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tered sovereigns."

William Hayes Ward.

BAD MEN AT WORK.

the New York Times writes on the

21st that there are some bad men

appointments. The correspondent

them. They can afford to, and do employ, the smartest advocates in the land to con-duct their business for them, and only the

strictest scrutiny of these scheming patriots will prevent Cleveland from taking them

up, only to find that he has warmed a nest

of vipers and made a false step at the out-set of his career as President."

We do not believe that Mr. Cleve-

land will be much influenced by the

disreputable blood-suckers and ever-

lasting jobbers. He may be deceived

in some instances and may make bad

appointments, but we do not expect

that this will occur as to his Cabinet.

If he should by mistake or through

imperfect information or by misrepre-

sentation put an unworthy man in

The Washington correspondent of

Some one has said that the world knows nothing of its greatest men. This is true to a great extent. There are in every country and in every State men in every way equal to those who are most prominent. In many instances the men who are living in retirement are intellectually and morally superior to those who stand at the footlights upon the stage of action and receive the plaudits of the indiscriminating millions who sit in the boxes and in the pit. In all ages there have been "mute, inglorious' Miltons," as in the grave vards are lying "hearts once pregnant with celestial fire,"

"Wno the rod of empires might have swayed Or waked to ecstacy the living lyre."

After men sleep in their narrow house then praise comes or recognition, but too late. If the kindly, appreciative, sympathetic words had been spoken to the throbbing heart racked by agony and beating the music of despair, instead of to the "dull, cold ear of death" when all is over and no earthly solace can be of any use, how much better it had been. Oh, that men would be more prompt to recognize the good in others! Oh, "the rarity of Christian charity under the sun!" In this time of holiday enjoyments it will be good thing to begin to learn the lessons of neighborly kindness and of gentleness and forbearance.

We publish to-day a portion of an admirable article that appeared in the last number of the Philadelphia American. It is upon a Southern poet - a man of exquisite genius who lived and died to a great extent "nnwept, unhonored and unsung." It was out privilege in 1876, to write an article on a production of this dead poet that was mercilessly slaughtered in that year by newspaper writers. We are glad that we saw more in it than many other editors were able to see. Our words were warmly appreciative of the excellence of the performance, and through all the years that have passed ince we have not failed to speak out when occasion offered in behalf of the pure and admirable gifts of this dead Southron who passed away almost in life's spring time before his high powers had fully developed and the richest fruitage of an exquisite genius had ripened and been gath-

This dead poet is almost a stranger to our Southern people although he was born in the South, loved the South, fought for the South. A Georgian by nativity, his genius is the property of no one State, but is the heritage of all. He sleeps in an early grave. the victim of neglect, of poverty, of disease. But his fame is extending. To day among people of true culture and poetic sympathy he stands far above a host of men who have the world's ear, and who are piping all the day long. In England he is becoming known. In the North, among people of refinement and literary training, he is a favorite. His genius is regarded as unique, as genuine, as beautiful. He knew how to match thought to words with a charming art, and he could body forth his high imaginings in the most select language and with a rythm and melody that was worthy of the masterful singer of the world.

But among his own people, for the most part, he walked a stranger. His wonderful gifts were under a great shadow. His people knew not that a genius of rare endowment was among them. He died, and they cared not, for they were wholly ignorant of the great bereavement, of the sad loss they had sustained. They saw no diamond laid away, but a dull pastelike thing that shone only in borrowed light. So it has been before and so it will be again. The truly great as well as the truly good go hence, and the world knows not what a prince among men has dwelt in it. But the good as well as the great often leave both memory and good deeds behind them. In the great desert the caravan laden with rich the offices, there is the greatest despices and precious perfume passes on and disappears, but the delightful | very "clean sweep" should be made aroma lingers behind its pathway and and for two reasons. First, the

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fills the air long afterward with its | Southern Democrats expect and dedelicious fragrance. So with the true | mand it. Second, the Southern poet and the good man. They pass officials are with very few exceptions away but their works survive. To- the most active partisans. They day we sit by the hearthstone and have been the chief instruments commune with "those dead and scep- | since 1865 in keeping the Radicals in power. But for the army of Federal office-holders there would have been We invite the reader to the article no robberies and oppressions in the elsewhere upon SIDNEY LANIER. His South all through the dark days after poems have been recently published by Scribner & Sons, New York, reconstruction. Let the last Federal

price \$2.50. It contains a delightful official in the South be removed as and sympathetic Memorial sketch by soon as it can be done. Not to do this will be a certain sign that the new Administration is not practically a Reform Administration. It will be to say to the long-suffering and sorely-afflicted and greatly outraged Democrats in the who are trying to influence Cabinet reconstructed States that what they have so long time berne and suffered is of no importance to the "powers "A well-known Democrat who, in 1876, was prominently connected with the Tilden campaign, said yesterday, 'If you will look closely into the history of many of the men pressed for Cabinet offices under Cleveland, you will find that they are backed by precisely the same gangs of bloodsuckers and jobbers who have basked in the sunshine of official favor under Republican rule. Mr. Cleveland will have to look out for them. They can afford to, and do employ that be," and that there is no relief

from these partisan agents and no

change of methods is to be ex-

If the Radical officials -big and little-were to be retained in the South, it would do more to break up the Democratic party than all other agencies combined. Men would become so thoroughly disgusted that they would take no farther interest in politics. Why should men spend time and money and wind and ink in trying to change a few high officials when the horde of Radical officials are to be retained? What advantage to the South would a theoretical Reform Administration be if only the reform extends to high officials and the Radical subordinates are left

to do their dirty work? No, this sort of Reform will not meet either the necessities of the country or the expectation of Demo crats. The "clean sweep" must be in so far as the South is concerned. unless it is the purpose of the incom-The President will make blunders, ing Administration to disintegrate just as his predecessors have done, in | the Democratic party and to pave the some of his other appointments, but | way for the return to power in 1888 members of the Congress will be re- of the old corrupt party that has been just turned out.

> Turn out all rascals in the North and that may answer, as the Northern people know but little of robberies and oppressions such as the South has been subjected to. But in the South there must not be left one Radical official for all have been active in trying to keep in power the most vicious, the most oppressive, the most corrupt party known to American history.

The Government exhibit at New Orleans is said to be quite superior to anything done by it heretofore in that direction. This is as it should be. The New Orleans correspondent of the Charleston News and Courier rites on the 23d inst.:

"It is said by those who know that the Government display is very much larger and more elaborate than was made at Philadelphia or at any of the great World's Fairs. This is certainly a compliment to the South, and will be regarded by the Southern people as an earnest of the good feeling now prevailing in all sections of our reunited country. Nearly all the departments of the Government have contributed something towards the display, and as a whole the exhibit is vast in its proportions, tasteful in its arrangement, and exceedingly attractive and instructive." "It is said by those who know that the

While nine-tenths, probably, of th Southern Democrats do not agre with Mr. Randall in his tariff views, he will no doubt be received with becoming courtesy and respect, as he deserves to be, at every point he may visit in the South. Mr. Randall is Democrat of unquestioned honesty and ability, and whatever the differences between him and the great ma jority of his party on the question of revenue reform, he should receive that cordial reception while on his Southern tour to which his promi nence as a party leader entitles him.

The country will gain confidence after awhile and there will be im provement in business, it is to be hoped. Before Mr. Cleveland has been President six months we may anticipate a revival of business at the centres. Such at least we must hope will be the result. The banks of New York have more than forty millions of reserve above what is required by law. Capital is hid but it will come out after awhile.

The Nashville American takes this new of Southern men in the new

"If the mere selection of a Southern man or two for such positions would set the country ablaze and weaken the Democratic party and administration, we of the South must forego that luxury for the present. Would such be the case? The defeat of Blaine was more than the defeat of a bad man—it was the utter discomfiture of sec-tionalism. There are, doubtless, some heart-burnings left; but, with the firm grip and clear perception of the Democratic President elect, no sensible man fears a re-action on account of any Southern man or men Mr. Cleveland may choose to ap-point."

The good people of Laurinburg have suffered another very serious oss. A most destructive fire has laid in ashes eleven stores. These were mostly brick, we believe, and were built not long after the very by the life saving crew]. disastrous fire of a year or two ago. We sincerely sympathize with them in the loss of property and stoppage

FIRE AT CRONLY.

Destruction of the Fertilizer Factory of the Acme Manufacturing Com-News was received in shis city Christma orning, to the effect that the Fertilizen Factory of the Acme Manutacturing Company, located upon the Carolina Centra

ailroad, seventeen miles from Wilmington had been destroyed by fire. The first reports were, of course, greatly exaggerated and much concern was felt among those who have a proper appreciation of the value of such an enterprise at our doors. Yester-day we obtained full and reliable particulars in regard to the disaster. The fire took place about 3 o'clock Thursday morning and originated, as far as can be ascertained somewhere between the drying house and the kainit shed A good deal of machinery was not materially damaged. The Compa ny had on hand a large amount of prepared fertilizer, which was not injured, and with that they are in a position to carry out all contracts made for delivery of the fertilizer the present season.

The loss is estimated at about \$20,000; may possibly be less than that. The Company have made arrangements for the immediate re-erection of the facory, and they hope to have it completed in time to turn out additional fertilizer for

this season's trade. The officers of the Company went up Thursday afternoon to look at the ruins, inform themselves as to the amount of damage done, and to make all necessary preparations for the prompt rebuilding of the property destroyed. In about two hours from the time the fire was discovered he work of destruction was complete. The oil mill and fibre mill were entirely minjured, there being considerable space

between the two factories. The employes of the factory, we are as sured, did all that was possible under the circumstances to save the property, and deserve great credit for their exertions. Some of the people in the neighborhood were also prompt in their tender of assistance. Most of the men were kept busy the greater part of Thursday night.

There is a public hall at Cronly, and the esidents had a Christmas tree Wednesday night, the festivities incident to which closed about 1 o'clock, and at 3 they were aroused from their brief slumbers by their first alarm of fire.

The day was one to be remembered for cold and forbidding would be the terms doubt had something to do with the lack of spirit on the occasion. The great majority of the people enjoyed a quiet Christmas in their comfortable homes, surrounded by their friends and loved ones, and doubtless feel few regrets that circumstances kept them indoors.

- Capt. J. H. Terhune, master of the steam-tug Samson, and Capt. J. H. Masingo, of the Hercules, which arrived here on Wednesday, make the following report: The steam tug, Samson and Hercules left Key West December 17th, with steam dredge scows in tow for Wilmington, N. C. First 24 hours had fine weather and smooth sea, after which had a heavy gale from all points of the compass, with rough cross sea, which broke over the dredge and tugs: December 19th, at 8 P. M., the Samson's hawser parted at the bow and the Hercules steamed on in company, there being too much sea to get a hawser to the Heroules. At daybreak of December 21st found one of the scows had broken adrift. The Samson steamed back and searched for 18 hours for the scow. The gale increasing and the sea getting higher, stood back to the assistance of the Hercules, and at 5 P. M. found her, but the sea was too rough to get a hawser to her. At 11 P. M. took the hawser to the Hercules. Had heavy gales and high sea up to the time of arrival at the bar, at 11 P. M., December 28d.

Several of the Wilmington sportsmen are ngaged in getting up a gun club, and are

meeting with gratifying success. The STAR has often suggested the organi zation of such a club, and urged its importance. It is useful in seeing that the game laws are properly enforced; and entertain ing, in affording to its members fine sport, especially during the close season, in glass ball and clay-pigeon matches.

A meeting will be held soon, and after organization, arrangements will be made for the first "shoot," when a fine breech loading gun will be the prize.

We hope the gun club will be a complete success, and we expect to see every true lover of gun and dog in Wilmington on its roll of members. The membership ought to be at least one hundred.

- Capt. Doane, of the steamer Regulator from New York, reports: December 22nd, west by south, distance 4 miles, in ' fathom water, passed barquentine Ephraim Williams (hailing post defaced and could not make it out). The vessel was waterlogged and abandoned, forward house stove in, sails torn and hanging to the yards, hatches off and looked as if she had een recently wrecked. There was a heavy es on at the time and breaking over her constantly. [The Ephraim Williams went ashore Sunday last on Hatteras shoals, when the captain and crew were taken off

DATE HOUSE Atkinson's Comedy Company appear at the Opera House Wednesday night, in "Peck's Bad Boy," that mischeivous youngster from Milwaukee, who is acknow rica. The Company is well endorsed by

New and Handsome Car. FORTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS. We took a look yesterday morning at new passenger car just turned out from the SECOND SESSION. shops of the Wilmington & Weldon Rail-Slim Attendance in Both Houses-An

road Company in this city. The car is an Adjournment Agreed to Until the elegant one in every sense of the word, be-5th of January. ng after the Pennsylvania style, some-SENATE. what narrower than the ordinary car. It is finished with ashe, cherry and mahog-WASHINGTON, December 24.—The Sen ate convened as usual promptly at noon, and within ten minutes disposed of such little morning business as offered, consistany, without the use of paint, only varnish peing called into requisition. Various im-provements have been introduced, some of The Chair then laid before the Senate the which we mention. Our readers who calendar of bills unobjected to, but, on mo-tion of Mr. Morrill, without further busitravel any great deal have doubtless noess the Senate at 12.10 went into Executiced the difficulty experienced in raising and lowering the windows. The windows The doors were reopened at 12 35.
The Chair announced his signature to soncurrent resolution for a holiday recess of this car are easily managed by means of sash balances. Pipe run the length of the rom December 24th to January 5th. car on both sides, leading from a stove in On motion of Mr. Allison, the Senate at 12.86 adjourned until January 5th, 1885. one end, and the heat is regulated by a ontrivance at the top. There is also an HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. mproved arrangement for the water There were about fifty members presen upply, and the seats are constructed order this morning.
Mr. Moulton, of Ill., desired leave t so as to be more comfortable and convenient. The head liningsis very hand

work was all done under the supervision of

Mr. J. H. Davis, master car builder, who

succeeded the late Mr. Clowe, and who

speaks in high terms of the faithfulness and

ability of the employes generally in the Car

Department. A gentleman from Baltimore,

who saw this car a few days since, said no

Consequences of an Attempted Bur

Christmas night, while Mr. J. K. Brown

and family were sitting around their fire, at

their residence on the corner of Second and

Mulberry streets, the scraping of a match

was suddenly heard in the passage, and Mr.

B. hurried to see what it meant, and, as he

opened the room door, the front door was

closed with a slam. He is positive that the

passage lamp had been lit but it was all

dark when he came out, and of course the

would-be thief was out of sight when he

The next morning, upon opening his

an attempt to get in at the window of the

sitting room, which the family had occu-

window blinds, as one of them was hang-

got to the front door.

better work could be done anywhere.

glarism Christmas Night.

withdraw certain private papers from the files of the House, but the Speaker stated that he had been advised that in the absome, being of a darker color than usual, which is claimed as an improvement from sence of a quorum objection would be made to any business being transacted, and de the fact that it will be more substantial. It was designed and painted by Mr. B. F. clined to recognize the gentleman.

Mr. Randall, of Pa., called up the ad-Murphy master painter. In fact, everything is after the most approved style and ournment resolution, and moved concur ence in the Senate amendment, which pro finish suited to a first-class car. It is invides that a recess shall begin to-day (Wed tended for the Northeastern Railroad, of nesday) and last until January 5th, 1885.
Mr. Leach, of N. Y., wished to debate South Carolina. There is one under conthe proposition, but the Speaker ruled that it was not debatable, and the motion was struction in the shops for the W., C. & A. R. R., of the same pattern and build. The

The Speaker announced the following committee assignments: Elections — Mr. Smith, of Ia.; Military Affairs—Mr. Connelly; Public Lands—Mr. Campbell, of Ohio; Territories—Mr. Hill; Education and Labor—Mr. O'Ferrell; Revision of Laws— Mr. Garrison; Expenditures in Treasury Department-Mr. Wallace; Printing-Mr. Bratton; Pensions, Bounty and Back-Pay

Mr. Wallace; Alcoholic Liquor Traffic—

The House then at 12.25, on motion of Mr. Randall, adjourned until January 5th,

CINCINNATI.

Masonic Temple and Printing Estab lishment Destroyed by Fire-Valuable Masonic Material Included in the Loss.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—A fire started this morning in the cellar of J. R. Mills & Co.'s stationary and mercantile printing estab-lishment, situated on Walnut street, above Third, in the northwest corner of the Masonic Temple. It extended rapidly into he other portions of the Temple, which is a large building, fronting on Third street, Walnut and Main streets. The first portion of the Temple to burn included most valuable scenery, the organ and other property belonging to the Scottish Rite fraternity, and known to be the most complete in the West. It was largely the result of the lifeong labors of Enoch T. Carson, who has devoted much time and study, as well as money, to making this Cathedral the most complete of its kind. The loss of the Masonic fraternity will be heavy. Mills & Co.'s establishment is necessarily a total oss, as water destroyed what was left by the fire. The total loss must reach above \$100,000. Two firemen were severely injured by a falling wall.

OHIO.

Mining Troubles-The Hocking Valley Strike-Disappearance of a Railroad Ticket Agent and \$10,000. (By Telegraph to the Morning Star.)

PITTSBURG, December 26 .- A couple of ntelligent young miners from the Hocking Valley were interviewed here to day. The unmarried men, they say, are leaving that section by hundreds. Some are now at work in the Pittsburg district. "There is no doubt," said one of them, "but that the miners will finally win. Contributions have been coming in during the week from labor organizations all over the country. The young men who left several weeks ago have commenced to send back portions of their earnings. Last week the contributions were much larger than ever before. I am happy to say that there are none starving in the region now. The Hungarians and Italians sent in to take our places at the mines are not giving satisfaction and a change will take place soon. All are tired of the strike, and I think a compromise could readily be effected.

PITTSBURG, December 26 .- A special disoatch from Steubenville, Ohio, says: "Last night James Coilins, ticket agent of Panpeared with \$10,000, part of which he borto the Company.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Resumption of Work in Philadelphia Shoe Factories-Reports as to Freight Pooling Arrangements.

PHILADELPHIA, December 26. - The long lock out in the shoe factories ended to-day and many of the men returned to work Although this was the time fixed for the end of the strike, several of the manufacturers decided to keep their factories closed tage of the temporary suspension of operations to make needed repairs in their ma chinery, and these, in some cases, have not yet been finished. Other factories will remain closed until Monday on account of the holidays.

An official of the New York, Philadel phia & Norfolk Railroad Company states that the denial of the Old Dominion ship Company, of the reports that it had re fused to become a party to a freight pooling arrangement with the New York, Ports mouth & Norfolk Railroad, is superfluous as no proposition with that object in view has been made to the Old Dominion Line.

MISSOURI.

Tragedy at a Wedding Party in

St. Joseph, Dec. 26.—A wedding party was assembled on Christmas at the residence of William J. Taylor. Among the guests was a Mrs. Portland, whose husband had forbidden her attendance. Portland came after his wife, and being partly in liquor he became offensive, and when ordered to leave he shot and mortally wounded Tay-lor, the host. Portland was placed in jail and bail refused. Mrs. Taylor was confined to her bed, and is in a dangerous con dition. While the wounded man was re ceiving attention the wedding party assembled in snother room, where the cere-mony was performed, after which the guests dispersed, leaving the wedding feast

TLLINOIS.

Thirteen Tramps Severely Scalded at a Coal Shaft. Chicago, Dec. 24.—A special from Lin-coln, Ill., says: Last night thirteen tramps slept on top of the boiler at the coal shaft here. Abour 6 o'clock this morning one of their number accidentally turned the blowout valve, allowing steam and hot water from the boilers to escape. All of the men were severely burned and scalded. It is thought that two of them cannot survive. The men were panic stricken and found much difficulty in escaping from the building. All of them were badly burned about the face and throat.

LAURINBURG, N. C.

Eleven Stores Burned - Very Little LAURINBURG, December 27 .- Fire this morning destroyed eleven stores, on which there was very little insurance.

State Libaran

SOUTHERN TELEGRAPH CO

The U. S. Circuit Court Orders the Ap

pointment of a Receiver.

Hughes said it was important to preserve the interests of the corporation, and that

the Court was of the opinion that one re-

Tuesday to choose a receiver, and if they did not agree by that time the Court will

WASHINGTON.

Congress and the Raval Appropria-

tion Bill-Internal Revenue Collec-

[By Telegraph to the Morning Star.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Secretary

Chandler has in preparation a circular to heads of Bureaus, instructing them in the matter of the fiscal responsibility of the De-

partment after the 31st inst, beyond

which date current appropriations for the naval service do not extend. If Congress

acts at once upon reassembling no embar-

assments will result from the failure to

make an appropriation in advance. If there should be a deadlock of considerable

ength, the pay of the navy will go en, con-

tracts may be entered into for the continu-

ance of work which has already begun un-

der former appropriations, and supplies may be purchased; but for all these pur-poses the Department will mainly give cer-tificates instead of cash, and a sailor, officer

or contractor will become a creditor of the

government. In cases of emergency the

Department may accept the services of in-dividuals or of private vessels, but cannot

lire or contract for such service. The

prospect for an early reconciliation between

the Senate and House is not good. Inci-

dental expressions by members of the House committee indicate a purpose not to

confer with the Senate upon either of the three amended bills. Mr. Randall has sent to Secretary Chandler a copy of the Thir-

ty one Day bill (as amended by the Senate,

so as to provide for six months), with a lette

asking if the amount therein provided will

be sufficient for the Department dur-

ing the remainder of the fiscal year.

some Bureaus to be insufficient, which fact

may be used in justification of the position

of the House in refusing assent to the Sen-

ate amendments. Should the point be made

that the amounts proposed are too low, the

that the disputed measure is a House bill,

prepared last session upon the basis of the

estimates, and only objected to then be-cause the Senate had by its amendments

made the appropriation too high. Sena-

tors will to-morrow urge that they are not

wedded to the amounts of either of the

pending bills, but are willing to adjust

them in conference. The chief point now

made on the part of the Senate is that the

passage of appropriation bills, not based upon recent estimates, is an evil which can

be justified only by much graver emer-gencies than now exist. It is also argued

that if at every disagreement Congress is to

go back to former bills, the practice will

amount to a "permanent appropriation" for the department affected, and the aboli

tion of such appropriation has been one of

the prospective and in part accomplish-ed reforms of recent years.

The collections of internal revenue for

the first five months of the fiscal year end-

ing June 30, 1885, were as tollows: From

pirits, \$27,975,632; from tobacco, \$10,-

489; from miscellaneous sources, \$141,263; making a total of \$47,322,190, as against

\$51.317.926 collected during the same pe

ticles. The only increase was on ferment

WISCONSIN.

Steamboat Men.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

of suits would have been commenced

Decision in a Law Suit of Interest

same month of last year.

846,806; from fermented liquors, \$8,358.

There can be but little doubt that the

- Kinston item in New Berne Journal: The Convocation of New Berne, of the Protestant Episcopal church, Diocese of East N. C., met in our town on Friday last. Ministers present: Rev. V. W Shields, of New Berne; Rev. Mr. Hillyar, of Goldsboro; Rev. Israel Harding, of Kinston, and Deacon F. G. Skinner, of Beaufort. The meeting continued the curch Beaufort. The meeting continued through

Spirits Turpentine

NO. 10 -Raleigh Chronicle: This morn--Raleigh Chronicle: This morning, at 5 o'clock, Capt. J. J. Fray, who has been gradually declining for a long time, died at his home in this city, aged 48 years.

- Miss Mary Tucker Pescud, formerly of Raleigh, recently a graduate of the State Normal College of Tennessee, and now teaching in a prominent Georgia seminary, is meeting with just recognition in the West. "Christmas Poems by Southern Poets" is the title of a book in Christmas card style, just issued by a Nashville pub-BALTIMORE, December 24.—The hearing in the case of Gen. Mahone and others versus the Southern Telegraph Co., for the approximation of the second seco pointment of a receiver, was continued to-day in the U. S. Circuit Court, before Judges Bond and Hughes, sitting as for the Eastern District of Virginia. The case was argued at Norfolk last week. After a brief statement by counsel to day, Mr. Thom, card style, just issued by a Nashville pub-lishing house. Two of the poems are by Miss Pescud—and clever verse it is.

- Asheville Citizen: We have representing the Greenville (Va.) Land & Lumber Co., nominated Robert T. K. Bayne, of Pertsmouth, Va., as receiver. John S. Wise, representing Gen. Mahone, opposed the nomination of Mr. Bayne, and nformation, rather indefinite it is true, of a strange and striking instance of retirenent from active life and partial seclusion from the world of an educated English man now living in western North Carolina. In Haywood county close to the opposed the nomination of Mr. Bayne, and nominated the present temporary receiver, the U.S. Marshal of Virginia. Gen. Bradley T. Johnson, representing the Bankers & Merchants' Telegraph Co., nominated Alexander H. Dehaven, of New York, and W. W. Mars, of Philadelphia. Judge Hughes said at was important. great Cataloochee mountain has lived for many years the person referred to. His cabin is a mere hut, barely excluding the weather. He has never had companionship of any kind in his retirement, holds little intercourse with his neighbors, is retirement, he was not a support the count th cent the not morose; talks readily when addressed, but says nothing of his former life. He has been in his present locality so long that few remember when he came to oeiver ought to be appointed, and not two, and all parties should agree on that one. The Court would give them until next t, does little or no labor, but seems to have money with which to supply his few and simple wants. He and his life are a mysery to all around him, He is about

-Charlotte Observer: John Yager is a colored man who lives in this city. John has a wife. Yesterday John's wife gave birth to a child. There would be nothing strange in this, but for the fact that the child that was born yesterday is the twenty-second (22d) one that John's faithful wife has been delivered of since he married her, about 22 years ago. — When the train from the North arrived at the Trade street depot, in this city, Sunday morning, a tramp got up from his crouch-ing position on the platform of a Pullman sleeper and started to step down, but his legs wouldn't move, and he fell to the ground like a bag of shot. He was frozen, having come all the way from Salisbury on the platform, the velocity of the train causing the already sharp wind to cut to the marrow of his bones. He was trundled down to the round house and put under s steam pipe, and in the course of time he stretched his limbs, got up and announced that he was alive again.

— Capt. Lee Hand, who keeps the saloon

at the old "Our House" stand, under the iron banisters on Trade street, is a severe sufferer from misplaced confidence. He was robbed Sunday night by his trusted clerk, Ed. Merrill, of \$345. Merrill was formerly employed at the Charlotte Hotel bar, but for some time past had been in Capt. Hand's employ. Merrill is a native of Lincoln county and comes from a good family. Though clerking in a bar room he was never known to take a drink, and all who knew him had as much confidence in him as did Capt. Hand. - Raleigh Farmer and Mechanic:

'I thought the Farmer and Mechanic pitched into the Governor's palace project too sharply when it was passing through the Legislature; but as the big pile of brick becomes bigger and bigger. I realize more and more that you were right. The cost of the edifice and furniture will be fully \$50,000, and there will be no Governo willing to live in it at double the present salary." So spoke a sensible citizen one day last week. — In one of the darkest days of the struggle, after the South had lost ground in Virginia, and had lost almost everything in the West, an effort was made to induce the ambitious young Governor to play the role of Gen. Monk in English history, and by declaring for "Peace," and calling home the N. C. troops, force the surrender of Lee and the close of the war. The venerable Barthoemew F. Moore, whom Vance regarded with great respect, acted as spokesman to make a personal appeal to him. It was an impressive appeal, and some features of it touched the Governor sorely. When he spoke, however, it was with the voice of decision. "I did not favor secession" said he-"I opposed the war as you know. But when it came I realized that it must be a struggle to the bitter end-s struggle for freedom-a struggle that would bring to us independence, or utter ruin and humilistion. Under such circumstances my duty is plain; as Governor, and as a man, I must stand or fall with my people, and so help me God! (lifting his hand on high)—I will try to do my duty !" The old men sighed, for they saw the end, but they made no urther effort.

- Raleigh News-Observer: The

riod of the previous fiscal year-a decrease funeral of the late Mrs. P. M. Hale was of \$3,995,736. There was a decrease of \$3,542,959 on spirits, of \$586,393 on to-bacco, and of \$19,170 on miscellaneous arneld from Christ church Sunday, Rev. M M. Marshall officiating. — The congregation of the Primitive Baptist church wored liquors, amounting to \$332,786. The aggregate receipts for the month of November were \$1,871,942 less than for the shipped in their new church, corner of Dawson and Morgan streets, on Sunday for the first time. It is an exceedingly neat and pleasant house of worship; the floors are beautifully carpeted, and improved re-flectors light the audience room thoroughly. On Sunday morning at 11 a. m. and at 7.30 p. m., the Rev. P. D. Gold, of Wilson, filled the pulpit, and delivered two able and interesting sermons, which were listened to with pleasure by the congregation.

—Chapel Hill item: We are all pleased MILWAUKEE, December 27 .- The case of Crandall against the Goodrich Transporta-tion Co., which has been on trial here to learn that Mr. A. W. Long has been elected professor of English literature and nearly a month, and the result of which history in Trinity college. He leaves after was awaited with great interest in marine circles, was decided against the plaintiff this morning. It was a test case, involving about \$200,000. Had the verdict Christmas to enter upou his duties, but will return in June and take his diploms. Mr. Long has, during the past term, filled the po-sition of assistant professor of English with been for the plaintiff a large number credit to himself and satisfaction to his pupil - Yesterday Mr. Thomas B. Womack against the Transportation Company at once. In 1880 Crandall's house at Green chairman of the joint legislative committee to examine the treasury books, &c., made Bay was destroyed by fire. The Phœsix his report. It covers the matters noted in the News-Observer Sunday. The following statement of the funds in the treasury, re-Insurance Company adjusted and paid the losses amounting to \$6,000. The present suit was brought in the interest of the Inceipts, expenses, &c., is made: Balance November 30th, 1883: Educational fund, surance Company against the Transporta-\$62,009.90; public fund, \$274.958.10; total. tion Company, to recover the money, claim-\$336,963.00. Receipts for the fiscal year ending November 30th, 1884: Educational fund, \$35,200.33; public fund, \$1,436,-775.66; total, \$1,471,975.99; grand total, \$1,808,938.99. Disburse ending November 30th, 1884: Educational fund, \$76,228.65: public fund, \$785,641.78; total, \$861,870.43. Balance in treasury November 30th, 1884; \$947,068.56. Of this balance \$20,981.58 belongs to the edu-Water-Logged and Helpless Schoonthis balance \$20,981.58 belongs to the edu-cational fund, and \$926,086.98 belongs to er-Steamer Dictator Burned in

night, was that of Miss Mary Hunt, who died of injuries received by a kerosene lamp explosion about a week ago. — H. H. Martin, a colored man who is well known in Charlotte, and well thought of by the white people, has gone to Dallas, Texas, where he expects to teach school and practice law. He is a deserving colored man, and carries with him a good name. — The two negroes who stole Mr. Freeman's horse and mule, and who were captured in Albemarle, were yesterday brought to this city and put in jail where they will be held for trial by the next court.

— Last Tuesday night the smoke house of Mr. Milt Carr, who lives seven miles from the city was entered by thieves and robbed of one thousand pounds of meat, the supply which Mr. Carr had laid by for winter. The raiders solved the problem of and wagon from Sam Douglas. — A most inhuman act is reported from Cabarrus county, being the braining of an old colored man by his unnatural son, who used as a weapon an ordinary maul, such as is used by woodchoppers in forcing wedges into wood. The affair occurred last Tuesday on the farm of Mr. Dave Johnston, who lives near Harrisburg. Sam Nicholson, an old colored man sat musing in front of his fire place, when his son Claiborn Nicholson, with maul in hand stepped up behind the old man and dealt him a hard blow over the head, when he tumbled out of his chair to the floor.

— Ed. E. Merrill, the young man who robbed Capt. Lee Hand of \$345 last Sunday night, had a close shave on the Atlanta train yesterday morning. He was cap-tured, but did not stay captured more than half an hour when he gave his captors the and raised September 18t, 1755, last night determined to attend the dedication of the National Monument at Washington February 21st, 1885, in a body. This Lodge attended the laying of the corner stone in 1848, and was accorded the place of honor in the line.

- Charlotte Observer: A sad death

that occurred in Salisbury on Monday

ing that the fire was caused by sparks from the steamer Oconto, while navigating Fox river, in the city limits of Green Bay. Some sixty buildings were destroyed by the same MARINE DISASTERS.

Tampa Bay.

New York, December 27 .- Capt. Catherine, of the steamship Chattahoochie, re-ports that on the 26th inst., when fifteen miles north of Winter Quarters Light-Ship, fell in with the schooner Arieo Pardee, water-logged and helpless. He made two attempts to take off the crew by means of life-boats and life-buoys, but the sea was so high that only one man-mate Allen of the schooner, could be rescued. The steamer was drifting into shallow water, and to save his own vessel the captain had to shandon the remaining four men to their fate. The first officer of the steamer was injured, and the life-boat and life buoy were damaged in the attempts at resoue.

KEY WEST, FLA., December 27 .- The teamer Dictator was burned last night in Tampa Bay. She caught fire from her lonkey engine.

BUSINESS TROUBLES. Failures in the South Reported Yes-

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- Among the fail-NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Among the fall-ures reported to-day are the following: Joseph Schworin, dry goods, New Berne, N. C.; William Hallister, grocer, New Berne, N. C.; Jackson & Brownley, gen-eral storn, Wilson, N. C.; J. Silvestone & Co., general store, Columbus, Miss.; J. S. Graves, saw mill, Hillsdale, Ga.

terday.

VIRGINIA.

The Fredericksburg Lodge of Masons to Attend the Dedication of Washington's Monument. FREDERICKSBURG, Dec. 27.-Fredericks-

burg Lodge No. 4, of this city, in which Gen. George Washington was entered March 17th, 1758, passed August 4th, 1758, and raised September 1st, 1758, last night determined to attend the dedication of the

his Cabinet he would have to order him out or there would be a general racket. A Reform Administration must have honest and high toned and truthful men in its Cabinet. sponsible, for it will be owing to their representations that they are made. It is said that the "bad men" are specially anxious to get their men in charge of the Postmaster General and Secretary of the Interior's offices. The Times says edito-"Active and expert representatives of these 'gangs' were to be found in the inner circle of managers in charge of Mr. Blaine's

canvass, and they labored for his election with a zeal born of a complete understand-ing of his character. But these men have o politics, and their quiet efforts to secure an adequate representation of their large 'interests' in Mr. Cleveland's Cabinet have been remarked upon in Washington and in this city—and, we believe, at Albany;" THE KIND OF "SWEEP" NEEDED.

The New York World on Tuesday had a pointed and vigorous editorial on the impossibility of having "a clean sweep" under Mr. Cleveland. It shows his record as Governor and the declaration of the Chicago nominating Convention, and it is all in favor of civil service reform. It quotes from the President-elect as

"I have no hesitation in saying that I fully approve the principles embodied in the Pendleton bill, and it seems to me that very much or all we desire in the direction of Civil Service Reform is included in the doctrine that the concerns of the State and Nation should be conducted on business principles, and as nearly as possible in the same manner that a prudent citizen con-ducts his private affairs."

This was before he was nominated for the Presidency. In his letter accepting the nomination for the Chief Magistracy he used this language:

"The selection and retention of subordinates in Government employ should depend upon their ascertained fitness and value of their work, and they should be neither ex-pected nor allowed to do questionable party

This is important. It shows what are the views of Mr. Cleveland and it enables the country to understand upon what principle and method his Administration will be conducted. Mr. Cleveland is pledged to a Reform Administration. He cannot without great discredit appoint doubtful men to office. If he turns out either rascals or good men he must be sure not to put in office any but men whose characters will bear a severe scrutiny for honesty, for virtue, for capa-

bility and for truthfulness. But will there be a "clean sweep?" There are 111,000 offices to be filled. Of these some 15,000 come directly under the civil service rules. We may suppose that the President will not do much as to these. It may be that three or four thousand of the more officious partisans may have to go, but the laboring, faithful clerks who are qualified will for the most part remain. Of the 96,000 other officials there is a large class that ought to have their heads removed as soon as

possible. The World says this: "When the President-elect takes office when the President-elect takes office he will make a thoroughly Democratic Ad-ministration by calling to the leading posi-tions of the Government the most reliable and trusted Democratic statesmen of the country. He is a Democrat through and through. He will drive from office every rascal, drone and mere partisan whom pernicious Republican methods have fastened upon the public service. He is a reformer through and through." It is very certain that in the entire

South, and embracing nearly all of

mand and most pressing need that a

- During the cold snap a few days | ledged to be the most amusing lad in Ameago the mercury fell to 10 degrees above zero at Oxford.

pied in the earlier part of the evening, and that in the effort the thief had evidently its intense disagreeableness. Dark, dreary, gotten more than he bargained for. To reach the window, it seems, he had climbed which to properly characterize it. Comup on the cover to the flower pit, pared with Christmas days generally, as which was directly under it, and by some far as its out door observance was concernmeans he made a misstep and fell, smash. ed, it was dull. There were not many ing all the glass as well as the frame of the people on the streets, and less than the cover, and no doubt being badly cut up. usual quantity of powder was burned. In falling he must have clutched at the The same was the case Christmas eve. which is generally the liveliest time of all ing loose. Marks were also to be seen in down the street. There were not near so many people on the streets as usual, and while the Canton crackers, rockets, etc., were circulating in the foggy atmosphere quite lively, the display was far behind many former Christmas eves. Coming so soon after the grand political demonstration of the 28th of November, also, no

dicating an effort on the part of the thief to pry up the window sash. The plants in the pit were badly damaged and broken up, the thief falling a distance of about ive feet upon them. Mr. Brown was victimized by a burglar n Christmas night two years ago, losing considerable, and he is somewhat inclined to think he was visited by the same individual on Thursday night who met with so much success on the occasion of his pre-

Perils of the Field. Mr. Frank Huggins, while out hunting yesterday, made a narrow escape from serious injury. He raised his gun (a Parker double-barrelled breech-loader) to his shoulder and pulled trigger, when to his astonishment the right barrel burst at the breech, the explosion tearing out a piece of the barrel, at the side, about six inches in length and nearly an inch wide. Fortunately for Mr. Huggins, the explosion caused a lateral fissure of the barrel, and his left arm was extended sufficiently forward, in supporting the gun, to place his hand beyond the break in the barrel, and he escaped without injury. He cannot account for the accident, as the gun had been in use only about five years and was charged with an ordinary load for bird shooting.

the week ending yesterday footed up 2,660 bales, as against 1,472 bales for the corresponding week last year; showing an increase of 1.188 bales. The receipts for the crop year commen-

cing September 1st to date foot up 81,770 bales, as against 76,180 bales for the same period last year; an increase of 5,590 bales.

- The schooner Carolina, from Washington, N. C., for this port, reported by the signal observer as being ashore in Hatteras inlet, had on board a cargo of 8,000 bushels of rice for Messrs. Norwood Giles & Co., of the Carolina Rice Mills of this city, which was insured for \$10,000 in the Boston Marine Insurance Company, represented by Mr. M. S. Willard, of this

WASHINGTON.

Revenue Raiders in Georgia-Mr. Rai dall's Visit to the South. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-The Com sioner of Internal Revenue to day received a telegram from Agent Hoffaw, at Gainesville, Ga., saying that the coroner's jury in the case of the moonshiners who were killed recently in an attack on revenue officers near Gainesville, had returned a verdict that the killing was done in self-defence. Representative Randall will leave Washington to-morrow afternoon on a visit to a number of Southern cities. He will be in Louisville Mouday, Nashville, Tenn., Tuesday and Wednesday, and Birmingham, Ala., Friday. If possible he will stop at Chattanooga next Saturday. Mr. Randall will probably be accompanied by Mrs. Randall and Representative McAdoo, of New Jersey.

ment-Livery Stable Burned. WASHINGTON, December 24.—Early this morning the stables of Springman & Bros., on Maryland Avenue, between Sixth and Seventh streets, Southwest, were burned. Two buildings adjoining were also damaged The loss is estimated at \$20,000. The amended Naval Appropriation bill was received by the House from the Senate to day, but no action was taken in regard to it. Current appropriations for the Navy Department expire on the 81st inst.

Appropriation for the Navy Depart-

- The first prize for English composition in the sophomore class of Yale College has been carried off by Mr. Yan Phon Lee, "a heathen Chinee."