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PRIMARY BLECTIONS.

The Democrat of this city says:

"We are in favor of primary elections.

Let us have them by all means. It is the only just and fair way to know the sentiments of the people. We want all to have a clean, clear track. Let the winning ani-

This is timely and wise. We favor

primary elections rather than a grand

mass meeting of the sovereigns. We

have already many times expressed

our opinion at length and do not pro-

pose to repeat. We are pleased to

see that many of the counties are

taking steps to secure a full and fair

expression of the popular will. Nash

and Wilson moved in that direction

sometime ago. The Democratic Exe-

cutive Committee of Duplin on the

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OUR NAVY.

The readers of the STAR are well aware that we have no great confidence in the wisdom and fairness of that "three district Conservatives the New York Sun. It must be con- in each township" should hold meetceded, however, that it is a very able | ings "of the Democratic Conservative paper, and gives the news at a very low figure. Even more than this must be granted. The Sun has the purpose of choosing by ballot nine virtue of pertinacity. When it gets after a corrupt official it never slumbers, and never permits its victim to have any peace or rest. No sleath hound ever pursued its fleeing victim with more desperation of purpose or fixidity of will. It has done the country no little good in the exposures of crime and peculation that it | the State Convention." has made from time to time. It has done more to bring to light the corruptions, rascalities and utter incapacity of Grant's Secretary of Navy, Robeson, than every other paper in the country put together. But for its constant inspection of Robeson's career, and a continuous probing of his ulcerous condition, there would be but little known of the tremendous rascalities and peculations perpetrated during the eight years' service of that incompetent and venal offi-

During Grant's entire administration Robeson was in the habit of deliberately lying about the condition of the navy. As late as November 29th, 1876, in his annual report, he said:

"There are now belonging to the navy of the United States 146 vessels, of 150,157 tons measurement. Exclusive of howitzers and Gatlings, they carry 1,142 guns. \* \* \* Our navy is now, in the character and condition of its ships and material, in a condition far superior to that in which it was in 1869, and, indeed, far more powerful for our warlike purposes than it has ever been in time of peace."

The Sun shows by an appeal to the records that not less than one hundred and seventy-two million dollars were stolen or wasted during Robeson's eight years of official life. The recent investigations into the Navy the above large sum was squandered of government. or stolen, and that there is nothing to show for it worth the name of navy.

Our navy is almost literally worthless. This is the opinion of the present worthy Secretary. We give the latest figures farnished by the Sun :

Number. Guns. Total, vessels unserviceable.. 48 Total, sailing vessels unfit for Total, temporary out of use. 24 Total, in service...... 43

The Sun thus analyses the above:

"Of this number in service, several are on foreign stations, which can never return home. Of the eight vessels built by Robeson, but one is considered fit for naval uses. Others of a different class are equally unsuited to active duty. The five ships of the first class, built nearly a quarter of a century ago, and which were then the pride of the navy, are all given over as useless for war. Of the twenty-seven ships of the second class, nine only are fit for service, and nearly all the others are rotten and worthless. Of the thirty ships of the third class, carrying eight, six and four guns, only fourteen are available. Of the twenty-four iron clads, only one is actually ready for sea, four are rotten or worthless, and all

the others require rebuilding or repairs." Was there ever before since the world was made such a shameful exhibit as this? Our people are a maritime people to a great extent. We can beat the world when it is necessary. Our seamen are equal to any the world has seen, and yet we have no navy. What is to be done? As we said the other day, either sell out and quit the sea-faring business, or create a navy every way worthy of our great and rapidly growing country. Of course we must have a navy, and an efficient one. It is the duty of Congress to provide one.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, MAN 17, 1878.

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.

Bennett Smedes and James A Weston.

the Secretary to call the roll. In addition to those present on yesterday the following delegates responded:

Rev T B Haughton, Deacon officiating n Church of the Advent, Williamston, and St. Martin's Church, Hamilton; Rev. Daniel Morrelle, Deacon, Wilmington; Rev E R Rich, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh; Rev R B Sutton, D D, Rector St Bartholomew's Church, Pittsboro. and of St Mark's Church, Deep River; Rev M H Vaughan, Rector St Stephen's Church Oxford, and St Paul's, Goshen.

St John's Church, Wilmington, Capr I F Grainger; St Paul's Church, Greenville, R R Cotton; St John's Church, Fayetteville; R Huske; St Matthew's Church, Hi lsboro, T B Hill; Grace Church, Morganton, Col T G Walton and W S Pearson; St Bartholomew's Church, Pittsboro, H A London, Jr; Christ Church, Raleigh, Capt S A Ashe; Trinity Church, Scotland Neck, W H Shields; St Philip's Church, Smithville, Dr F W Potter; St John's Church, Winton, Chas Skinner; Church of the Saviour, Jackson, J B McRae; St Mary's Church, Kinston, S B West; St Paul's Church, Louisburg, Col Samuel Ruffin; Calvary Church, Tarboro, M Weddell, SS Nash and David Pender; St Paul's Church, Wilming-

Dr A J DeRosset, Treasurer of the Dio

third, canon nineteen, the words "31st day of March in each year" be stricken out, and vention in each year" be inserted.

Referred to committee on Canons. Hon Wm H Battle suggested the agitation of the question as to where and when

Col J J Hinsdale moved that the sixtythird annual Convention should be held in St John's Church, Fayetteville.

On motion of Rev W S Bynum, the con ideration of the date on which it should be held was postponed until the afternoon

pointment of a committee of three, con-

Patterson, Dr DeRosset, and Mr James A Willard were appointed said committee.

and that there are now five candidates for Priest's Orders, three for Deacon's Orders,

nion fifty-two times, besides other celebrations in the service of the Church.

Both of the Bishops spoke very favorably of the Wilberforce School at Morganton, urging the aid of the members of the church in its behalf.

dresses of the Bishops be referred to the committee on the State of the Church, which was agreed to.

of each address touching the Wilberforce school, at Morganton, was referred to a committee of three. Rev Drs Sutton and Huske and Capt S A.

Ashe were appointed said committee. Rev Dr Patterson presented the re the committee on Education.

morning session should adjourn it should Rev Dr Buxton presented the report of the committee on Provincial Synods.

the Executive Missionary committee. Rev Dr Watson presented the report of

The committee on New Parishes reported through their chairman, Rev W R Wetmore, against, the admission of St Cyprian's Chapel, Newbern, on account of

of the canon. the committee on Unfinished Business.

Mr RE Calder, on behalf of the Ladies' Memorial Association, extended an invitation to the Convention to participate in the memorial ceremonies on the 10th instant, which was accepted with thanks.

Mr H A London, Jr, offered the following amendment to the constitution in relation to election of Bishops, which was, on motion, referred to the committee on Canons:

Resolved, That section 1st, article 12th, of the constitution be amended by striking out all after the words "distinct orders," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "and a concurrent vote of a majority of all the clergy in the Diocese entitled to seats in the Convention, and of the delegates from at least twenty parishes in union with the Convention (the said delegates voting by parishes) shall be necessary for an election. On motion of Rev Edward Wootten, the

Convention then adjourned until 5 P M. AFTERNOON SESSION. The Convention was called to order by

Bishop Lyman at 5 o'clock Rev Dr Marshall, Historiographer of the Convention, presented a verbal report stating that twenty-one clergy of the Diocese had complied with the resolution of the Convention in regard to collecting the histories of their parishes; that five bad signified their intention of doing so, as soon as practicable, and that twenty-nine had failed to

Rev W S Bynum offered a resolution amending article 2 of the Constitution in relation to the time of holding the Couventions, proposing to change the sessions from annual, as at present, to triennial, which was referred to committee on Canons.

Rev Dr Watson submitted a supplemen tary report from the Finance committee, and urged the adoption of certain resolutions relating thereto, which were carried. On motion of Rev Dr Huske, May 14 1878, was selected as the time for holding

the next annual Convention. Rev J W Larmour moved to proceed to the election of the committee on Education, which was carried, and the Rev Dr Patterson, Hon George Davis and Mr A H VanBokkelen were unanimously elected.

On motion of Rev Mr Larmour, an election was gone into for the Church Building committee, and Revs A A Benton, J C Huske, D D, and E R Rich, and Messrs Jas C McRae and F R Rose, were unanimously

On motion of Colonel John W Atkinson the election of Treasurer was declared in order. Dr A J DeRosset was nominated and re-elected without opposition.

Rev Dr Buxton offered the following, which was adopted:

Be it Resolved, That the Convention has heard with gratification the intention of the Assistant Bishop to attend the Conference of the Anglo-Catholic Church, called by the Archbishop of Canterbury, to meet a Lambeth in the month of July next: and i would be a source of additional gratification could the Bishop of the Diocese make it convenient to attend the same Conference and contribute thereto the benefit of

his wise counsels. Rev Dr. Buxton, from the committee on Canons, reported in favor of the adoption of the amendment of Rev Dr Sutton, relative to the change in the date of the beginning and ending of the Parochial Year, which was, on motion of Rev Dr Sutton, made the special order immediately after the reading of the journal Friday morning.

The committee on Canons also reported in favor of the amendment to the constitution offered by Mr H A London, Jr, relative to amending article 2 so as to change the manner of electing Bishops.

After considerable debate the motion as reported was carried by the following vote: Clergy, ayes 23, noes 13; parishes, ayes 15, noes 3. [This action is not final, however, the constitution providing that all amendments shall be adopted by two annual conventions before becoming laws. On motion, the Convention then ad-

journed until 84 P M. NIGHT SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 81 o'clock by the Bishop. John A Grimsley, a delegate from St

Bartholomew's Church, Snow Hill, appeared and took his seat. Rev A A Benton presented the report of the Church Building committee.

Trustees of the University of the South with the following resolution appended: Be it Resolved by the Convention, That the clergy be requested to make an annual colection in each parish for the purposes of

he University of the South. Col J W Atkinson offered the following Be it Resolved. That the University of the

South has the sympathy of this Diocese; and that the clergy of the Diocese be requested at convenient times to make collec-After a prolonged debate the resolution as amended by Col. Atkinson was adopted. The Convention then adjourned to meet

at 91 o'clock. THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS. The Convention was called to order, after morning prayer, by the Assistant Bishop.

Rev B S Bronson, Rector of St Peter's Church, Charlotte, and Rev L Holmes, of | mitteeman for that purpose. Charlotte, appeared and took their seats in the Convention. The minutes of Thursday's session were

read, corrected and approved. The recommendation of the committee

on Canons relative to a change in the time for making up the parochial reports, which had been made the special order for consideration immediately after the reading of the minutes, was discussed and adopted. Col Wm L DeRosset, on behalf of the citizens of this city, presented an invitation to the Convention to participate in an excursion down the river on the steamer J 8 Underhill to-day. On motion of Rev W S Bynum, the in-

vitation was gratefully accepted. Mr J B McRae offered the following, which was unanimously adopted:

Spirits Turpentine

The Newbernian says that Adjutant General Jones will remove to Morganton and practice law. It says very truly he will be a decided loss to the Raleigh News, of which he has been the efficient editor for the last two years or longer. Rumor says that Major Hearne is to be

- Raleigh Biblical Recorder: The Governor has pardoned William Holly, white, of Union county, who was convicted of murder. The present prospect is good for the concentration of all the murderers, thieves and scoundrels of the State in Raleigh. Two or three hundred a year are sent up here to be turned loose upon the

- Goldsboro Messenger: The companies composing the Fourth Battalion of State Guards (colored), assembled in this town, Tuesday evening and yesterday, for the purpose of electing a lieutenant colonel of the battalion. The companies present were the Oak City Blues, the East Raleigh Guards and Vance Guards of Raleigh, the Rifle Cadets and Rifle Guards of Newbern, and the Goldsboro Guards of this place. George T. Wassom, of this place, was elected lieutenant colonel. The battalion paraded our streets freely, and their conduct was well behaved.

- Tarboro Southerner: We were at Rocky Mount on Friday last, when Mr. Thomas Taylor arrived from Avoca with one hundred and twenty-five thousand shad fry for Tar River. These he placed in the river at the falls just below the dam. It is reported that Captain Shepherd will bring his fine company, the Washington Light Infact, to Turboro, on 20th May, to participate with the Edgecombe Guards in celebrating the Guards' anniversary and the Mecklenburg Declaration. - Our conscience has been quickened, and we in-tend, after this issue, to forswear poetry—

- Durham Plant: Mac Jones received an accidental wound in his left arm Thursday night. He was under Halliburton's store and carelessly pulled off his coat, when his pistol dropped out and fired off, the ball passing through his left arm inflicting an ugly wound. - Last week Col. Wilkerson, at Planters' Warehouse, sold a lot of wrappers for \$169 per cwt. -Paul B. Means is out in another letter replying to the last letter of Capt. Shotwell, but Paul had better say no more. He has killed his friend, and all he can say from now till doomsday cannot resurrect him.

- Raleigh Observer: Willis Jar mon died of pulmonary consumption, at his residence in Anson county, on Friday, the 19th instant, at the advanced age of one hundred years and three days; he was a soldier in the war of 1812, and served under Captain Tindall of Anson; he was a brave man and a good citizen; a man of strong constitution and indomitable energy being a laboring man, he followed his plow until three years before his death; at the age of 86 years he embraced religion and joined the Baptist Church, and lived an exemplary Christian life until death relieved him of his sufferings.

- Cool Spring correspondent of the Statesville Landmark: Wheat looks very promising, and is at least three weeks earlier than at this time last year -The fly has killed nearly all the tobacco plants in this section. A full crop of tobacco cannot be planted. - A little son of Mr. Barrier, of Poplar Grove township, while playing with some schoolmates at Rev. Mr. Gwaltney's school, a few days ago, accidentally got his thigh broken. - It is reported that a genuine mounain panther has been seen near here recently.

- Petersburg Index Appeal: We notice by the Vicksburg Herald that Mr. E. Richardson, of Jackson, Miss., has been appointed a commissioner to the Paris Exposition. Mr. Richardson is said to be the most extensive cotton planter in the world, (the plantations of the Khediye of Egypt excepted). He is, moreover, a manufacturer of gotton goods, and is the senior partner of one of the leading cotton houses, viz: Richardson & May, New Orleans. His appointment would seem a prudent and a fitting selection. Mr. R. is a

native of North Carolina. - The Newbernian represents the memorial exercises in the beautiful old town between the Neuse and the Trent as very imposing. Referring to Gov. Vance's address it says: "His Excellency proceeded with his address, which was a beautiful tribute to the dead soldiers, a powerful argument for memorial services, and altogether a splendid effort for such an occasion. It was brief, but its very brevity made it the more solemn and touching. After the benediction, a salute was fired by the soldiery over the mound that covers the mournful dust of the Confederate dead. and then the lavish tribute of rich and beautiful flowers were spread over the graves of the departed."

- Reidsville special to the N. Y. Herald: A most atrocious case of child murder by a negro nurse occurred yesterday near Madison. Amanda Rosseton, a negro girl, was employed by a well-to-do colored man named Anthony Dalton, to nurse and take care of his children. She had taken his youngest child, an infant just able to walk, some distance from the house, where for some cause unknown she whipped it in a cruel and heartless manner. The child, who had just begun to prattle, threatened to tell its mother, which so enraged Amanda that she seized it by the neck, and, giving it a sudden wrench broke the neck. In a moment more the child was a corpse- The murderess was arrested, and will be tried at Wentworth, the county seat, this week, for the murder of the infant.

- Charlotte Observer: In the programme for the celebration of memorial day in Fayetteville, Ark., published in the Arkansas Sentinel of that place, we notice that Gen, D. H. Hill is president of the tion of the 20th this year will be a very interesting one. The preparations are pro- .: gressing finely. — About six years ago, while a party whom Mr. J. W. Wadsworth had employed to clean out the well on his livery stable lot, was engaged in the work, he found far down under the water not less than seventy copper coins of almost every imaginable variety and of various denominations. Yesterday a colored man was again cleaning out the same well when, near the bottom, but concealed in a crevice between the rocks, he found about thirty copper coins and medals, of different ages and representing many different nations.

-- Greensboro Patriot: The State Convention Y. M. C. A. will be held in this city on the 15th of June. The proba-An election have been called on Tuesday. the 2nd of July, to decide the question of fence or no fence in thirteen townships. --- Prof. J. L. Tomlinson, of this county, will visit Europe this summer, and while there give his attention to the methods of teaching practiced in the schools. --Thirty-four colored people were baptized in Orrell's pond last Sunday, and a great many white people went to see it done.

— A daily mail will be run from this city from the 16th inst. by way of the fac-tories to Asheboro. — A dwelling, oc-cupied by Yance Garrett, colored, near the eastern corporation line, was burned Sunday night about half past ten o'clock.

— Cherries are ripe this year three weeks earlier than ever known before in this vicinity. — The prospect of the repeal of the bankrupt act has increased the business of the bankrupt court in this district. We understand there were fourteen applications filed the past week.

7th inst. took action to secure the same One More Unfortunate. much desired end. It was resolved voters in their respective townships on Saturday, the 18th inst., for the delegates to a County Convention, to assemble at Kenansville on Saturday, the 25th inst., to nominate candidates for county offices and the Legislature, and said Convention to elect three delegates from each township to the Congressional Convention, three to the Judicial Convention, and three to We like this, and would be glad to

see the plan tried in all of the counties. It is very essential that the people should be heard. Machine politics have controlled the country long enough. Let us move out of the ruts. To this end let every Democratic voter attend his township meeting and vote by ballot for dele gates to the County Convention. Vote only for men of intelligence and character-men who have at

heart the welfare of the party and the

prosperity of the country. The Democrats of Robeson have wisely determined to pursue a similar course. The Democratic Executive Committee met on the 6th instant, and after providing that two county conventions should be held, they also decided that primary meetings should be held to select delegates, and recommended that all voting be done by ballot, and that the two-thirds rule be adopted in all cases. The question of instruction is left to the voters

of each township to decide. We note these movements because they show that the people are becomng more interested in the matter of selecting good men for office, and in exercising their authority as the con-Department prove substantially that | trolling power in our republican form

> PROSCRIPTION. Even the most moderate Northern papers are as proscriptive as some of our North Carolina small-beer politicians, who expect you to howl as they

> howl and to sneeze when they take snuff. The Springfield Republican is a mild and tolerant paper compared with many others. It was expected that extreme papers would become very angry over ex-President Davis's recent letter, or would dance a regular fandango over his independent speech. And so it is. Jim Blaine's paper, the Augusta (Maine) Journal performs a regular war-dance over the bold utterances of the "traitor." The Republican, whilst it does not go into ecstacies, evidently thinks that

> speak out his real sentiments as he has done. It says: "A very close watch of our Southern exchanges has thus far failed to discover a single commendation of the letter, or even a solitary editorial allusion of any sort to the document. One feels a sort of contemptuous pity for the soured old man who

it was very criminal in Mr. Davis to

We are glad to say we have met with several editorials commending the utterances of the able and persecuted statesman. When the sentiments of that letter are forgotten or repudiated by the Southern people they will be ready to hear the yoke so acceptably fills, still if it were of the master and wear the chains of

As we said recently, Mr. Davis has done no more than thousands of his brother Confederates, and he has uttered no more than is heard contin-Robeson to this day has never been | ually from one end of the country to | Charles M. Stedman, and a stauncher punished for his rascalities. Grant the other. The North will never Democrat never lived.

allowed all the peculations and waste | learn its neighbors. It mistakes altogether Southern machood if it

administration from beginning to identifies a submission to authority end was compounded of incompe- and a desire for peace and reconciliatency, villainy and asurpation. In tion with a denial of the glorious the face of all this there are thousprinciples for which they fought, and ands of people who wish him again a cowardly surrender of every faith in office. Can such men be friends and every idea and every association in which they have been reared and disciplined.

It is just as the Richmond State puts it-whilst the "large forces are raised to destroy the distilleries of a few poor people in the mountainswhose entire productions would not yield \$500 revenue, perhaps not \$50 -the big rogues in Cincinnati are left free to make their millions out of the government." Who will dare say this is not a great country, and our government the wisest, the best and the most just under the sau?

It is the general opinion in Washington that the bankrupt law will be repealed. The people have so de-

Many of our citizens have doubtless observed a singular looking individual, of a somewhat haggard appearance, with long, dishevelled locks hanging down below his shoulders, and carrying on his arm a sort of canvass sack or valise, walking about the streets for the past three or four days. Upon inquiry we learn that his name is Macon Little, and that he has a father residing in Waccamaw township, Brunswick county. He is insane, and has been in that condition for some years past, having been confined for some considerable time in the county jail at Smithville, since his discharge from which he has until recently been taken care of by his father, he receiving the usual allowance provided by law to be paid the various counties for caring for their insane. of St Cyprian's Chapel, Newbern, for ad-The unfortunate man is said to have violent | mission into union with the Convention, turns at times, when the necessary restraints have to be provided. He was asked by a gentleman a day or two since how he managed to get something to eat, and he said he lived on grains of corn and raw potatoes that he picked up about the wharves. It is probable that he has escaped from his father, who may now be in utter ignorance

some harm has befallen him. Pire in Fayetteville. The Gazette says: "The residence of Mr. H. G. Hall, on the Western Plank road, about two and a quarter miles from the market house, took fire last Tuesday afternoon, at about 4 o'clock, and despite every effort-the work being necessarily feeble, remote from town, and in a sparce neighborhood-was entirely consumed. Much of the personal property of the family, we regret to learn, was lost. The building was a large two story house, known as the Carver place, the former residence of Mr. W. H. Carver, and was a handsome and pleasant- residence. It was built by a well known and esteemed citizen, James Gee, and was the abode of a free and generous hospitality." Mr. Hall is the father of Rev.

of his whereabouts and apprehensive that

B. R. Hall, pastor of the Fifth street M. E. church, of this city.

Dangerously Insane. A crazy colored individual, whose name we were unable to ascertain, a resident of the upper part of Brunswick, was brought to this city on Friday and subsequently taken to Smithville on one of the steamers to be lodged in the county jail at that place, His insanity is of a very violent type, rendering him extremely dangerous, he having made repeated attempts to kill members of his family. He arrived here securely tied. His features were hideously repulsive, his mouth being uncommonly large and looking more like that of some ravenous repre sentative of the brute creation than of a human being. His appearance and actions attracted a large crowd about the wharves,

who followed him up until he was safely ensconsed on board of the steamer.' One of the Effects of the Late Storm. From a correspondent in Brunswick we learn that the storm of the 5th inst. played sad havoc in some portions of that county. Within twenty steps of the house of one Simon Hewett uprooted trees were piled upon each other three tiers deep. The roof of the house was blown off, his family of eight persons, including an infant one month old, narrowly escaping death and taking refuge in the house of Mr. J. K. Willis, which they reached about 3 o'clock Sunday morning, making their way in the

midst of the storm of wind and rain. Major C. M. Stedman. |Beaufort Atlantic.|

This gentleman, lately announced as a candidate for the Congressional nomination in opposition to Colonel Waddell, has withdrawn from the contest rather than create the slightest discord in the Democratic ranks. Every Democrat in the District should honor him for the reasons be assigns in thus withdrawing, and the people of this Congressional district will not soon forget him. While we prefer Col. Waddell to any man in the District for the position he. now deemed expedient to displace him, knowing Major Stedman as we do, we believe that he would make a worthy successor to our present Representative, and as the Major is a young man he may yet step into the Colonel's shoes. There is no purer or better man in North Carolina than

the Protestant Episcopal Church in North Carolina.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION. At 91 o'clock, morning service, Morning Prayer was read by the Revs. W 8 Bynum,

The Convention was called to order at 10 o'clock by Bishop Lyman, who directed

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ton, W H Bernard. Minutes of yesterday's session were read,

corrected and approved. cese, submitted his annual report, which was, on motion, referred to the Finance

Rev Mr Forbes presented the application and the same was referred to the committee

Rev Dr R B Sutton offered the following: Re it resolved. That line six, in section 'the Monday preceding the Annual Con-

the next Convention should be held.

Rev Dr Huske, Rector of St John's, spoke n favor of the motion, and it was unani-

Rev J Worral Larmour moved the ap-

sisting of one clergyman and two laymen. whose duty it should be to attend to the printing of the Journal of the Convention. The motion was carried, and the Rev Dr

Bishop Atkinson read his annual address to the clergy and laity from which we learn that during the past ecclesiastical year he has confirmed 219 persons, baptised 33 adults and 24 infants, and has buried 4 persons. Four persons have been ordained to the Disconate and one to the Priesthood. Four priests and one deacon have been received into this, and three priests have been transferred to other Dioceses, and one deacon has been deposed; that the whole number of clergy in the Diocese at present is larger than eyer before, numbering 63;

and five Postulants. Bishop Lyman then read his report, giving a detailed statement also of his Episcopal ministrations for the year, which may be briefly summed up as follows: He had confirmed 213 persons, visited 81 churches and missionary stations, some more than once; had baptized 13 infants, officiated at two marriages and at one funeral; that he had consecrated two churches, and administered Holy Commu-

Rev J W Larmour moved that the ad-On motion of Rev Dr Sutton, that part

Rev Mr Ambler moved that when the be to meet at 5 p m. Carried.

Rev. Dr Watson presented the report of the Finance committee.

non-compliance with the requirements Rev J E C Smedes read a report from

NO. 29 Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are due and are hereby tendered to the Rector, Church Wardens, Vestry and congregation of St. James' Parish, and the

Rectors of St. John's, St. Paul's, and St. Mark's Parishes and their congregations, and the citizens of Wilmington generally for the uniform kindness and courtesy ex-

tended to the members of the Convention during their sittings in this city. Rev Dr Buell read the report of the committee on the State of the Church, embodying some interesting statistics which have heretofore been given in the STAR.

Rev Dr Buxton, from the committee on Canons, reported adversely on the amendment of Rev W 8 Bynum to make the sessions every three years instead of every vear, as at present.

Rev W S Bynum moved to amend hi original resolution by making the proposed change to biennial sessions instead of traennial, as therein proposed. After some little discussion, on motion of

Hon Wm H Battle, the whole matter was laid on the table. On motion of Cot W L DaRcoset, it was Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to omit the publication of the parochial reports in full in the Journal, as has been customary, and that he will instead cause these reports to be tabulated under the pro-

Rev Dr Sutton, Chairman of the commit tee to whom was referred that part of the addresses of the Bishops referring to the Wilberforce Diocesan School for boys, at Morganton, reported, and recommended the following, which were adopted:

1st. That this Convention renews its pre vious expressions of deep interest in this mportant work. 2nd. That Col Walton, the Agent of the Board of Trustees of Wilberforce School, or some other person or persons whom the Bishops may appoint, be directed to proceed at the earliest practicable moment to

collect the funds. 3rd. That the Agent is heartily comnended to the members of the church, and that their prayers and alms are urgently solicited in this great work of Christian

On motion of Col Wm L DeRosset the Secretary was instructed to have the proceedings of the adjourned meeting of the 61st Convention, held at Raleigh, Sept 12. 1877, and the proceedings of this Convention printed in one volume, in number of copies corresponding to the number of copies of the Treasurer's report now on

Rev Dr Buxton moved that a committee of three be appointed to prepare and publish a new edition of the constitution and canons of this Diocese, consisting of 1,200 copies. Carried.
Rev Drs Watson and Huske and the Rav

Worral Larmour were appointed mathe Hon W H Battle moved that siterihe reading of the Journal and the usual reli-gious exercises the Convention should ad-The minutes of the day were read and

After the singing of the "Gloria in Ex-celsis," Bishop Atkinson pronounced the Benediction, and the Sixty-second Annual Convention adjourned sine die. Brunswick County-Farming Opera-

tions-The Insane Man. &c.

approved.

A correspondent at Town Creek, Brunswick county, writes: "Farmers have been very busy. In consequence of unfavorable weather through the winter but little preparation was made, and therefore everything was to be done when the spring opened. Some are not yet through planting. Our county is improving. Some of the people are making more provisions and less turpentine. Thousands of turpentine boxes that were worked last year are not being chipped this season. Many are clearing up bogs and swamps, some of the land in which will produce from thirty to sixty bushels of corn per acre. Upland rice is raised in abundance for home consumption and at a very small expense. Notwithstandng the constant cry of 'hard times,' our people are generally fifty per cent. better off than three or four years ago, and, if they will continue to improve in their farming operations, will in a few years become as independent as any people in the State. In Waccamaw Township there are thousands of acres of as good corn and cotton lands as can be found in North Carolina. All

that are needed to develop it are capital, labor and enterprise. Alluding to the insane man referred to in our last issue, our correspondent says: "Malcomb Little, an insane man, who has been confined for three or four years, made his escape on the 21st inst., and has not been heard from since. Some suppose he has been wandering in the Green Swamp, and has starved to death; others think he crossed the Waccamaw River into South Rev Dr Patterson read a report of the Carolina. His relatives are very much disressed about him." He was still in Wilmington on Thursday afternoon.

> Meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Pender County. This body convened at Burgaw on the 6th inst., all the members being present.

> It was resolved that the Democratic voters of each township be requested to meet in their usual voting places, at 12 o'clock, on Saturday, the 18th inst., for the purpose of choosing five delegates from each township to attend a county Democratic Convention, to be held at Burgaw, at 10 o'clock a, m., on Saturday, the 25th inst.

> That said voters in each township be requested to elect an Executive County Com.

That the delegates be chosen by ballot,

unless said voters shall elect them other-

That the members of the present Execu-

tive Committee advertise in their respective

townships the township meetings to be held on the 18th inst. That the objects of the proposed Demo-cratic County Convention, to be held on the 25th inst., are to be limited to the appointment of delegates to the State, Congressional and Judicial Democratic Con-

By order of the Committee, S. S. SATCHWELL, Sec'ty.

Fire at Fremont. A passenger on the Northern train informed us last night that the kitchen attached to the residence of Dr. Gilbert, at Fremont, on the W. & W. Railroad, was destroyed by [fire yesterday, creating no little excitement in the little town. It caught from a defective flue.

Gen. Jones' successor.