eyes of practically the entire are turned toward the annual ing to be held here Wednesday of State division of the Farmers' in, as it is evident that a big batter supremacy in the order will be not on the convention floor. If you are to be seen whether the organism to be seen whether the organism can survive this strife. tion can survive this strife. original call for the convention

The original call for the convention, which was issued over the signature of Vice President T. T. Wakefield, Secretary-Treasurer and State Agent B. F. Earle and Secretary of the Executive Committee W. L. Anderson, has been called off in an official card issued by President O. P. Goodwin and four members of the executive committee, J. B. Pickett, W. C. Brown, W. L. Kennedy and John T. Boggs, but has again been "called on" by a card addressed to the members of the union throughout the State by the aforesald Messrs. Wakefield, Earle and Anderson.

behind closed doors; but the flerceness and bitterness of the internal strife will likely be noisy enough to allow the nature of the trouble to reach through the walls of the council chamber, where the convention will be held. The officers are not talking for publication, but already they are revealing much in their cards and notices to members. The Earle faction claims that the call was issued in response to the expressed wishes of "a large majority of the county unions," and that President Goodwin arbitrarily suppressed the calling of a convention. that President Goodwin arbitrarily suppressed the calling of a convention. STATEMENT FROM MR. SMITH. Mr. E. D. Smith, of the South Car-

Cotton Association, has broken his long silence, caused by lilness. He ve out the following statement to-

"For the first time since the 1st of October have I been able to attend to any mattern at all, having been confined in the hospital since the Atlants meeting. The rest and treat-ment. I hope, have permanently restored my health. It was a complete akdown from overwork.

"I congratulate the farmers on the which they have taken in the of the trying sircumstances, the

midst of the trying stroumstances, the manner in which they have withstood the financial stringency and held to their cotton. The situation seems to be one in which, seemly, a lack of confidence in those who have money in investing it in legitimate enterprises. If those in South Carolina, as well as in the other States, who are financially able would deposit their money in banks or at least instruct the banks to lend money on cotton, the situation would be vastly relieved.

"From the bank statement published to-day there seems to be no lack of money; and now is the time, if ever there was one, when these who have the interest of the South and of the farmers at heart and who have confidence in the resources of their country, to come to the rescue of the producers of the raw material and ald them in winning the fight which they have carried on so vallantly under such adverse circumstances. The mercastry for a concerted action, for a thorough understanding between debtor and creditor, has arrived and the court of the country, has arrived and the producers of crediting the country to come to the rescue of the producers of the raw material and ald them in winning the fight which they have carried on so vallantly under such adverse circumstances. The mercastry for a concerted action, for a thorough understanding between debtor and creditor, has arrived and the producers of the country, has arrived and the producers of the raw material and ald them in winning the fight which they have carried on so vallantly under such adverse circumstances. The mercastry for a concerted action, for a thorough understanding between debtor and creditor, has arrived and the producers of the creditor, has arrived and the producers of the country to come to the rescue of the producers of the raw material and ald them in winning the fight which they have carried on so vallantly understanding between the producers of the creditor, has arrived and the producers of the credit of the cred ugh understanding between to Drive Out Malaria and creditor, has arrived and To Drive Out Malaria And Build Up the System deftor and creditor, has arrived and there should be some plan outlined whereby the owners of cotton may be relieved from pressing obligations by the placing of their cotton as collateral security. Are the banks of the Siste going to sit idly by and make no effort to co-operate with the holders of cotton in meeting the emergency which is upon us? If the crop wars not so short and if circumstances did not justify the stand taken by Ring the "Bell" 587

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state of the state

As yet there has been nothing done, but already there is discussion in church circles of the advisability in church circles of the advisability of calling at once a pastor to take up the church work. The deacons will as early as practicable, meet with the view of calling a minister fully able to shoulder the responsibilities of the church duties here, which the doctor has so ably performed.

SHIPPING TO DISTANT POINTS.

Salisbury's Liquor Goes to Maine and to Oklahoma. There Being No Dull-ness in This Line of Business Caus-ed by Money Stringency.

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Third race, mile and a sixteenth, self-ing: Halbard, 8 to 5, won; Grace Lar-self-ing: H tion State-wide. Notwithstanding the stringency of the times, it is believed that there is more than the usual amount of whiskey going out from Salisbury. Local Jealers say business is brisk and that prohibition territory is the best customer.

In this connection, young 'Pail Eames, a genius with electricity and smart with his father's wit, got off the best joke on prohibition yet heard. His Sunday school teacher, one of the best and brightest women in Salisbury, recently asked him in a study of temperance what prohibition meant. The kid replied with a drawl: "Taking whiskey from one town and putting it in another." The opinion of Salisbury is that there is not in the whole catechism a directer, truer answer than that boy's inadvertent wit.

Fifth race, 6 furiongs, selling: La Soeur, 5 to 5, won; Hans, 17 to 1, second: Lody Oakiand, 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:392-5.

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Sixth race, 14 to 10, won; Granada, 1 to 1, second: Lady Oakiand, 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:392-5.

Common Epsom Salis Permits Any Sort of Operation Without Danger to the Patient.

New York, Dec. 15.—Announcement of the discovery of a new anassthetic according to The American to-day, will soon be made by the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research.

The new anaesthetic is nothing else than plain, common epsom salis, or to give its scientific name, sulphate of magnesia. It was discovered by

### THE WEATHER.

Washington, Dec. 16 .- Forecast: Virginia, fair Tuesday and Wednesday except snow Wednesday in extreme southwest portion; light west winds be

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The Derby Stake Run Yesterda; Morning and the All-Age Stake in the Afternoon—Rob Hollo Wins First Place in Both.

Lad of Langdon Easy Winner in Handicap—Favorites Have Best of Argument.

New Orleans, Dec. 18.-Lad of Langdon easily captured the handicap race to-day. Favorites had the best of the argument, five out of six winning. Weather clear; track soft. First race, 5% furlongs, selling: Free Booter, 7 to 2, won; Magic 25 to 1, second: Toboggan, 30 to 1, third. Time,

Second race, 5 furlongs: Una, 3 to 1. won; My Love, 15 to 1, second; Sundart,

The new anaesthetic is nothing else than plain, common epsom salts, or to give its scientific name, sulphate of magnesia. It was discovered by Dr. Samuel J. Meltser, one of the Rockefeller experimenters. Its greatest value is that it permits any sort of an operation without any danger to the heart of the patient.

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