

Patterson-honest John Pattersonwent straightway to the United States Senate and was admitted therein, and men wondered not a moment thereat. It might have been because John Patterson was a mighty railroad prince and "shook the arsenal and fulmined over" Columbia with his greenback thunder; it might have been because the robes of virtue they wear in Washington have become spotted; but however the ways and means, the why and wherefores, John Patterson made his calling and eleotion sure. And now he is one of the saints of that paradise, albeit an oysterlike saint in his silence and general undemonstrativeness. He sits with that Jove of awful virtue and justice, Simon Cameron, likewise a Pennsylvanian, and that Mars of purity and devotion to principle, Oliver Morton. He feels himself, as he is, just as good as the best of his Credit Mobilier associates.

But John Patterson is fated to exemplify that biblical adage that there is nonest for the wicked. The more he tries to be quiet, so that he can manipdiate his schemes and virtuously add to his wealth, the more his enemies rise up against him and say he shan't. Even his brothers-in-law seem bent on Guatimozinizing the unhappy John. There is one Moore who pounced lake a ravenous fish-hawk upon the unsuspecting Senator two -days since with a new charge of bribery in securing the election last winter. Others also swear before a justice's court that Patterson offered them bribes. The thing is getting to be a unisance-it is positively insufferable -enough to put John Patterson or any other man on his metal, or what is as good, on a rustling plank-down. The hair of the dog, is good for his bite. If Senator Patterson's money, got him into this trouble, it is fair to say that it may get him out. Buy 'em up, John, buy them up. But he and sunrise. And surrise. The bill passed its several readings. sequel may prove. 1 21 G

ADDENDUM .-- It will be seen by our latest dispatches that the cases against Patterson were dismissed for want of evidence, and that the Senator is about to turn the tables on his oppothat these things are done in South man has, or will soon purchase a handsome

e medicine Mr. Gadger Tavored the motion of Senator Harris. The motion to take from the table prevailed.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

THURSDAY, Dec. 11. By Mr. Guyther, a bill to incorporate the Sezboard and Raleigh R. R.

On motion of Mr. Johnston the rules were suspended and the bill in relation to education was taken up. Mr. Bennett moved to strike out the section which authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction to subscribe \$1,000 to the State Educational Journal. .

Mr. Bennett's amendment was put to a vote and adopted-yeas 66, DAVS 26.

- The bill then passed its third reading. The following is the bill as it passed

the House: The General Assembly of North Carolina do enaet:

Sec. 1. That all nots, rules and regulations heretofore adopted by the State Board of Education in relation to free public schools be and the same

are hereby repealed. Sec. 2. That section 30 of chapter 90 of the laws of 1872-'73 be amended by adding after the words "of each count" in line 16, the words "and farnish the county treasurer with the amount thus apportioned among the several school districts, and the amount each district is entitled to." Sec. 3. That the word "July" in section 38 of chapter 90, public laws, of 1872-'78, be stricken out and "October" inserted therefor.

See. 4. This act shall be in force from its ratification.

The bill to cede to the United States certain lands for the erection of beacons, lighthouses, etc., was taken up and passed its several read-

The bill to incorporate the Richlands Farmers' Association, Onslow county, was taken up and passed its several readings.

The bill in relation to the sale of cotton was taken up. 14

[The bill prevents the sale of cotton in bashets, sheets, &c., in the seed of lint, in quantities less than that which is baled, between the hours of sunset

Spirits Turpentine.

- The Upcharch Revenue embezlement case continues in Raleigh.

- The Wilson Thespians . gave "Solon Shingle" and "The Three Victims" last night.

principal streets, the brilliant uniforms of the Knights of Pythias and the glittering armour coats and helmets of the Knights of the Tourney attracting much attention on the line of march, and thence took their way to the grounds, where they arrived about 11 o'clock. Owing, however, to some unavoidable delays, the tilting did not begin until 1 o'cleck. Soon after the

Marshal of the Tournament, Maj. M. P. Taylor, together with the Judges, assembled, in the Judges' Stand and the Knights were drawn up in proper order in front of the same, a large crowd of spectators, probably numbering about twelve hundred, having in the meantime secured positions in the Grand Stand, to say nothing about the immense throng which lined the enclosure. After music by the band, stationed in the Grand Stand, the Marshal introduced to the

audience, as the orator of the day, Mr. Platt D. Walker, of Richmond county, who delivered the following

CHARGE TO THE ENIGHTS. The days of ideal chivalry have long since passed away. The "Burning Sun of Syria" no longer gilds with dazzling splendor the linked mail of the valorous knight nor tips

the unerring point of his trusty falchion with liquid gold. No longer does his gal-lant charger tread with stately step the burning sands of the desert. Death has long silenced the beatings of that heart which once bent its aderations towards the

Holy Sepulchre. The shock of contending warriors is only heard as the dying sound of the thunderbolt rumbling in the distance of ages. No longer does the valiant knight cast himself upon the parched sands of the lonely waste to bathe them with his peni-tential tears. His deeds have passed into history, and are still heard in the poetic strains of the lyre; but the spirit welled up in his bosom has poured itself out into the veins of posterity, and to-day, I hope, its gushing stream waters that prin-ciple implanted in your hearts, which, un-

ciple implanted in your hearts, which, un-der their nourishing influence, must develop all its latent energies in the fullness of their vigor, and send its once lurking power to arouse from lethargy and inact-ion the drooping spirits of your countrymen. The flower may cast its blushing petals long ere its distilled fragrance has died upon the breeze; so it is with the institution of chivalry. The deeds of its devotees may have faded from the memory of man, but the grandeur of their achievement to day the grandeur of their achievement to-day sends an inspiring thrill to every human

I propose, then, to speak to you to day of that spirit, as well as of the varied forms of that spirit, as well as of the varied forms of its manifestation. I will not peruse the pages of Froissen, nor max will the touch of an ignoble hand the beauty and symmetry of the immortal productions of Scott, who retired before the rising sun of Byron, from the realms of poetic fancy to tread with an unrivalled step the fertile fields of fiction. But to walk in the hving present our path-way must be illuminated by the light of the past. The pen is to paper what elec-tricity is to the wire, it flashes the events of distant ages across the chasm of time, and by its electric light must we be guided to day. There is no one subject known to history upon which the genius and fancy of the poet, or the burning eloquence of the of the poet, or the burning eloquence of the the orneor has been more lavishly bestowed or upon which they delighted more to dwell, than the illustrious deeds of those

receive the executioner's ax and fixed her fearless eyes upon the grim visage of death, then darkling on its edge, excites the highest admiration as well as the tenderest sympathies of the human soul. He blood has stained her country's escutcheon, but her name is en-

and spotless as the driven snow. But it is useless to turn to the pages of history to multiply such examples. Does not your memory furnish you with a vivid pleture of that principle I attempt to incul-cate?

The spirit of communism which has blackened and disgraced this advanced age of civilization has laid in ruins the gorgeous palaces of the queen city of the world, des-olated the homes and firesides of the noblest of French peasantry, and sent sorrow and distress throughout a torn and bleeding land; yet, notwithstanding these, the dark-est deeds of political frenzy and fanaticism, the world stands in the profoundest admi-ration at that great exhibition of unswerv-ing fidelity and chivalric courage, when that heart, which once swelled with patriotic devotion to his country's honor, ceased to beat, and Russel fell at the stake a lifeless form of clay, dying the ignominious death of a condemned traitor.

But I must new turn to those scenes which were at once the mother and the offspring of chivalry. To those days when the martial hosts of Europe wers gathered tegether by the eloquence of Peter the Hermitt and marched on their pilgrimage to Palestine to rescue from desecration the tomb of their Saviour. It was from this prolific source that Scott drew inspiration when he gave to the world his imperishable when he gave to the world his imperishable production of Ivanhoe, in which he per-trays in colors of living beauty the degrad-ed condition of the persecuted but avari-cious Jew; the stately dignity, unflinching fortitude and unconscious beauty of the haplens Jewish maid; the noble bearing, fearless courage and lefty deeds of the val-iant knight; the servile and shameless syc-opheness of the unreal John. and in one ophancy of the royal John; and in one harmonious whole, blends the glories of that renowned institution which checked the pretensions and curbed the tyrannies of the feudal Baron. Is there no lesson taught by the frequent pilgrimages of our remote ancesters to the holy city of Jerusalem ? United as they were by the ties of a common cause, a common fate and common religion, with a chivalric ardor which even the most decimating famine could not abate, they advanced steadily to the gates of the great city, its mighty walls yielded to their resistless force and undaunted will, and the few survivors of that gallant band singing anthems of praise to the God who gave them victory, though bearing aloft that holy lance which the blindness of superstition had cousecrated to the service of God and their holy mission, and which, with impious ideiatry, they worshipped as the supreme cause of their deliverance, they ascended with slow and

solemn step the holy mount of Calvary, and with hearts subdued and eves suffused with tears of joy and penitence, kissed the tomb of the Redeemer of the World. That same spirit which prompted this hely mission kindled the flame which lashed the nations of Europe from shore to shore, swept away like a simoon every vestige of tyranny an despotism, loosened the shackles of the anpressed yeomanry of England, wrenched from the unwilling hands of the despotic John the Great Charter of English liberties. and shaped the destines of the social, the moral and political world.

Let not that spirit of your forefathers languish in your bosems; but animated by or upon which they delighted more to dwell, than the illustrious deeds of those who have immolated themselves in vin-dication of the divine principles of truth, justice and henor. The fame of those who illustrated epochs far beyond the those who illustrated epochs far beyond the

tion, cherish the principles of truth-of honor-of fidelity. In paying your devotional homage to woman to-day, and at all times, and in the discharge of all duties, let a noble, a generous and an honorable emulation warm your breasts. Be true to yourselves, be true to the object of your heart's warmest affections, be true to the ennobling principles and influences of manhood, and in the expressive, beautiful and forcible language which the fallen Cardinal is made to speak by the great High Priest of poesy, in his final charge to Cromwell,— "Be just and fear not---

Let all the ends thou aimest at Be thy country's, thy God's, and truth's, then will you have emulated in a fitting manner the first great heroes of your re

nowned institution The address concluded, the knights entered the lists as follows: "Knight of Chance," H. F. Walker; "Knight of Ploughshare," C. H. Alexander; "Knight of Scottish Chief," R. S. Williams; "Knight of Red Cross," Wm. Shaw: "Knight of Sleeping Leopard," S. Percy Cowan; "Knight of Ivanhoe," D. B. Culbreth; "Knight of Southern Cross," O. M. Fillyaw. The rules established were as follows: Distance to be run, 120 yards; time of run, 14 seconds. Each knight was required to run three tilts,

the maximum score in each tilt being eleven points. The tilting resulted as follows: "Knight of Chance" secured 22 points in 3 tilts, "Knight of Scottish Chief" 13 points, "Knight of Ploughshare" 12 points, "Knight of Ivanhoe" 9 points, "Knight of Sleeping Leopard" 5 points, "Knight of Red Cross" points, "Knight of Southern Cross" noints.

The tilting ended, the knights were again drawn into line and A. T. Lendon, Esq., in a few well-timed remarks, announced the following decision of the judges: "Knight of Chance." winner of the gold watch and the honor of crowning the Queen of Love and Beauty; "Knight of Scottish Chief," winner of the saddle and honor of crowning the First Maid of Honor; the "Knight of Ploughshare," crowning the Second Maid of Honor, and "Knight of Ivanhoe," the Third Maid of Honor. To the "Knight of Sleeping Leopard," for best riding, was awarded a pair of spurs.

## THE CORONATION

Took place immediately, the successful knight, Mr. Walker, of Brunswick county, crowning Miss Janie Dunham Queen of Love and Beauty, the "Knight, of Scottish Chief" crowning Miss Lillie Eilers 1st Maid of Honor, "Knight of Ploughshare" crown ing Miss Florence Sparkman 2nd Maid of Honor, and "Knight of Ivanhoe" crowning Miss Ellen Stevenson 3d Maid of Honor. The Knights of Pythias, in their hand some uniforms, attracted a great deal of at tention on the grounds and much credit is due to them, for the part they took in the day's exercises, which contributed no little to the interest of the occasion and the success which attended it.

The race of gentlemen's private driving horses, to be driven by the owners, which was announced to take place at 3 o'clock, did not come off,

THE STRAMER Wheeler & Wilson's sewing machine by a lady 60 years of age, entered by J. & J. Johnson. A beauttiful sofa cushion, by Miss Julia Stevenson. MECHINERY DEPARTMENT. D. MURCHISON. A trial of cotton gins took place at 12

clock, the committee being Messrs. Alex. Strausz, W. H. Northrep and C. S. Servoss: Result : Needle Gin-100 pounds seed cotton; time 6 minutes; weight of lint 36 pounds. Taylor Gin-100 pounds seed cotton; time 9 minutes; weight of lint 331

pounds. Local Dots. - Rain predicted for this evening. - No Mayor's Court yesterday morning.

-O'Hara will walk against Weston's ime to-day. - A colored woman fainted on the Fair,

Grounds yesterday. - Another lively time expected at the Fair Grounds to-day, which will wind up the exhibition.

-A horse ran away and smashed a buggy at the corner of Fourth and Chesnut streets yesterday.

- A lady on the Fair Grounds yesterday had her pocket picked of \$10 in money and some articles of jewelry. - From some cause unknown to us, the

regular proceedings of the M. E. Conference, now in session at Goldsborg, failed to come to hand last night.

- Dr. C. T. Murphy, of Sampson, introduced a bill in the Senate on Thursday look ing to the formation of a new county out of a portion of New Hanover to be called

Jefferson. Tournament Ball. The grand ball of the Cape Fear, Agricultural Association came off last night in City Hall. A short visit which we made to the hall before going to press revealed to us a perfect flood of youth and beauty divinely, "tripping the light fantastic." knights were conspicuous by their glitter ing armor, which, together with the lovely countenances of the ladies; the gallant appearance of the gentlemen and the glare of the gas jets made a truly, charming scene,

The Opera House, The Chapmans gave another of their fine performances last night to quite a large audience. The evening's programme commenced with the farce entitled the "Loan of a Lover," which was highly appreciated. It was followed by "Little Don Giovanni," a plan abounding in somewhat unique chare acters. It was well rendered, the Chapmans filling the leading roles with their usual success. To-night another performance will be given, which will close their engagement for the present.

Attempted Robbery. Yesterday evening, about 7 o'clock, person passing Mr. S. Levy's store, corner of Front and Market streets, saw a colored

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