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EBITORIAL NOTES.

In very old times, March was the first month in the year. They deprived her of the honor long ago, but she has blustered about it ever since

It is said that General Spinner would have resigned long ago, but he thought of all the other hearts that would ache. He did not care for himself.

A joint resolution is passing through the Virginia Legislature accepting with thanks the bronze statue of Stonewall Jackson offered to the State by Beresford Hope, member of the British Parliament, and a bill appropriating must have a local currency at least for \$10,000 for receiving and placing the statue in position accompanies the resolutions.

There is not much chance for run- and trust that it may soon be his pleas away matches in Prussia under the ure again to furnish us his views. The recently adopted civil marriage act. courteous interchange of opinions beween

WATOR JAMES C. McMAE. MEGRIENBURG CENTENNIAL-The Raleigh News speaks in high erms, and deservedly too, of the course of Major McRas during the recent session of the General Assembly. Major MoRAR, although without previous experience in Legislative life, has made for himself an enviable

was worthy of his victory, Few

men in the House commanded more

respect and none, we venture to say,

had more unreservedly, the confidence

of his colleagues. Mr. McRae was

and reputation.

the necessity of difference.

The people of Cumberland have

good reason to be proud of their rep-

rescutative, while the State at large is

assured that in him the character of

North Carolina for talent and for

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honesty will be fully sustained.

Gustamann-Your letter of the 25th reputation. He is one of the most was forwarded to me at Lumberton and received on the 26th inst. I have prominent young men of the Cape reason to be greatly thankful for the Fear section. The News says: Another member of the House, who

distinguishing mark of counderation and respect, of which your letter gives returns to his constituents crowned me the information; and though pressed with honor, and who has added with official duties, I have neverthelass concluded to accept the position another name of repute to his naassigned me, in connection with the tive State, is the gentleman whose eremonies of the august occasion to name heads this article. Elected which the whole country is now lookfrom the county of Cumberland ing forward with so much interest. With very great respect, I have the where a heavy Republican majority bonor to be most truly and respecthad ruled for years, the very fact of fully. his success there was proof that he

Your friend and obedient servant, JOHN KERR. Hot. Z B. Vance, Hou, W. M. Shipp and Gen D. H. Hill, Committee. THE PRESIDENT AND THE MECK

LENBURG CENTENNIAL,

fearless in the exposure of wrong, From the following correspondence bold and earnest in the advocacy of published in the Charlotte Observer it truth, zealous for the good of the seems that in spite of the many sizes State and foremost to every measure bot reasons assigned by our highly that promis d to advance its interest esteemed cotemporary, the Southern Home, why the invitation should not There was an earnestness, an honesty have been extended to him, thetof purpose about this gentleman that President Grant was actually specially

placed his words and his actions above invited to be present at the approachall suspicion, and even those who were ealchestion. compelled to disagree with him re-The President was invited and despected his sincerity and regretted elined; and to say the least of it, declined it a very curt manner.

LETTER OF INVITATION

N. C. CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION,) Rooms of the Ex. Com. CHARLOTTE, N. C. March, 1875.

His Excellency, the President of the

ON THE BAME PLATFORM AT United States : I have the honor, as Secretary of the

Centennial Association, in behalf of We are pleased to learn, as we do the Central Executive Committee, and y the letter published below, that under their instructions, to extend to our Connecticut correspondent and your a special invitation to attend the ourself are at last on the same plat Centennial celebration of the Meck lenburg Declaration of Independence form in regard to the currency querto be held in this city on the 20th May proximo.

We do not believe that any legish this will be the One Hundredth tion can cure the evils under which we Anniversary of the Mecklenburg Deelaration of Independence, the first made labor in the South. Our hope for reon American soil, and we desire to do lief is rather in the repeal of legislahonor to the memory of the event, tion; that is to say, the repeal of the and of the men who as signers of that law imposing a prohibitory tax upon instrument, or in the early struggle the issue of notes by the State banks. for freedom participated in the patri-So long as that tax stands "free bank-

otic deeds of that day. We have assurances that North Caro lina and her sister States of the Union will be largely represented on that occasion, and we trust that you will aid in making our "Centennial" a suc-

cess by accepting our invitation to be present, herewith tendered you. Asking an early reply, I am your ob't serv't. THOS. W. DEWRY,

Sect'y Ex. Com. Cen. Association PRESIDENT'S REPLT. EXECUTIVE MANSION

offined to words in use in general TUBLE REMAY ACCEPTANCE We are much gratified to give our readers the letter below from Judge w. Mr. E. B. French, second Auditor KERNS, one of the trucst, as well as of the Treasury, who, in a few remost distinguished, of Carolina's hou- marks, urged the pupils in spelling to speak in a clear voice, so as to be heard distinctly.



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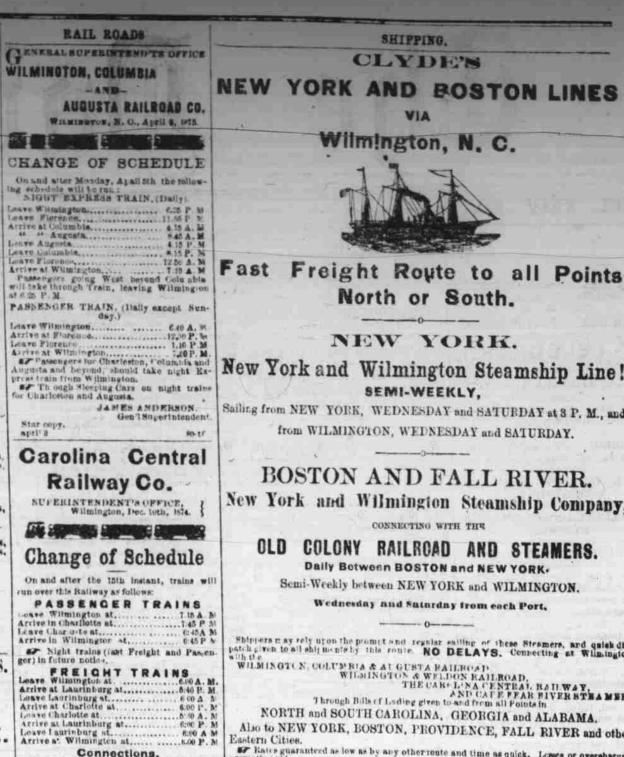
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NATHANIEL JACOBI'S HARDWARE DEPOT.

consent of the father is necessary balore wedlock up to the end of the of the South is, we regret to say, cuyoung man's twenty-fifth year and the tirely too nufrequent. Our friend young woman's twenty-fourth ; but if will please make a note of this; the father be dead, then the mother's is required; and if noither parent be living, that of the sponsors.

ZA special dispatch to the New York Post says: "Prominent lawyers feel sanguine that the Supreme Court will until the present time, and I beg now decided in favor of the constitutionelity of the suforcement act." Of course, they will either so decide or make no decision at all. A contrary decision, a decision in accordance with the letter and spirit of the Constitution would be treason against the Radical party. It would be worse; it would be "flat burglary."

An eventful day in the life of a lady During a trip on the street cars also saw the loveliest polonaise pattern she over saw in her life, the handsomest fellow she ever saw in her life, the homeliest woman she over saw in her life, got the worst fright she ever had in her life, from the drunkest man she over saw in her life, never was so insulted in her life as she was by a young man who spoke to her on the car, and finally got home feeling more tired than she ever felt in her life,

A Texas paper asserts that sheep valued at seven million dollars are annually destroyed in that State. This seems almost incredible, but it is cer- South and West stand in need. Curtain that the destruction of sheep by rency is only an evidence of this surtain that the destruction of sheep by dogs in the whole country involves an enormous loss. Maryland and Virginia are both great sufferers from understood that all new countries, this cause. The destructive propensities of the dog in this respect more than counterbalance any services he renders. It pleasant to have the af- ment of their treasures, fection ever of a dog, but his affection for sheep is often stronger than for his master. The agriculturists will have to choose between the sentimencal estimation of dogs and the value of mutton and wool.

Two million france are expended on no legislation about currency will corthe French fisheries, and this sum will not be thought excessive when it is remembered that there are shown 10 remembered that there are about 13,- every State where such may be wish-000 boats employed on the sardine ed, as intimated by another article in fisheries of Brittany. Brittany alone your paper to which I refer. exports annually 10,000,000 boxes of very sincerely your well wisher. fish are really young smelts and herrings. Between five and six hundred vessels, amounting to 30,000 tons and ley's "Lives of the Most Famous Enmanned by 12,000 men are employed lish Poets; or the Honor of Parnasin the French cod fisherles, and the ans," 1687: "John Milton was one weight of fish is calculated at about whose natural parts might deservedly 40,000,000 kilogrammes, and the value give him a place among the principal from 16,000,000 to 18,000,000 france. of our English poets, having written A large number of fishing boats have two heroick poems and a tragedy foundland. Dieppe, Fecamp, Gran- his Fame is gone out like a Caudle in a wille and Dunkirk furnish the greater Snuff, and his Memory will always an immense quantity of cod eggs, notorious Traytor, and most impiouswhich are pickled and used as ground | ly and villanously bely'd that Blessed bais for the sardines.

gentlemen of the North and

UNCAS NATIONAL BANK, NORWICH, CONN., April 5th, 1875. GENTS:- Your paper of the 22ad of

ing" as it is called, under the national

bank system, is a delusion if not a

snare. To be prosperous the South

We are truly obliged to our corres-

pondent for his kindly expressions,

local use.

May last noticed very kindly a note 1 sent you on the subject of currency. I have waited to say a word in reply to congratulate you on the legislation of Congress which has opened the whole business of banking to those who comply with the requirements of the law. I am not sure whether you really understood my former re-marks about the accumulation of capital as the great lack of the West and South. It cannot be denied that fertile lands with stock and tools, a pleasant climate and abundant water power are capital of the best sort. All these New England never possessed, but by untiring energy and an almost sordid economy she has made the most of what was given her and in process of years has utilized her mill privileges; has won from the sterile soil substantist wealth and bonde all this improvement of her own, has sent away to newer States the millions which have helped them in their rapid develop ment. New England has largely built their railroads, has built up their cities and furnished the means for the im provement of their farms. A large por

tion of this capita, has been carried by our young men who have migratedanother large part has been lent in various forms, and this is the surplus, or accumulated espital of which I suggested in my former note the though rich in the material wealth of fertile lands and rich mineral deposits, need the pecuniary aid of older and field and owner of the prize- a Webricher communities, for the developster's dictionary.

Hence, communities which can usefully employ capital in business or in building houses, stores, manufac-turies or railroads, or in developing natural resources, can afford to pay, and will pay high rates of interest, while the richer and more mature communities will be the leaders. And knowing them:

been selected.

Excuse my prolixity and believe me

Here is a singular sketch from Winjast left the French ports for the fisheries round Ireland and New-formdland, Dieppe, Fecamp, Gran, his Fame is gone ont like a Candle in a proportion of them. Among the im-ports of France into Newfoundland is honorable Repute, had, not he been a The words selected for the words selected for the been a the been a the selected for the been a the been a the selecte

Martyr King Charles the First."

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Washington, D. C., April 3rd, 1875, i Mr. Thos. D. Dewey, Secretary, &c., Charlotte, N. C.,

DEAR SIR:-The President desires me to inform you, and the Committee Steamers from New York as advervon represent his sincere thanks for the polite invitation to attend the Cen- tised, as the Company has determined tennial celebration of the Meckleuburg Declaration of Independance, on the to adopt regular sailing days, and with 20th of May. He regrets that his en-gagements will not permit him to the additional steamer, there can be secept.

Very resp't'ly your ob't svt, LEVI P. LUCKY. Secretary.

SPELLING MATCHES.

The rage for contests in orthography seems to possess the c untry, and none the less in the great cities than in rural neighborhoods. Washington. Baltimore, New York, Boston, Chica go, and, we believe, every other promicont city in the country hold these battles every week, and flad them very amusing, and all the details of the fight appear in the papers next morning. "A "great spelling match" was held

31st ult., over which Columbus Delano, Becretary of the Interior, presided, in the absence of Speaker Biame, the regular President. The first contest was between two classes of thirteen each, arrayed under the lead respectively of Professor Gallaudet and Professor Abbe. After a long and lively competition, Misa Olara Ball and Professor H. L. Thomas were left sole combatants, and Mess Ball then broke down on the word "jib," spelling it with a "g," and leaving the Professor the victor of the

We note this particular match which Chronicle, because, for the first time, we find the rules of the game printed. The reader may feel an interest in

1. After the presiding officer and referees shall have been presented the schoolmaster will at once take charge, and the sides for the first contest shall be called off by the leaders who have 2. The standard authority for spel-

hug shall be according to either Webster or Worcester. 3. The speller shall have the right to ask the definition of a word before

spelling; and also to except to the pro-nuncistion of a word if he or she deems it lacking in authority. 4. When a word is misspelled it shall not be again put in the same

class, but the schoolmaster shall give the correct spelling to the audience. 5. The referees shall decide all questions raised. In case of disagreement the presiding officer shall decide. correction of an error by a speller if discovered and corrected before the

The words selected for the contests shall exclude, so far as possiable, all ger. words of a technical, medical, or pure ly scientific character; also geographical and proper names, and shall be

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