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must depend for purchasers on the

smaller number of the human fam-

ily who are in better circumstances

than the larger number. The money

of the world is estimated at \$10,000 .-

000,000. Divide this among the 1,600,-

000,000 population of the earth and

it will give a per capita of about \$6

if it was all in circulation, but one-

half, at least, of it is locked up in

banks and in Government vaults

where it is hoarded and is utterly

useless as money. The per capita of

the world's supply of active money,

family even in civilized countries

who never see that much together

Double the world's volume of

money, double the wages of toilers,

then they would eat more, live bet-

ter and the food grower and the cot-

double the demand for their pro-

of overproduction nor of depression

on the farm. What this world needs

is cheap money, not worthless

than anything else. Money was

very moment it begins to be hoarded

it loses its money characteristic and

all. Hoarded money renders no

the betterment of the world than a

MINOR MENTION.

A Washington dispatch published

in the STAR yesterday states that

Marion Butler had at his own re-

quest been assigned a seat on the

Republican side of the Senate. It is

where Senator Butler sits, but there

is nothing surprising in his choosing

a seat on the Republican side, for

other side and he will be nearer his

distinguished Republican colleague,

the statesman from Madison county,

with whom he will doubtless have

frequent occasion to confer. Elim-

inate the silver question, which Mr.

Butler now professes to believe the

great and essential issue, and he is

to all intents and purposes a Re-

publican. He was hand and

globe with the very worst

element of the Republican party in

this State and zealously co-operated

with the Republican revolutionists

in the Legislature in carrying out the

programme mutually agreed upon by

them. The only thing which gagged

was that post mortem Fusion tri-

bute of respect to the memory of the

late lamented, half-and-half, Fred.

Douglass. But he didn't have the

grit to condemn that, and dispatched

it with the brief editorial remark

make the readers of his paper believe

mitted. With the record he has made,

it is quite natural that Marion But-

ler should choose a seat on the Re-

Those carping censors who have

from time to time been scoring this

administration, and especially Secre

tary Gresham, for alleged tardiness

anca, had issued the instructions to

clined to think that he exhibited un-

where else.

any one time in the course of a year.

Great Britain, in Germany, in France, in Russia and in other countries. In England it is even worse than in this country; so much worse that ome of the landlords are practically hankrupt for want of tenants, or rents if they have tenants, and life terures of land can be bought within two hours' ride of the city of London for half what they cou'd be ten or twenty years ago.

In Russia, where people were starving last year, wheat is so abundant that there is little or no market for it, and the farmers are feeding it to stock. as a good many farmers in Kansas and other Western States have been | ton and wool grower would find doing within the past two years.

In Germany there is agrarian agi. ducte, and we would hear no more tation to keep out imported foodstuffs with the view of raising the price of the products of the German farm, and thus helping the farmers | money, but enough of it, so much out of their embarrassments.

In France prices have fallen below the profit limit, notwithstanding that there has been a material reduction of acreage in the staple crops, and there, also, there is a howl against imported foodstuffs, to which the becomes so much dead matter; that's French farmers attribute the depression in their industry.

The farmers of Great Britain, Germany and France say the trouble with them has been caused by forced competition with the food stuffs of America and other countries which can produce them more cheaply than they can, which is true, but there is another reason back of this, a reason for this reason, which they do not understand, because they do not look far enough beyond the competition which is ever present and fills their

With all the surplus crops in this and other food-producing countries, he will find more congenial companthis earth has never grown half as ions there than he would on the much food as it needed, and would consume if it had the wherewith to buy. There is not a civilized nation on the face of the earth where there are not millions of underfed people who live hard simply because they haven't the means to live better and eat more and better food. In respect to comforts of the toiler ours is the most favored country under the sun, and yet who does not know that the average wage-earner with a family to support has to practice close economy and manage well to live comfortably and make ends meet, much less lay by much for the rainy day or old age? By "comfortable" we do not mean in- him and went against his stomach, dulgence in delicacies or in luxuries, but simply to have a sufficiency of good, wholesome and palatable food, not stintingly, but liberally provided. But there are millions of American workers, with regular or irregular employment, who are not sure of that it was an "unfortunate blunnext week's living, some not of the der," and then proceeded to try to next day's, and these are forced to live from hand to mouth, and to live | there wasn't any such blunder com-

Compared with the living of the average American workman, the average European workman lives like | publican side of the Senate. He a serf, because the average wages of | would be decidedly out of place anythe European toiler, outside of the callings requiring skilled labor, are not enough to purchase enough of even an ordinarily fair kind of food, and the consequence is that they must exercise the most rigid econ-

in upholding the dignity of the omy to live as cheaply as possible. This is the situation in America, American flag cannot accuse him of it is the situation in Europe, and it is any unseemly dallying in planting even worse in the more densely his foot and opening his mouth in populated, older countries of the far | the matter of the shooting at the East. Is there nothing in this to Allianca, off the coast of Caba, by agricultural industry of this country A. Dana, of the New York Sun, who and Europe? You may say it is put his war point on and whooped overproduction. It is overproduct his war whoop, as soon as he heard tion as far as the world's markets are | the report of the Captain of the Alliconcerned, but not as far as the needs of the world are concerned our Minister at Madrid he could not for there never has been that kind of have used less circumlocution, or overproduction and never will be. been more explicit or come more di-But why is there overproduction for rectly to the point. Even Mr. Dana the world's markets? Because the will not accuse Secretary Gresham toilers of the world are not able to of wasting time in acting or in buy either all they need to eat or to thumbing the dictionary hunting up wear. It is only the persons with diplomatic language to say what he earnings or incomes above the didn't mean. They will probably average that can do that, and hence admit that Mr. Gresham was prompt we say that people who are able to and emphatic enough, while there live liberally are in "comfortable are a good many who are rather in-

circumstances." But why are the majority of man- necessary celerity in jumping on kind unable to buy all they need to Spain with both feet before giving made by the Fred Douglass Legislature. a strike,

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eat and to wear-to live comforta- her a chance to be heard and to bly? Because the wages they get for ascertain the facts in the case for their labor are not enough to pay the which "a prompt disavowal of the price and this is because the money unauthorized act and a due exprescontrollers of the world combine to sion of regret" were demanded. Of keep down the volume of money in course Spain will disavow and rethe world under pretence of preventgret, and that will be the end of the ing it from becoming "cheap," and incident, for Spain isn't going to thus keep it "dear" and labor cheap, give this Government a pretext to and all the products of labor cheap | pounce upon and seize Cuba, which to them, although too dear for the would be the upshot if she sustained masses who have so little to buy the fool captain who shot at the with, however cheap these products Allianca. may be. The money kings by controlling the money not only give an excessive value to that, but control the prices of labor and of the products of labor, which

We have noted the fact that Marion Butler, in the editorial columns of the Caucasian was advocating the temporary suspension of all the other demands of the Populist platform and centering upon the free coinage of silver as the sole Issue, with a view to co-operating with the new silver party, a manifesto for the organization of which was recently issued by leading free silver men of both the Democratic and Republican parties. In this movement he has had the co-operation of other leading Populists in the State, the result of which has been the adoption of a resolution to that effect by the Populist members money which moves from hand to of the late Legislature, in a meeting held just before the adjournment, hand in the channels of trade and commerce, wouldn't amount to \$3, which, after a couple of whereases, and there are millions of the human resolved:

"That the Populists representing certain counties in North Carolina, and other Populists in meeting assembled, recommend to the Populist party that they give their sympathy and influence to the movement looking toward the organization of a distinct political party, which has for its chief issue before the nation the free coinage of silver at the rate of 16 to 1, but at the same time that the Populists of North Carolina maintain their autonomy and distinct organization as Populists, and that every effort and every compromise that can be made without a surrender of principle, which looks toward the effecting of legislation that will secure the free coinage of sil ver, be made by the Populists individu. ally and collectively during the next two

yrars. that there will be no disposition to This puts a damper on the continued fusion of the Pops. and Reps. as far as the next Presidential election made for use, not to be hoarded. The goes, and practically merges the Populist party into the new silver of the Populist party as a distinct political organization. This movemore service for the progress and ment is not confined to North Carolina for it will be followed in other gold vein at the bottom of the States where the Populists have strength enough to make them a tactor in politics.

A good many of the farmers of Montgomery county, Kan., were compelled the past Winter to eat their horses to escape starving, and they are now breaking in their cows to do the plowing for the next Spring

not a matter of much importance Gov. Cerr's Appointments. In the Charlotte News of Thursday it was stated that Mr. Armistead Burwell, ex-Judge of the Supreme Court, had expressed the opinion that Gov. Carr's action in appointing Criminal Court Judges was based on law and would stand. Last night the STAR received a

> erroneous. I have expressed no opinion on the subject." In reply to a telegram to ex-Judge R H. Battle, of Raleigh, asking his opinion on the subject, he telegraphed the STAR last night as follows: "Other engagements have prevented my investigating the question sufficiently to comply with

telegram from Judge Burwell saying

"The statement in yesterday's News is

SEABOARD AND SOUTHERN.

Both Seem Satisfied-Trains Over the Se

board Said to Be Packed. The state of affairs on the two railroads that Charlotte is interested in, says the Observer, the Southern and Seaboard, is after this fashion. "A is happy and so is B." One is thriving on the cut rate and the other on the boycott. The Southern, as mentioned yesterday reports its travel beavier than ever beore, while the Seaboard says the same is true of its road. The trains, say those who travel over the road, are packed. New sleepers are being made, and as soon as out of the shop will be pressed into service. With this state of affairs in existence the Seaboard eating house it Monroe is getting as much as it can do. Messrs. Gresham and Jamison turnished suppers for 52 passengers Tuesday night. The traffic is said to be ele-

Fatal Affray in Fayetteville, The Observer of March 14th says: "Tom Taylor, a youth of 14 years, and Joe Sparks, of about the same age; engaged in an affray yesterday evening in which Taylor struck Sparks a tatal blow, crushing his skull. Both colored. Police Officer Benton arrested Taylor and carried him before Mayor W. S. Cook, who committed him to jail.

Sparks has since died. . - Among the last bills passed by the F. D. Legislature was one to make account for the depression 15/ the that Spanish cruiser. If Mr. Charles the punishment for larceny under \$20 one year's imprisonment. This will make thefts of \$19.99 very common, and will make business lively at the Peni-

> - A country merchant who was n the city yesterday informed a STAR representative that his sales of guano this season were considerably less than 100 tons, against 325 tons sold up to the same date last season.

- Mr. E. A. Williams, of Battleboro, who discontinued the STAR recently, now writes: "Please send me the DAILY STAR. I find I can't do without it."

- The synopsis of the new revenue bill printed in the STAR to-day should be read by all who pay taxes. A number of important changes have been differences they will be settled without

THE REVENUE ACT.

The Rate of Taxition Increased Four Cents on the Hundred Dollars-School Tax Increased Two Cents-A Number of Important Changes.

The STAR is indebted to the News & Observer for the following synopsis of he new Revenue Act: As finally adopted the Revenue Act makes the State tax 24 cents instead of 22 cents, as fixed by the last General Assembly. The School tax is 18 cents; it was 16 cents in 1892-'94. The Pension tax is 31/4 cents, the same as heretofore. The total is 45% cents on every \$100 value of real and personal property in the State. It was 41% cents in 1898-'94.

and 48 cents in 1891-'92. Expenditures for the next two years are estimated at \$925,000 or some \$75,000 more than for 1893-'94. This includes not only appropriations made by the General Assembly, but the expenses of State officers, Judges and the \$180,000 interest on the State debt. The receipts on the \$262,000,000 of property are figured at \$875,000, but it is believed that the new assessment will show a depreciation in value of 20 or 25 per cent. This will bring the receipts on property down to \$780,000. Included in this is the \$180,000 in the State Treasury. This depreciation will, it is believed, make the amount for the School tax and the General tax about the same as heretoore, notwithstanding the increased rate.

The school tax was first fixed at 16 cents in the House, and an amendment offered by Mr. Nelson, Democrat, of Caldwell, making it 18 cents was voted down by the Fusionists, but the same amendment was again offered in the Senate by Mr. Adams, Democrat, and finally pas sed, though it met with con siderable opposition.

The liquor tax is 3 per cent. instead of 1 per cent., as heretofore. Druggists dealing in spirituous liquors must not only obtain a license upon payment of \$50 to the State Treasurer, but may also be taxed as liquor dealers by counties, cities and towns. No druggist, however, can deal in spirituous liquors except upon the prescription of a practicing physician, as now allowed by law. This makes the tax very high, and will, drugeists say, drive them out of the business

County Commissioners have discretion in granting licenses outside of incorporated towns, and inside of such towns can only grant after the corporation has issued the license. This part of the law is exactly the same as was passed by the last Legislature.

Social clubs or organizations that dispense liquors for the use of the members or guests shall pay the same license tax as do companies and firms for selling spirituous liquors. Manufacturers may sell wines and spirits in quantities of not less than one quart instead of one gallon, as heretofore, at the place of manufacture or within 100 yards thereof.

Dealers in cigars, cheroots and cigarettes are subject to an annual tax of five party and that will be the end cents per thousand. In the Act as originally drawn cigarettes were taxed ten cents. Billiard and pool tables are to be taxed \$35 instead of \$75, while ferry bridges and toll-gates are to pay a tax of 2 per cent. on gross receipts. Heretofore they have been taxed \$5 and one-half of 1 per cent. Practicing lawyers, dentists and doc-

tors (country doctors excepted) shall be taxed \$10 per annum, but no county, city or town shall impose an additional tax. Boarding house beds are taxed 50 cents

at present, except that sewing machine agents are required to pay to the State reasurer \$300 instead of \$250 as here-The fee for license issued to any insurance company to do business in the State is \$200. It was \$100 in 1898-'94.

The peddler's tax remains the same as

The Bank tax remains the same as heretofore. This tax was slightly increased two years ago, all the stock beng taxed even though held by non-resi-The graduated Income tax and the Merchant's Purchase tax are unchanged.

The Drummer's license tax, which was originally incorporated in the Act was finally stricken out by the House.

A franchise tax is imposed on private corporations (railroads, banks and insurance companies excepted) in proportion to the amount of its capital stock according to the following graduated scale, towit: Capital stock of \$25,000 or less, \$5.00; over \$25,000 and less than \$50 000. \$10,00; over \$50,000 and less than \$100,-000, \$25 00; over \$100,000 and less than \$250,000, \$50,00; over \$250,000 and less than \$500,000, \$100; over \$500,000,

The taxes on building and loan associations are as follows: On \$100,000 and over, paid up capital, \$100; between \$50,-000 and \$100,000, \$50; between \$25,000 and \$50,000, \$25; between \$25,000 and \$5,000, \$10; under \$5,000, \$5.

THIS IS INTERESTING.

Democrats Who Voted the Fusion Ticket Renounce Their Faith and Come Back

A STAR representative chanced to

meet, yesterday, a gentleman who is a

citizen of a county not very far from

Wilmington. He is a man of intelligence and prominence, and he knows every voter in his own Township. At the last election, he said, there were exactly sixteen Democrats in my Township who voted the so-called Fusion ticket, and I am personally acquainted with every one of them. They have kept up with the proceedings of the recent Legislature, and twelve of the sixteen have become so disappointed disheartened and disgusted that they will have no more of Republican-Populism and will hereafter vote with the Democrats. Four out of the sixteen were appointed Magistrates by the Fred Douglass Legislature, and they, prob ably, don't yet know where they wil stand, politically, in the next election. Now, this may be considered a small matter by some; but the STAR thinks otherwise. It is a political pointer of much significance. When twelve out of sixteen Populists (all except those who were appointed Magistrates) in one Township renounce their party it shows the drift of sentiment in that party, and is full of encouragement to the true Democrats of North Carolina, who will | cers and privates saves the State Guard march in solid column for the redemp- to North Carolina.

Starbuck's Prediction.

believe will come to pass.

The News and Observer says: Senator Starbuck, Republican, of Guilford, in a speech in opposition to a section of the revenue act, made this prophecy: "With Fred. Douglass for sentiment, and the business men down on increase of taxation, it will be hard for another co-operation Legislature to get back here two years hence." Mr. Starbuck may have spoken wiser than he knew. His prophecy is one which nearly everybody who looks upon the record of the late session of the Legislature can but

- The STAR does not credit the rumor, current in Raleigh, that the Seaboard Air Line contemplates a reduc-tion of the pay of its locomotive engineers, and that a strike will follow. It is much more likely that if there are any CRIMINAL COURT JUDGES.

Governor Carr's Reasons For Appointing the Judges of the New Criminal Courts. The following is from the News and Observer of yesterday:

Governor Carr threw a bomb into the Fusion camp yesterday. When the Fusionists abolished the Criminal Court of New Hanover and Mecklenburg, and the Criminal Court of Buncombe, their object was to run out Democrats and give places to the follow-

ers of Fusion. So two new circuits were created. Republicans and Populists in joint caucus nominated, and the Legislature elected Senator Charles A. Cook, of Warren, udge of the Eastern circuit, and Representative H. G. Ewart, of Haywood judge of the Western circuit. They considered the matter settled, and the pie all ready for slicing.

Governor Carr has at one blow snocked the pie out of their greedy

Yesterday he announced that he had appointed to preside over these two circuits Judge Oliver P. Meares for the Eastern and Judge Thomas A. Jones for the Western Fusionists didn't know precisely the

meaning of this move. A reporter caw Governor Carr in his office at the executive mansion last even ing. The Governor was asked his reason for making the appointment. "It is the Governor's prerogative," he

replied; "this prerogative has been inringed upon. I claim the right to appoint these officers." The question is a constitutional one, and will no doubt be argued before the

Supreme Court. The matter hinges on Section 30 of Article IV (Judicial Department), which reads as follows: "SECTION 30. In case the General As-

embly shall establish other courts inferior to the Superior Court, the presiding officer and clerks thereof shall be elected in such manner as the General Assembly may, from time to time, prescribe, and they shall hold their offices for a term not exceeding eight years." It is plain that the General Assembly must fix the manner of electing these

But has it the right to fill the vacancy antil an election is held? It is the prerogative of the Governor to fill all vacancies by appointment for

the remainder of the term. Only the

Governor has this right. The General Assembly has not only fixed the manner and time of the election, but has selected persons to fill the vacancies until the election. In doing this it has stepped beyond its bounds, the Executive. And the Governor refuses to relinquish his constitutional rights.

CRIMINAL COURTS.

Prominent Lawyers Say That Gov. Carr Has the Constitutional Right to Appoint the Judges. [Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, March 14.—Several prominent Democratic lawyers who have made examination, say that Gov. Carr has the constitutional right to appoint Criminal Court Judges. Capt. R. B. Peebles says he examined the Constitution to-day, and is positive that the Governor has the right. He holds that the Legislature has the right to provide a method of appointment, but not to appoint, and that when they create such an office the right is vested in the Governor to fill it

till an election by the people.

Capt. Peebles also thinks that the Railroad Commission comes under the same construction, and that the Governor has the right to appoint Mason's successor, and that Wilson's election by the Legislature is illegal.

State Horticultural Fair. Mr. P. Hiensberger, Jr., received a letter yesterday from Mr. Gerald McCarthy, of Raleigh, in response to one writ-

ten to him in regard to holding the State Horticultural or Fruit Fair here this Summer. He said the outlook now was for an abundant yield of fruit this year, owing to the rest the trees and vineyards had last year, and in all probability the Fair would be a great success and that the same proposition will be offered as was made last year, and Wilmington would be given the preference. The proposition was last year to pay the Fair Association \$500.

BURGLARS CAUGHT.

A Gang of Thieves Who Have Been Ter rorizing Citizens of Beaufort, [Special Star Telegram.]

BEAUFORT, N. C., March 15 .- For the past six months an organized gang of thieves have been terrorizing our town to such an extent that no one felt safe. All the principal stores and many dwellings have been robbed. The authorities employed a detective who planned and joined them in breaking into Jones & Forlaw's store last night. Four of the gang were captured and are now in jail.

Broke Faith With the Guard. The Legislature broke faith with the Guard, says the News and Observer. Under the law the troops enlist for a term of five years. These troops enlisted when the appropriation was \$250 per company, just sufficient to cover the expense of armory, insurance, etc. The Legislature still holds the troops to their contract, but breaks faith with them, and compels them not only to serve the State for nothing, but to go down into their pockets, (and they are mostly poor young men, and pay out precious dollars to serve their country. It requires patriotism of a high order to submit to this. And only the patriotism of offi-

Will the Chaplain of the Next House be Negro?

A Washington, D. C, correspondent says: "It is still the impression here that the negro Republicans will demand that one of their race be elected chaplain of the next House, and the North Carolina preachers of color are said to have their lightning-rods up. This question will be an embarrassing one to the white Republicans, for the reason that they have no idea of confering this favor on the black brethren, but the latter appear to be full of the notion, and should they persist there is going to be trouble for some of the white leaders.

-- In the list of town charters amended by the Douglass Legislature, as printed in the News and Observer, Maxton does not appear. It is to be the bill amending their charter passed. B. Pace, J. W. Carter,

THE PRICE OF COTTON.

The Improvement in Price Is Based on the Belief That the Acreage Will Be

Cotton producers should consider carefully the warning contained in the following from the New Orleans Picayune: During the past week there has been

quite a substantial improvement in the price of cotton compared with the extreme low prices previously ruling. The cause of the improvement has been a growing belief that cotton is cheap at the prevalent prices, and that the consumption has been stimulated to a much greater extent than commonly believed, by the cheap cost, The demand has improved materially not only in the United States, but in foreign markets, with the general reult that a more confident tone prevails in cotton circles than has been the case for some time past.

While there has been an improvement, the farmers of the South must not commit the mistake of helieving that a permanent advance has set in. Much of the betterment which has occurred has been predicated on the general expectation of a reduced acreage. Should the farmers decide not to reduce acreage, under the delusive hope that prices must improve in any event, they are likely to find that the recent advance will be shortlived, and that prices will soon drop to a lower level han they have yet witnessed.

A general and radical reduction o creage is the only sure means of bringing about a permanent improvement hence it is to be hoped that the farmers will not be deceived by temporary upward flurries, which, however welcome are based entirely upon the belief that acreage will be reduced, and, consequently, cannot be relied upon until the expectations upon which they are based are fully realized.

NEW HANOVER MATTERS.

[Raleigh News and Observer.]

"There was so much conflict in the Legislature about New Hanover matters, growing out of differences of opinion among Democrats, that the Democratic Representative from that county did not escape criticism at the hands of Democrats in and out of the General Assembly. He had a difficult position to fill. From time immemorial the Democrats of New Hanover have claimed and enjoyed, if there is any enjoyment in it, the privilege of dividing into factions and abuseach other as much as they The man who can unravel the Chinese puzzle would be lost if he should try to discover all the ins and outs of the internal warfare among Wilmington Democrats. Mr. Rascoe, the member from Bertie, took occasion to pay a very handsome compliment a few days ago to Mr. Herbert McClammy, the member from New Hanover, which was warmly applauded. He voted against Mr. McClammy on the Criminal Court, but said that he wanted to express the thanks of the Democratic minority for the able manner in which Mr. McClammy had represented them on the Elections Committee and on the floor of the House. The services rendered by Mr. McClammy on the Elections Committee were of conspicuous service to his party. He studied the evidence, and presented it with great clearness and force, and let no chance for protecting the Democrats in their seats pass by unimproved. The Republicans who came here to turn out the Democrats, evidence or no evidence, found Mr. McClammy and his Democratic associates on the committee too vigilant to permit them to carry out

THE STATE GUARD.

Members Disappointed at the Action of the Legislature in Reducing the Annual Appropriation-But Will Use Hvery Effort to Maintain the Efficiency of

The reduction in the annual approoriation for the State Guard made by the Rep-Pop Legislature has caused much comment and great dissatisfaction among members of the two companies in Wilmington—the Light Infantry and the Naval Reserves. These companies have heretofore each received \$250 per annum to aid them in meeting current expenses, and the reduction of the appropriation to \$100 per annum for each company is a pretty hard blow at their efficiency. Yet the boys are determined that the companies shall maintain their organization and hope that the business men of the community will aid them in the matter.

The Legislature also took away the appropriation for the annual encampment of the State Guard. The Wilmington boys, however, will have their usual ten days training. Capt. Northrop of the W. L. I. was seen by a STAR reporter yesterday. He said that if the necessary funds could be raised the Wilmington Light Infantry would have an encampment this Summer. The place has not yet been decided upon, but probably they will use the old encampment grounds at Wrightsville. Other companies in the State who are willing to pay their own expenses may join

Lieut, J. C. Morrison, of the Naval Reserves, when asked about the annual cruise, said: "We will undoubtedly have the third annual cruise this Summer. What training ship will be sent us by the Government is no yet known, but strenuous efforts will be made to secure the U.S. warship Raleigh, named in honor of the capital of this State. The cruise will take place in July, I suppose, as has been the custom heretofore. The company will have to pay their own expenses, as no appropriation was made by the Legislature for that purpose. As usual the monitor Nantucket will take them down the river, manned in every particular by members of the Reserves. The cruise for 1895 promises to be the grandest ever held. if we can secure the Raleigh as the training ship. The Reserves and their friends throughout the State have arranged to present the officers with beautiful silver set.

Maxton's Money Mill.

As there were some errors in the list of officers of the Maxton Cotton Mills (as reproduced from the Robesonian) in the STAR of yesterday, the following corrected list is printed: President, the materials to be used in the construc-John Leach; Vice-President, R. W. Livhoped this is correct; but the people of ermore; Secretary and Treasurer, J. W. that town are under the impression that | Carter. Directors, A. J. McKinnon, T. | The trestle will be about eleven hundred

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

Winston Sentinel : C. Mebane and other revenue officers seized twelve barrels of blockade whiskey early Mon-day morning near Panther Creek. It was found in a tobacco barn, and is supposed to be the property of J. H. Shore, of Yedkin county.

- Charlotte News: Esquire John P. Hunter, of Derita, was in town to-day and had his pockets full of gold. In a NO. 20 bottle he had nuggets and solid lumps of virgin gold, and he also had rocks from which gold hung in chesters. It all came from his mine near Derita.

LFor the Star.

BEHIND THE SCENES.

That some men are born great, some

achieve greatness, and others have

greatness thrust upon them, is a well

known apothegm, and it was practically

illustrated in this borough many years

ago, and, though, but of mere local no

toriety it only goes to prove the truth of

that old adage. The incident to which

refer and which caused considerable

amusement at the time happened in this

wise, and I trust that I violate none of

the proprieties in recording it at this

Among the prominent gentlemen who

composed the old Thalian Association

in those days was Mr. William H. Hal-

sev, who was an educated gentleman of

much more than ordinary abil-

ity, and for many years a prom-

ineat member of the Wilming-

ton Bar. He was more methodical

than brilliant, more logical than fanci-

ful, had but of the graces of oratory

and was regarded as a better counselor

than advocate, and yet some of his

efforts before a jury are remembered

as having been very able and effective.

There was a vein of dry humor in his

nature which would bubble up on un-

expected occasions and would provoke

merriment, and he would frequently ex-

cite laughter by his serio comic manner,

his droll fancies and quaint illustrations

He was very fond of theatrical amuse-

association which existed for so many

years in this city and which numbered

among its members many of the most

prominent citizens of the town, and was

regarded as a good actor, particularly in

I remember, many years ago, when

was a youngster, witnessing a number of

those representations, and they are very

vividly impressed upon my mind, and

one particularly in which the subject of

this brief notice figured prominently,

and was unwittingly the sar of the

occasion. The play was one of the old

English comedies, but its name has

escaped me. Mr. Halsey personated a

widowed old man in the humble walks

of life, who had but one child, a daugh-

ter, the apple of his eye, and upon

whom he had lavished his warmest

affections, in fact. She was his idol, and

upon her he centered all his thoughts.

his hopes and his desires. But she

proved unworthy of his love, in fact

repaid it with the basest ingrati-

tude, and ran away with a triff-

ing character, leaving her poor old

Friends gathered around him during the

action of the play to sympathise and

condole, and when the curtain rose

upon the scene shortly after the elop-

ment, it disclosed the old man sitting in

an arm chair, rocking himself backward

and forward, giving vent to the deepest

emotion, and with the tears streaming

down his furrowed cheek. He was en-

deavoring to tell a warm friend of his in

the play named John Barr, which char-

acter was personated that evening by the

late brilliant Joseph A. Hill, whose death

at the early age of thirty-five years end

ed a career of so much promise, what

had happened in his household, but was

so overcome by emotion that his utter-

ance became choked, and it was some

time before he could command himself

sufficiently to give coherence to his

words. He was always slow and deliberate

in his articulation, and it was his practice

to make long pauses in his speech which

had the effect at times of giving addi-

tional emphasis to his words and adding

to their impersonations. On this occa-

sion, after expatiating on his bereave-

ment he suddenly pointed his long index

finger at his friend and with flashing

eye and commanding voice exclaimed,

"John Burr, you go-and get a child"-

and right there he paused or rather

stopped short and became as dumb as

an oyster. He should have continued

as the text required "and lavish on her

all your love and she thus repays you,

&c., but either his memory failed him or

the habit of pausing in which he so fre-

quently indulged was too strong for him

and he could not resist the temptation.

Unfortunately, he paused at the wrong

time and place and there stood the

hapless John Burr with that long index

finger pointed at him and probing as it

tounded at the words which had just

been hurled at him and were ringing

like the blast of a trumpet in his ears.

He showed his confusion in every way,

choked, coughed, tried to articulate but

could not, turned purple in the face and

suddenly wheeled in his tracks and

bolted from the stage convulsed with

laughter. The audience shouted in

great glee and the youngsters hurrahed

tumultuously and in the midst of the

uproar and confusion the curtains fell

and the performance came to an abrupt

The crowd dispersed in great good

humor; they had got their money's

worth of fun and were well content, but

a long period elapsed before that play

was again presented to a Wilmington

History and tradition are alike silent

as to "John Burr's" subsequent action

in the premises, though "Joe Hill," as

he was familiarly called, had to bear the

brunt of that awkward contretemps for

a long time, but he did not mind it, but

laughed as loudly as the others, and

seemed ready to enjoy it, for his amia-

bility and bonhommie were marked char-

Mr. Halsey was a very quiet, inoffen-

sive gentleman, somewhat reserved in

manner, and attended strictly to his own

affairs, and never meddled with those o

his neighbors. He died in this city

many years ago, leaving descendant

and connections, many of whom are still

living and are greatly respected, and was

buried in the old church yard of St.

James, where so many of his contempo

raries sleep their last sleep. SENEX.

Through all this mess Governor Car

has shown himself a good Democrat and

man of courage. No Legislature ever

at the beginning. His special message

on penitentiary affairs, a few days ago,

was dignified and becoming. He has

Criminal Circuits, respectively. It may

be taken for granted that he did this under legal advice, and that he is forti-

fied for a contest in the Courts. To

these the cases will of course go for

The Southport Leader says the U. S.

Government "is building a trestle from

the wharf at Oak Island to the top of

Fort Caswell, where the new torpedo

tion of the station, and afterwards to

convey all necessary war munitions which may be wanted at the station.

acteristics of his nature.

Carr a Good Democrat.

determination.

Fort Caswell.

feet long."

and entirely unexpected conclusion,

his inmost soul, completely as-

the character of an old man.

ments and was an active member of the

- Wilkesboro News : Probably the largest shipment of butter that has ever left our depot, was that made by Mr. N. K. Transou, of Nathans Creek, one day last week. The shipment consisted of five thousand pounds of nice, fresh, firm butter which was sent to the Northern market.

- Rocky Mount Argonaut; Mr. R. M. Whitaker, aged about 76 years, died at his home near Gold Rock. Nash county, Monday last. — Died on Saturday night, 9th inst., Mrs. Sarah E. Bunn, after a brief illness of pneumonia. The had reached the ripe old age of 77

- Greenville Reflector: Mr. Blaney lovner, one of the best and most highly esteemed citizens of the county, died at his home near Farmville Wednesday afternoon. — Mr. E. C. Blount, of Contentnea township, died Sunday morning at 8 o'clock. Mr. Blount was a prominent man in this county for many years.

- Southport Leader: Mrs. Elouise Burriss Leonard died in this city last Friday morning. Mrs. Leonard at the time of her death was in her forty-third year. She had been an invalid for several years, the cause of her death being consumption. She was born at Wrightsville Sound, but had lived here most of

- Monroe Journal: Mrs. Anna Walsh, mother of Mr. W. W. Walsh, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Ramsey, last Friday. -Mrs. Ettie Lee, wife of Mr. T. C. Lee, died at the residence of Mr. G. S. Lee, in Monroe, at 2 o'clock Sunday morning. Several days before she came on a brief trip to Monroe and was taken sick

- Sanford Express: The fruitgrowers and farmers of this county are ooking forward to a heavy fruit crop this year. Here is the middle of March and not a peach blossom has appeared. - A shipment of Chatham coal has just been gone forward to a large manucturing concern at Richmond, which is ilmost in the midst of the Virginia coal fields, and several thousand tons are now loaded on the cars for shipment to Wil-

mington. - Raleigh Press: This morning Mr. Lee R. Wyatt filed a deed of assignment with the Register of Deeds, naming | N. Holding and J. P. Wyatt as rustees. Mr. Wvatt assigned all his property, both personal and real estate. He reserved the \$1 500 exemption. which privilege is given him. The estimated liabilities are \$14,000, and the ssets about the real estate should bring its full value the assets would amount to \$16,000 or

- Rocky Mount Phanix: We reret to announce the sad death of Mrs. Henry Batts, which occurred Sunday ast. She was Miss Robbins, a daughter of John D. Robbins, Esq. - We regret to chronicle the death of Mr. Jesse Hines which sad event occurred at his home in Edgecombe county last Thursday, of typhoid pneumonia. - It is with much regret that we announce the death of Mrs. Geo. W. Robbins, which occurred on Monday morning at 8 clock. She was a daughter of J. J.

Sharpe, Esq., of Nash county. - Monroe Enquirer: On last Monday alternoon Lonnie, the fourteen year old son of Mr. James Goodwin, of Rock Rest, was hauling wood and his team became frightened and ran away. The unfortunate boy was thrown from the wagon and was crushed between one of the wheels and a tree. One of his legs was broken near the hip joint and he was injured internally. Dr. J. E. Ashcraft was called and set the broken limb, but the internal injuries were fatal, and after lingering until Wednesday morning, death came and relieved him

of his suffering. - Raleigh Visitor: One of the largest illicit distilleries captured this year was destroyed by deputy collector Shelburn, last Monday, in Orange county. This still was owned by Jim Gates, a well-known and long sought for moonshiner of that county. The report of the seizure was made to Collector Simmozs this morning. The still was a 130 gallon one, a very large size, and with it were captured a cap and two worms, 3,000 gallons of beer and thirty gallons of spirits, all of which were destroyed. The distillery was situated at Linover postoffice, about ten miles from

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND

Returned to Washington Yesterday with a Good Supply of Game.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star, WASHINGTON, March 16.-President Cleveland came back to Washington after his eleven days of recreation on the water. As he stepped down the gang plank from the Violet to the wharf he looked hale and hearty, and smiled broadly when somebody in the crowd shouted "bring out the ducks." There was a glow of health upon his cheeks which was not there when he left on March 5, the day after Congress had adjourned. It was just 4.15 when the Violet tied up to her wharf. About filty people were there awaiting her arrival. Enough game was brought back to send hampers of game to all the Cabinet officers in town, to Mr. Thurber and to the homes af the President's companions, and a splendid supply for the White House table. Most of the sport was had in Pamlico Sound and the President basged a fair share. Mr. Cleveland is the of the best wing shots, the captain of the Violet says, he has ever seen. The party had much bad weather but

did not saffer any inconvenience. Captain Donald decided to lay to off St. George's Island in the Potomac, about a hundred miles below Washington. At daybreak this morning the Violet resumed her journey, reaching the Indian head proving ground at 1 80 this afternoon. Its brief stop was made to send a message to Private Secretary got better advice than he gave this one Thurber and the Violet continued to Washingson without stopping again.

SEABOARD AIR LINE.

to be his rights, and in his conception Silver Service Presented Ex-Vice-Presiof these he nominated Messrs. Jones dent Winder by Officers and Employes, and Meares, Wednesday night, for By Telegraph to the Morning Star. Judges of the western and eastern

RALEIGH, March 16 .- Major John M. Winder, ex-Vice-President of the Seaboard Air-Line, and for twenty years one of the managers of the line, was to-day presented with a handsome silver service by the officers, engineers, and other employes of the Sea-board Air Line in recognition of his services to the road and the high esteem in which he is held. All the officials of the road were present at the ceremony. D. M. King, of Raleigh made station is to be built. The trestle is wide enough for two tracks, and cars will be run from the wharf to the Fort to carry on behalf of the other employes. Major Winder responded gracefully.

A cablegram was received at the Navy Department yesterday stating that the Raleigh had left Colon for Cartha-