

CHAS. R. JONES, Editor & Proprietor. FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 1880.

"God has not breathed the breath of life into the nostrils of the man, or set of men, who can again threaten and defeat the fairly and legally expressed will of this people."

FUNERAL FIGURES. Mr. Horace White, who has made an enviable record as an editor on the Chicago Tribune, recently delivered a lecture in New York City in which he is reported to have said:

In the city of New York it is well known that from 1850 to 1870 (possibly one-eighth) of the Republican voters have any access at all to the primaries—only that small fraction can vote at the primaries even if they desire to do so.

Mr. White might have extended his list much further than the "slums" of New York, and he might have illustrated it by referring to the recent triumph of both Don Cameron and Conkling in the manipulation of the "machine" in the great States of New York and Pennsylvania.

These statements are not less true than are the words of wild writ from them who might deduce valuable lessons. We have had a practical illustration of the political strength of this class of voters in our last presidential election.

Self preservation is said to be the first law of nature, and it seems to us, if there were no higher reason than self preservation, or protection, common prudence ought to dictate that no man ought voluntarily to avoid the responsibilities of citizenship.

Government is not for the benefit of the few, but for the benefit of all, and that man "serves his party best, who serves his country best."

There is another sensation in the political world, and as is usual Mr. Tilden is at the bottom of it. The Washington correspondent of the New York Star telegraphs that paper a long story showing that Tilden has been determined to withdraw as a candidate for the presidential nomination in favor of Henry B. Payne, of Ohio.

One railroad sensation has not faded to be the topic of the times, but another is thrown upon the public. The latest is the sale of the Greenville & Columbia road, under foreclosure.

John Exercises His Right of Citizenship. CHICAGO, April 8.—A special from Fond Du Lac, Wis., says: There was a novel feature at the municipal election here yesterday.

GUILFORD COURT HOUSE.

The preliminary mass meeting held in Greenboro last Tuesday, to organize a permanent association for the proper celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the battle of Guilford Court House, was from all accounts a brilliant affair.

The idea of a centennial celebration was but recently inaugurated, and the enthusiasm which has already been manifested in this respect, not only of this section, but of the whole State, shows that patriotism and love of the valiant deeds done by the fathers before us, still live and are cherished by the present generation of men.

The spirit which prompted this paragraph, if persevered in, will insure a magnificent as well as glorious celebration on the 15th of next March. Greenboro came to Charlotte five years ago in force, to assist in the proper celebration of her centennial anniversary of her declaration of independence, and although the time is somewhat distant, we think we can promise a large delegation from this section to glorify the deeds of the men who made the battle of Guilford Court House, "the turning point in the destiny of the colonies."

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It is to celebrate this battle, which made the surrender at Yorktown possible, that the association which went into existence Tuesday will be called upon to perform. It is a noble, patriotic work, and in its discharge they will have the assistance and co-operation of all patriotic Carolinians.

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MECKLENBURG COUNTY DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., April 8, 1880.—The members of the executive committee of the Democratic party for Mecklenburg county are requested to meet at the county house at Charlotte, N. C., on Thursday, the 17th of April, for the purpose of fixing the time of holding the county Democratic convention.

The following are the names of the members of the committee: H. C. Jones, Chairman; Charlotte Township—W. W. Flemming; R. P. Waring, W. J. Yates, Frank L. Osborn; Berryhill—T. W. Herron; Steel Creek—A. G. Neel; Sharon—E. H. Walker; Providence—J. T. Kell; Clear Creek—D. W. Flow; Crab Orchard—E. P. Cochran; Mallard Creek—J. A. DeArmond; Deweese—J. D. Brown; Lemley's—W. B. Withers; Long Creek—W. D. Barry; Paw Creek—T. T. Sandifer; Morning Star—S. B. Smith; Pineville—J. G. Potts.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—House.—Under a call of committees bills were reported and disposed of as follows: By Barber, of Illinois, from the committee on claims, for the relief of Henry C. DeAna, Private pensioner. Also for the relief of the German National Bank, of Louisville, Ky. Private calendar.

Considerable discussion ensued as to the point of order raised by Kiefer, of Ohio, against the supplementary section which the committee on military affairs proposed to add to the bill to prevent the use of the military of the State. The Republicans generally held that no jurisdiction over subject matter of the bill and the proposed supplementary section did not reduce the expenditures as it must be in order, the chair ruled that the proposed amendment would reduce the expense and therefore the bill was ordered to be reported.

SENATE.—The morning hour was occupied with unimportant business. At its expiration, Salisbury said he would not interrupt the debate on the bill today by presenting a Kellogg report, but would call it up on Tuesday next.

The Senate then resumed consideration of the bill ratifying the Ute agreement. Arguments for and against the bill, and covering the Indian question generally, were made by Dawes, Williams, Butler, S. C. Coke and others. Butler opposed the bill as one which tampered with and postponed the final settlement of the Indian question.

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THE SYRIA.

Abandoned at Sea with a Valuable Cargo of Cotton.—The crew saved. NEW YORK, April 8.—The steamer Gellert, built at Baltimore, Md., on April 1st, 1878, and registered at Baltimore, Md., on April 5th, 1878, left Baltimore, Md., on April 1st, 1880, for Liverpool, N. Y., with a cargo of cotton, valued at \$100,000, and a crew of 100 men.

The Syria was then abandoned by her entire crew except Capt. Johnson, who remained on board and again asked for men to help save the vessel, which was refused. Johnson, at last, seeing the utter uselessness of his remaining aboard alone, consented to come aboard the Gellert, and all were brought to this port. The Syria's cargo consisted of 5,000 bales of cotton and 200 tons of oil cakes.

Speculations as to What Caused It. LONDON, April 8.—A Berlin correspondent of the Times says there is much difference of opinion as to Bismarck's reported resignation of the chancellery. The report is insisted, however, that Bismarck's vexation is due not so much to the enactment of the stamp act as to the obviously unfair and irregular way in which an adverse vote is reported against the three monarchies of Prussia, Bavaria and Saxony.

BEIJING, April 8.—The Emperor Wilhlem, April 8.—The following cabinet order to Prince Bismarck's request for permission to retire from office: "I certainly do not ignore the difficulties in which you may be placed by a conflict between the duties imposed upon you by the constitution and your responsibility. I do not feel inclined to relieve you of your office because you believe yourself unable in this particular case to carry out the task allotted to you by the constitution. I must, on the contrary, leave it to you to withdraw me and subsequently to the Bundesrat proposals calculated to bring about a constitutional solution of a conflict of duties of this description."

Strike of English Miners. LONDON, April 8.—Eighteen hundred pitmen, of the South Hillton and Murton collieries, in Durham, have struck in consequence of a refusal of the managers to put out the usual average board showing the miners' earnings, as well as having restricted their work for the past fortnight, so that their earnings went below the county average.

Boston Republicans. BOSTON, April 8.—Caucusses were held in all the wards of the city last night to select delegates to the Republican convention to be held at Worcester on the 15th. Returns from all but two wards indicate a preference for Sherman as first choice, with the chances of Grant and Edmunds about equal for second choice.

Score of the Tramp. NEW YORK, April 8.—At 12 o'clock the score stood: Dobler, 356; Hart, 356; Pagan, 330; Howard, 326; Allen, 322; Merrill, 294; Williams, 293; Krolow, 308; Hamaker, 275; Jaybee, 283.

One Who Knows. Says: Rankin's Compound Fluid Extract of Buchu is the most pleasant and effective remedy of all diseases of the bladder or kidneys that has been offered to the public. It not only cures the disease, but it also regulates the secretions, and gives health and tone to the prostrate or diseased organs.

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SPRING MILLINERY. MRS. MCNEELIS respectfully informs the Ladies of Charlotte and vicinity that she has just returned from the North, with the Largest and most Beautiful STOCK OF MILLINERY EVER BROUGHT TO THIS CITY.

St. Charles Hotel. STATESVILLE, N. C. THIS HOUSE is now under the management of Mrs. R. H. Hays, formerly of the National Hotel in New York City. It is now a first class hotel in every respect. Commanding a beautiful view of the city, and the surrounding country. The patronage of the public solicited.