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"God has not breathed the breath of life into the nostrils of the man, or set of men, who can again thwart and defeat the fairly and legally expressed will of this people—mark that!"

THE PROPOSED REPEAL OF THE CHARTER OF THE ROAD BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND DANVILLE.

It will be seen by reference to the proceedings of the Senate of North Carolina, on Saturday, that Mr. Waddell, of Johnston, introduced a bill to be entitled an act "to protect the State's interest in the North Carolina Railroad, and all other railroads," which bill was read the first time and referred to the committee on construction.

We have heretofore informed the readers of THE OBSERVER that there was an excellent prospect for the early completion of this proposed line to Danville to connect with the Midland route at that point, which would give this city another line North, and put it in direct communication with Washington City.

These latter matters being of special interest to our readers, they may feel desirous of knowing what is done concerning them. It is probable that the two houses will adjourn sine die the latter part of next week. Yours respectfully, JOHN L. BROWN.

A PERIOD OF MISFORTUNE. News and Courier. The Stellar phenomena which appear in the sky shortly, announce, as we are told by the Luxembourg Gazette, an event which may become dangerous and destructive to the earth and its inhabitants.

Since the beginning of the Christian era the Perseid (thus the appearance of the stars in the neighborhood of the sun is called) of the four great planets, Jupiter, Uranus, Saturn and Neptune, have not taken place at the same time.

When the Richmond & Danville Railroad Company leased the North Carolina road, did it at the same time take a surrender of the pride, self respect and independence of the whole State of North Carolina?

Justice Field belongs to a remarkable family. He is the son of Rev. David Dudley Field, of Stockbridge, Mass., and is brother to David Dudley Field, the eminent lawyer, to Cyrus W. Field, of trans-Atlantic cable fame, and to Rev. Henry M. Field, D. D., publisher of the New York Evangelist—all three of New York.

FORTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

THURSDAY AT WASHINGTON.

The passage through the House of an amendment to the deputy marshal's appropriation bill providing that hereafter special deputies shall be appointed by judges of United States Courts and shall be selected from the different political parties, is regarded as a decided victory for the Democrats.

The Democratic State conventions will be held as follows: Alabama, June 23; Arkansas, June 24; Connecticut, April 28th; Florida, June 10th; Illinois, June 10th; Indiana, June 9th; Iowa, April 7th; Kansas, May 20th; Kentucky, June 17th; Louisiana, April 12th; Massachusetts held last fall; Michigan, June 8th; Missouri, May 26th; Mississippi, June 2d; Nebraska, March 31st; New Hampshire, May 5th; New Jersey, May 10th; North Carolina, June 17th; Ohio, May 6th; Oregon, April 7th; Pennsylvania, April 28th; South Carolina, June 1st; Tennessee, June 1st; Texas, April 20th; Virginia, May 19th; West Virginia holds no State convention to elect delegates to the national convention, but leaves it this time to each congressional district to elect three delegates, and these nine are to elect a tenth; Wisconsin, May 12th.

Matters in Raleigh—Letter From One of our Representatives.

RALEIGH, March 20.—The joint committee on the railroad question has finally disposed of the Best bill and will report the same to both houses to-day; the committee has but few amendments, and is considering the bill for several days.

The motion to print was then adopted. Hoke, from the committee on Indian affairs, reported the bill ratifying the recent agreement with the Indians. Kirkwood introduced a bill to enable the commissioner of agriculture to test the practicability of manufacturing sugar on a large scale from sorghum and sugar cane.

By Phelps, of Connecticut, for the appointment of a commissioner to revise the customs and internal revenue laws. By Gibson, of Louisiana, establishing a navy yard at Algiers, La., also reducing the tax on distilled spirits to 50 cents on every proof gallon; also abolishing the tax on tobacco, bank checks, and deposits on the part of the State.

By Young, of Tennessee, resolution declaring the political complications likely to grow out of the proposed interoceanic canal so dangerous as to outweigh the advantages of such canal, declaring it the duty of the government to discourage the enterprise, and requesting the President to invite South American republics to join us in the adoption of measures for mutual safety and protection against European political influence in American affairs.

By Bayne, of Pennsylvania, a resolution declaring the construction of the interoceanic canal for commercial purposes commendable; that the Monroe doctrine should not be prostituted to support a raid on the treasury by rival projectors, and that treaty rights shall be respected.

Gen. Grant Out of Pines. GALVESTON, March 22.—Gen. Grant and party, due to-day, have not yet arrived.

CABLE FLASHES.

France-Russian Affairs—The Ox or 1 and Cambridge Howers—Matters in Cuba.

LONDON, March 22.—A Paris dispatch says: "Prince Orloff departed without drawing any official visit to or leaving his usual with Grey or Greyer by Premier Defreyne. Persons in position to judge assert that Russia has eagerly seized the opportunity for showing a coolness to France in order to retrieve the blunder of Gortschakoff's famous open advances to her."

Oxford won easily by three and a half lengths in 21 minutes and 23 seconds; time of finish, one minute past 11. Cambridge started at the rate of 40 strokes per minute, and Oxford at 37 or 38 strokes. The race at the commencement was beautifully close. Cambridge at first gained a slight advantage from rowing a quicker stroke, but Oxford drew level with them by the time half a mile had been traversed, and at Grass Wharf, 3 1/2 minutes from the start, had a lead of a few feet.

PARIS, March 22.—S. A. Justice publishes a letter from Hartmann, denying that he made the published statement purporting to be his confession of an attempt on the life of the Czar at Moscow. LONDON, March 22.—The Daily News in its second edition to-day publishes the following: "Lahore, March 22.—The order for Gen. Stewart's march on Gheezree reached Candahar on Sunday, and the army is already in motion. The Hazaras have defeated the Wandaks, south of Gheezree, and captured four forts. Mahomad Jan has gone from Gheezree to attack the Hazaras."

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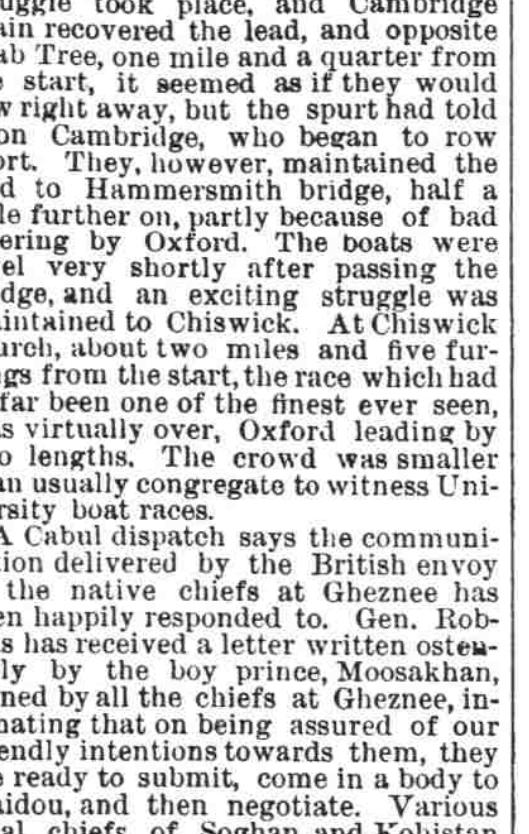
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