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THE GROWTH OF CENTRALIZATION.

In the beginning, soon after independence was declared, the two ideas that now divide the country existed—a Government of the people and a Government for the people.

Hamilton first tried to secure a Constitution with centralizing powers plainly declared. He failed in this, but succeeded in another particular. A Constitution was framed that was against the people.

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themselves sternly against the exercise of any power for which no express grant could be found in the Constitution.

Now this New England disciple of Story and Curtis writes very deliberately as if the doctrine as held by Jefferson, Madison and Monroe was almost utterly exploded.

After awhile Judge Marshall, a Virginian, made decisions that had a great deal to do in strengthening the hands of the disciples of Hamilton.

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PHOSPHATES IN SOUTH EASTERN CAROLINA.

The Monthly Bulletin of the North Carolina Agricultural Department for March has just been received. It is late but instructive.

Mr. McGehee continues his excellent discussions upon Forestry. Number four is devoted to "Forests in Relation to Springs."

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WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, MAY 2, 1884.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Appointment of Delegates to the Various Conventions—Much Wrangling Among the Sections—An Opposition Convention, &c.

The Republican County Convention met at the Court House in this city yesterday morning at 10 o'clock.

The committee were absent for some time, and when they finally reported, Gen. Manning announced that the election of a permanent chairman was in order.

Delegates—W. P. Canaday, E. H. Manning, Geo. W. Price, John Holloway, J. E. Taylor.

Delegates—Alex. Sampson, Chas. H. Miller, Emanuel Nidols, Luke Grady.

Delegates—S. Van Amringe, J. H. Davis, T. C. Miller, J. K. Oulter.

Delegates—Wm. McLaughlin, J. D. Sampson, Paris Jones, Gilbert Wingate.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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The unfinished business coming over from last Friday was the bill relating to certain soldiers at late war from the charge of desertion.

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