

exposing Protection blarney and injustice.

The STAR has been copying what North Carolina and other Southern papers are saying of the great prosperity you find in Protection sheets.

We shall from time to time continue the good work. The way to cure an evil is to expose it.

The mortgage system is worse than a cancer. It is scrofulous and cancer and phthisis all combined.

The STAR for years has been trying to secure a change in the farming system so there would be more home manures made, more diversifying of crops, and less mortgaging of crops and stock and farms.

The good fruit is visible. The efforts of the newspapers have not been in vain.

The farmers are awake. They are resolved to try to raise their meat and bread and vegetables.

They are working better and later. May God bless them one and all! The old complaint is always true—"He who by the plough would thrive himself must hold or drive."

A FOUL DISCRIMINATION. We recently called attention to the very obnoxious tax on salt—a prime necessity of life and the poor man's friend.

Strangers visiting Wilmington have two pleasant excursions open to them. A delightful drive to Wrightville Sound over the best "pike" in the South possibly, and a pleasant trip to Carolina Beach by way of the "raging Cape Fear."

The news from the North Carolina tobacco crop is not favorable. The following is a statement of the exports during the month of May just closed:

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The Wilmington Star thinks there is no man living who is more than a hundred years old. Perhaps there is not, but we feel quite sure there is a lady living who is a mile and a half southwest of Wadesboro, who is more than five score years of age.

Our friend fails to state the position of the STAR as to the very old folks. It does not deny that now and then a person lives to be 100 years and more, for it gave two authenticated instances where there was no cause whatever for doubt.

To show how infrequent must be the cases of people living to 105, to 115, or to 150 years, the STAR has pointed to two singular facts. First, that of the hundred thousand or more Methodist preachers who have lived but one has been known to attain to the hundredth year.

The Crown Prince of Germany's condition is regarded as very serious. A dispatch from London to the N. Y. World says:

Although Prof. Virchow by means of a microscopic examination has determined that there is no cancerous growth as yet, it is feared that it may develop into that terrible disease.

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John Bull imports more beer than Germany—a surprising fact.

Executive Department. Raleigh, May 25, 1887. Dear Sir:—Since the issue of the warrant for the execution of John Jones, based upon the certified copy of the opinion of the Supreme Court, it has been suggested to the Court that the sentence passed from the law that the appeal had the effect of vacating the judgment, and that therefore the provisions of the new law (Chap. 192, Laws of 1887, requiring the governor to issue a warrant for the execution of a convict did not apply to Jones' case.

The Colmination Heated and Passed—Prize Awarded—The Standing of the Different Organizations, &c. (By Telegram to the Morning Star.)

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