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THE VIRGINIA CAMES IN COURT. Probably no opinion of equal interest has been delivered by the Sume me Court of the United States in some years to that on the Virginia Coupon cases. It is an opinion that das not affect Virginia alone but may seriously affects other States. The case is worth considering at some length.

payer has made a tender of coupons -which is the interest on the bonds to a tax collector that he is not bound may rest securely in the fact that he has made a full and sufficient tender and that a tax collector who shall atby levying on the tax-payer's property does it at his personal peril and will not be protected by any legislation of the State.

seem fair that when that interest, in says pertinently: the shape of coupons, is offered in

of the Virginia Legislature aimed to d-stroy the tax-paying power of the compons are null and void. It save the coupons are valid and the bond holders are protected and sustained.

Four of the nine Judges dissented. They contend in their opinion that "the eleventh amendment is not intended as a mere jingle of words, to be slurred over by canning subtleties and artificial methods of interpretation." Now this eleventh amendment forbid that a State should be sued by an invidual. It says:

"The judicial power of the United States shall not be construed to extend to any suit in law or equity commenced or prosecuted against one of the United States by citizens of another State, or by citizens or subjects of any foreign State."

The dissentients are Chief Justice Waite and Justices Bradley, Miller and Gray. The opinion just delivere l is thought by some to contradict a previous opinion of the Court delivered in 1883. The New York Times discusses the matter elaborately, and says that the case previously decided "involved practically the same issue" as the recent cases. In the decision of 1883 the State was sustained. The Times says:

"The decision seems in its essential principle to be a reversal of that of 1883, and viewed in that light the only member of the court who appears in an inco

Matthews - a corrupt fellow at best -was on the side of Virginia in 1883; he now delivers the opinion adverse to Virginia. The Times further says:

"Notwithstanding Mr. Matthews's opin-ion of two years ago, the decision which he delivered yesterday declares that the suit against a collector of taxes is not a suit against a State, and that he cannot substitute the state in his place or justify his action by its authority for the reason that the law under which he has assumed to act is The State cannot pass a law which United States, and any one assuming to act under such a pretended law is personally liable for his acts in violation of the rights

But aside from the legal aspects of the question, what will be the effect upon Virginia? The Governor will at once call the Legislature together. Some say that the commons schools of the State will have to stop. But this is not absolutely certain or necessary. Even the judicial and administrative machinery may be imperilled, as some seem to think. But this will not follow. The revenues of the State are said to be some \$3,000,000. The interests requires \$1,400,000. This will leave \$1,600,000 to carry on the State operations, which is very much more than North Carolina has. There is nothing in the situation that is alarming. Virginia is abundantly able to meet her honest obligations. She is in a prosperous condition. Her people, if necessary, know how to make sacrifices for the maintenance of the credit and honor of the State. Repudiation of any sort on the part of

The decision may affect other States. It may compel other States to meet obligations they have been disposed to shirk. How it will !

a great Commonwealth is a bad busi-

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operate as to the future of parties in Virginia we may not undertake to

ENGLAND AROUSE For the first time in two weeks we are inclined to the opinion that there will be war between Russia and England. Russia bas grown so insolent -so pugnacious, that England is simply forced to fight. If she will not fight now, after the overbearing and warlike attitude of Russia-after an overt act that means war or means nothing, then indeed has England fallen from her high position as one of the great Powers-as a nation as great in war as she is in peace. Russia not only refuses to disavow what General Komaroff has done in attacking the Afghans and seizing Penjdeh, but refuses to make any explanations whatever. Not only this, but as the New York Times says:

"Moreover, complaints are made of the size of Sir Peter Lumsden's escort, of Lord Deflorin's curvar at Rawalpindi, and of his menacing speeches. If England does not fight upon this it is a fair inference that she will not fight at all, and that Russia may advance to Herat or to Candahar without effective opposition.

The news from London of the last two or three days is more warlike than before. The peace-loving Premier has asked for a war credit. At last he realises that England is hu-The Court holds that when a tax- miliated, and now he thinks that there must be war He asks for \$55,-000,000. The forces in the Soudan will be at once taken to India if war to pay the tax in some other way if is declared against Russia. We like the coupons are declined, but he peace and dispise war; but we are tired of seeing the insolent Muscovites tweaking the nose of our English progenitor, and we will be satistempt to collect by force afterwards | fied to know that John Bull will hit back sharply and quickly.

But what a war it will be if it comes! Russia is a tremendous war power. She has the best of soldiers. This looks like a righteous decis- They fight far better now than in the ses to pay accruing interest. It does | mean war. The Chicago Current

"The Russians fought terribly at Plevna. the shape of coupons, is offered in payment of taxes that it should be valid payment and should relieve the tax-payer from all subsequent claims.

The Supreme Court, in its decision, declares is effect that the acts of the Virginia Legislature aimed to eventually dug up and used for various commercial purposes. Scientific war has become so destructive of life that it is not safe to disclose the facts to patriotic popu-

> AN ADVOCATE OF A STOCK LAW During the session of the Legislature the senior editor of the Asheville Citizen wrote from Raleigh an instructive letter some points of which we noted at the time. He gave an account of our old friend Sanderlin (not a Doctor as called) who is a Baptist minister of parts and a large and successful farmer. Mr. Sanderlin was before a committee of the Legislature and he was allowed to address it on the subject of a "stock law," and the editor of the Citizen represents him as making an effective talk of nearly an hour long. He was much in favor of a stock law. It had been tried with satisfactory results both "to farmers and farm laborers." He referred to the cost and labor of erecting and keeping up lawful fences and is then quoted as saying with reference

to some of the good results that have followed a test of the stock law: "New breeds of cattle and hogs are introduced and there is wide-spread, growing and marked improvement in this particular. I remark, parenthetically, that one of the farmers present stated that last week he had killed 140 hogs and had on hand, ready to kill, 175 more, all raised on pasture under the stock law system. And it was demonstrated that under the old system it cost—and will do it everywhere—more than the value of stock running at re than the value of stock runs large to keep feuces in repair. Dr. Sander-lin said that the proper person to take care of stock was the owner himself. If he had of stock was the owner himself. If he had them on pasturage he could look after them. If they ran loose, then everybody else looked after them, often to the owner's loss. He combatted very successfully the claim set up for free pasturage. He had no objection to it, if its advocates would build fences to keep their stock off of his own land. The law forbids no man to build fences if he so wished; but he protested against being compelled to build fences for the convenience of other people."

Mr. Sanderlin has farms in Lenoir and near Elizabeth City, and he is one of the most intelligent and progressive farmers in North Carolina Being unusually well educated and of decided intelligence, his testimony

The Charlotte Observer of Friday says: "This gentleman, the presiding judge of our newly erected Criminal Court, by his as rapidly as the circumstances permit. In a word, he, according to the unanimous verdict, fills that ideal of a criminal judge

wishes of our entire community." Cotton. The receipts of cotton at this port luring the past week only footed up 56 bales, as against 80 bales for the corresponding week last year, showing a de-

that, tried before him, the innocent have

nothing to fear, the guilty nothing to hope.

He carries with him to his home the best

The receipts of the crop year from September 1st to date foot up 98,567 bales, as against 91,431 bales for the same period last year, showing a net increase of 2,186 bales in favor of 1885. — The Norwegian barque Naja, Capt. Henricksen, was cleared from this port for Riga, Russia, yesterday, by Messrs. B. P. Shotter & Co., with 8,420 barrels of

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Another Man, Tired of Life, Attempts to Kill Himself with Laudanum. munity was startled yesterday suncement of another attempt to nmit suicide, which, it is understood, is likely to prove a successful one. Mr. George A. Poppe is a German resident of this city, aged about 43 years and unmarried. He has been engaged for some time past in driving a beer wagon. He has been ccupying a room over the Carolina House. southeast corner of Second and Princess streets, kept by Mr. H. Hintze. Yesterday, about II o'clock, he drove by the saloon, but shortly returned on foot, having left the wagon in the care of the boy who tor for a piece of paper, and it was given him, when he started up stairs, saying he would take a little nap. The singularity of his action attracted Mr. Hintze's attention, and he finally said to his clerk, Mr. H. Koch, "Wonder if Poppe is up to some such scheme as that of his friend, McCollum?" Mr. Koch immediately went up stairs and found Poppe's door fastened. There was a low partition between the room of Mr. Poppe and the one occupied by Mr. Koch. The latter got on a chair and looked over, when he saw Poppe prostrate on the floor by the side of a lounge, leaning on his elbow with his head slightly raised and resting on his hand, while upon the lounge were six two-ounce bottles bearing the inscription 'Laudanum,' He shouted "Poppe, have you ta ken poison?" He replied that he had Mr. Koch then hurriedly forced the door oyen, raised Mr. Poppe to his feet, got him down the stairs and exercised him as best he could for some time, when the sufferer finally gave out and begged to be allowed to sit down. Mr. Koch then mixed some mustard and water and gave it to him, but

As soon as possible after the discovery of the would-be-suicide messengers were dispatched for physicians, and finally Drs. Pigford and Storm responded, and did everything they could to restore the man to

without effect, and he soon afterwards be-

came speechless and unconscious, in which

condition he was still lying at a late hour

On the lounge near where Mr. Poppe account book, a letter from his old home in Hamburg, dated October, 1878, a withdrawal card from the O:der of Knights of Pythias: a motto, inscribed "Gott sei mit dir"-God be with you; a badge of the Howard Association of Memphis: and the paper obtained from Mr. Hintze, upon which he had written the words: Mr. W. Nehls,

"My ring must be given to Mr. G. Bau-On his bed, also, were found clean undergarments which he had taken out of his trunk, as is supposed to be used in his in-

Mr. Poppe went to Memphis during the yellow fever epidemic of 1878, in company with Messrs, Baumann and McCollum, as stated by us. He has sisters living at Ham

P. S .- Mr. Poppe died about 10 o'clock Military Convention.

A convention of delegates of the Second Regiment, N. C. S. G., was held at the ar mory of the Wilmington Light Infantry yesterday morning. The following companies were represented. Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry.

by Sergeant Ed. Pemberton, who also represented the Lafayette Light Infantry of the same place.

Shoe Heel Rifles, by Capt. W. S. Black Sampson Light Infantry, by Lieut. J. T. Murphy and Sergeant Partrick. Wilmington Light Infantry, by Col. Jno.

L. Cantwell and Lieuts. F. A. Lord and F. Capt. W. S. Black was made Chairman

and Seigeant Partrick Secretary. The meeting, in accordance with its object, took steps to bring about a similarity of uniforms for the Second Regiment. We understand that the trimmings of the uniforms of the different companies will be changed sufficiently to accord with each

The Shoe Heel and Sampson companies have heretofore not had epaulettes, but have now decided to adopt them, both for officers and privates.

The proposition to go to Asheville was discussed, and the importance of making the best possible show seemed to be fully realized by the members of the different companies present.

The delegates all returned home yester day and last night.

Fatal Rallroad Accident. We learn from a special dispatch to the Charleston News and Courier that the northern bound freight tram of the Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta Railroad collided with the material train at Eastover Thursday evening about half-past 8 o'clock, running into the material train, which had side-tracked there for the night, the switch having been left open. Engineer S. C. Jepson, of engine No. 72, deserves much credit for his action. On finding he had left the straight line and entered the side track he immediately blew brakes, reversed his engine and pulled her open, retaining his seat and displaying much presence of mind. His fireman jumped. Capt. nal bench enables him to dispose of cases | the switch closed when he finished his work and entered the turnout, and he is satisfied that the switch was opened by parties unknown to him. One of the material hands, Nelson Brown, was killed immediately and the leg of Paul Coleman, of the same train was broken below the knee. Engineer Ham was in his shanty, saw the train coming and jumped, thereby saving his life, as the three shantles were completely wrecked. Engine No. 72 is entirely

> Mr. J. A. Gray, of the C. F. & Y. V ailroad, Mr. G. M. Rose, of Fayetteville, a number of our prominent citizens, including Messrs. J. H. Currie, Wm. Calder, G. W. Williams and others, went down the river yesterday, on the steamer Louise, to visit and inspect the government works and other points of interest below.

disabled and has to be bauled to the shops.

One of the flat cars loaded with sand was

driven half way into one of the shanties.

C. F. & Y. V. BAILBOAD.

Seeting of Citizens at the Product Exchange to Consult with President Gray and Others In Re to the Proposed Connection with Wilmington-President Gray's Proposition-How it was Received-Ap

Yesterday, shortly before 12 clock, meeting of our business men and citizens generally was held at the rooms of the Produce Exchange, for the purpose of conferring with President Gray and others of the syndicate authorized to act for the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad Com said road from Fayetteville to Wilmington could be brought about.

Mr. J. H. Currie, President of the Pro-duce Exchange, in calling the meeting to order, took occasion to read a letter from Hon. Thomas J. Jarvis, in response to a request from our business men, expressed in a public meeting recently, to the effect that he would visit Wilmington before his denarture on his mission to Brazil and give our citizens an opportunity to consult with him on certain matters connected with our commerce with that country, stating that he would comply with their request, and would notify the committee by telegraph when he would be here. . Mr. Currie then moved that Col. Wm.

DeRosset be called to the chair, and that Mr. Herbert Smith be requested to act as

Mr. Currie introduced to the meeting Mr. Julian A. Gray, President of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad.

President Gray, whose commanding

resence and snow white locks and heard impressed in advance the large assemblage of Wilmington's men of business, then explained very thoroughly and succinctly the object of the visit of himself and brother members of the syndicate. He was glad to see such a large number of our people present. Spoke of the long desired connection between the east and the far west. Said he knew nothing certainly as to the probable extension beyond Mt. Airy, but was of the opinion that it would not be long before it would be extended to Cincinnati, from which Wilmington would be Alluded to the completion of the road to within easy reach of Mt. Airy, and said the company considered a connection with Wilmington as an absolute necessity. They were anxious for such connection. The company, however, did not feel disposed or able to assume the entire burden of connection, but thought Wilmington ought to be willing to bear her share. He said the sum of \$800,000 would be re-

quired for a completed road between Fayetteville and Wilmington, and he thought our city ought to feel sufficiently interested to subscribe \$250,000 of that amount. He thought he could make a proposition which would insure the building of the road and that Wilmington would get back the whole amount of her expenditure in a few years; and his proposition was this: If Wilmington will subscribe \$250, 000, the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad will give her second mortgage bonds to the amount of \$250,000, and also give her stock to the amount of \$250,000; this money to be expended under the management and control of a committee to be appointed by the citizens of Wilmington; and, before the citizens are to be called upon to spend one dollar of the proposed ubscription, the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad Company will obligate itself to buy the iron and pay for it themselves and place it in the hands of the committee. so that in case there should happen to be any failure on their part to comply with the terms of the contract, the committee would have the iron to lay the track from Fayetteville to Wilmington. In conclu-

sion he alluded to the great importance of the connection to Wilmington. Mr. B. G. Worth was called upon and stated that he did not come to make a speech. He must admit, however, his surprise at the modesty of others. He said everybody wanted to see the road built. The only question was whether the security offered was adequate. He thought if Wilnington contributed one quarter of the amount necessary, the company ought to give us first mortgage bonds. That was a vital question that must be settled before the proposition is submitted to the people.

Mr. Currie thought the connection so important that he would be willing to accept the proposition as it stood. He spoke of the great benefit it would be in bringing back to us our lost trade. Said we wanted a road to do for Wilmington what the Baltimore & Ohio road had done for Baltimore, the Pennsylvania road for Philadelphia etc. He showed the importance of a great trunk line running through to the West. The connecting line with Cincinnati would certainly be built. He also alluded to the great importance of a road which would necessarily be run in the interest of Wilmington. He spoke briefly but enthusias tically of the trade that might be established between Wilmington and the South American States, and through Wilmington by the proposed line with Cincinnsti and the great West, especially in the articles of sugar, coffee, molasses, &c. He spoke of the great improvement to Fayetteville which the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad had been instrumental in bringing about, dignity, patience, learning and ability, has T. F. Toon is conductor of the freight | He further alluded to the certainty of the fully sustained the selection of our Gov- train. Capt. Griffin, conductor of the ma- speedy completion of the road to Mt. Airy,

> ecessary to the western connection. Mr. Worth said he agreed with Mr. Currie as to the importance of the road, but could not think the terms liberal. People would not believe that second mortgage bonds would amount to much.

A further discussion of the matter was continued by Col. Roger Moore, Mr. Worth, Mr. Wm. Calder, Mr. R. E. Calder, Major W. L. Young, Mr. W. A. French, Mr. Love and others, all favoring the road, but arguing for better protection and guarantees to the interests of Wilmington, Mr. Wm. Calder wanted better terms, and said it was as important to the road to have deep water communication as it was to Wilmington to have a connection through the mountains and thought that fact ought to be taken into consideration by the company. He did not think the proposition as it stood

would be acceptable. Mr. Gray contended that the company was independent. Other points were open

to them. They wanted a North-Carolina nington, but the idea would be abandoned Wilmington don't offer suitable inducenents in the way of aid in building the

onnecting link. Finally, on motion of Mr. C. H. Robinon the Chairman was authorized to appoint committee to consult with the syndicate and report at an adjourned meeting. The Chair asked until 3 p. m. to name

necting, at half past 1 o'clock, adjourned Messrs. J. H. Currie, B. G. Worth Roger Moore, C. H. Robinson and Herbert Smith, the committee appointed under the above motion, request us to state that they will make their report; of their conference with the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad Company on Saturday, at 114 o'clock, to a meeting of the citizens to be held a the Produce Exchange.

e committee, when, on motion, the

Meeting of Citizens to Hear Report of Conference-A Long Discussion A Substitute for the Committee Report Adopted, &c.

There was a limited attende neeting of business men and citizens generally, at the Produce Exchange rooms resterday morning, to hear the report of the committee appointed to confer with the syndicate of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad in relation to a proposed subcription on the part of the city of Wilmington to secure an extension of said road from Fayetteville to this place. Col. W. L. DeRosset was in the chair

nd Mr. G. H. Smith acted as secretary. Mr. C. H. Robinson, for the committee submitted a verbal report, which was subsequently changed to a written one, as fol

The committee appointed to confer with members of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad syndicate, report that the syndicate will submit to the directors on the 6th of May any proposition made by the citizens to day and after consultation your committee report that the syndicate would probably accept the proposition for the city to subscribe \$250,000 in money and take in exchange therefor \$150,000 in first mortgage bonds, \$100,000 in second mortgage bonds and \$100,000 in stock, and respectfully submit this proposition for your

C. H. ROBINSON, B. G. WORTH, ROGER MOORE, J. H. CURRIE, G. H. SMITH.

Mr. D. L. Gore was opposed to any secand mortgage bonds, and he supposed the meeting would be.

Mr. DuBrutz Cutlar was opposed to sadlling the city with any further debt. Said this addition would make the city indebtedness equal to sixteen per cent. of the sessed value of its property. In New York, he said, an indebtedness in excess of en per cent, of the assessed value of its real property was not allowable. He would ather the city should give the road \$50,000 bsolutely than to subscribe \$250,000 on the terms proposed. Several other gentlemen made remarks.

Mr. Jas. H. Chadbourn offered a resolution to the effect that it was the sentiment of the meeting that the city of Wilmington is not in a condition to add \$250,000 to its present debt.

At this stage of the proceedings the re port in writing (as above) was presented. Mr. J. H. Currie made a ringing speech

in favor of the proposition to subscribe \$250,000. He thought it would be a source of lasting regret to Wilmington if she let this opportunity pass of securing connection with the great West. Mr. R. E. Calder opposed the \$250,000

proposition in a very practical and sensible Mr. F. W. Foster offered the following:

Resolved, That whatever aid may be extended to the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad be a donation, payable when the same is completed from Fayotteville to Tabled. Mr. W. H. Green moved that the com nittee be instructed to confer with the

Directors at their meeting on the 6th of May, and get a definite proposition to submit to the meeting. Tabled. Capt. A. L. DeRosset moved to amen the report of the committee to make a sub-

scription in bonds, not in money. Accep ted by the committee. Mr. W. F. French moved that it is the sense of the meeting that we shall not subscribe exceeding \$150,000 in city bonds in

exchange for \$100,000 in first mortgage bonds. Lost. Mr. H. A. Burr moved an amendment to strike out second mortgage bonds and make it \$250,000 in first mortgage bonds.

Finally the following substitute for th eport of the committee, which had once be fore been offered, but declared out of order at the time, was submitted to the meeting by Mr. Wm. Calder, and adopted:

Resolved. That it is the sense of this mee ing that in no event should the comm ers that may be appointed by the Board of Aldermen and Board of Audit and Finance to confer with the Directors of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad, agree that the city shall do more than subscribe to \$100,000 in first mortgage bonds of the Railroad, payable in \$100,000 of city bonds

On motion the same committee was instructed to notify the syndicate of the action of the meeting. The meeting then adjourned.

I tmay not be amiss to state in this conection that the sentiment of the meeting was one of entire friendliness to the road and it was evident that every one present looked with favor upon the proposed connection. All opposition hinged upon the fact, in the judgment of the majority, that the city is not in a condition to contract such a debt at this time, even to insure such a desirable connection.

From Smithville. A correspondent of the STAR sends th

"Some of the members of the Smithville Guards, assisted by a few citizens and Sig-nal Officer Chaffe, gave a delightful varied entertainment in the Court House, on the evenings of the 23d and 24th inst., the proceeds from which were devoted to the Company's funds. Every one was well pleased and many compliments were passed on the good and effective acting of ne participants. The troupe, under irectorship of the gallant Capt. 8. Drew, is thoroughly organized under the name of the "Cape Fear Minstrel Troupe," and if arrangements can be made may possibly favor Wilmington with an entertainment. The object is to obtain a sufficient amount for new dress uniforms."

— The distillery of Col. McPhaul, at Whiteville, was destroyed by fire Friday morning, entailing a loss of \$450, with no insurance.

WASHINGTON.

Washington, April 23. — Beginning May 2nd next a semi-weekly mail service will be established between Key West and Havana, Cuba. This mail has been carried by the Morgan line steamers running ried by the Morgan line steamers running between New Orleans and Havana, via Key West, but the quarantine rules of the State of Louisiana forbid the continuance after the 1st of May, and it has been the ustom to send Cuba mails direct from New York. The new service will be fur-

New York. The new service will be furnished by the Tampa Steamship Company.

Joseph H. McCammon, Assistant Attorney General for the Interior Department, resigned yesterday, to take effect on the 24th prox. He was appointed from Pennsylvanis in October, 1871, as special counsel for the Government before the Court of Claims, and remained in this position until May 1880, when at the request Court of Claims, and remained in this position until May, 1880, when, at the request of Attorney General Devens and Secretary Schurz, President Hayes appointed him an Assistant Attorney General, and he was immediately detailed as law adviser of the Interior Department. Mr. McCammon reires to engage in private business. It is

WASHINGTON, April 24.—The President to day appointed Henry P. Kernerhan, of Louisians, to be Naval Officer at the port

President Cleveland has refused to exercise the power of executive clemency in behalf of Gen. D. G. Swaim, Judge Advocate General of the army. After the sentence of the court martial which recently tried him was approved by President Ar-thur and after the new Chief Executive had assumed the duties of his office, Gen. Swaim appealed to the latter for pardon, on the ground that he had not been allowed s fair trial. The sentence of the court was suspension from duty for twelve years on half pay. "Half pay" will amount to about \$3,000 a year.

No further action has been taken in the

case of Collector Craig, of Virginia, who declined to resign at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury. It has been referred to the President, and it is under-

W. M. Lauders, of Atlants, Ga., was arrested here to day by a postoffice inspec-tor for conducting a fraud through the

Richard T. Merrick and Attorney General Garland (in his capacity as counsel for the State of Virginia in the coupon tax cases) will, on Monday, May 4th, ask the Supreme Court for a rehearing of the case, with a view to securing a reversal of the opinion of the Court given last Monday. Should the Court grant the request, the counsel for the State will make a strong fight for a reversal of the decision, upon the ground that the Court was in error in of a State to compel them to receive coupons was not a suit against the State itself.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The President to-day appointed James Q. Chenowith, of Texas, First Auditor of the Treasury, vice R. M. Reynolds, of Alabama, resigned by request. The new appointee was born in Kentucky, but has been a resident of Bonham, Texas, for many years. He was an officer in the Confederate army and has served several terms in the State Legislature of Texas. He is a lawyer by profession and a staunch Democrat. He has for some years been a law partner of Senator Maxey. At different times he has been advocated as a candidate for Congress and

for Governor of the State. Judge Andrew Wylie, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, to day tendered his resignation to the President, to take effect on the appointment and qualification of his success

C. N. Jordan, the newly appointed Treasurer of the United States, says it is the purpose of the Department to publish a monthly debt statement in two forms up to the first of July, after which date the new form only will be used. The new form of statement will include "reconciliation," first introduced into the new state

Secretary Whitney sent the following telegram to-day to Admiral Jouett, at Aspinwall: "While deprecating an unnecessary interference, you will exercise your best judgment from time to time, after consultation with the American Consuls and others. The general scope of your duty has been heretofore sufficiently defined and to what extent military interference is ne-cessary from time to time to carry out former instructions. You must necessarily be the judge, always keeping in mind that

the necessity is regretted here."

Late this afternoon the following telegram from Admiral Jouett was received at the Navy Department: "It was absolutely necessary to occupy Panama to protect the transit and American property. The safety of Panama and American interests are secured by this move. Your instructions were published in the Panama papers. No misunderstanding will result. Government officials will arrive soon, when everything will be turned over to them and we

A. M. Keiley, recently appointed Minis-ter to Italy, arrived in Washington to day and had a conference with the Secretary of State. It is generally understood that he has declined the Italian mission, and that his visit to the Secretary of State was in regard to his appointment to the Ru

MANITOBA.

A Battle with Riel's Rebels-The Ca nadians Driven Back with Sever Loss.
[By Telegraph to the Morning Star.]

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Consul Taylor, at Winnepeg, Manitoba, has telegraphed to the State Department that Gen. Middleton, the State Department that Gen. Middleton, commanding the Canadian forces, had a battle with Riel's ferce of rebels at Fish Creek, which lasted all day Friday. The Canadian loss was twelve killed and fortyseven wounded. Gen. Middleton retired about a mile to an open space near the east bank of the Saskawachau river. He was reinforced by a column from the other side of the river, but the number of troops stil does not exceed six hundred. The rebe force engaged was probably three hundred but there are rumors of hostile Indians in the rear of Middleton. The situation is very grave. The rebel loss is unknown, but is probably small, on account of their advantageous position on Fish Creek, in a wooded ravine. The insurgents were led by Galvanta Damont. Their fire was most deadly; nearly all who were killed were shot through the head or heart. The News' dispatch from Clark's Crossing.

Northwest Territory, gives a detailed account of Gen. Middleton's fight with Riel's men yesterday, but adds but little of fact beyond what is contained in Consul Taylor's report. Capt. Clark. of the 90th Canadian Militia, was among the killed, and Lieutenant Swinford, of the same regiment, Lieutenant Swinford, of the same regiment, was mortally wounded. About a dozen of Riel's men were captured. The strack was made by Riel's men and was semewhat of a surprise to Gen. Middleton. Riel's men were in strong cover, and Gen. Middleton approached over the open prairie, The first notice Gen. Middleton had of the presence of the enemy was a volley from twenty to thirty rebel scouts, upon his advance. Gen. Middleten's men behaved well. He reports his intention of pushing forward to attack Riel's headquarters.

HON. A. M. KEILEY.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The Republican prints a special from Richmond, saying that Mr. Keiley left there last night for Washington, and when he reaches here will resign his position as Minister to Italy, and be appointed Minister to Russia, in and be appointed Minister to Russia, in place of Gen. Lawton. The report, how-ever, cannot as yet be verified.

- Mrs. Langtry has now mort-gages on New York real estate costing her \$140,500.

Spirits Turpentine.

Tarboro Southerner: Easteru ina farmers are more backward in pitching their crops, than they have been in many years. Winter oats have been almost universally destroyed. In fact the past has been the most disastrous season for small grain known in the cotton section.

— Albemarle Enquirer: At 12 o'clock Tuesday night the jail at Winton, Hertford county, was burned down. Three prisoners, recently committed to jail by Judge Shipp, Blount Perkins, Whitmel Thompson and Thomas Work, were in the jail. Perkins and Thompson were rescued and Work was burned up It is be lieved that Perkins and Thompson set the jail on fire. Work refused to aid them and lost his life.

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KANSAS.

The Heaviest Rainfall Ever Known-A Number of Lives Lost and Pro-

nundated a settlement of from 600 to 800 ababitants, known as North Fort Scott.

The water in the houses is from three to five feet deep. All the people were rescued. The Missouri Pacific Railroad track is bad-

ed. At last accounts the water was sub-siding, but it will toke several days to run

Advices from Kingman confirm previous s of the flood there. Ten lives are ed to have been lost at that place,

Fraffic on the Wichita & Western Railroad

between Wichita and Kingman, is sus-

pended, and the bridges on this road, and on the Atchlson, Topeka & Santa Fe Rail-raad, at Cherry Bell Plain and Clear Water, have been washed away.

TEXAS.

Terrific Cyclone-Several Houses De

molished and a Number of Persons

outh of Mexia, was visited about 2 o'clock

esterday by a severe cyclone, causing seri-

ous damage to life and property. A two-story school house, in which were about fifty children, was blown down and torn to

pieces, killing one child and wounding several children. The casualties were as fol-

wo children of E. Herring, leg and arm broken; two children of Mr. O'Hara, leg

broken and injured internally. The house of Mr. J. McKinnon was blown down, se-

riously injuring the owner. The store

house and postoffice, owned by J. D. Hughes, were demolished and the goods promiscuously scattered. The residences

Williams, were demolished. Larkin Gen-

try's house, some distance from the village,

is also reported as demolished and himself wife and child killed. Other serious result

are probable as the country is thickly set-tled in the direction of the cyclone."

GEORGIA.

The Case of Dr. Woodrow Before Au

gusta Presbytery.

bytery, after investigating the question of Dr. James Woodrow's orthodoxy in refer-

ence to his teachings in Columbia Theo-logical Seminary on Evolution, resolved as follows: First, We find nothing that warrants a trial for heresy. Second, As no

one appears or offers to make out charges.

no process can be instituted. (See Book o

Discipline, chapter 6, paragraph 2).

Resolved, That our action in this matter

not to be understood as calling in ques

tion the action of the Synod of Georgia, held at Marietta in 1684.

Dr. Woodrow was present at the meeting and notified the President of Augusta

Presbytery that he would complain of their

VIRGINIA.

Instructions to State Officers Concern

ing Coupons and Taxes.

(By Telegraph to the Morning Star.)

City Treasurer, has been instructed by the State Auditor of Public Accounts not to re

ceive coupons in payment for license or taxés, as the Supreme Court has not yet rendered its decision in the license cases;

and if the tending party feel aggrieved, let him apply for a mandamus, and if he does

ousiness without license to prosecute him for violation of law. Mr. Couch was fur-

ther instructed to refuse coupons if ten

dered in payment of taxes, but not to levy

Trial and Conviction of Two Negro

Murderers.

A Village Nearly Destroyed by Fire.

records, and nearly the entire village, wer

SOUTH CAROLINA.

the State Railroad Commission.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

PANAMA.

Americans Take Charge of the Tow

and Prevent a Fight.

ALABAMA.

A Wealthy Planter Murdered.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.]

ment prevails.

Sr. Louis, Aptil 25.-A Chattanooga

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tesies of Telegraph Lines.

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tiary for ten years.

PETERSBURG, April 23.-E. W. Coach.

ction to the Synod of Georgia.

Augusta, April 24.—The Augusta Pres-

Sr. Louis, April 28.—Dispatches from southeastern Kansas report the heaviest rainfall that has ever been known in that part of the State. The storm began on Tuesday and over twelve inches of water — Correspondence of the Raleigh Register; Nonwood, N. C., April 20.— Last Friday Mr. L. D. McSwain undertook to cross Rocky river at Crump's Ferry, six miles from this place, with a loaded wagon. Just as he was driving into the boat, the chain which held it to the shore broke, and it drifted off with the team, pulling the wagon after it into the water, where it instantly sank. One of the mules attached to the wagon was drowned, and the entire load, consisting of corn, bacon, &c., was lost. Mr. Zach Wallace, aged 65 or 70 years of age, was in the wagon when it sank, but was fortunately drawn into the boat in time to save his life. The loss far from town. A large number of hogs and cattle in the stock yards along Tabette river, one mile from Parsons, have been drowned, and it is said hundreds, perhaps thousands of animals, have perished in the surrounding country. A great destruction of crops and moveable property has also occurred. The Marmarton river has overflowed its banks and amounted to about \$200.

- Raleigh Visitor: The most encouraging accounts come from all sections in regard to the fruit crop. So far but very little damage has been done. —Mr. E. M. Robinson left this afternoon for Washington City to accept a position with the United States Fish Commissioner. The Missouri Pacific Hallroad track is bad-ly washed out both ways from Fort Scott, and no trains have moved since Tuesday. There are also bad washouts on the Wichita Railroad. A freight train on this road went through a bridge at Clear Water, and Frank McDaniel, the engineer, was drown-The revival at Person street church is increasing in interest. There were quite a number of penitents at the altar last night, Up to this date thirteen persons have connected themselves with the charch.

A telegram was received in this city this afternoon by his friends announcing the death of Mr. George Heck, of Brodle, Warren county, this State, which occurred at his residence there this morning. Mr. Heck was in his 83rd year and was the father of Col. J. M. Heck of this city.

- Charlotte Observer: The Criminal Court will probably adjourn to day, as there is now but one case left for trial by jury, and the grand jury have been discharged. — The fruit killing scare is a thing of the past. Orchardmen tell us that peaches, cherries and other fruits. —
Three North Carolina postmasters have just received their commissions, the commissions having been signed on the 18th. Their names are Jeptha M. Long, Catawba; Azariah Horn, East Bend, and Walter P. GALVESTON, April 28.—A special to the News, from Mexia, Texas, says: "The Prairie Grove neighborhood, eight miles Brooks, Randleman. — A colored man engaged in repairing the gin house of Capt.

J. M. Davis yesterday lost his hold on the roof and tumbled off. In his fall he struck across the top of a wagon wheel on his stomach, and from the wheel he dropped to the ground insensible. From the caves of this roof to the top of the wheel it was a distance of fifteen feet, and the colored man had attained a considerable velocity at ows: Fourteen year old daughter of J. P. swing, killed; Estelle Cook, leg broken; the time he struck the wheel. None of his bones were broken, but he received internal injuries that may result seriously.

- Raleigh News-Observer: Rev. Mr. Foster, of Chapel Hill, who was reported Saturday as dying, is improving, Dr. K. P. Battle writes. — A well known farmer here. who takes nent position as a wheat grower, said yesterday to a reporter that the improvement in the appearance of the wheat is remark-able. He thinks the crop will be a fair one. — Yesterday an old white man, a farmer in Mark's Creek township, came here and reported to the police that his son, a lad seventeen years of age, had fied after robbing him of \$400. The boy was, by his father's account, incorrigible. He took the money and fied Monday night. He was considerate enough to leave a note on a table, saying that he had taken the money and gone. — A reporter was told that a party of twelve contractors came up yesterday from Goldsboro and went over to Smithfield to go over the line of the proposed road from Wilson to Elegence. posed road from Wilson to Florence. It is said that thus far over eighty bids for work on this line have been tendered. Of this number seven are for the entire line. Work is expected to begin very soon.

— Rockingham Rocket; The fruit crop has suffered is jury to some extent, but we hope for enough still to satis, amoderate wants.

Out day lest seek some of the hands on the plantation of Mr. T. E. Diggs, having occasion to cross the river. found, at the mouth of Jones' creek, on the, Anson side, the carcass of an alligator nine entangled in a net-work of vines near the water's edge and thus perished. The wonder is, where he came from. — On Friday, the 17th, a horrible fate was visited upon two colored children just across the river in Anson county. Emma Sullivan, a tenant on Mrs. Catherine Livingston's place, was going from home and left he two children in the bed asleep. To see that they were properly protected with covering she went to the bed before going out, and, it is supposed, accidentally drop-ped some fire upon the bed from the pipe which she was smoking. On her return, at any rate, the house was in flames and the helpless children were beyond the hope of rescue. The frantic mother, in her efforts to save them, took fire herself and was badly burned.

- Weldon News: There was to be an excursion train on the Seaboard & place. Tom Ramsay, colored, wanted to come but his wife opposed it and they had a quarrel concerning it on Saturday night, during which Tom was shot with a pistol in the lower part of the abdomen and he died. His wife was arrested on a charge of murdering her husband, but after investigating the matter the jury of inquest came to the conclusion that the shooting was accidental. The woman said the man had the pistol and it fired in the struggle caused by her attempt to get possession of it. Ramsay was about 25 years old and his wife is younger. — The protracted meeting continues at the M. E. church. There have been several accessions to the church have been several accessions to the church and the interest is still great. — O Tuesday the North bound train from Wil mington had on board an old gentleman drunken brute in the car and he made an improper proposal to one of the ladies who sought her father for protection. The old gentleman had his double-barrel shot gun

- Raleigh Farmer & Mechanic: Duplin county regrets to loose two of her best citizens, Rev. Wm. M. Kennedy and son, David M. Kennedy, who propose removing to Littleton in this State, the former to continue his ministerial labor, and 24.—This afternoon, while a strong barricade was being erected, entirely closing in the Central and South American Cable Co's office, and great preparations were being made for a fight, the Americans arrived, knocked down the barricades and the latter to engage in teaching. —There was a railroad meeting in this place on Saturday. Ex-Gov. T. J. Jarvis, our new Minister to Brazil, was present.—Snow Hill Gazette. You bet! "The ruling passion is strong even in death." Lott Humphrey took charge of the town. The insurgents were recalled to their barracks by the bugle. was also there. He is reported as asserting that Tom is the greatest man this State ever produced. — Rockingham county is in uck this year. It has the Governor, a member of Congress, the U.S. Collector, the U.S. Marshalship, the Chief Clerkship, two flourishing manufacturing towns, and plenty of pretty girls. —— Gen. Cling plenty of pretty girls. — Gen. Clingman's Tobacco Cure Company has begun operating at Durham, and prepared packages are sent by mail for 25 cents. The picture of Gen. Clingman is very good, we think, and the testimonials to the cures by simply wetted tobacco leaves are surprising. — That blatherskite, "Chaplain George W. Pepper," who at one time cut up many monkey shines at Raleigh while the Yankee garrison was here, and has since figured on a par with "Private Dalzell," "Sergeant Bates," "Bishop O'Connor" and the Fenian Rossa—has printed a three column letter, pretending to give the utterances of Gen. R. E. Lee in relation to Grant, Sherman, Mr. Davis, and the conduct of the war. Tenn, special says: At Cortland, Ala, last night, Thomas Little, a wealthy planter, was called to his door about dusk, when some one sprung up in front of him and fired twenty four buckshot into his breast. Samuel Livingston, his brother-in-law, is in jail charged with the crime. Much excite-Everything Quiet at Panama-Cour-PANAMA, VIA GALVESTON, April 25.—
Everything is quiet here. Lieut. T. B. M.
Mason is in charge of the Panama Railway.
The Superintendent of the Cable Company has just received the following from the New York office:

"Inform all United States military and naval officers that the Central and South American Telegraph Company, on Sunday, April 26, will transmit from Panama their family and social messages to places in the United States, free of charge. Hope you will arrange with the Panama Railway to extend the free use of its wire for this purpose, in behalf of the United States officers at Colon. The Galveston manager has been instructed to accept replies free." R. E. Lee in relation to Grant, Sherman, Mr. Davis, and the conduct of the war. It is abominable! — We did not have much hopes of living to see it, but at length there are some small, slim, slantindicular, smoky signs of a railroad to Rutherfordton. Rutherford county, forty years ago, voted money to help the Wilmington, Charlotte & Rutherford Railroad (now the Carolina Central) to enter its gates. Judge George W. Logan got control of the county "railroad fund," and for twenty years the road has not crawled a foot beyond Shelby. Then came strangers from Cape Cod, seeking to start a line and print — Bonds! And so it has gone, year upon year.

has gone, year upon year,

CHARLOTTESVILLE, April 25.—The trial of the negroes Horace Terrell and Presley Crawford, for the murder of Mary Foster, was ended this afternoon. Terrell was found guilty of murder in the first degree and was sentenced to be hanged; Crawford was found guilty of murder in the second egree, and was sentenced to the peniten-LYNCHBURG, April 25.—Grundy, the county seat of Buchanan county, on the extreme western limit of this State, has been ourned. The court house, with the county Supreme Court Decision Concerning CHARLESTON, April 24.—The decision of the Supreme Court, in the case of the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad cision of the lower court, that the State along and levelled at the scoundrel and would have killed him on the spot but very Railroad Commissioner has no power to regulate charges for freight shipped from this city to points in other States. inately the other passengers PANAMA, VIA GALVESTON, TEXAS, April