

FREIGHT CHARGES IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

street.

Messrs. Knox and Gill, merchants of Camden, finding their business greatly damaged by excessive and unequal freight charges on goods shipped over the road from Kingsville to Camden and again on produce from Camden to Kingsville, brought suit in the Circuit Court to recover the excess over a fair and legal charge. The case was decided in favor of the plaintiffs. An appeal to the Supreme Court was then taken, which court sustained the inferior tribunal, giving judgment against the road.

The principle involved was the right under the charter to discriminate in charges against what is known as way freight, and this decision for ever negatives the claim. The Marion Star, from which paper we get the facts above recited, says that in all or nearly all the railroad charters, there are similar provisions on this subject, and every community in that State is interested and will be affected by this decision. Indeed it is a very important decision, as it declares the law to be to make a rate applicable to all distances, great or small, and that what are called way freights must be brought to that standard.

THE PRENCH.

The Right Centre of the French Assembly will propose when that body meets to extend the term of the McMahon administration. It is understood that the Left will support this move if arrangements are gone into to establish the Republic. It is

ENGLISH LABOR. Extracts From a Recent Lecture by

Bradlengh in New York. [Tribune.]

THE AGRICULTARA THE CONDITION

his own labor. POPULATION. There is another matter upon which wish to make a special plea. I mean the state of our agricultural laborers. And I am not going to do it from any view of mine. My view mery importations. would be a bitter one indeed. But I discontent is the path to heaven. will give it to you from 'a report made under authority of the crown and signed by the present Bishop of Manchester, Mr. Hanley and Mr. Stanhope—a commission which certainly did not take evidence in any spirit of very plentiful. undue favor toward the laborer. And here let me say a word for pressing these things upon your attention, for there are editors here who do not know our griefs or our wrongs, who say that these are matters which need not here been discussed. But when there are so many pens and tongues to paint everything golden to you, railroads in this country. surely at least one tongue may be - Some enterprising rum-sellers permitted to show the other lining of are running a floating bar room up the cloud. [Prolonged applause.] -Bishop Fraser says of some of the dwellings in Suffork that they are dethe Vermont liquor law. testable; of some of them in North-

ampton that they are a disgrace to civilization, of some of them in Sussex that they are a disgrace to any civilized community, and then he gives which he was tapping. case in Norfolk and draws a picture of an agricultultural laborer's dwell-"One small room," he says, "in ing. which father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, sons and daughters are born, live, if you can call it life, and Press of Friday: die, in which every operation of nature, dressing, undressing, birth, death, is performed by each within the sight and hearing of all, in which children of as much as 14 or 16 years have been put off the Central, chased of age, of both sexes, are driven to off the Detroit and Milwankie, and sleep in the same bed, that is, if you can call those things beds, in which human nature is degraded below the on the Southern, going out on Conlevel of the swine." And this, he ductor Wiley's train. At the depot says, is a picture from life. I believe they got in with an old man named

out a receipt, "on account of wages advanced," &c.; but an "advance"

was never made until the man had

earned more than was advanced, and

then he must take it across to the pay

office, where it was ticketed if it was

all right, but he did not get the money. But he could go somewhere else where they sold tobacco, and al-though he did not use tobacco, they

would give him 17 shillings worth of

tobacco and three shillings in money,

and the tobacco he would sell for 12

or 14 shillings is order to raise money;

and there were hundreds and thou-

sands of packages of tobacco that

had been bought by the men, and

sold again at a loss, not having been opened, and all of which again re-turned to the shelves of the stores

from which they were originally is-

sued, and the men who kept these

stores were church deacons and leg-

islators in our House of Commons-

THE STRIKE NONSENSE.

folly of strikes, which in many cases

We have been told much of the

men high in authority ...

that while that state of things exists, Fremont, who lives in Pittsburgh, we have the right to try to wrest the and was on his way home. They land out of the hands of these who pretended to live in Pittsburgh also. have used it so badly. Take the and soon after getting on board laborer's wage. If your newspaper the train they brought out their reports are not utterly incorrect, a cards. Fremont is one of those person not long ago in this room smart old chaps who think themspoke of laborer's wages as from six to eight shillings a day. Why, I have been carefully through the re-money out of them. He lost \$5, turns of every county in England, then \$10, and between Detroit and and leaving the Counties of Norththe junction he lost \$55. This was umberland and Dunham out of the all the money he had, but his blood question, I say there is no case in was up, and he had hauled out a which the highest wage, taking the year round, has averaged more than heavy gold watch to stake on the next bet when the conductor passed 14s. a week, and I say that the bulk along. Seeing what was going on Wilsey told the old man to put up of the wages has averaged about 8s. 9d. to 9s. 6d. a week, andtI stand his watch. At this one of the gamwith facts and figures to quote from. blers snatched it, saying, 'I have won this,' and then looked up at the con-In Hereford jail, the cost of a prisductor with a face full of brass. The oner for food alone comes to more than twice as much per week as the train had been at a stand-still, and as Hereford laborer gets to buy himself. it started the conductor pulled the food, clothing, houseroom, and the signal to stop, and turned to the luxuries of life, if he can get them, gamblers and demanded that they We are told much of the ignorance give Fremont back his watch and of the laborers. Can you wonder at money. They refused in chorus, and their ignorance ? Their children have one of the gamblers, as the conductnever been to school. They have or's coat came off, shouted 'This is betbeen forced to work in the fields from ter,' and pulled out a revolver and the time they have been seven or lined it on Wilsey's eye. 'Commence eight years old. Then we have the shooting,' replied the conductor, and infernal game laws, which are a disout came his own pistol, and for grace to any country. The starving twenty seconds two revolvers were laborer sees a hare running along beheld up into two men's faces, hammers up and fingers on the triggers. The two other gamblers began to feel for their hip-pockets, when Wilsey hind a hedge. The hare is fat and the laborer is thin. But let him touch it and the policeman will take quietly said, 'If you don't hold up him, and in our country you had bet your hands I'll blow the top of your ter commit a burglary than kill a hare or rabbit. head off !" At that moment a Cleveland merchant and a Toledo lake cap-CONDITION OF THE MINERS. tain came up, each with a cooked re-volver. At this the gamblers offered It was proven that in the iron and coal works in South Wales the men to restore the watch, and when they were paid in such a fashion that the had done so, the conductor made majority of them never fairly got them return the full \$55. 'Now, paid at all. The men were paid every then,' said he, when he was through six weeks, or every 13 weeks. Of with them, 'get on the train ! I shall course a laboring man cannot live so remember you, and if ever I catch one long without money, from week to of you on my train afiain I'll have the week at least. So, when a man wanted engineer run her up to sixty miles an money he was permitted to "borrow" hour, and my brakemen will pitch it of his employer-"borrow it," when you into the first swamp.' The felhe had already earned it. Suppose he wanted to "borrow" a pound; he would go to the clerk, who would fill lows were ready to go.'

Snicide of an Alexandrian at Paterson, N. J.

lish from Alexandria, Va., who had of the clerks at the county clerk's its contents through his head. For the past year he had been paying attentions to Miss Marietta Ford, a very pretty young lady, daughter of Mr. Edward Ford, of Clark street, buf he becoming very much dissi-pated, it is understood that lately there had been a rupture between them. In his pocket was found this note: "Etta Ford knows all. May God love and protect her. Send my while English was in a state of de-

STAR BEAMS.

A Pincky Conductor.

sessor of twins.



INSURANCE.

happy for France that the elections last Sunday in four departments were so decidedly Republican. Since that numbers of wavering delegates have declared their purpose to vote for the Republic when the question comes up in the Assembly. The Bonapartists have not yet taken sides with either of the principal contesting parties. Their natural affinities are rather with the Left than the Right, but what they may do is unknown. They have no great strength in the Assembly.

Upon the whole we regard the chances slightly in favor of the establishment of the Republic, with Mc-Mahon as President and a composite ministry.

Stand TRISH LABORERS FOR THIS COUN-TRY. 21.01

> We observe by yesterday's telegrams that proposals for 20,000 Irish laborers have been made to the Irish Laborers' Association by persons in this country.

> We are glad to chronicle this fact. If more of the English, Scotch and Irish could be induced to come over to us, it would greatly assist us in the development of our country. We need them in North Carolina. Let them come in as great numbers as they please.

The abolition of the Electoral College, a reform demanded by the changed spirit of our government, is strongly urged upon Congress at the next session. The committee on the subject appointed at the last session will recommend the measure, doubt-E. EVILLE

"If France becomes a monarchy again then republicanism in Spain will also die, and thus monarchy will once more reign triumphant in all Europe, save the, little Republic of San Marino." So says a Philadelphia paper, forgetting Switzerland.

The brifliant and genial Sunset Cox has been nominated for Congress by the Democrats of the 6th district of New York

SOUTHERN DOTS.

The fast Marion Star contains

Beauty and Brains.

Some newspaper writer revives the lamentable truism that literary women are seldom beautiful. Their heads, are more or less masculine. this one. She was exceedingly feminine and pretty. Mrs. Stanton, likewise, is a pretty woman, but Miss An-thony and Mrs. Livermore are both plain. Maria and Jane Porter were women of high brows and irregular features, as was also Miss Sedgwick. Anna Dickinson has a strong masculine face; Kate Field has a good-looking, though by no means pretty, one; and Mrs. Stowe is thought to be positively homely. Alice and Phobe Cary were both plain in features, though their sweetness of disposition. added greatly to their personal appearance. Margaret Fuller had a splendid head, but her features were irregular, and she was anything but handsome, though sometimes in the glow of conversation she appeared almost radiant. Charlotte Bronte had wondrously

