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How much larger the total may mated, for these pension expendiwith time as a snowball does in rollbusiness by which it continues to round numbers, and excluding the grow without any additional legisla-

One of the reasons for this is, perhans, that the number of pensioners increases annually and the further we get away from war times the greater the number of the pensioners becomes. The way to immortality is to get upon the pension rolls, for onde on that the pensioner never lies, at least there is no evidence that any of them ever do die, for ried only twelve States, four of they continue to draw their pensions ight along, and a dead person would

There are in round numbers about 100,000 pensioners now drawing pensions regularly, with a very great probability of the number feaching 1,000,000 before they quit taking in. The claims of all of these may not be allowed, but by far the larger number will, for getting claims allowed is the particular business of the claim agent, and the claim agent has influence in the pension office and peculiar methods to back that ulhence and keep it in a healthy, vigorous condition. When we see what little causes men sometimes get big pensions for we may form some she has more than half the populaidea of the magic power of the pension agent in the pension office. With the annual increase in the number of pensioners and the amount of allowance to each one may be, where is the prophet that can tell what the

We are so accustomed to reading of pensions by the million that we to not realize fully what it means, for how much the American people have been for years and now are paying to the ex-soldiers, or their proxies. It is only when we make comparison with actual values that we begin to have a fair conception penditure the people are paying a they do now, pigeon-holed it and half a million dollars a day for pen-

The St. Louis Republic has been figuring on this and shows what it means by comparing it with the assessed values of farming lands in the respective States, according to the census of 1880, and presents the following suggestive summing up: "If all the farms in Texas, including obstacle in the way will be the Reands, fences and buildings, were sold census valuation, the sum thus ealized would not pay the pensions for 1891 by \$5,000,000. The farms in Nebraska would fall short by \$70,000,000. The same story is told of a dozen other States, as follows. Massachusetts would all short by nearly \$30,000,000; Connecticht by \$54,000,000; Georgia by \$63,000,-000; Maine by \$73,000,000; Mississippi 57 \$82,000,000; New Hampshire by \$100,000,000; South Carolina by \$107,-000,000; Alabama by \$97,000,000; Arkansas by \$101,000,000; Maryland by 10,000,000; North Carolina by \$40,000,000, and Louisiana by \$116,000,000. The value of all the farms in Alabama and Arkansas, taken together, would not suffice by \$23,000,000, and Colorado, Delaware, Nevada, Louisiana, Rhode Island and Florida, taken together, would come short by \$5,000,000. The farms of Rhode Island would have to be sold six times over, and throne of

Florida nearly nine times over, to make

up the pension fund for a single year.

buy about seven States the size of

SUGGESTIVE FIGURES.

into effect. The probabilities are i

the elections had been held in these

States later, at the same time it was

in the others, they, too, might be

The election in Oregon was held

last summer before the McKinley

bill became a law and before the

Reed gang had made its infamous

Pennsylvania is so gerrymandered

that it takes three Democrats to one

Republican to elect a Congressman

in that State, which will account for

the Republicans still holding a ma-

In 1884 the Democratic party

elected a President and a majority of

the Congressmen, but the Senate re-

mained Republican, although the

Republican party was in a minority.

In 1888, although it was still in a

minority of a hundred thousand in

negro vote, in a minority of nearly a

million, it elected its President, se-

cured a majority in the House of

Representatives, and still held the

Senate, thus securing, though still in

the minority, full control of the ex-

ecutive and legislative branches of

At the last election, although the

Democrats carried thirty-two States

with a popular majority of over

600,000, the Republicans who car-

which were made as a party neces-

sity, still have the Presidency and a

majority in the United States Sen-

ate, and we have thirteen States in

which the Democrats elect a ma-

jority of Representatives represented

in the Senate by two Republican

Senators each. Twelve States more

potent in the Senate than thirty-two

States. Ot these twelve Pennsyl-

vania is the only one that ranks

among the first in point of popula-

tion, and she has more population

than all the other eleven combined.

California is the only one that

reaches the dignity of a third class

State in point of population, and

tion of all the other ten combined.

Here are States with much less than

ten millions of people controlling a

majority in the Senate, while States

with more than 53,000,000 are repre-

sented by the minority. This is one

of the peculiar phases that repre-

sentative government sometimes as-

that while theoretically so it is not

always practically a representative

When the Democratic House of

Representatives of the 50th Con-

gress, representing a majority of the

people, revised the tariff and passed

the Mills bill as a reform measure

the Senate, the majority of whom

belonged to the minority party as

passed a substitute of their own,

which, instead of lowering the duties,

actually made the average duties

So when the House of Representa-

tives of the 52nd Congress come to

revise the McKinley monstrosity and

to cut the tariff down into a shape

that will be tolerable and just, the

States, five of them pocket-boroughs,

The Republican majority can if it

so elect, in defiance of the emphati-

cally expressed wish of the people,

prevent tariff reform and perpetuate

for some time to come the McKinley

iniquity; but possibly there may be

enough of them who in the light of

recent events may conclude that the

people have some tights that Sena-

tors are bound to respect and may

join the three Ps, Plumb, Paddock

and Pettigrew, in voting for fair play

for the people, and may, therefore,

co-operate with the Democrats of the

52d Congress in the tariff reform

measures which may be presented.

one year. If we add the \$1,000,000,- the past few weeks and perhaps they

and mere burlesques on States.

the government.

numbered with the thirty two.

cence.

sylvania.

record.

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000 which the American people may admit that the people as well as have paid in pensions since 1861 and | the party have some claims upon a figure out the millions of acres which Senator, whether he be a real or a this would buy at assessed valuabogus Senator. tions we would have a still more WHAT IS NEEDED. striking illustration of the meaning In the State of Georgia the issue of these pension tributes. It would n the election of U. S. Senator, to

succeed Senator Brown, hinged di-North Carolina, the lands of which were of similarly assessed valuation, The old soldier has become a decidedly costly reality, or reminis-

rectly on the endorsement of the socalled sub-treasury bill Dr. Macune who publishes the National Economist, the Alliance organ at Washington, went down to Atlanta and camped for two or three weeks, The result of the last election preand jointly with Col. Livingston, sents some suggestive figures. The President of the Georgia Alliance, Democrats elected a majority of undertook the management of the Representatives in 32 States of the campaign against Gen. Gordon, who the Union, embracing all the older in his canvass of the State manfully States except Pennsylvania, (in which, and bravely declared against it. To however, they elected the Governor) beat Gordon they brought out Maine and Vermont. The popula-Patrick Calhoun, a bright and able tion of these States numbers 53,263, man, who found no difficulty in swal-099. The Republicans elected a lowing the sub-treasury bill just as it majority of Representatives in 12 was. Macune and Livingston cau-States, with a total population of cussed their forces, nominated Cal-9,217,441. Of these States five are houn, and brought him out as the of the six made to order. Four o Alliance candidate. Although twothe others are extreme Western thirds of the members of the Legis-States, the other three being as lature are Alliance men, when it stated, Maine, Vermont, and Penncame to the balloting the man who had the honesty and the bravery to The elections in Maine and Ver declare himself opposed to the submont took place before the Mc treasury bill got one hundred and Kinley bill became a law and wen

> This shows one of two things, either that the representative men of the Geor dia Alliance do not bank as heavily on the sub-treasury bill as the Alliance men in some of the other States are represented to do, or that having a good, tried and honest Senator in Washington was regarded as a matter of more importance than having an advocate of the sub-treasury bill, in which, as we view it, they showed capital good sense. If the farmers of this country never get solidly upon their feet again until they are put there by legislation of that kind the youngest of them will be venerable grand sires

seven votes, while the man who was

brought out by the two big Alliance

men to beat him, and who endorsed

the bill, got ninety-three votes.

before the day of deliverance comes. Without discussing the question of the constitutionality of measures of that character, and if it were conceded that Congress has the right to do every thing called for in that bill. with all due respect and deference to those who contend to the contrary, and place great hopes in the redeeming power of that bill, it is not!! what the farmer of this country wants. "He wants more than that, but of a different kind, and he must have it before the class to which he belongs can enter

the highway of prosperity with any reasonable hope of remaining there. This scheme would never have been thought of by any body of men representing the farmers of this country, if they had not caught the idea from the high protective tariff, and very naturally and reasonably argued that if the Government can protect and favor one class of its citizens, it can with as much reason, justice and propriety protect and favor another class. The farmer is as much entitled to governmental favors as any other class, and if discrimination could be justly made,

even more so. But the discriminating favoritism, which saddled monstrous burdens upon the many for the benefit of the few is the very thing against which so many farmers have been protesting and the very thing which brought so many of them to the polls on the 4th inst. to register their emphatic verdict against it. In doing so they revolutionized the politics of the country, and administered such a rebuke to the dominant party as was never witnessed in the political history of this country be-

It was this very discriminating policy, under the deceptive name of a protective tariff, against which they so justly complained, which brought the agricultural industry into the deplorable condition in which it is, by imposing burdens upon it which it was unable to bear, and while imposing the burdens cutting it off in a measure from the markets of the world to which it had had unrestricted access.

What the farmer now wants, to give him a fair showing and a chance to get upon his feet again, is not legislation in his favor to discriminate against other classes of people, but the repeal or modification of the publican Senate, representing twelve legislation which has discriminated against him and put him at the mercy of other favored classes. What he wants and what he should have is just dealing, fair play and no govermental favors which will enable any particular class to impose upon and ive at the expense of another. Let the Government take its hands off and every class tote its own skillet.

- The wide publicity given to the alleged discoveries of Professor Koch will undoubtedly have the effect of raising hopes in the minds of thousands of people who fear that either they or some of their relatives have in them the seeds of consumption. Careful physicians will be likely to adopt a cautious and conservative course with their patients. The value of the Koch experiments This is simply an illustration for They may have learned something in has yet to be authoritatively demonstrated .- Phil. Recrd, Dem.

which Dr. W. C. McDuffie presided with his wonted readiness and versatil-

ity at all social entertainments. dining hall for thirty persons. Dr. Mc-Duffie is wonderfully happy with his admirable tact and exquisite taste, in presiding over such formal banquets as that to which we did such enjoyment

with hearty gusto last evening. Mr. B. R. Huske, Mr. F. W. Thornton, Mr. Ed. Smith, Mr. W. F. Leak, Mr. G. A. Thomson, Mr. H. R. Horne, Mr. Z W. Whitehead, Mr. J. H. Myrover.

evening in a chaste, classical little address, and Maj. Hale's response was just what would have been expected of one who had held so high a position, and had filled it with such distinguished honor and dignity.

The toast, "To the Fayetteville Obser-

ver," was responded to by Mr. J. H. Myrover, of the Observer. Calls were made successively (and responded to) for Hon. W. J. Green, Dr. J. A. Hodges, Col. C. W. Broadfoot, . C. MacRae, Mr. Overman, Col.

Thomson and others. The evening was most?delightful, and the supper, which carried out every single article of the menu, showed how completely the Hotel LaFayette deserves its reputation as one of the best-

Truck Farming that Pays.

the season on the 7th of December, for

markets.'

victory in the recent election.

Atlantic Coast Line.

manager's secretary; all of the Atlantic

The State Guard. General orders from the Adjutant General's office announces that the biennial election of field officers of the State Guard will be held the first Thursday in December. Each regiment will elect a Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel and Major. The company officers of the First Regiment meet at Rocky Mount, of the Second at Wilmington, of the third at Greensboro, and of the Fourth at Char-

Charleston has a Nickel Savings Bank, which although in operation only about ten days is said to be an assured

The bank has issued a little book which gives in detail the object and manner of operation of the new establishment. The following extract will be read with interest.

"One nickel a day saved makes \$18 25 at the end of a year; two nickels a day \$36 50; three nickels a day, \$54 75; four nickels a day, \$73; five nickels a day, \$91 25. This, with the interest accruing, will produce nearly \$160 a year. Interest paid on deposits quurterly at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, in January, April, July and October.

The population of Wilmington is probably not yet large enough for such an institution, but our present excellent Savings Bank will no doubt reduce its minimum deposit after a time.

HOW ONE CAN MAKE A COMPASS OUT OF A WATCH.

WEEKLY ST

A Wilmington Sportsman Who Got Lost Yesterday, Makes a Practical and Successful Test.

It is not always possible to have access to a compass, and weather vanes and watch-charm attachments may be beyond reach. But for all that the traveller, tourist, hunter or excursionist need never be at loss for a sure and safe method to discover the North or South points, provided he has in his possession a common watch. One of our Wilmington sportsmen made a practical test of the method vesterday, and found it very useful. His dogs were trailing a wild turkey in a dense swamp near the city, and in following them he lost his reckoning and might have wandered miles out of the way but for the aid of his watch, which used as a compass, soon gave him his "proper bearings," It is a simple "trick" and easily

learned. Take your watch, point the hour hand to the sun and the south is exactly half way between the hour and the figure XII, on the watch. For example, suppose that is 4 o'clock. Point the hand indicating 4 to the sun, and II. on the watch is exactly south. Suppose that it is 8 o'clock, point the hand indicating 8 to the sun, and the figure X, on the watch is due south. This a plain and trustworthy direction and should be known to all who are in the habit of camping out or pursuing their way in unfrequented places. The possession of such a simple bit of knowledge might under certain "circumstances be "the means of saving life, or at all events preventing unnecessary suffering. To the shipwrecked mariner, suddenly forced to leap into the boats hanging from the davits, with no time or opporunity to secure charts, instruments and compass, the simple device as above illustrated might enable the distressed ship's company to reach a point of

The subject might be stated in more scientific terms as follows:

A close approximation, te the direction of the true meridian for finding one's way by the aid of a map is to hold a watch with its face level and with the hour hand directed towards the sun. Then an imaginary line drawn from the centre of the dial bisecting the lesser of the two spaces or angles between the hour hand and the figure XII. will be the direction of the meridian, or south, in the northern hemisphere, within 15

It is not claimed that the watch is a perfect compass or that a true course could be steered or path pursued by the means described. But the method is sufficiently correct to be well worthy of otting down in one's note-book.

The Charleston, Sumter & Northern R. R. The merchants of Charleston, S. C., are making energetic and determined efforts to secure the business of that rich section of the Pee Dee which has been and is now, largely tributary to the trade of Wilmington, and our business men will need to make redoubled efforts to retain it. The Charleston, Sumter and Northern railroad, the News and Courier says, "will not be completed soon enough to transport any of the cotton crop of the present season, but it will carry the planters of the Pee-Dee section their fertilizers next spring, and will be ready to bring all of the cotton raised in that section to this port next season. The value of Marlboro county as a cotton-producing locality is known all over the South, and it will help the general business of Charleston greatly to get this line into quick operation."

Improved Mail Service.

Heretofore the mail for North Carolina from New York has left the postoffice there in a pouch marked North Carolina, so that when the postal clerks on the route between Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Va., had not time to assort it, the entire [mail was carried via the Greensboro route; the mail for Wilmington being thus delayed twenty-four hours. Mr. G. Z. French, our posmaster, being cognizant of this fact, has after much trouble succeeded in getting the Wilmington mail from New York put into a separate pouch so that it now comes direct, and our merchants and others will no longer be subjected to the annoyance that has ' heretofore attended the delay in receiving letters, etc.

The Atlantic Coast Line. The Richmond Dispatch says the Atlantic Coast Line has, by purchase from the Richmond & Danville Company, acquired sole ownership of the Norfolk & Carolina Railroad, a line about one hundred miles in length, running from Norfolk, Va. to Tarboro, N. C. The road was built jointly by the Coast Line and Richmond & Danville Companies.

Delegates to the Immigration Convention A communication from Mr. F. B. Chilton, general manager of the Southern Inter-State Immigration Convention, announces the appointment of Mr. Pembroke Jones and Col. F. W. Kerchner as delegates to represent this section, with Mr. J. H. Sharp and Mr. Sol. Weill alternates. The appointment are made by his Excellency, Gov. Fowle. Mai. T. D. Love has also been appointed as one of the delegates to represent this Senatorial district.

The Convention meets in Asheville on the 17th, 18th and 19th of December.

- The railroad companies of the Southern Passenger Association have announced that they will sell tickets to the public to and from Asheville on the occasion" of the Southern Inter-State Immigration Convention at half rates, from December 13th until last trains to arrive at 'Asheville before noon of December 17th, with returns limited to December 24th.

- The Register of Deeds reports five marriage licenses issued the past week: four to whites and one to a colored couple.

PERSONAL.

Observatory, it is reported, has discov-

ered in the moon what he takes to be

parallel walls 200 feet thick on top and

- Joel T. Headley, the historian,

still lives, bale and hearty, at the age of

77. In 1846 he was associate editor of

the New York Tribune, and his first

book, "Napoleon and His Marshals,"

was a phenomenal success. Mr. Headley

- William A. Slater, of Norwich

son of the great cotton manufacturer

who gave \$1,000,000 for educating the

southern freedmen, has followed his

endow a public hospital in his native

Indian fighter, was in Washington

few days ago and selected a burial site

husband. A monument is soon to be

- The friends of President Ar

thur, who raised a monument over his

grave at Albany, have a surplus fund of

\$25,000 which they intend to expend in

the erection of a staute of the ex-Presi-

dent in New York city. Ephraim Keyser

younger than she really is, and she

works as hard as any woman in Wash-

ington. She is writing a life of her father,

and her wark will be full of unwriten

grown to be quite stout, and her hair is

severely from the gout, and his physi-

cians have vetoed his former indulgence

- President Bliss, of the Boston

and Albany road, was recently offered

an increase of salary from \$12,000 to

\$20,000, but declined because he did not

consider his services worth so much

- Fraulein von Chauvin, the Ger-

man lady scientist in natural history, at-

tracted much flattering attention at the

recent congress at Berlin, where she

even had her place next to Virchow.

Fraulein von Chauvin, having been pre-

vented through ill-health from going

through the regulular school routine

including languages, has concentrated

all her interest on the study and obser-

- Mrs. Emma E. Forsythe is an

American woman who goes by the name

of the white queen. Her realm is an

island in the Southern Pacific called

New Britain, whose chief industry is the

sale of mother-of-pearl. Mrs. Forsythe

was left a widow at the age of 18, and

with very little money. She now owns

150,000 acres of fertile land, two steamers

that ply between the islands and the

port, and she is preparing to close the

contract for the building of four more

writer of some note, is the first woman

to be honored by receiving from the

British Medical Association, of London

£20 to defray the expense of publishing

a physiological treatise on the nutrition

- Ex-Alderman Conkling has

changed his mind in regard to the bring-

ing out of a second volume of the lif

and letters of his uncle, Roscoe Conk-

ling." The publication has been indefi-

nitely postponed in accordance with the

- The Hon. Samuel Chipman, who

recently celebrated his centennial, has

been a Mason in good standing for more

than three-quarters of a century. He was

raised to the master's degree in Virginia

lodge, Halifax, two years before the bat-

tle of Warterloo, and is undoubtedly

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

near." while his knocking at your heart's

door, and trust not your soul in the

-Why not speak to the uncon

verted about their salvation, when you

meet them during the week, as well as

to exhort them to repent when you

- Prejudice, whatever may be its

The Herods of to-day get no an-

source, gets nothing out of the Scrip-

swer from Christ. The influence of

sketicism makes the Scriptures silent .-

-Thanks be to God there is some

thing beyond the philosophy of the men

who see no providence, know no Sa-

viour, and trust no God. Where philo-

sophy sits down baffled, faith gets up

and goes to work; and when man is

helpless, God is a present help in every

-- Every time a man bethinks him-

self that he is walking in the light, that

he has been forgetting himself and must

repent, that he has been asleep and must

awake, that he has been letting his gar-

ments trail and must gird up the loins

-every time that this takes place there

- The very worst kind of slavery

when he becomes the servant of sin. He

is then enslaved to his own evil passions,

and this is rar more destructive of his

happiness than any form of political

bondage. To this slavery our Saviour

alluded when he said, "Whosoever com-

mitteth sin is the servant of sin." (John

viil, 94) .- N. Y. Independent.

is that which one imposes upon himself

speak in your prayer meeting?

"Seek the Lord while he is

- Dr. Iulia Brink, a medical

vessels for the island trade.

wishes of Mrs. Conkling

the oldest Mason.

hands of the future

Rev. Wm. M. Taylor.

time of need.—Christian.

board Parish.

Dr. Cuyler.

tures.

of the muscles.

vation of animal and vegetable life.

- Queen Margherita, of Italy, has

- The Czarthas recently suffered

raised over Gen. Grook's grave.

about 1,200 feet apart.

resides at Newburg, N. Y.

city. He is worth \$20,000,000.

ponent for Congress.

will be the sculptor.

little fingers.

entirely gray.

in high living.

throughout the State

- Professor Holden, of the Lick

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Appointments - Rewards Authorised by the Attorney General. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 22 .- The President to-day, appointed Patrick Walsh, of Augusta, Ga., a member of the Warm Springs Indian Commission, vice-Wm. H. Dill, of Pennsylvania, resigned.

Attorney General Miller to-day in-structed the U. S. Marshal at Jacksonville, Fla.. to use all endeavors to capture R. E. Buford, charged with the murder of Deputy Marshal E. Strange. and has authorized all expenses that may be necessary to secure that end. The Attorney General has also authorized the U.S. Marshal of the Southern District of Georgia to issue a reward for the arrest of Richard Lowrey, suspected of the murder of Col. Forsyth, agent of the Dodge estate in Georgia. The latest information in regard to Lowrey is that

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he is making his way to North Carolina

with the view of joining the Lowrey

Rather More Favorable News-Previous Reports Highly Colored-Everything Depends on Sitting Bull.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, November 22.-Disoatches were received at the War Department this morning from Gen. Miles, to the effect that the separation of the friendly and turbulent Indians is proceeding rapidly at Pine Ridge. Gen. Brooke, who is watching matters closely there, anticipates no immediate trouble. and thinks this separation will make it an easier task to restrain the turbulent Indians from overt acts. Telegrams have also been received confirmatory of the reports that the Messiah craze was rapidly extending in the north and across the Canadian line, under the operation of Sitting Bull's emissaries.

CHICAGO. Nov. 22.—A special from Manden says that trusted agents were sent to the Sioux reservation three days ago, and that they have returned with the following report, which may be relied upon. There is no immediate danger of an uprising, but if Sitting Bull contends that anything is to be gained by speedy action, trouble may be looked or at once. Sitting Bull would be arrested and put in irons, but the Government agents are afraid to do this, lest t precipitate trouble. He has two hundred bucks at Great River, forty miles from Fort Yates, dancing all the while. Agent McLaughlin, of Standing Rock, has lost control of Sitting Bull, and his immediate followers dare not treat him harshly. All reports that come by wire from Standing Rock for Fort Yates are colored. There is only a military wire. and a censorship is exercised over every message.

KANSAS HORSE THIEVES. Battle with a Posse-Two of the Gang

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WICHITA, Ks., November 22.-Some days ago twelve horses were stolen in Osborne county, and last evening the thieves were found in camp eighty miles west of here, near Cairo. A posse of thirty men was raised at Cairo and they went out to capture the gang. When within a short distance of the camp the posse was fired upon, and at that moment the gang mounted their horses and started up the creek, followed by the posse. After a running fire of two miles two of the thieves fell off their horses, and the horses of two of the other fell. The others escaped. The two men shot died within half an hour,

INDIANA.

and refused to give their names or any

The Black Mine's Strike-A Complete Shut Down Probable. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BRAZIL, Ind., Nov. 23 .- The strike of the drivers and dray men, employed by the Black coal mines continues. The number of strikers increase daily, while the closing of the mines is practically complete. A general mass meeting wil be held here to-day to act on the report of the committee appointed to confer The latter refuse to with the operators. make the advance demanded, and a complete shut down is feared. Over two thousand miners are idle.

RUN CONTINUED.

The Citizens' Savings Bank of New York Still Besieged by Depositors-\$300,000 Paid Out. By Telegraph to the Morning Star,

nformation.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22 .- The run on the Citizens' Savings Bank here was continued this morning with as much vigor as ever. This, the bank people say, is caused by the fact that they close at noon. Work was begun before 10 o'clock, but the long line of depositors seemed to increase all the while, instead of diminishing. The bank officials say the heart of the run will be broken today. The payments already made figure up nearly \$300,000.

BANK STATEMENT.

Report of the Changes During the Past By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.-Weekly statement of associated banks shows the following changes: Reserve increase. \$922,050; loans decrease, \$5.980,700. specie decrease, \$804,200; legal tenders increase, \$503,800; deposits decrease \$4,889,800; circulation increase \$68,200. The banks now hold \$87,750 less than the requirements of the 25 per cent, rule,

LLECTRIC SPARKS.

A dispatch from Asheville, N. C., demaster General Clarkson is seriously ill there. The Governor and Council of New

Hampshire have voted to call a special session of the Legislature, Tuesday, December 2nd. The vote of the Council was four to one in favor. A Newark, N. J., dispatch says the

run on the Howard Savings Bank was considerably abated yesterday morning, confidence being restored. Many de positors are returning their money

At Alton, Ill., three flint glass fac-tory buildings of the Illinois Glass Works were burned yesterday. Loss \$100,000. Five hundred hands are thrown out of employment as the result

A telegram received at Middlesboro, Ky., says that ex-Assistant Postmaster General, J. S. Clarkson, is very low with pneumonia at Asheville, N. C. It is said that fears are apprehended of his SPIRTIS TURPENTINE.

- Raleigh Visitor: A knitting factory is the latest talk, with prospects

early consummation. - Wilson Advance: We regret to chronicle the fact that Mr. George F Clark, who was stricken with paralysis

on the 18th, died yesterday evening. - Windsor Ledger: We understand NO. 54 that some of the town commissioners objected some eighteen months ago to the putting up of a grist mill within the

corporate limits. -LaGrange Spectator: Mr. John Phelps recently brought us some very large hen eggs containing two yelks. They were laid by the common stock chickens and the remarkableness of the hen is that she only lays two eggs at

- New Berne Journal: the gis house of Mr. Samuel W. Ipock, six miles from New Berne, on Neuse road, together with twenty bales of cotton, about six bales of seed cotton, and a large quantity of cotton seed were destroyed by fire yesterday morning.

-Raleigh Chronicle: The North Carolina Wagon Factory is evermore whizzing. It has orders for a car load father's example and given \$150,000 to of wagons each day for several days to come, and the factory is going to put in a system of electric lights and work day and night to try to catch up.

- Thomas Moonlight, one of the - Charlotte Chronicle: Miss Jane Democrats elected to Congress from McClure, aged years, died yesterday Kansas, mortgaged his farm in 1861 for \$500, and raised the first Kansas battery. morning at Sugar Creek. lumber men are among the busiest in town. The boom in building still con-Case Broderick, who joined the battery as a private and served as a member of it through the war, was Moonlight's optinues, and it requires "hustling". for the lumber men to keep in sufficient lumber for the demand - The widow of Gen. Crook, the

- Scotland Neck Democrat: As many as a million of brick have been manufactured in Scotland Neck within in Arlington, to which she will soon the past two years. And they have nearly all been laid in Scotland Neck. bring from Oakland the remains of her A car load or two have been shipped away, and with this exception they have

been used in Scotland Neck. -Greensboro Record: The Greensboro Co-operative Cotton Mill is not yet under roof, yet there is scarcely a day that the secretary does not receive orders for sample lots of goods. This week he had letters from Spartanburg, S. C., Baltimore, Md., and New York.

- Mlle, Bonheur's love and loving study of animals have given her strange - Ashville Citizen: Dr. S. Westray control over them. It is now severa Battle left on the two o'clock train toyears she gave to the Jardin des Plantes day for New York, from which place he a beautiful lion and lioness, which to will sail Saturday for Berlin. He goes this day recognizes her if she approaches to the latter place under the auspices of their cage, and thrust their heads against the United States Navy Department to the bars for a touch of her sympathetic make an official investigation of Prof. Koch's discovery for the cure consump-- Kate Chase Sprague is still a fine looking woman. She looks ten years

-Salisbury Truth: Mr. Abner Carter, of this county, 66 years of age, was summoned to attend court here this week as a witness in a trifling case. and it came out during the investigation that he had never been in any court before whatever, and that he had never tasted a drop of any kind of spirtuous

- Rocky Mount Argonaut: Mr Ino. Nettles, of Edgecombe, nets \$1,000 from his crop of seven acres, of tobacco, and Mr. Mack Killebrew gets \$500 from his two acres. ——The Rocky Mount cotton mills are now running night and day to keep up with their orders, and with their hundreds of electric lights, are a beautiful sight at night.

- Goldsboro Argus: A vast - Miss Mattie Thompson, daughhorde of Italian laborers are still being ter of ex-Congressman Phil Thompson, hauled South daily over the Atlantic is accounted one of the exceptionally Coast Line. - That renowned hunpretty girls of the blue grass region ter Mr. Jno. R. Overman, of this county, Miss Thompson was selected as the whose "luck" is phenomenal, reported queen of beauty at the celebration of the to us yesterday that on Monday he shot Satellites of Mercury, held at Louisville, into a drove of black birds and killed but chose rather to be one of the maids 71, besides crippling at least 20 others. of honor, who are selected from among - New Berne Journal: We learn the prettiest girls of the different towns

that there is an old colored man in Cypress Creek township, Jones county, who is residing in a large swamp, and who has moved into a large hollow cypress tree with an opening on one side which he uses for a door and a fire-place. Mr. Abner Dawson says the old man is slaying the coons, and from all appearances s enjoying himself finely.

- Durham Globe: John Floyd, formerly of Durham, shot and killed his brother-in-law, at Darlington, S. C., vesterday, whose is W. C. Rhodes. Floyd was formerly a clerk in Levy's store in this city, and from there went to clerk for P. A. Asher. Then he left for Darlington, and is now in jail. His brother, who is a salesman at Levy's received the news this morning of the shooting.

- Raleigh Visitor: From present indications there is a pressing necessity for an enlargement of the Insane Asylums of the State, and the General Assembly will no doubt be asked to make iberal appropriations for the purpose. - Walter, the 13 year old son of Mr. W. S. Utley, who lives on Saunders street, while feeding the carding machine at the cotton factory yesterday morning, accidentally got his left hand caught under the roller and fearfully mashed. tearing the flesh from all four fingers and all the nails out by the roots.

- Raleigh Chronicle: The Governor's Guard is becoming infused with new life and energy. Last night fifteen new members were elected from the most vigorous and wide awake young element in the city. -- The land business is growing quite lively. Three companies are already on and another one is coming. The work of laying out and grading streets and and staking off lots is under way. - Nine convicts were received at the penitentiary-two from Lenoir, one from Johnson, two from Iredell, three from Stokes and one rom Polk county.

- Maxton Union: Mr. James Patterson died at his home in this township yesterday at the advanced age of 81. He was a professional school teacher, and during his time he taught many a young boy and girl the rudiments of English and Latin grammar. Senator Joseph Hawley was once a pupil of his, and it was only about five years ago that the Senator sent the last of his tuition to the old gentleman. He was the last of a family of fourteen. —The liquor venders are considerably stirred up over the fact that the Express Company refuse to bring any more

whiskey to Maxton. - Chatham Record: On last Friday night the stockholders of the Pittsboro Knitting Mill Company held their first meeting and duly organized, according to the terms of their charter. - On last Thursday night the cotton house of Mr. James B. Riggsbee, of Williams township, was burned, together with about \$200 worth of seed cotton. The fire is supposed to have been caused by a match accidentally dropped in the cotton. -- One night last week the store of Mr. B. O. Guthrie, of Hickory Mountain township, with all its contents, was burned. There was no insurance and the loss is very heavy on Mr. Guthrie, as he had just received a new stock of goods.

is a resurrection in the world .- A Sea-- Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligen-- There is but one way to become a thorough, happy and effective Christian. Whether you are a pastor, with large flock and salary, or small; whether you are a Sunday school teacher or philanthropist pushing an up-hill reform, or a parent guarding and guiding the home flock, you will get no good and do no good unless you serve Christ .-

cer: At a called meeting of the Anson County Farmers' Alliance, held last Monday, the resignation of Mr. Randolph Redfearn, as Business Agent, was accepted, and Mr. Sam T. Flake elected in his stead. - Some extensive additions have recently been made to the plant of the Wadesboro Brown Stone

Quarry. Two new gangs of saws and an immense 15-ton derrick have just been placed in position, and to the visitor the quarry has the appearance of being the busiest place anywhere in the neighborhood of Wadesboro. — The case of the town of Wadesboro vs. J. A. Atkinson has been decided by the Supreme Court in favor of the town. About \$400 is involved, being the amount of taxes uncollected by Atkinson while marshal, which the town claimed he should have collected.

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In its pension legislation the 51st the full scope of the dependent pen-

same advocates. There is now no doubt that the pension expenditures for the current year will foot up \$150,000,000, with a very great probability, if the present rate of expenditure be kept up, which is altogether likely, of its reacting \$175,000,000 by next year | jority of the delegation. grow cannot be told, nor even estitures seem to grow and gather size ing down hill. There seems to be an expansive power in the pension

not be suspected of doing that.

grand total per annum may be a few years hence? sumes in this country, which shows of what a hundred million dollars means. At the present rate of ex-

BANQUET AT FAYETTEVILLE.

Pleasant Social Affair-Complimentary to Capt. E. J. Hale, Late U.S. Consul

at Manchester, Eng. Special Star Correspondence. FAYETTEVILLE, Nov. 22.-Last eveng many of the friends of Hon. E. J Hale, who, in common with the whole community of Fayetteville, greeted him with a most friendly welcome on his visit to his old home, met with him around the mahogany of the Hotel La-Fayette in a banquet to his honor, at

Covers were laid in the beautiful

Rev. Thomas Atkinson, rector of St John's Episcopal Church, "graced the meat" of that bountiful board, at which were seated the following persons: Dr. W. C. McDuffie, presiding; Hon. E. J. Hale, the honored guest of the evening; Hon. Jas. C. MacRae, Judge Saperior Court; Rev. Thomas Atkinson, rector of St. John's Church; Dr. T. D. Haigh, Mr Chas. Overman, of Salisbury; Col. John H. Anderson, of New York city; Col. C. W. Broadfoot, Col. John A. Pemberton, Dr. J. A. Hodges, Sheriff J. B. Smith, Mr. A. S. Huske, Mr. J. B. Starr, Jr. Maj. J. N. Prior, Mr. E. L. Pemberton, J. Lilly, Capt. A. B. Williams, Maj. W. F. Campbell, Hon, W. J. Green,

Dr. McDuffie toasted the guest of the

J. H. Anderson, Dr. T. D. Haigh, Maj. J. N. Prior, Mr. H. R. Horne, Mr. G. A.

appointed hotels in the State.

Fall and winter truck farming is immensely profitable, if one may judge from reports received from the tidewater section of Virginia, where it has been industriously followed for years. The truck growers around Wilmington might well make a note of it. The Progress of Suffolk. Va., referring to the matter, says: "Mr. John L. Babcock, one of our "Bay shore" truckers, shipped green peas to New York this week at \$2.50 per basket bushel. His shipment was 75 baskets. He has a large quantity coming on to send yet. Last year he made his last shipment for

which he received \$4 per basket bushel." The same paper says: "Nearly all of the truckers raise two crops on the same land a year, many of them three and some of them four. In the winter they raise kale, spinnach, celery, cabbage, &c., in the spring and summer various kinds of vegetables, and now in the fall they are raising green peas and other tender vegetables for shipment to the Northern

The County Democratic Executive Committee have received a letter from Senator Vance, in which he states that the pressure of business upon him now is so great that he cannot possibly come to Wilmingion to deliver an address, as requested. He congratulates the Democracy of New Hanover upon their

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Northeastern Railroad of South Carolina was held in Charleston yesterday. Among those in attendance were President Warren G. Elliot, of the Atlantic Coast Line; President A. F. Ravenel, of the Southeastern Railroad; H. Walters, general manager; B. F. Newcomer, director; McJenkins, director; J. F. Divine, general superintendent; T. M. Emerson, general freight and passenger agent; W. A. Riach, general auditor, and H. L. Borden, general

Coast Line.

Nickel in the Slot.

- Five cases of wine, a donation to the Confederate Soldiers' Home at Raleigh, N. C., by a firm abroad, will be sold by auction on the 25th inst., at Messrs. Cronly and Morris' sales room,