

the pledges he makes. The friend of tree silver who votes for Pritch-

The Michtgan man in Washington

wanted to draw some money, of which

concluded that the sun must be dohe had a large sum in the bank, but not ing a spot business. The spot area speaking English plainly could not make covers about 68,000 miles. himselt understood. He then said he of the caucus. Some one asked him had a few small debts to pay and asked why he remained in the caucus and he ied that he had Mr. Lamb to loan him ten dollars until there as any Populist. who was ambitious to inscribe his he could go to the bank. Mr. Lamb It is difficult to say whether Cy name on the shaft of fame did it. He gave him the money and Hoffmann left | Thompson can be elected. The Repubwrote it four times, but about that licans are badly worried, and they show the store. A short time afterwards it. They profess to believe, however tha time a prying policeman spied him Hoffmann returned to the store and Pritchard is as sure a winner as ever. I again inquired for Mr. Kuck, and was all the Republicans stand by Pritchard. again informed that Mr. Kuck hadn't rewhich is extremely doubtful, he can win turned from dinner. Hoffmann comby a very small majority. But it is almost certain that Brown and two others plained of a few more private debts he will not support him. It remains to wished to pay and exhibited a receipt be seen whether the Democrate from the National Bank of Wilmington, will flock to Cy Thompson. From showing that he had forwarded a drait what can be ascertained there are several Democratic members who are opfor \$680 for collection at Cleveland, posed to him. The Democrats will Ohio, and then asked Mr. Lamb for ancaucus Monday night and finally deterother loan of twelve dollars. Mr. Lamb mine whom they will support. Maj. Grant said to day that he did not having twelve dollars in change, not think Pritchard's chances were 1mgave him a twenty-dollar bill, feelpaired. He also said : "Whatever coaing perfectly safe in doing so, and ition elects Senator Pritchard will form Hoffmann once (more left the store, an administration party. Russell will be at the head of it. Everybody will thanking Mr. Lamb for his kindness. understand what that means so far as Very soon Mr. Kuck returned from dinoffices are concerned. ner and Mr. Lamb informed him of the The Pritchard Populists are not withmoney he had loaned Hoffmann. Mr. out reward. Kuck replied that it was all right and SENATE. The Senate was called to order al perfectly safe. But as time went by and 30 o'clock this morning by Lieut. Gov. Hoffmann failed to return Mr. Lamb be-Reynolds, and after prayer by Rev. Mr came uneasy and went out to search for McNeill, of the Senate, the journal o vesterday was read and approved Hoffmann, and meeting Mr. Schmidt on Leave of absence was granted Mr. Scales the street, found out that they were both and Mr. Justice. No bills or resolutions in the "same boat," having been taken were introduced; Senators were eviin by a clever swindler. dently too deeply engrossed on the sub-The police were at once notified and ect of grip germs to draw up bills. The calendar was taken up and the affidavite sworn out for Hoffmann's arollowing bills were disposed of: rest, but he managed to get out of the Bill for relief of A. M. Venoy, excity on the alternoon Southern train. sheriff of Wilkes county, passed second He has been tracked by the authorities and third readings. Resolution to pay postoffice box rent: as far as Florence, S C. Hoffmann is adopted. described as a German about 30 years Bill for the relief of Dr. Geo. W of age, with a reddish mustache. While Walker, of Pender county, exempting in the city he stayed at the Atlantic him from the tax of \$10. Cafe. After his flight a package which By unanimous consent the Senate took up House bill repealing chapter he had left in the care of Mr. Henry 466, known as the "Assignment Act," Gieschen was opened and found to conand it passed its several readings and tain the receipt of the National Bank of was ordered to be enrolled-for ratifica-Wilmington for the bogus draft and a The Senate then adjourned until receipt from the German-American clock Monday afternoon. Trust and Savings Bank of Charleston. [Special Star Telegram.] S. C., under date of January 11, 1897, The House was in session only a few showing that this bank had received of minutes this morning. Only two unimone Jno. Baumann a draft for \$4,000. portant bills were introduced. This evidently shows that Hoffman has Hancock was announced as chairman been experimenting in Charleston. A of the Committee on Fish Interests. blank check on the Dime Savings Bank Schulken, Lusk and Nelson were apof Charleston, S. C., was also found in pointed a committee to investigate the the package. charges of fraud in Senatorial elections. It seems that Hoffmann went to the Harry Skinner attacks Cy Thompson. National Bank of Wilmington in this city and said he wished to draw on a Says he is permitting himself to be used as a tool by Butler to play a sham battle. party in Cleveland, Ohio. The cashier Republicans all allege that Butler is informed him that they could wire for seeking to destroy Thompson. They it, but Hoffmann said it was unnecessary and gave him a draft for \$680 to be forsay Butler would not permit him to be elected. It is impossible to tell what warded to Cleveland. This draft is unthe result will be. Thompson's nomidoubtedly bogus. nation caused Pritchard to both lose ANOTHER SWINDLER. and gain ground. About 8.80 o'clock last night a telephone message was received at the City [By Southern Associated Press.] RALEIGH. Jan 16 .- The Tribune will Hall asking that an officer be sent down rint to-morrow an interview with Col. to the Palace Bakery, corner Second Harry Skinner, member of Congress. and Market streets. Sergeant of Police who is here supporting the candidacy of Senator Pritchard, in which Col. Skinner Gore went down to the bakery and was informed by Mr. W. A. Farriss, the proasserts it as his calm and considerate prietor, that there was a man stopping at adgment that Pritchard will be elected the Bonitz House whom he (Farriss) on the first ballot next Tuesday. He knew to be a confidence man and would declares that the Pritchard Populists probably try to work off forged checks, are stronger than they were yesterday. He was registered at the Bonitz under an alias, R. F. Lee, of Raleigh. Serand that there is absolutely no defection geant Gore at once went and notified in the Republican ranks. He claims Chief Melton, who happened to be at that there have been four accession from the Populist majority caucus be the Opera House at the time. Chief Melton and Sergeant Gore learned from | sides State Senator Odom, who declared Mr. Dick Hines, a clerk at the Bonitz in writing to day his intention to supmonths, at 4 o'clock yesterday after- Hotel, that the man Lee had been with port Pritchard. On the other hand two

ty caucus last night. He announced while in there that he was not for Pritchard and would not abide by the action

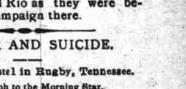
corner Sixth and Red Cross; D. Steljes, Dr. Huske finished his long and useful life Thursday night at half past 11

REV. JOSEPH CALDWELL HUSKE, D. D.

MURDER AND SUICIDE. Market and Water: E. P. H. Strunck, 501

Tragedy at a Hotel in Bugby, Tennessee. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. CHATTANOOGA, Jan, 16 .- At Rugby,

Tenn., on the Cumberland plateau



and this contest instead of being an exception has been conspicuous for trickery.

apecially rivals in the same party, al-

ways a good deal of trickery, plot-

ting and counter plotting resorted to,

On the Populist side Marion Butler and Harry Skinner and Cy Thompson have been playing their hand as cunningly and cleverly as they knew how, while on the Repub. hcan side Pritchard, Dockery and Mott have been playing theirs, with others who are playing sly, saying nothing, but keeping their eyes open and watching the movements on the board, hoping that some false move may be made that will open the way for them to come in and carry off the stakes.

There is more in Butler's antagonism to Pritchard than the latter's position on the silver question. Among other reasons why he asked to preside over the Treasury. should desire the defeat of Pritchard is that .Pritchard is supported by Harry Skinner, who carried those bolting Populists with him in to their rebellion against Butler's dicof tatorship. To beat Pritchard will also be to beat-Skinner and triumph who is to be so closely identified over the revolting combine. That with it and have so much influence means for Butler more than it may in shaping it will be noted and taken seem at a glance, for with a revolt as indications in advance. His first in his own State and Tom Watson soured, filled with venom and throwing hot shot at him from Georgia, Butler will have to fight to retain the position he has occupied in the leadership of his party. Defeat for him means annihilation, and no one knows that better than he. Hence he will have recourse to all the strategy and trickery of which he is capable to carry his point and name the next Senator.

But Butler's trickery is respectable compared with what Pritchard has stooped to. There is a difference between shrewd planning, cunning, and false pretence made either to deceive others or to give others a pretext to deceive their constituents and be traitors to their party. Every one who takes an interest in politics and knows anything of Senator Pritchard's political record knows that he is not a manof any fixed political principles. He publicly proclaimed this himself two years ago, when in the Republican convention at Raleigh he declared that he was willing to hold his "principles in abeyance" and fuse with the Populists to defeat the Democrats and get control of the State. As a result of that abeyance of principle he became the fusion candidate for Senator, when the fusionists got control of the Legislalature, and by pledging himself to support the Populist demand for free silver got their votes for

ard on the strength of these pledges is very much in need of a guardian. They amount to nothing.

MINOR MENTION.

or does anything to amelio-

rate the condition of the peo-

ple who have risen in re-

volt against oppression he could not

at this time have taken a more effec-

tual way to do. it, for every one

knows that it was only the attitude

of the people of this country, and

their sympathy with the Cubans

his own platform or prove false to

and it cost him \$20, \$5 a write. Am-It seems to be settled that Senaor Sherman is to be Mr. McKinley's bitious Michigan men should always' provide themselves with a copy of Secretary of State, which is doubtess particularly gratifying to Wm. the town ordinances when they visit McKinley and to Mark Hanna, for strange towns.

t enables the former to aid the lat-Mr. W. C. Dowd, of the Charlotte ter on the line of his ambition, and News, has purchased the Charlotte thus show his appreciation of the Democrat and will continue the pubvaluable services of Mr. Hanna, and lication of that paper, Mr. Bryant t opens and makes easy the way of going to the staff of the Observer, the latter to the United States Senwith which he was formerly conate, which he prefers to a place in nected. The Democrat is a well esthe Cabinet. It is somewhat retablished paper, and has for years markable, though, in view of Senabeen one of the best weeklies in the tor Sherman's reputation in his party State.

as a great financier, that he was not A Kentucky woman enjoys the distinction of having changed hus-But perhaps he was, and preferred bands seven times and religions five the other. Of course there will be times. As she is yet in the prime of more or less speculation as life there is a prospect that she may what the foreign policy catch up on religions. the next administration will be, and the expressions of the man

Australasia is short on wheat this year. She usually has about 12,-000,000 bushels for export but will have to import 5,000,000 bushels this year.

utterance is not calculated to give We are indebted to the Philadelmuch cheer to Cuba, for he is quoted as saying that while he believes that phia Ledger for its almanac for 1897, which contains much valuable statisthe Spanish Government will institical and other information, tute important reforms in the government of the island and make con-

Mr. C. W. Fairbanks, who will cessions to the Cubans he couples succeed Senator Voochees, as U.S. that statement of opinion with the Senator from Indiana, is a mil declaration that he is "not in favor lionaire. He is also a Republican. of intervention in Cuba." If Mr.

Senator Butler is the youngest Sherman's purpose had been to in-Senator, 33 years old, but Candidate form Spain that this Government Pritchard thinks he is old enough to doesn't care a continental whether she institutes reforms in Cuba or not, know better.

> The inauguration of the Governor of Colorado cost only \$3.50, and yet that may have been more than it was worth.

As a proper precaution against contingences, &c., McKinley has had his life insured for \$50,000.

Formerly of Wilmington.

Mr. Samuel R. Birdsey, whose business failure at Ocala, Florida, was announced in the telegraphic department of the STAR yesterday, is well known in Wilmington, where he formerly lived and was senior partner in the dry goods house of Birdsey & Robinson. Both Mr. Birdsey and his wife, who is a daughter of the late John W. Sanford, of Fayetteville, have many friends here who regret to hear of Mr. Birdsey's trouble.

The STAR is pained to apnounce the death of Mrs. John H. Hardin, which took place after an illness of several o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. James Pearce, three miles from Fayetteville, N. C.

Joseph Galdwell Huske was born in Fayetteville, in the year 1823. His father. Mr. John Huske, was a substantial merchant and one of the most prominent citizens of the upper Cape Fear. He received his early training in Fayetteville at the Academy of Mr Stewart, by whom many of the old boys of Wilmington were prepared for college. Mr. Huske graduated from Chanel Hill with honors in the class of 1848. He turned to the ministry for his life work, spent several years in preparation for holy orders and was orfained by Bishop Ives in 1847. He was sent by the Bishop to take charge of the two widely separated parishes, Lumberton and Morganton.

In 1849 he married Margaret, only daughter of Hon. Robert Strange, of Fayetteville, and for thirty-three years this happy couple lived in perfect love and peace together

In 1851 Mr. Huske was called to St. John's church, Fayetteville, the church of his childhood. Here he ministered as the wise rector and beloved pastor for thirty-six years. Increasing infirmities caused him to give up the charge of St. John's ten years ago, and since then he has been rector emeritus. Not content with an honorary title and wellearned rest for his old age, Dr. Huske has been doing active missionary work in and near Fayetteville during this whole period. Only last Spring a beautiful little church, the outgrowth of his missionary enthusiasm. was consecrated by the Bishop of the Diocese.

From his entrance into the ministry Mr. Huske took a prominent part in all kinds of church work. He was on the important committees in' the diocese, and was for many years a delegate to the General Convention. His Alma Mater conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon him more than twenty years ago. He has been President of the Standing Committee of East Carolina

since its creation into a diocese. His whole life has been spent among his own people, and no man was ever more truly beloved or more highly respected. Single-hearted and free from ambition, his Bishop and fellow clergy have forced upon him every honor he would accept.

While staunch in his own convictions, he was so full of human kindliness that men of every school of religious opinion loved and respected him. Sprung from the best blood of the State, yet so wide in his sympathies and simple in his manners that black and white, poor and rich, have been eager to

do him reverence. C. F. & Y. V. RAILROAD. The Report Hearing of the United States

Circuit Court-Judge Simonton Gave No Intimation That His Decred Would Be For Sale of the Road in Its Entirety.

Judge C. H. Simonton left for his home, Charleston, S. C., yesterday afternoon.

At no time during the session of the Court did anything fall from him intimating that his decree would be for the sale of the C. F. & Y. V. railway as a whole, though the drift of the argument. seemed to show that such a decision might be expected. Additional ground for this expectation is found in the fact that Judge Simonton's first decree, issued after the hearing at Asheville, ex-

603 Castle, C. Valen (malt), Eighth and Brunswick; W. A. Vollers, 23 South Front; T. E. Wallace, 6 South Front; R. W. Wallace & Co., Orton Hotel; J. C. Walton, corner Seventh and Castle; A. C. Wessell, 194 Market; Louis Weil (malt), 499 Nutt: Cape Fear Club, northwest corner Front and Chesnut; J. H. Brunjes, 925 North Fourth, and Schnib-

South Fourth; J. D. Steljes, southeast

corner Grace and Water: M. Schnibben

In & Steljes, French Cafe. Mr. M. Bellamy, who was present suggested that the Board give their chairman the power to hire out county for costs. Commissioner prisoners Moore put Mr. Bellamy's suggestion in the form of a motion, which was carried Commissioner Alexander, chairman of the Bridges and Roads Committee, handed in the committee's report, which was placed on file.

The report stated that all the bridges of the county were in good condition with the exception of the bridge over Hewlett's creek on Masonboro township line, and recommended an appropriation of \$25 to repair the bridge. On motion, Commissioner Alexander

was instructed to have the bridge re paired, at a cost not to exceed \$25. Mr. F. A. Montgomery. of Masonboro

ownship, and Mr. W. B. Rhodes, of ederal Point township, appeared before the Board and asked that work on the new Federal Point road be resumed. George E. Green. of Federal Point township, also appeared before the Board and ssked that work be done on roads in his township.

Both applications were deferred unti next meeting. Commissioner Moore introduced the llowing resolution, which was adopted: Resolved. That the county treasurer e and he is hereby requested to furnish this Board at its regular meeting on the first Monday in February, 1897, the amount of county funds in his hands, together with a separate and detailed statement of the amount on hand for each particular levy and purpose; and the clerk of this Board is bereby instructed to furnish the treasurer with a copy of this resolution Mr. G. W. Linder inquired through

etter if the Board would grant a license for a grocery and liquor store on the northeast corner of Seventh and Nun streets. Owing to its proximity to St. Luke's M. E. church, the Board would tot grant license.

Mrs. C. Ketchum was allowed as elief from the county the amount of her axes on her residence. The Board at 5 80 o'clock adjourned until Monday, February 1st, at 2.80 p. m The current expenses of the county of New Hanover for the year 1895 were \$47.859.54; for 1896, \$50.838 59. The expenses of the City Hospital last year were \$6,139.6 4; of the out-door poor \$5,785.98; of the Poor House, \$2,366.83.

Powers, Gibbs & Co.

The announcement of Powers, Gibbs & Co., manufacturers of high grade fertilizers, appears in the STAR to-day Their plant near this city is one of the argest in the South, and is complete in all of its appointments. The business is conducted in a thoroughly systematic manner and the success of the firm is conclusively established by the fact that there was an increase of fifty per cent. in he sales of 1896.

Dity Markets. There was a fair supply of country produce for sale yesterday. Sweet po-

tatoes were scarce and consequently were higher than usual. Eggs sold for 15 and 16% cents per dozen. Prices of other articles were as follows: Meats-Pork, 10c; hoghead cheese,

10c; steak, loin, 19%c; round, 10c; chuck.

Barbara, Cal.

ninety miles from Chattanooga, Benjamin Davies, proprietor of the Tabard Inn, and his wife were yesterday morning found dead in bed, the former with a bullet hole in the temple. The woman's head had been almost severed by a

butcher knife. The children occupied the next room. They were not disturbed during the night, however, and in the morning went to their parents' chamber as usual. as was their custom to dress, but found the door locked. In alarm they ran down stairs. The hotel clerk climbed over the transom and entered the room. Man and wife lay side by side on the bed. They had been dead some hours.

A pistol and a bloody knife were found near. At the Coroner's inquest the nost mortem discovered traces of poison in Davies' stomach. The drug which Davies took may have caused him to take his wife's life, then his own. He is a native of Brooklyn, N. Y., and was recently a head clerk at the Gibson House in Cincinnati

HAVANA ADVICES.

Spanish Reports of Military Operations-Weyler Has Ordered Grinding of Cane in Pinar Del Rto Province.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, Jan. 16 .- A summary of the military operations of the last twentyfour hours, according to official reports issued to-day, shows that the troops are continuing their skirmishing tactics in____ the provinces of Pinar del Rio, Havana, Matanzas and Santa Clara. The aggregate losses of the rebels cannot be ascertained, but they left fifty-two of their dead on the several fields battle. The total losses of the troops were two officers and fifteen privates wounded. Capt. Gen. Weyler has ordered the beginning of grinding in the Pinar del Rio province, and is organizing forces for the protection of the men engaged in the work, to be paid by the owners of the estate, abolishing the system of payment by the State. The gathering of the crop for grinding, according to the order, will begin within eight days. The scope of the order will later be extended to include the provinces of Havana and Matanzas, and

in the near future the order will be put into effect in the province of Santa Clara.

U. S. WARSHIPS.

Movement Vessels of the Asiatio Squadron.

By Telegraph to the Morning WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16 .- The ruiser Detroit, which has been ordered to return to San Francisco from the Asiatic station, and the gunboat Yorktown, left Shanghai to-day for Nagasaki, where the other vessels of the fleet will rendezvous in order to send home on the Detroit all the enlisted men whose terms have expired. The Petrel, now at Mare Island, will relieve the Detroit and will take out an extra compl of long term men for the fleet. The flagship San Francisco, of the American squadron, arrived at Genoa vesterday. The coast defence vessels Monterey and Monadnock have reported at Santa

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Near Moriolk, Va., and at Wash Woods, North Carolina,

and the intimations of intervention hat forced Spain up to the point of expressing a willingness to grant concessions to put an end to the war. And now Mr Sherman, who is to succeed Mr. Ol ney, virtually assures Spain that she has nothing to fear from interven tion by this Government, and that she can go on with her devastating, throat-cutting business until she gets

tired of it or the strugglers for free-Death of Mrs. John H. Hardin. dom are exterminated. This is an-

other illustration of the proverbial cold-bloodedness of John Sherman.

