Entered at the Post Office at Wilmington

N. C., as second-class matter.

THE CONVENTION.

The State Committee do not seem to be as wise as the National Com mittee. The latter appreciated the necessity of knowing who would be the Republican candidate before the Democrats named their man. But the State Committee, in their superlative wisdom, feeling that a victory was so certain that ordinary caution was unnecessary, have chosen to call the State Convention before the Republican Convention meets. This is a blunder. There was no reason whatever worth considering why the State Convention should be called so early. Then again, in face of the wishes of the people and the voice of the press Raleigh was selected as the place. The people-the voters-do not like Raleigh as the place, and the press, outside of a little circuit, said Charlotte, or some other point, was pre ferable. The patronage of a large body-a thousand men-is not to be despised. They will scatter around \$10,000 to \$20,000,so Raleigh is anxious for it.

We believe that it is unfortunate that Raleigh has been selected. It is blunder number two. Now if they will select a certain ticket that car be named the blunders will be com pleted, as will be seen to the satisfaction of all concerned about the nones of November.

. CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR.

The Hickory Carolinian of two or three weeks ago referred to what the STAR had said about a Governor to be selected from the Cape Fear section. It is pleased to think that the reasons given for this course were "good reasons." It says:

"We live in the western part of the State but that does not hinder us from seeing the justice of our excellent contemporary's position. And now if the STAR will bring out a good modest fellow, who is not a disgraceful wirepuller, and who has never urged 'his case,' nor jaunted about with two or three demijohns in search of a nomination, it can count on what little push we

can give in placing him before the people,'

The STAR would be glad to see some worthy son of this section thus honored, but it cannot undertake to name the person. There are several who could be specified, but the STAR is the mouth-piece of no man. Not a line can be found where the STAR for years has endeavored to further the nomination of any man before the Convention met. After the nomination the STAR does its duty, fearlessly, consistently, thoroughly. It matters not how little the person nominated was preferred, if of reputable character, that moment he became the standard bearer of the Democratic party it gave him earnest, honest support. No man who has the slightest regard for the truth could dare say otherwise.

It is for the people of the Cape Fear to say whether they will present a candidate or not. If they are satisfied to be habitually neglected and overslau hed, then the STAR has nothing to say. If they think that this of the Midland route. Its friends ask section of North Carolina has claims | no aid or favor of the State other upon the Democratic party then they should say so in their primary conventions.

THE CONVENTIONS. The National Democratic Convention meets in Cincinnati on June 22,

The National Republican Convention meets in Chicago on June 2.

The North Carolina Democratic State Convention meets at Raleigh on June 17th.

The Republican State Convention meets at Raleigh on July 7th.

- There are 150 children at the

Oxford Orphan Asylum.

build roads that will seriously injure roads already constructed. We close this article with a nice

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BESAKERS AHEAD.

prophecy, many Railroad bills intro-

troduce a bill to sell the North Caro-

lina Railroad, but not by a sort of

snap-judgment, but after due notice

protect the interests of Mr. Best and

his co-parceners in the matter of the

Western North Carolina. Already

there is alarm felt at the impudence

manifested on the part of the Balti-

more & Ohio Railroad. This road is

known to be powerful and aggres-

sive. It is now well known, for

during the last several months fre-

quent mention has been made of the

matter in the papers, that the Balti-

more & Ohio Railroad had resolved

upon extending the Virginia Midland

from Danville into North Carolina,

so as to get a shorter, more direct

route from the North to the South.

That great corporation has deter-

mined to make a straight shoot from

Danville to Charlotte. The Durham

Recorder is already sounding an

alarm whistle. It sniffs danger in the

air, and sees great injury ahead to

the North Carolina Railroad that is

now run according to the "North

Carolina policy," as it is now under-

stood and expounded. We quote

from the Recorder, a paper that

knows what it talks about. It says:

"The call of the Legislature is made to

provide for the completion of the Western

North Carolina Railroad, which when com-

pleted is to be the great avenue between

the West and the East, Can it be that

another company shall step in to bisect this

route, and thwart, as it were, the objects of

the proposed legislation? For it is clear,

that a rival line, held by so rich a corpora-

tion as the Baltimore & Ohio Road, will

have it in its power to arrest much of the

benefits to be derived from the completion

of the Western Road. The same reasons

that applied up to the middle of the war

against the construction of the Piedmont

connection between Greensboro and Dan-

Now this is serious. Here is a rail-

road leased by the Richmond & Dan-

ville for twenty years (we believe),

that is about to be seriously injured

by the construction of a new and

shorter route which will run some-

what near and to some extent paral-

lel with the North Carolina road after

it enters this State. If this new road

is built, and the survey is now pro-

gressing, what effect will it have on

the lease of the North Carolina? This

is interesting. By the railroad gods

-Vanderbilt, Scott, Garrett & Co.-

this matter of railroad excitement and

railroad complications grows apace.

The matter is really waxing serious.

There is cause for alarm. It is begin-

ning to be a race with time. The ex-

tra session must attend to things.

Time is money. Delays are dange-

rous. Extra sessions are necessary

luxuries. Hurry up, hurry up! ye

Solons, and save North Carolina while

Our friend of the Durham Re-

corder is in earnest, and is alarmed

"But what is the effect of the Midland's

connection on Charlotte? If the Piedmont

connection cut off lower North Carolins,

how will not the Midland's route cut off the

Piedmont? Because it is a shorter route,

will it not tap the Piedmont, as the latter

hid the lower North Carolina Railroad

And if it does this, how is the Richmond

& Danville to maintain its contract with

the State? And if it does not maintain its

contract with the State, we would ask of

what value a bankrupt road, handed back

Ah, these be puzzling questions.

We see no solution of the matter ex-

cept in selling out all of the State's

interests, and then let all of the pri-

vate corporations or syndicates stand

upon their own bottoms. A sell out

appears to be the great remedy now

so very popular in North Carolina.

The doctrine now in vogue is let all

the railroads be built that is possible

by foreign capitalists and corpora-

tions. This may be the correct view.

If so, then of course the Legislature

will throw no obstructions in the way

than the right to construct. So if the

doctrine is sound Garrett & Co. will

be allowed to build a road that will

injure the North Carolina and the

The STAR does not seriously say

that this should be allowed. The

STAR has not taken the position as-

sumed by some of the papers that

have advocated the sale to Best and

associates. The STAR has never said

that foreign corporations or private

individuals should be allowed to

Western also.

sacrificing the Western.

very properly. He says:

to the State, would be worth?"

ville will now apply in greater force."

The Legislature will have to

in the public prints in the North.

prospect is that the legisla-

ate, champion pedestrian, etc., etc., etc.,

and is one of the most remarkable produc-

tions of the age. After three stanzas of

gorgeous poetry, headed "Introductory

Millennial Verses," comes a "Prophetic

Scale of the Messianic Advent," gotten up

in alegbraic form, and a very complicated di-

agram consisting of two of Johnnie Gar-

rett's brass circles. The larger one repre-

sents the sun; the smaller one the earth. Ac-

cording to the explanatory notes, the earth

appears to be very badly cut up by our

friend Pearce, and now contains only two

But the feature of the work in which we

are all interested is the exact date (or "pre-

cise time." as the author has it,) of the mil-

lennium; and we are sorry to inform our

friends that it is no further off than the 26th

We would be glad to discuss this matter

fully and intelligently, but, like the calling

of the extra session of the Legislature, the

notice is rather short, and all we can do is

to beg our readers to pack their carpet.

bags, and be ready to step into their sala-

Yes, there is one other matter we must

not neglect: We urge on all our subscri-

bers the importance of paying up their sub-

scriptions on or before the 25th, as we have

made a special arrangement with Mr.

Pearce to exclude from the salamander

safes every delinquent subscriber to the

STAR. And berths in these safes, bear in

mind, can only be obtained of Mr. Pearce,

who has been shrewd enough to buy up the

A Substitute for the Best Proposition

We have before us a printed copy of a

bill drawn up by Mr. H. E. Scott, one of

the Republican Representatives from this

county, which he proposes to submit at the

approaching extra session of the Legisla-

SUBSTITUTE FOR THE BILL FOR THE SALE OF

THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA RAIL-

The General Assembly of North Carolina do

Section 1. That the Governor, Treasurer,

Secretary of State, and Attorney General

of the State of North Carolina be, and they

are hereby appointed Commissioners on the

part of said State to sell, assign and trans-

rer all of the interest of the State in and to

the stock, property and franchises of the

Western North Carolina Railroad Compa-

ny, at public auction, to the highest bidder

or bidders, for cash, at a place to be desig-

nated by said Commissioners, after first

having advertised the same for three months

in one or more of the leading newspapers

in the cities of Raleigh, New York, Phila-

delphia, Cincinnati, Baltimore, St. Louis,

Sec. 2. That no bid shall be entertained

n conflict with this Act are hereby re-

Sec. 5. This Act shall be in force from

The Supreme Court on the Public

We see by the Raleigh papers that the

Supreme Court, at its present session, has

decided that magistrates have original ju-

risdiction in cases of misdemeanor in wil-

fully neglecting to work the public roads,

as provided under the act of 1879. The

case before the Court was that of Craig,

from New Hanover, and Chief Justice

This is a matter of considerable interest

to magistrates and the people generally, as

t has been a mooted question for some time

The Duplin Canal-The Meeting Yes-

At a meeting of the stockholders of the

Duplin Canal Company, resident in New

Hanover, held at the Produce Exchange

yesterday afternoon, Mr. B. G. Worth was

called to the chair. The committee to

solicit subscriptions then reported that ten

per cent. of the stock subscribed to the en-

terprise had been paid in. Mr. Robert H.

McKoy was appointed by the chair as a

representative of the stockholders herea-

bouts in the meeting at Magnolia on Wed-

object to insure a full representation of the

stock held in this county in said meeting.

Mr. McKoy will call on all the stockholders

and get the proxy of such of them as do

not expect to attend the meeting in ques-

- German brig Martha, Lange, from

this port, for United Kingdom, with signals

of distress flying, was fallen in with Feb-

suary 23, lat. 41 55, long. 31 57, by the

British steamer Caledonia at Boston. Capt.

Lange reported loss of galley, forecastle

deck house, bulwarks, stove, foresail, main-

the 15th, the crew having taken to the rig-

injuries are supposed to be slight.

Chicago and Boston

the State of North Carolina.

and after its ratification.

Road Question.

Smith delivered the opinion.

terday Afternoon.

ture. We give it as a matter of news:

entire supply in this country.

mander boxes by the 26th of March.

day of March, 1880.

localities, Fayetteville and Jerusalem.

WILMINGTON, N. C. FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1880.

tit-bit for our railroad enthusiasts. The last Charleston News and Cou-

the dangerous extra session st stop at disposing of the "The report that the Air-Line Railroad Syncreate bill. There are breakers s about to become the owner of the Spartanburg & Union Railroad (carrying with it the control of the Spartanburg & Ashe-ville Railroad) is cause for serious uneasiahead, and there will be, we dare duced. Some one will probably in-

"The Spartanburg & Asheville Railroad ought to be owned in this State, or in the interest of South Carolina ports, Cannot something be done in this direction?"

Charleston has numerous friends. But how is it with Wilmington?

Mr. Tilden is as deep in the mud as Mr. Bayard is in the mire. Democratic Convention met at Albany, New York, in 1861. Mr. Tilden was a delegate. He and his friends laid a resolution before the Convention in which the right of the Government to coerce a sovereign State was most flatly denied. Here

"Resolved That the Constitution clother our Government with no power to enforce sovereign States in their political capacity. The coercive power of this Government is a coercion of laws, not of arms, and can only be made effectual over the States by the authorized civil agents of the Government for the execution of those laws. Where such agents no longer exist any attempt at a forcible execution of the laws through any other channel is nothing more nor less than war; and the Constitution vests no power in Congress to declare war against any portion of this Confederacy. If the Republican party will but do justice to the South, there will be no need of

It remains to be seen how much capital Tilden, his organ, the New York Sun, and his special fuglemen can make out of Senator Bayard's patriotic and wise utterances in 1861. If Bayard is to be condemned, how about Tilden? If Bayard's prospects are sacrificed by his peace talk, how about Uncle Samuel's deliverance on the subject of Federal coer-

On the 3d inst. Modetsky, a Jew, attempted to assassinate the famous Russian General, Melikoff. On the 4th he was tried, and on yesterday he was to be hanged. This is speedy justice. Neither Modersky nor Melikoff can complain in this instance of the law's delay. We once knew a white man from Virginia to steal certain : rticles on Monday night in this State. He fled, was overhauled thirty-six miles distant the next night, on Wednesday he was brought to the county-seat where the theft had been perpetrated, was tried on Thursday for the crime, that afternoon received thirty-nine lashes, was taken at once to Richmond, and on Friday night was in the penitentiary of Virginia. He had previously committed a robbery in that State for which he had been tried, convicted and sentenced, but he managed to make his escape while being taken to the penitentiary.

By the time Judges Rodman, Reade and Bynum, of the Republican party, and sundry legal gentlemen of the Democratic party, have subjected the Best Bill to a thorough analysis, it will be seen by those who proclaimed it to be the thing for North Carolina, that it is about as loosely drawn an instrument as was ever paraded with a flourish before the people. After it has been subjected to the necessary crucial tests it will be as ragged as an old Confederate flag that had been exposed to the shot and shell of the enemy on a dozen battle, fields. The truth is it is such a poor instrument that no skilled conveyancer could have ever drawn it unless employed by the Northern fellows to make the legal gaps so wide that train of cars could run through it. But there are editors and politicians who are fairly delighted with it.

Capt. Ashe, of the Raleigh Observer, addressed a note of inquiry to Mr. Best, of the Syndicate, and in reply Mr. B. wrote concerning "a gap" that the Captain "feared" had been left "open." Mr. B. was pleased

"In case the Legislature should accept my offer for the State's interest in the Western North Carolina Railroad, and the State should afterward be compelled to resume sion thereof, I do not expect 'any profit by way of interest' on the sum to be expended in completing the Paint Rock branch 'until the road is completed to Murphy.' If any doubt or obscurity exists in this regard, it can easily be remedied by the Legislature, but I think this point has been clearly defined in the draft of the act embodying my proposition."

The Methodist Protestant paper at Greensboro, edited by our friend, Rev. J. L. Michaux, makes this point in regard to the proposed sale of the Western North Carolina, and the point is well taken:

"Without knowing much on the subject, we think it unfortunate that the agents for the sale of this road are to go into the negotiation with the voluntary confession that the property they wish to sell is worthless, even to themselves." HEACTION.

There is a decided reaction going on against the Best bill. If any one doubts let him look, over the North Carolina papers. We copy under the head of "State Contemporaries" and "Spirits Turpentine" some of the opinions. We have a dozen others unused. We notice among our exchanges received yesterday that the Wilson Advance had a strong leader against the Best Syndicate Sell-out as anibited in the present bill and indorsed by Gov. Jarvis. The Reidsville Times and Statesville American had something to sayand not favorable to the Best bill. We have not the slightest idea, that the bill will pass unless there are important changes made and the State's interest is much better protected. The people of North Carolina are not out "in a jiffy." Lnough scrutiny will be bestowed upon the bill to show that it will never do to pass it as it is. The following is taken from the Advance's editorial. Both of its editors are lawyers, and one of them, Mr. Lancaster, has had a long experience at the bar. We wish we had space for the entire article. It says: "We regret that our convictions of duty and the interest and pride which we feel in the welfare of North Carolina induce us to

differ with the Governor in this matter. We believe that he has acted with too much haste, considering the importance of the result, and there will not be wanting those who will regard the action with suspicion and who will inquire why this haste to convene the Legislature to consider the proposition of Northern capitalists to buy the State's most valuable property in which they see millions for themselves, when nothing was ever said about convening that honorable body to remedy an oversight of its officers in failing to sign the school bill, which left thousands of poor children of the State without the means of acquiring an education. * * * * * In further justification of his course the Governor ays mat ten days will afford ample for the decision of this question, and, after making & minute calculation, he concludes that the extra session will not cost to exceed \$13,000. Is the whole thing cut and dried? How does the Governor know but that the members of the Legislature may assemble, conclude to give their constituents a little more time to consider the railroad question, lay Mr. Best's proposition on the table, then return to their favorite "Retrenchment and Reform," and spend twenty days in getting their officers straight on the school bill matter, in establishing criminal circuits, in cutting off some of the red tape around the Agricultural De-

Two biographies of Mr. Tilden are in course of preparation. He has one ready for the press. It gives a full history of his public career and his dealings with the Tweed ring and the Tammany people. John Kelly's set are also preparing a life, but from an altogether different stand-point. Neither book will be exactly fair and true, we dare believe. We learn that the Tammany biography makes Mr. Tilden anything else than a patriot, in fact, "much better qualified as a wrecker of financially embarrassed railroads than as a standard-bearer of a great party contending for the principles of Jefferson, Jackson, etc." John Sherman's biography is out also. Whether or not Blaine and Conkling are to be immortalized also we are not informed. Grant's biographies are numerous. The good is told; the evil is suppressed.

Mrs. Betsey Henderson, of Boston, cele brated her one hundredth birthday last Sunday. The Rev. Dr. Miner, of whose church she is a member, preached a memorial discourse in the morning.-Ex-

Centenarians are so scarce that when one is found really it is talked about in the newspapers and memorial sermons are preached upon it. In this century, in the North, there have been found thus far three persons who had attained to the very advanced age of a hundred years. It is to be remarked, however, but parenthetically and under the rose that in the South and, particularly in North Carolina, people of a hundred years are so common as to excite no comment. There are at least a half dozen in every poor house.

The Bayard men are well satisfied with his war record. They say they will be able to show that Tilden went farther than Bayard did and was more of a secessionist, and that "as a matter of fact it was more largely due to Bayard's influence than to any other citizen of Delaware that no ordinance of secession was passed by that State." It is even hinted that cipher dispatches and railroad and income tax business will be ventilated freely by Democratic speakers. We give this for what it is worth.

The Richmond State, referring to the veto by Gov. Holliday of the bill "to re-establish the publick debt."

"The Governor has given the Readjusters a '15 puzzle.' Bet a hundred dollars they can't solve it!"

- Revenue collections in the Fifth District for February, \$91,761.20.

Judge Fowle favors the sale of the Western North Carolina Railroad. We judge from the following paragraph in his letter that he is not in favor, as Governor Jarvis'18, of the Best bill as it now stands. Judge Fowle says:

"I am, therefore, in favor of selling the road upon the best terms the Legislature can 'In doing so special care should be taken that the guarantees are sufficient to compel the completion of the Ducktown line, so that

the fertile and magnificent country through which it will run may be mada acceptable to the world." many particulars. WIf he is in favor of the Best syndicate bill unamended and unchanged, let him say so w seloute route u

If the papers that published the Governor's plea, Col. Saunders's letter on the tax oppressions, and other documents favoring the sale of the North Carolina Railroad upon the terms proposed in the Best bill, are willing for the people to have "light turned on," they will publish Col. McRae's, Major Hearne's, ex-Senator Dortch's and other papers on the other side. Some may do this, but others will not. The last thing they desire is for the "light to be turned on" that loosely-drawn Best docu-

The Kinston Journal says the Inferior Court of Lenoir has been a success, and that "with a few excepceptions" has been "conducted remarkably well." The Danbury Reporter says that so satisfactory has been the Inferior Court "it is but just to say that Stokes county, at least, could not afford to do without the institution." Thus far, of seven counties reporting, five are favorable to the success of the Inferior Court.

The clearest event of the political future Tilden's renomination.—N. Y. Tribune,

It is to be noted that the Stalwart organs are all strongly in favor of Tilden's nomination. "Why is this thus?" Per contra, the Democratic papers are for Grant as the Republican candidate and by "a large majority." Possibly there are some who are so obtuse as not to understand the reason why.

situation in that State, and ninetenths are reported as favoring his "No better reason could have been given for the withdrawal of Mr. Pinchback's nomination by Hayes, than that 'it was a mis-

Mr. Tilden is said to be no longer

the favorite of the Wisconsin Demo-

crats. Bayard is now master of the

take.' It was a mistake."-Baltimore Ameri-It was worse than a mistake-it

was a orime. Tom Keogh and J. W. Harden are

the two Republican delegates from the Fifth District. They are instructed to go for Grant. Ike Young and S. Ellison were also instructed to go for Grant. This make six Grant delegates out of ten chosen thus far.

The Kinston Journal ought to give that paragraph on Longstreet, taken from the STAR, another showing. It was badly damaged in the

Tom Scott, the Pennsylvania Railroad King, has given \$2,000 to Randolph Macon College, Va.

Green backers in Council. The Executive Committee of the Greenback party had a meeting at the Court house yesterday, Captain F. M. Wooten in

the chair. There was some difficulty in getting ecretary. One Thomas Allen was first appointed, but when called upon to discharge the duty, it was found that he didn't know how to write. The choice finally fell upon A. A. Dudley, colored whose education had not been quite so

Captain Wooten resigned the chairmanship of the Executive Committee, and T. M. Gardner, Esq., was elected in his

he city and township in the county was appointed to make arrangements for a mass meeting and to reorganize the various Greenback clubs in the county. The officers of the Central Executive

A committee of one from each ward in

Committee, as now constituted, consist of r. M. Gardner, Chairman; Jesse J. Ives, Treasurer, and A. A. Dudley, Secretary. Brief remarks were made by Messrs. Black, Gardner and others.

that H. Oglesby, charged with the killing of

Reported Jail Belivery. Information was received here yesterday

a Mr. Williams, at Laurinburg, a year or two ago, had broken out of jail at Wadesboro and escaped, together with the remainder of the prisoners. Another account has it that after the prisoners had all been gone for some time Oglesby came back, sufrendered himself, and was returned to his old quarters. It will be remembered that the case of Oglesby was removed from Richmond to Anson county for trial.

- Wilson Advance: It may turn out that the Governor has acted wisely in this matter, but with the lights at present beforefus we must confess our inability to see how the greatest interests of the State are to be promoted by such hasty and precipitate steps.

- Reidsville Weekly: Mr. I. W. quite handsome and imposing.

- Asheville Journal: The services at the Baptist Church continue with unusual interest. The church is crowded all the time, so much so that at times frais were entertained as to the stability of the galleries. Over one hundred and fifty have professed during the services up to this date.

- In this issue we give one side of the question of the sale of the Western North Carolina Railroad, and extracts from the Governor's circular to the people of North Carolina upon the subject. Next week we will give the other side. - Salem Press. That is fair. "Turn on the light."

+ Fayetteville Banner: Wright Evans, the young mulatto known in town as "Tootie," who stole Mr Thomas II. Sutton's horse and carriage last summer. was sentenced by Judge Eure, yesterday, to twenty years in the Penitentiary. For a couple of weeks our citizens have been luxuriating on shad-not imported either, but caught in the Cape Fear, near this town.

definable within us suggests to go slow at the business are watch for trick hands around the table. We may as well put the people on the stump next and sell them

Chatham Record: Near Kivett's Mill, in Harnett county, a hawk and an eagle got into a fight, and falling to the ground were so intent upon killing each other that a negro took a stick and killed them both. — The much discussed "no fence law" is now in practical operation in a portion of this county, so that we will have an opportunity of testing the advantages claimed for it.

Church.

- Raleigh Farmer and Mechanic: The Asheville Journal predicts that the Democrats will sell the Western North Carolina Railroad to Best & Co., and then after the election) stop the work by injunction, etc. — The Goldsboro Mail wishes to know if the late Legislature did not abolish the office of State Geologist, and how comes it that he still hangs on, and who is responsible, etc., etc.? We fancy there will be some interesting reading when the closet begins to yield its information in re-

by said Commissioners for a sum less than Five Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars

- Winston Sentinel: Mr. Robert Wall, a highly respected citizen of Stokes county, and a soldier of 1812, died on the 19th ult, in the 86th year of his age. On Sunday of last week Miss Lizzie Wall rode to Germanton on horseback, and on her return she took Miss Mary Hargrove up behind her, but the horse declined to carry double and threw Miss Hargrove, breaking her arm and otherwise injuring her, and started to run, when the saddle turned with Miss Wall, her foot got hung in the saddle

- Charlotte Observer: It is learned here that the case of the stockholders vs. the Western Division of the Western North Carolina Railroad came up before Judge Avery, at Newton, a few days ago, on a motion to make permanent the temporary injunction previously granted by him, for-bidding the directors from acting as such. In the argument before the court, two of the lawyers, Col. Folk, of Lenoir, and Mr. Merrimon, of Asheville, got into a controversy which ended in a personal rencontre. The case was continued to the next term of McDowell County Court.

- Greensboro Patriot: On last

Weldon News: Monday last Mrs. W. E. Fenner died at the residence of her husband in Halifax of consumption. - We learn that a plan is on foot to connect Scotland Neck by telephone with some point on the Wilmington & Railroad, either Halifax or Enfield. — The Methodist revival still progresses with unabated interest. The penitents are many in num - The Methodist Church was supplied with a bell last week, and had it put up on Saturday. It weighs seven hundred pounds and is of regular bell metal.

Don't forget to send a dollar to George T. topsail, foretopgallant mast, and short of provisions, with which the steamer sup-plied them. They had encountered five Simmons, Esq., of Halifax, to aid in erecting a monument to the late Thomas G. successive hurricanes from February 1st to

> mington STAR suggests that three or four of the best lawyers-such as no rings can influence—be selected to report upon the syndicate bill. Our good neighbor forgets that this is Mr. Best's proposition, and that if the Legislature shall as much as cross a T he can put his \$80,000 in his carpet-bag and bid us adieu. — Mr. James H. Robinson, for many years the very efficient assistant postmaster at this place, has resigned that position. — Dr. J. W. Vick and E. B. Borden, Esq., Directors of the Colored Insane Asylum, and members of the Building Committee, will go North tomorrow on a tour of inspection in the interest of that institution. — The Directors of the Goldsboro & Harnett Railroad will meet in Goldsboro Tuesday evening, March 16th, for the purpose of considering propositions relative to the survey of the line.

Spirits Turpentine

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on tam, of Winston, has gone to Yanceyville for the purpose of erecting a bandsome morement to the remains of our late We have on our table a pamphlet entitled townsman, the lamented Judge Kerr. The Definite Time of the Second Advent." It monument is an obelisk and is said to be from the graphic pen of our venerable friend Walker Pearce, of Fayetteville, poet laure-

Reidsville Times: The Patriot is this week enthusiastically in favor of a sale of the Western Road. We don't know Mr. Best from Mr. Bad, but something inout to the Yackees. It is fast coming to

-Raleigh Observer: Last night we received intelligence of the death of Mr. Samuel J. Parham, Mayor of the town of Henderson, which occurred yesterday morning. The cause was hemorrhage of the bowels, which began on Sunday last. Dr. T. U. Teasdale, of Tennessec. a prominent Baptist divine, is expected here about the first of April, and will conduct a series of meetings at the First Baptist

-+ Statesville American, Rep.: If Mr. Best and his associates are going to build the road with their own money, why issue the bonds at all? And if said bonds are not to be put on the market until both These are questions that ought to be an swered. If the Syndicate does not intend to use the bonds until after the road is completed, why do they want the power to issu

sponse to Legislative inquiry.

- Durham Recorder: The sufferers from the Roxboro fire have decided to re-Sec. 3. That the said Commissioners are hereby granted full and ample powers to build with brick, and active preparations are now being made to have the brick burned- —Mary Merritt, engaged as a make all and every stipulation with the highest bidder or bidders, for the transfer cook at the residence of Mr. W. W. Wilof the Western North Carolina Railroad, and everything appertaining thereto, and kerson, was severely, and it is feared fatalfor the time of completion of said Road, ly, burned last night about dark. She filled a kerosene lamp and before wiping the oil and for the employment of the State's suroff the outside of the lamp attempted to plus convicts, and for the payment of the light it with a candle. The oil ignited and bonded debt of said Road, and for every was communicated to the inside, causing other condition which they may deem nean immediate explosion, throwing the oil cessary for the protection of the interest of and flames all over the unfortunate woman. Sec. 4. That all laws and parts of laws

and she was dragged some distance before she was thrown loose from the saddle.

Sunday a cow, belonging to Mr. W.T. Whiting, who lives twenty miles from here, in Halifax county, gave birth to a calf with wo distinct, well formed necks and heads. The two necks begin at the shoulder. Both nouths are used in eating. The body and imbs are as those of other calves. — Messrs. Houston & Bro. bought, for the two weeks ending March 2-54,156 rabbit skins. 1,453 qpossum, 1,123 muskrat, 268 mink, 220 raccoon, 52 fox, 8 otter, 84 house-cat, and 9,500 pounds rags; and shipped during the nesday next, the 10th instant, it being the same time 58,653 rabbit skins and 10,000

- Goldsboro Messenger: The Wil-

ging on several occasions; had no boats; Capt. Allison, of the *Caledonia*, offered to supply them with a boat, but it was de-- The German barque Pauline, Capt. Kruger, which cleared from this port for Stettin, Germany, on the 24th ult., but has since been lying at anchor below, got grounded while being towed down the river, and in the efforts made to get her afloat she was strained somewhat, and has since sprung a leak. We learn that part of her cargo of rosin will be removed and an examination made, when it will be ascertained whether or not it will be necessary to come up, discharge the remainder of her cargo and go on the dry dock, or whether her repairs can be made where she lies. Her