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THE GAME IN THE CONGRESS. The game playing in Washington ought to be one of intense interest to the American people in as much as their prosperity to a considerable extent is involved. There are two parties-not arranged according to old party lines-that are preparing for a big struggle. The one party is composed for the most part of Democrats but is assisted by a number of Republicans; the other party is composed of Republicans who are aided and abetted by Democrats. These two parties represent an opposing principle as to public economy. . The one stands up for the rights of the people and demands in their name that the curse of a War Tariff shall not be continued in time of peace and after an elapse of nearly twenty years since the war ended. The other stands forth as the champions of oppression. As the Charleston News and Courier strongly presents it, they say practically: "Let us steal your money by a high tariff on your clothes and blankets, on your ploughs and guns, on your machinery and railroad iron, on all that you wear or use, and we will withdraw our Deputy Marshals, our Special District Attorneys and our false witnesses, our spies, and do away with the Internal Revenue System."

It is a contest in fact between Monopoly that oppresses and robs and the people who have been plundered for more than twenty years.

The fight has opened. The Protectionists and their allies are moving in the matter of the Tariff. Bills have been introduced by them of

One proposes to increase the tax on certain articles.

The other proposes to abolish the Internal Revenue tax, the result of which will be to keep up inevitably the high tax on the necessaries of life. Senator Butler, of South Carolina.

has introduced such a bill in the Senate, and Representative Scales, of North Carolina, has introduced such a bill in the House. They are de signedly or undesignedly playing into the hands of the Protectionists and if their bills should pass the fact would stare the Democrats of the Union full in the face-The Congress had by the action of certain Democrats declared that it henceforth, the policy of the country to tax the positive necessaries of the forty-five millions of laboring people and to let go untaxed the luxuries-tobacco, whiskey, beer, cigars, &c .- that paid off the war debt as it fell due-that paid the pensions, that were absolutely necessary to support the Government.

That will be the declaration. The Democrat who brings about such a calamity is unfit to be trusted. He should be invited to the shades of private life. He is no friend of the people, however much he may be the friend of "moonshiners," who glory in violating law and in defying the

The free whiskey and free tobacco faction in the Congress is not dominant. In fact it is not a very large faction we hope and believe. No man, in view of the facts, can the Congress to abolish 140 millions of dollars on whiskey, beer, &c., and not aid most materially the Protection faction.

The level-headed men in the Congress say that the wiping out of the whiskey and tobacco tax would produce a positive deficit of some thirty millions or more.

The Charleston News and Courier and every other leading South Carolina paper that we have noticed have condemned Senator Butler's movement squarely. None of them favors the wiping out of the internal

The Washington correspondent of the News and Courier writes on the

"The protectionist faction now in Congress, for it is a very small faction of either party, is composed of the same elements ch formed the combination for the defeat of the last tariff bill. It is just as grasping now as it was then. It is the first into the breach to agitate the revision of the tariff. What surprises me more than anything else is the position of Senator Butler, of South Carolina, on the abolition Butler, of South Carolina, on the abolition of the internal revenue system. Senator Butler must see that the plan which is favored by Judge Kelley and taken up by his colleague, Mr. Randall, on the Democratic side must result in the perpetuation of the protective tariff system and encourage the raising of duties upon imports. A New Jersey manufacturer, Mr. Brewer, came to me the other day and asked my opinion me the other day and asked my opinion with regard to what was likely to be done with regard to what was likely to be done this winter. In the conversation he said that the safety of the tariff system, in his opinion, lies in the abolition of the internal revenue system. It was the hope of the Protectionists that they would get enough help from the South, where the internal revenue system is obnoxious, to combine with the Protectionists in the North and secure the wiping out of the whole system. He cited the bill offered in the Senate by Gen. Butler, and said there are a large number of Southern Representatives on the floor of the House who feel just as Senator Butler does about it. Whether these could be relied upon to act in harmony with the Protectionists of Pennsylvania, when the time come for voting upon the abolition of the sylvania, when the time come for voting upon the abolition of the revenue system, he did not know, but it is evident from

th ought to fully

on before they are led to play a part in it,' For a full year the STAR has warned the Democrats against the dangerous proposition to abolish the internal tax. In a hundred editorials we have charged that to out off the tax on spirits and tobacco was to fasten and rivet it upon the common necessaries of all men who labor for

REPUBLICAN WASTE. 10 1800 James Buchanan expended \$00,056,754.41. Twenty-three years afterward it takes some 300 millions, or six times as much.—Wilmington Star. Such statements as the foregoing are well calculated to excite the surprise and indignation of many persons. * * The question naturally arises, how does it come about? who is responsible for it? It it not known to any nsible for it? Is it not known to any man of ordinary intelligence that but for the war there would not have been so extraordinary an increase of our national in-debtedness? * We earnestly think that such statements as the above are of barefaced a character to be made by any newspaper of bourbon persuasi Since its advent into power the Republic party has been put to its wits' end to repair the great damage done to the country by the reckless acts of its opponent.—Greens-

The STAR is not in the habit of replying to such criticisms as this. Here is no denial of the accuracy of our figures. But there is a poor dodge that any man of ordinary sense can easily discover. Whilst the war did cause a great increase in the expenditures of the Government. it is not true that the extravagance and waste and plunderings of the Grant regime of eight years and the Haves foar years were caused by the bloody Democrats who brought on the war. It will not do in 1883 to try to bamboozle the intelligence of the country with the sophism of the

Exclusive of all additional expenditures caused by the war and its re sults, let us look at the ordinary expenditures. We will take up four years of the Democratic rule:

| 1857 | \$66,041,143.70 |
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| 1858 | 72,330,437.17 |
| 1859 | 66,355,950.07 |
| 1860 | 60,056,754.71 |

\$190,496,354,95 164,420,507.15 1871..... 157,583,827:58 1872..... 153,201,856.19 Total for 4 years ... \$665,702,545.87

Behold the immense difference! Take the four years embraced in 1878-81 and let us see if the Repub lican administration as it got farther off from the war improved in fidelity

1878.....\$134,463,542.15 1879..... 161,619,934,53 1881..... 178,204,146.41 Total for 4 years ... \$646,172,955.76

So beginning with the thirteenth year after the war and extending through the sixteenth we find that the Republicans are still spending the people's money at a fearful rate, and that too in spite of all the efforts of the Democrats in the Congress during those years to reduce the expenditures. If the game were worth the candle we could go into details to show the reckless waste-the wild extravagance and even the unmixed corruption of the Republican Administrations in their public expendi-

Since America was settled there has been nothing heard of among the nations of the earth that rivals the profligacy and corruption of the Republican party in the first twelve years succeeding the war.

Now to show the difference be tween Republican waste when hav ing exclusive control of affairs in the Congress and when the Democrats were in possession to check them, and to a considerable extent relieve the people, we will refer to what is known as the sundry civil bill. In 1873, the Republicans having control, the appropriation amounted to \$20,148,413.90; 1874. \$32,186,139.09; 1875, \$27,009,744.81, and in 1876, \$26,644,350.09.

Now see how quickly these extravagant appropriations were cut down when the Democrats got con trol of the House. In 1877 the appropriations for sundry civil bill were \$16,351,474.55; 1878, \$17,133, 750.06; 1879, \$24,750,100, but \$5. 500,000 of this is to be deducted, i being the Fishery Award-which makes it \$19,250,100. In 1883, the Republicans having control, the figures at once swelled to \$25,589,358.

It is well known that the Republican Congress expended more money and by nearly 80 million dollars than the Congresses expended when the Democrats controlled the House And yet all this profigacy and extravagance is caused by the war, Bah! Tell that to the marines.

Speaker Carlisle is a Constitutional Democrat and an honest, reliable man. He has declared in the Congress (in a previous debate) "that he would not discriminate above the resenue point for the purpose of giving protection." That is just the kind of Tariff Reformer we are and we have the decision of the Republican Supreme Court to back us.

Mrs. O'Donnell, widow of the man recently hanged, has returned to Philadelphia. She is very sad because she was not allowed to testify in the trial. Her husband had deserted her for another woman, but she went to London hoping to be of service to him.

Mr. Speaker Carlisle was able to omplete his most laborious and delate task in the matter of formin the very numerous committees in the House and to report them before the bolidays. The entire list ap peared in the STAR of Christman orning. A scrutiny of the list will show how much care, judgment and

labor was required to form the com mittees so as to do efficiently the work assigned them. We have no doubt that the Speaker has done the very best he could under the circumstances. As there were not enough Chairmanships to go around, course there are many disappointed members who regard themselves as neglected. This is always the case. We have never known it to fail that there was much chagrin and denunciation and complaint after a Speaker had announced the committees The leading committees have well chosen chairmen, and they are very much like the announcement in the papers before the appointments were read. Morrison is the right man for

for the Judiciary committee, as Buckner is for Banking and Currency. Reagan is the right man for Commerce, as Rosecrans is for Military Affairs. But we need not go through the list. Of the chairmanships North Caro lina has two comparatively unimportant ones. Gen. Vance is chairman of Patents; and Gen. Scales of Joint Select Printing. Col. Bennett is or

the very important Ways and Means

committee, as is Randall for the Ap-

propriations. Tucker is well chosen

Elections; Dowd is on Coinage, Weights and Measures and on Claims; Green is on Agriculture; Cox is on Foreign Affairs; Skinner is on Indian Affairs and on Mines and Mining; York is on Pensions and on Payment of Pensions, Bounties and Back-pay, and O'Hara on Mines and Mining.

NOTES-LITERARY AND PERSONAL Mr. George W. Cable is to take the lecture field regularly. He is great success. His lecturing will not seriously interfere with his literary work as he will not lecture enoug to do that, He is to begin a course of readings in New York in January.

Dr. Frederic Louis Ritter has written a history of Music in England that is said to be replete with information and of interest to those who have a taste for music. Miss Mary Anderson has piled up

the money in England but it is a mistake to suppose that the ablest papers have taken the view that the people who flock to seek her have taken. The criticisms of the great London weeklies are by no means as flattering as the first criticisms of the dailies. The Saturday Review and The Athenœum agree that her conception of Galatea is mistaken and her execution faulty. But it is great popular success and the Theatre is crowded nightly to see the peautiful American.

John Leyland writes to the Philadelphia American from London that the most successful English novel of 1883 is Laurence Oliphant's "Altiora Peto," and that it has had a general pæan of praise.

A literary authority just returned from abroad informs the Philadelphia American concerning three eminent English poets as follows:

"Swinburne,' he says, 'has turned 'pietist;' Morris, Fenian (and socialist); and Browning; Methodist.'"

The late Charles Darwin left three sons who all promise to make a name for themselves. Francis is teacher of biology at Cambridge. George is in the chair of Mathematical Physics in the same university. Francis has just been elected Fellow of the Royal Society, and is one of its youngest

Professer Sylvester, of Johns Hopkins' University, Baltimore, has been elected Sarilian Professor of Mathematics at the University of Oxford, England. A merited compliment. The Current says Johns Hopkins more nearly approaches the European University than any education-

al institution in the United States." Mrs. Burnett, the gifted English-American novelist, claims for herself that she is very lazy. She has thus far published ten books. One of them, "Louisiana," is the most exquisite short story we ever read, always excepting two or three of Charles Dickens's.

We found some bad proof reading in The Current. Gauge was spelt ncorrectly guage-a very common error among newspaper men. The t Archbishop R. C. Trench appeared as French. The distinguished biblical scholar and author, Wescott, appeared as Wescutt. But in a paper containing so much matter these few errors are not to be noted. We do so not so much to point out blemishes as to show how difficult it is to secure in the best offices the most perfect accuracy.

Here is the way one of your Northern malignants puts it when he has control of printer's ink. The Utica (N. Y.) Observer, Republican organ-grinder, says ;

"In the recent municipal election in Charleston, S. C., the candidate for Mayor received a manimous vote. The search for dead negross should immediately be-gin."

The Baltimore American issued double Christmas numbed and enclosed one of the prettiest and best arranged Calendars we have ever

The Ways and Means Committee have control of the Reform movement. The Democratic members are Morrison, chairman; Mills, of Texas; Blount, of Georgia; Blackburn, of Kentucky; Hewitt, of New York: Herbert, of Alabama; Hurd, of Ohio,

and Jones, of Arkansas. The most of these are decided Tariff Reformers. The Republic are Kelley, of Pa.; McKinley, of Ohio; Hiscock, of N. Y.; Russell, of Mass.; and Kasson, of Iowa. They are all pronounced Protectionists except Kasson. He is not committed to Tariff revision. The complexion of the committee is unmistakable. Speaker Carlisle said not long ago that to retreat from the advanced position of the Democratic party taken in 1876 and 1880, "would be disastrous." He shows by his selections that he is still of that opinion. The Washington Post of 25th inst., said:

"From such a committee, we may exprocrastination or double dealing. be guided in its conclusions and reco ons by what it ascertains to be the best interests of the people and most in consocommerce, keeping always in view the ul-timate reduction of taxes to a revenue basis by a process, which, however gradual, shall be direct—however conservative, not va-cillating. The campaign of revenue reform is now fairly inaugurated."

We publish Gen. Cox's bill change the manner of collecting the internal tax. It does not abolish but changes the method retaining the tax. We do not think that this bill meets the case. The plan of collecting should be radically changed. The whole system as now run should be abolished. The last one of the "Red-legged" fellows-the Smelling Ring-should be ordered "to move on." We wish to see North Carolina relieved of the last man who now serves the Government in any capacity under the Internal Revenue laws, and another plan adopted. We have before given three plans that have been suggested. The true plan, as it appears to us, is to retain as much of the internal tax as shall be necessary after relieving the poor man's necessaries of their present burdens, and to collect it by a system that shall not

The Boston Post appreciates the work done for North Carolina and by North Carolinians at the New England Exposition. It says:

"The quick return from the splendid enterprise of North Carolina, in making the exhibit at the New England Exposition which was so creditable to her, is exciting the envy of her sister States in the South.

We hope and believe that South
Carolina and other Northern States will learn from North Carolina that one great opportunity has been lost, and see to it that hose to come are improved.

The poet-editor of the Norfolk Landmark, and one of the most practical as well as one of the best political editors of Virginia, has been recently complimented upon the improvement of his paper. He does not copy what was said, but he is far too candid to shelter himself behind his modesty, but says frankly that he did not do so because of "lack of

We do not suppose that there is the slightest truth in the rumor that the young Duke of Portland is about to marry handsome Mary Anderson. She is a pure woman, has Southern blood in her veins and is good enough for any Duke of the realm. If she loves him and he is morally and intellectually worthy of her then we shall be glad to announce the marriage. The Duke and Mary are said to be betrothed.

The German Crown Prince has got safely back to his country after visiting Spain and Rome. What he went for is unknown to outsiders.

Christmas Day, Christmas day dawned very unpropiiously, and the rain that followed in the arly part of the forehoon served to dampn the ardor of those who were inclined to out-door pleasures. The shower soon passed, however, and the remainder of the day was not so unpropitious. It is probaole that a warmer Christmas was never exerienced in this latitude.

It was thought that the ambition of the young mnn and the powder of the small yoy were about exhausted Monday night, but those who entertained the opinion were laboring under a delusion; for all day long and until a late hour Christmas night evidences of powder were heard on every

The day passed off without the least disurbance of noticeable character, and, we are glad to say, without casualty or accident of any sort, so far as we have been able to learn.

There was more powder burnt on Christ ass eve, perhaps, than ever before in Wilmington, on any one night. Religious services appropriate to the joy

House Breaking-Tramps Suspected. The pantry of Mr. T. P. Ricaud, Jr., on the northeast corner of Seventh and Princess streets, was entered and robbed on Sunday night last. Entrance was effected by piling boxes under a window until the thieves could reach and hoist it, when they went inside and made a clean sweep of everything in the way of Christmas fixings, besides carrying off a lot of choice meat which Mr. R. had just received from Duplin. He was expecting to leave in a few days, to be gone some time, and had laid by an extra amount of groceries and provisions. It is said that enough in the way of odibles was taken to fill three large

A gentleman who heard of the robbery the next day, said he passed the house at a tolerably late hour on the night in question, on his way home, and saw three tramps lossing about in the neighborhood of the premises, and that one of the three was bare-footed. Mr. Ricaud says this description agrees exactly with the tracks which he found under his window,

n his way from his residence on

occurred to the little boy which may prove

fatal. It seems that he struck the horse

with a whip, when the animal, maddened

by the blow, gave him a severe kick over

he right eye, which fractured the skull.

Mr. Henry Kuhl happened to be close by

at the time and rendered Mr. Bonham

whatever assistance he could under the dis-

ressing circumstances, and the little suf-

ferer was placed in the buggy and brought

to this city, where at last accounts he was

having the benefit of the best surgical

skill. We understand that the attending

urgeon expresses the opinion that if in-

flammation is successfully warded off for

Many will regret to hear that Capt. A

A. Moffitt died in the Asylum at Raleigh

on Saturday night last. Deceased was

formerly a member of the firm of Moffitt

& Co., who did quite an extenstive com-

mission business in this city at one time,

final failure of the firm preyed upon his

mind to such an extent that it ultimately

became necessary to put him under the

mained (excepting a short interval) ever

ted. He was a native of Randelph county,

city and the funeral will take place from

the Lodge at Oakdale Cemetery this (Tues-

Special Session of the Board of County

The Board of County Commissioners for

New Hanover county met in special ses-

sion yesterday evening, and proceeded to

draw a venire of jurors for the special term

of the Superior Court, which convenes on

the 14th of January next, as follows: Jesse

Ives, John Maunder, W. H. Darden, Wm.

Pratt, F. A. Montgomery, G. R. Ward, F.

M. Garrason, J. H. Ellis, Henry Teitjen,

Moses Brown, R. M. Capps, Geo. Honnett,

Samuel Blossom, S. S. Mints, A. M. Bald

win, B. F. Mitchell, J. T. Edens, Thos

Evans, O. P. Cazaux, W. W. Campen, P.

Donlan, P. Heinsberger, W. W. Yopp, H.

It was ordered that J. H. Hawkins be

relieved from poll tax on account of disa-

John Wilkins, colored, was arrested by

Constable J. W. Millis, yesterday, on the

charge of attempting to kill his wife, the

latter making affidavit to the effect that

her husband, in sudden fury, threw her

down across the bed yesterday morning

and endeavored to cut her throat, but that

in the struggle that ensued Wilkins acci-

dentally lost his grasp upon the knife,

when she, by a superhuman effort, wrested

herself from his clutches and fled through

the open door. Wilkins was ordered to

give bond in the sum of \$100 for his ap-

pearance before Justice Millis, in default

Mrs. Hays, wife of Mr. Wm. M. Hays,

Sr., health officer of the city, died very

suddenly yesterday, about 12 o'clock, from

an attack of paralysis, at her residence, on

Seventh, between Mulberry and Walnut

streets. We learn that she survived the at-

tack not more than a half hour, Two

physicians were hastily summoned to her

edside, but their efforts were unavailing.

Deceased was about 45 years of age, and

the sad summons which came so sudden

and unexpectedly will cause much grief in

a large circle of relatives and friends, who

were anticipating the pleasures incident to

A report has just been received from

Solicitor Galloway, endorsed by His Honor,

and order, and that the general state of

things is entirely satisfactory to him and

Seekers after Knowledge.

of which he was committed to jail.

Sudden Death.

the holiday season.

is hanging.

The Clerk's Office.

The Board then adjourned

lleged Attempt at Murder.

where he has relatives now residing.

day) morning, at 10 o'clock.

The remains have been brought to

care of Dr. Grissom, where he has

and dealt largely in naval stores.

His condition, however, is very criti-

four days there will be hope of his recov

Beath of An Old Wilmingtonian.

is little son, about six years of age, we he House Committees as Announce Sound to this city, yesterday morning, and had reached the Morris place, about four (By Telegraph to the Morning Star.)

> WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 -- The following tions Messra, Turner of Georgi Cook of Iowa, Bennett of North lina, Lowery of Indiana, Electt of sylvania, Roberts of Kentucky, J. J. ams of New York, Ranney of Massa setts, Pettibone of Tennessee, Miller of msylvania, Valentine of Nebraska, Hep rn of Iowa, Hart of Ohio. Ways and Means-Messrs. Morrison nois, chairman; Mills of Texas, Blou Georgia, Hewitt of New York, Herbert Alabama, Hurd of Ohio, Jones of Ar-nsas, Kelley of Pannselsonia.

asas, Kelley of Pennsylvania, Kasson of wa, McKinley of Ohio, Hiscock of New ons-Messrs Randall of Penn Hancock of Texas, Townshend of Illinois, Hutchina of New York, Follett of Ohio, Burnes of Missouri, Keifer of Ohio, Cannon of Illinois, Ryan of Kansas, Calkins

Judiciary—Messrs, Tucker of Virginia, chairman; Hammond of Georgia, Culber-son of Texas, Moulton of Illinois, Broad-York, Collis of Massachusetts, Seney of Ohio, Reed of Maine, E. B. Taylor of Ohio, McCoid of Iowa, Brown of Indiana Poland of Vermont. Banking and Currency-Messrs. Buck ner of Missouri, chairman; Ermentrout of

since. Capt. Moffitt did good service for Georgia, Wilkins af Ohio, Yaple of Michigan, Dingley of Maine, Brumm of Pennthe Confederacy in the late war and was sylvania, Adams of Illinois, Henderson of for some time a prisoner in the hands of Iowa. Hooper of Virginia. the enemy. He was noted for the amia-Coinage, Weights and Measures.—Messrs.
Bland of Missouri, chairman; Dowd of
North Carolina, Hardy of New York, bility of his disposition, and the sad fate which overtook him was generally regret-Nicholls of Georgia, Pusey of Iowa, Lar-ham of Texas, Tully of California, Belford of Colorado, Loery of Michigan, Chace of Rhode Island, Everhart of Pennsylvania,

of Louisiana, Miller of Texas, Car

Luna of New Mexico. Commerce—Messrs. Reagan of Texas, chairman; Clardy of Missouri, Turner of Kentucky, Dunn of Arkansas, Seymour of Connecticut, Glasscock of California, Woodward of Wisconsin, Boyle of Penn-sylvania, Barksale of Mississippi, O'Neill of Pennsylvania, Davis of Illinois, Wads-worth of New York, Long of Massachu-setts, Stewart of Vermont, Perkins of Kan-

River and Harbor-Messrs, Willis of Kentucky, chairman; Blanchard of Louisiana, Jones of Alabama, Gibson of West Virginia, Rankin of Wisconsin, Breckenridge of Kentucky, Murphy of Iowa, Summer of California, Houseman of Michigan, Henderson of Illinois, Bayne of Pennsylvania, Robinson of Ohio, Chase of Rhode Island. Stone of Massachusetts, Bayne of New York. Agriculture-Messrs. Hatch of Missouri. hairman; Aiken of South Carolina, Dibrell

of Tennessee, Williams of Alabam, Beach of New York, Green of North Carolina, Winans of Michigan, Weller of Iowa, Patton of Pennsylvania, Cullen of Illino of Iowa, White, of Minnesota, Ochiltree of Texas, Hawley of New Jersey, Stephens of Wisconsin, Raymond of Dakota.

Foreign Affairs—Messrs. Curtain Pennsylvana, chairman; Belmont of New York, Deuster of Wisconsin, Clements of

York, Deuster of Wisconsin, Clements of Georgia, W. R. Cox of North Carolina, G. D. Wise of Virginia, Stewart of Texas, Lamb of Indiana, Rice of Massachusetts, Wait of Connecticut, Ketcham of New York, Phillips of New Jersey, Hitt, of Ill-Millitary Affsirs-Messrs. Rosecrans. California, chairnan; Slocum of New

York, Dibrell of Tennessee, Morgan of Missouri, Wolford of Kentucky, Nicholls f Georgia, Murray of Ohio, Duncan of Pennsylvania, Lyman of Massachusetts, Laird of Nebraska, Cutcheon of Michigan, Maginnis of Montana Naval Affairs-Messrs. Cox of New York hairman: Morse of Massachusetts, Talbott of Maryland, Buchanan of Georgia, Eaton of Connecticut, Ballentyne of Ten-

essee, McAdoo of New Jersey, Harmer of Pennsylvania, Thomas of Illin West Virginia, Boutelle of Maine.

Public Lands—Messrs. Cobb of Ind.

chairman; Scales of N. C., Oates of Ala. Shaw of Ills., Lewis of La., Henly of Cal., Van Eaton of Miss., Belford of Col., Strait of Minn., Anderson of Kansas, Payson of

Indian Affairs-Messrs. Welborn chairman; Graves of Missouri of New York, Peel of Arkansas, Pierce of Tenn., Finerty of Ill., Skinner of N. C., Smith of Pa., George of Oregon, Perkins of Kansas, Nelson of Min., Oury

Post Offices and Post Roads - Messre Mississippi, chairman; Reese of Ward of Indiana, Cosgrove of Missouri, Riggs of Illinois, Rogers of Arkansas, Taylor of Tennessee, Jones of Texas, Paige of Ohio, Bingham of Pennsylva as, Paige of Onio, Bingham of Pennsylva-nia, Peelle of Indiana, Skinner of New York, White of Kentucky, Wakefield of Minnesota, McCormick of Ohio. Railways and Canals—Messrs. Davidson of Florida, chairman; Hoblitzell of Mary-

Perilous Predicament of Two Young land, Murphy of Iowa, Paige of Ohio, Caldwell of Tennessee, Turner of Ken-tucky, Wemple of New York, Culbertson Two little boys were playing hanging.on Christmas day, in a wood house. They of Kentucky, James of New York, Atkinson of Pennsylvania, Hatch of Michigan.

Territories—Messrs. Evins of S. C., chair attached ropes to a beam, and had let themselves down to a hanging position, with man; Pryor of Ala., Arnold of N. Y their necks in a noose, and when they went Hardeman of Ga., Farlan of Tex., Alexander of Mo., Carleton of Mich., Foran of O., J. D. Taylor of O., Kellogg of La., Johnson of N. Y., Lawrence of Pa., Struble of Ia., Post of Wy. to extricate themselves they found that it was not such an easy matter. In fact, if some one had not observed their novel predicament we might have been called upon to record a terrible warning to boys anx-Manufactures—Messrs. Bagley of N. Y., chairman; J. D. Wise of Va., Mitchell of ious to know how a person feels when he

Conn., Caldwell of Tenn., Crisp of Ga., Lewis of La., Brewer of N. J., Mackey of S. C., Ellwood of Ills., Campbell of Pa. Mines and Mining—Messrs. Warner of Tenn., chairman; Cassidy of Nev., Alex-ander of Mo., Skinner of N. C., Miller of Tex., Wood of Ind., Stevens of N. Y. Judge Phillips, and ordered to be filed and Breitung of Mich., Culbertson of Ky. O'Hara of N. C., Singiser of Idaho. spread upon the minutes, to the effect that Levees and Improvements of the Miesissippi River—Messrs. King of La., chairman; Dunn of Ark., O'Neill of Ill., Post of
Pa., Campbell of N. Y., Jones of Wis.,
Thomas of Illa., J. S. 'he has carefully examined the office of the Clerk of New Hanover county, and finds that it is kept with care and neatness; that the books and papers are in proper place Wise of Va., Howey of N. J., Whiting of Militia—Messrs. Muller of N. Y., chair-man; Covington of Md., McAdoo of N.

Invalid Pensions-Messrs. Watson of

the officers and lawyers of said county." J., Peele of Ark., Boyle of Pa., Ballentine of Tenn., Strait of Minn., Money of O., Valentine of Neb., Cutcheon of Mich. Foreign Exports. The German barque Auguste Sophie Claims—Messrs. McMillan of Tennessee, chairman; Dowd of North Carolina, Till-Capt. Dethloff, was cleared from this port man of South Carolina, Warner of Ohio, Van Alstyne of New York, Dockery of Missouri, Wood of Indiana, Lore of Dela-ware, Snyder of New Mexico, Ray of New Harmshire, Price of Wissonsin, Ochilles for Glasgow, yesterday, with 500 casks spirits turpentine and 1,982 barrels of rosin, valued at \$10,500; also, the Norwegian barque Froy, Capt. Omundsen, for Hampshire, Price of Wisconsin, Ochiltree of Texas, Ellwood of Illinois, Brown of Bristol, England, by Messrs. Paterson, ennsylvania, Ray of New York.

War Claims—Messrs. Geddes of Ohio Downing & Co., with 350 casks spirits turpentine and 3,100 barrels of rosin, valued chairman; Jones of Wis., Stone of Pa., Tully of Cala, Rogers of N. Y., Weiler of Ia., Ferrell of N. J., Kellogg of La, Everat \$11,555. Total \$22,055. hart of Pa., Powell of Pa., Brown of Va.

Revision of Laws—Messrs. Oates of Ala.,
chairman; Buchanan of Ga., McMillan of
Tenn., Clay of Ky., Ward of Ind., Hemphill of S. C., Brown of Pa., Bayne of N.
Y., Spooner of R. I., McComas of Md.

Public Buildings and Grounds—Messrs.
Stockslager of Ind., chairman; Young of
Tenn., Dibble of S. C., Keese of Ga., Hopkins of Pa., Pusey of Ia., Wemple of N.
Y., Worthington of Ill., Brainerd of Pa.,
Hatton of Md., Kean of N. J., Burlington
of Mich., Milliken of Md.

The Norwegian Barque Henrich Bjorn, Capt. Nysteen, was cleared yesterday, for Bristol, England, by Messrs. Paterson. Downing & Co., with 3,279 barrels of rosin, valued at \$4,437. Also the Schr. Mattie Holmes, Capt. Perkins, for Port-Au-Prince, Trinidad, Messrs. Edward Kidder & Son, with 207,652 feet of lumber valued at \$4 431.90. Total \$8,868.90. of Mich , Milliken of Md.

Pacific Railroads—Messrs. Cassidy of Fire in Conwayboro, S. C. Nev., chairman; Throckmorton of Tex.,

Nev., chairman; Throckmorton of Tex., Cabell of Va., Thompson of Ky., Jordan of O., Crisp of Ia., Post of Pa., Wilson of Ia., Millard of N. Y., Dunham of Ills., Hanback of Kans.

Patents—Messrs, Vance of N. C., chairman; Singleton of Miss., Mitchell of Conn., Greenleaf of N. Y., Halsell of Ky., Dargan of S. C., Winans of Wis., Hepburn of Iowa We learn from a gentleman just from Conwayboro, S. C., that the store of Mr. E. T. Lewis, together with four other buildings, was destroyed by fire on Friday night last, about half past 10 o'clock. The fire originated on the second floor of Mr. Lewis' store. The loss of this gentleman is estimated at about \$15,000, upon Education—Messrs. Aiken of South Carolina, chairman; Converse of O., Willis of Ky., Budd of Col., Arnold of N. Y., Duncan of Pa., Winans of Wis., Taylor of O., Milleken of Mc., Hatch of Mich., Mor-rill of Kan. which there was no insurance.

In the following cases, of some importance in this community, opinions have been delivered as follows: Bank of New Hanover vs. J. R. Blossom et als., from New Hanover. Remanded for facts to be found, and further pro-

ceedings.
C. H. Wessell and wife vs. Martin Rath jen and wife, from New Hanover. No er-ror. Judgment affirmed. WASHINGTON.

lexas, Wolford of Ky., Steele of Ind., Laird of Neb., Struble of Is., York of by the Speaker-A Diversity of Views

chairman; Graves of Mo. Riggs, of Ill.. Candler of Ga. Fielder of N. J., Daves of Mass., Evans of Pa., Libbey of Va., Peti-Enrolled Bills-Messrs. Neece of Ill. chairman; Warner of Tenn., Snyder of W. Va., Yaple of Mich., Peters of Kau. Labor-Messrs. Hopkins of Pa., cman; O'Neill of Mo., Foran of O., Low man; O Neill of Mo., Foran of O., Lovering of Mass., Mackey of S. C., James of N. Y.

Spirits Turpentine

Coffield has just returned from a visit to Baltimore, where he bought two chemical engines for the town at a cost of \$1,500.

- About January first Mr. Theo

Hobgood will begin the publication of the Daily Advance at Asheville. Subscription

rice per annum, \$6; six months, \$3; three nonths, \$1.50; one month, 50 cents.

vere about 1,400 bushels of rice on our market this morning, finding a ready sale at \$1 to \$1.06, — There are not many

milies in this city that have escaped mea-

- Greensboro Workman: The

rial of the cause of Rev. J. H. Gilbreath

on yesterday involved no immorality, but

simply the question of a departure from the doctrines of his church to an extent

which was claimed to be damaging to the

cause of Christ and to the church which he

represented. He was requested to surrer der his credentials

- New Berne Journal: The "fatal

affray" reported in Friday's Journal turns

out to be a suicide, One Peter Hammons, colored, aged about 60 to 70 years, living

in Jones county, near the Lenoir line, on the A. & N. C. Railroad, was found about

one hundred yards from his house with his throat cut. His razor was found on the

floor of the house, and it is supposed that

- The Washington Gazette sug

gests that Mr. John S. Long, of New Berne

be solicited to take the lecture field for the

Pender monument, And the Goldsboro

Messenger says: "He is an eloquent and gifted lecturer. If four ladies in all the

lastern towns and villages would canvass

for the fund the money would soon be raised. Such is our belief. The people of

Eastern Carolina appreciate the greatest

STAR said this and it was copied without

- Raleigh Visitor: Dr. John W.

Page, of House's Creek Township, drop-

ped dead on Thursday evening last, just as

a well known young man of this city. He died about 7 o'clock on Market Place. He

was about 32 years old. He was at one

time city editor of the News here, and after

wards a reporter on the Petersburg Index

soldier the State ever produced."

ne committed suicide

credit. -STAR.]

sles, although the disease is dying out sole

at \$1 to \$1.06.

New Berne Nut Shell: There

Tarboro Southerner: Mayor

Haynes of N. H.

Private Land Claim—Messrs. Muldrow of Miss., chairman; Mutcheler of Pa., Williams of Ala., Halsell of Ky., Cosgrove of Mo., Eldridge of Mich., Lowry of Ind., Paysen of Ill., Parker of N. Y., Mayo of Va., Weaver of Neb. Select Committee on Reform in the Civil Service—Messrs. Mulcheler of Pa., chair-man; Cox of N. Y., Clements of Ga., Ha-blitzell of Md., Finnerton of Ills., Barks-

dale, of Miss., Seymour of Conn., Robertson of Ky., Phelps of N. J., Millard of N. Y., Lyman of Mass., Hill of Ills.

Alcoholic Liquor Traffic—Messrs. Hill of O., chairman; Bland of Mo., Kleiner of ind., Carleton of Mich, Evins of S. C., Davis of Ills., Gunther of Wis., Goff of Va., Campbell of Pa.

American Ship Building and Ship Owning-Messrs. Slocum of N. Y., chairman; Dester of Wis., Dibble of S. C., Throckmurton of Tex., Hunt of La., Findley of Md., Love of Del., Dingley of Me., O'Neill of Pa., George of Oregon, Long of Mass. On Laws Respecting the Election of President and Vice President—Messrs. Eato of Conn., chairman; Springer of Ills. Clay of Ky., Jordan of O., Price of Ala. anett of N. C., Kleiner of Ind., Findlay of Md., Parker of N. J., White of Ky. Peters of Ks., Hart of O., Wait of Conn. Pennsylvania, Potter of New York, Hunt On Payment of Pensions, Bounties and Back-pay-Warner of O chairman; Connelly of Pa.; Pearce of Tenn., Rogers o Ark., Greenleaf of N. Y., Brewer of N.Y., York of N. C., Whiting of Mass, Ander

Joint Select Printing—Scales of N. C., chairman; Rogers of N. Y., Smith of Pa. Library—Singleton of Miss., chairman Woodward of Wis., Nutting of N. Y. he was retiring. He was about 45 years old. — This community was very much startled last night by the announcement of the sudden death of Mr. Geo. B. Enniss, Barbour of Va. is chairman of the cor nittee on the District of Columbia. The following are chairmen of the com

aittees on Expenditures in the Depart ments: Hardeman of Ga., State Department; Davis of Mo., Treasury; Thompson of Ky., War; Morse of Mass., Navy; Springer of Ill., Department of Justice: Morgan of Mo., Postoffice; Young of Tenn., Interior; Belmont of N. Y., Public

tive Democratic Representative from New

England said, in reply to questions, that he preferred to wait a little before talking

about the organization of the Ways

say, however, that the composition of the

committee was not in accordance with conservative ideas of the tariff question.

Most of its members were not men of mod-erate views, and the selection of such men

was, he thought, at variance with the sen-timents expressed by Mr. Carlisle in his

opinion the committee would be found

strongly in favor of ultimate free trode; a

majority of its members being in accord

with its chairman, Mr. Morrison, on that

go in carrying out its views was a question

apon which speculation at present was use-

ess. He thought, in view of the ap-

proaching Presidential election, policy would forbid radical measures. The

majority of the Democratic members of

with the places assigned them; but a few,

among them Mr. Springer of Ills., express loud dissatisfaction. The latter, it is said, expected to be made chairman of the com-

nittee on Elections, a position which he

occupied in the Forty-Sixth Congress; but he was not even made a member of that

House seemed to be contente

and Means committee. He

- High Point Enterprise: W. earn that a man by the name of Presnell Washington, Dec. 24.—There is abou from Randolph county, started to market with a load of flour, and was carrying with the usual diversity in views expressed by Congressmen to night in regard to the comhim four gallons of brandy for his brother position of the House committees as an who lived in Richmond county. Just as nounced by the Speaker to-day. The gen eral opinion, however, seems to be that as he was entering the premises of his brother revenue afficers captured his wagon and signments to places have, as a rule, been made with fairness and justice and with a drove to Winston, not even allowing him to ride, causing him to walk about 100 view to efficient work, and the general feelmiles. They kept the wagon and horses nearly a month, and a few days ago he ing therefore is one of satisfaction. Representative Willis, of Kentucky, whose relapassed through this place on his way home with his wagon and horses. We learn that tions with Mr. Carlisle are known to be intimate, says that in making up the com mittees the Speaker paid most regard to he will institute action against the officers the character and experience of the men - Raleigh News-Observer: Misto be placed thereon, and there was no intention or desire to punish anybody for the Julia Hooker, of Hillsboro, a young well known here and having relatives in art taken by him in the test. As a proof of the latter assertion. the county, died last Tuesday of consump Mr. Willis refers to the fact that Mr. Rantion, after an illness extending over a pe dall and a number of his prominent supriod of six years. — Mr. W. G. Henby has relinquished the editorial management porters have been given important chair of the Rutherford Enterprise. About the manships, and that all the members of the New York delegation occupy committee places of responsibility. Members of the Ways and Means committee gen-16th of January he will issue a new paper from Waynesville, Haywood county, of 28 columns, published weekly and called the Waynesville News. — The receipts of cotton here for the week ending last erally declined to-day to express opinion as to the policy which committee would adopt or the Thursday were 3,584 bales, against 2,106 t would undertake to do. Mr. for the corresponding week last year. The total receipts from September 1st to Thursrison, its chairman, said, in reply to ques tions upon this point, that the make-up of day were 27,072 bales, against 35,106 to the the committee indicated what the policy same date last year. — While under the influence of liquor Mr. Creech T. Rhodes, would be, but he declined to go into de ails or to express himself more definitely of Wakefield, this county, yesterday after apon the subject. A prominent conserva-

street, and was then thrown to the ground his head striking a stone - Charlotte Observer: A Mr. Mayhew, who arrived here on the train from Davidson College yesterday morning, went to Policeman Orr and stated that while he was sleeping on the train, some one relieved him of his watch and forty speech accepting the office of Speaker. Another eastern representative said that in his dollars in cash. He accused a man named S. C. Johnston, who is a well known citizen of Gaston county, and a man whose character is regarded as above reproach, of having committed the theft and stated that he could produce two witnesses who saw question. How far it would be likely to Mr. Johnston feeling his breast while he was sleeping. The policeman advised Mr. Mayhew to go before the Mayor and take out the necessary warrant, but this he fail--About seven o'clock last night, a white man named J. S. Dulin, and a colored man named Bob Simpson, got into an altercation in the Mountain House bar, on College street, and it resulted seriously for the colored man. Dulin drew a knife in the course of the scuffle and hacked Simpson in a bad manner. One of simpson's hands was cut almost to shreds. Dulin ran immediately after doing the cutting, but was afterwards captured by the

ioon, received injuries which may prove

fatal. He was in a wagon; drawn by

pair of mules. These ran away. Rhodes held on until the wagon got as far as Capt.

Thomas' store. 313 South Wilmington

committee or given any other position which he regarded in keeping with his experience and long service as a member of - The Raleigh Visitor gets the he House. The reason, it is said, why following particulars of the horrible mur-der briefly mentioned in the telegraphic de-Mr. Springer was not given a place on the Elections Committee was that he was partment of the STAR Tuesday morning known to be unfriendly to Mr. Manning, of On Saturday night, about six miles from Mississippi, upon whose case that commit-tee would have to pass judgment and Moncure station, in Chatham county, a nost horrible and cold blooded murder make report. Mr. Springer, himself, atwas committed. Mrs, Alvin Gunter, an old lady, her daughter and little grand child were found brained with an axe. So far there is no clue as to who committed the foul deed, though every effort is being made by the community to find the guilty party. Saturday night her son, Mr. — Gunter, was returning from prayer meetng and stopped in the yard and asked his nother what time it was, and his little daughter, who was staying with the family, told him. He then went on home, a very short distance from his mother's. Sun day morning he went down to feed his stock, and after doing so he went into the house and made a fire and called his mother, but receiving no answer he went to her bed and found she had been completely cut to pieces with an axe. He then called his sister and little daughter, and on going to their room found them brained.

- Raleigh News-Observer: Mr.

police and locked up.

John Renno, the veteran bridge builder, so well known all over the State, fell from a nigh trestle over the Pee Dee river, on the Carolina Central R. R., and is dangerously if not fatally injured. —From a gentle-man of this city who returned yesterday from the town of Rockingham we learn of serious trouble at that place on Saturday and the night of that day. It appears that the town authorities forbade the use of fire-works and fire-crackers during Christmas week. This made some of the barkeeprs indignant, and Saturday, it is stated, they distributed twenty-five gallons of liquor among the crowd and also large quantities of nreworks of all kinds. A regular picnic then began and the place was stirred to its centre, we are told. The authorities were defied, and when the police attempted to make arrests of violaters of the ordinance. they were set upon and beaten. One offithey were set upon and beaten. One officer was attacked by three men and quite badly hurt. The row continued far into the nlght, being in full swing at midnight.

— Last August a negro man who eloped with a white girl, the daughter of Mr. Alex. McLeod, of Moore county, was captured, brought back to Keyser and lodged in jail there. Some of the negroes, it appears, became indiguant at the fact of the negro's being in jail and conspired to release him and destroy certain evidences release him and destroy certain evidences against him, even if they had to burn the town to do it. A week ago a letter from a town to do it. A week ago a letter from a negro from another place to a Keyser negro, was discovered, and this gave some details of the plan. The time fixed for the liberation of the prisoner and the destruction of the town was last Friday night. A close watch was kept and armed men guarded the place. Of this fact the conspirators must have become informed, since no attempt has yet been made, James Lassiter, a negro said to be the ringleader in the affair, was arrested Saturday and is now in jail at Rockingham. The facts as we give them are gathered from town and county authorities. — Many inquiries having been received as to the time when an apportionment of money will be made to the portionment of money will be made to the the public schools, an interview with the State superintendent enables us to say that it will be distributed so soon as the census of the school children is received from the

tributes his exclusion, as he regards it, from the all-important committees, tility of Mr. Morrison. PENNSYLVANIA.

Trouble Expected in the Coal Re-

[By Telegraph to the Morning Star.] PITTSBURG, Dec. 26.-A dispatch from Mashannon, Pa., says there are prospects of extensive trouble in the bituminous coal don, Bedford Centre and Clearfield coun-The producers are extremely retieent as to plans, but it is pretty generally known ments of labor will he exacted after Dec. 31st. The miners, who are said to be well organized and estimated to number from 15,000 to 20,000 men, have expressed their willingness to co-operate and assist in the general strike laid down for the first of January. The rupture between the Ro-chester & Pittsburg R. R. Co. and their malcontent miners is not entirely adjusted, notwithstanding reports to the contrary, and an undefined feeling of insecurity prevails in the striking districts.

INDIANA.

Further Particulars of the Late Railroad Accident. [By Telegraph to the Morning Star.] NEW ALBANY, IND., Dec. 25.—The following additional details have been receiv-

ed relative to the railroad accident, yesterday, near Salem. The train was running at the rate of fifty miles per hour. When it reached the bridge, the abutments of which had been undermined by the swollen stream, the locomotive crossed safely, but the baggage and mail car, the express car and gentlemen's car plunged into the stream. The ladies' and buffet car remained on the track. The portion of the train not submerged caught fire and in less than half an hour the whole train was consumed. John Vaughan, the engineer was consumed in the subject that train was consumed. John Vaughan, the engineer, was so seriously injured that he cannot live. Rough, the fireman, was slightly injured. Charles Sanford, baggage master, was wedged in between his car by baggage and drowned. Jacob Helfuch, aged 70 years, a German minister of this city, was burned to death. A passenger from Quincy III who got on at this city, was burned to death. A passenger from Quincy, Ill., who got on at Salem, and two from Chicago, who were going to Louisville to work at street paving, are among the missing. Four unrecognizable bodies have been taken from the wreck. Miss Dora Iddings, who was reported to have been killed, is safe. The wounded were taken to the hotels; their names could not be ascertained. Two others are believed to be fatalijy injured. The loss to the company is estimated at \$35,000. One of the bodies is supposed to be that of Boone Thompson, a Washington county farmer.

Invalid Pensions—Messrs. Watson of Ind., chairman; Lefevre of O., Fyan of Mo., Winans of Mich., Budd of Cala., Sumner of Wis., Patten of Ia., Lovering of Mass., Bagley of N. Y., Ray of N. H., Cullen of Ill., Hank of Tenn., J. S. Wise of Va., Holmes of Ia., Norrill of Ky.

Pensions—Messrs. Hewitt of Ala., chairman: Tillman of S. C. Robinson of N. Y. of Va., Holmes of Ia., Norrill of Ky.

Pensions—Messrs. Hewitt of Ala., chairman; Tillman of S. C., Robinson of N. Y.,

A freight train and a local passenger train on the C. & O. Railroad collided at Louisa C. H., Va. A fireman was killed.