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West railroad, - A tragedy in Georgiia. - Two men lynched in Ala-

71 cents; middling uplands 7 cents: Southern flour dull and easy; common to fair extra \$2.10@3.00; good to choice do. \$3.00@3.50; wheat fairly active, \coloner, firm; No. 2 red in store and at elevator 57% cents; affoat 58% @581 cents; com-No. 2 at elevator 61 cents; afloat 601/661 cents; spirits turpentine dull but steady at 291/029% cents; rosin firm and fairly active; common to good strained \$1 15@1 20. The impression prevails that the

Territory of Alaska is a cold, barren region, valuable only for its fisheries. But large deposits of minerals have show that there are fine agricultural lation of 20,000,000. In the southern part of the Territory there are over 6,500 square miles of tillable land.

The Boston Post-Transcript, Republican, protests against its party, as a party of "moral ideas and purposes," coquetting with the silver question as it has been doing in a good many States. The P .- T. is right, but the assumption that the Republican party is a party of "moral ideas and purposes" is a fraud

California seems to run her business pretty much on the Trust plan. Trusts control her lands which are for sale, her mining, canning, and fruit industries, and now we have a big \$10,000,000 wine Trust which is to manipulate the grape juice and run the wine making business. The average man, however, whose luxuries in a liquid way are confined to corn juice and beer is not much interested in wine Trusts and can

gone to pieces in Georgia. Politics did it. The Alliance in North Carolina is not one-third as strong as it was three years ago. Politics did" that. Marion Butler, President of the Alliance, says it has nothing to do with politics now, but in the meantime Marion is working as a zealous member of the Populist party. The Alliance ought to dispense with the services of Marion and let him give his undivided attention to the Populist party.

tariff reformer as Col. Watterson, of the Louisville Courier- Journal, who from the beginning has denounced the new tariff bill as a surrender, has discovered and confesses that there is much in it to commend it to the people. After enumerating many of the things on which the duties have been reduced, he says: "These things are not to be sneezed at, and with patience and good luck we may worry along until good fortune and the people's votes give us another chance to do better. If, despite treachery and cowardice and the stifling grip of the protected interests, the Democracy has succeded by even this much in making the poor man's dollar go further in furnishing his home and buying clothing for hisfamily, it cannot be wholly condemned, however much and however justly it may be taken to task for having failed to keep all pledges."

THE MORNING STA

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WILMINGTON, N. C., SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 1894.

Discount of Five Per Cent. to Be Al-

lownd on Taxes Paid Before Septem

ourned session at the City Hall yester-

The Mayor stated that the object of

the meeting was to consider and take

Alderman Harriss offered the follow-

Resolved, By the Board of Aldermen

of the City of Wilmington (the Board of

Audit and Finance concurring), that on

all listed taxes due the city of Wilming-

ton for the year 1894, which are paid in

full before the 30th day of September,

1894, the City Clerk and Treasurer is

hereby authorized to allow a discount of

per cent., and no discount shall be al-

Alderman Moore offered a substitute

The adoption of the substitute was

moved and seconded, and the yeas and

nays were called for. Those voting aye

were Aldermen Moore, Latimer and

Yates-3. Nays-Aldermen Northrop,

The original resolution allowing a dis-

count of five per cent. was then adopted,

by a vote of 5 to 3. The Board then ad-

The Board of Audit and Finance met

and concurred in the action of the Board

of Aldermen, as above stated, and also

GENTLEMEN-At a called meeting of

the Board of Aldermen held this day

(August 15th) the following resolution

Be it resolved, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the city of Wilmington,

and it is hereby resolved by the au-

thority of the same, (the Board of

Audit and Finance concurring) that

the city borrow for the use of

the current expenses of said city, the

sum of \$10,000; and the Mayor and

the chairman of the Board of Au-

dit and Finance are hereby au-

thorized to execute in behalf of the city

of Wilmington and to affix thereto the

seal of the city, a promissory note in

said amount, payable four months after

date in gold or its equivalent, and to

bear not exceeding 8 per cent. per an-

The members of the Board present

Bills were audited and approved as

follows: For current expenses, \$225.93;

were: Messrs. R. J. Jones (chairman),

C. H. Ganzer, H. C. McQueen.

bonds, \$300; coupons, \$420.

of closely printed matter.

Branson's Directory.

gave concurrence to the following.

vas passed

To the Board of Audit and Finance:

Harriss, Gore, Walker and Nixon-5.

for the resolution making the discount

three per cent., instead of five.

expenses of the city government.

ber 30th, 1894.

Gore, Walker and Nixon.

ing resolution, viz:

owed after that date.

CITY FINANCES.

In addition to what was recently printed in the STAR about cotton bagging, the

The National Cordage Company, otherwise the Jute Bagging Trust, is playing a great game to keep the market cornered for the present year and pull the farmer for all it can, on the bagging needed this season.

The trust has been keeping only a action in the matter of raising funds for

> The Senate bill takes off the duty of worth, it may be stated that not a week

> The trust realizes that this is its last chance. The consequence is bagging is advancing in price every day or two.

Bagging will be bagging before the season is over, and we expect to recoupour losses on this season and look to the Republicans to put us back under

This not only bears out the indications, but shows they boast of the fact that they will attempt to squeeze out every dollar they can.

New Band.

The Hanover Cornet Band, organized two months ago and equipped with a ments, made their first appearance in with a serenade. The members of the Geo. Staton, R. H. Curtis; slide trombones, F. M. Griffith, B. L. Phipps; tenor, K. A. Bennett; baritone, Ino. the city vesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock | They propose to give an excursion next Friday and hope to realize something therefrom towards meeting the expense incurred in organizing and equipping the

The Winston Republican says: "Salisbury, Wilmington, Greensboro, Newbern, and in fact a majority of the fire companies of the State will be here next week at the State Firemen's Association and Tournament. A number will bring their engines and apparatus while others will come only as delegates. It promises to prove an interesting occasion and the Twin-City extends a cordial and; most hospitable welcome. Our three local companies are practicing faithfully for the reel, steam and other contests, and these features will be spirited. Visiting firemen are coming in good trim and whoever "wins the laurels," which include the prizes, will earn them, and deservingly.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R R.-19 casks spirits turpentine, 70 bbls. rosin, 79 bbls. tar, 6 bbls. crude turpen-

bbls, rosin, 6 bbls tar, 17 bbls, crude tur-Carolina Central R.R-1 bale cotton,

52 casks spirits turpentine, 88 bbls. rosin, 46 bbls. tar, 16 bbls. crude turpen-

C. F. & Y. V. R. R.-46 casks spirits Steamer Lisbon-53 casks spirits tur-

Steamer Cape Fear—52 casks spirits turpentine, 150 bbls. rosin, 255 bbls. tar, 4 bbls, crude turpentine. Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk R R-48 casks spirits turpentine, 19 bbls. tar, 3 bbls, crude turpentine.

turpentine, 284 casks; rosin, 486 bbls.; tar,

COTTON BAGGING.

Further Advance in Price-The Jute Trust Making Its Last Desperate Effort.

Savannah News has this:

small stock of bagging on hand in anticipation of the tariff bill, which has taken off the duty. It has been selling it, too, in small lots. The supply now on hand is hardly sufficient to take care of this year's cotton crop, and it is too late under the present conditions for the farmers and cotton men to talk about import-

standpoint are that many of the cotton factors and farmers have laid in a supply of bagging with which to handle a large part of their crop, having bought it at a time when the low freight rates from New York and other Northern points were in force, because they got it laid down cheaper than they could have done had the regular freight rates remained in force. They will not, therefore, need a full supply with which to handle their crops, and the trust knows this. The farmers and factors would not, therefore, be so ready to begin im-

It is a fact, too, that owing to the falling off in the demand the foreign mills have been inactive, and if orders were given now they could not be filled in time for the present crop. The bagging trust appreciates this situation, and is going to push the market for all it is

Unless something can be done the chances are that bagging will go much higher than it has ever been since the Alliance tackled the Jute Trust. One of the managers of the Cordage Company

their protecting wing in the future."

The STAR is glad to learn that Mr Branson will issue a new edition of his State Business Directory. This will be the 8th edition and is expected to contain some eight hundred or more pages The business of the State is much

arger in every line than formerly, and hence the Directory will probably contain over one hundred thousand names The growth of our State Directory speaks well for the growth of business in Funeral of Mrs. Sallie Merritt. The remains of Mrs. Sallie Merritt wife of Mr. A. P. Merritt, of Town Creek. Brunswick county, took place in from Bladen Street Methodist church, Rev. L. L. Butte officiating. A large

Candidate Lockhart. The Charlotte Observer pays a high ribute to Mr. Lockhart, the Democratic nominee for Congress in this District, and the STAR is prepared to indorse what the Observer says of his character and ability. The representative of the STAR at Lumberton was most favorably impressed both by his manner and

number of friends were present and the

remains were interred in Bellevue cem-

Cotton Receipts.

Receipts of cotton here yesterday 10 bales; same day last year, 8 bales. Receipts for week ended yesterday, 14 makes the following complimentary bales; same week last year, 26. Receipts for the crop year to August 24th, 189,-779 bales; to same date last season, 160,-

rous man of the Cape Fear. The friends he has made more than compensate him for the loss of the nomination so gallantly contested."

Delegate Tennent, of the Second Ward, not only lost his candidate at Lumberton, but likewise an entire night's sleep. He returned Thursday afternoon. went home, and at 3 p. m. lay down for an hour's nap; but he didn't wake up until 7 o'clock yesterday morning. This was sixteen hours straight, and it brought ment causes great dissatisfaction in Ed's average right up to the normal

Special Meeting Board of Aldermen-A.

The Board of Aldermen met in adday at noon. There were present: Mayor Fishblate. Aldermen Yates, Moore, Latimer, Northrop, Harriss,

ing bagging from England. The facts in the case from a Southern

porting.

2.22 cents, which was kept up by the McKinley Act, and consequently makes the bagging just that much cheaper. As an example of the fact that the trust is going to squeeze the farmer for all it is ago bagging was advanced three-quarters of a cent a yard within four or five days' time. Many of the Savannah factors have bought a greater part of their supply, as have others, on account of the cheap rates, and under the circumstances there is hardly enough inducement to purchase large importations from abroad this year.

is quoted as follows:

complete set of nickel-plated instrupublic last night, and favored the STAR band are: Leader, R. P. McClammy; cornets, Frank Stanland, Inc. James, R. H. Macumber, T. K. Curtis: altos. Clayton C. Redd, Robt, H. Morris, Griffith; bass, A. S. King; tuba, J. W. Gafford; snare drum, W. K. Vann; ba drum and cymbals, H. H. Parker.

The Firemen's Gala Week.

Wilmington & Weldon R R-9 bales cotton, 19 casks spirits turpentine. 39

turpentine, 89 bbls. rosin, 36 bbls. tar. pentine, 112 bbls. tar.

Total receipts-Cotton, 10 bales; spirits

553 bbls.; crude turpentine, 36 bbls.

At Hilton Park This Afternoon and To-

WHOLE NO.8 ,501

Prof. Bernier, the wonderful magician, will give two performances at Hilton Park to-day. A matinee, for ladies and children, at 3 o'clock this afternoon, and the regular performance at night, begin-

ning at 8 30 o'clock. Free to all. The entertainment last night was at tended by quite a large number of ladies aud gentlemen, who manifested their satisfaction and approval of the performance with applause.

A Yacht Party. Mr. R. W. Gibson gave a pleasant entertainment yesterday afternoon on his vacht-the Bessie May-complimentary to the Knights Templar. The sail was down the river about fifteen miles, and up past the city to Navassa and back. An elegant lunch was served on the yacht, and the trip was very much en-

More New Octton.

A bale of cotton of this season's crop was received in Wilmington yesterday by Mr. W. B. Cooper, shipped by J. W. Leath, Mullins, S. C.

Messrs, Williams, Rankin & Co. also eceived a bale.

Forecast for To-Day.

For North Carolina and South Caroina, fair except showers on the coast; easterly winds.

- Parts 1 to 24 inclusive of the American Encyclopædic Dictionary are now ready. Send one coupon and 17 cents (which includes postage) for each

The Churches. Second Advent Church, Eider J. P. King, Pastor, services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday

school at 3 p. m.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, Rev. C
D. Bernheim, pastor, Sunday School 9,45 a m. Morn
ing Service at 11 n m. No service at night. St. Paul's Church, corner Fourth and Orange streets Rev. Frederick N. Skinner rector. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 6.00 p. m. Sunday School at 5.00 p. m Holy Communion first and third Sundays each month All seats free.

Market Street Methodist E. Church (the little Church around the corner), near the corner of Market and Ninth streets, Rev. M. T. Plyler, Pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8,00 p. m. Class meeting at 9,30 a. m. Sunday School at 3,30 p. ni, Praise meeting Thursday night at 7,30 o'clock. Fifth Street M. E. Church South, situated on Fifth street, between Nun and Church, Rev. L. L. Nash, D. D., Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m.

First Presbyterian Church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., pastor. Sunday services at 11 a m and 8.00 p m. Prayer meeting and Bible study Thursday night 8.15 o'clock; Sunday school at 4.00 p m. You are welcome.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner of Fourth and Brunswick streets, Rev. R. E. Peele, paster. Ser-vices tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 8.00 p. m. Sabbash school at 4 p. m. Weekly prayer and praise meeting dial invitation is extended to arrangers and visitored Grace Methodist E. Church, South, northeast corner of Mulberry and Fourth streets, Rev. W. C. Norman, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11,00 a m and 8 15 p m. Experience meeting at 10,00 a m in the lecture room. Sunday school at 4,00 p m. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday evening at 8,15 o'clock. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to attend.

Bladen street M. E. Church, South, corner Fifth and Bladen streets, Rev. J. F. Butt, pastor, Services o morrow at 11 a m and 8 p m. Immanuel Chapel (Presbyteriao). Front street, near Queen, Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D. Pastor. Sunday School at 11 a m; preaching every Sunday at 3.40 p m; Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7.30 p m. First Baptist Church, corner of Fifth and Markes streets, Rev. W. B. Oliver, Pastor. Morning services at 1 o'clock; night services 8.15 o'clock. Congregational Prayer meeting Thursday night at 8.15 o'clock. Sunday school at 4.00 p m. Strangers and visiort, cordially invited to all services.

Baptist Chapel, cor. Fifth and Wooster streets, Preaching by J. R. Marshall on Sunday at 11 a m and 7.30 p m: Sunday School 3.15 p m; Song Service Monday 7.30 p m: Prayer and praise meeting Friday at 7.30 p m. Ths public invited. Seats free.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutherau Church, corner of

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutherau Church, corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt pastor, Eeg lish service at 11 a m; no evening service. Sunday school at 4,30 p m.

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4c, 5c, 7c and 8c; Crapon, worth 10c for 7 cents. Men's Pants 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25

and \$3.00. Shoes, gaiter or lace, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$3.00. Ladies' Shoes, button or lace, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$3. A very heavy all wool Black or Navy Serge 41 inches wide 60c a yard, worth 75c; 40 inch Navy all

wool 40c, worth 60c. We want to clean out all our Summer goods before the Fall stock comes in, and now is your time to buy. Should you want any Mason Fruit Jars we sell one quart 90c a dozen: two quarts \$1.00 a dozen

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aug 17 tf

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

OUTLINES

Proceedings in Congress yesterday. - Chicago grain and provision mar---- Cotton spots and futures. - Base ball games played yesterday. - A negro murderer hanged in Arkansas. - W. E. Edmondson, of N. C., appointed chaplain in navy. -From Bluefielns-The Americans indignant because of arrests made by the Nicaraguan Government. - Meeting of Southern business men in Washington. - Washington News-The tariff puzzle; charges against the negro Recorder of the District of Columbia laid before the President: the Treasury net balance - Earthquake shocks at Palermo, Sicily. - The New England mill operatives-No change in the situation at New Bedford; the strike at Sun Cook. - Bradstreet's review of the trade situation. - A desperate fight with moonshiners in West Virginia; severa" persons wounded; a desperado captured. -- Suicide of the champion runner of the world. -Sale of the Jacksonville, Tampa & Key

bama, - Final meeting of the Southeen Railway and Steamsihp Association. -New York markets: Money on call asy at 1 per cent.; with last loan at 1 per cent., and closing offered at 1 per cent.; cotton quiet; midding gulf

been found there, and explorations lands enough in it to support a popu-

that was exploded long ago.

stand them. The Farmers' Alliance has about

Even such an ardent and radical

ABOUT COTTON.

Nearly all the Chinamen in Boston are "merchants." Some of the firms have from twenty-five to fifty members, from which it seems that the Chinaman is playing the "merchant"

racket pretty extensively. "Plunger" Ed Partridge, of Chicago, who has become a millionaire by operations in grain, has been knocked out by John Barleycorn, and is now undergoing treatment for al-

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. E VANLAER-Strike. AT HILTON-Prof. Bernier.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS. LOST-Watch-charm.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed. - Capt. T. W. Slocumb, of Goldsboro, was in the city yesterday on a busi-

- Mr. W. B. Bryant, formerly of this city but now of Wallace, is here visiting friends. - Mrs. Henry J. Gerken, who

has been summering at Southport, has returned to the city. - Capt. W. H. Newell, train mas-

ter for the Norfolk & Carolina Railroad,

was in the city yesterday. - Miss Olgia McCallum and Miss Mary McCallum, of Clarkton, were visitors in the city yesterday.

- Mr. Robt. C. Banks, who has

been visiting friends in Georgia and Florida, returned home yesterday. - Miss Laura Banks and Mr. Jos. N. Starr, of Fayetteville, are here on a

visit to Mr. H. H. Smith and family.

- Mr. I. J. Sternberger, who has

been on a business trip along the line of

the W & W. railroad, returned vester-

- Misses Emma Vogel, Sue Vogel and Mamie McCausland, accompanied by Mr. J. W. McCausland, of Charlotte, were visiting friends in this city - A \$60 fire trumpet is to be

at Winston-Salem to the most popular company in the State. The trumpet is to be awarded by vote, at 10 cents a - Commander F. Winslow and Alderman Lovick, of Newbern, who were on the cruise with the Naval Reserves and remained in Wilmington a

warded at the Fireman's Tournament

few days, have returned home. Both were more than pleased with their - Messrs, R. E. Pippen, Goldsboro: D. E. Smith, Mt. Olive: D. H. Wallace, Wallace; T. W. Hall, Elizabethtown; W. F. Penny, W. C. Harlee, Florence; A. F. Powell, Vineland; P. B. Wilkes, Monroe; K. C. Barrett, Florence; H. Butters, Hub; D. F. McKeithan,

LOCAL DOTS Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

Tillery, were among the arrivals in the

city yesterday.

of 8 inches since previous report. - Mr. C. H. Heide, whose mysterious disappearance some time ago excited considerable interest in this community, returned home yesterday.

- There will be services at St.

Andrew's Presbyterian Church to mor-

row at 11 a. m., conducted by Rev. John

- The Bureau reports the stage

of water in the river at Fayetteville

Friday at 8 a. m., 5 feet 6 inches; a fall

S. Wood. There will be no services at - The firm name of Palmer, Rivenburg & Co., produce commission merchants, 166 Reade street, New York, has been changed to Palmer & Frost, Mr. Rivenburg retiring. The house is well known to the truck farmers of this

- Having returned from his

Summer vacation, the Rev. W. C. Nor-

man is expected to fill his pulpit at

Grace Methodist E. Church, South, at the usual hours for service morning and night to-morrow, whether the bells are - One of the ministers stopping at the Hammocks will preach there to-morrow (Sunday) evening at five o'clock. The Rev. Dr. Smith, of Greensboro, and three sons, are spending a few

days there. Two of the sons are also

ministers, well known in this and other

- Theodore McIver and Alex. Randolph, the negro boys who recently murdered a young white boy named Edgar Hart at Sanford (particulars being given in the STAR at the time), have been tried and sentenced to the penitentiary, McIver for 5 years and Randolph for 31/4 years. The mild punish-

Hubbard, Price & Co.'s Letter-Flattering Reports in Regard to the Crop-Esti-

mated at Nine Million Bales. NEW YORK, August 24 .- It is evident that the improvement in trade which commenced about a month ago has come to stay, and that all calculations for the future regarding the price of cotton must be based upon the idea of a normal trade from now out. It is possible, indeed, that the improvement in business may be so rapid as to cause a sharp advance in the price of cotton goods, as there is no stock of any consequence among merchants, the only question, being as to the extent of the accumulation of cotton goods at the mills. And as manufacturers have, if anything, been more timid than merchants for the last six months, we cannot

Crop accounts up to the middle of the week have been of the same character as we have before quoted, but since that time there has been a slight change, complaints having been received of rust and blight in Mississippi, and shedding in Alabama and other sections of the cotton belt. Some complaint has also been heard of boll worms in Texas, but as yet it can be safely said that no serious damage has occurred to the cotton crop of this year. At the present time it is raining heavily in the country East of the Mississippi with prospects of its continuing for several days, but the trade is of the belief that rainy weather does not injure the crop; it only retards its development, and the weed continues to

believe that the accumulation existing

in first hands is of any serious magni-

grow as long as it is given sufficient moisture. The reports which are given by the Southern buyers who are here for the purpose of securing their annual supplies of goods, are indeed most flattering in regard to the crop, and Mr. Neill's estimate of 9,000,000 bales is universally accepted as pointing to the ultimate yield for the ensuing year. But when closely questioned regarding the crop, these gentlemen state that the plant is a large one and not fully fruited, and that very much will depend upon the picking season as to the extent of the crop. Nevertheless it must be clearly stated that the crop does not appear to have deteriorated as much during the month of August as is usual, and this feeling is dominant in the minds of the cotton trade. Even those who are conservative in their views, are at a loss to find anything excepting good trade conditions throughout the world upon which to predict an advance in the price of cotton, should present crop prospects continue. On the other hand, it is universally admitted that the short interest in cotton is larger to day than for several years, and that the long interest is almost exclusively held by exporters who have sold to continental spinners. The situation is thus reversed from what it usually is at this season of the year, when all the commission houses are long for speculative account, and if anything not largely interested for exporters, but this year the speculator is not apparent in the offices

the commission men, nor throughout the country, and if anything he is identified with the short side of the market. Receipts in the Atlantic ports, in consequence of the recent rainy weather, promises to be lighter than had been anticipated, while in Texas the movement is free and it is reported that the covering for the short interest for shipment in the month of August, and the demand from the American spinners, is sufficient to maintain the prices in Texas above a parity with the foreign markets

So far as can be foreseen at the pres-

ent time, it is not likely that speculation

will be attracted to cotton unless some serious injury happens to the crop from now on. It is admitted that the consumption of cotton will be greater than ever before known during the coming year, but it will require something more than consumption to stimulate the activity in the market which is needed to bring about an advance in prices. The situation in the market thus resolves itself into a condition of a small long interest, a large short interest for speculative account for shipment to Europe and to the American mills, with the long interest held by exporters, and what speculative interest there is in the market identified with prospects of a further decline in prices. This situation is one which naturally creates great caution on the part of those who look for a further de-

sumption of between 8,000,000 and 8,250,-000 bales of American cotton for the en-

suing season. John D. Bellamy, Jr. The Charlotte News, whose editor attended the Lumberton convention,

cline, and is an inviting one for a bull

campaign, should anything appear that

would tend to reduce the crop to limits

which would touch the estimated con-

mention of Mr. Bellamy : "Mr. John D. Bellamy, of Wilmington, lost the nomination, but he gained immeasurably in other ways. He should have nothing to regret about his campaign. He made from first to last an excellent run, leading handsomely from the start. By his campaign, he has been brought in touch with the people and has made friends in every township in the district. He has secured a popularity of no fleeting kind, but one that will grow, and that will continually serve a good term to the deserving and chival-

Tennent Evened Up.

057. Stock at this port, 450 bales; last year same date, 1,700. Base Ball at Hilton Park. The Black Stockings of Wilmington and the Quicksteps of Charlotte (colored teams) crossed bats again at Hilton Park yesterday afternoon, to play off the tie-game of the day before. The playing was spirited throughout, notwithstanding the showers, and there

was a good attendance of spectators. The game was won by the Black Stockings. Score, 18 to 13.

Colored Excursionists. The colored excursionists from Char-

lotte left for home at 1 a. m. this morning by special train on the Carolina Central. Last evening the Charlotte Light Infantry, the Quickstep Base Ball Club and the Steel Creek Brass Band, of the excursionists, paraded the streets of the city, much to the delight of their colored friends.