

til the surplus is worked off and there is a growing demand for their goods.

This is precisely what the cotton planters of the South did last year when they called conventions and decided to reduce the acreage of cotton, and did reduce it about 2, 500,000 acres. The business sense of this action is now apparent in the advance in prices, which it, is the opinion of some will continue until cotton reaches twelve cents a pound, a price which it should always command to pay the man who raises it a reasonable profit.

The Southern crop this year is about 7.000,000 bales, every bale of which will be needed for consumption at home and abroad, the first time in several years in which there has been no surplus left on the hands could be selected, for it presents a of the planters, and the first time in several years when they had it in their power, if they would, to name the price of their cotton, and the first time in several years when the buyers were more anxious to buy than the planters were to sell.

The demand for cotton to meet the world's consumption increases at the rate of about three per cent. year, or say in round numbers about 250,000 bales. It should be the aim of Southera planters to keep within the limit if there should be any increase of acreage at all, but for a year or two at least there should be no increase, for it is better that they should be under the 7,000,000 mark than over it, at least until it is definitely settled what the full effect of the reduced output is going to be, and how high prices will go before | and had barely made a fair start another crop comes in. With the results so far gained as a certainty, and with prospects of still better results there is nothing to be lost by a little experimenting of this kind. Theories are one thing and tests are another. The 7,000,000 crop of this year has been a test which has panned out very well so far.

said in regard to the matter: "Gould's But there is something else gained familiar with the facts and who may I curred of paralysis Friday night at 10 ments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica, people and one that will not be for-Wilmington's Welcome Week wound not the most interesting event of the wealth will be found to vary not \$10,000,o'clock, in the 60th year of his age, is prejudiced against the company." by reducing the cotton acreage and which prevents any foreign Gov-000 from \$100,000,000, about \$40,000,000 up vesterday. It was an occasion of engotten nor go unrebuked. To stand week. Promptly at the hour appointed announced to us from Pikeville. ---which is in Manhattan, Western the cotton production, which has After a lingering illness with consump-tion, Mrs. Florence Alphin, wife of Gilernment from getting a controlling Chief Newman gave the signal from the joyment to everybody who visited the Democratic Celebration at Jacksonville. with the people, be respected by the Union and Missouri Pacific stock. The city and a cause of great pleasure to also been demonstrated this year. The Democrats of Onslow county wil alarm-box at the foot of Market street, voice in this route unless by contract people and endorsed by the people a oldings of these three stocks are trusted bert E. Alphin, died Tuesday at her those of Wilmington's citizens who took The 2.500,000 acres taken from cotand a moment afterwards the hose reels with the parties who hold the concescelebrate the victory of Democracy in and will not be sold. His other securiparty must keep its pledges to the home in Duplin county, aged 28 years. Howard Relief and Wilmington No. 1 part in it and labored for its success. In ties will be taken care of by the same inthe recent elections, at Jacksonville next ton has been given to raising food sions. This might be accomplished - A slick-tongued negro who claims people. The Democratic party is terests which have had charge of them came whirling down Market street at all particulars it surpassed the gala to be "just from Africa," is in the city Thursday. The good people of the supplies, and the result is an unusuby some European Government furfor the past three years." It is esti-mated Mr. Gould held \$15,000,000 or uncompromisingly pledged to the reendeavoring to raise a colony to emifull speed, followed by the "Atlantic" week of last year. There was a larger county will assemble in great force, and ally large grain crop, which of course nishing money to construct the canal, peal of this tax grate to Africa, but has met with poor and "Adrian" engines. The Howard's gathering of "our friends from the occasion will be one of feasting as Western Union stock and about \$20,is that much clear money to the plansuccess thus far. ---- A cotton comas France did the Panama Canal. reel turned down Front to Dock street. the country," the decorations were 000.000 Manhattan Elevated stock. well as rejoicing. The W., O. & E. C. press for this city is now talked of by our ters who have heretofore been de-This is not likely to happen nor Tom Watson is still indignating in R. R. will offer special rates on that day where hose connection was made finer, the trades parade, while noneved men. ——The removal of the would this Government be apt to pending upon the West for their sup-Georgia. Tom is an eighteen carat M. E. CHURCH SOUTH. Caucasian, or rather what there is left of to all visitors; from Wilmington the fare with the hydrant, corner of Dock and not so large, perhaps, as that of last it, from Clinton to this city is contem-plated by its editor, Marion Butler, plies and paying for them out of low fraud, and it begins to look as if he permit it if there were any indicawill be \$1.50; Scott's Hill, \$1.25, and proyear, was superior in some respects Front streets, while the reel of Wilming-The Conference at Winston-Mr. B. priced cotton. Now they not only the fireworks were of unequalled splentions pointing in that direction. The was an eighteen carat dead beat. If portionate rates for all other points on ton No. 1 turned into North Front and oon after the Christmas holidays Duke's Proposal for Endowment made connection with the hydrant at dor, the firemen's contest, the civic have higher priced cotton but many company which has this enterprise in he had the sense of self respect that the road. - A ten-year old colored boy named Trinity College. Joe Bradshaw, was drowned in a well near Princeton, Friday evening, while the corner of Princess and Front. Then parade, the marine parade, the bicycle planters have all the food stuffs they hand have no idea at present of seekany man who aspires to represent a By Telegraph to the came a race for the firemen, to be first races, the tournament, the shooting COUNTY ROADS. WINSTON, Dec. 3 .- Most of to-day's need without paying a dollar more ing the aid of any foreign Governconstituency, white, black or blackattempting to draw water. He being in throwing a stream on a pile of blazing | match, the foot races, were each and all session of the Conference of the M.E. than the cost of production. subject to fits, it is believed that he ment, for aside from the pecuniary and-tan, he would turn his attention To the Chairman of the Board of County tar-barrels in the middle of Market features of great interest in an event ch South was with educa There are two things which at interests involved they are Americans to earning a respectable, honest living Commissioners and Chairman of the ----- A sixteen-year old colored girl named Ida Brown, residing with her street below Front. The boys of Wilthat will no doubt be long remembered. business. President Crowell read the Board of Justices of the Peace of New present prevent the Southern cotton- have some national pride in it. They and guit going around among the mington No. 1 were a few seconds Hanover County : report of Trinity College, setting forth grand-mother in the Southern portion planter from being absolute master | desire the co-operation of this Gov- | deluded white people and the credu-Information Wanted. of the city, was burned to death Mon-day morning by her clothing becoming ignited while passing the fire-place. She lingered only a few hours and died in ahead of their opponents in the race and GENTLEMEN-Believing that better the plans for more efficient organization. of the cotton question; one is that ernment to the extent of guarantee- lous negroes who supported his can-Postmaster French has received an first stream, winning the and recommending therefore changes in roadways throughout the county would threw most of them are more are less in ing the interest at four per cent. per the State charter of the college. The if the crowd and the prize of enquiry from a law firm in New York didacy, haranguing them, leading very materially improve the welfare and plaud report was adopted, including its recomdebt and therefore have to sell part, annum on the \$100,000,000 of bonds concerning one Thomas B. Hayward, fitteen dollars offered by the committee. mendation that the proposition of B. M. Duke, of Durham, be accepted. Mr. Duke proposes to insure the lives of fifty men between the ages of 40 und 50, processions, pleading the pauper and prosperity of both the city and county, great agony. who was last heard of in September, The second event was a contest beat least, of the crop to meet matur- which they wish to issue to raise the passing the hat around among them and that this is an appropriate time to 1884, in Rocky Point, N. C. Hayward tween steamers of the two companies ing obligations, and those of them | money to complete the work. This call the matter to your attention in order PROHIBITION. for contributions to pay the expenses named for a prize of fifteen dollars. Both was an Englishman, about forty-five that we may secure such legislation as who do not raise their home supplies guarantee is to be given, if given at of a contest for a seat in the 53d for ten thousand dollars each, for the years of age; had been a seafaring man, A Perplexing Situation in South Carolina engines took position at the foot of Maryou deem advisable at the approaching have to sell to purchase these. all, upon terms which will give this benefit of the Trinity endowment fund. Congress, where he wouldn't -be any and then requested that funds might be as to the Prohibition Question. ession of the Legislature, we would ket street and "took water" from the on condition that the two State Confer-If the planters, as a rule, were out Government practical control as far more use to his constituents, if he [Special to the Amociated Press.] sent to him at Rocky Point, in care of river. The Howard boys were winners ences guarantee the running expenses of nost respectfully request that you bring of debt, and raised all their home the college until this plan of endowment be realized upon sufficiently by deaths as any other Government is congot the seat, than a fly on a wheel, CHARLESTON, Dec. 8 .- A curious Dr. E. Porter of that place. Dr. Porter, this matter up for consideration before in this contest, their engine, the your respective boards in order that we supplies, wouldn't they then be absocerned, and ultimately, if it so elect, But he tells them that .while it will of Rocky Point, has no recollection of problem will be presented here if "Adrian," throwing the first stream. may act in concert with the county au mong the parties insured to relieve the Legislature passes the prohibition the option to become the controlling lute masters of the situation, and be take \$5,000 to make the contest he After this came an exhibition given ever having known a man of the name the Conferences of further obligation. The Board of Missions reported about horities and with a view to the best re bill. An important Charleston industry able to hold their cotton or sell it owner of the canal, subject, of course, does not expect to get the seat, nor by Wilmington Hook and Ladder Comof T. B. Hayward, but recollects as havsults. In this connection, permit us to is a blg brewery, which was chartered by when they pleased? This year the to the agreement between the Govcall your attention to the act passed at the session of the General Assembly of pany No. 1 and the Fifth Ward Hook \$4,500 collections out of \$8,090 assessing in his employ about that time an the \$2,000 usually allowed contesments. They recommended the ap-pointment of a travelling agent in the domestic mission field. The report was and Ladder Co. It was thrillingly in-Englishman who was known to him by planters who were compelled to ernments of Nicaragua and of Costa | tants to defray expenses, so that the 1885 for the county of Mecklenburg the name of Lemming, who left him and teresting and the manner in which the market their cotton at the opening of Rica, and the company to which the only reason this disappointed, spitewhich may, with such amendments as charter has seventeen years to run. It all other dealers are shut out, this one will have a monopoly. If that is closed, it will have good ground for suit for damages against the State. It is a per-plexing situation, but only one of many which the proposed legislation will bring before the people. went to Wilmington, N. C., where he adopted. members of the two companies handled you may suggest, answer for this county the cotton year got less for it by a concessions were granted. ful, incendiary little marlplot can Awaiting the result of your consideratheir ladders and mounted and desengaged in the manufacture of some couple of cents a pound than those A bill was introduced in the Sep-have in asking his dupes (who need tion, and the action of your two boards. Very respectfully, GEO. L. MORTON, GILES W. WESTBROOK, EDGAR G. PARMELE, who are marketing it now. Of course ate during the last session of Conevery cent they have) to chip in, is we remain. they didn't anticipate the advance, gress providing for such a guarantee to achieve some more notoriety, slosh and very few planters did, but it and ably advocated by some of the around Washington and have a good teen dollars each. The Fifth Ward boys | and Hayward are the same person.

cial interest in it, for with a long stretch of coast on the Pacific to be defended in case of war it becomes

of the utmost importance that this Government should have the first right of way through at least one waterway between the Atlantic and Pacific, on the presumption that there is to be more than one, and if only one then the right of way through that.

This Government has, at least since the territory on the Pacific was acquired, recognized this fact, and hence numerous surveys have been made to ascertain the most praciticable and the least costly route. These surveys have left no

doubt that the route selected through Nicaragua and Costa Rica is the must feasible and the cheapest that river and a lake, both of which can be utilized at comparatively little expense, leaving but about twentysix miles of canal to be dug. The entire length of the waterway as

contemplated between the two oceans is 169 miles, 100 of which would be through Lake Nicaragua, through navigable waters or 'easily made so by a little dredging where they might happen to be too shallow for deep draught vessels.

The San Juan river flows from the lake into the Atlantic. By some dredging and locks at intervals this stream can be used for 42 miles, leaving but 26 miles of canal to be cut to give an outlet from the lake to the Pacific. The estimated cost is \$100,000,000. DeLesseps spent \$200,000,000 on the Panama canal before he had to quit for want of funds. It is doubtful if that scheme will ever be revived. It certainly will not if the Nicaragua canal is constructed.

This route is under the control now of an 'American company who have secured the right of way and certain concessions from the Govern-

continent. It reduces the distance by sea between New York and San Francisco from 15,660 miles to 4,907 sales. At equal ratio of movement the

miles; and between New Orleans and San Francisco from 16,000 miles to 4,147. In other words there is 8,000 or 10,000 mfles cut off in reaching our States on the Pacific, and thousands of miles saved in reaching other countries, which we have now to double Cape Horn to reach. Every

> mile of travel saved means that much gained to commerce, and it means, also, an increase of commerce with the nations which can be easily and cheaply reached. The shortening of this distance means much, also, for the cotton-growers of the South, for it will open up new markets for immense quantities of American cotton

where, heretofore, on account of the cost of transportation, but little-American cotton has gone.



According to Washington dispatches there is considerable diversity of opinion among the Democratic Congressmen who have arrived in Washington as to the advisability of repealing the ten per cent. tax on the circulation of State banks. The diversity seems to be among mem-

> bers from the East and the West, Southern members being pretty generally agreed upon it. It is not surprising that some of the Eastern members should be disposed to let that question rest as it is because they represent districts where money is plentiful, and lending money to sections where it is not plentiful is a profitable business, but it is somewhat surprising that Western members should be content with the present condition. But they should both remember that the platform adopted at Chicago absolutely commits the Democratic party to the re-

peal of the tax, that to refuse to do so when we have the power to do it will be a gross breach of faith, an unpardonable imposition upon the

second money, Carson, Dowd, Wall and years in the past decade, except 1887 Davis; third money by Anthony,'Dodge and 1891, in each of which there were special reasons for increased and Fonda.

present crop will be marketed and im-

ports of foreign renewed by or before

moving freely.'

which he says:

The Wisest Course.

The following events for sweepstakes were governed by the Semi-expert American Rules spring. Present prices must be con-

Sixth Event. (sweepstakes) first money sidered reasonable, if not very low, as the general demand is large and to it no to Glenn; second money, Fonda; third nsignificant addition by exports to coun money, Walls, Dowd and Anthony; tries with which the United States has fourth money, Emple. reciprocal relations and for manu-

factures which ordinarily import spe-Seventh Event, (sweepstakes) first cially prepared styles under special pro noney, Walls, second money, Anthony visions of the tariff act. Foreign styles and Carson; third money, Empie and are scarcely so active, the exceedingly Fonda ow prices in domestic tending to cause

Eignth Event, (sweepstakes) first the trade to turn quite generally to it. "Messrs. Dan Talmage's Sons & Co. money Glenn and Carson; second New Orleans, telegraph Louisiana crop money, Anthony and Dowd; third movement to date: Receipts, rough money, Snpie, Fonda and Walls; fourth 909.475 sacks, last year, 600,300 sacks. vis and Gorbam. money Sales, clean, (estimated) 155,640 barrels;

N Event. (sweepstakes) first money, last year, 117,900 barrels. Lower and higher grades scarce and in active re Anthony, Davis and Dowd; second quest, medium styles more plentiful, but money, Glenn, Fonda, Wells and Butler: third money, Empie; fourth money, Gorham.

The STAR has always advocated the TOURNAMENT. plan laid down in the following extract This concluded the shooting matches, from the Savannah News: which lasted until four o'clock, at Railway officials whose practice o which time the knights who were to enter the grand riding tournament reached concealing information from the newspapers or attempting to do so generally. the park and were entered in the followfind in the long run that it does not pay. ing order: Allie Shepard, New Han-Savannah used to have a number of over county; George Summerlin, Edgethese officials, but they have nearly all combe; Albert Peschau, Pender; C. P. Love, Bladen; R. H. Paddison, Onslow; moved away or dropped out of sight. Most of the officials now believe that a Guy Love, Craven. Capt. O. A. Wigtrank and full statement of any event in gins was chief marshal of the tournawhich the public has a right to be inment and the judges were Messrs. terested is wisest, and they find as a DuBrutz Cutlar, Sr., O. A. Wiggins and general rule that the representatives of Bonner Southerland; time-keeper, Mr. the press do not abuse this confidence. L. B. Sasser; scorer, Herbert McClammy, Vice President Harahan of the Illinois Esq. Mr. Summerlin was the first to Central has set an example to many ofgo over the track on time, catching four ficials by issuing a circular addressed to rings; Allie Shepard was second, catching all officers, agents and employes in the two rings; Albert Peschau, three rings; traffic departments instructing them as C. P. Love, three rings; R. H. Paddison, to giving information to the press, in one ring; Guy Love, two rings. Mr. Geo.

Summerlin was awarded the first prize. "It will generally be found that if the There being a tie between Peschau and company's agents and local officers will C. P. Love, the race was run over and furnish the press the facts in matters in Peschau was declared winner of the secwhich the public has an interest the newspapers will generally appreciate ond prize, leaving the third to C. P. such action and will refrain from pub-Love. The tournament was witnessed lishing exaggerated or highly colored by about three thousand people and was accounts of circumstances connected with the company's operations. Many enjoyed very much. newspapers make such exaggerated re-FIREMEN'S CONTEST.

Thousands of people gathered on Front and Market streets in the afternoon to see the contests between the firemen, probably the most exciting if

Johnson be requested to act as a committee to make arrangements for trans porting the Second Regiment to Washadopted. ington, on March 4th, to attend the in-

auguration of President Grover Cleveland

COLORED PEOPLE'S DAY. Drills-Firemen's Contest-Cake Oadet

sumption the Cause. Walk-Trades Parade.

The colored people had their day yes-NEW YORK, December 2 .- Jay Gould terday, and carried out the programme died at 9.15 o'clock this morning. The as published in the STAR. There was a direct cause of Mr. Gould's death, as competitive drill between the "Junior stated at the house this morning, was Cadets" and the "Young Glittering pulmonary consumption. The scene at Stars" (the "Marechal Neill Rosebuds" the house at midnight was not extradid not appear,) and the contest was ordinary. It was stated at the time that won by the "Junior Cadets." the strong master-mind had ceased to

The potato race was very amusing. his bedside, and they recognized that Elisha Brown of the Banniker Hose the hopes of the past few days were van-Reel Co. won the race and was awarded ishing, and that the end was not far off, the prize. They tearfully admitted this to a few

The cake-walk was somewhat of a disappointment. Only three couples last breath left the body. entered. Cephus Finch and Haines Davis were decided to be the most graceful walkers and "took the cake." The hose reel contest was won by the boys of the Phœnix Company; but the Cape Fear reel was a close second. The trades parade at night was very creditable. A squad of policemen preceded the procession, which was led by Chief Marshal Jas. B. Dudley and assistdyspepsi ants, mounted. The Enterprise Brass Band followed, and after the band came

the committees in carriages. There were a number of floats in the parade, and the Cape Fear fire engine and reel, both handsomely decorated. The Bricklayers and Plasterers Union

ad a large float followed by members of the brotherhood carrying tools of their trade. J. G. Norwood's float represented

house in course of construction with carpenters at work. Wm. Howe, Green & Co.'s float was a

epresentation of a shoe store. Wright, the "baggage man," had a float mblematic of his business. Employes of Southerland's livery stable, mounted, were in the parade, as were also employes of Portner's Brewery. Yarborough and Murray, barbers, had the body of his wife lies. floats prepared but they broke down

while on the way to "jine in the proces-

The Wind-Up of a Most Enjoyable Event.

some money changed. those who own little or none of the ar ing that the money was Confederate, deticle offered." There was considerable clined to make change. The man grabdiscussion before the memorial was bed Johnson's hand containing the

JAY GOULD DEAD.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

Miss Annie Gould.

money, but had to let go as Johnson began using his knife. The man ran off." The authorities were notified and the police and the sheriff are now out search-The Millionsire and Railroad Magnate ing for him.

Passes Quietly Away-Pulmonary Con-- Clinton Democrat: Quite a serious accident happened to Atwood Lewis, the five year old son of Mr. Henry Lewis, who lives near here. In some way his clothes caught on fire and before the flames could be extinguished his body was badly burned. ---- The farmers tell us that while the acorn crop is not so good this year, pine mast was never more abundant, and consequently the pigs are picking up much of their living in the woods. Pigs thus fed, they say, make the sweetest pork, needing battle for life. His children were at only a little corn feeding to give firmness

- Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligencer : Anson county brown stone has close personal friends, and then began achieved a reputation all over the counthe vigil, which only ceased when the ty as being a stone of the very best quality, and now it is probable that in the

to the fat.

Early last evening it became known near future Anson county kaolin will be that his death was only a matter of a used in the manufacture of the finest few hours. He had never rallied after crockery and china. On the plantation of Mr. Shepherd Edwards, two miles he had hemorrhage of the lungs on the day before Thanksgiving. He had anfrom Polkton, this mineral is found in inexhaustable quantities and it is beother hemorrhage two days later, and still another last Wednesday. This anlieved that the samples so far unearthed are of excellent quality. On an average of four feet beneath the earth's surface nouncement was a great surprise to all but the most intimate acquaintances of Mr. Gould. It had all along been supthe kaolin is found. A hill, containing posed that he was suffering from nervous at least ten acres, to a great depth, is composed of the white substance, finer From an early hour last night Mr. than roller ground flour.

Gould began sinking rapidly. Dr. Munn, - Chariotte Observer: Capt. John his physician, had Dr. Janeway in con-A. Cooper, of Wilkes, has been elected sultation, but they said that nothing president of the First National Bank of could be done but make Mr. Gould's last Statesville, succeeding Geo. F. Shepherd, hours as comfortable as possible. Dr. William Tillman, Esq., resigned. ---John R. Parston, pastor of Mr. Gould's the negro shot by Ben Huskins, also Church, was at the house last night colored, last Friday night at a dance in when the end came. The memoers of Davis' row, died yesterday afternoon of the family who were in the house were the wound. The negro was shot in the Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gould, Mr. and stomach. Huskins fled the same night Mrs. Geo. Gould, Miss Hetta Gould, Mr. Howard Gould, Mr. Harold Gould and and has not been heard of since. Those that humble themselves shall be

exalted." Humility is the sure way to Dr. Paxton said Gould's end was very to religious exaltation, but whether or peaceful. Just a few minutes before his not to political "we dinna ken." Dr. H. death he was perfectly conscious. He Walker, of Huntersville, says he called all the members of his family thinks some "droppings" of spoils should fall on him, but unlike most of men he around his bedside, and spoke to each one of his sons and daughters individuhas selected for himself a very humble ally. He became unconscious before office. "All I ask," said he, "is to be al-lowed to dig bait for the President's fishnis death. The funeral will take place Monday. The funeral services will be ing excursions. held at the house, and the interment

probably in the same cemetery where - Goldsboro Headlight : Since publishing the report concerning the conviction of W. C. Rich, we are in re-There are many guesses made in regard to Gould's wealth, and the disposiceipt of a letter from his father, -C. C. tion to be made of his immense hold. Rich, of Faison, denying the report as ings of securities. One of his closest "absolutely false." — The sudden death of Mr. Wm. H. Hosea which ocassociates and oldest personal friends

ports because they are unable to secure

from the proper representatives of the

company the actual facts and are, there-

fore, compelled to glean their informa-

tion from persons who are not always