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A SLANDER ON THE SOUTH.

A correspondent signing himself A. M. G., and writing from Wash ington to the New York Sun in the interest of Tilden, endeavors to make capital for his own favorite by traducing the Southern people. He represents the South as favoring Grant, tries to make it appear that Virginia and Tennessee are in danger of being carried by him, and then makes some charges that are so absurdly false they need no reply but merely to be stated.

He asserts that Southern Democrais, as a rule, are no friends of reform and retrenchment. There was never a wilder statement than this. It is absolutely untrue. The true economists of our country are to be found among the class spoken of. We do not believe that all Southern Democrats are in favor "of reform and retrenchment." With some these are terms to catch or gull the mil-But with the rank and filewith the honest and trustworthy leaders it is quite another thing. They desire first peace, and then an honest, economical administration of

The next accusation this writer brings is that the "Southern Democrats are not as a rule in favor of economy in the administration of the national Government." We must let him have a brief hearing, although we have contradicted squarely in the above paragraph what he says:

"The majority of Southern Congressmen. I believe, are more nearly in accord with the policy of the Republican party upon the question of Government expenditures than Northern Democrats. I do not question their motives, but simply state what my observation teaches me to be the fact There are powerful influences compelling Southern Congressmen in this direction. Many of their constituents want office. Still others are interested in public improvements, like the Mississippi levees and the thousand jobs annually provided in the River and Harbor bill. They want costly public buildings and greater mail facilities. They want employment by the Government in the army, the navy, and in any other field which will afford what they would term a living chance for a white

We submit that the reasons given for his charge are flimsy and unjust. It is well known that for the last fifteen or twenty years the improvements by the General Government have been mainly confined to the The South has only asked to have a share of such favorsnothing more. The truth is one hundred dollars has been expended in the North by Congress to every ten expended in the South. A full answer to the writer's charge is found in the fact that Southern members of Congress have voted for all the measures of "reform and retrenchment" that have so cut down public expenses. It is a fact that they would have reduced the expenditures very much more than they were if they had not been prevented by the Republicans in Congress.

bring against all Southerners who oppose Tilden, and this applies to ninety-nine hundreths of the voters in the South. He says:

"The men who clamor loudest against Mr. Tilden want a man in the White House who will be very different in every respect from him. They do not want a man who, in the language of Judge Black, would turn on the water, and cleanse the Augean stables at Washington, purify the public service, and reduce public expenditures to the lowest possible scale. It is the offices and the plunder they are after. Now, for one, I am opposed to exchanging one set of thieves for another and a hungrier set. The whole policy of the Government is to be radically altered."

This is complimentary. He is mad good Queen Victoria is against because the South will not take his him. The probability is that the

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statesman. But to run the Liberal | Administration without the head would be absurd and dangerous. Mr. Gladstone has done more than every agency in England to break down the Beaconsfield Ministry. He knows more of Continental affairs than any other Liberal, and it is his foreign policy in opposition to that of Beaconsfield that has done so much to reverse the public judgment. We find in the same paper from which we have quoted already-the Weekly Notes - the following outline of what | had no hope that such a course would it is thought will be probably the foreign policy of the Liberals when they come into power. It is interesting, and we copy it: "Mr. Gladstone and his friends are solidly committed to a resistance to any scheme of imperial aggrandizement which Russia

and many "bar'ls." may have formed. But they will not in-sult and irritate Russia; they will rather seek a friendly understanding with the POLITICAL CHANGES AND ENG-Czar's government. It is the lesser powers, LAND'S FOREIGN POLICY. Greece, Servia, Bulgaria, which have gained the most by the Liberal victory; and Mr. Gladstone is the one prominent states-The Liberals in England have an overwhelming majority. They are man in Europe who has adopted the Greek cause with nearly the enthusiasm of the old masters of the situation without the Philhellenes. The Christian populations aid of the Home Rulers and "by a under Turkish rule may also hope great things from the change. The British prolarge majority." Lord Beaconsfield tectorate of Asia Minor will be made to seems to have o'erleaped himself in mean something in behalf of the Christian

his dealing with Ireland as with

other questions. His manifesto ad-

Mr. Gladstone is so completely

victorious he can carry out his home

and foreign policy independent of all

help but that of his immediate fol-

lowers. It is believed that the tri-

umph of his party will be beneficial

to Ireland in many ways. It is sug-

gested that the borough suffrage

will be changed so as to allow the

people to vote and to return Irish

members in reality. An exchange

says of the favorable changes that

"So much Home Rule will be conceded

to the Irish counties—13 also to those of

England and Scotland-as will enable

them to act in the matter of local improve-

ments and the like, without spending thou-

sands of pounds on attorneys before Parlia-

"The recent provisions for a system of

intermediate schools will be supplemented

by allowing the Irish Catholics to have a

University of their own, competent to con-

fer degrees and thus to open the liberal

professions to its graduates. The terms of

he Irish land law will be made more favor-

able to the tenant, and perhaps provision

will be made to facilitate the creation of a

peasant proprietorship, wherever the pre-

sent land owners are willing to sell their

Prior to the election the London

Times, (a Tory organ), declared that

Lord Hartington was the hope and

stay of the Liberal party, and if they

should have a small majority it would

be owing entirely to the moderation

of the ostensible leader, and not to

Mr. Gladstone, the real leader of his

party. But the overwhelming vic-

tory, with its many surprises as to

to change its detonations. It now

attributable to the true leader, Mr.

There is something very singular

n the Queen's aversion to Mr. Glad-

stone and her very marked attach-

who has read British history or

British periodicals knows how high

the estimate placed of Mr. Gladstone

by his countrymen for his great

moral and intellectual qualities. He

body. He is a devout member of

the Established Church. He is

a man of utmost purity and sim-

of any age ever had a more

Queen dislikes him. This, no doubt,

cal, for she is an intense Tory. Lord

Beaconsfield is not English, but of

Hebrew lineage. He is an actor who

mentary Committees as they now must.

dressed to the Duke of Marlborough and perhaps of all the great powers, against gave great offense to the Irish. The the Pashas and the Kurds. "The aim of the Liberal foreign policy result is seen in the action of that will be to restore that common understandoppressed people. They determined ing and united action of the European powers in Eastern questions, which Beato defeat the Ministry. They aided consfield and Bismarck have managed to destroy. They will seek to bring Russia, the Liberals very greatly both in France and Italy into the concert of Euro-England and Scotland. The abuse pean action, and to put an end to the isoof the Irish proved a decided boomelated alliance of Austria and Germany, which will not be achieved in a day, if for rang and hit the man who threw it. no other reason because Vienna and Berlin

populations under Moslem rule, as well as

for the immunity of the Porte. The peo-

ple of Western Armenia will now have the

united protection of Russia and England

are in a bad humor with the English Liberals and their great leader. "As regards Afghanistan, the Liberal action will have to be equally cautious. The change will be chiefly in the spirit and the situation, Lord Lytton, will be removed from his post of Governor General, and a wiser man, possibly Lord Northcote, will be sent to fill it. Lord Lytton was always regarded as a Liberal before he went to India, but he announces his change of party by sending home his resignation, to take effect peremptorily in case of the defeat of the Ministry at the polls. Afghanistan will be evacuated as soon as the troops can be withdrawn without leaving a mere anarchy in the place they vacate; and any ruler will be acknowledged who shows himself competent to master the situation, and ready to be on friendly terms with

Intelligent Americans cannot fail to be interested in whatever concerns the British people who speak the same language, and from whom they liberty and the rich treasuries of the

THE MECKLENBURG DECLARA

"It matters but little whether the resolutions of the 31st of May, 1775, were the first or second series. In either event they seem to be fatal to the 'Declaration' made on the 20th. If they were the first series, then those of the 20th were never adopted at all; and if they were the second series, they went back upon and virtually repealed those of the 20th. This view is commended o the consideration of Mr. Bailey and the Wilmington STAR. Neither of them will deny that the resolutions of the 31st stopped short of independence."-Statesville

The STAR has before given its opinion of the merits of the claim set up localities, has caused the Thunderer for the genuineness and authenticity of the Mecklenburg Declaration. We admits the great revolution is mainly cannot go into the matter at length and at this time. We may say briefly; that we have read pretty much all that has been written pro and con on the subject. Beginning with the late Dr. Francis L. Hawks's paper in the ment to Lord Besconsfield. Any one | New York Review, of 1836, we have read all that Welling, Spofford, the New York Herald, Goodloe, Graham, Johnstone Jones, Dowd, Dr. Johnson, aud others have had to say, including Dr. Hawks's address before is an Englishman in every fibre of his the New York Historical Society. We once held that there had been no Declaration on the 20th of May. We cannot doubt now, nor have we doubtplicity of life. No Englishman ed for years, that there was a Declaration on the 20th, but we do not unspotted name, and still the believe we have the document-the exact words that were used and were is partly personal and partly politiread and adopted at Charlotte.

We believe that the people who issued the Declaration on the 20th But this writer has a charge to delights in glitter and pomp. He it The Resolutions adopted on the 31st were acting under great excitement. was, when out of office, who was show that they had time to reflect shameless enough to try to make the | and systematize. It was a great act English people believe that the Queen this cutting a people off from the was of unsound mind, and this, too, home government and setting up for to undermine her authority and to themselves. The Resolutions show set her aside. Yet she delights in that thoughtful men had considered loading him with every favor, whilst the whole situation, and had prepared she actually insults his great rival by a new government whilst cutting publicly cutting him, excluding his adrift from the old. The Resoluname from the list of eminent guests tions were regarded as very treasoninvited to attend a marriage of the able by the Royal Governors of North royal family. But the English Carolina and Georgia, and they must people are with him, if the be regarded as very extreme. They are the resolves of a long-suffering, loyal and resolute people, who, desman Tilden, and he accuses them of Queen will not send for him to form pairing of redress, had taken steps to be caused. Speculators will be hurt

path. It is not surprising that the says : fiery words of May 20th, uttered immediately after the news of British outrages in Massachusetts had been received, should be toned down somewhat upon reflection at a subsequent adjourned meeting, and whilst a loophole of escape was left open for a retracing of the dangerous steps in case Great Britain should relent. It is clear to our apprehension that the patriots

of Mecklenburg on the 31st of May

be adopted. Hence the Resolutions

contemplate the setting up of a new

government independent of the British Crown. But whether the two actions-that of the 20th and that of the 31st can be fully reconciled in all particulars or not-of this we are assured; there was an important meeting held at Charlotte on May 20th. The evidence on this point is to our mind absolutely overwhelming. We can

timony. We are satisfied that many revolutionary, inflammatory sentences were read on that day, and that they were fully equivalent to a Declaration of Independence. We have not sufficient proof that the document then read has been preserved. The ipsissima verba have been lost, we think.

no more doubt that than we can doubt

any event that rests upon human tes-

We are not undertaking an argument. It would require twenty columns to treat the subject intelligently. We are only stating our matured conclusion after a long and patient investigation of the matter. There is no stronger proof to attest the fact that Green and Cornwallis fought at Guilford Court House than there is to prove that there was a very important meeting at Charlotte on May 20th, 1775, when a highly treasonable and revolutionary document was read and adopted by the people there assembled.

If the Resolutions contained in Dr. Johnson's book, with the heading Second Series, are a correct and exact transcript of those that appeared in the South Carolina Gazette, then, to our mind, it was clear there was a have derived the great principles of first series. This is very important. If a First Series, then what? Why the statement of Gen. Joseph Graham and some fifteen or twenty other witnesses is confirmed as to the fact of a meeting on that day. This shows that their memories were not so much at fault after all, and they may be trusted as to the general character of the document read and adopted. They are good witnesses as to what was contained in the First Series. But, we have done. We have no idea of going into a thorough examination of the matter and de

REACTION IN THE MARKETS.

When all kinds of goods began to advance with such rapidity we felt sure it would not last. There was no good reason why iron, for instance, should advance fifty or seventy-five per cent. A gradual rise promised permanency, but a feverish and excited market was sure to result at last in a decline. We noted days ago the beginning of a reaction which promises to continue until moderate prices are reached. The Baltimore Gazette says:

"The reaction has come sooner than we anticipated. It is well for the country that it has, for the longer it was put off the more disastrous would have been its effects. As it is, while there is considerable depression in the iron trade, which is the barome ter of business throughout the country, there has been no general reversal in the tide of prosperity. Speculators have suffered keenly, and a sinister warning to all classes has been given, but fortunately credits have, not been seriously shaken. Those who are wise, however, will not fail to derive a valuable lesson from the decline in the prices of iron. The manufacturers of that commodity, encouraged by the sudden and widespread demand, attempted to rush prices up to abnormal figures. But the country, while it wanted iron, did not want it at any fancy ices, and the consequence was he first flush of speculative excitement the demand fell off and prices declined."

There was no advance to a corresponding extent in grain. Cotton has declined, and the prospect is not altogether flattering. It is known that there is a larger acreage planted in cotton in the South, and a much larger acreage planted in grain in the Northwest than in 1879. Unless something unseen occurs to give a boost to the grain and cotton market, there is good reason to apprehend that the prices will rule comparaitvely low and much financial distress being opposed because they want "to a new Ministry, but will select Lord set up for themselves. The times and many will be ruined. The Gaplunder" the country, and Tilden Granville, an accomplished and able were peculiar. Population was sparse, zette, however, is disposed to take a Maj. Dunham was laid on the table.

the people were treading an unknown | cheering view of the future. It

"The basis of our present prosperity is broad, and, as far as human intelligence can predict, enduring. There is every reason to hope that we shall continue to grow fat and make merry, but those persons who hasten to dissipate their profits before they are fairly earned, in speculation or extravagance, will find that they have seized but the shadow, and not the substance, of better times."

All kinds of goods have a tendency downwards. This is not bad news for the purchasers. In this section naval stores are at a low and unremunerative figure.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

Meeting of the New Hanover Caunty Convention-Organization of the Convention - Resolution Endorse ing Maj. C. M. Stedman for Congress, &c., &c.

Pursuant to a call of the County Demo cratic Executive Committee, the delegates appointed by the various Wards and Townships of the city and county, met in County Convention at the Court House in this city, yesterday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Mr. DuBrutz Cutlar as chairman, of the County Executive Committee, called the Convention to order, and declared the election of a temporary chairman as first in order. After a slight discussion it was decided by unanimous consent that the chair call for the credentials and read the list of delegates to see that a majority were present.

The following delegates were found to

First Ward-J. J. Bowden, L. L. Boon J. Wm. Strauss, S. Hill Terry and John Second Ward-J. W. Dunham, Roger

Moore, R. F. Eyden, Patrick Glavin and DuBrutz Cutlar. Third Ward-L. H. Bowden, C. G.

Southerland, Jos. S. Mitchell and Duncan K. McRac.

Fourth Ward-Charles H. Robinson. Adrian, James Reilly, J. I. Macks and Jno.

Fifth Ward-F. H. Darby, P. T. Dicksey, J. D. H. Klander, J. J. Dicksey and Ino. G. Darden. Cape Fear Township-A J. Grady and

Masonboro Township-John A. Farrow, Chas. Craig, Jr., Stowe Montford and R.

Harnett Township-Gerritt Walker, J G. Parker, C. H. Bonham, C. H. Alexander and L. R. Mason.

On motion of Mr. J. I. Macks, Mr. C. H. Robinson was elected temporary Chairman, and on motion of Mr. L. H. Bowden Mr. L. L. Boon was made Secretary.

There being no contesting delegations the list of credentials previously furnished the Chairman of the Executive Committee was accepted, and the delegates therein named recognized as the regular representatives from the several wards and town-

Mr. C. H. Robinson was then unanimously elected permanent Chairman, and Mr. L. L. Boon permanent Secretary.

Mr. L. H. Bowden offered the following resolution, which was usnimously adopted

Resolved, That the chairman of this Convention appoint seventy-five (75) delegates to the Congressional Convention and forty (40) delegates to the State Convention to be held; the chairman to be allowed until the 24th instant to publish the list of the same. The following resolutions were offered by Mr. F. H. Darby :

We, the representatives of the Democratic people of New Hanover county, in Convention assembled, do hereby resolve: 1st. That we view with profound alarm the constant and progressive movement which under Republican administration is being made to consolidate power in the Fedral, to the displacement of the local selfgovernment, and thereby to destroy the methods and form of constitutional government which the forefathers of the Republic a century ago struggled so gloriously and so successfully to establish.

2nd. That any system whereby the armed soldiers of the United States are to be pre sent at elections held by the people, and under the pretence of keeping peace at the polls, to overawe and intimidate voters, is deserving of reprehension by a free people, and the only safeguard of liberty is its suc-

3d. That the late decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States recognizing the right of Congress to pass coercive measures to compel State officers to perform official duties, assert a power inconsistent with and destructive of the independence of the States ; that the true principles of government are expressed in the dissenting opinion of Justice Field, and the Democratic party pledges itself to their

4th. That it is the duty of the good people of the United States to wipe out the stain which the fraudulent action of the Republican leaders in the last Presidential election has put upon the purity of the ballot, by restoring to the people the right to elect and inaugurate their chosen officers free of force and fraud.

5th That rigid economy, low taxes, hones! reform in the civil service and local selfgovernment, constitute the aim and object these it will devote its ceaseless energies.

6tb. That it is of vital importance that this Congressional District should recover its Democratic representation, lost in the last election, and to this end a candidate should be selected who shall be both of ability and availability.

7th. That in a spirit of earnest brotherhood and in the interest of the whole district, this Convention doth now present to the other counties the name of our fellowcitizen Charles M. Stedman, as a true, tried and reliable Democrat, a sound, practical and successful man of business, and an able lawyer, a generous friend of the poor man and an ardent and eloquent advocate of the rights of the people; and the delegates from this county to the Congressional Convention are instructed to cast their vote solidly for him and to use all honorable and proper means to effect his nomination.

Maj. John W. Dunham moved that the resolutions be voted on seriatim. On motion of Mr. Darby, the motion of to be heard from. Spirits Turpentine.

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The resolutions as offered by Mr. Darby

Mr. J. G. Parker offered the following:

Resolved, That the vote of New Hanover

county shall be cast as a unit in the State

and Congressional Conventions, to be held,

and that a majority of the delegates shall

Major Dunham moved to amend the mo-

tion by striking out the word "State." After

discussion between Messrs. Dunham and

Cutlar in favor of, and Messrs. J. G. Parker,

J. I. Macks and Col. Duncan K. McRae

in opposition to, the amendment was put

The original resolution was then adopted

Mr. J. J. Bowden moved that, in accord-

ance with the call of the County Executive

Committee, the following gentlemen be

appointed as the Executive Committee for

the county and city, to hold office from the

date of this Convention till the next meet-

ing of the Democratic Convention of New

1st Ward-S. Hill Terry, W. J. Mott.

3d Ward-Col. Roger Moore, Dr. J. H.

3d Ward-James W. King, John W.

Boney from the Second Ward. Lost.

with full power to act. Carried.

Mr. J. I. Macks offered the following:

Mr. F. H. Darby renewed the resolution,

owing protest be entered on the minutes:

tion for its consideration and action.

we desire that the District Convention

when called, shall authoritatively decide

whether in future such premature action by

the County Executive Committees shall be

Major Dunham supported his motion in

short speech, in which he stated that he

offered the protest in good faith and with

no desire to produce any discord in the

Mr. F. H. Darby opposed the motion, and

called attention to the fact that in the last

campaign, two years ago, the County Con-

vention assembled to appoint delegates to

the District Convention before either the

time or place for holding the latter had

Col. D. K. McRae also opposed the

doption of the motion, and stated that the

call for the present County Convention was

strictly according to precedent, and that

similar action was now being taken in

On motion of Col. McRae the protest

On motion the meeting then adjourned

There was a huge alligator on exhibition

at the head of the old market house ves

terday afternoon. His alligatorship was

John Dawson, during the early part of the

afternoon, about sixteen miles up the Black

river. It is said to be the largest alligator ever seen in this section, measuring just eleven feet in length, five feet across

the arms, eighteen inches from the tip of

the lower to the tip of the upper jaw, and

sixteen inches across the mouth; his weight

being estimated at about four hundred

pounds. The monster's mate, about the

same size, was killed at the same time, but

sunk to the bottom of the river, and could

not be secured. His alligatorship attracted

as large a crowd as the "Lightning Calcu-

Democratic meetings were held in the

several townships of Pender county yester-

day, to elect delegates to the county con-

vention to be held at Burgaw on the 24th

inst. The chief interest centered on the Congressional contest. Five townships,

heard from last night, all elected Stedman

many other counties of the State.

was laid on the table.

Champion Alligator.

lator" or Dr. Red Syn.

Pender Primaries.

been fixed.

JNO. W. DUNHAM,

ROGER MOORE,

PATRICK GLAVIN,

DUBRUTZ CUTLAR,

RUDOLPH F. EYDEN.

to the Convention and lost.

Hanover county.

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adopted.

objected.

withdraw the motion.

friends had objected.

mously adopted.

decide for whom the votes shall be cast.

were then put and adopted as a whole.

- Major Archibald Cameron, of

Harnett, is dead, aged 74. -- The Winston Light Infantry

has received and accepted an invitation to visit Durham on the 10th of May. -Andrew Joyner proposes, through the Greenville Express, to write up a history of the Pitt county soldiers in the late

- The Raleigh Farmer and Mechanic says it seems to be generally conceded that Gen. W. R. Cox will have a walk over

in this Congressional district. - It is funny to read over the list . of lawyers attending the various courts You can "bardly ever" find a plain Mister.

They were all in the war, you know. - "Blind" or "black" measles is said to be prevailing at Wadesboro and Shoe Heel. Persons are attacked with the disease who had the measles years ago. It is a very severe form of measles, and in several cases has proved fatal .- Rocking-

ham Spirit. - Henderson Review: Mr. T. W. Portner has just returned from New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, D. C., in the interest of his new attachment for railrord box cars. In the latter place he was successful in putting his new invention through the "Patent Office," and was highly recommended to the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

- Newbernian: Our esteemed townsmen, Mr. B. F. Churchill, who has been confined to his bed for many months, departed this life yesterday morning, about 2 o'clock, in the 40th year of his age. -From this statement it will be seen that 1,599 boxes of peas, in all, have been shipped from this port since the picking season commenced, and taking it for granted that they sold in the northern markets at \$5 per box, the sung little pile of \$7,995 has already been realized, and it is expected that 1,000 boxes more will be shipped to day by steamer Pamlico

- Charlotte Observer: It is a fact worthy of note that killing frosts occurred this year and last on identical days of the month, as is shown by the records of the signal office in this city. — At the late meeting of the First Presbytery of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, at Little Steel Creek Church, in this county, there were present thirty-eight ministers, one licentiate and three students of theolegy. It was reported that among the young men preparing for the ministry were four sons of ministers. John T. Chaimers, son of Rev. J. C. Chalmers, was

- Wilson Advance: Rev. J. A. Cunninggim, assisted by Rev. J. N. Audrews, has begun a protracted meeting in the Methodist church at this place. -On yesterday morning, while Mr. James N. Drake was engaged in pulling shingles from the roof of the shed attached to R. J. Taylor's mill, lost his footing and fell to the ground and sustained serious injuries, reaking one arm, fracturing the other bruising himself considerably. -- On Sunday, April 11th, 1880, Elder Cushing Biggs Hassell departed this life, at his home in Williamston, Martin county, aged seventy years three months and twenty-seven days. An honest and upright gentleman, a pure patriot and an earnest and able minister of

Mr. Macks stated that he offered the resolution because he deemed it appropriate and in good faith, and was sorry the friends of Col. Waddell objected. He would Maj. Dunham said one of Col. Waddell's

and mother left the children alone in the house, when the children probably began desire to put on record an expression of their opinion as to the call of the Executive Committee of this county for the meeting to a poll tax? of this Convention, as well as of the pri-- Charlotte Observer: The new mary ward and township meetings ordered by said Executive Committee, and to have colored company did make some organizathe same presented to the District Convention Tuesday night, and will perfect it on

Monday night next at Centennial Hall. We earnestly protest against the action -The Hornet's Nest Riflemen, at their last meeting, received several additional of said committee because the meetings remembers. The armory has also been enferred to were ordered to be held hurriedly and before the District Executive Commitarged, and will be nicely fitted up. tee was called together to fix a time and Mr. Best and his associates, Messrs. Fish, place for holding the District Convention. Grace and Tappan, left New York night Such a proceeding was never heard of bebefore last and are expected to go up the fore in the history of the Democratic party, Western North Carolina Road this mornso far as we know, and we regard it as uning to attend the meeting of the private democratic and unwarranted by any party stockholders of the road at Hickory to-day. t is understood that these gentlemen will The District Executive Committee will make efforts to purchase all the private not meet until Wednesday the 21st inst., stock they can. It is probable that Mr. and therefore the Convention has assembled Best will make some announcement of his to appoint delegates to a Convention not policy at this meeting, as he goes on to et called, at a place not yet agreed upon. Asheville in a few days with his family, and takes charge of the road as soon as the is, in our judgment, discourteous to the District Committee, and if allowed to pass transfer can be made, and the necessity for unnoticed will be a precedent dangerous to reserve will no longer exist. the harmony of the party, and therefore

- Charlotte Press: The Tate Bros. of Mountain Island Mills factory, we regret to learn, sustained a loss of \$2,500 on yesterday, by a destruction of their drying establishment from a defective flue, which ignited the wood work and burned the entire structure. No insurance. -Charlotte will be still more the City of Railroads if the "Pittsburg Southern," which is heading this way is built and it has been started, and from the way the surveying party is at work between Statesville and Winston, the Virginia Midland is coming. But after all, one large cotton factory is worth a Railroad. Several of these and a few tobacco factories will tend more to make Charlotte what she is destined to be, one of the large cities of the country, than anything else. — Logan Harris, of Raeigh, in his last letter to the New York Times, tells lots of things, some of which may be true. He says Gov. Jarvis and Tom Holt are one and the same, and will work together. Holt is to be Lieutenant Governor, and when Jarvis gets Ransom's place in the Senate, Holt will be Governor. Very likely! When the skies fall you will catch larks. - STAR.)

- Goldsboro Messenger: Mr. R. . Southerland, a very clever merchant of Mount Olive, had the misfortune to lose his pocket book while in town here yesterday morning, containing about \$300 in money, a deposit certificate for \$400 on the Bank of New Hanover, payable to Mr. Robert Williams, and some other papers. -Col. Wm. A. Allen, of Duplin, was in attendance at our Superior Court this week. We are assured by prominent Duplin Democrats, that Duplin will give Col. Allen a most enthusiastic and undivided support in the Congressional Convention. -To supply a want long felt in this county, we have just completed a contract with Prof. E. P. Tucke, a competent civil engineer and draughtsman, for a large and complete "map of Wayne county," which we hope to have ready for sale by the 15th of November next. The case of Deems Simmons, colored, for the murder of Mr. Lanier, was called in the Superior Court Monday, according to appointment. — Richlands correspondent: I am informed that the Onslow and Jones pocoasin road will soon be cut through. It is a direct line and very level, and a pretty sight to see it. Mr. C. Ste-phens and others went to Newbern to-day to meet on matters connected with the road, and to apply to the Penitentiary Board for the twenty-five convicts who are to work on the road until completed. Hurrah for the Onslow pocoasin road! It is a fixed delegates. There are four other townships | fact, and will put us ten miles nearer to

4th Ward-A. Adrian, R. W. Price. 5th Ward-F. H. Darby, P. T. Dicksey. Masonboro Township-John A. Farrow. Federal Point Township-J. H. Horne Harnett Township-Gerritt Walker. Cape Fear Township-Iredell Johnson. Col. Moore moved to substitute the names of Maj. J. W. Dunham and G. J.

Mr. Cutlar moved to substitute the name of A. A. Moseley from Harnett Township. The motion of Mr. Bowden was then Maj. Jas. Reilley moved the adoption of

licensed to preach.

Resoived, That all matters pertaining to nominations for county officials be referred to the Executive Committee of this county, Resolved. That the course of Col. A. M. Waddell, in declining the further use of his name in connection with the Democratic nomination for Congress, thus harmon zing the Democracy of New Hanover county, is deserving of the thanks of this Convention, and the same are hereby ten-Mr. Cutlar, as a friend of Col. Waddell.

the Primitive Baptist faith, he was loved, espected and admired wherever known. - Charlotte Democrat: We learn that two negro children were burnt to death in a house on the plantation of Mr. James King, six miles from Monroe. The father

playing with the fire, and set themselves and the building on fire. Same old story. - It is now thought that the road from and spoke briefly as to his reasons there-Knoxville up the Tennessee river through The resolution was then unani-Rabun Gap to some point in Georgia will be built. - It does not advance the in-Maj. J. W. Dunham moved that the folterests and welfare of the colored people to organize military companies. - The Observer says there "are less than five hundred The undersigned, delegates from the men in this city who pay a poll tax." Why Second Ward, of the city of Wilmington, is that so? Why are not all who are iiable to a tax made to pay? Are there not at least one thousand men in Charlotte liable