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The yield by States in 1891 has

been estimated about as follows:

South Carolina...... 612,000

Georgia..... 1,112,000

Florida..... 71,000

Alabama..... 1,078,000

Mississippi..... 1,224,000

Total, . . . 8,350,000

The following gives the produc-

tion by States in the big crop of 1890

North Carolina...... 490,000

South Carolina...... 640,000

Florida..... 80,00

Louisiana..... 590,000

Texas.....2,111,000

Arkansas.... 830.000

Other States..... 53,000

Total..... 8,674,000

The following is the production

and increase in the growth of Sea-

Island cotton for the past ten years:

The impression generally prevails

that South Carolina is the great pro-

ducer of Sea Island cotton, but

Georgia leads with 43 per cent., Flo-

rida coming second, with 32 per cent.,

MINOR MENTION.

According to Washington dis-

patches the Cabinet has concluded

to send papers in reference to the

Chilian question to Congress early

this week, although nothing new has

recently occurred to hasten this ac-

tion. There has been an unneces-

sary amount of mystery about this

business all along. There is no

reason why the people, who are the

most interested parties, should be

kept in the dark as to the actual

situation, and be dependent for

their information on the sensa-

tional dispatches which are sent

out from day to day, two-thirds

of which are manufactured out

of the whole cloth, without a

color of truth in them. If the truth

were known, the war howlers, most

of whom have axes to grind, could

not succeed so easily in deceiving

the people and in exciting popular

passion to the fighting pitch. To

keep the people properly informed it

would not be necessary to publish

all the correspondence between the

respective Governments, which it

might not be politic to publish, but

only the essential facts as to the

actual situation. It has been cabled

from Chili that there is great anti-

pathy to America and Americans in

that country, and this has been

used to arouse indignation in

this country. While there is

among the lower classes in Chili

some hatred of America and Ameri-

cans it is not shared by the Govern-

ment nor by the better and represen-

tative class of people. A correspon-

dent of the London Times, who can

have no motive for misrepresentation

in this particular, cables his paper

from Santiago that the telegrams

stating that Chili entertained ani-

mosity to the United States were

utterly without foundation. The

mongrel mob of Valparaiso is not

representative of Chili and should

not be so regarded by sensible or in-

The present Legislature of New

York will have a re-enumeration of

the population of the State upon

which the State will be re-districted

to remedy the Republican gerry-

mander of 1879, by which the Repub-

licans had so arranged the districts

as to be secure of a majority of both

branches of the Legislature, thus

controlling the election of both

United States Senators. While the

Democrats succeeded sometimes by

hard fighting in electing a majority

mander, have succeeded until last

year in holding the Senate, which the

Democrats now have, and will con-

tinue to have for some time to come.

It is claimed by the Democrats

that the enumeration will show a

considerable decrease in the rural

districts, since the districts were

formed in 1879, and a proportionate

increase in the cities, which are the

Democratic strongholds, and that

consequently on a fair enumeration

and a districting in accordance with

it the State is unquestionably Demo-

cratic. According to the New York

Herald's statement, the districts as

it is contemplated to make them,

even if there should be some minor

departure from the lines as now

twenty Senators, the Republicans ascertained.

telligent people in this country.

769,000

392,000

Bales.

44.089

and South Carolina third, with 25 but it is fairly good. We contend

Arkansas....

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## COTTON PRODUCTION. It is not difficult to account for

the decline in the price of cotton when we remember that the production has more than doubled in the United States within the past thirty years and has also largely increased in other cotton growing countries. Up to 1861 the cotton manufacturing countries were dependent almost altogether on the United States for their supplies of lint, but the high price of cotton during the war led England to encourage the growing of cotton in India and in Egypt, from which she has been a pretty large purchaser since. Russia is also encouraging the culture in some of her Asiatic possessions. With the increased and increasing product abroad, and the great increase in this country, it is not surprising that the world's market has been overstocked and that the price has fallen so low.

Prices are lower now than they have been since 1849, and have been declining for the past twenty-five years, allowance being made, of course, for the difference of yield in crop years, some crops not being as large as others. But the tendency has been downward as the production has been upward

While the prices are lower in late years as a general thing than they were before the war, the planter before the war could stand low prices better than he can now, because he did not have to pay out so much money to make the crop. Slave labor did the work, whereas money must now be paid for the labor, when the crop is not raised on the share plan (which is one of the worst of all the plans). It may be argued that paid labor is cheaper than slave labor, and this in a general way may be true, but there is this difference that under the slave system the planter was not compelled to pay cash for the work done upon his fields and crops, regardless of the price at which the crops sold, and he could, if he so desired, make enough food stuffs with that slave labor upon the plantation to feed the slaves, in addition to which the slaves themselves increased in number and became sources of profit and of wealth while they made the crops that fed and clothed them. If the slaves were not reproductive, their labor might have been more expensive than hired labor, which may be discharged when not needed, now is. However this may be, cottonplanters, as a matter of fact, were much better off before the war than they have been since, and had more money to spend.

We find some figures in the Louisville Courier Jonrnal, compiled from the reports of the United States Department of Agriculture, which are interesting as showing the increase of the crop in this country. The following gives the yield for every fifth year from 1840 to 1890 :

| Year. |      |      | Bales.     |
|-------|------|------|------------|
| 1840  | <br> | <br> | .1,648,000 |
| 1845  | <br> |      | .2,100,000 |
| 1850  |      |      | .2,415,000 |
| 1855  | <br> |      | .8,665,000 |
| 1860  | <br> |      | .3,849,000 |
| 1865  | <br> |      | .2,278,000 |
| 1870  | <br> |      | .4.347,000 |
| 1875  | <br> |      | .4.632 000 |
| 1880  | <br> | <br> | .6,606.000 |
| 1885  | <br> | <br> | .6,575 000 |
| 1890  | <br> | <br> | .8,654,000 |
|       |      | 100  | .0,002,00  |

It will be seen by reference to this table that up to 1870 the crop never reached 4,000,000 bales except in the year 1859, which was one of extraordinary growth, when the crop reached 4,861,000; but the bales then weighed about twenty per cent less than they do now. For the nine years preceding 1889 the of the lower House the Republiaverage crop was about 6,500,000 cans, in consequence of this gerrybales, but in 1889 it rose to 7,311,-322. In 1890 it capped the climax with 8,674,000 bales, the largest crop ever grown, the crop last year being as near as can be figured out 8,350,-000 bales.

The following table gives the number of bales raised for each year

| rrom | 1879 to 1891 with | the value:                    |
|------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1879 | 5,761,252         | \$313,696,455                 |
| 1880 | 6,605,750         | Mark of a mark was            |
| 1881 | 5,456,048         | WAS ALM WATER WATER           |
| 1882 | 6,949,756         | OUNIDACTE.                    |
| 1883 | 5,713,200         |                               |
| 1884 | 5.706,165         | 287,253,979                   |
| 1885 | 6,575,691         |                               |
| 1886 | 6,505,087         |                               |
| 1887 | 7,046,828         |                               |
| 1888 | 6,938,200         |                               |
| 1889 | 7,311,322         | W. V. S. P. S. S. S. P. S. S. |
| 1890 | 8.674,200         |                               |
| 1891 | 8 350 000         |                               |

1891 .........8,350,000 The acreage since 1885 has been as follows :

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nine, and leave three districts fight-

lem river as the line of political de-

managed to secure Harrison delega-

tions from eleven out of the thirteen

Congressional districts in Indiana.

There was an active anti-Harrison

element in that State, but it doesn't

seem to have been strong enough to

cope with the office holders and crib-

fed hustlers who got in their work in

the district conventions which were

held Thursday. It would have been

pretty rough on Mr. Harrison if he

had not been able to have secured a

majority of the delegates from his

own State, and the fact that he fail-

ed to secure all, with the instrumen-

talities in his control, shows that the

Republicans of that State are very

far from being enthusiastic over him.

The probabilities are, too, that this

being Mr. Harrison's State, Blaine

held his friends in check because he

didn't want to antagonize him too

STATE TOPICS.

We have frequently referred in

these columns to the productive ca-

pacity of North Carolina soil under

favorable seasons and with good cul-

ture. Here is an illustration where

Rev. Albert Peele, of Guilford coun-

ty, near New Garden, raised a hun-

dred bushels of corn on one acre. Of

course he gave special attention to

this acre, worked it well and ferti-

lized it liberally. His particular

mode of cultivation we do not know,

but we call attention to this result to

show what North Carolina soil can

do. The soil of Guilford in the

neighborhood of New Garden is not

above the average of that section,

that what can be done on one acre

can be done on a hundred or a thou-

sand with the same industry and in-

It is considered dishonest in an in-

dividual to take advantage in a trade

of a simple minded person, and get

something of value for a trifle. But

this is just what the Government of

the United States has done with the

Shoshone Indians, a peaceable and

simple minded tribe, whose reserva-

tion of 1,100,000 acres of fine lands.

rich in petroleum, coal and other

minerals, it bought for 55 cents an

made them. In a short time the best

of these lands will be gobbled up by

STREET RAILWAY.

Formal Transfer of the Property to the

A formal transfer of the street railway

was made yesterday. The old Board of

Directors and former officers of the

company met in the afternoon and re-

signed their positions, and at nine

o'clock last night the new Board of Di-

rectors met in the Bank of New Han-

over to perfect the organization of

the new company. The members

of the Board present were Messrs.

E. L. Hawks, Winston; J H. Barnard.

Asheville; J. D. Bellamy, Jr., and Geo.

W. Williams, Wilmington: B. F. O'Con-

nor and Jas. G. White, New York, and

The following were elected officers of

The original owners of the Street rail-

vay were Mr. Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., and

000, of which sum \$75,000 was paid in

Full particulars of the improvements

designed by the new company-with

description of the proposed buildings-

power house, car sheds. &c., wese pub-

Work on the new line and on the

The following authentic particulars

have been furnished the STAR of an ac-

cident which occurred Friday night last

at 7 o'clock, on the Northeastern rail-

road, about one mile south of Florence,

S. C. Two work trains were in collision

and both engines were considerably

damaged and a lot of flat cars badly

The following named employes of the

I. W. Williamson, engineman, severe-

J. H. Brunson, engineman, scalp

Frank Welch, conductor, collar-bone

- The steamer Maggie was sold

under executor vesterday at 11 o'clock.

in front of the court house, and was bid-

off by Messrs. Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.,

at \$1,100 for Mr. L. S. Ehrich, of

ly injured, and died shortly after the ac-

road were injured, viz:

wound.

broken.

wounded.

badly bruised.

ly bruised.

buildings will be begun at an early day.

Accident on the Northeastern Railroad.

lished in full in vesterday's STAR.

Jno. W. Fowler, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Vice President-J. H. Barnard.

President-E. L. Hawks.

Treasurer-J. G. White.

Secretary-B. F. O'Connor.

the company, viz:

New Company-Officers Elected, Etc.

rings and speculators.

telligent culture.

openly on his own heath.

marcation.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1892.

STREET RAILWAY.

ing ground, and will wipe out Har-Lot on South Water Street Purcha for Buildings for the Electric System by the New Company-Other Arrange-Mr. Harrison's manipulators have

ments Perfected. The lot on the corner of Water and Orange streets was purchased yesterday by Mr. J. H. Barnard, manager, for the Wilmington Street Railway Company from Mr. J. C. Melkins, of Columbia, S. C., who owned the property. This lot has a front of 183 feet on Water and 99 feet on Orange. The wharf in front is included in the purchase. The plans for buildings on this lot

have been prepared for some time, and as soon as forwarded from New York bids will be invited for their construction and completion by April 1st. The main building will be a two-story

brick structure, 45 feet on Water and 68 feet on Orange street. The lower story will be devoted to engines and dynamoes, and the upper story will contain the offices of the company. Immediatey adjoining the engine room on the Water street front, will be the boiler and fire-rooms, also of brick, while around both will be the carsheds, with a frontage of fourteen feet on Water street and forty feet on Orange.

Nearly all the bids for the steam plant have been prepared for some days and the lettting of the contract has been withheld pending the final location of the site, and the changes which would be caused by any difference in the size or shape of the lot

The steam plant is to consist of two norrizontal return tubular boilers of one hundred horse power each, and two one hundred horse power automatic high speed engines of the latest type. These engines will exhaust into a condenser, thus increasing their economy and absolutely preventing the slightest noise from the exhaust. As an auxiliary to the condenser there will be supplied a three

hundred horse power heater. The contract has been let for the poles to Capt. Newsom, and their delivery is to be begun by February 1st, and completed by March 1st.

The contract for cross-ties and stringers will be let as soon as Capt. Barnard, the manager, is informed as to the section of rail purchased for the freight line on Water street.

The order for rails for the electric car ine was placed about ten days since. The cars are already well under construction and will be delivered about the first of April.

The line on Water street is to be run by steam with a dummy engine; it will be used for transportation of freight

WILL IT BE SOLD?

The Charleston, Sumter and Northern acre. It was simply a colossal swindle Trouble-Receiver Chamberlain Sugof people who did't know how to trade gested to Take Charge of the Roadand were afraid to refuse the offer The Outlook.

The Charleston News and Courier says of the embarrassment of the Charleson, Sumter and Northern railroad:

It was learned that the floating in-

debtedness of the road was not over \$50,000 and that the road was forced into the receivership by creditors who were over anxious to get their money The receivership, like most others, it is hought, will be of several years' duration, and it is not altogether improbable that there will be some litigation over he priority of certain claims and bonds In talking about the permanent re ceiver a gentleman interested in the company said that Receiver D. H. Chamberlain would very likely be made

eceiver of the road. The South Caroina and Charleston, Sumter and Northern roads, he said, could be worked very advantageously together. The workshops in Charleston could be used for the repairs of Charleston, Sumter and Northern stock, and with the successful management of the South Carolina Railway by Mr. Chamberlain Judge Bond may be induced to appoint him It is stated that the mortgage indebt-

ness of the road is \$2,082,000. Its capital, authorized at the rate of \$12,000 per mile, was \$699,000 on June 30, 1890, Mr Kimball sent printed notice to the officers and employes of the company, informing them of his appointment as re ceiver; that they would be retained in their respective positions, and that they would account to him as receiver. The notice also contained the information Mai. C. M. Stedman, who sold the that Col. J. H. Averill had been approperty to the present owners for \$100,pointed general manager of the railroad

ad Death of Mr. S. R. Williamson of

A correspondent of the STAR at Monroe, N. C., furnishes particulars of the sad death of Mr. S. R. Williamson, of that place. January 21st, he says, Mr. S. R. Williamson of the firm of Heath & Williamson, went to Wilmington on business trip. He returned to Monroe this morning, Jan 23d, on the Carolina Central train No. 23, due at Monroe at 5.30 a. m. He occupied a berth in the sleeper, and when the porter went to wake him up, he found Mr. Williamson unconscious and breathing heavily. The conductor of the train sent for a doctor immediately on his arrival here and Dr, Pemberton was with the sick man in a very short time. He was taken from the car and carried home, where he lingered but a few hours, and died at 9.30

great loss to Monroe, and the community are all saddened to learn of his

death. Stocks of Naval Stores

I. E. Jeffords, conductor, severely Stocks of naval stores at the ports at Albert Hicks, (colored) bruised on the close of the week are reported as follows

Ed. White, (colored) wood-passer, Spirits turpentine-Wilmington, 2,452 casks; New York, 1,592; Savannah, 9,937; Walter Scott, (colored) trainman, bad-Charleston, 886. Total, 14,866 casks. Rosin-Wilmington, 25,658 barrels; By nine o'clock yesterday morning the New York, 30,586; Savannah, 118,042; wreck was cleared away and traffic re-

> York, 1,422. Total, 3,260 barrels. Before the U.S. Commissioner. January 25th.

Charleston, 7,256. Total, 181,537 barrels.

Tar-Wilmington, 1.838 barrels; New

CHARLESTON, SUMTER & NORTHERN. Truck Growers and Shippers Urged to

A New Railroad-Placed in the Hands of a Receiver.

The announcement that the Charleston, Sumter and Northern railroad had been placed in the hands of President Charles E. Kimball as temporary receiver, was not altogether a surprise in Charleston, says the News and Courier of that city. It was known there for some time that there were several disaffected creditors in Charleston, and that they were pushing their claims against the road. There were besides this 'several other symptoms showing the precarious financial condition of the road. Exactly what are the liabilities of the road is not known, but it is stated that it has had considerable floating indebtedness for some time.

and Northern Road, which has been of great service to Charleston, and which has brought considerable cotton here this season, is well known. The road started with a lumber road known as the Eutawville Railroad, which ran from Pregnall's to Eutawville. This short line was constructed about 1885. The charter was subsequently amended so as to allow the road to be built to Harlin City, formerly known as Elloree, in Orangeburg county. That road not proying a profitable investment it was thought it would be well to extend the line to the city of Sumter, and attract additional business to the road. The charter was again amended so as to allow this new territory to be opened to the road. The name of the road was then changed from the Eutawville Road to the Charleston, Sumter and Northern. The line was operated between Charleston and Sumter for some time when it was thought advisable to tap the fertile Pee-Dee section, and ultimately to connect with the Cape Fear

The history of the Charleston, Sumter

ville. The charter was amended so as to allow the road to run through Darlington, and with the least possible delay the road was constructed through to The new part of the road was opened last July, and gave to Charleston a new and rich field. At Bennettsville a connection was made with the Cape Fear

and Yadkin Valley Road at Bennetts-

and Yadkin Valley Road through to Mount Airy, and thence by the Roanoke and Southern on out to the coal fields of Virginia. The road is bonded at \$15,000 a mile, amount of \$10,000 a mile. The floating

indebtedness could not be ascertained. and those who knew declined to give any information on that matter.

REVENUE STEAMER COLFAX.

Her Arrival in Port Yesterday ofter an Absence of Eight Months-Extensive Repairs Made and Improvements in Her Equipment.

The U. S. revenue steamer Colfax.

Capt. Deane, arrived here yesterday afternoon after an absence of eight months, during which time she has been undergoing extensive repairs at Baltimore, Md. Although the arrival of the steamer was unheralded, she had no sooner fastened moorings to her wharf than she was boarded by many citizens of Wilmington, who were rejoiced to see her again in port. Among the visi tors were old friends of Capt. Deane and the officers, who greeted them with the utmost cordiality.

The Colfax left Baltimore last Saturday and reached Hampton Roads Sunday. She left Hampton Roads at 7 a. m. Monday and at 8 p. m. about fifteen miles north of Hatteras ran into a heavy southwest gale, and the vessel steamed back to Hampton Roads. Thursday at 4.30 a.m. she started out-again and reached here Friday at 3.00 p. m.. making an average speed of about ten and a half knots per hour,

During her stay in Baltimore the Colfax underwent repairs and alterations that add greatly to her speed and efficiency and to the comfort of her officers and crew. She has been furnished with a new steel boiler, and the engines were entirely rebuilt. The top-gallant forecastle was raised fourteen inches and lengthened six feet to accommodate a steam windlass and a six-pounder Hotchkiss rapid-fire gun. The pilothouse-was raised and new decks were laid fore and aft. The total expenditures on her amount to about \$35,000. Her officers are Captain Edward I Deane, commanding; First Lieutenant O. S. Willey, executive officer; Second Lieutenant, John E. Reinburg; Third Lieutenant, C. M. White; Chief Engineer, A. L. Harrison; First Assistant Engineer. O. P. Remick.

THE GRIMSLEY-ABERNATHY CASE.

Decided in the Superior Court of Greene County-The Shooting Was Justifiable.

A special from Snow Hill, Greene county, N. C., announces that the Grimsley-Abernathy case which came up in the Greene Superior Court, was disposed of in a manner that was somewhat of a surprise. A few weeks ago Grimsley shot Rev. Mr. Abernathy, whom he caught in the act of kissing his wife. A few days later he met Abernathy on the street and repeated the dose, shooting him through the neck. It was thought that the wound would prove fatal, but Abernathy has since recovered. In the court, when Grimsley was arraigned for shooting the preacher, he pleaded guilty. Mr. Williamson was a genial, good na- The Solicitor of the district thereupon tured man, and was very popular with moved for a suspension of judgment, all who knew him. His death is a which was so ordered by Judge R. W. Winston presiding, and Grimsley was discharged on payment of costs.

. This is regarded as showing the sentiment to be that Grimsley was justifiable in doing the shooting.

Southport a Sub-Port of Entry. A telegram from Washington, D. C., says Representative Alexander has introduced in the House a bill to make Southport a sub-port of entry in the collection district of Wilmington, N. C. The measure also provides for the appointment of a deputy collector, subject to the superintendence of the collector at Wilmington. Mr. Alexander says that if Southport is made a sub-port it J. E. Floyd, of Onslow county, will greatly facilitate the entry and charged with operating an unregistered | clearance of vessels, as the town is at distillery, was brought before U. S. Com- the mouth of the Cape Fear river, and Georgetown, S. C. What Mr. Ehrich | missioner Bunting yesterday for exami- captains will not be compelled to go drawn, will give the Democrats will use the steamer for could not be nation, but the case was continued to twenty-five miles further up the river to Wilmington.

FOR A UNIFORM PACKAGE.

Use them. The Fruit and Produce Trade Association of New York has sent out a circular to the truck growers and shippers of the South appealing for the use of uniform packages in shipping.

"The inequality of size in packages,"

the association says "has been annoying

and embarrassing to commission merchants and a loss to shippers and growers. The principal advantages of uniform packages are as follows: 1. The property could be handled to decidedly better advantage. 2. Small packages cost as much for freight as the full size and sell for much less, proportionately. (because buvers are so prejudiced against them) thereby making them very unprofitable to the shipper. 3. Different sizes require different prices to corresond with the package, the quality of ts contents being the same. 4. We are threatened with adverse legislation in consequence of the irregularity of the packages in use. For these reasons we not only recommend, but strenuously urge the immediate adoption as far as ossible of the round hooped flour barel as the standard of measure, with the parrel crate equal in capacity to the standard barrel, rounded measure, and the half-barrel crate and third-barrel crate to be proportionate parts of the standard crate or barrel.

"The retail grocers buy very large quantities of fruit and vegetables. They have a strong organization and for three years have been untiring in their efforts to induce the Common Council to enact an ordinance to compel the sale of fruit and vegetables by weight. The bill by the utmost exertions of the commission merchants was barely defeated ast winter and has recently been introduced again. We have assured the Common Council that the introduction of a standard package would place the business of selling fruit and vegetables upon a more-equitable basis and that it would chiefly meet the objections to the present system upon which retailers pase their demands for sales by weight. If the growers will immediately take such steps as are necessary to abolish all irregular packages and introduce those of standard size, we are confident the bill can be defeated. We realize ully that an ordinance which would compel the sale of all vegetables and most fruits by weight would be disastrous to your industry by the increased expenses which it would necessitate and the unavoidable delays which it would

The association in its circular suggests schedule of packages and the sizes which would best conform to the requirements of the trade.

CAROLINA OIL & CREOSO TE CO. Annual Meeting-Election of Officers, Etc.

The annual meeting of the Carolina Oil & Creosote Co., of Wilmington, was held yesterday at the company's office in this city. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year, viz: President-George West, of Balston

Secretary and Treasurer-Wm. Kennish, of Wilmington.

Directors-Hon. Warner Miller, Jno. C. Calhoun, of New York; Hon. George West, of Balston, N. Y.; Capt. F. C. Prindle, of Boston: Hon, A. A. Thomas. of Washington, D. C.; Hon. Jno. P. Jones, of Nevada; and Judge D. L. Russell, Capt. Jno. F. Divine and Mr. Wm. Kennish, of Wilmington.

The above were all re-elected, except Hon. George West, who succeeds Hon. Warner Miller, of New York, as President.

Mr. Kennish, Secretary and Treasurer, nade a verbal report as to the operations of the Company during the past year and spoke encouragingly of the future prospects of the Company. Among other contracts pending for creosoted work he mentioned one from the Chesapeake & Ohio R. R. Co., for material for the construction of extensive wharf facilities at Newport News, Va.

A meeting of stockholders of the Fernandina, Fla., Creosote Lumber and Construction Company, was also held, and the following were elected as officers,

President-A. A. Thomas, of Washngton, D. C.

Vice President-Capt. Jno. F. Divine, Wilmington N. C. Directors-W. H. Bixby, A. A. Thomas, J. F. Divine, J. H. Durkee, H. DuVal, Eugene Hall, D. L. Russell, D. O'Connor, and B. T. Burchardi.

Charged With Illicit Distilling.

J. F. Floyd was arrested last Wednesday in Onslow county by Deputy Marshal Hunt, on a warrant issued by Commissioner R. H. Bunting, which charged Floyd with operating an unregistered distillery. Floyd was brought before the Commissioner yesterday and was held in custody in default of \$500 bail for his appearance for trial to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

VERDICT NOT GUILTY.

P. C. Martin Acquitted of the Murder of M. G.Manning in Pitt County. [Special Star Telegram.] GREENVILLE, N. C .- The case of the

State against F. C. Martin, for killing M. G. Manning, on the public highway, in November last, closed to-day, after a strongly contested trial of eight days before Pitt County Superior Court The jury returned a verdict of not

Death of Mrs. S. A. Taylor, of Fayette-

Mrs. Sarah A. Taylor, relict of the late Philemon Taylor, of Fayetteville, N. C., died early Thursday morning at Fayetteville. She was the mother of Mr. Jas. H. Taylor and Mrs. W. P. Elliott, of this city, and also of Messrs. B. R. and C. L. Taylor, Mrs. A. H. Slocumb, Mrs. R. B. Haigh and Mrs. J. M. Matthews, of Fayetteville. She was the oldest living member of the First Baptist Church of Fayetteville. She was a lovely type of womanhood and devoted to her church and her children.

Cape Fear Freshet.

The steamer D. Murchison which left Fayetteville Thursday last at 10.30 a m., and arrived here early yesterday morning, brought report that the river had risen sixty feet and was still rising when the boat left. The water then was within about eight feet of the "Sherman freshet" of 1865.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

-Goldsboro Argus: The sad news comes in from Seven Springs of the death of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Whitfield. husband and wife, both on the same day, within a few hours of each other, on Wednesday.

- Charlotte News: Mr. J. N. Thompson, one of the most prominent men of Davidson College, and one of the oldest merchants of that place, died this morning of heart disease. He had been sick for a week past, but yesterday he had apparently recovered. He got up this morning to start out for his store, when he suddenly expired.

NO. 1

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

IT WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF

CHICAGO.

Meeting of the National Committee-Har-

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The National

Democratic Committee met at noon to

select the time and place for holding

the Democratic Convention. An ad-

dress of weicome was delivered by Dis-

trict Commissioner Ross. On motion

of Senator Vilas, the committee went

At 4 o'clock the claims of contesting

cities were presented in the following

order: Cincinnati, Detroit, Indian-

apolis, Kansas City, Milwaukee, New

York, San Francisco and St. Paul. Re-

cess was then taken until 9 o'clock;

when the committee reassembled bal-

loting was begun. On the first ballot,

Kansas City led with 13 votes; also on

the second ballot, with 12 votes. Mil-

waukee was second in each. On the third ballot San Francisco led, with 15

votes; Milwaukee was second, with 10

votes. On the fourth, St. Paul led, with

13 votes. The fifth ballot, Cincinnati

led, with 11 votes. On the sixth, De-

troit led, with 10 votes. Milwaukee was

On the seventh ballot a dark horse

came in, and Des Moines, Iowa, not for-

mally named previous to the balloting,

led, with 17 votes; Milwaukee was sec-

ond, with 9; San Francisco received no

vote on the previous ballot, and was

dropped Eighth ballot, Indianapolis,

22; Milwaukee second, with 9; Des

Maines was dropped. Ninth ballot,

Milwaukee, 20; New York second, with

10. On the tenth bailot, Milwaukee led

with 18, and Chicago was second, with

13; Cincinnati received nothing, and

was dropped. Eleventh ballot, Milwaukee

22; Chicago second, with 15. Tweltth

ballot, Milwaukee 20, Chicago 17. Thir-

teenth ballot, Milwaukee 21, Chicago

17; New York fell to one vote on the

12th ballot and was dropped. On the

fourteenth ballot, Chicago received 22.

Milwaukee 21. The fifteenth and last

ballot stood : Detroit, 1; Kansas City, 2;

Milwaukee, 18: St. Paul, 1; Chicago, 27.

The vote was then made unanimous for

Chicago, on motion of Mr. Mitchell, of

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Called to Meet at Chicago on the 21st

Day of June, 1892.

The National Democratic Committee

The National Democratic Committee

at a meeting held this day, in the city of

Washington, D. C., has appointed Tues-

day, the 21st day of June, 1892, as the

time, and chosen the city of Chicago as

the place for holding the National

Democratic Convention. Each State is

entitled to representation therein equa-

to double the number of the representa-

SIMON P. SHEERIN, Sec'y.

£ \$25,000, with No Insurance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

morning. Only a few benches, desks

loss is over \$25,000, and no insurance.

"Halls of literary societies, the exhibi

ollege will be resumed without delay.

Presbyterian Reformed Church.

The origin of the fire is unknown.

GENEROUS DONATION.

Washington Duke Offers to Increase His

Gift to Trinity College to \$120,000.

donated \$85,000 to the Methodist Col-

lege, Trinity, at Durham, N. C., has

offered to increase his donation to

\$120,000 if the friends of the College

will raise fifty thousand additional

The offer has been accepted. This is

thought to be the largest donation to

the cause of education by any Southern

BLAINE VS. BLAINE.

to Pay Alimony and Lawyers' Fees.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DEADWOOD, S. D., January 21.-In

the case of Mary Nevins Blaine vs. Jas.

G. Blaine, Jr., an order has been made

by Judge Thomas, fixing the temporary

limony at \$600, and attorneys' fees at

\$400. The former sums granted by the

court a month ago as temporary alimo-

ny and attorneys' fees were \$800 for ali-

mony and \$300 for fees. This has been

cut down, the defendant pleading pov-

Jas. G. Blaine, Jr., Ordered by the Court

man since the war, except one.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

Erskine College celebrated its semi

CALVIN S. BRICE.

Chairman.

to-day issued this call:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.

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second in all, with varying vote.

into secret session, to settle all ques-

tions of proxies and contests.

Ballotting.

monious Session-Contesting Cities-The

- Raleigh Chronicle: A meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee has been called by Chairman Smith, at Raleigh, Wednesday, March 2nd, 1892, at 11 o'clock a. m. to fix a date and place, and issue the call for a State Convention, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

- Southport Leader: One of the surveying corps of the Norfolk, Western Charleston Railroad has passed through the northwestern part of Brunswick county. This line runs some thirty miles through the Green Swamp, and will pass through a good timber country. This railroad when built, will pass through a country comparatively un-

- Smithfield Herald: We regret to learn of the death of M. A. D. Johnson, which occured at his home in Banner township on last Wednesday of heart failure. His daughter, a girl of about 16 years, had died the day before of pneumonia, and he had been up nursing her for several nights and although feeling badly did not take his bed until the day she died.

- Sanford Express: Miss Mary Monger, of Greenwood township, was found dead in her room 'ass. Sunday morning. - There is talk of a cotton factory being built at Aberdeen soon. There is an 80-horse power stream there, sufficient to run a factory of any size. - Mr. S. M. Jones, deputy marshal, captured and destroyed a "copper" a few miles west of here on a "still hunt"

last Tuesday morning. - Greensboro Record: Ex-Governor Scales continues to linger, although he has been very low for several months. His physician has been compelled to stop giving opiates, as they have long since lost their power over him, and the sufferer gets very little sleep. It is really remarkable how the General can live, considering the great loss of sleep and the small quantity of nourishment he takes. He is rarely ever at himself now and his constant desire is to "go home." It seems he images he is away from home. -- Four patients have entered the Keeley Institute at this place this week.

- Fayetteville Observer: Capt. T. J. Bulla died at his residence on the east side of Cape Fear river, on the 15th inst. - Mr. J. Marshall Williams and others in his vicinity are moving in the direction of the cultivation of truck to which they hope to add the canning business in the near future. - At a recent meeting of the Cumberland County Farmers' Alliance, Capt. Jas. S. Evans tendered his resignation as Business Agent for this county, and Mr. H. E. Smith, of Cedar Creek, was appointed to the agency as his successor. - M. N. Leary died on Tuesday last, after a long period of feeble health. His was one of the oldest colored families in Fayetteville, his father, a man of unusual intelligence and strength of character, with his son, for many years conducting a successful saddlery business here. His brother, John S. Leary, is a member of the bar and professor of aw in Shaw University in Raleigh.

tion to which it is entitled in the nex - Carthage Blade: The farmers Electoral College, and each Territory generally have at last awakened to the and the District of Columbia shall have act that it is bad policy to depend en-All Democratic conservative citizen tirely upon the cotton crop, and will diof the United States, irrespective of past versify their crops more largely this year than ever before. - D. D. F. Campolitical associations and differences, eron, merchant of Manly, made an aswho can unite with us in the effort for a signment last Tuesday to J. T. Buchan. pure, economical and constitutional government, are cordially invited to Liabilities \$2,000; assets not stated. -On Sunday morning last, Miss Mary A. join us in sending delegates to the Con-Monger was found dead on the floor of her room, at her home near Center Union Church, having died during the night. She was 70 years old, and for the last two years has been of unsound ERSKINE COLLEGE BURNED. mind. - On Sunday night, January 10th inst., Jno. McInnis and Bruce A Time-Honored Institution-Loss Ove Horner had an altercation at Calvin Mc-Innis' turpentine distillery, near West End, in which the latter was probably fatally shot. He was shot three times CHARLESTON, S. C., January 22 .-Erskine College, located at Due West in the abdomen, head and thigh. The brain was penetrated. It is reported Abbeville county, S. C., was burned this

that Horner is dead.

- Washington Progress : Mr. and blackboards were saved from the wreck. The library, containing over Aaron Phillips died on Wednesday last, two thousand valuable volumes, belongaged 63 years. He had been ill for some ing to the Theological Seminary of the months. - Mr. S. S. Jones departed Associated Reformed Presbyterian this life on Thursday night last at 10 Church, was destroyed, together with o'clock. A few weeks ago he was from the college library and furniture. The all appearances in the full vigor of life. - One night last week M. L. Flynn. of Pantego, had the misfortune to lose tion hall and the chapel, three separate his store and entire stock of goods by buildings on the college campus, were fire, with the exception of a few hundred not injured, and the exercises of the dollars' worth of goods which were gotten out before it was consumed. On Saturday morning last Mr. A. W. centennial two years ago, and is one of Thomas, one of our largest dry goods the oldest and best schools in the South. merchants, made an assignment for the It is under control of the Associated benefit of his creditors. Mr. S. R. Fowle and A. Mayo are the assignees. The liabilities are about \$12,000, and the assets will amount to about the same. - We regret to learn that Mr. B. F. Rodman, who until its destruction by fire was owner of the Washington Iron Works, died in Baltimore on Tuesday last, where he had been for some time. About ten days ago he had an operation RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 21.-Washingperformed, which resulted in death. ton Duke, of Durham, N. C., who has

> morning last, the 16th inst., Mrs. Virginia E. M. Tilghman, wife of J. B. Tilghnan, Sr., Esq., was found dead in bed. She had been an invalid for two years, and several months ago received a paralytic stroke, which made her condition much worse. She was in the 67th year of her age. - Mr. J. W. Grant. of Northampton county, died in the upper part of that county Tuesday afternoon, of grip, aged 68 years. Mr. Grant is the fifth of the family to be taken within several months. Mr. Grant was one of the most prominent citizens of Northampton, having occupied many positions of trust in the gift of the people. - Mrs. Peter W. Squire died at her husband's home in Northampton county on Wednesday night of last week, aged about 25 years, of grip complicated with pneumonia. She was formerly Miss Mattie Grant, daughter of Mr. J. W. Grant, and had been married about a vear. She was the fourth member of Mr. Grant's family which he has recently lost by death-his wife, a son, a grandson and now a daughter.

- Weldon News: On Saturday

- Shelby Review: The Lincoln Paper Mills of Messrs. W. & R. Tiddy were sold last week under foreclosure of mortgage, and were bought by R. M. Oates, of Charlotte, for \$11,000. -A party of revenue officers made a raid into the Three-County-Corner section Friday. They had four blockade stills located, but when they got there they found the stills and moonshiners gone. -Last week we published a notice of the death near Grover of Mr. William Love and his son, within an hour of each other. Mrs. Mary Love, the wife and mother, died on Monday, making three deaths in the same family within a week. The only surviving members of the family are three little children. -Mr. M. C. Crain, of Beam's Mills had some friends to dine with him on the 6th of this month, "Old Christmas" day, and he had for desert two large and luscious water melons. Mr. Crain keeps a lot of watermelons every winter. He plants a late patch and just before frost he pulls the ripe melons, puts them in his cellar with his potatoes, where they keep perfectly sound and sweet.

FIRE AT NORFOLK Cotton and Peanuts Burned-Losses Over \$20,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NORFOLK. VA., Jan. 21.—Fire this morning broke out in Jones, Lee & Co. s

cotton shed in this city, and destroyed 200 bales of cotton. The fire also caught Harrell Bro.'s warehouse in which was stored cotton and peanuts. The damage amounted to about \$11,000. The loss on buildings is estimated \$10,-000. All the losses are covered by in-

A Lamar, Mo., dispatch says: Two very bold men robbed the express car of the Missouri Pacific train which arrives here at 12.30 a. m. The men held up the occupants of the car, keeping them covered with revolvers while the train travelled ten miles, between Sheldon and Lamar.

A New York dispatch says Cyrus W. Field is not expected to live till morn-