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#### GETTING UP A SCARE.

We have heretofore quoted from the utterances of leading Republicans extracts to show that they have very grave doubts as to their ability to elect their Presidential ticket next Fall. They are not only fearful of that, but of their ability to elect Congressmen enough to give them a majority in the next Congress. With the Presidency in danger, and and Congress in danger it is not surprising that they should feel in a somewhat uncomfortable frame of

The persistence shown by the delegates in the Philadelphia convention in nominating Roosevelt for the Vice Presidency in the face of his repeated declarations that he did not want the nomination and would not accept it, declarations reiterated after the delegates had assembled, and with apparent earnestness and sincerity, was practically an admission that the hope of the ticket depended upon Roosevelt, and therefore he was virtually compelled to yield his wishes to theirs and permit them to utilize him to save Mc-Kinley and the party.

But now that they have Roosevelt they do not feel any easier than they did before and realize that they may still be defeated, with all of Mr. McKinley's alleged popularity and "statesmanship" and Roosevelt's cowboy hataud Rough Rider prestige, which he has been working so industriously. Now after the huzzaing and the panoramic performance at Philadelphia they are beginning the scare game to make the Republicans hustle and draw the gold men to the support of Mc-Kinley. The Washington correspondent of the New York Tribune sends, under date of June 30th, an elaborate wail and a warning of the dangers ahead, which summed up means that the Democrats may not only elect the ticket nominated at Kansas City, but also capture the next Congress and make the Senate so close by March, 1901, that it may be controlled by the casting vote of the Vice President, thus imperilling the gold standard. The

letter leads off thus: "'One of the most serious difficulties of the impending campaign, so far as the Republicans are concerned, is the almost universal belief that the harmony question cannot be reopened, except as a subject of academic debate. for the next four years at least,' recently remarked Chairman Babcock, of the Republican Congressional Committee, who is about to open his fourth eampaign in that capacity. He keenly realizes, as well as do all other mor sagacious and experienced Republican leaders, that a Bryan victory this year would almost inevitably give the silver men control of both branches of Congress on March 4th, 1903, at the latest, and might possibly produce that result on March 4th, 1901. And a Bryan victory may be won this year unless a majority of the voters of the country can be disabused of the belief that such a result would not endanger the gold standard legislation of the LVIth Congress.

After calling attention to the way the Democrats in 1898 reduced the Republican majority in Congress elected in 1896, in consequence of the apathy and overconfidence of the gold men, he enumerates the States in which Senators are to be elected, in the majority of which he thinks the Democrats will be succossful if Bryan is elected, making the Senate possibly stand next year 46 for the gold standard to 44 against, with the possibility of an anti-gold Senator being chosen from New Hampshire and Illinois, making the Senate a tie, when the casting vote of a silver Vice President would decide if there should be a movement, as there would be, for the repeal of honor. But when it comes to livthe gold standard. But going to 1903 ing up to the teachings of these he thus proceeds to show how reasonably certainly the Democrats are to control the Senate in the 58th Congress, which begins March 4th,

"That the election of Bryan to the Presidency this year would result in a silver majority in the Senate in the LVIIIth Congress, which will come in on March 4, 1903, seems to be reasonably certain. Among the Republican Senators whose terms will expire on March 3, 1903, are the following: Perkins, of California; Mason, of Illinois; Fairbanks, of Indiana; Deboe, of Kentucky tucky; Wellington, of Maryland; Platt, of New York; Pritchard, of North Carolina; Hansbrough, of North Dakota; Foraker, of Ohio, and Kyle, of South Dakota. At least three of these Dakota Wellington these—Deboe, Wellington and Pritch-ard—will be succeeded by silver Sena-tors, in all probability, in case Bryan for the war in China.

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of the others will be in serious danger. "In Indiana only one Republican (Benjamin Harrison) was elected to the United States Senate between 1875 and 1897, and in that entire period of twenty two years both Senatorships were held by Democrats for twenty for twenty years with only one break of two years' duration. It has been only since march 4, 1899, that both seats have been occupied by Republi-cans, since Joseph E. McDonald was elected to succeed Daniel Pratt in 1875. The election of Bryan to the Presidency in 1900 would indicate a proba-

bility of the election of a Democrat to succeed Senator Fairbanks in 1903. "From 1869 to 1897, a period of twen-ty-eight years, one of the Ohio seats in the United States Senate was occupied by a Democrat, and from 1879 to 1881 both of them were so occupied. It has been only since the beginning of the present administration that both have been occupied by Republi cans since the reconstruction period.

From 1875 to 1899 the Democrats held one of the New-Jersey seats in the Senate, and for four years both of them were so held. For the first time in a quarter of a century Republicans now hold both of the Senatorships rom that State

From 1891 to 1899 New York was reresented in the Senate by two Democrats for four years, and by one Re publican and one Democrat for the rest of the period. If Bryan should be elected President this year, and especially if New York should contribute electorial vote to that result, Senator Plattt't successor in 1903 in all proba bility would be a Democrat.

A careful survey of these facts and probabilities will tend to convince almost anybody that a Bryan victory this year would result in the repeal of the Gold Standard law before end of his Administration by the concurrent action of Congress and the Executive, and that the prevalent belief that "the financial question is settled for four years at least" is a fallacious one.

This is interesting reading coming from such a stalwart Republican organ as the Tribune, and while the purpose is apparent it still presents some interesting facts and figures to show that the silver question is by no means a hopelessly dead issue. As the desperate clinging to Roosevelt was a virtual declaration that he was the hope of the party, this doleful exhibit is a virtual confession that that the dependence of both McKinley and Roosevelt is upon the gold men, if they would save them and preserve the gold standard, which is in imminent danger of being wiped out. This is equivalent to telling the gold standard people that if they would prevent trouble and elect Mc-Kinley, they must hustle and also drop their checks into Mark Hanna's | publicans carried it by a majority of

### "THE SAME OLD SERPENT."

The advocates of forcible expansion justify their land-grabbing with the rot about "benevolent assimilation," "taking up the white man's burden," carrying civilization, christianity and progress to the be nighted, teaching them the art of self-government and how to be free and enjoy their freedom, and all that sort of stuff, which doesn't fool anybody, not even the benighted wards that the expansionists would take under their guiding care and shoot if they refuse to come in. In speaking of our acquisitions from Spain, and especially of the Philippines the platform adopted at Philadelphia promises them "the largest measure of self-government consistent with their welfare and our

duties." Of course this is mere platform rot. The men who uttered it were not giving a continental for the welfare of the people of the Philippines, nor were they thinking about our "duties." They were thinking only of gain, of what might be made by holding on to the Philippines. If they thought there would be no money in it they would drop those islands as quick as a monkey would drop a hot chestnut. In his joint discussion with Stephen A. Douglas, Abraham Lincoln anticipated this sort of rot and disposed of it as fol-

"These arguments that are made that the inferior race are to be treated with as much allowance as they are capable of enjoying; that as much is to be done for them as their condition will allow-what are these arguments? They are the arguments that kings have made for enslaving the people in all ages of the world. You will find that all the arguments in favor of kingcraft were of this class; that they always bestrode the necks of the people, not that they wanted to do it, but because the people were better off for being ridden. Turn it whatever way you will, whether it come from the mouth of a king, an excuse for enslaving the people of the country, or from the mouth of men of one race for enslaving the men of another, it is all the same old serpent."

And yet these fellows profess great admiration for Lincoln, whom they are in the habit of comparing to George Washington, as one of the men worthy of everlasting men that interfere with landgrabbing schemes and the money there may be in it, they draw the line there.

There is a man in Ohio who is making money in the skunk breeding industry. We mention this for the benefit of some of the black supremacy supporters in this State, who might find this a congenial occupation after they have been retired from politics.

Col. McClure, of the Philadelphia Times, talks like a man who would did in 1896. They have a right to see the McKinley administration go do that, but they should throw off to smash before he would volunteer the Democratic disguise and do it in

#### wins this year, and the seats of several NO WHITE MEN DISFRANCHISED CORPORATION ASSESSMENTS.

It has been alleged by the opponents of the constitutional amendment in this State that the constitutional amendment of Louisiana, after which our amendment is modelled, disfranchises illiterate white men. We have published several statements from prominent citizens of Louisiana contradicting this, and showing that under the amendment in that State no white native is disfranchised. Here is another contradiction by a former resident of this State who for years has been a resident of Louisiana. We clip from the Chatham Record of last

"In a speech made by this writer at Merry Oaks on last Friday, we proved by a credible witness that the Amend. ment in Louisiana had not disfranchised any illiterate native born white voters but had given general satisfac-

"The witness who proved this is Major W. H. Mears, who was born and reared in this county (near Haywood) but has been living in Louisiana for over thirty years, and is now visiting relatives in Chatham. He is a gentleman of much intelligence and nigh character, and what he says may be implicitly believed.

"Major Mears, in answer to questions, stated to the audience that the Louisiana amendment (which is simi lar to our proposed amendment) had not disfranchised a single, solitary, illiterate white voter, but that all such illiterates registered and voted just the same as the most highly educated. He also stated that everybody, both white and black, were perfectly satis-fied with the amendment and nobody had ever made the slightest attempt to declare it unconstitutional.

"Now, this is not hearsay evidence nor a 'Democratic lie,' but is the direct and positive evidence of a creditable witness, who testifies of his personal knowledge that which he knows. I the opponents of the amendment do not believe this, they would not be convinced though one rose from the

There is not a single Southern State in which qualified suffrage prevails where the white man has been disfranchised, nor one where there has been any complaint made by white men against the suffrage laws. This is prima facie evidence that the white men of those States are satisfied with these laws.

#### THE NEGRO IN OREGON

Oregon is a Republican State. At the election a few weeks ago the Reabout 10,000. At the same election there was an Amendment submitted to the voters to repeal the following section in the State Constitution:

"No free negro or mulatto not residing in this State at the time of the adoption of this constitution shall come, reside or be within this State, or hold any real estate, or make any contracts, or maintain any suits therein and the Legislative Assembly shall provide by penal laws for the removal by public officers, of all such negroes and mulattoes, and for their effectual exclusion from the State, and for the punishment of persons who shall bring into the State or employ or har bor them therein.'

The amendment was defeated and this section stands. It has not been strictly enforced and has been practically inoperative, but the voters, although the Republicans were about 10,000 in the majority, refused to amend it because they thought it would be construed as letting down the bars and inviting negroes into that State where they

are not wanted. We haven't seen any comment by Republican papers in the North on this action of the Oregon yoters, but if they had cast a Democratic majority the probabilities are that the organs would have had a good deal to say about it, as they have about the efforts to restrict the negro vote in the South in the interest of good

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Times declares that neither Secretaries Hay, Root nor Long will dare assert that the administration war upon China is constitutional. But when was the constitution ever an obstacle to prevent a Republican administration from doing what it wanted to do?

A French paper publishes a report from Vardo, on the Northern coast of Finland, that Andre who in July, 1897, started for the North Pole in a balloon, has been rescued. His friends have for some time given him up as dead, and consequently they are somewhat skeptical about this French story from Vardo.

The New York Herald has recently been publishing some capital anti-imperial editorials. But the trouble with the Herald is that when it gets a good start on something in which there is marrow it suddenly switches off on some other

The New York World tells of a young man laid up in hospital with a broken neck, but is still cheerful. There are a good many men who would not be cheerful if their necks were broken, but their neighbors would be.

Mr. H. H. Hanna, of Indianapolis, Ind., says the gold Democrats will support McKinley again as they an honest way.

Valuation of Properties of Railroad, Tele-

graph, Telephone and Other Companies in the State.

Special Star Telegram. RALEIGH, N. C., June 30.-Properties of the Seaboard Air Line, the Atlantic Coast Line and the Southern Railway Company are assessed at practically the same as for the year 1899; the only difference being in the value of rolling stock and depot property. The valuation of property of the Atlantic Coast Line Company was fixed at \$13,864,000, which is an increase of \$55,104. The property of the Southern Railway was valued at \$15,447,682; an increase of \$176,829 over the assessment last year. The property of the Seaboard Air Line Company was placed at \$8,493,321, which is a decrease of \$348,298 as compared with the valuation of last year. This decrease is due to the decrease in value of rollng stock and depot property as given in by this road. The assessed value of miscellaneous roads is \$4,418,837; an increase of \$120,000.

The value of the Western Union Telegraph Company's property in this State was fixed at \$1,000,000, exactly as in 1899. The property of the Postal Telegraph Company was fixed at \$50,000. Miscetlaneous telegraph companies were assessed at a valuation of

The Bell Telephone Company was assessed at \$22,224. The Interstate Telephone Company was assessed at \$9,-240. The miscellaneous telephone companies, assessed \$18,036, Making the total assessment for the telephone companies of the State \$49,000. Other transportation companies of

the State were assessed as follows: Steamboat companies \$260,704; Pullman company, \$150,833; refrigerator ompanies, \$260,000. The roads will be allowed a hearing

on Wednesday, July 18th. New roads taxed this year for the first time are as follows: Mt. Airy and Eastern, five miles; Longdale, nine miles; Carolina and Northern, nine miles; Linville River road, twelve

miles, and the Eastern Carolina road,

eight miles. Their values are included in miscellaneous roads. The total valuation of railroad. steamboat, telegraph and telephone property in the State this year is \$44,-007,426. Total last year, \$43,771,692. Difference, \$235,824.

### RURAL DELIVERY ROUTES.

Mr. Bellamy Has Practically Secured An other for New Hanover County-Other Routes in District.

Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy yesterday received a letter from Special Agent W. C. Latimer, of the Postoffice Department, stating that he had been ordered by the authorities to report on his investigation of the practicability of establishing free rural mail delivery routes at Gibson, Scotland county, Monroe, Union county, and Huntersville, Mecklenburg county. Mr. Bellamy has given his endorsement of these applications and the routes will likely be established leading from the points indicated.

Mr. Bellamy has also endorsed a recommendation by Mr. Latimer for another route in New Hanover county, which will without a doubt be put into effect as soon as possible. The new route in addition to that mentioned a few days ago will be from Wilmington to the National cemetery, thence via Delgado mills to the farms of Messrs. Kiah Bonham and W. A. Riach, to the second toll house, thence along the Masonboro turnpike by the farms of Messrs. Mc-Eachern, Montford, Sneed, Wagner and Hewlett, thence along the Sound road to Biddle's store in Federal Point township to plantations of Messrs. Keyes, Stein, Martindale, Bid dle and back to the postoffice. Mr. Bellamy is confident the route will be established. He has been exceedingly fortunate in securing a large number of these free routes for his district and the people are to be congratulated upon receiving the service.

TOURNAMENT GRAND STAND.

#### Contract Awarded Yesterday-On Masket Street Plaza-Other Notes.

The Firemen's Tournament execu ive committee awarded the contract yesterday for erecting a grand stand along the plaza on Market street, where the contests will take place to Mr. F. A. Applegate. All the lumber for the stand has been engaged and some of it is already on the ground. The stand will extend from Seventh street to Eighth and will seat about 1,200 people. The work will be completed by to day week. A letter was received yesterday from Winston's hook and ladder team saying they would he here. Asheville hook and ladder team and Henderson's hose wagon team have arranged to come.

# Very Large Cargo.

The schooner Bayard Burns, 954 tons, Capt. Mehaffey, which cleared yesterday, is loaded with the largest cargo of cross ties ever carried from this port. She carries the equivalent of 78 train car loads and is bound for New York. The vessel and cargo are by Messrs. George Harriss, Son & Co.

- The current number of the Boston Boot and Shoe Recorder con tains an excellent cut of Mr. Alex. S. Holden. Mr. Holden contribas Shoe Clerk,"

#### PLANS OF THE FUSIONISTS. THE SALE OF A COUNTY.

The Republicans and Populists Will Fight Chiefly to Capture the Legislature. Chairman Simmons Warning.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., June 28.-Chair man Simmons said to-day that it was evident the Republicans and their allies, the Populists, were making their fight chiefly to capture the Legislature. The most of their work is being done in close counties, the senatorial districts of the west and the white counties of the east. They are paying very little attention to the strong Democratic counties or the black counties. They don't hope to defeat the amendment at the polls, but they are using the amendment to stir up as much prejudice as they can and to mislead uneducated white voters, hoping thereby to strengthen their legislative ticket.

Continuing, Mr. Simmons said he had discovered a well laid plan on the part of the fusionists to defeat the amendment even though the people may give it an overwhelming majority at the polls. The plan, he said, is this: "If they can capture the Legislature, when that body comes to canvass the yote for the amendment they will have it arranged to throw out the entire vote of county after county, upon some trumped-up charge of fraud or intimidation, until it has thrown out enough votes to overcome the majority for the amendment, and then it will declare that it has been defeated. They will throw out the vote from nearly every county in the Second and Sixth districts that may give a majority for the amendment, and if that is not enough, they will continue to throw out votes until they get enough."

# CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION

Third District Democrats at Payetteville Nominated Hon. C. R. Thomas for Reelection-Presidential Elector.

[Special Star Correspondence.] FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., June 28 .-The Democratic Convention of the Third Congressional District met in the Court House here to-day at 12:30 o'clock. Capt. J. G. Kenan, of Dup-lin, was made chairman and Mr. J. I. Underwood secretary.

Hon. J. A. Bryan, of Newbern, was called upon and made a strong speech. He appealed to the white men to stand by their race; showed the danger of negro rule and paralleled the two races, referring to what each has done -the white man everything; the negro nothing. He gave the political history State and showed what the county election law did for North Carolina. His picture of negro rule in Craven was graphic. He told of how white ladies were insulted and assault ed in his city under negro domina-

C. C. Lyon, Esq., of Bladen, also addressed the convention. General Battle, of Newbern, placed in re-nomination for Congress from the Third District Hon. Charles R. Thomas, of Newbern, and upon seconds of Hon. W. S. Cook and I. A. Murchison, both of Fayetteville, the nomination was made by acclamation. Capt. James D. McNeill, of Cumberland, placed in nomination for presidential elector Hon. H. L. Cook, of Cumberland. F. A. Howard, Esq. of Sampson, nominated Hon. E. W Kerr, of Sampson. Mr. Kerr with drew his name and seconded the nomi nation of Mr. Cook, asking that the nomination be made by acclamation, which was done.

Messrs. Thomas and Cook each dressed the convention in ringing speeches and at 3 o'clock P. M. the convention adjourned.

# TRAVEL TO CAROLINA BEACH

#### Record for June Has Been Very Gratify ing-The Boat Trips Are Quite Popular.

There is no better index to the popularity of a seaside resort than the record of the transportation company leading thither and if this be accepted wtihout question Carolina Beach this seasonis growing in faver with people. Capt. J. W. Harper, the popular mas ter of the steamer Wilmington, the "State's pride," tells the STAR that for the month of June this year he has handled 1,200 more passengers to Carolina Beach than during the corresponding period last year.

This, in face of the terrible storm that devastated Wilmington's beaches last season, proves conclusively that our resorts are still in popular favar and that the people have an abiding confidence in the city and her sea-

# Pipkin's Excursion.

Mr. R. E. Pipkin, the well known excursion manager of Goldsboro, was here yesterday and perfected arrangements for his annual excursion from Wilmington to Norfolk, Washington and Baltimore, which is always liberally patronized by Wilmington people. The entire train will be for white people only and the date is Tuesday, July 24th, with train leaving the Front street station at 8:30 o'clock in the morning. The fare from Wilmington and all points south of Goldsboro to Norfolk is \$3.00 for the round trip and to Washington or Baltimore \$6.00. Mr. Pipkin secured the services while here of Mr. C. W. Polyogt as Wilmington manager and inquiry for particulars may be made to him.

# July Weather.

The following data covering a period of twenty-nine years, have been compiled from the Weather Bureau records at the Wilmington station, viz: Mean or normal temperature, 80 de-

grees. The warmest month was that of 1872 with an average of 84 degrees. The coldest month was that of 1888 with an average of 76 degrees. The uted an article in competition for highest temperature was 103 degrees, a prize on the subject: "My Experience on the 12th, 1879; the lowest was 58 degrees on the 11th, 1890.

Judge Purnell Signed an Important Order and Decree Yesterday Morning-A. B. Andrews, Jr , Commissioner.

Judge Purnell yesterday morning signed a very important decree and order in the United States Court, involving about: 150,000 acres of land in and embracing practically all of historical old Dare county, in this State. The case had been previously argued at Raleigh, and it only remained for the judge's order and signature, which was made yesterday morning as fol-'East Coast Cedar Company vs Peo-

ican Exchange Bank of Buffalo; W A. Ensign and Charles A. Ensign, trading as W. A. Ensign & Son; M. H. Brown, Bank of Commerce in Buffalo, N. Y., by Henry H. Parsons and John R. Hazell, receivers, and the Phoenix National Bank of N. Y., defendants. This cause coming on to be heard and being heard on the depositions and

ple's Bank of Buffalo, N. Y., Amer-

other proofs, after argument by counsel both for petitioners and defendants, it is now considered, adjudged and de-

(1) That the land described in the petition cannot be actually divided without great expense and injury to

the tenants in common interested. (2) That said land be sold at public action at the Court House door in Manteo, Dare county, North Carolina, after advertising for thirty days in some newspaper published at Raleigh, N. C., Norfolk, Va., Balti-more, Md., New York and Elizabeth City, N. C., said land may, if the commissioner herein named decree the same feasable, be divided into five lots, by taking the natural and established outer boundaries and plotting lines from established points on Alligator river to the natural boundary on the opposite boundary and estimating the area of such lots. That after selling or offering said land for sale in lots as aforesaid, the commissioner shall offer said land as an entirety and report both sales, as in lots and as an en-tirety. Parties bidding for said land shall within ten days deposit in the registry of this court, the Citizens' National Bank, ten per cent. of the bid made for a lot or the whole of said land land or a certified check for such

"That A. B. Andrews, Jr., Esq., of Raleigh, N. C., be and he is hereby this order and decree. This cause is

#### Weather Bureau Service.

Mr. C. Grant Bigham, the new assistant weather observer at the Wilmington station, arrived from his home at Fairview, Pennsylvania, yesterday morning, but he decided after reaching here not to enter the Weather Bureau service at all and returned last evening. Mr. F. G. Tingeley, the present very clever assistant observer, will remain here indefinitely. He was originally ordered to Jacksonville, Fla., a decided promotion, but the refusal of Mr. Bingham to sign the entrance papers upset his plans and he will remain until another man is detailed here to relieve him. Mr. Tingeley had been assigned to the position at Jacksonville in place of the present incumbent who was detailed to establish a new station at Scran-

Property Transfers. Moses C. Hargrove and wife filed two deeds at the court house yester day, transferring the following property to Mrs. Elizabeth Vollers: Tract 30x150 feet on Meadow street, near the corner of Ninth; consideration, \$650; and another, 35x100 feet, on Eighth street between Market and Princess; consideration \$950.

# Board of Health Meeting.

At a meeting of the Board of Health held yesterday, Dr. Charles T. Harper, Superintendent of Health, reported 44 deaths from all causes, 26 whites, 18 colored; 15 births, 8 whites and 7 colored. Sixteen permits were issued to remove earth and 26 rooms were fumigated.

# Wake Forest College.

A special to the STAR last night, from Raleigh, says that the trustees of Wake Forest College yesterday elected S. F. Mordecai, of the law firm of Battle & Mordecai, assistant professor of law in the college.

# SEABOARD AIR LINE.

Appointment of Officials Announced-In Effect July 1st. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

Norfolk, Va., June 30.-Important

good his escape to the woods. appointments of Seaboard Air Line officials, effective July first, were announced to-night as follows: J. H. Burroughs, auditor freight receipts; Thomas H. Wright, auditor passenger receipts; J. A. Walton, statistician; T. W. Roby, comptroller; John H. Sharp, arrested. An examination of the vic treasurer; J. M. Sherwood, secretary and assistant treasurer: R. L. Nutt. cashier; W. T. Tucker, paymaster V. E. McBee, general superintendent W. T. Reed, mechanical superintendent; G. P. Johnson, superintendent of transportation; H. W. B. Glover, freight traffic manager; C. R. Capps general freight agent; O. B. Bidwell Jr., freight claim agent; L. S. Allen general passenger agent; O. D. Ball Jr., general purchasing agent. All have headquarters at Portsmouth, Va. R. S. Cheatnam, freight agent, Atlanta, Ga.; W. H. Pleasants, assistant general freight agent, Jacksonville, Fla.; A. Pope, assistant general freight agent, Savan-nab, Ga. Messrs. Cheatham, Pleas-ants and Pope will report to the general freight agent.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus re-serve, increase \$1,332,525; loans, decrease \$1,557,300; specie, increase \$456,400; legal tenders, increase \$193,800; deposits, decrease \$2,733,-300; circulation, increase \$91,500. The banks now hold \$16,859,376 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

Robert N. Oakes, suspected of complicity in the Goebel assassination, was arrested at Big Stone Gap, Va.

FESTIVITIES AT SEASHORE.

Week-End Dance Largely Attended Last

Night - 300 Guests Registered Dur-

ing the Past Week.

The week end dance at the Seashore

Hotel last night was participated in by

a large number of couples and it was a

signal success. Prof. Miller's orchestra,

as usual, discoursed many choice se-

lections. Among the participants in

the dance were Misses Della Clark,

Sarah Kenan, Mary Jennings Bellamy,

Annie B. DeRosset, Daisy Holt, Bur-

lington; Nettie Dockery and Sadie Young, Charlotte; Annie Bowden, Fannie Green, Sallie McRee, Miss Dockery, Memphis, Tenn.; Miss Fur-man, Miss.; Messrs. Chas. Brenizer, Charlotte: Goo Boscher, Will France,

Charlotte; Geo. Peschau, Will Fenner Chas. Stearnes and Davis Wills, U. of

Va.; John Moore, James Stevenson,

Richard Bradley, Henry McMillan, E.

R. Foster, Clayton Giles, R. G. Ran-kin, Jr., E. S. Battle, B. B. Jackson, Alex. Adrian, J. H. Bunting, Thomas

Among the recent prominent ar-

rivals were Miss Sadie Young, Chase

Brenizer, E. S. Reid, Charlotte; S. S.

Bachelor, B. H. Woodell, H. S. Leard,

Raleigh; Marion Cobb, Greensboro;

Raleigh; Marion Cobb, Greensboro;
A. J. McBride, Jr., Atlanta; S. A.
Boney, Florida, Miss D. L. Bryan,
Greensboro; J. C. Thomson, Fayetteville; C. Dudley DuBose, Elliott, S.
C., F. H. Smith, Baltimore; W. M.
Johnson, Mrs. Johnson, Miss Johnson, A. W. Reese and wife, Macon,
Ga; T. G. Cox, Faimton, Mass; Dr.
J. H. Hill Goldsboro; Miss Richard.

. H. Hill, Goldsboro; Miss Richard-

son, Chesterville; Miss McDaniel, Whiteville; Mrs. Ridley, Miss Ridley,

The menu at the hotel continues ex-

cellent and the culinary facilities are

ansurpassed. About three hundred

guests have registered during the past

Mr. Hinton has recently purchased

fifty new bathing suits, adding much

THE MINISTERS SAFE.

Assurances Received in Washington from

Four Separate Sources-Still No

War With China.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

nications with Pekin, news came to-

day of the fereign ministers there,

which the officials accept as accurate.

Assurances coming from four sepa-

rate sources that the ministers were

safe, bodily at least, up to five days

ago, seem to remove all doubt on that

point, while the agreement of the dis-

patches of Admiral Kempff, of U.S.

Consul Ragsdale at Tien Tsin, and

Minister Wu's advices, to the effect

that the ministers are still in Pekin.

would seem to afford a solid basis for

The news of the day, important

though it is, has not changed the pol-

icy of the government towards China.

There is nothing to show that the im-

perial government is responsible to a

tate of war. Therefore, the plan is to

push forward in the effort to bring

away the foreign ministers, doing this

side by side with the other powers, and

leaving all other questions for future

determination. If the Chinese govern-

ment ordered the attacks on our forces

then they have declared war, and it

that fact! shall be established, the

government may act accordingly. On

the other hand, if the Chinese govern-

ment was not directly a party to the

uprising, then it has demonstrated its

United States government hereafter

for the heavy injuries inflicted upon

its citizens and its interests. Mean-

while, as our commanders in China

appear to be following a proper course,

they will be left unhampered by fur-

ther instructions at this juncture, and

will not even be reinforced, unless they

The above were the conclusions

reached at a cabinet council to day.

It may be noted that Admiral

Kempff's prudent course, as set out in

the news dispatches, and in the ab-

sence of official statements, meets the

unqualified approval of the adminis-

HOMICIDES IN FLORIDA.

Cowardly Murder Near Laurel Hill-Dr.

W. S. Airith Shot by E. M. Davis

at Live Oak.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LAUREL HILL, FLA., June 30 .- For

some time a feud has existed between

Warren Martin and Walter Reeder.

They met yesterday at a cross-roads

store and after a quarrel soon decided

to fight it out with pistols. Martin

asked for time to load his gun, and

when Reeder lowered his pistol with

which he had covered Martin, the lat-

ter at once shot Reeder dead and made

LIVE OAK, FLA., June 30.-Probably

crazed by drink, E. M. Dayis shot Dr.

W. S. Airith last night in this city.

Two shots took effect in the victim's

body. The shooting caused intense

excitement, owing to the prominence

of the parties. Davis was promptly

tim's wounds showed that the only

hope for him was an operation and s

special train was chartered and Dr

feared, however, that his injuries are

UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

Pennsylvania Won the Four Mile Contest.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., June 30 .-

the history of college aquatics for

years was the 'Varsity race rowed on

the Hudson course this afternoon.

Following it was an equally exciting

two-mile brush among the freshmen

crews, and then it was so dark that the four-oared had to be postponed until

University race, distance four miles.

Contestants, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Cornell, Columbia and George-

town. Pennsylvania won. Time,

19:54 3 5. In this event there was

never at any time open water between the crews that finished first and second.

Contestants Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Columbia and Cornell.

Freshmen race, distance two miles.

Monday. Here is the record:

was taken to Atlanta. It is

There is still no war with China.

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ncapacity and must reckon with the

warranting the declaration of a

the acceptance of that statement

WASHINGTON, June 30 .- For the

Hill, Hillsboro.

Huntsville, Ala.

to the bathing facilties.

Roxboro Courier: The peach crop in this section is said to be the largest for several years. Much of this fruit will be canned.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- Lexington Dispatch: Reports come from several sections of the State to the effect that the continuous rains did much damage to wheat which had been harvested but which was standng in the fields in shocks. Much has been examed and was found to be Sprouting.

- Durham Herald: Perhaps the largest single shipment of hoisery ever made from this state was made by the Durham Hoisery mills. The shipment consisted of three solid car oads for one western firm. The cars were decorated in great shape, having streamers on both sides painted in red and blue letters.

- Whiteville News: John Creech highly respected citizen of Welch's Creek township, died at his home lew days ago at the advanced age of 80 years. — Dr. J. F. Harrell raised about ten bushels of wheat on a half acre lot just back of his dwelling. The sample shown us was certainly fine. It averaged in height all over the field

bout four feet. - Tarboro Southerner: Yesterday the body of a white woman, Mrs. Coley, was found in Swift creek, just below the Atlantic Coast Line trestle, beween Battleboro and Whitakers. Dr. S. N. Harrell, the coroner, is up there now holding an inquest. Whether there was foul play or how the death occurred could not be learned this

morning over the telephone. - Washington Progress: Taken as a whole we think that crops were never better this season of the year in the eastern section of the State. -The report of the I4 colored people drown near Makelyville recently which appeared in this paper was a mistake, so we are informed. They were thought to be lost, but later re-- Rocky Mount Motor: Mr. T.

M. Arrington, our candidate for the Senate has just returned from a trip through Nash county and reports the political outlook very good. He says the white men in Nash are nearly all for the Amendment and he thinks the few that now undecided will be for it when they hear it properly explained and understand that the whole object

is to prevent iliterate negroes from Monroe Enquirer: Henry Horn, a sixteen year old colored boy, of Marshville township, shot a negro girl in the mouth last Sunday with a pistol. Six teeth were knocked out and the jaw bone was broken. The boy claims that the shooting was accidental. - Charles Cadieu, who was sentenced to eighteen months on the chain gang for larceny in September, 1899, was pardoned by Governor Russell last Saturday, after serving nine months and nine days of his sentence.

- Greenville Reflector: Mr. Jos. McLawhorn, Constable for Contentnea township, brought Sam Cobb, a negro, from Ayden this morning and put him in jail for breaking into three nouses Tuesday and stealing some clothing and other things. Cobb, in company with another negro, robbed the houses, but the other negro escaped. Cobb was caught the night after the robbery and given a hearing before a Magistrate and bound over to court and in default of a thousand dol lar bond was brought here this morning and put in jail

- Nashville Graphic : Many of the negroes who participated in the Republican convention Monday are hot with their constituents for endorsing Mears for the Senate, after his saving in his speech in the convention "if knew the Amendment would not lisfranchise the illiterate white man, would support the measure." Some of the negroes confronted him with statement and he denied using such language. A score of good men will testify that Mears did say it. No, Mears will not support the Amendment. He is on the anxious seat for pie, and will sacrifice principle, or anything else to gratify that ambition,

- Wilson Times: Last week, at Mr. J. B. Farmer's, a lady living with him as cook, Miss Ella Driver, of Nash county, suddenly lost her mind, and for three days was insane. So violent was she for three nights Mr. Farmer slept but little. The sufferer would oam at the mouth, attempt to bite perself and others, and would scream and cry. In a few days she recovered and was sent home to Nashville. Last Wednesday, at the speaking at White Oak Springs, Mr. Farmer was told that Miss Driver had been bitten by a mad dog several months ago, and so now he fears that she must have had hydrophobia, and that there will soon be

a recurrence of the attack.

- Greenville Reflector: Mr. Frank Carr, of Greene county, was here today and told us of a shooting that occurred at Snow Hill Saturday night. Mr. Scott, foreman on the Snow Hill Standard, was going from Snow Hill out to the Standard office beyond the city limits of the town Saturady night when some one fired at him in the dark. Mr. Scott returned the shot, firing three times in the direction he supposed his assailant to be. Afterwards he thought it might be some of the boys of the town playing a joke on him and he returned to Snow Hill, but no one knew anything of it. He discovered a hole in his coat made by the bullet fired at him. No motive can be assigned for the assault except except Mr. Scott is Registrar for Snow Hill township and some one might

want to get him out of the of the way. - Tarboro Southerner: Mrs. Margaret Coley, who lived in Battleboro. ast Sunday morning left that place to visit her sister, Mrs. Nunnery, who ives on the Whitakers side of reck. This was the last seen of her till three days after, Wednesday when her body was found in the creek about wenty yards below the railroad. Yeserday Dr. S. N. Harrell, the coroner held an inquest. The jury returned as their verdict that she came to her death by murderous blows inficited by person or persons unknown to the jury. There is not evidence to justify this conclusion. It was shown that she generally carried money about with her, and this probably led to the belief that there had been foul play. There was a wound across her forehead, and the jury no doubt linked this with her carrying money. Mrs. Coley is 60 years old, and it is not impossible that n crossing the railroad trestle she fell and struck her head. When found the body was in a very advanced state of decomposition; so much so, that a thorough examination was out of the question. Buzzards had also mutilatd it, which of course, hastened decay. Mrs. Coley was not possessed of much of this world's goods. The money which she is believed to have carried about with her, was never over a few dollars. One of the most magnificent races in

> The organization of the million dollar South Florida Planting and Sugar Refining Company is completed. The corporation is being financiered by the Knickerbocker Trust Company, New York, and already half a million dollars in bonds have been sold.

> The Florida delegation to the National Democratic Convention left Jacksonville for Kansas City last night. It is understood that the delegation will favor Hill or Carter Harrisen for second place, with the preference of the majority towards Hill.