

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

THE MAJORITY.

It is impossible to estimate correctly the majority against Convention, but it is much smaller than is claimed by Republicans. The official vote will be declared at Raleigh on the 17th inst. As soon as received, we will publish it in our election table.

THE COCK.

The Carolina Error people, at Raleigh, telegraphed as follows on the 4th inst: "Send the cock that crowed in the morn before the election. You will never need him any more."

To which we reply: We will send him as soon as he is able to travel.

THE ELECTION.

That the people of North Carolina have decided that they are not yet ready for a Convention, there is no longer a doubt.

We are defeated—defeated by our own folly and a want of sagacity in our leaders, as shown in forcing this Convention question on the people long before the proper time had arrived.

We counselled delay in this matter, as we may hereafter show from our files; not because we did not favor a Convention, not because we did not feel its necessity; but because we then feared what has now become a reality, viz: a defeat which is more overwhelming, more saddening, than any we have sustained since Radicalism fastened its fangs on our dear old State.

We continued to urge delay in the effort to call a Convention until we saw that our party was determined to make the experiment, and then we ceased all opposition, knowing that it would be fruitless, and believing it our duty to do all we could for our party in the struggle it was about to inaugurate.

For our course in deprecating hasty action we were called, by some, "time servers"—others said our judgment was bad. But we know how it is now; and while we do not intend to create any discord in our already attenuated ranks, we do intend to ask our friends if they are determined to learn nothing from experience.

The cotton crop of 1870-71, according to the New Orleans Picayune, will amount to four million four hundred and thirty thousand bales. Four million bales are reported to have been received at the sea ports, and three hundred and twenty thousand bales, it is believed, have been sent direct by railroad to the factories.

In addition, one hundred thousand bales have been used in the southern manufacturing, and ten thousand bales have been burned. These figures give a total crop of 4,430,000 bales, nearly equalling the crop of 1859-60, which amounted to 4,675,770 bales, weighing on an average 457 pounds each, and giving a crop of 2,136,826,890. The average weight of bales this season has been considerably in excess of 457 pounds, and it is believed will reach 470 pounds. On this basis the cotton crop of 1870-71 is estimated at 2,092,100,000 pounds; that is, 54,826,890 pounds, or 2 1/2 per cent., below the crop of 1859-70.

It is stated in the Baltimore Gazette that the Capt. Taliaferro, of Georgia or Alabama, who figured prominently recently as a Ku Klux witness, was dismissed from several mercantile houses for dishonesty, and was regarded to be so utterly void of truthfulness that merchants of Baltimore of the highest respectability, are ready to swear they would not believe him on his oath, and that he has boasted of killing Federal prisoners in cold blood, near Madison, Georgia, during Sherman's march to the sea. That he did commit the bloody and barbarous outrage has been corroborated by Southern journalists.

Palmetto Leaves.

Mr. John C. Colwell, of Spartanburg, died on the 18th, aged 75.

Mr. A. G. Field, a highly respectable citizen of Pickens county, is dead.

Messrs. Wilson Jordan, Robert Severance and Silas Anderson, of Darlington, have died of bilious fever.

The fire engine recently purchased by the citizens of Walhalla, stopped a conflagration on Sunday night last.

The cotton crop of Darlington is expected to be good, and more corn will be made than in any year since the war.

W. B. Carlisle, formerly a gifted writer and at one time connected with the Charleston Courier, died at the Lunatic Asylum on the 2d inst.

The Columbia Union says: The work on the Blue Ridge railroad has been commenced at Walhalla, we are informed, and there is every prospect of an early completion of the road to Clayton.

The Chester Reporter is informed by a gentleman of undoubted veracity that Dry Fork, a small stream near Chester, ceases to run soon after sundown, and begins to run again in the morning, soon after sunrise. He has observed it particularly since the prevalence of the drought. Can anybody account for it?

STAR BEAMS.

Connecticut is importing silk weavers from England.

A Chinese actress is playing at one of the London theatres.

The State Agricultural Convention will be held at Rome, Ga., on the 8th inst.

It is said that Spurgeon has printed one thousand sermons, having delivered many more.

Fourteen thousand dollars in premiums are to be distributed at the Annual Fair at Augusta.

Ex-Empress Carlotta, widow of the Emperor Maximilian, of Mexico, is reported to be in a dying condition.

They have a young lady in New York who has been to Europe five times and yet has never seen Niagara.

Garibaldi's health, both physical and mental, is reported in Italian papers to be so much injured that he can hardly live much longer.

Miami University, the State college of Ohio, is one of the oldest colleges in the West. The patent for the lands with which it was first endowed was signed by George Washington.

The papers of Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va., urge the employment of more capital in the oyster trade. The road to wealth, they say, is to make Norfolk the oyster market of the country, instead of the cotton market.

The Late Alice Cary—A Story Told of an Early Disappointment.

When the Cary sisters made their first pilgrimage to the eastern literary Mecca, Rufus Wilmot Griswold was among their earliest acquaintances. This gentleman was a prominent litterateur when the men of letters were less numerous in New York than at present. He was born in Benson, Vermont, in 1815, and was consequently but about five years the senior of the eldest sister. Having been educated as a printer, he became successively a Baptist preacher, a journalist, and an author. In the wider field of letters he should be spoken of rather as a compiler than as an author. He published various collections of the prose and poetry of England and America, and, in connection with other authors, several works of popular biography. No one was better acquainted with the state of the literary market, or with the publishers of the metropolis, than Mr. Griswold.

The two rural devotees of literature from the Far West were strangers, and needed a chaperone. He came to the rescue. He gave them space in his books, flattered them, encouraged their hopes, and assisted in finding a market for their wares. Toward Alice he more especially inclined. Their first acquaintance ripened into friendship, friendship into intimacy, and intimacy into love. It was said at last that the parties were solemnly affianced. This was nearly twenty years ago, and Alice then had passed thirty. He was still older, and would seem to have passed the bounds of juvenile folly, if those bounds are ever passed by man. But he was a class citizen of the world, and she was quiet, retired, sensitive, domestic, an unassuming. Trouble came between the two in the shape of a woman of society externally more attractive than Alice Cary, The engagement was broken, and Alice, concealing her sorrows, kept herself more closely at home, and turned her attention more assiduously to her special labors. The story needs not to be fully detailed here. It has been told over and over again ever since the world had a literature.

Several years passed, and in 1857 Rufus Wilmot Griswold lay dying of a lingering disease in the metropolis, in poverty and alone. His literary ventures had brought inadequate remuneration, and he had lived a life which it was not altogether pleasant to look back upon. But the sisters had made many friends, and been reasonably blessed by fortune. The injured woman forgot her wrongs, and forgave the past with a readiness characteristic of sex. She came again to the bedside of the man who had so grievously deceived her, and watched day after day, and week after week, as life slowly ebbed away. The sick-room was made cheerful with books, flowers, and all necessary comforts, and to defray necessary expenses the money earned by days and nights of labor with the pen was freely lavished. At last death ended the sufferings of the false lover, and the grave closed over the secret of a woman's sorrow, now for the first time made public.—Chicago Republican, Aug. 2.

Hail Storm in the Valley. The northern portion of this county was visited on Friday last with one of the most fearful storms of rain, wind and hail we have ever been called upon to record. It extended over that section lying between the North and Massanutton Mountains, and between Kratzer's Spring and New Market. The severest part of the storm was about three miles wide. Fencing, trees, &c., were blown down by the wind; creeks and smaller streams were swollen way beyond their banks, while the hail beat furiously all around. In some places the hail fell to the depth of two or three inches. A number of hailstones were as large as partridge eggs, and in some instances as large as the largest sized hulled walnuts. It was one of the most terrific and remarkable hail storms which has ever occurred in this section of country within the recollection of the "oldest inhabitant." Among the singular occurrences was that after the waters of Linville and Smith's creek had receded, a great number of fish were found on both banks of these streams. One gentleman gathered up as many as two bushels. Another incident which illustrates the fury of the storm is the fact that large numbers of birds, turkeys, chickens, shots and rabbits were killed by the hail. One gentleman saw as many as two hundred dead birds in one field. In some sections the trees were completely stripped of their leaves, while the grass, &c., in the fields was beaten down into a common mass, as though trampled by a herd of buffaloes.—Rockingham (Va.) Register.

The Cuban filibusters in Canada find the usual difficulties in their way. The Governor General of the Dominion has issued his proclamation warning all against any infringement of the neutrality laws, and arrests have been made of large numbers of suspected parties.—Balt. Sun.

A Terrible Murder.

We were informed last night that a terrible murder was committed at Beeler's Station, Marshall county, on Tuesday evening. Our informant could not give us the names of the parties, but the facts as he gathered them are these: An old man who was living with his son at Beeler's Station punished one of his grandchildren for some trivial offence. The whipping is said to have been slight.—The father of the child, on hearing that it had been whipped, seized a club and beat his father over the head with it, killing him outright.—Wheeling Register.

The other day an excessively humorous Canadian came upon a small snake in the woods, and, carefully entrapping it, waited until night and placed it between the sheets of an old gentleman's bed. The victim retired as usual and had barely covered himself when the reptile began to crawl over him. Paralyzed with horror, he lay still until the snake had left him, and then, half dead with terror, fled from the bed and around the house. He was told that the affair was intended as a joke, and the author was designated. That idiotic scamp took counsel of discretion, fled the town, and has not ventured to return, though his absence cost him a fine position and his home.

In several of the Paris suburbs the grounds is said to be thickly sown with shells that failed to burst when fired, owing to the rain and snow, but which are now in a good state of preservation. More or less danger attends pedestrians in these localities, as was shown in the case of a gentleman and his son who were strolling recently in a rustic part of Montmorency. One of them trod upon a shell, which exploded, killing the father and maiming the son.

The Receipts of Corn at the port of New York from the interior, for the first seven months of the current year, was 13,958,191 bushels, against 3,986,022 bushels to the same time last year, showing an increase of more than ten millions of bushels. The receipts of other grain and flour show no very marked change. The increase of provisions, pork, beef, cut meats, butter and lard, however, have been very great, in several instances nearly doubled, and in the item of lard about trebled.

In connection with the explosion of the boiler of the ferry-boat Westfield, a fact is developed in the report of the engineers on the cause of the disaster, which has some interest for all engineers as well as for the public. It would appear that the boiler which exploded was not only not in good order, but that it had not been blown out or cleaned for six weeks. A full investigation is now in progress to affix the blame of this dreadful catastrophe to whom it properly belongs.

The President of the National Labor Union party, it appears, has issued a call for a political convention of the representatives of the union, to be held at Columbus, Ohio, on Wednesday, the 18th of October next, to nominate candidates for President and Vice President for the national election of 1872.

Attempted Rape and Murder. BURLINGTON, IND., Aug. 5. A negro last night entered the residence of a German named Laizier for the purpose of stealing, but finding the German's daughter asleep, he attempted to outrage her. The girl's screams brought her father to the room, whom the negro shot through the heart and escaped.

Victor Hugo's fortune is estimated at over 2,000,000 francs, and yet since the Franco-Prussian war he has had an apprehension that he might come to want, and many believe he has grown deranged on the subject of money—in other words, that he is a money-maniac.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

BILIOUSNESS AND INDIGESTION. These two complaints are more general at this season of the year than at almost any other. They are closely akin; for biliousness always involves an impaired digestion, and indigestion is necessarily an accompaniment of a disordered or torpid liver. Happy the man or woman who can boast of a stomach that he never felt the horrors of dyspepsia, and to whom that great secret agent, the liver, has never given pain or trouble. Not one in a thousand can lay claim to entire immunity from irregularity in these organs.—How, then, shall they be regulated? Not by powerful cathartics, alternated with ordinary stimulants, but by a medicinal invigorant, like Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which combine in due proportion the tonic and alterative principle. Wherever there is a church, a school-house, and a general store, this famous medicine may be procured. No village merchant finds it prudent to be without it, for it is required for every day of every class. The workman buys it because it increases his capacity for toil, and is followed by no reaction. The effect of the salubrious roots and herbs, of which it is composed, diffused through the basis of the pure stimulant which forms his system, the Bitters, is most healthful and invigorating. The scholar, the merchant, and, in fact, all men whose minds or bodies, or both, are in constant exercise, will derive benefit from its use. To persons of sedentary habits it supplies, in some measure, that activity in the circulation which is obtained by physical exertion, and is the best known remedy for constipation. Ask for Hostetter's Stomach Bitters; and do not be content to purchase any of the imitations and frauds sometimes offered in its stead. [aug 5-1w Sun Wed Fr.]

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