company decided to erect an annex of considerable proportions, adjoining the pavilion on the south

The foundations for the new building have already been laid and it will be completed in sixty days under the supervision of Mr. Thomas McGee. The new building will be thirty feet wide and sixty feet long and will be but it was not broken. Cardell two stories in height. It is to contain | was by himself when the accitwenty nice rooms-ten on the firs | dent occurred, and he dragged himstory and ten on the second story. On each story there is to be a six-foot passage in the middle of the building and five rooms will be on each side of the passages. Piazzas eight feet wide are to run clear around the building on both stories.

The rooms are to be celled, those on the first floor to be used in connection with the present pavilion for the use of excursionists and people who desire to spend the day at the seashore. The ten rooms on the second story are to be nicely furnished for sleeping rooms in order to accommodate people who wish to spend the night at the seashore.

Mr. Charles Anderson, who formerly conducted the "Only Restaurant," has leased the pavilion for the coming season and will conduct it on the European plan. He expects to supply his tables with the choicest delicacies the ocean and the market affords, and we are sure this facility for accommodating visitors to the beach will greatly add to its already flattering popularity, not only with the people of the city, but with the thousands of excursionists who are partial to Carolina Beach.

Captain Harper is also having the bath houses greatly enlarged. There will be 80 bath rooms with fresh water sprinklers, so that there will be pienty of rooms for surf bathers at all times. The railroad from the steamer's pier to the beach is already being put in good shape from beginning to end and

painted for the season of 1904. Among the attractions which Carolina Beach will have throughout the entire season will be a fine orchestra. The band will furnish music for concerts and dancing every day at the

HON, WM. J. BRYAN.

Arrived in New York on the Steamer Cel-

tic-Met by Prominent Democrats. By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.-The White Star steamer Celtic, on which William J. Bryan is a passenger, arrived today. The steamer was met at quarantine by a committee of prominent Democrats, headed by former United States Senator Charles A. Towne, Melvin G. Palliser, Justice Samuel Sea-

bury and Henry George, Jr.

Coming up the bay Mr. Bryan held
a general reception. He declined to
talk specifically for publication on the ground that he intended to write his experiences and did not desire all the impressions he had gained to be old before his own writings had achieved

Mr. Bryan said he visited ten capi tals and a part of Sweden. He spent fourteen hours with Count Tolstoi He also visited Max Nordau and Mr.

POSSIBLE PANIS AVERTED.

Opera House in Bristol, Tenn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star BRISTOL, TENN., Jan. 9.-Over 1,000 women and children packed the Harmeling Opera House at to-day's matibeen one hundred and fifty-four pigs killed in our town for the last few weeks which weighed thirty-two thousand, five hundred and eighty-seven pounds.

The wheat harvest is now on in the Argentine Republic, and a last are sage paragraphs as a stage hand who extinguished the blaze. Destaning appliance greeted the

> Former Governor Charles Foster, who was Secretary of the Treasury under President Harrison, died in Springfield, O., yesterday. He was 78 years of age, and is survived by his wife and a daughter.
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> Brom the signals displayed it is supposed the men are members of the crew of the Italian barque Famigilia Cavollo.
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> The Famigilia Cavollo left Port Talbot December 29th for Pensacola.

DISTRESSING OCCURRENCE.

Col Waiker Taylor's Little Two-Year-Old Daughter Terribly Burned Saturday.

It is painful for the STAR to note a distressing occurrence last Saturday morning at the home of Col. and Mrs. Walker Taylor, 714 Market street Their little daughter Oatherine, two years old, was terribly burned, ber clothing having caught fire from a match which she got hold of in some way and struck in her childish innocence.

In a moment after the burning match came in contact with her cloth ing, the little girl's dress was in a blaze. The nurse was near her and was thoughtful enough to wrap her in a flannel skirt. This doubtless saved the little one's life, but she was severely burned on the right arm below the elbow and her hair and eye brows and lashes were singed. Fortunately ber face was not burned and she did not inhale the flames.

The sufferings of the baby were se vere, but the hundreds of friends of the parents will be glad to learn that her burns were not fatal.

FRIGHTFULLY SHOT.

Geo. Cardell, Colored, Dangeronely Wounds Himself While Hunting Yesterday.

George Cordell, a colored youth about 18 years of age, was taken to the James Walker Memorial Hospital last night in a frightful condition. Yesterday afternoon, while hunting

in East Wilmington, he was dragging his gun behind him while going through some thick undergrowth, and it was discharged, sending a big load of shot into his back just under the base of the right lung. The shot made an ugly wound, tearing a great hole in the muscles of the back and exposing the chest cavity. One of his ribs was also injured by the shot, self out of the woods to a house, where he got assistance to come into the city. He lives at 612 North Tenth street, near the hospital.

Dr. Akerman, physician and surgeon in charge of the hospital, dressed Cardell's wound, and the doctor states that while it is a very bad and serious injury it is not necessarily fatal.

STOCK EXCHANGE ON FIRE.

Building Pilled With Smoke and Telegraph Service Interrupted-Gaused by

Imperfect Insulation. By Telegraph to the Morning Star NEW YORK, Jan. 9.-Fire early to-

digestion, to which he was subject. day was discovered in the new Stock Exchange building, and because of defective fire alarm boxes the fire department was delayed in arriving. In the meantime the building was threatened with serious damage, and a mes senger of the Western Union Tele graph company was overcome by smoke. The fire broke out in the cable room of the Western Union Telegraph Company and was discovered by messengers. It was thirty five minutes after the blaze was discovered when the department arrived. The fire was caused by the burning out of insulations. The building was filled with smoke and the firemen could work only in relays. The telegraph service in the exchange was inter

rupted. The money loss is small. Though the damage was so slight the effects of the fire were felt through out the financial district to-day, the telegraph system by which stock quo-tations and financial news is distributed being deranged and in many cases interrupted entirely. Cable service also was interrupted to some extent. The telegraph wires of the cotton, coffee and New York produce exchanges were also cut off by the fire. Scenes of great confusion took place there. Most of the exchanges suspended the floor rules and allowed boys from brokers' offices to go in and out to get the quotations. Many pri vate wires from the exchanges to Chi cago were also cut cff.

MRS. MAYBRICK'S CASE.

She Will be Released from Prison in 1904 But the Exact Date Has Not Yet Been Pixed.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 9 .- Referring to the statement published in the United States that final arrangements were made yesterday at a conference between Ambassador Choate and the Home Office officials for the release in April of Mrs. Florence Maybrick, the American woman under sentence of life imprisonment on the charge of poisoning her husband, it is pointe out that the status of the case is just as cabled to the Associated Press, by which it was announced on the au thority of the Home Office that she would be released in 1904. The exact date of her release is not yet

Baroness de Roques says her daughter, Mrs. Maybrick, is decidedly in better health and gaining strength, now that she has the certainty of being re-

"All the sensational newspaper ac counts relative to our business interests and future," added the baroness, "have not resulted in any profit to us. Quite the contrary.

SHIPWRECKED CREW.

Supposed to be from the Italian Barque Pamigilla Cavallo.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 9. - The British steam er Evangeline, Captain Heeley, from Hallfax, December 31st, for this port, passed Prawle Point to-day with a shipwrecked crew on board.
From the signals displayed it is sup-

THE UNITES STATES' TREATY WITH CHINA.

Ratified by the Emperor of China-State Department Will Make Every Effort to Exchange Ratifications.

By Cable to the Morning Star

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LIVES.

TO PROTECT

The Fire Commission Taking

Precaution to Save Lives in

Case of Fire.

LARGE BUILDINGS INSPECTED

Number Visited Yesterday by the Mayor,

Chief of the Pire Department and

Chief of Police-Pire Escapes

Must be Provided.

Since the horrible fire tragedy in the

Iroquois theatre at Chicago, Mayor

W. E. Springer has deemed it proper

to see that the city ordinances to pro-

tect lives from fires are complied with.

The ordinances require buildings of

a certain class to be equipped with fire

escapes, and a few years ago some

buildings were so squipped. Mayor

Springer says he feels that it is his

duty to enforce [these, wise precau-

tions and all notices issued must be

complied with by property owners in

Yesterday the fire commission,

composed of Mayor Springer, Chief of

the Fire Department Charles Schnib-

ben and Chief of Police J. J. Furlong

made an inspection of a number of

buildings, with a view to the protec-

tion of lives in the event of fire. The

buildings inspected were the new

office buildings of the Atlantic Coast

Lin:; the Seaboard Air Line's new

freight warehouse; Gleschen Bro.'s

Atlantic Inn building on Front and

Red Cross streets; the Y. M. C. A.

building; the Elks Temple; George

O. Gaylord's stores and new block

the Murchison National Bank build-

ing; The Orion Hotel; Hibernian

Hall; Odd Fellows' Hall, and Ger-

To morrow at 11 o'clock the fire

commission will meet and consider

what steps to take in line with their

inspection. It is stated that in nearly

every instance recommendations will

be made and orders issued to the own.

Other buildings are also to be in-

DEATH OF GEN. J. B. GORDON.

Commander-in-Chief of the United Con-

federate Veterans Passes Away -His

Career in the Southern Army.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

his winter home, near Miami, Fla.,

General Gordon was born in Upson

county, Georgia, July 6th, 1832, of Scotch ancestry, which had prominent

Young Gordon graduated from the

Georgia State University in 1852 and a

few months later was admitted to the

practice of law. Early in 1861 he en-

listed in the volunteer Confederate

service and was elected captain of his

company. He rose rapidly by promo-tion to be lieutenant colonel of the

Sixth Alabama infantry, in December

1861. He participated in the struggle

on the peninsula, had part in the bat-

tle at Malvern Hill, and was commis-

sioned brigadier general, November-

1862. He was at the battle of Gettys-

burg, the battle of the Wilderness, at

Spottsylvania court house. In May, 1864, was promoted to be major gen-

eral and took part in the important

battles which marked the closing

scenes of the civil war. His bearing

was characterized by boldness and a

dash which made him the idol of his

soldiers. In an official report of Gen-

eral D. H. Hill, General Gordon was

characterized as "The Chevalier Bay-

When the hostilities were ended, h

called his men about him and advised

them to bear the trial of defeat, to go

home in peace, obey the laws and re-

He has taken a prominent part in the councils of his party since 1866

He was a defeated candidate for Gova

ernor of Georgia in 1868, and in 1878

and 1879 was elected to the United

States Senate. Resigning that position

in 1880, he participated actively in

building the Georgia Pacific railroad

In 1886 and 1888, he was elected Gover

nor of Georgia and in 1890 he entered

again the U.S. Senate for the full term

Since his retirement from politica

activity he has devoted much of his

time in lecturing, presenting to the North as well as the South his lecture

upon "The Last Days of the Con-

foderate veterans, as has held the po-

sition of its commander-in-chief and

his frequent re-elections to that posi-

tion have testified to the warmth of

affection in which he has been held in

Gen. and Mrs. Gordon had been in

Florida three weeks before his death. His health had been unusually good prior to his fatal attack. He had

bought a Winter home at Biscayne

three years ago and had since been spending a portion of the Winters

RELEASED AND PARDONED.

Car Strike Paper, the Opinion.

By Telegraph to the morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 9.-W. H.

Mullen and Sudney Kates, formerly

editors of the street car strike paper,

The Opinion, were released from cus-tody to-day by order from the judge of the Hustings court; in which they were

The judge's action was followed by

a pardon for the prisoners from the Governor. Mullen and Kates had

served five days in jail for failure to

pay fines of \$250 each for publishing an article held to be libellous as against

one of the street car officials. The judge issued his order on its being shown to him that the men were bankrupt. He did not know of the Governor's purpose to issue a pardon,

nor was Governor Montague aware when he wrote the pardon of the action of the judge.

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ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 9.-Lieutenant

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PEKIN, January 9.-The Chinese Imperor has ratified the American and Japanese treaties of commerce with

WASHINGTON, January 9. - The State Department, with the concurrence of Department, with the concurrence of the Chinese authorities, will make every effort to secure a speedy exchange of ratifications of the new treaty with China. The treaty will be forwarded to the United States from Pekin and with ordinary diligence in its dispatch should be in Washington about six weeks hence.

The exchange must take place in Washington between Secretary Hay and Sir Chen Tung Liang Cheng, the Chinese minister here. After that

Chinese minister here. After that ceremony the treaty will be proclaimed by the President and a date set for

its provisions to take effect.

Not the slightest difficulty is expected at the State Department in putting into operation the sections of the treaty providing for the opening to American commerce the new ports of Mukden and Antung. The President has prepared for this by submitting estimates to Congress for the salaries for consuls, and nominations will be sent in very soon. On their confirma-tion the consuls will proceed to Pekin, present their credentials, secure their exequature, and repairing to their posts will open consular offices, ready to clear American merchant ships for the first time from interior Manchu-

China Neutral,

PEKIN, Jan. 9.—The Japanese min-ster to China and Prince Ching, the ister to China and Prince Ching, the grand secretary, had a long interview here yesterday and discussed the prospects of war between Russia and Japan. Prince Ching announced that China had decided to maintain neutrality and expressed great interest in the nature of the Russian reply recently transmitted to Japan. M. Uchida was non-committal on this subject. It is reported here that subject. It is reported here that Japan is chartering many more com-mercial ships for use as naval colliers and supply vessels.

to Reuters Telegram Company says:

"According to trustworthy diplomatic information received here the Russian reply, though conciliatory in tone, is unsatisfactory in substance.

"Japan, it is further stated from the

War Before Spring.

LONDON, Jan. 9.—A Pekin dispatch

ame source, desires to obtain further delay in order to complete her pre-parations, and will, therefore, continue the negotiations. The prospects of war before spring continue very

MR. OLNEY FOR PRESIDENT.

His Nomination Endorsed by Democratic State Committee of Massachusets. Speeches in His Praise.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, MASS., Jan. 9. - The Democratic State committee to-day endorsed a movement in favor of having the na. tional convention nominate Richard Olney for President of the United States. After speeches in praise of Mr. Oaley's record had been made by Con-gressman William S. McNary, chair-man of the committee, former Assist-General John Brown Gordon died at at 10:05 to-night. His fatal illness, ant Secretary of the Treasury Charles which overtook him last Wednesday, B. Hamlin, of Boston, ex-Congress man John Crosby, of Pittsfield, and others, resolutions were adopted invit was congestion of the stomach and liver, following an acute attack of ining Democrats everywhere to work in

favor of such a movement. The resolutions, which were passed without a dissenting voice, read: "The Democratic State Committee of Massachusetts herewith places upon record its appreciation of the eminent ervices rendered the Democratic party and the nation by Richard Olney, and expresses its firm conviction that under bis leadership in the coming Presidential campaign, important New EnglandStates will swing over into the Democratic column, and the nationa party will achieve a sweeping victory ensuring a speedy reform of th abuses following a continuance in pow er of the Republican party and the re

establishment of those fundament principles of government which the party has deliberately and flagrantly violated. To this end we invite the co-operation of the Democrats of Nev England and of the nation." These resolutions were introduced by Congressman McNary, who classes Americans and foremost Democrit. He thought that if the Democral were to win this year, they must carr the Eastern States. It appeared, he said, that Mr. Olney was strong it New York and New Jersey, and the he would be acceptable to those States New York not having any candidate

Eastern area where the scales could b turned in favor of the Democrat nominee. He believed Mr. Cine would be strong in Illinois and Con Mr. Hamlin, in favoring the resolu-tions, referred to the advantage which would accrue from nominating

the nomination of a man from Net

England, and that man Mr. Olney

would have the immense advantage t

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a New England man. Mr. Hamlin said, "Mr. Olney is man of sterling Democracy and crugged character. Under his leade ship several States of New England ca be counted upon for the Democration Under his leadership the Democration party will sweep the country.'

NEW YORK BANKS.

Statement of Clearing House Averages the Past Week.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The stateme of averages of the clearing he banks of this city for the week shot Loans \$159,992,100; increase \$7,42 700. Deposits \$905,713,800; inci \$19,584,400. Circulation \$44,698,60 decrease \$237,800. Legal tenders \$7 718,400; increase \$4,302,600. Spec \$166,401,900; increase \$3,726,100. H 700. Reserve required \$226,428,33 increase \$4,883,600. Surplus \$1 686,975; increase \$5,145,100. Ex-8. deposits \$23,861,600; decrease \$127,000. **8241.115.300:** 12

Blanche Boies, a follower of Ca Nation, attempted to smaah the I, picture of "Custer's Last Chars hanging in the historical room at State capitol in Topeks, Ks., using axe. Her objection was that und neath the picture was a line expla-ing that the painting had been nated by a St. Louis beer firm. M Boles was arrested and later admits to bail.

The battleship Missouri, built by Newport News Sampuilding C pany, has been accepted by the ernment, subject to the usual period probation.