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DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES. First District—Hon. George H. Brown, of Beaufort.

- List of names for Superior Court Judges across five districts.

LOOKING FOR PEACE.

As far as Spain and the people of Spain are concerned, the indications multiply that they are becoming more and more anxious for peace.

MINOR MENTION.

A Madrid dispatch published yesterday, speaking of the growing peace sentiment, says the military men are not for peace, because they are convinced that the Spanish position is strong enough at Santiago to repel Americans both by land and sea.

A FITTING TRIBUTE.

What the Tammany Times has to say of the late Sol C. Well. The following tribute to the memory of the late Sol C. Well accompanied by an excellent full length illustration, appears in a recent issue of the Tammany Times.

MOVEMENT OF TRUCK.

Large Shipments of Beans and Potatoes from Newbern.

The Journal says: "There is a heavy movement of potatoes and beans from here to Northern markets."

Some of the Republican organs have shown a very narrow, partisan spirit in their references to and comments upon William J. Bryan since the war with Spain began.

Correction. Messrs. Latham, Alexander & Co., New York, estimate the decrease in cotton acreage in the United States for 1898 at 54 per cent, or 1,355,000 acres.

Respectfully Submitted. The "convention" that nominated Col. Foster as Governor for Congress had a negro chairman and negro secretaries.

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SEVERE HAIL STORM.

Hailstones as Large as Walnuts—Many Panes of Glass Broken in Skylights and Green Houses.

Only the oldest inhabitants remember having seen such a hail storm as visited the city yesterday between half-past 3 and 4 o'clock.

The storm did not cover a wide area. There was only a little hail at Bradley's creek, and in some parts of the city it was not so severe as in others.

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Mrs. Eliza Street Robeson Dies at an Advanced Age. [Star Correspondence.] Mrs. Eliza Street Robeson, resident of John A. Robeson, died at the residence of her son, David G. Robeson, Esq., in Red Springs, June 8, 1898.

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FRUIT AND TRUCK GROWERS.

Important Meeting of Officials and Others of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association.

A joint meeting of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee and the officers of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association was held yesterday at The Orion.

The finance of the association were discussed at length. Messrs. G. W. Westbrook, T. J. Armstrong and S. H. Strange were appointed a committee with instructions to settle up the finances of the association and report at the next meeting.

On motion, each director was instructed to notify his local association that payment of annual dues must be made on or before June 30th.

It was decided to have the next annual meeting in this city on Tuesday, June 21, at 12 o'clock M.

Decrease in the United States Estimated at Five and a Half Per Cent. Messrs. Latham, Alexander & Co., New York, estimate the decrease in cotton acreage in the United States for 1898 at 54 per cent.

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GALLANT HOBSON AND HIS HEROES.

Story of Their Daring Adventure in the Harbor of Santiago de Cuba.

HOW AFFAIR WAS PLANNED.

Its Successful Accomplishment—Preliminary Work—Men Eager to Volunteer—The Narrow Channel Completely Blocked.

OFF SANTIAGO DE CUBA, 5:07 A. M. via Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 4, per the Associated Press Dispatch Boat Dauntless (delayed in transmission).

The Spanish fleet is now hopeless, being held captive in Santiago de Cuba harbor. The narrow channel leading into the harbor was completely blocked early this morning.

Oscar Deigan is a coxswain of the Merrimac. He has served four years in the navy. He is 38 years of age and resides at Lowell, Mass.

John Kell is a water-tender, about 35 years old. H. Clausen, who slipped on board the Merrimac without permission, in order to take part in the expedition, is a coxswain of the New York.

The Merrimac's deck crew consisted of green hands and shipped recently for the war. The Merrimac crew numbered 600 men and boys when she was scuttled at the channel.

From the crowded decks of the New York nothing could be seen of the Merrimac. Only the hulls and masts showed against the dark background of the hills.

At 5 o'clock the streams of smoke were seen against the western shore. The Merrimac's crew were in the rigging, and a few minutes later she was seen to sink.

At 5:15 A. M. the launch came alongside the flag ship; but she did not have on board any of the crew of the Merrimac.

At 6 o'clock the Admiral and Flag Lieutenant Stanton got into the launch to make an inspection of the Merrimac. The working gangs were still on board of her, and on board the New York the officers of the flag ship stood on the quarter-deck, their glasses focused on the big, black hull that was to form an impassable obstacle for the Merrimac's crew.

At 10 o'clock the Admiral and Flag Lieutenant Stanton got into the launch to make an inspection of the Merrimac.

leave the Merrimac a wreck, lying across the channel which is not so broad as the Merrimac is long.

"On deck there will be four men and myself. In the engine room there will be two other men. This is the total crew and all of us will be in our underwear with our rifles and our ammunition in waterproof packing strapped around our waists."

The man in the engine room will break open the sea connections with a sledge-hammer and will follow his leader into the water.

By this time I calculate the six men will be in the dingy and the Merrimac will have swung athwart the channel to the length of her masts.

"Ah! That is another thing" said the lieutenant. "A Desperate Undertaking. He was so interested in the mechanical details of the scheme that he scarcely dropped to talk of life and death."

When finally Hobson went on board the Merrimac last night he had been without sleep since Wednesday morning.

The preliminary work of this desperate undertaking was a strain upon the officers and men. On Wednesday morning directly after Rear Admiral Sampson's arrival and as soon as he was certain the Spanish fleet was in the harbor, the preparations to scuttle the Merrimac in the channel were commenced.

The news of the intended expedition traveled quick as lightning. The fleet and it soon became known that volunteers were needed for a desperate undertaking.

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