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THURSDAY, May 3, 1894.

Senator Jarvis was sworn in Thursday, North Carolina has not for many years needed to blush for her representation in the upper house of Congress.

Col Breckinridge wants a new trial and a new trial in Congress. If he had the proper conception of the crime he has committed, and if he knows how ungrateful he is, he would be glad to be permitted to retire to obscurity where he would be given time to repent and become a good citizen.

Mrs. Cornelia G. Weir Morgan, wife of Senator Morgan, of Alabama, died of peritonitis at the Senator's home in Washington on the 28th ult. Around the bedside when she expired were her husband, her three children and the physicians.

A Southern industrial congress will assemble in Augusta, Ga., on the 30th of May. It will be composed of delegates appointed by the chief executives of the States.

A Raleigh correspondent of Sunday's Charlotte Observer says: 'Otho Wilson, the well known Populist, says that some members of that party are clamoring for an early convention, the policy will be for a late one, as the Populists are gaining in strength all the while.'

How McKinley's Tariff Works. Mr. McLaurin, the new Mississippi Senator, made a speech on the tariff last week which I commend to all manufacturers and others who are in danger of being beguiled in advocacy of protection to help the South.

The Battle Of Ramsour's Mill.

A SKETCH BY GENERAL RUFUS BARRINGER.

READ BEFORE THE Aeckenburg Historical Society, CHARLOTTE, MARCH 8, 1894.

Where and how Lock, Wilson, Falls, Braudon and others received the orders issued to them by Rutherford at Milled Creek on the 14th of June, does not appear. But they all moved with wonderful celerity. It looks as though they changed for a chance at the Tories; but probably did not, at a first, dream of their numbers, or of a fortified camp.

Here now was one of the try emergencies of war, which only a striking officer is expected to meet. Locke with his 400 men was confronted with a foe nearly four to one, and daily growing in strength both of position and numbers, with leaders not to be despised, and all filled with the enthusiasm and hope of a conquering power.

Two hours afterwards Major Davidson came up at a gallop and started in pursuit. A little later, Col. Davidson arrived with his Light Infantry.

THE RESULTS OF THE BATTLE. This and the ensuing day, the dead and wounded were cared for, and in this sad duty, the soldiers and their friends of both sides joined; and with a mutual respect and sympathy in marked contrast to the intense rancor of only a few days before.

ent was this mutual respect carried out, as far as known, by no actor in the fight ever wrote, or spoke for the public, touching the action. The only account known to be published, is that of Maj. Joseph Graham (afterward Gen. Graham) and he was not an active participant; though on the ground a few hours afterwards, probably with Davie. And his account was written nearly 50 years after the battle.

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THE LEADERS. I shall not attempt any extended notice of the leading characters on either side in this very remarkable, but thus far much neglected battle, though, to us so full of local and personal interest. So far as known, nearly every one of them had marked characteristics, and each all deserve to be held in lasting remembrance for their hearty and prompt recognition of one of the highest and noblest sentiments of the field of battle: That war, when properly and legitimately waged, is solely a matter of public concern, and has no private revenge.

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