Morning Star. WM. H. BERNARD, LEditors CIOBRO W. HARRIS WILMINGTON, N. C .: THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 24. HE PHILOSOPHICAL STATES. THE ALW. In his oration on William H. Sew ard, delivered a few days ago in Al-

bany, Charles Francis Adams said: It is in one of the familiar dialogues re This in one of the familiar dialogues re-ported by the philosopher Plato as having been held by Socrates with his disciples, that the question is gravely presented whether such a union be possible in one and the same individual, as that of a phi-tosopher and a statesman. What this com-bination means is admirably rendered by the intestranslator in these words: "A man is perfectly balanced, equal to the present, reaching forward into the future." The conclusion drawn from that conver-stion was that such a person, ruling in a constitutional State, has not yet been seen. More than two thomand years have elapsed since this testimony was recorded, and the solution of the problem, with the added ex-perience of a historic record embracing the iwas of sixty generations of the race, far more widely observed over the globe, is still to seek. Has there ever been such a man"

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The ancient world had many illustrious statesmen. The little republic of Attica alone could boast of a brilliant host of them during its existence, Perioles standing out as the great central figure, though he came long after the mythic .Theseus and the admirable Solon. And warlike, unlettered Sparts had her Lycurgus. The leading men in the other States are principally warriors and men of letters. Then Rome had her Numa and her Cicero, though Latin statesmanship never reached the Greek maximum. The Israelites, as we read in sacred history, had their lawgivers and mighty rulers. Coming fully in earnest about having their rights. down the corridor of ages we see in the later Roman empire the two noble Antonines, the glory of a sunken age; we admire Trajan, almost the miserate Justinian, while we recognize his learning, and force; we bow to the giant Charlemagne, first in time power in recent years. But a little war in

stances. These have not bowed the knee to the Baal of "Christian" statesmanship, and are the salt that must redeem the character of the decade if it is to be redeeme

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TIMELY TOPICS.

We have recently incidentally alluded to the large import trade of the city of New York. We have before us a comparative table giving the figures for this trade during: the last three years. It shows an important increase. The total importations for the month of March amounted to \$43,400,000, which is \$4,200,000 in excess of the amount for the same month of 1872, and \$4,700,000 above the figures of 1871. It is deserving of note, however, that the amount entered directly for consumption, including free goods, is \$6,000,000 more than last year, while the merchandise entered for warehouse is \$3,800,000 less than then; showing a more active marketing of products in March than last year. For the first quarter of the year, the imports reached the unprecedented total of \$128,400,000; which is \$10,300,000 in excess of the amount for the same period of last year, and \$20,400,000 more than in 1871. The total amount of of a much stronger and more popular duties collected on the imports for the last party than the Republican party of three months is \$35,758,000, against \$42,-124,000 for the same period of 1872; showing, as the result of last year's tariff changes, a reduction of \$6,366,000 on the quarter's ollections. We will publish the figures of the export trade hereafter.

In a great many of the States, both South d North, the farmers, are organizing to protect themselves against monopoly. In Wisconsin there have been started since December over one hundred granges of the new order of Patrons of Husbandry. Of this order there are twelve hundred in the State of Iowa. It has also gained a strong foothold in Ohio, and is extending through-out the West. There are quite a number of granges in our sister State, South Carolina. The tillers of the soil are a power in the land, and at this time they seem dread-A movement is on foot to inaugurate the new order in this State. Col. Wyatt Aiken will deliver an address on the subject in Guilford county some time during en age; we admire Trajan, almost the last of the true Cessars, and we com-a number of granges will be formed at that

We have heard but little of Holland as a of the modern statesmen; and we reve- the East Indies brings that nation again in-

A SAD REVIEW. How the Democrats in Congress Less, Their Opportunity. [From the St. Louis Republican, Dem.] try that the proceedings of the late Congress, in demonstrating the im-measurable corruption and hardihood of the Republican party did of the Republican party, did not at the same time demonstrate the honesty and conscientiousness of the Demo-eratic party. These are the only two parties in the country, and, as matters now stand, one of them must rule, * There is a larger element of dissatis-fied and disaffected Republicans in the ruling party now than there was last summer; indeed, the masses of that party may be said to be uni-versally dissatisfied with it, but they are not so deeply dissatisfied as to abandon it in favor of the only other party. The Democratic members of the late Congress signally failed to prove that Democracy is the proper and legitimate alternative to Republicanism, and that the Democratic fold is the proper refuge for discon-tented Republicans. The acts of the majority in the Forty-second Congress were enough to break the power

The Democratic minority did not possess that small degree of virtuous possess that small degree of virtuous self-denial and endurance which sus-tains a pugilist through his training ordeal. The pugilist forces himself into a temporary life of sobriety, vir-tue and manly exercise to gain a transient victory over his antagonist in the prizering. But the Democratic members of the late Congress were not canable of even the momentary not capable of even the momentary display of self-denial that their post tion called for, and that the countr was ready to accept at ten times more than it might have been worth. The country demanded a contrast to the repulsively corrupt and unpatriotic conduct of the majority; but the minority were unable to furnish it. They were not even equal to the instinctive duty of taking advantage of their opponents' faults; so far from it they were guilty of the inexcusable blunder of imitating those faults, and inviting a chare of the penalty. With a fatuity that is unaccountable, they seem to have labored to prove that they were not any better than the they were not any better than the corrupt majority, and that the coun-try could gain nothing by exchang-ing Republican rule for Democratic rule. It is not too much to say that had the minority voted unitedly for the expulsion of all the members im plicated in the Credit Mobilier bri beries, and voted unitedly against the salary bill, they would have com-pletely broken the power of the rul-ing party, forced President Grant to defer to Democratic counsels, and laid the foundation for a decisive Democratic majority in the Congres to be chosen next year. Nothing ought to have been easier to a well trained and skilfully led party than this, and there is not a patriotic Democrat who does not regret that it was not done. It would have been worth more to the party than a hundred national conventions and a volume of resolutions, for it would have offered a settling point to the swarm-ing popular sentiment that was ready to leave the Republican hive, and that remained in the Republican hive only because it found no resting place elsewhere.

STAR BEAMS.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

- 17,000,000 more] sheep, in this Francisco paper to advise young men-to "go West."

- Hon. John T. Wilson is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor of Ohio.

- The Iowa Republicans are to hold their State nominating Convention in Des Moines, Wednesday, June 25th.

- Two foolish young girls took poison together in Janesville, Wis., but the family doctor came in time to save their lives.

- Butler's law and other business is so large that he keeps a large force of clerks and several secretaries continually at work.

- Wisconsin has organized over a hundred granges of the Patrons of Husbandry, nearly all since the middle of December last.

- At a meeting of old Catholics in Boun on the 21st it was resolved to proceed to the election of a Bishop in Cologne on the 4th of June.

- The receipts of Mr. George William Curtis' lecture at Ann Arbor, Mich., having fallen \$57 75 short of the expenses, he has sent the lecture association his draft for that amount.

- On Monday morning in Ports-month a colored laborer in the navyyard, named James Butt, was crushed and instantly killed by a large beam of live oak, which fell while being hoisted.

- Three hundred granges of the Patrons of Husbandry are to be represented at a State Convention to be held in Mount Pleasant, Iowa, on the 10th of June. Gov. Carpenter is to address it.

- Negro lodges of the Know Nothing order are forming in the West and South. Their motto is "No white man for office." That little affair at Colfax will give the order a little back-set.

- For a young nation, we are ac-cumulating a very neat little stock of anniversaries. The 17th of June, proximo, for instance, will be the two-hundredth anniversary of the dis-covery of the Mississippi River by



rence the intellect if not the character of England's Burleigh and Cromwell, Russia's Peter and France's Richelieu, Mazarin and Talleyrand. The present age can boast of some magnificent men, whom we shall leave to posterity to compare with the men we have named - William Pitt, Channing, Palmerston, Webster, Cal houn, Clay, Cobden, Bright, Cavour, Bismarck, Thiers and Gladstone, a catalogue of splendid names.

Running through a list like this, and comprehending the merits of each eminent character much better than we can, Mr. Adams finds no answer to Plato's definition. No man is found whose power of action is equal to his power of thought and whose mind comprehends the living present and reaches forward to the future with its needs and its dangers. The great philosophic statesman is not discoverable out of all who have founded nations, established principles and vindicated policies the man admirable of admirable men is still to come if come he ever can while the mind of man and the will of man are subject to so many limitations

But if the perfectly poised statesman is not found in any of the ages and if the human mind and the human disposition are unequal to his production, we know that even at this time when stateoraft is too often synonymous with knavery and corruption there is such a thing as true statesmanship. We are loth to yield the point that America having pro-duced a Jefferson, a Hamilton, a Calhoun and a Webster, all in one century, has exhausted for the time being her productive powers. Among the men of to-day we recognize no man as the equal of either of the celebrated quartette named, but in their stead we have a score of distinguished gentlemen who would reflect honor upon any country or time. It seems to be an age of great men who only fail of the highest eminence by a hair's breadth. This country has fewer towering intellects and an average height now more of than probably at any period of on national existence. This is due to several causes, the most noticeable of which is the diffused enlightenment of to-day, so much in excess of that

to notoristy. The Island of Sumatra nom nally belongs to the Dutch. There are that island as in other islands in the East a number of small chiefships or dependencies acknowledging some supreme authority most generally a foreign power. The peoole of Atcheen it seems rebelled against their suzerain, the king of Holland, and in his efforts to subdue them the armies of his Dutch Majesty have been defeated and compelled to retire to their own settlements The colonial power of Holland would seem to be declining, as the troops defeated by the Atcheenese constitute a large part of the Dutch army in the East.

PALMETTO LEAVES.

... The Tribune is writing up Port Royal.

A colored man had his throat eut at Mount Pleasant, Monday, says the News and Courier. The perpetrator, another colored man, was arrested and has been lodged in the county jail. of the am at

... The Columbia Phoenic says: A small trestle, about forty feet in length, on the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, nine miles from Columbia, was destroyed Tuesday by an acntal fire.

The Columbia Carolinian says: Messrs. Pope & Haskell, and C. D Melton, on behalf of the State, have given notice of an appeal from the decision of Judge Carpenter in the Eichelburger case. It is expected that the appeal will be heard at the pres-ent term of the Supreme Court.

The first through train from Charlotte, N. C., to Greenville, S. C., on the Atlanta and Richmond Air-Line Railroad, a distance of 110 miles, left Charlotte yesterday, the 28d inst. The track is laid from Greenville westward fifteen miles. Trains now run daily from Atlanta, Gaa the eastern terminus of the road s distance of ninety miles-leaving a gap in the whole road of only forty-five miles. The grading of this gap has nearly all been completed.

THE CAPTURED CHIEFS. Santanta and Big Tree.

A Washington special says: At the conference last fall in this sity with the Kiowas they earnestly appealed to the government for the re-lease from the penitentiary of Texas of their chiefs, Big Tree and Santanta, promising not only to remain on their reservation and behave them-selves peaceably, but to restore all the stolen property and captives in their possession. The government promised to exert at some future day ts good offices in their behalf with the Governor of Texas for the release of their chiefs, provided they should fulfil their promises as above stated. Since that time the Indians have done

DOWN IN DIXIE.

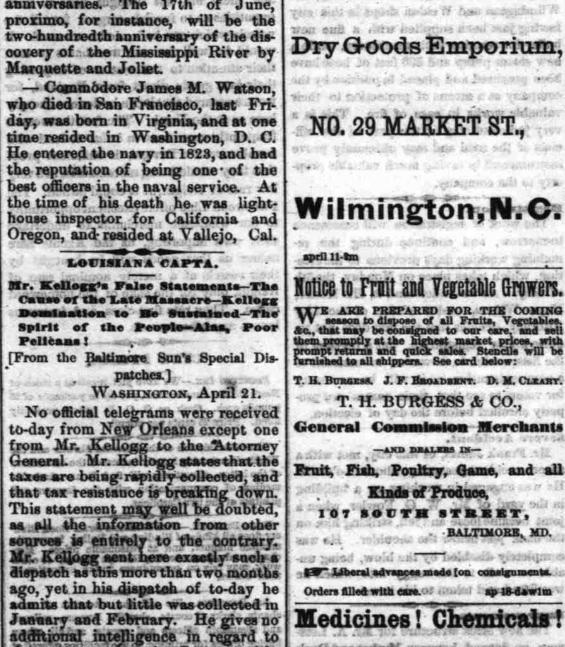
- Judge E. J. Harden, of Indian Springs, Georgia, died last week. Governor Smith, of Georgia, ha refused to commute the senten Wesley Tate, who was recently con victed of murder in Elbert county, and the negro will therefore be hang-ed on the 25th.

- The body of W. O. E. Ress. of Warren county, Ga., was discover-ed in a dense canebrake. The head was torn from the body by dogs, and the remains were otherwise mutilated. He was of unsound mind, and it is thought committed suicide.

- Savannah News of Monday: On Saturday evening last, Mr. W. V. Goodwin, who resides on the Louis ville road, about fourteen, miles from Savannah, arrived here by the Cen-tral Railroad and delivered himself up to Deputy Sheriff Barthelmess stating that he had killed Joseph Bostock, a fruit grower, living near him, in a difficulty which occurred that afternoon. The Sheriff took him before Magistrate Smith, who com-mitted him to jail to await an exami-nation, which will probably take

place to-day. AN UNKNIGHTLY KNIGHT.

A Sernputous Bridegroom. A marriage was fatally interrupted last week at Malta, Saratoga county, by the strangest whimsey which ever. entered the head of a bridegroom, Aibert Knight is his name, but a true knight he is not. The guests were met, the bride was decked in her gayest attire, and all was ready for the parson to proceed, when Knight, hav-ing requested an interview with him,



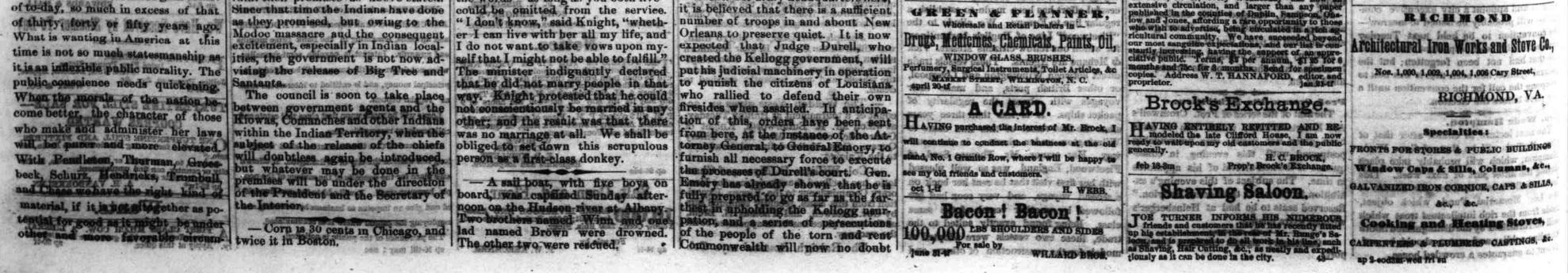
admits that but little was collected in January and February. He gives no additional intelligence in regard to the recent emute in Grant parish. Mul advices received this afternoon furnish, however, very full and re-liable accounts of the troubles in that parish from beginning to end. The concurrent testimony of the citi-zens of both parties in the disturbed locality is to the effect that after the manuary is to the effect that after the Medicines! Chemicals! JUST RECEIVED PER STRAMER, A LARGE DRUGS, MEDICINES, CHEWICALS Fancy Goods, Patent Medicines, GARDEN SKED, BIRD FOOD, CANARY SEED. MINERAL WATERS, locality is to the effect that after the negroes took possession of the town of Colfar they rule in arnied bands through the antrounding county, pouring abuses open the white, sack-ing houses, driving off the stock, and shamefully maitreating those of their own race who would not join them. Most all of the white families were Sold wholesale and retail at milla univolta J. K. MCILHENNY'S Drug and Chemical Store, stunic 1 tel and Farrar's Electric WILL INSTANTLY GIVE RELIEF IN CASES compelled to leave. On Easter Sunlike "Fleetwood 11 Line of fild day, when the whites rallied and at-tacked the court house, to which these NEURALGIA, DIPTHERIA, COLIC, SICK BEAD negroes had been driven, the negroes

COST ACHE DIARRHORA SOME hoisted a flag of truce, and then when some of the attacking party unsus-pectingly advanced they were fired or pain of any kind. Sold by all druggists. nerefuture is the incuration fute upon. It was this treachery on the part of the negroes which inflamed Chills and Fever No More.

FARRAR'S AGUE CURE ISNOT ONLY A PREthe whites and resulted in the horrible massacre. Everything ap-Manufactured by the peared to have settled down quietly, NORTH CAROLINA MEDICINAL COM'Y.

but from the tenor of the advices and for sale by all druggists. the people seem not only in the region of the disturbances, but throughout the State, tobe determined not to sub-**HALL** mit, unless at the point of the bayonet, to the government forced upon them. Mr. Kellogg has notified the military

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