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WILL BLAINE BE IN IT?

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There is a report from Washington to the effect that a party of Blaine boomers recently visited Washington for the purpose of getting Mr. Blaine's consent to the use of his name as a Presidential candidate in 1892. He met them graciously and in reply to their request, after hesitating for some time, said he could not consent to enter the race against President Harrison. But he said it in such a way that his friends left him feeling that while Blaine could not announce himself as a candidate they were at liberty to boom him in their own way, which they proposed to do.

Blaine's position is a somewhat peculiar one. As far as leadership, statesmanship, personal magnetism and personal popularity go he overshadows Harrison in every particular. He has ten devoted followers to Harrison's one, and yet because he occupies a place in the cabinet he has to play second fiddle to Harrison and swallow his aspirations and throttle his ambition lest he give offense to the envious, ambitious man whom he made President. Harrison knows, as the whole country knows, that Blaine is by long odds the most conspicuous figure in the Republican party, that he is the only man in it who possesses the elements of leadership to an eminent degree, that if a poll of the Republican party were taken as to the choice for the nomination for the Presidency as between Harrison and Blaine, Blaine would get ten votes to Harrison's two. Wherever the test has been made of the Republican members of Legislatures this has been about the proportion, and yet Harrison has the adamantine cheek to expect Blaine to tuck himself away, and leave the field all to him. In fact he has substantially said, if not in so many words, that he don't expect any member of his cabinet to listen to any suggestion of a nomination, remarks which would apply only to Mr. Blaine as there was, as he knew, no other member of his cabinet figuring in that role or liable in any way to antagonize his efforts for

a re-nomination. The suspicion has gone abroad, which seems to be pretty well founded, that Harrison has become intensely jealous of Blaine's popularity as evidenced by the repeated and numerous expressions of popular opinion and has on more than one occasion manifested this in a striking way. It first became apparent when Blaine struck upon the reciprocity idea to save the Republican party from the wreck which he saw was inevitable if it went before the country on the McKinley tariff without any redeeming feature. The idea took with the Republican masses who gave Blaine the credit for it, although the scheme did not originate with him. But he had the sagacity to utilize it and try to work it in as a part of the policy of the Republican party, as an offset to the increased tariff rates proposed by the McKinley bill, which he made no secret of condemning. While McKinley & Co. found it necessary to accept reciprocity in favor of which public sentiment was so pronounced, they so manipulated it as to give Blaine the least advantage from it and to put it in the power of Mr. Harrison to declare when and where it should go into operation. Harrison, Reed and Mc-Kinley were determined that he the other fellow, would arise and deshould reap the smallest possible clare that he had been approached amount of prestige and glory from his reciprocity, which in a modified form they have incorporated into the | side, the object of which, of course,

McKinley monstrosity. But the most striking evidence of this jealousy was exhibited when Mr. Harrison interrupted negotiations for reiprocity with Canada and snubbed both Blaine and the Canadian commission by telling them that they would have to postpone the conference agreed upon, for which the commission had come by appointment to Washington, until his return from his swinging around the circle. This was a surprise to both Blaine and the commission, neither of whom anticipated such a capricious hitch as that. The commission was highly incensed, Blaine was mortified and has been chafing over it ever since. He couldn't resent it without an open rupture with the administra- flections on the honesty of Call and coming season.

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FUNERAL OF COL. J. A. GRAY.

Crowd Present. The funeral of Colonel Julius A. Gray ook place yesterday at Greensboro, and was one of the largest ever seen in that

t Greensboro Yesterday-An Immense

A special car left Wilmington yesterday morning at half-past 5 o'clock with the following gentlemen on board:

U. M. Robinson, L. S. Belden, C. D. Myers, C. B. Mallett, C. L. Stevens, T. Clawson, Col. A. M. Waddell, H. C. McQueen, H. G. Smallbones, John H. Currie, T. D. Love, J. W. Martinis, G. F. & P. agent of the Onslow Railroad, Geo. Harriss, O. A. Wiggins, R. W. Hicks, F. H. Stedman, T. C. James.

Stores at different points along the ine were draped in mourning to show the estimation in which Col. Gray was

A large crowd of ladies and gentlemen got on the train at Fayetteville, and also a delegation from Bennettsville; so that when the train reached Greensboro at 1 o'clock there were six

passenger coaches crowded. A large crowd assembled at the residence of the deceased at half-past two o'clock, and thence the body was conveyed to the Methodist church, the Presbyterian church having been recently torn down to give place to a more commodious building.

The following was the order of the procession as it left the residence: Pastor's carriage, carriage for honorary pall bearers, carriage for active pall bearers, hearse, carriage for family and relative, bank officers, railroad officers and employees, visiting organizations. military, chamber of commerce, fraternities, carriages of citizens.

The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. J. H. Smith, who paid a glowing tribute to Greensboro's departed citizen.

After this the body was conveyed to Green Hill Cemetery, attended by an immense concourse of people. The floral decorations were magnificent, and loving hands placed them tenderly round the grave.

The active pall bearers were W. E. Kyle, E. J. Lilly, R. W. Bidgood, M. S. Sherwood, H. L. Fry, T. C. Worth, W. H. McFarland, C. D. Benbow, and in addition'to them were the following honorary pall bearers: J. D. Williams, A. M. Waddell, J. C. McRae, D. D. McCall, J. H. Eure, Wm. Black, Knox Livingston, C. S. McCall, W. A. Lash, D. W. C. Benbow, R. T. Gray, Winston Fulton. W. A. Moore, C. P. Stokes, J. Wilcox Brown, J. M. Odell, G. Will Armfield, Jno. A. Gilmer, R. M. Sloan.

All of the business houses in the city were closed, and many public buildings were draped in mourning. Evidence of sorrow was seen everywhere, and there were none who did not deeply regret the death of this most honored citizen.

THE TRUCK TRADE.

The Season Fairly Open-Special All-Rail Accommodation and Low Rates The trucking season has commenced

and farmers in the Wilmington section report their crops generally good in condition. From the outlook now the crops of early vegetables will be larger than they were last season. The Atlantic Coast Despatch-the all-rail route of the Atlantic Coast Line and the Pennsylvania Railroad-has made every arrangement for rapid handling and speedy transportation of the immense shipments that pass over this route. The new rates will take effect to-day, from Charleston, S. C., and will be the same as last year's rates, from all points on the Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta and Wilmington & Weldon

The usual fast rate schedule has been arranged, and an agent of the California Fruit Transportation Company was in town a few days ago, with whom arrangements were made to run their refrigerator cars on the Atlantic Coast Line for shipments of fruits and vege-

- Commander C. H. Rockwell, U. S. N., commanding the U.S. ship Yantic, reports in regard to wrecks on the North Carolina coast which he was commissioned to destroy: That the sunken wreck of the schooner Dudley Farlin, about 24 miles N. E. of Bodie Island, is not to be found. He cruised in search of it for three days, while furnished with the latest information regarding its location. This, together with the fact that quantities of floating wreckage were passed by him in that vicinity, leads to the conclusion that the wreck has broken up during the heavy weather lately prevailing. The same conclusion may be arrived at as regards the two wrecks off Cape Lookout. On March 30th careful search during very favorable weather failed to reveal so much as a break or swirl of the water by which the whereabouts of the Aberlady Bay or Glenrath might be known. The wreck of the schooner Mollie J. Saunders was located and marked by a buoy, March list, as stated, but the weather was too rough to blow her up at that time. The steamer Boringuen, ashore about nine miles north of Ocracoke Inlet, had about ten feet of water in the hold April 6th, but was expected to come off. We ran across a strange wreck off the South Carolina coast and made a practical danger buoy of it. It is 16 feet above water. The location of the signal is latitude 37.32, longitude 75.02.

COTTON RECEIPTS.

An Increase of 52,103 Bales Over Last

Receipts of cotton for the crop year (from September 1st to April 17th) are 184,641 bales, against 132,538 to the corresponding date last year, showing an increase of 52,103 bales. The receipts for the week ended yesterday are 826, bales, against 26 bales the cor-

responding week last year. The stock at this port is 7,278 bales, against 5,316 at the same date last year. THE ITALIAN AFFAIR.

Premier Di Rudini, in replying said

that the Italian government had not yet

received Mr. Blaine's note. He was

not prepared to make a definite state-

ment to the Chamber of the views and

purposes of the Cabinet until the note had been officially received and care-

fully read and considered. However

he would say that Italy could not ad-

mit that the diplomatic incident was

closed until the United States had

acknowledged the duty of delivering the

guilty parties over to justice, and

duties of justice and morality.

both countries would be found.

troversy between Italy and America,

means of conciliation honorable to

The Premier's words were listened to

with close attention, and when he re-

sumed his seat the whole Chamber, ir-

respective of parties, cheered vigorously

ROME, April 16.-In political circles

some disappointment is expressed with

Blaine's reply to Rudini. It is charac-

terized as "vague" and "inconclusive,"

and as insisting merely on the status quo.

LONDON. April 16.—The Globe and

St. James Gazette agree in the opinion

that Blaine's note is an able State paper

sympathize with the people of the

to allow vile social diseases like the

Mafia to take root. It is only just to

remind our kinsfolk, however, that they

displayed very little indignation when

practices akin to the Mafia were em-

ployed here by Irish-American ex-

ROME, April 17.—The Messages to-

day says that Blaine's reply to Rudini's

last note evinces the great desire of Blaine to elude the demands of the

Italian Government and to escape from

indemnifying the families of the men

lynched at New Orleans and to refrain

from acceding to the Italian Govern

ment's right to interfere in the New

The Popolo Romano says that in view

of the tenor of Blaine's answer to Rudini

it is difficult to form any idea as to how

WI'LD TALK.

Rabid Utterances of the Italian Organ in

New York on the Blaine-Rudini Cor-

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

this morning prints the following: "No

Cabinet at Washington would have

NEW YORK, April 18,-L'Eco D'Italia

or where the matter will end.

United States in their determination not

The Times this morning says:

PREMIER RUDINI ON MR. BLAINE'S Condition-Collapse of Stairways at Vice President Morton's New Hotel. NOTE. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. The Italian Government Persists in its

Demand for Punishment of the Lyncher troller of the Currency has declared an and Indemnity for the Slain, eighth dividend of 3 per cent, in favor By Cable to the Morning Star. of creditors of the Exchange National ROME, April 16 .- The reply of Secre-Bank of Norfolk, Va., making in all tary Blaine received attention in the 63 per cent, on claims proved, amount-Chamber of Deputies to-day. Quesing to \$2,892,219, and a first dividend of tions in regard to it were raised by vari-15 per cent, in favor of creditors of the ous members. First National Bank of Sheffield, Ala.

on claims proved, amounting to \$61,078. The condition of Attorney General Miller continues to improve, but owing to his illness the Sayward Behring Sea sealers case which was to have been argued in the U.S. Supreme Court next Monday will be further postponed one week, the Attorney General desiring to take part in the argument. Postponement will also be asked during the illness of the Attorney General in the cases of proprietors of the New Orleans States and Mobile Register-test suits involving the validity of the recent antiotterv act.

had acknowledged the further duty of indemnifying families of the victims who were Italian subjects. WASHINGTON, April 17 .- Without warning or notice a large part of the Italy could not admit that the United heavy fire-proof landings connected States Government had no responsiwith the stairways of Stoneham. Vice bility for acts committed within the ju President Morton's fine new hotel, risdiction of individual States. This dropped this afternoon from the fifth phase of the present complication was, floor to the basement. Great consternain his opinion, one which interested not tion was created among the people in only Italy, but all the governments of the house, but by good fortune no one the civilized world. He felt confident, was upon the landings at the time of however, that the matter would be setthe accident, and no person was hurt. tled without creating political difficul-Workmen were jacking up a misplaced ties between Italy and America, But girder that formed part of the support of the sixth floor. The jack rested on he could not refrain from expressing a feeling of regret that the government of the stair hallway of the fifth floor, and a country so highly civilized as the United States should not fulfill the that was too weak to bear the extra strain, and the mass of tiling, concrete and timber dropped on the floor below, In conclusion, Rudini gave exprescarrying it to the next, and so on until sion to the hope that notwithstanding the ground was reached. the occurrence of some incidents which were greatly to be regretted in the con-

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Prospective large payments on account of pensions and public works and maturing bonds and the rather low ebb of receipts, with resulting] possibilities of disappearance of the surplus, is evidently causing some uneasiness among financial affairs of the Treasury Department. If means can be devised to put in circulation subsidiary silver, some degree of relief is expected, but Secretary Foster has in view also other measure to ease the situation. though he has as yet not reached determination in the matter. This plan concerns the 41/2 per cent. bonds, amounting to fifty million dollars which mature next September. The Secretary believes that the National Banks which hold \$23,000,000 of these bonds would be glad to retain them as the basis of reduced rate of interest. It is regarded as feasible, perhaps, to float these bonds at 2 per cent. The Secretary finds precedent for the plan in the action of Secretary Windom, who, when Secretary in on to completion. - Twelve new 1801, kept out-standing a large amount

Congress, at its last session, passed an ct increasing the salaries of judges of District Courts of the United States to \$5,000 per annum, the act to take effect mmediately. There was, however, no appropriation made to pay this increase r the four months then remaining of the fiscal year. There are about sixtyceive a salary of \$3,500, and some of them have been writing to the first comptroller's office of the Treasury Department wanting to know why they have not been allowed the increase provided for by law. The office has notified them of the oversight of Congress in the

duction of interest by consent of bond

THE GALLOWS.

one after the slaughter at New Orleans doubted that the murderers would be Walker Brown Hanged at Laurens, S. C. allowed to walk freely about the streets. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. No one thought, however, that from the

COLUMBIA, April 17 .- A special to the Register, from Laurens, says Walker Brown was hanged in the jail yard here to-day for the murder of Noah Ramage last October. The drop fell at 11.05 a. m., and in thirty minutes life was extinct. The sacrament was administered to Brown just before his execution. He protested his innocence to the last, saying that if he killed Ramage it was by accident. A detachment of the Laurens Guard was on hand to keep back the crowd.

Perry Gray who was to have hanged o-day for the murder of John Fuller, has been respited by Governor Tillman till May 15th, to allow time for examination of a petition for commutation of his sentence.

A BAD ACCIDENT.

Thirteen Cars and Three Engines Destroyed-Three Men Killed and Two Badly Hurt.

BALTIMORE, April 16,-A freight train of thirteen cars and three engines on the Maryland Central railroad broke ton, near this city. Nine men were on the train. Three were killed and two badly injured. The others had time to jump and escaped. The cars were quickly in a blaze, and were burned. Only one body was recovered from the wreck; two were burned up. The trestle is a short one, and was thought to be strongly built and braced. Too heavy a train is the present assigned cause of the breaking down of the bridge. The bed of the stream where

the wreck occurred is a mass of rock. MARINE DISASTER.

A British Steamer Sunk in Collision-All on Board Saved. By Cable to the Morning Star

LONDON, April 16.-The Dutch steamer P. Coland, Capt. Devries, from British steamer Glamorgan, bound from Antwerp for Cardiff. The weather was clear and calm and they saw each others lights distinctly before they struck. The Glamorgan, struck on her broadside, was cut nearly in two and sank. The steamers were firmly locked together until the Glamorgan filled. The Glamorgan had thirty passengers on board including two ladies and a number of children. They were rescued with difficulty, clad only in their night dresses. The P. Coland arrived in Dover Roads, badly damaged.

Premier Rudini's remarks in the Italian Chamber of Deputies on Wednesday were to the effect that the Italian Government would decline to admit the irresponsibility of the United States toward the single States composing the American Union, and that the New Orleans lynching concerned the whole civilized world. That is the finest argument yet against the indiscriminate immigration that flows in increased volumes to our shores. We are likely to have international disturbances if our of the child. It had evidently been in the

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WASHINGTON NEWS. a pretty buttonhole bouquet. - Asheville Citizen: Col. Thad National Banks-Attorney General Miller's Coleman, with a corps of engineers is now in the field surveying the route of the Atlanta, Asheville and Baltimore Railway from Asheville to Weaverville. WASHINGTON, April 17,-The Compa distance of eight miles. Levelling and making the location of the road will be-

> townships and Asheville, the election on the issuing of \$200,000 in bonds for the construction of this line from Asheville to the Madison county line, is to be held on May 25, are very encouraging and there is said to be no opposition to the proposition. -- Raleigh News and Observer: Mr. Allen Maynard, father of our townsman, Mr. E. P. Maynard, died at his home near Morrisville vesterday, at the age of about 70 years. - Gov. Holt

- Greensboro Record James Fos-

ter, of Alamance county, died last Sat-urday at the advanced age of 104 years and three months. He was a soldier of the war in 1812, and in many respects

was a remarkable man. - An ingenious tramp was in the city yesterday, and was making artificial roses with his

knife that would almost defy detection

at a distance of ten feet. He cut them

from turnips and beets, and placed the

rose upon a sprig of evergreen, making

in to-morrow. Reports from Ivey,

Reems Creek and Flat Creek in which

resterday offered a reward of \$100 for ohn Stowe, the murderer of William White, in Rowan county. -- The colored assistant engineer, Jim Brown, at the Raleigh- Cotton Factory, met with a serious accident while at work vesterday. In some way his arm got fastened in the belting and was terribly torn and mangled, so that it had to be amoutated. - Charlotte Chronicle: At 1.30

clock this morning Mrs. Rufus W. ohnson suddenly and unexpectedly died. - Three attempts were made by burglars Wednesday night to enter the dwelling of Capt. Jones on North Graham street. They were fired at each time, and were unsuccessful in carrying out their plans. - Wm. S. Peters, of York county, S. C., was bitten in ten places Wednesday night by a mad dog. He encountered the dog in the road and it immediately attacked him. He came on to Charlotte Wednesday night to have the mad stone applied. - Goldsboro Argus: The dam-

age suit of Dr. Kirby Smith vs. Hon. Kemp P. Battle, for unwarranted arrest under the charge of having painted the Caldwell monument at Chapel Hill red on the University centennial, of which charge Dr. Smith was exonerated at the time, resulted in a "hung jury" and a mistrial, the jury having taken the case Wednesday evening and remained continuously together in consultation until yesterday at noon, when the above was taken. - We were informed vesterday by Mr. Noah Rouse of the drowning of three negro men by the upsetting of a boat at the mouth of Bear Creek where it empties into Neuse river. There were four men in the boat, all colored ashore. The other three could not swim.

- Washington Gazette: Capt. Joe Smith had a narrow escape at Moss' mill Tuesday. His pants were entirely torn off by the machinery, and he was considerably bruised that the old-fashioned itch is prevalent in the country. It seems to have originated in the timber camps. amount of building is constantly increasabout twenty-five new residences going houses being built at Blount's Creek one to have ten rooms. A large steam saw mill, a store, and a church which supports a preacher, and a number of houses are already there. - Mr. J. T. Winfield's steam saw mill at Vanceboro, was burnt last Tuesday night week by some fiendish incendiary. The loss was \$4,000, with only \$1,500 insur-

- Jonesboro Leader: Mr Ben Thomas, of Cape lear township, this county, says that a few days ago he found a hen nest under his barn. He took 77 eggs therefrom and carried them to the house. He then went back and got 30 more. — The celebrated Stutts postoffice robbery case from Carthage was disposed of at the Federal court in Greensboro last week. Stutts was acquitted. Public opinion in this county is very much divided on the question. There is some mystery about he matter that has not yet been solved. The mails were rifled, that is certain. Even private letters, mailed in Jonesboro to parties in Carthage, about the ime of the robbery, have never been delivered. What did the finding of those broken packages of mail matter in Will Stutt's trunk signify? Did some one else put them there to throw suspicton on him?.

- Charlotte News: The amount f money subscribed by voluntary conribution for the benefit of the widow and children of John B. Mocca, and colected by G. A. Panella and A. Vita, up o last night was \$183.40. Subscriptions are still received and the sum will scarcely stop short of a round \$200. — It has developed that two negroes

were shot in the scrimmage last Sunday night. One of them, who lives near the old fair grounds, had a hole bored clear through the fleshy part of his body. The other was only slightly wounded - The case of Mr. J. P. Ardrey, son State Senator Ardrey, who killed a enant named Thomas Morris, on his farm near Pineville, about three months ago, was disposed of in the Criminal Court this morning. Mr. Ardrey submitted to manslaughter, and Judge Meares imposed a fine of \$100 upon him. The fine was paid and the case was cancelled on the Court docket.

-Asheville Citizen: The carelessness of a conductor and engineer on the Asheville and Spartanburg railroad yesterday was the cause of an accident And a terrible accident it was, too, causing the death of two men, if not a larger number. —This morning early, the ground in front of the court house was noticed to be broken out with bucs of peculiar shape. They had arrived durng the night and were making themselves thoroughly at home. The bugs are ugly looking things, in shape a cross between a tobacco fly and a locust. Four long legs adorn the body, while a pair of crab-like claws project outward from the head. The eyes are as large as peas and of a decidedly red color. The bugs can travel almost as easily on their backs as in the natural way. The things are almost human so far as their breathing goes, for every respiration can be detected by a close observer. Altogether.

- Charlotte News: New evidence s daily accumulating against Henry Brabham, the slayer of the Italian, John B. Mocca, and the case is now much stronger against him than it was at first. One witness has been found who saw Brabham drop the coupling pin from his pocket. This occurred near Mocca's store. Another witness, a railroad man, has been found, who was in Mocca's store ten minutes before the murder, and who says there was then another negro in the store with Brabham. - The body of a white male child was found in the well on the premises of Mr. R. E. Young, corner of B and 5th streets, about two o'clock this afternoon. The child was a finely developed one and was thrown into the well when newly born, as it was' clearly indicated. Its body was entirely barren of clothing, but a rag was wrapped around its chest. Mr. Young's tamily had been noticing a bad taste about the water for several days, and to-day Mr. Young engaged a couple of laborers to clean out the well. The first thing brought up was the body well for two weeks or more. There is

officeholders. He was too shrewd of a game. Call and his friends to do that. But since then he has had less indisposition to antagonize Harrison's nomination if it can be done without seeming to be instrumental in it himself. In other words he now feels justified in putting himself "in the hands of his friends" without saying so in so many words, and letting them manipulate the wires according to their own judgment, with, probably, an occasional hint in quiet way from him. And then if his nomination be regarded as "essential to party success," of course. he will accept it, unless he comes to the conclusion in the meantime that there is no use in any Republican ac cepting it. With this proviso, it may be concluded that, if Blaine was out, he is now in it.

MINOR MENTION.

There is trouble before England in India. English troops have been massacred in the Manipur-Kobat insurrection, which is not yet quelled, and in addition to this the cable dispatches of Friday report an uprising in Benares, caused by the tearing down of a Hindoo temple to provide a site for new water works. There is nothing that will stir these people to resistance quicker or excite them to the same degree of intensity as trampling upon their religious feelings or prejudices, and when it is remembered that there are over 200,-000,000 of them it is easily seen that handling them is no easy matter. The great Sepoy rebellion which led by the fearless Nina Sahib, cost England so many lives and so much money was caused by even a smaller thing than the pulling down of a temple, it was simply the equiring the Hindoo soldiers to bit off the greased end of their cartridges, tasting grease being against some of their religious tenets. The army officers sneered at this and the Sepoy rebellion was the result. One of the great dangers to England is that the spirit of revolt will be fanned by Russia, which will not be slow to take advantage of such an opportunity to cripple England, and get a foot hold in India, which sh has long desired. It may be that with the prospect of a tangle with Germany and Austria, she may deem it the part of prudence not to show her hand too openly, while giving

hand support she can. There is not much doubt that it the purposeof Blaine's friends to present his name in the next National Republican Convention, nor much nor much doubt on their part that he will accept the nomination if tendered, notwithstanding the oft-repeated declaration that he is not a candidate. Men who are close enough to be presumed to know what they are talking about unhesitatingly say that he will be in the race, and are now actively engaged in booming him. A significant article from the pen of Mr. John Russell Young recently appeared in the New York Press going to show that Blaine's nomination was necessary for the party, that he was the only man in it capable of leading it, and the only man with whom it had the slightest hope of winning. Although Blaine cannot while a member of the cabinet antagonize Harrison, the programme is said to be that he will resign from the cabinet next year, announce himself a candidate and then take a swing round the circle a la Harrisok. If the latter gentleman fancies that he will have a walk-over for the nomination he will find him-

the insurrectionists all the under-

self mistaken. We hope Harrison will get the nomination, for we regard Blaine as by long odds the strongest man in the Republican party and by far the most dangerous man for the Democratic party to en-

The opponents of the re-election of Senator Call, of Florida, have caught on to that Western bribery trick to beat him. In the Legislature of Nebraska and some other Western States last winter when ballots were being taken for United States Senator, some virtuous member, who was very anxious to beat by some one and offered some cash to vote for the man on the other was to cast odium upon the candidate in whose interest the alleged bribery was attempted. The trick was too well understood out there to pan out successfully, and the Florida anti-Call solons should not have been so fresh as to have resorted to it after it have proved such a fizzle. The distinguished and virtuous Mr. Whitehurst who said in the caucus Thursday night that one McClelland had told him that it would be worth \$500 to him to vote for Call, but he wasn't sure it was intended for a bribe, should at least have angled with the tempter long enough to have

satisfied himself that his virtue was

really being assaulted before he

tion, which would have arrayed his followers. He was a bungler and against him the army of Harrison's evidently a new hand at that kind jumped on it with both feet right there and disowned any connection whatever with the alleged \$500

President Harrison wrote a letter to the Western-Southern Commercial Congress at Kansas City, in which he said: "If you want cheap supplies a near-at-hand market is a desideratum, because it avoids transportation charges and many handlings." This is some more of the "home market" stuff that the high tariffites have been humbugging their dupes with for so many years. We have had this high protection tariff, getting higher and higher, for thirty years, and yet these cure-all home markets have not materialized in the West, and where they have materialized, they have not proved

worth a continental to the farmer. They've got them in New England, in New York, in New Jersey, in Pennsylvania, all highly protected manufacturing States, and yet in all of these agriculture has been on the constant decline for some years, and in a number of them thousands of farms have been abandoned, simply because the farmers who cultivated them couldn't, with all their home markets, live on them and keep their heads above water. The home market is a good thing as far as it goes but the farmer who depends upon it will soon find himself on the ragged edge and, like so many of the farmers of the New England and middle States, looking for some other em-

ployment to earn a living.

STATE TOPICS. The Rockingham Rocket, speaking | Bogus Silver Dollars. of a handsome piece of furniture made out of native china wood by a furniture manufacturer of that town, calls attention to the excellence of the native woods of that section for the manufacture of fine furniture. There is no section of the world which presents within the same area as many varieties of beautiful woods for this purpose as can be found in the forest growth of this State, such as the bird's-eye maple, the twisted walnut, the curled hickory, the persimmon and other varieties, which are very pretty when worked separately or in combination with other woods, and polish like marble. Some of these days, when the full value of this timber is appreciated furniture factories will be numerous

n North Carolina. West Virginia burglars sometimes pursue their avocation under discouraging circumstances. Three of them recently paid a nocturnal visit to a house in the town of Raleigh theo nly occupant of which at the time was a young lady. When the leader had succeeded in reaching the window and was scrambling through his head came in sudden contact with an axe in the hands of the young lady, and he retired head over heels to the sidewalk, and his companions also precipitately retired without waiting

for further developments. Before King Humbert decides to send any of his ships over to pepper New Orleans he should masticate the suggestion made by an Englishman to the War Department, that when the fleet puts in an appearance off the mouth of the Mississippi the aforesaid mouth be filled full of oil and fire set to it, and thus give the Italians a warm reception. It is not often that an Englishman warms up, but when he does warm up he warms

Balfour plays the accordion. knew there was something the matter with Balfour, but we didn't know until this fact was revealed what it

CAROLINA BEACH.

The Excursion Sesson-A. New and Magnificent Steamer Purchased to Run on

Capt. Harper, who went North a few days ago to select a steamer to run the summer schedule between Wilmington and Carolina Beach, has purchased a boat admirably suited to the purpose. and will bring it here in a few days. A gentleman at Philadelphia furnishes the STAR with the following brief description of the new and has been running as an excursion boat between Philadelphia, Chester and Wilmington, Delaware. Is an iron propeller, 130 feet long, 23 feet 6 inch beam and draws six feet six inches. Has two compound engines, 141/2 by 17 and 26 by 17, with Scotch boiler, and in every respect is just as good as new. pline, made him beloved by every indi-She has three decks, with saloons on main and upper decks, with ample passenger accommodations. Has run on a route, daily, 130 miles, at a speed of 151/2 miles all through, and can make easily sixteen miles per hour when desired. She is a steady, excellent

The Messrs Hinton, proprietors of the Purcell House, have leased the hotel at Carolina Beach, with the bathing and other privileges pertaining thereto, and under their management an excellent service may be confidently expected by raised a racket and tried to cast re- the patrons of this favorite resort the

sea-going boat.

NOTICE.

This is intended only for subscribers whose subscriptions have expired. It is not a dun, but a simple request that all who are in arrears for the STAR will favor us with a prompt

remittance. We are sending out bills now a few each week), and if you receive one please give it your attention.

The Late Judge Cantwell. Judge Edward Cantwell, whose death at St. Simon's Island, Ga., was announced in the STAR, served in the the Mexican war. At the breaking out of the late war he was acting Adjutant General to Gov. Ellis and issued the order to the military companies here to take possession of Forts Caswell and Johnson, He was a private in the Wilmington Light Infantry at Fort Caswell and was the first captain of that company when it was organized in 1856. He was afterwards Lieutenant Colonel of the Second N. C. Infantry and was military governor of Norfolk, Va. Later he was Lieutenant Colonel of Ferrebee's N. C. Cavalry. He was twice captured and confined as a prisoner at Johnson's Island. Like his brother, Col. John L. Cantwell, of this city, he was exempt from military duty and both were vol-

unteers in the service.

A large number of counterfeit silver dollars are said to be in circulation throughout the South and West. The dollar is a perfect one, being only off a trifle in weight and ring. The counterfeiters are experts, as their work is of the most delicate kind.

The bogus coins are nothing but shells of the genuine. They are filled with some other metal to give the coin the desired weight. The silver is drawn out in a powdered form through a minute hole in the milled edge. The work is very laborious, but it is claimed that 30 cents worth of silver can be removed. A metal of some kind is poured into the small hole, which is almost too small for detection.

Receipts of Naval Stores. Receipts of naval stores at this port since the beginning of the crop year-April 1st to April 17th-as compared with receipts to the corresponding date last year are as follows: Spirits turpentine, 1,135 casks; last year, 1,158. Rosin, 18,886 barrels; last year, 16,930. Tar, 5,159 barrels; last year, 4,034. Crude turpentine, 561 barrels; last year, 405.

EDGECOMBE.

Rocky Mount Tobacco Market, ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., April 17 .- The railroad books at this place show a daily shipment of twenty thousand pounds of tobacco since the last of August, making over four and a half million pounds sold. The Eagle warehouse has paid out over \$200,000, and the Farmers' warehouse has paid out \$150,000 to the farmers within a radius of eighteen miles. The farmers have realized the fact that they get better prices for tobacco here than any place in the State R. R. Cotton, of Falkland, Pitt county sold to-day ten thousand pounds and realized, including a lot of trash, over \$800 for the lot. He has fifteen or twenty thousand pounds more which he will bring to this market. Preparations are being made for the erection of five or six more large houses-brick and wood-besides two or three factories

for plug and smoking. The warehouse men are jubilant, and say they are going to handle ten million pounds the coming season. Prices continue high, notwithstanding what is said to the contrary.

THE LATE GEN. JNO. R. COOKE. Resolutions Adopted by the New Han over Veterans' Association. NEW HANOVER COUNTY CONFEDERATE

VETERANS' ASSOCIATION, WILMINGTON, N. C., April 13. Another hero of our "lost cause" has 'passed over the river" to join the mighty host of his comrades who have gone before, and we feel called on by ties of friendship thus severed to lav upon the freshly made grave where rest the ashes of JOHN R. COOKE a tribute of love, friendship and esteem. General Cooke was peculiarly endear

ed to North Carolinians from having been associated with North Carolina troops from first to last of our heroic struggle for liberty. As captain of artillery, he served un der General Holmes, on the Potomac transferred with that command to North Carolina early in 1862, and upon the reorganization of the twelve months' registeamer. She is named the Wilmington | ments, he having made so many friends, was elected Colonel of the 27th, with which he served with distinction until

> his services were, in part, recognized by further promotion. His firmness of character, unflinching bravery and devotion to the interests and comfort of every man in his command, coupled with extreme gentleness in the enforcement of necessary discividual. Stricken down in the midst of a use-

son to his surviving comrades, and remind them that they, too, must soon join that innumerable throng; let us lope and trust, in a better land. To his stricken widow and children we tender our heartfelt sympathy, and commend them to the keeping of the Almighty Father, who has promised protection to the widow and fatherless. ED. D. HALL, Late Col. 46th, N. C. Troops.

ful career, in the full bloom of man-

hood, his death should be a striking les-

WM. L. DEROSSET, Late Col. 3rd N. C. Inf'y. C. F. COWLES, Late Capt. Co. B, 51st N. C. Troops. been sent out such stupid and dishonest pleas attempting to save the murderers from the hands of the hangman. An honest and civilized nation would not thing have happened through the care-

have allowed the blood-thirsty mob to attack the prison and murder the prisoners, and should such a lessness of the authorities a civilized nation would have prosecuted and punished the guilty parties. Before giving satisfaction to Italy the United States ought to give it to themselves. The murderer triumphs and finds an advocate in Secretary Blaine, and the civilization of America so often boasted of has proven to be a bluff—a humbug. A government which approves such a course betrays its own country, and calls upon the civilized nations to send their guns to teach it how international and rights

should be respected." LA GRIPPE

Swells the Mortality in New York City -Decimating the Indians in the North

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, April 18 .- The mortality for the twenty-four hours ending at noon was 181; total for the week 1.347the largest number for any week this year. Of the last day's deaths 20 were from grippe and complications. The total number of deaths from grippe to

NORTH YAKIMA, WASH., April 18 .-La grippe is rapidly decimating the Indians in this vicinity. At White Bluffs nine died in one day, and at Moses and Yakima reservations the death rate is large. It is not so much the disease as the treatment that cause the great mortality-when afflicted Indians go into sweat boxes and then jump into cold streams of water which causes pneumonia.

A FRIGHTFUL WRECK.

Six Postal Clerks and Two Engineers Killed in a Collision on the Lake Shore Railroad. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, April 18.-A frightful wreck occurred on the Lake Shore Railroad at Kifton Station, about forty miles west of Cleveland, early this evening, in which six postal clerks and two engineers were killed. The fast mail, No. 14, bound east, collided with No. 2, the Toledo Express, just as the latter train was about to pull on the siding to let the fast mail pass. The fast mail was running at full speed and the force of the collision was so great that both engines, three mail cars and one baggage car were completely wrecked.

J. C. Clarke, of Riceville, Buncombe county, killed a sheep this week and sold him in Asheville for \$8.58. Nine pounds of tallow were taken from the carcass worth 36 cents; before slaughtering, the sheep was sheared and five pounds of wool gotten which sold for \$1.67; the skin was worth 25 cents, making a total of \$10.86. And yet there are many people who raise more dogs than sheep.—Asheville Citizen. | immigration laws are not revised.—