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SPEECH AND CIVIL SERVICE. We lay before our readers the views of the State press on Senator Vance's speech against the Civil Service law as far as we have noticed them. Some opinions have appeared doubtless that we have overlooked. Our purpose is to indicate the positions taken in regard to Civil Service by the entire press of the State that claims to support the Democratic party. We shall continue the publication of extracts at another time. We will be glad to have sent us marked any opinion not appearing, as the passing over is unintentional on our part. We desire that our readers should see where the press stands in regard to Civil Service. We hope that those papers that favor retaining Republicans in office under a Democratic Administration and that favor the continuance of the present Republican Civil Service law will be sure to see to it that the benign, refreshing, useful, highly moral, delectable and desiderated principle shall be tried in the County, District and State Conventions that are to meet this summer. By all means let us have it for North Carolina, if it indeed is so sweet and good and desir-

It will be seen that thus far a small number of our State contemporaries favor the "monumental fraud of the age." We regret that any have felt constrained to comment adversely upon Senator Vance's very forceful, instructive and entertaining speech. We do not censure them for maintaining their own convictions. It is manly and proper that each paper should speak for itself. They have the right of opinion on all subjects and it is fair and just that they

The STAR is the last paper in North Carolina that will condemn editors for not agreeing with it. It has certainly opinions of its own and it has uniformly had the candor to state them fully and thoroughly without fear or favor. It has stood up against denunciation, ridicule, false accusation in the maintenance of opinions it believed to be founded in right reason, in common sense, in justice. It has several times fought for principle against a very large majority of the State papers. It stood up, with but few supporters in the State, against the repeal of tax on liquors, beer, tobacco, &c. It continued the fight until there were some twenty-six papers opposed to free smokes and free drinks while taxing shoes and hats and blankets and knives and forks and window glass, crockery, trace chains, and cotton ties,

It began twelve or eighteen months ago to resist the passage of the dangerous, demoralizing, [unconstitutional Blair bill. At that time there were not five papers in the State that opposed the bill. The dangers of the bill were not discerned at first, and the violations of law were not feared. But analysis of the bill; the continued discussions of its plan, principles and far-reaching consequences; the thorough exposure of its violations of the Constitution and its aggressiveness in the direction of centralization by some of the ablest men in the Senate; by the ablest living expounders of the Constitution like Curtis and Centz; by the whole Democratic press in the North as far as we have seen, and by many of the representative Democratic exponents in the South, have awakened widespread interest and investigation, and to-day there are thirty or more of the State papers, and among them certainly many of the ablest and best edited, that are opposed to a bill that is so very obnoxious to criticism, that threatens so seriously to endanger the present common school system in the South, whilst yielding to allurements and violating the magna charta of the liberties of the peoplethe Constitution of the Fathers of the Republic in order to accomplish the baleful and destructive results.

So however earnestly, insistently, pertinaciously the STAR may urge and assert its own convictions, it does debate or to question the right of any person or journal to hold and enforce his or its own opinions. It long ago denounced the spirit of proscription and illiberality, and was possibly the first paper in the State to repudiate and despise the attempt of certain persons to apply the party whip and to compel by fear of consequences all Democrats to accept as final the latest deliverances of politicians in conventions, and the common utterance of the majority of

an outrage upon reason, a proclama. tion that might made right, and an attempt to stiffe the honest convictions and to prevent the free expression of opinion on the part of all who might dare to think otherwise. The STAR was about the first to proclaim that whilst loyal to well ascertained and fundamental principles the Democratic party of the Union and perfectly and sincerely pledged to the white men's party in North Carolina it would not wear a collar, it would not be the fugleman of any man or set of men, but would endeavor in a spirit of fairness, tolerance and conscientiousness to set forth and maintain what it believed to he right.

If anything that has ever appeared in its editorial columns at any time has seemed to an intelligent and just mind as in the least degree dictatorial or proscriptive it deeply regrets it, and declares without mental reservation that it was never so intended. Writing most of the time with rapidity and under immediate pressure, in warmly espousing principles it held to be important or in opposing principles or policies it believed to be imprudent, dangerous or violative of law it may have used language that some sensitive opponent did not relish. But at no time did the STAR mean to question the right of judgment or the freedom of the press. We are too well grounded in the discussions concerning a free press and the right to publishhave learned too much from Milton's immortal prose treatises in the days of Cromwell, and the struggle in the days of John Wilkes in the last century for an unrestricted right of publication.know too well the history of the past in our own and other lands to ever question for a moment or to ever interfere in the least with the right to think, to write and to publish as one pleases. Of course all incendiary or immoral trash is to be excluded, and all discussions that degenerate into indecent and offensive personalities are to be discountenanced.

AN UNFRIENDLY AND ABSURD OB JECTION.

There is one point in the English discussions of the Irish bill that should not be overlooked. Such op ponents as Lord Hartington, Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. who have been cooperating with Mr. Gladstone in the past; and such Tory leaders as Lord Churchill, urge against the bill that the Irish people are not qualified - are not fit to have Home Rule. This is begging the question. Why not give them : chance to test the matter before con demning? Why deny to a people that have been literally ground under the heel of British oppression from the days of Elizabeth the opportunity of development-the opportunity to try if they cannot govern themselves. It will be time enough to declare that Home Rule is a clear, palpable, lamentable failure after the trial has been made and the failure has come. As has been well said by more than one of our axchanges, whatever incompetency may attach to the Irish the fact remains that for hundreds of years English statesmen have shown an utter incompetency to govern Ireland. Self-government cannot possibly prove a greater failure than English government has proved all along the centuries.

Let the Irish have a fair, open chance to test their capabilities. The STAR has no doubt that the Irish will prove equal to the occasion. The United States through all their history have been very greatly indebted to Ireland for hundreds of its most conspicuous and successful public men. Irishmen have filled every department of the Government and with conspicuous ability. At this day, all over the land, there are thou-ands of Irish-American citizens who are asserting the truth of the statement that when opportunity offers they are capable of discreet, just, wise legislation and of preserv-

ing liberty in a land of liberty. Look at English history. See what names glorify and adorn the annals of England, You will find among the most illustrious names those of Irish birth or of Irish parentage. Among the most eminent orators and statesmen of the British Parliament you will find many Irishmen. Among her greatest military men you will Irishmen, Burke, Sheridan, find Grattan, O'Connell, were Irishmen. Swift, Tom Moore, and other eminent men of letters were born in Ireland. Wellington, Wolseley and many others of her most distinguished soldiers were born in Ireland. John Wesley was of an Irish family-the same as Wellesley, the Duke of Wel-

lington's family. Can it be possible that a nation that has produced so many really not intend to abridge the freedom of able men-and as in the case of Burke and Wellington, men of the first rank-can fail to improve all the advantages offered in a chance for liberty and self-rule? We do not beheve it, and shall not until the trial has been fairly made and failure is the end. Then let Ichabod be written on the Irish banner and not till

Another objection urged against much by their ill-timed and enthusihome rule by the Parliamentary op- astic approval of the doctrine that a ponents and the newspapers is well Civil Service system that retains Remet in the following frem the Phila- publicans in office is good enough newspapers. This was unbearable delphia Times. That paper says of for the country. People are begintyranny, an insolent invasion of per- the objection that the Gladstone mng to ask-"Why two tickets if sonal rights, an abuse of privilege, scheme offers no "proper protection this is true?"

for the Ulster minority, who, when last heard from, were still vowing that in no case would they send representatives to Dublin, were the home rule scheme adopted, but would rebel against the Dublin Parliament, even to the shedding of their blood,' that "conscientious examination of the provisions of the bill" shows that objection is "not valid." It says before many weeks the hollowness of all the objections "will be made clear

PACTS VERSUS ACCUSATION. The STAR was the first paper to show by the census the absurdity of the charge brought against the peo ple of North Carolina that because of intolerance, &c., people were driven out of the State. This persistent attempt to injure the good name of North Carolina is very contemptible and deserves the stern rebuke of all good and true citizens, whether native or born elsewhere. The STAR had not the census reports at hand to give the exact figures, but it brought out the fact that the States in the North that are most boastful of their progress and civilization and wealth have suffered far more from emigration than North Carolina has suffered While there are men in North Carolina doubtless who are jutolerant of opinion and would force men if it their power to think and act and vote as they do, they are few and in consequential. North Carolinians from the beginning have been won derfully independent and restive un der any sort of a yoke. It is a slan der to charge upon the people generally that they do not allow the ut most freedom of thought and speech The truth is, there is so much freedom it is often construed to mean abuse of speech.

The Raleigh News Observer has some figures that show that the native population increases much more rapidly in North Carolina than in the New England States. North Carolina in the decade of 1870-'80, in creased 80 per cent. Maine increased but 2 per cent.; New Hampshire oneseventh of one per cent.; Connecticut, 13 per cent.; Rhode Island, 21 per cent.; Vermont, 7 per cent, and Massachusetts, 19 per cent. These figures completely overturn the malicious charges brought against the people of the State by their

es at home and abroad. A SAMPLE. Some weeks ago it was asserted again and again in our Northern exchanges that the first bill introduced by Morrison in the House on the Tariff would not reduce the present burdensome, unscientific, unequal War Tariff but some \$12,000,000 at the most. The new bill -that fathered by Messrs. Morrison and Hewitt -will reduce the Tariff full \$24,000, 000 or more, according to an asser tion of the New York Times that is specially clear and forceful on Tariff reform. It says of the report of the committee just submitted:

"The arguments submitted in the report the various additions to the free list are succinct and impressive This, for examle, as to wood: In twenty years we have collected less than \$20,000,000 from taxes on wood maintained to encourage the de uction of forests. In less than tha time we have given more than 35,000,000 acres of land as bounty o encourage the planting of trees. Could anything more rotesquely absurd be imagined? It is as the city of New York should maintain a bureau to encourage building on the one hand abd one to promote incendiarism on the other The case of hemp is equally ridiculous in another way."

The United States collects many times more tax to foster hemp production than the whole crop amounts to. This passes for statesmanship There are Southern newspapers calling themselves Democratic that can see no folly, no wrong in such suicidal and oppressive legislation as that.

The Philadelphia Times, a Protection paper, remembering what occurred at Chicago in 1884, says this, and we indorse it:

"As both political parties distinctly oledged themselves in the resolutions heir national conventions in 1884 to a rerision of the tariff and a reduction of un ecessary duties, it ought to be possible now to consider this subject from a broader point of view than that of mere partisan

The trouble is platforms are manafactured to deceive and do not express the wishes and purposes of the people. People pay but little regard, therefore, to the sounding platitudes and "glittering generalties" of platforms. Read the Tilden platform of 1876, and then see where the Democratic party in Congress stands in 1886.

Referring to the new suits on the special tax bonds brought in the Federal Court by two parties, the Raleigh News-Observer savs:

"All the questions involved in the suits that are now about to be brought have already been before the Federal court and ple of this State. There will hardly be trise in these defunct bonds. * * The suits that they have heretofore instituted without avail demonstrate that they have no legal right. Without moral right and without legal right, therefore, the possessors of these bits of paper, whose very existence is an offence against honesty and ight, have no claims that are recogni morals or are enforceable at law. The alleged purchasers bought on a speculation—took the pigs in the bag—and the speculation turned out badly. The tree will lie That is about the size of it we sup-

Some of the Southern Mugwump papers are injuring the prospects of Yavorably. the Democracy in the South very

Hon. Thomas Powers O'Connor. M. P., writes to the New York Star from London, on the 12th, that the debate on the night before had enormously improved Mr. Gladstone's chances. He also mentions the interesting fact that three representative men had just declared for the Premier. They are Thomas Burt, member of Parliament for Morpeth, Northumberland, the representative of the Northern miners, and Charles Bradlaugh, member for Northampton, colleague and friend of Henry Labouchere, each having a large following, and Samuel Whitbread, nember for Bedford. Mr. O'Connor

"But what was more surprising than Burt's and Bradlaugh's adhesion to Glad-stone was the unexpected attitude of Sam-uel Whitbread, member for Bedford. Mr. Whitbread is a Whig of the Whigs. He is universally respected, and his knowledge of parliamentary practice and procedure have gained for him a position of high authority among the Liberals. In the Whig section of the party his influence is greater than hat of any living member."

A significant straw is the change of policy of the Atlanta Constitution. Here-tofore it has been vigorously defending At-torney General Garland. Now it declares that he ought to resign.—Exchange.

The Atlanta paper is capable many and great changes. It was warm advocate of Tariff reduction, but in a night whipped around and is now a blind worshipper of the Protection Idol-the god of Pennsyl-

Lord Hartington, who deserted Gladstone, is now ready to receive office through Tory influence. The Tories are said to be preparing to support him in the formation of a mixed or union Cabinet. How long could such a mungrel, hybrid concern hold together.

NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

Special Meeting of the Board of Com missioners-The Jail to be Rebuilt-

Contracts for Bridges Awarded. The Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county met in special session at the Court House yesterday afternoon. The full Board was present-H. A. Bagg, Esq., Chairman, and Commissioners B. G. Worth, J. A. Montgomery, E. L. Pearce and Roger

It was decided to rebuild the county jail

The Commissioners gave due consideration to the petitions laid before them asking that some other locality than the present site might be selected for the county jail, but considered it their duty, in the interests of the whole body of tax-payers, and under legal advice given them, to rebuild the jail on the old site; with the understanding and assurance, however, that the building shall be so constructed that it will not be objectionable on sanitary grounds nor a nuisance to residents in the

It was ordered that the bridge across Prince Geo:ge's Creek be repaired, and Mr. R. H. Beery, being the lowest bidder for the work to be done, the contract was awarded to him, at the sum of \$80.

The contract for repairing the bridge over Green's Mill Pond, near Bellevue Cemetery, was also awarded to R. H. Beery at the sum of \$125, he being the lowest bidder-the work to be done according to specifications on file, etc.

The matter of placing a foot way over Jumping Run was referred to the Chairman of the Board, with power to act.

Prospects of Truck Farmers The truck farmers here are about ten days behind, this season, but in this respect they are no worse off than the truckers south of Wilmington. Indeed, a Northern dealer in produce who has been through the truck farming districts as far South as Florida, and who was in Wilmington Saturday, says that the prospects of the truckers of this section are better than at any other place be has visited. Green peas are in bloom, and everything is in a promising condition and growing finely. The recent cold snap did little if any damage here, but some of our farmers say that the danger from frost will not be passed until after the full moon on the 18th inst. Charleston truckers reported, Saturday last, peas in bloom and bean and cucumber plants just up. Savannah truckers are shipping green peas. In Florida, all vegetables have been seriously affected by the cold. The shipment of cabbages has begun, but the principal crop there this year will be the crop of beans, even the tomatoe crop having failed. Strawberries were about a month later in Florida this season than usual, shipments beginning about the 20th of March; but the supply was poor and the quality inferior. Charleston dealers expect to ship strawberries North by the 20th of the pres-

A Distressing Case. A delicate young white woman with two small children-the eldest three years and the youngest only six weeks old-applied at the City Hall Sunday afternoon for assistance. She gave her name as Mrs. Bill and said that her home was on Wrightsville Sound, from which place she had come that day, walking the entire distance. Her husband, she said, had failed to provide for his family; she was totally destitute and herself and children starving. Supper was provided for her and a kindhearted policeman, Officer H J. Mints, taking pity upon the unfortunate woman and her children, carried them to his home, where they passed the night. Yesterday. they were sent to the county poor house.

The Luckless Tramp.

Edward Colbath, the unfortunate tramp who had his leg broken Saturday last on the Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta Railroad at Mullins, S. C., says that he was not riding under a car, but was "stealing a ride" on the rear platform of the last car. After the train reached Mullins and was "backing down" he jumped from the platform, but his left foot catching in a railroad frog, he was thrown down, and before he could extricate it or make known his terrible predicament a wheel ran over his leg. Dr. Lane, the physician in charge of the City Hospital, amputated it Sunday, just above the knee, and reported Colbath as doing well and his case progressing

Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver 611 with Hypophosphites, In Pulmonary Affections and Scrofulous Thiseases.

Dr. Ira M. Lang, New York, says: "I have prescribed Scott's Emulsion and used it in my family and am greatly pleased with it. Have found it very sesviceable in Scrofulous diseases and Pulmonary affections."

PRODUCE EXCHANGE.

President's Address, &c. The annual meeting of the Wilmington Produce Exchange was held at their rooms

yesterday. There was a full attendance of

members and the proceedings were marked with unusual interest. The report of the Secretary and Treasurer, Col. John L Cantwell, was received and ordered to be spread upon the minutes. The President, Mr. J. H. Currie, read

is report, as follows: GENTLEMEN :- In obedience to your by-

laws, and in compliance with a custom as old as your Exchange, I beg leave to submit my annual report. Let me congratulate you that you have eached the close of another fiscal year showing no signs of the depression of busi-

ness written upon any of your faces.

To the watchful care of an ever-ruling

Providence we are indebted for health and all the other attendants that go to make up the measure of this world's happiness. While your city has been desolated by one of the most destructive conflagrations that has ever visited our State, yet our peoole are neither cast down nor disheartened out look forward to the time when the burnt district will rise phonix-like from the present ruins with a magnificence un-dreamed of before the fire.

We consider it a source of congratulation that within the last year we have succeeded in placing on the boards of our Exchange the market reports of New York, Chicago and Liverpool, by telegraph, during the business hours of every business day, toether with one or two market reports from Charleston, Savannah and London.

The success in gaining these telegraphic reports, for the use of the Exchange, was rought about by the indomitable energy of the committee on "Telegraphic Market Reports," consisting of Messrs. Wm. Sprunt and D. L. Gore, who are entitled to the thanks of the Exchange for their services. Besides the market reports from the cities already mentioned, the arrival and departure of all vessels crossing the bar at Smithville are promptly reported by wire and posted on the boards of the Exchange. This branch of the telegraphic reports is in charge of C P. Mebane, Esq., to whom the Exchange owe many thanks for his services as Chairman of the "Smithville Shipping Reports." The expense of these re ports is paid by voluntary subscription, and while this arrangement may be necessary for a while longer, we would suggest to your incoming Board of Managers to increase the assessment of members to the full limit of your by-laws, which is thirty

dollars annually. It is gratifying to know that the improve ment of the bar at Smithville, and of the river from the sea to your city, has been ccompanied with such success.

There is now a depth of sixteen feet at low tide from Wilmington to the bar, and fourteen feet at low tide on the bar, which gives an average depth of 18 to 20 feet at high tide all the way to the ocean. the Government completes this, the finest piece of engineering work under its control, we hope to have a depth of 25 feet all the

We are indebted to Capt. W. H. Bixby, Engineer in charge, and to his able assistant Maj. Henry Bacon, for the maps and charts now suspended on the walls of your rooms, showing the location and extent of this great work of the engineer.

While your facilities for shipping have greatly increased by the improvement of the river and bar, the receipts of naval stores have steadily decreased, which makes it a necessity for our business men to bestir themselves, to put something in turpentine forests contiguous to Wilmington, that furnished such large quantities as to keep your port the largest naval stores have at last yielded to usage, worm, storm and fire, and are now covered over with the By refering to the report of your Secre-

tary, you will find the receipts of spirits turpentine short of the preceding year 9,274 barreis, a fraction over 13 per cent Rosin 55.549 barrels short, or 16 per cent, loss in the receipts; crude turpentine has lost about 26 per cent., and tar has gained per cent. The difference in the receipts of spirits turpentine for the year ending April 1st, 1886, as compared with the report of your first President, for the year ending April 1st, 1873, will almost startle you to name it; 77,634 barrels; worth in the aggregate, one million four bundred

The difference in the receipts of rosin as compared with the years referred to is 384,514 bbls and worth in the aggregate considering quality and grade, six hun-dred thousand dollars. Add this to the loss in spirits and we have a loss of two and rosin, for one year

It is gratifying to be able to state that your port has steadily grown in favor as a cotton market, and that the receipts have more than doubled since the organization of your Exchange.

The value of the increase of cotton s compared with the loss of naval stores is nearly equal, the difference being in favor of cotton, yet every business man of experience wil agree with me when I say that five millions of dollars worth of cotton will not make up the loss of two millions of dollars worth of naval stores, considering the way they are handled.

We know of no place where there is a much work done for nothing, as in Wilwho try to handle cotton. They advance the farmers and country merchants, to enable them to make a crop of cotton, and about the time the cotton is ready for mar ket the cotton buyer puts in an appearance and proposes to buy the cotton, or take it at the market price, and charge no com mission for his services, or, in other words handle the cotton for nothing if allowed the privilege of buying it from himself at the market price.

We know of no way to remedy this, bu for the commission merchant to strike, and let the farmer, the country merchant and

We make this suggestion because we believe the "laborer worthy of his hire. and furthermore we consider the man that works for nothing is of no good to himsel and must sooner or later become a burden Let the motto of your Exchange be live

Let me urge you to do all in your

to aid in bringing the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad from Fayetteville to your We consider this the most important enterprise now within your reach. They are pushing the work rapidly from nsboro to Mount Airy, and when they reach that point we may confidently loo for a connection with the Northwest in the near future. But to reap the full benefit of that connection we must have the road built from here to Favetteville. The Board which appointment was approved by the Board of Audit and Finance, by authority contained in an act of the last Legislature giving the City of Wilmington authority to aid the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. to extend their road to this city, and we hope the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. will send commissioners et our commissioners immediately after their annual meeting, which takes place early in May.

The next in importance is the proposed Onslow Railroad, which could be built very easy if all our citizens would only put their oulders to the wheel and work together. If the city would take the matter in hand and build the road to the Pender line, taking in Masonboro and Wrightsville Sounds we think Pender and Onslow would de their part in extending the road to the productive counties of the East.

We are confident that the City of Wilnington could stimulate her local trade by bridging Brunswick river and putting a free ferry on Cape Fear river at the Market street ferry. The small producer in Bruns-wick county cannot afford to bring his cart load of cheap produce to your market when he has to pay \$1.50 for ferriage.

We think the people of the East are en-titled to more convict labor than they are

getting—not only to build railroads but to drain the large bodies of swamp lands that are abundant in nearly every eastern county, and richer than Egypt for the production of corn and hay. We would suggest that you bring this matter to the attention of the Legislature at the proper time. There is another matter that we think transcends every other in importance, so far as the future prosperity of your city is concerned, as well as that of the whole

State, and that is the appointment of a rail-road commission for the State of North

head makes the commission a necessity for the protection of the people of the State. The railroads consolidate their different lines and appoint a commissioner whom they are pleased to style "Traffic Manager of the Associated Railways of Virginia and

I am well aware that railroads are a necessity to all communities that hope to keep pace with the progress of the age, and l would be glad to see railways through every lownship in the State. But I am not will ing to see railroads who make their living and their fortunes from the earnings of our own people build up cities of other States at the expense of those of our native land without giving them an equal chance in the

race for fortune.

There is not a man in active business in the city of Wilmington but knows full well that we are discriminated against by the railroads leading to the city. This is not the time nor place to go into details; the time and place will be when the Legislature meets next winter in the city of Raleigh when the railroads will have an opportunity to stand face to face with their accusers. See to it that the business men of your city will have representation in the next Legislature, and if you will find it impossi ble to elect a representative in the regular way, select a man that you know will watch your interests and pay him the per diem that the State pays her members and keep him in Raleigh during the legislative ses

You have two newspapers that are members of your Exchange, the MORNING STAR and the Daily Review. We would suggest that the merchants give them the reason why they have had to surrender a large nortion of the territory they once supplied with heavy groceries, to cities beyond the limits of our State, and three times the distance, and to publish the same, and demand of the railroads that our merchants be pu on an equal footing with Richmond and other cities that are now doing the husines of North Carolina. Let them cry aloud and spare not until the great wrong that has been done, and is now being done our people in the way of railroad discriminations, be righted, and to keep constantly before the pudlic eye their rights, and to characterize in plain English their wrongs. This done and you will soon find all your people will rally as one man enterprise that will ever promise to add one mite to the prosperity your city.

It is with pleasure that I am able to state that we have had ten new members added to our Exchange during the last year. Le me urge you to make an effort to get every live business man in your city to become a nember of your Exchange.

By referring to the report of your Treasurer you will find the financial conditio of your Exchange in good shape, notwith standing the expenses for the last year wer nearly three times as much as they were i former years, owing to the increased ex penditure incurred by the telegraphic mar ket reports

I take pleasure in testifying to the effl ciency of your Secretary and Treasurer who has performed his duties in such a way as to be entitled to the words of praise tha exceed all others in commendation, "We done, faithful servant. Your committees have all performed

their duties well and I thank them for the Board of Managers as well as for myself fo duty faithfully performed. Now, gentlemen, in behalf of the Board

of Managers, who have worked faithfully or the progress and prosperity of your Exchange, and whose wisdom and counse have made my duties easy and light, a well as for myself, whom you have so highly honored, let me thank you for your kind ness and support during our official term. The address of the President was listened to with profound attention, and at its close, on motion, copies of it were ordered to b

furnished the daily papers with a request for its publication Col F. W. Kerchner, President of the Chamber of Commerce, announced the death of Mr. W. H. McRary, late a member of that body, and extended an invitation to the members of the Produce Ex-

change to join with the Chamber of Commerce in attending the funeral services. The Vice President, Mr. B. F. Hall introduced to the meeting Mr. H. L. Hoover, of Virginia, who, he stated, visited the city to solicit subscriptions to a fund to be raised to erect a monument at the grave of General Thomas J. (Stonewall) Jackson.

Remarks were made by Mr. Hoover President Currie and Secretary Cantwell when, on motion, it was resolved that the Exchange contribute to the fund and Messrs. B. F. Hall, J. L. Cantwell and Roger Moore were appointed a committee to wait upon the members of the Exchange and receive their contributions.

The annual election of officers was held and the following gentlemen were chosen President-J. H. Currie.

Vice President-B. F. Hall. Board of Managers-B. G. Worth, W H. Sorunt, D. L. Gore, R. W. Hicks, C.

Inspectors of Elections-S. P. McNair . H. Daniel, Albert Gore.

The Carolina Oil and Creosote Works About a month ago a Naval Board visited Wilmington under direction of the Secretary of the Navy, to inspect and report upon the process used by the Carolina Oil and Creosote Company for the protection of wood. The Board consisted of Capt. R. W. Meade, U. S. N.; Naval Constructor Thos. E. Webb, and Civil Engineer P. C. Asserson, U. S. N. The report of the Board has been submitted to Secretary Whitney. It embodies an elaborate description of the process of manufacturing creosote oil and the treatment of timber, and concludes as follows:

"The Board examined impregnated piles and timber upon the Company's premises, and is fully satisfied that the Company is doing good work and are fully able to do

"The Board has also obtained from the Company two pieces of timber, one piece impregnated with Wood-Creosote-Oil, and one piece carbonized and impregnated with Wood Creosote Oil, about 10 lbs. per cubic foot, which, by permission of the Com-mandant of the Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va., will be placed in a suitable position at tha Yard as a future test against the teredo navilis and rot, in competition with timber impregnated with Coal-Tar Creosote-Oi which was put in the water at that Yard three years ago by a member of this Board.
"The Board was very materially assisted by Captain W. H. Bixby, U. S. Engineers, who gave it much valuable information as o the process of impregnation and detail o the work, he having been stationed at this point for some time past, and had opportunity to make himself familiar with the process of wood-impregnation as carried n by this Company. would state that we are fully satisfied as to the great value of the process of impregnating with wood-creosote-oil all tim and piles used in wharves, docks or other exposed positions, and would respectfully recommend that the Carolina Oil and Creosote Company be given a chance to demon-strate what they claim, by means of an or-

opportunity. eath of a Prominent Citizen.

der to furnish piling at the first convenient

Mr. W. H. McRary died at his home in this city yesterday morning, after an illness for many years one of the leading merchants of Wilmington, embarking in business here in 1851, and amassing a considerable fortune. He was born in the town of Lexington, in this State, and was aged 63

The remains of the deceased, who was a member of the veteran corps of that company, will be escorted to the cemetery by the Wilmington Light Infantry, whose members are ordered to assemble at their armory, in full dress uniform, at 4.15 o'clock this afternoon.

- Durham Recorder: An interesting letter was read before Trinity Sunar as the ruture prosperity of your city is oncerned, as well as that of the whole state, and that is the appointment of a rail-oad commission for the State of North larolins.

Soon, the Chinese boy educated by this school. Mr. Soon is located at Soochow, where he is teaching the English language, and studying the peculiar Chinese dialect. WASHINGTON.

rict, vice John Baxter, deceased

messages, making as many renominations,

were laid before the body. The nomina-

tions were originally made to succeed offi-

cials whom it was proposed to suspend

remove, but whose terms of

fice have since expired. Senator Ed-

munds offered a resolution that all

these nominations be returned to the

President on the ground that the failure of

the Senate to confirm the original nomina-

tions had the effect of rejection. The res-

these nominations was that of John D

Burnett, whose nomination to succeed Geo

M. Duskin as district attorney for the

olution went over for the day.

turn for a week or ten days.

ing: Connecticut-Charles L.

Ermentrout: New York-J.

New Jersey-Wm. McAdoo: Delaware-

W. H. Crain; Iowa—J. H. Murphy Tennessee—Benton McMillen; Missouri-

Wisconsin-Gen. Edward S. Bragg; Indi-

Worthington; Louisians—Newton C. Blanchard; Mississippi—T. C. Cathing; Alabama—John M. Martin; North Carolina

-Wharton J. Green; West Virginia-

Charles P. Snyder; J. Randolph Tucker-

Dr. Hamilton said to-day that Secretary

Manning is still improving and is now able

Senator Frye to-day reported favorably

from the Committee on Commerce ar

amendment intended to be proposed to the

Postoffice Appropriation bill. It increases

the appropriation for the transportation of

foreign mails from \$375,000 to \$1,000,000,

and provides that this amount shall in-

clude the cost of railway transit across the

Isthmus of Panama. The amendment fur-

ther changes the bill so as to direct the

Postmaster General to enter into contracts

with American built or registered steam-

ships, whenever possible, for the trans-

portation of any part of said foreign mails.

after legal advertisement, with the lowest

responsible bidder, at a rate not to exceed

fifty cents a namical mile on the trip each

way actually traveled between the terminal

points; provided, also, however, that the

ceed \$600,000 of the sum hereby appro-

ning is to-day reported to be progressing

favorably toward complete recovery, and it

Department before hot weather begins, and

his friends, both imprudent and unneces

sary, in view of the condition of complete

ist of Senatorial confirmations of persons.

but few of which were of any consequence.

WEST VIRGINIA.

[By Telegraph to the Morning Star.]

and the Quimby brothers were drowned by

Quarterly Mestings.

trict of the Methodist E. Church, South:

Magnolia circuit, at Carlton's, May 22d

ment.

the week ending this date:

Net receipts at all United

States ports during the

week.... Total receipts to this

Exports for the week...

Total exports to this

ports..... Stock at all interior

towns.....

Stock in Liverpool....

Great Britain.....

Seeking a Bed of Gold.

metals. The illustrations and description

of the stupendous undertaking are the

work of representatives of the Scientific

American—a guarantee that they are the the uninfluenced expressions of men skilled

in the labors they were sent to perform. The moving spirit in this great enterprise, since its inception in 1882, is Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, who is the largest stockholder and who has personally invested nearly a million dollars in this gigantic undertaking. If the belief of old and experienced miners is verified by the result—and

and stockholders in the Big Bend Tunnel & Mining Co. will be the wealthy men of the

American afloat for

date....

PAUL J. CARRAWAY,

Presiding Elder.

in the way

Lyman.

Maryland men.

and 18th.

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st and 2d.

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and 23d.

5th and 16th.

29th and 30th.

12th and 13th.

June 5th and 6th

mediately after the summer vacation,

Washington, April 13 .- Secretary Man-

o sit up a short time every day.

ana-Geo. Ford; Illinois-Nicholas

vening or

Vominations and Renominations-Ad verse Report on Proposed Increase about 18 years of age, named George Overin Rates of Postage-The Senate Executive Session - Secretary Lamar Going Home.

man, met with a painful accident at the cotton factory Wednesday, which may injure him for life. His right arm was [By Telegraph to the Morning Star.] caught in the machinery and terribly lace-WASHINGTON, April 12 .- The Presiden no-day nominated and the Senate unan-mously confirmed Senator Howell E. Jack-- Pittsboro Home: We regret hear of the death of Mrs. Farrar, wife of son, of Tenn., to be Circuit Judge of the United States for the Sixth Judicial Dis T. B. Farrar, Esq., of Baldwin's township A distressing accident happened on last Saturday near Hackney's in this coun-The President has withdrawn the nomi-

ty. The clothes of a child about five years old caught on fire and it was so badly nation of Orlando W. Powers, of Mich., to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court burned that it died on Monday. - Forest City (Rutherford county Senator Chace to day reported adversely Record: The negroes in Hallyburton's em-ploy, on the Boston Railroad have organ-ized a court, with sheriff, judge, &c., and from the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, a bill to increase the rate of postage on fourth class matter to two cents In executive session to day 'fifty-three

Spirits Turpentine

- Elizabeth City Falcon: A boy

when any of their number is suspected of theft he is arrested, tried and if found guilty flogged in good old style. Two of them received floggings the other day for stealing. - Wilson Mirror: The memorial

services at the Methodist Church on Thursday evening on the remains of the Rev. Rawls were particularly appropriate and interesting, and attested with eloquent power the tender grasp the deceased had upon the heartstrings of the community Mr. Moye, Mr. Bronson and Mr. Brook participated - Hillsboro Observer: A sup posed incendiary fire destroyed the Cald-

Southern District of Alabama was the ocwell Institute building in Little River town casion of the recent political controversy in ship Tuesday night. There were some 4,000 pounds of tobacco in the house be-Secretary Lamar will leave the city this longing to Mr. H. Y. Harris, the postmaster and merchant at Caldwell, all of to-morrow morning for Memphis. Tenn., Macon, Ga., and his home at which was destroyed. The estimated loss Oxford, Miss. He is not expected to reon the building and tobacco is about \$2.500. - Morganton Star: Thos. Cham-WASHINGTON, April 13.-The following bers, Henry Brown and Alfred Ervin, cols the Congress Central Democratic Comored boys, aged about 12 years, were before mittee: Massachusetts-Henry B. Lover-Mayor Tate Wednesday for attempting to set

fre to the town. On investigation the evi-

dence was thought sufficient to hold them

Charles B. Love: Pennsylvania-Daniel n a bond of \$200 for their appearance at Court. Henry Brown gave bond, and the other two were sent to jail in default of bail -- Charlotte Chronicle: The labors of Dr. Reynolds, in this city last night Jas. N. Burns; Georgia-Allen D. Caudder; resulted in the organization of a Temper-Virginia-John W. Daniel; Arkansasance Reform Club, with one hundred mem Poindexter Dunn; Florida-Robert H. M. bers, men only. - Rev. Mason W Davidson; South Carolina—Samuel Dibble; Pressley, who has accepted a call to a Phila Kentucky-Thomas A. Robertson; Calidelphia church, is in the city to day on his fornia-Barclay Henly; Michigan-Wm. C. way to his new charge. He will bear away Maybury; Maryland—Barnes Compton

with him the prayers and best wishes of his numerous friends. - Asheville Citizen: The wheat crop in West Buncombe and throughout laywood is reported as most promising - WAYNESVILLE, April 10.-Mr. Newton Ratcliff, while superintending the removal of some logs on a hill side near the town this morning, had the misfortune to fall, and a log rolled on him, painfully hurting him about the lower spine and

- Mr. Robert Madison, of Virginia, is at Pigeon River to investigate the facts of the murder of Prof. Monroe Madison. The coroner of Haywood county held an inquest. The jury found that an unknown assassin had slain young Madison. They offered a reward of \$400, and this will be duplicated by the Virginia relatives of the young man. Search for the assassin continues. Excitement increases. - Graham Gleaner: The Wil-

mington STAR, the ablest and best newspaper published in North Carolina, entered upon its 19th year on the 24th uit. May it continue to twinkle with increasing splendor. — Capt. John R. Stockard's crop of tobacco averaged about \$100 for each acre cultivated. One of his sons received \$65 from the tobacco grown on a half-acre, with the use of one bag of fer tilizer. - Lumberton Robesonian: Mr.

is believed by those pearest to him that if William Patterson died at his residence a he has no set backs he will be able to few miles below this place Sunday night. resume general direction of the Treasury 11th inst., at an advanced age. — The Methodist Sunday School Conference, of Fayetteville district, will in this town to take up his daily office work again imon Friday before the 5th Sunday in May, do so earlier would be in the judgment of and will be in session three days. - Ou community was startled last Monday morning at the news of the death of Rev. Frank ness to which he has brought the reorgani-Stanford. He had been in feeble health zation and principal annual work of the for some time, and received a fall last week while returning from one of his charges WASHINGTON, April 13 -The seal of secrecy was removed to-day from the long ries but no one thought death was so near. The subject of this notice was about 46 years old and was one of the most useful and already having become public, perhaps men in Richmond county. An humble indicated by Senator Platt in consistent, and devoted christian. He was one of the oldest editors in this section, but gave up the business about two years ago. that he might the more fully consecrate himself to his chosen professions, the ministry and school teaching. He was for a

his speech in favor of open executive sessions. The principal ones were those of Civil Service Commissioners Oberly and number of years clerk and deputy clerk of the court in his county, for many years a magistrate, and discharged all the duties with zeal and fidelity. Three Members of a Surveying Party Drowned by the Upsetting of a Ferry - Raleigh News-Observer: There was general gratification expressed yesterday at the publication of the plain facts in RICHMOND, VA., April 11.-Information the case of young Sturdivant, the Auburn as been received here of the drowning of imposter. It is said that as many as one three members of a serveying party, while crossing New river, at Sunnyside, W. Va. Hood, F. H. and Sam Quimby, brothers; W. A. Maynes and a negro ferryman. C.J. Hood

thousand people have believed in the interesting epileptic. That sort of foolishness has played out now, of course, and the young man has full liberty to retire to pri vate life. — Yesterday a reporter the upsetting of the boat. They were in the an interview with Maj. Finger, who said that the school fund loses money in a sinemploy of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad gular manner. In the course of the inter-Engineer Department. C. J. Hood was a lirginian, and the Quimby brothers were view Maj. Finger said that many boards of county commissioners have taken for the support of the poor one-fourth of the 271 cents poll-tax levied in the school law, just as they have taken for that purpose Second Round for the Wilmington Disone-fourth of the poll-tax levied in the revenue act and one-fourth of that levied Cokesbury circuit, at Hall's, April 17th for county purposes. This 371 cents is school purposes and is not Whiteville circuit, at Evergreen, April subject to the deduction of one-fourth for the support of the poor. Where this de Waccamaw circuit, at Bethesda, April duction has been made the schools have received 9g cents too little on the poll, and Carver's Creek circuit, at Hebron, May if it were done all over the State the amount would be nearly \$20,000. It is due Onslow circuit, at Queen's Creek, May to an error in the construction of the law and the constitutional requirements. — The County Commissioners of Halifax county have ordered an election on local Duplin circuit, at Wesley Chapel, May

option in the town of Littleton.

- Charlotte Chronicle: Several Topsail circuit, at Rocky Point, May farmers from Ashe county, in the city trading yesterday, tell us that corn is so plenti-ful in that county that it would not bring Wilmington, at Front and Fifth streets. 30 cents a bushel if put up at auction Clinton circuit, at Keener's Chapel, June Money is exceedingly scarce. Robt. Gadd was in the city to day exhibit-Brunswick circuit, June 19th and 20th. ing a fine specimen of gold quartz taken from the Old Reed Mines, near this city. He informs us that half a ton of ore was taken from the mines in two days that New York Comparative Cotton Stateyielded \$165 worth of gold. - A genleman who has just returned from a vist NEW YORK, April 9 .- The followthrough Wilkes, Yadkin and Davie, ining is the comparative cotton statement for forms us that in the lowlands of these counties fruit has suffered very much, and a great deal killed. In other sections it promises well. — A daughter of Mr. J. W. Remley had a narrow escape from a se rious accident this afternoon. She was out driving, the horse shied and ran the buggy against a gate post, overturning the vehicle and throwing the young lady and her driver a boy) out, smashing the buggy and break-Stockin all United States ing the harness. No one was hurt. t now turns out that, according to C. L. 800,502 625,534 Lindsey, master workman of the Asheville Assembly, that H. F. Hover, the fellow who made great efforts to organize the 675,000 1,025,000 Knights of Labor here, is an impostor. - The circulation of the Chronicle, since 135,000 116,000 its first issue, has far surpassed our mossanguine expectations. Its-city circulation is now nearly 500 copies daily. - A little ten-year-old daughter of a Mr. John From the Albany Press, March 14th, 1886. Smith, who lives four miles south of Salem On this page of the Weekly Press will be found illustrations and a description of the was taken ill with something like typhoid fever some three months ago, and since marvellous work of turning the course of that time she has remained in a stupor and Feather river in California, for the purpose partaking of very little nourishment. -This morning Mr. Henry Hunter, while attending Mr. R. A. Brown's mill, one and of securing the gold which must rest at the bottom of the stream, as it runs through a section rich in gold and other precious

a half miles from Concord, on the Char-lotte road, had his left arm and three ribs broken while trying to adjust a belt of the machinery, His clothing was stripped off him in his efforts to free himself. He then stopped the engine, no one but himself being in the mill. — Greensboro dots: A eam of horses and a wagon fell through a bridge on Davie street this morning. The horses and driver were bruised terribly. The bridge was about six feet high, and as nearly a million dollars in this gigantic undertaking. If the belief of old and experienced miners is verified by the result—and this will soon be known, as the tunnel will be completed in another month—Dr. Pierce will be one of the richest men in the world, and stockholders in the Big Bend Tunnel & road as 300 freight cars changed to the stondard guerge on the side track at Communication. standard guage on the side track at Com-