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THE CIRCULATION OF THE MORNING STAR IS LARGER THAN THAT OF ANY OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN NORTH CAROLINA.

He who is not for us is against us.

NOTES OF PREPARATION.

At an earlier period than usual, the preliminary preparations for the great national struggle are beginning. Convinced that the struggle is to be a close one, and that the victorious party will be that which labors most earnestly and judiciously, politicians of both parties are closely watching the current of public sentiment.

The Connecticut Democracy have called their convention to meet on the 17th of January. Assured of success in the Spring election, the Connecticut Democrats nevertheless are already clearing their decks for action.

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Personal considerations are not to be thought of in this election. We are fighting Radicalism, and must use every available weapon. Vote the straight ticket.

The present city government is better than the one which preceded it, but, then, how could it be any worse?

It is the duty of every Conservative to register, and to vote the regular Conservative ticket.

Falmetto Leaves.

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Jim Wolf and the Tom Cats.

That night my sister Mary gave a grand pullin', they started us on to bed early, so as the company could have full swing, and we run in on Jim to have some fun. Our wander looked out onto the roof of the ell, and about 10 o'clock a couple of old tom cats got to rarin' and chargin' around it, and carryin' on like sin.

Well, Jim he got disgusted with the row, and lowed he'd climb out there and shake 'em off'n that roof. He hadn't reely no notion of deain't, likely, but he everlastin'ly dogged him, and bullyragged him, and lowed he'd always bragged how he wouldn't take a dare, and so on, till bimby he highstepped the wander, and, lo and behold you, he went—'swan't exactly as he was, nothin' on but a shirt, and it was short. But you ought to see him.

Well Jim, he went 'sneakin' up, unbeknowns to them toment, they were a swishin' their tails and yow yowin' and threatenin' to clinch, you know, and not payin' any attention—he went 'sneakin' right up to the comb of the roof, till he was in a toot'n a half of 'em, and then all of a sudden he made a grab for the yellor cat! But by gosh he missed fire and he flopped on his back, and shot off'n that roof like a cart—went 'sneakin' and crashin' down through them old rusty vines, and landed right into the dead centre of them com'ys people—got 'em like a yearth coake, in them two dozen sassaers of red hot candy, and let off a howl that was 'lowed 'em 'em tomb! Them gals—well, they looked, you know. They see he wasn't dressed for company, and so they 'em. All done in a second, it was just one little war hoop and a shish! in their dresses, and blame the wench of 'em was in sight anywhere!

The Death of Mrs. John Slidell. The cable announces the death of Mrs. John Slidell, at Brighton, England. Whatever may be thought of her husband's political career, she was a noble and accomplished lady who will sincerely regret her death.

Chicago now finds a new and important source of revenue in supplying the Western medical colleges with subjects for the dissecting table. Mrs. Addie Miller, of Washington, Mich., has used her brother-in-law, the Rev. J. L. Wicker, for breach of promise to marry, estimating her anguish at \$10,000.

But she was a true wife and mother, and her household was characterized not only by elegance and refinement, but by every mark of domestic happiness and peace. Mrs. Slidell's house in Washington—called by some the "second white house"—was the centre and focus of the most refined society of the capital, during the administration of Mr. Lincoln. Her guests were welcomed with a hospitality and treated with hospitality unusual in what is called fashionable society.

Mrs. Slidell was a lady of rare social accomplishments, and was most entertaining in conversation. Her faculty for making her guests feel at home and happy in her house and presence was remarkable, and enabled her, even as she was, to outshine her rival, political as well as social, the more magnificent Mrs. Douglas, who, though an exceedingly well-bred lady, and well schooled in the arts of entertaining, lacked the sparkle and genius of Mrs. Slidell.

The New York papers contain details of a singular and horrible suicide in the Northern Hotel, on Tuesday night. The victim, a Scotchman named Nichols, had been stopping there some six months, invariably paying his lodging bill each day in advance. He shot himself in the head, with an old fashioned holster pistol, crammed full of powder and bullets, and left notes indicating that despair from long continued illness prompted the deed.

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New Goods. MINCE MEATS—in Buckets or by the B. Call and try it at T. C. LEWIS.

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ELECTION NOTICE. ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF AN Act of the General Assembly, entitled 'An Act concerning the city of Wilmington,' ratified the 20th day of December, 1868,

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