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the State is thorough and effective.

The campaign will be no mere

holiday parade. Solid and ear-

every county. There will be doubt-

less a grand show of enthusiasm.

and a general, but a commander must

Neither Vance nor any other man

can fight the battle alone. The Con-

vention must nominate a ticket every

man of whom ought to be able to add

dignity, ability and popular strength

to the whole. The time has passed

or rewarding any lavorites excep

the favorites of the people, men who

have the necessary fitness for the po-

sitions for which they are nominated,

and who can be certainly elected.

The whole ticket should be built of

the stoutest timber in North Carolina,

every plank and beam a power in it-

We feel a deep interest, an inter-

est, too, altogether free from per-

sonal entanglements and partial pre-

ference, in the choice of the gentle-

men who are to be our standard

bearers in the next fight. We would

have the people left entirely free to

make their own unaided and genuine

choice. They are wiser in their day

and generation than many politicians

think they are. They know to a "t"

whom they desire to fill the places of

trust and authority. They are sup-

posed to wish that the ablest, purest

and most available men shall be nom-

inated. They know, either intuitive-

ly or by experience, exactly what

persons fill this bill. It is not neces-

sary to instruct them. When the

time comes they can speak their will

through their representatives. But

the press has a mission in this par-

ticular. It can call the roll, and

watch the faces of the multitude as

each name is sounded. In other

words the Democratic newspaper

can keep the record of opinion

squarely, without prejudice to any

THE BELKNAP CASE.

The able Washington political cor-

respondent of the Baltimore Sun

calls public attention to a fact that

has been overlooked in all the babel

of talk over the Belknap case. It

seems that in all the arguments in

the Belknap case one rather impor-

tant circumstance bearing directly

upon it, was never mentioned. A

decision of Attorney General Pierre-

pont, made in October last, would

seem to settle the fact that General

Belknap was actually Secretary of

War at the time in the afternoon of

the 2d day of March, that he was

impeached by the House of Repre-

sentatives. Mr. Delano resigned as

Secretary of the Interior on the first

day of October. Mr. Cowen, the

Assistant Secretary, was designated

by the President as Acting Secretary.

being under law authorized to so act

for ten days. On the 11th of October

Mr. Cowen having doubts as to

whether he could continue to act as

Secretary, applied to the Attorney

General for his opinion, and Mr.

Pierrepont, the chief law officer of

the government, announced that as

Mr. Delano had resigned on the first

he was actually Secretary that day.

and therefore Mr. Cowen was legally

entitled to sign himself acting Secre-

opinion, Mr. Cowen acted as Secre-

tary until the close of business on

the 11th of October. If Mr. Delano

rior all of the first day of October,

then Mr. Belknap was actually Sec-

and with equal justice to all.

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RENOMINATION OF HON. A. M.

As was stated in an extra issued from this office early yesterday morning, Col. A. M. Waddell was renominated at Fayetteville, on Wednesday, as the Democratic candidate for Congress in the Third District. Col Waddell is now serving his third successive term in Congress, and the fact that the Conservative Convention has nominated him for another two years' service, shows that his ability and usefulness are apprecia-Col. Waddell is happily enwith eloquence, culture, suavity of manner, and real capacity for legislative work. That he wil continue to labor in behalf of the in terests of the District and the State, if re-elected, we do not doubt. His triumphant election is confidently anticipated.

MULLIGAN AND BLAINE.

That was a startling and dramatic scene vesterday in the committee room at Washington, when Mulligan, a witness in the Blaine bond investigation, testified that Blaine went to his room and begged for certain of his (Blaine's). letters, urging the ruin of his family and threatening Blaine denied the statement about the conversation, but nervously employed himself the while in neatly folding an envelope and tearing it. Whether Mulligan's story be not, there is now no doubt Blaine has smutted his fin-

THAT ADVERTISING STORY.

The World of Monday, the so called Bayard organ, says: "A ridiculous story is going the rounds of the party press, to the effect that Gov. Tilden has authorized a firm of ad vertising agents, represented by that humorous Radical stirrer up of strife, Mr. Petroleum V. Nasby, to send out circulars to Democratic papers in the South and West, recommending Mr. Tilden as the very best poscaudidate of the Democracy at St. Louis, Possibly this may be regarded by Mr. Nasby as a fine stroke of humor, possibly as a clever device to lead the rural I emocracy into the pit of perdition. It is, in fact, a very low and discreditable trick, obviously intended as a foul blow at Gov. Tilden; and the rural editors, simple-minded enough to publish Mr. Nasby's extracts, and then to charge the agency \$10 for so doing, will probably find themselves referred, when they send tary on the 11th. By virtue of this in their bills, to the money-order office at the Confederate Cross-

The Radical National Convention | was actually Secretary of the Intewill meet at Cincinnati on the 14th of June. Blaine and Conkling are the most conspicuous candidates.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 1876.

March. If the Attorney General was correct, then the two weeks' argu-The Democratic press of the State ment of the Senate on the question is fully alive to the momentous work of jurisdiction has been so much before it, and before all who are truly time wasted. If the Attorney-Gene-Conservatives. Let the campaign ral was incorrect, then every official be fought through with the vim and act of Mr. Cowen as Secretary of the wisdom foreshadowed in the extracts Interior on the 11th day of October

last was null and void. Even Forney's Press says: "No one who has witnessed the solemn and emphatic denial of Hon. Michael C. Kerr, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, can believe the monstrous accusation ganization of the party all through made against him by Mr. Lawrence Harney." But this defence of Mr. Kerr, which common honesty and common sense alike dictated, does nest work must be done in not justify the remark of the Press that "the Democrats commenced the work of defamation." The Demobut zeal must be tempered with judgcrats have done no such thing, but ment, and if the fire shall be kept up on the contrary have scrupulously the flames must be constantly fed refrained from attaaching any importwith the best sort of fuel. The leadance to the thousand and one rumors er is a host in kimself if he be a hero about Secretary Bristow which the malignity of rivals in the Republican have lieutenants and soldiers to carry party has set affoat. The Press is out his instructions. The State Conhurt because so many of its pet vention will do only a part of its friends have been exposed in their corruption and infamy. There is duty when it nominates the strongest man in the State for Governor. where the shoe pinches.

Wilmington Retail Market. The following prices ruled yesterday: Apples, (dried) 121 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 grown fowls 65@70c a pair; spring chickens from 20 to 30 cts a pair; geese \$1 50 per pair; beef 10@16ic. per pound; beef, (corned) 121@15c. per pound: veal, 121@161c. per pound; mutton, 121@15 cts. per pound: ham, 16@18 cts. per pound; shoulders, 124@ 14 cents per pound; tripe, 20 cts. per bunch; clams, 25 cents a peck; open clams, 20@25 cents a quart; soup bunch, 5 cts; eggs, 162 cents, a doz; sturgeon, 25 cts, a chunk (5 lbs); potatoes, new Irish, 25@30c a peck; fishtrout 25c. per bunch; mullets 10@25c per bunch; turnips, 10 cents a bunch; onions, 5 to 10 cents a bunch; cabbages 10@25 cents a head; bologna 20 cents a pound; parcley, 5 cents a bunch; carrots, 5 cents a pound; rice 10@20c a quart; crabs 15 cts dozen; apples 75 to 90 cts per peck; liver pudding, 20c # ib; blood pudding, 25 cts P fb.; Sound, oysters 20 cents a quart; cauliflower, 10@25 cents; celery, 25 cents per bunch; radishes, 5 cents a bunch; lettuce, 5 cts a bunch; strawberries, 10@15c a quart; green peas 20c peck; blackberries 10c a quart; whortleberries 10 cts a quart;

beets 124@15c a bunch. Smithville Items.

At the regular meeting of Pythagoras Lodge, No. 49, F. & A. M., held Thursday night, the following gentlemen were elected as officers for the ensuing year: W. G. Curtis, W. M.; John Prigge, S. W .: John Woodlock, J. W .; S. M. Robbins, Treasurer; E. Legg, Secretary; J. J. Atkins, S. D.; C. G. Smith, J. D.; B. F. Latham, H. E. O. Mints, Stewards; F. M.

Wescott, Marshal, and T. G. Drew, Tyler. One more triumph for "Old Probs" was recorded at that place last Tuesday, as we are informed by a friend. At about 11 o'clock of that day, up went "Old Probs' signal for sailors to take warning. Never has he witnessed a more pleasant day, or one more free from indications of storms. It was a subject of general remark that "Old Probs" was fooled for once. At dusk up went the red light, and certainly a prettier evening one could not wish for, and the people retired, feeling satisfied that there would be no storm; but early Wednesday morning the "old gent" proved himself cor-

Excursion to the Mountains. Under the management of Mr. Robt. O. Foard, an excursion train will be run from this city on the 20th inst., to Henry's Station, the present terminus of the Western North Carolina Railroad, and return, a distance of 652 miles, without change of cars. A train has been chartered for the purpose, with coaches enough to furnish ample accommodations to all, and every effort will be exerted, we are assured, to make this, the Centennial excursion, the grandest of the season. Another such an opportunity to visit the mountains and view the beautiful scenery with which they abound will probably not soon be offered. The fare from Wilmington to Henry's and return will be \$5.00.

The Carolina Contratand over The Raleigh News states that the Carolina Central is only running tri-weekly trains. It should be tri-weekly through freight trains The Company, as we are informed by Col Fremont, General Superintendent, is running daily passenger trains (Sundays excepted), with four or five freight cars attached, through from Wilmington to Shelby, and in addition, tri-weekly freight trains be tween Wilmington and Charlotte. They run the only closely connected passenger trains from Norfolk, Beaufort, &c., to Cleveland Springs, Catawba Springs, and Ashville, both ways.

- Henry Hewling, convicted in the U. S. District Court in this city, last winter, of robbing the mail at Lumberton, and sentenced to the Albany penitentiary for one year, has been pardoned by Presiretary of War all of the 2d day of | dent Grant,

SUICIDE AT SMITHVILLE.

An Officer of the Garrison Shoots

Himself Through the Head -His Motives for the Horribic Deed, &c.

John Woodlock, commissary sergeant of the U. S. garrison, at Smithville, commit ted suicide yesterday, between one and two o'clock, p. m., by shooting himself through the head with a pistol. The particulars of the sad affair, so far as we have been able to gather them, are as follows: A contract had been entered into with Mr. John F. Garrell, of this city, by the commander to supply the garrison with meats. This contract was by the year, and the payments were to be made monthly. The money for this purpose was paid to the Commissary Sergeant, who had charge of al supplies, and it was his duty to pay the bills as they became due. Mr. Garrell, how-ever, had failed to get his money regularly, and on the 1st day of June the Sergeant owed him for three months' supplies. He had written him two or three letters in regard to the matter, but received no reply, and finally a few days since he telegraphed him on the subject with the same esult. Mr. G. threatened that if the money was not forthcoming he would immediately warrant the government on each month' note that had become due. On the 1st of June, the close of the third month in which Mr. G. had received no money, he ceased to receive the usual orders for the meats, but he continued to send them as customary. Yesterday morning Mr. Garrell went down to Smithville to see about the matter. He went to the residence of Commissary Woodlock, and was met by that officer with every appearance of cordiality. He requested Mr. Garrell to take dinner with him, and the two, together with the officer's family, sat down to the table. Woodlock ate but a few mouthfuls, when he suddenly rose from the table, and, turning to Mr. Garrell, said he was well; Onslow, J. W. Shackelford. going to his office, and requested him t hasten there as soon as he had finished his meal, when he would settle with him, cautioning him to be as expeditious as possible or the steamer Dixie would leave him, as it was then going on upon 2 o'clock, the hour at which she starts for this city. He then hurried from the room, leaving his wife and children at the table with Mr. Garrell, saying as he went out that he would have every thing ready by the time he (Mr. G.) arrived at the office. Mr. Garrell sat at the table two or three minutes longer, when he started for Woodlock's office, and had nearly reached there when he was startled by the sharp report of a pistol, while at the same time several soldiers, who had been standing in front of the door, rushed into the room, followed closely by Mr. Garrell. The scene that met their gaze was one calculated to shock the nerves of the strongest man. In his scat in his office, his hand still grasping the fatal weapon, his head thrown back over the chair, and the blood spouting from the ghastly wound in his head, sat the unfortunate commissary serasparagus 25c a bunch; plums 10c a quart, geant, gasping out his last breath with convulsive shudders, which lasted but a few moments and all was over. It was found, upon examination, that he had placed the weapon at one of his ears and fired, the

> ball passing entirely through his head and coming out at the opposite ear. The amount of his indebtedness to Mr. Garrell, on Government account, was about \$500. The quartermaster of the garrison stated that he had paid deceased the whole amount, and the impression among some is that he had lost it by gaming, and being unable to replace it, and thinking that Mr. Garrell would report him to his superior officers, he preferred to put an end to his existence rather than suffer the humilia-

Deceased was a native of Ireland, was about thirty or thirty-five years of age, and leaves a wife and four small children, one of them having come up to this city yesterday morning. He had many strong friends both here and in Smithville, who would have assisted him in his difficulties if he had applied to them.

He was a Mason in good standing, his name appearing in a list of officers in another part of this paper, and belonged to other orders, while his general reputation was very good. Great sympathy is felt for the wife and little ones in their sad be-

Delegates to the Democratic State

The following delegates have been appointed to represent New Hanover, in the State Democratic Convention, which meets in Raleigh on the 14th inst :

Robert Strange, S. L. Fremont, C. M. Stedman, Dr. W. G. Thomas, M. M. Katz, J. L. Boatwright, A. H. VanBokkelen, J. G. Burr, E. Kidder, Sol. Bear, O. G. Parsley, Jr., E. E. Burruss, Jas. Montgomery, W. L. Saunders, H. VonGlahn, D. J. Devane, D. McRae, DeLoon Fillyaw, J. W. Atkinson, W. M. Hayes, H. H. Munson, Henry Natt, A. Wronski, L. H. Bowden. Geo. Harper, G. W. Harris, E. S. Martio, John A. Sanders, J. C. Pittman, A. Weill, Jas. Corbett, J. J. Hedrick, T. D. Meares, P. D. Cowan, W. H. Green, John Biddle, E. H. Eilers, Dr. J. C. Walker, J. H. Alen, E. D. Hall, John London, J. C. Heyer, W. J. Yopp, E. Everitt, F. M. Wooten, John St. George, Thos. J. Johnson, H. E. Orr. A. Deumelandt, T. H. McKoy, John J. Fowler, J. C. Borden, R. F. Langdon, J. C. James, S. H. Fishblate, A. R. Campell, W. N. Bowden.

- Tarboro Southerner: The cotton crop in Nash, Wilson, Pitt, Edgecombe and Halifax is as well advanced as we have ever known it. We have yet to hear of an individual farmer who hasn't a good stand, and it is looking healthy. Fear is expressed by many that the acreage being increased so much in the South, (this part of it) the price will be correspondingly low. Cotton is a terrible tyrant, and the South is feeling fearfully the rigor of his rule.

Congressional Nominating

Hon. A. Waddell, of New Hanover. Again the Nominee of the Demo cratic-Conservative Party of the Third District-A Large Attendance -Perfect Harmony-Great Enthusiasm-The Balioting in Full.

Convention.

[Reported for the Star.]

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., May 31. The District Convention was called to order at 11 o'clock, at Williams' Hall, this morning, by Jos. A. Worth, Esq., Chairman of the District Executive Committee who nominated R. K. Bryan, Esq., of Pen der county, temporary President. Major John W. Dunham and Mr. John Nutt, were requested to act as temporary Secretaries.

On motion, a committee of one from eac county was appointed to effect a perma-

Committee-Gen. A. D. McLean, of Harett; J. A. Worth, of Cumberland; J. W. Shackelford, of Onslow; J. D. Stanford, of Duplin; E. W. Kerr, of Sampson, J. A. Worthy, of Moore; R. W. Galloway, of Brunswick; Col. T. S. Memory, of Colum-bus; Dr. W. T. Ennett, of Pender; B. L. Perry of Carteret; D. Cromartie, of Bladen; Maj. Engelbard, of New Hanover. In a few moments the committee reported

the following gentlemen for permanent officers, who were duly elected:

R. K. Bryan, of Pender, President; and A. A. McIver, of Moore, Col. Abner Faison, of Duplin, L. B. Taylor, of Onslow, Vice Presidents; and John Nutt, of Bladen, Alex. Graham, of Cumberland, and O. H. Allen, of Duplin, Secretarys.

The following committee was appointed

on Resolutions and Platform: Carteret, B. L. Perry; Cumberland, J. H. Myrover; Duplin, J. D. Stanford; Bladen, . C. Lyon; Moore, Dr. Turner; Harnett, N. S. Stewart; Brunswick, R. W. Galloway; Columbus, Col. T. S. Memory; Sampson, E. W. Kerr; New Hanover, Maj. Engelhard; Pender, Dr. S. S. Satchvote of the different counties, was referred The Convention then took a recess until

AFTERNOON SESSION.

two o'clock.

The President called the Convention to order at 2 o'clock. H. Myrover nominated Hon. A. M. Waddell, of New Hanover. Capt. J. N. Stallings, of Duplin, and Maj. Jas. T. McRae, of Cumberland, were also placed in nomi-

On the first ballot, Col. Waddell received 7,2181 votes, the balance scattering be-tween Stallings, McRae and Robt. Strange, in the order named.

As soon as the result was announced. Mr. on the second ballot Col. Waddell received 8.8844 votes, Messrs. Stallings and Scott each receiving a very complimentary vote. On the third ballot Col. Waddell received 9,072 votes. Maj. McRae's name was then withdrawn.

On the fourth ballot Col. Waddell re ceived 8,278 votes; the others were for Stallings and Scott On the fifth ballot Col. Waddell received 13,813 votes.

than the necessary two-thirds, was declared the nominee amid great cheering. On motion the Convention then went into an election for elector. Major Engelhard placed in nomination Mr. E. W. Kerr, of Sampson, and Mr. Powers nominated Mr. J. D. Stanford, of Duplin. Mr. Kerr's nomination was withdrawn, just before the result of the ballot was announced, and Mr. Stanford was unanimously nominated as Elector from the Third Congressional

Major J. H. Myrover, of Cumberland and Mr. F. W. Kerchner, of New Hanover, were elected delegates to the National Convention at St. Louis, with Messrs. J W. Shackelford, of Onslow, and J. Macks, of New Hanover, as alternates. After a resolution authorizing the Presi dent to appoint a district Executive Committee of one from each county, to serve for the next two years, and the usual vote of thanks to the President and other offi-

cers, &c., the Convention adjourned. The short time I have to write in precludes the possibility of my giving any very extended account of the action of the Convention. It was exceedingly harmonious, and the best of feeling prevailed throughout its entire session. Many interesting speeches were made, and while it is not my intention to detract one iota from the effect and influence of other gentlemen. I was particularly struck with the remarks of Mr. J. D. Stanford, of Duplin. They impressed every one with the happi-est effect, and awakened an increased interest, and a determination to go for the nominee, whoever he might be, with all CLARENDON.

FIRST BALLOT. Waddell-Bladen 1,024, Brunswick 711 Columbus 907, Cumberland 1,071, Harnet 778, Moore 527, New Hanover 1,355, Pender Stallings-Cumberland 97, Duplin 1,750 Onslow 446, Pender 338, Sampson 1,415.

McRae-Columbus 301, Cumberland 517. Moore 527, Onslow 446. Strange-Carteret 1,062.

W. ddell-Bladen 950, Brunswick 71 Columbus 1,024, Cumberland 1,544, Har net 778, Moore 1,055, New Hanover 1,355, Scott-Carteret 531, Onslow 892, Sampson Cumberland 151, Duplin 1,750, Pender 338.

McRae—Cumberland 274. THIRD BALLOT.

Columbus 1,024, Cumberland 1,644, Harnett 778, Moore 1,055, New Hanover 1,855, Pender 563, Sampson 992. Scott-Onslow S92. Stallings-Bladen 215, Carteret 1,062, Cumberland 164, Duplin 1,750, Pender 338

Waddell-Bladen, 950. Brunswick 711

Sampson 705. McRae-Bladen 45, Cumberland 163. FOURTH BALLOT.

Waddell-Bladen 992, Brunswick 711, Columbus 1,024, Cumberland 1,721, Har-nett 778, New Hanover 1,355, Pender 562, Sampson 1,133. Scott-Bladen 215, Carteret 1,062, Ons-

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berland 5, Onslow 892, Sampson 282, Total os.—Cumberland 135, Duplin 1,750, Pender 338. Total 2,233. Mr. Waddell's nomination was after-wards made unanimous.

CHAPEL HILL COMMENCEMENT.

The First Commencement of the Re-vived University-Brilliant Sermon and Addresses Pritcherd, Waddell and Dick-Elegant Ball-A Grand Time all too Short. [Star Special Report.]

The long night of darkness which has hung over our beloved old University has at last been dissipated by the glorious sunshine of renewed prosperity, and we have now around us the largest and most enthusiastic assemblage that has graced the commencement since the beginning of the late war. I have been agreeably surprised at the restored appearance of everything connected with this honored seat of learning. The grounds are in fine condition, the buildings have been repainted within and without, and are looking better than at any time during the past

fifteen years.

The catalogue shows the attendance of sixty-nine students during the past year, and I can truly say I have never seen a finer looking body of young men assembled here before. Every one has noticed and spoken of the remarkable decorum with which they deport themselves and of the absence of anything like excessive dissipation, while the trustees have thought proper to express their thanks to the students for their quiet demeanor during Commencement. Twenty-three new applicants in person and by letter for matriculation next session were heard. The friends of the University and of liberal culture have reason to feel much en-

Wednesday morning we had the pleasure of listening to a most capital address from our townsman, Col. A. M. Waddell. To say that he fully sustained his reputation for eloquence, is but to express the universal sentiment of all those who were so fortunate as to be able to hear

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon, Rev. Dr. Pritchard, of Raleigh, held his audience spell-bound for almost an hour, in a sermon which seemed to occupy only half that length of time.

There being no senior class, representatives from the two literary societies entertained the company during the evening. The order of ex-

ercises was as follows: 1st. The Influence of Great Ex-Col. Waddell now having received more amples-Arthur Arrington, of Louis-

2d. The Ancient German Confederation-W. B. Phillips, of Chapel

3d. Liberty-W. J. Peele, of Jack-

(Music.) 4th. Esse Quam Videri-R. L. Payne, of Lexington.

5th. Eulogy on Edwin W. Fuller -J. B. Lewis, of Rocky Mount. 6th. North Carolina - John H. Dobson, of Rockford.

Where all acquitted themselves so well it is difficult to make distinctions, but I think justice requires the special notice of Mr. Payne and Mr.

Thursday was the grand day of the Commencement. At 10 A. M., with uncovered heads the procession moves around the ancient monument and proceeds to the chapel to listen to the address of Hon. Robt. P. Dick, who chose for his subject "The Anglo-American Race." To attempt any report could not but do injustice to this distinguished orator, and I will only venture the assertion that seldem even within these walls sacred to eloquence has the effort

Following this was the presentation of the gold medals awarded for superior scholarship in Latin and chemistry. In the first instance the medal was awarded to Mr. Kemp P. Battle, Jr., of Raleigh, and in chemistry Messrs. Payne of Lexington. and Phillips of Chapel Hill, were adjudged to be equal in the attainments, and each were decorated with the distinction of the gold medal,

On Thursday the festivities culminated in the Grand Ball, at which the grace and beauty of the old North State were abundantly represented, and to the strains of sweet music they chased the fleeting hours until the rising sun admonished them that the Commencement of 1876 was at its close. In less than two hours the most of the youth and beauty who had graced the occasion were making the woods on the road to Durham ring with their happy voices. Among the young ladies specially noticed as the belles of the evening. I mention Misses R—s and G—n, of Newbern, Miss H—d and B—e, of Raleigh, and Miss J-s, of Charlotte. The absence of the Wilmington ladies was observed, and numerous re-

Spirits Turpentine

- The Releigh Catholics had -Raleigh is giving much atten

- The Warrenton Gazette seems favor Gen. Cox for Governor.

— Andrew Murdock, Esq., Mayor of Hillsboro, died last Saturday.

- The Morning Clarion is mute, and Oxford's brief dream of a daily news-

- Willie, son of Rev. Mr. Corbett, Presbyterian pastor at Asheville, died last — Hon. A. M. Waddell delivers the address at Thomasville Female College Commencement, June 6.

— Col. William Lamb, of Fort. Fisher fame, is one of the Norfolk District delegates to St. Louis.

- Hilliard Ellis, a worthy colored man of Wilson county, gave his child an over dose of worm seed oil, and it died. - The second (June) number of Enniss' North Carolina Farmer is full and

- John H. Haughton, Raq., a prominent lawyer of Newbern, died in Pittsboro Thursday.

-- The Bakersville Independent has been changed to the Roan Mountain

- Elias Powell, the negro who was to have been hanged Friday morning at Halifax, for the murder of Jonas Cohen, has been respited for two weeks.

- Mr. Geo. A. C. Cooper, assistant teacher of the St. Augustine Normal School of Raleigh, will be ordained deacon to-day by Bishop Lyman.

- Col. Gilmer's address at Yadkin College is spoken of as capital. The prospects of that institution are brighter

than at any time heretofore. - Winfield Scott Parker, Esq., Mayor of Toisnot, was married Thursday to Miss Lucy A. Closs, daughter of Rev.

- Bill White, colored, was found drowned in Town Creek near Sparta, Edgecombe county, on Thursday the 25th

- Mr. John C. Partridge, formerly of Raleigh, at the time of his death a few days ago, was a prominent merchant of

-A horse bit the arm of Mr. Charles Gee, who lives near Milton, so

badly that it will probably have to be am-- Messenger: Tony Chadwick, of Beaufort, caught a saw fish twelve feet

long, the saw being four feet in length. He made two gallons of oil from the liver. - The mail train on the Richmond & Danville Railroad ran over a negro, in a curve near Reidsville, last Sunday. He lost

leg and an arm, and, it is supposed, will - The Raleigh Sentinel announces that it will not suspend, but will ere long appear before the public a better paper

than it was in its paimlest days, and as bit-ter a foe to Radicalism. - Commencement exercises at Peace Institute, Raleigh, take place on the 14th inst. On the evening of the 15th inst., Rev. J. Henry Smith, of Greensboro, de-

livers the annual address. - Wake Forest College Commencement, June 6th, sermon by Rev. Dr. Bitting, of Richmond, Va. The next day Congressman Robbins will deliver the lite-

rary address. Rev. Dr. T. H. Pritchard addresses the Alumni. - Dr. J. B. Alexander, of Mecklenburg county, was shot at while sitting on his plazza, and will institute legal proceedings against the would-be assassin, who is believed to be an individual with whom he

had some hot words recently. - Raleigh News, Tuesday: It is reported by passengers on the down train yesterday that large crowds of people came from the West and got off at Durham yes-terday to attend the Chapel Hill commence-

- Stanly Banner: We are glad to hear favorable reports of the corn and cotton crops. Cotton has come up well and there is generally a good stand. The farm-ers are now busy in chopping it outs.

- Moore county Convention instructs delegates to the State Convention to vote for Hon. John Manning, of Chatham, for Governor, for Bart. Fuller for Attorney

General, and for C. H. Wiley for Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State. - A little son of T. C. Sechrist, of High Point, aged thirteen years, in jumping on the eastward bound train, Wednes-day morning last, at that station, had one of his feet so badly mashed as to reader

amputation necessary.

— Raleigh News: We are pleased to learn that Mr. James H. Horner, of Oxford, is rapidly recovering, and is so now that he can walk about his farm. His many friends will be glad to hear this, and his complete recovery will be good news to

- Windsor Times: The death of Bettie Wood Coke, wife of Octavius Coke, of Chowan, and of Penelope Tucker Skinner, wife of Thomas G. Skinner, of Perquimans, is the cause of profound sorrow in this and other neighboring counties.

the whole State.

- Newbern Nut Shell: We learn number of persons will be baptized, by mmersion, at the foot of Broad street Sunday morning, at 9 o'clock, Rev. J. W. Taylor officiating. Fruits of the giorious revival now in progress at the Baptist

- Morganton Blade: In Linnville township, we learn that there has been some little excitement, resulting from the shooting of sheep-killing dogs. In this country you may kill all a man's sheep and he'll forgive you, but kill his mangy, snarling cur dog, that he can neither eat nor near his tayon with another car neither eat nor pay his taxes with, and he's your enemy for

Charlotte Observer: Members of the colored excursion party whe went from this city to Salisbury on Tuesday, re-port that, at a certain part of the place, a colored woman and child were leaning from a window, looking upon the large crowd below, when the child lost its bal-ance and fell out. Its head was bursted open upon coming in contact with the pavement, and death of course ensued im-

- These are the particulars, taken from the Wadesboro Argus, of the homicide of Albert Fritz, colored, by Daniel McCoy, white: It seems that the parties were laboring in adjoining fields (Fritz being a tenant of Mrs. May's) and the cause of the falling out being about an axe that Fritz had borrowed, with a promise to re-turn it by a specified time, and having failed to do so, one word brought on another till both parties became so excited that they left the field, and as it afterwards low 892.

Stallings—Cumberland 89, Duplin 1,750, Pender 226, Sampson 564.

McRae—Cumberland 163, Moore 1,055, Pender 172.

FIFTH BALLOT.

Waddell—Bladen 1,1634, Brunswick 711, Columbus 1,024, Cumberland 1,329, Harnett 778, Moore 1,055, New Hanover 1,355, Pender 563, Sampson 1,415. Total, 9,8924, Scott—Bladen 434, Carteret 1,063, Cum-