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A FACTORY OF STATES.

The New York Sun aptly calls the 51st Congress a factory of States. It started out with the full determination to admit into the Union every territory which asked to come in, which had established the fact that there were Republican votes enough in it to elect a Legislature and thus ensure the election of two Republican United States Senators. This was the qualification, and the sole qualification for admission. No Democratic territory, need apply.

Idaho was a Democratic territory and applied at the same time that the two Dakotas, Washington and Montana did. But she then had a Democratic delegate in Congress, and she was sent to the rear, until that Democratic majority was overcome. Since then the decision of the Supreme Court sustaining the constitutionality of the Edmund's law disfranchising the Mormons in the territory, has given the Republicans a majority, she knocks at the door and is welcomed. Wyoming comes with her. New Mexico, which also knocked at the door when they did, was indiscreet enough to elect a Democratic delegate and has the door slammed in her face.

The two Dakotas, Washington, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming give the Republicans twelve Senators, seven Congressmen and (unless politically revolutionized in the meantime) nineteen electoral votes.

Here is the secret of the eagerness to admit them and of the unseemly haste with which they were taken in in fours and twos.

It was a bold political game that captured eight Senators, five Representatives, and thirteen electoral votes at one dash, and four Senators two Representatives, and six electoral votes at another. It is not every party that could do that, nor every party that would be bold enough and unscrupulous enough to

But they have done it. It was licans in Congress, except in one instance, we believe, when the Republicans voted with the Democrats in Middle and Eastern States helped the scheme and gave their votes for it. The time will come when they will pay the penalty, and realize the fact that they helped to

The relative strength of the parties in all of the new States is close, the Republican majority so small that, it may at any time be reversed. within the next few years, if there | net reduction \$20,000,000. were no other causes to operate, entirely change their political complex- been put to work to figure up and ion, and it is not an improbable the present Senators expire a majority of them if not all will be found in \$12,000,000. This treasury expert

is naturally with the other Western | ning in a confused and tangled way, States whose interests and theirs undoing or trying to undo one day are in many respects identical. The what they did the day before, when West is gradually but surely breaking away from the East and looking | raised the war whoop. to the South for fellowship in commercial, financial, economic and po- sugar; the free list will make a relitical questions. On some of the duction of about \$6,000,000, and issues of the day, which will be still other reductions will foot up somegreater issues in the future, the East | where about \$5,000,000, \$38,000,000 and West are as far apart as the an- in all, so that if the treasury man's tipodes. On such questions as the figures are right these \$38,000,000 currency, the coinage of silver, improvements of rivers and harbors, sundry features of the tariff and \$50,000,000, which will come out of other things they are at irreconcila- the people in some way, and be ble variance now and will be levied on those things which are used still more so as these questions by the greatest number of people, become more prominent and are such as wool and woollen goods, brought to the front by the discus- hemp, flax, earthenware, glassware, sions which they will evoke. These | tin-plates, &c., in all of which the twelve votes in the Senate may then tariff taxes have been increased. be used for a purpose far differ- This means that the people will pay, ent from the calculations of the if the McKinley fraud should pass, Eastern gentlemen, who showed \$50,000,000 more of tariff taxes than such ardent partisan zeal in making | they did before Mr. McKinley and them. There will then be some his co-tinkers undertook the work howling done over this thing, and it of remodelling the tariff and of rewill not be done by the South, which | ducing the revenue. honestly tried to prevent this great folly and this great fraud.

MINOR MENTION.

the safety of the Senate, and of the

States." Mr. Evarts is regarded as

the great legal and constitutional lu-

minary on the Republican side of

the Senate, and they held him in re-

serve to bring up the rear and close

up any gaps that his Republican col-

leagues might have left open. Mr.

Hoar, Spooner and other Republi-

cans, however, argued that the Re-

publican candidates for the Legisla-

ture from Silver Bow county were

elected because there were in one of

the precincts 134 votes cast by

"aliens," which gave the Democratic

candidates a majority, but which

were thrown out by the Republican

canvassing board. They go behind

the returns, where Senator Evarts

declares they have no right to go, to

find justification for the canvassing

claring the minority candidates

elected. After this constitutional

opinion by Mr. Evarts it would be

interesting to have his opinion on

the right of the House of Represen-

tatives to go behind the returns in

the Congressional districts, unseat

Democrats and put Republicans in

their places, as they are doing.

There seems to be, if Mr. Evarts be

correct, and Reed and his gang cor-

rect, one kind of a constitution for

the Senate and another for the

House, or an India-rubber one, that

In their eagerness to make some

by such small matters as population.

When they want a few Senators

and Representatives they go out and

lug in some more territories, if they

happen to be of the right political

admitted and the two territories to

be admitted have not population

all combined, to equal New York or

Pennsylvania, and yet they will give

the Republican party twelve Sena-

tors against two from either

of these States. Wyoming hasn't

more than 80,000 population but

she will walk in with two Senators,

Idaho not more than 100,000, and

she will walk in with two more. They

took Nevada in for the same reason

that they are taking these frontier

settlements in now, to get a couple

of Senators, and for ten years her

population has been dwindling down,

the mining camps having been de-

serted, until it now numbers no more

than 35,000. But she has her two

Senators all the same. What a ri-

diculous farce this whole business is.

It is now pretty well settled that

there will be no World's Fair at

Chicago before 1898 to celebrate the

discovery of America by Columbus,

but the Senate Committee favors in

the meantime the celebration of the

event with an international naval

display in New York harbor, another

at Hampton Rhodes, and a civic dis-

play in Washington some time in the

spring preceding the opening of the

Fair. The Government is expected,

of course, to appropriate liberally to

these shows, which may amuse the

people who care to see them. If

Congress had taken a sensible view

of this question, had not wasted the

time it did in haggling over the

place to locate it, and had decided in

favor of Washington where it was

originally intended by the suggest-

ers of the World's Fair that it should

contemplated, would be a grand offer

of which the country would be proud,

and there would have been none of

that disgusting wrangling over it be-

Already some of the manufacturers

tween rival cities.

stretches to suit.

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last elections 246,923 votes, and fruits and nuts, and nearly \$14,000,have, based upon these figures, 000 in tobacco, in the former of presumably a population in round figures of 1,000,000. New at all, and in the latter only a lim-York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Missouri cast in the last election 4,967,451 of imports upon which protection is votes, and have a population of given in which the farmers generally about 25,000,000. The least of these are interested, would not foot up six States more than doubles the enmore than \$25,000,000, as comparedtire voting population of the six new in round numbers with \$600,000.000 States combined. The vote of the of exports. For the ridiculous progreatest, New York, is more than tection they get on these \$25,000,000 five times as large as the voting popand of imports, they will have to pay ulation of all of them combined, ten fold in the increased taxes if the while the population of the six oththe bill as manipulated by McKiner States is twenty-five times as great as the population of the six new ones, and yet these little manufactured boroughs walk into the Sen-There seems to be a lack of harate with as many Senators as these mony among the Republican Senagreat populous States. Twelve brand tors as to the power of the Senate to new Senators with less than 250,000 go behind the returns to decide as to votes all told. What a burlesque, whether the Democratic or Republiwhat a bald face fraud these conspican claimants are entitled to seats in ring plotters played on the other the Senate. Mr. Evarts held Friday States to secure twelve Senators, so that the Senate had no right to recalled, to hold the power they felt vise the returns of the territorial canslipping away from their grasp. The vassing board and that this was "the like was never seen before and never proposition of the constitution, of will be again.

A STUPENDOUS FRAUD. The Republican tariff tinkers never thought of remodelling the tariff until they were whipped into it by public sentiment and then when they undertook it it it was not with the view to lessen the burdens of which the people complained, but to humbug the people and to placate. the men who demanded still more protection for many of the numerous industries which were already pro-

For nearly thirty years they have been building up the infant industries" with a high protective tariff, higher on many things now than it ever was, and still the "infant industries," which it seems never outgrow their infancy, cry out for more protection than ever. After all the nursing and coddling and spoonfeeding for thirty years the infants haven't yet got strong enough to stand alone. If at the end of thirty years they are still infants that need to be nursed how long will it be, under the present nourishing system of protection, before they are able to

The McKinley Committee when it took the tariff matter in hand seems to have devoted itself first to quieting the wailing of these infants and next to humbugging the people by making them believe there would be a great reduction of the tariff duties, and at the same time delude the farmers by pretending to give them protection on their farm products. In all these respects the bill as drafted by the majority of the committee is an unmitigated fraud and shows that McKinley and his co-tinkers didn't know what they were doing, or done by the sold vote of the Republihat Jey were knowingly perpetrat-

When the first bill was put in shape and its substance given to the public opposition. The Republicans of the Mr. McKinley estimated that the revenue would be reduced about \$60,000,000. This bill raised such a racket that the committee decided to revise it and the result was another bill which Mr. McKinley thinks will shape the clubs to batter their own make a reduction of \$20,000,000; which, it may be remarked, is a pretty heavy tumble from \$60,000,-000 in a few weeks. This is, o course, after estimating the increased revenue from imports on which the The increase of population may tariff has been raised, making the

Now a treasury expert who has estimate the results gives it as his thing at all that before the terms of | conclusion that there will not be any reduction at all, but an increase of the Democratic column. Then will is more apt to be correct than Mr. come, or even before that, the retri- McKinley and his co-laborers on the committee who seem to have been The sympathy of these new States | floundering along from the beginsome protected interest pleaded or

There is a cut of \$27,000,000 on will be made up, which added to the \$12,000,000 will give a revenue of

the proposed new tariff bill to cut down the wages and getimore, work out of their employes. The Hart-The most shameful feature about ford Carpet Manufacturing Company this fraud, is the pretended protec-A glance at the figures of pop- tion it offers to the farmer, in the has reduced the pay of its operatives ulation of these new States and increase of the duties imposed upon and increased the hours of work some of the more populous older farm products. The total amount from fifty-four to sixty per week, States shows with striking force the of imports of agricultural products giving as a reason the proposed monstrosity of this colossal fraud. last year was \$56,636,385, of which These six new States cast at their nearly \$18,000,000 was in tropical They expect to pay the extra duty by Williams & Murchison. These six new States cast at their nearly \$18,000,000 was in tropical They expect to pay the extra duty by Williams & Murchison.

and get even by taking it out of their workmen in reduced wages and extra which our farmers are not interested time. The high tariff is a big thing for the workman. ited number who grow a certain kind STATE TOPICS. of tobacco, so that the total amount

Asheville is coming to the front as a city of hotels. Notwithstanding the fact that she has some very fine hotels already, she lacks hotel accommodations. Others are to be built. J. H. Inman, President of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company favors building one to cost \$250,000 and will submit the matter and urge it upon the board of managers. Asheville is becoming a favorite resort of Northern and Western people, many of whom were unable during the past winter to find accommodation in the hotels and had to go to Florida.

Congressman Phelan, by telegraph, informed Hon, John M. Fleming, a Knoxville editor, that he was a "liar, a coward and a scoundel," and that he would meet him at Knoxville to "arrange preliminaries." The editor thought this such a good joke, that he published it in his paper and then took his pencil, sharpened it and tattooed Mr. Phelan, until that gentleman did not know whether he ought to laugh at himself until he was sick, or go out and hire a mule to kick him into the middle of next week for making himself so ridicu-

A fellow who rolled a big ball from Washington to Indianapolis during the campaign of 1888, and left it at the President's house as an evidence of the stock he took in the grandson of his grandfather, is now working on the streets or Washington after vainly trying to get an appointment for his ball rolling. Mr. Harrison concluded he could find fools enough to put into office without picking up such colossal speciboard for throwing out votes and de- mens as this.

The Emperor William, who is desirous of showing his good will to this country, has ordered that great consideration shall be shown to the American Riflemen who go over to take part in the coming Schutzenfest. If the Kiser really loves this country and desires to make himself solid with it, let him recognize the American hog.

Southwest Kansas is rejoicing in copious rains, putting an end to a a protracted drought. The people down below along the Mississippi, who are being drowned out, do not enter into the joyful spirit of the Southmore Republican Senators and Repwest Kansas people. Ger. Greely resentatives the Republican solons does the best he can, but it is right in Washington are not influenced hard for him to please everybody.

The Speaker of the House of Commons knows how to squeeze out on a pinch. A woman reporter tried to gain admission to the Press gallery and the case was referred to complexion. The four new States him. He decided that there was no law to exclude her, but as there was no law to admit her she would have

Senator Hoar thinks the "Sunday newspaper the greatest curse of modern times." Well, maybe they are, but it is a sort of nip-and-tuck between them and such mouthy hypocrites as Hoar, who while sanctimoniously denouncing Sunday newspapers considers it orthodox to steal a

It is said that Secretary Blaine is not in favor of sending Billy Mahone as Consul General to Paris. The French are not in the best of humor over the proposed increase of tariff on silk, and Mr. Blaine thinks sending Mahone over there would be piling it on them too heavy.

It takes six bushels of corn Kansas to pay for a dollar a year paper, and as the farmers need their corn for fuel they have to give up their papers.

INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURING CO. Now at Work on an Order for One Million Dishes-What the Installment Plan

The Industrial Manufacturing Company are now at work on an order for one million butter dishes. This will do right well for a single order, and looks

very like business, The Company are receiving enquiries from Wisconsin, Ohio, New York, Georgia and other States, and samples have been sent in response to these enquiries. In anticipation of the brisk work ahead,

additional machinery has been ordered. The additional six hundred shares recently authorized by the stockholders be held, it would be held at the time has all been taken, and the cash receipts of the Company entirely outside of receipts from sale of its products, are now three hundred dollars per week; and this large aggregate is made up from payments of twenty-five cents per share per week. What an argument in favor of the instalment plan.

are beginning to take advantage of Rosin for England.

The British barque Trossachs sailed from Southport yesterday for Hull, England, with a cargo of 3,061 barrels rosin and 2,200 barrels tar, valued at \$7,800, and shipped by Messrs. Paterson, Down-

ing & Co. The Norwegian barque Leif Erikson terday morning about 11 a. m. and came in at Wrightsville about 3 p. m. She goes up to Topsail Inlet by the inside 5,676 barrels of rosin, valued at \$7,-

ONE OF THE FLOOD SUFFERERS.

The Sad Story of a Colored Exeduster-His

Wife and Five Children Drowned with

a Number of Others from Wilmington -Pitiable Condition of the Survivors. John Evans, of this city, who went out with a party of exodusters last November to Washington County, Miss., returned home last night and gives a deplorable account of the sufferings of the colored people who went from this State to Mississippi. Evans was with a party of thirty who were on a raft that was wrecked on Bogue river last Friday near the Sunflower river, when twelve of the party were washed off and drowned. The others were sayed by means of a skiff attached to the raft. All of the drowned were from this city, and six of them were members of Evans' family-his wife, Donah, two daughters, Rachel and Emma, and three sons, Benjamin, Gilmore and William, Two members of Henderson Myer's family-his wife and grand-daughter-were also drowned. Besides these, were Isaiah Boston's wife; Susan Weston, her daughter Hester, and her son John Henry; all of Wilming-

The party were on the raft about wenty-four hours, and had drifted sixty miles in that time. They were on Jonas Goodman's plantation, on Bogue Creek, and were driven from their homes by

Evans says that hundreds of our people are in that county, and many have been drowned; the sufferings of the survivors are truly distressing.

Besides himself, only one member of

Evans' family was saved-an infant about a year old-with which he swam out when the raft was wrecked. Vicksburg, he says, is full of refugees: many colored people from North Carolina being among the number. All are anxious to return but have no means to

RECOGNITION OF SERVICES.

estimonial from the Insurance Company of North America to Officers and Crew of the U. S. Steamer Colfax.

Some thirty days ago the Italian barque Antonino, bound from Sicily to Wilmington, was dismasted off the coast during a heavy gale. Happily the U.S. revenue steamer Colfax hove in sight, and giving a cable to the disabled vesse towed her to a point of safety.

The Insurance Company of North America of Philadelphia, insurers of the cargo of the Antonino, in recognition of the efficient service of the steamer Colfax, directed their Wilmington agent to present to the officers and crew of the Colfax a check for \$200, which is thus handsomely acknowledged by Captain Moore:

U. S. REVENEU STEAMER COLFAX, WILMINGTON, N. C., April 9, 1890. Col. J. W. Atkinson, Agent Insurance Company of North America, of Phila-

DEAR SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a check for two hundred dollars (\$200), which has been presented through you by the In-surance Company of North America of Philadelphia to the officers and crew of the Colfax, in recognition of the assistance rendered on the 11th ultimo to the Italian barquentine Antonino. It is very gratifying to know that our

services in this matter are appreciated, and in behalf of the officers and crew of the Colfax I beg to tender sincere thanks to yourself and to the company you represent. The sum named has been distributed

pro rata, as is the custom in such cases. With the assurance that we are always ready and willing to render whatever aid may be in our power to vessels in distress.

I remain, with the highest regard, Very truly yours. J. B. MOORE. Captain U. S. R. M. commanding Colfax. MAXTON, N. C.

A Manufacturing Company With a Capital Stockof \$100,000.

The stockholders of the Maxton Manufacturing Company, at a meeting held April 10th, elected the following officers, viz: J. C. McCaskill, President; John Leach, Vice President; and E. F. McRae, Secretary and Treasurer. The object of the meeting was ex-

plained to be the formation of a company to establish general manufacturing industries in Maxton. The enterprise met with hearty support, and the company was soon organized with a limited stock of \$100,000. It was decided that 10 per cent, of the capital stock subscribed be paid in next Saturday evening. The meeting was very enthusiastic and harmonious and everybody is in fine spirits at the little town's future outlook.

Spirits on a Boom in Savannah.

The News, of April 9th, says: Turpentine appears to be on a boom much like cleaned rice was last week. There was a sharp advance of a cent a barrel yesterday. One buyer was una-ble to buy fifty barrels yesterday, although he made the rounds of the Bay. The best he could do was to buy twenty barrels at 38 cents, and last night a Morning News reporter was present when the gentleman engaged thirty barrels to arrive this morning at 381/4 cents, a figure which it is believed spirits will reach to-day. The scarcity of turpentine is said to account for the rise.

The Naval Stores Movement

Receipts of naval stores from April 1st to April 11th, as compared with reposted at the Produce Exchange, are as that some time in the ollows: Spirits turpentine, 483 casks; last year, 594. Rosin, 12,617 barrels; last year, 7,106. Tar, 2,655 barrels; last year, 5,147. Crude turpentine, 330 barrels; last year, 117.

Stocks at this port as compared with stocks at same date last year, are: Spirits turpentine, 934 casks; last year, 444. Rosin, 15,907 barrels; last year, 77,-235. Tar. 3.315 barrels; last year, 8,418. Crude turpentine, 1,270 barrels; last year,

- The little flat-bottomed 18-inch draft side-wheel U. S. steamer H. G. Wright wentout of Cornake Inlet yes-

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Meeting of the Ways and Means Commi tee-The Tariff Bill to be Reported to the House on Monday Next-The Case of the Old Dominion Republican League for Violating the Civil Service Law-Army Officers Court Martialed-Republican Caucus on the Silver Coinage Pro-

WASHINGTON, April 10.-According to the arrangement made when the Tariff bill was laid before the Ways and Means Committee, by the Republican members; ten days ago, it was called up for final disposition, so far as the committee is concerned, this morning. Without reading the long bill a direct vote was taken upon the question of reporting it to the House with favorable recommendation, just as it stands. The result was that the report was ordered by a party vote. Chairman McKinley desired to make a report to the House at once, but as Mr. Carlisle stated that he had not quite completed the report of the minority, and desired a few days time, an understanding was reached that the bill should be reported to the House on Monday next. The committee wil have another meeting on that day, and will endeavor to adopt the programme for debate in the House.

WASHINGTON, April 10 .- Two days notice secured a full attendance for the ceusus of Republican Representatives to-night. The object of the call as announced by Representative Dingley, of Maine, who presided, was ar rangement of the order of business for the remainder of the session, but it soon transpired that the silver problem was of such engrossing interest as to throw other matters in the background The subject was broached by chairman Conger, of the Coinage Committee, who recently reported the modified Windom bill. He explained in detail the provisions of the bill, noted the changes that had been made in Secretary Windom's original plan by the Committee, and gave the reasons for making them. He believed that the measur was strong and calculated to meet the public demand for a more liberal supoly of money. It was highly expedient that the Republicans should agree upon some measure of this kind so as to present an united front when the subject came up for discussion in the House.

A feature of the debate was the remarkable strength of the free coinage men, and as an Eastern member expressed it, the House is apparently retrained from passing a free coinage bill only from fear of a Presidential veto. The caucus lasted until 11 o'clock, and of the silver question. McKinley and Cannon taking a prominent part in it; the former championing the House Committee bill, and the latter showing a decided leaning toward the compromise between the two views represented by the House and Senate propositions. No attempt was made to take a direct vote upon any proposition except the one which was adopted providing for the appointment of a committee of sixteen, to nclude Republican members of the Coinage Committee, which is to consid-

er the entire subject. WASHINGTON, April 10 .- In the case of the Old Dominion Republican League. against the officers of which action has peen instituted in the courts of this District for violation of the United States Civil Service law, it has been determined to waive all further proceedings, and to admit the statement of fact on the part of the defendant, C. N. Newton, President of the League, in order that the same may be passed upon in a higher court and final decision had in the Supreme Court of the United States. Newton, who is not a Government officer, and who is charged with violation of the Civil Service law by soliciting contributions of Government employes for campaign purposes, will test the right, under the Civil Service law, to soicit such contributions by one not in the employment of the Government, and also test the question whether the sending of a letter by such one to a Government employee and delivered on his desk, is solicitation forbidden by the twelfth section of the Civil Service law, and, if it is solicitation, whether that law

is consistent with the Constitution of the United States Newton's case is important, as it involves personal rights as well as grave constitutional questions. Col. W. E. Sims of Virginia, A K. Brown of Washington, and A. Worth Spates of Baltimore, have been retained as counsel for Newton. It is expected that W. W. Dudley of Washington, and Representative Houk of Tennessee, will be asso-

ciated with them in the case. First Lieut, J. V. S. Paddock, Fifth Cavalry, was recently tried by court martial at Fort Lavenworth, Kansas, on the charge of having duplicated his pay accounts. The record of proceedings and findings in the case has been acted upon by reviewing officers of the War Department, and the case has been submitted to the President. It is assumed from this action that the court found the officer guilty, and sentenced him to dismissal from the service, as otherwise the President would not be called upon

The court martial which tried Lieut. Steel, at Chicago, for conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman, in striking private Dell P, Wild, found him guilr and sentenced him to be reprimande and to be confined within the limits of his post for three months. The proceedings and findings of the court have

WASHINGTON, April 11.-The Senate

Quadro-Centennial Committee met this morning, and ordered the World's Fair bill to be reported with some amendments, one of which is the Daniel proposition in a somewhat emaseulated form. The committee, at the suggestion of Senator Gray, modified the provision with respect to the President being satisfied of the bona fide character of the Chicago subscriptions, by making it read that he shall be satisfied of the "responsible character" of the subscriptions before inviting foreign nations to participate. The Daniel amendment ceipts for the same time last year as was modified so as to provide the date not particularized, before time for the opening of the Exposition, there shall be an International Naval display in New York harbor and Hampton Roads, and a civic celebration in Washington at the time of the dedication of the statue proposed to Columbus. There is no appropriation made in the bill for these celebrations, this being left for Congress to provide some time in the future. The Chicago men agreed to these amendments, in the hope that it would facilitate the bill's passage, but had them so modified as not to interfere with or detract in any way from the opening at Chicago. A sub-committee, consisting of Senators Hiscock, Hawley and Daniel, was appointed to make the bill conform to the expression of the wishes of the Committee and to draw up a report. At the suggestion of Senator Farwell, Senator Hawley was selected as the manager of the bill on the floor.

morning by the House Committee on Agriculture upon Mr. Butterworth's bill to prevent dealings in options and futures. Delegates were present from the New York Produce and Cotton Exchanges, the Chicago Board of Trade, and the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, all to protest against the passage of the bill, which has already been recommended by the Committee.

> WASHINGTON, April 12.-Secretary Tracy to-day signed the final acceptance of the torpedo boat Cushing, recently built by Herreschaff, for this government, and authorized the payment of the \$40,000 still due the contractor:

NO. 23

The Postoffice Department has been notified of the arrest at McCool, Miss., of Jim Johnson, A. S. Rowell and Bob. Bowie, charged with being concerned in shooting at postal clerk Blevins, some weeks ago, while on duty in his car. Officers are in pursuit of Frank Scalborough, who is said to have been one of party. Blevins is a colored man, and the attack upon him is believed to have been due to this fact.

A CORNER IN PORK.

Excitement Occasioned by the Rapid Rise in the Chicago Market Reports of a Corner by New York Parties.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star COLUMBUS, GA., April 12.-Considerble excitement was occasioned here today among patrons of bucket shops by the unexpected rise in pork. The market opened at \$11.45 per barrel, and several heavy sales were made. At halfpast 10 o'clock prices had jumped to \$15, and the market was reported buoyant. This sent several speculators seven to ten thousand dollars ahead, and the excitement was intense. Shortly after 11 o'clock a telegram was received from Chicago stating that the deal was a putup job for a purpose, and all trades made this morning were cancelled. The market closed at \$13.25, which is believed to be genuine, though the belief prevails that bogus quotations were given out by the Chicago Board of Trade to harass bucket shops. Considerable feeling exists here over the matter, especially

among those who scooped the profits. CHICAGO, April 12.-When trade opened in pork the wildest excitement revailed, the crowd waking up to the fact that the market was cornered. For some months past the Sawyer-Wallace clique of New York, it is generally supposed, have been buying up pork, and when business started in this morning there was no May pork for sale under \$12.75. As the closing price yesterday was \$11.45, this was "a mighty big bulge," but there was "worse and more of it" later. It kept advancing 5c or more at a time, and before the close of first hour was selling at \$15.25. As is usually the case when prices are at that rate very little was sold, but there was tremendous excitement, and the nit was crowded with traders and spectators. July pork showed a similar advance. d lard and ribs were somewhat highert McCormick & Co., representatives of the New York clique, were again prom-

inent as buyers of July pork, and Armour, Hutchinson, Poole & Baldwin were also buyers. Later in the morn ng the Hutchinson's men bid \$15.75 for aly pork, which was an advance of more than \$4 per barrel over last night's closing prices. It was apparent the clique was after some big shorts, most of the orders coming from New York to Hutchinson. As no regular pork can be made until October, has control of all the months to that time. Subsequently uly pork was offered at \$12.55, and ooked as though some big short had been run in, for orders were numerous

and there were no bids. It was said that one house called margins for \$300,-000 on provisions. A good many of the board, however, attributed the squeeze to Armour. They say that the Sawyer-Wallace clique transferred the deal to him, when they found they were unable to carry it through, and that he is now the master-hand. Hatley & Swift were large buyers of lard, and Armour bought ribs, while T. J. Ryan & Co. bought 4,-000,000 pounds of May and July ribs.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Extensive Floods-Many Fatalities and Great Destruction of Property. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—The teamer Mariposa, which arrived to-day twenty-four days from Sydney and seven from Honolulu, brings the following advices. Extensive floods have done great damage in New South Wales and at Queensland large part of Brisbane was inundated, the wharves submerged and railroad traffic stopped. Hundreds of families are homeless and many fatalities are reported. Graston, Singleton, West Maitland, and other towns are flooded. Many losses of life and great destruction of property are reported from interior points. At last accounts the floods were subsiding.

RAILROAD STRIKE. Conductors and Brakesmen on the Mobil

and Ohio Still Out. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. St. Louis, April 12.- The strike o

conductors and brakesmen on the St. Louis division of the Mobile & Ohio road continues. Only one freight train has passed over the road since last Monday, and that was operated by the Superintendent and Train-master Brown. The strikers say that General Manager Clark conceded part of their demand Tuseday, but later went back and yesterday notified the men to return today. The men declined to do this, but hold themselves in readiness to accept the compromise rate. The strikers' com mittee has received telegrams from Cairo and Mobile, asking it to stand firm and fear nothing. The strikers are quiet and peaceful.

LLECTRIC SPARKS.

Mrs. Fannie S. Williams has been appointed to be postmaster at Lexington, Rube Smith, of Lamar county, Ala.,

was yesterday, at Waynesville, Miss., convicted of train robbery. He will get more than ten years' sentence. Wakefield W. Price, aged 16, dled of meningitis at Salisbury Friday midnight.

The doctor said the sickness would not necessarily have been fatal had Price not been addicted to cigarette smoking. The Pennsylvania Railroad passenger train on its run from Trenton to Camden was wrecked at Bordertown, N. J., yesterday afternoon, and engineer Geo. Kerr, of Trenton, was killed, the engine

being thrown over upon him. No other

One disheartening thing about these Western cyclones is that as yet they have shown no disposition to take the mortgages with An interesting hearing was had this I them .- Phil. Times, Ind.

persons were injured.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- Raleigh News & Observer: The State Convention of the W. C. T. U., of North Carolina, will be held at Concord July 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th. Miss Frances E. Willard, the noted temperance advocate of Illinois, will be in at-

- Some evidence of the number of visitors in Asheville during March may be found in the fact that 16,500 telegraphic messages were handled in the Western Union office here during that month. Only 6,000 were handled in March of last year.

-Raleigh Chronicle: The Chronicle has found by inquiring, that there is a strong sentiment and preierence for locating the Baptist Female College somewhere near the centre of the city. The idea of having such institutions in the suburbs of a town is regarded by some as unprogressive.

-Tarboro Southerner: Miss Julia Archibald, of Washington yesterday, accidentally shot herself through the head, the bullet coming out at the back. She died this morning from the effects of the wound. The accident was only made known by a neighbor hearing her screams, who ran in the house, finding the fair young victim lying prostrate on the floor. She was unable to talk when found.

- Durham Sun : In the case of William Killebrew and Martha Ann Woodard, charged with being implicated in Saturday night's homicide, which was in progress yesterday as we went to press, the defendants were discharged, the evidence not being sufficient to convict, Mintus Chandler is held for the killing. The Woodard woman was again put in jail. She is bound over to court inder another warrant.

- Asheville Citizen: A workman named Couch died vesterday at Mr. Pressly's, about six miles south of the city. He had been sick about two weeks. Yesterday morning he was supposed to be better, and it being such a warm day, ventured out into the open air. Sometime afterward, when the rain began to fall and he did not return, his triends in the house went out to look for him. He was found in a fence corner near the

-Fayetteville Observer: The Manchester mills, among the most important of the industries of Cumberland county and this section, have been purchased by Mr. F. W. Thornton, one of the most prominent business men of this city, and Mr. J. F. Clarke, no less well-known at Manchester, who will put fifty additional looms into the mill, equip the "plant" the most improved machinery, and generally devote to the enterprise their best energies and most judicious manage-

- Statesville Landmarrk: Mr. Jim Fisher, of Davidson township, and a boy, were riding along the road in a wagon Tuesday of last week, when they met a dog which jumped up and bit the horse on the dose. This made the horse frantic and he started on a furious runaway. The boy jumped out but Mr. Fisher, an old man, could do nothing but sit still until thrown out with the wagon bed on top of him. Blood ran from his nose and ears, and though no ones were broken the old man was awfully shaken up and there is doubt about his ever getting over the accident

- Rockingham Rocket: Captain Everett, the President, informs us that about \$5,000 worth of new machinery has recently been put in at Great Falls factory. - Died, March 31st, near Alfordsville, N. C., after a protracted illness, Mrs. Susan C. McCallum, aged 53 years, - Mrs. I. D. Yates died at her home, in Wolf township, on Saturday last, of consumption. She was 25 years of age. --- "Billy Barlow," a child of Mary Deaton, was poisoned last week by swallowing some wild jessamine, and died in about an hour. He lived at Osborne and was five or six years old.

- Winston Daily: Winston factories will all be in full blast in a few days. Hands are pouring in and the city is buzzing with its business. — Just as we go to press a tremendous hallstorm passed over our city. Quite a large quantity of hail fell, some of which was nearly as large as bird eggs. -- Prof. L. Ludlow informs us that the track laying on the street railway will begin the latter part of this week. have been distributed on Main street from the academy square to the court house, and from the court house on Fourth street to the graded school. The cross-ties are being placed along the

route as rapidly as possible - Scotland Neck Democrat: Mr. John Whitehead narrowly escaped being killed in Halifax Tuesday. He attempted to step upon a moving train and was thrown between the train and platform. His head was cut and was missed very little by the car wheel. -Died, at his residence near Dawson's X Roads, on the morning of the 27th of March, of a long, lingering disease, which he bore with Christian fortitude Mr. McAdins in the 47th year of his age. - About fifty negroes left this place yesterday for Louisiana. There was a little excitement at the depot over the agent who was taking them away The people informed him that they did not wish labor disturbed at this season. He will probably not return

- Kinston Free Press: Several of our farmers will plant tobacco. Mr. Albert Rountree will plant about twenty acres; Mr. Shade Jackson, twelve acres Mr. B. W. Canady, five or six acres; Mr. R. I. Sutton, one or two acres. — Solicitor Allen tells us that the most important case disposed of on the criminal docket at Onslow court last week was a serious affray, in which the deadly weapons used were a gun, knives, a pistol and a sapling about five feet long and the size of a man's leg, which resulted in the shooting of one man and badly injuring another, all of which originated from a controversy between neighbors as to whether one's dog had treed a possum or a cat up the other's gate-post. Four of the parties were convicted. -Greensboro North State: The

patent drop curtain, invented by John L. Baker, to which reference was made in this paper several weeks ago, will be the means of securing a fortune for that gentleman. He has been offered 25,000 by one party for the right of twenty-three States, and \$10,000 by another for seven States. - Greensboro is to have a telephone exchange and a fire alarm. Also a free letter delivery system, and the houses are to be numbered. The proposition to change the names of Elm and Market streets is being discussed. - Wm. Pritchett, one of the oldest citizens of Greensboro, died on Sunday last. He was born in Guilford county, and has resided in and near this place during the 74 years of his life. He was a brother of Esq. J. A

- Scotland Neck Democrat: A ew nights ago a colored man on Mr Norfleet Smith's farm attempted to enter a woman's house when she had told him to stay out. He forced his way through by knocking the door down with an axe, whereupon the woman took the axe from the man and dealt him several blows in his face with the edge. It was thought that he was dead. A cart was brought to carry him home, but it was found when Dr. McDowell was called in that his wounds were not likely to prove fatal. — Little George Bryan, five years old, son of Mr. G. W. Bryan, the clever operator at this place, is perhaps the youngest operator on record in this country, On last Monday we dropped into the telegraph office and saw little George send a message over the wires to the agent at Noose Nest, who re-peated the message. This was proof that the little fellow had sent it correctly. We doubt whether it can be beaten in the United States. We have yet to hear

of a younger, at any rate.