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for demagogue's dull wit."

would be no problem at all.

MINOR MENTION.

cy to ensure a reliable majority to

enable them to seat the Republican

Democrats who rose to make mo-

arbitrary rulings which have pre-

vailed within the past week. The

discussion of these cases is a mere

matter of form, for they have re-

solved to seat every contestant in

favor of whom the majority of the

committee reports, and they will

report in favor of every Republican

where there is a ghost of a show to

make a favorable report. It was

mainly to do this the conspiracy

The Republicans in Congress are

cutting a pretty wide swath just now

will be called to legislate in which

they see in advance trouble and vex-

ation of spirit. One of these is the .

pension question. Gov. Hovey of

pension bill, and says the soldiers

the party to keep its promises. The

passage of this bill will increase the

pension expenditures many millions,

how many is not known and cannot

be estimated. The Republicans would

like to pass it to please the soldiers,

but are afraid of the people who will

ference in their little bank accounts,

That's what's the matter.

'harmonious" about it.

Under the bill which has passed

\$17,000,000 will be taken out of the

treasury and turned over to the

States which paid the tax. A similiar

bill was passed during Mr. Cleve-

land's administration, but was vetoed

and could not be carried over his

veto. President Harrison will sign

it because it is endorsed by his party

and for the further reason that near-

ly all the money will go to Northern

States, but a small portion of the tax

having been collected in the South.

If the money went back into the

pockets of the people who paid it

there might be less objection to it,

though there would be no legal au-

thority for it then, but this cannot

be, as many of the people who paid

the tax are dead long ago, and others

scattered around so they could never

Max O'Rell says there is no typi-

cal American now, because the Amer-

ican is in a state of evolution. It is

American who is now figuring on the

A Dekalb county, Missouri, wo-

man has presented her liege lord

with seven children within three

years, supplementing two pairs of

twins with a trio. She proposes that

Missouri shall maintain her Demo-

The coroner of Birmingham, Ala.

has been arrested on a charge of

pocketing money and valuables

quests. He concluded that the

corpses didn't have any further use

found on bodies on which he held in

at the surplus.

state of r-evolution.

cratic supremacy.

If the majority of the negroes of

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THEY DON'T LIKE IT.

Mr. Ingalls' speech fell as flat on the country as one of Wiggins' weather prophecies. The difference between it and the old stereotyped party regulation speech on that subject was in the support he gives and the arguments he furnishes those who maintain that the right of suffrage should never have been given to the manumitted slave, at least until he had been free long enough to have some conception of what freedom really meant, and that the granting of it when it was granted, and under the circumstances under which it was granted, was not only a great blander but a monstrous crime. The acknowledgement of this, although unintended, runs all through | was entered into. Ingails' speech.

It is suspected, however, that he made that speech not with any expectation of benefitting the Southern but they are not altogether happy. negro, for whom he cares as little, There are questions on which they outside of his vote, as he does for the "heathen Chinee," but for bunco.abs, for home consumption, and to build himself up with the extremists in his own State, where his Indiana is in Washington now lobbythe chances were getting to be rather against him in his candidacy for reelection. He had to do something or fooling on this question but expect which would give him prominence, put him in the position of a leader, and give the idea to his rural constituents that he was really a great and shining light in the Senatorial galaxy. He was playing for Ingalls and the Kansas Senator-makers more than for the colored brother in Dixle. He didn't expect to solve to \$98,000,000 which it will take to the race problem, and he didn't un- foot the pension bills this year, which dertake to do it by offering any remedy which was not already down in the recipe books and which hadn't

The speech is, of course, endorsed efacturers, who want the duty restorby the mere partisans on his side, as they would have endorsed anything he might have said before reading it, but by the independent, non-partisan press of the country it is-pronounced the sheerest kind of think that a "harmonious" protective

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But there are two other classes of woolens, blankets, iron, coal, salt, people in this country who don't apsugar and other articles of necessity prove it, and these among the people From their standpoint they are right. A high protective tariff is no more in whose interest the speech is supposed to have been delivered, col- to be defended on these than it is on ored men, the first of which are dis- quinine. It is wrong on all. Lookgusted with that portion of the ing for harmony in a system of which greed and grab and plunder are the speech which makes light of the corner stones, and inspiring characnegro's capacity to hold his own in the struggle for self preserplace. There is, and can be nothing vation, with the superior Caucassian race; the other those sensible negroes who realize that this sort of partisan agitation does not benefit them, does not solve the race problem but makes its solution all the more difficult. A few nights ago collected under the act of 1861, about there was a large meeting held in Washington composed of the first of these in which several speeches were made by prominent colored men. some of whom sharply criticized Ingalls for asserting that the white and black races could not live harmoniously together in the same territory, and that the black man lacked the capacity for successful self assertion. This they expected from one not friendly to their race, but it came, they held, with a poor grace from a man professing to be in full political fellowship with them and at a time when he was ostensibly making a speech to help them in distress and to better their condition. . It was simply playing into the hands of their enemies, and knifing them while pretending to befriend. It is not singular that they should take this view of it for that is what he did, if he did

The others, and the more sensible of the two, are represented by Rev. W. B. Derrick, of Long Island, who after having made a trip through the South, where he observed the situation for himself, and from his own stand-point, addressed a meeting of negroes in New York a few days ago, in which he characterized such men as Ingalls and Chandler as the worst enemies of the negro, whose incendiary harangues stir up enmity between the races and result in great detriment to the negro who is and must be the sufferer. "Let us beg of Congress" he says, "to let us alone. We don't want any special legislation for our race, any more than the Germans want it, or the Irish, or any other people in this country. I, for one, am tired of seeing myself on the Senatorial dissect- for them.

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STATE TOPICS.

ing table every December, the mark The Troy Vidette remarks that the rippe is not among the ailments of this country could get on the same the people of Montgomery county, plane with this level-headed speaker, but they v'e got the gold fever bad. and join voices with him in his prayer You can see more people in a day to Congress, there would be little meandering about the woods, and vocation in the future for such mouthover the hill tops and in the valleys ing mountebanks as Ingalls, and the with washpan in hand than you race problem would soon dwindle could shake a stick at. The editor into such small proportions that it don't seem to have been attacked by the disease, as he is cool-headed enough to remark that as gold mines are not laying around loose waiting for somebody to pick them up, The Republican majority in the House of Representatives succeeded this wild hunt will result in more loss than gain to the people. Friday in carrying out the conspira-

The Monroe Chamber of Com merce and Improvement Association, contestants for seats now held by Democrats. Reed played his part' we learn from the Register, is turning its attention to the subject of with such a high hand as to ignore encouraging immigration to and tions. In spite of the protests of the investment of capital in that section. With this view it has estabthe minority the contested election lished a real estate agency for the case from West Virginia was taken up, and as the Republican majority purpose of answering the numerous letters of inquiry received and givof the committee reports in favor of seating the Republican he will, of ing such information as the writers may desire. This is a good idea and course, be seated under the same shows a progressive spirit.

Patrick H. Winston, formerly of this State, who went as an "humble efugee" into the Republican party, and then refugeed to Idaho, where he went with a land agency in his pocket as a reward for supporting Arthur in the Chicago Convention, and later refugeed to Washington Territory, has recently been appointed United States District Attorney. Pat is a festive refugee, and seems to have the knack of "getting there."

South Carolina takes the lead with snake stories. The latest is about an aged lady, somewhere about Columbia, who has had a snake in her arm for forty years. We have heard of "snakes in the boots," and we are not much disposed to doubt this snake in the arm story, but the age popularity was waning, and where ing for the passage of the service of the snake, taken in connection with the small room it had for healthful exercise, rather staggers us.

won't stand any more dilly dallying Congressman Burrows, of Michigan, says that if trusts and combines are not swept away the people will demand free trade and bury protection, which indicates that Congressman Burrows grasps the fact that the people are beginning to understand the relationship between trusts, combe called on to pay that in addition bines and the protective system.

Civil Service Commissioner Roosevelt after due investigation declares is \$16,000,000 more than last year. it as his solemn opinion that ninety per cent, of the contributions collected from small office holders for cam-The Philadelphia Quinine Manupaign purposes is so much blackmail. Well that's quite appropriate ed on quinine so that sick people will in a party where such a large prohave to pay \$3.50 an ounce for it inportion of the voters are black males, stead of 60 cents, and the aforesaid manufacturers can salt down the dif-

Senator Stanford's degree of LL.D. from a Tennessee college, has cost him thus far \$1,000. He could have policy should tax quinine as well as got it from one of the Chicago degree shops for about \$35. Dr. Harrison's LL. D.'s (two of 'em) didn't cost him | sel

> Geo. Washington Childs, of the Philadelphia Ledger, is a busy man, but has more time at his command than any other editor in this country. He has twelve hundred clocks. and keeps them all running.

teristics is looking for it in the wrong There is trouble ahead for the peo ple along the rivers in the West. The immense quantities of snow now banked up in the Rocky Mountains the Senate, and will pass the House, means floods in the spring time when refunding to the States the land tax the snow melts.

Mr. W. A. Underwood has sold half interest in the Monroe Register to Mr. E. W. Pointer, who will be by him on constitutional grounds,

Ben Butler says he has dropped politics. Politics must have been mighty slippery or mighty hot when Ben dropped 'em.

HARBOR MASTERS' REPORT.

Greater Depth of the Water on the Bar and Increase in Number of Arrivals for

The report of Capt. Jos. Price, harbor master, for the month of January, makes the following exhibit: Arrivals for the month were: Ameri-

can-4 steamers, 3,684 tons; 17 schooners, 4,676 tons. Foreign-One steamer, 981 tons; 28 barques, 11,519; five brigs, be found. It is simply another grab 1,535; two schooners, 231 tons. Total, 57 vessels, aggregating 22,628 tons.

For the month of January, 1889, the arrivals, totals, numbered 39 vessels, with an aggregate of 16,129 tons. Pilots report sounding as follows: Bald Head bar, 15 feet at mean low the opinion of a good many that the

water; Western bar, 11 feet at mean low water, The report of pilots for the same majority side in Congress is in a month in 1889, as shown by the record, Bald Head bar, 18 feet 6 inches; Western bar, 11 feet. The above is a gratifying exhibit, and shows the good work accomplished by the government engineers during the

past year, in improving the harbor, and also, the growing commerce of the port. Cotton Movement. Receipts of "the fleecy" at this port for the month of January, were 11,233 bales, as against 9,178 bales for the same

month last year; an increase of 2,055 bales. Receipts for the crop year to February 1st are 125,133 bales; to same date last year, 139,843-a decrease of 14,710

The stock is 11,602 bales, against 7,-447 at same date last year.

THE MAXTON HOMICIDE. J. D. McQueen Tried and Acquitted of

the Murder of Sim Lowrey. The trial of J. D. McQueen, town marshal of Maxton, for the murder of Sim Lowrey, a member of the noted family of outlaws of that name that once terrorized a portion of Robeson county, took place yesterday in the Superior Court at Lumberton, before Judge Bynum. The circumstances connected with the killing of Lowrey (which occurred last Saturday night, and which McQueen claimed was done in self-de-A special dispatch from Lumberton,

last night, says that the case was called at ten o'clock yesterday morning, and but little trouble was had in selecting a jury, which was secured by noon. Solicitor McNeill, who conducted the case for the State, was assisted by Mr. T. H. Sutton, of Fayetteville, and Mr. N. A. McLean of Lumberton, while Captain William Black, of Maxton, was counsel for the prisoner. All made short but forcible speeches, and the Judge's charge to the jury was direct and clear. The case was given to the jury about nightfall, and at nine o'clock a verdict of not guilty was returned and the prisoner was discharged.

YESTERDAY'S EXPORTS. Ootton and Naval Stores for Europ

Lumber for the West Indies. Messrs, Alex. Sprunt & Son cleared vesterday the British steamship Merjulio, for Ghent, with cargo of 4,050 bales of cotton, weighing 1,950,113 pounds, and valued at \$209,650.

Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co. cleared the Norwegian barque Marie, for Hull, Eng., with 3,272 barrels of rosin, valued at \$4,658. Messrs. Williams & Murchison clear-

ed the German barque Prinz Friedrich Carl, for Garston, Eng., with 4,212 barrels rosin, valued at \$5,262. Messrs. S. & W. H. Northrop cleared the schooner Edith R. Seward, for Ponce,

P. R., with 121,283 feet of lumber, valued at \$2,874 06. Mr. E. Kidder's Son cleared th schooner Roger Moore for St. Pierre, Martinique, with 263,000 feet of lumber

> ---A DERELICT SCHOONER.

and 74,900 shingles, valued at \$3,845.

The Minnie A. Bonsall Found Water-Logged and Abandoned on Frying Pan

The Signal Service Observer at Southport, at 8.10 p. m. yesterday, reported to the office in this city as follows: "The pilot boat, this morning, found

the American schooner Minnie Anna Bonsall, lumber laden, water-logged and abandoned, ashore on Frying Pan Shoals. The pilots boarded her and succeeded in getting the vessel off at high tide. The tug Alex Jones went to their assistance, met them about ten miles out, and towed the schooner as far as the Cape Fear bar, where the schooner struck again, not far from where the barque San Antonio lately went ashore. Capt. J. W. Harper thinks he can pull her off at high tide

Saturday morning." The Bonsall is a schooner of 436 tons. She is reported as having sailed January 22d from Darien, Ga., for New York. She has been a frequent visitor at this port, and her master, Capt. Lodge, is well know in shipping circles here. He, with his crew, was in all probability taken off the wreck by some other ves-

White "Exodusters."

A white family, named Bennett, from Town Creek, Brunswick county, was given lodgings at the City Hall Thursday night. The family consisted of a man about sixty years of age, his wife and eight children, the eldest child about eighteen years old. They said they were on their way to Little Rock, Ark., under an engagement with parties who had agreed to pay for their transportation and furnish supplies for a year, to be paid for in labor on a tarm. They expected to meet the agent of the parties in Arkansas-George Price, colored-in this city yesterday; but it seems that he was out of town, and in the afternoon the family left the City Hall and moved into lodgings in a house in associated with him in the manage- the vicinity. They were poorly clad, ment and editorship of that excellent | and beyond a box or two of cooked provisions, seemed to have little or no bag-

> Frying Pan Shoals. The commercial bodies of Charleston S. C .- the Chamber of Commerce and Cotton Exchange-have endorsed the recommendation of the lighthouse

board in its annual report to the Secretary of the Treasury, asking that \$60,000 be appropriated to construct and equip a light ship with steam fog signal, to be placed on Frying Pan Shoals, off the coast of North Carolina. The ship now there, when replaced, can be utilized as a relief light ship, several of which are mnch needed. The reason assigned for this change is that the signals in present use, the bell and horn, are of little or no use, excepting in very calm weather and when close to; and the danger of the shoals which these vessels are placed to indicate makes the navigation exceedingly hazardous under such cir-

The Chatham Coal. It is announced that M. Henszy, in charge of the Egypt mines, in Chathan county, is meeting with great succes, He is now mining about 150 tons of coal a day, which he is selling in Greensboro, Raleigh, Winston and other towns. This coal will be on the Wilmington market next winter, and will no doubt be sold largely by the dealers here. It is yery popular as a grate coal in Raleigh, where it now retails at \$5.00 per

- The Third District for which Mr. C. P. Lockey has been appointed census supervisor, comprises the counties of Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Cumand Sampson.

THE DAVIS LAND FUND. Over \$800 Subscribed by Citizens of Wilmington.

The readers of the STAR will remember that a short time ago a committee was appointed at a meeting of citizens to secure subscriptions to the fund to be raised to purchase lands of the late ex-President Jefferson Davis to relieve his estate from mortgages amounting to some \$40,000. Mr. Donald MacRae was chairman of the committee, which secured subscriptions amounting to \$811 from citizens of Wilmington, and which fence), were given in the STAR a few amount has been forwarded to Col. Wharton J. Green, State agent for the company, as the following will show:

> WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 25, 1890. Hon. Wharton J. Green. Fayetteville, DEAR SIR:-I enclose a check on New York for \$811.00, contributed by our citizens to the "Davis Land Co." with a

> list of the subscribers. Please kindly acknowledge the receipt of same, and oblige, Yours truly,

DONALD MACRAE, Ch'n of Committee

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C:, Jan. 28th, 1890 Mr. Donald MacRae, Chairman Davis Land Co. Committee, Wilmington, N. C .: DEAR SIR-Your esteemed favor of 25th instant, enclosing New York check for \$811 00, being amount subscribed by the citizens of Wilmington to the Davis Land Co., and also a list of the subscribers, was received by last night's mail. Thanks. Both will go forward to S. S. Carter, Treasurer of the Association, Jackson, Miss., in the next two or three days, with request to forward ertificates of stock accordingly. Trusting the example of your citizens

will stimulate other communities, I am yours, sincerely, W. J. GREEN, Agent for N. C. of Davis Land Co.

SCHOONER BONSALL. The Derelict Towed Into Southport-Crev Landed at New York.

The derelict schooner M. A. Bonsald which was found on Frying-pan shoals Friday last and was brought that evening to the mouth of the river, by Southport pilots and the tug Alexander Jones, as reported in the STAR, was towed up to Southport yesterday morning by the Jones and beached on Battery Island. An effort will be made to get the ship afloat and stop the leaks. The schooner is apparently but little damaged, although full of water. She is a large vessel and not more than eight years old. The salvors will probably get fifty per cent. of the value of the ship and cargo, The pilots who found the Bonsall aground on Frying Pan Shoals and got her off made an agreement with Capt. Harper, of the Jones, by which the latter is to receive one-third of the salvage, whatever

The officers and crew of the Bonsali were taken off by a passing steamer, and landed at New York Thursday last.

NAVAL STORES.

Stocks at the Leading Ports at the Close of January-A Comparative Statement of Receipts at this Port, The stocks of spirits turpentine, rosin

and tar at the leading naval stores ports vesterday were as follows: Spirits turpentine-Wilmington, 3,511 casks: Savannah. 10,442; Charleston, 1,702; New York, 3,897. Total, 19,552

Rosin-Wilmington, 32,224 barrels; Savannah, 75,301; Charleston, 25,674; New York, 29,006. Total, 162,205 bar-

Tar-Wilmington, 5,394 barrels; New

York, 1,715. Total, 7,109 barrels. The receipts at this port for the crop year, as compared with receipts for the corresponding time last season are as follows: Spirits turpentine, 60,005 casks, last year, 59,443. Rosin, 216,088 barrels; last year, 208,384. Tar, 55,221 barrels; last year, 47,080. Crude turpentine, 17,-831 barrels; last year, 10,560.

Foreign Exports Yesterday, Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son cleared the Norwegian barque Bjorntraa for Genoa, Italy, with 1,318 bales of cotton, weighing 622,351 pounds, and valued at \$65,350. Also, the Norwegian barque Hovding, for Liverpool, with 258 casks spirits turpentine and 3,156 barrels

rosin, valued at \$8,950. Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co. cleared the British barquentine Venture, for Liverpool, with cargo consisting of 1,250 barrels tar, 1,100 barrels rosin and 25 barrels gum thus, valued at \$3,748.25. Messrs, J. T, Riley & Co. cleared the

British barquentine Beatrice for Portau-Prince, Hayti, with 145,485 feet of lumber, valued at \$1,709 45, shipped by Messrs. Jas. H. Chadbourn & Co., and 5,000 shingles, valued at \$229 59. Messrs. Cronly & Morris cleared the

British schooner Edwin Janet, for Nassau, N. P., with 22,600 shingles, 7 barrels of flour, 3 of grits, one of kerosene oil, and one of pork; cargo valued at \$204 87. Accident on the River.

A young man named Wm. McNelty

mate of the steam tug Turner, employed on government work on the Cape Fear river below Wilmington, met with a serious accident last Thursday. The tug ran against a scow which caused one of the fenders to fly up and strike Mr. Mc-Nelty on the head. He remained unconscious for some time after receiving the blow, and until he was brought up to the city in the afternoon for treatment, but at last accounts his condition was improved, and it is hoped he will soon be well, Mr. McNelty's family reside in Jacksonville, Fla., and

Shipping Notes. Schooner Helen cleared yesterday for Savanna-la-Mar, Jamaica, with cargo of 151,418 feet of lumber and 40,000 shingles, valued at \$2,631.75. Vessel by Geo. Harriss, Son & Co., cargo by Jas. H. Chadbourn & Co.

fearing that they might be unnecessarily

alarmed the STAR was requested to

withhold an account of the occurrence

prepared for publication in yesterday's

The Norwegian barque Gyldenlove cleared for Middlesboro, Eng., with 2 .-834 barrels of rosin valued at \$3,936. & Co.

WASHINGTON. Presidential Nominations Sent to the S.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 .- The Presi dent to-day sent to the Senate the following nominations: William H. Taft. of Ohio, to be Solicitor General; Robt. Adams, Jr., of Pennsylvania, now accredited Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Empire of Brazil, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States of Brazil. WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.-The House

Elections Committee pursues its programme governing the disposal of contested election cases undisturbed by the turmoil into which its first report has plunged the House. To-day an argument by Charles F. Lancaster, counsel* for Threel, contestant for the seat now held by Clarke, of the First Alabama district, was heard by the committee, and Clarke will be heard in his own be-WASHINGTON, Feb. I .- Mr. Randall

has made for publication a statement that the effort made to blame Mr. Carlsle for non-reporting of rules from the committee on Rules, is ridiculous. Mr. Carlisle, he says, is one of the minority, not responsible for the action of the committee, and that Mr. Carlisle, to his (Randall's) knowledge, and with his concurrence and authority, has been ever ready to meet and act as the mi-

The Republicans have been making strenous efforts all day to obtain a quorum of their own members in the House, to finally dispose of the pending election case without recourse to a count of the Democrats present and not voting. Yesterday's largest vote was 163, or two less

than a Republican quorum. This morning Mr. O'Donnell, who has been unavoidably absent, returned, and the Republicans thought they saw their way clear for his vote, which, with the addition of that of the Speaker, would make up 165-just a quorum. It was soon discovered, however, that Representative Neidringhans, of Missouri, had slipped away and gone over to New York, to the extreme chagrin and dismay of the whippers-in. Telegrams were immediately dispatched to him, requesting his attendance, and it is possible that he will reach the city to-night. Meanwhile it was found that Mr. Rockwell, of Massachusetts, who is ill, was willing in the emergency to risk the danger of exposure and fatigue and come to the Capitol, so that a quorum is still among the possibilities. Other absentees on the Republican side are Mr. Wilber, of New York, who says that his attendance is out of the question, and Mr. Caswell, The latter has been at his home at the bedside of his sick wife; but news has just reached here that she is dead, and Mr. Caswell, yielding to the emergency, will sink his private griefs in his public duties and be in Washington again early next week.

NEGRO RIOTERS.

Three White Men Wounded in a Row at Morgan, Ga. MACON, GA., January 30 .- At Morgan,

Calhoun county, vesterday, a crowd of 7,000 people, mostly negroes, gathered to witness the execution of Polk Newon, a negro murderer. Interference by the Governor, however, prevented th execution, but the crowd lingered in town, and there was much drinking. It the afternoon a riot took place, in which race lines were pretty strictly drawn It was caused by a drunken negro strikng a white child, and attempts of the town officers to arrest the negro. A great many shots were fired, with the result that one white man was fatally wounded and three others seriously The crowd disappeared, and it is no known how many negroes were injured, but none were killed. Whiskey was the

SOUTH CAROLINA BONDS.

cause of the trouble.

Decision by the United States Circuit Court at Charleston. CHARLESTON, Jan. 30 .- Jedge Bond of the U.S. Circuit Court, has instructed receiver Chamberlain, of the South Carolina Railroad, to tender coupons of the South Carolina State bonds known as

the Green bonds for taxes of the South Carolina Railway for the year 1889. The taxes amount to \$18,400. The Green bonds were declared invalid by the Board of Commissioners of the State in 1877. The tender of these coupons for taxes was refused by the State fiseal officers: and the State will probably endeavor to enforce its claim for taxes, An injunction will then be taken out in the United States Circuit

Court until the validity or invalidity of the Green Bonds shall have been determined by the United States Supreme

BROKE JAIL.

Escape of Lige Moore who was to Have been Hanged at Greensboro Next Fri-

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 31 .- A Chronicle special from Greensboro to-night says that Lige Moore (colored), who was to have been hanged next Friday for the murder of Laura Hyatt, escaped from iail to-day. He procured an iron bar with which he opened his cell, and then fastened in the jailor, who was at work on the gallows on the third floor. The iailor raised an alarm, but did not attract attention until Moore had made

good his escape. DEBT STATEMENT.

Decrease Since January \$12,245,895. Wyshington, Feb. 1,-The debt tatement issued from the Treasury today shows-decrease of the debt during January \$12,245,895.19; decrease since June 30, \$35,939,605,31. Total interest bearing debt \$824,018,188.85. Total debt of all kinds, \$1,611,281,183,86, Total debt. less available credits, \$1,040,707, 016.14. Total cash in Treatury, \$617,-055,055.54; legal tenders notes outstanding \$346,737,458; certificates of deposit, \$11,630,000; gold certificates, 169; silver certificates, \$281,331,771; fractional currency, \$6,914,132.47,

FOREIGN COTTON SAMPLERS. The Alien Labor Contract Cases at Nor folk Dismissed by Judge Bond.

NORFOLR, VA., Feb. 1.-In the United Circuit Court to-day the case against Worsley, Cox & Co., English cotton buyers, and for importing foreign contract labor into this country in violation of the revised statutes, was dismissed by Judge Bond, upon the ground of lack of jurisdiction. The men brought here were cotton graders, and the plea entered by the defence was that 'Worsley, Cox & Co. were foreigners, only here during Hanover, Onslow, Robeson, Richmond Vessel and cargo by Paterson, Downing were clerks who would leave at the close of the season with the firm.

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IN THE HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REP RESENTATIVES. The Members Resolve to Continue to Fight Under the Lead of Carlisle,

Crisp and Mills. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, Jan, 31.-Undaunted by their defeat to-day, the Democratic Representatives rallied in force to-night n caucus, to consult over the extent of the injuries they had sustained as the result of the Speaker's rulings, supported and confirmed by the Republican Representatives, and to devise ways and means to preserve such power and in fluence as in their opinion should be exercised by the minority.- They were not of cheerful mien, but it was a de termined looking set of men who drifted into the hall of the House to-night. Mr. Holman presided, and there was a large attendance, about 120 members be-

Mr. Rogers, of Arkansas, who was among the first speakers, stated that he had heard Representative Payne, of New York, say that Mr. Carlisle was responsible for the delay in the presentation of rules, and that they would have been before the the House ten days ago if he had done his duty.

This brought Mr. Carlisle to his feet with a vigorous denial. He said that there had been only three meetings of the Committee on Rules, the first being on the 23d of January. There had been no meeting in the committee room. He had received no written notice of a meeting of the Committee on Rules since the beginning of Congress. But he had been sent for by the Speaker, and had met him and Messrs. McKinley and Cameron at the Speaker's room at the Speaker's request. He had been sent for to attend two other meetings at the Speaker's request, lasting only about twenty minutes each. He had promptly attended every meeting called. There

had been no meeting since last Monday When Mr. Carlisle had refuted the charge of dereliction of duty on his part, a letter was presented to the caucus from Representative Randall. He advised the Democrats to stay in the House and stand by their guns; to use every effort to stop absolutely all business in the House until a set of rules had been adopted. This stirring advice from the old-time leader, lying on his sick-bed, was extremely welcome to his fellow Democrats, and was moreover in the line of action that they decided to follow. There was much talk of course and some of the members were bitter in their denounciation of the proceedings of the last three days; but conservative ounsel prevailed, and it was felt that the party had better follow the leadership Messrs. Carlisle, Crisp and Mills. No one could suggest any new obstructive tactics that promised well, and the general opinion was to the effect that the programme followed during the last three days should be continued in force, and that every parliamentary move that would obstruct the Republicans in their designs should be made. The reading of the Journal in full is to

be insisted upon, and is expected to consume an hour of each day; the yeas and nays are to be demanded at every step, and appeals are to be taken from all rulings regarded as arbitrary and unjust v the minority There was no formal resolution to this

effect adopted, however, Carlisle with the aid of other leaders will draw up an address to the country, which will be published in justification f the cause of the minority.

During the speech making the subject securing intervention of the Supreme Court, to attempt to establish the illegal nature of the Republican proceedings, was broached, but no action was taken.

NEW YORK BANK TROUBLES. The Situation Practically Unchanged-

Depositors Clamoring for their Money and Payment in Full Guaranteed. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 1.-The situaion about the Sixth National Equitable and Lenox Hill Banks this morning was practically unchanged, except indeed that the depositors appeared to be out in arge numbers. There were many business men among them, who still indulged the hope that some turn might take place which will permit of their receiving money enough to pay off their employes. The ordinary depositors held heir ground, determined that if the ousiness men got any money, so would they, and as one young lady put it They would see that there was no makng fish of one and flesh of another." The following notice was posted or the window of the National Bank a

quarter to twelve o'clock: Mr. Leland has advanced funds sufficient to guarantee the payment of depositors in full at as early a date as proper arrangements can be made for that

(Signed) A. R. HEPBURN, Late in the day Mr. Geo. H. Pell was brought down to the U.S. building from the Ludlow street jail. The counsel fo Pell, ex-Judge Donohue, says that he will make a motion for a reduction of bail before Commissioner Shields this afternoon.

MINE DISASTER.

Two Workmen Killed and Five Imprisoned.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WILKESBARRE, PA., Feb. 1,-A fall of rock took place in the Nottingham mine, of the Lehigh & Wilkesbarre Coal Company, in No. 5 plane this morning, which drove the accumulated gas into the gangway, where ten men had been at work with naked lamps, and an explosion soon followed. All the men were more or less seriously injured and badly burned; one man and one boy were killed, and five men are imprisoned, and there is little hope of their being alive. Nottingham shaft, which was the greatest anthracite coal mine in the world, is nearly a total wreck. It had at one time an output of 3,000 tons a day.

PISTOLS AND COWHIDES. Meeting Expected on the Field

Honor. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 1.-A special to the News & Courier says: J. Norris and Benjamin Gardner are to meet on the "field of honor" to-day. The trouble is said to have started vesterday, when Gardner cowhided Norris on the public streets of Edgefield. Gardner was accompanied by several friends who covered Norris with pistols, while Gardner applied the lash upon Norris. The cow-hiding was for not fulfilling his engagement with Gardner's sister.

The United States squadron has arrived at Toulon.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- Charlotte News: Mr. George W. King, a prominent citizen of Long Creek township, Mecklenburg county, died suddenly yesterday afternoon at his

- Statesville Landmark: The singular sight of honey dew hanging from the limbs of pine trees in January has been remarked upon by different of our correspondents. It has been noticed in various parts of this and adjoining counties. A citizen of Union Grove township, north Iredell, who was here some days ago, spoke of seeing it hang-ing like ropes from the limbs of pines in his county. And so this January has been about as busy a month for the bees as the average July.

- Salisbury Watchman: All through this section full crops of small grain have been sown by the farmers. We have never seen wheat, oats and rye looking so well, and if not hurt by insects, the next harvest will be bountiful. - Mr. Thomason reports that bones, so charred that they are unrecognizable, have been found in the ashes of his barn that was burned last Saturday night, and it is thought that possibly a tramp had gone into it to sleep that night and had accidentally set it on fire and been consumed. - A robbery was committed Tuesday night at the residence of Mr. Charles Bingham. Some person or per-sons entered the house about 2 o'clock n the morning and carried a trunk down stairs into the lot back of the house, and rifled it of its contents, Considerable jewelry was taken, which was valued very highly as heirlooms.

-Laurinburg Exchange: Between 4.30 o'clock and daybreak last Sunday morning, some rogue forced an entrance into the small store room of Randolph McKay, colored on Main street and stole therefrom \$19 21. - Last Wednesday Mr. Luther Aydlott understood Mr. L. A. Monroe to offer him five dollars to climb and go over the south wall of the Hamer & Fields brick building, and thereupon started up on its projections, successfully scaling and going over the top of the wall. Immediately after coming down Mr. Aydlott demanded the money of Mr. Monroe, who refused to pay it on the grounds that it was a joke, and that he called him back before he went very far. Mr. Aydlott then employed Mr. J. D. Shaw, Jr., and sued Mr. Monroe, who employed Mr. W. H. Neal, for the money, and the case was tried by 'Squire G. W. Wright, who decided that Mr. Monroe should pay the money. An appeal was immediately taken by the defendant to the Superior Court, where Judge Bynum will pass judgment on the

- Lenoir Topic: It is probably not generally known that about the year 1815 the Curris lands in the Richlands, the mineral interest in which was leased a week or so ago, to the Columbia Mining Company, were worked for silver by a joint stock company. - Two very forlorn tramps were in town -last week They were a couple, a man and his wife, running from starvation in Hyde county where they were drowned out. They report a most deplorable state of affairs in that county. They say that poor people are forced to leave or starve and that only those who own considerable property can remain at all. - We saw two beautiful serpentine Indian pipes, last week. They were bought by Dr. on Elk. That Elk country is remarkably rich in Indian relics. One of the pipes was made exactly in the shape of a hatchet, the bowl being the head, the stem entering the eye and the bottom or part to hold by, being the sharp edge. In front a figure of a man's face was carved.

- Asheville Citizen: The criminal court disposed of seven minor cases yesterday. The grand jury returned sixteen true bills; among them, was one indicting Alfred McElrath for the killing of Charles Rickets . - News has reached the city of the suicide of Dr. H. F. Herriot, a native of Georgetown, S. .. but for the past four years a resident of Brevard, on the 29th inst. He shot nimself in the head with a pistol. He had been suffering for years with suicidal mania, which increased by the infirmities or weakness of old age, he being 72 years old. — Ollie Bright, a bright looking boy of fourteen, was arrested by Sheriff Reynolds on Tuesday night for the robbery of John White's house at Beaverdam. Bright admits the charge and will be tried at the present term of the criminal court. The youth entered the house while the people were away and took \$15 in money. - A colored child three or four years old, iving on Valley street, was burned to death yesterday. The child was shut up in a room while its parents were at

gular annual meeting of the Cumberland County Agricultural Society was held in the Town Hall Tuesday. The election of officers was as follows: Walter Watson, President; Walter A. Tillinghast, Secretary; A. A. McKethan, Treasurer. Vice Presidents—Jas. B. Huske, J. S. Breece, Z. W. Whitehead, J. S. Evans. Executive Committee-Jas. B. Smith. W. W. Huske, W. S. Cook, J. A. Mc-Pherson, Geo. W. Lawrence, Jno. P. McLean, W. B. Draughon; E. S. Saunders and Jas. Thames. ——Mr. John M. McRae, for some time with the agent at Jonesboro, has been appointed station agent at Parkersburg on the Wilmington division of the C. F. & Y. V. Railway. - The cold finger of death has again beckoned to his last resting place another one of the old landmarks of Fayetteville in the person of Mr. Thos. McDaniel, who died at his home in this place, Friday morning, January 24th, 1890, in the 83rd year of his age. The Fayetteville Iron Bound Bucket factory now runs day and night to keep up with their orders. Mr. Denny, the Superintendent, tells us they have orders in already for one thousand dozen buckets, &c. The company contemplates enlarging their capital stock from ten to twenty-five thousand. In that event a mammoth factory will at once be built and the capacity greatly in-

-Fayetteville Observer: The re-

- Raleigh News and Observer: Col. L. L. Polk is ill at his residence. - An emigration agent while going through Durham with a train load of negroes the other day is reported to have stated there that the agents would take every single negro out of the counties of Craven, Johnston and Edgecombe before April. - Mr. H. T. Lyle, the head of the corps of census agents at work in this State taking the recorded indebtedness, stated to the News and Observer yesterday that the work of taking the statistics in this county was con-cluded last night. He stated that the indebtedness was much less than most people probably supposed. He estimates that the total number of mortgages in this county for the past ten years is about forty-five hundred This number does not have reference to crop liens. A number of agents are scattered all over the State in the various counties under Mr. Lyle's the ction. He states that the work dire entire State will probably be concluded within sixty days from the time it was begun, - Gov. Fowle yesterday commuted the death sentences of two men who were sentenced to be hanged on February 7th, for which date five executions were set, three besides the two commuted yesterday. These men are Samuel Halford and N. P. Willis, of Rutherford county. Both were convicted of burglary at the spring term of Rutherford county Court, 1889, and sentenced to death. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court. The sentence was confirmed, and the 7th of February was designated by the Governor as the day for execution. Sufficiently good reasons for changing the sentence to life imprisonment have been presented His Excellency and this has

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