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88888888888888888888888888888888888888	We contend for honest money; for a currency of gold, silver and paper with	ally the defenders of Spain, and Con- gress began to vacillate as if not		A SERIOUS CHARGE	MURDER MOST FOUL.	IMPORTANT FROM CUBA.	Bermuda expedition, Maceo, Cali
188888888888888888888888	which to measure our exchanges that shall be as sound as the Government		a second s	Against the President of the Langdon- Hedgessy Coal Company.	A FORMER CITIZEN OF WILMINGTON	THE STEAMER BERMUDA LANDED	Garcia and other leaders, with a lo string of pack mules, moved southw
55555555555555555555555555555555555555	and as untarnished as its honor; and to that end we favor bimetallism and de-	it if it knew, the Spaniards picked	A SECRET LETTER	The Baltimore Sun of Wednesday	ASSASSINATED NEAR FLORENCE,	THE STEAMER BERMUDA LANDED HER MEN AND CARGO	in the direction of the capital of Pinar
BSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSS	mand the use of both gold and silver as	up courage, became aggressive and Weyler considered it safe to take off	Urging Populisis to Fase with None of	publishes a dispatch from Philadelphia concerning the charge against Mr. Sam'l	Mr. Watson Hall Murdered While Beading	Maceo Was on Shore, Waiting for the	Rio. Rumors have been current here two days that the city has been attac
**************************************	standard money, either in accordance with a ratio to be fixed by an interna-	his gloves and turn his bloodhounds	the Old Parties-Republican County	P. Langdon (referred to in the STAR's correspondence from Raleigh), as fol-	. His Bible-The Evidence Points to Alex-	Arms and Ammunition-An Interesting	and captured. It is impossible to obt
833882888888888888888888888888888888888	or under such restrictions and such pro-	loose. This is the situation, and	Conventions to Be Held April 11th- Dockery Expected, to Carry Four Out of	There is little doubt to-day that Annie	ander Ferrell as the Assassin and He Has Been Arrested.	Account, With Full Details. Several times it has been announced	definite fiews at all; the wifes are do Gen. Weyler has sent nine columns
	visions to be determined. by legislation as will secure the maintenance of the		Pive.	McGrath, the girl who was found dead at 2926 Girard Avenue on Monday night,	A special dispatch to the Charleston	that the so-called filibuster steamer Ber-	troops, about 4,000 men, in pursui Maceo. The latter bas 12,000 men.
W I 00000000000000000000000000000000000	parities of value of the two metals, so	dallying, cowardly, shameful slink- ing from manly action, after having		was either killed as the result of a plan	News and Courier from Florence, S. C., gives an account of the assassination of	muda had reached Cuba in safety, and	arms and ammunition and rapid-fi
1 g	that the purchasing and debt-paying power of the dollar, whether of silver.	declared in favor of belligerency.	Superintendent Howells, of the Public	for double suicide with Samuel B. Lang- don, the wealthy coal operator, whose	Mr. Watson Hall, an aged and highly respected farmer who lived near Mars	as often a shadow of doubt has been thrown around the news. The follow-	guns landed by the Bermuda. The G ernment is still sllent in regard
a a 19	gold or paper, shall be at all imtes	and encouraged the struggling Cu-	Schools, has induced the book-stores to	mistress she was, or that she alone com- mitted suicide. The evidence thus far	Biuff. He was shot and killed while	ing, however, from the Havana cor-	Maceo's whereabouts. Other sour locate him near the capital of Sa
• VCB	The only real difference between	bans to believe that it was sure to	discontinue the sale of dime novels and the Police Gazette. The small boy is	adduced points almost conclusively to	sitting alone in his residence by some unknown person from the outside of	respondent of the New York Johrnal is so circumstantial as to details as to at	Clara province, which was entered the rebels Monday. No official rep
B	these two declarations is that the	come promptly. Better never to have discussed the subject at all	hard to down.	and then attempted to commit suicide.	the house Thursday night last. The story of the killing is a horrible one.	least encourage the belief that it is true.	of the result of the attack has yet b
-000400-0000101020888	Ohio one pronounces in favor of a	than to triffe with it in this way	Senator Butler denies that he sent a secret letter urging the Populists to fuse	but forsook this purpose and fled from the bouse.	Mr. Watson Hall was for many years a resident of Wilmington. His first	From the date line it seems that the cor-	During the week hail a dozen im
at the Post Office at Wilmtgton, N. C., as Second Class Matter.]	conditional bimetallism and the other bimetallism in disguise and with the	Spain could restore peace to Cuba	with none of the old parties. The letter,	Professor Leffman, who is analyzing the contents of the stomach of the dead	wife died here, leaving one son-Mr.	respondent smuggled the account through by steamer to Key West, whence	tant towns and cities were attac. The insurgents have taken the offen
Contraction of the local day of the loca	same condition, which the Ledger	inside of thirty days, with nonor to	it was claimed, was sent to the chairmen	girl, said:	George Hall, now living in Manchester, Va. He then married Miss Lizzie Brick-	it was telegraphed to New York.	since the Garcia and Collazo expedition
SUBSCRIPTION PRICE.	says "may be regarded as harmless"	herself and justice to Cuba, if she would grant the reasonable demand	of the Populist County Executive Com- mittees. My informant, who is a respect-	"Thus far I have found that the stomach showed no signs of bilious	house, a daughter of the late Capt. Brickhouse, who left three children-	HAVANA, March 25, VIA KEY WEST, March 26. — The greatest advance	Weyler's recent orders declaring as
opy I year, postage paid	for the reason, we suppose, that it	for home rule, which many Cubans	able and well thought of citizen, says he	troubles. The girl's death might have	Messrs. James E. and Edward G. Hall and Miss Athalia Hall-all residing in	the Cuban cause has made in	bands of insurgents in Havana and P del Rio provinces band ts is denoun
60 months " " 80	doesn't think they meant anything by it after what they said about "de-	would prefer to independence. Rec-	heard the letter read in a meeting of the Alliance last week. He says it was his	There are no indications that she swal-	this city. After the death of his second	through the safe landing of the	by the Cubans, who say it opens the to wholesale slaughter. The th
are again sending bills to our	the second the second of the second se	ognition of belligerency would force	understanding that it was the chairman	heart there were several blood clots, but	moved to South Carolina where he	Bermuda filibustering expedition which left New York under sensational cir-	brothers, Ferrar, American citizens
ibers. In the aggregate they	just where the straddle and the	Weyler to call his bloodhounds off and force Spain to exercise reason,	of the Precentae Committee. This Ken-	I cannot say at present whether these could cause death."	again married. Coroner S. T. Burch, the account in	cumstances about two weeks ago. The	owners of Estrella plantation near quizir, have filed a protest with
nt to a very large sum. Many	hypocrisy come in. They straddled	rather than a spirit of vengeance.	tleman is a Republican and has no love for Butler. He says he would expect	She had \$100 in her pocket when the body was found. This alternoon Lang-	the News says, went to Mars Bluff yes-	of La Mulata; in the province of Pinar	Consul General, stating that their i dence was bombarded with grape
r/ subscribers are responding		<pre>kint i set i * * * * * kind i * * *</pre>	Butler to deny issuing a circular, be- cause it would appear too much like	don sent for his counsel, Albert J.	terday morning to hold the inquest. The coroner's jury was formed, the inquest	del Rio. It was done Monday night, before 12 o'clock, while Spanish gua-	canister, shattering the doors and
tly. Others pay no attention	agitation for free silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 seriously disturbs all indus-	The commercial reports for the	machine politics.	Moore, and requested him to send for a physician. Langdon is said to be quite	held and the verdict rendered was that "Watson Hall came to his death from a	boats were cruising in search of her not more than a league or two away. The	their families only, the wife
bills. These latter do not to understand that they are	trial interests," &c. Isn't that a	past week represent the condition as unsatisfactory and not encouraging,	curred since the opening of the Repub-	ill, but the nature of his illness is not known. Captain Miller said:	gunshot wound at the hands of parties unknown to the jury, but the evidence		one brother being enciente. Two a children were in the house at the t
any legal or moral obligation	straddle to begin with? Why not	which they attribute in part to the		"Annie McGrath came down stairs and ordered dinner for Langdon on Monday	points to one Alex. Ferrell."	daring of the famous blockade runner,	No insurgents were present. The tro
for a newspaper.	content themselves with declaring against the free coinage of silver	difficulty in making collections, en-	conventions will be held on that day, and probably more. It is the beginning	afternoon. She returned to the room,	The substance of the investigation showed that Mr. Hall, who was 65 years	Captain Hughes, who was in com- mand. It was one of the most pictures-	money were taken from the hou
GARDED AS HARMLESS.	and leave the ratio tail off? Simply	forcing greater caution in sening	of the campaign which will give the su-	and she and Langdon were alone to- gether. Later, when Langdon came	old, had been to the depot that after- noon with his wife, who had come to	que leats ever accomplished on the coast of Cuba. The steamer had been hovering	Workmen were searched and laborate taken were treated the same as priso
Philadelphia Ledger, an inde-	because if the National Convention		premacy to Russell, Pritchard and Mc- Kinley, or Dockery, Settle and Reed, in	down stairs, the girl was dead. He will have to explain that circumstance."	Florence with another lady to attend the Holiness meeting which is now being	far out at sea for several days, waiting to	of war and a summary court-martial ordered. Ferrar claimed damage.
at paper with Republican lean-	adopt that platform they can go	ports of scarcity of money in the	the Republican party of the State. Con- ventions will be held that day in New	It has come to light that Miss Mo-	conducted, here; that he had returned	where it would be safe to land. The	Bernal, commanding the troops, n
protection paper but not ex-	before the silver people and say they are not essentially opposed to		Hanover, Robeson, Richmond, Meck- lenburg and Forsythe.	Grath was engaged to be married and that she wore a soltaire diamond ring	home and was preparing to go to bed when he was shot.	ocean swarmed with Spanish warships, whose sole purpose was to intercept the	brilliant victory.
and a gold paper of a pro-	the free coinage of silver if a satis-	far as the sections are concerned,	Mr. Claude Dockery says that Col.	which her fiance had given her. This ring was found on Langdon after his ar-	The negro boy who worked with Mr. Hall stated that late in the evening be-	Bermuda and prevent the landing of her cargo of war materials.	Domingo Betarte, a French cit and owner of the Oyalita estate, has
d type, does not like Hon. AcKinley, principally because	factory ratio can be agreed upon,	ing collections This complaint as	Dockery will certainly carry four of these counties. He is hopeful of carrying or	rest, together with other jewelry belong- ing to the girl.	fore he was at the house and had sepa-	Cubans on the island were aware of what the Spanish authorities were do-	French consul for the destruction of
ddfes on the money question	and that they are perfectly willing	far as we know does not extend to	breaking the other. To-day there is a meeting of one of	Police Lieut, Lyons admitted this af-	rated the calves from the cows, and Mr. Hall then told him that he could go, but	ing, and by lights on shore kept Captain	I consister by Consist traces II-
es not come squarely out for	if the Republicans get control of the Government to bring abcut some	the East, where the great banks are	the Republican Executive Committees	chloroform had been found in the room,	to come soon next morning, which he did.	Hughes posted. Things came to such a pass, however, that it was absolutely	as previously reported. He says Dua
It therefore pronounces him	satisfactory arrangement of that,	centereo, where money is plentitul	in Franklin. This county, unlike any other in the State, has two Republican	It had come from a drug store near the house.		necessary for Captain Hughes to take desperate chances. His provisions had	manager of the estate, was t
of a "politician than states- which is undoubtedly prue. It	and they straddle in the tail by the	I and where it may be had at a reas-	Executive Committees. A Dockery man tells me that Dock-	A DIVORCE SUIT PENDING.	knocked but no one answered; he looked through the window and saw Mr.	given out, coal was running short, and	Another Frenchman named Dr
ists the Ohio platform, in which	reference to international agreement	terest. This is suggestive for the	ery will carry every township in Union. He says the resolution recently adopted	PITTSBURG, PA, March 25It was	I HE WAS ASICCD. HE KHUCKCU SCYCIAL	there was as much danger of the men on board the Bermuda dying of starvation	protest claiming that Col. Molina thi
s unmistakable evidences of	as to the ratio, which would give them a chance to say	South and the West are the great ag-	favoring Russell was the action of a few	don, the wile of Samuel P. Langdon,	told his father and some of the neighbors	as there was of their falling into the hands of the Spanish.	on the estate in case Drake failed in
aley's manipulation, with the	that the Republican party would	ricultural sections of the country	followers of the Judge, and that the man who signed his name as secretary	who is held by the Philadelphia police authorities pending the investigation	were sent for,	Oa Sunday last word was sent out to Captain Hughes that he had better re-	
orm adopted by the New York	do its level best to bring about such	which supply the materials for the	of the committee is not recogn zed as	into the cause of Fannie McGrath's	Mr. Flowers, the section master, and some others went to the house. Seeing		A mah of 000 any and fallamed to

A mob of 200 persons followed twenty prisoners through the streets of Havana Wednesday. The pinioned men were truck, kicked and stoned.

that the Republican party would do its level best to bring about such international agreement. That's the way they would put it to the country are to the prosperity of the country are The petition was filed in Blair county having been made with Mr. Hall's own last July, and was for an absolute divorce gua, but from from the piazza through on the ground of cruel and barbarous the sash. treatment. Mr. Langdon made a com-Mr. Hall, when he was shot, was sit plete denial of the charges. The divorce ting with his shoes off and evidently case is still pending. reading the Bible, for it was found at his feet, where it fell out of his bands, with

main where he was for some time to come, because the coast was so closely guarded. The Captain, however, resolved

gun that was used by the assassin.

it was a case of suicide, but the window

the latter as the ringing utterance of men who have positive convictions on a great question and the courage to proclaim them above the housetops and in the market places, and wherever men do congregate and swap political chat. It is satisfied with the declaration therein made, and is disposed to forgive the "international agreement" fraud because "it may be regarded as harmless."

Republicans, and holds up the for-

mer as a disappointing straddle, and

We haven't any higher opinion of Lon. Wm. McKinley than the Ledger has nor, perhaps, as high, but we fail to discover wherein the Republicans of Obio can't measure up with the Republicans of New York and then have very little to brag of. We see a great deal more consistency and quite as little pandering to selfish interest in the Ohio platform, straddle though it be, than we do in the New York platform, which is a departure from the previous platforms of the party and a departure

taken at the dictation of the money combinations of New York, which have been essaying lately to run both of the great political parties on the money question. The platform adopted by the convention which launched the McKin-

ley boom, which the Eastern gold men and organs condemn so strongly, is substantially a reiteration of the Republican national platform of 1892 and substantially a reaffirmation of the platform adopted by the convention last year, over which Senator Sherman, a typical gold champion, presided, and it is said that Hon. John Sherman had very much to do with the manipulation of that platform. But that straddle didn't attract half as much attention as the last straddle does for the New York Republicans straddled pretty much in the same style, and both straddles were endorsed by the Republican voters of those two States. The gold men of both of those States walked up to the polls like little men and voted for the candidates who stood on the platforms which thus straddled, and captured the States. We do not see with what consistency the Repulicans who accepted these straddles then condemn McKinley and the Ohio Republicans for repeating the same old straddle

now. But as a matter of fact, notwithstanding that the New York platform is paraded as a model of straight, candid talking and manly declaration of principle, it is to all intents and purposes quite as much a straddle as the Ohio platform is. Here it is :

friends of silver in the West and South, while with the gold people of the other sections they would dwell on the gold talk they sandwiched in between this 16 to 1 opening clause and the international agreement closing clause.

Analyze this plank and it is a straddle or it is nonsense, and the fellows who put it in the platform are not fools. They were accom plishing two aims by it; one to se-

cure the approval and co operation of the gold men of the country, and to score a point against McKinley by framing a platform more in accord with their views and demands than the Ohio platform, in which they doubtless succeeded, judging from the tone of the gold organs

which applaud the New York job while condemning the Ohio straddle. But essentially one is about as

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The Republican clamorers for more

protection than the Wilson tariff gives dwell upon the fact that the imports of 1895 were larger than they were in 1894, and present that as a conclusive proof that the foreign manufacturers are making terrible inroads in the American market, and of course at the expense of the American manufacturer. They take the first year of the Wilson tariff and compare it with the last year of the McKinley tariff, a year of industrial prostration and busi-

ness depression, when imports, regardless of tariffs, naturally fell off. But when we come to compare the imports under the Wilson tariff with the average imports under the Mc-Kinley tariff the figures tell a different story, and put an estoppel on this clamoring of the McKinlevites. The following table taken from the

Treasury statistics shows the imports for four years under the McKinley law and for the year 1895 under the

Free of Duty. Dutiable. \$388,064 404 \$466,455.178 458.074.604 355,526 74 1893 444,172 064 400.282.51 257,645,703 1894 387,968 717 Four years. \$1,669.379.789 \$1,479.910.186

Wilson law:

Ann'l av'ge \$417.319.947 \$869.977,584 1895 \$376 890,100 \$354,271,990 1895 These figures show that the imports for 1895 are considerably less than the average imports for the four preceding years, and that the only year in which the imports of 1895 exceeded any of the others was

and the prosperity of the country are on the prosperty of the farmers of the South and the West. These same reports say that the most encourageing sign in the situation is the advance in the price of farm products, showing that as farm products advance in price business picks up, and

and yet many of the business men of the East insist on perpetuating the monetery system which keeps farm products down and keeps the farmer's nose to the grind stone, and reduces him to a condition bordering

on pauperism.

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Hon. Russell A. Alger says he sn't hankering to be President, for there is a good deal, of worry and vexation in attending to the affairs of so many people, when there are

much of a straddle as the other. so many to do the bossing. He is pretty well fixed, and is having a pretty good time running his lumber business. Mr. Alger has had some experience in running booms and MINOR MENTION.

corralling delegates that wouldn't stay corralled.

> A woman in Kansas has just died from the bite of a rattlesnake received thirty years ago in Indiana when she was a little girl. Remedies were applied at the time and the wound healed and has since given her no trouble until a short while ago when it inflamed and despite the efforts of physicians she died in great agony.

> > While the Republican Convention engineers are crying aloud for protection to our suffering industries Mr. Carnegie is going right along shipping steel armor to Russia and steel rails to Japan, which looks somewhat like stealing a march on them and knocking them out. They should see Mr. Carnegie and enquire why he does such things.

It is said that the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, which has for some time been using some electric loco-

motives, finds that electricity as a motive power is more costly than steam. But perhaps these locomotives are not equipped for the economic production of electricity. Westinghouse says he can produce it for

a fraction of the cost of steam. An Indiana woman thought her

husband was too jealous because h slept with a razor, a revolver, hatchet, and a package of rough on rats under his pillow, and a shotgun and a machete beside the bed, and that this was sufficient reason for an-

Pinehurst is a great success. Tuits has rented all his houses. He will build more cottages, and also a larger and better hotel than the present one, "H lly Inn."

Andrew Zacharoki, a Pole, who got his leg broken the day before the accident at Cumnock mines, is here to-day. It is a sad and heavy heart this young man has. He had only been at the mines four days when the accident occurred. His three countrymen who went to Cumpock with him were killed in the mine, and his life was saved by the accident to his leg on the day before. He cannot speak English and has no money.

Coal at Two Dollars Per Ton.

The Langdon-Henszey Coal Mining Company, with headquarters at Cumnock, are steadily increasing the product of the mines. About six weeks since the STAR received a letter from the President of the Company, in which he

said: "We fully expect to put our coal into Wilmington for \$3.00 per net ton of 2,-000 pounds, and I hope it will not be very long before we shall be able to do so. It is only a question of how soon we will be able to produce sufficient tonnage, reducing the minimum cost of the coal, to justify that price."

The foregoing was written before the terrible disaster that occurred at the mines not long since, and which, of course has delayed operations. Now, however, work is going on again, and the output of coal will be constantly increased until it reaches a point that will

justify the price of \$2.00 per ton delivered in Wilmington. Carolina Brash.

Carolina Beach will not be open as a public resort during the present year. This information may be relied on, as it comes from an entirely reliable scurce. Whether or not any of those who own cottages will spend the Summer there

has not yet transpired; but it hardly seems likely that they will, as there will be no railroad communication between the pier and the Beach, and it is a long drive from Wilmington over the county road. Capt. S. W. Skinner is now sole owner of all that part of Carolina Beach heretofore used as a public resort, including the railroad and pier, and his well known energy, it is hoped, is a guaratee that this popular seaside retreat will be reopened next year on a scale commensurate with its importance.

Funeral of the Late Mrs. Deumelandt.

The funeral of the late Mrs. August Deumelandt took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church. A large congregation was present at the services, which were conducted by Rev. K. Boldt. The interment took place in Oakdale cemetery, beside the remains of her husband. The grave was covered with floral offerings. Mrs. Deumelandt died in the fiftieth year of her age. She was not a sister, but a sister-in-law of Mr. F. W. Ortman. The pall-bearers were: Honorary-Messrs. Andrew Smith and N. Meyer. Active-Messrs. J. H. Rehder Ino Haar, Wm. Neistlie, F. RichTO GO TO ATLANTA.

Maj. Stedman Has About Decided to I move to That City.

[Asheville Citizen.]

The Citisen to-day asked Maj. Chan sash showed that the shot was fired M. Stedman as to the truth of the story from the outside of the house. that he is to leave Asheville for Atlanta. The tracks of the assassin were found The Mai, said it was not yet absolutely where he came up to the house, and certain, but the probabilities are that he where he went away, but could not be will go in about two months. He will tracked further than a piece of woods go to practice his profession, the law. He is kept in Asheville now by imporlear by

Mr. Walter Gregg, who lives about tant cases which he has in the State and half mile away, says he heard the gun. Federal courts. The decision on the but it happened just about the time the part of Maj. Stedman to leave the city north-bound fast mail passed that night will be greatly regretted by every one of and he thought it was the explosion of a his friends here, and they are very many. torpedo, which is used on railroads, and He is an able lawyer and a polished gennever thought anything more of it until tleman. and will be a prominent acquisinext morning, when he heard of the murtion to the Atlanta bar.

According to Mr. Gregg's statemen Exporting Staves to Europe. the killing must have occurred about Mr. C. M. Bails, of the firm of C. M half-past 8 o'clock, as the train was late Bails & Son, of Wilmington, exporters, that night. came in Monday, says the Newbern Journal, looking after a flat load of thirty thousand white-oak staves, which were procured up Neuse river and which will be taken to Wilmington by the W.

N. & N. R. R., and thence shipped to Liverpool. England. They will form a part of the cargo of the American chooner Sallie I. Owen. The firm will load her with from 150 000 to 175,000 of the staves, which will be used there in making barrels for liquors.

"ONE OF THE BRIGHTEST."

A Washington correspondent says of

The minority report on the bill to

abolish compulsory pilotage on coast-

wise vessels was reported to-day. It is

a very able one and insists that it is not

the vessel, but the freight that pays the

Washington and New York, and gets for

ship other vegetables and fruits in season.

ONE OF THE STERLING DAILIES.

[Charlotte News.]

sterling dailies of this State, entered

upon its filty-eighth semi-annual volume

to-day, under the management of Mr.

William H. Bernard, its founder and

continuous manager. This STAR still

The Wilmington STAR, one of the

\$1 50 a bunch. Mrs. Pritchard will

the bill to abolish cumpulsory pilotage:

Compulsory Pilotage.

Mrs. Pritchard's "Truck" Farm.

[Newbern Journal.] The Wilmington STAR closed its 57th semi-annual volume Sunday. For over 28 years the STAR has stood the storms incidental to North Carolina journalism and stands to-day one of the brightest, most wide-awake papers of the State. Long may it shine !

LONG CREEK LETTER.

Lumber Company's Tram-Road-The Town on a Boom-Business Increas

pilotage: that in States where this pilotage had been abolished it was by the ac-At 8.80 o'clock yesterday evening, the

tion of the pilot association, which were citizens of this place were aroused by the rendered independent of it by a large whistle of the steamer Anna, of Wilforeign commerce, and that such legislamington, which had landed at the wharf tion should be left to the States, which were more competent to deal with local with two large lighters, one loaded with log-trucks and the other with a beautiful new locomotive engine, No. 1656, from K. Porter & Co.'s locomotive works Mrs. Dr. Pritchard, says the Charlotte E. P. Lord, superintendent, Pittsburg, Observer, has a lovely little home and Pa., with the letters "J. A. C.," repregarden on the sound. She decided this oring to make the latter bring her in something besides vegetables. For a week she has been shipping asparagus to

enting and in honor of a courteous and highly esteemed gentleman, Mr. J. A. Cavanangh, the general superintenden of the tram railroad; also, the words "Hilton Lumber Company of Wilmington," are beautifully lettered on the engine. At about half-past eleven o'clock to-day the engine was rolled from the ighter on the railroad track on Cherry's lough, at Cherry's Bluff, about three nundred vards above Long Creek bridge. These was a large crowd of citizens, including nearly all the ladies of the town, to see the first railroad engine ever landed at Long Creek. At about three o'clock p. m. Mr. John L. R. Wallace, of Wilmington, the engineer, took charge,

take a chance of capture. SO, late on Monday afternoon, he got up steam and proceeded to a point just outside the ange of vision of Spanish ships. There, he waited till long after dark, when, with all lights on his ship extinguished so that the Bermuda was in utter darkness, he steamed in close to La Mulata. Captain

Hughes was favored by the night. The his eveglasses beneath it on the floor. darkness was Egyptian. It was so black In the room by his side lay the shota night that a block of New York skyacrapers could not have been seen on the The gun was placed there evidently for the purpose of making it appear that

ocean if their lights had been extinuished, and they had been floating at a listance of a quarter of a mile from the gunboats. General Maceo himself in command of

his men was on shore, waiting for the landing of the Bermuda's small boats. The rest is a simple story. The boats made several trips between steamer and shore, the entire cargo feil into the hands of General Maceo, the men on the Bermuda with the exception of the crew, attached themselves to the rebel forces the Bermuda put to sea again, and by this time is no doubt a long distance on the way to New York. From the expedition there reached Gen. Maceo 4000 modern repeating rifles. one million rounds of cartridges, four Hotchkiss rapid firing guns. two Gatling guns, 2,000 pounds of dynamite, housands of machetes, hundreds of rubber coats, designed to protect patriots from the rains that have now set in, and money enough to pay to a great extent

far West. for provisions that the army takes from plantation owners. To-night Havana is in a high state of suppressed enthusiasm over the landing of this expedition. In cafes and on the sidewalks there are

groups of Cubans, who are rejoicing over the success of the expedition and praying that others now on the way will be equally fortunate. They have reason to rejoice. for the success of the Bermuda and Three Friends expeditions places the insurgent army in position to fight all Winter without fear that their sup

oly of arms and ammunition will run short. The Three Friends placed in hands of General Laceret 500 000 rounds of cartridges, 150 cases of rifles, a large quantity of medicines, plenty of dynamite, and water-proof clothing. It is likely now that there will be some real battles fought, for the insurgent have no reason to fear exhaustion o their stock of ammunition, which has heretofore been the greatest impediment in the way of coming out and

GOLD MEN WILL BOLT.

Texas Goldites Will Bolt-They Prefer Populist Government to Free Bilver Democracy.

DALLAS, TEX., March 27 .- A meeting of sound money Demccrats was held here to-day, in which about two hundred prominent politicians took part. They practically determined to bolt the party f a free silver platform is adopted by the State Convention, which action appears to be a foregone conclusion. The meeting passed resolutions favoring the call ing of a State Convention of sound money Democrats to consider the situation. Chairman Dudley, of the State Executive Committee, was bitterly de nounced. Resolutions were passed de claring in favor of the gold standard and that a full-term of Populist govern ment is preferable to free silver Democ

> racy. STEAMER COMMODORE

Will Be Seized on a Charge of Violating the

Neutrality Luns. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

Burned-Loss Nearly a Million Dollars.

Arrival of a Locomotive for the Hilton boldly facing the Spanish troops. [Star Correspondence.] LONG CREEK, N.C., March 26. Edstor of the Morning Star:

There is something very horrible about the affair and which may implicate a woman who should have been very near and dear to Mr. Hall. Coroner Burch issued a warrant fo Alex Ferrell, who the jury indirectly charged with the killing of Hall. Sheriff R. McLendon arrested Ferrell and he is

now lodged in Florence tail. It is commonly reported that Ferrell and Mrs. Hall were very intimate and that Ferrell had already threatened to "put a spider in the old man's dump-That is the term used by one of

the witnesses at the coroner's inquest. It is also stated that some time ago old man Hall was after Ferrell for being too intimate with his wife and had emptied the contents of a shot gun at him, but missed his mark. From all the circumstances in the case it is clear case of cold-blooded murder.

mida dispersed the mob. Yesterday 106 prisoners arrived from Sagua. Weyler has ordered all stores more than five hundred metres distant

from towns and hamlets closed and the goods removed.

ATTEMPT TO POISON.

Sansational Affair in Surry County, North Carolina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WINSTON, March 28 .- Dr. J. W. Ring, practicing physician and druggist, and one of the leading citizens of Elkin, Surry county, and several members of his family, have been critically ill for

several days. It is announced to-day that their sickness was caused by an attempt of the doctor's 16 year old son the poison his father by putting arsenic in a prescription which the young chanclerk in the drug store-was given tofill. One of the State's leading physiclans, who was summoned to Elkin to see Dr. Ring and his family, says than c? overdose of the poison is the only thing that saved their lives. The son's excuse for his action was that he wanted to kill his father because he did not allow him such privileges as he thought he deserved. To prevent his arrest the father gave the son money and sent him to the

BATTLESHIP IOWA

Lunched Yesterday from Cramp's Shipyard.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA. March 28 .- The seagoing battleship Iowa was launched at 1.14 o'clock this afternoon from Cramp's shipyard. The vessel was christened by Miss Mary Lord Drake, daughter of the Governor of Iowa, and the launching was w.tnessed by a distinguished representation from the Hawkeye State. headed by Gov. Drake. and Secretary Herbert of the Navy. Iowa's Congressional delegation, the members of the House of Representatives Naval Committee, several members of the Senate Naval Committee, and the principal head of the different Navy Bureaus. Besides the party gathered upon the christening stand, the yard was opened to the public and thousands of people witnessed the event from various points of vantage. The weather was delightfully bright and warm.

GOVERNMENT RECEIPTS

adicate a Definit for the Fiscal Year of About \$27,000,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 28.-With two days of March left, the Government, recents for the month have reached only \$24,000,000. They are not likely to exceed \$26,000,000 for the entire month. The low receipts have been very disapointing to Treasury officials who have been trying to persuade themselves that business, which is reflected in Government receipts, was materially improving. The deficit for the year to date is \$18,000,000. In April heavy interest payments fall due, and with the present ratio of receipts the deficit at the end of the fiscal year may approximate \$27,-000,000. Secretary Carlisle's estimate was \$17,000,000.

WHISKEY DESTROYED.

Warehouses of Pleasure Bidge Distillery

arbs all industrial interest and calls for clear statement of the Republican par- y's attitude upon this question, to the and that the trade of this country at ome and abroad may again be placed pon a sound and stable foundation. "We recognize in the movement for the free comage of silver an attempt to egrade the long-established standard of our monetary system, and hence a blow to the public and private credit, at once of the fore is a prospect of interna- lonal agreement as to silver comage, and while gold remains the standard of he United States and of the civilized world, the Republican party of New York declares itself in favor of the firm and honorable maintenance of that stand- ard."	\$50,000,000, less than in 1893. The last reports from Cuba an- nounce that Gen. Weyler has ordered that the insurgents be treated as bandits. This is in accordance with proclamations heretofore issued. This action of Gen. Weyler is en- dorsed by public sentiment in Spain, and presumably by the home gov- ernment. In the early stages of the discussion of the belligerency reso- lutions in Congress, Weyler held his bloodhounds in check, for he was somewhat in awe of public sentiment in this country, but when Senator	There is a five year-old girl in De- troit, Mich., who composes music. A bright little girl, no doubt. But we have known little girls who were not near as old as that who could keep a fellow dancing around right lively, without composing a bit of music. In 1874 Switzerland abolished cap- ital punishment but there has been such an increase in the annual num- ber of murders since then that there is talk of chopping off the heads of murderers as they formerly did. There is great danger of the Mc- Kinley balloon bursting from too	ter, L. Hansen and P. N. Fick. The Fair Association. The Subscription Committee of the Wilmington Fair Association has in- vited every merchant, doctor, lawyer, li- quor dealer. etc., to meet with them next Tuesday night to discuss the proposition of holding a Fair here next Fall. The committee says that it is very essential that every citizen of Wilmington who is interested in the future welfare of the city be present. Some very plain facts will be explained and a number of enter- prises for the benefit of this section are to be discussed and it would be well for the members of the Gun Club and the Gentlemen's Driving Association to at- tend. Those interested in bicycling are also invited and in fact everybody who can substantially aid Wilmington's busi- ness interests are invited to be present. A rousing meeting of representative	has never been challenged. In entering its new volume, the STAR has reduced its subscription price to \$5 per year. "Conservative, High - Tonea and Thoroughly Able." [Biblical Recorder.] The MORNING STAR, Wilmington, ob- served its 28th anniversary March 20, with the announcement of a reduction of its annual subscription to \$5.00. It is a conservative, high-toned and thor- oughly able journal. Secretary Hoke Smith left Washing- ton, D. C., last night for points in Geor- gia, where he will engage in a joint de- bate with ex-Speaker Crisp on the finan- clal question, for the next fortnight. The Portsmouth, Va., league team	gine and she soon gave us the sound of the first railroad whistle that ever echoed at Long Creek bridge. Mr. Wallace moved it up and down the track several times, carrying myself and others on the first trip. It worked well and I understand Mr. Cavanaugh intends to commence hauling logs immediately. Every person seems glad that Mr. Cava- naugh has located his depot so near Long Creek bridge. Since this work commenced business of all kinds has increased. Mr. Cava- naugh has a large stock of general mer- chandise and sells at prices to suit the times. In fact, Mr. Editor, Long Creek is on the boom. We have a daily mail, six stores, two cotton gins and two grist mills, each run by steam, and one tur- pentine distillery. The railroad is nearly complete— about four miles—and is made in a workman-like manner. Mr. A. Pearse, the foreman, deserves much praise for laying the track and pressing the work.	prominent attorney stated to-day that the steamer Commodore would be seized by the United States Government, charged with violation of the neutrality laws. The evidence against the boat is that given by the fireman Owens the other day, when he told how the boat made a trip to Cuba and landed men and arms there. The annual rowing contest on the Thames, between Oxford and Cam- bridge Universities, was won yesterday by the Oxford boat, by a quarter of a length. Oxford's time was twenty minutes and one second; distance, four and one-quarter miles. The Committee on Ways and Means have ordered a favorable report on the bill to allow the bottling of distilled spirits in bond. The bottling is to be done in the bonded warehouses under the supervision of the Government offi- cers and without intermingling spirits of	this city, were burned to-day shortly before noon, entailing a loss of nearly a million dollars. The blaze started in warehouse No.2 and communicated to the others. Engines were seat from this city, but did not get there in time to be of any service. The property is owned by Bernheim Bros., Block, Frask & Co. and N. Block & Son, of this city. One million two hundred gallons of whiskey were stored on the premises; this was in bond. The amount of insur- ance on the property destroyed could not be learned. Rogge & Kerch, toy importers, Bal- timore, have made an assignment. Bad business and inability to make collec- tionare assigned as the cause. Liabil-	
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