THEY have a peculiarly wild and free way of settling county seat disputes in for particulars.

A NEW trotter, in San Francisco, Harry Wilkes, has made the extraordinary time of 2 15 At this rate he may reach the record of Mand S.

CLUVERIUS is to make a final appeal to the Governor in which his friends say he will after all prove that he was elsethe crime. We shall see.

WHILE New Orleans and Charleston are complaining heavily of a decline in their cotton busine's, we are glad to see that the cotton trade of our own port, Wilmington, is picking up considerably.

SLOSSON beat Schaefer in the first of the cushion carrom games of billiards at St. Louis. The games are each for \$2,000 a side and gate receipts, 500 points, on a regulation 5 by 10 table

American opera has failed to pay in Cincinnati as it did in Philadelphia and New York. Our people of wealth seem to fall short of what they should do for the production of the best music

THE NEWS AND OBSERVER under the existing railroad schedules reaches Wilson about 11 o'clock in the morning, that is to say shead of any other daily newspaper. Our Wilson friends should not fail to note this fact.

HENRY M. STANLEY, the famous explorer, is back again in New York from the Congo, and has a good deal to tell of kinky heads and big rivers which he proposes to tell in a series of lectures to be delivered throughout the country.

THE new management of the Richmond & Danville system seems disposed to retain North Carolinians in the direction of its lines in North Carolina. We trust this policy will be pursued to the end. It will be best for the system as well as for the interests of this State.

Or course such exremely partisan republican papers as the New York Tribune criticise adversely the refusal of President Cleveland to reinstate in office "perniciously active" District Attorney Stone, of Pennsylvania. That was to be expected. There are republican papers, however, which can take fairer views and one of these is the Philadelphia Ledger. The Ledger says: "President Cleveland is quite right when he says that any man bolding office under the administration who makes political speeches abusing the administration is unworthy of its confidence and should go. The man who feels that the conduct of his official superior is such as must be denounced should be considered as filing his own notice to quit."

A NEW YORK Times Paris corres pondent says "the consecration of the splendid Trinity (Episcopal) church on Thanksgiving day by Bishop Lyman, of North Carolina, and Bishop Potter, of New York, drew together the trans-Atlantic cream to be found between the Arc de Triomphe and the Gymnase. The church-or, to speak more correctly, the cathedral-is a splendid one-quite a of the public money; but then other dream of modern Gothie. Both bishops preached and there was a big collection. Of course American money built the church, and the names of Vanderbilt, Evans, Munroe and others are proofs that there will be no after debt to harass Mr. Morgan, the pastor." As we have announced heretofore, Bishop Lyman now has chief pastoral charge of all the American Episcopal churches on the continent of Europe.

THE NORTH CAROLINA METHODISTS. Tomorrow the annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in North Carolina, will meet in Raidsville, and the gathering of so important a body cannot fail to be of general interest. The Methodists comprise a large proportion of the population of the State and hold within their ranksmany of our leading citizens. Their deliberations as churchmen therefore cannot fail to have a powerful effect for good upon the whole common wealth. Bishop Granberry, of St. Louis, a distinguished theologian and a man of most holy life, will for the first time preside over the conference, and an unusually full meeting is anticipated.

From recent publications it appears that at the date of the last report the conference included 189 pasteral charges and 18 presiding elders' districts. The clerical roll numbered 238 and the lay roll 52. The number of members was 77,678, to which if we add the membership of what is known as the Holston conference-about 8,800-and the membership of the Virginia conference within our borders-6 500 -the total membership in the State appears to be about 93,000, exclusive of ministers. I is estimated that the membership will now reach a figure in the neighborhood of 100,000 for the whole State and upwards of 80,000 for the North Carolina conference strictly so called.

The church is widely extending its influence annually and is remarkable for its activity in all fields of Christian endeavor. Our own North Carolina conference is the largest, we believe, in the South. We shall endeavor to give our readers full reports of the proceedTHANKSGIVING LETTER-

To HIS EXCELLENCY, A. M. SCALES.

Governor of North Carolina: Sir: In returning thanks this day to he Almighty Ruler of the Universe, for the manifold blessings which He has showered upon the residents of North Carolina, let us not be unmindful of the fact that the voice of the people, speaking through the ballot box recently. sounded their discontent and disapprobation of the policy pursued by the party which placed your Excellency in the capitol at Raleigh.

[This might be paraphrased thus: Thou Great Creator, now when al! the West. See our Dakota dispatches | the world are rendering thanks for blessings, help me to construct a letter that will contain many innuendoes, and no direct charges; that will muddy the waters and cast suspicion where the facts do not warrant any open and direet attack upon my political oppo-

It behooves you as a conscientious man to give heed to the mutterings of a dissatisfied people. Nothing but the one-sided election machinery prevented where than at the reservoir the night of an entire change in all the offices to be filled this year. You should use every endeavor to remedy the evils complained

> The time is not far distant when you will be called upon to communicate your views to the general assembly. The times are hard, money is source among the people The State treasury is said to be groaning with a surplus taken from the people.

Yes, I think I can say the State treasury "is said" be groaning with a surplus taken from the people, although I know there is no great sum on hand-and that in the nature of things there could not be.

The same system of county government which the English use in Ireland. is the favorite democratic local government in North Carolina. Our people are discouraged. They clamor for Home

Your excellency will do a great service by devoting much of your message to State finances. It is reported that the State is buying up its own bonds after they have gone to par and would not Waite, making the decrees, bave had buy them when they were 85 for fear of entire charge of all that money; and hurting the State credit.

(You see, I put it that "it is reported"-it makes yery little difference who "it is reported by"; indeed if it is not already reported—I will now report it myself. The treasurer was directed by the legislature to buy bonds with surplus money, and the bonds have tation risen gradually ever since. It is true that the treasurer has never purchased aim have not averaged 91; yet I can might have been managed differently) action.

It would be a good idea to tell when, where, and from whom the bonds were bought. There is some talk about what was done with the \$600,000 paid by the Richmond & Danville which might be for the stock, they probably made a quieted by a full explanation about that.

(I think, that that is a pretty lucky hit. It is true that I know from the report of the treasurer that this \$600,000 was received in May, 1884; that no land tax was collected that year, this money taking its place; and that the auditor's report published nearly a year ago, shows that this money was spent to pay the State expenses of on the whole, I deem this a very lucky

Probably it would please the people if you would advise the legislature to make a special and full investigation of | Cor. of the News and Observer. all the financial management during the past six years.

(It is true that an examination i made of the treasurer's books and vouchers by a committee composed of republicans and democrats every year-and it is true that every item of receipts and every item of expenditures is published each year, so that there is no room to doubt what has become of a cint people may not know that, and this inn mendo, I deen a very handsome idea

You know that although the tax pay ers see that the tax on land has been de creased, still they know that a greater amount of taxes is collected each succeeding year. The tax-payer is getting very inquisitive, and is really becoming trouble.ome. He has "suspped" on the old school teachers and is scaking

knowledge now on his own hook. There is another highly important thing which your excellency should ventilate fully in your message. The agi tation of the lease of the North Carolina railroad has given the people to understand that they are owners of threefourths of this valuable property. They had forgotten all about it. The capita stock is \$4 000,000, and the property is worth about \$6 000,000. It would probably bring that under the hammer today. It was leased fifteen years ago to the Richmond & Danville for \$260, 000 per annum Up to the first of last July the rent paid the North Carolina railroad amounted to \$3 718,000. The first of next January the amount will figure up \$3,978,000, being only \$22, 000 short of the whole amount of the capital stock. The Governor appoints eight directors out of twelve to look after the State interest. Now, how have these gentlemen disposed of these millions of money during the past fifteen

To be sure, I know very well how these millions have been disposed of. In the first place, the expenses of the company have been paid; then the interest on the debt has been paid: then the debt itself has been 6 per cent has been declared each year, three-fourths of which has passed into the hands of Hon. S. F Phillips, receiver under the decree of the Federal court. I know that the reports are published every year in pamphlet form, showing every item in detail; but then, the people who read this will think there is something rotten in Denmark, ank I shall take care that they will never learn any better through the

North State.] If you will look at the report of Maj. Wm. A. Smith made in 1872 you will

see that the company then owed only 2366 972 63. The lease money for one year and a half would pay this off, and leave the company with 61 per cent reocipts to go for dividends. Now here comes the rub, Governor The charter exempts from taxation all the property of the company until the dividends shall exceed 6 per cent. Have the State directors been acting with the private director in the interest of the latter to keep this property from paying taxes, or what is the matter? This is the people's property and all the doings of the company should be public and not secret. Even the custom of printing the names of the stockholders was dispensed with some years ago, and the whole concern is enveloped in mystery. It will certainly help to see in detail the disposition by these twelve gentlemen of the sum of nearly \$4,000,-000, which they have handled since the lease was made.

Yes, without doubt, it would help M.j. Smith reported in 1872 that there was \$366 972 of debt. The last report I have is for 1885, and in that the mortgage debt unprovided for, is stated at \$96,425. This debt is due two years hence. It appears that since 1872 the company has paid \$270,000 of debt and the interest, the rate being eight per cent; and it seems as if the company is husbanding sufficient means to pay the last cent when the debt falls due in 1888 This payment of the debt and of interest and the 6 per cent dividends show where the money has gone, but nevertheless this is a good point-a very

good point] Another thing your excellency will do well to observe: The number of construction bends which have turned up will not exceed \$2,600,000. The State gets a dividend on \$3,000,000 of North Carolina R. R. stock. So that there must have been since the lease was made upwards of a quarter of a million dollars paid to the State, which was not applied to interest on the construction

[Now, I am a little doubtful about this point; for I know very well that not a cent of the lease money ever went into the treasury of the State. know that the Federal court, my friends Judge Bend and Chief Justice that my republican brother Mr. Sam F. Phillips, as receiver, has had to disburse it under their orders; and I know the last cent has been properly paid out but then this is such a good opportunity to stir the waters and make innuendoes that I cannot resist the temp-

Again, Governor, the N. C. R. R. Co . owned \$75,000 worth of sto k in a bond at par, and notwithstanding the the Chatham railroad. It is now reported constant rise in price the prices paid by that the directors have recently sold it insinuate a want of wisdom, a want of people look to you for information on judgment, and I don't see how anybody this important matter. You appointed can disprove such an intimation. For a majority of the directors and it is to however well a transaction turns out, it be hoped you will tell about this trans-

[Yes, indeed, Governor, I hope they will, for this is a matter I am entirely truthful in saying I knew nothing about; but I think if they got \$10,000 in cash good trade]

Wishing your excellency much happiness on this day of general thanksgiving, your correspondent subscribes Very respectfully, GREENSBORO NORTH STATE.

How would the new Prince Battenberg. Victoria's grandson, do for ruler 1885. I know that very well—but then of Bulgaria? He would not be likely to give offense to any party, at least for some time to come.

A Typical Southern Town.

MONTGOMERY Ala. Nov. 25. On our way to this city we promised your Mr. Battle to write an occasional letter to the CBSERVER, and shall endeavor to keep our word. Before reaching Montgomery we expected to find the cleanest city in the South; but we were wofully disappointed. It does not begin to compare in beauty or cleanliness with Charlotte; but the people are kind, hospitable and affable, and seem to take a great delight in making a stranger among them feel at home, and there are many North Carolinians here, which adds to a Tar Heel's comfort, and more than that, every man here from the old State seems to be prospering. There are no people like the North Carolina people, no matter where one finds them The people of Montgomery are a problem. They complain of hard times and bad crops; but Montgomery is perfectly alive with business. Its streets are crowded from morning till night; and every store seems to have a good run of patronage. The city is supplied with artesian water. The sewerage system is perfect and it is claimed that the death rate is smaller in Montgomery than anywhere in the South But mud! mud everywhere. To use the language of an old Northampton farmer, in comparing Jackson to Norfolk after his first visit to the latter place. Raleigh "ain't anything to it." They love comfort and ease as is evidenced by the fact that they fine anybody who hitches a horse to a shade tree in the city one hundred dollars. But their enterprise and energy are exhibited in the factories that are at work, and those that are being erected. They also have on many of the city lines the electric car. It is a curious sight to see one of the cars loaded with people and going up-hill. It was well expressed by a hinaman on the first day the cars were

run. After looking at one go by, he exclaimed: "No horsee no mulee, no pushes, but go allee sames.

cotton has stimulated both Memphis and Charleston to make similar attempts. Charleston has been uneasy for some time over the decline of the cotton business there.

I " Feel So Well." "I want to thank you for telling me of Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription," writes a lady to her friend. "Fer a long time I was unfit to attend to the work of my household. I kept about but felt thoroughly miserable. I had terrible backaches and bearing down sensations across me and was quite weak and discouraged. I sent and got some of the medi-cine af receiving your letter, and it has cured me. I hardly know myself. I feel so well."

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OF WHICH THE PUBLIC KNOWS BUT LITTLE,

WORTHY CAREFUL CONSIDERATION To the Editor of the Scientific Ameri-

Will you permit us to make known to the public the facts which, we have learned during the past eight years, concerning disorders of the human kidneys and the organs which diseased kidneys so easily break down? You are conducting a scientific paper, and are unprejudiced except in favor of truth. It is needless to say, no medical Journal of 'Code'' standing would admit these facts for very obvious reasons.

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That we may emphasize and clearly explain the relation the kidneys sustain to the general health, and how much is dependent upon them, we propose, metaphorically speaking, to take one from the human body, place it in the wash bowl before us, and examine it for the public benefit. You will imagine that we have before

us a body shaped like a bean, smooth and glistening, about four inches in length, two in width and one in thickness. It ordinarily weighs in the adult male about five ounces, but is somewhat lighter in the female. A small organ? you say. But understand, the body of the averaged size man contains about 10 quarts of blood, of which every drop passes through these filters or sewers, as they may be called, many times a day, as often as through the heart, making a complete revolution in three minutes From the blood they separate the waste material, working away steadily night and day, sleeping or waking, tireless as the heart itself, and fully of as much vital importance; removing impurities from sixty five gallons of blood each hour, or about forty-nine barrels each day, or 9 125 hogsheads a year! What a wonden that the kidneys can last any length of time under this prodigious strain, treated and neglected as they

We slice this delicate organ open lengthwise with our kife, and will roughly describe its interior.

We find it to be of a reddish brown color, soft and easily torn; filled with hundreds of little tubes, short and thread-like, starting from the arteries, ending in a little tuft about midway from the outside opening into a cavity of considerable size, which is called the pelvis, or, roughly speaking, a sac, which is for the purpose of holding the water to further undergo purification before it passes down from here into the before it passes down from here into the in a purely healthy condition. A bottle ureters, and so on to the outside kept in the house for use when the diseases of the body. These little tubes are the filters which do their work automatically, and right here is where the disease of the kidney first begins.

Doing the vast amount of work which they are obliged to, from the slightest irregularity in our habits, from cold. from high living, from stimulants or a thousand and one other causes which occur every day, they become somewhat weakened in their nerve force.

What is the resul? Congestion or stoppage of the currents of the blood in the small blood vessels surrounding them, which become blocked; these delicate membranes are irritated; inflammation is set up, then pus is formed, which collects in the pelvis or sac; the tubes are at first partially, and soon are totally unable to do their work. The pelvic sac goes on distending with this corruption, pressing upon the blood vessels. All this time, remember, the blood, which is entering the kidneys to rible, disgusting pus, for it cannot take

any other route ! Stop and think of it for a moment. Do you realize the importance, may the vital necessity of having the kidneys in order? Can you expect when they are diseased or obstructed, no matter how little, that you can have pure blood and escape disease? It would be just as reasonable to expect, if a pest house were set across Broadway and countless thousands were compelled to go through its pestilential doors, an escape from contagion and disease, as for one to expeet the blood to escape pollution when constantly running through a diseased

Now, what is the result? Why, that the blood takes up and deposits this poison as it sweeps along into every organ, into every inch of muscle tissue. flesh and bone, from your head to your feet. And whenever, from hereditary influence or otherwise, some part of the body is weaker than another, a countless train of diseases is established such as consumption in weak lungs, dispepsia, where there is a delicate stomach; pervousness insanity, paralysis or heart disease in those who have weak nerves. The heart must soon feel the effects

of the poison, as it requires pure blood to keep it in right action. It increases its stroke in number and force to compensate for the natural stimulus wanting, in its endeavor to crowd the impure blood through this obstruction, causing pain, palpitation, or an out-ofbreath feeling. Unnatural as this forced labor is, the heart must soon falter, becoming weaker and weaker until one day it studdenly stops, and death from apparent "heart disease" is the verdict But the medical profession, learned and dignified, call these diseases by high sounding names, treat them alone, and patients die, for the arteries are carrying slow death to the affected part, constant.y adding fuel brought from these pus-laden kidneys which here in

cured first But this is not all the kidneys have to do; for you must remember that each largely reduced, and then a dividend of favor of reduced charges in handling ishment every twenty-four hours to supply the waste of the body which is constantly going on, a waste equal to the quantity taken This, too, the kidneys have to separate from the blood with all other decomposing matter.

our wash-bowl are very putrefaction

itself, and which should have been

But you say, "My kidneys are all right. I have no pain in the back." Mistaken man! People die of kidney disease of so bad a character that the organs are rotten, and yet they have never there had a pain nor an ache!

Why? Because the disease begins, we have shown, in the interior kidney, where there are few

feeling to convey the sensation of pain. Why this is so we may never know.

When you consider their great work, the delicacy of their structure, the ease with which they are deranged, can you wonder at the ill-health of our men and women? Health and long life cannot be expected when so vital an organ is impaired. No wonder some writers say we are degenerating Don't you see the great, the extrame importance of keeping this machinery in working order? tould the finest engine do even a fractional part of this work, without attention from the engineer? Don't you see how dangerous this hidden disease is? It is lurking about us constantly,

The most skillful physicians cannot detect it at times, for the kidneys themselves cannot be examined by any means which we have at our command. Even an analysis of the water, chemically and microscopically, reveals nothing definite in many cases, even when the kidneys are fairly broken down.

without giving any indication of its

Then look out for them, as disease, no matter where situated, to 93 per cent, as shown by after-death examinations, has its origin in the breaking down of these secreting tubes in the interior of the kidney. As you value health, as you desire

long life free from sickness and suffering, give these organs some attention Keep them in good condition and thus prevent (as is easily done) all disease. Warner's Safe Cure, as it becomes year after year better known for its wonderful cures and its power over the kidneys, has done and is doing more to increase the average duration of life than all the physicians : nd mediciner known. Warner's Safe Cure is a true specific, mild but certain, harmless but

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