### The Blair Bill.

The WATCHMAN has no apology to of fer for its opposition to the Blair educational steal. It is actuated only by motive founded on principle. The measure is at varience with all the teachings of Democracy; is antagonistic to our Republican form of government; is adroitly nimed at States Rights; is unconstitutional and may be considered the arch enemy to the South.

Read the article on the outside of this

confined to party lines. that they want any portion of this dona-South and in securing the freedom of the slave and enfranchising the freedmen, was thereby compelled by virtue of that fact to bear the entire burden of educating them up to the condition where they would be properly competent and qualiview of the case great injustice is being done the South. In every State ample provision is made for the education of the negro. In North Carolina the negro has an equal share of the school funds (and he pays but a farthing of the tax) and enjoys all the privileges of the whites in that particular. The South has shown that it is able and willing to educate the negro and amid all the privations and op-

probably the greatest lawyer in the

phrase "the United States" occurs thirty- officeholders. three times, exclusive of its occurrence in the taxing clause, and in every one of these thirty-three places the context shows plainly that it is the political corporation of the government of the United States that is meant. The same phrase occurs in only three places when it means the territorial extent of country, and in this use the language is in every instance "throughout the United States," meaning throughout the whole group of States which compose the Union. In the taxing clause we have the use of the term "United States,"

There are persons who persuade themselves that grants of the public lands to States to aid in promoting education are man and is immensely popular with the proper, the money to States for purposes of edu-cation. The United States is a great landed proprietor, and, like any other owner of land, it can give the land that it State, for any purpose whatever. Some-times this is done upon the theory that The Senate Committee settlement on the land, and the education of the settlers, will enhance the value of the remaining portion which the government does not thus donate. This justification of such grants. They may be made, just as any other owner of land he sees fit, so far as the government is not tion and in passing it Congress will not act March and the second in January, omitting made passable at all seasons. as a land owner. It proposes to tax the people of the United States by many millions, and to appropriate and apply the mo-ney to the education of the people of cer-tain States. If the power to do this can be found in the taxing clause, the measure rious blow to that town. The loss is Presidential Succession Bill have wither- article under the head of "Our Nomenclawill be constitutional. If it cannot be probably between a half and a million of ed that seven-hued flower of hope. Under ture," which struck me with some force;

Editorial in New York Star, Dem.

theory that Congress has the constitu-tional right to tax the people of the United States for the purpose of establishing and maintaining common schools in the

separate States. There is no warrant for such an exercise of authority to be found in any fair and reasonable construction of the Constitution. The step is a great and dangerous one toward concentration of unauthorized power in the hands of the Federal Government, and the fact that it commands the support of both Republicans and Democrats show how serious has been the demorilization wrought by the centralizing tendemcies of twenty years of Republican

We cannot bring ourselves to believe

that the Democrats who support this the peace and happiness of the people of measure are ignorant of the fact that it violates the traditions of Democracy and the theories of constitutional construction to which their party has been thoroughly paper under the head of "The States committed from the days of Jefferson views touching this matter and is not rance of these facts that influence their by him. He was making brick and had Times says of him: action, but the fear of offending constituencies that expect to secure pecuniary gain, Hear Ingalls when he exclaims in the or at least relief from pecuniary burdens. U. S. Senate: "do not insult the people The ordinary man looks at political probties recognizing the necessity for the edu-North Carolina, they do not want it! of providing for such education, and storm and I lost every - one of them. for assistance. They forget that the taxes sure spoken of as an act of restitution, a which it levies fall as surely upon their contribution to the national conscience shoulders as do those levied by their local fund, as if the North, in overcoming the authorities. They put aside, therefore. their prejudices against augmenting the powers of the Central Government, and demand of their representatives in Congress the support of a measure which, it This confusion of thought, which leads men Without a moment's hesitation he tenderto think that a mere shifting of the burfled to exercise the sufferage." This den can be made a source of profit or seems to be the idea of many. In this relief, is only one of the inevitable conse- man out to my place," said he, "the horse

### Seventh District in Congress.

to reproduce what is said of him. Under a fault. the head of "General Civil Service Reform" the Landmark's correspondent says: Representative Henderson's civil service

bill has received hearty commendation from pressions following the war has from her a good many of the papers of the State. scantily filled coffers given an equal This is because it appeals to common sense perty. The fire originated on the steam-obliged to rebel against it. There will be share for his education. But if Congress and is based on business principles. We er "Bladen," which set fire to the wharf some sort of trouble, and then the country or Blair wishes to relieve the people of are all in favor of civil service reform, We and sheds, and a high wind spread the will settle down again for awhile. It the South of the duty of educating the want no Federal officeholders bossing ward want a clean and efficient civil service, We negro, why not say so and make the and township politics. We demand that Street. Three blocks on this street were amount of abuse in the press." fight on that issue (which would be as they shall not prostitute their offices to consumed, besides residences on other unconstitutional as the present scheme, partisan purposes. But we want no aris- streets next to Water Street. The Charand no more so,) and not subject the tocracy of officeholders. The people are lotte Observer of Tuesday has telegraphic not in sympathy with the idea that the acwhite people to the humiliating position quisition of an office means a vested right information in regard to the fire as folof accepting money on terms which at in it. They are not willing that clerks or lows: once robs them of the right to dictate in others coming within the purview of the February 22, 3 p. m .- The loss by fourth class matter. It says: the matter and manner of their children's law as it now exisits, shall be superior to the casualties of politics which attend than at first reported. The total loss is postage on Fourth Class matter be in-Touching the unconstitutionality of Away with the idea that all those who are at \$400,000. Some of the principal losses order to increase the revenues of the P. the measure, the Wilmington Star pub- now out shall stay out until death shall are as follows: Schooner Liffie Holmes, O. Department. lishes the opinion of George T. Curtis, overtake all those who are now in. Mr. loaded with guano, loss \$30,000, no in- Jes' so. Doubtless Express Companies North, which first appeared in the New and right. It must commend itself to all net loss \$30,000; the steamer Bladen, loss it be styled "An Act to benefit Monopo-

the same writer says:

favor of an absolute repeal of the whole and stores. law. This, however, it is not possible to accomplish now and therefore he will in both senses. When it is used in refer- further any plan by which the obnoxious ence to the Constitutional purposes of tax- features of the system can be removed. ation the meaning obviously is the gov- The tax on brandy will probably be much ernment of the United States. When it reduced and the hope is entertained that is used in reference to the rule of uni- vast numbers of internal revenue officials formity of duties, imports and excises the may be dispensed with. There is a strong meaning is expressed by saying "through- feeling in Congress and at home, that whisout the United States," that is everywhere key and tobacco are good enough luxuries

masses of the people everywhere.

[That is certainly true.—EDITOR.] The Charlotte Democrat compliments

The Senate Committee on Privileges and

Elections has reported Mr. Hoar's bill pro-

### Wilmington's Calamity.

found there, the measure will be a monstrous dollars. Aside from the crippling of some the new law the Secretary of State suc- list of Indian names retained in Graham, I do not know for what valuable end houses, the loss to families whose resi- Mr. Bayard takes Mr. Sherman's place. the Democratic party is in power in the dences, were consumed is very great. in the House of Representatives, unless it be to secure a sound interpretation and ad- while others have lost their life-savings of ministration of the Constitution, If the possession and the enjoyment of the offices fort and ornament—such things as can is the sole or principal object for which the Democratic party is to consider itself as intensted by the people with power in any branch of the government, the people with power in any branch of the government, the people with people ple have perhaps gained less than they meetings are being held and active steps meant to accomplish. I hope they meant, are being taken to begin at once the doubt that one or the other of the pend- distressing as is the calamity the people Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad. ing educational bills will pass both of Wilmington have very great cause for Houses of Congress. The Blair bill intro-duced in the Senate, and the Willis bill thanksgiving to Almighty God that it in details, but both proceed upon the Sabbath caused the whole destruction." tel on last Monday.

The Sabbath.

The late Sam'l Reeves, Sr., of this place, for many years before his death, 5,000 on the yard one Sunday afternoon God did it to rebuke me; and I will never the country." again work on Sunday, except in a case which clearly admits of it."

Speaking of Mr. Reeves, brings to mind another incident in his life worth relating: He saw a man on the street one ed him a horse and plow. "Send your tell Jim to send him right away."

It is not often you can find a man willing to stop his own work to oblige a neigh-The Seventh District has an able work- bor; but it was no uncommon thing for Mr. afraid of their neighbors; it has led to er in Congress, and it gives us pleasure Reeves to do. He was obliging almost to general suspicion and distrust. No man

### The Wilmington Fire.

Wilmington has had a destructive fire. destroying about \$500,000 worth of proflames to the business houses on Water seems as though the man who serves his

those persons who hold elective offices now estimated at \$500,000 and insurance creased to double the present rate, in Henderson's bill prescribes a term of office surance: the general offices of the Atlantic would pay well to have this done. Should -four years. That is just and sensible Coast Line and two freight warehouses, such a Bill be introduced, we suggest that who are in favor of civil service reform and \$5,000, no insurance; Front street M. E. lies, at the expense of the people." In the body of the Constitution the who are yet opposed to the life tenure of Church, loss \$3,000, insured. The business The P. O. is essentially the people's dehouses of Worth & Worth, Alexander Sprunt partment. They ALL feel its benefits. And touching internal revenue reform & Son, C. B. Wright, G. J. Boney, Kercher Then why should not the Treasury con-the same writer says: Champion Compress Company were all sary? Representative Henderson is making a partly insured. In the Brooklyn section of Which of the other Departments is special study of the internal revenue legis- the city nineteen buildings were destroyed, supported by a direct tax on the people? lation and has discovered some valuable causing a loss of \$15,000, with but small We say enlarge, rather than restrict its information, which may influence the com- insurance. Among the buildings in that beneficial operations, materially modifying the internal revenue school house, colored, Trinity M. E. postage on Fourth Class matter, would part of the city were the St. Barnabas We do not believe that an increase of system for the better. Of course he is in Church and a number of small dwellings increase the revenues of the department.

ing a negro fell from the roof and broke would dance while the people paid the fidboth of his legs. Several other accidents occurred during the progress of the fire, but none of a serious nature.

would dance while the people paid the fire, sidies. We are already paying enough subsidies. Levy no prohibitory tariff on Fourth Class mail matter for the benefit

### A Social Atrocity.

An exchange wisely remarks that under to tax; and the clamor against the system all ordinary circumstances the gentleman We publish with pleasure the following This is no close or strict construction. is on account of the inquisitorial, tyranni- offers his left arm, ladies being presumedly communication from a valued subscriber in R is the necessary construction. The language cannot be otherwise interpreted without making the taxing power communication and not against a reasonable tax upon such without making the taxing power communication is on account of the law right-handed, and if the lady needs support she avails herself of his assistance. But for a gentleman to grasp the arm of sentiment. Gross, and we may say construction. preherd to ha power to raise an unlimit- that the tax after all is really paid by con- the lady with whom he is walking, as if he temptuous, injustice has been done the red ed quantity of money and a power to ap- sumers of things-by those who drink spir- were a policeman escorting her to the cala- men in the general ignoring of their existencepropriate and apply it to feeding or clothing its and smoke and chew tobacco, &c.

the people of a State, just as well as to ap
Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Cline, of Hickory, are

would be justified in declining to be again they still survive, and of service rendered propriate and apply it in teaching them here, stopping at the Metropolitan. Mr. escorted by a man so unfamiliar with the in time of trouble by those from whom the

highly pleased with their reception by the Clutch" is disgusting to people of refined services to the whites in the war of 1812 President, who talked sound Democratic feelings, and a display of that kind on were unselfish, generous and great. Eonedoctrine. Grover Cleveland is a growing the streets is, to say the least, highly im- guskee should not have been forgotten;

> system of working the convicts in gangs the reception of the arts and habits of on the public roads. - Ex.

And they are exactly right. For labor viding for sessions of the Congress in the should be protected from such competi-Fall. The bill fixes the time for 1887, and tion. The people should be relieved of names. There is harsh solecism in the heory however, is not necessary to the very second year thereafter on the first the road working law, and should build presence of anglo-nomenclature when the Monday in October, and in 1886 and every and sustain public roads by direct taxabe made, just as any other owner of land second year thereafter on the second Mon-can donate his land, for any reason that day in November. The idea is to lengthen tion, and by such help as the State can the short term and to prevent the long give from the army of convicts. When out of place as that of John Smith or Peter restrained by the conditions of the cessions by which it acquired the land. But mer. But Mr. Henderson's, (of N. C.) prosition in the Hones is much latter. Mr. Blair's bill does not propose to grant position in the House is much better. It public land to the States to promote educa-

> Sherman's hopes of being President have faded like the morning glory under me a little space in your valuable paper. I The great fire in Wilmington was a set the noonday sun. The rays of Hoar's noticed in your issue of the 14th inst. an

> > ded the ready set plate matter, all of

Blaylock, a white prisoner, in the hands Democratic party, to secure a conservative and faithful defense of the Constitution, which will require many years to complete. The Start is many years to complete. The Star in car window, while the train was in mospeaking of the terrible calamity which tion and escaped. The escape was effec-There seems no longer to be room to has befallen the city says; "Great and ted between Siler and Staley on the Cape

Mountain Campaigns in Georgia

"The violation of the Sabbath," says is a very attractive pamplet, printed in Wilmington Star, in its report of the ter- the highest style of the art preservative, rible calamity by fire, which fell upon the and illustrated in the best manner. It city last Saturday night, "caused the embraces the series of battles from Chatwhole destruction." And when it is con- tanooga to Atlanta; Chickawauga, Missidered that the loss of property is esti-sionary Ridge, Ringgold, Rocky Face, mated at nearly one million of dollars, Dalton, Resaca, Allatoona, Kenesaw and that hundreds have been turned out Mountain and Atlanta. It is most interinto the streets penniless, and that the esting and as near historical truth as can city has sustained a back set which will be stated in so brief a work. The book require years to regain, the violation of is issued by the author, Jos. M. Brown, the Sabbath was certainly a costly indul- Esq., General Passenger Agent, Western & Atlanta Railroad Co., Atlanta.

though not a professing christian, was temperance orator is dead. For more wont to vindicate the observance of the than forty years he has been the acknow-Sabbath on business principles. The ledged chief of temperance orators. His ped. Rights Killer." It is an aggregation of down to the present time. It is not igno- writer well remembers an instance cited was a checkered life. The Philadelphia

"Up to the time of his death Mr. Gough when a threatening cloud arose in the has spoken to more than nine millions of west. He assented to an attempt to save people and had travelled over five hundred swept away in an hour's time. thousand miles in meeting his appointments. of the Northern States — by declaring lems simply with a view to their immethem, and his foreman put hands to work What a wonderful career John B. Gough Don't run any further risks but of our goods is warranted to be just as diate results. Many Southern communi- and saved them. But two weeks thereaf- has had,' said a noted character recently. ter he had 10,000 brick on the yard, and 'First a pauper, burying his mother in call at once and take out a poli- rail road points in N. C. and Va. tion of \$77,000,000 —. We do not want cation of the people, now that all are it." Do not insult the honest people of voters, nevertheless feel keenly the cost to use his own words—"There came a Potter's Feld, then an actor burlesquing temperance, then drunken loafer, then a cy with Again he says: "I have heard this mea-

### Sherman on the Press.

Poor Sherman! He recognizes that the sands in the glass of his political preferment have dwindled down until the pit appears to them, will pour a golden day looking for a horse and plow to in the teaspoonful yet remaining looks stream into impoverished communities. break up a small lot for a spring crop. like the mouth of a "doodle-bug's" hole, Harris'. from which he crawls to say :

"The tyranny of the press in this country is becoming simply awful. It is worse than quences of pernicious system of indirect is already in the gears, ploughing; but the old tyranny of the slaveholders. It will cause a worse revolution than slavery did. It will not be bloodless, either. Why, the gossip of the press has destroyed social freedom of intercourse: It has made men can open his mouth any more and be sure that his confidence will be respected. No man can write to his acquaintance and be sure that his letters will not appear in print. I am old and can not be hurt by this condition of things. But it will be the bane of the rising generation, and they will be

### It Will Favor Monopolies.

The Holston Review, (Tenn.) very properly objects to increasing postage on

It would simply transfer such matter to While the Front Street church was burn- Express Companies. These Companies of Express Companies.

#### Indian Names-Again. Asheville Citizen.

to read and write. Food and clothing are Henderson carried them to see the Presi- customs of elegant society. Sunny South. reverse might have been expected; for the just as necessary to the welfare of a people dent on Friday. On Tuesday he went with as education; rather more necessary if we take the wants of mankind in their nation. All expressed themselves as the same mission. All expressed themselves as a clutch? It is disconsting to people of refined. for to him his tribe owes the check to the debauchery, idleness and drunkenness which were fast sweeping them away, put Some of the Ohio legislators, in trying them on the paths of industry and sobrie-Mr. Henderson's plan for the time of to do away with the competition between ty, and gave one of the most striking illusowns to a State, or to the people of a holding and length of the sessions of convict and free labor, want back to the trations of the capacity of the indian for

civilization. And apart from the question of the reoriginal local names suggest themselves as the natural and proper ones. The names of Robbinsville and Charleston are as much

We thank our correspondent for the addition to our list ol Indian names. We hope others will interest themselves to increase

ROBBINSVILLE, N. C., Feb. 10, '86. Editors Citizen : - I hope you will give and utter destruction of other business ceeds to the office of Vice President, and viz. Atoah, Taloolah and Stecoah, (Little Cat.) The English of the first two I do not know. I do not think your suggestion in reference to Robbinsville and Charleston The Charlotte Observer has gone back to a good one. I see no good reason why its orignal 4-page proportions and discar- Robbinsville should not be changed to Junaluskah, after one of the greatest of his which is an improvement. The readers of the fine tract of land depated to him for of that paper here are gratified at the his friendliness to the whites, and herojc deeds in the war of 1812. He lies, with his squaw (wife) within two hundred yards of the Junaluskah hotel in Robbinsville, and shame ought to mantle the cheeks of his interment. There is not a stone to mark his resting, nor tell of his beroic deeds, Shame on us all. A. G. P.

By all means let steps be taken before it is too late, to preserve as much of the nomenclature of the Indians as possible. introduced in the House, differ somewhat was not greater. The violation of the Pharr, died suddenly at the Central Ho- of the people of the West. Let them see

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