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<form><text><text></text></text></form>	SZECZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ	VOL. XXII. WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1891.						who had been in prison here for some
amendment to the wool clause in themselves. were in the habit of borrowing system, is one of great responsibility. The Ashe country bales, even this quantity with the stock location. I chang is about two hundred money to pay for harvesting the transformation complicated and	wquook 6 2233224523282832328283 wquook 7 233828383838383838383838383838383838383	declares it should be, and to this it must come or the tariff must be so modified as to make protection the incidental and not the principal feature, as the Democracy contends it should be. <u>TI CANT LAST.</u> When the originators of the third party, inappropriately called the Peo- ples' Party, brought it into existence in Cincinnati they counted on the support of the Farmers' Alliance to make it a factor of importance in State or National politics. They knew that without the support of the farmers they might as well hang up the fiddle and retire from busi- ness. They also played for the support of the laboring men of the country, hence representatives of the Indus- trial Union were invited to partici- pate in the proceedings of that con- vention. In discussing it at the time it was organized, and later, we expressed the opinion that as a political or- ganization it would not hold to gether long, for it carried within it- self the elements of destruction and with the breath of life, so to speak, inhaled the germs of death. It is founded on ephemeral issues exclusively, and does not proclaim one single principle that may be- come a living issue that had not al- ready been proclaimed by other parties before it. What there is good in it, it borrowed from the Democratic party and what there is bad in it took from the Republican party, or its originators invented	In to-day's STAR we publish some interesting information on pecan culture as given by Mr. W. R. Stuart, the celebrated pecan grower and propagator, at Ocean Springs, Miss. As considerable interest is now being shown by the readers of the STAR in pecan culture, we publish this, com- ing from one who has had experience in growing the trees, for their benefit and the benefit of others who may contemplate engaging in this prom- ising industry. The Clarion <i>Ledger</i> speaks of nuts three inches long and an inch and a half thick, which seems almost incredible, but we are in receipt of a few nuts from Mr. Stuart's trees, which he says are not a fair sample, but are mammoths in size compared with the ordinary pe- can that we find in the stores. While people eat nuts there is no doubt that the growing of nuts like these will be a profitable industry. Mrs. Cantrell, of Kentucky, who is one of the board of lady managers for the World's Fair, seems to be a lady of observation. They had a vote the other day on the question as to whether the Fair should be kept open on Sunday, and she after- wards remarked that there was one thing that struck her as strange and that was that so many of the ladies who had voted to close it slept the day before (Sunday) until noon and then went yachting in the after- mon.	Business Improving All Lines Boport Greater Activity. The Springfield, Mass., Republican is no croaker. Like the STAR, it takes no stock in the gloomy predictions made by some in regard to the future of business. The Republican says. The general business situation is im- proving; all lines report greater activity and promising outlook. The tone of the iron market has improved; the boot and shoe men report a preceptible in- crease in orders and the dry goods job- bing trade is quoted as showing a decid- ed advance over the same time a year ago. The iron trade is rallying from the depression in which it has been for a year or more, and shows its improve- ment in firmer prices and a slightly be- ter demand. The hopeful railroad sit- uation is to a large extent responsible for this improvement, which is as signif- cant as any element in the situation. The general fall trade is only just open- ing and has not developed very fully as yet, but it is conceded that there has not been a time in several years when the belief was so general that the coming season would be one of pros- perity and unusual business activity. Mr. W. F. Williams has been appoint- ed Train Master of the Carolina Central Railroad, the appointment to take effect September 15th. This is a deserved promotion, and it shows that those who control the Seaboard Air Line system have a proper appreciation of real mert. Mr. Williams has for many years been one of the most faithful and trusted employes of the carolina Central, and his natural abili- ties and experience make him one of the best all-around railroad men in the state.	This is intended only for subscribers whose subscriptions have ex- pired. It is not a dun, but a simple request that all who are in ar- rears for the STAR will favor us with a prompt remittance. We are sending out bills now (a few each week), and if you re- ceive one please give it your attention. Areant vision. Mr. John King, of Westbrook, Bla- for county, and one of the oldest sub- scribers to the STAR, made us a visit yesterday. It is always a pleasure to see and talk with this venerable man. Though now in his 89th year he is re- markably quick in his movements and fuent of speech. When a boy he was a boarder in an old frame house which stood on the site of the present STAR building. During his confersation, with a STAR reporter, yesterday, he said since he had lived on his farm, "Marshall Hall" in Bladen county, tirpleys and three lambs; and twins twice, two outs and two calves.	 - Ellison's figures make the new cotton crop 7,800,000 bales. - The cotton pickers' strike was not inaugurated yesterday, it seems. - The first bale of Florida Sea Island cotton of the season has been received at savannah. - Nobody in Wilmington seems to be very eager to buy cotton if we may judge from the figures. - If Wilmington wishes to make good her claim to being one of the best cotton markets in the South she will have to revise her quotations. The New York Financial Chronicle stimates the cotton crop for the year just closed at 8,655,510 bales. The estimates of he New Orleans Cotton Exchange, as heretofore given in the STAR is 8,652,597 bales. - A decline of 28 to 31 points in futures took place on the New York Cotton Exchange yesterday, resulting from the Department report on the condition of the crop, which was better than had been expected. - The Boston Advertiser declares that even if the price of cotton should fail to advance with that of other farm products, it is believed that the Southern farmers will find themselves in a more prosperous condition at the end of the present season than for many years jost. - North Carolina and Tennessee are the only States in which improvement in the state. - New York Commercial Bulleting the the yield for the year 1892 should all short more than 1,000,000 bales, and prove no more than about 7,400,000 	WASHINGTON NEWS, Naval Orders-More Vessels Needed on the Asiatio Station-Advices of Further Bioting in Chins in Which American Missionaries Are Involved. WASHINGTON, September 10.—Secre- tary Tracy has made further changes in quadrons on the North Atlantic coast. An order issued this morning transfer- red the Boston and Atlanta from Ad- miral Walker's squadron of evolution to Admiral Gherardi's command, the North Atlantic squadron. This leaves the two squadrons equally balanced in number of vessels. Admiral Walker has the Chicago, Newark, Atlanta and Bennington, and Admiral Grérardi has the Philadelphia, Boston, Concord and Kearsage. The Enterprise, which was under Admiral Gherardi's command, its to go Annapolis as practice ship for the cadets. Turther Changes are likely to follow. Admiral Benham, letely commander at Mare Island Navy Yard, has been as- signed to the command of the South Atlantic station to succeed Admiral McCann who is president of the retiring board and board of promotions. At that station the force consists of two old miks — the Tallapoosa and Esser- nether of which is suitable ion flagships; so it is probable that one of the new ruisers, perhaps the Newark—now in the squadron of evolution—will be sent to South America to serve as Admiral Benham's flagship. The Department of State has received at elegraphic dispatch from the minister at Fekin, reporting that a riot had oc- urred at Ichang on the Yang-Tschiang river in the province of Hoo-Pe and that an establishment of American mis- sionaries there had been destroyed. No urther particulars are given. The grav- ity of the situation in China increases dialy and the Navy Department is lend- ing its aid to protect American interests in answer to representations of the De- partment of State. The Charleston, now on her way to fina, and the Petrel, in the neighbor- hood of New York, are under orders to proceed immediately to China too strengthen Admiral Belknap's feet, but they can hardly reach their destination inside of two months. The tricular co	 Court he was - placed in charge of his father, who went on his bond - Morganton Herald: Prof. E. Konder and the second of th

tariff clause providing for a steady in the effort to force itself upon the increase of the duty on wool until Alliance it has divided the Alliance it reached the point of absolute pro- of two States, Missouri and Iowa,

if they could.

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North Carolina if he counted on

inveigling them into a mongrel com-

bination where they and the negro

would stand upon the same plane,

and where they would be expected

to work for and vote for a negro

who might be nominated for any

office, regardless of color, just as if

Jerry didn't say all this on the

stump when "he was addressing

white men. He was too shrewd

for that. He knew that if

gusted the white men to whom

he talked, and that his missionary

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rops, on account of the persecution to which they have been subjected either could not or would not lend money this year, and as a consehibition, when there would not be into warring factions, and will split

Alliance vote of the country. There

exacting, and require a man of keen perception and watchful eye. But Frank Wilhams will be found equal to the deands of his new position as has been

known three score years ago.

Death of a Former Resident of Wilmington.

one of the boys who was standing near

by gave the car a push and sent

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ing easy.

Onslow Oysters.

whizzing down the road un-

the middle of the track. Mary

Dr. W. Hall was summoned to attend

the girl, who was carried in a hack to

Mr. Dan Sheehan's residence on Church

street, and at last accounts she was rest-

Dr. E. Porter, President of the East-

tionately than their older relations. The

Doctor is an enthusiast on the oyster

question, but there can be no doubt of

A telegram received in this city Wed-

nesday night stated that Mr. J. H.

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the ultimate profit of his enterprise.

The Accident to Mr. Mallard.

ned September 1st, would meet a requirements for consumption in this and other countries almost as large as that of last year.

- The Savannah News says: Evi-

mouth as vessels of war can make their Osborne, in Ashe, caused by dynamita way under ordinary circumstances, In placed in a bundle of wheat by some time of high water light draught war vessels may get above there, and in fact McDowell Dickson died at his residence the Ashullot and the Monacey have each succeeded in reaching Ichang. If Col. Dickson had lived till Sept. 28, his age would have been 80 years. -Jackson, who was bound over to Federal Court a few months ago, came into this office last week and said: "You have done me an injustice in saying I was arrested for illicit distilling on Duck Creek." "I am sorry," was the reply. 'I will correct it. How was it?" was not caught on Duck, but on Ginger. - Raleigh News and Observer: There are now fifty students at the University Law School. The teachers are Hon. John Manning, LL.D., Hon. Kemp several government depositories, one of Battle, LL.D., and Hon. James E. Shepthese will be discontinued and the funds herd, LL.D. ---- Yesterday morning thus withdrawn will go to make up the Deputy Sheriff A. M. Thompson, of House's Creek township, arrested Lee Jones, colored, who is wanted in Florida for shooting his wife. A requisition from the Governor of Florida reached here and yesterday lones was lodged it ---- News was received here yes terday of the sudden death of Mr. Henry W. Jones, a well-to-do farmer of this county. Day before yesterday evening he was walking about his premises, just beyond Crabtree, apparently in good health. Suddenly he was taken with a peculiar feeling and so expressed him-self to his brother, remarking that he felt badly, and soon after he fell to the ground. He was picked up to be carried in doors, but before reaching the house he was dead. - Fayetteville Observer: Mr. E. M. Radford, baggage master on the Atlantic Coast Line, between this place and Wilson, died at Smithfield on the Bd inst. of fever alter a brief illness. —— Lucian Fisher, who was so cowardly shot in the breast and back by some miscreant near Roseboro several days ago, is rapidly improving, and is thought to be in a fair way to recover from his injuries. ---- A meeting of the incorporators of the Fayetteville Street Railway Company was held here on Saturday, the 5th inst. The books of subscription were opened and fourteen thousand dollars of stock were then and there subscribed. A permanent organization was then effected by the election of the following board of directors: Dr. J. W. McNeill, J. T. Denny, T. H. Sutton, W. Whitehead and Jas. D. McNeill. In the afternoon of the same day the directors met and elected officers for the next year as follows: J. T. Denny, President; Dr. J. W. McNeill, Secretary and Treasurer: Sutton & Cook, Attorneys. - Charlotte News: Mr. Erskire Youngblood, son of Mr. T. S. Youngblood, of Steele Creek township, was bitten by a copperhead snake last Tuesday and come very near dying from the effects of the bite. The young man was shelling corn in the crib, and while in the act of reaching down for an ear, he was struck on the little finger of his left hand by a copperhead snake. The snake pulled out a piece of flesh. Mr. Youngblood hurried to the house, but was almost delirious when he got there. His arm swelled up rapidly and turned black, and the swelling extended to the shoulders, around his neck and down is back. In the meantime, his father had mounted a horse and put out in search of whiskey, while a messenger was sent for a doctor. The father went to a dozen farm houses before he found one where he could get a drop of whiskey. He secured a pint and hurried home. Dr. Knox had arrived in the meantime and was resorting to the usual remedies. It appeared for a time that the young man was bound to die. but the effects of the poison were finalv conteracted, and he is now improving. A hired man on the place went to

another pound of foreign wool imported, but finding that he couldn't get votes enough to carry it he had are more conflicting elements in it to be content with accepting the wool provision in the McKinley tariff, which some of its supporters thought high enough to be prohibitory, as it was intended to be. This is the way that John Sher-

man showed his deep and abiding belonged to the Alliance and thereinterest in the Ohio wool-growers, who are a considerable of a factor when it comes to the election of the legislators who elect U. S. Senators, and how he proposed to help the wool growing business in this country, that is by compelling the millions of Americans who wear woolen garments of any description to buy those made of American wool or go without them. This would doubtless be a good thing for Judge Lawrence, Columbus Delano and other big sheep raisers, but it wouldn't be quite so good for the people who had to buy their wool. This statement of Judge Lawrence coming from a zealous champion and particular friend of Messrs. McKinley and Sherman, may be taken as true and is therefore interesting as it lets the cat out of the bag and shows the animus and inspiration of the high tariff protectionists, who are not prohibitionists in fact as they are in spirit simply because they can't be.

Is there any good, logical reason why John Sherman, who would raise tariff high enough to prohibit the importation of foreign wool to protect and foster the growing of American wool, would not also raise the tariff high enough to prohibit the importation of woolen goods to protect and foster the wool-manufacturing industry in this country?

And if he would do this, is there any good and logical reason why he would not make the tariff so high on imported hides and leather as to prohibit their importation to protect and foster the raising of American cattle?

If one American industry should be protected by a prohibitory tariff why should not all American Industries be?

Mr. Sherman would be inconsistent in granting to one industry what he refused to others equally as deserving and equally as important, but he would be consistent in favoring a prohibitory tariff for all, for that is what protection, as understood by the McKinley champions, means if carried out to its logical negroes the information which he

uence much of the grain crop went more of them. A bad outlook for a unharvested and rotted in the fields. party that was counting on the solid

A BRIGHTER PROSPECT.

and obstacles in its way than even The Outlook Favorable-Businees Men Speak More Hopefully-Money Will Soon be Hasier in the South. the most far-seeing of its originators contemplated. To get a foot-hold The Savannah News is another paper aud make any progress in the South that gives no encouragement to croakthey knew they could not count on ers. It speaks thus hopefully of the the solid support of white men who

business prospect: There is a much better feeling in fore they figured on carrying with business circles than there was a week them the colored Alliance, and Jerry or two ago. And this feeling is becoming more apparent every day. Indeed, Simpson as the most unscrupulous the outlook throughout the country for and ready-mouthed mountebank of a healthy revival in trade, and in enterthe crowd was sent to the South, (he prises of one kind and another, is exsays he was invited to come into tremely encouraging. Business men North Carolina by Col. Polk,) to speak more hopefully of the future, and alienate the white farmers from the make contracts with greater confidence. Democratic party, and persuade the They act as it they felt that a period of negroes that in the Peoples' Party great business prosperity was at hand. there was a great big, broad bed in And there are good reasons for this condition of affairs. In the West which the white man and the color an extraordinarily large wheat crop ed brother could lie down side by has just been harvested, and owside on a dead-level and repose in ing to crop failures in Russia, good perfect equality. He declared prices are being obtained for it in his published interviews that In the South the cotton crop will be a this is what the Alliance good one, notwithstanding the damage of the South promised the ne t has suffered in localities, and the prosgroes in the colored Alliance, and pect is that it will command better prices as the season advances. There has been that he, Jerry, had "confidence an advance of a cent a pound in cotton enough in the white men of the since the opening of the season, and a Southern Alliance to believe that still further advance in the very near they would carry out their pledge.' future is probable. It is true that there We refuse to believe that any Alliwas a little falling off in the price yesterday, owing to the favorable report of the condition of the crop sent out by

ance in the South ever entered into such pledge directly or indirectly, the agricultural department, but the and therefore believe that Jerry Simpson was slandering them when market, it is safe to say, will soon regain he said they did. But that's what its firmness.

All of these things help to make those Jerry Simpson promised the colored who are engaged in business bolder in men and what Jerry Simpson, and their undertakings, and cause the strong Senator Pfeffer, both of whom were boxes in which money has been hoarded died-in-the-wool Republicans in to be unlocked. Money is now abund-'bleeding Kansas" before they beant in New York and it will soon be came Alliance men, would give them much easier to get in all the other cities and towns of the country. With plenty of money in circulation, there will be Jerry overrated his ability to

unusual activity in trade and in the promotion of industrial enterprises.

In this immediate locality the general sentiment seems to be that the present season will be a prosperous one. The rice crop promises to be larger, and the indications are that it will be harvested in excellent condition. Cotton is a little backward, but the receipts will soon be enormous, and will put a good deal of money into circulation, Both the wholesale and the retail merchants recognize a marked improvement in trade, and are anticipating a very pros-

perous season. And in the interrior towns a better condition of affairs is noticeable. The merchants feel that money is circulating much more freely, and consequently they are encouraged to be more liberal in their purchases. What has been needed for months more than anything result, and they are steadily advanc- didn't think it advisable to impart on else is confidence, and now that seems to

he case in every other position he has held since his connections with railroads. Sept. 2nd, says:

The appointment gives genuine satisfaction to all of Frank's friends, and especially to the employes of the Carolina Central with whom he is universally popular. The STAR tenders its congratulations, and trusts that this is but the beginning of a career of uninterrupted success, Norfolk, Wilmington and Charleston Rail

road. The Newbern Journal mentions the arrival there of Mr. F. L. Pitman, Chief Engineer of the Carolina Construction Company, and adds: This company which is to build the Norfolk, Wilmington and Charleston Railroad started a He leaves beside his wife two young surveying party of twelve men in charge of Mr, E. R. Wallace from Core Creek and Mrs. J. Whittelsey, of Greece. yesterday, working northward to meet the similar party which started from Norfolk about two months ago working southward which is in charge of Mr. S. H. McRae, and which has surveyed Mrs. Fowler. a preliminary line to about 40 miles this A Sad Accident.

side of Norfolk. They are now camped at Gatesville, Gates county. The com-Yesterday between 19 and 1 o'clock pany also propose to put additional . m., while the employes of the Indusparties in the field at an early date. trial Manufacturing Company were en-Engineers have also been steadily at joying their dinner hour, a crowd of work at Chowan and Roanoke rivers to determine the most available points at girls were sitting on a hand-car, when

which to cross the rivers. It is to be borne in mind that the routes now being surveyed are not located lines, but only preliminary ones, to develop the country and thus determine, after all questions thereto have been considered, which will be the most desirable location for the railroad.

Known and Appreciated. Prof. E. VanLaer has just received an

order from New York city and one from Brooklyn, N. Y., for pianes, which would seem like "carrying coals to Newcastle." but the parties giving the orders were formerly residents of this city and, having had dealings with the Professor, knew what they were about, and ordered from a skilled musician in whose

knowledge of pianos and strict integrity they had implicit confidence. He has also recently had orders from Florida, Georgia, Washington, D, C. and Boston, Mass. Surely "a good name is to be chosen before great riches."

WEATHER AND CROPS.

Report of the North Carolina Experimen Station-Decidedly Unfavorable as to Condition of Cotton

The reports of correspondents of the Weekly Weather Crop Bulletin, issued by the North Carolina Experiment Station and State Weather Service, for the week ending Friday, September 11th, show a still further decrease in the percentage condition of the staple crops. although the weather has not been decidedly unfavorable during the past week. Very little rain has fallen, which

was favorable for all kinds of farm work The first part of the week was slightl above the normal in temperature, the latter part decidedly below the average with unfavorable effect on cotton and tobacco, which both deteriorated since last report. The condition of cotton is probable as low as it has been at any time this season. Shedding continues and rust is doing considerable damage, ing very slowly and picking as ye

estimate the damage to the crop by rains, George H. Koeth, aged 33 years, died this morning at his home, 245 Caledonia drought and other causes at anything avenue. The funeral will take place like the reports received generally by Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the the cotton exchange. There is certainhouse. The deceased had a slight stroke ly no danger of the country producing of paralysis about a week ago and was obliged to give up work. He suffered another seven million-and-a-half crop another stroke Sunday and died at 10.30 this year and the estimate that the crop last evening. The deceased was born of '91 will closely approximate that of in this city 83 years ago. When 20 years of age he went to Wilmington, N. '89 is doubtless a fair one. , and established himself in business. - Bad reports of the Sea Island cot-

He afterward returned to this city and ton crop from Beaufort county, S. C., for five years was in business on West continue to come in. The damage from avenue under the firm name of McAllister & Koeth. For the last few weeks he the recent rains seems almost universal. had been engaged asa draughtsman in the A considerable proportion of the cotton construction department of the Execuis shedding, and the plant is checked in tive Board. He was twice married its growth. The picking is backward

for the season on account of the weathchildren, father and mother and two sisters, Mrs. A. McAllister, of this city, er. The staple of the cotton received here so far is said to be good, though it The deceased married a sister of Mrs. will have to be spread to get rid of the R. M. Fowler of Wilmington, and one moisture. Ginning has not started yet. of his children is now living here with - Savannah News: There was a

teady market yesterday for cotton. While the demand was not active it was general and all the stock offering was taken. The receipts at present in are showing the results of the recent weather and the grading is lower, especially the cotton coming in by the Central railroad, which shows a greater per cent. of damage than that by the Savannah, Florida and Western Railway.

- Henry Clews, in their special cirtil it reached a log which was cular dated Sept. 12th, says : The reports of damage from worms to the cot-Moody, a girl about 17 years old, was ton crop have undoubtedly been grossly caught between the log and the car, and magnified; for that kind of injury is now her right leg between the knee and ankle so largely under - immediate control by the planter that it is no longer the source of danger it once was. Besides, even supposing that a loss of a quarter

million of bales were to arise from this cause, it is more likely, in view of the present large stocks, that it would increase the total value of the crop than that it would diminish it.

ern Carolina Piscatorial Association, - A cotton factor who has just recalled at the STAR office yesterday. He turned from trip through Georgia and had a rear guard consisting of a young South Carolina informs the Savannah News that he came down from Spartanburg to Augusta, the Piedmont section, one of the best cotton raising districts in the South, on August 31st, exactly the same day on which he made the same trip last year. Then the fields were white as snow and picking was going ahead rapidly. This time there was hardly an open boll to be seen. There

Nothing could better illustrate how far when planted, and some planted six the crop is behind in that section. weeks ago had grown more propor-

- The N. Y. Bulletin says: "It is noticeable that in comparing official statements of last year with the present season, the deterioration from the highest plane to date is just about the same, or say 6 points, and that in 1890 the Bureau dropped from 95.5 in September to 80.00 in October. The present run of crop news is generally cheerful and im-Mallard had been thrown from his proving it anything, with the feeling that buggy at Chadbourn and broken one of serious danger has passed up to the his legs. Happily this was a mistake. frost period, while the swelling run of Dr. Bellamy, who left here Wednesday night to attend Mr. Mallard, said that

each succeeded in reaching Ichang. dently the government reports did not But unless there is high water in the river at present Admiral Belknap will have difficulty in getting a vessel up to the scene of the trouble. WASHINGTON, Sept. 10 .- The Secretary of the Treasury has decided to

make a further withdrawal of two million dollars from depository banks. The call will be made in the first instance upon banks which the Secretary thinks have too large an amount of govern ment funds in proportion to security furnished. In some cities, where there are

two million. COTTON PICKERS STRIKE.

South Carolina Farmers Do Not Appr hend Any Trouble. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

strike :

CHARLESTON, S. C., September 10. The following special from Darlington, this State, gives the South Carolina farmers' view of the cotton pickers'

"The situation here in reference to the probable strike of cotton pickers in the colored Farmers' Alliance excites no apprehension among the farmers. It is not believed, despite what has been said, that the strike will be ordered; but if it is, the demands will not be considered. Opinion prevails among the farmers interviewed that where they are conronted with such condition of affairs, the colored people could not sustain their position for many reasons, the

most prominent being the lease system and plan of farming on shares, which prevail here to a great extent. No official or definite action on this subject has yet been made public and no alarm is felt by our farmers generally."

ABSCONDED.

The Supreme Treasurer of the Catholi Knights of America Missing-A Shortage of \$20,000 to \$50,000 in his Accounts By Telegraph to the Morning Star

CHATTANOOGA, September 10 .- M. J. O'Brien, Supreme Treasurer of the Catholic Knights of America, who was reported financially embarrassed yesterday, has left the city and his whereabouts are unknown to his friends and family. He left the city Tuesday night. The amount of shortage in his accounts with the Catholic Knights of America is not known, but it is supposed to be between \$20,000 and \$50,000. Supreme officers of the Society are expected here to-morrow. The Society is protected by a bond made by an Eastern security company. He has deeded valuable city property to protect his bonds-

GRAIN CROPS.

The Condition of Wheat, Corn, etc., as Reported by the Department of Agriculture. WASHINGTON, Sept. 10 .- The statistican of the Department of Agriculture reports the September general average of cereals crops as follows: Corn, 91.1, wheat, 96.8; rye, 95.1; oats, 90.7; barley, 94.3: buckwheat, 96.6. A small advance is noticed in all; buckwheat alone excepted. The average for potatoes is 94.8; for tobacco 87.4.

The condition of corn is 21 points higher than in September of last year and has been succeeded only three times in the past ten years. State averages are generally high; the lowest are those receipts indicates that the marketing of of those of Michigan and Wisconsin; Minthe crop is commencing with greater nesota and North Dakota coming next.

the crib and killed the snake. - Asheville Citizen: Thirty-seven

'brother in black" and three baskets of ovsters. These were samples from the beds of his own association, as well as from those of the Onslow Oyster Company of which Mr. Berry Gleaves is President. With the ease and grace of a panorama lecturer the Doctor gave an elaborate and practical explanation of the oyster in all stages of its growth. Those planted six months ago have

was nothing but blooms and green bolls. grown from two to five times their size