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THE SUPPLEMENT.

The supplementary rules issued by the Democratic Central Executive Committee, published in yesterday's of some very serious objections. They obviate the task we proposed of examining one or two points. We think if the plan as modified and explained is carried out faithfully that only good will result. The party at large will no doubt willingly conform to the rules and thus insure harmony and uniformity of action.

even as amended. As it now stands the whole city of Wilmington (five Wards) is only entitled to the same vote in electing a County Executive Committee that Federal Point Township is, that Township polling only about 25 Democratic votes. The obforce to Raleigh and Charlotte. We hope the Central Committee will further amend its plan so that each Ward in towns and cities may have an Executive Committee of five mem-

GARRIELD AT HOME.

Do you think Garfield is popular at home? Do you suppose that his Credit Mobilier record was pleasing to his own people' and added to his strength among his constituents? Do you consider the people of the nineteenth Ohio district so corrupt themselves that they would condone all that Garfield did in the Oakes Ames matter and give him an increased majority? Is this the way you look at it? The truth is Garfield ran nearly three thousand votes behind Hayes's vote in 1876 in his own district. We copy from the Philadelphia Times:

"It is a practice with some of the organs to disdain any defense of Garfield's record, on the ground that the people of his district, having indorsed him since the Credit Mobilier business came out, it ought to settle the case. It must be acknowledged that something more than defense by the organs is needed in Garfield's case, but to an unprejudiced observer it must seem very unfortunate that the papear have no more wisdom than to refer to the vote of Gartield's district. In 1876, for instance, when there was a full vote and these charges were brought against Garfield, the vote, as compared with that given for

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"This table, taken from an almanac compiled by the present Secratary of the Republican Congressional Committee, shows that Garfield ran behind Hayes 2,549 votes in five counties casting a little more than 30,600 votes. Had Garfield been the candidate for President that year, and ran behind his ticket in the same proportion throughout the State, he would have been beaten in Ohio by nearly 50,000 votes."

Garfield beat his opponent 3,619 votes less than Hayes beat Tilden in the same five counties. Hayes only carried Ohio by 2,747 majority. So Garfield, if he had been in place of Hayes, would have lost enough votes in one district, and that his own, to have given the State to Tilden. It was the Credit Mobiler rascality that caused this revulsion of popular feel-

moral character according to the verdiet of his own people. His is one of the cases in which no amount of white washing will answer. Then there are the DeGolyer pavement contracts, the Electoral Commission and other damaging records.

And now old Thurlow Weed says, Ropublican as he is, that Hancock's nomination is a strong one. Just so, but the country is saying that daily and Garfield feels it.

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SHARPSBURG.

The STAR expressed a hope that Mr. Curtis's paper in the North American Review relative to the strength of McClellan's and Lee's armies would be replied to in the same publication. Gen. D. H. Maury has undertaken the work, but the Review in question declined to publish. This is very unfair and disingenuous. The editor of the Southern Historical Society Papers pertinently and justly says: "The editor seems to act on the principle that historic accuracy is a matter of small importance where 'Rebels' are concerned, and that he is under no obligation to correct misstatements made concerning them." The Review will not make any capital for itself or for the Northern side by such manifest injustice.

Gen. Maury shows conclusively that Mr. Curtis has erred egregriously in every important statement. He shows it from the official statements of the Confederate and Federal Governments. We have not space to go into the matter in detail, but refer all interested to the reply published in the June number of the Southern Historical Society Papers. Gen. Lee's STAR, will relieve the previous rules | General Orders No. 116 tells the story plainly and graudly, and contradicts Curtis's misstatements emphatically. No man was ever more measured and cautious than the peerless Lee in his congratulatory orders after victory. The Northern writers have been diligent for fifteen years in falsifying history and they will succeed in deceiving all who read but We notice one defect in the plan, one side and leave their intelligence out of the question as they read the garbled and false accounts.

McClellan admits he had 87,164 men, actually in battle, and one corps not engaged. He admits a loss of 28,469 men. This is 1,000 more men than all the infantry which Lee jection we make applies with equal | fought at Sharpsburg. Gen. Maury concludes his review of Curtis in

"There has been so much disposition during the war and since to overestimate the strength of the Confederate armies, that I again call attention to the official statements of the United States War Depart ment relating thereto. They are very con-When we remember that the white population of the Confederate States was only about 5,000,000, and of the United States 16,000,000, the War Department reports show the men enrolled in Federal armies, 2,600,000; men enrolled in Confederate armies, 600,000; white men from South in Federal armies (principally from Missouri. Kentucky and West Virginia), 400,000; in 1863, when our armies were greatest, their strength did not much exceed 200 000; Federal prisoners held by us, 270,000; Confederate prisoners lost by us, 220,000; Federal prisoners who died in our prisons, 22,576; Confederate prisoners who died in Northern prisons, 26,436. These figures are of unquestionable auhority, and should always be regarded conclusive in considering questions which arise about relative forces, treatment of

"After the generation of non-combatants who harked us on to war against each other, while they traded in our blood, shall have passed away, these figures, with all they prove, will fix in history the conduct of the armies of the Southern Confederacy and the character of the Southern

Mr. Tilden is satisfied with the nomination, will give it his hearty support, and thinks the prospects are very favorable for success. He will earnestly cooperate with the New York Democracy, and that means a great deal. The country knows that he is unsurpassed as an organizer, and if he does not actively engage in the management he will give those in charge of the campaign in New York the benefit of his large experience, his uncommon tact, his great resources of judgment and "the sinews." We can but believe that New York is not only safe for Hancock, but it will give him a rousing majority. The only ugly spot thus far developed is Virginia. Whilst the outlook is not flattering just now we must hope for an improved condition in that old Democratic State. Pennsylvania and Ohio may be now classed as doubtful

In regard to the improvements needed in the navigation of Eastern North Carolina, Captain Phillips says of the Tar and Pamlico rivers:

"I would recommend that of the \$9,000 thus appropriated the sum approximately of \$3,500 be used for tolling out stumps from the southern side of a dredged channel about one mile below Washington, N. Garfield has a very badly damaged | C., with the view of widening it southwardly. After these stumps are taken out the required dredging can be done at a reasonable cost. To dredge and extract strumps at the same time would involve unnecessary expense, and the amount appro-priated for the Tar and Pamlico rivers would be inadequate for widening this dredged channel to the extent desirable were it all used for that purpose. The widening of this dredged channel is nearly all of the work needed on the improvement of the Pamlico river. I would recommend that the balance of the appropriation be used in putting in cheap jetties in the Tar river between Taft's Landing and Tarboro', and in taking out fallen trees and stumps and in cutting away over-hanging trees between those points, being the most impor-tant work now needed on Tar river."

We have already referred to the partisan action of Hayes in vetoing the Deputy Marshal's bill. The intent of the bill was to divest the election laws of those very reprehensible partisan features which Gen. Garfield admitted and proposed to remedy by his amendment. On the part of the Democrats it was a sincere and frank effort to get rid of very obnoxious, one-sided, and oppressive laws. It was an effort solely and purely in the interest of an honest and fair election. But Hayes would not so regard it. Something must be done for party and hence the veto. In his action he squarely antagonized the Republican candidate for the Presidency. He has indorsed the action of the bull-dozers and plug-uglies. He has said to the American voters, there must not be a free election. He has made a blunder as well as committed a crime. His party will find out that the bone and sinew of the land understand his devices and plans and those of his advisers and backers. They will know what the purposes and responsibilities of a party are when they retain laws that have been woefully abused to further partisan ends, and when every effort to mitigate the evil is resisted steadfastly, even to the arbitrary and un-

justifiable exercise of the veto power. Gen. Garfield cannot afford, in view of his past course, to abide by the position of Hayes and to indorse the recent action of his party friends in the Congress.

But there is another matter reuiring Garfield's attention. It is the conduct of his party with reference to settling the manner of counting the Electoral votes. Every intelligent person knows how much trouble and even danger has been involved in the old rule of counting, and the crying necessity for a change. The Democrats in Congress had agreed upon a new joint rule providing for the Electoral coupt. It was to all intents and purposes identical with the one proposed by the late Senator Morton, the great man of his party. It is acknowledged even by Republicans to be a very great improvement upon the old rule. But the Republicans oppose it, filibuster over it, and postpone it until after the Presidential election. Such conduct is without justification, and may prove very hazardous. It is clearly manifest that the Stalwarts mean mischief, mean wrong, mean a great crime against the people. They are preparing for a repetition of the rascalities and frauds of 1876. The votes of the Republicans in Congress show this.

That we are not excited by undue fears or doing injustice to our political opponents, we will reproduce some passages from a recent doubleleaded editorial in the Philadelphia Times, the fairest and one of the ablest of the Independent papers of the North. Read and consider. The

"The revolutionary efforts of the Republicans to prevent the adoption of a law to regulate the Electoral count, even when the highest Republican authority, must place Gen. Garfield in a false and most perilous position before the country in the campaign, unless wiser and more patriotic councils speedily prevail. It is Gen. Garfield upon whom the blow must fall if his party, with his active or passive approval, exposes the Republic to anarchy by revolutionary efforts to prevent the majority from passing a rule that is in perfect accord with Republican precedents, and that differs from the Republican rule only in its greater protection to justice. that none mistake the revolutionary pur-

'Gen. Garfield should well weigh the fact pose that animates his partisan friends in he House. They mean, by revolutionary opposition, to prevent the adoption of any law to bind Congress in counting the Electoral vote, and they do it for the avowed purpose of placing the absolute decision of the disputed vote of any State in the hands of the Vice President. In short, it is intended, in case of the defeat of Garfield, to compel Vice President Wheeler to recognize bogus Garfield returns from Lousians or some other State, and declare Garfield elected as Hayes was declared elected after his overwhelming defeat by Tilden.

"If this revolutionary policy shall be per-sisted in by General Garfield's friends in the House, it will be notice to the country that revolution is to defeat a just law to regulate the electoral count, and to open the way for a revolutionary defeat of the popular will in the choice of the next Pres-* * The nation has borne the consuming shame of Vice President Wheeler's occupancy of the chair of the Senate, but it will not fear should the creature of that shame attempt to transmit a perpetual reign of fraud upon the Republic. Peace now rules throughout the land, and the party or candidate that attempts to disturb the public tranquility, or to make its disturbance possible by revolutionary acts, will be defeated in November as cer-

tain as night succeeds the day." Garfield's party, be it remembered, resisted every effort of the Democrats to have the new rule adopted. and its further consideration was postponed until December, 1880, when it may be too late to save the

WHAT THE REPUBLICANGAME IS | ment and much more imminent peril than that of 1876. The party of Garfield in Congress are alone responsible for this condition of affairs.

> SOME OF GARFIELD'S RECENT VOTES.

The Democratic papers know that Hancock has a pure and unsullied record. They know that the Radical game is to try to put them on the defensive by hatching all manner of false and toolish charges in order to shield their men from the ugly official records of the country. But the Democrats do not mean to be thrown into any such attitude. They will dispose in short order of all such silly and mean accusations as have been trumped up thus far. In their zeal to slander Hancock the Republicans are blind enough to expose Garfield and to invite a closer scrutiny into his record than would be otherwise given. We gave an instance in the recent charge about Hancock and Hayes. Another one is found in the absurd and groundless charge that Hancock's nomination was secured by certain fellows who had jobs to urge. The Philadelphia Times reminds them that this is dangerous ground for Candidate Garfield. It says:

"The Post Office Department asked for

an appropiation to make up a Deficiency of

\$1,700,000 for the year ending June 30, 1850—a deficiency caused by the criminal extravagance of Assistant Postmaster General Brady. The demand for this large additional appropriation in excess of the Department's original estimates led to the appointment of an investigating committee, of which Mr. Blackburn was chairman. This committee made an exhaustive report, criminating Brady, reflecting severely on the Department and allowing \$1,200,-000, as the work had to be done or was done. In the discussion on this bill Mr. Garfield took ground in favor of Brady, or, in other words, in favor of the voracious and favored contractors, and voted first in committee of the whole and afterwards in the House to strike out the restrictions placed in the bill and to give Brady the full amount that he asked. Again, when the regular bill, making an appropriation ot \$7,500,000 for the present fiscal year, came up, Mr. Garfield opposed the committee's proviso to have all the contracts relet next October on the new basis of prices, and it was defeated. Then an amendment was offered by Money, of Mississippi, ordering a reletting under certain restrictions. This, too, was antagonized by the department and the contractors, and Mr. Garfield and his immediate following voted against it. * * * With Mr. Garfield and in favor of the contractors voted all but eight or ten Republican members of the House. By the way, the three largest contractors and two-thirds of the whole number of contractors are Republicans, and the chief of them is on record as offering to give \$50,000 to the Republican campaign fund in the event of General Grant's nom-

The organs would do well to go slow. They have a candidate whose political record will not bear the light of day, and ordinary prudence would suggest to them the wisdom and propriety of singing low about the record of any one. In defending Garfield and Arthur they will have their bands full.

PRAGRANT.

We admire "cheek." When it is in large development-something colossal, so to speak—we stand in its presence and wonder as we gaze. We confess the doings of the Stalwarts rather crowd our astonishment. They do things on so sublime a scale of impudence that we are amazed. 'And still we gazed and still our wonder

Consider their recent votes in Conin connection with their speeches. They talk glibly, forcefully, eloquently even, about the rights of freemen, the purity and freedom of the ballot and an honest count. They denounce vigorously, unmeasuredly, all forms of terrorism, all violations of law, all efforts at bulldozing. But what does it all amount to? Words, idle, foolish, vain words; only that and nothing more. It is vapor, bosh, rant, and endless nothingness. Whilst denouncing and berating they are practicing, doing, performing. They give the lie direct to all their utterances. In Rhode Island, in Massachusetts they disfranchise tens of thousands of laboring white men. In Philadelphia, in New York, and elsewhere they resort to the most effective and cunningly devised system of bulldozing, and thousands of free, qualified electors are disfranchised.

Are these empty statements without foundation in fact. We have already, in previous editorials shown by irrefragable testimony that the disfranchising is largely practiced in Massachusetts, and to a considerable extent in Rhode Island. We need not go into the matter again or at this time. As to the bulldozing in New York and Philadelphia that too has been made plain. We will not stop now to restate the evidence as we wish to refer to a matter more especially in which the voters of the country from a far greater excite- whole country are interested.

wish to offer briefly some testimony as to the character of the Republican peace-preservers who were employed in 1876 to do political work at the polls. It will be seen what a lovely and fragrant boquet decorates the the Grant men got the victory in button-hole of the party of Garfield and Arthur.

In the Presidential election of 1876 the Republican party used 11,615 special deputy marshals. Of this number 10,874 were placed in Democratic precincts, as the report of the Attorney General of the United States shows. Why this? Can there be but one answer? Was it not to mtimidate, to bulldoze, to terrorize? It was a great shame. Gen. Garfield, only a few weeks ago, admitted in the House that there had been abuse. Of course there has been and of the most alarming kind. In the State of Pennsylvania many of the leading Republican politicians are under indictment for attempting to bribe the Legislature, and the President of a leading Philadelphia bank, and a Republican ex-Treasurer of the State, W. H. Kemble, plead guilty in court this very year that he had attempted to bribe the members of the Legislature. When the leading men of the party are thus corrupt what may you expect to find in the character of the tools they employ? Let us look into this matter by the aid of

Representative E. B. Finley, of Ohio, made a speech in the House of Representatives some three months ago. He spoke in the presence of the Republicans from Pennsylvania. We quote from what he said about the deputy marshals employed in that State, and we ask our readers to ponder and remember. Said Mr.

"Why, Mr. Chairman, of the seven hundred marshals employed in Philadelphia in the last election, I find from a report of a committee of the other House, that thirteen of them were convicted of crimes, such as murder, burglary, shooting, with intent to kill, &c. Two of them were keepers of houses of prostitution, two were keepers of low doggeries, and the whole lot of them, every one of them, was an active working Republican at the polls who wore the badge on his breast of a special deputy marshal

"I will give the gentleman the names of some of his constituents and probably he will remember them. One of them is Philip Madden. He was a special deputy marshal at the polls who had been convicted of highway robbery and served two terms in the penitentiary. [Laughter.] Francis Mc-Namee, of the Seventh Ward, had been arrested five different times for different crimes, some of them as high as burglary. Daniel Redding, who also wore the badge upon his breast, had been tried for murder, and he was the gentleman that the testimony shows had voted no less than eight times in one day. He was an active, working Republican and wore the marshal's badge on

'Michael Slavin, marshal Fifth ward, is described as 'a thief and notorious repeater.' J. Roberts, marshal sixteenth division, had been a policeman in the City of Brotherly Love. He had blocked up the polls and arrested citizens who went there to vote, and he had a beautiful record. He had been keeping a house of prostitution and had there a lot of Republican policemen that were paid out of the Federal Treasury for keeping the peace at the

After reading this then remember that the Democrats, during the late session of Congress, endeavored to have the election law so amended as to divide the deputy marshals equally between the two great parties and to give the appointment to the Courts instead of allowing the Marshals to select them, and the Kepublicans voted against it. Remember also that the bill passed nevertheless, but was vetoed by Hayes, a Republican President who holds his office by fraud. Such is the Republican record as to the deputy marshals. Such is the Republican record as to bulldozing in the past. Such is the Republican record as to a fair, free and honest election about which they preach so much. Was there ever such an exhibition of "cheek" in the face of such a record?

We are glad to see that the Wilmington STAR, though tardy, has noticed that ill-advised article of the Biblical Recorder which we called attention to last week. If our Democratic press allow such a statement from a religious journal of the influence of the Recorder to go unanswered, we might as well give up the fight. - Warren

Our article was written days before it was published. Being a news paper we give the preference to the latest and freshest.

The following concerns our great leader, and will be read with sympathy. A New York letter of the 14th

"The remains of the little grandson of Gen. Hancock were taken from Governor's Island to-day, and sent to Norristown, Pa., for interment, in charge of Mr. Russell Hancock and Lieut. Ward. The General came over in the boat with his sorrowing son, but bade him goodbye at the wharf."

The Virginia Democrats appear partly well united in their determination to make no compromise with the Mahoneites.

We do not get the New York Times, the leading Republican daily, and some times miss matter that concerns North Carolina. Its Raleigh correspondent, we notice, claims that organizing the Republican State

Committee. He writes: "The marrow of the fight was the control of the State Committee. The Grant men were determined that it should not be made up so as to secure an indorsement of the delegates who voted against Grant. The other side fought to retain the control they had in the committee before the convention met. With all these complications, with no organized movement throughout the State on the part of the Grant men, with Colonel Thomas B. Keogh, the real leader of the Grant men, absent from the State, and with full organization by the opponents of the Grant men, the Grant men carried the convention, adopted the plan of organization as reported by the committee, and succeeded in having a State Committee appointed by Congressional districts and by the convention, and not by the President of the convention."

Death of Mr. Thomas Williams, of Pender County. The numerous friends and acquaintances of this estimable gentleman were shocked last night to hear of his sudden and unexpecied death, which took place at the Purcell House, in this city, after a little over a week's illness, of gastric fever. Mr. Williams arrived in the city about a week ago from his home in Pender county, and has been confined to his room in the Purcell House ever since, though his condition was not such as to occasion any alarm until yesterday, when the fever, which had been continuous for the past ten days, set in with increased violence, and resulted in his death last night at 81 o'clcek.

Mr. Williams was born in this county, in what is now a part of Pender, and though at the time of his death he had only reached the age of 32 years, had already obtained a position of prominence in his county and in this section. He was the Democratic candidate for Sheriff of Pender county several years ago, and was the representative of his county on the Democratic Congressions Committee for the present campaign. He was a genial, kindly, clever gentleman, a useful and public spirited citizen, with hosts of friends, to whom he was warmly devoted. and who, together with his many acquaintances and fellow-citizens, will mourn the loss of a man of solid worth and true man-

The remains will be taken to Rocky Point by this morning's train, and the funeral will take place this afternoon, at 4 o'clock, at Pike church, five miles from Rocky Point.

Crab Culture.

A Water street friend, who has had considerable experience in crab culture, and ject of "Breeding Soft Crafts," says he has often recommended a similar plan to our Sound fishermen, and is certain that it would prove a success. He takes issue with the assertion therein, however, that a crab remains soft after shedding for three days. He says that when the crab first sheds he is as soft as velvet, but after the lapse of six hours the outer skin assumes the consistency of writing paper, and continues gradually hardening until the "soft" becomes once more a "hard-shell" crab. We never knew until we heard our friend talk on the subject yesterday that there was so much really interesting information to be gained from a discourse on "Crab Culture."

Inter-State Glass Ball Contest.

We are indebted to the Committee or Invitations, Messis. T. W. Dautzler and H.S. Evans, for an invitation to attend the Inter-State Glass Ball Contest to take place in Hendersonville, N. C., on the 28th of July. The citizens of Hendersonville, the committee inform us, offer a purse of \$100 to the winning team. Other prizes, aggregating \$300 in amount, are to be shot for. Special excursion rates are offered on the railways, and the hotels there extend low rates to visiting guests. A grand ball will wind up the festivities. Crack teams from Augusta, Raleigh, Charleston, Atlanta, Aiken, Spartanburg and elsewhere have been invited, and are expected to attend. Every Gun Club in the State is tendered a cordial invitation to enter the contest. A large attendance is expected from the Carolinas and Georgia.

The Dixle Agricultural Fair. From the inducements being offered we have no doubt that there will be a large attendance upon the Fair of the Dixie Agricultural Association, which is to come off at Wadesboro on the 28th and 29th insts. Officers of the Association will afford every accommodation possible to persons who may desire to camp out, while board can be obtained at from 75 cents to \$2 per day. Persons who desire to rent unfurnished rooms or procure lodging in advance can do so at once. Capt. John T. Patrick, of the Wadesboro Herald, who is Secretary of the Association, will attend to all these matters if applied to. Special rates will be secured on the railroads and all other arrangements made to secure a full attendance and a successful fair.

Bishop Atkinson Improving.

We are glad to learn from Col. J. W. Atkinson, who has just returned from Baltimore, that the condition of his father, the Bishop, has very much improved, and that he thinks, provided no unexpected development takes place, he will certainly get well. The Bishop has been suffering from a complication of disorders, his recovery from which will be a source of great gratik fication to his hosts of friends.

County Bridges.

Chief Justice Smith recently filed an opinion, opposing the judgment in the Court below, an abstract of which, given by the Raleigh News, reads as follows: "It is no part of the duty of County Commissioners to keep the bridges of their counties in repair, and they are not criminally liable for failure to do so.'

Feli Dead.

Mr. William Alderman, writing us from Gray's Creek, Cumberland county, under date of July 14th, informs us that John T. Wright fell dead while walking in the pubhe road that morning, about 10 o'clock, near the residence of H. B. Butler. No foul play was used. Mr. Wright was about 65 years of age.

Spirits Turpentine.

- Crops are looking fine in Dare

- Rutherford county has 15,000

- Richmond county has a woman who has had nineteen children.

- Union county has 18,136 popuation. In 1870 it had 12,217, an increase

- Plymouth has a preparatory High School, whilst Tyrrell has the Colum-

- Warren county will show an increase of 30 per cent. in its population, the

News thinks.

- The Murfreesboro Enquirer is for sale. Also a half interest in the Hen-

derson Review - Charlotte Home: The death of

two of Statesville's young ladies is an-nounced, Miss Mary McCleiland and Miss Maggie Long, daughter of Dr. J. F. Long. - Warren News : The North Carolina Democratic State Committee have issued a supplement to their plan of organi-

zation, which is about one-third the length of the original document. They ought to have taken more time and pains in the first - Farmer and Mechanic: At the big "draw-off" at Smith's mill pond, one hundred shares were sold, and \$250 realized. There were about a thousand

spectators, and the catch was tremendous. Fully ten barrels of chubs, suckers, catfish, etc., were bagged, and many of the chubs weighed from 8 to 11 pounds. - Wilson Advance: On the moruing of the 13th, in Old Fields Township, Mordecai Hagins was found dead near the residence of J. F. Estman. He had been dead, from all appearances, several days.

Coroner Peele went out and held an in

quest over the dead man, and the verdict of the jury was that he came to his death by a blow or blows over the left temple. - Warrenton Gazette: Reports. from different parts of the country say that the corn and cotton are looking better than in several years. The tobacco is small. - The census of Warrenton shows a population of 815. This embraces only those who are strictly within the corporate limits. Within three-quarters of a mile of the court house we count a population of

fifteen hundred - The Raleigh Observer says the grand jury of Wake in their report refer to the court house and say they found it a sleeping place to lodge in. These people lie in the building every night, and this fact has been long known to the police. The benches in the portico and the hallways are often filled with these "lazzaroni." The grand jury recommend that a new and suitable court house be built.

- Raleigh News: In the census lists for this county is reported a family and three children. We desire to suggest that in the final report they be put down as two square meals and three lunches. In another family there are also three children. The eldest named James, is 14, then comes the next who is 11 years old and is named Donequit. But this name was falsified by the birth of the youngest, Robert, who is only seven years old.

- Toisnot Sunny South: We learn that there are portions of Nash county, n which not enough rain has fallen to lay the dust since the 27th of April. -The storm on night before last did considerable damage in the neighborhood of Dr. Mercer's, about seven miles east of this place. Corn and cotton blown down and washed Fences carried away by the wind and - Last Tuesday morning as Mr. M. T. Williams and his wife were driving into town, their horse took fright, and ran away, throwing them from the buggy. Mrs. Williams was very bady hurt.

- New Berne Nut Shell: The committee appointed by the Stockholders of the A. & N. C. R. R. to receive propositions for a lease of the road, met in Morehead City Wednesday night. Propositions from Col. Bridgers, of the W. & W. R. R., from W. P. Clyde, the Midland Railway Co., and other corporations were presented. The committee desiring that the matter should be disposed of at a full meeting of the Stockholders, waived the right to act definitely as a committee, and returned the propositions for formulation of details, to be submitted at a general meeting of the Stockholders in Morehead City on Thursday, September 16th, 1880.

- Kinston Journal: Marion Metts, small colored boy, was drowned at J. C. Kennedy's flour mill last week. -The fishing at J. C. Kennedy's upper mill has been unusually good for several weeks past, and the pond has been visited by hundreds of the fishermen. They go in squads, camp out and spend several days in fishing, capturing the perch and jacks by the hunto healthfulness. Her death rate for the last year was eighteen to 1217 inhabitants, or one to every sixty-seven of population. kept notice of the growth of a stalk of cotton in his field last week, and it grew ten inches in height in three days. - Elijah McDaniel, of Jones, was in Kinston on Saturday. He had been up in Greene, and says the cotton crops in both Greene and enoir were much better than in Jones.

POLITICAL POINTS.

- The Philadelphia Times says that Col. Forney is to receive \$5,000 for his campaign life of Gen. Hancock. - The National candidate Han-

cock, versus the sectional candidate Garfield. That is the issue of the campaign. -Washington Post. - Gen. Sherman has just killed a

silly campaign story by denying that Gen. Hancock ever wrote him a letter notifying him that he intended to take orders from Mr. Tilden. The story was hardly worth the denial.— Washington Post.

- Some of the Maine men who went to Chicago to shout and work for Mr. Blaine, are now doing their level best to elect the Democratic and Greenback combination ticket in that State. When the Chicago Convention defeated Mr. Blaine, it was a bad day's work for the party. - Washington Post, Dem.

SOUTHERN ITEMS.

- No census was taken in Bradford county, Florida.

- Mr. John R. Pickens is the Greenback candidate for Governor in Alabama. There will be no Republican can-

- Elder G. O. Burnett, the first Governor of California, is still living. He s a native of Nashville, and is now in his

- Gov. Wiltz, of Louisiana, who has just returned from a trip through Colorado, expresses a firm belief that the atter State will cast its electoral vote for Hancock.

- One of the most sensible paragraphs we have seen this year was written by Rev. Elias Dodson for the Biblical Recorder. Here it is: "Why is there so much wickedness in the land? Because profes. sors of religion do so little to check it. If a minister or a private member does not follow two great principles, the glory of God and the salvation of men, he is at sea without chart or compass, and his life will be a failure."—Oxford Orphan's Friend.