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ANOTHER SCHEME.

The Philadelphia Press admits that Kansas "is becoming alarmed lest too many indigent colored refugees should throw themselves upon her hospitality."

As to the negroes, this is a free country as yet. They can go or they can remain. There are none to molest or make them afraid.

There is a certain amount of cruelty in the way in which the Northern schemers use the "colored man and brother."

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once a slave but for forty years a freeman, has warned his race again and again as to the dangers of the exodus movement.

"If there is so much milk and honey in the North and West in the way of employment, how can you account for so many Northern colored people seeking homes in the District of Columbia and the South?"

A shrewd lawyer and politician, not a Democrat either, said to us recently that he did not see why the New York Republicans in the Legislature could not elect Presidential electors, and thus insure the State for the Republican candidate.

It has been often asserted by Republican papers that the new Louisiana Constitution provided for the election of Presidential electors by the Legislature.

"The following is the only mention which it contains on the subject of Presidential electors: 'Presidential electors and members of Congress shall be chosen or elected in the manner and at the time prescribed by law.'"

As to the plan of the Republican tricksters to capture New York in spite of the people, the Sun's Washington correspondent writes:

THE MAINE TROUBLES. Jim Blaine and his set in Maine undertook to bulldoze Gov. Garcelon, who is a Democrat. They found him equal to the occasion.

trated throughout that State by the Republicans in the recent election, and that the investigation may lead to very serious results against them, how shocked they are. The open and acknowledged rascalities of the Radical Returning Boards of 1876 were all right and excellent.

"Mr. Blaine called the State committees of 1879 and 1880 together first. Then the ex-Governors of the State and all the Republican members of Congress were ordered to Augusta by telegraph.

Our readers have already been informed that Gov. Garcelon determined to postpone the canvassing of the votes until another time. He had no notion of being bulldozed by Blaine and his bullies.

Since writing the above we learn that the property belonging to Messrs. Sprunt & Son was fully covered by insurance, the naval stores by "floaters," and the warehouse and wharf by policies in companies represented by Messrs. Atkinson & Manning.

When we wrote our comments upon the address of Mr. Matthews, on our third page, we had not seen any comments from Washington sources. The following from the Baltimore Sun's letter is interesting:

Mr. James C. Adkisson, a North Carolina printer, long resident at Norfolk, Va., died on Thursday. He was very highly respected. The Richmond State says of him:

"Living in Richmond when the war broke out, he at once volunteered in the Crescent Battery, and remained by his colors throughout the entire four years, performing every duty bravely and uncomplainingly, and always declining promotion, he left the army as a private soldier.

"We don't believe that the number of Grant Democrats in the South is large enough to aid the 'Grant boom' to any appreciable extent."

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

Steam Saw Mill and Planing Mill in Ashes—Large Amount of Naval Stores Destroyed—Narrow Escape of Shipping.

Shortly after 12 o'clock last night fire was discovered in the steam saw mill belonging to Messrs. Colville & Taylor, situated at the foot of Walnut street, and in a very short time it spread so rapidly among the piles of shavings and pitch pine lumber as to light up the whole of that part of the city before a general alarm was sounded.

The flames had made good headway before the engines arrived, and the building in which the machinery of the mill was situated, as well as that of the planing mill belonging to Messrs. Altaffer & Hill, was enveloped in flames when the Little Giant, which was the first to put in an appearance, came upon the ground.

At this time, also, the British barque Zephyr, awaiting cargo, had a narrow escape, her stern and side next to the wharf being badly scorched. She had attempted to pull out, but fouled with another barque, when it was impossible to extricate her.

The loss upon the wharf property, upon which the Mill and Sash and Blind Factory located, belonging to Col. John McRae, is estimated at from \$5,000 to \$8,000, upon which there was no insurance.

The Sash and Blind Factory, the property of Messrs. Altaffer & Price, was valued at from \$5,000 to \$6,000, upon which there was only insurance to the amount of \$1,000.

The loss upon spirits turpentine, rosin and other products put down at \$3,500, which was covered by insurance in agencies represented by Messrs. Norwood Giles, DeRosset & Northrop, and J. W. Gordon & Bro.

The large brick office of Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son made a very narrow escape. The cupola was scorched, and the facing to a window in a small room next to the fire, in which a lot of paper was stowed, ignited.

It was the stern of the British barque Svesen which was scorched by the flames before she could be towed from the vicinity of the fire—not that of the Norwegian barque Zephyr.

George W. Lawrence, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, urges consumptives, asthmatics and all persons suffering with bronchial and pulmonary ills, to eat raw oysters.

Allen Mathis, colored, charged with the murder of one Reuben Herring, colored, in Pender, and removed to this county for trial, will be heard on the first Wednesday of the approaching term of the Superior Court, which convenes in this city on the first Monday in December.

THE FIRE.

Further Particulars of the Destructive Fire of Friday Night—Losses, Insurance, &c.

At the close of our report at about 3 o'clock yesterday morning we stated that the fire at Messrs. Colville & Taylor's mill was then thought to be under control, being confined to the piles of lumber near the burned buildings.

Messrs. Colville & Co. lose their mill, about fifty thousand feet of lumber, about six hundred cords of wood, and a flat used for lighting lumber, altogether valued at about \$20,000. They were insured for \$2,000 on the mill and \$4,000 on the lumber, as follows: \$1,000 on mill, in the Western, of Canada, and \$1,000 on lumber, in the Royal, represented by Mr. Norwood Giles; \$1,000 on mill, in the Pacific, of Tarboro, and \$1,000 on lumber, in the Union, Marine and Fire, of Galveston, represented by J. W. Gordon & Bro., and \$2,000 on lumber, in the Fire Association, of Philadelphia, represented by Messrs. Atkinson & Manning. The flat, which was valued at about \$600, was not insured.

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Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son lose the large shed on their wharf, containing 307 casks of spirits turpentine, 400 barrels of rosin, a quantity of empty barrels and other merchandises, together with the wharf property. The loss on wharf and shed is estimated at \$3,000, upon which there was insurance in the Hartford, represented by Messrs. Atkinson & Manning, of \$2,000.

A derrick scow, for the Government, which had just been finished by Messrs. Colville & Co., and turned over to the proper authorities, was completely destroyed, so as not to be worth repairing. The damage to the hoisting engine and boiler is slight.

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The officers and seamen of the vessel lying at the Champion Compress wharf rendered much assistance to the firemen in handling their hose, &c.

As to our noble firemen, all we can say is, that they did their whole duty, from first to last, faithfully and zealously.

George W. Lawrence, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, urges consumptives, asthmatics and all persons suffering with bronchial and pulmonary ills, to eat raw oysters.

The Wadesboro Fair and the Proposed Match Game of Base Ball.

We stated yesterday morning that the anticipated game of base ball at Wadesboro, on Wednesday, for the championship of the State, did not come off in consequence of the snow storm that prevailed. The Champion Club of this city returned home yesterday morning. The other clubs that were expected to participate did not attend. Our boys say the snow storm was the most dense and blinding they ever saw; but, then, they are not used to snow storms.

The Linkhaw Murder Case. Our Lumberton correspondent, "X. X.," speaks more in detail of the mistrial in the case of the State vs. Miss Amelia Linkhaw, for the shooting of J. E. Hartman, which, as he says, came to a rather sudden and as novel termination on Wednesday. It appears that on the day previous several of the jurors were allowed by the officer in charge of them to leave their companions and go to bar-rooms and other places, to which the prosecution made objections Wednesday morning.

The dwelling house of Dr. M. Holden, on Masonboro Sound, was destroyed by fire a few nights since. Dr. H. was absent from home at the time, no one being in the house but his wife and two children. The fire, we understand, was first discovered under the kitchen, when the alarm was given, and shortly afterwards some of the neighbors arrived on the ground. By this time, however, the flames had attained such headway that none of the furniture could be saved but a bureau and two beds. We learn that there was no insurance on the property. The fire is said to have been undoubtedly the work of an incendiary.

The Approaching Conference.

The annual session of the North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, convenes at Wilson, N. C., on Wednesday, Dec. 3rd; hence to-day and next Sabbath Revs. E. A. Yates, of the Front street, and B. R. Hall, of the Fifth street church, commence their labors for the present Conference year. They have served their respective charges faithfully and well, and made hosts of friends in all the denominations, who would cheerfully welcome them back should the authorities of the church see fit to return them to labor in our midst for another Conference year.

Aid for the Orphan Asylum.

In addition to the proposition which has been made through the press, that wherever religious exercises are held in this State on Thursday next, Thanksgiving Day, a collection be taken up for the benefit of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, it has also been suggested that voluntary contributions from those unable to attend the Thanksgiving services might be handed, as most convenient, to the Master of the nearest Masonic Lodge, or to the pastor of one of our churches, to be forwarded to the Superintendent of the Asylum, at Oxford, North Carolina.

Our Bar and River Improvement—Condition of the Works.

We learn from Mr. Bacon, Assistant Engineer in charge, who was in the city yesterday, that the dam at New Inlet is in good condition. The base is everywhere wide, and at low water mark it is generally more than thirty feet in width, with very wide slopes, especially on the sea side. There have been times when there was some reason for discouragement as to the success and permanency of the dam, but not within the past year—and now there is no cause for a shadow of a doubt.

Spokane's Consumptives.

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Spirits Turpentine.

—Revel in the Methodist Church at Greensboro.

—Raleigh Visitor: The Federal Court will open here next Monday. Judges Brooks and Bond presiding.

—Rockingham Bee: Mr. Neil A. Graham is now assisting Clerks D. Swain, a very correct young man and a good scribe.

—Charlotte Observer: The cornerstone of the Episcopal church at Company Shops was laid yesterday, the 21st, by Mr. Rev. Theo. Lyman, D. D.

—Rockingham Spirit: Our town is remarkably healthy just now. The Great Falls Factory was forced to suspend operations yesterday morning for want of water.

—Charlotte Observer: To-morrow night the concert for the benefit of the Hood fund takes place at the Charlotte Institute for young ladies.

—Goldsboro Mail: Mr. John M. Wilson, of Johnston, says that he has already gathered one and a fourth bales of cotton per acre from his plantation.

—Greensboro Patriot: Maj. W. T. Blackwell, of Durham, changed cars at the depot, Tuesday night, for Baltimore, where the case of W. T. Blackwell & Co. vs. J. E. Braun, before the United States Court, Monday morning.

—Goldsboro Messenger: The colored people of Sampson county, instead of "exulting" are to hold an industrial exhibition at Clinton, N. C., on Friday, the 11th and 13th of December.

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