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SUGGESTIONS OF A CURE OF PO LYGAMY.

We are satisfied that the Mormon question must become, sooner or later, one of the most importantpossibly the most important that the United States Government will have to deal with. It is simply impossible that Mormonism can be ignored much longer. It will not agree to be ignored, because it is aggressive, self-willed and wicked. President Garfield, in his inaugural, took ground that justifies the confident expectstion that he will tackle the monstrous stigma and blight. He gave out that it was his determination to exert the power of the Government

for its suppression. It is not denied that the difficulties in the way of its suppression are peculiar and formidable. Probably up living statesman is equal to the task of furnishing the right solution. Whilst it is admitted on all sides that the great evil ought to be extir. pated, and many suggestions have been made, after all the difficulties appear to remain and the solution quantived. We have before pointed to some of the proposed remedies and the difficulties environing them. It is held generally by those who have investigated the matter that there can be to cure as long as the present jury evetem exists in Utah. As Mormons compose always a majority of juries iral of causes in which Mormons are

concerned is but little better, if any, than a farce. It is proposed, in view of this fact, to wipe out Utah from the map and let it be absorbed in adjoining Territories or States. In this way it would be possible for cases to be tried at Salt Lake City to be removed to other places and the peculisr complexion of juries could be changed. This is one of the sug-

gested remedies.

There is to be another plan proposed. It is believed when the next Congress is organized that a bill will be introduced to change the form of government. The purpose is to get rid of Governor and Judges and to place the entire government of the Territory in the hands of a Commission to be composed of seven persons to be named by the President. There could be many objections urged to this plan. It is novel, untried, contrary to usage, and subversive of the ancient order of things. Governing States and Territories by a sort of Star Chamber would not be agreesble to the free people of America, it strikes us. Then again it gives the President additional power, a thing not to be desiderated just at this time, if ever. The bill to be proposed contemplates further disfranchising all polygamiets, men and women also, as the latter are allowed to

Another plan still is to retain the present government of Utah, but so changing the law as to juries as to allow them to be selected by men who are faithful to the laws of the United States, and who will select no men who regard their oaths to the Church as paramount to their oaths of allegiance to the United States. No man | velopment. Open up our important who lives in polygamy is to be chosen, the burden of proof of innocency to and energy and enterprise, and "the rest upon the accused. The ballot is to be opened to all men. This last suggestion is that favored by the Philadelphia American, Rep., which says of the Utah juries as now organ-

"As regards juries in Utah the law now requires that the jurors shall be drawn in equal proportions from the Mormon and the Gentile element. The former, of course, object to any change. But has a law, breaker the right to demand the position of Georgia.

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THE CAROLINA OBSTRAL.

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WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 1881

THE TWO LEADERS. Memoir stated that it had been sub-If the serious illness of Lord

a jurymen, or has a person charged with felony a right to insist that half the jury which tries him shall be composed of per-sons who have been indicted for a similar Beaconsfield should terminate fatally flence? As to the matter of evidence, unit would have very great influence upon the political fortunes of his de can be done. The parties to unlawful party we suppose. He has been so themselves, and the priest who lates is bound by what he regards as a long a time the leader of the Tories or Conservatives, as they now prefer owment House. The common law holds hat if stolen goods are found in a man's cossession soon after the theft has been committed, and he can give no reasonable to call themselves, and is by such s great distance the first man in ability, courage, and resource among all the prominent men of his party, that his Court presumes that he is guilty of larceny. It can work no greater hardship to enact that when a man is found with from two to twenty nominal wives in his keeping, the Court shall presume that he is guilty of death could not fail to be a great blow to their hopes. He cannot continue but a few years in active leadership, for he is now some seventy-six or seventy-seven years of age. But his loss just now would be irreparable. combined wisdom and statesmanship The party of the aristocrats and large landed proprietors might not be able to rally in sufficient force for a long mere so drive the Liberal

from power. But Lord Beaconsfield's death would not only deprive the Tory party of its most signal leadership and be almost certain to prevent its return to power within bank president of Charlotte, a day or any reasonable time, but it would retwo since, in regard to the probable move from British politics the mos effect of the lease of the Charlotte & aggressive, dashing and reckless of Atlanta Air Line by the Richmond & leaders. In this particular England Danville combination. Among other would be benefited.

there can be no doubt that the great

Liberal Premier is ageing rapidly

and growing weak very fast under

him. He was averse to taking office

again, and it would have been much

better for him if he had remained in

retirement cultivating literature and

his farm. His death would prove a

very serious blow to his party, but,

great as he is, it is not without other

very able leaders, and possibly it

would not be as disastrous to the

cause of progress and reform as would

the death of his great rival prove

disastrous to the hopes of the Tory

When Beaconsfield and Gladstone

eass away the two most remarkable

Englishmen of the last fifty years

will have gone to their final audit.

England is never without men of

high culture and superior abilities.

She has now many able men, but

none so marked as leaders as these

two venerable statesmen. John

Bright, in some respects, a greater

orator than either of the two we

have named, is in rather infirm

But after all, however useful or

illustrious or potential a man may be

in his day and generation, and how-

ever necessary he may be deemed for

the welfare and glory of his country,

his place is somehow quickly sup-

plied, and as Joe Jefferson says

whilst personating Rip Van Winkle,

in tones of wonderful pathos, "are we

so soon forgotten." It is true that the

impress of men of colossal minds is

not removed speedily, and in case of

great creative genius the influence

and power continue all down the

ages shaping men's thoughts and even

moulding their destinies. But with

most men of ability their influence is

limited and transitory and their

memories soon pass away. Mr. Glad-

stone is not of this number, we feel

assured. His writings will keep his

memory green for a century, whilst

his great reform measures will eter-

nise his name among the greatest,

purest and wisest of British states-

men. We trust that the great Libe-

ral leader will live many years

to come, and that when his work is

ended the God of nations will raise

up some other pure, able, consecrated

leader to carry on the immense work

of reform begun and so much ad

Senator Mahone has learnt some

thing evidently from his famous cor-

respondence with Gen. Early in 1871.

He was held responsible for a biogra-

phy of himself written by a Federal

General. Gen. De Peyster published

a Memoir of Gen. Mahone in the

Historical Magazine for June, 1870

published at Morrisania, New York.

vanced by William E. Gladstone.

health, and is himself an old man.

But whilst the leader of one party "The Richmond & Danville Company are the owners of the Western North Carois sick, perhaps fatally, the great ina Road, and also control all the lines lina Road, and also control all the lines leading out from here, with the exception of the Carolina Central. It has this road now almost cut off at both of its termini, rendering its business entirely local, which must damage its gross receipts and must diminish very materially its profits. The Carolina Central Road must consequently suffer by this lease, as the Air Line has been a strong feeder to this line." leader of the other party is reported as breaking down rapidly under the cares of office. Now in his seventyfirst year Mr. Gladstone is doing the work of two industrious and able men. His recent fall has also proved eeder to this line." hurtful to his constitution. If we may trust London correspondents

We do not know (referring to the Carolina Central) exactly what the Doctor means by "both of its termini," unless he includes Wilmington as one terminus; and if he does, we canthe very severe task that is laid upon not see how the Carolina Central can be cut off here as long as vessels drawing 18 feet water can pass over our

"There's many a slip between th cup and the lip." A few days ago so powerful a corporation as the Baltimore & Ohio bad no thought of being distanced by the Richmond & Danville in the race for the Sibley-Air-Line stakes. Yet, so it was. Still, are there not other combinations that may be formed?

Possibly, the new arrangement may diminish the "gross receipts" of the Carolina Central. We doubt it. That road has been doing an immense freight traffic for many months past. It has all it can possibly do now without regard to its connections at Charlotte. By the opening of the next cotton season its transportation facilities will be materially increased.

Now, the question is, cannot the Carolina Central, with its 242 miles of railway, be more than self-sustaining without regard to combinations, consolidations or connections

CAPE FRAR & YADKIN VALLEY HAILWAY.

The Raleigh News-Observer of March 27th says: The people living on the line of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad I soon be gratified at seeing the track laid. The iron has been ordered, and is expected to arrive as follows: 1,000 tons in April, 1,000 tone in May and 1,000 tons in June. It will be laid as rapidly as possible esent terminus at the Gulf to Greensburo We may expect to see trains running be-tween the towns of Fayetteville and Greensore by the end of the year at the furtherest. The opening of a road was never looked for more eagerly. - Greensbore Pa-

It ought to be understood that the transaction referred to above was made by Mr. Julius A. Gray, the present President of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway. There are some, we hear, who think this item of news has some connection with the recent Act of the Legislature authorizing the sale of the road under certain circumstances and conditions. It is an old thing, if we may be allowed to express ourselves in a home

"A gentleman in this city is in receipt of a private letter from a prominent gentle-man in Wilmington, in which he incident-ally mentions the sale of the Air Line Rail-road and in referring to it he expresses his intention of leaving Wilmington, as she is now, by this consummation, 'everleatingly and eternally dead.'"—Charlotte Observer.

We rather think Wilmington has been burt about as much as it can be. and we still hope for growth and dewater-ways, build factories, use pluck city by the sea" will have a "future" more reliable than cotton.

The papers are now telling of "a corner in oats." We have known a fellow who "felt his oats" to take to a "corner" early.

Gen. Longstreet is to be recalled from Turkey and made U. S. Marshal (Rebel) General and in a Northern the explosives and chambers have

mitted to Gen. Mahone and "approved by him." and that it was "corrected by the General's friend, Col. S. Basset French," who, by the way, has received office recently, we understand, through Mahone's influence. This Memoir reflected upon Gen. Robert E. Lee, Gen. Early, and perhaps other Confederate leaders. This sort of manufacturing of history was not to be tolerated by brave old Gen. Jubal A. Early, so he brought Mahone square up and forced him to face the music. That Gen. Early meant fight no one will doubt who saw the whole of the correspondence. Gen Bradley T. Johnson and Col. Robert E. Withers acted for Gen. Early, and Capt Ham Chamberlaype acted for Gen. Mahone. A portion of the correspondence

was published. It, however, embraced only the first letter of Gen. Early and the last letter of Gen. Mahone, with a short concluding letter by Gen. Early. Gen. Early first demanded if t was true, as stated in the note, that the Memoir had been first "submitted" to Gen. Mahone and "approved by" him"before its publication, and whether the language attributed to" him, Gen. Mahone, "therein," was his? We have never seen the intermediate correspondence, but we have heard that there was a sixteen page letter of Gen. Early's that was extremely warm and sharp. But be that as it may, the result of the correspondence was this, as stated by Gen. Early in his final letter: "All the passages in the original Memoir which were personally offensive to me have been expurgated in this revised copy."

We have heard that this "expursame New York Historical Magazine in which the offensive Memoir appeared. The editor of the magegine said the first one was published "for a consideration," and it is legitimate to suppose that the second one was published also "for a considera-

The lesson taught Gen. Mahone by this letter was that if he allowed another person to assault a gallant commander in arms and indorsed it, that he became responsible for the same. and just as much so as if it had been written by himself. In the recent debate with Senator Voorhees he appears not to have forgotton that lesson as he rather insisted upon holding that gentleman responsible for an editorial in a Philadelphia Republican paper that reflected upon himself, even after the Senator had "disclaimed any indorsement of any ex pressions in the article which might be construed in the way of making a

personal quarrel with bim." The subsequent proceedings became very personal-nay, very fierce What will be the outcome of it remains to be seen hereafter. Whether pistols and coffee will follow or not the whole country remains on tiptoe to see. The whole debate was fiery and the old sores have been opened wide. It is very manifest that the time is not immediate when the Northern Stalwarts will cease to flaunt the old sanguinary rag and to bring railing accusations against the whole Southern people. The faults, or crimes, if you please, of a few hot-heads or bad men are made the faults and crimes of the whole people. Every man of sense and justice, whether he live in Maine or Ohie, must know that this treatment of the South is both vindictive and cruel. But the old work will go on, and after sixteen years of peace between the North and the South there is no peace with the Stalwarts. The Southern Senators do not appear disposed to sit down quietly any longer under unjust and false imputations. The Stalwarts will receive as many blows as they may be disposed to give,

Of course all such debates are to be regretted. Criminations and recriminations are always to be deprecated, but what must the South do? Sit with wool in its mouth, with bowed whilst the miscreants smite its cheeks and spit their venom upon it? Who says that?

Some discoveries of a very startling character have been made at Yorktown very recently, but we have not space now to copy the account. We Of course it was remarkable that a will try to do so in our next issue. Federal General should write and The entire village was undermined print a Memoir of a Confederate during the Federal occupancy, and historical monthly. A note to the been discovered.

BU MADICAL CAMP METERO. There has been a great of the Federal officeholders of North Carolina in Washington, Shaffer, of Raleigh, and like Young, and Lou Harris, and Tim Lee, "the bald-he ed Trishman," and Phil Hawkins, wh was thought "to have peuted hissel and Jim Harris, "the man and brother," and George B. Everett, who was not confirmed as Collector of Internal Revenue in the Fifth District and Oliver H. Dockery, and "Blow Your Horn" Billy Smith, and so on were all in attendance. This we learn from the Raisigh News Observer, that gives a pretty full secount of the "tribulations" the sleek, fat fellows who are "in" and the lean, hungry, famished fellows who are "out," What a dea or patriotism was gathered then an there in the City of Washington, and there was "revelry by night" you bet.

Shaffer is after Ike's place; "Loge" s modest and only wants a clerkship. Tim is aspiring and seeks to be Marshal of some Western State or Territory. Phil would be glad to grab Ike's office. Ike, and we sympathize with him as he is the best of the crew. is content to get a consulate to some way-off small place. Alas! that such should be. We are amazed at Ike's modesty, and must believe there is some mistake just here. Everett is still seeking to oust Wheeler. W must not fail to give our Raleigh contemporary's account of the happy way with which "my son Oliver" by a sudden pull of the string converted Tim's rubicund, self-complacent visage into one of utter forlornness.

"On the day that Mahone made his 'bi speech,' O. H. Dockery, Esq., was in came back to the hotel be met Tim Le and told him with a quiet carnestness which was particularly impressive, that he had just found a place which would exactly suit Captain Tim. It was a place h said, that there was no rush for, because was not known to the ordinary office seeker, but it was a position of much respecta-bility and importance. There was no accountability to the government, either, which was so provoking in other departments. Mr. Dockery was pressed by Captain Tim to give away the secret of the position. He declined at first, but was fairly pursued with interrogatories and re-quests for the information. Finally Mr. Dockery informed Captain Tim that the position' of such slight responsibility and a much honor, was that of 'chaplain of the Senate.' There was a 'big disgust' ob-servable about that time on the face of the

It "was little less than kind" to be thus making fun of a very lonesome friend who has been out in the cold for so many unhappy years. Oh, "Oliver, my son," why did you thus dig Timothy, the lachrymose and despondent? It was very cruel. But it may be, that Oliver thought there was to be another "prayer meeting" of the faithful reformers like that of Tom Cooper's famous "still house prayer meeting," about which Senator Vance was so wonderfully facetious last summer in his inimitable speech in this city, when Ike Young led in the singing "Come thou fount of every blessing," and pious Tom Cooper offered up the prayer for "another good run." Oliver knowing that Tim would be at home in such a gathering, thought that his qualifications for "chaplain of the Senate" would be equally strong, especially as Tom Cooper did not seem to be on

But what was "Kurnel" Dockery after himself? The News-Observer is silent. Those mentioned are only part of the horde of place-hunters. Jim Harris, it must be mentioned, was on hand pressing his demands for ex-Gov. Holden's place. Jim was born two and a half miles from Oxford. When a young negro, before the war, he was a mattress-maker and a good one. Suppose he apply for head upholsterer to the White House. He would discharge his duties satisfactorily no doubt. With a few loads of North Carolina shucks and cotton he could fool Garfield to death and make him think he was resting his Presidential head on finest mohair. Now if all of these patriots who are dving to serve their country can but succeed how very happy they will be. They will join in the chorus, Ike leading:

"While tumbling down the turbid stream, Lord, love us, how we apple swim."

Reports from Washington are to the effect that Conkling has given notice that he will fight the Ad istration in and out of the Senate. That is right, go for it Lord Roscoe.

Things are looking serene among the New York Democrats. Harmony is being restored. The Committee of One Hundred is doing well, certainly. Irving Hall will disband.

A Golden Wedding.

Our venerable and venerated fellow-citizen, Mr. L. B. Huggins, with his estimable lady, celebrated their golden wedding at their residence on the corner of Bayenth and Mulberry streets, yesterday. Mr. Hoggies was married to Phoebe New bold, at the residence of her mother, what was know as White Oak District, Onslow county, on the 31st day of March 1881, by Geo. A. Thomson, Esq. Both were born in Oaslow county; Mr. H. on the 28th of November, 1808, and Mrs. H. on the 29th of May, 1805. He follow usiness of farming until 1849, when he removed to New Berne and commenced merchandizing. Here he remained until went at the wedding in 1831 only one is now fiving, and that is Mrs. Claries Rothwell, now residing not far from city, in Brunswick county, and aged about 70 years. Mr. Huggins says the 31st of March, 1881, was pretty much laus as yesterday, and was succeeded by a me fair and pleasant one.

The venerable couple received their friends during yesterday afternoon and evening, and a large number called and partook of their liberal hospitality and congratulated them on the consummation of their first half century of married happiness, which has suffered no diminution

with their increasing years, The tables were handsomely and tastefully arranged and were almost literally groaning under the weight of good things which were spread upon them. Over the door leading into the dining-room were the words, "Welcome to All," painted on white cloth and festooned with ivy, and over the opposite door, at the rear end of the tables, were the words, "50th Asniver-sary," in gilt letters on white cloth.

Terrible Tornado at Clinton-Epti opal Church Hlown Down, &c. We learn from a private letter received in this city from Mr. Moses Hanstein, of Chnton, Sampson county, that a terrible tornado passed over that town on Tuesday evening last, about half past 9 o'clock, lasting about ten minutes, and which demolished in its course the Episcopal Churchand several carriage shops, with loss of the dollars, to say nothing of other damages about town of a less serious character. Some of the people left their houses, and concealed themselves in their flower pits. Mr. Hanstein describes the scene as fearful in the extreme, and during the few min-utes that the tornado lasted the terror and versal. Among the incidents related, as saving actually occurred during the prevaence of the storm, is one to the effect that a window of a room in a certain house in the town was smashed in by the wind and a man and his wife and child actually blown out of bed on to the floor It is als stated that a good many clocks stopped working from the shock, so fearfully were the houses shaken.

The following named persons have been drawn as jurors for the U. S. District Court, and summoned to be present Tuesday, May 3rd, at 10 o'clock: Duplin county-Martin Robinson.

sees shaken.

New Hanover county-Sol. W. Nash Charles Stemmerman, P. H. Hayden, N W. Schenck, George Sloan, E. J. DeBerneir, Nicholas Morris, J. K. Brown, Chas. S. Love, W. W. Campen, James H. Carrawsy, R. Greenberg, James W. Collins, S. H. Morton, Henry Sweat, Johnson Hooper, W. H. Alderman, Ben. F. White, B. F. Hall, Dap. Ellison, Harding Johnson, Jos. B. Worth, Christian Hussell, James K. Gutlar, N. H. Spruot, J. C. Stevenson, Jno. J. Guier, R. S. Radcliffe, Joel W. Woolin, Aaron Kellogg.

Ross, J. W. Smith, J. W. Taylor.

Court will convene on Monday, the 2nd day of May, but that day will be devoted to the hearing of admiralty cases. Foreign Exports for the Month.

Below we give the foreign exports from the port of Wilmington for the month of March just closed, as compiled from the books at the Custom House: Cotton-2,761 bales; weighing 1,281,057

ounds; valued at \$138,414. Rosin and Crude Turpentine-85,77 parrels; valued at \$161,999. Tar and Pitch-3,590 barrels; valued a

Spirits Turpentine-215,780 gallons; val Lumber-1,066,000 feet; valued at \$18

Shingles-154,000; valued at \$934.

revents an Accident. Mr. Robert C. Applewhite, of Brinkley Depot, about eighteen miles from this city. was walking along the track of the W. C. & A. R. R., a few nights since, when he liscovered a large bar of iron arranged cross the track, with one end fastened in the embankment, and snatched it out of the way, at the peril of his own life, just as a train came thundering by; being just in time, in all probability, to prevent a

The foreign shipments yesterday consist ed of the Norwegian barque Mediator, with 1.000 barrels of tar and 1.640 barrels rosin, and the Swedish brig Jens, for Hamburg, with 8,169 barrels of roun, both by Messis, Paterson, Downing & Co.

- Charlotte Observer: It has been reported that the new management of the Air Line will dispense with the services of Col. G. J. Forescre, who now holds the position of General Manager on that road, and in confirmation of the fact, Henry W. Gredy writes to the Atlants Constitution from Dalton, Georgie, as follows: "I am informed on the train that Col. Foreacre, of the Air Line road, had requested a gentlemen who had business relations with the road to make up his account and have it in by Saturday, as he would leave the road on that day."

named Wesly Harris, has died from his

over Moore's History of North Carolina, find no mention of the Thirty-third Regiment of North Carolina troops, in his his tory of the battle of New Berne. This strikes me as being Hamlet with Hamlet left out. The Thirty-third was first commanded by L. O'B Branch, afterwards Gen Branch; was in his brigade, and was commanded by Col. Avery in the battle of New Berne. In that engagement the Thirty-third did most of the fighting, and suffered as much, if not more, than any other troops engaged. Col. Avery was taken prisoner, with many of his men, and endured for many months the hardships of

- Charlotte Democrat: Mountain apples sold on the streets this week from wagons at \$1 per bushel, and by the barrel from stores at about \$0 to 90 ceats per bushel. — Col. J. P. Thomas collected from a few friends in this city about \$65 to aid in erecting a monument in Charleston to the memory of Gen. Micah Jenkins, who was killed in the late war. - After a harricane of wind and dust on Tuesday evening, followed by a good rain, Wednesday morning was ushered in by a considerable sprinkling of snow. So much for the 29th and 30th of March, 1881. On Thursday morning, 31st of March, there was ice nearly an inch thick in vessels which stood out of doors. — Gov. Jarvis is no more to blame than any other public officer or editor who favored the sale. All did the heat they could under the circumstances and if Mr. W. J. Best has proven a failure and a humbug, we do not see how any one er, can be censured and condemned.

- Goldsboro Messenger: The present term of Wayne Interior Court fully vindicates the wisdom of establishing said court. The docket is a heavy one, numbering about 100 cases, and it is thought the entire week will be consumed in disposing of it. — A three-year old child of Dred Sauls, colored, living near Yelverton's church, was burned to death Tuesday evening. — An illicit distillery was captured by Mr. P. Massey, representing the U. S. Revenue service, near Bento s-ville, on Saturday last, and the owner of the still, a Mr. A. L. Jones, halling from Randolph county, was arrested and car-ried to Raleigh for a preliminary hearing. d to Raleigh for a preliminary hearing.

We learn from Dr. S. B. Flowers that so prevalent in the Mount Olive section as for the past few months. - The dwelling house of Mr W. B. Fields, at Dudley, was destroyed by fire on Saturday night, together with his furniture. Loss about \$1,600. Insurance \$1,000. Supposee to be

- Fayetteville Examiner: Negotistions are now pending which may result in the speedy construction of a railway from this town to Shoe Heel on the Carolina Central Railway. - Mr. James A. Hodges, one of the efficient corps of instructors in the Fayetteville Graded School has been invited to deliver the Annual Address before the Alumni Association of Davidson College, at the next commencement - The mule trade of Fayetteville has been unprecedented during the past three months. — About twelve hundred mules have been sold at prices ranging generally from one hundred and twenty-five to one hundred and fifty dollars. Most of these mimals have been sold to farmers, who have received advances of the purchase money from merchants here. Probably a hundred thousand dollars have been advaned d for this purpose, whilst a considerable number of farmers have been able to make their purchases for cash. — Tuesday evening about 8 o'clock at his residence in this town, Col. Samuel T. Hawley breathed his last. Col. Hawley was born in Fayetteville and passed his long life here, occupied until within the past few years in mercantile pursuits. He was a and for a long period a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church. His age was about eighty-five years.

- Raleigh News - Observer: During in this district were \$88,253 04. --- We hear of large fires in the woods in several directions. One between Sanford and Fayetteville burned, among other things, ten thousand feet of lumber. — We learn that Col. R. R. Bridgers and several of the directors of the Wilmingt Weldon foad will this evening leave Halifax of the proposed route for a branch road between those two places. — That talented gentlaman, Maj. John W. Moore, has been invited by the ladies of the Me-morial Association to deliver the annua ddress at O-kwood, on the 10 h of May. We are glad to learn that Maj Moore has accepted the invitation, and expect to hear an able discourse on the occasion. otice in the Southerner that Mrs. Dossey Battle will paint portraits in oil. She has in time, in all probability, to prevent a a fine reputation as an artist, and we hope serious accident, with its attendant loss of that our North Carolina folks desiring any that our North Caronna rolls before going thing in that line will try her before going the State. — The beyond the limits of the State. — The funeral of the late Mrs James S West was held yesterday morning from the First Presbyterian church, the pastor, Rev John S. Watkins, officiating. The attendance was large, the deceased lady having been highly esteemed in the city. — The large sudience assembled in Tucker Hall last andience assembled in Tucker Hall last evening found the lecture on "Egypt" to be well worthy the reputation of Genera R leigh E Colston, late of the service of the Khedive. — The following officers have been elected by the North Carolina Industrial Association, to serve during the ensuing year: President, John O'Kelly; vice president, Rey. Casar Johnson; secretary, John H. Williamson, of Franklin; treasurer, O. W. Hoover. The association is already taking steps to make its next fair a success. —— Halifax, March 31. Today the jury returned a verdict of manslaughter against Tucker for killing the man Johnson near Littleton last December. Tunker was sentenced to the Penitentiary for twelve years. for twelve years.