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NORTH STATE NEWS.

COL. WILLIAM JOHNSTON DEAD.

One of Charlotte's Oldest and Most Prominent Citizens.

Col. William Johnston, one of Charlotte's oldest residents and most prominent citizens, died at his residence in that city Wednesday. He was in his seventy-ninth year.

Governor Ellis in 1861 appointed him to the position of Commissary General of the State, to accept which he resigned his seat in the Secession convention.

ASSIGNMENT OF FIELDS.

The A. M. E. Conference Adjourned at Noon Friday.

The following assignment of fields were made to bishops Wednesday by the A. M. E. Conference in session at Wilmington, N. C.

First district, assigned to Bishop Grant, comprises conferences of Philadelphia, New York, New Jersey, Nova Scotia and Bermuda.

Second—Bishop Handy, of Baltimore; Virginia, North Carolina, West North Carolina, Hayti and San Domingo.

Third—Bishop Lee; Ohio, North Ohio, Pittsburgh, Demarara, Ontario, St. Thomas.

Fourth—Bishop Arnett; Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan.

Fifth—Bishop Tanner; Missouri, North Missouri, Kansas, Colorado.

Sixth—Bishop Turner; Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, Alabama, North Alabama, Central Alabama.

Seventh—Bishop Embry, South Carolina, Columbia, North, East South Carolina, Florida, East Florida, Bahama Islands.

Eighth—Bishop Derrick, Mississippi, North Mississippi, Central Mississippi, Arkansas, North Arkansas, South Arkansas.

Ninth—Bishop Salter, Kentucky, West Kentucky, Tennessee, West Tennessee.

Tenth—Bishop Armstrong, Texas, West Texas, Northeast Texas, Central Texas, Louisiana, North Louisiana.

Eleventh—Bishop Gaines, California, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Puget Sound.

The conference adjourned at noon Friday.

State Farms in Fine Condition.

Superintendent Leazar, of the State Penitentiary was on a visit to the new State farms in Anson county near Wadesboro. He says work is progressing finely on all the State's plantations.

A Twenty Years' Record.

A New Orleans exchange, says the Norfolk Virginian, notes that while the South has gained 94 per cent in population during the last 20 years the enrollment of its school attendance has increased 130 per cent.

THE FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

A Synopsis of the Proceedings of Both Houses.

THE SENATE SATURDAY.

The resolution offered in the Senate Friday by Mr. Morgan, (Dem.) of Alabama in relation to the seizure of American citizens captured on the Competitor in Cuban waters, was taken up and Mr. Morgan addressed the Senate thereon.

The fortifications bill was reported to the Senate Monday by Mr. Perkins. The estimates for 1897 amounted to \$2,045,165.

Wednesday the Senate passed Senator Butler's bill for a public building at Durham. The Senate gave its attention Wednesday to the House bill appropriating \$100,000 to the District of Columbia appropriation bill.

A TORNADO IN KENTUCKY.

A cyclone passed over the southwest corner of Marshall County, Ky., Monday morning. It demolished one house at Elva and killed the five occupants, Anderson Johns, aged 80, his wife, aged 55; a son, aged 17, and two daughters, aged 12 and 10.

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TELEGRAPHIC TICKETS.

The sixty-sixth General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church assembled in Birmingham, Ala., Thursday.

At Oakley race track Thursday Prince Lief won the Oakley Derby by two lengths; Ben Elder second; Beau Brush third; Locki fourth, Time, 2:8 1/4.

It took just fifteen minutes to send a dispatch in a zigzag course around the earth from New York to Tokyo and back again, 27,000 miles, Thursday.

Secretary Olney has ordered Minister Taylor, at Madrid, to take vigorous action in the Weyler tobacco export embargo case. The United States may retaliate by prohibiting the import into the States of Cuban cigars and manufactured tobacco.

At Saratoga, Thursday, the Rev. Dr. John L. Withrow, of New York, liberal candidate, was elected moderator of the Northern Presbyterian General Assembly by a large majority, over the combined vote of Dr. Montford, of Cincinnati, and Dr. Breed, of Pittsburgh.

Charity and Children says that Mr. George W. Vanderbilt needed the Baptist Church at Biltmore, near Asheville, N. C., for a barn. He told the brethren he would build them another if they would let him have it. They agreed to do so, and now they have a beautiful house worth \$7,000 for their old one worth \$700.

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