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TIXAS AND THE DANGERS OF TE BLAIR BILL.

There are no Democrats in the United States that are sounder than those of Texas. Whilst even South Carolinians are running after strange and are hurrahing for "the flag and an appropriation" the Democrats of Texas are firm and loval to the Constitution, and stand fast by the conservatism of the fathers. In their State Convention they declare:

While we favor the education of the masts by every legitimate means, yet we regard the Educational bill pending in Congress as an unconstitutional and dangerous eneroschment of the rights of the States, and is another great step toward the centralization of all powers in the Federal Government, and threatens destruction to the Republic."

True as words of Holy Writ. We honor the people of any State who remain true to the traditions and principles of a party that has maintained the rights of the sovereign States when the ablest men were madly assaulting the Constitution. We honor any people who upviews of Government at the time of widespread demoralization and when the allurements of large appropriations are leading the States to their own undoing, and final absorption into the devouring vottex of the maelstrom of Consolidation and Usurpation. All honor to Texas Democrats say we. The above resolution is the truth and nothing but the truth. We would rather that Cuffee and Sambo should remain unkempt and unlettered forever more than that their little knowledge should be acquired at the cost of unconstitutional and destructive opportunitions and methods.

We grant that there is a certain facination in the proposed appropriation of some seventy or eighty millions of dollars for the removal of a pertion of the prevailing illiteracy. To be relieved to a considerable extent of the reproach and evil of abounding illiteracy is pleasing and seductive. But like Eve's transgression of God's law it may be fruitful of "minumbered woes." The purchase of knowledge on the part of our first mother was at a terrible cost. It not only brought on her and her husband the awful curse of both natural and spiritual death, but in the grand Miltonic statement of the consequences upon her descen-

'It brought death into the world and all

Before legislators and the people yield to the clamor of school teachand peripatetic lecturers (who leave the Constitution entirely out of sigh ), demagogues and political ignoramuses, as well as men of ability, who upon entering Congress, to quote their language, "left their States Rights behind them," they would do wise to help themselves, and after doing all they can to cure illiteracy year by year to be content. There is progress and in the right direction. A Northern editor is discussing in his paper, the Philadelphia Press, the educational advancement in the South. We quote from an editerial in the Press. It says:

4 "The true basis of comparison is not the aggregate number of illiterates, but clearly the number of illiterates to each 1,000 of the population. Estimated in this way, it will be seen that the percentage of illiterates has decreased in every Southern State, And, further, that should the Southern States go on at the same rate of decrease as in the last decade, this generation will see the percentage brought down to that of the

We call the attention of North Carolina members of the Congress to that statement, and we have reason to think that it is true. In the course New York, Pennsylvania and New continues that has marked the last decade. Such is the conclusion of Mr. Porter and the editor of the Press. Surely this is very encouraging. Why then invade the Constiution under the specious and dan-

a shame and a crime to violate the plain and unmistakable teaching of the Constitution in order to teach Sambo the three R's five or ten years sooner than he will be taught if the General Government does not inal color and proportions. For any further and proportions, the color and proportions. For any further any further information call on him. He also assures us that persons who wish to prepare any article or articles for exhibition, but have not the time or opportunity to do so, can hand the same to the chairman or any member of the committee, and it will be attended to. Action is now the watch word, as the time is getting short.

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set up a Universal Pedagogic system and take charge of the schools in the States.

Every man who has studied history knows how insidious and artful are the approaches of tyranny. Every student knows how many crimes are committed against the people under. pleasing, insinuating, alluring promises. Do not violate the plain letter and spirit of the Constitution under any plea, however specious or, indeed, however necessary. Uphold and defend the Great Charter of our liberties. Do not for one moment countenance any assaults upon the Sacred Instrument. Protect and preserve the Constitution in its integrity if you would not have your States converted into mere provinces.

We are glad to reproduce a portion of an excellent editorial in the Elizabeth City Falcon on the cost of education under the Blair bill. The whole article is good but we can only make room for a small part that shows the dangers. The editor says:

"It is proposed to remedy all this,—to educate the illiterate and make them more useful citizens,—a very philanthropic project, to be sure. It is proposed that the general government deal out to the States the means for removing this illiteracy. Naturally enough one is apt at first thought to be struck with the beauty and fairness of this arrangement, and to feel dutifully grateful to the government for its profered generosity. \* \* Such a proceeding is fraught with danger. In the hundred and odd years that this country has had political existence no such step try has had political existence no such step has been taken toward a strong centralized government. Disguise it as you may, the fact remains that such a move as is contemplated, carried to its logical conclusion, will put the public school system of the State directly under the control of the Federal government. This is a sufficient reason for opposing national aid to educa-tion. \* \* The Blair educational bill is the bait with which the Protection spider is attempting to allure the tax-payer into his web. It is a fraud, a sham and a delu-

The New York correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger, Rep., writes on the 19th of the political condition: "It is idle to discuise the fact that Gov. Cleveland's supporters are disappointed that the Saratoga Convention failed to instruct the delegates to cast their votes for him. When they yielded to the demands of John Kelly for a representation in the Convention equal to that of the County Democracy, the expectation was that the way would then be open for Tammany to acquiesce in such instructions, but, as the event shows, the 'Boss' after he got all he wanted (and even a little more than he asked for), saw fit to disappoint instead of gratifying expectation. The consequence is the delegation will go to Chicago committed to nobody in

and's chances are perceptibly diminished. Here is the secret of Kelly's opposition to Gov. Cleveland. We copy from the New York letter in the Philadelphia Ledger of the 20th:

particular, and to that extent Mr. Cleve

"It ought to have been foreseen at the tart that any attempt to identify Tammany Hall with the political promotion of Governor Cleveland would end in a failure. The whole policy of the Governor since his inauguration, as everybody knows, has been one of pronounced hostility to that organi zation, and the latter long ago gave notice that it would improve its first opportunity for reverge."

Some of the Republicans are goading the Democrats for their unwillingness to believe Tilden sincere in his good-bye, swan-like song. The Chicago Tribune, for instance, says: "Judging from the incredulity with which lows journals and statesmen receive the declination of Mr. Tilden, they are not likely to accept fully any assurance that he is not a candidate unless it is embodied in

an obituary notice of the old ciphoree." Telegraph Meeting and a Railroad Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Wilmington, Clinton and Warsaw Telegraph Company was held at Clinton on Wednesday last. The report of the Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. W. L. Faison, showed a very favorable state of affairs for the first year. It was also announced that there had not been a single break in the line during the year, which is somewhat remarkable. The old Board of Directors was re elected. Also the officers, as follows:

W. A. Johnson, President,

W. L. Faison, Secretary and Treasurer Col. F. W. Foster, Superintendent. The business of the Telegraph Company having been concluded, at the suggestion of E. T. Boykin, Esq., the assembly resolved itself into a railroad meeting, and the construction of a road from Warsaw to Clinton was advocated by Messrs. Boykin and Foster, who it seems but echoed the sentiments of the meeting. The people are strongly in favor of the scheme and there seems to be no doubt that it will be carried through at an early day. In fact, subscriptions were offered on the spot.

Wrightsville Opening Hall at the Sea-Side Park, Hase Ball, Music. &c.

There was a lively time at the Sea-Side Park Friday afternoon and night. A large crowd was present, estimated by some to have been at least five hundred. In fact, it is stated that three hundred and eighty-five persons were fed at the hotel alone. One of the main attractions was the match game of base ball between the tioned) last night. They both admit that Seaside Park and Old North State Clubs, | they are escaped convicts, besides which which was witnessed with a great deal of they were fully identified by Warden Jones.
Saunders was arrested at Meares' Bluff. interest. Then came the supper, after which the Cornet Concert Club played sevof the present generation illiteracy | eral beautiful airs, which was followed by in the South will not exceed that of the opening ball of the season of the Seaside Park Hotel, under Messrs. Scoville & Co., the fine string band of John Varalla, Jersey, or that of Ohio, Wisconsin of Raleigh, now engaged at the Seaside and Illinois, if the same progress Park, furnishing the music. There were a good many ladies present and the dancing was kept up until a very late (or rather early) hour.

The turnpike presented a lively scene during the day. Process for Preserving Pruit, &c.

Mr. J. M. Forshee, chairman, has at last gerous and despicable plea of curing succeeded in securing a process for preserving fruits and vegetables in their orig-Let well enough alone. It will be | inal color and proportions. For any furTHE HOTEL. Puck Employs a Telegraph Boy.

The Charlotte Observer has this to say of

Indicates a Magnificent Bullding-Large and Roomy and Provided With all the Modern Improvement

Calling at the office of J. K. Vaughar rehitect, yesterday, we had the pleas ure of examining the plan of the pro posed new hotel, soon to be erected on the ortheast corner of Third and Dock streets. In dimension the building will be three stories and a basement in height and will occupy 142 feet on Third and 200 feet on Dock street, leaving 37 feet of lot east of the building. It will contain 102 bed rooms and suits of rooms, with all the necessary pardining rooms, smoking rooms, rooms, water closets, etc. The building will be faced with pressed bricks on the fronts, will have galvanized iron cornices and ornamental window caps, and will be put up in all respects in a first-class manner. It will be provided with four elevators, ample conservatories, and piazzas, verandahs and porticos on each front. The roof will be surmounted by an observatory, from which will be had a fine view of the city, and also furnished with ample ventilators, which will form an architectural feature of the building. Plenty of light and ventilation are expressly provided for, while four fire-escapes and apparatus for extinguishing fires are conveniently arranged on each floor. The basement will contain a billiard room, gentlemen's wash room, bar room, barber shop, kitchen, provision room, laundry, fruit cellars, vegetable cellars, etc. The Third street front will have an elegant double plazza or portico. The office on the first floor will be provided with an arrangement by which the clerk, with the aid of an electric bell and a speaking tube, can communicate with any room in the house at will. There will be an attic story in a portion of the building for servants' bed rooms, etc. In short, the house will be first-class in every respect and provided with all the modern conveniences and appliances necessary to

the comfort and pleasure of the guests. It is not just now definitely known about what time work upon the new hotel will begin, but we understand that operations will commence very soon, and that when completed it will be one of the handsomest and most convenient hotels in the

The Appropriation for the Cape Fear. When the River and Harbor Appropriation bill came up recently in the House of Representatives, as reported by committee. it was found that the item for the improvement of Cape Fear river and harbor had been cut down to \$75,000. Hon. W. J. Green, our representative, spoke in behalf of an appropriation exceeding this sum, but a member of the committee stated that there was an unexpended balance of the last appropriation for the improvement of Cape Fear river and harbor amounting to \$168,000, and that for this reason, the committee, while recognizing the importance of the work, had reduced the amount to be appropriated to \$75,000. This, it now appears was a mistake; for a statement is made to us on the authority of Mr. Henry Bacon, assistant engineer in charge of the works, and Messrs. Ross & Lara, contractors, that after a thorough investigation, they find that up to the first of June, 1884, there is a balance unexpended of \$29,000-instead of \$168,-000 as stated by the committee-and that this will be required to pay for present contracts, and will be expended before the proposed appropriation of \$75,000 is avail-

We hope it is not too late to rectify this unfortunate mistake of the committee, for it is of the first importance that there should be no prolonged delay or interruption to the work now in progress, as will undoubtedly result unless a larger amount is appropriated.

Arrest of an Escaped Convict. Intelligence was received here on Wednesday to the effect that one John James, an escaped convict from the South Carolina penitentiary, was employed on the steamer Bladen, and asking that he be arrested. The necessary papers were issued by Justice Millis and placed in the hands of C. H. Strode and another officer, and upon the arrival of the steamer James was arrested and taken to the sheriff's office, and thence to the county jail. James, we understand, was accused of killing a man in Chesterfield county, S. C., and upon trial was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to the State penitentiary for four years. The authorities put him to work upon one of the railroads in the State and he made his escape on the first opportunity. He acknowledges that he is the man sought for, but he says he will die before he will work on the road again, as he was treated badly. He will be held to await the arrival of an officer, no requisition being required from the Governor for an escaped

Escaped Convicts. James Saunders, another escaped convict from the South Carolina penitentiary, has been arrested and lodged in jail. He was in for larceny. Mr. Jones, one of the wardens of the penitentiary, arrived from Columbia yesterday, and was expected to leave with Saunders and John James (whose arrest has heretofore been men-

County Executive Committee, We inadvertantly omitted the proceedings in connection with the organization of the Democratic County Executive Committee, which took place at the Court House Friday morning, and the particulars of which we obtained at the time. Mr. J. W. King, temporary Chairman, was made w. King, temporary Chairman, was made permanent Chairman, and Mr. Gabriel Holmes was elected Secretary and Trea-surer, those two offices having, on motion of Mr. O. G. Parsley, Jr., been consolidated. The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the Chairman.

Specimens of N.C. Minerals, Quartz, &c. Mr. Sterling Salling exhibited to us yesterday a fine and beautiful collection of mica, crystalized quartz, burrel, garnet,

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 1884.

FIRST SESSION.

the good luck of a Wilmington boy: "Mr. James Anderson, formerly a telegraph operator in Wilmington, passed through the city yesterday on his way to New York city, where he goes to take a position on Puck, the far famed illustrated paper of that city. Mr. Anderson, it appears, is what might be termed a natural born artist. Some time ago he drew a cartoon repreenting Col. L. C. Jones trying to persuade friend to go up the Carolina Central with From this picture the start was nade. Puck heard of him, some of his amples were submitted, and the result

was his engagement as an artist for that paper. We wish him success and fame with his pencil, and look to see him get in some good ones on Blaine this summer." Our information is that Mr. Anderson is mployed in the Western Union Telegraph office in New York, and that he spends his

spare time in studying his art at Cooper In-

Get Your Exhibits Beady. There is considerable complaint, as we learn from one of the committeemen, that the people of New Hanover are not coming up as they should in the matter of pre paring for the State Exposition. The time is growing short, and the season is rapidly passing in which many of the products of our soil and specimens of our industry can be made ready for the exhibition. If our people have not realized the importance of making a creditable exhibit on the occasion it is time they had done so. Call on Mr. J. M. Forshee or other members of the committee and they will gladly assist you or give you any information you may desire.

County Medical Society.

At a meeting of the New Hanover Medial Society, held Wednesday night, Dr. F. W. Potter was elected President, Dr. G. G. Thomas Vice President and Dr. W. B. Pritchard Secretary and Treasurer. Dr. J. R. Smith, Dr. W. B. Pritchard and Dr. J. Macumber were elected to membership.

Mr. C. G. Rouse, a young but well known resident of Rose Hill, Duplin county, where he had just opened a store, died very suddenly a day or two since. He was about 30 years old.

Editor Morning Star, Wilmington, N. C .:

DEAR SIR :- The report of the postmas ter at Wilmington to the Department at Washington City, published in your paper of the 14th inst., "that facts point strongly to the conclusion that the mail carrier on the route between Magnolia and Clear Run, stole the mail and concocted the story of the robbery to avoid suspicion," is too much for one to quietly submit to, and in ustice to myself I ask that the "Facts" be point that way) for the conclusion drawn.

I know not who is responsible, for the statement of "Facts" made but realize where the reflection falls; and to contralict the charges in the most bitter terms and you will greatly oblige
W. S. Faison. ask you to give this a place in your paper

STATE DENTAL ASSOCIA-TION.

Raleigh Evening Visitor's Report. The following dentists not previously mentioned were present: Drs. Gingeric of Norfolk, Va., and Bland, of Charlotte The Executive Committee reported the name of Dr. C. A. Rominger for active nembership. He was elected Durham had read a lengthy and able paper upon that subject. Operative denistry was

ne next subject. Various communications were read and neld over, to come up, on the order of the Dr. J. E. Matthews, of Kenansville, was enorted as present.

Delegates to the National Dental Associ ation of the United States were chosen as follows: M. A. Bland, Sidney P. Hilliard, E. L. Hunter, T. M. Hunter, D. L. James, Mr. Augustus Matthews, of Hamilton was granted the State scholarship at the Dental Department of the University of

There was an evening session, by orde of the President. Dr. C. Boyd was chosen an active member. Officers were elected as follows: President, Dr. J. H. Durbam, Wilmington; first Vice President, Dr. C. Watkins, of Salem; Second, Dr. J. E. Matthews, of Kenansville; Secretary, Dr. P. M. Hunter, of Fayetteville; Treasurer Dr. J. W. Hunter, of Salem. The Secre tary and Treasurer were elected by accla-

Executive Committee-Drs. W. H. Hoffnan, M. A. Bland, J. F. Griffith. Charlotte was chosen as the place of the next neeting; the time being the first Tuesday

Hass Meeting of the Democratic Party

of Brunswick County. At a meeting of the Democratic party of the county of Brunswick, held at Thomas E. McKeithan's, on the 19th day of June, 1884, the following proceedings were had: F.M. Moore, chairman executive committee, called the meeting to order, and, upon motion of A. W. Rieger, was made per-manent chairman, and W. W. Drew was chosen secretary

On motion, the following named gentlemen were chosen as delegates to the State

Dr. W. G. Curtis, Jas. D. McRae, Thos. Lewis, S. J. Stanley, B. L. Butler and A. M. Williams. Alternates-M. C. Guthrie. T. S. Ottaway, J. H. Mints, G. P. Formy duval, J. J. Pigott and G. M. Robbins-Congressional Convention—J. H. Mints Jabez Frink, John N. Bennett, H. M. Du rant, John N. Swain, J. B. Mercer, Chris topher Evans, W. S. Milliken, Dr. D. B cNeill, Samuel W. Maultsby, Dr. A. H Robbins and J. S. Williams. Alternates-M. W. Milburn, T. S. Ottaway, W. S. Do sher, David Ward, J. J. Hawes, E. Hick man, Jno. B. Gause, C. C. Little, J. W. Lancaster, R. W. McKeithan, J. P. Mur ell, Jas. H. Reiley. On motion, the chairman and secretary

were added to the list of delegates. On motion of W. W. Drew the chairman appointed the following named gentlemen as a committee to draft resolutions, viz.: John N. Bennett, John H. Mints, R. W. McKeithan, Henry Addix, T. Harvell and B. L. Butler, who retired, and after deliberating, reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we heartily recommend the nomination of Maj. C. M. Stedman for Lieutenant Governor and Hon. A. M. Waddell for Congress in the Sixth District; which resolution was unanimously adopted and the delegates to the conventions were instructed to vote accordingly.

Resolved further. That we, the people of the county of Brunswick, have seen the great evil attending the so called two-thirds rule by which our strongest and best men

are often defeated; we therefore recom-mend to our Congressional Convention to adopt the majority rule, and instruct our delegates to use their earnest efforts to effect the same. On motion the secretary was instructed to send a copy of the proceedings to the Wilmington Star, with the request that the other Wilmington papers copy.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

F. M. Moore, Chairman.

W. W. DREW, Secretary. - Charlotte is again happy. Its fire companies won two second prizes

Consideration of the Mexican Pen A Bill to Prevent Importation Tea Bust-The Pacific Railroad Bil and the Bill to Prohibit the Impor-tation of Foreign Laborers Passed the House-A Contested Election

[By Telegraph to the Morning Star.] SENATE

Washington, June 19.—Mr. Cameron, of Wisconsin, presided over the Senate today, having been designated for that purpose by the President of the Senate.

Mr. McPherson, from the committee on Naval Affairs, reported favorably the bill to equalize the rank of graduates of the Naval Academy upon their assignment to the various corps. The bill, on motion of Mr. McPherson, was at once read a third time and passed. It provides that the graduates of the Naval Academey, assigned to the line of the Navy, on a successful completion of a six years' course, shall be commissioned Ensigns of the Navy, and the grade of Junior Ensign is abolished; and persons now bearing Junior Ensigns to be commissioned as Ensigns.

Mr. Butler called up his resolution providing for an inquiry into the condition of the New York astional banks. After further debate, Mr. Butler's resolution went over.

went over.

The bill to prevent the importation of tea dust into the United States was read a

up and its consideration resumed.

Mr. Ingalls substituted a modification Mr. Ingalls substituted a modification of his arrears of pensions provision. This modification requires that in the computa-tion of arrears, though not in the computa-tion of the pension proper, of an officer, he shall take the same rate as private soldiers. shall take the same rate as private soldiers. It limits the arrears to cases of pensioners who file their application prior to October 1st, 1884. As to applications filed after that time, the pension shall be computed only from the date of the filing. After some preliminary discussion as to the probable addition to the nominal cost of the pension list by the adoption of the amend-ments proposed to the bill, Mr. Beck said the Commissioner of Pensions had estimated the amount at \$246,000,000.

Mr. Mitchell said it was impossible

make any intelligent estimate.

Mr. Beck said it seemed to be tacking or about \$246,000,000 to the bill that original called for only \$5,000,000. He presumed the intention in making this addition was to kill the bill. The Republicans had a caucus over it and this was the result. Where was the money to come from?

Mr. Morgan inquired whether it was expected to pay those pensions by an interference with the interest on the public

debt or by an increased tariff taxation? This, he continued, was distinctively a Reiblican measure, having nent in advance, by the Republican Convention. He was sorry, however, to see the Republicans of the Senate so half bearted about it. If they intended to obey the mandate of the Convention why no come boldly out and assume responsibility for it, toss up their hats and glory in the whole thing.
Mr. Ingalls said Mr. Morgan's was

kind of a speech he always expected to hear from Southern Democrats upor the question of pensioning Union sol-diers. They were willing to pension those of the Mexican soldiers who went out in the Confederate army and did their best to shoot soldiers of th Union and overturn our government, but on a proposition to extend the same broad measure of relief to soldiers of the ate war, we were always met by vague de nunciation of extravagance, of outrageous assaults. No one was misled by such ar ruments. We could vote a hundred mil on dollars to educate illiterate people the South; to place that much money in the hands of Southern people, and there was no talk of a raid on the Treasury; but the moment a proposition was made to de justice to Union soldiers every man seemed o be seized with a sort of internal disturb ance, proceeds to purchase a slate pencil and a copy of the multiplication table, and sits down to figure out how much it is going to cost. Mr. Ingalls admitted that he limitation of time contained in his amendment was unjust, and he was ashamed of it. He had placed it there out of deference to the opinions of others. There were Senators who would vote for the measure with the limit who would not otherwise vote for it, and Mr. Ingalls l lieved that when he could not get for the soldier a whole loaf, it was his duty to take what he could get. Estimates that assumed that the expenditure of \$246,000,000 would be involved in the bill, Mr. Ingalls did not elieve to be reliable, and even if they were the amount would not be paid all in one

year, but would be distributed through Pending debate, at 5 o'clock, the Senate went into executive session, and when the doors were reopened adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The House met at 10 a. m., in continua ion of Wednesday's session, and resumed consideration of the Pacific Railroad bill The first question was on the amendmen offered by Mr. Thompson, of Ky., to make the aggregate yearly contribution of the Central Pacific Company 55, instead of 35 per cent. of the net earnings; and that of he Kansas Pacific 45 per cent. The amendnent was agreed to. The question was then taken on the m

ority bill, and it was rejected.

Mr. Hewitt, of N. Y., moved to recomnit the bill, with instructions to report by the third Monday in December a bill b which the sinking funds of the companie shall be enlarged by additional payments, so that the debt due to the government may

e surely paid at maturity. The motion to recommit was rejected 65 to 84. The bill was then passed without division.

To-day's session was then begun. Mr. Hopkins, of Pa., from the committee on Labor, called up the bill to prohibit the importation and migration of foreigners and aliens under contract to perform la bor. It makes it unlawful to enter into agreement or contract with any foreigner or alien to perform labor or service of any kind in the United States, or to prepay transportation, or in any way assist or encourage the importation or migration of any alien or foreigner, under contract or agreement made specially, expressed or implied. It declares all such contracts void and of no effect. It makes it a crime, punishable with fine and imprisonment, for any master of a ship to land such aliens or foreigners, so under contract, in any United States port. The act is not to apply to contracts for skilled workmen in any new industry not at present established here; provided, that the tors, lecturers or singers.

Mr. Foran, of Ohio, member of the committee, made a speech in favor of the bill, which, he said, was of the same general character as the Coolie bill. Mr. Jones, of Wisconsin, offered an amendment, which was adopted, providing that nothing in this act shall be construed prohibiting any individual from assisting any member of his family or any relative to emigrate from any foreign country to us. The bill was then passed without di-

Mr. Lowrey, of Ind., then called up the contested election case of Campbell and Morris, and the House, by a vote of yeas 125, nays 93, sustained him in his object.

Mr. Lowrey suggested that the final vote the state of the sta should be taken before adjournment to day, and Mr. Valentine, of Neb., sarcastically made a counter suggestion that a vote should be taken immediately. Mr. Lowrey frankly expressed his readiness to accede frankly expressed his readiness to accede to the request of the other side, and demanded the previous question. This was greeted with applause by the Democratic side, and with indignation by the Republicans, who threatened to fillibuster against

such a proceeding.

After a short discussion the demand for the previous question was withdrawn and the time for debate limited to four hours. After a speech by Mr. Lowrey, in sup-

FORTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS. port of the claims of the contestant, the House adjourned.

Continuation of the Senate Bebate on the Mexican Pensions Bill-Reports from House Committees-The

SENATE.

Washington, June 20. - After the disposi tion of routine business, the Senate pro-ceeded to the consideration of private pen-sion bills upon the calendar, which occupied the time until the presentation of un-finished business—the Mexican Pensions

Cullom said he hoped the Senate would come to a vote on the bill to day.

Mr. Voorhees moved to amend Mr. Ingalls' proposition, submitted yesterday, by striking from it the clause limiting the time within which application for pensions may

Mr. Slater remarked that these pension questions always came up every four years, just before the Presidential election. Mr. VanWyck replied that he for one was arxious that that sort of conversation should not again happen. The question could now be taken from under the influence of politics and politicians. There had been shameful delay in doing justice to soldiers. While the widow of Admiral Farragut had gotten a pension of a couple of thousand dollars a year, we had just read in the newspapers that the pilot of Farragut's fleet, a man who had done so much for the success of that officer and his forces, had died a few days ago in a poor-

Mr. Williams was opposed to all the amendments offered to the Mexican Pensions bill. If Mr. Ingalls' amendment and other amendments were tacked on he (Williams) could not support it. He would not bring financial ruin on his govmonth for his comrades in arms. He had thought ten days ago, the bill would pass with a two-thirds majority; now he doubt-ed whether it would pass, except loaded down with ruinous provisions. Republi-cans proposing to amend the bill had pro-fessed to be its friends. God save my comrades, said he, from such friends as these. A majority of the Mexican pensioners, he continued, happened to live on the wrong side of Mason & Dixon's line. He had himself been a Confederate soldier, but brave men bore each other no animosity. We had all come together now to advance our common country in a career of greatness and glory to the end of time. Finally Mr. Williams implored Senators to withdraw the amendments, pass the Mexican bill, and then bring up other measures upon their merits. If the bill was defeated it would be by Republicans and not by Democrats. If the Republicans were trying to engraft a decision of the Chicago Convention in the bill let them

Mr. Voorhees' amendment to strike out Mr. Ingalls' limitation was lost. contemplated to secure an agreement to have a vote on the bill and amendments by 5 o'clock to-morrow; but Mr. Morgan objected, saying the bill must go through on its merits or not at all. The Senate then went into Executive

lession, and when the doors were re-opened adjourned until to morrow. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. On motion of Mr. Maybury, a bill was passed, reducing from 50 and 25 cents to 10

cents the clearance fees levied upon vessels engaged in domestic commerce. Mr. Tucker, of Va., from the committee on the Judiciary, submitted a report upon the case of Killbourn vs. Thompson, and it was referred to the committee on Appropriations. The report says: "Your committee, on full consideration, think it better to let the judgment stand without further itigation; and as the judgment against the defendant was for acts done by him under the orders of the House of Representatives, the committee recommend that an appropriation be made to pay the amount eof in relief of the defendant

Mr. Townshend, of Illinois, introduced joint resolution authorizing the President to extend an invitation to the associated officers and enlisted men of the Army and Navy of Mexico of 1846-'48, to attend the annual reunion at St. Louis of the surviving officers and men of the United States Army and Navy of the same period. Referred. Mr. Broadhead, of Missouri, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill determine the jurisdiction of U.S. Cir. cuit Courts. House calender. Mr. King, of Louisiana, introduced bill for the prevention and cure of the dis

ease in animals, known as "Charbon." Re-Mr. Mutchler, of Pennsylvania, from

the committee on Civil Service, reported a bill to repeal the tenure-of-office act Iouse calende Mr. Cook, of Iowa, from the committee on Elections, reported a resolution declarng that J. R. Chalmers was duly elected to Congress from the Second Mississippi District. Laid over for future action. The House then resumed consideration of the Campbell and Morris contested elec-

Mr. Miller of Pennsylvania, made the principal speech in favor of the claim of he contestee, and submitted a strong legal argument in relation to some of the princi es laid down in the majority report. Mr. Lowry closed the debate with a clear analysis of the facts and law of the case and defended the committee on Election from some charges which had been made

against it. A vote was then taken on the minority resolution, confirming the right of the contestee to the seat. and it was lost-yeas 63, nays, 13. The majority resolution, scating Campbell, was agreed to and that gentle man appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office.

The House then, at 5 p. m., took a recess until 8 p. m., the evening session to be for the consideration of pension bills. The Pacific Railroad Bill-Appropriation Rills Passed by the Senate-Ineffectual Effort to Secure Consideration of the Mexican Pension Bill-The Shipping Bill Passed by the House, &c.

SENATE. WASHINGTON, June 21 .- After the readng of the journal the Chair laid before the enate several bills received from the House of Representatives. Among these was a bill amending the act relating to the Pacific Railroad.

Mr. Van Wycke desired that this bill be eferred to the committee on Public Lands. rather than to the committee on the Judiciary. It was with some surprise that he lic press that the Judiciary committee had resolved not to act on any bill of this kind at this session. He supposed we should express our acknowledgment to the press for having given the Senate this information. It would naturally be supskilled labor for that purpose cannot be posed that the committee of the Senate otherwise obtained; nor to professional ac- would have made its report first to the Senate itself, as to whether it would or not act, and particularly when this conclusion had been reached after a conference with the Railroad Company. After some discussion Mr. Van Wyck

withdrew his motion to refer the bill to the committee on Railroads and it was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On the suggestion of Mr. Plumb, supported by Mr. Sherman, Mr. Cullom consented to allow the Mexican Pension bill to go over until Monday, in order to take up the Army appropriation bill; considera-tion of which was at once proceeded with. The bill was passed without giving rise to debate, and substantially as recom-mended by the committee on Appropria-

The committee of Conference on the Shipping bill submitted its report which

was agreed to. Mr. Allison, from the committee on Appropriations, reported the Legislative, Ex-ecutive and Judicial Appropriation bill, and gave notice that he would call it for consideration Monday or Tuesday next.

Mr. Hill called up the Postal Telegraph bill, in order to secure a favorable position for it on Monday, but Mr. Cullom objected to anything that would interfere with the consideration of the Mexican Pension bill and Mr. Hill's effort failed.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

At the conclusion of the morning hour.

the House go into committee of the Whole

for consideration of bills for raising re

Mr. Thompson, of Ky., inquired whether there was any such bill on the calendar. The Speaker replied that there was a bill reported from the committee on Agriculture

which proposed to abolish the tax on brandy distilled from fruits.

The unfinished business, being the bill

repealing the preemption and timber cul-ture laws and amending the homestead

laws, was then antagonized by Mr. Eaton, of Conn., with the Electoral Count bill.

The House refused—yeas 80, nays 117-o consider the unfinished business,

Pending a determination as to what special order should be proceeded with Mr. Slocum, of N. Y., secured the floor and

abmitted a conference report upon the hipping bill. The bill as agreed to is

House, though a number of amendments of minor importance have been placed upon

the measure. The Senate recedes from its

mendment having reference to mail pay

of a section is adopted repealing after April

1st, 1885, all laws requiring American ves-

sels to carry mails at arbitrary rates and

prevent the clearance of vessels until they

shall have taken the mail on board. The

free ship clause is stricken from the bill.

The report was agreed to without debate

The House then resumed the difficult

task of determining upon the course of

Mr. Lewis, of La., endeavored unsuc

and Mr. Hatt, of Ohio, addressed the

At the conclusion of the debate the pre

vious question was ordered on the bill and

amendments, but no further action was

on Appropriations, reported the Sundry

APEFEAR & YADKIN VAL-

LEY R. R.

The Celebration at Greensboro-Five

(By Telegraph to the Morning Star )

ator Vance and Others.

Thousand Visitors-Speeches by Sen-

GREENSBORO, N. C., June 19 .- At the

nvitation of the business men of Greens-

oro, 5,000 persons from fifteen counties,

including representative men from the busi-

ness centres of the State, from Wilmington

to Mt. Airy, assembled to day to celebrate the opening of the C F. & Y. V. R. R. to

this point. The one hundred and thirty

tion, having substantial depots, new steel rails and good rolling stock. Thirty-five

miles additional road is ready for the iron

west of Greensboro, and in three weeks

connection will be made with the Carolina

Central road at Shoe Heel. A contract has

een made for an immediate extension to

Bennettsville, S. C. The ultimate purpose

Judge Gilmer delivered an address of

welcome, and Gov. Jarvis followed in an

address portraying the prosperity of the

ent condition of the State with that

of 1865. North Carolina, he said, had

arisen from the ashes of desolation and en-

tered on a career of marvelous prosperity;

numerous short roads had been built, and

the railroad mileage had increased from

,000 to 2,000 miles. Great improvement

had been made in public schools, and the

school fund was greater than all other ex-

penses combined. There has been an un-

paralleled advance in agriculture-in pro-

ducts, and in the use of improved agricul-

tural implements; and in every influence of civilization. He spoke of the law-abid-

ing character of citizens, and the higher

tone of public men. But, said the speaker,

capital, the people must depend on them

while inviting immigration and foreign

selves for the development of their material

resources. Duncan McRae, Treasurer-

Worth and others followed. A grand ban-

BUSINESS FAILURES.

Mercantile Agency Reports for the

signment-Liabilities About \$5,000.

000-Failure of the Howe Scale Com

[By Telegraph to the Morning Star.]

NEW YORK, June 20 .- The busines

ailures throughout the entire country for

the past seven days, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., number for the United

States 182, and for Canada 26. A total of

205, compared with a total of 228 last week.

Failures continue to be numerous on the

Pacific coast and in the South, and the de

crease of 23 failures as compared with last

week is due to the falling off in other sec

tions of the country-about equally dis-

The amount involved by the failure of

Commodore Garrison is supposed to be

large-probably about \$5,000,000. The

preferences amount to \$631,000. The as-

signee, Mr. J. T. Terry, belongs to the firm of E. D. Morgan & Co., and he said

street was to still more unsettle things,

though not to so great an extent as was

feared. It was said that Commodore Gar

rison was not very largely interested i

for gas stocks and outside speculation

Stocks fell off from 1 to 3 per cent., but no

failures were reported. A prominen

of the failure, coming as it does now, will

naturally unsettle things and in fact stocks

cannot go any lower without hitting or

hurting some one. I think the failure rather a good thing than otherwise, for it will dis-

tribute a large amount of money among

many different people." Melville C. Dav.

counsel for Garrison, says the assignment

It was forced upon Mr. Garrison by the

ent, that he could not meet his liabilities.

s made because of financial embarrassment.

"The effect

banker on Broad street says:

quet was afterwards given.

pany.

tributed

Senator Vance contrasted the pres-

s to connect with Cincinnati and Wil-

miles of completed road is in fine cond

Civil Appropriation bill and it was referred to the committee of the Whole.

House in favor of the Senate measure.

business to be pursued.

Adjourned.

State.

bstantially the same as it passed the

Mr. Tucker's motion was lost-

navs 119.

encourage the cultivation of fruit,

— Lenoir Topic: A stock com-pany is to build a big hotel in Morganten and it is probable that the same thing will be done in Hickory. — Yesterday even-ing about sundown Mr. William C. Teem, living about nine miles from Morganton, near the foot of Table Rock, was found on his own premises about a hundred yards from his house, lying dead with his throat cut. The deed was done with a butcher knife belonging to Teem which was lying beside him, and the would made was a direct stab through the wind in the world in the stab through the wind in the world in the wor direct stab through the windpipe.

Spirits Turpentine.

Immediately after the reading of the journal, Mr. Stockslager, of Ind., moved that the House go into committee of the Whole for the further consideration of bills for the erection of public buildings.

This was opposed by members having in charge other special orders, but the bulk of the opposition came from the friends of what is known as the Internal Revenue bill, and under the leadership of Mr. Tucker, of Vs., succeeded in defeating Mr. Stockslager's motion by a vote of yeas 88, nays 119. - Wilson Mirror: We heard a competent judge say that Rev. J. R. Brooks's address at Littleton was the finest production he ever heard. — A strange freak of nature is reported by a gentleman living out on the western suburbs. Last week his wife gave birth to a daughter with a bear neck and deer little feet. Our esteemed contemporary the Messenger has been misinformed as to the action of the Wilson county Convention, for it did not endorse Scales for Governor. The delegates go uninstructed. Some are for Scales and some are for Coke, though they during which no reports of any importance were submitted, Mr. Tucker moved that are not irrevocably wedded to either.

- Raleigh News-Observer: The corner stone of the new Durham cotton mills was laid with impressive ceremonies Wednesday, Rev. W. S. Black and other divines officiating. — An institute for the colored teachers of this county was opened yesterday in the Washington graded school building, Prof. Eugene T. Jones, county superintendent, presiding. The attendance was good. — After a sickness of about three weeks of typho malarial fever, Mr. William E. Weaver died yesterday. He was widely known, having been for years a commercial traveller representing a Baltimore firm. — A correspon-dent: We respectfully submit to the 6th Congressional district convention, which meets at Raleigh on the 25th inst. to nominate two delegates to the Democratic national convention, the advisability of nom-inating Mr. Thomas W. Strangs, of New

Hanover. - Waynesville News: In conforming to the programme which had been announced for yesterday, the Chautauqua met in the dining-hall at the Springs at 11 A. M., and proceeded to work in the most business-like manner. As soon as they had assembled, Mr. E. G. Harrell prefaced the organizing by introductory remarks, after which Prof. J. J. Fray, being chosen temporary chairman, called the assembly to order, with Mr. E. G. Harrell as temporary secretary. Prof. Alex. McIver being called, rose and explained the object and purpose of the meeting, and did so in a most expressive and impressive style. He was then followed by Maj. Stringfield, who made the welcoming speech, which was so pleasant and happy an effort as to indicate that the greeting not only gave him much joy but was the outburst of a most hearty and home-like welcome. Prof. Reinhart, replying, returned thanks in behalf of the

cessfully to bring up the "Back-bone" For-feiture bill. Finally, Mr. Eaton came out victorious with the Electoral Count bill Raleigh News-Observer: WELDON. N. C., June 18.-The Democratic Second District Convention met in Literary Hall here to day with a full attendance. It nom-inated for Congress F. A. Woodard, of Wilson; for elector, Donnell Gilliam, of Edgecombe. Delegates, H. G. Williams, of Wilson, Thos.L. Emry, of Halifax. It also endorsed Cleveland.—[Q. S.] (A second dispatch says that the delegates from Jones, Craven and Greene counties arrived of the Convention. R. B. Peebles, Esq., presided). — ROCKINGHAM, N. C., June 18.—Richmond county to-day instructed for Platt D. Walker, of Charlotte, for Attorney General.—[W, H. N.] —— Weldon, June 18.—Your correspondent was in error in stating that the Halifax delegation is equally divided between Scales and Coke. The delegation really

stands 10 for Scales, 4 for Coke. - Goldsboro Messenger: Wheat cutting, or harvesting, is now in full blast. The crop is said to be good in this section. - The Cape Fear section comes up man fully to the support of Maj. Stedman for Lieutenant Governor. — The Rev. M. L. Wood, we learn, resigns the presidency of Trinity College. His successor has not yet been chosen. We hear the name of Rev. Dr. Robey mentioned in that connection. - Mr. William Cleve, a clever merchant at Vanceboro, Craven, county, has donated \$25 to aid in the building of the New Berne graded school. - The mount of whortleberries bought in the little village of Magnolia is simply wonder-We are reliably informed that on Tuesday of last week one Magnolia merchant bought 59 bushels, while on that same day another purchased 40 bushels, making a grand total of 99 bushels sold in that market in one day. The price paid for them was five cents per quart, aggre-

gating for that day \$158.40. - Charlotte Observer; Dan Clouse, white man, was arraigned before the Mayor yesterday, on the charged of carry-ing a concealed weapon. He was found guilty and was put under a bond of \$550 for his appearance before the Inferior Court. He could not give bond and was locked up. —A negro man named John Craige was arrested in Lincolnton yesterday morning, on the charge of having committed an assault upon a Miss Cooksey, of Spartanburg, S. C. On being arrested, Craige made a partial confession and was locked up to await the arrival of an officer from Spartanburg. —Hon. D. F. Caldwell, of Greensboro, has published a card declining to enter the race as a Congressional candidate from that District. -A negro boy with a very bloody head applied to the police yesterday morning for a war-rant of arrest for Charles Elam, on the charge of an assault. They boy gave his name as Harvey Hunter, and stated that he

had been beaten by Elam with a rock.

- New Berne Journal: Mr. Skinner is about the only member of the North Carolina delegation who is decidedly op-posed to Bayard's nomination. It is said the majority favor Cleveland, if New York wants him. Skinner is for Cleveland. -We held our columns open until a late hour last night awaiting the arrival of our overland messenger bringing a full report of yesterday's exercises at Davidson College, which was prepared by a special reporter, but even at the eleventh hour the messenger failed to put in an appearance. -Yesterday was the first day of the firemen's ournament in Columbia, and as Charlotte's department is fully represented in the races considerable interest was manifested in the city yesterday afternoon over the result of he contests. Considering the fine record made by our firemen in the contests in this city on the 20th of last May, it was expectto-day that it was impossible for him to ed that they would certainly capture some state the figures vet. The effect on Wall of the prizes in Columbia, but the news received last night was rather disappointing to those who were so sanguine of a Charlotte victory. There were three races yesterday, neither of which was won by the stocks on the Exchange, his fancy being Charlotte company.

- Davidson Commencement is reported at length in the Charlotte Observer. We will glean some of the most important items. Rev. Dr. Carlisle, of Wofford College, S. C., made an admirable address on Wednesday. The crowd was large and the occasiou every way pleasant. The following programme was then announced and the young speakers in turn delivered speeches which would have given credit to men of mature years. Frederick the Great, by Jas. P. Grey, of Hopewell, N. C.; Napoleon Bonaparte, by Wm. R. Kell, protest of notes under his endorsement yesterday. He is a heavy holder of securifies, and so much of his weatth is tied up in those which are almost unmarketable at pres-Declaration of Independence, by Thos. B. Finley, of Wilkesboro, N. C. The medals given by the literary societies were deliver-ed by Dr. Carlisle. The following were value of which cannot be estimated. The the successful contestants: Eumenean So-assignment is simply for the benefit of his ciety—Debater's Medal, Samuel Scott, Conciety—Debater's Medal, Samuel Scott, Con-yers, Ga.; Orator's Medal, B. F. Wilson, Mayesville, S. C.; Declaimer's Medal, W. L. Morris, Concord, N. C. Philanthropic Society—Debater's Medal, N. P. Leavy, New Orleans, La.; Essayist's Medal, Chas. A. Smith, Greensboro, N. C.; Declaimer's Medal, John S. Carson, Charlotte, N. C. Thursday was commencement day, the day of graduation of the Class '84. Dr. Hepburn announced the order of the orations which was as follows: Salutatory Oration -Liberal Education: Samuel E. Chandler, Mayesville, S. C. Oration-Practical Education: Benjamin T. McBryde, Little River Academy, N. C. Oration—The Fall of the French Monarchy: Benjamin F. Wilson, Mayesville; S. C. Oration—Atheistic Evolution: Charles A. Smith, Greensboro, N. C. Oration-Modern Materialism: Victor P. Leavy, New Orleans, La. Philosophical Oration-Brutus of Shakespeare: William R. Grey, Hope-

He has a large number of Ohio Railroad securities which have shrunk in value but which are not how on the market, and the Among the failures reported to day is that of the Howe Scale Company, of Rut-land, Vt. Edward Raphouls has been ap-

pointed receiver. BLAINE.

His Reception of the Official An nouncement of His Nomination. AUGUSTA, ME., June 21.-The committee appointed by the National Republican Convention at Chicago to notify Mr. Blaine of his nomination arrived here yesterday, and to-day at 11 o'clock they proceeded to the Blaine mansion and made official announcement of their errand. Gen. Henderson read from manuscript his speech. Mr. Blaine's was also read. The letter was brief, merely expressing his gratitude for the honor conferred upon him, and say-ing that a more formal acknowledgement would be made to the National Committee.