OUTLINES.

Resolutions of N. C. Legislature concern ing cotton tax reported on unfavorably in Congress. -- Sub-committee go to New Orleans to investigate Durell. - Wright & Tillinghast attribute their failure to the Spragues. - A farmer murdered in Missouri, and three of the murderers summarily executed. - Heavy earthquake shakes up the saints in Utah. - Bomhardment of Cartagena continues. -Virginius left Tortugas in tow of Ossipee.

- Bark Sultan, with 12 persons, lost. -- Virginius survivors delivered aboard the Juniata. - Confirmation of Williams doubtful. - Fate of bankrupt repeal in U. S. Senate doubtful. - Spoons Butler still dipping into Civil Rights. - Lower temperature and partly cloudy weather. New York markets: Money active at 7; exchange 84; gold 104@11; cotton dull at 164 @161; rosin dull and heavy at \$2 55@\$2 60 for strained.

North Carolina Legislature

|Condensed from the News.]

TWENTY-SIXTH DAY.

SENATE. - 9

THURSDAY, Dec. 18.

Mr. Cunningham announced that the Principal Clerk of the Senate was detained at his room by sickness.

Mr. King desired that the journals should be so amended as to show that he did not refuse to vote on the civil rights resolution, stating that he was in the lobby taking medicine, &c. Otherwise, the journal of yesterday was approved.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES were submitted by Messrs. Seymour and Scott from the Judiciary, Morehead, of Rockingham, from Internal Improvements, Love from Special Committee on Oxford Orphan Asylum, Todd and Johnson from Enrolled Bills, Mr. Flemington from Judi-

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS. By Mr. Murphy, a bill to amend section 72, chapter 17, of Battle's Re-

visal. Referred. By Mr. Waring, a bill for the election of Judges and for other purposes.

By Mr. Cunningham, a resolution of instructions to North Carolina Representatives in Congress, requesting them to vote against any increase of the tax on manufactured tobacco. The rules were suspended and the resolution adopted.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The bill to lay off and establish new county by the name of Jefferson was taken up as the special order for 111 o'clock.

On the motion of Mr. Welch to postpone the consideration of this bill till the 13th of January, Mr. Murphy argued in opposition. Messrs. Welch. Mabson and Gudger favored the postponement. The vote was taken and the motion prevailed.

MESSAGES RECEIVED.

From the House transmitting the Consolidation bill back to the Senate with amendments. On motion of Mr. Humphrey, a

special committee of three were appointed to consider the amendments, and the question of concurrence or nonconcurrence be considered by them, and reported to the Senate. The President appointed on said

committee Messrs. Humphrey, Seymour and Morehead, of Guilford. At 1 o'clock, the Special Committee

reported on the House amendments recommending the concurrence in all except one. The report was adopted. The excepted amendment provides that if the Supreme Court should decide that any part of the bill is unconstitutional, the whole of it should be so considered.

On motion of Mr. Humphrey, a message was sent to the House informing that body of the action of the Senate on the amendments, &c.

RULES SUSPENDED.

On motion of Mr. Norwood his bill to amend subdivision 2, sec. 31, chap. 17, of Battle's Revisal was taken up under a suspension of the rules. The section of the bill is now

amended so as to make its provisions apply to sureties on bonds as well as in favor of principals. On motion of Mr. Cunningham the

bill in relation to foreign insurance companies was taken up and passed On motion of Mr. Welch the bill

for relief of sheriffs and tax collectors was taken up and passed its several readings. Engrossed and sent to the House.

Mr. Nicholson called up his bill to make it a misdemeanor for any person who has executed a chattel mortgage or lien upon crops to dispose of the same, which passed its several

Mr. Humphrey called up the bill in relation to the Western Division of the Western North Carolina Railroad, which passed its several readings. The bill repeals the law ap-pointing a commission to settle up the affairs of the road.

On motion of Mr. Flemming the bill was engrossed and sent to the

On motion of Mr. Avera, the bill in regard to weighers of cotton and salt fish inspector for the city of Raleigh Lac. Ac. Satisfaction guaranteed.

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WILMINGTON, N. C., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1873.

WHOLE NO. 1,946.

was taken up and passed its several COL. WADDELL ON THE BACK readings, engrossed and sent to the House.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

THURSDAY, Dec. 18. On motion of Mr. Paschall, the resolution instructing Judiciary Committee to consider the propriety of establishing a Bureau of Statistics and Immigration, was taken up and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Mecklenburg, the bill in relation to providing arms for military schools, was taken up.

After considerable debate, Mr. Dula moved to postpone until January 15th, which was put to a vote and rejected. Mr. Bowman moved to postpone

until the 14th of January. The yeas and nays were called and the motion was rejected by a vote of yeas 46, navs 45. The bill then passed its second

reading by a vote of yeas 57, navs 43. On motion of Mr. Bennett, the rules were suspended, and the bill to add certain sections to Battle's Revisal, was taken up and passed its several

On motion of Mr. Norment, the bill regulating the terms of the Superior Courts in the 4th Judicial District, was taken up.

Mr. Bowman moved to indefinitely

Mr. Gorman moved to adjourn. On the motion to adjourn the yeas and nays were called, and the motion to adjourn was defeated by a vote of yeas 29, navs 68.

Mr. Bennett called the previous question. On the call for the previous question the yeas and nays were called, on the demand of Mr. Bowman, and the call was sustained by a vote of yeas 54, navs 42.

The question recurred upon Mr. Bowman's motion to indefinitely postpone, which was put to a vote and rejected. Yeas 38, nays 53.

The question recurred on the bill on its second reading, and it passed, veas 59, navs 21. Mr. Gorman moved to reconsider

Mr. Johnston moved to lay that motion on the table. Pending the further consideration

of the matter the House adjourned. Spirits Turpentine.

- Wilson county has the tourna--U. S. Circuit Court at Raleigh

has adjourned. - Wilson boasts a bale of cotton

weighing 900 lbs. - Byshop Lyman preaches in Fay-

etteville to-morrow. - Winston will soon have 10 to-

bacco factories in operation.

- The Gazette praises the performances of the Bergers in Fayetteville. - The Fay. Eagle learns that Mr. H. K. Hall, of Harnett, killed a grade Ches-

ter hog weighing 686 lbs. - The Piedmont Press, one of the

most flourishing papers in the State, is of-fered for sale. Address, Hussy & Avery, Hickory, N. C. - Wilson Advance: A white woman, named Mary Jane Johnson, was brought to town yesterday charged with the murder of her infant child. Owing to her

feeble condition she was allowed to return - Wilson Advance: There are at this time over 700 bales of cotton held in Wil son for want of transportation. We should think the high and exerbitant rates charged for freight from this point would at least

justify the railroad authorities in furnishing - Ral. News: The decision of Judges Brooks and Bond in the Swazev-

North Carolina Railroad case was filed on Thursday evening, favoring the railroad, or rather refusing to grant the order for the sale of State stock to pay the accrued in-terest on the bonds of the road. - Fay. Gazette: Our town looked

bright and stirring yesterday and the day before. The streets were full of carts, wagons, cotton and people, and trade show-ed a good deal of activity. Cotton sold as high as 141 cents, rarging, according to quality, from 131 up to the first named

- Winston Sentinel: Elish Peacock was arrested in Yadkinville on last Saturday week by the Sheriff of Ashe county for killing a man whose name we are unable to learn. The difficulty occurred about a young woman when Peacock stab-bed his rival, who died in a few minutes.— Peacock is about 18 years old and lives in

- Bishop Lyman may be expected to visit the following Churches and Stations at the times indicated below. At all visitations, the collections made will be appropriated to Diocesan Missions: Franklinton, January 17th, 1874; Louisburg, 18th; Kit-trell's, 20th; Oxford, 22d; Williamsboro, 24th; Henderson, 25th; Ridgeway, 27th; Warrenton, 28th; Gaston, 30th; Jackson,

February 1st, and Weldon, 2nd. - Winston Sentinel: An old red fox near Sandy Ridge, in Stokes county, has been "too many" for the hounds in that section for a long time, and had disand the sportsmen had come to the conclusion that he could not be caught, when last week Carlos and Coleman Ziglar, of this county, took their packs over and after a race of six hours, through two States and four counties, they strung him, and now his hide gracefully ornaments the gable end of Cole Ziglar's house, a trophy of victory, and an evidence of the superiority of his dogs over Sandy Ridge stock.

Jos Printing.-We call the attention of mer chants, clerks of courts, sheriffs, lawyers, railroad and steamship officers and agents, and all others having orders for printing, to the facilities offered at the Monning Span Pararrise Serantagement for the prompt and faithful execution of all kinds of JOB PRINTING. We can furnish at short notices Cards, Bill-Heads, Letter-Heads, Programmes, Ball Tickets, Blanks, Pamphlets. Tags, Hand-Bills, Catalogues, Bills of Fare, Show-Bills, Checks, Drafts,

He Discusses the Resolutions of the Legislature of North Carolina.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14, 1873. Dr. W. H. Howerton, Secretary of State: DEAR SIR: I have the honor to acknowl edge the receipt of a copy of certain resolu-tions adopted by the Legislature of North Carolina, duly certified by you, expressive of the sense of that body in regard to the action of Congress in passing the act of March 3, 1873, relative to the salaries of Senators and Representatives. As there is no resolution requesting the Representatives from North Carolina to present the resolutions to Congress, I apprehend that you forward them to me only as an act of courtesy and as information. If I thought you had been instructed to forward them, this communication would have been addressed to those who instructed you.

It is gratifying to know that even the consideration of those vital questions which affect the credit and character of the people of North Carolina, and upon the settlement of which her future prosperity almost entirely depends, was made to yield to the higher question of national morals involved in the Congressional salary bill. Republican institutions are said to rest solely on the virtue and intelligence of the people, and therefore those who exercise the most assiduous guardianship over these two fundamental elements of free government are the truest friends of the people. If their mo-tives are questioned, as seems to be inevitable, they can at least console themselves with the reflection that virtue is its own reward. I regret, however, that in this instance I am compelled to the conclusion that the resolutions of the Legislature can only be justified upon the very doubtful theory that the moral has kept pace with the material progress of our country, and that the political ethics of modern State legislators are purer and higher than those of the fathers of the Republic and all their successors down to the year of grace '73. The members of the Legislature had that same right to pass these resolutions which any other assemblage of citizens elsewhere had, but no more. They could give no greater force or dignity to their sentiments, by reason of their position, than the same number of their fellow-citizens not entrusted with the responsibilities of office could; and, therefore, only as the utterance of a respectable number of gentlemen their resolutions are entitled to consideration. I have considered them, and in the exercise of my right as a freeman and of my duty as a Representative, responsible not to the Legislature, but to the people of the Third Congressional district, I shall make such response to them as seems to

me to be proper. The first resolution alleges that the action of Congress "was indefensible in principle and tended to bring our Government into disrepute." That is a very plain statement. Is it true? Let us see. What is the principle involved? If there is one it must be either a legal or a moral principle. There can be no other kind of "principle" in the case. The legal principle is established by the Constitution, or it does not exist. The Constitution expressly and exclusively vests in Congress the power to fix the compensation of members during their term of service. They can fix it at any time during their term-the first, the middle, or the last day of the term, and at any rate they choose.

The Forty-second Congress, therefore, had
a legal right to do what they did—a Constitutional right exercised in a Constitutional way. Any person who would deny this is not fit to be a legislator anywhere. Very well, their legal right is established. Let us now examine the moral right. What principle of morals did they violate? And how did their action "tend to bring our Government into disrepute?" Admitting the moral superiority of men elected by the people to the Legislature of North Carolina over men elected by the people to the Con-gress of the United States, it will be difficult, I think, to show that even their super ior moral sense ought to be shocked by the salary bill. The violation of good faith, first alleged against the Forty-second Congress, was that they had made an implied contract with the people to serve at a certain rate of compensation, and had violated that contract by increasing the rate. This statement-even if true, and it is not-involves an absurdity. In the first place, there was and could be no such agreement, but if there had been, and Congress had reduced my pay, instead of increasing it, would I have had legally or morally any right to complain? If there was an agreement I certainly would have had as much right to complain of the reduction as the people could have of the increase. But there could not be any such agreement; otherwise the pay never could be either increased

or diminished. Again, if there was a contract, such as alleged, have not the members of the Fortythird Congress, who were elected long be-fore the increase was made, and who have been receiving pay ever since last March, been as guilty of violating the agreement as any others? There is nothing in the reso-lutions about them.

There is a great misapprehension in the minds of the people on this subject, which, when I return to my constituents, I expect to show; but I do not propose arguing the subject in this communication. I shall comtent myself by saying that so far as "principle" is concerned, whether legal or moral, the Forty-second Congress did what they had a right to do, and exactly what every previous Congress which ever voted on the question did, except that they increased the pay less in proportion than any of their pre-decessors had done. As to their bringing our Government into disrepute, they must content themselves as best they can by remembering that although not so fortunate as the members of the Legislature, they find themselves in this respect the companions in iniquity of George Washington and James Madison, James Monroe and Nathaniel Macon, and other reprobates, who have at other periods of our history brought our Government into disrepute by similar conduct to that with which we are charged;

that is, by approving similar bills, and voting for and taking "back" pay.

I would have been glad if the members of the Legislature could have been here last Monday to hear a great and good man discuss this subject—a statesman of the old school—a man without fear and without reproach, A. H. Stephens, of Georgia. Like all the other great men whom I have named. he has the misfortune to differ from the Legislature in their estimate of the action of Congress. It was very refreshing to listen to his analysis of demagogues and dema-goguery, as illustrated by the history of this salary business. Perhaps some of them have read what he said, and have enjoyed

it, as I did.

But if I and my colleagues have fallen short of our duty, or have incurred popular displeasure, there is certainly no body of men who ought to sympathize more deeply with us than the Legislature of North Carolina. I shall not set myself up in judgment upon them as they have done towards us, but I extend to them my heartfelt sympathy in their earnest but fruitless effects to adjust the public debt of the State; to relieve just the public debt of the State; to relieve the people of the State from the burdens under which they groan; to arrange fairly the railroad system, which threatens to be so disastrous to the people of my district

particularly; to provide a rational system of A Cool and Baring Attempt at Robcommon schools for the education and elevation of the poor children of the State; to arrange some system of immigration, and the various other measures which are of such vital interest to their constituents. Doubtless they have done all they could, although without benefit to the people, and it may have been a soothing solace to them in their dilemma to pause long enough te resolve that Congress was doing indefensible things and bringing our country into disrepute. I hope they feel better, and will continue to be virtuous, which is the only way to be happy. I am satisfied that none of them would have received "back" pay or even "front" pay under the act which they condemn, and that the ambition attributed to some of them, of taking our places here, is prompted solely, if it exists, by a burning desire to aid in repealing all the wicked laws with which Congresses have blackened the statute books. Before concluding let me say that I heard when the Legislature first assembled that they were all in favor of reducing their per diem, but somehow they have been unable to accomplish their good intentions. I have heard of whiskey

Respectfully yours,
A. M. WADDELL. wrestle.

so weak that it wouldn't run down hill. How

strong is a Legislature which is unanimous

for a reduction of pay but cannot reduce

it? With this conundrum I leave you to

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" through and way (day) mails..... 5 A. M Southern mail...... 8 P. M Carolina Central mails..... 5 A. M. Smithville, Saturdays and Tuesdays 6 A. M.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DITSON & Co.-New music. D. Pigorr-Tobacco. T. B. CARR-Masonic notice. D. A. SMITH & Co.-Furniture.

E. R. STAMPS-Prospectus. Local Dots. - Seven barques and brigs from foreign

ports arrived here vesterday. - The Schr. Samuel Fish, Teel, arrived at Bath from this port on the 15th inst.

- The Schr. David Miller, Berry, arrived at Boston from this port on the 17th inst.

- The Briz Alice Lea. Foster, arrived at Philadelphia from this port on the 16th inst. - Hon. R. R. Bridgers has been elected a Director of the Richmond and Petersburg

Railroad Company. - The Norwegian Barque Nordstjernen Nordgren, arrived at Glasgow from this port on the 16th inst.

holds its semi-monthly meeting, to-day, at the Union School House. - The "Don Quixotes" are to parade on Christmas day, provided they have as pleas-

- The Cape Fear Teachers' Association

ant a day for it as they had last year. - Stock of Naval Stores in New York Dec. 17: Spirits turpentine, 4,742 barrels;

rosin, 72,909 barrels; tar, 2,244 barrels. - Arrangements have been made to commence the work of opening Seward Channel and removing the obstructions from the channel above Big Island.

- The meeting of the Board of Aldermen, which was to have been held last night, did not take place, a quorum of the members not being present. - The race between gentlemen's private

horses, which was to have come off on Friday of Fair week, but was postponed, will, we learn, take place on Christmas day. - We regret to learn that Rev. Alexan

der Martin has been compelled to decline the pastership of the First Presbyterian church, which was lately tendered him. - Col. R. T. Bennett, Representative

from Anson, reached here from Raleigh last evening, and left for Wadesboro this morning. He is thin and delicate, as - The steamer Waccamaw broke her rud-

der while hauling the German brig Claudia off the shoals, where she drifted on Sunday last, and is now at Smithville. The Claudia will return to this port for repairs.

- Mr. Arch'd McCollum and three other gentlemen, while at dinner at the residence of the latter, on Thursday, were robbed of their hats, which were stolen from the rack in the hall where they had been left.

Another Attempted Robbery.

Yesterday morning, just before 3 o'clock as Officer Lewis Gordon, of the police ferce, was passing on Second, between Market and Dock streets, that being a portion of his beat, he discovered some one in the act of breaking into the grocery store of Mr. M. O. Cole. The thief was on the inside of the lot and as soon as he found that he had been discovered started to run. The officer ordered him to halt, but he payed no heed to the demand, and finally, as he mounted the fence of an adjoining lot, Mr. Gordon discharged his pistol at him, but it is presumed without effect. As the officer had no assistance in cutting off his retreat, of course the fellow escaped, and has doubtless ere this tried his hand in another quarter, and probably with better success. Officer Gordon was not near enough to distin guish the color of the individual. A Collision,

The ferry flat which plies between Market dock and Eagle's Island was run over by a passing steamer on Thursday evening and the men who were on it at the time came near being swamped. The flat, we learn, was badly injured by the collision,

Though a little old, we cannot refrain from mentioning another daring attempt at robbery which occurred in this city on

Wednesday night. Mr. Joshua Craig, who resides on Mc-Rae, between Mulberry and Walnut streets, had been down town on business and returned home about 9 o'clock. On reaching his door he found two men on the steps who disputed his passage, one of them demanding what money he had. Mr. Craig very quietly informed the man that he was not the happy possessor of any funds at that time, except a lot of coppers in a box upstairs, which he kept as relics; whereupon one of the robbers as coolly replied that they didn't want them; they had seen them and the coin was of no use to them. They demanded, however, to see his pocket-book. Mr. Craig took the article out of his pecket and handed it to them, when one of the party struck a match on the steps and proceeded very leisurely to examine its contents. It happened, however, that Mr. C. had disposed of all his available greenbacks while down the street, with the exception of a fifteen cent bill which was concealed among the papers in his book, and which they failed to discover. Finding that they were "barking up the wrong tree" the two men departed, breaking into a run as soon as they reached the sidewalk and soon disappearing in the distance. Mr. Craig had been a little startled at the remark of one of the would-be robbers that they had seen the coin alluded to, and wondered what it meant. On entering the house, however, his curiosity was gratified,

as he found that the two men had thoroughly ransacked the rooms not occupied at the time by the family; but their object seems to have been money alone, and as they found none of that, nothing else, to Mr. C.'s knowledge, was taken. Mr. Craig says he did not get a good look at their faces and is uncertain whether

his visitors were white or colored. Mayor's Court. The following cases were dispos

yesterday morning: David Price, Ellis Merrick, Joe Davis and James Anderson, the colored boys who were implicated in the "herring conspiracy" alluded to in yesterday's paper, were arraigned before His Honor, who required the three first named to enter into security in the sum of \$50 each for their appearance at court, in default of which they were lodged in jail. James Anderson was released, he having turned State's evidence

against his companions. Solomon Nixon, the member of Captain Cooper's military company, who was alleged to have committed an assault upon Annie Jones en Thursday night, had a

\$20 and costs. Annie Jones, the victim in the above case, was arraigned on the charge of disorderly conduct and required to pay a fine of

\$10 and the costs. The case of a young man charged with disturbing a congregation while engaged in religious worship, was dismissed.

Incendiary Attempts to Burn a Build-Yesterday morning about 3 o'clock, flames were discovered issuing from an old unoccupied building on the corner of Nutt and Red Cross streets. The fire was first seen by Mr. Conway, private watchman of the Railway Co-operative store and the R. R. offices attached, who called to his assistance another watchman in the vicinity and the two after some difficulty succeeded in extinguishing the flames. The house was pretty thoroughly drenched, and Mr. Conway is certain that there was not a spark of fire left. Notwithstanding this fact, however, but a short time had elapsed when the same building was discovered to be on fire again and was again saved from destruction by the parties alluded to. There is no doubt that fire was set to the building in both instances. The destruction of that particular house would have entailed no great loss, but of course other property in the vicinity would have been endangered. The house, we learn, is the property of Mr. H. Nutt. There was no alarm.

The "Civil Righters" at Washing-

We learn from Washington that the entire delegation from this State to the Civil Rights Convention paid their respects to Hons. M. W. Ransom and A. S. Merrimon, of the Senate, Hon, Mr. Cobb, Gen. Leach and Hon. A. M. Waddell, of the House, Gen. Allen Rutherford, Third Auditor, and President Grant.

Senator from this county in the State Legislature, gave a dinner party to Pinchback, at his residence, at which were present R. B. Elliott, of South Carelina, Ruby, of Texas, Senor Delgardo, of Cuba, and other prominent personages. On Thursday the delegation placed a pa-

On Wednesday night Geo. L. Mabson.

the appointment of Mabson to the position of Collector of the Port of Wilmington. The delegation represent that Senators and members generally have done everything possible to make their stay pleasant and agreeable.

per in the hands of the President, urging

Personal. We had the pleasure yesterday of meeting, for the first time, our brother of the Hillsboro Recorder, John D. Cameron, Esq. We admire the Recorder both for its ability and its independence, especially its repugnance to the vicious system of puffery now so common. It is the oldest newspaper in the State, but is more vigorous in its old age than it was in its younger days.

A Specimen of Home Talent-A Pine Painting.

We were shown yesterday a fine painting executed by Messrs. C. E. Burr and J. A. Milne, of this city, and intended for the new Theatre in Fayetteville. These gentlemen are both ornamental painters, in the employ of the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, and have a fine reputation as artists of merit in their peculiar line. The painting is intended to represent a scene on Glen-Varlech, Scotland, and is very beautiful and picturesque, bringing out in bold relief and with pleasant effect the placid lake, with a chain of mountains bordering it, a town in the distance and an old picturesque castle looming up in the left of the background. The curtain is 14 by 21 feet in size, and evidences an artistic skill in its execution and taste in the arrangement of its outlines which would com pare favorably with any painting of a similar character we have seen.

Such home talent should be encouraged. The Explosion at Argyle. We learn that two of the men injured by the explosion of Mr. J. E. Eldridge's steam saw mill at Argyle, Robeson county, on Thursday morning, are not expected to recover. The explosion is said to have been terrific, a large part of the boiler having been thrown a distance of about one hundred and fifty yards. As to the cause of the explosion, we learn that the fireman states that something was wrong with the boiler and that he went to Abbottsburg to get a competent engineer to go to the mill and put it in order. Before leaving he cautioned the persons he left in charge not to fire up while he was gone. This advice was not heeded and the explosion was the

Magistrates' Courts. Before Justice Wm. M. Harriss: Sarah Ann Merrick, charged with the false imprisonment of J. A. Ashe. Case dismissed on the payment of costs.

Before W. H. Moere, J. P.: Peter King, charged with assault and battery, was fined one cent and costs. S. Croom, charged with assault and

tery, was fined five cents and costs. The cases of C. Newton, F. Bryan, M. Spencer and two others were continued over for a future hearing.

Ministerial Visit. We learn that Rev. Mr. Crietzburg, who was Pastor of the Front Street Methodist Church of this city some twenty-five years ago, was expected to arrive here last evening with the intention of remaining over Sunday.

CITY ITEMS.

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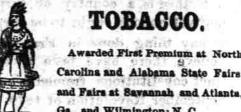
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