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that instead of a big revenue we

would have a big crop of perjurers.

land half a century ago when an in-

come tax was proposed there, but the

tax came, has been perpetuated and

yields more revenue now than it ever

did. In his speech on the tariff in

the Senate the other day, speaking

in advocacy of the income tax, Sena-

tor Walsh quoted the following from

a paper by Mr. R. A. Spofford, Li-

brarian of Congress, showing how

the income tax has operated in Eng-

"The fiscal experience of England is

chiefly valuable as representing a people singularly independent and jealous of

proscription and of private rights, yet

submitting for half a century to a kind of

taxation which is denounced, as of all

other, the most inquisitorial. Originated

in 1798 as a war tax, it continued till 1815.

with brief intervals, and was re-estab-

lished in 1842 to cover deficient revenue

in a time of profound peace. From that

day to this it has survived under all

administrations, in peace and in war,

simply because it has proved the most

convenient, the most elastic, and the

most popular of all taxes-that upon

liquors alone excepted. It has put into

nearly 40 per cent. of the whole annual cost of the Government. It has been

subjected to every ordeal of criticism, of

investigation, and of denunciation, in

the press, in Parliament, and on the

"Two toyal commissions of inquiry

upon the income tax have reported in 1852 and in 1861, after hearing all the

testimony brought against it, that they

could not recommend its repeal. * * *

In spite of the alleged inequalities

and inquisitions of the tax, it has

survived that chronic attack of grum-

bling about public affairs which is the inalienable right of every Eng-

lishman. There has been no demand

from the great commercial interests of England for its abolition. It is periodi-

cally denounced by a portion of the

press, and as periodically re-enacted by Parliament. It has enabled England to

reform her entire financial and commer-

prevalled in that country, reducing or

abolishing all taxes upon consumption

(except luxuries), and levying her taxes

upon property and upon gains in every

when first broached in England, be-

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kicking against it in this country,

the result is the tax which was in-

scription to the WEEKLY STAR re-

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chickens, and eggs, and keep out of

the poor-house? If so, let us have

The Gould family has pulled up

The practical joker got in some

more of his work in Washington the

other day when a sensitive young

man shot himself because he was

unable to keep up his dues in a mili-

tary company in Baltimore to which

court-martialled, and perhaps shot,

and migrated to Jersey because it

objects to paying taxes on \$10,000,-

000 worth of personal property. Al

It was an unpopular proposition

hustings when Parliaments are made.

All this was said about it in Eng-

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SUBSCRIPTION PRICE.

The subscription price of the Weekly Star is as

Have you received a bill for subscription to the WEEKLY STAR recently? If so, is it correct? If correct, why not pay it? Is there a man on earth who can print a newspaper for nothing and pay the postage besides? Can a farmer give away hiscore, and cotton, and wheat, and chickens, and eggs, and keep out of the poor-house? If so, let us have the recipe. It will be valuable to us the British treasury every year from \$20,000,000 to \$80,000,000, and now pays

HOW IT WORKS IN ENGLAND.

There is more resemblance between the people of Great Britain and the people of this country in their legislative systems and methods than there is between the people of this and of any other European country. Great Britain is a monarchy, it is true, but the monarchy is a mere form, a relic of past ages which survives simply because the people regard it as a mere form which does not materially affect their condition one way or the other. They have not yet progressed far enough to abolish the hereditary cial system upon the lines which have stem of "nobility," and while that remains, it doesn't matter much about letting a nominal Queen or King play the empty role of royalty. It costs some money, however, to support so much costly style, and that is about the most inconvenient thing about this lingering relic of former ages.

There is no country in Europe where the citizen enjoys more individual liberty or where that liberty is better defined or better protected by law, nor is there any country in Europe where the rights of the citizen are more keenly watched by the citizen or more unreservedly assserted, nor is there any country where the Parliament is more sensitive to public opinion. The extension of the right of franchise has brought the Parliament closer to the people, so close that if it were not for the hereditary House of Peers there would be but little difference between the Parliament and our Congress, if there is much now, with our lordly Senate.

the recipe. It will be valuable to us Being of common stock and inheriting many of our customs, laws and legislative methods from Great Britain, we have imitated her in many things, sometimes well and sometimes otherwise, and we have sometimes failed to imitate her when we might have profited much by doing so. She once pursued the protective tariff policy which we bor rowed from her, but she abandoned it for the better and a wiser policy of free trade, whilst we kept on and carried the idea to an extreme that she never dreamed of. By throwing open her ports to the world she became the ruling spirit in the world of trade, while we by showing a disposition to close our ports fell back from the prominent position we had attained to a position where we were entirely overshadowed by the more progressive and broader-viewed Briton.

But there are other things in which we could learn lessons from Great Britain by which we might profit much. It is one of the nations which has studied and progressed in the art of taxation so as to distribute the burbens of taxation and make the bulk of it fall on the shoulders best able to bear it. She derives her revenues from tew subjects of taxation, laying the taxes on incomes, lands and houses, spirits and things that are classed over there as luxuries, although some of them, such as coffee and tea, would be regarded here as necessaries. The bulk of her revenue is derived from the income tax and from the tax on lands and houses, which in that country are owned by taxable incomes also belong to the comparative few. Thus the wealthy, the land-owners, and those who can afford to indulge in the luxuries mainly support the Government, while the necessaries of life, which are in common use by rich and poor alike, are tax free, the opposite of the course pursued in this country, where the heaviest tax falls upon the necessaries of lite and upon those who are least able to bear it.

Just now there is a big howl raised at the proposition to impose an income tax in this country, to shift part of the burden of Government the shoulders of the strong, from the | That was no snap judgment.

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WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 1894.

TRY BROOM CORN.

shoulders of those who feel its weight to the shoulders of those who would not feel it, and the cry goes Twenty to Forty Dollars an Acre. up that this is an oppressive, unjust and inquisitorial proposition. We are

tablished in Wilmington, it will be well told that it would be a failure, and to try the experiment of raising broom corn. Begin this year on a small scale, planting from one to five acres, and note the result. In this connection the annexed from an article in the Savannah News will be of interest:

Another product and one of which there is little doubt of making a success, is broom corn, to which attention was called by the Morning News a lew veeks ago, in an interview with Mr. F. Kulman, of the Savannah Broom Facory. This factory, which is comparatively a new enterprise in Savannah, he stated could utilize the product of 20,-000 acres, whereas the annual acreage in his section at the present time is only ebout 1 000 acres.

This manufactory now has to import the broom corn used from the west, as it can make use of twenty times as much of the product as is made in this section The price of the broom corn at the factory ranges from 21/2 to 41/2 cents, de ending on the quality; and the quality and amount produced depends on the quality of the land on which it is grown the corn brings all the way-from \$20 to 40 per acre, and its cultivation is far easier than rice or the products of the

Many of the rice planters are putting proom core in their fields this year, and the probability is that the acreage will be somewhat increased, though it will be nothing like the amount that can be used right here at home. The seed is upplied on application at the factory, and there have been numerous applications for it this year. Some two or three hundred acres are to be planted on Hutchinson's Island this year, and others are using their rice lands for the same purpose. Even the pine land in the sections away from the rivers and creeks produces a fair quality of the broom corn, though it is not so good as that produced on the richer lands.

These are suggestions as to some of the uses to which unused rice lands may be put. They are industries which no loubt will be rapidly developed in this section if experiments prove, as they no doubt will, that there is sufficient profit

- The distribution of standard novels under the STAR'S coupon plan is decidedly the most popular one it has introduced. The books are by the very est suthors and are so chean at four five cents each, that the sales now promise to run far into the thousands

Purchase Spring chickens are active, but some of the faintly feathered birds sent in from the country are slow of sale. A dealer had a lot, a little too fresh from the nest, that he offered vainly at 5 cents head. The regulation spring chicken, high-stilted, fat and full feathered, commands respect and the highest price-from 12 to 25 cents apiece, according to weight and length of days. Ancient fowls, (age unquestroned) sell at 25, 30 and 331/4 cents apiece. Eggs are going up, and retail now at 121/2 cents per dozen.

Fish continue in good supply and rices yesterday were: For flounders 15 cents a string; trout, 10 cents; perch, 5 cents; sturgeon, 5 cents per pound; rock crabs, 20 cents per dozen; channel crabs, 10 cents.

The vegetable market was supplied with cabbage at 5 and 10 cents per head; beets, 5 cents per bunch; snap beans, 20 cents per peck; peas, 30 cents per peck; new potatoes, 40 cents per peck; sweets, 20 cents per peck; onions, 5 cents per bunch; squash, 20 cents per dozen.

though its sire, Jay, left an estate worth \$70,000,000 he dodged around The Best Novels. and managed to get off by paying tax on \$500,000 and kicked like a Kentucky mule when the tax listers increased it to \$500,000 from the \$300,000 he had been paying on. Men take different views of these things. We would cheerfully pay column of the STAR. taxes on the whole \$70,000,000.

he belonged, and for which he was made to believe that he would be The imaginary disgrace preyed upon him so that he sent a bullet

through his head. - Eight Parts of the "Famous Col. Breckinridge has succeeded in having the Congressional Convention in his district staved off until the for each Part. 15th of September, which is said to Excursion to Mt. Airy. be a victory for him, as he is fighting

Mr. Boetler, a German of primiive ideas, proposes to establish a lazy man's paradise in some of the South Sea Islands. The only requisite to citizenship will be that the a comparatively few people, as the applicant live on fruit and grass and wear no clothes. This beats the

for time. But that doesn't necessarily

mean that he will get the nomina-

Jesse Seligman, the millionaire Hebrew recently deceased, was no discriminator against denominations. In his will he made bequests to nearly every charitable institution in New York.

Coxey idea all hollow.

In his speech on the tariff Senator Walsh, of Georgia, did some pretty good advertising for the South, but especially for Georgia.

It has been judicially decided i Illinois, that a turtle is not an animal from the shoulders of the weak to but a reptile of the snake species. PANDEMONIUM REIGNED.

A Suggestion to the Farmers of This Secdon-Broom Corn Will Pay from

Now that a broom factory is to be es-

Examine the list.

THE KITCHEN MARKET.

Prices of Perishable Products that People

incomes didn't want to pay taxes on them just as that class of people are but experience proved its wisdom and tended to be temporary has become permanent and will remain, as it will in this country after it has had a fair Have you received a bill for subrect, why not pay it? Is there a man

Strawberries were on sale at 5 cents per quart and blackberries at 71/4 cents.

Complete novels by Dickens, Hawthorne, Marryatt, Thackeray, Dumas, Balwer, Walter Scott, Rider Haggard, Mrs. Southworth, Jules Verne, Charlotte Braeme and other noted writers of fiction, sent postpaid, for from four to five cents each, according to the number ordered. Read the list in another

The STAR has chartered the monitor Nantucket as an aid to its collectors who are engaged in trying to "raise the wind" on the wharf. She is now moored at the foot of Princess street, within sixty yards of the STAR office, where she is receiving a supply of ammunition suitable for enforcing the demands of collectors. This method of bringing debtors to time comes high, but it will be a great thing for the "funeral directors" when the personally conducted pic-nic

Paintings of the World" may now be ordered. One coupon and twelve cents

There is to be a big excursion from here on June 26th to Mt. Airy-leaving Wilmington at 9.30 a. m., arriving at Mt. Airy in time for supper. The excursion is to be first-class in every particular and the lowest rates yet offered will exist. Further particulars as to rates, &c., will be given later.

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- Persons sending orders for books or photographic views will bear in mind that they have to be forwarded to the publishers, and a week to ten days will usually be required to fill the orders.

- Orders for the splendid novels offered by the STAR at four to five cents each, are coming in by every mail. When 25 standard novels can be had for one dollar, everybody can have them.

Panie in the Y. M. C. A. Hall at Cherlotte During Commencement Exercises of Charlotte Seminary.

At the Commencement exercises of the Charlotte Seminary, held in the Y. for some of the farmers in this vicinity | M. C. A. hall in that city last Thursday night, while Prof. C. R. Harding was delivering an address, there occurred an exciting scene which is thus described by the Observer:

Some one in the gallery hearing a noise in the street cried "Fire!"

Instantly there was a stampede. To add to the consternation a 'oy in the gallery shouted "the gallery is falling," and the panic which ensued can better be imagined than described. The people up stairs were no less terror-stricken than those down. There was a wild rush for the doors. The crush was dreadful. Hats were knocked off, dresses caught and torn and the scene was one of graye

Blanched-faced people jostled each other in the crowd, and for a few minutes it looked as if some one must be hurt. While pandemonium reigned Rev. Mr. Royd and Dr. Creasy stood upon the platform calling at the top of their voices to the people to sit down, that there was no danger, and finally Mr. Boyd, by telling them that he had heard the fire alarm, and if fire there was it was some place else in the city, got the crowd pacified, and gradually the panic subsided.

Sixth Congressional District.

The Maxton Scottish Chief says: "The nomination of J. D. Bellamy tor Congress in this District grows brighter every day. He is nearer the Demo-cratic platform of our "daddies" and the hearts of the great mass of the people than any one spoken of for the position Wilmington is entitled to the nomina this time. Let her have it,"

Those who are now understood to be candidates are Hon. S. B. Alexander. present incumbent, of Mecklenburg, Mr. John D. Bellamy, Jr., of New Hanover, Mr. J. A. Lockhart, of Anson, and Mr. J. T. Le Grand, of Richmond. There are intimations that there is a fifth candidate "hid out" in Columbus, but his name has not yet transpired.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO MURDER Mr. Hinton Pigford the Victim of a Dastardly Crime.

[Special Star Correspondence.] CLINTON, N. C., May 81st.

Mr. Hinton Pigford was the victim of He was asleep, in a cottage on his father's farm three miles north of Clinton, when an unknown villain entered his room and with some tool, evidently a hatchet, or an axe, struck him a terrible blow on the forehead, cutting to the skull. Mr. Pigford's brother Tom was leeping with him and was awakened by

tify making an arrest. Dr. A. M. Lee was called to the young man's side and rendered surgical aid. Mr. Pigford is a son of W. K. Pigford, Esq., of Clinton, one of the most prominent citizens of Sampson county. His wound is a dangerous one, but it is hoped that its result will not be fatal.

A STRONG TESTIMONIAL.

American Encyclopedic Dictionary. The high standing of Capt. Washingon Catlett. Principal of the Cape Fear Academy, both as a scholar and an edu-

What a Leading Educator Thinks of the

testimonial: WILMINGTON, April 11, 1894.

ator, gives a real value to the annexed

MR. W. H. BERNARD: Dear Sir:-I have examined very carefully the 1st Part of the American pædic Dictionary. I am really surprised at the excellence of the work both for itsintrinsic merit and its price. have made a parallel comparison with Webster's Unabridged; and with the Century, published also in parts, costing me \$3.50 per volume; or, complete, \$60 I find the American Encyclopædic Dictionary superior in many respects to Webster's Unabridged, and for general

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The type is distinct and full, the illusrations numerous, the derivation of words scholarly and accurate, the definitions exceedingly complete and verified by many extracts from leading -modern authors, the encyclopædic information very tull, the diacritical marks plain, with prominent equivalents at bottom of

each page.
I unhesitatingly endorse the First Part of this Dictionary as meeting the requirements of the scholar and filling the wants of the general reader and man of business needing general information in a compact and reliable presentation. No one need fear that his money will be misspent, who invests in this work.

Yours truly, WASHINGTON CATLETT.

FOR YOUR SCRAP BOOK.

Some Useful Recipes-They Are Worth The housewife is always interested in

anything that pertains to improved cooking, and she may find the annexed recipes valuable if preserved in her scrap BROILED HAM WITH CUCUMBER,

Cut thin as many juicy slices of hart as desired, broil evenly over hot coals until well done, and pepper and butter each slice. Around the slices arrange chopped cucumber that has been steeped in salted vinegar several hours. SHRIMP RISCUITS.

Have in readiness as many delicate biscuits as desired, and spread them with shrimp filling. For one pint of prepared shrimps add five ounces of butter, a dust smooth paste. Add one teaspoonful of cider vinegar and spread upon the HAM SANDWICH.

Mince fine with a meat chopper equa portions of pickled cucumbers and lean, boiled ham. Add celery, salt and pep-per and spread between slices of a fresh roll nicely buttered. An extra supply of these will be peeded.

CHEESE AND BUTTER ROLLS. Select evenly baked fresh rolls and split them. Grate half a pound of good cheese, either cream or Swiss, into half a pound of butter, and beat until thoroughly mixed. Spread between the sides of the rolls.

- Do not miss the opportunity offered by the STAR of securing at a low price, and on easy terms, the American Encyclopædic Dictionary. There is nothing of the kind its superior in the English language. Read the announcement in another column.

ANOTHER MURDER.

William H. Martin Killed by Andrew Cowan at a Negro Ball Near Wrightsville - The Murderer Agrested and Lodged in Jall-Coroner's Inquest.

A negro ball was broken up by a murder, about 11 o'clock Wednesday night on Wrightsville Sound, eight miles from this city.

The murderer was Andrew Cowan, a negro, 19 years old, whose home is in Charlotte, N. C., and who was brought here about five months ago by Mrs. T. H. Pritchard as a servant. The murdered man was Wm. Henry

Martin, negro, about twenty-four years of age. Son of John Martin, farmer and fisherman, living near Seaside Park. Yesterday morning about ten o'clock news reached the city that a murder had occurred at Wrightsville and Sheriff

Stedman, Deputy Sheriff W. T. Harker and Coroner Jno. C. Walton left at once for the scene, where they found the negro tied. He was delivered to the CORONER'S INQUEST.

Coroner Walton at once-proceeded to old an inquest on the body of the murdered man, with a jury as follows : W. H. Stokley (foreman), Jos. Lippitt, R. B. Cameron, W. A. Wright, W. T. Harker and N. N. Bryan.

Margaret McCabe, colored, being duly sworn, testified that she was in the pavilion where the shooting occurred. I said to George Mandy, Andrew has a pistol and you had better take it away from him before he does some damage with it, and then Geo. Mandy tried to take it away from him and then Wm Henry Martin who was standing near them looked towards Andrew Cowan, and then Andrew Cowan fired the pistol and he (Wm. Henry Martin) fell, and I left immediately. I heard no quarrelling or any words between them at any time. know Andrew Cowan. He was drinking; both were drinking. I smelt the whiskey. I was raised with Wm. A.

Martin. Carrie Jones, colored, testified: "I was in the pavilion when the shooting occurred. I heard no remarks, but heard the pistol fire and saw when Wm. H. Martin fell, but did not see who fired person who fired the shot. I know dastardly crime, committed last night. Wm. H. Martin, and testily that this is his body, and also know Andrew Cowan, and testify to his good character. I do not know whether either was drunk or drinking. Rachel Fair, colored, testified: "I

was sitting in the pavilion with Geo.

Mandy when Mag McCabe spoke to Geo. Mandy. Geo. Mandy got up and went to Andrew Cowan, and then I saw Geo. Mandy take Andrew Cowan by the hand, and then Wm. Henry Martin, who was sitting on the other side of the pavilion, came over when Andrew Cowan was returning the pistol to his pocket, and Wm. Henry Martin reached over Geo. Mandy's arm and said, 'you ----, why don't you put up that pistol?' I walked off and heard a pistol fire, and saw Wm. Henry Martin lying on the floor. I then left. Both parties were drinking, but I do not know whether either was drunk. I am no relation to Andrew Cowan, but he and I came to Wilmington together. I never heard any threats between the parties

about Carrie Jones. Never heard the parties quarrelling together. Edward McCabe, colored, testified: "At a festival on my place, I heard from some parties that Wm. H. Martin was shot about half past ten o'clock Wednesday, May 80th, at night. Some parties, not remembered, notified me in my house near the pavilion that Wm. Henry Martin was shot. I went to the pavilion and found Wm: H. Martin dead. Then, about three-fourths of an hour afterwards, Geo. Mandy came to my house and I asked him who shot Martin. He said it was Andrew Cowan: Then I said to George Mandy, Charles Hines, John Martin and Thos. H. Brown, let us go and arrest him. Then we went to Solomon Mandy's house and heard he was there. We then sent Scott Holland to Magistrate E. W. Manning's for information, who sent answer that he did not at ent do any business in that way. We in the meantime were guarding the

house. Receiving no information from E. W. Manning we entered the house and took and tied Andrew Cowan and brought him to the pavilion and guarded him until 8 o'clock Thursday, May 31. After daylight I went around the pavilion and found a pistol near the turnpike about twenty feet from the pavilion Previously I searched Andrew Cowan at the house where he was taken.

Sarah Mandy, colored, testified: was at the pavilion during the festival. Left the house before the shooting. Andrew Cowan came to my mother's house sometime during the night. I asked him where was Sarah. He answered, " left her by Mrs. Brown's.' Then I asked him where was Wm. H. Martin, and he ready. answered, 'Dead, dead, dead,' and then mother called me and I left him in the room. He also said he wished he knew who killed him."

Geo. Mandy, colored, testified: "I was sitting in the pavilion. Mag McCabe came across the pavilion and asked me to go to Andrew Cowan to get him to put his pistol in his pocket. I went to him and caught hold of the hand that the pistol was in, and told him to put it in his pocket, or I would have to take it away. He turned around with his face to me and placed it in his hip pocket, Wm. Henry Martin ran across the hall and said 'you ----, put your pistol in your pocket, and Andrew Cowan answered, 'what?

and took his pistol out and shot him. The jury, after having heard the testimony of the foregoing witnesses, returned a verdict that deceased came to his death by a pistol ball, at the hands

of one Andrew Cowan. Coroner Walton then recognized the witnesses to appear at the Criminal Court for New Hanover; the 8d Monday in July next, and ordered that the prisoner, Andrew Cowan, be committed to jail on the charge of murder.

Sheriff Stedman brought Cowan to the city about 5 o'clock in the afternoon

and placed him in jail. - An eye-witness of the affair (not witness at the inquest) tells the following story:

The occasion was a ball and festival given by Parrest Jones in a pavilion on the left-hand side of the turnpike going

towards the Sound, about one-fourth of a mile from the Seacoast crossing, some seven miles from town. The trouble started about 10.45 p. m. Andrew Cowan, the one accused of the killing, had a pistol flourishing it about, when Geo. Mandy, the floor manager, remon-strated with him and caused him to put the weapon back into his pocket. The argument then became general when William Henry Martin used the words -..... The wind blew out one of the two lamps—the one nearest them—and mmediately the pistol went off and Martin fell dead. Cowan asked, who shot this man? No one made answer. There were those there who knew that he did the deed but did not speak up. A call was made for water and Cowan went and got some. More water was called for and Cowan remarked 'He is dead now, and commenced to console Martin's sister whom he afterwards took to her home and went next door to Mandy's house and fell asleep, and where he was tied and taken back to the pavilion and kept until morning. Cowan and Martin were said to be intimate friends. Both

THE PRISONER'S STORY. After he was put in jail; Cowan made

were drunk, but Cowan was the drunker

of the two. After Cowan shot Martin

he kept snapping his pistol in the crowd. Fortunately it had but one ball

in it, and that one killed Martin.

the following statement to a reporter for the STAR: was at the dance at McCabe' deceased, Andrew Cowan. He was 'at the dance. His father lives on the Sound, and I see him often. I was intoxicated, and know nothing from the time I had the pistol until five o'clock in the morning, when I was tied. I never had a better friend since I've been here than the man they say killed. I don't remember shooting. was tied in Mandy's yard, four hundred yards from the place where the shooting

He said his father was a well-to-do farmer, owning sixty acres of land fortyfour miles north of Charlotte, and had been telegraphed for and he expected him to come to-day and employ and arrange counsel for him.

Have you received a bill for subscription to the WEEKLY STAR reit, and do not know what became of the cently? If so, is it correct? If correct, why not pay it? Is there a man on earth who can print a newspape for nothing, and pay the postage besides? Can a farmer give away his corp. and cotton, and wheat, and chickens, and eggs, and keep out of the poor-house? If so, let us have the recipe. It will be valuable to us just now.

GET IN THE BAND WAGON.

How to Keep Up with the Pro these Husiling Times-A Great Diotionary at a Trifling Cost.

This is a fast age and if we want to keep up with the times we have to hurry along with the rest of the world or be distanced in the race. There is little time for ordinary, every-day people to study the beginnings and the development of things, and words are things. They are as necessary to the life of business and society as a carpenter's tools are to the work of his hands. But no one has the time to go word-hunting and there is no reason why his should do so when all the words in ordinary or extraordinary use have all been collected together and are preserved in such handy form as they are found in the American

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE Durham Sun: Mrs. Margaret Morris, relict of Henderson Morris, aged 91 years, died Tuesday at her residence near Brassfield, presumably from

- Raleigh. Press: Mr. Thomas Webb, one of the most prominent citizens of Hillsboro, died at his home last Tuesday afternoon, aged 60. He was at one time President of the North Carolina Railroad. - Henderson Gold Leaf:

John W. Vaughan, an old and well known citizen of Henderson, was found dead in his bed Monday morning. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of his death. - Rockingham Rocket : Complaints are numerous of poor prospects for cotton in this county. The recent heavy rains and cold weather have burt the crops and in some places the plants

are dying. The corn crop is reported as doing very well. - Salisbury Herald : A prominent farmer told the Herald yesterday that the wheat was dying fast and falling down. A kind of rust is attacking it. In many places the damage is so great that there will hardly be any wheat made. Cotton is also badly damaged by

— Mount Airy News: Up in Floyd county a few days ago three horses were sold at auction and the lot only brought \$15.00. They were said to be fairly good work horses. A car load of horses were shipped some time since from Pulaski county, Va., to a Northern' market and only averaged \$20 a head. - Statesville Landmark: Geo. W.

Kerr, aged 67 years, died suddenly at to Arabelia Gordanich (Mr. Downey's the residence of Rev. T. H. Strohecker, cousin), of Queenstown, Ireland; \$4,000 at Barium Springs, last Thursday even-ing. — Mrs. Emma Lawrence King, wife of R. E. King, one of Iredell's Rep-resentatives in the Legislature of 1898, died at her home in Sharpsburg township about 1 o'clock last Thursday morn-- Charlotte News: The death of Mrs. Gen. Young, which occurred at her

home on North Tryon street to-day at 10.80 o'clock, removed from the scenes of Charlotte one of the most prominent and most esteemed personages. Mrs. Young, before her marriage, was Miss Malvina Graham, and was a daughter of Capt. John Davidson Graham, of Lincoln, who was a brother of William A. - Weldon News: Sixty convicts have been received and out to work at

Great Falls. This company is now at work in earnest digging foundations for the two large mills to be erected at once. The force of convicts just received will for the mills, making brick and building the race ways. The company has on hand one and a half million brick already to be laid, and the work will be pushed - Charlotte News: During the

thunder storm Monday afternoon Mr. Cephus Fife, of Mt. Holly, received a stroke of lightning which paralyzed him for some time. He was near his house when the neal of thunder and the flash of fire all came at one time and shocked the whole town. He was knocked down and remained speechless until yesterday afternoon. Mr. Fife says he did not hear the thunder at all, but the last thing he remembers of the storm was a flame of fire and a noise something like meat frying in a pan. It was a narrow escape for him.

- Newbern Journal: A live alligator ten feet four inches in length was brought to this city yesterday. He was captured six and a half miles above the city, at the mouth of Haywood's creek, Trent river, Monday atternoon by Capt.
All Tillman and two colored men, who were fishing with a drag net. When they felt the alligator in the net they had a sturgeon. The alligator was with difficulty pulled ashore, made secure by three ropes around his body, kept there all night and then towed like a log behind the boat to the city yesterday. - Durham Sun: Bob Madkins.

the Burlington rapist, was carried through Durham this morning on the early train to Raleigh for sate-keeping. The train stayed here until some time after sunup, and it being rumored that curious to see the human fiend. He is a slim, ordinary looking darkey and talks about the matter with the most abandoned indifference. He displays every evidence of being a brute in human form. We are told that he was secreted in the woods last night and put on the train some distance this side of Burling-

- Laurinburg Exchange: Mr. John Patterson, one of the oldest citizens of Richmond county, died last Wednesday after a very short illness. - For several months some one has been breaking into cars on this railroad and stealing goods in transit. The Railroad Co. emwed a detective to work up the case and last night he captured three of the rogues on Capt. Welsh's train, between here and Wilmington. After being ar-rested, they were locked up in a box car but, unfortunately, two of the rascals succeeded in breaking out and got away. The third one didn't happen to suc

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"How do you find the naval stores situation?" was asked.

"The situation is undoubtedly steadily improving. It is now pretty well conceded that the crop will not be larger than last year, and the purchases since the opening of the season have been for immediate consumption. The specula-tive feature has not entered into the trade so far as I can learn. The stocks at the ports in the United States are less than they were a year ago, and the visible sup-ply is not larger than it was at that time. As we have been able to advance the market slightly since the beginning of the present season through a demand in a general way for immediate consumption, and with a prospect of no larger crop than last year, and a prospect for continued improvement in trade for some time to come, we may reasonably expect slightly better prices to prevail

than are now being paid.
"The New York naval stores people are very much encouraged over the situation. The largest receiver of naval stores in New York told me that he had had a quiet but a steady trade during the entire season, but that he had sold more goods than in four years before. The reason he gave is that parties want the goods for immediate consumption. and such a demand for the products is bound to better the market."

MARK DOWNEY'S WILL

Handsome Bequests to Catholic Institutions in Richmond, Va.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. RICHMOND, June 2 .- The will of Mr. Mark Downey was probated to-day. It gives \$40,000 to the Little Sisters of the Poor, a Catholic home here: \$5,000 each to the Male Orphan asylum and the Friend's Asylum for colored orphans, of Richmond; \$15,000 to the Catholic Bishop of this diocese, and the remainder to relatives and friends of the deceased, including \$3,000 each to William A, Piet, of Baltimore, and Edward F, Cullen, of Texas, and \$5,000 each to Honora and Julia O'Sullivan, of Brooklyn, N. Y. It also ives \$5,000 to each of the children of Mr. Downey's late cousin, Florence T. Downey, of Charleston, S. C. The estate is valued at \$300,000.

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