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self-interest, and when that becomes the case there will be little regard for past associations or for party traditions.

How distinctly this division on sectional lines is becoming marked is noted in the following extract from an article in the Philadelphia Telegraph, Rep., commenting upon the Bland Seigniorage bill:

"An analysis of the vote in the Senate on the Bland bill furnishes much food for thought. It will readily be seen how the line of sectional division is developing itself on this great issue, as recently noted in these columns. A number of members were absent, but if all had been present the result would have been the same. There is a clear majority in both Houses of Congress this time in favor of silver legislation, and so strong is the feeling in favor of this course that this measure was passed without even being put into such technical shape as to permit of no doubt as to the real meaning of the provision. The whole business strikingly illustrates the force of political expediency in the mind of the average time-serving politician of the hour."

The strength of the Democratic party to-day lies in the South and West. All the New England Senators, and those from New York, New Jersey, and Maryland, were against the course that this measure was passed without even being put into such technical shape as to permit of no doubt as to the real meaning of the provision.

This is a correct statement of the situation as far as the Bland bill is concerned and would be in a degree true of any other measure applying to silver. It may be remarked in this connection that the opposition to every movement which looks to an increase of the currency whether by the coinage of silver or by the redemption of the national bank notes from the East, regardless of party lines, while the support comes from the West and the South, although not so much regardless of party lines, the Republican Senators and Representatives being still more under the party discipline which is administered by managers who feel the necessity of keeping up the discipline to prevent demoralization and integration.

Some of these, however, are beginning to see the danger of defying Western antagonism, and Mr. Clarkson, chairman of the National Republican Committee, has been expressing the sentiments of others as well as of himself when he said a few days ago: "The issue in coming campaigns will be the financial question, and I believe the Republican party should come to some understanding as to the continued use of silver as money. He knows that this is the only possible hope that the Republican party has of maintaining its hold in the West, and Mr. Clarkson advises wisely when he suggests that it accept the situation and put itself in accord with it. The wise party manager if he expects to succeed in the future will turn his eyes Westward, survey the situation and adapt himself to it. From a party standpoint, neither the Democratic nor Republican party has anything to gain by tying itself to the East, and if either or both would avert the sectional conflict to which we have referred, above they will try to realize that the West and the South are the growing sections where the party that survives must have its support and its strength. The leader who doesn't realize this now cannot see far into the future.

Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge is not the only man who is "very susceptible to female charms." A fellow from Pennsylvania arrived in Patterson, N. J., Thursday, hugged and kissed every woman he found on a street car and was about going through the same performance on the females whom he met coming out from prayer meeting near by when a policeman lit on him and took him in.

There is a negro convict in the Alabama coal mines who is well educated and speaks twelve languages, but with all that he couldn't resist the temptation to persuade his neighbor's hogs to climb over into his pen, and that's how he got into the pen himself.

The bill to prohibit "treating" in Massachusetts has passed one House of the Legislature and will probably pass the other. If it becomes the law the abiding citizen can save a good deal of small change and take his social drinks all by himself.

This country is getting more than its share of fine weather while the snow is piled up in such drifts in some parts of Germany that the railroad trains are blocked.

The Committee of the Truck Growers' Association of South Carolina met by appointment Messrs. Kenly, general manager, and Emerson, traffic manager of the Atlantic Coast Line, at noon on Tuesday, at the Northeastern Railroad, to perfect the arrangements for handling their crops via the Atlantic Coast Line and Old Dominion Steamship Line.

Among other matters discussed several letters from Mr. Gilliland, vice president of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, were read by Mr. Emerson to the committee, explaining just how that company was going to handle the business in connection with the Atlantic Coast Line in the way of providing new and fast ships and the best facilities that his company could offer which he had been advised by shippers was satisfactory last season in every way. Messrs. Voorhees, Sahlman, Brannen and Venning spoke as to the condition and volume of the crop of Charleston and the neighboring islands and the facilities they desired for the several localities they were interested in.

Mr. Garrison, of Young's Island, spoke for his section. It was then decided, at the request of the growers, to put the new last schedule over the above routes in operation commencing Friday, March 30th. The departure of the trains from Charleston will be daily except Sunday between the hours of 7.30 and 9 p. m. Before the meeting adjourned the officials of the Atlantic Coast Line informed the growers present that there was every indication that they would have a Sunday boat for New York, which would give in all six sailings from Pinner's Point, Va., to New York and that they were satisfied that the business could be handled by the routes indicated to the satisfaction of all interested. In addition to the above rail and water schedule, the Atlantic Coast Line will run regular day boats to run regularly on the same schedule from Charleston as heretofore.

When the business warranted it the last 88-hour Atlantic Coast Dispatch between the hours of 8 a. m. on Tuesday and reaching New York the next night would be inaugurated.

Let Us Organize a Fair Association—Now is the Time to Start the Movement. New Britain, Raleigh, Fayetteville, Maxton, Rocky Mount and other North Carolina towns have their annual Fairs or Expositions. Why may not we add Wilmington to the list? There is an abundance of available material for a highly creditable exhibition; and the business men seem to realize that the largest and most important city in the State should not be regarded as the place for commercial success. Quite a number of merchants have voluntarily stated that they will subscribe liberally to stock in a Fair Association. It seems assured, therefore, that the necessary funds can be secured. This is the leading point. But some vigorous and united action should be taken.

Why not have a meeting and take the initiatory steps in effecting an organization? This accomplished, issue stock with a par value of fifty dollars per share, and let it be paid for in five monthly installments of twenty per cent. Each. Many would subscribe on these terms who would not be willing to pay the full amount of their subscription at once. It can hardly be doubted that a sufficient amount of money can be raised in this way to guarantee an Exposition that would bring many thousands of visitors and thousands of dollars' worth of trade to our city.

Wilmington possesses many advantages, natural and otherwise, but the people are a trifle slow, and it cannot be denied that they lack concert of action. These obstacles, however, can and should be removed; and no better opportunity can be offered for shaking off our lethargy than is presented in the proposition to organize a Fair Association and go to work with energy and determination. Our people need that something of the kind is accomplished. There is doubtless some difference of opinion as to details; but this is a matter of minor importance and can be easily settled.

The great point now is to start the movement for an Exposition and to keep it going.

FEDERAL COURT. Jurors for the Spring Term, May 1st, 1894. The following is a list of the jurors for the United States District Court at Wilmington, Spring term, convening Tuesday, May 1st, 1894: Sampson County—B. S. Peterson, Abner Robinson, Wm. Daughtry. Brunswick—J. H. Corbett, Asa Dobbey, Sylvester Dixon, Jesse Wilson, Pompey Bryant.

QUICK TRUCK TRAINS. An Arrangement Between the Growers and the Atlantic Coast Line and Old Dominion Steamship Line for Prompt Delivery of Vegetables in New York.

The Criminal Court yesterday was occupied with the "Bank cases," so-called. A jury was selected and empaneled as follows: D. D. Rivenbark, A. G. Alderman, J. S. Kennedy, B. F. Penny, Thos. Hayward, J. A. Springer, J. P. Stevens, D. N. Chadwick, J. E. Bloodworth, Needham E. Farrow, Fred Westerman, W. S. Walker.

The Attorney General Osborne and Mr. W. R. Allen, of Goldsboro, appeared for the State. Hon. D. L. Russell, Mr. W. S. O'Brien, Robinson and Messrs. Rigaud & Well appeared for Mr. Isaac Bates. Mr. Marsden Bellamy and Hon. D. L. Russell for Mr. W. L. Smith.

Mr. Marsden Bellamy for the defence stated that about one thousand statements had been made by the defendant in the office had just been received and were undergoing an examination, and he asked time to finish the examination. The Attorney General Osborne stated that the defence were asking an unusual course. The Court had given time to get a witness (to-wit, the papers) and now they wanted to examine and prepare the witness.

Mr. Marsden Bellamy answered in an exhaustive reply, saying that this was different from an ordinary witness—this witness was dead and his mind was in a foreign language, and had to be interpreted; that the blame could not be attached to the defence. The Treasurer had been arrested and had been examined, and when he came into Court he gravely said that he had not brought them and did not think the defence were entitled to him; that Mr. Bellamy could and would finish before he slept to night.

The Court said the defence was not guilty of any such, and therefore the case was dismissed. The case of Mr. Isaac Bates, ex-president of the Bank of New Hanover, charged with making false statements, was called on.

Col. S. McD. Tate was sworn and examined. He said he was Treasurer of the State of North Carolina; reports of the State of North Carolina, of W. B. Bain was his predecessor in office found reports on file in his office; one bearing date the 17th of May, 1890.

This report and others from the Treasurer of North Carolina in the morning, and reaching New York the next night would be inaugurated.

Verdict Not Guilty. The Criminal Court yesterday was occupied with the "Bank cases," so-called. A jury was selected and empaneled as follows: D. D. Rivenbark, A. G. Alderman, J. S. Kennedy, B. F. Penny, Thos. Hayward, J. A. Springer, J. P. Stevens, D. N. Chadwick, J. E. Bloodworth, Needham E. Farrow, Fred Westerman, W. S. Walker.

CRIMINAL COURT. FURTHER PROCEEDINGS IN THE BANK CASES. The Criminal Court met yesterday at 10 a. m.

The case of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Wilmington, indicted for neglecting to repair North Fourth street, beyond Brooklyn Bridge, was postponed until 10 o'clock Friday morning. The defendants being recognized in the sum of \$50 each for their appearance.

In the case of W. L. Smith, ex-cashier of the Bank of New Hanover, charged with making false statements of the condition of the bank, Attorney General Osborne, who had asked postponement Thursday, said, in substance, that since the trial of the case, and the case of Isaac Bates, ex-president of the bank, the State had nothing to stand upon. He was unwilling to say that the case of W. L. Smith was not a trial in this Court, but he suggested that it would be better that the Judge allow the case to be removed to the Superior Court for trial.

The following order was made in the case of Jno. W. Atkinson and the other directors, by the Court yesterday, in the case of State vs. Bates, the schedule which contains the alleged false figures of the report, and the defendant's affidavit sworn to or attested, does not form a part of the report, and is not included in it. There is another and a more cogent reason why this prosecution cannot and ought not to be sustained. The bill of indictment is inconsistent upon the face of it. It charges that the defendants made false reports of the condition of the bank to the State Treasurer, and Attorney General Osborne, and also to the bank report which contains false statements.

The people of Wilmington would be very sorry to part with the Wilmington "Old Ocean" and "Queen of the Cape Fear" and it is hoped some inducement may be offered him to remain with us.

The STAR prints with pleasure the message from Mr. H. E. Newbury, of Magpie, and urgently "seconds the motion."

A WARM MARCH. The Highest Temperature Recorded Since the 1893-94 Season. Vegetation For Advanced—Fears of Frost.

HOMES WANTED—ASSOCIATED CHARITIES. It frequently happens in the experience of all Societies that are seeking to elevate the poor and unfortunate, that children are found who are capable of being made into good and useful men and women if only they could be removed from their present surroundings.

CONGRESSMAN WILSON. His Condition Very Much Improved. By Telegram to the Morning Star. SAN ANTONIO, TEX., March 24.—Congressman W. Wilson has been reported by a telegram to have recovered from his illness at the residence of Congressman Cable, of Illinois, eight miles from the city, Monday, and will remain there a few days recuperating. Mr. Wilson has no fever, but his cough still hangs on. However, causes no uneasiness to Dr. Underwood, his medical attendant, who states that he will soon have it under control.

TARIFF AND COTTON. MR. SHEPPERSON'S SENSIBLE SUMMARY OF THE SITUATION.

Mr. A. B. Shepperson, a former citizen of Wilmington, and one of the leading authorities on cotton in this country, has the following article in The Exchange:

At this time a year ago twenty millions of cotton spindles, being nearly five millions more than all the spindles of this country, were idle in Lancashire, and yet the price of cotton was about 1 1/2 cents per pound higher in all the markets of the world than it is to-day.

The conditions in Europe have essentially changed from last season, and the European spinners are now doing an active business and consuming 25,000 bales of cotton per week more than at this time last year.

It is the prevalent idea that there is more cotton in the world to-day than there was a year ago, but this is a fallacy and the world's actual supply of cotton is no more than it was last year.

Since the beginning of this season the American spinners have consumed 300,000 bales of cotton less than for the corresponding time last season. The reasons for the inactivity of our mills are twofold: First, the price of raw cotton is low, and secondly, the price of manufactured cotton is low.

It must be evident, however, that the mills will pursue their present month policy of buying cotton until the matter of the tariff is adjusted. The stock of cotton in Liverpool is the largest that our country has ever seen, and its depressing influence upon our mills, notwithstanding the fact that European consumption is larger than ever before.

BASE BALL. The University Team Win the Game With Durham. By Telegram to the Morning Star. RICHMOND, March 7.—A special to the Times from Chapel Hill, N. C., says the Bethlehem boys tackled the Tar-Heels to-day at the University grounds. The Tar Heels felt the sting of their defeat on Manhattan field by the Lehigh foot ball team of last fall, and went in to wipe out that score. The result shows their success.

TWINKLINGS. The back-country farmer is the only fellow who gets the bird question thoroughly worked down. By Telegram to the Morning Star. JILSON says he has noticed that the outsider who takes a little flyer in stocks usually comes back with his wings clipped. By Telegram to the Morning Star. "It is," replied Manning, "for Freddie—unless he tries." By Telegram to the Morning Star. "Pretty Stepmother—No, doctor, my appetite is not good. I scarcely eat enough to keep a dead alive. Jennie will bear me out in that."

SPRINKLING TURPENTINE. Durham Sun: On Monday last Mr. John H. Baker, a clerk in the store of W. C. & A. B. Sroch, Raleigh, missed his footing on a fall from a height of stairs. It was first thought that he was not fatally injured, but he died in that city at 8 o'clock this morning, having received injuries which resulted fatally.

Caswell News: Caswell shares with Tennessee the sadness and gloom caused by the death of that distinguished jurist, Chief Justice Benjamin F. Lea, which sad event occurred at his home in Brownsville, Tenn., on the 19th instant. He was born and reared in this county, educated at Wake Forest College, from which he graduated with honors. Soon after graduation he went to Tennessee, where he soon rose to distinction.

Charlotte Observer: Those who went through the North Carolina exhibit in the forestry building at the World's Fair remember a beautiful piece of curled birch which attracted a great deal of attention. A similar piece is to be seen at Andrews' music house in the case of an Ives. Pond piano. The wood was part of the tree from which the sample sent to the Fair was taken. It is highly polished, and is the most beautiful casing for a piano that could be found.

Henderson Gold Leaf: Mr. Lyander A. Harris died at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Rosa F. Harrell, last night at 10 minutes past 12 o'clock. He was a member of the Board of Health of our township, Mr. Geo. A. Harris, and was in the 30th year of his age. A regular doctor poisoning mania has been the cause of his death. Several have been killed within the week, and George Knott, the driver of the town cart, told us yesterday that he has hauled off 30 dead ones since Christmas.

Aberdeen Telegram: The J. M. Coffin store and store occupied by Mr. McMillan, at Eagle Springs, this county, were burned last Friday night, which was supposed to be a fire set on purpose, and suspicion pointed to a party of negroes, and on Tuesday morning Alex. Clark and Neil McDougald were arrested on a position of the goods found in their possession. They were tried before a J. P., and bound over to the next term of the Superior Court. A default of bail they were sent on to Carter's Jail.

Smithfield Herald: Mr. J. B. Wall, of Wilder's township, committed suicide Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, March 20th. He had been attending court here and went from here and returned on the 18th. It was learned that he had been talking to his son-in-law's, Mr. J. H. A. Cook. While there he told Mr. Cook he was in trouble, but would not tell her what he was in trouble about. She told her husband, and he went to the house for a few minutes and he found Mr. Cook's revolver, went out to the lot and shot himself in the temple, killing himself instantly. We have known that the Methodists here propose to erect a new church building in the near future. It is to cost not less than \$2,000.

Stanley News: We heard one of our leading merchants say the other day only one thing has asked to be furnished supplies for the summer season at his store. This is a good indication, and shows that our farmers are learning to economize. There are more chickens and eggs in Stanley than in Spring than ever before. Many farmers make enough in this way to pay for all they buy out of the stores. Looking in the express cars on the other side of the house for a few minutes and he found Mr. Cook's revolver, went out to the lot and shot himself in the temple, killing himself instantly. We have known that the Methodists here propose to erect a new church building in the near future. It is to cost not less than \$2,000.

The Supreme Court Decides That the Governor Had No Right to Call Out the Militia. DENVER, March 24.—The Supreme Court holds that the Governor has the right to remove from office his appointees and his action in removing them was clearly in his right, but Orr and Martin had refused to relinquish their duties, alleging that the appointments of Mullins and Barnes had not been properly made, and the Court being not advised of the facts upon which Martin and Barnes based their objection, the case must go to the District Court for inquiry. The courts have the power, if objections are raised by incumbents, to inquire into the validity of their appointments, and to set them aside if they are found to be such as to call out the militia to induct an appointee into office. This, the Court held, is a dangerous exercise of authority which tends towards anarchy and despotism.

The Committee of Safety is in session at the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the situation and prepare for any overt act on the part of the Governor. Gov. Waite refuses to talk upon the decision of the Supreme Court. This decision is received with general satisfaction.