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STAR salutes its readers on this birth-day of 1889 with its best wishes, and to one and all it sends a HAPPY NEW YEAR. The past is gone. You cannot recall it if you would. The present only is yours, therefore, improve it. Make a good bad habits, and with the new year form new habits and stick to them. Do not repeat the follies of last January by forming resolves only to break them. Begin this day to serve your Maker as you never have served Him-with a pure heart fervently. Give up evil habits, evil practices, evil associations. You will never be better, purer, happier so long as you keep up the old habits and stand by the old associates that have led you into sin and folly and waste. Habit has an anaconda grip. Horace tells us that a new cask will long preserve the tincture of the liquor with which it is first impregnated. Shakespeare, who knew all things, calls custom the habit of the

-Refrain to-night: And that shall lend a kind of easiness To the next abstinence: the next more easy; For use almost can change a stamp of na-And either curb the Devil, or throw him With wondrous potency-"

devil, and he dwells upon the force

of habit encouraging you to break it.

He tells the votary of pleasure:

Try it. Give up all habits the result of bad example and vicious association. The New YEAR comes with great responsibilities. Whether you shall be happy or miserable will depend upon how you use passing time and meet those responsibilities. The books of 1888 are forever closed. You open to-day a new set. How shall the record stand at the end of the year? Shall it be blurred and stained with sin, transgressions, failure? You can make the record bright and honorable if you will.

North Carolina needs your best service. Your country at large demands the best citizenship. God, your Maker, requires at your hands filial obedience, love, and true service. Wilmington expects its peowork is before us all. Some will be cut down in the midst of the year with implement in hand. Others is for each man to do his duty and leave the results with God. There are indeed fateful results hanging upon the bearing and life of all. You may rest assured of this. Fidelity to every trust will bring its sure reward. Our destinies are, to some extent, in our own hands. Go forth with strong and manly hearts relying upon God. Human events are crowding upon us. The Muse of History is very busy recording each epochal event. Individual lives are as nothing in her prescient view, but it is the many who make the nation and help build history. Each new day is an event to every living, sentient being, and it increases man's joys or sorrows in the years that are to come, and in that Eternity that opens its portals for all the children

of men. Make the New Year your best year. Act well your part and when the final reckoning comes, as come it will, and the books are open for the last balancing, may there be no act or thought or word found on which the Recording Angel has not dropped a tear and blotted it out forever.

A Happy, a Blessed New Year to one and all !

NORTH CAROLINA'S DEAD. For some years on each recurring New Year's Day we have published a list of the prominent North Carolinians who died during the Old Year just gone. The preparation of the brief list impresses us always with the instability, the uncertainty of human life and the certainty of death each one of us in the near future. amount to? They are like a passing is certain; the judgment inevitable. "Art is long and time is fleeting,
Though our hearts are stout and brave;
Still like muffled drums are beating

Funeral marches to the grave." North Carolina was bereaved ingifted, most distinguished. Among those best known and most highly endowed who went to their graves were John F. Poindexter, Col. Duncan K. McRae, Col. John R. Winston, Maurice Q. Waddell, Frederick battle-name not remembered-he S. Proctor, Rev. Dr. E. F. Rockwell, Maj. John Gatling, Rev. Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, Hon. William A. Smith, Rev. Dr. George Badger French Government, seeing the re-Wetmore, Rev. Dr. F. M. Hubbard,

ert R. Bridgers.

Among those who died who were men of influence, character and usefulness were such worthy men as Rev. J. H. Coble, John A. Moore, Dr. F. M. Rountree, Dr. W. R. King, Capt. John E. Dugger, Dr. John G. James, Lt. Col. John A. Fagg, Col. S. B. Spruill, Col. Stephen J. Cobb, Jno. S. Dancy, William J. Yates, Col. Jno. F. Hoke, Maj. A. M. Erwin and Capt. George Sloan. The list might be extended.

Some of these esteemed North Carolinians lived to advanced age and fell like a full shock of corn, ready for the eternal garner. Others died in the full strength of vigorous middle age, and passed away followed by the regrets of many friends. Others were stricken down in the flash and vigor of manhood before they had tasted of the strong vintage of success, or their intellectual powers had reached their highest development. They are gone-gone forever. start. Begin right. Give up all They will never again walk this earth, enter into its rivalries and hopes and participate in its joys and sorrows. Almighty Death has claimed them and they are now with the "pale nations" of another world. "Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus

> Christ." But why start at death, as the poet Young asks in his "Night Thoughts," for "death arrived, is past." It is sad to see our dear ones It is sad to pay those funereal rights and last sad offices. And yet if the soul is saved through the blood of Jesus what is there in death to alarm or make sorrowful? This life the preparation for the life to come. This world is the enrobing chamber for Heaven. Salvation is assured here. It is is not something that is to be, but is present - is now. One thing I know, that whereas] was blind, now I see." "Now are we the sons of God." "But is passed from death unte life." And yet it is natural to sorrow under bereavement, even when it is the good who die.

-The tongues of dying men Enforce attention like deep harmony He that no more must say, is listened to Than they, whom youth and ease have taught to chose. More are men's ends marked than their lives before;

The setting sun, and music at the close as the last taste of sweets, is sweetest last; Writ in remembrance, more than things

We mentioned that an Episcopal olergyman of our State was preparing a life of Peter Stuart Ney, the yery extraordinary character who flourished in North Carolina for some twenty years or more and died at Mr. Osborn Foard's (father of our esteemed townsman, Mr. H. M. ple to be good and faithful and Foard) in 1846. Much very interesthonest members of society. A great | ing material has been gathered. The hand-writing of the celebrated Marshal of Napoleon, Michael Ney, and that of Peter S. Ney is strikingly will toil to the end of the year. It slike, Both were of the same physical'stature, had red heads, and aquiline noses with a peculiar tilt at the end. Peter Ney is believed to have come to this country in 1816. He is known to have appeared a little later. He was so wrapped up in the son of Napoleon that when the youth died he went to bed, and remained in bed for a whole week in great grief. He habitually corresponded with distinguished persons in France, the letters received being stamped with coronets and other msignia of rank. His own letters to Europe were stamped with a heavy gold pencil head that had a court-of-arms of some kind. He was a Latin scholar, wrote well, always read the National Intelligencer and occasionally wrote for it, and was a most striking man in his very marked individuality. This writer has two very intimate living friends who were his pupils, and knows or knew others

who had known the schoolmaster. We refer to this strange character not to give at length what we have known of him since 1847, having got our first lessons concerning him from our college friend Judge Victor Clay Barringer, of the International Court at Alexandris, Egypt, but to refer to two points of peculiar interest in connection with the Marshal of France. We have written many times of Peter Ney, having be

gun it probably twenty years ago. The points are: First, the "Notes of Conversations with the Duke of Wellington," by the late Earl Stanhope, author of the well-known history of England, but known in Macaulay's essays as If five or ten years or even twenty Lord Mahon. It is just published. or fifty years remain what do they Earl Stanhope was very intimate with the great Duke during the last cloud or a weaver's shuttle. Be ye | twelve years of the latter's life and also ready. Life is short; the grave his work, therefore, possesses a peculiar value. He gives the Duke's opinion of many eminent men, among them Talleyrand, Bonaparte, Marlborough, &c. He also gives what the Duke said of the reported shootdeed during the year 1888. She lost | ing of Marshal Ney, which confirms many most, worthy and excellent the general historic record that he

as really shot to death. Second, and perhaps more important, is the article in a number of Lippincott's Magazine-we forget the month - relative to the trepanning of the Marshal's skull. In some received a wound in the head that necessitated the trepanning of the skull. This well known fact led the port that Peter Ney, who died in Judge Thomas Settle, and Col. Rob- North Carolina, was believed by ed to Mr. John S. Battle, of Warrenmany to be the veritable Marshal, to | ton, son of Capt. James S. Battle.

order the French Embassy at Washington to cause an investigation to be made. The Embassy is reported to have caused the body or remains of Peter Ney to be exhumed and the skull to be examined. No sign of

fracture or trepanning was found. If this be true then, in case the Marshal's skull had been trepanned it follows inevitably that Peter Ney and Michael Ney, the Marshal, were

not one and the same individual. We learn from Mr. H. M. Foard that the body of Peter Ney was taken up by some one and examined. If Peter Ney was not the Marshal, he deceived others, for when in his cups, he talked now and then as if he were the celebrated Marshal. If not the Marshal, he was none the ess a man of very pronounced charecteristics, had been a soldier and was wonderfully versed in the Napoleonie campaigns. He said he was in the retreat from Moscow, and was at the battle of Waterloo.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH. There are said to be inadequate aws in New England relative to san itation. In Connecticut the laws are so defective that even an University town like New Haven cannot pro tect itself against most discreditable offensive and dangerous nuisances North Carolina legislators should do all they can to strengthen the hands of the State Board of Health. Let anitation be diligently prosecuted throughout the State, and particuarly in the towns. The active work done to cleanse Wilmington the last Summer by reason of the yellow fever scare, was productive of unmistakable good in the greatly improved condition of the health of the people. This is surely a very important lesson, and should not be lost upon our public functionaries. An ounce of preventive is worth a pound of cure, and the health officers should not relax their efforts to improve the sanitary condition of the city. The Legislature should strengthen the hands of the State Board of Health.

During the year in the North the most prominent deaths were Conkling, Waite and Sheridan. In Europe the two German Emperors were the most notable among the dead. Among the ex-Governors who died were W. Johnson, Kentucky; Robertson, Virginia; Edwards, Missouri; Hoffman, New York; and Joel Parker, of New Jersey; ex-Attorney General Brewster, of Pa.; Seth Green, Fish Commissioner; ex-U. S. Senator King, of Ga.; W. W. Corcoran, the rich Washington benefactor; A. S. Barnes, the publisher; E. P. Roe, Louisa M. Alcott, James Freeman Clarke, Sidney Howard Gay, Prof. Leone Levi. Robert Morris, Matthew Arnold, Dr. Fothergill, Mary Howitt, Lawrence Oliphant, Bishop Harris of Michi gan, Bishop Brown of Wisconsin, Dr. C. R. Agnew, Dr. P. H. Mell. Dr. J. B. Boyce, Dr. F. A. Porcher. and Prof. E. A. Aiken, all "joined the majority." The four last named were Southern.

Representative Springer, of Illinois, is Chairman of the House Committee on Territories. He says he thinks that Dakota, Montana, Washington and New Mexico will be admitted as States. He wants changes made, as we learn from the New York Herald's Washington dispatch, so that instead of North Dakota and South Dakota, we may have Dakota and Winona, and instead of Washington and New Mexico, we may have Takoma and Montezuma. He says the bill provides for elections in all of those territories for delegates to Constitutional Conventions in May next, for the Conventions to assemble in July, and for a vote on the Constitutions in October next. The States can be admitted into the Union immediately on the assembling of Congress in December next.

Foreign Exports in December. The total values of exports from the port of Wilmington to foreign countries during the month of December aggregate \$1,906,477, as follows:

ned at \$853,972. Spirits turpentine 93,851 gallons, valued at \$40,890. Rosin, 11,920 barrels, valued at \$11,628. Tar and pitch, 45 barrels, valued at

England-Cotton, 18,783 bales, val-

Spain—Cotton,1,300 bales, valued at \$59,550. Belgium-Cotton, 4,150 bales, valued at \$188,350. Spirits turpentine, 83,

040 gallons, valued at \$36,184. Rosin, 250 barrels, valued at \$250. Germany-Cotton, 11,900 bales, val-ued at \$531,187. Russia-Cotton, 3,840 bales, valued

Scotland-Rosin, 5,949 barrels, val-British West Indies-Lumber, 165.

000 feet, valued at \$2,705; shistles. 1 130 000, valued at \$6,145; rosin,100 barrels, valued at \$150. The total shipments of cotton forign were 39,978 bales; valued at \$1,

Cotton. The movement of cotton at this port shows receipts the past month of 32,696 bales, against receipts the same month last year of 24,884 bales. Receipts for the crop year-from September 1st to January 1st-are 130,665 bales, against 148,564 bales for the corresponding time last year—a decrease

of 17,899 bales. The stock at this port is 7,251 bales; at same time last year 19,885.

Competitive Examination. A correspondent at Rocky Point | me rtem examination was conducted writes the STAR that a competitive examination for the appointment of a | By irbank. cadet at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, from the Second District, was held at that place on the 27th inst. There were five competi-

A SERIOUS AFFAIR.

On Saturday night, December 22nd, Mr. Charles Wessel had an altercation with a sailor, known among his comrades as "Little Scotty." but whose real name appears to be William Weston, in the bar-room in the rear of the former's grocery store, corner of North and !! Mulberry streets, during which blows passed between them, the instruments used being a small box and a hatchet or hammer handle. The sailor, Weston, had deserted from the Norwegian barquentine Hanstode and was stopping with Mrs. Williamson, who keeps a sailor boarding house on Mulberry between Front and Water streets. the night of the row Weston. who had been drinking heavily, in company with a shipmate named Bill, (an Englishman), and a friend of Bill's, went into Wessell's for the purpose of getting something to drink, meeting a runner by the name of Harry Gunderson, on entering the bar. "Little Scotty," as he is called, invited his comrades to "have something," at the same time calling for soda water for himself. It is supposed that in the hurry of the moment Mr Wessell misunderstood the order and instead of soda, gave Weston beer; whereupon Weston, who was very unruly and obstroperous, began to talk in a most abusive manner, and when a woman who was in the crowd, hinted that an attempt was being made to drug him, he became perfect furious and would not listen to the advice of any one.

After Weston's friends had attempted in vain to quiet him Mr. Wessell ordered him to leave the place, whereupon Weston seized a small box lying on the bar counter, used as a receptacle for a little cigar-lighting lamp and with both hands hurled it at Mr. Wessell, striking him in the face. The force with which the box was thrown caused Mr. Wessell to wheel around when it struck him, the pain being so severe that he paused for a moment a if dazed. Catching up an old hatchet or hammer handle he rushed from around the bar, Weston in the meantime advancing toward the little gateway through which Mr. Wessell had to pass. They met at this point, and Weston received a blow just over the right ear that felled him to the floor unconscious. His chums, assisted by one or two others, raised him and carried him to Mrs. Williamson's place, a few doors

away, where he was put in bed. The next morning Weston complained of his head hurting him, and on examination, watery matter was found to be onzing from his right ear. Mrs. Williamson had the injured man carried to Mr-J. D. Nutt's drug store where he was advised to consult a physician. Thence Weston went to Dr. T. F. Wood, who examined his hurt, gave a prescription and some money to get medicine, and savised the sailor to go to the hospital, as his injury was very serious and liable to cause death at any moment. Instead of going to the hospital as advised he returned to the sailor boarding house and laid down and went to sleep. On awaking the sufferer seemed to grow worse, and Mrs. Williamson was summoned to him and bathed his head and administered to his wants as best

Weston was at last carried to the City Hospital on Wednesday morning last, where he lingered until Sunday evening, dying at about 6 o'clock. Before Weston died he sent for the British vice consul, Mr. Alex Sprunt, who, in company with Chief of Police E. D. Hall, went to the City Hospital about 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and took the sworn statement of the dying man in regard to the occurrence as follows:

"What is your name?" "Wm. Weston, aged 28 years, born

"State what happened to you when

you got this injury." "I was one of the crew of the Norwegian barquentine Hanstode, now in port. I deserted from this vessel through the influence of runners who came on board. I went to Mrs. Williamson's. This was last Saturday week, Dec. 22d, 1888. That night went into Chas. Wessell's shop, nearby, in company with a shipmate named Bill, (an Englishman), and another friend of Bill's, and a runner named Harry Gunderson was in the shop at the time. I treated the three men with me. I asked for sods and drinks for the other two. Wessell gave me beer instead of soda. Some one said Wessell wanted to drug me, and then some words passed. Wessell then came around from behind the counter and struck me on the head with a hand hammer. I fell immediately unconscious. Some sailors carried me home to Mrs. Williamson's. The next morning Wessell sent me word that he was sorry, and that he expected to be arrested. I sent word I would say nothing about it as I hoped to get better. I now think I am in danger of my life, and wish to make this statement to the authorities, as I believe that Wessell intended to hurt me seriously, and l solemnly swear that the statement just made is the whole truth and nothing but the truth so help me

Sworn to before me this 30th day of E. D. HALL, J. P. New Hanover Co. A warrant was served on Mr. Wessell by Col. Hall, about two

hours after the statement was made,

and the prisoner was taken to the

count y jail to await the action of the Cor oner David Jacobs was notified yeste rday of the sailor's death and sum noned a jury of inquest compost d of the following: D. D. Southerle nd, foreman; T. C. Miller, J. G. Bas rentine, T. P. Ricaud, Jr., L. L. Sheeridan, G. T. Littleton. The post-

At 3 o'clock the coroner's inquest w as held at the City Court room, the vitnesses having been summoned in the meantime, when the following evidence regarding the affair was · deduced:

Dr. Wood testified that

by Drs. Wood, Love, Potter, Lane and

who had died at the City Hospital

was the same person who had pre-

viously applied to him for treatment.

The doctor also testified that the

sailor was in a critical condition,

having a discharge from the right

ear, and what he took to be an abscess

of the brain. Dr. Wood advised the

man at the time to get out of the

clutches of the sailor boarding house

people and go to a hospital where he

could be properly treated, but he

seemed not to be so inclined. The

doctor further stated that he was re-

quested to call at the hospital Sun-

day to see a sick man, and on going,

found that it was the same person who

had applied at his office. That Dr. Lane

and himself agreed upon a plan of

treatment which was to have been put

in operation yesterday. In regard to

the post-mortem examination the

testimony of Dr. Wood was-"The

scalp was removed in the usual man-

ner, and a fracture was found extend-

ing through the right temporal bone,

including fractures of bones of ear

There was immediately over the

fracture a clot of blood external to

the brain. There were one or more

contusions of the brain in the neigh-

borhood of fracture. In my belief

death resulted from fracture of skull

and injury to brain. There was no

external evidences of bruise on the

very thin."

batants received injuries.

his head by Chas. Wessell.

Mr. Latimer Resigns.

rendered the following verdict: That

Wm. Weston came to his death on

the 30th day of December, A. D. 1888,

from a blow inflicted on the right of

The warrant issued by Mayor Fow-

ler, owing to his health, was made

returnable to Mr. John Cowan, J. P.

The defendant waived examination,

and the Solicitor, Col. B. R. Moore

being present, with defendant's coun-

sei, Messrs. Marsden Bellamy and

D. L. Russell, agreed to a bond of

At a meeting of the Board of Direc-

tors of the Wilmington Seacoast Rail

road, held last Saturday, Mr. Wm.

Latimer, President of the road, ten-

dered his resignation, which at his

earnest request was accepted. Col.

Ed. S. Latimer was thereupon elec-

is a man of high character and has

the confidence of the public generally,

and will no doubt fill the position

with great credit to himself and ad-

Mr. Latimer has made an excellent

official and his retirement will be

lewrned of with regret. He stated, on

tendering his resignation, that he

had remained at the helm as long as

he saw doubts and difficulties ahead

of the road, but now that it had sur-

mounted all of these and was in such

an excellent condition, financially

and materially, with no longer any

doubts of its success, he thought that

in justice to himself he should retire

from the presidency and devote more

This road has undoubtedly made

remarkable headway toward the

point of success aimed at by its pro-

jectors, and with such prospects as

are ahead the coming season will do

a much larger business. This road,

too, used to be one of the much talked

vantage to his company.

time to his own affairs.

of "possibilities."

Fortifications Bills Completed-The Republicans and the Tariff Measure-The Heytien Republic, Unconditionally Surrendered to the

IBy Telegraph to the Morning B WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The Secretary of State to-day received a large mail from the United States Minister to Hayti, da'ed December 18th, containing information as to the condition of affairs in that island, to the condition of affairs in that island, but making no mention of the arrival of the American vessels Galena and Yantic. Among the dispatches is a copy of the decree issued on the 10th instant by the Legitime Government, closing all of the northern ports—St. Mare, Port de Paix, and Cape Haytien—to foreign commerce, provisionally. The right of changing ports granted to Grans Saline, The Mole and Fort Liberty are suppressed. Mention is crew that arrived off Port au Prince on the esmship Arron: There seemed to be evidence of a plot to carry the Haytien Republic out of port under the cover of night, out it was frustrated by the vigorous action

propriation bili have both been complete tee on Appropriations. Chairman Ran mmediately entered upon, and if possible o report them to the House either Wednes day afternoon or Thursday morning. WASHINGTON, December 31 .- A sessor

calp corresponding to seat of frac publican members of the Senate ture. The clot was an old one and Cinance sub-Committee in charge of the under seat of fracture. I could not say ubstitute for the Mills bill. Mesers. Morpositively how old, probably only a rill, Allison, Aldrich, Sherman and Hiscock are in almost continuous session, i lew days. The skull of deceased was an effort to make it as near satisfactory to all interests involved as may be. This The testimony of James Fairley, can be done only by amending it in som Lewis Braddy, Henry Molstead, Daparticulars, and the purpose of the submmittee is to decide what amendment vid Porter and Fred Miller only went shall be proposed. It is necessary that the desired amendments be agreed upon for to prove that the deceased was in Charles Wessell's store, and that a difficulty occurred in which the comupon its passage-21st of January-be im Col. E. D. Hall was also sworn, and possible, the committee may have its changes ready to be proposed in bulk, and made a statement in regard to the disposed of in the same way. The mem taking of the deposition of the man bers will not be able to devote any time to Year's day, not even making an official call at the White House. The coroner's jury, after considering the evidence for a short time,

> Washington, January 1.—Under agree-ment made respecting the Tariff bill, the Senate will meet to-morrow morning a 11 o'clock, and continue so to do until ote is taken on the passage of the bill. After miscellaneous business is dispose of consideration of the Tariff bill will be resumed, and it will have the right of way over all other measures until action is

Mr. Chandler gave notice, a day before the holiday reassembling he would call up his resoluand Elections to investigate general of a most suitable one, for Col. Latimer State elections in Louisians and Rhode Island within the past year, and to inves tigate the general election in any other State if the committee deem it necessary or desirable. That resolution will therefore, come up to-morrow; but opposition will, in all probability, cause postpon its consideration, at least until

the Tariff bill is out of the way. The prospects are that when the House meets to-morrow morning, after the holiday recess, it will immediately proceed to the consideration of some one of the appropri tion bills now on the calendar. The river and harbor bill, reported to the House De cember 12th, has the right of way of the appropriation bills, and Chairman Blanch ard will call it up for further consideration he first thing to-morrow. He intends to push its consideration, and will try to se

Struck by wn Engine. Horrid Murder in Philadelphia-Man John Smith, a colored man employed on a lighter belonging to Mr. Gause, was struck by shifting engine No. 110, while standing on the railroad at the W. & W. yard yesterday morning. He was knocked down, cutting his head open on the corner of a cross-tie, besides sustaining several severe contusions. Dr. Geo. Thomas dressed the wound and the sufferer was taken to the City Hospi-

tal for further treatment. Arrested on Suspicion. The store of Messrs. Watson, Daniels & Bell, at Morehead City, N. C., was broken open and robbed on the night of the 19th or 20th of December; the robber carrying off about a hundred dollars' worth of goods, principally pocket knives, silk handkerchiefs and other light wares. The firm suspected a young white man named Tom Hancock, and wrote to Col. Hall, Chief of Police of Wilmington, giving a description of the youth and stating that he was supposed to left Morehead for this day or two ago a young fellow who suited the descrip-

tion given of Hancock was arrested by the police along with several other tramps. He passed under a different name, however, and stoutly maintained that he was not from Morehead. To settle the question the Chief decided to have a photograph taken of the man to send to Messrs. Watson, Daniel & Bell, when it was learned that Tom Hancock had been arrested in Onslow county, and soon afterwards a gentleman recently from Morehead called at the City Hall and saw the stranger, who he said was not the man wanted there, although he bore a striking resemblance to him.

Receipts of naval stores at this port -since April 1st, the beginning of the crop year, to January 1st, as compar ed with receipts for the same months last year are as follows: Spirits turpentine 55,661 casks; last year, 61,702. Rosin, 167,463 barrels; last year, 254,-504. Tar, 41,541 barrels; last year, 40,-211. Crude turpentine, 17,864 barrels; last year 20,063.

The stocks are: Spirits turpentine 2,438 casks; last year, 2,022. Rosin, 96,311 barrels; last year, 84,832. Tar, 5,666 barrels; last year, 5,431. Crude turpentine, 567 barrels; last year, 671.

- Mr. J. P. Walton, of Masonboro Sound, will leave for Florida in a few days, to be absent three

WASHINGTON.

The Haytien Affair-Sundry Civil and

United States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31,-The sundry civil appropriation bill and fortification ap by the sub committees of the House Com "all has called a meeting of the Appropria-tions Committee for Wednesday of this week, at which time both completed bills will be laid before it, their consideration

almost unexampled activity is upon the the entire measure in advance, so that if detailed considerations of sections of the bill prior to the date fixed for final vote the observance of social duties on New

Secretary Whitney to-day received disatches from Admiral Luce confirming the Associated Press report of the surrender of the Haytien Republic, at the demand of the United States by Legitime, the newly elected President of Hayti. The dispatches were immediately sent to Secretary Bayard. The report of Admiral Luce states that the government of Hayti surrendered the ves for her surrender was made, and that Legitime offered to have the Havtien Republic towed out of the harbor immediately. Owing to a mishap to her cable, however, the ves

taken on the 21st inst.

cure an early vote upon it. The unfinished business is the bill to in corporate the Nicaragua Canal Company which has been favorably reported to the House, with amendments from the Committee of the Whole. The friends of the bill will call it up Friday, and try to secur Should the oppo vote upon it, offer this week Mr. Crisp, from the Com mittee on Elections, will call up the South Darolina contested election case of Small s Elliott. The settlement of this case wi eave only one other contest to be dispose of-Sullivan vs. Felton, of California.

CRIME RECORD.

Murdered at Walbails, S. C. By Telegraph the Morning to Star. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—As was telegraphed from here last night, the mystery aurrounding the finding of the mutilater remains of a murdered man in East Fairmount Park, Wednesday last, has been solved. The corpse is identified and the murderer is in prison. The murder is shown to have been a diabolical one. The motive for the deed was to obtain money of the murdered man, but all that the murder er is known to have realized by his dastard

The murdered man's name is Antoine Schilling, and that of his murderer -Schroop. The men were partners in corner grocery, and Schilling boarded with Schroop. After being placed in a cell the murderer made a confession, but it has not been made public. The wife of the mur-derer is also under arrest as accessory to

CHARLESTON, December 80 .- R. Campbell, formerly of Newberry, was murdered at Walhalla last night. A white man and a negro have been arrested on

DARING ROBBERY. Sneak Thief Robs the Indianapolis

Postoffice of \$2,500. Indianapolis, Dec. 31 -A daring and successful robbery occurred in the money order department of the Indianapolis (Ind. postoffice at half-past 12. A. R. Johnson chief of the money order department His assistants had gone to dinner, leaving Johnson alone for about half an hour. A stranger appeared at the window and said that a gentleman in his buggy desired Johnson to come out and see him. Johnon was persuaded to go out, but found that the man wanted to see another Johnson. When he returned he found that the strauger had entered the office and filled his

cured about \$2,500. GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

pockets with greenbacks. The thieves se-

Decline in Prices of all Products CHICAGO, January 2.-Wheat opene closing, but soon became heavy and a steady decline followed, which continued until a decline of 2 to was reached. The market then rallied \$\frac{1}{2}c, but again became weak, and closed about \$2\frac{1}{2}c lower than Monday. The decline was credited principally to the selling of a prominent local trader.

old off #@ic, and closed i@ic lower than Oats were fairly active but weaker. closing 1@1c lower.

Pork was irregular, closing steady and 15@20c lower. Lard was active and weak, closing steady and 15@171c lower. Ribs were active but weak, closing 121@15c

lower and steady. The Rell of Honor Which covers the successful medicines of the day will surely be headed by Hasson's Syrup of Tar. By its own merit it has worked its way to the first rank, because its manufacturers use honest goods, honestly compounded. Merit tells and Hasson's Syrup always cures Coughs, Colds, Croup, Whooping-cough and all Lung Diseases. For sale by ROBT. R. BELLAMY and MUNDS BROS.

TERRIBLECONFLAGRATION New Year's Fire in St. Louis-The

Loss Rearly a Million Bollers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ompany, on the northwest corner

885, and was completed with all modern

general alarm was turned in. So fierce

was the fire that five minutes after the alarm

was turned in the buildings across the street were smoking and were about to burst into

flames. Every few minutes a terrible explosion would detonate throughout

the buildings, a graceful curl of fire many feet in height and diameter would

eap high in the air and summon the revel-

cene of destruction. When every pane of

The entire six floors were filled with

lenartment, in which about two hundred

bookkeepers, clerks and salesmen were em-

iries, of which an immense stock of costly

goods was carried. On the third floo

were paints and oils, and this store was

ying all artificial efforts to check its costly

Not enough lines of hose could have bee

The Richardson Drug Company was the outgrowth of a business founded forty

Richardson, and Secretary James Richard

son, Jr., are sons of the founder of the

house. Mr. John Moffatt, manager of the

The building was erected several years

ago, at a cost of \$150,000. The corne

houses in the country, and its druggists

fro from room to room after their friend

uilding. When the stable was suddenl

and as is characteristic of their nature would

upants were safely rescued

time to escape

Fourth street front.

PRESBYTERIANS.

After long secret sessions, which have ex-

tended over a week, it is announced that nothing definite was done. The original

object was to arrange for united mission

work by branches in the North and South.

"The various discussions," said a promi-nent Southern member, Rev. Mr. Hoge, of

Richmond, Va., "took a wider range than

was anticipated. The topics under consideration were of such impor-

tance that after spending several days

in their consideration, it was deemed advi-

sable by the joint committee to adjourn and hold a meeting at some future time and place. The adoption of this course was deemed necessary from the fact that some

of the members of the Southern committee

were obliged to return South to meet posi-

unable to stay here longer. It was accord-

ingly agreed to adjourn and hold another meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, on April 24th next, and conclude the discussion there."

Members stated that this discussion had

been of the most pleasant and harmonious

Most of the Southern members while here were entertained at the Park Avenue Ho-

tel, and express high appreciation of the kindness of the New York Committee of

home to-day. He returns to-morrow.

a remarkable event is treasured in the

other attaches outside the Richardsons.

Vice President Jose

years ago by James Richardson, its prese

more to burn.

ers of New Year's night to

The fire was discovered at 2 20 a. m

Spirits Turpentine Darham's Blackwell's factory Largest Brug House In the Country shipped 274,125 pounds of tobacco in form Destroyed-Exciting Scenes-Entire

- Raleigh News-Observer : Prof W. K. Brown, a recent alumnus of our University, is Principal of the High School Sr. Louis, January 1.-The immen ix-story building of the Richardson Drug of Birmingham, Ala., and stands ven high as an instructor. Dr. William E Phillips, a late Professor of Mining and Metallurgy in our University, has jumped Courth street and Clark avenue, was reed to ruins in forty minutes after 2 clock this morning. The building from nto a large business as Mining Engineerin d 120 feet on Fourth street and ran bac Birmingham, and is regarded as one of the n Clark avenue 200 feet to a private alley blest experts in that profession in and back of this was a three story substantial brick warehouse, used by the firm to store explosives and highly combustible goods and oil. The building was erected in

- Raleigh News-Observer : Th umber of alarms during the year was It and there was not a single fire of consequence accompanying any of these. The total loss from fires in the city during 1888 t is estimated, will fall under \$1,000. seems at least probable that a railway on will soon be one of the institu. ions of North Carolina. If established the atmost care should be exercised in the may ter of its composition. —We regret state that the condition of Dr. R. B. Ha wood, who was stricken with paralysis 8 turday night, was still very critical la

glass was out of the building, tongues of fire leaped out, and their heat made the Enterprise: Jacob Lutz, another of the county's oldest and died last Saturday night narrow street a sheol for the gallant firemen who toiled with bursting, burning hose to save the property. Their coats smoked and their hands were blistered when exposed to the glare, and many dropped the hose and sought the shade of an adjacent building. ged 81 years. He was born and passed ou whole life in Catawba, and has long one of the landmarks of the county minity was shocked le morning with the sad news the Mr. W. J. Trollinger, a merchant at Set zer's, was dead. He had attended to business as usual on Friday, but soon after combustible goods, a great portion of the stock being extremely inflammable. The eating his supper was stricken with paralysis, and died about four o'clock first floor was occupied by the accounting Saturday morning. He was in his 38th - A man was found dead in a creek at Black Mountain the other day ployed, and contained also some show No one knew him. He bore marks of ods. The second floor was given up to sun riolent death, and it is supposed that h had been murdered for his money. negro has been here the last month talking also used for packing. The fire seemed to get an early hold on the third floor, and migration to the negroes of this section As a result ten families, comprising about flowing cils dripping through the first two stories supplied a fountain of fire that play-ed from the basement clear to the roof, de-

- Charlotte Chronicle: The first brough train from Charleston to Rutheron reached the latter place Thursday night. The Charleston people will make a great effort to secure the trade of that seclaid around the building to have saved it, so speedy was the spread of the fire, and on, and Charlotte, "the Queen City," the few firemen who for a minute or two will have to look to her laurels. - The at a time braved the awful heat, had but Charlotte bound passenger train on the C. dozen streams to combat a balf dozen C. & A. road, due here at 3 25 o'clock vesacres of blazing oils, molten iron and flowterday morning, narrowly escaped being wrecked. When the train reached the 79 ing glass. It was a magnificent and awful sight from the first two minutes after its mile post, between Simpson's and Ridge-way, it struck with terrific force a dump liscovery until about 8 o'clock, when the building collapsed, and there was nothing car placed on the track by some dastardly engine struck the dump car the latter was proken into a thousand pieces, and the The shock to the train was very great, because the would-be train wrecker had taken the pains to lock the wheels of the dump car, but all his endeavors only reundries department, had a proprietary ined in the injury to the pilot and a delay terest in the concern, as had one or two of about half an hour to the train. A short listance from where the dump car was placed the train encountered some cross ies, which had evidently been placed on was occupied for some time by a paint and oil firm, before the Richardson Drug Comthe track by the same person or persons.

- Shelby Aurora: The Mormon pany moved up from North Second street. It was one of the largest wholesale drug disciples are now sowing their pernicious seed in the mountains of Western North Carolina, and making many converts sundries department was the largest in the whom they carry to Utah. Four elders The buildings in close proximity to the having gained many converts, left last week with a party from Rutherford and Polk fire were the scenas of tremendous excitefor Utah. These missionaries of the devi ment. The Ehler House, a place at 209 intensely appreciate the beauty of woman, and offer a premium on attractive women South Fourth street, occupied by boarders, in Utah. So they coveted Miss McKurry frightened women and men, rushing to and as a convert and desired her created much terror. Finally the firemen her parents to polygamous Utah, but love had previously came to their assistance, and all of the ocwitchery of its charms and she was en-The Woess masquerade store, 207 South gaged to a rustic swain. Her graceful figure, her dazzling and fascinating eyes, Fourth street, was destroyed. At 408 and 410 Clark avenue was a row of three-story and the Mormons guarded her at night as a brick boarding houses, which was also e precious prize for a rich Mormon. He over plead in vain to marry his betrothed One scene of great excitement was in the livery stable of Scott & Lynch, at 418 Elm but her parents and the Mormons refused parture on the train the resolute lover with street, which structure extends south to Clark avenue, and in rear of the drug and charged the guard and captured his imprisoned and beautiful lady of Rutherighted up from the flames of the burning ford, whom he soon made his bride. The uilding the horses became panic etricken angry father followed in vain pursuit and and when the men attempted to take them

left next day for Utah without his daugh-

not leave the fire. The men found it ne-- Raleigh Visitor: The Executive pessary to goad them on by beating them Committee of the North Carolina Teach with stakes, shovels, whips, and any thing that was at hand. After much effort ers' Assembly has formulated an arrangement for the coming annual sesseon. they were taken from the stable, and it was time set is from June 18th to July 2d inmmediately occupied by the firemen, who clusive, and the place Morehead City. Ten ran the hose through to Clark avenue, and special days are set apart, on which the thereby played several streams of water on Governor and State officers will be present. - The committee appointed by the late At 2.50 o'clock the most exciting epoch Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina met of the the fire occurred, when several great explosions of benzine and other explosive in this city yesterdry afternoon at 8:30 o'clock, in the Presbyterian church, for the rugs occurred, almost simultaneously with purpose of appointing an Evangelist for the falling and crashing of the southeast corner of the building and endangering the Geo. W. Finley, of Romney, West Virives of all the firemen on that portion of ginia, was unanimously chosen. — Mr. Rufus Howell, who resides near Cary, the work. The heavy cornices and coping killed a porker a few days ago 194 months he wavering walls, and the firemen had old which weighed 546 pounds. only time to escape from the impending danger, when, with a sudden crash, that reading room of the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad Company was the scene of much portion of the building fell, throwing activity on Christmas evening, when near half a hundred of machinists and employes ourning fragments across Clark avenue and setting fire to Miller's bakery, a twoof the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad Co. were story brick, and the adjoining building on convened together for the most plessant duty of presenting to Mr. Joseph Butler, the southwest corner of Fourth street and Clark avenue, and covering the entire inthe popular foreman of the Raleigh & Gas tersection of streets with the flames and ton machine shops, with a handsome gold.

Mr. Cliff Richardson, general manager a nephew of Rev. G. W. Sanderlin, will be of the concern, gives the value of stock on hand at about \$675,000, and the insurance - New Bern Journal: It is contemplated by citizens of Morehead City to agency. The buildings occupied were valued at about \$200,000. establish a college in or near that city on the co-operative plan. It is believed that a sufficient amount can be raised for the The origin of the fire is not yet known, but it was first seen on the ground floor of purpose, and that a good, practical education can be obtained at not exceeding sixty dollars per annum. - Death has again invaded our community. Mr. Robert Hancock, Sr., aged 76, on 18th of December, Conclusion of the Northern and South-1888, smitten by pneumonia, after a lingering illness passed peacefully to his re-ward in the eternal world. He was, in ern Assemblies - Nothing Accom-NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—The joint commitmany respects, a remarkable map. tees of the Presbyterian Church for the North and South, concluded their confer-Rev. A. J. Hires preached his farewell sermon to his church at LaGrange last Sunday. His members there and the citizens ence at Park Avenue Hotel to-day. The committees opened their session at 9 a. m., and the meeting was prolonged an hour later than was expected, to 1 o'clock in the afternoon. Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, of Clarksville, Tenn., joint chairman of the

headed cane. - Mr. Lonnie Sanderlin.

part with him with sincere regret. He has been an able preacher and pastor to that people. — Beaufort items: Quite a number of steam and sail yachts are passing through, bound to Florida. — Schooner Carrie Hall Lister, Capt. B. T. Howland, is at the depot at Morehead City. She brought a cargo of steel rails for the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad. On Thursday, the 28th ult., the our Board of County Commissioners met, and after casting over one hundred ballots elected Mr. James C. - Charlotte News: The record of Fire Marshal Asbury, shows that during

the year 1888, there were but twenty-six alarms of fire in Charlotte. The most serious fire of the whole year was the burning of the cotton compress, which entailed a loss of \$40,000. The only other house ost to the department was the graded school storage house. Dr. Norment's house was gutted but the frame was saved. ovements of the year are: A new \$60 000 cotton compress; the new Davidson & Childs block; the new passenger station of the Richmond & Danville Railroad Company; the Victor cotton mills; the Ads cotton mills, and the Alpha cotton mills. One new church has been erected, sewers exwater works improved, street graded paved and macadamized, and the emetery improved. It has been s prosperous year for Charlotte. In Charlotte sad inroads have Dr. M. D. Hoge, of Richmond, Va., chair-man of the Southern committee, left for made in the business circles. Our never before lost so many prominent men in a single year. Among those who have gone from among us we note Major Adams, an old business man; Capt. V. Q. Johnston, a member of the Board of Aldermen, The transition from long, lingering and painful sickness to robust health marks an epoch in the life of the individual. Such ver, an old and highly esteemed citizen; Mr. W. J. Yates, editor of the Democrat, a remarkable event is treasured in the memory and the agency whereby the good health has been attained is gratefully blessed. Hence it is that so much is heard in praise of Electric Bitters. So many feel they owe their restoration to health to the use of the Great Alterative and Tonic. If you are troubled with any disease of Kidneys, Liver or Stomach, of long or short standing, you will surely find relief by the use of Electric Bitters. Sold at 50c. and \$1 per bottle at WM. H. GREEN & Co.'s Drug Store. and a prosperous merchant. The list is truly sad to contemplate, but it must go with the memories of 1888.