

THE METHODISTS.

Proceedings of the Ecumenical Council at Washington.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Rev. Dr. Donnelly, of the Irish Methodist Church, presided over the Ecumenical Methodist Council at the beginning of the eighth day's session.

The first business before the Council was the consideration of the report of the Business Committee in response to the memorial on Methodist Federation, and Dr. Stephenson in behalf of the Committee made explanation of the purposes in reporting the resolutions and expressed the hope that they would pass.

SEVERE WEATHER.

Vessels Arriving at New York Report Heavy Gales Along the Coast.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Quite a number of steam and sailing vessels arrived here to-day, many of them from Southern ports.

The steamer Knickerbocker, from New Orleans, reports that on October 11, in latitude 32.50, longitude 77, she fell in with a three-masted lumber laden schooner, waterlogged and abandoned; she hailed from New York, but her name could not be made out.

GEN. W. H. F. LEE

Died Yesterday at His Home in Fairfax County, Virginia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. ALEXANDRIA, VA., Oct. 15.—Gen. W. H. F. Lee, second son of Gen. R. E. Lee, died at his home in Ravensworth, Fairfax county, this evening, aged 54 years.

On receipt of the intelligence of his death all the bells in the city were tolled. He had faithfully represented this district for two terms in Congress, and was member-elect of the next House.

ELECTRIC SPARKS.

Assistant County Attorney Moriarty, who is also City Councilman, and six other prominent citizens of Omaha, Neb., have been arrested for taking part in last week's lynching.

The Vanderbilt Benevolent Association of Charleston, S. C., has sent to ex-President Cleveland a very handsome souvenir badge of the association for his little daughter Ruth.

The fast vestibule train on the Chicago & Eastern Illinois road was wrecked near Crete, Ills. Engineer Clark was killed, as were three reporters of the Chicago Inter-Ocean, who were riding on the engine.



A cream of tarter baking powder. Highest of all in leavening strength.—Latest U. S. Government Food Report.

COTTON CARGOES.

Complaints of Alleged Frequency of Fires on Board Vessels Laden with Cotton—Remedial Measures Suggested.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, October 15.—The acting Secretary of State recently received a letter from the British Minister at Washington relative to the packing of American cotton intended for shipment, in which the Minister refers to the great risk to human life which has been shown to exist from the loose baling of cotton, and remarks that the subject is one of such great importance to both countries, and indeed to all nations, that in addition to the evidence ready submitted by him he desires to invite attention to a letter of Edward Atkinson, stating that American cotton is treated more dangerously than any other great staple of any kind or than any other kind of cotton in the world, and to further remarks in the latter's letter, as follows: "Bales are badly made, badly covered, badly cut, and badly broken. They are rolled in the mud and exposed to weather and are always in a condition in which they may become liable to impregnation of cotton seed oil and liable to spontaneous combustion. When a bale of cotton which is slightly moistened with oil on the end or side becomes broken so that air can enter into the interstices among the fibres, it may happen very often that the right combination of fibre, oil and oxygen will occur, causing rapid oxidation which is known as spontaneous combustion."

The Minister also draws attention to Atkinson's suggestion that there should be careful examination of bales before shipment, which examination the latter says might abate part of the danger, although the whole danger will not be abated until a bale of cotton is made up, compressed, guarded and protected, as it ought to be.

COTTON FUTURES.

The New York Futures Market Yesterday By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—The Star's cotton circular says:

Futures opened irregular, with October contracts slightly lower and other months dearer, then made a general advance, presently declined, partially recovered and closed quiet and steady at an advance of 9 points on October and 3 to 4 points on other months from yesterday's closing prices. The break in October was fairly active, with the market recovering and closing quiet and steady at an advance of 9 points on October and 3 to 4 points on other months from yesterday's closing prices.

CHICAGO MARKET REVIEW.

Fluctuations in Prices of Grain and Provisions.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—The bears were on top in the grain pit this morning. News was all in their favor and they improved their opportunities to slug prices, especially corn, with the result of a decided slump in the value of that article, though there was a partial recovery later, while wheat reacted and closed higher.

At no time during the session was wheat as weak as corn, and every onslaught was stubbornly contested. December wheat which closed yesterday at 98 1/2c, just touched that figure around the opening and gradually sold off to 98c, reacted to 98 1/2c, remained steady until near the close, when a dispatch was received from London saying that Russia had prohibited the export of maize, to go into effect to-morrow. This gave the stubborn bulls the upper hand and in the last few minutes they put prices up to 99 1/2c, at which figure it closed firm.

Oats were dull and steady with fluctuations within very narrow limits. Hog products were strong and higher. Recent heavy reduction in prices has created a very considerable short interest, which looks for a reaction and is inclined to cover. The close shows an advance of 25c in pork, 10c in lard and 10 1/2c in ribs.

BRUTAL OUTRAGE.

A Woman Mutilated by an Escaped Convict.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., October 15.—Fred Kempson, an escaped convict, went to the house of a woman in Lexington county who had been instrumental in securing his prosecution and conviction for assault and battery, with intent to kill, tied her up and told her he would either cut her throat or chop off her ears and that she might choose. The woman decided to lose her ears, and the scoundrel hacked them off with a dull knife. He then untied the woman and left the neighborhood.

The Troy, (N. Y.), press will announce to-day that it is authorized by the Democratic State Committee to invite Hon. J. Stuart Fassett to meet Ex-Senator Grady at any place in the State and at any time before the election in discussion of any or all issues pending in the campaign.

THE STATE EXPOSITION.

GRANDEST DAY IN THE ANNALS OF RALEIGH.

The Streets Packed With People—Fifteen Thousand Strangers in Town—Confederate Veterans—University Boys—Political Matters at the Capital City—The Colored Agricultural College.

[Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 15.—The grandest day in the annals of Raleigh. This is the general sentiment of all. The people are here by thousands; the streets are literally packed, and each incoming train is loaded down. At noon it was estimated there were no less than fifteen thousand strangers within our gates. The ladies are here in tremendous numbers, and nothing less than the proverbial Carnival of Venice can convey any thing like an adequate description of the scene.

To-day is what might be termed a "combination day." Properly speaking it has been set apart as "University Day" and the boys are here in force. The Confederate Veterans, too, claim it, and they are here in considerable numbers. The programme is perhaps about as attractive as any that will be prescribed during the exposition, and is being carried out as far as practicable.

LATE FOREIGN NEWS.

Death of the German Minister to the United States—Revolutionary Movements at St. Petersburg—Another Storm Outbreak in Great Britain.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BERLIN, October 15.—Count Ludwig Von Arco-Valley, German Minister to the United States, is dead. Professor Bergmann performed an operation on the Count Monday last, his stomach having for some time past refused to receive all food. The operation was not successful. The brother and sister of the late Minister were at his bedside when he died.

FATAL EXPLOSION.

At a New Hampshire Cotton Mill—Several Persons Killed and a Number Injured.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Oct. 15.—The fly-wheel of No. 7 Mill of the Amosack corporation burst about 9.30 a. m., tearing through the floors of the first and second stories. Two persons are believed to have been killed outright and a dozen badly wounded. Excitement about the mill gates is very great.

Eleven girls were employed in the drawing room over the steam pumping room adjoining the engine house. When the wheel burst they were carried to the basement in the debris. Seven of them were caught in heavy timbers and iron beams and badly injured. One died three hours later. The engineer, named Bunker, was taken out of the ruins dead. Eleven persons were injured and one girl is missing. Probably two or three more deaths will result.

COLORED AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

About a month since the trustees of the proposed Agricultural and Mechanical College met in this city for the purpose of considering its location. No decision was arrived at, owing to the reception of propositions from several cities and towns. An adjournment was made until this morning, and the trustees are in session to-day. It is understood that since the last meeting the Committee having in charge the matter of soliciting subscriptions in Raleigh have secured pledges to an amount appropriating \$19,000, and the outlook at this meeting is that the institution, if a decision is made, will be located here.

POLITICAL.

Geo. B. Eaves, chairman of the Republican State Executive Committee, is in the city. His arrival has been anticipated, this afternoon, by the appearance of others of the faithful, and a consultation is on foot for to-night. It seems to be the understanding that the question of ways and means will be the main one under consideration. Col. Keogh, of the North State, will submit his proposition for the removal of that paper to Raleigh, and it is considered certain that it will be accepted.

DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE.

The meeting of the Democratic State Executive Committee, called to assemble in Commons Hall to-night, is understood to be merely an informal one. There are numbers of leading political gentlemen in the city who will probably be asked to interchange views. Although it may appear rather premature to map out anything like a programme for the campaign, the general outlook will no doubt be discussed. Your correspondent has mingled much during the past few days with representative gentlemen from all sections of North Carolina, and fails to note any lack of fealty to Democratic doctrines, or any leaning to annexation organizations for redress of real or supposed wrongs. The general belief is that all worth desiring can be fully secured within party bounds.

FRED DOUGLASS.

There was great disappointment yesterday among the colored people at the failure of Fred Douglass to put in his appearance. He telegraphed that having indulged much of late in public speaking he felt physically unable to perform the task. He promises, however, to pay his "native State" a visit soon. In this connection it may not be amiss to say that the practice of announcing the presence of noted men without failure, and then have them decline, is causing much grumbling. It is calculated to work injury, but seems to have been frequently indulged in of late years by those having in charge large gatherings.

UNIVERSITY BOYS.

The University boys arrived about 11 o'clock. At the depot they took the electric cars, crowding four of them to their utmost capacity. As they passed through the streets the "University yell" was sent up, much to the delight of thousands who lined the sidewalks. "The boys" have evidently come to "paint" the town in their innocent way. Business is pretty much at a standstill here to-day. Most of the merchants and clerks are at the grounds.

GOLD ARRIVALS.

Gold arrivals by Wednesday afternoon and yesterday's steamers at New York were \$646,000. Total gold received from Europe to date \$15,296,000; amount now in transit, \$1,550,000.

DEMOCRATS IN COUNCIL.

Conference of Leading Members of the Party at Raleigh—Great Unanimity—Alliance Speakers Disclaim the Third Party Movement—The Platform of the Last Campaign Urged for Adoption.

[Special to the Star.]

RALEIGH, N. C., October 15.—A conference of leading Democrats from all parts of the State was held at Commons Hall to-night. There was a large attendance. Addresses were made by ex-Gov. Jarvis, Alexander Robbins, Thos. Skinner, Capt. Kitchen, and others. Great unanimity of spirit prevailed. The sentiment of all the speakers opposed any movement outside the Democratic party for redress of grievances. It was the general recommendation that the committee should urge the adoption of the platform of the last campaign. All the Alliance speakers disclaimed the Third Party movement.

The conference adjourned at 11.10 o'clock, when the State Democratic Committee met with closed doors. Its proceedings were not given to the public.

Senator J. W. King, of Guilford, presided at the conference.

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Schiellallion (Br), 1,087 tons, Mitchell, Alex Sprunt & Son, Wilmington, 1515 tons, Knott, Alex Sprunt & Son.

Emble (Br), 1,276 tons, Williamson, Alex Sprunt & Son.

BARQUES.

Spes (No.), 427 tons, Gundersen, Pateson, Downing & Co.

Suga (No.) 446 tons, Sorensen, Heide & Co.

SCHOONERS.

Addie E Shaw, 163 tons, Whitman, Geo Harris, Son & Co.

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