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says:

PACTS AND PRODUCES.

A writer in the New York Sun is

endeavoring to show that Gov. Bey

mour is not popular in New York. Of

course not, according to those who

would not have him to be the Demo

cratic nominee. Referring to the eleb-

tion in 1868 the Sun correspondent

"I find in that year the Democratic ma-jorities by Congressional Districts aggrega and 11,279, while the highest Seymour elec-

loral majority was only 8,968.

"This is not all. I find that Hoffman's inajority was 27,046; so that he was 17,978 ahead of Seymour's highest elector. I find also that Hoffman ran ahead of Seymour's

highest elector in every county in the State save three, Essex, Rensselaer, and Schoha-rie. In New York city, where I naturally expected the bulk of Hoffman's increase over Seymour would be found, I find that

there is a difference of only 4,206 in favor of Hoffman."

.The conclusion he draws is that

Hoffman was more popular than Sey-

mour. But is this a right inference?

Hoffman was running for Governor

against another New York man.

Seymour was running for President

against the leader of the Union

armies-the "conqueror of the rebel-

lion"-"the greatest soldier of the

age"-the man who put down the

South. The Democrats in the Union

were powerless in 1868, and yet Sey-

mour was strong enough to carry New

York against Grant with all his milita-

ry prestige; he was able to do this at a

time when the North was busy with

its plans of outrage upon the South,

and when from Aroostook in Maine

to San Francisco there was a Grant

tidal wave sweeping over the land.

So strong, so irresistible was this tre-

mendous tidal sweep that but six

and yet Horatio Seymour was strong

enough to carry New York by 10,000

majority, according to the American

against Grant it is quite probable

New York would have voted for

Grant in 1868. Mr. Seymour re-

ceived the vote of four Northern

States. If nominated he will proba-

bly carry some five or six Northern

States, which, added to the Southern

138 electoral votes, will give him a

The New York Journal of Com-

merce is so much amused over Repre-

sentative Martin's new plan of carry-

ing out huge subsidy schemes that it

is moved to ask -- "Is it a burlesque?"

show up "the folly and extravagance

The theory adopted is that the "less

able a given steamship line would be

to support itself the more liberally it

ought to be supported by the Gov-

ernment! That is a true statement

of the favorite argument of the sub-

sidy hunters, though not in their own

language. Mr. Martin works out this

strange theory in his bill proposing

subsidies for seventeen distinct steam-

The subsidy business is not popu-

lar at present, and Mr. Martin may

console himself under any future dis-

appointments with the reflection that

he "has done his best to kill off" all

subsidy schemes for some time to

The Richmond Dispatch shows

that the total majorities of fourteen

Mahoneites in the Virginia Legislature

only foot up 1,281. That is to say,

if 650 men who hid not vote had voted

with the true people of the State,

different result would have followed,

"the turning out of the faithful and

efficient basement officers who have so

long served the Commonwealth ac-

ceptably, might have been prevented,

and the election of Gen. Mahone to

the United State Senate, and might

have saved the McCulloch settlement."

One Mahone Readjuster was elected

by only one vote. This shows the

importance of every good citizen do-

ing his duty on the day of voting.

Another was elected by only 18

votes, whilst another received but 24

Not only is the mighty Blaine and

the warlike Hamlin lifting their

voices and barking on the dogs of

war, but we suppose that Hayes is

becoming belligerent too, and is

thinking of taking a hand in the

Maine pie. The last Washington

Post has a double-leaded paragraph

that indicates a movement on the

part of the de facto President. It

"If Mr. Hayes attempts to pass upon the

handsome majority.

If Hoffman had been running

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There is one very serious question that the people of every shade of political opinion and of every section of our common country will have to consider very maturely and anxiously, for it is the great question of the present. It is this: is there to be another free, fair election, or are elections to be decided by frauds or by legal technicalities and dodges? Grant will be nominated. Is he to be carried, by trickery or violence, or by both combined, into the Presidential Chair for a third term? That is the question of the hour; that is the question that must be firmly met. If the people are really to be cheated out of their right of suffrage by quibbles and technicalities, or by frauds practiced by Returning Boards, or by the abuses of deputy marshals, then their liberties are gone forever, and the country is

We all know how the people were cheated in 1876. We all know how the Republicans abused their power and stole the Presidency. We all know how the votes actually given were reversed in Louisiana and Flor-1.14. The country is even now discassing the recent doings in Maine by which the voice of the people has been silenced by legal technicalities.

Must these things continue? Is the next candidate for President who shall be declared successful to obtain his end and office by tricks and frauds, or will there be an open, honest, fair expression of the popular will?

These things are to be considered. Upon their right answer and upon right conduct hang all that is pre cious an i all that is worth struggling for in our American institutions, De prive the people of the right of choice and liberty is dead. The Boston Herald, an able Independent paper

"Honest men, without distinction o party, should insist upon a halt, and a re urn to honest politics. We cannot afford to wander any farther away from the fundamental principles of Republican govern We believe that the great body of the people want good government and honest elections. It is the politicians, with selfish interests to serve, who forget the only legitimate source of power."

Let the South and the North, let the East and the West, say to all who would corrupt American politics and silence the free expressions of the people's choice, halt. In this instance let the voice of the people be as the voice of God.

A paragraph is going the rounds that Rev. Dr. Robert S. Moran has left the Methodist Episcopal Church and been ordained in the Reformed Episcopal. We copied the paragraph to get a response, and we have it There is not a word of truth in the report. Dr. Moran preached for month or two for the congregation worshipping in the Church of the Redeemer, Washington City. We have seen a letter from James Rea, I.I. D., of that city, making a most earnest and eloquent appeal to Dr Moran to accept the call to its charge. We have also seen a letter from Dr Moran declining the invitation, notwithstanding its very flattering character. Dr. Moran, as a Methodist, could not see his way in accepting the charge of a Reformed Episcopal Church, so he said firmly, no, I cannot serve you. He is so well known in North Carolina, and has so many very sincere friends in Wilmington, we make the needed correction.

claims of two possible rival Governors, and to decide which of the two is the legal one, he will get into hot water at once. Gov. Garcelon, to place himself and his State in a satisfactory position, has only to immediately institute energetic measures to put New York has just enjoyed a six inch snow and the delightful slush hat follows.

\$600 per acre.

down the Republican conspirators who are an wangsged in inciting their party followers to deeds of rebellion and violence.

Maine has a republican form of government, and its citizens intend to preserve it. Federal interference will be resented just as surely as it is offered."

STICK TO NORTH CAROLINA-SME

LEADS ALL OTHERS.

very fair amount of their attention

to matters that concern us as North

Carolinians. They know that a news-

paper must be what it claims or it

will not fill its mission. Newsabroad

and news at home, besides discussions

of all manner of topics, must find a

place in their columns if they would

give interest and variety. It is very

important that home matters should

receive due attention. In accom-

plishing this end editors will work by

their own methods and according to

the light that they have. The STAR

aims to be a "map of busy life," and

to present from time to time such

discussions as are of current interest,

whilst also considering questions of

peculiar interest to North Caroli-

We have frequently referred to

questions of public utility. We have

endeavored to encourage North Caro-

linians to diversify the industries,

and have laid figures and facts before

suaded not to desert the old State

and seek homes abroad. North Car-

olina cannot afford to lose any of its

industrious, sober, enterprising citi-

zens. Well directed labor will pay

as well in our State as any-

where under the sun. In this

done again. We believe that when

a certain branch of industry, another

man may do the same thing with

equal energy and intelligence and un-

We have found in our intercourse

with North Carolinians that but few

know how much can be made in this

State by farming. The opinion pre-

vails among a great many that farm-

ing is far more profitable in the States

south of us than in our own State.

Thousands think that if they were

only in Texas or Arkansas or Missis-

deal more than they do now, and

We believe that if the industry and

intelligence required to succeed in

other States were applied to farming

in this State that the results would

Eight or ten years ago we heard

South Carolinian-a man of intelli-

gence and education-say, that the

most beautiful cotton farm he had

fifty pound bale to the acre.

River, Arkansas. They were discuss-

ing their farming operations, telling

what they had made in the most pro-

ductive years, &c. After hearing

them talk for miles in this strain, we

told them of some farming results in

the county they were then in. They

were amazed, and said it beat any-

thing they had ever seen or had ever

heard of. We told them when they

got to the county seat to make in-

overstated the result in any particu-

Why should people leave North

Carolina if they can find good farm-

ing lands in every section? Why

should a man break up old associa-

tions and family ties to seek a home

in some distant State when he knows

in fifty counties there are desirable

farms that can be purchased at from

\$4 to \$10 an acre. If he wishes to

plant cotton he can find as pro-

be equally favorable.

der like circumstances.

It thinks he must be conspiring to sippi that they could make a vast

of the steamship subsidy business." I would rapidly accumulate a fortune.

our people that they might be per-

Our best State exchanges devote a

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, JANRARY 2 1880.

Let us lay before our readers one

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White Man Murdered by a Colored Woman on Christmas Morning-The Results of the Preliminary Investigation before the Mayor's Court-The Verdict of the Jary of

knowledged that she struck deceased cause he wouldn't give her the keys. The accused was asked by his Honor

H. Bunting, E. J. Lackaner, J. H. Craig, B. Swann, W. J. Stewart, C. H. Legg, John Slatcher, C. R. Branch, Ashley Gil-

The weapon used was a large size ordinary pocket knife, with buckhorn handle and a tapering blade about three inches in length, and it was in evidence that the blade entered on the left side, just above the clavicle, and severing the subclavian artery, near its junction with the aorta, or the large artery leading from the heart, and penetrating the lung about two and a half

Frank Knudth and Thomas Mills, the wo seamen who testified in the case, were ordered to give bonds in the sum of \$50 each, justified, for their appearance at Court to testify in the case, in default of which they were committed to jail by the It is understood that a criminal intimacy

had existed between the parties, and that calousy was at the bottom of the difficulty. The body of the unfortunate man was interred in the paupers' burial ground, just beyond the southern limits of the city, on

We should have stated, in the proper place, that upon Chief of Police Brock's arrival at the scene, soon after the murder was committed, he promptly ordered the large crowd that had gathered in the vicinity to disperse, which they did very quietly and he also caused all the drinking saloons in that quarter to be closed up, and placed a guard over the remains of the murdered man until the Coroner arrived with his jury.

Inquest, &c. A shocking murder was committed shortly after 1 o'clock on Christmas morn-

Willcutt, bound from Brunswick, Georgis, to Boston, which arrived here on the 13th name of Mary Hall. From the evidence of Mr. Edward Bryson, the proprietor of the house, before the Mayor's Court yesterday morning, it appears that about 12 o'clock Wednesday night, the 24th inst, a dispute arose between the parties on his Mary Hall alleged the deceased had snatched from her. She repeatedly asked him for it and abusive language passed between them, when finally she appealed to witness to compel Marey, or "Frenchy," as he was familiarly called, to give her up the keys. but he (witness) didn't wish to use violence to make the man surrender them, and he would not do it otherwise. She also asked policeman about the door to interfere in her behalf, but he declined under the cir. cumstances to do so. At last she got excited, and remarked that if "Frenchy" didn't give her the keys she would make him pay for it; she also threatened to have him put in jail. Finally she went out and was absent about three minutes, when she returned and walked excitedly brough the bar into the dance room adjoin ng, followed by Mr. Bryson, who was impressed with her manner. She passed quickly around the room, peering into the faces of those present, and finally turned to witness. remarking, excitedly, "Where is that s-n of a b-h, Frenchy?" She then walked back nto the bar and approached deceased, who was leaning on the counter, when she made some remark about the keys, and as he witness) got up to them he saw her withdraw her hand from the direction of the body, in which was clenched a knife. then noticed more particularly and found blood flowing from a wound in the man's body. He dispatched several messengers after physicians, and Dr. Walker soon arrived, but Marey was dead before be eached his side, not living exceeding fifteen minutes after the wound was inflicted. After the blow was dealt Maria Hall went hurriedly into the street. Frank Knudth, a seaman, testified, but

J. A. Ashe, colored, saw accused come cut a man. He subsequently arrested her. and on the way to the guard house she ac-

she had anything to say, when she made a statement to the effect that Marey snatched her keys from her in the dance room, threatened to shoot her and a man who had been paying her some attentions, and once drew his pistol on her. She said he played off drunk and kicked and knocked her about. She was cautioned by his Honor not to say anything to criminate herself, and she refrained from alluding to the final difficulty. After the conclusion of the testimony, and accused had been ordered committed. without benefit of bail, for her appearance at the next term of the Criminal Court, to answer to the charge of murder, another

witness came forward in the person of one Thomas Mills, a seaman, who said he was standing immediately behind Marey when Maria Hall went up to him and inflicted the blow with the knife, saying as she did so, "Take that, you s-n of a b-h?"
Special Coroner A. H. Leslie held an inquest over the body on Christmas morning, the following named persons comprising the jury: Charles Burkhimer, foreman; R.

bert, B. F. Swann, Alexander Murrell. After a careful investigation, including evidence of the result of a post mortem examination made by Drs. J. C. Walker and T. S. Burbank, they returned a verdict to the effect that deceased came to his death from a wound inflicted by a knife in the

HOMICIDE.

ing, at what was formerly known as the Farmer's House, on Nutt street, between Mulberry and Walnut, the victim being a white seaman named William Marey, formerly belonging on the schooner Sadie of November last in distress, and the alleged murderer a young colored woman, about twenty-one years of age, by the premises in regard to a bunch of keys which

threw no additional light upon the matter. out of the house and was told that she had

hands of Maria Hall.

Murder in Duplin. Between two and three weeks ago, in the lower part of Duplin county, near the Lenoir county line, a difficulty occurred between two brothers named Thomas and Warren Malpass and a man named John Lewis Holland, during a shooting-match between the parties, which culminated in a fight, and, while Warren Malpass and Holland were struggling together. Thomas Malpass cut Holland with a knife, inflicting a terrible wound, from the effects of which the stricken man has since died, a jury of inquest having been held over the body last Sunday, the 21st instant. The place of the difficulty was near one Windell Davis' mill, about fifteen miles from Kenansville. Holland is said to have been sober at the time, but the Malpass brothers, who bear a very bad reputation, were drinking. Deceased leaves a wife and several children. There had been no ar-

of some figures in Hale'e Weekly, more example of successful farming. because they show most conclusively the great advantages gained to the

It is one of a hundred that can be found in Granville county. The Oxford Torchlight gives the facts in the cropping of Mr. Samuel C. Hobgood, who lives a few miles from town. He worked three hands. He made 14,400 pounds of tobacco, 150 bushels wheat, 100 barrels corn, 250 bushels of oats and raised 3,000 pounds of pork. Last year he sold his tobacco for \$8,800. This was raised by two hands or \$1,400 to the hand, exclusive of cereals, roots, &c. of 1879, he will make more than \$1,500 to each of his three hands em-

ployed. The Torchlight says: "At the close of the war his estate was valued at \$1,200. Since which time he has built up an attractive and well-arranged dwelling, stables, barns, packing-house and all necessary farm buildings, all on the most approved plans and of the best material and workmanship; owns 850 acres of land, all paid for; has money at interest; owes no man; never bought a barrel of corn since he has been farming; sells corn every year; last year sold sixty barrels of corn; raises his own supplies.

It would be safe to assert that you might search every State in the South for such splendid results and you could not find them. North Carolina literally leads all the States in big profits according to capital invested. We believe that the most flattering and encouraging statistics can be obtained from Halifax, Northampton, Pitt, Greene, Wilson, Edgecombe, Wayne and other cotton sectionsstatistics that will compare with the Southern States went Democratic, section of the State men have best to be found in the Gulf States. cumulated fortunes in a few As to tobacco, in Warren, Person, years by commercial ventures, whilst Orange, Caswell and Rockingham, farmers have steadily grown rich by you can, by inquiring, find results tilling the soil. Our standing axiom that will compare favorably with is that what has been done can be those we have presented from Granville heretofere. There are farmers one man makes a fortune by pursuing in Orange, for instance, who raise very fine and desirable tobacco, that fetches very "tall prices." But our

POLL-TAX DELINQUENTS. If a man votes why should he not pay a poll-tax? Why should any man enjoy the benefits of citizenship without aiding in sustaining the government? There is certainly very great neglect in the matter of poll-tax all over the State. A white man will be called upon to pay whether he votes or not; but thousands of negroes are allowed to vote year after year and never pay one farthing to support State, county and municipal governments. How many negro voters in New Hanover are delinquents in this particular? The Winston Leader says in Forsyth county there are 776 registered negro voters. Of these but 282 have paid any poll-tax. Nearly two-thirds do not pay one cent to the sustentation of a government that protects them in their liberties, rights

What occurs in Forsyth county occurs to a greater or less extent in every section of the State. Is this condition of things to continue indefinitely? Are able-bodied men to exercise the greatest act of sovereignty-that of voting-and never pay a penny towards the government under whose benign protection they enjoy life and have all the advantages of free citizenship? This is one of the questions that the Legislature must consider sooner or later. The time will come when the voter must pay for the privilege.

HOME POLITICS. The correspondent of the New York Herald, now in the South, in says from the Northern border of the ence to Federal politics as compared that this is so. It is of the highest importance to us as North Caroprudent, economical, just, honest Whilst the condition of affairs in all of the counties is not such as is desirable, and some of the present officials are no better than those displaced, there has been a very striking improvement in many counties, and the people have much cause for sincere thankfulness that the Democrats are in power. If the people are wise and know their own interests, they will see to it that the State is

article is already too long.

ever seen was in Edgecombe county. and privileges. And yet there are many farms in that county and Pitt and other counties that are equally as productive, although on that particular farm over three hundred bales of cotton were made in one year on three hundred acres, or in other words the product was more than a four hundred and We were riding in a public hack with three Southern planters a few years ago. One was from Duck River, Mississippi, one from Louisiana, and the other had farmed it on Duck River, in Texas, and on White

one of his letters gives his general impressions of public sentiment as he finds it among the Democrats. He South to Charleston, whence he writes, there is no marked Grant sentiment, but a prevailing indifferquiry of certain leading gentlemen, with local questions. We are glad and they would find that we had not linians that we should have wise. State and county governments. ductive lands in Eastern Carolina as he can find in Mississippi or Texas. If he wishes to cultivate tobacco, in a half dozen or more counties he can find virgin forests that can be bought | not returned again to the very tender for from \$6 to \$10 an acre upon keeping of a party that blasted its attend him in his new venture.

which he can make from \$200 to prospects and consumed its sub-Just here we will avail ourselves

people by the supremacy of the Democrats in State affairs. They serve to disprove the charges brought by Republicans that there has been an actual increase of expenses under a Democratic administration of the

government. In 1869 the Republicans levied 77 cents on the \$100 of property. The levy of taxes now, under the Democrats, is 24 cents. Put a pin there, If he gets his usual price for his crop or, like Capt. Cuttle, "make a note on it." But further, and we quote :

"Omitting \$7,800,000 raised by the sale of bonds for railroad purposes, the Audi-tor's report for the year ending September 30th, 1869, shows an expenditure of \$887,-428.97. That for the year ending September 30th, 1870, omitting in like manner \$2,000,-000 used also for railroad purposes, was \$1,454,214.10. Under Democratic rule the State 'pays as it goes,' and in the three years of that rule the total amount of taxes collected from the people is \$1,420,981.10. The expenditures have been just about the same sum; that is to say, three years of Democratic rule cost \$33,233 less than one year of Radical rule, and that too without counting the illegal and repudiated debt

made under Radical rule.' There has been no increased valuation of property, (omitting this year which will speak for itself hereafter,) as is charged. The good work of reduction is simply and solely the result of honest and economical expenditure. It is only that and nothing more or less. These are the things that concern North Carolinians far more than Federal politics can concern them possibly. If the people are wise they will take an active part next year in their home politics; they will see to it that only capable, faithful, sober and honest men are selected for office. The prospect is there will be a shaking up of the pack, so to speak, and possibly a new deal in many places, if not all around. This would occur probably if every official in the State was all he should be, and because there are so many who are standing, waiting to step into his

But whether there be few or many changes, the people-the sovereigns of our State-should be true to themselves in the matter of selecting candidates. None but men of high moral character should be chosen for any office within their gift. Say what you will the best men of our country are becoming very tired of voting for political nobodies, or worse than nobodies, simply because they are demonstrative in their political professions, and are always airing their claims to being of the "Simon-pure" and wool-dyed kind. No virtuous woman is found asserting her virtue. A man of principle and conviction has no reason to be proclaiming his devotion to the cause he espouses. We have known men who were eternally parading themselves as very extreme who could be bought for \$50, whilst men who never referred to their party attachments could not be

bought with all the offices in the land. Let the people prepare for a bold, active campaign in 1880. Do not allow eager and greedy aspirants and self-seekers to deceive you. Go to the nominating conventions and vote for men you can trust, and in whose honor and judgment you confide. Do your duty first in selecting candidates; do your duty next in the progress of the campaign; and on the day of election do your duty by voting yourself, and by inducing others to vote by appeals to their reason

and interests. - We learn from the Raleigh Ob erper that Col. R. R. Bridgers has been appointed by the Governor to represent the State of North Carolina on a committee of thirteen, one from each of the colonial States, to make proper arrangements to celbrate, in 1881, in a befitting manner, the centennial anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown.

A Revenue Baid in Moore County-

The Result. We learn that Revenue Agent O. H. Blocker, assisted by Deputy Marshal Phillips and Deputy Collector Downing, on the night of the 22d instant, discovered and captured an illicit distillery, running in full blast, near Swan's Station, in Moore county. The proprietor, Wesley Stone, was captured in the distillery, with a boy named John Gales. The distillery was located in Stone's kitchen. Nine hundred gallons of beer were destroyed, together with a quantity of low wines, malt and meal. The still was shipped to Fayetteville.

Mr. John D. Williams, Jr., who has been leading buyer in the cotton market at Goldshoro this season, representing Mesers. Williams & Murchison, is in the city. Mr. Williams will shortly extend his "limits" at Goldshero, by locating permanently and establishing a branch house of the firm he represents, under the name of Murchison & Williams He has hosts of friends in

Spirits Turpentine

- Last week Matthew Jones, of Gates county, aged 65 years, married his fifth wife, a young girl aged 16 years, his fourth wife being dead only three weeks ou the day of his marriage.

- Weldon News: While Crosby's patent medicine men were performing in the streets of Scotland Neck, a rogue en tered the shop of Mr. P. Ewell and stole fifteen watches together with other jeweby amounting to about \$200.

- Shelby Aurora: The revenue officials, in this county, captured two blockade stills last week. — A company or engineers are engaged in surveying Broad river with a view of opening it up for navigation. They were as far as Eilis' terry, in this county, or the 13th inst.

-Hickory Press: Mr. Lewis Campbell, a worthy citizen of Iredell county, had the misfortune last week to lose a barn full of tobacco by fire. - Mr. Huske, of the State Fish Hatchery, passed down Friday with a large lot of young salmon, for the waters of South Fork of the Catawba river.

- Morganton Blade: We like to see a man independent, but our Mayor pleased us a little too well in this respect when he made some of the Governor's purty get out of his hack and walk over to the Asylum. Supposed cause: The Governor and party did not dine at the Mayor's hotel.

- According to the Piedmont Press a female school will be started at Hickory the coming sprior; under the You trol of the Catholic Church, and placed in charge of the Sisters of Mercy, six in num ber, who will shortly arrive in that town. Maj. W. W. Lenoir has given a plot of ground upon which a building will at an early day be erected.

- Hendersonville Courier: Saturday night, at a late hour, H. U. Miller, from Winston, who was intoxicated, became in volved in a difficulty with Marshal J L Hollingsworth, at the entrance to Tabor's bar-room, and received a severe beating. He has been confined to his bed in Chase's Hotel several days under the professioual care of Dr. T. A. Allen. Hollingsworth was arrested and arraigned for trial or Monday, but owing to the absence of one of the witnesses the case was continued un til Tuesday.

- Durham Recorder : We learn hat efforts are being made here by those interested to raise a fund for the purchase of a lot for the building of an Episcopal church, and that substantial aid has been obtained from abroad. - The University Railroad may be regarded as a fixed factnot from Durham or Hillsboro-but from University Station to Chapel Hill. The stock subscribed at Chapel Hill for a connection with Durham has been transferred to the University route, and sufficient other aid has been secured to begin and carry out the work. Gen. Hoke is sanguine the cars

will run to Chapel Hill by Commencement. - Asheville Journal: Thursday W. Medford, a farmer who resides near Richland Institute, four miles from Waynesville, was killed by a falling tree. He and his brother were felling timber, and being a little deaf, he did not hear his brother's warning, and the descending tree, which was fourteen inches in diameter crushed him to the earth, broke his neck, smashed in the rear of his skull and broke one of his thighs in three places. In eighteen months this unfortunate man has lost wife, mother, two children and two sisters. He buried his youngest child just one month to a day on which he was killed. He was formerly Clerk of the Court and Register of Deeds for Haywood county.

- J. E. O'Hara publishes in the Weldon News, from tax list, the acres of land owned by the colored people of Halifax. It is a most creditable showing and foots up 16,601 acres. He says: The above does not include the many acre and half acre lots owned by colored people in the suburbs of Enfield, Halifax, Scotland Neck and Weldon, nor does it include nine town lots in Enfield, with substantial, comfortable houses erected thereon, surrounded by gardens showing taste and some culture, and a decided air of health and contentment, thirteen town lots in Halifax, and at least twelve in Weldon, valued in the

aggregate at thousands of dollars. - Charlotte Observer: Col. Tom Long, of the mail service, is in Atlanta, under treatment of a physician for a disease of the throat. -Gen. Johnstone Jones left Philadelphia for his home at Morganton on Monday, having improved considerably in the past two weeks. We understand that Mr. M. Schloss, at resent proprietor of the Na ional Hotel, salisbury, will take charge of the Charotte Hotel next year. - A very large amount of drinking was going on in the city yesterday, but up to 9 o'clock at night the police had made only two arrests for disorderly conduct. - Louise Pomeroy, the gifted young Shakespearean actress, will soon appear in the Charlotte Opera

- Raleigh Observer: Yesterday the Governor and Mrs. Jarvis celebrated their wooden wedding. They received many congratulations and numerous handand pleasant keepsakes. - Ed. Marsh, a segro man, was stabbed in the side last night by another negro, whose name he did not know, as he was not acquainted with the gentleman, he said, and painfully but not dangerously wounded. - The spring term of Raleigh Female Seminary will open January 21, 1880, and we are informed by Principal Hobgood that the prospects were never before so flattering as now. -- Rev. Dr. F. M. Hubbard, of New York, is in the city, the

guest of T. M. Argo, Esq.

-Weldon News: Mr. N. R. Odom, re learn from the Reporter, has resigned he office of clerk of the Superior Court of Northampton county, and Mr. J. D. Boone has been appointed in his stead. - Died. on Friday, the 19th instant, in Northampton county, John Phillips, Esq. of the negroes who went to Indiana from lones county stopped at Shelbyville. A lispatch from that place to the New York Times says that the people there are indig nant because they have to provide for them. The next day after they arrived much feeling against them was shown. An other arrival was expected, and a large crowd collected at the depot to prevent the colored people from stopping. The train vas surrounded by a howling crowd of men waiting to mob the darkeys if they left the train. The negroes did not get off but went on to Indianapolis. The whites at the North despise the negroes. - Tarboro Southerner: We regret

to learn of the severe illness of Dr. R. G. Lewis, of Plymouth, N. C. -Brother Creecy offers one year's subscription to the Elizabeth City Economist to the prettiest girl at the Festival given at Elizabeth City Christmas night. The question to be "decided by single male suffrage." -The Tarboro Tar Heel Minstrels will make you augh to-morrow night until you cry, "hold, enough." — Elijah Griffin, Esq., a highly respected citizen of Nash county, died at his residence on last Saturday, Dec. 18th, having reached the advanced age of 72 years. On Monday last Mr. Wm. Revell, who attends to Capt. R. H. Gatlin's mill and gin at Killquick, in this county, was crushed to death by the machinery in the most horrible manner. He had been talking to Capt. Gatlin only a few minutes before his death. He went under the gin house for some purpose, no one knows what. Soon afterwards Capt. Gatlin heard knocking under the house, and going down to learn the cause, found Mr. Revells wound around the shaft that runs the gin rests up to within the past two days, the and press, with his brains beaten out Malpass brothers having fied the country.