ZON GWALING

A Big Bear Hant in Pender County

On Tuesday last about dark the attentio

of Mr. Thomas J. Lee, of Holly Township

Pender County, was called to the squealing

of a hog. Feeling that a hear had seized

several of his neighbors, Armed with their

double-barrel shot guns and provided with

dogs the party, comprising some of the

best huntsman of the vicinity started forth

to bring bruin to judgment, This was on

Wednesday morning a little before day-

light. Pretty soon Mr. Lee discovered an

old female bear and three cubs. He took

deliberate sim at a distance of seventy

odd yards, fired and brought the mother to

the ground. In a few moments she arose

and walked rapidly toward the marksman.

of the other barrel, which again stunned

a retreat to cover in good though rapid order.

wound, Mr. Lee turned his attention to the

cubs, and drove two of them up a tree.

Here he was joined by Mr. J. M. Lee.

rifle shots, it is with which it is shots and

Two of the cubs were despatched by five

Joined by Messrs. Moore, Beasley and

Sears and several dogs, purquit was made

of the bruin mother, whose severe wounds

had prevented her from going very far.

Mr. Beasley attempted to shoot, but the

cap falled to explode. The bear turned

savagely upon him and would no doubt

have soon enfolded him, but a well-direct-

ed shot brought the ferocious beast to the

The trail of the third cub was soon after

found, chase given and the animal treed

Three shots put an end to its life; and thus

closed a bear hunt that occupied in all

about two hours, and resulted in the death

of three of the wild animals which have

greatly annoyed the farmers of Holly

CONFEDERATE BEUNION.

The Third Georgia at Portsmouth

Norfolk Evening Times of Wednesday.]

city before such a warm and hearty

of the Third Georgia Regiment upon

As the train neared the depot

the ladies waved their handker-

chiefs, the crowd congregated cheer-

ed, the band played a lively air, but

above all was heard the roar of artil-

lery. At the depot they were met by

a large concourse of citizens, ex-Con-

federates, the Chambers Fire Com-

mittee of Arrangements for the re

ception. They then formed in line

and were escorted to Oxford Hall

Portsmouth, Capt. John H. Gayle,

Capt. Claude W. Murdaugh, and Col.

Snead, D. A. Carter, Esq., and Capt.

elegant ovation was in waiting for

them, and where they enjoyed them-

The organization known as the

Veterans of the late Third Georgia

Regiment assembled at Oxford Hall

this morning at 10 o'clock. Col.

Claiborne Snead, President, called the

meeting to order, and Capt. A. A.

Winn, Secretary, read the proceed-

ings of the last meeting, which were

Major George W. Grice then read

etters from Chief Engineer D. S.

Cherry, of the Portsmouth Fire De-

partment, and Hon. John B. White-

Three cheers were then given for

A letter from Capt. C. A. Andrews.

Capt. Corker moved that a com-

mittee of one from each company be

appointed to read and revise the his-

tory, and to report at the next annual

After transacting some other busi-

ness the meeting adjourned for ten

At half-past Hoclock Col. Snead

again called the meeting to order and introduced Col. R. B. Nesbit, who de-

livered an able and eloquent address,

which was received with enthusiastic

Authologicalusion of Cohe Nesbit's

speech Capt. S. A. Corker, on behalf

of the regiment, presented to the cit-

silk flag which has finseribed on one

side the motto of Georgia, and on the

other "Second re-union of 3d Georgia

Regiment, Portsmouth, Va."

Major George W. Grice, on behalf
of the citizens, received it with a few

appropriate remarks. A substitute and the meeting then adjourned until

to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, when

the regiment will meet at Oxford Hall

and march to the steamer Adelaide,

and embark for a trip to Fort Monroe

and the Capes, literal passaged Just

mrt kan leader was horn sendleger

approved.

accepted.

head, Mayor of Norfolk.

morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

read by the Secretary. 138 911

Macon, Ga.

of two members.

re-union. Adonted.

selves up to a late hour last night.

Never has there been given in our

earth, dead.

one of his swine, he at once summor

The Charlesnight

obtained in all the cities, and in many of the large towns. We consider them perfectly safe, and the best means of remitting fifty dollars

system, which went into effect June 1st. are a very safe means of sending small sums of money where P.O. Money Orders cannot be easily obtained. Observe, the Registry fee, as well as postage, must be paid in stamps at the office where the letter is malled, or it will be liable to be sent to the Dead Letter Office. Buy and office the stamps both for postage and registry, put in the money and seal the letter in the presence of the post-master and take his receipt for it. Letters cent to us in this way are at our risk.

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than a year. Both old and new subscribers may

be included in making up Clubs.

At the above prices the WEEKLY STAR is, we think, the cheapest paper in the State, and its circulation will be doubled in twelve months, if those who have worked for its success in the past will increase their efforts in the

PENNSYLVANIA.

Ex-Governor Bigler's prospects for being the next Democratic candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania are brightening every day. Indeed, he seems to be almost without rivals now. Ex-Governor Curtin thinks Mr. Bigler will get the nomination, that ex Secretary of State Eli Slifer will be nominated for State Treasurer, and that the ticket will be elected.

This Bigler movement has greatly alarmed the Republicans, and they are doing all that they can to keep that powerful Democrat from allowing himself to be nominated. Advantage is being taken of the ex-Gorernor's well known interest in the success of the centennial exposition to endeavor to impress him with the belief that should he actively withdraw from it and enter a political canvass at this stage it would hazard the success of the great work which he has so much at heart. Some of the shrewdest politicians concede that his nomination as against Hartranft would place the contest in doubt, and not a few of them believe that, not withstanding that the party machinery is in the hands of the opposition, Mr. Bigler's election would be almost certain a advotage by violesco

If the Democrats carry Ohio and Pennsylvania, they will elect their President by a large majority.

REOPENING A SEWER.

The proceedings already announced as having been taken to reopen the celebrated Beecher case may we awaken dismay and disgust. It, is pity this foul case cannot be kept under the sod, but must be spread out again in all its nauseatingness before the world to offend the moral taste, hart the plastic character of the young and do an amount of injury generally to society that is simply incalculable. There was no use in the action Tilton has taken, as a divided jury settled in the minds of all who are not blind devotees of Beecher the guilt of the great preacher.

In reply to an inquiry as to whether there would be any new points of evidence introduced in the next trial of the Tilton-Beecher case, Gen. Pryor

said: "Yes, there are three leading witnesses for the next trial. There is Lees, the druggist, of Whitestone, who sold Beecher the poison; there is Henry C. Bowen, the extent of whose evidence I know little about, and there is Joseph Richards, Mrs. Tilton's brother, whose full and unabbreviated story, if it can be admitted, will probably be overwhelming." Mr. Pryor also said that he supposed Judge Morris's action of the day, was

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an intimation that he had procured

We have no doubt if all this testi-

diet would be obtained against Beech

"the details of this vast metropolitan

government, but it is just to say

that all these stupendous works

"(that is, the public highways, the

rates, the sewage, the supply of

water, &c.) sre conducted with

"rigid economy, and built at com-

paratively low rates. Such a thing

as a dishonest official is unknown.

"As a distinguished gestleman told

me in Manchester, in answer to my

inquiry as to the fidelity of the pub-

"lic servants, 'any man holding a

" responsible office in England would

"'as soon think of putting his hand

THAT OLD CRY.

The Washington Chronicle has de-

fined its position again. It wants to

make treason odious by punishing

the Southern leaders; then it will

"forgive and excuse the masses." To

which remarks responds the Rich-

mond Enquirer: "Why bless its in-

nocent soul, there is now no treason

to be made odious, save that which

exists in the Radical camp; and as

for the masses of the Southern peo-

the Union as great as those enjoyed

by any of their fellow citizens, and

all that they ask is to be permitted

peacefully to exercise the constitu-

tional prerogatives of self-govern-

ment. Surely there is nothing in

such constitutional demands to alarm

WHITE LABORERS.

nishes the gratifying intelligence that

"never before in the history of Louis-

iana have so many white men taken

an active part in the practical details

of agriculture, and it is at least a sin-

gular coincidence that seldom, if ever

before, has there been a crop so prom-

ising in all respects" as that now on

the ground. It concludes that white

men can endure field labor in that cli-

When white men vote well and

work well, when croaking is at a dis-

count, when all white men in the

South conclude to stand together for

the weal of their race and the general

good of the Southern States and of

the whole country, then may we hope

to see a return to the days of pros-

FOUR AND ONE HALF DAYS TO

ENGLAND.

twenty-one miles an hour can go from

the coast of Nova Scotia to the Brit-

ish coast in four and one-half days.

This fact is taken held of by a Lon-

don paper to arge the project of es

tablishing a line of steamers on that

route for carrying passengers only

as freight cannot be economically

shipped thereby. At present the

ocean voyage occupies nine or ten

days, and all the steamers carry heavy

freights, on which they mainly de-

GOV. HE OBIGKS ON PINANCE.

Gov. Hendricks is a gentleman

whose opinions are usually expressed

with great deliberation, and are en-

titled to as much consideration as

those of any American statesman.

He is an able and discreet politician

In a recent interview the distin-

guished Governor of Indiana make

his first communication on the vexed

subject of the currency. He is re-

"I want Governor Allen, of Ohio, elected.

do not want two kinds of money, each

with a different value. We must get to a

specie basis as quick as we can naturally.

hings must take their own course, but

they must end in one medium of trade, and

that must be hard money. In the mean-

time I want the volume of currency kept equal

This is the l'endleton Allen plat-

form, as near as we can judge.

Further on in the interview Goy.

Hendricks is reported as opposing

"inflation," if he must take his posi-

tion on one side or the other. The

Governor then stands with his com-

peers in Ohio. They say they are

opposed to inflation. They are work-

ing for a flexible currency, but not

an easily-depreciated currency.

ported as having said:

to the wants of trade."

pend for their income.

It is said that a steamer running

perity and plenty.

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The New Orleans Picagune fur-

any real Northern patriot."

" money for his own purposes."

Bowen's testimony.

be reopened, among only

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, AUGUST 13, 1875, Blood meed

In 1865 the taxable property of Georgia was \$125,635,870; now it is mony could be brought in that a ver-\$273,092,000, more than doubling since the war. There are 35 railroads er. But we are sorry the case is to in the State, an aggregate length of 2,300 miles. The State debt is only \$8,105,000, and this partially offset The maladministration of the city by property owned by the State governments in this country has beworth six million dollars, leaving the come a proverb. It is refreshing net indebtedness only about \$2,000, therefore to read what Col. Forney, 000. It has \$3:602,000 invested in of the Philadelaphia Press writes from London. Speaking of London

A DEMOURATIC STATE.

he says: "It is unnecessary to go into These figures speak volumns tor Conservative rule, yarra't

fron foundries and \$600,000 in ton-

OUR LITERARY LETTER.

"Man and Beast, Hore and Herenfter"-Novels, "The Three Feathers," "Walter's Word," "The Lady Superior," de, statilité . A . L. nilgott

MESSRS. EDITORS:-A long time has passed since we promised to furnish your readers with brief, but as far as possible, interesting "notices" of new Publications, as they poured upon us from the presses of the North and West.

At the South, alas! we have few, if any " into the fire as of using the public great publishing establishments; nor is it probable that such can exist amongst us for many a decade to come.

> Let us, therefore, be content to receive our intellectual pabulum from other quarters. Much of it is both palatable and nutritious. Look, good reader, "with your mind's eye," as we are looking with the physical eye, upon yonder broad-backed table, in the middle of our sanctum sanctorum. How crowded it is with books; books, brown, blue, green, golden and yellow books big, and little, bulky, and attenuated, native and foreign. Can you marvel at our delay in assaulting that grand literary fortification, and possessing ourselves of its contents, during the last two terrific months. while the "raging Dog-star" enfeebled our nerves, dried up our muscles, and threatened to melt alike the substance, and "subli-

ple, they feel that they have rights in mated essence" of the brain itself? However, laus Dee, there appeared about a fortnight since, a cloud, nay, a battalion of clouds in the Southwest; they rose, broadened, grew dark around their foam-like edges, and pregnant with mighty winds, advanced athwart the firmament, stormed and eclipsed the zenith and soon after, amid a "hurly burly," like the tumult of Macbeth's witches, they deluged the earth, hissed along the half parched up streams, and so purified the air that in a few hours, we felt as if transported from the Rock, Al Zarap, in the Zaharan Desert, to the cool vineyards of Sicily, and the lisping waves of the fragrant Mediteranean!!

> Thus refreshed, we seized upon the Books, con amore, and some results of our exam nation we now propose to give you. Upon the top of the mountain of new Publications, we find an elegantly illustrated quarto, (issued by Harper & Bros., under the title of "Man and Beast, Here and Hereafter, by the Rev. 1. J. Wood," the author of several previous works of marked interest and value, upon somewhat kindred themes such (for instance) as "Homes Without Hands," a treatise descriptive of the habitations of animals, according to their principle of construction. The present work is lowever of a large scope and more elaboately composed than any of its predecessors Its scheme may be compressed, -so to speak, into a nut-shell.
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> Firstly, the writer endeavors to clear

away certain difficulties which arise from two passages in the Old Testement, which superficially, or literally considered, would seem to deny a future life to the lower ani-

Secondly, he shows that these animals share, with man the attribute of Reason. Language, Memory, a sense of Moral Responsibility, Unselfishness, and Love, all of which are spiritual, not bodily attributes; and that we have every reason to presume that the brutes may share man's immortality hereafter, as they share his mortality, together with its inevitable suffer-The two Bibical passages alluded to, may

be found, one in the Psalms, the other in Ecclesiastes. The former runs as follows: 'Nevertheless, man being in honor abideth not; he is like the beasts that perish." The passage from Ecclesiastes reads: "Who knoweth the spirit of man that

goeth unward; and the spirit of the beast that goeth downward to the earth ?" In discussing these texts, "Mr. Wood boldly declares, that to accept the mere letter of Scripture, full of pharaphrases, and incorrect translations, (even in the best of our versions), is the sure way of arriving, not at truth, but chaotic error ! . He dem onstrates this, with a clearness we cannot gainsay. Take the "letter that killefh," and are we not equally bound, he suggests to believe that Man as well as Beust has no

Why, the Old Testiment is full oldecle rations on this point, which (denied a esoteric meaning), strike upon our ears and souls as cold and deadly a note of material ism and decay, as ever chilled us in the pages of Greek Sophist, or Latin Epicurean. Among scores of such passages, let us recall a few. "Man's breath," says the 156th Psalm, "Mun's breath goeth forth; he returneth to his earth; in that very day Job asserts of his fellow men, (4th chap-

ter 20th verse). "They are destroyed from morning to evening; they perish forecer, without any regarding it." From the same book, we select a still more significant tecl ration: "As the clouds is consumed. and vanisheth away, so he that gooth down to the grave, shall come up no more!"
We could quote similar almost dogmatic old Testament adhitum; but thank God, who through Christ "brought life and immortality to light," we know that all these are to be viewed symbolically, Inst. "there underlies them the spiritual sense of which St. Paul speaks in his Epistle to the Corinthiaus." ssertions from various, nortions, of t

Apropos of the present subject, we concern ourselves only with the iteral meaning of the word, since according to that, if "we "take two text to prove that beasts have "no future life, we are forced by no less "than fourteen passages to believe that man, "in common with the beats, has no fulure

"life also !" Having reduced his dissentient reader to such an argumentum did absurdum. Mr. Wood proceeds to show by the citation of innumerable well authenticated anecdotes, he existence in animals of Reason as superior to mere instinct, and of almost every other attribute, (such as Love, Generosity, Conscience, &c.,) which dignifies the nature of man; although some of these attributes, of course, are developed but fully in com-

space to quote only one of two. No less a personage than Churles Dickens is responsible for the following: "I know," (writes he,) "of a Newfound) and, who come from "Oxford, and had freed all his life in a Hrewery. Instructions were given with bim that if he were let out every morning alone, he would find the river, take a "salone, he would find the river, take a "swim, and regularly come back again." This he did; but after a while, was observed to smell of bear? So sure was the "servent of this, that she resolved to watch him. Accordingly he was seen to come back from his awin round the usual "corner, and to go up a flight of steps into "a beer shop. Being followed, the beer shop keeper is seen to take down a pewter "not and is heard to say: Well, old chap! cotton and woolen mills, \$735,100 in

"shop keeper is seen to take down a pewter "pot, and is heard to say: Well, old chap! "come for your beer, as usual, have you? "Upon which he draws a pint, puts it "down, and the dog drinks it. Being re-"quired to explain, "the man observes: "Yes, ma'am, I know he's your dog; but I "did'nt know when he first come. He "looked in, ma'am, as a brick-maker might, "and he wagged his tail at the pots, and he give a sniff sound, and conveyed to me as he was food o beer. So "I drawed him a drap, and he drank it up. "I drawed him a drap, and he drank it up.
"Next morning he came agin, by the "clock; and I drawed him a pint, and ever since, he has tuck his pint,—reg'lar!" One of Mr. Wood's correspondents writes him, that "not many years ago there lived in Edinburgh a drunken, shiftless, mole-catcher, named Hastie. Like most of his trade, he was very fond of dogs, especially terriers; and he had one which he loved above all others, calling her his blessed Susie. She often used to act the jackal's part, and provide her master with food. When Bastie was half stary ed and pennyless, he would go past a butcher's shop, point to a piece of meat, and quietly say: Susie, I want that. He went on his way, and in a few minutes the meat was sure to be in his possession: 'Time were on, poor Suite became sick unto death. The last I heard of the poor waif was, that he was seen with the dy-

moment he and his beloved Susie must part! i" The study of the lower animals should be pre-eminently interesting just now, when Science assures us so authoritatively, and with such a series of amazing illustrations, that MAN is merely at the head of the animal creation, having ascended the infinite changes and gradations, from the "ascidiah" to the ourang-outan and thence, unward to his present lerdly position!

ing object of his affection in his arms,

hugging her to his heart. The man was weeping like a child, and dreading the

Yet, if as Mr. Wood and his numerous ed of souls, and a principle of immortal vitality, why, we need not be so sadly ashamed of our relatives, (supposing them to be such) after all. Finally, we commend this book to our readers, as one of the most curious and entertaining in the language

Among the Messrs. Harpers' latest novels are "The Three Fathers," by Wm. Black, "Walter's Word," by James Payn, and Eliza Pollard's "Lady Superior." The first-named, although not equal to "The Prince of Thule," (which we are disposed to think will long remain its author's masterpiece), is nevertheless, a graphic, and interesting tale, of that vivid word-painting of landscape, and sky-scape, for which Mr. Black is justly famous; very natural too, in its characterizations, with a striking dramatic scene introduced here and there; and quite a charming denouement; the more charming, indeed, because somewhat un-

expected. The scene is chiefly laid in a Welsh vil-lage and its neighborhood, although upon several occasions we are transported across the Atlantic as far as the Island of Jamaica. The novel can boast of two heroes, admirably contrasted in appearance, temperament, manners, education, and-every . They woo the same girl-an innkeeper's daughter-whose individuality physical and moral, is remarkably wel drawn: the complications arising from their natural hatred and jealousy of each other, constituting from the author's spirited style of narrative, the most exciting passages in the work. Upon the whole, however, it is rather a quiet production than otherwise. If it does not increase, it must fully sustain

Mr. Black's high reputation. ". Walter's Word" and " The Ludy Supe rior" have not the freshness or the originality of "The Three Feathers"; but both are exceedingly clever stories, the former showing a vast improvement in Mr. Payn's style, no less than in his conception of what material may be legitimately used for purposes of artistic effect in fiction.

This picture of Sicilian semi-barbarism and of the habits of Sicilian Brigands, (for he shifts his scene before the work is half done, from England to the far South), are apparently full of praisemblance, and though he will err somewhat on the side of the melodramatic, still this portion of his tale is of vivid interest, and even strikes one, as in a

certain sense original. " The Lady Superior" leads us along the ordinary tracks of the modern novel; but if there be no special impressiveness of concention, the execution is so clearly and confound agreeable reading throughout. The writer is master, misses rather, of tarse, idiomatic, and yet felegant English. She composes like a genuine scholar de lo id:

At this point/Messes, Editors, we must bid you adleu, for the present In our next letter, we purpose disquesing the characteristics of several important works, among them, Tenayson's ! Queen Mary," a drama which promises to be as completely misun-derstood—though in a very different way; as the poem of "Mand" was misunder stood twenty years ago.

Yours respectfully, January Royal In Paul H. Hayne

Wilmington Hetail Market.

The following prices ruled yesterday: Apples, (dried) 124 cents per pound; dried peaches 25c per pound; walnuts, 25 cents per peck; pickles, 20 cents per dozen; lard, 18 cents per pound; butter, 30@40 cents per pound; cheese, 25 cents per pound; grown fowls 75@80 a pair; geese \$1 50 per ed) 124@15c. per pound; veal, 124@161c. per pound: mutton, 124@16; ets. per pound; ham, 16@18 cts. per pound; shoulders, 121@ 14 cents per pounds tripe, 20 cts. per bunch; clams, 25 cents a peck; open clams, 20@25 cts a quart; soup bunch, 5 cts.; eggs, 18@20 cents, a doz; sturgeon, 25 cts. a chunk (5 lbs) potatoes, new Irish, 40c a peck; new sweet \$1 a peck; fish-trout 25c, per bunch; mul lets 10@25 cents per bunch; turnips, lets 10@25 cents per bunch; turnips, 10 cents a bunch; onions, 50 cents a peck; cabbages 10@25 cents a head; bologna 20 cents a pound; wild ducks 50@75 cents a pair; radishes, parcley, 5 cents a bunch; onions 50 cents a peca; carrots, 5 cents a pound; rice, 12½ cts, a quart; snap beans 20c a peck; squashes, 20 cents a doz; cucumbers, 10@15 cts a doz; green born 30c a dozen; blackberries 5@10 cents a quart; tomatoes 10 cents a quart; cents a quart; tomatoes 10 cents a quart; okra, 5 cents a dozen; cantaloupes, 10@15 of course, are developed but fully in com-parison! Of these narrative we have the 20c a quart; crabs 15c a dozon.

A Home Fertilizer-Excursion to the goilez Brunswick Pits. ogol ovir

We have so often dwelt upon the advantages which would accure to our people from the full development of the resources with which Nature has in such matchless profusion blessed our State, that we some times fear our monitions may seem stale to our readers, and hinder rather than advance the cause we have at heart. Yet, in our capacity as a public journal and exponent of the true interests of the people to and for whom we speak, we deem it our duty, upon every occasion that presents, to reterate and insist upon that truth the proper appreciation and appropriation of which we believe of more importance to material growth than any other which could be mentioned: that is to say, that within our own borders and at our very door is stored every element and substance necessary to our prospenty as individuals or as a people, and that we only need a little confidence in our own ability and in each other in order to see that fact demonstrated.

We were moved to speak of this subject at present by what we observed yesterday as one of a party who visited, by special train of the Carolina Central Railway, a tract of land 17 miles from Wilmington on the line of that road, belonging to Messrs. Cronly & Morris, of this city. The party consisted of Mr. Roberts, the President of the road, Superintendent Fremont, and a number of gentlemen interested in the road and in agricultural pursuits, and the object was to make a thorough examination of the ocality with reference to the extent and quality of the marl deposits there, and the feasibility of getting the marl to the railroad at a reasonable expense

A number of places on the tract, remote from each other, were visited, and from the indications of the outcrop we were satisfied that a very large portion of the whole is underlaid by a bed of "blackrock" mari and a white shell marl of yet undetermined extent, the whole being from 6 to 12 feet in thickness. The so-called blackrock has about it nothing of the nature of rock-being soft and friable-and on exposure to the air it exchanges its blueishblack color for a grayish-white, owing to the evaporation of its water. The proprietors having sent a sample to the Department of Agriculture, at Washington, an analysis was ordered with the result set forth in the following letter to the Com-

LABORATORY OF DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, · WASHINGTON, D. C., June 29.

Hon. Horace Capron, Commissioner: SIR-I have the honor to report 17 miles from Wilmington, N. C., upon the borders of Livingston Creek, Brunswick county. The substance examined was nodular in form, possessing a structure somewhat like tufa, many pieces being tubular with shells adhering upon the inner surface, and evidently having had an organic vegetable core; grayish-white in color, of small specific gravity, and to be considered as concretions. A single lump of a different nature accompanied these specimens, which ossesses most of the characseristics of the South Carolina phosphatic deposits," especially in being richer in phosphate of time than the first-mentioned samples. It would be interesting to know if the large mass was obtained from the same formation and locality as the smaller nodules. The latter

yielded, in 100 parts: Water..... Silica (fragments of fine hyaline Quartz) 20.260 Carbonate of Lime 68,720 Carbonate of Magnesia..... 5.018 Phosphate of Lime. 8.470 Alumina and Peroxide of Iron. 2.332

The very high percentage of Carbonate of Lime in this material suggests its use as fertilizer. The smaller proportion of Phosphate of Lime adds greatly to its value and places it higher in the list of Lime Maris than the average of specimens examined in this laboratory.

Very respectfully, THOMAS AUTISELL, M. D.,

From a very close inspection of the beds we are inclined to believe that they will not throughout their entire thickness maintain an equal proportion of the salts of lime; but experience on the growing crops, with frequest analyses, will seen snable the mar to be so taken from the beds as to secure definite composition of high agricultural value. The sooner to make this desirable determination and at the same time bring the subject to the consideration of the agricultural fraterally, it has been determined to make preparations to ship h cardoad to each of several principal stations for gratuitous distribution in time for the spring crops, and the railroad company will so reduce the freight as to enable those who wish to make more extended experiments to supply themselves, on the line of the road, within 100 miles of the pits atil uniform price of \$5 00 a top, freight paid. For greater distances a small advance will

We believe that when the furmers be come accustomed to the use of mark and appreciatefite value, that it will not only secure the profitable working of these pits, but of many others in localities scattered all over the State which are now unknown or unthought of, and with a resulting economy in the first cost of fertilizers and fi increased returns for labor expended which will be of almost incalculable value to our producers.

Signal Line to Hatterns. The Signal Service line along the seashor from Smithylle to Cape Haueras will short. ly hal communded o Sergeanto Seyhoth is authorized to receive proposals for the exeeution of this work. The line will closely follow the shore in all its indentations. It will be of great service in the commercial Walliam (tastognam)

Columbus did splendidly last Thursday. Col. George received 48 more votes than the largest Conservative majority ever cast in the county. Change

- Raleigh complains of a lack of - A revival is in progress at the Second Methodist Church at Charlot

Spirits Turpentine

- Mrs. Andrew McGuira, of Raleigh, dropped dead Friday. Heart disease — The Raleigh News mentions several cases of violence committed by the Radical Jubilants Thursday night.

- Prof. Gillespie of the Wilson College and Miss Effic Rouse were married on the 4th inst., in Edgecombe county. Mrs. H. C. Severs, an aged Char-

lotte lady, fell down the steps of her dwelling and broke her neck, Tuesday night. The Baptists of Tar River Falls have just rebuilt in a handsome and substantial manner their church burned last

- The thigh of Miss Bettie Bryant, of Nash county, was amputated by four doctors last Monday, with the loss of less than two ounces of blood.

James Smith who murdered Mrs. Hepsy Austin in Wake county, last year, has been arrested. He shot the hady because she refused to marry him.

- Charlotte Observer: Rev. Theodore Whitfield, pastor of the Baptist church, left yesterday morning for the Eastern part of the State, expecting to preach.

He then gave her the benefit of the contents — Mr. W. C. Maffitt, has just been appointed agent in Charlotte of the Air Line Railroad, vice Mr. C. H. Overman, her. Soon, however, she was up and beat who will vacate the position on the 10th Seeing the old bear had received a mortal

> - As Madison Hodge, one of the Wake county Convention delegates, was returning home from election drunk, his horse pitched him out of his buggy, severely njuring him.

- Toisnot Transcript: We learn that a political difficulty between the whites and blacks, occurred in Marlboro, Pitt county, on last Saturday night, during which three negroes were shot. No whites

- The News says the Conservaives in Warren county held a mass meeting on Monday and nominated for the State Convention Dr. Thomas J. Pritchford and F. M. Fitts, Esq., and Capt. B. M. Collins for the Legislature.

-- The News learns that J. J. Moore, the Radical Sheriff of Granville county, has defaulted, and that the Board of Commissioners of that county have taken charge of the tax books. Another Radical rascality.

- Thos. W. Dewey, President of the Bank of Mecklenburg, Charlotte, and a distinguished Mason, died in that city of congestion of the brair, Wednesday. He was Grand High Priest of the Royal Arch Chapter F, and A. M. of North Carolina. From the Portsmouth Department of the

- The Petersburg News of yester day says that on Wednesday morning, Lieut. Minetree and private Olivier, of the police force, arrested a white man named reception as was given the veterans F. M. Collins, hailing from Halifax, N. C., charged with forgery, committed in Prince their arrival here yesterday evening. George county, Va.

- Wilson Advance: A Radical negro, named Lem Barnes, was arrested and brought before Justice Barnes on Mouday for assaulting another negro. Willis Simms, because Simms refused to vote the Radical ticket. Barnes was fined \$25 and committed to jail for nonpayment of costs.

- Favetteville Gazette: The dwelling house believer spring street, known as the "Shaw House," and recently occu-pied by Mr. J. B. Underwood, was burned to the ground this morning, about 4 o'clock. The loss, we learn, was covered by insurwhere welcoming speeches were made ance.

by Hon. A. S. Wattt, Mayor of - The Toisnot Transcript learns that after the speaking at Stanhope, Nash county, last Thursday evening, an affray occurred between two negroes, and while David J. Godwin. Replies to the Mr. Jesse Flood, an aged white man, was above were made by Col. Claiborne trying to separate them. Mark Dozier, a negro, ran up and pulled Mr. Flood off and Thomas Carroll. After the speeches cut a gash in his side about 12 inches long. He is not expected to live. Dozier was arwere finished the veterans were conrested and is now in Nash jail. ducted to Maupin's Hall, where an

Sentinel: One of the handsomest Democratic victories gained in the State was that which was achieved by the Democrats of Davidson county, under the gal-lant lead of Roberts and Robbins, aided by John Tayloe, Esq., with his able pen; and Col. Marshall H. Pinnix, and others in the field and on the stump. The Republicans claimed Davidson by 860 majority. The Democrats carry it by about 200. All honor to Davidson!

A Mother's Sad Affliction.

A Des Moines, Iowa, correspondent of the Chicago Tribune writes: A remarkable incident occurred near Viroqua a few days ago, in a family whose name my informant could not remember. There were three little children, the oldest being five years, two of whom went to the barn to find Major Grice, and, on motion, the hens' nests. They found one, and courtesies of the Chief Engineer were crawled to it, and one of them thrust his hand forward to get the eggs, when he quickly withdrew it, saying On motion, the Chairman appointed Capt. S. A. Corker, Capt. S. H. Starr, Capt. J. K. Wright, Sergeant T. the old hen had bitten him. The other said he wasn't afraid, and thrust Chambers, Sergeant J. M. Lindsay, a his hand forward, when he, too, was committee on business, to report tobitten. Both then screamed, which quickly brought their mother to the spot, when it was discovered that the historian, regretting his absence they had been struck by a rattleon account of family affliction, was snake coiled in the nest. The mother scized the little boys in her arms and Commodore" Dexter presented hastened to the house, where a new the manuscript of the history of the horror met her gaze. In her haste to regiment, requesting the members to secure the boys at the barn she had send suggestions to the historian at set down a boiler of hot water, into which the babe had fallen. In thirty Suitable resolutions were ordered minutes all her children were dead. to be drawn up in regard to the death

An attempt is being made at the present time on the Swedish coast to recover the cargo of an East India-man, which foundered in 1712. Thus far the diving operations are reported to have been signally successful, a having already been recovered in so perfect a condition that individual pieces have been eagerly sought for by collectors, and have realized high L'eited States officials englesoff

Blackbirds, which farmers have generally charged with destroying grain, etc., have made, their appearance in great numbers among the army worms of Connecticut, which are devestating the fields at Middletown and vicinity, and are destroying large numbers of them.

- As the bride got out of the carriage she caught her well and tore it, and the bridegroom was ill natured about it. Then, when the functionary said. "Will you have this man," she said. "No," and that was the end of that marriage.

... It is thought in Tennessee that the Governor will appoint General William B. Bate to the seat of the late Andrew Johnson in the Senate. General Bate was a close competitor of Mr. Johnson, the latter winning only by a very small vote. He was a Confederate officer.