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To the Front.

John Pope has again established his headquarters in the saddle, and has now found ample scope for his transcendent military genius.

The State Treasurer of Georgia having refused to pay the per diem of the Black-and-Tan Constitution makers of that State, Pope orders "more troops to Milledgeville."

Jones is the name of the terrible fellow who declares that he is bonded not to pay State warrants unless signed by the Governor; and Jones had better look out; for when Pope establishes his headquarters in the saddle, women and children, and small detachments like Jones are in imminent danger of losing their jewelry, baggage, and small wares generally.

But isn't it amusing to see the desperate financial condition of the Georgia Black-and-Tans? Having always been accustomed, under their old masters, to have a jolly Christmas, these poor fellows were fondly anticipating a good time generally.

Now, in their desperation, they prevail on Pope to start on a bawling expedition to Milledgeville, hoping he may be able to bayonet the incorrigible Jones out of the coveted greenbacks.

No wonder that one of the Black-and-Tans, in the plenitude of his sorrow at not being able to draw his per diem, should rise in the Corn Shucking Convention and ask: "What dey sen us here for?"

We await with intense anxiety the result of general POPE'S expedition to Milledgeville.

What a Practical Man Says.

Senator Sprague, of Rhode Island, who is a large manufacturer as well as a large cotton planter, delivered a speech on the 20th inst., before the adjournment of Congress for the holidays, on the repeal of the cotton tax, in which he made the startling statement that the British manufacturers are now able, by their skilled labor and machinery, to produce from the short and dry staple of India cotton a product equal to that from the American staple.

He said that at this day Egyptian cotton was used in seven-eighths of the articles in which Sea Island cotton was formerly employed, and that he believed in two years this latter article would only be produced as a rare plant in some gentleman's garden.

The plantations of the South he did not consider worth one-twentieth part of their value before the war. Mr. Sprague told the Senate that he not only apprehended we had lost the great cotton interest forever, but that he even feared the competition of India cotton in American markets.

These are not the statements of a congressional declaimer, but of a practical man, who rarely asks the attention of the Senate. Truths like these ought to rouse the industrial classes of the country, and bring them to decide whether this destruction of cotton, commerce and manufacturers, on a legitimate basis, is not a higher price than they are able to pay for the perpetuation of Radical power.

The finances of Tennessee are said to be in a bad way. The State Comptroller's report gives the entire State liability, actual and contingent, at \$32,562,323 58. The whole taxable property of the State is estimated at \$240,357,631. The entire State revenue next year, it is thought, cannot exceed that of last year, when it was \$1,837,277 05.

The Nashville Banner says that the taxes on privileges are already so excessive that they are driving capital and business from the State, and that if they are raised less revenue will be obtained. If additional taxes are imposed, they must be put on lands, "which cannot run away."

Altogether the financial aspect in Tennessee is anything but cheerful. The Indian cotton culture is the subject of a late report of the Cotton Commissioners of India. They represent 611,722 acres as under cotton in the central provinces, and 1,801,780 in Bombay.

In the former there is much the same acreage as last year, or six and a half per cent. of the cultivated land. In Bombay it is less, the area in 1866-67 having been 1,978,181 acres.

English papers praise the heroism of those in the life-boat service, as displayed in the recent storms. At Holyhead, when the storm was one of the worst ever known on that hard coast, the life-boat, with its coxswain of 70 years, went out five times in one night, and saved the crews of three vessels.

All round the coast we have the same scenes of courage and peril.

North Carolina in a Nut-Shell.

It is rumored that the "Meteors" Base Ball Club, of Newbern, is to challenge the Harriet Club, of Wilmington, soon.

A masquerade ball, for the first time in the history of the place, came off in Newbern on Christmas night. It is said to have been a grand affair.

A grand Tournament and Coronation Ball came off at Snow Hill, Greene county, on the 24th inst.

The two fairs held in Newbern the past week, by the ladies of the Presbyterian and Baptist churches, netted each \$300.

The "Japs" played at a crowded house in Tucker Hall, Raleigh, on Friday night.

The Daily Advertiser, by Mills & Hughes, makes its appearance in Raleigh on the 1st proximo.

A meeting of the Radicals of Raleigh was to be held yesterday evening, for the purpose of nominating Chase for the Presidency.

Bishop Atkinson is advertised to occupy the pulpit of Grace church, Petersburg, to-day.

THE VERY LATEST. BY TELEGRAPH, TO THE MORNING STAR.

NOON REPORTS.

From New Orleans.

Gen. Hancock, in Special Orders 280, legalizes the official acts of R. L. Shalby, appointed Clerk of the Second District Court by General Mower, and removed in turn by Gen. Hancock, who reinstated the former incumbent.

The following was adopted by the Convention as the second article of the Constitution, after two days discussion: All persons, without regard to race, color or previous condition, born or naturalized in the United States, and resident of the State one year, are citizens of this State; they shall enjoy the same civil, political and public rights and privileges, and be subject to the same pains and penalties.

The Convention adjourned till Monday, the 30th, at 11 A. M. To-day was the 28th day of the session of the Convention, and it has progressed as far as the second article of the Constitution.

From Europe. LONDON, Dec. 28. Men with blackened faces stormed Martello Castle, near Cork, took arms and ammunition and escaped.

Baltimore Markets. BALTIMORE, Dec. 28. Cotton dull—Ordinary 14 1/2 cents; Low Middling 14 1/4 cents.

New York Markets. NEW YORK, Dec. 28. Cotton a shade firmer—Sales 1,900 bales at 15 1/4 cents.

Mobile Market. MOBILE, Dec. 28. Cotton—market closed quiet and firm. Middling 13 1/2 cents.

Savannah Market. SAVANNAH, Dec. 28. Cotton firm with good enquiry, but holders too high for buyers.

Charleston Market. CHARLESTON, Dec. 28. Cotton firmer, with sales of 600 bales. Middling at 14 1/2 cents.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

PAIN KILLER. [OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.] No article ever attained to such unbounded popularity.—Salem Observer.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE. On and after 1st JANUARY, 1868, sales in our GROCERY DEPARTMENT will be for CASH.

Sundries! 50 BBLs. MOLASSES. 100 " FLOUR, all grades. 25 Half Bbls. and Bags BUCKWHEAT, choice.

Ladies, Here is a Secret. IF YOU WANT to put MORE MONEY INTO your private purse, encourage your Husband to buy their Clothing & Furnishing Goods.

FOR SALE. THE DAILY AND WEEKLY "PROGRESS," THE OLDEST and MOST RELIABLE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC NEWSPAPER.

FRANCES, W. S. HARRINGTON, Commander. WILL LEAVE OUR WHARF, FOOT of Princess Street, for Baltimore, on SATURDAY, Jan. 4.

COAL! COAL! Best Quality Red Ash, Well Screened and Free from Dirt, DELIVERED PROMPTLY.

GARDEN SEED. THE Finest and Largest Assortment of GARDEN SEED ever offered in the city.

PRICE OF COAL REDUCED. VERY BEST ARTICLE RED ASH COALS, at rates as LOW as the LOWEST.

Beaver Creek Sheeting. THIRTY-FIVE HUNDRED YARDS, for sale by ROBINSON, SMITH & CO.

Canned Fruits, &c. 120 DOZ. CANNED FRUITS, for sale by WELLS and OYSTERS.

STEAMSHIP LINES.

FOR PHILADELPHIA. PHILADELPHIA & SOUTHERN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. THE FINE AND FAVORITE STEAMSHIP PIONEER.

WILL ARRIVE AT OUR WHARF, foot of Orange Street, on TUESDAY, December 31st, and will sail for the above port, on WEDNESDAY, January 1st.

FAIRBANKS, CAPT. HUNTER. WILL ARRIVE SATURDAY, Dec. 28th, and leave our wharf, between Dock and Orange streets, for the above port, on WEDNESDAY, January 1st.

THE TEMPLE OF FASHION! PRICES REDUCED, TO SUIT THE TIMES.

At Guthman's Temple of FASHION, 36 Market Street.

MR. GUTHMAN, OF THE TEMPLE OF FASHION, TAKES PLEASURE IN ANNOUNCING TO the citizens of Wilmington and surrounding country, that he will now sell the balance of his extensive WINTER STOCK.

READY-MADE CLOTHING AND Gents' Furnishing Goods. At astonishingly low Prices.

Temple of Fashion, 36 MARKET STREET, WASHINGTON, N. C. The Place to Buy.

IF YOU WISH A GOOD GOOD SHOE for a small price, go to 22 North Front Street. All kinds and varieties of BOOTS and SHOES, at low prices for Cash, at FRENCH'S NEW STORE.

Sugar Cured Hams. 10 CASKS SUGAR-CURED HAMS, for sale by WILLARD BROS.