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The Burning of Columbia.

We publish below the candid and explicit letter of General Wade Hampton, in reply to one from General Sherman to Mr. Benjamin Rewles, of Columbia, in regard to the burning of that city.-When General Hampton's letter was presented in the Senate by the Hon. Reverdy Johnson, Mr Sherman, the Senator from Ohio and the brother of Gen. Sherman, said he could not allow this charge of this most impudent rebel against the whole army, to be entered upon the records without some answer. The charge of General Sherman in relation to the burning of Columbia was in an official report, and was fully sustained by reports of other officers. Gen. Sherman did not charge that Wade Hampton gave an explicit order on the subject ; but simply that his previous order in relation to the burning of cotton, &c., led to that result. Mr. Sherman read from various official reports to confirm the charge against General Hampton.

Mr. Fessenden was opposed to receiving or considering the letter. Mr. Conness remarked that a man who would attempt to destroy the Government of the United States would certainly not hesitate to burn a city.

Mr. Johnson seeing that the Senate of the Uni ted States would not receive the latter, withdrew it.

Thus we see that serious charges, without any foundation in fact, are permitted to be made in the United States Congress by officers high in authority, against one of the most distinguished and honorable citizens of the South, and when he asks that they may be properly investigated in order to fix "upon the proper author of that enormous crime " (the burning of Columbia) " the in famy he richly deserves "-he is denounced as a "most impudent rebel" by one honorable Senator, and as one who would "not hestitate to burn a city," by another, neither of whom, most truthfully and happily suggests a cotemporary, if they were face to face with Gen. Hampton, would have given utterance to the expressions for the fame of Grant or the wealth of Butler.

That Gen. Hampton could substantiate the faces stated in his letter is not more certain from the treatment other towns and districts received through which Gen. Sherman passed, which rendered his path like the track of Attila, than from the extreme nervousness and unnecessary boldness with which these "bomb-proofs" attack him. Such party trickery may for awhile keep historic truths smothered, but time will yet demonstrate that it cannot long be crushed to the earth, and these bold Senators may yet be taught that official position will not license them to abuse honorable men, or protect them from a future responsibility. The defeat of the South has emboldened some, who fought not for its accomplishment. These men, thus rendered valiant, may yet be taught that Southern manhood was not crushed, and the result of the war does not authorize individuals at the North to wantonly insult Southern men, nor will it be permitted with impunity. We are glad, however, to notice with what vehemence the Radicals denounce the burning of a city. It is a crime that most of their officials have will yet rise up in judgment against them.

more wisdom, more judgment."

National Difficulties. The Radicals are rioting in power, which they

are determined not to throw away for any paltry considerations of justice and equity. They can, A Washington letter says : "It was an amusing at least, retain undisturbed possession so long as sight to see Sumner enter the Senate, this mornthe South is unrepresented and their present terms ing, with two young heirs to titles who are now

possibly it may be retained. To prevent this rep- Down sat the two young gentlemen (and quiet, legislation of the present Congress, and we have Summer, while Summer did his usual deportment, seen with what unblushing means their object has and then took his seat. Enter, impressively, been in some instances obtained.

tive not excepted, has recognized, in an official behind him, after the manner of Podsnap. Visiform that the Southern States are a part of the ble sensation on the sofa. Young Englishmen Union. Still the Jacobins in Congress refused evidently impressed. Sherman rises and talks admission to their members, and divested itself of about the rinderpest, and the slaughter of whole the constitutional right given to each House to hecatombs of oxen in England. 'Where did you decide upon the qualifications of its own members, say ?' queries Sumner ; 'in Great Britain,' replies

Reconstruction Committee. The President very young Englishmen, and a patronizing smile, which properly calls this body a central directory, un- seems to say : 'You-see-my-young-gentleknown to our laws and unauthorized by the Con- men-that we are accustomed to speak of Great stitution.

nish the necessary delay, and yet provide topics of You may see that I wear gaiters'-indeed, there is agitation to whet the diseased appetite of the no telling how much Sumner's evident 'tooling' people and at the same time to have the appear- of Sherman for a display before the young ance of labor devoted to an honest effort to recon- Englishmen meant. It was evident enough to struct the country upon high and safe principles. cause a general 'titter' in the galleries, which They worked long and with as much apparent broke into a broad smile when Sumner followed the past glories of that down-trodden country with feelhonesty and dilligence as if Thad. Stevens had not Sherman in a small speech on the rinderpest." had the report of the Committee in his breeches

pocket even before Congress assembled.

While our federal taxes are required to be paid promptly-the acts of our Conventions and Legislatures abolishing slavery and repudiating war debts, cheerfully regarded as legitimate and binding, and in case of attack, are expected and required to defend the country and repel invaders, we are denounced as disloyal, and the admission of city of men able and willing to take the oath reour representatives regarded as dangerous to the quired of United States officers one should be

integrity of the Union. This treatment may result in temporary benefit less a good one.

to the Radicals, but its tendency is hurtful to the future welfare of the country. The Southern peo- stained as Professor Pool's must be, loyal parents ple are, in spite of this party, to form a part of need have no fear that treasonable doctrines will To the Editors of the Wilmington Journalthe nation, and it is better to cure wounds by a generous and kind treatment, than chafe them into certainly of the highest importance that our chilirritation by the unlawful and oppressive use of dren should be correctly taught. I repeat, that it power. Nothing certainly can be gained by fur- must be gratifying to loyal parents who have sons ther alieniation of the sections, while much good at the University, to have this tangible evidence

does not imply more brains, more experience, each recurring anniversary. The tombs of our own shops, will all soon be placed upon the road, to run coldiers will be the connecting link to bind to-

and misfortune have united.

Summer Dagaerreotyped.

of office are unexpired. To retain a still longer on a visit to the Capital. Since their arrival lease upon their authority is now the manifest, if Sumner has stuck closer to them than a brother- at any time. not acknowledged, purpose of the party. With closer than a colored brother sticks to the Freed-Southern representation, the sceptre will immedi- men's Bureau. Such toadyism and flunkyism ately fall from their powerless heads ; without it combined is rarely seen, even in Washington. resentation, then, has been the aim of the entire nice young men they are), on a sofa in the rear of this port and inland towns. Sumner's secretary, and hands a book and dummy

Every department of Government, the Legisla- letter to Sumner. Sumner waves the secretary and referred the whole matter to the consideration Sherman. 'Oh, aw,' says the satisfied Sumner, of an extra constitutional, illegal body called the and then turns with a Podsnapian glance to the Co. To add to the advantages this route possesses over Britain in the Senate of the United States-though the facilities for transportation possessed by the scaboard

This Committee, however, was required to fur- we generally say England, or the English people.

A correspondent says : "I have seen in the papers that Solomon Pool has been appointed one of the United States Tax Assessors for North Carolina. Is this the Rev. Solomon Pool, now one of the Professors of the University? If the Rev. Professor be the appointce, I think it speaks well for the loyalty of the University, that in the scarfound in its Faculty. The appointment is doubt-

If there are other Professors with records as un-

ter of it especially in this, that "a larger number which will become more and more apparent at some four or five newly finished cars, from the Company's Gens. Steadman and Fullerton-Freedmen's Bu-

A correspondent of the New York Herald, who We observed one or two of these newly finished cars, accompanies Generals Steadman and Fullerton on gether for all time to come those whom suffering which are decorated so elegantly and finished so nicely, their mission of investigation through the South, that, unless we were assured that such was not the case, writes a letter to that paper from Newbern, from we would have thought they had recently been manufac-tured by some first class Northern establishment. They which we make the following extracts. The letdo double credit to the Company and the skillful mechanics ters of this correspondent are generally characteremployed in their construction. To make the stock com- ized by perfect truthfulness, and may be considerplete are added some eighty flat cars and fifty new and ed, from the semi-official relation of the writer to fifty rebuilt box cars, which are a sufficient number to the officers of the commission, as embodying their hasten forward all freights to be conveyed over that road sentiments :

### SENTIMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

We were very much pleased with our "tour of observa The general sentiment of the people of both tion" through the shops and yard of the company, and North Carolina and Virginia is strongly in favor feel amply repaid for whatever trouble taken, by the pleasof the peaceful restoration of the Union. During ure we experienced in observing the splendid facilities the last three weeks I have heard the opinions of which this road has for advancing the business interests some hundreds of representative men and those of our city, and making trade more prosperous between opinions have been in the main most satisfactory. They have been whipped and they know it, but county. The prevailing impression, among the traveling public, they do not feel disposed to run after the man who eems to be that the shortest through route from Washwhipped them and thank him for doing it. It is county. ington City, south, is via Danville, Va., but this idea is a not in human nature that they should do so. But mistaken one. From a careful review of distances, ac- they accept the issue as decided by the war, and, cording to Appleton's Guide Book, we find that the disas one gentleman put it, he could not kick them tance, from Richmond, Va., via Danville, to Kingsville, into rebellion again. I incline to think that the is greater by half a mile, than that from Richmond, via only disloyal people in these two States are some Wilmington, to Ringsville. As far as the accom- few of the editors and politicians, who have done no share of the fighting. The most loyal are unmodations for passengers on the two routes are doubtedly the officers and soldiers of the rebel concerned, we do not hesitate to say that no better accommodations are offered, by any of these army.

GOVERNOR HOLDEN ON THE SITUATION.

General Steadman and Fullerton, in prosecutthe other, the Wilmington and Manchester Company will ing their inquiries into the working of the Freed- at Salisbury." receive shortly great additions to their present stock, in men's Bureau in North Carolina, have visited the way of engines and cars. Why more travel has not Raleigh, Salisbury, Goldsboro' and Newbern, been done through Wilmington, taking into consideration whence they proceeded to Wilmington. At Raleigh they had an interview with Governor Holden and the leading citizens. Governor Holden said the great objection to the Bureau Court was that We have noticed for the past two days the ensign of the it was a one-man power. A planter might be Irish nation flying at the peak of the British Brig Victory,

dragged many miles to answer some frivolous charge preferred by a negre, and this charge John W. Newman, a senior reserve who had would be disposed of before one man who was both judge and jurors. In the past he believed the murdering Henry Ballard, while on duty in the Bureau had been of advantage to both races, but supporting force in Guilford County, and taken ts further continuance would serve no useful pur- to Greensboro' on a writ of habeas corpus, return The relations between the two races were able before Judge Gilliam, was discharged by his DOSE now on the most satisfactory footing. There had honor,-Salem Press. been some danger, a little time ago, of an out-

WE LEARN that Capt. Swift Galloway was, on Monday, breat at Wilmington, prevented by negro soldiers; but this fear, which from the first had been exaggerated, had now passed away. The only disturbing element they dreaded now was further teaching and lecturing and agitation on the subject of about five or six months and besides paying a social equality.

General Steadman.-So far as I have seen, the number of shares represented 2,052. Whole number of people of the South, though opposed to negro social equality, grant him more social privileges than Secretary, Mr. Young, is ready to pay over to the We noticed in attendance upon the meeting Mr. John we in the North.

Governor Holden.-That is so, sir. We, who JONES SUPERIOR COURT .- This tribunal was in know the negro, know there is no possibility of session last week. Jas. Nixon, John Williams, his attaining social equality. In the North they | Donelson Ruffin and Richard Williams were tried don't know this and can't understand it. I spoke for highway robbery, and sentenced to be hanged

POSTAL APPOINTMENTS. - The Postmaster Gen. eral has appointed and commissioned the fol lowing Postmaster. C. F. McLaughlin, Miranda, Rowan co., N. () Jacob Reardon, McNeal's Nerry, Harnett co.

Norman S. Shaw, Harrellsville, Hertford co. John C. Andrews, Eden, Randolph county Thos. A. Holt, Manson, Warren county. L. J. Watkins, Ridgeway, Warren county, F. D. Stuart, High Shoals, Gaston county. Steven F. Miller, Rocky Point, New Hanover county.

Mrs. Elizabeth Christman, Black Creek, Wilson county.

Rolesville, Mrs. Virginia Terrell, Postmistress Mrs. Dacy Freeman, Logan's Store, Rutherford county.

Mrs. Mary Green, Warrenton, Warren county Mrs. Martha A. Harrell, Gum Branch, Onslow

Elizabeth A. Poindexter, Red Plains, Yadkin

Lewis Honaday, Sandy Grove, Chatham co. George B. King, Amity Hill, Iredell co. Robt. F. McGuffin, Dobson, Surry co. Benj. Brewer, Pleasant Hill, Northampton co. Francis Bryan, Cherry Lake, Ashe co. Wm. D. Carlton, Morrisville, Wake co.

THE CASE OF MAJ. GEE. - The correspondent of the New York Herald, who accompanies Gens. Steadman and Fullerton, says, of this case, that "the evidence given tendsrather to exculpate than to criminate Maj. Gee in the atrocities committed

UNIVERSITY OF N. C.-The Hon. G. A. Henry, of Tennessee, has been compelled to decline the invitation to deliver the Annual Address before the two Literary Societies of the University at the approaching Commencement.

Ex-Gov. Vance has now been solicited, and it is hoped that he will be able to accept.

been imprisoned in this county, on a charge of

A PAYING INSTITUTION.-We neglected heretofore, to notice the fact that the "People's Mar ket," at the foot of Middle street, is a paving in stitution. This market has been running only debt, incurred for its erection, of five hundred dollars, over and above the stock subscribed, it now declares a dividend of 10 per cent which the stockholders.-Newbern Times

STATE NEWS.

We have already too long deferred the frank and manly letter of Gen. Hampton. It is as follows :

#### WILD WOODS, MISS., April 21, 1866.

To Hon, Recerdy Johnson, U. S. Senale :

Sin: A few days ago I saw in the published proceedings of Congress that a petition from Benjamin Rawles. of Columbia, S. C., asking compensation for the destruction of his house by the Federal army in February, 1865, had been presented to the Senate, accompanied by a letter from Major-Gen. Sherman.

ing before we entered Columbia. I, myself, was in the that efforts were made to extinguish them, but a high and strong wind kept them alive.

I gave no orders for the burning of your city, but, on imprudence of cutting the cotton bales, whereby the conpossibility to arrest the fire.

I saw in your Columbia newspaper the printed order of Gen. Wade Hampton, that on the approach of the Yankee | respects with any. army all the cotton should thus be burned, and from what I saw, myself, I have no hesitation in saying that he was

the cause of the destruction of your city." This same charge, made against me by Gen. Sherman, having been brought before the Senate of the United States, I am naturally most solicitous to vindicate myself before the same tribunal. But my State has no representative in that body. Those who should be her constitutional representatives and exponents there are debarred the right of entrance into those halls. There are none who in the legislation which ~overus her, none to impose the sons from misrepresentation, injustice or slander.

Under these circumstances, I appeal to you, in the conis done in this matter.

I deny, emphatically, that any cotton was fired in Columbia by my order. I deny that the citizens "set fire to thousands of bales

rolled out into the streets. I deny that any cotton was on fire when the Federal

troops entered the city. I most respectfully ask of Congress to appoint a Com-

mittee, charged with the duty of ascertaining and reportmous crime the infamy he richly deserves.

Southern people do not know their ultimate fate anxiously to the result of the present legislation. If it is such as will result in re-union, without wrong and degredation to them, it will be hailed with delight and accepted with joy. If, however, it carries with it oppression and degredation, an hon-

### Our Dead\_A Memorial Association.

nation

We know of no more suitable occasion of re to account for and justify to the world, for the minding the late Confederate soldiers of Wilmingblackened ruins of hundreds of towns and villages, ton of a duty which they owe to the gallant dead of and thousands of homesteads throughout the this city, and which has already been too long neg-South, are so many Columbias in miniatures that lected, than upon this, the third anniversary of to our day, was this prophecy. The attempt to and the perfect harmony and good feeling which the death of the distinguished soldier and chris-

> tian gentleman, STONEWALL JACKSON. As gallant a band of men, moved by as noble impulses as ever went forth to do battle, left Wil-

mington, upon the call of North Carolina, to fight ern reaction and the war. under the Confederate flag. The war, which has

rarely ever been equalled in the amount of blood shed, has now been ended upwards of one year, and all that are left of that noble band have returned and resumed their accustomed places in ducted papers, in the State. We hail with plea-In this letter Gen. Sherman uses the following lan- the community. But, alas ! how many have not "The citizens of Columbia set fire to thousands of bales returned. Many communities have suffered greatof cotton rolled out into the streets, and which were burn- ly during the war, but an extended acquaintance city as early as 9 o'clock, and I saw these fires, and knew and considerable interest and inquiry upon the subject, has not exhibited to us a greater loss in

any one community than in ours, throughout this the contrary, the conflagration resulted from the great State at least. If we consider the number or chartents were spread to the wind, so that it became an im- acter (death loves a shining mark) of our loss, Wil- ers of Navigation and Pilotage, for the Port of Wilmingmington's roll of immortals will compare in both ton. Those receiving the highest number of votes were of

Many of these noble sons have been brought home and their sacred dust deposited where the hand of affection will make attractive their resting places ; but how many more fill untended graves, upon more than one hundred battle fields, remaining just where their surviving comrades have the right to speak for the South, none to participate gave them hasty but tearful sepulchre. Those taxes she is called upon to pay, and none to vindicate her who loved them much and who would gladly remove their remains to our own beautiful cemefident hope that you will use every effort to see that justice ( tery, are, perhaps, themselves dead-victims to the fearful epidemics which has rendered populous quiring them to do so, the freedmeen seem to be yielding of dining at the royal table, which groaned beour sacred "City of the Dead," or are left in such a cheerful obedience, and have only lately become aware neath a great variety of good things that refresh

circumstances, by the results of the war, as to be of the necessity of a lawful marriage. It looked rather and make glad the inner man unable to incur the expense.

To the Confederate soldiers of this city and vicinity, then, we appeal to band themselves togethbia, and thus fixing upon the proper author of that enor- er into a "Memorial Association," for the sacred the subject, the majority of whom do not see the neces. splendid array of innocence and beauty. The five years past. They were invited there by the well as whites. - Charlotte Dem. and thus fixing upon the proper author of that enor-nous crime the infamy he richly deserves. I am willing to submit the case to any honest tribunal. Before any such I pledge myself to prove that I gave a before any such I pledge myself to prove that I gave a be or the stopeet, the inajority of whom do not see the neces. I am willing to submit the case to any honest tribunal. Before any such I pledge myself to prove that I gave a be or the stopeet, the inajority of whom do not see the neces. I am willing to submit the case to any honest tribunal. Before any such I pledge myself to prove that I gave a by direction of Ger, Beauregard that no ories we honor. Companions of their dangers Gen. Sherman's troops took possession of the city; that and trials, witnesses of the deeds they accomplised and the deaths they suffered-such deeds and deaths as would have honored noble Knights, in take prompt and efficient measures to investigate this those heroic days when life itself was one superb romance-you will be unworthy of such comrades and false to your own natures, if you permit them to us, and rescue the resting places of those whose honored lives and noble deaths should protect their graves from uncharitable forgetfulness and destruction. Let us bring them home and deposit sary consequence of their belief that a majority of their sacred dust, where the lovely daughters of votes should govern. But such is neither the our city may train the rose to bloom over them.teaching of nature, nor the law of God, nor the Let us erect in our midst a Mausoleum to their deduction from historical experience. There is memory, around which we may gather and be reno reason or sense in arguing that five weak men minded of duties faithfully performed and honors

convention of the Protestant Episcopal

shares 3,500.

meeting.

roads, than those by the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad

commanded by Capt. Gilbert, a gentleman well and favor-

The sight of this ensign has delighted the hearts of

many sons of "Erin" now in our city, who call to mind

ings of pride, and review her present condition with feel-

ngs of hatred and vengeance towards the country which

lected at Smithville, as one of the Commissioners of Nav-

COMMERCIAL BANK .- The Stockholders of the Commer-

ial Bank of Wilmington met yesterday. There were 784

shares represented in person, and 1,248 by proxy. Whole

We have not been advised as to the result of the

ate Celebration.

sented and invested with the insignia of royalty,

she addressed her subjects in a handsome speech

gracefully delivered. Intelligence was then brought

to her that a young maiden sovereign of a neigh-

boring realm was approaching to make her a royal

visit, when she despatched a number of her attend-

ants to bid her welcome and request that she

that such a scene ought to be perpetuated, took a

For the Journal.

gation and Pilotage of Cape Fear River and Bars.

route, has always been a mystery to us.

ably known in this city.

as thus degraded her.

U. Kirkland of Hillsboro.

d to meet in Newbern.

be instilled in the minds of their sons, and it is some of your readers. Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church is appointwill result from liberality and kindness. The that our time-honored University is in safe hands." May Day at Smithville\_Beautiful and Appropri-"P. S. I would close with 'Train up a child in at the hands of Congress, and they are looking the way,' &c., but I am not accurate in Bible quotations."

#### The Constitution.

The New York World makes a striking quota- which should not pass away with the hushing to tion from Washington's letters advocating the soberer tones of the merry-ringing voices that enadoption of that Constitution which the Radicals livened it. The day was not ushered in by any orable people will reject it with becoming indig- are now seeking to modify until all that is good of pompous demonstrations; no band of music, other it is gone, or so completely negatived as to be in- than that which nature kindly vouchsafed from operative. Washington said : "The proposed her leafy bowers, was there to catch up and pro-"Constitution is the last one the States will ever long the joyful strains that from young and innohave the opportunity of accepting through cent lips went for th to mingle with the fragrant likely to be whipped. This applies, however, peace ; future ones will have to be obtained air of that bright May morn ; but despite such de-"through blood." We have seen how true, down ficiencies "all went merry as a marriage bell," destroy it, as the World justly says-was made which the younger people acted their parts were long before the secession of South Carolina. It truly worthy of remark. Two Queens were crownwas that attempt which brought about the South- ed. Miss Mary A. Davis and Miss Lizzie Williams,

#### The Wilson Carolinian.

The Wilson Semi-Weekly Carolinian has been bled in a large grove appropriately chosen as the scene of the coronation, were greeted by the sight much enlarged and improved. It is one of the neatest looking, as it is one of the ablest conof songs in honor of the festal day. Arrived at sure this visible evidence of the prosperity of a richly carpeted platform, whereon was erected Messrs. Hearne and Dunham. We wish them the throne, within a beautiful evergreen bower, tastefully festooned, the cortege halted and the first continued success. named young lady ascended; and after being pre-

#### Election of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage.

The following is a statement of the vote cast at an election, held at the Court House Monday for Commissioncourse elected :

	W. M. Harriss	W. B. Flanner 176
	P. W. Fanning 1991	Jas Anderson 151
	W. S. Anderson	A. P. Repiton
	Dr. W. H. Hall	Jno. A. Tavlor
1	Eli Murray 185	B. F, Mitchell
1	Scattering	
	Whole number of votes cast, 356.	

### Daily Journal, 8th inst.

We happened to step in the Court House, yesterday, lady) were sung by the young subjects of the and while there noticed that the Clerk of the County Court united realms. Four lads then addressed the was kept very busily recording marriages between freed- whole audience in well received efforts approprimen and freedwomen, who have been heretofore living to- ate to the occasion. Not long after these ceremogether as man and wife by mutual consent. The law re- nies the multitude were summoned to the honor

strange to us, though, to see old heads of families who have | But ere the young party quitted their honored grown childreen, having their marriages recorded for the places, an artist who was on the ground, believing first time. We have heard some few of them express themselves on very good picture of it. Theseene was inspiring-a

to a number of negroes the other, day; I found them on the first Friday in June. -Goldsboro' Nev

the quietest part of the people, industrious, docile, GENTLEMEN : Permit me to correct an error into whick and hopeful for the future. I spoke to one of you have been led by the statement of other papers, and them, whom I had formally owned, about voting. He replied, "I don't know how to vote; I've never tached to the various schools, had a celebration of which, if not corrected, might occasion inconvenience to been used to it; I should come to you.' It is not on the 16th, but on the 30th of May, that the The ex-rebel General Cox, who was present at

views of Governor Holden. AT SALISBURY

## the citizens expressed themselves in warm terms

of commendation of the manner in which the SMITHVILLE, N. C., May 4th, 1866. Bureau had been administered, but agreed that MESSRS. EDITORS : Such occasions as the last the necessity for its existence had passed by. N. May-day celebration at Smithville are things Boyden, a lawyer of large practice in the State, gave conclusive proof from the court records that before, during, and since the war, there had been a strong disposition towards leniency rather than severity in all cases in which negroes were conwas disclosed in the course of the discussion .--There is no penitentiary in the State, consequently hanging and whipping appear to be the staple punishments, and every man who is not hanged is await a hearing.-Newbern Times.

ature, at its recent session, made provisions for erecting a penitentiary and modifying the laws in

All the pardons that were granted yesterday by this respect. Mr. Boyden, who was a thorough bring the Constitution into contempt-indeed, to prevailed and the highly commendable manner in going Union man during the war, assured the the President to petitioners from North Carolina government commissioners, and he was confirmed were granted under the first and thirteenth except by the Mayor and the ex-Mayor of the city, that tions only. And those of the first exception that if the Bureau were withdrawn perfect justice were pardoned were of no higher grade than petty would be rendered to the negro in all the civil civil officers. All other applications from North courts. There was only one instance in which he Carolina remain yet on file.-Star. 4th.

and well did they prove the good taste of their companions, who had made the selections. thought public prejudice might influence the ad-About 10 o'clock the multitude that had assemministration of justice, and that was in cases where a negro was charged with a criminal assault on a white woman. The feeling in this respect planted long enough to be up, is bad. The weathof a long train of little maidens robed in white, was so strong that mere suspicion was too often and decked with flowers, marching to the music taken as an evidence of guilt.

CELEBRATION IN RALEIGH. - The Raleigh Stand ard says that the colored children of that city at the 1st of May, which was well conducted, and secmed to afford much pleasure to those who parthe interview, intimated his concurrence in the ticipated in it. From the appearance of the procession there seemed to be 800 to 1,000 of all ages out on the occasion. Nothing occurred to produce ill feeling between the two races.

MURDER COMMITTED. - There was a murder com mitted over in the Trent settlement this morning The facts in the case we know but little of, though it seems from what we can learn than Vanvester Haywood, alias Blount, alias Willis, a colored man, who has recently been discharged from the service, was in a small store, and some remark be ing made to him by Tellishia Keys, a colored wocerned. One peculiarity of North Carolinian law man, he raised a gun he had in his hand and dis charged the load in her head, killing her almost instantly. Vanyester tried to make his escape. but was overtaken, and is now confined in jail to

The Southern Convention of the Christian equally to white men as to negroes. The Legis- Church is now in session at Mount Auburn, in this State

> COTTON CROP.-We regret to learn that the stand of cotton in this County, which has been

er has been unfavorable to a good stand, but doubt is expressed in regard to the character of the seed.-Sentinel.

MATTERS ON THE MEND.

Bad as matters are, however, in the old North Corron.-We hear pretty general complaint in State they are undoubtedly improving. There is this county that the cotton seed planted is not coming a much greater breadth of land in cultivation this up. Many persons are re-planting, but whether year than there was last, and with time, cap- they will meet wit better success remains to be ital and energy will both probably return. The seen. The difficulty seems to be that the seed labor market is adjusting itself as satisfactorily as have lost their vitality in consequence of having in Virginia. There are about three hundred and fifty been kept in heaps for two or three or four years thousand freedmen in the State, as nearly as can past. We hear the same complaint from State be calculated. Small pox and other diseases have further South .- Charlotte Democrat. latterly thinned their ranks. Between five and

HOME PRODUCTION AGAIN. -- We learn from " The six thousand infirm and helpless negroes, principally old people and children, are receiving relief Field and Fireside," that Mrs. Mason, wife of the from the Freedmen's bureau. The able-bodied Rev. Dr. Mason, pastor of the Episcopal Church negroes are working by shares and by monthly in Raleigh, has nearly ready for the press an ela contracts. They appear to be kindly and fairly borate and carefully prepared "Cookery Book. treated by the planters and in turn seem disposed This lady is the author of "The Wreath of Wild Flowers," and several other works held in high entimation and, no doubt, the forthcoming book will be reliable and popular.

songs (composed for the occasion by a talented

INTERNAL REVENUE.-We learn that Jenning A closer investigation of the state of affairs a Pigott, of Washington, D. C., the Assessor of Inter Newbern has revealed a condition of affairs worse nal Revenue for the Second District, has his head than the bitterest enemy of the bureau ever venquarters at Beaufort, N. C. tured to insinuate. It appears almost beyond

here cruelties more attrocious than those for Freedmen's bureau in this District, was here last which Wirz was hanged, have been perpetrated week, and gave orders that all cases hereafter should be turned over to our Mayor for trial. Col. on the unoffending freedmen by agents of the

bureau established for their protection. Opposite Newbern, on the other side of the river, some 2,500 freedmen have been settled for fitted by restoring civil jurisdiction over blacks a

on the 4th, at 84. The burnt district in Salisbury is being rebuilt settlement by Captain James, another New Eng- with beautiful buildings. The Banner speaks in Long may the festivities of merry May be kept land preacher, who was then conducting the bu- terms of the energy displayed by Messrs. McNerly up and cherished among us. It does the heart reau here. A system of extortion and cruelty was & Young, and Messrs. Hall & Brown. RIOT AT MORGANTON .- We learn that a riot such influences. How eminently proper that we the miserable little cabins were erected. Every took place at Morganton a few days ago, which should encourage every occasion that will oblite-rate the deep lines of sorrow and grief that have and a half a month, or his boat was forfeited. — resulted in the United States regular troops sta-tioned there driving some returned negro soldiers to fill unhonored graves, their very identification lost from the corroding effect of time or destroyed by the ruthless hand of progress. Let us unite in time to prevent that which would be disgraceful WILMINGTON & WELDON RAILBOAD COMPANY-NEW ENtheirs. Those young hearts and minds are our ment of the man or his wife-preference being hope for the eventual rescuing and restoring to given to the wife-the confiscation of all his little homes with lofty notions of their rights. They its pristine vigor and beauty the political fabric property, and in many cases the tearing down of showed some insolence, it is said, at other place which our fathers reared; and for Heaven's sake his house. A negro who quarrelled with his wife but at Morganton it was resented by the soldier was fined one hundred dollars and sent to prison who drove the negroes off.-Salisbury Old Not until he paid it. All these extortions were prac- State.

effect that which escorted the first. On receiving the crown and sceptre, she made a very happy and appropriate speech, and each of the queens received the gratulations of their respective maids of to live peaceable and industrious lives. honor, heralds and pages; after which, beautiful

Governor Patton, of Alabama, has issued a pro-

humiliation and prayer, in view of the probable

number of the Star Sorry Were

A GOOD MOVE.-Col. Cilley, the chief of the doubt that at one of the freedmen's settlements

Cilley has shown his good sense in this matter, and we are confident the interests of all will be bene

NORTH CAROLINA SIXES were sold in New York.

should share her honors by uniting their dominions. A train of "merry lads and rosy lasses" accompanied the second queen, equaling in appearance and

THE TRANSACTIONS OF THE BUREAU IN NORTH CARO

positive order, by direction of Gen. Beauregard, that no cotton should be fired ! that not one bale was on fire when he promised protection to the city, and that in spite of his solemn promise he burned the city to the ground, deliberately, systematically and atrociously.

I therefore most earnestly request that Congress may matter fully. Not only is this due to themselves and to the United States Army, but also in justice to truth. At you will pardon me .... I am, very respectfully, Your obedient servant, WADE HAMPTON. Trusting that you will pardon me for troubling you,

#### **Right of Majorities.**

An exchange says: "Nor is the idea of the right of majority to rule founded in reason or in common sense. To those men who belive in a 'natural right of suffrage'-an absurdity which has been aired to some extent of late -- it may seem a neceshave the right to rule four strong men because nobly won. there are more of them. A larger number does not dom, more judgment."

ment upon them by the majority. How far it does so, is a question we will not discuss. We only design to express our approbation of the views taken in the foregoing paragraph, upon the gurated of covering the graves of our dead sol-

Wilmington should not be behind other cities imply more brains, more experience, more wis- in this respect. Other communities all over the Southern land have already taken steps in this

There would be no need of a written Constitution matter. Neither the character of our dead or our if this right of the majority to rule were conceded wonted liberality will warrant us in being laggard in our government-we mean the government of in this noble purpose. The ladies of our city the United States. It is a democratic principle, will, of course, soon establish a "Memorial Assoand ours was not designated to be a purly demo- ciation" for the purpose of bestowing proper care cratic government. It is republican-a govern- upon the graves of our dead soldiers. The floral ment that is bound by a written instrument to tributes already paid throughout the South are in the shops, the Company will soon be enabled was. protect the rights of the minority from encroach- eloquently significant of the feeling of the people. to place upon their road, at least twelve first class locomo-

"Flowers are the alphabet of angels-whereby They write on hills and fields mysterious truths."

The beautiful and feeling ceremony just inau-

Daily Journal, 8th inst.

BRITISH VICE CONSUL.-By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen that Mr. Alex. Sprunt has been appointed British Vice Consul at this port, and has ontered upon the discharge of his duties as such.

Mr. Sprunt is well known among our merchants and citizens generally, as a thorough business man, and one

GINES AND CARS .- By invitation of Col. S. L. Fremont, the able Superintendent of the above named Company, we went up to the depot of that road yesterday, and made a personal observation of the new engines and cars lately received. The new engines, five in number, are most elegant specimens of workmanship, and such that are a credit to any road. The one last received, the Governor Worth, is a large, powerful and fine looking locomotive, and one calculated to render most efficient service. It has been the custom of this company to name an engine in honor of the Governor of the State, at the time of arrival, and if there is any choice in the number of tine ones lately come to hand, we think the Governor Worth worthy of that choice.

There are two more of these fine engines expected out shortly, namely, the S. D. Wallace and James Knight. These, added to the list of those already at hand, will be State Cemetery at Frankfort. They were escorted a sufficient number to enable the Company to compete to the depot in Atlanta by a number of Kentucwith any Railroad, of the same extent, in the whole kians who are in that city. Southern country. Two out of the seven new engines were built by Mason, the remainder by Rogers, and all of them of the best quality and newest style, with all modern districts of South Carolina this year will not be and that the ministers open their various churches improvements. With the new engines and those repairing more than one-eighth to one-sixth of what it once

tives. "right of majorities." fully agreeing with the wri- diers with flowers has a mysterious tenderness fortable parlor than a railroad car. In addition to these, throw,

arrangements that made the occasion such a suc- preacher, was placed in charge of the Trent river

good, and it is calculated to make the human soul immediately inaugurated. Fifty cents a month more pure and charitable to be in the midst of ground rent was demanded for every plat on which let them go to their great and glorious work un-

seared, unbowed and with arms nerved with a high-throbbing hope in the success of their mighty

Very truly, yours, CAPE FEAR.

undertaking.

The remains of Major Thomas H. Clay, of Kentucky, who died in Atlanta in 1864, were disinterred on Friday last and forwarded to Kentucky. Major Clay was a distinguished Confede-Captain Seely. rate officer, a son of Colonel Clay of Mexican fame, and a grandson of Henry Clay. His remains are to be interred beside his father in the pointing Thursday, May 17, as a day of fasting,

approach of the Asiatic cholera. He recommends It is said that the crop of rice in the best rice that on said day all regular business be suspended,

from the nee of straw and most

Judge W. S. Oldham, of Texas, a member of Hood's men fell by hundreds and were buried, has the late Confederate Senate, is preparing, and has been rented by the proprietor to freedmen, and They have also received four new passenger cars, built in Wilmington, Del., by Harlen, Hollingsworth & Co., per-fect models of beauty, elegantly furnished and decorated, and on the whole, having more of the appearance of a comthe belgassi a prices conventionery, but verile the The should be much a sently in be right maintained. If will be a truth the book we

ticed upon a population steeped in the deepest poverty, scourged by disease, and many of them Dowdy, one of the oldest residents of our city wanting the common necessaries of life, in this died of small pox at the residence of Rev. Jane manner an income of at least eight hundred dol- Suydam, on Saturday night. She was probably W. Laidler, an agent of the American Mission- Methodist Church for fifty years before her death ary Society, embodied some of the more atrocious cases in a series of charges and laid them before Newbern Times

ELECTIONS IN BEAUFORT. -BEAUFORT, May 8 The following named gentlemen were elected Commissioners of the Town of Beaufort, at the clamation co-operating with the President in ap- election to-day

J. F. Delamar. W. H. Piver,

W. B. Duncan.

J. C. Davis,

C. S. Bell.

COMMISSIONERS OF NAVIGATION.

Thos. Duncan, Sr.,

A. C. Davis,

C. S. Bell,

perhaps, of the season, -Progress, 7th inst.

and hold religious services. The battle field of Franklin, Tenn., where