

The Value of Statistical Information. The printing press has revolutionized

the civilized world. Not to read, means not to live. Through newspapers books, and pamphlets, other people inform themselves of the condition of their neighbors, their prosperity, their facilities for business, the increase of imports and exports, their health, and, in fact, every thing worth knowing. A nation, a State, a county, city or town, are similar to a ship floating upon the great un bounded ocean, It is indispensable in sailor parlance, that at stated times. their latitude and longitude should be correctly ascertained and the bearings and distance from given points known. Without this knowledge these sover eign and corporate bodies are lost in the great sua.

Statistics show the true position of States and corporations. Figures correctly stated give the advance or retro. gation of wealth and prosperity in every part of the land. To correctly know this, is to know how to avail of advantages, how to correct errors, how to en sure success and avoid disaster.

North Carolina has been sa ily deficleat in statist cal information. past and present condition, outside of the census returns, is as little known as if the war had not been going on, We should have had the census of 1860; as it was, we got it in 1866, based upon an entirely different state of things morally, physically, politically and financially. The census of 1860 is the only data we have, if we may ignore a little informs tion, about certain special matters of ne great interest, from the census of 1870 which leak out from the Bureau of Sta

tisties in Washington. We notice in a recent work giving the valuation of real and p rsonal estate of the different States, that North Carolina enjoys the enviable distinction of having \$583,000,000 worth. The State Treasurer makes it \$120,000,000. It is not to be wondered at, that such mistakes, going into the hands of strangers, should give our creditors reason to believe in the ability of our State to pay all its obligations. An attempt has been made in the General Assembly of North Carolina to amend theC onstitution in such manner as to do away with the State Census provided for by law to be taken every ten years, being every five years after the taking of the United States Census. We hope the attempt will fail, for we cannot conceive of any better way to note our progress. A prosperous State commands immigra tion; an unprosperous one, repels it .-The first thing asked for by the immigrant, if a man of intelligence, is statis tical information. He reads, ponders, fighting comes. a cepts or rejects. The whole world is infigenced by it. One looks at a State's position through rows of figures, therefore it is important that this kind of information should be furnished.

We are led to the foregoing remarks, in the interest of North Carolina, and particularly in the interest of Wilmington. During the years we have watched the business and growth of our city, we have neticed the great difficulty incurred in getting statistical information Abroad, our city is quite unkoown. En quiries are every day received asking information. During the years 1871 and 1872, the city government pub lished the reports of the municipal officers, and, in 1872, the Chamber of Commerce published the pamphlet, "Wilmington past, present and future." These works have been eagerly sought aiter of late. Requests have been re ceived from the largest libraries in the country and from individuals of highest position. The outer world has gained much information and asks for more They have learned that we prosper here, that our climate is healthy. Our debt and assets are duly canvassed. The eyes of capitalists are looking at us through the meagre information of the few books published about our affairs,

It is time our business men were up and doing. We need now a compila tion of every thing of statistical infor mation ever written about Wilmington, and added to this a full and exhaustive comparison with the ante bellum days. We need the annual report of exports and imports, foreign and coastwise, statements of our banks, manufactories, prisons, schools, health, value of real estate, value of bonds and hundreds of other things of vital importance. Put reau of Engraving and Printing two

all this into book form and let it be scattered over the civilized world. It

will pay. Who will do the work? We repeat, we need more light on the affairs of Wilmington, Strangers are watching our strugg es to rise. Let us tell them often, where we stand. Five hundred dollars spent for this purpose will pay an enormous dividend.

EDITORIAL BUDGET.

- Queen Victoria has subscribed £800 to the fund in aid of the survivors of the Northfleet disaster.

- Mr. Mitchell, Assistant Secretary of the British legation at St. Petersburgh, has just left London for that city. He is the bearer of important dispatches to Lord Loftus, the British ambassador.

- Toe legitimist (French) journals report the words of Duke de Nemours, announcing that the union of the Orleans branch with the eldest of the Bourbon line is complete, and that sev en Princes of the Orieans family bave recognized the Count de Chambord as the rightful King of France.

- In the Chamber of Deputies a Berin, after the speech of Prince Bismarck, General Von Roon made a statement as to the constitution of the Prussian cabinet. He said a ministry of the majority in Prussia was impossible. A Prussian ministry must be a royal min istry, and the Imperial Chancellor must always be a Prussian.

- A Lahoore newspaper reports that Sierdad Abdull Rhaman, under Russian instigation, captured Fort Hessar, a dependency of Cabul, and sent the Governor of the place a prisoper to the Russians. Hessar is a good startingpoint for the Russians in any movement they may contemplate against Afghan Turkeston. The same authority states the interior of Airica. Ten years ag', that Sierdad Mahomed Issakhan has made a successful attack on Sherabot, in Cabul. The Cabul Governor of the c ty was likewise captured and delive ed to the Russians.

- There is much uneasiness in consequence of the English note to Russin r garding the disputed boundary question in Central Asia. In the settlement of the relations between these Powers made a few years ago, on the Forsyth understanding, England only required Russia to abstain from invid n & Afghi n istan, but the boundary of that coun try was left undefined. The present note declares that the northern boundsry of Afghanistan commences at the Lake of Sirce Kol, in the Pamis steppe ; thence follows the Oxus to Kadjah Saleb, and from that point westward to the Persian frontier. The note further states that England has informed the Emir of Afghanistan that he Lay fight the Russians it they cross this line. The Russian reply declares the desire of Russia to maintain good relations with England, not because it includes countries which never belonged to Alghanistan, but were always independent .-Russia's object in taking Khiva is apparently to establish depots, and to hold and occupy the whole valley of the Oxus. England draws this line to interfere with Russia's purpose, and to enable the tormer Power to hold the Hinder Kush as a line of defense when the day of

WASHINGTON NOTES

The Agricultural Department has received two samples of beet sugar, of the finest quality, from the Sacramento Vailey Beet Sugar Company.

The Smithsonian Institution is the recipient of 1,987 exchanges from simiar institutions in all parts of the world, even Africa furnishing thirteen of the

A circular just issued from the Adjutant General's office, War Department, announces the deaths of First Lieutenant Mattison C. Sanbourne, 7th infantry, at Helena, Montana Territory, Jan. 18, 1873, and of First Lieutenant William Hawley, 20th infantry, at Buffalo, of Directors, subject to assessment as pro-N. Y., January 15, 1873.

As a proof that our country is not behind the rest of the world in produc tion-vegetable, animal, or mineralthe Agricultural Bureau received, a tew days ago, four specimens of native raisins-white Malaga, Mu-cat Ham burg, white Romain, and white Musca telle- from Kane county, Utab, raised by Joseph H. Johnson.

The bill which passed the House appropriating \$118,500 to defray the expenses of the British and American Claims Commission was taken up by the Senste committee on Appropriations, Saturday morning, and agreed to. It was reported to the Senate on

The Committee of Conference on the part of the Senate and House on the bill to establish a new system of coinage will meet early this week, and it is ready a good and thought that the amendments can be satisfactorily arranged. The bill will the Directors have no hesitation in recombe soon reported and passed without mending it as a most desirable investment. much difficulty.

There are being prepared at the Bu-

new bond engravings, one of the denomination of \$20,000 and the other \$50,000, to be issued as part of the \$800.000,000 balance of the new loan just placed by Secretary Boutwell .-Heretofore the highest denomination was \$10,000 bonds. The \$50,000 bond will bear the fac simils of Decatur and the other that of Robert Fulton.

General N. P. Banks will make a speech in the House at an early day in favor of increasing the salaries of our consuls abroad, who, he will show, receive far less remuneration than do consuls at the same points from other countries-not a few of them being compelled at times to spend from their private means to support themselves, and even then must content themselves with house and office accommodations totally unsuitable to the purpose.

The House bill making appropriations for the Consular and Diplomatic service of the Government for the year ending June, 1874, was considered by the Senate Appropriation committee on Saturday last, and is now ready to be reported. An amendment was made, increasing the salary of the Minister Resident at Uruguay from \$7 500 to \$10,000. The item fixing the Secretary of Legation at Peru at \$7,500, was struck out altogether. The Consulate at Peath was ordered to be discontinued

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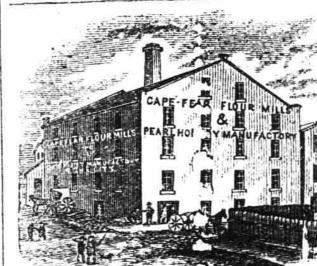
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