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IT NEVER FORGIVES. The Chicago Inter-Ocean is too loyal to be charitable, too Radical to be decent and just a little too big a sneak to be honest. It professes to be greatly horrified because the people of Winnebago county, Illinois, desire to hear the ex-President of the Southern Confederacy, and have invited him to deliver the customary annual address. It shows its old viper fangs, harmless now forever more, in declaring that "the action of the officers of the Society in bringing about this engagement is a gross insult to every decent man, woman and child in the State," and that because there are soldriers' graves in the cemeteries of Winnebago county. Unfortunately there are soldiers both North and South. The Inter-Ocean, like its bosom friend and ally the National Idiot, for its own sake and the sake of its friends should be locked up in some asylum for the in sane. This proposition is only for its own folks to consider, however, as it harms no one else in its feeble lu

By the way Mr. Davis has accepted the invitation and will deliver the desired oration in September, unless prevented by more formidable opposition than that offered by the Inter-Ocean and the Grand Army of the Republic. The people of the North and the people of the South have doomed the Blatherskite by all-sufficient anathem-amaranathas, and they pay no sort of heed to his dying wolfish howls,

THE SOUND OF THEIR GRINDINGS

The New York Nation, a broadminded Republican journal remarks upon a theme that has been suggested his sword. him apper soil prompted and to others: "It ought to be said that "since Mr. Pierrepont assumed the "Attorney-Generalship, accounts of " 'outrages' have entirely ceased to come in from the South-an extra-"ordinary circumstance, to which Mr. "Dawes pays too little attention. " As the slaughter of the colored man "is going on steadily, by what infer-" nal device are reports of it prevent-"ed from reaching Washington?"

The President's Washington organ has noticed this dearth of Administration campaign capital, and has already made a pathetic appeal to the fairbfab in the South to pablish the necessary news in those local papers which are in favor of this Administra-

been total silence, and not an outrage. Shall the National Idiot glbber in vain? Where is the faithful postmaster and the super-loyal Revenue collector?

For profound attainments in all the ranges of human knowledge, and for subtle discrimination in applying the same, commend us to our granduncle of the Richmond Dispatch. Lately he has been trying to find out where "Jeames" came from, and here i

what he makes of it: Roger Ascham taught Queen Mary to speak as well as to read Latio, but not how to spell her own name, which she spelled first one way and then another. No one inst one way and then another. No one knows now how Shakspeare's name ought to be spelled, if indeed he himself always spelled it in one way. So it is possible that "James" was formerly spelled by every-body—and correctly—as Thackeray spelled it, and as the pronunciation of our old Virginians and their English ancestors indicates that it ought to be spelled—namely, "James"

COT THE WRONG NOTION. The Lynchburg Republican, a good Conservative journal, gropes in the dark respecting our election. We will take the trouble to lead it into the light. The question of Convention and No-Convention did not enter into the canvass, except as it was employed by Radicals in certain counties to delude the people. In North Carolina a Constitution can be altered in two ways, first, by one Legislature suggesting a.nendments which the subsequent Legislature is expected to pass, the whole action requiring ratification by the people; second, by the Legislature itself calling a popu-

lar Convention. By the first mode it requires two Legislatures voting three-fifths, and two-thirds at each session respectively. By the last mentioned mode one Legislature can call a Convention peremptorily if two-thirds vote affirmatively on the proposition. The latter was the manner adopted by the Legislature. The

question was not submitted to the people, as under the Constitution of Remember that we send all papers the State it was not necessary. As to what the Convention will do MAKE UP CLUBS. after it organizes we can make no hint or prediction ... It would be

tives and some Republicans in North Carolina if the Democratic Conserva tive delegates could control the Convention. Then, many of the needed reforms could be effected immediate ly. The people of the State are wait-

ing in almost breathless expectancy the assembling of the body. Perhaps not until then will the exact complexion of the Convention be known. Many Conservatives rejoice already as over an undoubted victory, Others wait. The Convention will meet in Raleigh on the 6th of Sep-

highly gratifying to the Conserva-

The defeat at Rochester, on Saturday, of the hitherto unconquerable Goldsmith Maid is, of coarse, the sensation in trotting circles. It is by no means yet certain that the Maid will not recover her laurels, and resume her position as queen of the trotting turf. But supposing that she does not, she still has held her proud position long and well, and as gamely as any of her predecessors. As every dog has his day, according to the saying, so it is with every horse. Flora Temple was long and honorably passed to Dexter; and when Dexter was withdrawn, Goldsmith Maid took up the honors; and if now she in turn must give way to Lulu, it is after all only doing what sooner or later she must do, for each race-horse has his or her day.

AN ANCIENT MERO'S DAY. Monday was celebrated in Germany and among Germans generally as the day of the greatest German hero of the primal days of German history. Hermann it was who drove back the hitherto victorious Romans and made Augustus tremble on his imperial throne. It was among the rude and wild scenes of Fatherland, where bright streams brawled amid picturesque mountains, that this brave warrior and skilful general defeated Varus, one of the most distinguished of the Roman commanders, and where the proud Roman in anguish and shame fell on

Near Detmold, in old Thuringia, statue of the hero was unveiled, and the people were there gathered in large numbers to do honor to the memory of the man who nearly nineteen centuries ago united his countrymen in a war of deliverance. Hermann is justly called the liberator of heard the report of the thunder nor saw the Germany.

It is said by some of the papers that are trying to kill off Western candidates for the Presidency, that Mr. Kerr, of Indiana, is the most popular person in New York with press and people for the Speakership of the next House of Representatives. On the other hand the friends of Messrs, Randall, Cox and Wood seem good; dent that their respective favorites structible and perpetual there would fast passing out; and the damage will be

Among the decisions of this Court rendered on Saturday, and printed in the Rai-Notes, we notice these:

Henry C. Wall, et al., vs. Henry Fairly et al., from Richmond; judgment modified and cause remanded. By Bynum, J.: U. C. Myrover, Ex'r, vs.

R. S. French, et al., from Robeson; judg-

J. Francis King va. J. E. Winants, from New Hanover; judgment affirmed. Amos Wade va. City of Newbern, from

Carteret; motion allowed, value 1 no h W. A. Rodgers, Ex'r, vs. Robert Mc Kenzie, et al., from Robeson; reversed and le di l'ender. The lew provi benroter

Grizzella A. Murphy, assignee, vs. Neil McKay, Adm'r., from Cumberland; af

Beath of a Former Wilmingtonian. The many friends of Mr. Wm. Dienst bach, who left here a few years since for St. Louis, where his relatives reside, and who was well known in our midst, will regret to learn that he departed this life in that city on the 1st day of the present month. There are few Wilmingtonians who do not remember Wm. Deinstbach, and few have forgotten that he it was who in 1854, received from the hands of Col. E. D. Hall the first flag borne by the German Voluntners-an organization which, under the command of Capt. Jacob Wessell, was then in its infancy, but which afterwards reflected such credit upon its members and the city-which flag was proudly cherished by the members as a present from the fair ladies of Wilmington, and which was borne by them to Fort Caswell on the breaking out of the late war. One thing can be said to the never-failing credit of the subject of this notice—that he was never known to halt or hesitate when the cry of distress was heard, and many in our midst can bear testimony to the generous impulses which so often moved him to deeds of love and charity, best nother, the

Deceased was about 53 years of age. A Good Time Among the Richmond

On Saturday morning, the 12th inst., ac cording to appointment, a large number of Grangers, representing several Granges, with their Granger friends, met to hold a Granger meeting and eat a real Granger dinner. The meeting was presided over by P. McRae, Esq., who introduced Colonel Joshua Hudson, of Bennettsville, S. C., who was followed by Colonel C. W. Dudley, of the same place, who addressed the crowd pleasantly, after which a real Granger feast was spread upon the table and the polite ssemblage made welcome to the tempting viands placed before them. After the crowd had showed their appreciation of the generous welcome given by Mr. P. McRae. president of the meeting and Master of Laurinburg Grange, watermelon-eating and love-making became the order of the days all of which was cut short by the approach

of a threatening rain cloud. The meeting was largely attended by the citizens of Richmond and Robeson counties in North Carolina and Marion and Marlboro counties in South Carolina. Caladonia Church, in Richmond county, where the meeting was held, will long be pleasantly remembered by many who went away happier (and some who went away wetter) for having been there.

We think that after the appetites of the large crowd had been satisfied there were gathered up about forty large baskets of

For the Star. WILMINGTON & SEABOARD RAIL WAY COMPANY.

lew Route to Onslow-Oysters an Fish of New River and the Sounds

MESSES. EDITORS: Your readers may be lad to know that the old Seaside Railroad has been replaced by the new company, "Wilmington & Seaboard Railway." The queen of the turf; then her supremacy | new company having purchased all the | ner as to make it impassable. The extent right title, franchises and assets of every of the rain alluded to can be imagined when kind of the old City Railroad, has organe it is stated that all of four inches fell. There ized a new company and leased it to Mr. T. J. Southerland, who will rue it as his own for the present/our a pick, dain wan taken

> The charter authorizes special stock for a Sound railway, and if the gov-ernment will now, as it seems to be willing to do, dredge a channel in the shoal waters of the Sound between the end of this railway (when built) and New River, we can have by means of a smal teamer a daily line to Jacksonville. This may seem to some visionary, but if the Engineer U. S. A., that came through a few days ago reports correctly it is not only possible but can be done at a small

The United States are surveying the ounds with a view of inland navigation, which can be accomplished by dredging the shoal places. This done to Wrightsville, why may not our "Wilmington & Sea oard Railway" run a train down to that point, and make thereby a daily line to the fine fish and oyster waters of New River and the cotton and ground pea crops of

This can be accomplished for one-third the cost of a milroad that our merhants were so much interested in a few ears ago, and operating expenses one half!
What do you say, Messrs. Editors? Shall
t be attempted—shall it be done? That's A RAILWAY. he question!

Struck by Lightning. 111 1977 197

stack of the Thrasher and Cotton Gin of Dr. McMillan, at Topsail Sound, on Tuesday, stunning six men in the engine room and making two large holes in the smoke stack; but doing no other damage. The men who were stunned say they neither flash of lightning which came so near winding up their earthly existence.

Confidence. The country is, on the whole, doing very well. What is needed is confidence—a belief that what is will continue, - New York Herald.

True as preaching, says the Dispatch. Confidence is all that is need. ed. We have now everything else; means of making confidence undeCOLUMBUS COUNTY.

We have the particulars from a friend of a probable horrible murder in Columbus county. It seems that on Saturday morning, about 8 o'clock, there was shouting heard at a place known as the Gernegan place, together with a light as if a house was on fire. The neighbors soon gathered on the spot, when it was found that the house was in truth on fire and that the cries proceeded from two children, the only surviving members of the family residing at the place, which consisted of a man by the name of Eli Coleman, his son and daughter. When the neighbors reached the place the house was nearly consumed, while in the midst of the flames, and at that time beyond the reach of any earthly assistance, was the body of the unfortunate man, Coleman. The two children that escaped, aged respectively 13 and 15 years, succeeded in saving all the furniture, but, strange to say, their father, who was a young, hearty and vigorous man, was burned to death. Strong suspicion, we understand, is entertained that foul play was used. It appears that on Friday evening, about 10 o'clock, deceased left his mother's house to go home, the distance being about one mile. He was not drinking, and it is not likely he could have procured anything intoxicating on the road, as it led through the woods and there were no cross-paths or houses on the route, while it is known that he reached home in due time and had nothing of the kind about the house.

As before stated, the children saved all of the trunks and furniture around their father, even including the trunk under the bed on which they reported he was lying, but when the flames were extinguished he was not in that portion of the house, our informant states, as reported by the children, and not all of the bones of the skull in that portion of the house with the body. This tragedy occurred about four miles East of Fair Binff, and of course has been

Pleasant Affair at Giarkton Our young friends at Clarkton, Bladen county, seem to have had a pleasant time

on the occasion of their exhibition, Friday evening last. Our chronicler, who is no unusually impressible on such occasions tells us that the countenance of "ye witness" fell with the curtain, at the close; so we judge the audience must have been well entertained, also,

The programme embraced, after the ad dress of welcome, and an organ duet by Mr. J. McN., of Clarkton, and Mr. F., o Wilmington, a charade-"Mrs. Jonquil"in which Miss L. C. took the principal part in a way which provoked much merriment; "The Six Virgins"-a charade by number of little lassies, very well and pret tily done: "Dark Deeds"-a little drams by the accomplished principal of the Acad emy and his lady; some comic songs, with local hits, by Mr. F., of Wilmington; tableau-"The Proposal"-by Mr. J. McN. and Miss J. McC.; a farce-"The Irishman at Home"-by Messrs. McN. and G. C.; comic song by Mr. J. McN.; "Matrimony"-a charade, in which Misses L. C., McC., and M. C. sustained the principal parts. The regular programme concluded with a tableau vivant entitled "The Six Virgins," in which that number of young ladies formed a very pretty living picture. But the young folks had not yet seen fun enough at the close of the regular exercises, so they formed themselves into a sociable. In the remembrance of all of which we hope they

may keep happy many a day.

Rallroad Accident. The northward bound train on the Wi mington and Weldon Railroad, when about alf a mile north of Dudley's depot, at 124 d'clock on Sunday morning, was thrown from the track. The accident, we understand, was caused by a very heavy rain which fell in that quarter on Saturday afternoon and night, which washed and beat the embankment down in such a man was no damage, we learn, except to the cars, the most of which were loaded with cotton. This with passengers, &c., were transferred as soon as possible and the connection at Weldon was saved, while the track, we are informed, was clear by 6 o'clock Sunday evening. Fortunately no one was seriously hurt by the accident, the engineer alone receiving a few slight bruises

about the face. The Result at abbottsburg. A correspondent at Abbottsburg writer that he moved to that place in 1869 and found about twenty Democrats living in and around the village, and, he thinks, about one hundred and fifty Radicals, the latter having for their rulers and leaders Gen Abbott, Ex Sheriff Eldridge and Parson Cashwell, with an occasional smattering from E. W. Foster and Abel W. Fisher. With these efficient leaders, as they were called, the Republicans were successful in all their races for office until the 5th inst. at which time the Democrats elected one Magistrate, the Township Clerk and came to a tie with them for Constable, Our correspondent adds: "The old tilon came from his lair and growled in the faces of the Democrats as they were gathering to the polls and the Whangdoodle walled as usual, but the people were determined that justice should be done this once at Abbottsburg. and hence the result. A Democratic victory in one of the worst Radical holes in the State! And now, cannot the people have the same nerve all over the State and prepare themselves for the next fight?'

Crops Up the River.

In the section bordering the Cape Fear the condition of the crops is generally stated to be good. Both corn and cotton make a good show from the boats. The present freshet has caused a good deal of measiness in anticipation of an overflow, and in some few very low places crops are in the water, but the principal danger is now believed to be over, as the flood is But as yet the response has will scenre the Speaker's made, Just nevermore be a panie or hard times, sale in exceptional cases quite more frequency and partial war will all be gone, and it will dinner.

The Recont Trugedy Near Fair Bluff -Additional Particulars-Confes slow of the Children.

A correspondent at Fair Bluff, Columbus ounty, enables us this morning to lay beore dur readers additionatinformation conat the house of Mr. Eli Coleman, four miles

from Fair Bluff, on Friday night last. Mr. Coleman was a widower living alone with his two children—a boy of 17 and girl a little more than 14 years old. "It will be remembered that on the night in question the neighborhood was aroused by an alarm of fire proceeding from Coleman's house, and on arriving at the scene of the conflagration it was found that the boy and his sister had escaped and saved most of the property from the flames, but that their father had been burned with the building Under such circumstances, suspicion naturally rested upon the children, and on Monday morning they were privately and separately examined, when the boy confessed that he shot and killed his father while the latter was lying on his bed asleep, after which he got most of the property out of the house and then fired it. He then requested his interrogator to go and get his sister, who would tell all about it. This was done.

The girl stated that her father, Eli Cole man, was absent from home on that day, but came home about 10 o'clock at night, when she and her brother got up and fixed him something to eat, and then went and lay down again, her father going to bed directly afterward. Some time about midnight or a little af

a light in the house and he had a gun in his hand, and told her that he was going to kill Eli Coleman, their father. She begged him not to do it, but he said he would, and he carried out his threat by walking up near the bed where their father was lying the source of no little excitement in the and shooting the load through his head! neighborhood. killing him instantly. The girl says she was standing in the door, when her brother shot her father, and she never saw him move after the gun was fired. They then carried nearly all their things out of the house, and the boy fired it in two places

> before they made any outcry about the fire or anything else, most vingen noshi After the children had been arrested. girl told our informant the same tale, and on the examination before a Justice of the Peace she again repeated it. They were

and she in one. They remained by the

house until the top commenced falling in

both committed to jailing bar avery tol These are the facts as reported by our correspondent, but he gives no hint as to the motive which prompted the commission of the fearful deed.

The Rains, of the author vidgast-

From persons coming down the C. C. Railway yesterday, we learn something of the results of the continued rains of the last week or ten days in the country along

In most places in the turpentine belt the swamps are so full as to be traversed only with difficulty, if at all. The streams are swollen, and in some places the back-water is among the crops. Farming operations generally are somewhat retarded, but, with fair weather from this on, as indicated in the weather report for to-day, we judge that permanent losses will be considerable only upon very low or badly drained ands. We hear of one farmer in the Cape Fear section who to-day estimated his loss of corn at 400 bushels.

The river at Lumberton is within about three feet of Lumber bridge—as was estimated on the train while in motion-and the track beyond the river is slightly washed and in one place for about three-fourths of a mile covered to a depth of a foot with water. Col. Fremont is on the ground, the track and keeping a sharp look out for any incipient defect which might otherwise be developed. It is not thought that the flood will cause any, hindrance or danger in the operation of the road. A culvert a mile and a half west, of Red Banks had a pillar washed out, but it was immediately replaced and strengthened by the section hands. A considerable extent of country west of Lumber river is under water. In some low places houses are surrounded by two or three feet of water, and the inmates go about by means of boats and rafts. Some drowned chickens were seen floating about, but no larger stock. The damage to crops in the immediate vicinity must be great. Lumber river is said to be full of rafts and drift. We hear that parties have gone from Lumberton in boats to visit the drowned district. From further west we

ROBESON ELECTION CASE.

Judge Settle Grants an Order to Show Churc Against the Shorts and Cum-" [Special Star Telegram.]

LUMBERTON, Aug. 18. Dr. Norment returned here this evening with an order from His Honor Judge Settle, for the Sheriff, and Commissioners, of Robeson county to appear before him in Greensboro on the - inst., to show, cause why certificates of election shall not be granted to Norment and McNeill The Robeson Delegates.

It will be seen by a special STAR telegram under our regular telegraphic head, that Judge Settle, of the Supreme Court, has issued an order requiring the Sheriff and Commissioners of Robeson county to ap pear before him, at Greensboro, and show cause why certificates of election should not be given to Norment and McNeill, the Radical candidates for Convention at the recent election, this incidental unimon ve

cotton &c. .gmvolqmi ban ,booy The first cotton boll of the season in this section carrie to hand yesterday id It is from the Appleton plantation, owned by Mr. R. E. Heide, and located about five miles, be-

We learn that his cotton is opening very last but that the fain is routing all the France that soon the leading heroes amount of other things every day at

THE MUROER OF MRS. QUICK. Further Particulars of the Late Homicide-Arrest of the Murderer

The Facts Elicited by the Coroper's Jury Established by the Confession of the Murderer-A Vile

Plot Unfolded. Upon the arrest of Henry Calder, under warrant issued by the Coroner of Marlboro county, S. C., he confessed that some lays before the murder heretofore alluded to in our issues of Tuesday and Wednesday last, he had been employed to marry Mrs. Quick and then afterwards dispose of her, unless he could decoy her off alone and murder her secretly on the way to the residence of the minister selected to perform the marriage service. The plot being thus far successful, and when a little over half way from the residence of the woman to that of the minister, Calder drew a club from his clothing, which he had previously concealed, and struck her a terrible blow across the mouth, breaking her jawbone in two places (as shown by post mortem exami nation.) The murderer then cut her throa and searched her, for the large amount of money which Charley Quick had told him she carried about her person, but he found only a small amount of currency and silver, besides numerous papers, among which was a note against Charles Quick, the accomplice, for eight hundred dollars, which was turned over to Quick as per previous agreement. After murdering the woman Calder left her for the purpose of getting spade with which to bury her, but felt so badly for what he had done that he finally concluded not to go about her again, but went to the banks of ter, her brother waked her up and there was stream near by and after searching the pocket book taken from the murdered lady carefully, he took out the contents and threw the book in the water, after which he left for his home in the lower part of Marion county, S. C., where Quick went to meet him and obtain the note against him, and where he was afterwards taken up and brought to trial, from whence he was carried to the county juil of Mari bore county and confined, with his accomplice, Charles Quick, where they will await their trail before the county court for wilful murder.

As stated before, Charles Quick married step-daughter of the murdered lady, to death, which induced Charles Quick to secure her departure from this life. Peter Calder, a near neighbor to the murdered lady, had talked over the murder with these parties before hand and knew their plans. He, too, has been arrested, but we know nothing of the result of his arrest yet.

Funeral of Ex-Governor Graham.

The funeral of the late ex-Governor Graham took place in Hillsboro yesterday. Although it was a rainy day the rain held up during the funeral

A very large concourse of citizens from Orange, Wake, Alamance, Guilford and various parts of the State were assembled in the town to wit ness the last sad funeral obsequies, and pay their farewell tribute to one whom they so highly hon and esteemed ored The number of those present is variously estimated from one to three thousand. It was perhaps the largest crowd that ever assembled in Hillsboro, and was a striking illustration of the great popularity of the

deceased statesman. The body lay in state in the parlor of the Graham homestead from Fri day night until yesterday, and hundreds of citizens viewed the remains and deposited floral offerings on the

At 12 o'clock, M., the funeral pro bession formed, composed of the Raleigh Light Infantry, the Raleigh Light Artillery, Horner and Graves' corps of cadets, and a vast body of citizens. The procession moved around the square to the sound of mournful music, and halted before the Presbyterian Church, into which the casket was borne and deposited on the catafalque prepared for its reception. The building was densely packed with people, and a thousand r more stood outside unable to get

The sermon was preached by the pastor of the church, Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald. Hymns were sung, prayers were offered, the blessing pronounced and the body was borne from the church to its final resting place in the adjacent burial ground, and there, amid the solemn silence of the vast dreds of mourners, all that remains of the great and good William Alexander Graham was buried out of sight

Thus ends in the gloom of the grave the day of one of the Old North State's noblest sons.

The day is dope and the darkness As a feather is wafted downward From an eagle in his flight."

The Canker of Gold.

It is stated that Comstock, who discovered the Virginia City mine that bears his name, and new produces thirty or forty millions annually, lately shot himself in poverty and despair. The wealth he had discovered, but could not enjoy, seems to have given him the pangs of Tantalus. The familiar truth that one soweth and another reapeth can bardly console the man who sees treasures richer than Golconda, which might conceivably have been his far out of his reach. The finding of the lobe was apparently a curse to Comstock.

ising that the Kennblicans of This famous Prussian General is dead, at the ripe age of 74. Somany it may interest the reader to know of the German Generals, with Von that the Vassar College girls manage Moltke at their head, were very old to get away with 250 pounds of beet at the time of their conquest of steak, 125 pies and a corresponding

THE NIAGARA FALLS HORROR. correction Secar. Engulfed fu the Cave of the Winds-Drowing of a Fearless Woman and a Brave Man.

The Niagara Falls Register gives

the following particulars of a sad af-

fair, heretofore reported by telegraph:

A party, consisting of Mr. Ethel-

bert Parsons and Miss Lottie C. Phil-

pott, Jr., and wife, Miss Hattie Fields, of Buffalo, and Mr. Charles

H. Philpot, started for the Cave of

the Winds about 5 o'clock. They

chose this time because at no hour

of the day can the rainbow be seen

in such perfection. Arrived at the cave, they were advised by Mr. Wright, the lessee of the cave, to take a guide, but as they were all thoroughly familiar with the place, and had made repeated trips through the cave in former years, they declined the proffered assistance, and started down the Biddle stairway They followed the usual pathway until they reached the extreme end of the railing, when they clambered out upon the rocks immediately in front of the cave. Wm. Philpott and his wife seated themselves on the rocks, while the other four ventured out still further, and descended to a stream which flows down over the rocks in front and a little to the right of the cave. Here they remained for some time, amusing themselves in the water which brawls over the rocks and rushes through the crevices with great force. Finally Miss Lottie went still further down the river and entered an eddy, which, however, was partly protected by encircling boulders. Here she played in the water, which at this place affords an excellent current, and was soon rejoined by her three other friends. Mr. Parsons entered the water with her, and while he was getting a foothold, that he might guard against any possible accident, she slipped. He had hold of her hand, and as she fell he caught her, and together they were swill. into the current, which bore then down about thirty feet toward the river. Those on the rocks report that Miss Lottie was next seen standing up in the water and leaning against a large rock. They were now in a powerful current, and both seemed to whom her property was to descend at her to be making endeavors to save one another. Her position was the more recarious, since the slightest move ment either way would expose her to the full fury of the water, and once in the full power of the current all hope of escape would be ended. Mr. Parsons, from his position, could have easily saved himself, but thinking that he could rescue her, he seized her and tried to reach the rock above them. Though he battled with the raging current with that strength which despair alone can give, they both were swept from their vantage ground on the rock and whirled into the maddening flood below. Twice they were seen to disappear below the surface. By this time they had been carried well out into the river, and to their agonized friends on shore they appeared to be standing on rocks, about eight rods or so from the edge of the river. To one acquainted with the great depth of the river and the tremendous force of the under current, it seemed that they had at last found a place of safety, and might yet be rescued. But the treacherous current was bearing them rapidly down the river to the death which was now inevitable. Parsons made heroic endeavor to reach the shore with her for whom he had risked his life. He was a strong swimmer, and was seen floating on his back, supporting her, and struggling against the current. All his efforts were of no avail; the fatal current separated them, and Miss Lottie, deprived of the strong protecting arm that had before upheld her, disappeared with hands raised despairingly above her head. Mr. Par sons must have seen her go under the water, but he still made brave efforts to preserve his own life. From the shore he was seen struggling in an aimless way to keep his head above the water. A thick cloud of spray intervened for a moment between the drowning man and the friends who were powerless to lend him aid, and when it disappeared Parsons was gone, and the cruel river swept on as though this tragedy had not been. The spot where they were last seen is about one-third the distance from the cave to the American falls. Miss Philpott was twenty-five years of age. and the only daughter of Wm. Puilpott, an old and highly respected resident of the Falls. Ethelbert Parsons, who lost his own life in the heroic attempt to save that of his companion, was twenty-nine years of age, and the son of Horatio A. Parsons, of La Salle. At last accounts the bodies had not been recovered.

As Good a Democrat as Anybody. Charlotte Observer.]

A friend writes to us from Ash ville under date of the 15th, that Mr. Spake, who was elected to the Convention from Jackson county, has prepared a letter for publication de nouncing the report that he is a Radi cal, and declaring his intention in

vote with the Democrats. We trust that this will put a stop to the claim which the Radicals have been laying to Mr. Spake. We understood his political status from the first, and contended all along that he was a Democrat, but nothing is needed now since his own ipse dixit. [This gives us one of the Independents or, including Gov. Graham's seat, 60 votes in the Convention ED. STAR.

---A general impression exists, we are are, that pretty girls don't eat much, as a general thing. Be this as it may, to get away with 250 pounds of beet