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#### TO BOOM BLAINE.

That is an interesting report that comes from Indianapolis about the secret meeting of prominent Republicans - who gathered to effect an organization to support Blaine for the Presidency. This is interesting because it follows so close upon the heels of the reported conference between President Harrison and Senator Quay a few days ago, in which it was stated that a compact had been entered into between them in pursuance of which Harrison was to make certain appointments in Pennsylvania in which Quay had an interest, in return for which Quay was to put up a delegation for Harrison in the event that Blaine was not in the

The interesting feature of this report taken in connection with the more recent announcement of this Indianapolis meeting was the assurance given Mr. Quay by Mr. Harrison that in due time the unavailability of Mr. Blaine as a presidential candidate would be publicly demonstrated.

When the question was asked Mr. Conger, of Ohio, one of the leading figures in this Indianapolis meeting, whether in the event Mr. Blaine were nominated if he would accept he replied that he was not authorized to speak for Mr. Blaine, but he was positive in the assurance that there would be no embarrassing letters to

In this connection it will be remembered that it has been stated from time to time, a dozen times or more, and in nearly every instance by friends of the President, that Mr. Blame would shortly publish a letter announcing that he was not a candidate for the Presidency and that he would not and could not accept the nomination if tendered. An editorial in a newspaper of which Russell Harrison, son of Benjamin, is half owner, went so far as to say that Mr. Blaine had no Presidential aspirations, that he was not a condidate and could not be without the violation of a tacit, if not an expressed pledge, and a breach of faith with the President.

But although this letter has been frequently predicted it has failed so far to put in an appearance, and now we have the assurance of a friend of Mr. Blaine, who talks like a man man who knew what he was talking about that no letter will be written to embarrass the free action of Blaine's triends who are working for

There were very few who knew Blaine who ever believed that he would write such a letter, even if he was not thinking seriously of entering the race, for Blaine is one of those politicians who keeps his eye on the political vane and governs himself accordingly. He is one of the patriots, too, who never wants anything which he thinks he can't get.

such a letter the persistency with which Mr. Harrison's friends have been circulating these reports, either to induce him to write it or to make his friends believe that he didn't want and would not accept a nomination, followed by the nonchalance with which Mr. Harrison took to himself whatever of credit there might be in the reciprocity scheme which Blaine had worked up, tollowed by the bluff manner in which he took the Behring sea business into his own hands would cause a change of resolution in that respect; hence those who had their doubts about his intention to write such a letter will find no difficulty in believing Mr. Conger's assertion that no letter to "paralyze" his friends will be written.

Another interesting feature of this meeting is that it was held in Mr. Harrison's State and in Mr. Harrison's own home city, where he ought to be strong if he is strong anywhere, and where his friends ought to rally in Indianapolis is significant, to say the least, and Benjamin Harrison will be apt to realize its full signifi-

If Mr. Blaine is not in the race somebody is badly fooled, and some of his friends are doing a large amount of superfluous talking and useless work. They are not simpletons enough to be doing all this unadvisedly nor without knowing what they are doing or why they are doing it.

An American named Hofting got and got away with his 230,000 pile of French lucre on the next train for kickers. They went for Grosvenor.

#### EVIDENCES OF PROGRESS.

There is perhaps no Southern State which has within the past guarter of a century made more substantial progress than North Carolina, but it would never be discovered if it depended upon the amount of boasting or the parade made over it. Trumpet blowing is one of the accomplishments in which her people have not made much progress and it is something for which they don't show much inclination, not as much, perhaps, as they should show. But North Carolina is getting there in her own quiet, matter of fact way all the same, trumpet or no trumpet.

Among the evidences of progress, of which there are many, there are thre'e which at first sight strike the observer who views North Carolina now and twenty-five years ago. These are the increase in the number and in the mileage of the railroads, the increase in the number and productive capacity of her cotton mills and the rapid growth of her towns and cities, their improvement and the varied industries which have sprung up within them.

We have frequently when discoursing on the future of this State expressed the belief that she would some day be the greatest railroad State in the South, if not in the Union, with more railway mileage to the square mile of territory than any other State in the South. The more we reflect on the progress of railway building in the past twentyfive years, the progress at present, and compare the North Carolina of to-day with the North Carolina of even ten years ago the more confirmed we are in that belief.

With rugged highlands along most of her northern border, swelling into mountains as you go westward, the great through railway lines coming southwest must get south of these to find a practicable way to the Southwestern country which they seek. Covering the territory between the Blue Ridge and the sea she must necessarily become the highway for all through lines of railway running North and South on this side of the feel much more comfortable over it nountain ranges. There is no choice than he probably does. about it, for the only other practicable way is north of these towering

From an opposite direction the Western systems of roads seeking outlets by South Atlantic seaports will be compelled more or less to use her territory as a highway and thus get the shortest and most practicable routes from the West to the bilities are \$800,000. They attrib South Atlantic seaboard. There are three or four roads now under consideration or construction pointing this way, all of which will be built in the near future. As one system will pass through in a southwesterly direction the other will pass through in a southeasterly direction, giving not simply parallel lines but lines in entirely different directions, thus developing more territory and presenting better facilities for transportation for the different sections of the State than any number of parallel roads could

It is generally, though not always the case, that where railroads cross each other towns spring up. Railroad centers make large and flourishing towns.

These two reasons, even if there were no railroad enterprise among our people, would eventually make North Carolina a great railroad State. But our people have railroad enterprise to a great degree, which is shown by the fact that out of the \$12,000,000 or more of railroad property in this State, that being If he ever had any idea of writing the valuation of her 3,000 miles railway with equipment, all but about two and a half millions is owned by North Carolinians, a showing which we do not believe can be made by any other Southern State, and by but few, it any, Northern States. The half dozen roads of twenty-five years ago, have increased to sixty, and the mileage of less than 500 to 3,000 miles, nearly all the work of her own people. And yet they haven't done any trumpet blowing about it. Who that thinks of these things will doubt that North Carolina is destined to be a great railroad State?

# MINOR MENTION.

General Grosvenor, of Ohio, is another victim of too much mouth He was appointed chairman of the Immigration Commission which was to visit Europe to gather information in reference to the undesirable class of emigrants who are shipped to this country, and feeling the importance of his position he concluded around him with as much if not more he would ventilate his views on the enthusiasm than they do anywhere immigration question, which he did else. That a meeting of this kind some time ago through an interview should have been held in Indiana and in the Washington Star, which was copied by many papers in the North and West. In that interview he commented freely on the evils of unrestricted immigration and incidentally illustrated by refering to the State of Wisconsin as "almost a foreign province." Mr. Grosvenor who is a Republican from away back hasn't a very high regard for Wisconsin, which kicked out of the Republican traces at the last election, the Germans and Scandinavians who had been previously voting with the Republican party going over to the Democrat away, a few days ago, with one of party on the school question the Monte Carlo tiger resorts to the issue. This "foreign province" extune of 230,000 francs. Although he pression made the Republican leadplayed boozey, he was frank enough | ers of that State red hot, because to say he didn't want all their money | they had not entirely abandoned the STATE TOPICS.

him, repudiated the sentiments ex-

pressed in the published interview.

Grosvenor crawfished, and said he

didn't mean it, that he was mis-

quoted, &c., whereupon the Wash-

ington Star went for him and

showed that he read the interview

as published in the Star and

endorsed it to other newspaper cor-

respondents, who called to see him

about it before they sent it to their

papers. The result is that Gen.

Grosvenor comes down and out be-

cause his "usefulness as immigration

commissioner is impaired," and he

"he don't want to hurt his party,"

which is the true reason why he

comes down and out, very much to

the relief of the President and the

Secretary, who gladly accept his "re-

hinted they would like to have.

They will take care of him, however,

the racket about his "foreign pro-

The Harrison Republicans are

trying to break the significance of

that anti-Harrison meeting at Indian-

apolis last week by saying that its

real purpose was not so much to boom

Blaine, Gresham or Alger as it was

to "squeeze" Harrison One of

them in Washington says when the

appropriations by the last Con-

gress become available on the 1st

of July there will be a good many

contracts to be given out by the

Departments and a good many

fat pickings in Washington, some

of which these Blaine boomers

want, and they have taken this

course to make Harrison shell out

and purchase their silence. This

shows a pretty low estimate of Mr.

Harrison all around, by his oppo-

nents, if true, as alleged, that their

purpose in meeting was to force

Harrison to buy them off and by his

friends who tacitly admit by the sug-

gestion that he is in the market as a

purchaser. Doubtless some of them

could be bought off but that was not

the inspiring motive of the meeting.

If Mr. Harrison thought so he would

Sevill Schofield, Son & Co., of

gaged in manufacturing at Mana-

yunk since 1857. Their total lia-

ute their failure to the McKinley

tariff which they at first supposed

would help their business. A reac-

tion set in in business which

was brisk for a short time after the

passage of the bill, when there

was no demand for the high price

protected goods which they manu-

factured at high cost and then the

trouble began which resulted in a

final-collapse of a house which had

been in business and weathered the

financial storms of thirty-three

years. Score one more for the Mc-

The Woman Inventor is the title of

a new weekly publication just started

at Washington, the object of which

is to show what woman has done

and is doing in the field of invention.

One fact we learn from it, to which

Senator Daniel of Virginia called

attention in his tribute to "Indus-

trial Women" before the Patent

Centennial Congress, is that the first

patent granted to a native born

Woman Inventor, the first publica-

tion of the kind in this country, is

The Woman Inventor says that as

but three per cent. of the patents

granted to women are granted to

single women, it is proof that marri-

age does not interfere with woman's

with man's inventive genius, either,

but rather stimulates it. Lots of

genius for inventing reasons for

also a Southern woman.

Kinley tariff.

vince" speech subsides.

The Tarboro Southerner pertinenty asks if this section of the State is not the "golden belt for tobacco," It has gone through the census report on the tobacco crop of last year, and while it finds that the average price throughout the State was 14 cents a pound, the average price n Nash county was 23 cents, in Edgecombe 22, in Pitt 19. These would probably be a fair sample of the other Eastern counties wher tobacco is grown. In this connec tion it may be said also that while the average price is higher more obacco can be raised to the acre in this section of the State than in any other, and for the reason that it is not subject to risks from late frosts signation," which doubtless they in spring or early frosts in fall it is a much surer crop in the East than in other portions of the State. It will by giving him something else when not be many years before in much of the East tobacco will lead cotton as a farm product.

> at the Produce Exchange. Under the auspices of the Executive Committee of the Confederate Veterans' Association of New Hanover county, subscription lists will be opened at the Produce Exchange to-day, for funds to aid in the erection of a monument to JEFFERSON DAVIS. The committee will also canvass the city to give citizens an opportunity to contri-

Any amount, however small, will be the monument shall be the spontaneous village in the South.

Philadelphia, is another added to the long list of failures of wool manufactures. This was one of the most reliable firms in Philadelphia, the senior member having been en-

Cotton Region Bulletin. High temperature prevailed yesterday in the Wilmington district of the cotton belt. The maximum reported was 100 degrees at Florence, 102 at Cheraw, 96 at Raleigh, Lumberton, Weldon aud

Steamer Murchison from Fayetteville. The steamer D. Murchison, Capt. Tomlinson, from Fayetteville, arrived last night, with the following passengers, viz: J. D. McNeil, and wife, Fayetteville, for Carolina Beach; ex-Sheriff W. J. Sutton, Bladen; J. M. Wescott, Southport; H. H. Barnhill, D. F. Nicholson, Mrs. B. McGill, Miss Janie Wilkerson, Mrs. W. H. Sikes, J. H. Register, Mrs. Leonard, Bladen county.

rosin, 20 cases tar.

woman in this country was issued to Hatteras Lighthouse. Jena S. Goodman, of Florida. Mrs, Charlotte Smith, the editor of the

The latest information in regard to this project is that the steamer Jupiter under charter of Anderson & Barr, contractors, for the erection of the lighthouse at Hatteras, is in Norfolk, being repaired preparatory to towing the iron caisson, now in that harbor, to Hatteras or use in the construction of the lighthouse. She will leave with it in the course of the next two weeks.

inventive genius. It don't interfere Dan Talmage's Sons, New York, report the rice crop in North Carolina as much behind that of any year of the married men develop a remarkable decade. More than half was not seeded until the present month. Acreage along staying out late of nights, a talent the rivers is about the same as last year which was never called into play beupland considerably larger. The outcome is likely to be 300,000 bushels.

They utilize the convict brigands in Turkey. They have recently turned fifty out of prison to run Fifth Street, June 27 and 28. down the gentleman who gobbled up those Berlin bankers and held them for ransom. As Anastace is 11 and 12. an accomplished, captivating sort of a fellow the probabilities are that 18 and 19. the ex-brigs will find his society and

airy mode of life so congenial that they will forget what they came for Grace Church, August 1 and 2. if they should rup up with him. The Prince of Wales is on the ragged edge bad. The people don't August 13. like that thin dodge of Hon. Edward

Stanhope, to get him out of the and 16. baccarat scrape, and are saying so pretty emphatically. And the Welsh-Market Street, August 27. Kenansville Circuit, Richland, August men don't want God to bless him, either, for they hissed the other day 19 and 30. when the band tooted "God Bless

the Prince of Wales." An Ohio preacher who has retired for two years to the penitentiary for burglary, says he expects to resume business, preaching, not burglarizing, when his term expires. It is hard to repress the Ohio man when he feels he has a mission and

fills up with it. hope of winning back the foreign kickers. They went for Grosvenor.

Secretary Foster, who appointed Read advertisement of Otterburn Lithia Water in this paper. Unequaled for Dyspepsia and all diseases of kidney and bladder. Price within reach of all. Read advertisement of Otterburn

COTTON IN NORTH CAROLINA.

rally Late-Poor Stands. days later than last year. "Throughout almost the whole May these conditions appear to have

THE DAVIS MONUMENT.

Subscription Lists to be Opened To-day

oute to this patriotic work.

cheerfully received; the idea being that offering of the peope of the South, and to this end subscription lists will be opened to-day in nearly every town and

Mr. John W. Childers, of Nashville, president of the committe of the Southern Press Association charged with the management of the movement, says that contributions will be received up to June 80th, at which time the committee will meet in Atlanta, Ga., "to look over the reports from the various bodies and to take steps for the erection of the monument as early as practicable. Several cities are now engaged in competing for the location of the monument. One of the new South boom cities will make a proposition to take whatever funds the committee may secure and to supplement that with any amount the committee may designate if the monument will be built there. The committee will take care that the monument shall not fall into the hands of any advertising boomers. It will be erected on soil peculiarly appropriate for its location. There are several such

Goldsboro, 92 at Charlotte, and 90 at Wilmington, Wadesboro and Newbern. The average maximum for the district was 95 degrees. Newbern was the only station in the district that reported rain. The rainfall in other districts of the cotton belt was heavy; Memphis and New Orleans each reporting an average of

The Murchison's freight list comprised 100 casks spirits turpentine, 232 bbls.

The Rice Crop

Wilmington District—Third Quarter Bladen Circuit, Bethel, June 20 Scott's Hill Circuit, Herring's, July Southport District Conference, July

Elizabeth Circuit, Singletary's, July Robeson Circuit, Asbury, July 25 Carver's Creek, Hebron, July 29

okesbury, McNatt's, August 8 and 9 Brunswick Mission, Cedar Bay Au-Brunswick Circuit, Shallote Camp. Samson, Andrew's Circuit, August 15

Bladen Street Circuit, August 25. Clinton Circuit, Goshen, August 25

Magnolia Circuit, Bryants, September Whitesville Circuit, Fair Bluff, September 5 and 6. Waccamaw Circuit, Shiloh, September

F. D. SWINGELL, P. E. SPARKLING CATAWBA SPRINGS.

Health seekers should go to Sparkling Catawba Springs. Beautifully located, in Catawba county, 1,000 fee above sea-level, at the foot of the Blue Ridge mountains. Scenery magnificent. Waters possess medicinal properties of the highest order. Board only \$30,00 per month. Read advertisement in this paper, and write Dr. E. O. Elliott & Son, proprietors, for descriptive pamphlets.

m Acreage-Planting Gene The Commercial and Financial Chron-

cle, of New York, in reference to the condition of the growing cotton in North Carolina, says: "The wet weather in the early spring delayed plowing, so that planting operations did not become active until after the 20th of April, and in a number of localities little was done until towards the last o the month; hence while in some districts seeding had been completed by the middle of May, in others it was not finished until about the first of June. As an average the season was about ten

exerted an unfavorable influence. From various causes seed has rotted in the ground, or failed to come up, and as a consequence a much greater amount of re-planting than usual has been done. As the foregoing serves to indicate, the stand is not good. Much of the lateplanted seed was not above ground on May 81. Late advices by telegraph cover reports of more satisfactory weather conditions, and the expectation of considerable improvement. The dry weather which retarded the growth of cotton has acted in like manner on grass and weeds, and the fields, consequently, are fairly clean. The conervative tendency heretofore noted continues, and while there have been changes up and down in various districts the decrease in the area under cotton in the State is not large; we estimate it at 2 per cent. Commercial sorts have been more largely used, in some instances displacing the home-made

varieties. "The acreage of cotton in North Carolina is given as follows: 1890-91, 1,038, 000; 1889-90, 1,038,000; 1888-89, 1,028, 000; 1887-88, 1,028,000; 1886-87, 1,082, 000; 1885-86, 1,093,000; and then comes the following interesting figures: Acreage 1890, 1,038,180; estimated decrease for 1891, 2 per cent.; acres 1891, 1,017,

#### MILITARY AT WILSON.

The W. L. I. and Other Companies of the State Guard Present - Address by Senator Bansom-Dinner-Dress Par-

The Wilmington Light Infantry, under command of Capt. W. R. Kenan, with the Second Regiment Band, left here yesterday morning at 9 o'clock by son, to take part in the ceremonies attending the laying of the foundation of the monument to be erected at that place to commemorate the Confederate dead. They were accompanied by Col. W. C. Jones, Second Regiment, and members of his staff.

On the way up they were joined at Goldsboro by the Sampson Light Infantry and the Goldsboro Rifles, and arrived at Wilson at 1 o'clock p. m. Upon debarking from the train the three companies were received by the Rocky Mount Light Infantry and the Wilson Light Infantry, under command of Lt. Col. Ino. L. Bruton. Col. Jones took command of the battalion, with Lt. DuVal French as adjutant, and the command then marched to the hall, where the visiting military were served with an elegant dinner prepared by the ladies of Wilson, and which was heartily enoved by all.

After dinner the battalion marched to tobacco warehouse, where a large number of people-estimated at thirtyfive hundred-had assembled.

The ceremonies opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Carmichael, of Wilmington, after which Senator Ransom was introduced and addressed the assemblage in an eloquent speech of about one hour in

The Second Regiment Band played some of their best seclections, and after the benediction had been pronounced and the assemblage dismissed, the battalion was again formed, marched through some of the streets of the town and held a dress parade at the railroad depot at 6.15 o'clock.

Before taking the train for home the W. L. I. fired three volleys of musketry The weather was decidedly warm probably the hottest day of the season in Wilson, but for all this the boys enjoyed the trip, and fully appreciated the kind hospitality of the warm-hearted citizens of Wilson, the ladies especially, who did everything in their power for

the comfort and pleasure of the visitors. The W. L. I. and the Band arrived safely last night on the 9.55 train, and were dismissed at the armory.

SUN SPOTS.

Signs that a Tremendous Convulsion

Occurring on the Solar Globe. Astronomers say there is a big group of spots coming into sight around the edge of the sun. Their appearance is very formidable. The bright surface of the solar globe seems to have been torn and broken through in a wonderful manner. All around the black spots the glowing surface is heaped up into yast mountainous elevations that shine much brighter than the surrounding parts of the sun. It needs but a glance to see that a tremendous convulsion is occurring there. Enormous masses of vaporized matter, including metals turned into clouds by heat, are being hurled tens of thousands of miles high. In a few days the robrought this disturbed region near the centre of the disk. It will be worth watching, for daily and hourly marvellous changes will take place there, the explosions may become weaker, and the spots gradually disappear, or there may be a far greater outburst that will shatter the brilliant shell of the sun over

millions of square miles. The New York Sun, commenting on the above says: "If, in the mean time, great storms and tornadoes occur on the earth, they will no doubt be ascribed to the influence of this disturbance on the sun, but nobody should jump to the conclusion that the solar explosions really do produce storms. If it can be proved that electricity, is an important element in the generation of tornadoes, then the storm producing influence of sun spots will probably be admitted by many men of science who doubt it at present, for the earth always responds with a magnetic thrill to the convulsions that shake its mighty ruler in the

LATE WASHINGTON NEWS.

Advices from the Cruiser Charleston and Her Prize-Silver Purchases-Tennessee Tobacco Statistics-The Behring Sea Agreement with Great Britain Signed-The President's Proclamation Issued.

WASHINGTON, June 15 .- The agreement for a closed season in Behring Sea was signed this morning by acting Secretary of State Wharton and Sir Julian Pauncefote, and the President issued a proclamation announcing that

WASHINGTON, June 15 .- An official cablegram from Admiral McCann, at Iquique, Chili, to the Secretary of the Navy, jannounces that the Itata sailed under convoy of the Charleston at 9 o'clock Saturday night for San Diego, California. It is not probable that she will be forced, as her machinery is in bad shape, so that it is expected that a month will be occupied in the home ward trip.

The amount of silver offered for sal to the Treasury department to-day was 459,000 ounces, and the amount pur chased 329,000 ounces. The Census Office to-day made pub-

lic the tobacco statistics of Tennessee. The total number of planters in the State during the census year was 16,624; total area devoted to tobacco, 51,471 acres; total product, 36,368,395 pounds, and the value of the crop to producers is estimated on the basis of actual sales, \$1,841,464. The Navy Department has been ad

vised of the progress and necessities of the case and orders are now in preparation for the immediate dispatch of probaely two naval vessels from San Francisco to Alaska, where they will assist the three revenue cutters in the task of driving off poaching sealing vessels The agreement authorizes States vessels to seize offending British vessels, which, however, are to be turned over to British authorities for trial, and this feature of the agreement is expected to prove of great value in the pressing emergency that is held to exist of clearing out the law-breaking vessels before rreparable damage has been done to the seal fisheries.

### THE THIRD PARTY.

Twenty-Five Sub-Alliances in Kansas Re pudiate the Movement.

HICAGO, ILL., June 15 .- A Top Kan., special says: Returns received by the Alliance Executive Committee from sub-Alliances which were asked to pass judgment on the work done by the Cininnati Convention, are far from encouraging to the People's party politicians It is known that twenty-five sub-Alliances have repudiated the Third Party movement; fifteen of these have reported to the State Alliance and ten to the Republican Central Committee. The Clouds County Alliance adopted the

following resolution: WHEREAS, The South was not reprewhereas, we believe a third party will disrupt the Republican party to the benefit of the Democractic party; there-

Be it resolved, that we abandon the third party to return to our past affilia-

double signification because Cloud county is the home of Senator Wheeler, the only Alliance member of the Senate; and has always been considered the People's party stronghold.

RICHMOND, VA.

The New Federal Court of Appeals

Cases in the State Courts. RICHMOND, VA., June 15.-Chief Justice Fuller, of the Supreme Court of the United States, arrived in the city this evening, accompanied by Judge Jackson, of West Virginia. Justice Fuller will open the new Federal Court of Appeals here to-morrow.

In the Circuit Court to-day the suit of the city of Richmond against executors and securities of the late Aylett R. Woodson, who at the time of his death was collector to the city, was tried. The amount involved is over \$50,000.

The case of Lewis Booker, the insurance agent, charged with the embezzlement of several hundred thousand dollars belonging to the Hannewinkel estate, was continued in the Hustings Court to-day until July 13th. Booker was bailed in \$20,000.

# DAVIS MONUMENT.

Bulletin from Gen. Gordon-Funds to be

ATLANTA, GA., June 15 .- Gen. John B. Gordon, Commander of the United Confederate Veterans' Association, has ssued the following bulletin:

Headquarters United Confederate Veterans' Association, Atlanta, Ga., June 15, 1891.—Brother Confederates: Whatever funds may be raised through your efforts on Thursday, the 18th, for the proposed monument to Jefferson Davis, can be deposited in local banks, there to remain until required by the proper authorities hereafter.

Fraternally yours,
J. B. GORDON,
Comd'g United Confederate Veterans. A SAD TRAGEDY.

Rev. F. D. Lee, of Virginia, Kills His Son

ALEXANDRIA, June 15 .- Rev. Frank D. Lee, son of the late Cassius F. Lee residing in the vicinity of the Theological Seminary, in Fairfax county, in a spell of temporary aberration of mind yesterday, put an end to the life of his only son, aged nine years, to whom he was devotedly attached, and then committed suicide with a pistol. The deed was not discovered until about noon today, when suspicion having been which excited, the house, was securely fastened from within, broken open and the two bodies ound lying upon a bed in such manner as to develop the facts given. Let was a man of superior ability and cultivation, was a graduate of the University of Virginia and of the Theological Seminary and for several years exercised acceptably his ministry in the Episcopal Church. He was subsequently compelled to give it up on account of ill health, and since 1886 has been living in retirement on Seminary hill.

CLOUD-BURST.

A Tennessee Town Almost Destroyed by the Flood. By Telegraph to the Morning Star

CINCINNATI, June 16 .- A Knoxville Tenn., special says: At Newmanville, Greene county, Saturday, a cloud-burst did great damage. The place is remote from railroad and telegraph, but information comes to-day of the calamity. The fall of water was something terrific, and the small creek became a raging river, one hundred yards wide. The storehouse, residence and outbuildings of T. N. King were swept away, the flood coming so quickly he did not have time to even close his store doors. The postoffice was kept in his store, and everything was lost. An iron safe, weighing 1,500 pounds, was carried one-fourth of a mile by the force of the water. A number of other houses were carried away, and all the crops along the creek bottom lands destroyed. The water came down so fast that the people barely had time to flee to the Ridge, and if this had not been near there would have been serious loss of life. Considerable stock was drowned, but no life was lost so far as reported. The property damage will amount to a large sum.

U. S. APPELLATE COURT.

For the District of Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina-Formally Organized by Chief Justice Fuller,

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. RICHMOND, Va., June 16 .- The United States Circuit court room was crowded this morning with distinguished lawvers and citizens to witness the imposing ceremonies incident to the inauguration of the new Appellate Court, comprising the district of Maryland, Vir-West Virginia, and North Caro-

At 12.07 o'clock Chief Justice Fuller of the Supreme Court of the United States entered the court room closely followed by Judges Hugh L. Bond, o Maryland, and J. J. Jackson, of West Virginia, and took their seats upon the bench. Meanwhile the vast audience had arisen to its feet. The three dignitaries previous to being seated bowed

to the assembly. The Chief Justice then arose and said, "We have met to organize the Appellate Court of the United States.' He then briefly and clearly defined the duties of the new court and said the order which he had in his hand would be entered appointing Judge Jackson to preside over the new court until a judge should be elected. The Chief Justice then announced the appointment of Henry T. Maloney, of Maryland, Clerk of the Court, and ex-Judge Thomas S. Atkins, of Richmond, as Marshal; both of whom were sworn in by the Chief Justice. Assistant District Attorney was then sworn in by the new Clerk,

after which some thirty lawyers were admitted to practice. During the course of the proceedings Justice Fuller announced that the next meeting of the Court will be held in Richmond the first Tuesday after the first Monday in February next. "The Court," said the distinguished had at one time considered the advisability of meeting again in October, but it did not believe the new members of the Bench to be selected by the President would be chosen by that time. In view of this fact, and the further fact that there would hardly be any business of importance to be disposed of by October, the Court had concluded to name February as the time for its next sitting. The three judges were all attired in black gowns, showing white shirt

Judge Robert W. Hughes, who accompanied the three justices from the conference room to the court room, took a seat to the left of the bench,

with members of the bar. During the morning a reception committee from the bar of the city made a formal call on Chief Justice Fuller, and nvited him to a reception in his honor at the Westmoreland Club to-night. He had previously acknowledged the invitation and its acceptance by wire from Chicago.

### WASHINGTON NEWS

Explosion and Fire on the U.S. Steamer Philadelphia-Gen. Grosvenor Resigns his Position on the Immigration Com-

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, June 16.-The Nav Department is informed that the explosion vesterday on the U.S. steamer Philadelphia at the New York Navy Yard was caused by a machinist who went into the hold to look after a dy namo which was not working, carrying an open light near a tank of turpentine The fire which followed the explosion was extinguished by flooding the compartment, which resulted in damaging a

quantity of stores. WASHINGTON, June 16 .- The followng dispatch from General Grosvenor. chairman of the Immigration Commission to visit Europe, was received this evening by Secretary Foster, dated

Columbus, Ohio, June 15th. Fearing that [assaults upon me b certain of the press and misrepresenta tion, will impair it not destroy my use fulness in the Immigration Commission respectfully tender my resignation. cannot afford to hold the office to the injury of my party. Let my resignation take effect at the pleasure of the depart

The resignation will be accepted to morrow. Secretary Foster said that the manly course of General Grosvenor was highly appreciated by the President and himself. The Secretary will give General Grosvenor another position of equal rank and responsibility, thus testifying to his confidence in the General and his application of the high stand he

WASHINGTON, June 17.—Secretary Noble returned to his department today. The Secretary states that there is absolutely no foundation for the rumors

of his contemplated resignation. The President has been working unusually-hard since his return from the Pacific coast and is thoroughly tired out. He therefore decided to take a short vacation and will accompany Mrs. Harrison and his grand children to their summer home at Cape May Point tonorrow. The President will return to Washington next Thursday, in time regular meeting of the cahinet. There are so mportant matters claiming his personal attention just now, that it will be impossible for him to remain away from Washington for any considerable time until they have been disposed of. He will, however, run down to Cape May for a few days' rest whenever the state of public business will permit, and later in the season expects to be able to remain there continuously for two or

The Department of State has received no news of any attempt upon the life of President Hyppolite, of Hayti. As there s constant communication by cable between Hayti and San Domingo and the United States, there is no doubt that any such event as the assassination of the Haytien President would be promptknown here. The rumor was brought ere by a vessel arriving in New York.

The steamer Columbia, which arrived at New York on the 10th instant, had among her passengers a young Russian, Alexander Gregorovitch. who passed he immigrant inspectors and was allowed to land. He reached Washingon a few days ago, and excited suspicion by trying to see the President at an unreasonable hour for the purpose of helping him run the government." He was subjected to a medical examination and pronounced insane. The case was referred to the Treasnry Department, and Assistant Secretary Nettleton gave instructions for the return of the man to Russia at the expense of the steamer that brought him over.

Advice to Mothers. For Over Fifty Years Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP has been used by millions of mothers for their children while teething. Are you dis-turbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth? If so send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures Dysentery and Diarrhœa, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, softens the Gums, reduces Inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing are written on. This case should warning to other administrators and er

# SPIRITS TURPENTINE

Greensboro Workman: Horticultural Society of North Carliona will hold its Ninth Annual Fair in this city on the 4th and 5th days of August

- Tarboro Southerner: W. J. Fos. ter. near Sparta, a Sunday or two ago, with three puppies killed four foxes, Ed. Simmons reports that there is not a section hand on the W. & W. road from Wilmington to Weldon; all in the cotton fields, where they can make more money than they can on the road. As the road pays \$14 per month, the farmers must be ying somewhere in the neighborhood

- Concord Standard: At Martin Blackwelder's, just across the county line, north of here, there is to be seen perhaps the prettiest oak in North Car. olima. It is eighteen feet in circumfer. ence, and at the height of seven feet the imbs go out in perfect symmetry to the distance of thirty feet. Through the thick foliage not a particle of sunlight reaches. Mr. Blackwelder thinks it 200 years old, and would not take a moun tain for it.

Charlotte News: The crop pros. pect has brightened materially in the past few days. - Mr. David Norman well known citizen of Mecklenbur county. died at his home in Paw Creek township, at 6 o'clock yesterday after. noon, at the age of 47 years. -The tax assessors of Charlotte township, say that so far as they have gone, the indications are that the real estate assess. ment alone in this township, will show an increase of \$500,000 over the assessment also shows a large increase.

- Goldsboro Argus: A shocking death by accidental self-shooting is re ported to us from Grantham township W. 1. Coats, a young man about 23 years of age, had been out hunting cows Saturday and returned to Mr. Sidney John son's home in the evening. He had gun with him, and in placing it behind the door the hammer came in contact with the wall in such a way as to cause an explosion. The whole load entered the young man's throat and passed out at the top of his head, killing him in

- Lumberton Robesonian: The weather just now is all that the farmers could wish, but it is powerless to improve the poor stands of cotton and corn, of which all complain. - It becomes our sad duty to record the death of Mrs. Ellen French, the devoted and faithful wife of Col. W. F. French of this town, which occurred last Saturday about 11 o'clock. - Sheriff Pitman captured Wayne Hill on Wednesday; he was a refugee from justice, being charged with murder committed in Mississippi. Two hundred dollars reward was offered for his apprehension and delivery at Winoa, Miss., where he is wanted.

- Carthage Blade: Crop pros. pects are far from the brightest. -The continued wet weather has caused about one half of the early peaches to rot, and has likewise seriously damaged the grape crop. — Mr. C. P. lenkii showed us on yesterday the oldest pocket knife we have ever seen. On the blade the date, "1760," is distinctly stamped. It was found about three weeks ago by Mr. Jenkins' little daughter, on his lot, which he says was used as a camp-ground a hundred years or more ago. The knife is of the barlow pattern and is badly worn. It was loubtless used by some of the pioneer settlers of Moore county.

- Raleigh News and Observer: lesterday morning Judge T. C. Fuller appeared in the United States Circuit Court before Judge Augustus S. Seymour, and exhibited his commission from the President of the United States. ppointing him Associate Justice of the Court of Private Land claims, qualified by taking the oaths of office administered by Judge Seymour. - Late vesterday evening a colored man named Nicholson, who works on the Raleigh & Gaston shifting engine, was knocked off a box car by a telegraph wire while on a moving freight train near the warehouse. He fell between two box can and was run over by the cars, both legs being terribly mangled. At latest ac-

counts he was alive, but it was thought he could not possibly live but a short

- Asheville Citizen: L. C. Shuey

has bought the rock quarry just north

of Pearson's bridge, on the French Broad river, from W. B. Troy. Mr.

Shuey has an order from Vanderbilt to deliver twenty car loads of crushed stone each day, to be used at the wall at the tennis court and at the esplanade - The depot at Montford Park will soon be under way. It is to be located just north of the Pearson bridge, on the. west side of the French Broad river. Capt. V. E. McBee, of the Richmond & Danville Railroad, is at work with a large force of hands excavating, and as soon as this is finished work on the structure will be begun. — Before George Vanderbilt made his purchase of Biltimore, the revenue derived from freights at that depot by the Richmond & Danville Railroad amounted to \$6,000 per year. Mr. Vanderdilt's freights alone now average \$6,000 per month. - Hon. Richmond Pearson says there were many of those bugs on his peaches, but they have all disappeared, and the peaches are so thick that the trees are already bending under their load, and will have to be thinned or his trees will be crushed and broken to pieces. \_-Augustus Kuykenhall, white, was atrested this morning by Detective Des ver's men while acting as watch for 1 pal, who was plundering a freight a near the passenger depot. He was taken before Justice Summey, where it was shown that he had assisted his friend on the promise of a bunch of bananas if the scheme succeeded. But the arrival of the officers frightened Kuykendalls partner, who took to his heels. The

thefts from cars in the freight yard have

been going on for some time. The just

tice committed Kuykendall to jail it

Shuford and Lynch sent off a lump of

gold from their mine this week to the

Charlotte mint that weighs exactly ont

pound. The prospect gets better the

eeper they go into the ground. Some

- Newton Enterprise: Messis

default of bail in the sum of \$500.

Northern experts were here this week looking at it and were well pleased with the looks of things. -morning about ten o'clock Mrs. Len Plonk was found sitting upright in arm chair, completely and helpless! paralyzed. She was put on a bed and a doctor sent for. It was seen at one that her case was hopeless. She never spoke, moved a muscle or seemed to be conscious after she was stricken d and died about four p. m. Up to the time of the stroke Monday morning she was as well as ever and had been busily engaged in household duties. She was sixty-three years old There was a case before 'Squire D. Shuford recently which hinged upof the publication of an administrator's no tice. Suit was brought against the ministratrix to collect a note of \$35 gives by her father, on whose estate she had administered after his death. The de fendant set up the defense that demand was not made within the time prescribe by law (twelve months from the time of publication of notice). But this called for the production of such a notice and proof that it had been published for sit weeks in some newspaper in the county.

This could not be done because the not tice had never been published, and the justice of the peace properly gave jude ment for the plaintiff. To avoid the fee for publication such notices are often stuck up in writing at the court house of on a tree by the roadside. Such notice are all right as far as they go, but unless a duplicate is published in a county pa per they are not worth the paper they are written on. This case should be a