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Several States have held Conventions within a month or so. Of these but one asked for the abolition of the Internal tax. Virginia stands "solitary and alone." North Carolina will stand by it next year. We venture to predict that if the thirtyseven State Conventions that will be held within a twelve month that not five will demand the total abolition of the tax on whiskey, beer, applejack, cigars, &c. Why should they right places, and that is the secret of be guilty of such an . injudicious movement? Why should any Democratic Convention abolish \$120,000,-000 of taxes that are absolutely essential in paying off the war debt, the vast pension claims (some \$80,000,-000) and other obligations incurred by the war? To wipe out the Internal tax on needless, hurtful luxuries s to keep up a tax inevitably upon the common necessaries of life.

But for the most unreasonable prejudice we ever witnessed there would be found none to war upon the most reasonable, most judicious system of taxation. A tax upon cigars chewing tobacco, spirits, malt liquors, wines, &c., is a tax not one cent of which is paid by the producer. Wipe it out and the producer receives no benefit whatever. Take off the whiskey tax, and you can buy it for ten cents a quart. That will make it accessible to all and drunkenness must greatly increase everywhere and especially among the poorer classes. If a man can get dead drunk on 5 cents worth of corn whiskey he will be sorely tempted if

his appetite lies that way. The Republican party is fighting the Internal tax. They levied it and now they are laboring to abolish it, pretending it is a great affliction. Of course it is not difficult to penetrate their designs. The total abolition of the Internal tax will give them an indefinite hold upon high taxes under the War Tariff.

When you hear a paper talking of the tax on whiskey, beer and cigars being "a most infernal and oppressive of all taxes," you may easily see through the folly of such a charge. Whom does it oppress? Not the producer, not the manufacturer, but the consumer. The consumer who drinks does so voluntarily. There is no compulsion. He only gratifies a morbid and depraved appetite. Who oppresses him? It is his own act. He does it.

How or why is a tax on spirits and beer and cigars "an infernal tax?" Certainly it is not so because of the excellence or necessity of these articles. It must be because the manner of collecting it is "infernal." Then why not change the plan? For the last five years in a hundred articles the STAR has urged that the plan of collecting be changed. It can be done and can be made far less

But say some, it is inquisitorial in its character. Just so, but so is all kinds of taxation inquisitorial. It is a very proper, righteous tax, and it will be the height of folly when it is repealed. Outside of North Carolina and Virginia you will find no Democratic papers demanding the total abolition of the tax on spirits, wines, beer, cigars, &c., save only that class that favor Protection. Papers like the Augusta Chronicle, Atlanta Constitution, Mobile Register, and other Protection organs, but calling themselves Democratic, may favor the wiping out of the entire Internal tax, but you will find the great Tariff Reform advocates - the Louisville Courier-Journal, the St. Louis Republican, the Savannah News, the Charleston News and Courier. the Macon Telegraph, the Augusta Gazette-all standing up squarely for a retention of the needed and useful and just and proper tax on liquors, wines, cigars, &c., and a great reduction of the tax on the poor man's necessaries that are now so burdened with taxes under the pre-

sent War Tariff. The New York Chamber of Congress has adopted a resolution favoring a reduction of revenues. It asks husiness men to demand some action by Congress upon the matter.

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those simple, great men gone who We note that the school books of were of the most spotless reputation Professor Alexander Bain are very - men who were rich in mental respecially commended by highly comsource, filled with argument, in "all petent critics. He is Professor of replication prompt and reason Logic in the University of Aberdeen, strong"-men of highest honor, of Scotland. His series is said to be of utmost veracity, "free from gross rare excellence. His last book is passion," "constant in spirit," of "On Teaching English," and it has "purged judgment," serene, noble, of been praised by those who have a high ideal and lofty aim. Such is right to speak. We refer to him the Virginian as we have pictured now for a purpose. A great deal is him to our mind, We have not seen said in books about using Anglohim in the flesh and have never read Saxon words, and some specimens of any description of his personality, this kind of writing are cited to show but his character appears to us to be how vigorous, simple and expressive mirrored in his high sentiments and such writing is. We have joined in inspiring views of duty. A great the chorus, and yet all along we felt Commonwealth with one such son as that the demand was absurd and that this may well thank God for the gift no great masters of style in the and hope for other sons of like no-

nineteenth century observed such a bility.

well as shorter words that came from

the world. There is not one writer

chosen are Anglo-Saxon or of Greek,

Latin or some other origin. How

many writers of fair gifts know

abandonment of Anglo-Saxon words.

We say use the best words in the

English style have a rythmical ear

words and make their sentences state-

ly or flowing. Landor, De Quincey,

Southey, Macaulay, Froude, Green.

Lecky, Ruskin all wrote or write

with grace, elegance and felicity.

They had or have the art of English

composition in great perfection. But

none of these masters attempted to

surdity of such attempted workman-

"Now, to write continuously in anything

ike pure Saxon is plainly impossible

authors, whether in prose or poetry, have thought it a merit to be studiously Saxon

in their vocabulary. Our greatest example is, of course, the translation of the Bible,

where Saxon is used very largely, but not

Milton, Shakespeare, Dryden

Pope, Thompson, Cowper, Collins,

and, indeed the eighteenth century

poets generally, paid but little atten-

tion to the history or origin of words.

They wrote out of full minds and

with such mastery and art as their

powers permitted. Prof. Bain says:

"As to writing in pure Saxon style or anything near it we should first sink the

cience and civilization of centuries, revoke

We have not seen the Professor's

work. From extracts from it that

we have read it must be strangely in-

teresting for a text book. The critic

in the New York Times thus gathers

"On the choice of writers to form style,

whether we are to study the older or the newer ones, Prof. Bain treats in a very

common-sense manner. You must have

freshness of interest. "A canto of 'Childe

Harold' has not the genius of 'Macbeth' or

of the second book of 'Paradise Lost,'" but

it is fresher. Old prose, even Bacon's best,

has passed into literature until its interest

is exhausted. Bocon's maxims on the con-

simply because Sir Arthur absorbed all

that was in Bacon and augmented it by

subsequent wisdom and experience. To

make Bacon's original a text book of the

present day, whether for thought or style,

is to abolish the three intervening centu-

ries. As Prof. Bain says, "their best ex-

pressions are valuable as having the stamp

of genius and are quoted to all time, but

we cannot work them into the tissue of our

own family discourse." The upshot of this

is that instructors who would teach Eng-

lish from Shakespeare, Bacon, or Milto

of metaphors, clearing up doubtful pas-

sages, certainly interest pupils, but they are not taught the English of 1887.

Prof. Bain makes the three divisions of

pressiveness,' and for a combination of what is best in all these Macaulay's works

JOHN RANDOLPH TUCKER ON

The STAR is a very great admirer

of Mr. John Randolph Tucker, of

Virginia. It thinks it finds in him a

blending of very high moral and

intellectual qualities. It believes

that he is one of the profoundest

constitutional lawyers now living,

and one of the wisest, discreetest,

most honorable of statesmen. We

have for years watched his public

career with singular interest and al-

most unmingled satisfaction. His

speeches and addresses have excited

our profoundest admiration, and his

votes as a Representative from Vir-

ginia have with scarcely an excep-

tion been such as we would have

given if occupying his seat. He is a

man of learning, of high abilities, of

strictest integrity, of sincerity, of

wisdom and genuine statesmanship.

He is, and it is very important, a

sincere Democrat-not an unfledged

neophyte, without a proper under-

standing of what enters into such a

character; but a well informed,

thoughtful, decided disciple of the

great men of the past who stood by

the Written Constitution in letter

and in spirit under eyil and under

We delight to honor such a man.

We would be glad to have it in our

power to vote for him for the Presi-

good report.

simplicity, clearness and energy, or im-

intellectual qualities of style' is discuss

'In the fifth chapter what is called 'the

ing and just. He says:

the Conquest, and restore the Heptarchy.

apparently from any set purpose

command pure Saxon.

rule, but used words "of learned What has lead us to indulge length and thundering sound," as this strain? Last week we spent some two or three hours in a close the ancient and modern languages of reading of "The History of the Federal Convention of 1787 and of its in a thousand who stops to consider work," It being "An Address dewhile composing whether the words livered before the graduating classes at the Sixty-Third Anniversary of the Yale Law School, on 28th June. 1887, by Hon. John Randolph what the derivation of the words Tucker, LL D." Let us write measuredly concerning this luminous We are not contending for an and masterly effort. It is not a great piece of noble eloquence. It is not a stately, moving oration of the Websterian pattern, sonorous, good writing. The best masters of symphonic, imaginative. It is calm, clear analysis of what the won-They know how to make melody of derful fathers did when they framed and sent out the Constitution of the United States. It is a most valuable statement of what occurred, presenting in clear sequence what was done, and giving the youth of our time

the most needed information. We can wish nothing better for young men of this country-North, South, East, West-than that they Prof. Bain shows the actual ab- shall study and master this excellent production, and incorporate its lessons into their lives. We advise every young man of fair intelligence to get it and study it. It is published at New Haven, by the Law Department of Yale College. We suppose copies can be procured. We do not know the price, but 25 cents would no doubt obtain one copy, Ten times that sum could not se-

Do not think you will be treated to fine rhetoric and a splendid eulogy upon the Great Charter. It is not of that kind. It is the reflections of a patient and acute student who has lived long and seen much of the practical workings of the instrument he dissects. It is calm, logical, philosophical. Read it.

At the close there is a noble passage which we copy to-day. At another time we hope to present some of the dangers which appear to threaten the Union. These are pointsome of his views that are entertained out at the close of the address. that fills some 49 octavo pages.

The Partridge Season. Next Saturday, the 15th October, will usher in the day that many sportsmen have been longing for and which has been coming all too slow for the desires of many of the lovers of field sports. Don't be impatient, brother, there is a good time coming and a long time in which you can have your fun after it does come. The old gun can be taken from its rack and oiled and cleaned for the slaughter of the innocents, but don't violate the law in order to be ahead of your neighbor and kill the handsome and swift-winged bird before the time arrives in which you can exercise the privilege legally. There are some who have too much respect both for birds and law to permit shooting before the regularly appointed time, and woe be to the hunter, who has the temerity to kill birds now, if he be discovered. The interest they will take in that man will follow him as an avenging spirtt through the months to come,

age has left him nothing but the pleasures of retrospection. Apropos of this subject, a friend of ours tells of a hunt he had in his front vard some ten days ago. A scattered covey of birds, coming from some unknown locality, pitched in his yard and began their cheery whistle, for some mate, no doubt, that had been led astray by the allurements and curiosities of the city. The keen ear of the sportsman was not long in determining their nesting place, and with a young setter ahead of him, soon had the pleasure to see the predominating instinct of the dog assert itself and display that instinct in a splendid point. Charmed at the action of his dog the gun was forgotten; with a dexterous move one bird was captured, and in a short while another was secured. This brace was

and this year will be a red letter year

fit for sublime contemplation when

peculiar to be breaking a dog in one's front yard. Let the birds rest one week longer, then let the music begin; but friends and sportsmen, be patient 'till the

sent out to the suburbs by trusted

agents and given their liberty. It was

a novel thing to see in the heart of a

tants a covey of quail, and especially

city of twenty-five thousand inhabi

Foreign Exports. Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co. cleared the Swedish barque Akerhielm yesterday, for Bowling, Scotland, with 250 casks spirits turpentine and 2,761 barrels of rosin, valued

Mr. Edward Kidder's Son cleared the brig Edith, for Port-au-Prince, Hayti, with 194,000 feet of lumber and dency. He reminds us of some of 30,000 shingles, valued at \$2,810.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1887.

New Postal Rules.

now all classes of mail matter are re-

turned upon request, and postage

The road will pass through pro-

lina and Georgia. General R. F.

Hoke is the President of the G., C.

& N., and it seems that he is as suc-

peared in court and denied the alle-

in fighting during the war.

Sults for Divorce.

How is This?

and Courier says:

the sender.

The Board of Audit and Finance Confirm the Appointment of Commissioners to Meet the Railroad Officials But Reserves the Right to Accept or

C. F. & Y. V. RAILROAD.

Reject the Terms Agreed Upon. The Board of Audit and Finance net yesterday afternoon at the call of the chairman of the Board, pursuant to the adjournment of the regular meeting held on the 3d inst. There were present: R. J. Jones, Esq., chairman, and Messrs. W. I. Gore, Wm. Calder, J. F. Maunder. Mr. D. G. Worth, chairman of the committee appointed at the meeting of citizens, and several other gentlemen were also in attendance.

Mr. Jones, chairman of the Board, stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of receiving a communication from the Board of Alder-

The clerk read the communication,

as follows: Resolved, That the Board of Alder-men, the Board of Audit and Finance concurring, appoint Colonel Roger Moore, Wm. L. DeRosset, B. G. Worth, B. F. Hall and Jas. H. Chad oourn, commissioners to negotiate with the president and directors of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad Company, with instructions to secure, if possible, the renewal of the proposition as stated in the resolu-tions adopted at the citizens' meeting of the 5th inst., or some similar prop-

The chairman said that he supposed that all that was necessary was to reappoint the commissioners and request them to reaffirm the action of the previous commission.

A discussion sprang up as to the duties and powers of the commission. Mr. Calder said that in his opinion there was a grave defect in the terms agreed upon by the former commission, in fixing the rate of interest upon thirty-year bonds at six per cent. Experience had shown that bonds could be negotiated at five, if not four per cent.

After the clerk had read the resolutions adopted at the citizens' meeting, Mr. D. G. Worth arose and said that the committee was present to report the action of that meeting and to ask this Board to confirm the action of the Board of Aldermen, as expressed in their resolutions reappointing the former commissioners.

Mr. Rheinstein also addressed the Board, calling attention to the unanimity of sentiment in the community as expressed at the citizens' meeting, in regard to the necessity of making an effort to secure the extension of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad from Fayetteville to this

Upon the conclusion of Mr. Rheinstein's remarks Mr. Calder offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Board concurs with the Board of Aldermen in appointing B. G. Worth, Roger Moore Jas. H. Chadbourn, Wm. L. DeRosset and B. F. Hall a commission as authorized by Act of Assembly to treat with the Directors of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway Company for terms upon which the City of Wilmington may aid in its extension from Fayetteville to this city provided, that such concurrence is not to be construed in any sense as a final consent of this Board, as required by the said Act of Assembly to a subscription to the capital stock or a purchase of the bonds of said railway company; and provided, further that nothing in this resolution shall be so construed as to prevent the free action of this Board in accepting or rejecting the terms and conditions that may be arranged between the said commission and the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Rail-

Mr. Worth asked if the proviso in Mr. Calder's resolution did not conflict with the terms of the Act of

Mr. Calder did not think so. Both he and Mr. Jones said that the Board claimed the right to accept or reject the action of the commission.

Mr. Worth said that there was a difference of opinion about the matter. It was held by some persons that under the Act of Assembly the terms agreed upon by the commissioners and the railway company should be submitted directly to the people for acceptance or rejection.

Mr. Calder read the Act of Assembly, and argued that while the Board had no right to alter the terms agreed upon by the commissioners and the railroad company, it had the right to accept or reject them. He added that if the commissioners should return with such terms as they did before, requiring the city to pay six per cent. interest on thirty-year bonds, he should certainly oppose them. Mr. Worth suggested that the

Boards meet in conference and agree upon terms that would be acceptable. Mr. Calder said that he had no objection to a conference, but if one was desired the Board of Aldermen should invite it.

The chair finally put the resolution to a vote and it was adopted without opposition, and the meeting adjourned.

The Latest Fake. The red-headed girl and white horse craze has not yet struck Wilmington. White horses are plenty, but red-headed girls are scarce; and probably the thing won't work as well here as it does at other places. The craze has prevailed in Northern towns for some time past, and the "gist" of the thing seems to be that whenever you see a red-headed girl, you will see a white horse. As a red headed woman walks along the street she becomes aware of the excitement she is creating. Every man who sees her, stops short and begins to look up and down for a white horse. Men who see her pass a window, rush out of the door to look for a white horse. If she goes into a store she cannot but observe that the clerks slip to the window or door looking for white horses, and she sees men, as she passes the promenade, signaling each other and shouting back and ferth.

- The Norwegian barque Monica, 637 tons, from Santos, Brazil, arrived, the quarantine station.

WASHINGTON.

The Postoffice Department has is-An Ovation to Ex-Gov. Shepherd. sued a circular stating that permissible writing or printing on the face or surface of packages of mail matter of the fourth class, in addition to the name and address of the sender preceded by the word "from" and the number and name of the articles inclosed, may include, without subjecting them to postage at the letter rate, the occupation, trade or profession of the sender printed thereon, with his name and address, designating words not, however, to be more than necessary to give certainty to the address of the sender, as, for example, "John Doe, Banker, 100 Broadway, New York," and a simple request to return in a specified time if not delivered. The usual notice to postmasters asking to be advised of amount of postage required for return, which will be Department has arranged that hereafter. forwarded, is no longer necessary, as

when due collected upon delivery to Georgia, "arolina & Northern R. R. The construction of this line, it is vill be fumigated at Lakeland stated, is progressing steadily and the work is being done in a manner that ensures a first-class road in every respect. It is to be built from Monroe, N. C. to Atlanta, Ga. The grading and masonry are nearly completed to Catawba river-twenty-six which expired to-day. miles from Monroe-and it is expected that trains will be run to the river

Secretary Fairchild was asked this afternoon whether he would purchase any more bouds, but declined most emphati by January 15th, 1888. The distance cally to define his policy on the subject. It is not regarded as likely, however, that from Monroe to Atlanta is about 265 any radical action will be taken unless miles. Chester, S. C., Elberton and some unlooked-for change in the money Athens, Ga., are points on the line. market should demand it The time for the purchase of tonds for the sinking fund will not be extended It is explained at ductive sections, both in South Carothe Department that while the Secretary offered to buy \$14,000,000 bonds for this fund, it is yet an unsettled question who-ther that entire sum is needed, and whether the amount already obtained will not meet cessful in building railroads as he was the full requirements of the law

Applications for pre-payment of inter-s were received to day on bonds amounting to \$185,000, making a total to date of \$96,

Divorce cases in the Superior Court for this county are getting to be rather common. There were several on the calendar at the term just closed; three were tried and judgment in each case was given for the matrimonial bonds. The last case, tried on Wednesday, was that of Robert Williams vs. May Williams. Both plaintiff and defendant are residents of this city. The parties were married in 1881, but had since separated and it was alleged that Mrs. Williams had been living unlawfully with one George Ritter. The defendant ap-

rustees' Meeting-Appropriations for

gations of the plaintiff. The jury, the Ensuing Year, Etc. however, found a verdict for the lat-Peshody Educational Fund met again toter, and a decree of divorce was orfor the ensuing year. The amount of noney that will probably be available from the income of the fund is \$68,000 An item in the Charleston News The evidences are multiplying that "all the cotton" from the Pee Dee section of the State does not gravihe executive and finance committees Pierrepont Morgan was reelected treastate towards Wilmington and New York by reason of "excessive port charges" and all that kind of thing during the past year. Hon. W. A. Courtenay, mayor of Charleston, S. C. Mr. J. T. Connor, a cotton factor was unanimously chosen a member in place here, showed a reporter this morning quite a number of letters from Mar's of ex-Gov. Wm. Aiken, of S. C., deceased The same executive and financial com-Bluff, Jeffrey's Creek, Timmonsville, mittees were appointed for the ensuing Darlington and other places, in which

first Wednesday in October next. Many of the members have already started for their homes.

Charleston is evidently making mighty efforts to change the "current of events;" but after all, the expense of handling the staple is greater there than it is in Wilmington, and people who are well posted know it to be a

tage to send their cotton to Charles-

ton, and that they propose to con-

tinue shipping to this port.

The New Chief of Police. The Board of Aldermen, at their meeting last night, elected one of their number, Col. E. D. Hall, Chief of Police of the city of Wilmington the position made vacant by the death of Capt. H. C. Brock. Col. Hall's experience and ability, and his intimate acquaintance with all the machinery of the city government make him eminently fitted for the position, and his selection by the board for this important office, will no doubt give general satisfaction. As mayor and alderman he has been identified with the city government for six years past.

Smash-Up on Nu t Street. A wagon drawn by two mules, belonging to Messrs. Jas. H. Chadbourn & Co., was struck by a freight train and smashed to pieces about one o'clock yesterday afternoon, at the Nutt street crossing. The driver of the wagon escaped unhurt, and so far as ascertained the mules were not injured. The locomotive was backng down and moving slowly at the time, and the driver of the wagon thought that he could make the trip ahead of the train, but he missed his

information Wanted. The following is clipped from the Norfolk Virginian:

The editor of the Virginian, in the interest of others, would be glad to have any one related to Mr. Adrian Williams, formerly of Virginia, but more recently a resident of Wilmington, N. C., communicate with him. Mr. W. was, we believe, a native of Norfolk or Nansemond county. It is known that he had at one time brothers in this city, Elphena and Cotton Movement.

The cotton movement at this port shows receipts the past week of 11,-405 bales, against 13,800 the same week last year. The receipts for the crop year up to

yesterday aggregate 49,996 bales; an increase of 23,394 bales, as compared with receipts to the same time last year, which were only 26,602 bales. Receipts yesterday were 1,545 bales, against 1,369 bales the same date last

The stock at this port is 26,461 bales. Exports for the week were 10,861

- Four marriage licenses were issued the past week by County Regisin below yesterday and anchored at | ter Sampson; two for whites and two for colored people.

WASHINGTON, Oct 6 .- Ex Gov. Alex ander R Shepherd, who has recently returned to Washington from a long sojourn in Mexico, was tendered a public welcome home to-night by citizens of this city The reception took the form of a parade, in which nearly every military company in the city, the Fire Deputment, several thou sand citizens and over three hundred wheelmen participated. Gov. Shep-herd was e corted from his suburban house near Washington, by a comappointed for that purpose, to the reviewing stand ere ted near the south front of the Treasury, where, with several hun 'red invited guests, he received the salutations of the passing throng and bowed his acknowledgments. The streets along the line of march were densely crowded, and locomotion was at times difficult. The city was ablaze throughout the evening with fire-works. At the close of the review, the crowd demanded speech, to which Gov. Shepherd responded in a few words of grateful acknoledgment. WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 -The Postoffice

during the prevalence of yellow fever at Tampa, Fla., all mails for Key West and Cuban points will be sent down the Coast line to Trabus, on Charlotte Harbor, about 150 miles south of Tampa, and there be transferred to the mail steamers, which will make this point their sorthern terminus, instead of Tamps. All the Tampa mails The amount of bonds offered to the goernment to day was \$273,700, of which \$262,300 were four and a half per cents

and \$11,400 four per cents. This makes the total to date \$13,876,850, which is \$623,150 less than the amount which the Freasury Department offered to purchase for the sinking fund within the period

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 .- Judge Snel, in the Police Court here to-day, rendered his decision in what is known as the "Musical Boycott Case," finding the defendants-Linden, Wilde, Pistorrio, Callan, Caldwell Sloan, Fallon and Fisher-guilty of conspiracy, and imposing a fine in each case The case is one of the first tried in this district, and excited much interes among labor organizations The offence of which defendants were found guilty was combination to prevent a band master named Krause and fourteen of his musicians from obtaining employment, because of his refusal to pay the fine imposed by

THE PEABODY FUND.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6 .- The trustees of the day and deliberated over appropriations upon application of the bondholders. The effect of the decision is to enjoin and pre-This sum will be distributed to the various schools in the South on the approval of urer, and D S. A. Greene was reelected secretary, to whom a vote of thanks was also offered for his success and service

The trustees adjourned to meet again the shippers there find it to their advan-

GEORGIA. Ex-President Davis Will Attend the

Confederate Reunion at Macon-The Prohibition Question in Atlanta. Macon, October 7 .- In order to set at est the doubts expressed by many papers of Mr. Davis' coming to the Georgia State Fair, to review the surviving Confederate veterans on the 26th of October, the following letter was given out to-night by the President of the State Fair, Hon W. J

Reaupoir Miss October 3.—President W. J. Northern: My condition is not materially altered since I had the pleasure of seeing fou There, but I have better reason tend the Confederate Reunion at Macon than I then had. It has been my sincere desire to be present on the occasion, and it is now, as when we met, only a question of physical ability to do so. "I am, respectfully and truly, yours, "JEFFERSON DAVIS."

ATLANTA, Oct. 7 .- In view of the ap proaching vote on prohibition in Atlanta, the City Council asked the Legislature t limit the district in which liquor could l sold if the city should go wet, and to fix high license. This measure of restriction and high license were advocated by the anti-prohibitionists and opposed by prohibitionists. The matter came up in the Legislature to-day and the City Council's bill was defeated, leaving the issue now to be, plain "dry or wet."

COTTON.

Present Condition of the Crop-The Picking Season Nearly Over. (By Telegraph to the Morning Star.)

NEW ORLEANS, LA,. Oct. 8.—The Cotton World's report of the crop for the month of September, says: The prominen feature of last month has been the almost unbroken continuation of dry warm wea ther over pretty much the entire belt, forc gathering of the staple, and at the same time destroying, except in a few sections any prospect for a top crop. As a result of such conditions the quality of the product grades high, though in localities there is some complaint of recent heavy rains damaging cotton, and in others of depredations by worms. Many of our cor-respondents allude to the unusual lightness of the staple and the difficulty of making the usual weight of bales. The two Car while in Mississippi also the prepor of reports indicate an improved yield over preciation from last month, the falling off being more marked in Tennessee and Arkansas. Picking will be virtually over through the larger part of the belt before the close of October, and even in the sections extending beyond that time, the picking season will end much earlier than usual.

The following is the condition by States: Virginia 83, North Carolina 85, South Carolina 85, South Carolina 85, Georgia 80, Florida 84, Alabama 81, Tennessee 76, Arkansas 77, Mississippi 86, Louisiana 81, Texas 78. Average for the belt, 80.9; average last

STRYCHNINE'S WORK.

A Wife Fatally Poisons Herself, Husband and Two Children. CHATTANOOGA, Oct. 8.—David Ogletree, his wife and two children were poisoned at their home near Talladega, Ala., Thursday, by drinking whiskey in which strychnine had been placed by Mrs. Ogletree. They are all dead. Mrs. Ogletree had threatened to refer the order. to poison the entire family, and yesterday she carried out her threat.

Spirits Turpentine.

-- Elizabeth City Falcon: The most attractive and interesting case at Pas quotank court was Esson, of South Mills, vs. Dr. O. F. Baxter for slander The substance of the complaint was that Baxter had said that Eason had murdered a Georgian at South Mills, 1869. This was denied. The trial occupied most of Friday and Saturday. Esson was acquitted.

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FLORIDA.

Outbreak of Yellow Fever at Tampa

-The Report Discredited.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6 .- Surgeon Gen-

elegram from Deputy Collector Spencer,

Tampa, Fla., Oct. 6.-To Surgeon General John B. Hamilton, Washington,

"Yellow fever is reported here. People are flying. Can I use the tents here?
[Signed] T. K. Spencer.

The tents referred to are those sent from

New Orleans some time ago for use at Eg-

JACKSONVILLE, Oct. 6 .- Dr. Frank H.

Caldwell, secretary of the Florida Health

Protective Association, which stands for the State Board of Health, makes the fol-

owing official statement with reference to

the report that yellow fever exists in

"There are a large number of cases of

fever in Tampa which the local physicians

pronounce dengue. Dr. King Wryley President of the Florida Health Protective

deaths in three weeks out of a population

of 5,000." One man of dissipated habits,

THE SOUTH.

The Increase in the Manufacture of

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 7. - The Manufacturers

cotton in the several States of the South,

and the percentage of profit which will

the Pacolit Company, with 12,000 spindles,

the Pelzer Company, with 22,000 spindles,

building another large mill. At Marion

\$100,000 mill is in the course of construc-

ion; one of \$50,000 at Greenville; one at

Clifton, of \$300,000; one at Bennetsville, of

\$200,000; one at Columbia, of \$250,000; and one at Fast Mill, of \$160,000; while

others are projected at Greenwood, Spartanburg, Anderson, Chester, Camden and

other points.
In North Carolina there is now building

a mill at Lincolnton to cost \$30,000; at Big Falls, one of \$60,000; at Concord, one

of \$75,000; at Eronee, one of \$200,000;

while others will be built at Davidson Col-

In Georgia, at Columbus, the Swift Company has added \$8,000 spindles to their

mill, and the Muscogee, of the same place,

a new mill of 400 looms; the King Compa-

ny, 70 looms and 300 spindles; and at

Augusta, Clarksville, Americus, West

Point, Dalton and Savannah large improve-

In Maryland \$250,000 have been expend-

ed by the Laurel mills, while the mills at Mount Vernon and Elkton are being en-

There are also notable improvements in

VIRGINIA.

brated Coupon Cases.

Court here to-day Judge Bond rendered a

decision in the four celebrated coupon

cases recently argued before him, perpetua-

ting the injunctions heretofore granted

vent State officers from suing and obtain-

ing judgments against parties who have

Bond follows the reasoning of the U. S.

Supreme Court in the celebrated coupon

case of Poindexter vs. Greenbow, and

characterizes the "coupon crusher" and

parts of a palpable scheme to defraud the

State's creditors and impair the obligation

of her contracts with them, and in sub-

stance, an attempt to defy the authority of

the Federal government. The opinion also

says there was not even an effort made by

the State's representives to assert the con-stitutionality of these laws, their whole ar-

gument being a denial of the jurisdiction

of the Court to prevent great wrong and

The opinion is elaborate in detail and is

considered one of the most important ever

delivered by Judge Bond. Rules for con-

tempt against three county officers for dis

regarding the decision of the Court, will

YELLOW FEVER.

The Physicians Declare Its Existence

at Tampa-The People Panic Strick

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Oct. 6.-A specia

from Tampa to the Times. Union, dated 10

here this morning pronounced the existence

both of a mild type, and one death. The

people are panic-stricken, and the city is being deserted. The fever is not likely to

become epidemic for several days, if at all,

There is little real cause for general alarm

as the weather is most favorable to health

Washington, Oct. 7 .- General superin-

tendent Nash, of the railway mail service,

Superintendent Turner, at Augusta, Gan n which he says: "Yellow fever at

nstructions regarding transfer of the mails.

JACKSONVILLE, Oct 7 -People have

refuge in the country. The mails can

me tents for refugees from the epic

dered tents to be sent to Sandford.

The last number of the Charlotte

Chronicle contains the following in

relation to the extension of the Caro-

Through a party who has had a conversation with a prominent offi-cial of the Carolina Central Railroad

Company, we learn that arrange-

ments are really being made to ex-

tend the western division of that road

from Rutherfordton to Asheviile, and

that the extension will probably be made in time for next summer's travel. The railroad officials have

been investigating the probable route, in a quiet way, and now see their way clear. From what we can

learn, we would not be surprised to hear of the early commencement of the work.

lina Central Railroad to Asheville:

and an early frost is anticipated.

never better than at present.

ing telegrams :

have ceased.

The Carolina Central,

injury to the plaintiffs.

be considered to morow.

en and Fleeing the City.

RICHMOND, Oct. 7 .- In the U. S Circuit

Bond's Decision in the Cele-

enlargoment of plant, the present

having been found insufficient

ege and other points.

Cotton in the Several States-A Most

died of dengue.

Gratifying Exhibit.

mont Key for refugees from Key West

Deputy Collector.

at Tampa, Fla , reporting an outbreak of

yellow fever at that place:

-- Revivals reported in the Raeigh Advocate and condensed for the STAR: Mt. Airy, 25 professions; Edenton Street Church, Raleigh, 22 additions; Rladen Street Church, Wilmington, 10 additions; Newton Grove, 12 additions; Haw River, 12 additions; Kernersuille, 15 additions, Summerfield, 3 professions; Double Shoals circuit, 16 professions, 8 additions; Jackson Hill circuit, 32 additions; Brooklyn Mission, 12 professions

- Clinton Caucasian: Dr. J. E. Matthews leaves for Wilmington about the 15th inst. His place will be hard to fill. - Died, in Kenansville township, September 29, at a very advanced age, Mr Wm McGowen. His long and useful life was that of an exemplary Christian gentleman. Twenty-one persons joined the church at Mt. Gilead last week—eighteen by baptism. — Revs J. T. Kendall and Z. J. Needham, held a protracted meeting at Pugh's School House, five miles south of Clinton, last week, during which there were 27 accessions to the church recently Guthrie, P. E. of the Wilmington District, preached at the Methodist Church in Clin ton last Sunday night. His sermon was one of the ablest to which the people of this community have had the privilege of listening to in a long time.

-- Wadesboro Intelligencer: A few Association, was in Tampa yesterday, and saw several cases, all of which were dengue. There have been only three week ago Mr. B. F. Scarborough, of Erie Mills, Montgomery county, lost one son of typhoid fever, and now another son and a grown daughter are down with the dread malady, and are not expected to live. -Died, at her home in Wadesboro, on Tuesday the 4th inst., Mrs. Polly Wheeler, wife of Joseph Wheeler, Esq., of asthma, and a combination of complaints, aged about 40 years. --- There was an attempt at social equality at the depot hotel, this place, on Wednesday last. A troupe of theatrical vagabonds en route from Wilmington to Charlotte, stopped for dinner, and a black wench accompanying them Record for this week publishes a compilaflopped herself down at the table to the in-finite disgust of Col. Polk and others who tion of the increase in the manufacture of were present. As soon as the fact was brought to the attention of Mr. Drake, she average fully twenty per cent. on the cost. Beginning with South Carolina, it says was forced to quit the house or go to the

> - Charlotte Chronicle: freight business of the Richmond & Danville road at present, is simply immense, and the main line between Charlotte and West Point is literally filled with freight trains. In one day this week, 198 loaded ears came into Charlotte bound North. -Albert Starnes, the negro who was sentenced to be hanged on the 1st of December next for an outrage upon the person of Mrs. Polly Hyatt, was pardoned by the Governor and released yesterday. He has been sentenced three times, and has been in jail about three years. The crime was committed about December 1, 1884 Isaac Kizer, colored, was brought to the city yesterday by constables from Crab Orchard and Clear Creek township, and jailen to await trial before Judge Meares, upothe charge of incest. His daughter, a cold ored woman about 20 years old and her baby, were brought along and also jailed.

-- New Bern Journal: Hon. F. M. Simmons has reappointed George G Ransom, of Craven county, cadet to West Point, with Robert Dunn, of Lenoir, alternate. - It was with feelings of sincere regret that the members of St. Paul's R. C. Church heard on Sunday last from their pastor, Rev. J. J. Reilly, the announcement that he had been assigned to the Texas and Tennessee, all looking to the church at Raleigh and would leave for that city to-day. — Onslow items: Rev. E. A. Best, Missionary Baptist minister for over 30 years, died at his residence at Richlands, last Monday, the 26th inst., of bronchial affections, at the advanced age of 72 years. — Jones county dots: Our citizens have had a full crop of grapes and the most of them are being mellowed into wine. - The timber boom yet continues. - There are confined in our

jail at Trenton nine prisoners; all colored

- Farmers report a short staple, with

too much seed for the lint, in the cotton - Raleigh News Observer: These reflections are brought about by the presence in the city on yesterday of Prof. W. S. Yeates, of the Smithsoniau Institution Washington, D. C. He is here for the purpose of collecting minerals for exhibition in the National Museum. This institution is supported by donations from the people of the United States. It therefore depends largely on the public spirit of the people of any State to secure a fair collection of its mineral resources. Prof. Yeates is a native North Carolinian and naturally takes more than ordinary interest in havrepresented in this great national collection. He is anxious to have specimens from every locality of interest in the State, and to seenre them for the purposes named. Those who are willing to aid themselves,

and at the same time serve the State, are

earnestly requested to send such specimens

to him at Washington, or to communicate with him at the above address. -Monroe Enquirer-Express: Judge McRae has presided as Judge of the term of our Court now drawing to a close with satisfaction to the bar, suitors and people at large. He is unquestionably a man of ability and courage, and dispatches business with proper regard both to the inter-ests of suitors and the public. Furthermore. he manifests a high regard for the majesty of the law, and at the same time his seno'clock this morning, says the physicians tences have been tempered with becoming mercy. — On Friday night last Sheriff Horn carried down to Raleigh four convicts, sentenced by Judge McRae last week to serve terms in the penitentiary. Two of ored. James Morgan, sentenced for two years for horse stealing, and Bob Sikes sentenced for two years for stealing a gold ring from Mr. D. H. Howie, were the white men; and Anderson Gibson, sen-tenced for five years for robbing Mr. J. W. to-day received a telegram from Division Austin's store, and William Crow, the train

> Cotton Mills have just put a new Denn's warping machine in their factory, the sight of which is well worth a visit. The machine cost \$1,000, and with it one man can easily do the work of three on the old machine. — A gentleman who was in Tois-not last Saturday informs us that a merchant of that place told him that there was more cotton business in Toisnot last Satursince the place has been in existence. Mr. J. H. Narron canght his hand in Mr. C. F. Finch's gin, while at work there last Thursday evening, and had it fearfully inured. The bone was cut all to pieces, alnost. - John Estman, a fifteen year boy, who was feeding Mr. Condary Boykin's gin, last Saturday had his hand also caught in the gin. His hand was cut to pieces fearfully and his arm very much cut with the saw. So deeply did the saw cut into the quivering flesh that the gin was stopped. It was necessary to turn off the head of water and break the bruch wheel before he could be taken from off the saw. If there had been a full head of water at

considerable increase in the assessed valua-There has been marked growth in material welfare in every section. -Senator "Zeb" Vance has been invited to make an address at the State fair and is confidently expected to be present. —The State Au ditor will commence to issue warrants for pensions about the 15th of Novemberpossibly a few days earlier. new convicts were received at the penitentiary yesterday from Richmond county; three were also received from Yadkin county.—Among all the many varieties successfully grown in the State, none can surpass the "James" grape, a native of Eastern Carolina. The size it attains is phenomenal, the berries when cultivated measuring from 21 to 3 inches in circumference and its flavor surpasses that of any other known grape. It is a very dark plum color, almost black. — The sawmill be-longing to Messrs. J. H. Walker & Co, was destroyed by fire this morning. There was also a great deal of lumber destroyed. The cash valuation of the property was estimated at \$20,000, and the insurance is for

rocker, sentenced for two years, were the in which he says: "Yellow fever at Temps, Fla. The Board of Health will negroes. They were a bad quartette. - Wilson Advance: The Wilson quarantine at Lakeland." He asks for been reassured by the prompt action of Duval and other county boards of health in establishing strict quarantine against Tam-

pa and points south and west, and issuing infected city. Jacksonville is in a good sanitary condition. Health in Florida was WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 .- Surgeon General "Tampa, Fla., Oct. 7.—Four deaths from yellow fever; about twenty cases; a few of these have passed the fever stage of seventy-two hours; many people have fled. It may be necessary to establish a camp of J. P. WALL, M. D." "Sandford, Fla., Oct. 7 .- Can you loan KING WILEY, M. D., Pres. State Health Association the time the boy would, without doubt have been killed. In response to these Dr. Hamilton or-The Surgeon General has sent a dispatch - Raleigh News-Observer: The o Col. - Haines, superintendent of the Plant line of steamers, and the Savannah and Florida Railroad, stating that in his tion of property in North Carolina is a further gratifying evidence of the advance of the State on all lines of prosperity. judgment sleeping cars should not be allowed to go beyond Palatka until the Tampa epidemic is over and the panic shall