

"I was regarded as very extravagant when I contended that these wires could be used across the Atlantic, and prophesied that the day would come when they would encircle the globe. I believed this and so contended with my incredulous companions. "This is all that I am entitled to any credit for. It was some three or four years before Mr. Morse's invention. "Mr. Morse is entitled to the honor

which gives over a pint of milk regularly every day.

years ago this church was organized with only ten members. We received from the

name of Annie Hunter, charged with dis-

off Deep Water Point, and the statement that she was stopped because of her filthy SAILS, RIGGING AND MATERIALS saved from the wreck of Schr. ADDIE BLAIS-DELL, stranded on Frains Br. ADDIE BLAIScondition. We have heard it said that she DELL, stranded on Frying Pan Shoal, with the CAPTAIN'S YACHT, which should be examined is from Havana, and loaded with ballast. to be appreciated, She is well found in Salls, Rigging, &c.; has a jy 11-2t It is not our wish to excite any unnecessary uneasiness, or to alarm the communicomplete outfit. ty; but it is well to remember the terrors of last summer in Savannah, and to provide against a like occurence here. It is now a matter of no question that yellow fever was introduced into that city from the West Indies, and as near as can be, it is proven that the poison was brought into the port jy 11-1t in the ballast which was emptied on the wharf of the Atlantic & Gulf railroad, as

well as the presence in the city of the

sailors of the vessels discharging this bal-

last. In view of these facts it behooves us

epidemic distract the health or business o

The cargo of ballast should not be dis-

charged within ten miles at least, of the

city, and if possible, it had best be thrown

be detained in quarantine of inspection

It is not our intention to disparage the ability or disposition of the Quarantine

Physician or our Superintendent of Health

assured as we are that they will neglect no

means to insure the safety of the communi-

ty committed to their care, and we hope

that these suggestions will be received by

them as an evidence of the public interes

in the offices they occupy, and a reminder,

if such be necessary, of the very great re-sponsibility of their positions. It is not as-serting too much to say that it would be

good policy to exclude during the yellow

ports. We have been told that an order to

this effect has been issued in Charleston and

Savannah, and on this the Superintendent

of Health can inform us, as he is in corres-

pondence with the health officers of one or

both of these ports. It is needless to say

that the business interests of Wilmington

would suffer incalculably from an epidem-

ic of yellow fever, and these, as well as the

lives of the community demand the adop-

tion and the enforcement of the most strin-

gent measures directed by the best lights

known to the medical profession for the

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the City Post-Office, July

B.-Guilford Bell, miss Rebecca Bradley,

mrs Sarah Burruss, W H Biddle. C.—Joseph Cuck, Michael Carroll, Nick

D.-Miss Candais Dunson, M J Duffy. F.-Charles Feil, Everett Faison, miss Hattie Forbes, mrs L Fulton.

G.-A Gardener, Baukes Girmson, Brink

ley Ginkins, mrs Elizabeth Green, miss

Georgie A Gardner, messrs Moses Gold-

smith & Son, Wm Griffet. H.—Abel Hinds, Daniel Howard, Isaac Hollon, J W Hewitt, Jesse Herring, Ruffin

J.-BJ Jones, mrs Lydia R Johnson,

miss Martha Jackson, miss Sarah O John-

Y.

well-being of our city.

10, 1877:

Cowans.

Holmes.

in the harbor.

counties in North Carolina and Virginia, with an average date June 30, have been received. Five report weather more favorable than last year; 4 about the same; 36 less favorable. Two report an increase on lands planted; 18 about the same; 25 decrease 10 to 20 per cent.; 13 say the stands are good and forming very well, but with few blooms; 32 not very good, not forming well, and no blooms. The condition of the crop reported by 17 is good, but about ten days to two weeks later than last year; 25 not so good, and about two weeks later. The damage done by lice and grass is very general.

# Pan-Presbyterian Council.

EDINBURGH, July 9. Principal Cowan, of Canada, was the President of the meeting of today of the Pan-Presbyterian Council. Papers were read by Rev. Dr. Mo-Cosh, of Princeton, on discoveries in science and philosophy, and by Rev. Dr. Patton, of Chicago, on infidelity. Rev. Dr. Goane, of Alleghany, spoke on intemperance in the United States. He said there were 150,000 saloons and 500,000 habitual drunkards, of whom 50,000 die vearly. The Council adopted a resolution as to the value of the Sabbath day and the conduciveness of intemperance to irreligion.

The Peril of Playing with Firearms. WASHINGTON, July 8.

This morning about 10 o'clock a young son of S. H. Kaufman, of the Evening Star, while playing with a Smith & Wesson revolver, kept loaded in the house as a guard against burglars, discharged it accidentally, receiving the contents in his breast and dying almost immediately. The deceased was a bright, interesting youth, aged seventeen years, and much sorrow is felt for his untimely death.

### Russians Overmatched.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 9. The Russians admit that their forces in Asia Minor are too weak to cope with the Turks, who are numerically stronger, and whose powers to resist the Russian advance have been greatly underrated.

---Sugar-Cane Culture. [Correspondence of the Observer.] MAGNOLIA, N. C., July 2, '77. Editors Observer: In your article No. 7, on "Raleigh as it is," you say: The census tables show that on a single acre in Raleigh can be grown and only every product of North Carolina but of the United States, except oranges and sugar-cane." Now

I am of the opinion that sugar-cane can be grown and profitably grown in Raleigh. I raised the cane on my farm in Duplin county with succes

of having put the invention into practice, which was certainly more important to the world than the mere intellectual conception."

He does not know whether Prof. Morse ever derived any benefit or not from his labors. He gives these circumstances: He sent in 1833 certain drawings of machinery, with explanations, to a Mr. Page, an electrician of note, who was Commissioner of Patents at Washington, asking his opinion of the theory of an electric telegraph upon the plan suggested.

He received no reply. He then says: "Some four years after my communication to Page, I was one day rather startled by seeing a notice in a newspaper stating that a partnership had been formed by Page, Smith, Amos Kendall and Morse to

patent and put in operation Morse's invention. I was still more surprised to learn that Page, being examiner of patents, was prohibited by law from taking a patent in his own name. I learned also that Page was the sonin-law of Amos Kendall, and that there were some other considerations that gave cohesion to said partnership. I immediately sat down and wrote to Page, charging him with

having used my suggestions for his own benefit, and at the same time I published a communication in the Washington Globe, making the same charge publicly. Mr. Page answered my publication, admitting the receipt of my suggestions and drawings and that he never answered my inquiries.

His excuse was, that at that time he had no faith in the project, and thought it unnecessary to answer me. The files of the Globe of that day will show this.

"Whether Morse, a partner of Page, ever profited by my suggestions to Page is only a matter of suspicion with me. I have no proof further than the circumstances above detailed."

He concludes with this paragraph:

"I have deemed this communication necessary to correct the errors into which my friends have fallen, and to vindicate myself against the sneer of Col. A. M. Waddell, who seems to think my pretensions an absurdity. "Respectfully,

"JUNIUS L. CLEMMONS."

- A well informed gentleman thinks it will be more to the advantage of Western Carolina to have her mountains stocked with wild turkeys than to have the Catawba river stocked with shad, says the Hickory Press.

--- The pall-bearers at the funeral of the late Judge Bailey, who was interred at Asheville, were Hon. A. T. Davidson, Gen. J. G. Martin, Col. David Coleman, Maj. Marcus Erwin, Capt. C. M. McLoud, and Capt. W. M. Cooke, Jr.

- Mr. A. K. Taylor, of Jackson county, was dangerously shot while work-ing in his field. The Citizen says the wound will not prove fatal, it is thought. Andrew Bumgarner and Frank P. Hooper, two young men, have been arrested.

- The News tells of a drunken ne gro who was asleep, when a mule, hitched to a cart, came along and got the man's feet entangled in the gearing, and was dragged a long distance, the mule running at top speed. He is very seriously hurt.

- Danville Times: Mr. W. D. Wall, of Rockingham county, has just sold his tobacco crop. It brought him \$1140; the year before he made \$1300 with the aid of one boy. The crop just sold was made with the help of two small boys, who were his sons.

- Asheville Pioneer: That gem of the State dailies, the Wilmington STAR. ---- We learn from the physician attending E. L. Merrell, who was shot by John Murry on the evening of the 28th ult., that he is improving rapidly, and is now supposed to be out of danger.

- Danbury Reporter : A man was found guilty of selling "bitters" in Germanton last Saturday, and was fined \$10. — We regret to chronicle the death of two highly esteemed ladies of our county. which transpired within the last few days -Mrs. Dr. Dicks and Mrs. Baker Martin.

- Charleston, S. C. Journal of Commerce: In the growing ranks of the in stitutions of education in the South, stands the Carolina Military Institute. The build ings are located on an elevated site in the suburbs of the city of Charlotte, N. C. The main building is of brick, about 275 feet by 50 teet, three stories high, and adapted to the purpose. The grounds are attractive.

- Reidsville News: The Rev. Mr. Darnall has been confined to his room by sickness since last Wednesday. We are glad to learn this morning that he is something better. --- Mr. John D. Worsham. of our town, is fast acquiring considerable reputation as a successful manager of bees. He has recently invented a patent bee hive, which is attracting great atten-tion, and is said to be the best gum now in 1186.

- The Concord Sun says Mr. John S. Turner harvested wheat in 1876. On the same land he at once planted corn. This spring he secured another crop of wheat without sowing any seeds. It seems that the waste wheat from the cutting the year before, came up with the corn and made an excellent stand. He made 90 shocks from this three acre lot. Economical farming is'nt it.

- Southern Home: We regret to note a second affliction in the family of our esteemed Clerk of the Superior Court. He lost an infant of four months on last Friday night. It will be remembered that he had a child scalded to death during our Centennial week in 1875. — Rev. Dr. Nall began a series of services last Monday night at Matthews' Station, and had a large

First Baptist Church the house, then less than half its present size, and the lot on which it stands, all clear of debt. Since that time 148 members have been added, nearly half of them by baptism.

- E. City Economist : Several families have already gone to Nag's Head ---- The divers in the channel at Hertford are doing well. Nine stumps already crown their labors. --- Judge Brooks and Dr. Speed have been quite sick, but both are improving. —— The wheat this season in this county is a fair crop. Com-paratively little was sown, but all that was properly put in did well. —— The crops in Hertford county, especially about Win-ton, are reported as "not promising." —— Dare county claims the oldest woman in the United States in the person of Mrs. Rebec-

ca Hayman. It is said she is over 115 years of age. She resides on Roanoke Island and is still in possession of her faculties. - The subscribers to the stock of the Suffolk & Albemarle Sound Railway Company held a meeting at Edenton on the 27th ult., at which a Board of Directors was elected. Hon. Mills L. Eure was elected



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Magistrate's Court. John W. Wilkins was arraigned before

Justice Gardner, yesterday afternoon, on the affidavit of Grace Ann Moore, charged with assault and battery, and was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and the costs.

The same defendant was arraigned on peace warrant, sworn out by the same, and was required to give bond in the sum of \$100 for his appearance at the next term of the Criminal Court, in default of which he was committed to jail.

Edward McFarland, charged with committing an assault on Wm. Gordon, also had a hearing, judgment being suspended on the payment of costs.

Emanuel Jones, charged with forcible trespass, had a hearing before Justice Harriss, who required him to give bond in the sum of \$200 for his appearance at the Criminal Court.

The same defendant, charged with assault and battery, was ordered to pay a fine

Alleged Pickpockets Arrested.

Louisa Grutgen, Robert Webb and Richard Hopkins, all colored, were arrested yesterday, by Officer Carr, charged with robbing one Richard Perry, a colored stew. ard, lemployed on one of the vessels in port, of the sum of \$75 in greenbacks. It is alleged that Perry was prevailed upon to go to the house of Louisa Grutgen, when she and her two friends succeeded in making him drunk, after which they went through his pockets and robbed him of the amount mington, \$3,400. referred to. The three conspirators were

orderly conduct in the neighborhood "Paddy's Hollow."

- Spirits turpentine sold as low a 28 cents in this market yesterday, and it is now thought to have reached bottom. though some have been predicting that i would drop as low as 25 cents.

- The yacht Ripple has received from a lady in Raleigh a beautiful prize in the shape of a splendid boquet, with congratulations on the victory she achieved in the recent regatta at Wrightsville.

- The bridge over the railroad at its intersection with Sixth street should be to look carefully to our own safety, that no completed before the lumber hauled to the spot for the purpose becomes warped and the city. otherwise damaged. The bridge is much bebeen

into the river, or landed on some point not occupied and unfrequently visited by peo-ple. The vessel should be cleansed and - Coroner Hewlett was notified that his services would be needed to hold an inquest over a colored child, reported to disinfected, and in these days disinfection have died suddenly, yesterday morning, in can be thoroughly accomplished. The crew and such laborers as may be required "Brooklyn,"but upon examination into the to clear the vessel of her cargo should be case he deemed it unnecessary to hold an placed under the strictest surveillance, and inquest. until the competent authority shall decide that no danger will arise from her presence

- It is currently reported that Mr. Williams, the present Clerk of the Market. has paid over to the city treasury for the few weeks he has been in the position a greater amount of fees collected from carts, &c., than was paid in for months previous to his appointment.

Mayor's Court.

James Eppes, Gaston Merrick and Chas Allen, three colored boys, were arraigned before Mayor Dawson, yesterday morning, on the charge of extinguishing the light of the street lamp at the corner of Sixth and fever season, all vessels from infected Dock streets, about 2 o'clock yesterday morning, under very suspicious circumstances. It seems that one of the boys was detected on the fence prying very minutely and cautiously into the premises of Mr. John Neimeyer, who was known at the time to be away from home, he being an engineer on the railroad. At the close of this reconnoisance one of the boys anproached the lamp and put out the light, about which time a sudden descent was made upon the suspicious trio, and they were seized and conveyed to the guard house. They were sentenced to confinement in the cells on bread and water. Since writing the above the boys have been released on payment of the necessary

### fines. Salaries of Postmasters,

As an item of interest to many of ou readers we give from the United States Official Postal Guide the salaries of the postmasters of some of the most important offices in this State, as follows: Asheville, \$1.200: Charlotte, \$2.200: Favetteville. \$1,700; Goldsboro, \$1,500; Greensboro \$1,700; Newbern, \$1,800; Raleigh, \$2,300 Salisbury, \$1,300; Tarboro, \$1,500; Wil

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