been amicably arranged. - The President approved the Paris Exposition bill, A fight on the Texan side of the Rio Grande between a small body of United States and State troops and a large body of Mexicans; fighting going on; the Governor of Texas asks for immediate assistance.

— senator Butler asks for an investigation into the manner of his election; resolutio went over. - French Chamber of Deputies will vote for direct to res and two months of the budget. — The Turkish Chamber of Deputies elected a Christian as President. -- The Pope is better. -- Presbyterian University at Chicago burnt; loss \$80,000. - Elena was burned by the Turks; the Russians re-occupied it. - New York markets: Money active at 7 per cent; gold quiet at 102; cotton earler at 11 7-16@11 9-16 cents; flour dull and heavy at \$5 00@ 5 10; wheat heavy and 2 cents lower; corn d cent lower; spirits turpentine quiet at 331 cents; roain quiet at \$1 671@1 721.

The Republicans evidently distrust MacMahon. They will vote at present but two months of the budget. They wish to try his fidelity.

The world moves. A Christian believer has been elected President of a Mussulman Chamber of Deputies. How adversity does liberalize and sober. It yet "wears a precious jewel in its head."

Times are steadily growing worse in the North. Bank after bank and merchant after merchant fail. Another Savings Bank in New York has followed the bad example of the Chicago banks, where "they all do it."

Prince Milan has grown suddenly very brave. Now that he thinks the discomfiture of the Turks a certainty, his voice is for war. So long as the issue seemed doubtful he held aloof. His proclamation, in which he calls on the Servians to "move forward alongside the victorious banner of the Czar," will excite only derision and

The news from the East is that the Porte has asked England's mediation. It is believed that England will not agree because Germany is opposed to it, and Russia would not probably regard with favor any such office on the part of England. It is said Russian troops will not advance as yet, but will wait to see what effect the fall of Plevna has.

The difficulty between Senators Gordon and Coekling has been amicably arranged. Senator Ransom acted as the friend of Gen. Gordon in adjusting the difficulty. The matter was considered in secret session. If Gen. Gordon were not a member of the Presbyterian Church we should have supposed from the importance given the matter by the Senate that there was danger of a scene at Bladensburg, as in old times, and need for "pistols and coffee for two." We suppose Conkling would fight, as he is too proud a man to bear tamely an indignity. As for Gen. Gordon, he has illustrated his courage on twenty battle-fields where brave men fought and fell.

Perhaps the spark has been struck that will kindle a fire that may set two countries in a blaze. Who knows? The telegraphic news from the Rio Grande is of a character to make the papers that favor war with Mexico red-hot. A band of Mexican marauders numbering three hundred have crossed the Rio Grande into Texas and attacked some twenty State and United States soldiers, killing several. At last accounts the fighting continued, and the little band was defending themselves the best they could. The Governor of Texas asks the Secretary of War for assistance. We do not apprehend very serious results from this scrimmage. Our troops had set the example of invasion. The real danger lies in this: such conflicts may bring on finally a fight of such magnitude as to eventuate in war. Let us have

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WILMINGTON, N. C., SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1877.

A sharp altercation occurred in exator was on the floor calling for the report which the committee on Commerce had directed Mr. Spencer, of Alabama, to make on the nomination of Smith, as Collector of Mobile, and which that worthy has been endeavoring to suppress in order to prevent the case from coming to a vote. Conkling came to the rescue of his henchmen by calling out in loud and peremptory tones, "go on with the

Senator Gordon rebuked this rude interruption by remarking that he was conducting the public business, and that the Senator from New York had no right to give orders to the Vice President.

Conkling affected not to hear this remark, and asked the Senator from Georgia, what he said? Whereupon Gen. Gordon repeated his remark. Conkling replied, that if the Sens-ator from Georgia stated that he was giving orders to the Vice President, he stated what was not true. don at once restated what he had said. Whereupon Conkling repeated again, speaking hypothetically, "that if the Senator stated that he had given orders to the Vice President, he stated what was not true." "Very well," said Gordon, "we will settle that." "Yes," said Conkling, "we will settle it here." "No," retorted Gordon, with emphasis, "we will not settle it here," This scene was, of course, highly exciting.

Sampson Fair. [Raleigh Observer Report Condensed.] THIRD DAY-DECEMBER 13.

A large number of visitors, over ,000, availed themselves of the beautiful day and put in an appearance-400 more than last year.

At 12 o'clock M. His Excellency Gov. Vance, in company with the President, W. K. Pigford, Col. Ash-ford, Chief Marshal, E. W. Kerr, Esq., and several members of the Ex-ecutive Committee, visited the Fair Grounds. E. W. Kerr introduced Governor Vance, who then addressed the crowd. He concluded by saying: "He would now change from an agriculturist to an astronomer and take a view of the heavenly bodies which he saw before him, but on to-morrow would tell them what he knew about

farming." The exhibition in the live stock department was perfectly splendid, and by many was said to be ahead of any other fair in the State.

Friday is the big day. It is expected that every man, woman and child in this whole county will be here to see and hear Vance. Let them come; one more good day will relieve the Society of all financial embarrassments, then in the future there will be no fears about success. So be it.

The hop last night was quite a pleasant affair, and the young ladies looked very pretty. To-night is the grand ball of the Fair, when they will he in full dress.

- Raleigh handled 2,329 bales oot-

- Bertie sends three colored convicts to the penitentiary. - Gov. Vance declines to lecture in Atlanta upon invitation.

- Mallard shooting on Trent river furnishes sport to Newbern gunners now. - Mr. J. H. Leak, of Trinity College, is shead thus far. His pig weighed 415 pounds. Next.

- The officers of the second regiment are to meet at Wadesboro, and not Geldsboro, as published,

- The Carolina Central train came near being wrecked by a sill being laid across the track near Monroe. - Green H. Alford, Esq., of Wake,

is dead. He was a worthy citizen and once a member of the Legislature.

JOHNSON-LEDBETTER.—On Tuesday, 27th of November, 1877, at the residence of the bride's father, in the town of Rockingham, Richmond co., by the Rev. J. W. Jenkins, ROBERT A. JOHNSON, Esq., and Miss ROSA STEELE LEBBET-YOPP-DYER-In this city, on the evening of the 11th inst., by Rev. C. M. Payne, NICHOLAS W. YOPP and SARAH E., daughter of the late Thos. K. Dyer, Esq., of Nassau, New Providence. Bahamas. No cards.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

The Committee appointed by the Wilmington Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, to draft resolutions expressive of the feeling of the Company in the loss of their late comrade, NEILL S. Mo-LAURIN, report the following:

Whereas, in the manifold workings of a Divine Providence, and in the dispensation of a Supreme Being, whose purposes to us are unknown, it has pleased the Almighty Father to remove from us Neill S. McLaurin, our companion and fellow-freman, who was just entering the strife of life, and whose present career promised a brilliant future of neefulness. olved, That in the death of our comrade, Nell

Resolved, That in the death of our comrade, Neur S. McLaurin, this Company has lost a member whose faithfulness in its service we look back upon with pride, and whose genial presence has ever cheered and animated us with a sense of good feeling and consideration one to another.

Resolved, That in unison with numerous acquaintances, but more especially his friends, who were attached to him by his kindness of heart, his vere attached to him by his kindness of heart, his rebanity of manners and gentlemanly demeanor towards all, which characterized him through his short-lived existence, and which served to mark him as one of nature's noblemen, we do mourn his early and, to us, seemingly untimely end, feeling that we have not only lost an excellent brother fireman, but the community has lost a most useful member.

Resolved, That in our time of sadness and affliction we tender to the bereaved family of the deceased our sincere and heartfelt sympathies, with the earnest prayer that God's tendeness may in time assuage the hitterness of this irreparable blow.

Resolved, That as an evidence of our respect for his memory, we will wear the usual badge of mourning for the period specified by our regulations, and a blank page in the records of this Company be inscribed with his name, age and date of death.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, and also furnished to the city papers with a request that they be published by the family of the deceased, and also furnished to the city papers with a request that they be published.

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Late Papers.—To Harris' News Stand, south side Front Street, we are indebted for copies of the New York Ledger, Chimney Corner and Frank Leslie's Blustrated Newspaper for the current week. The Stand will remain open until 11 o'clock this morning.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HD'QRS CAPE FRAR LIGHT ARTILLERY THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING OF the Company at the Armory, ever J. H. Allen's store, en Tuesday evening, at 7% o'chick. Business of importance, and every member is expected to be present. Monthly assessments are past due and must be paid. By order of the Captain.

dec 16-1t W. R. KING, O. S.

WIGWAM OF WYOMING TRIBE NO. 4, IMP. O. R. M., Wilmington, N. C., 15th Sun Hunting Moon, G. S. D. 390. BRETHREN: By dispensation granted by Vice Great Inchonee, you are respectfully requested to attend 18th Council Sleep, for Election of Officers. A full attendance is desired. By order of Sachem.

C. H. CAPPS, Chief of Records.

Sociable BY THE LADIES OF ST. THOMAS' CHURCH at the Opera House, Wednesday Evening, Dec

Ship Notice.

ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY cautioned against harboring or trusting any of the Crew of the Swedish Barque "IDUNA," as no debta of their contracting grit be paid by the Master or Consignee,

dec 16 3t D. LANDGREN, Master.

Dissolution. THE CO-PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXisting between Alexander Sessons and J. T. G.
Autry, under the name and style of A. SESSONS
& AUTRY, was this day dissolved by mutual consent. Alexander Sessons is a one authorized to
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A. G. SOMS & AUTRY,
December 12, 1877. Cerro Gordo, N. C.
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