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#### THE RECENT LEGISLATURE.

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We purposed writing an editorial on the work of the Legislature. But two reasons deter us from undertak-One is, it will require much writing to cover the ground, and, second, we have no disposition to discuss any unpleasant matters. Whilst much of the legislation was commendable there were some things done we could wish otherwise. We do not regard the late body specially able although some of its admirers are pleased to make this claim for it. It may compare with some Legislatures that have been since the war, but it was far below the standard of anti-bellum times, we may believe, in real ability and experience. We must say that the legislators acquired wisdom as they grew in experience. They were wise enough to undo some things they had done, and they were wise enough to leave undone some things that it was desired by others that they should do.

The triumphs of the Buford Syndicate and some other railroad matters will be better appreciated in the future. When the STAR first antagonized the sale of the Western North Carolina Railroad to the Best Syndicate the burden of the song of those who demanded the sale was "This is the only chance of ever getting a railroad to Ducktown.' And now this chance has failed. But w. will not go into this unpleasant matter now. If the people along the proposed Ducktown road shall be reconciled to the change we shall not make a fuss over it. But if they shall feel that they have been "sold again"-that their interests have been surrendered or betrayed, w may so far echo their complaints as to bring out some of "our old editorials" and refresh the memories of values as to what was said-what was promised by the friends of the sale to Best.

The Legislature is gone, and we do not desire to awaken any un pleasant memories. We feel relieved. We hank the members for all the good they did.

## A GOOD TIME COMING.

At the costly and cumbersome ma-chinery for the collection of internal reve-me is to be maintained until an era of genuine economy is inaugurated, - Washugton Post, Dem.

True, and the only way to secure the much desired era "of genuine economy," is to turn out the Radicals and put in strictly honest Democrats men who can be trusted. The STAR eamestly insisted upon the reduction of internal revenues, and upon a radical change in the system of collection. The reduction was secured but the old plan was continued. I the Democrats who howled for the abolition had expended their zeal and energy in changing the mode of collection, something highly beneficial to the people of North Carolina would have been obtained. But they struggled for total abolition of the tax on such luxuries as whiskey, tobacco, cigars, &c .- the very articles of articles in the world that could best bear taxation -- and failed, as every body but themselves expected would be the result. But two Southern States favored the abolition of the tax on whiskey and

What is the result of the legislation? There is a reduction on the luxuries but the old corrupt system of collecting is retained. Mott, Young and company will be on hand again in 1884. If our plan had been adopted we are sure that they would have been got rid of and the just \$100,000 at one time.

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complaint of the people would have been heard. It costs just as much to collect half of the internal revenue as it costs to collect all. So nothing has been gained at this point.

The plan of the STAR as set forth in twenty editorials was briefly this: first, to reduce, reconstruct, readjust the war tariff. Until this is done do not reduce the tax on luxurieswhiskey, tobacco, beer, cigars, &c. After it is done then reduce the tax on the luxuries-tobacco and whiskey-to the lowest amount compatible with safety, so as to have always enough funds in the U.S. Treasury to meet all needed expenses. Third, to root out Mott and the whole set of whiskey smellersthe red-legged grasshoppers of Vance-and do this by changing the system of collection.

If this plan had been followed strictly we believe that two things would have been secured of much importance to the people; first, the infamous tariff would have been reduced much more than it has been reduced under the sham Senate bill; second, that the horde of internal revenue collectors would have been swept away.

We always try to learn by experience, claiming no kind of infallibility. We take the best view of a matter we can at a given time being always willing to correct any errors of judgment or statement by subsequent information or investigation. In the matters referred to above we

According to the confessions of O'Donnovan Rossa the dynamite work in London is but the beginning of a system of warfare on the English. They expect to obtain freedom for Ireland by the free use of Nihilistic weapons. The civilized world will not approve of such midnight deeds however much it may be disposed to sympathize with the Irish in their oppressions. If the English, with their vast strength, resources and well-known fighting qualities are driven to desperation in turn there will be awful work. Why, it is possible for England to order her great navy to Ireland and destroy every seaport and to land an army and reenact on a scale of intensified horror the awful tragedy that marked the rule of Elizabeth and Cromwell in the past. As friends of the Irish and their well wishers we regret the beginning of such work as that in

At the recent Commencement of the University of Maryland (Medical) held in Baltimore, the following North Carolinians were graduated: J. Deems Bell, F. Bessant Bishop, James J. Harrell, John Powell Brown, Arthur S. Grier, William P. Ivey, Abner J. P. Julian.

In the Dental School John F. Garrett received his degree. The Baltimore Day says:

"The Miltenberger prize, a case of fine instruments, was awarded to Dr. W. D. Pender, of North Carolina. The Chisholm prize, opthalmoscopes, was awarded to Drs. J. B. Lowry, of North Carolina, and J. C. Harris, of South Carolina, each of these gentlemen acquitting himself with equal merit at the recent examinations. In the dental surgery department the University prize, a gold medal, was awarded to J. F. Gearrtt, of North Carolina."

Henry Ward Beecher entertained at his house the Revenue Reform Club. He and Thomas G. Sherman. and David A. Wells and Andrew MoLean, all spoke. The latter said

"A friend of his, who is a ship builder, recently attempted to get some riveters from the Clyde ship-yards but was informed that workmen would hardly leave the Clyde yards, where they were receiving \$25 a week, to work in the American yards at \$15. The Clyde yards, he said, were over-run with orders, and there would be plenty of work for American yards if material was

It was Mr. Nutt, the father, that Dukes murdered. Here is a good case for the Southern moralist to preach a little sermon from The Norfolk Landmark says, pertinently:

"We shall not intimate that this adminis tration of justice (1!1) expresses the civilization of the Keystone State, but we might generalize from this case with as much logic and propriety as The Nation displays in in its distribes against the South."

The North is becoming belligerent. Two New York students at Columbia College tried to fight a duel. The police has charge of them. Two members of the Pennsylvania Senate had a fisticuff. Rah!

Senator Edmunds's fees are reported to be very large. He got WATER WORKS.

Piltering Apparatus to be Constructed-Additions to the Stand-Pipe-

How the Work was Constructed, &c. The Clarendon Water Works Company have recently perfected the plans, and as soon as the materials can be procured, will begin the construction of an apparatus for filtering the water, which it is confidently hoped will remove the existing objections to the use of the river water. The device is, in short, a timber box about twenty-five feet square and eleven feet deep, with an intermediate floor of brick, the water being drawn from the lower compartment. The water is admitted to the upper part of the box through openings of suitable size, in which will be placed screens of some porous material, such as sponge or felt that can be readily cleaned as occasion may require. The water can also be shut out and the bricks cleaned whenever it may become necessary, during which time the supply will be kept up by drawing direct from the river by the present inlet pipe.

The Company have also lately com pleted an addition of twenty feet to the top of the stand-pipe, making it now ninety feet in height, which will give the desired pressure at all times in the elevated portion of the city. The inside staging having been removed, and it being desirable to keep up the stand-pipe supply during the night, the addition was built from a float. The outside staging was also dispensed with, the rivets being driven from the inside and held on the outside by a man in a cage suspended by roller hooks traversing the upper edge of the sheet while Leing worked upon. The water was raised as each course of sheets was put on, thus testng the work as fast as completed.

The stand-pipe as originally constructed was a plate iron cylinder with a cement bottom on a masonry foundation. It leaked badly, however, and, having been abanof yellow pine was put in, which has given satisfaction thus far.

The addition was built by Mr. R. N. Mitchell, of Raleigh, who, we understand, performed the work contracted for in a satisfactory and expeditious manner.

#### Arrival and Departure of Senator David Davis and Bride.

The steamer D. Murchison, Capt. Smith, with Senator David Davis and bride, together with their suite, left Fayetteville at 12.45 P. M. on Wednesday, and, after a very pleasant trip, arrived at the wharf of the steamer in this city at 1.15 A. M. yesterday, the party remaining in their berths on the boat until after daylight. Judge Otto left the boat at 6,20 A. M. in order to take the 6.40 train on the W. & W. Railroad en route for Washington, and Judge Davis, wife and party disembarked and entered their carriages at 7 A. M., in time to board the 7.25 train for Columbia, not making any stay at all in the city. Col. Wharton J. Green and daughter returned home yesterday afternoon on the Murchi-

Judge Davis is represented to be a plain, unassuming gentleman, very sociable, and a pleasant conversationalist, making himself agreeable to all with whom he comes in contact. He is 64 years old and weighs about three hundred pounds. Hie wife is said to be very attractive, both in appearance and manners, and is greatly esteemed by her numerous acquaintances, who will wish her all the happiness possible in the future before her.

## A New Steamer for the Northeast

Messrs James Bagley and J. C. Stewart, of this city, have a new steamer in process of construction at the yards of Messrs. J. R. Blossom & Evans, attached to the dry dock. She will be a stern-wheeler, and when finished will be 100 feet long and 18 feet width of beam at the bottom. She is designed to run up the Northeast river and Long Creek, and it is claimed for her that when the last of her machinery is on board she will draw only about twelve inches of water, by which it may be understood that she is intended to be of very light draught. She will be an entirely new boat, with new machinery and other appurtenances, and it is supposed that she will be ready for freight and passengers about the middle of next May. Capt. B. W. Beery is the builder, and it is expected that she will be a very neat and substantial boat.

## County Poor Rouse-More Room

In conversation with Mr. J. H. Savage, Superintendent of the County Poor House, a few days ago, he informed us that in consequence of an increase in the number of a certain class of unfortunates which have to road Company. be cared for, he at times finds himself seriously embarrassed for sufficient room, and stated that the erection by the county of some three or four more rooms or cells would add greatly to the efficiency of the institution. What with the prisopers and the insane he finds himself sometimes with more on his hands than he can conveniently provide for, and it is hoped that provis ion may be made by the county to meet this additional demand for room.

Taking Testimony in the C. C. Rail-

road Case. U. S. Commissioner E. H. King has received from Chief Justice Waite, of the Supreme Court of the United States, a commission to take testimony in the case of Mrs. Virginia Matthews vs. the Carolina Central Railroad Company. The work of taking testimony will commence about the 27th, as ten days' notice has to be given, and it is expected that about two or three months will be consumed in the undertaking. The testimony will be taken at Commissioner King's office.

PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

## Raleigh News-Observer.

156. An act to incorporate th own of Trenton, Jones county. 157. An act to change the name o the Edenton and Norfolk Railroad Company, and to make the same the Carolina and Chesapeake Railroad Company, and to amend the charter of said company

158. An act to validate the proof and registration of certain deeds and conveyances of land.—Validates all deeds for lands in this State heretofore proven by notary public, clerks of Superior Court of other States, such proof having been duly certified to by such officer, and having been registered in the office of the Regi ter of of Deeds in the county where the lands are situated, deeds proven and certified, copies thereof may be used as evidence.

160. An act incorporationg the American Legion of Honor of North Caroliaa, and subordinate councils working under the jurisdiction of said Grand Council.

163. An act to ascertain and estab lish the dividing line between the counties of Harnett and Johnston. 164. An act to regulate fishing i Pamlico and Tar rivers, and tribu

166. An act to make tenants an lessees of land who give up possession of the premises to others than their

landlords guilty of a misdemeanor.

168. An act to protect sheep and other domestic animals from the rayages of wolves, in Madison county, Commissioners of Madison, Hav wood, Transylvania, Swain and Jack on counties may offer five dollars for any wolf killed in said counties.

170. An act to amend chapter 138. section 10, laws of 1881.—Strikes out quantity of land, courthouse and jail to occupy and empowers the board of justices of the peace to act with the commissioners concerning location and building of same.

171. An act to provide for the erection of a residence for the Governor.-On Burke square in Raleigh Governor and Council directed to use money derived from lots heretofore sold; to use convict labor; empowered to sell the old mansion and apply proceeds there, expenditures shall not exceed said amount of sale.

177. An act to amend section 21. chapter 119, Battle's Revisal .- Provides that wills of citizens or subjects of other countries allowed to be authenticated and proven by any embassador, minister, consul or commercial agent of the United States, under his official seal.

178. An act to repeal chapter 247, of the laws of 1881, entitled "an act te prohibit the use of drift nets in certain waters of the State."-This act does not repeal the former law, but only amends it by providing that the people of Dare may use drift nets for herrings only in said county.

181. An act to incorporate the Citizens Trust Company.—Incorporates J. I. Thomas, A. B. Andrews and others, with powers of lending money on mortgages, &c.

182. An act concerning pilots and pilotage.

183. An act to change the times of certain counties of the State in settling with the State Treasurer .- Allows Rockingham, Guilford, Caswell, Orange, Durham, Person, Gran-ville, Vance, Forsyth, Stokes, Yad-kin, Surry, Buncombe, Madison, Davidson, Rowan and Davie to settle May 1, takes effect in 1884.

185. An act to regulate the killing of wild fowl in the waters of Currituck and Dare counties .- Prohibiting the killing for sale of any wild fowl in Currituck, between the 10th of March and the 10th of November; prohibits non residents from using any blind, &c., on waters in either of the named counties.

186. An act providing for an ad ditional term of the Superior Court for the county of Wayne. - Gives a third term of three weeks, for civil causes, begins the 5th Monday before the first Monday in March in each year.

187. An act to incorporate the Enterprise Manufacturing Company, in the county of Randolph.

188. An act to protect ovsters .-Prohibits the taking of live oysters for their shells only in Dare, Carteret. Pamlico and Craven counties. 189. An act to incorporate the

Thomasville and Silver Valley Rail- sion, &c.

sane Asylums of the State, and for son county. other purposes, - Makes each of the three Insane Asylums a corporation, and provides for their management. 192. An act to repeal chapter 49, private laws of 1881, entitled "an act to incorporate the Cotton and Merchants' Exchange," of Golds-

boro.—Repeals that act.

194. An act to incorporate the
Baltimore Gold and Silver Mining and Smelting Company.

195. An act to amend chapter 43,

1876-'77, and chapter 84, laws of 1881.—Invests the corporate powers of Beaufort, in a Mayor and eight commissioners, five of whom shall be chosen by the five wards, and the other three by the commissioners. 197. An act to incorporate St.

James' Parish, Wilmington. 198. An act to incorporate the Fayetteville Public Graded and Normal School for whites.

199. An act to amend section 5,

SYNOPSIS OF THE ACTS | chapter 87, of Battle's Revisal, fixing the number of Pilots at 45.

200. An act to incorporate the High Point and Randleman Railroad

204. An act to amend sections 1 and 2, chapter 94, private laws of

205. An act to amend the charter of the Watauga & Caldwell Narrow Gauge Railroad Company.-Changes its name to the North Carolina & Tennessee Railroad Company.

206. An act to incorporate the Raleigh Mail Printing and Publishing

208. An act to amend the stray law; repeals section 1, chapter 258 acts of 1874-74.—Makes the Register of Deeds county ranger, and amends section 1, chapter 94, acts of 1879, by making it the duty of any taker-up to make returns to the Register of Deeds in five days, &c.

210. An act to incorporate the Shelby Baptist Female College, at Shelby, N. C.

214. An act to incorporate the town of Kill Quick, in the county of Edgecombe. 215. An act to change the time of holding the courts in the Ninth Judi-

cial District. 216. An act for the protection of the aids to navigation established by the authority of the United States Light House Board within the State of North Carolina.

218. An act to incorporate to Co-Operation Colonization Society Teu-

219. An act to incorporate the Immigrant Land and Mineral Company, of North Carolina.

221. An act supplemental to an act passed this session to prevent live stock from running at large in the counties of Greene and Lenoir .-Takes in certain lands in Pitt and Craven counties.

222. An act to amend section of chapter 83, of Battle's Revisal, prohibits non-residents from operating wires, &c., through the pretended agency of a resident.

223. An act to change the time for holding the Superior Courts of the county of Halifax.-Superior Courts of Halifax shall begin on the 9th Monday after the 1st Monday in March and September, and continue for three weeks, takes effect after July, 1883.

224. An act to protect the citizens of Burke county.-Empowers the board of commissioners to compel the citizens of that county to be vac-

225. An act to amend section 20, chapter 200, laws of 1881, strikes out all after the word "neighborhood," in line 4, down to "boundaries," in

226. An act in relation to the method of alloting dower.-Allows dower to be assessed in one tract alone, where there are several.

228. An act amending the charter of the Granville Railroad Company. -Changes its name to Atlantic and Western Railroad Company. 219. An act to empower counties,

townships, cities and towns to subscribe to the capital stock of the Albemarle and Raleigh Railroad. 231. An act to incorporate the town of Highlands, in Macon county.

133. An act to incorporate the Hoffman and Troy Railroad Com-234. An act for the promotion of

female education.-Allowing the Greensboro Female College Association to issue bonds. 235. An act in relation to the

graded schools of Goldsboro township in the county of Wayne.-Incorporates the graded school at Goldsboro, and amends section 2. chapter 189, acts of 1881. 236. An act to amend an act en-

titled "An act to incorporate the Spring Shoals Manufacturing Com-237. An act to change section 13,

of chapter 27, of Battle's Revisal .-

Strikes out the word "September" and inserts "December." 238. An act to incorporate the town of South Mills, in Camden coun-

249. To re-enact the charter of the Danville and New River Railroad

242. An act concerning the Code and supplemental thereto. - Requires the Code commissioners to include in the Code all the acts of a public and general nature passed at this ses-

191. An act to incorporate the In- schools in Wilson township, in W 244. An act to authorize a sale of

the State's stock in the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway Company, and provide for the speedy comple-tion of the same.—Authorizes the sale of the State's stock to J. A. Grav and associates at \$55,000, and upon the payment of the mortgage bonds of the company now held by the State, and for the use of convict labor paid for in the bonds of the new company, &c.

246. An act in relation to the appointment of cotton weighers in the city of Goldsboro, in Wayne county. -Requires the county commissioners to appoint four cotton weighers.
247. An act to incorporate the
town of Glen Alpine, in the county of Burke.

of Sharpsburg, in the counties of Nash and Edgecombe.

Southern Mining, Smelting and Manufacturing Co.

251. An act to amend chapter 139 laws 1881.-Relating to the stock law in Rowan county.

253. An act concerning a devise to the Oxford Orphan Asylum.-Relates the devise of E. P. Powell, of Halifax county; puts the title to the property in the hands of the Masonic order in trust for the asylum.

257. An act to amend sections 7 and 10, chapter 23, of the private laws of 1876-77.—Entitled "an act to incorporate the Biddle Univer-

258. An act to change the name of Blue Ridge township, in Macon county, to that of Highlands.

260. An act to prohibit the use of Dutch or pond nets in the waters of Carteret county.

Asheville and Burnsville Railroad Company. 263. An act to amend the law in regard to sheriff's fees. - Allows sheriffs commissions on all moneys paid by a defendant to a plaintiff where the execution is in the hands

of the sheriff. 266. An act to incorporate the Platonic Literary Society, of Ruther-

ford College.

267. An act to incorporate the town of Third Creek in the county

270. An act to incorporate the town of Bell's Ferry in counties of Pitt and Lenoir. 271. An act to incorporate the

Bank of Salisbury. 273. An act supplemental to and amendatory of an act to amend chapter 83, Battle's Revisal, ratified on the 13th day of February, 1883 .-Strikes out the words "Core" and "Bogue," in section 2, of said act.

275. An act to change the time of holding the Superior Courts in Nash and Wilson, and to provide an additional term for Lenoir and Duplin. -Superior Court in Nash is to be held on Monday before the 1st Monday in March, and continue for one week, and the 2d Monday before the 1st Monday in September, and con-tinue two weeks. Wilson court to be held the 1st Monday in March and continue two weeks, and 1st Monday in September, and continue one week. An additional term is to be held for Lenoir on the 2d Monday in September, and continue one week; and for Duplin on the 2d Monday before the 1st Monday in March, and continue one week.

278. An act to incorporate the

town of Wilson's Factory. 279. An act to incorporate the town of Stanton, in Beaufort county. 280. An act for the relief of the sureties of John A. McArthur, late treasurer of Duplin county.

282. An act supplemental to an act to amend section 3, of chapter 307, of the laws of 1879, ratified the 26th day of January, 1883 .- Allows persons confined in jail on criminal charges to be tried at the February and August terms of Wake county.

285. An act to make appropriations for the several insane asylums of the State.—Appropriates \$58,000 per annum for the asylum at Raleigh; \$49,000 for the Western North Carolina Asylum; \$25,000 for the Eastern North Carolina Insane Asy-

286. An act to incorporate the Black Mountain Railway Company. 287. An act to incorporate the Yadkin Falls Manufacturing Com-

288. An act supplemental to an act passed at the present session to prevent live stock running at large in Greene and Lenoir counties .- Includes certain other territory. 289. An act in reference to the

plan of the town of Wilmington. Makes the copy of the original plot, (now lost) laid off in 1733, evidence, 290. An act to authorize the board of public buildings to appoint the

keeper of the capitol, and the trustees of the public libraries, to appoint the State Librariana on . 291. An act to incorporate the Tar

River Transportation Company. 294. An act to establish graded schools at Edenton, Chowan county. 296. An act to incorporate the Mt. Holly Manufacturing Company.

298. An act to amend the charter of the Oxford & Henderson Railroad 299. An act to incorporate the town of Asheboro, in the county of

248. An act to establish graded | Randolph. 300. An act to create a new township, in Rowan county, by the name of Steele township. 302. An act to amend an act to in-

corporate the town of Enochsville,

Rowan county.

303. An act to amend section 1, of chapter 24, private laws of 1881. 304. An act for the better protection of landlords .- Provides that any tenant who, during his term, or after

its expiration, commits certain waste, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. 306. An act to establish mortuary tables. 307. An act to divide North Carolina into nine Congressional districts.

309. An act to secure the better drainage of the lowlands of Kill Kee Swamp, in Sampson county.

310. An act to provide for the support of the Institution of the Deaf,

248. An act to incorporate the of Sharpsburg, in the counties of Nash and Edgecombe.

Dumb and Blind.—Appropriates the sum of \$36,000 per annum for support, and also \$5,000 for repairs of both departments.

311. An act to incorporate th 312. An act to amend chapter 33.

private laws of 1881. 313. An act to authorize the county of Bladen to ascertain and settle its floating debt.

315. An act to incorporate the Big American Reduction Company. 318. An act to incorporate the

town of Garner's Station, in Wake 321. An act providing an alternate method of constructing and keeping in repair public roads.—Allows public roads to be worked by taxation in

certain cases. 323. An act to amend and consolidate the acts incorporating the town of Lumberton.

. 324. An act to authorize the board of commissioners of Swain to pay certain school teachers the amount due

325. An act to establish a graded school in the town of Kinston, Lenoir

county. 326. An act supplemental to an act, passed at the present session, entitled "An act to incorporate the Newton Cotton Mills, in Catawba

county. 328. An act to provide an official seal for the Department of State, and to validate the previous use of the

262. An act to incorporate the same.

Askeville and Burnsville Railroad 329. An act to incorporate the town of Franklin, in Macon county. 330 An act to amend an act to provide for the sale of the State's interest in the Western North Carolina Railroad Company, and for other purposes. Amends the contract so that the company on the payment of \$600,000 for the bonds owned by the State, and completing its road to the mouth of the Nantahala, may issue new bonds, and requires the company to put seventy-five convicts at work at once on the Murphy extension, and if it does not complete the road to Murphy, then that part reverts to

the State. 332. Hn act to regulate the repair of public bridges, in the county of Onlsow.

334. An act to provide for paying jurors their per diem in eash. 335. An act to incorporate the Salisbury water works Company. 236. An act to consolidate the in-

surance laws of North Carolina. 337. An act for the support of the penitentiary and convicts for the year 1883-'84. 338. An act to incorporate the

Weldon and Garysburg Road Bridge and Ferry Company. 339. An act to incorporate the

town of Chadbourn, in the county of 345. An act to authorize and empower E. R. Stamps, President of the board of directors, of the North Carolina Penitentiary, to make title

to certain real estate. 346. An act to incorporate the town of Maiden, in the county of Catawba. 347. An act to incorporate graded

#### schools in Tarboro township, in Edgecombe county.

VIRGINIA. Conviction of a Negro for Murder-Norfolk Rejoicing Over a Car Load of Coal from a Virginia Mine.

(By Telegraph to the Morning Star.) RICHMOND, March 17.—The jury in the case of Chas. Henry Lee, colored, on trial in Henrico county court, for killing Daniel Miller, to-day returned a verdict of murder in the first degree. A motion for a new trial will be heard Tuesday. This is the case in which Barbara Miller, wife of the deceased, and Lee, were arrested on sus-picion of murdering Miller and placing the body on the railroad track to create the impression that the man was killed by a train. Barbara subsequently confessed, implicating Lee. She will be indicted Monday, as the evidence on Lee's trial showed that she was

as deep in crime as her paramour. NORFOLK, March 17.—The first car of coal from Pocahontas arrived here at five o'clock this evening, consigned by Vice President F. J. Kimball, of the Norfolk & Western Railroad, to Mayor Lamb. Public buildings and shipping are decorated in honor of the event, and a salute was fired by the Norfolk Light Artillery Blues. The car was festooned with flags, and passed through the city and back to the depot amid cheers. The coal will be distributed to the poor on Monday. This is the first coal ever received direct from Virginia

## WASHINGTON.

Instructions to Collectors of Customs as to Assessments Under the New Tar-

(By Telegraph to the Morning Star.) WASHINGTON. March 17.—The Acting Secretary of the Treasury has instructed Collectors of Customs that duties should be assessed upon the full invoice value of merchandise covered by invoices, stating the value of goods free on board at the foreign port of shipment; that is the value includ-ing charges, costs and commissions, without regard to the provisions of section 7 of the new tariff act, which abolishes duties on such charges. He suggests that importers pay duties under protest, so as to protect any rights they may have in the premises. The question whether an estimate may properly be made in such cases by appraising officers to cover charges and commissions, and whether the amounts of such estimate may thereupon be deducted from the probable value, is reserved for future consideration and until after he shall have received reports in regard to the matter

## PENNSYLVANIA.

A Bank Cashier Convicted of Forgery and Larceny-Death of an Ex-Congressman, &c.

[By Telegraph to the Morning Star.] Pryrabung, March 17.—Sam'l Ruth, defaulting cashier of the Washington Savings Bank, Washington, Pa., was to-day found guilty of forgery and larceny. His accounts were over a hundred thousand dollars in arrears, and the bank suspended April 11th,

ERIE, March 17.—Hon. Carlton B. Curtis, ex-member of Congress, is dead.

A movement is on foot to have Dukes, who killed Capt. Nutt, indicted for sending obscene literature through the mails. U.S. postal officials say that the letters written by Dukes to Capt. Nutt justify his arrest for an infraction of the United States laws governing the transmission of matter governing the transmission of matter through the mails. The penalty is ten years in a penitentiary.

The M. E. Thornton and J. H. Norwood difficulty, at Atlanta, Ga., was amicably adjusted yesterday. Both deny that pistois were drawn.