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in that contention.

ships wouldn't it be necessary to

make the subsidy perpetual? Of

course it would, or there is nothing

Again, they say that we ought to

save the \$200,000,000 or there-

abouts which we annually pay to

foreign ship owners for sea service

and pay it to American ship owners.

Well, isn't J. Pierpont Morgan, rep-

resenting an American syndicate,

buying big fleets of English ships,

to which they propose to keep on

adding? It is asserted that his

plan is to get possession of vessels

enough to control the carrying

trade between this country and

connection with the system of rail-

roads embraced in the great com-

bine which he has formed, covering

more than one-half the railroad

mileage of the whole country. Will

not the money, or the most of it,

paid for ocean service then go into

the coffers of Americans and be

saved? From the bold beginning

which Mr. Morgan has made it

looks as if the time is not far dis-

tant when the question as to who

will get the most of the \$200,000,-

000 expended for transportation

across the seas will be solved with-

But in addition to all this we are

told that it is necessary to encour-

ages American shipbbuilders, who

cannot compete with foreign ship-

IRON AND SALT.

ler, a large iron merchant Chi-

cago, and the latter by Christian

Klincke, a pork packer of Buffalo,

N. Y. They are thus, in subsistence

concerning Trusts, as he be

lieved that if they raised prices

fits competition inevitably would

arise and thus result in benefiting the

public. He said that iron and steel

products can be produced more cheaply

in the United States than abroad, and

that in his opinion the time had come

when the tariff on them could be dis-

Mr. Butler doesn't fear the Trusts

because if they get to putting prices

up too high there will be a compe-

tition; but how long would compe-

tion hold out against a combine

with a billion dollars capital, and

coal mines? Such a combine is in a

position, as long as it holds together,

He is of the opinion that the time

"In the afternoon the Commission

listened to a statement by Mr. Chris-

an extent by the Salt Trust that the

Buffalo packers had combined and

bought out the Trust salt plant at Le

could be made and freighted from that

point to Buffalo at a cost of \$3.25 per

ton, whereas they were paying the Na-

If there were no duty on salt could

the National Salt Company thus salt

Talking about successful competi-

It doesn't take much to arouse

because a young man in Camden,

N. J., who happened to live in

streets in Philadelphia they arrested

him on suspicion of being insane,

and when he offered the policeman

tional Salt Company \$5 70 per ton."

has come when the tariff on iron

dollar combine, differ from him.

Trust operates:

"Mr. Butler said he had no anxiety

insure abnormal pro-

reported by some:

out any subsidy.

wages on American and foreign STILL CHARGING IT TO BRYAN

Grant as saying:

American forces struck hard.

and knew that his election meant

American retreat. The Tagal assist-

ants in the United States are respon-

sible for the needless loss of thousands

The only distinguished thing

about Fred Grant is his name, to

which he is, no doubt, indebted for

particularly distinguished himself

before going to the Philippines, we

particularly distinguished himself

to those islands. What motive could

he have for reiterating this arrant

rot at this late day, after it had

served its purpose in the campaign?

Senator Hoar and other distin-

ing the war and holding Aguinaldo

In his speech at Greenville Sena-

dorsed, a letter from a gentleman in

Philippines, which son told his

responsible for his death. This

wounded young man may have felt

ing what he had heard others say.

But Gen. Fred Grant, and the poli-

ticians who played that rot in the

campaign, didn't feel that way, nor

did Senator McLaurin when he

letter. Wm. J. Bryan was no more

responsible for the prolongation of

the war in the Philippines and the

deaths in battle after his nomination

than was every Democrat in South

Carolina, or in the United States

who endorsed his nomination, sup-

jilted by his girl, who married an-

other fellow, thought it bad enough

refreshments he had lavished on her

in his two years devotion. He made

out an itemized bill for that amount

and sued her to recover, but her

mean lawyer made him acknowledge

that he helped her to eat all this

It is said that the bridge to be

built by the Pennsylvania Railroad

Company across the Hudson river

right. The country which has the

greatest rivers, greatest lakes, highest

mountains, greatest Trusts, greatest

men, handsomest women and biggest

humbugs in the world ought to have

A Muncie, Indiana, woman who

was deserted by her husband, took

it so much to heart that she invited

had a splendid layout and a jolly

dance, at the conclusion of which

she announced that her husband had

lit out and she would follow his ex-

ample by packing up and going to

her father. Which she did the next

The railroads of Massachusetts

played a practical joke on the solon

who introduced a bill to require

them to issue 500 mile books at 2

cents a mile, by quietly issuing them

and saying nothing about it.

the greatest bridge.

The following shows how the Salt | all her neighbors over the next night,

stuff and that laid him out.

ported and voted for him.

as "a second Washington?"

SUBSCRIPTION PICE. The subscription price of the We ly Star is a 6 months 5 3 months 7 3 months 7

## DESTROYING THE SUBSIDY SCHEME.

The professed object in presenting the ship subsidy bill fathered by Senator Frye and Representative Payne, and sponsored by Senator Hanna, was to build up an American merchant marine. The arguments in favor of it were that American ships are necessary for American commerce, to make American exporters independent of ships which belong to the nations with whose exporters they have to compete. There is something in that, although it is not an argument for subsidizing ship owners or ship builders.

builders on account of the higher the position he holds. If he ever cost of labor &c., in this country. Another reason was that if Amer-This is the same stale old humbug icans built ships they could not sail which has been played to bolster up | have failed to learn it, and if he has them in competition with foreign the protective tariff. Right on the ships because American sailors deface of it comes the announcement since the discovery is confined to mand higher wages than foreign of the organization of a great shipsailors get, and our ships are rebuilding combine backed by Ameriquired to provide better for their can and English and money, which crews, which entails a much heavier proposes to have on the Delaware expense upon them than the foreign river the largest shipbuilding plant | Did he "stop active operations "when hip owner has to bear, which gives n the world, and compete with the the foreign ship owner a very deworld in the building of all kinds of | guished Republicans were denounccided advantage over the American. ships. When shipbuilders will put This may be true, but it is not an \$15,000,000 or \$20,000,000 into a argument for ship subsidies for the business of this kind without any reason that it is based on an assubsidy, where is the need of thrust- | tor McLaurin read and virtually ensumption which may or may not be ing a subsidy upon them, or where well founded. It had no test beis the justice in taxing the people to Georgia who had lost a son in the cause since 1861 we have had no pay them millions of dollars for domarine on the high seas to compete ing what they propose to do without father that he held Wm. J. Bryan with the merchant marines of other t? Doesn't it look as if the events countries. That our shipping laws that are taking place now are disas far as they apply to the provistroying the subsidy scheme, and that | that way, but he was simply repeations which must be made for Ameri-Americans will own ships and build can sailors, or sailors on American them without any subsidies? ships are not a serious obstacle is shown by the fact that our merchant marine grew steadily and rapidly up The Industrial Commission in sesto 1858, when it carried 85 per cent. sion in Washington is receiving a of our exports and imports, and variety of information and listenranked next to the merchant maing to a variety of opinions from rine of Great Britain, the mistress the persons who appear before it. of the sea, and competed success-It had some views a couple of days fully with the ships of all nations, ago on Trusts as affecting iron and notwithstanding these laws, which salt, the former by Hermon B. But-

able to do it now. If we had a merchant marine and paid higher wages than foreign vesseles pay, and provided better for seamen than other vessels do wouldn't that draw seamen into the service of American ships and compel foreign ship owners to increase wages and otherwise make better provision for their crews? Men go where they get the best wages and fare best, and for this reason American ships would soon have the pick of the seas, and the wage question would soon cease to be a factor if it be a factor now.

they now say prevent the American

ship owner from competing with the

foreign ship owner. If with the

same laws in operation they could

compete up to 1858 they ought to be

owning railroads, boats, iron and But there is not much in this assumption any way even if it were true, for if we had a merchant to defy any competition and to hold marine ample for our needs we could not count on getting Americans enough to man it, at the pressent rates of wages, what they say and steel can be dispensed with, are so much higher than than forbut Hon. Mark Hanna and Mr. eign ships pay that our ships could Schwab, president of the billion not compete with these foreign ships. The difference between the wages paid on land and on sea is so great that there are few Americans who care to follow the sea as orditian Klincke, a pork and beef packer nary seamen. This is so true that of Buffalo, N. Y, who spoke concerna very considerable porportion of ing the salt industry. He said that the the seamen on our war ships, in our price of salt had been advanced to such coast service and on the lakes are foreign born, and many of them not citizens. They are willing to work roy, N. Y. They had found that salt for lower wages than Americans, just as foreigners have to a great extent taken the place of Americans in our coal and iron mines. Up to 1858 this did not operate to the the people who buy its salt, charging same extent that it does now for them nearly double as much as the then with our comparatively limited salt would cost to make and deliver? settled territory and much of that along the Atlantic, young men tor when the Trusts are strengthhad not the same opportunities to ened by the protective tariff is folly. find employment, and to better their condition that they have now, and therefore there were more of them, in porportion to population, willing the suspicion of some people. Just to take to the sea than there are now. The probabilities are that if We had a large merchant marine we Philadelphia, went to a ship yard and would be dependent upon foreign said he owned it and several blocks seamen mainly to man it, as we are of buildings on Broad and Chestnut to a great extent now to man our

If there were anything in this contention about the necessity of a check for \$6,000,000 to turn him subsidy to offset the difference of loose they felt sure of it.

war ships and other vessels.

## THE WEEKLY STAR.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, MAY 31, 1901.

CURRENT COMMENT.

During the late Presidential campaign the Republican organs and - Admiral Schley expresses campaigners worked the charge that anything but the alarm which ap-Wm. J. Bryan was responsible for pears to agitate the patriotic bosom of Senator Lodge over the danger of the prolongation of the war in the Philippines and made much of the Germany's appropriation of Brazil and defiance of the Monroe doctrine. alleged utterance of Gen. Lawton The gallant Admiral is not so wantthat "if I am killed Wm. J. Bryan ing in respect for the good sense of will be responsible for my death." the Germans as to attribute to them absurd designs wholly repugnant to This became standing matter in their character.-Philadelphia Remany of the Republican organs cord, Dem. through the campaign and they and - The dispatches from Souththe stump speakers worked it for all

ampton say the king's escape from it was worth. Of course the motive death, when Shamrock II, was disof that was fully understood and it masted by a squall, was "miracudidn't fool many sensible people. Nonsense! He was no more saved by a miracle than was the But the election being over there Europe, putting on lines of vessels is no reason why they should conhumblest man of the crew. None from our leading ports to run in tinue to harp on that string and was lost or hurt. The making of a great sensation out of it, by reason repeat that kind of rot, but of the king being on board, is in the spirit of mere toadyism. - Chattansome of them do, even while Mr. oga Times, Ind. McKirkey is congratulating the people whom he addresses on the era of good feeling. The St. Louis

- Not much encouragement for Government ownership of public utilities, it is remarked, is found in Globe-Democrat quotes Gen. Fred the fact that in the telegraphic service conducted by the British "I stopped active operations after the Government there is an annual loss of \$3,500.000. The aggregate losses nomination of Bryan and tried only to protect my own men.' But when since the Government took over the the news of the election came the lines is \$41,500. "Unproductive extensions must be discouraged,' headway could be made between July was the only-reply of Hicks-Beach and November, because the Filipinos to the query as to a remedy.— Charleston News and Courier, Dem. had read Bryan's letter of acceptance

 It seems to us that he (Senator McLaurin) is in closer touch with the Republican party than with the Democratic party. On all of the live questions-the questions which are commanding the attention of the country-he appears to be as good a Republican as the President. He is with that party on the Philppine question, the tariff question, he money question, and he makes as good an argument as any Republican can in favor of the ship subsidy bill.—Savannah News, Dem.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY VETERANS.

Celebration of Fortieth Anniversary by Company G, Twentieth Regiment.

A Brunswick County Confederate Veterans' reunion was celebrated yesterday in Southport. It was the 40th anniversary of the organization of Company G, of the Twentieth regimeut, N. C. S. T., and there were about seventy veterans present and a large number of others, including many ladies. A basket dinner sufficient for 500 people was spread on a long table in Franklin Square. The tables were beautifully draped with State and National flags. Swift Galloway, Esq., of Goldsboro, who was to have been the speaker of the occasion, was preyented rom coming by important business. Addresses were delivered by Col. Jno. D. Taylor, of Wilmington, and others.

A Monument Association was formed with Miss Kate Stuart president approvingly read Mr. Crenshaw's and R. W. Davis, Esq., vice president, Mr. Fred R. Mintz secretary, E. H. Cranmer, Esq., treasurer. A ways and means committee was elected, consisting of Mrs. Foley, Miss Maggie St. George, Mr. C. Ed Taylor and Mr. J. B. Mercer, of Wilmington.

> The purpose is to raise funds to erect a monument to the Confederate dead of Brunswick county in Franklin Square, at Southport.

A West Virginia fellow who was It was an interesting occasion and most heartily enjoyed by all. Many of the veterans told of their services in the field in the Army of Northern to lose the girl without being soaked Virginia. for \$27.02 for ice cream and other

TAR HEEL PHYSICIANS.

Of 96 Applicants, 67 Were Licensed, 25 Were Refused: Two Withdrew.

Among the applicants who success fully passed the State Board of Medical Examiners at Durham this week, other than those mentioned in yesterday's STAR, were B. S. Herring, Wilson; George Ruffin Banton, Wilson; Augustus M. Rose, Fayetteville;

at New York will be the greatest T. V. Moore, Phoenix; J. E. bridge in the world. Well, that's Poscue, Pollocksville; H. Cook Davis, Fayetteville; Dunlop Thompson, Morven; John A. McEachern, Fayetteville; M. Hugh McBride, Lit tle River Academy; W. E. Kornegay, Goldsboro; Zary Highsmith, Parkersburg; Thos. F. Genn, Goldsboro; Theo. L. Hooks, Fremont; E. R. Hart, Tarboro; Paul R. McFadyen, Clarkton; A. S. Williams, Kenans-

> Among the applicants were ten ne groes, and of this number only three passed a successful examination. The highest average was made by Dr. Wm. A. Graham, Durham. Wilmington and Newbern both asked for the convention next year,

> but as stated in the STAR yesterday, Wilmington was chosen and the time will be decided by committee.

THE MURDERER CAPTURED.

Slaver of John Brown, Colored, Was Ar rested by Police Officers and Constable Sheehan Last Midnight

house, and though he had a pistol on

Jim Hawkins, the slayer of John Brown, colored, particulars of which Mr. Conger's boom for Governor of Iowa isn't yet assuming formidable proportions. In the dozen or midnight by a detail of police includ- ture of the day. ing Sergeant Woolard, Policemen more county conventions so far held Leon and Dan George and Constable his name hasn't been chirped. Wm. Sheehan. He was found upon information received by Chief Fur-The New York Herald's correlong, in the house of Francis Jones, spondent, after viewing the new colored, on Meadow between Tenth yacht Constitution, which will deand Eleventh streets. The officers

pronounces her "the cleanest gaited racer ever built." There will be 1,468 delegates in the Virginia Constitutional Convention. It wouldn't seem from this that any of the outlying rural districts have been neglected.

fend the America cup, take a spin,

NEW CAPE FEAR STEAMBOAT.

Contract Let By Payetteville Parties For Its Building-The Dimensions, Etc. [Fayetteville Observer 22nd.] The Fayetteville and Wilmington

Steamboat Company yesterday placed a contract with the Merrill-Stevens Engineering Company, of Jacksonville, Fla., for the first of its proposed new line of light draught steamers for navigating the Cape Fear River be-tween Fayetteville and Wilmington. This boat is to be 140 feet in length.

30 feet beam, with a draught suffi-ciently minimized to enable her to traverse the Cape Fear at any stage of water, however low. "The City of Fayetteville" will be built for both passenger and freight service with an average speed of twelve miles an

Her state rooms and saloons will be handsomely furnished, with running water in every part of the boat. This fine steamer, graceful in design, and lighted with electricity, will be a pretty sight as she glides between the pictures que banks of the old Cape Fear.

Every modern convenience will be used in her construction and the ma chinery will be of the lastest type. The builders are under contract to have the boat completed by October 1st of this

THE \$50,000 BOND ISSUE

Read This If You Are interested in the Bond Issue Election.

Remember these facts: Unless you register anew your vote will not count either way in the bond election to be held June 18th.

of the bonds for county road improvement you must both register and vote. If you are opposed to the issuance of the bands (\$50,000) must register. Then your will count against bonds, whether polled or not. It requires a majority of the registered vote, not a majority of the vote cast, to authorize the bond

Do not overlook the fact that an entirely new registration is required for this special election.

OSTMASTERS' SALARIES INCREASE

Department Announces New Order Which

Will Go Into Effect July 1st. To take effect July 1st, salaries of the following postmasters have been

increased by the department: High Point, from \$1,900 to \$2,100; Lanrinburg, \$1,300 to \$1,400; Lincoln ton, \$1,200 to \$1,300; Marion, \$1,200 to \$1,300; Raleigh, \$3,000 to \$3,100; Rocky Mount, \$1,700 to \$1,800; Statesville, \$1,900 to \$2,000; Wilmington, \$3,000 to \$3,100; Hendersonville, \$1,500 to \$1,600; Kinston, \$1,700 to \$1,800; Lex ington, \$1,400 to \$1,500; Lumberton, \$1,200 to \$1,300; New Bern, \$2,200 to \$2,300; Reidsville, \$1,700 to \$1,800; Shelby, \$1,400 to \$1,500; Waynesville, \$1,300 to \$1,400; Winston Salemr \$3,-000 to \$3,100.

Reduced Rates, Teachers' Assembly.

The Atlantic Coast Line has announced a rate of one fare for the round trip, plus \$2 membership fee, from points in North Carolina, Norfolk and Suffolk, Va., and intermediate points, on account of the Teachers' Assembly at Wrightsville, June 10th-15th, Tickets will be sold from June 7th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit June 25th.

Capt. Frank Creel.

Fayetteville Observer 24th: Frank Creel, the well known engineer on the steamer Hurt, is ill at his home in Campbellton from the effects of a terrible blow on the head with a brick. He says that one night this week he. in company with a lady companion. had reached Watson's corner when he was suddenly hit by a brick and knocked down. His companion was also struck, but she was not so badly

TORPEDO BOAT RENDEZVOUS.

No Determination by the Board As to Points to be Recommended.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, May 25.—The naval torpedo boat board, which has in charge the determination of a policy for the torpedo boat fleet and the selection of a chain of stations along the Atlantic coast, returned to-day from a trip along the Southern coast. Visits were made to Pensacola and Fernandina, Fla., Savannah, Charleston, Port Royal and Norfolk. The board will now inspect the points on the Northern Atlantic coast No determs ination has yet been made as to the central points to be recommended as a torpedo boat rendezvous. Brunswick, Ga., has been asked to have its merits considered as a torpedo boat station, but it is not likely that the Board will

MEMORIAL DAY.

Observances at Lexington-Decoration of Graves of Lee and Jackson.

LEXINGTON, VA., May 25.-The Confederate Memorial Day was observed here by the decoration of the tomb of Gen. R. E. Lee at Washington and Lee University and the grave of Gen. T. J. Jackson (Stonewall) and hundreds of others buried in the Lexington cemetery. The memorial address was delivered this afternoon by Brown, colored, particulars of which killing were printed in these columns ton and Lee University, in the Lee yesterday morning, was arrested last | Memorial chapel. A parade was a fea-

LYNCHING IN OKLAHOMA.

Negro Taken From Jail and Hanged by a Mob for Murder.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WICHITA, KAS., May 25.—A special pulled him from under a bed in the o the Eagle says that Bill Campbell, a negro, was lynched at Pond Creek. his person, he offered no resistance Oklahoma, at 10 o'clock to-night by and confessed the murder, implicatmob of four hundred persons who broke down the jail, took him to the ing Robert Smith, Wm. Bennett and scene of his crime and hanged him to another negro, all of whom were in a telegraph pole. The crime for which Campbell was hanged was the the house at Brooklyn at the time of the shooting and who being held fatal shooting of Deputy Sheriff at the station house by Chief Furlong. George Smith.

IN MOUNTAINS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

oss of Life and Great Destruction of Property Caused By the Late Storm.

SERIOUS DELAYS TO MAILS.

A Village in Mitchell County Destroyed-Sixteen Residences and a Church Washed Away - Damage to Southern Railway \$500,000. By Telegraph to the morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 24 .- Reorts from remote counties in the mountain districts show great destruction by the storm. In Bakersville sixteen residences and the Baptist church were washed away. Quinton Moore and his son were drowned.

Every house in Magnetic City, a village in Mitchell county, was de stroved. At Roan Mountain station twenty houses were swept away. Six large stores on Big Rock creek were carried away and one man, John Mc-Kinney, drowned, while an unknown man was killed in a landslide. Damage to the Southern.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., May 24 .-- The damage to the Asheville division of the Southern railway by the recent floods is estimated at a half million dollars. The Asheville and Spartanburg branch of the Southern will resume its schedule to-morrow, but the line to Salisbury over the Blue Ridge If you wish to vote for the issuance | mountains will not be open for several

Mails Delayed.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Serious deays to the mails in the South caused by the floods are announced in a dispatch received at the Postoffice De partment to-day from the railway mail division headquarters at Atlanta. Train No. 32, the New Orleans and Washington fast mail; 33, the New York and Florida express, and 34 another fast train, all carrying the mails, were abandoned and the service performed on the other schedules. Waters Receding.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., May 24.-Rendicate that the water in all rivers is

eceding. Railroad traffic is gradually being resumed. In addition to the devastation o Elizabethtown, it is now reported that 1,000 people are without food at Allentown, all stores having been de stroved.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., May 24.-Officials of the Southern railway here announced to-day that they will be able to run trains through the flooded district to Bristol over temporary bridges by Monday and will reach Asheville to morrow.

PREPARATIONS AT MEMPHIS

For the Great Reunion of Confederate Veterans - Expected to Eclipse Any Similar Event Ever Held.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MEMPHIS, TENN., May 25 -All is in readiness for the great re-union of Confederate veterans which will be held in this city on May 28th, 29th and 30th. At a meeting, of the executive committee to-night the various chairs men reported that their work had been finished and that on Monday the gates of the city would be thrown open to the old soldiers. The finance commite tee, under the chairmanship of A. B. Pickett, has raised \$100,000 which is being expended for the entertainment and comfort of the veterans and visitors. A large building with a seating capacity of 16,000, has been erected on the Bluffs, overlooking the Mississippi river, and General Moorman on a recent tour of inspec tion declared that it was the most com modious and elaborate building yet tendered the veterans at their annual meeting Preparations have been made to feed, free of cost six thousand persons daily. In the way of entertainment there will be a grand floral parade, which it is confidently expec ted will eclipse any similar event ever held in the South. A brilliant fire works display will be another attraction, while balls will be given in Confederate Hall in honor of the visit ing sponsors and sons of veterans.

BRITISH STEAMER ASHORE.

The Robinia From Charleston for Baltimore Stranded at Cape Henry.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. CAPE HENRY, Va., May 25-The British steamer Robinia, from Charleston for Baltimore, stranded off this station this afternoon, during a dense fog. Captain Nelson Holmes and crew of the Cape Henry life saving station boarded the vessel with the life boat. Captain Lash, of the steamer, stated that the accident which occurred at 4.50 P. M. was due to very heavy fog which sat in at 1.40 and lasted till 6:25 P. M. The Robinia lies justinside Cape Henry, head on, and about 350 yards off shore. A Merritt wrecking tug has arrived, but probably will not be able to render assistance before daylight. The captain and crew of the steamship remain aboard. The Robinia is from North Shields, England, and was on her way to

PALL RIVER MILLS.

Baltimore in ballast to load for Europe.

Corporations Pledged to the Cartailment and Shut-Down Agreement.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. FALL RIVER, MASS., May 27.-Reports to-day indicated that from fifteen to eighteen corporations had pledged themselves in the combination curtailment and shut down agreement and that the original provisions have been modified to meet the conflicting interests. It was also stated that among the last half dozen agents signing, reservations have been made so that certain mills will not be compelled to carry out all of the provisions called

Some of the mills manufacturing coarse goods posted notices to-day announcing that they will not run next week, but making no statement as to when they will start up again.

SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIANS

Unfinished Business Disposed Of and the General Assembly Adjourned Sine Die-Home Missions.

By Telegraph to the Merning Star. LITTLE ROCK, ARK., May 25 .-After adopting the usual resolutions of thanks the forty-first session of the Presbyterian General Assembly adjourned sine die at 10:30 P. M. to-day. A majority left on the afternoon trains. At this morning's session of the Assembly the unfinished business of the session was disposed of.

Rev. Dr. Beattie made a report for

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

— Sanford Express: A new bank is to be established at Pine Bluff, this

county. Stock to the amount of \$5,-

their homeward journey while a few

remained here for several hours be

fore leaving. Several more baskets of

pigeons will be shipped to this place next Saturday to be liberated.

- Rockingham Headlight: From

all the data we have been able to

gather the prospect for cotton is not

encouraging. Many of our farmers

have planted twice, and some of them

three times, and yet stands are not

sented as being exceptionally fine, and

the oat crop is the best in many years.

Bud Hinson tells us that at this time

The seasons have a great deal to do

with this crop, but when the farmer

- Statesville Mascot: A thought-

ful and observant citizen of this county

he county will with favorable sea-

sons show an increase of 20 per cent.

over last year. The acreage is increased

and the present crop is more highly

fertilized. — One day last week Messrs. W. S. and J. J. Brawley, of

Shiloh township saw a novel sight. A

king snake about three feet long and a

copper head about two and a half feet

feet long got into a fight on a ditch

bank. The king snake wrapped his

tail around the copperhead's neck and

dragged him into the ditch, where the

copperhead's head was held under the

water until he was dead. The king

snake then swallowed the other snake,

although the copperhead was the larg-

Brawley tells as that he had often

heard of king snakes killing and swal-

lowing other snakes, but this was the

-Lexington Dispatch: A num-

ber of South Carolina capitalists dur-

ing the past week have organized a

stock company for the building of a

new railroad from Wadesboro to Win-

ston-Salem. The new road will be

ninety miles long and will pass

brough the counties of Anson, Stanly,

Montgomery, Davidson and Forsyth.

The capital stock of the company is

\$500,000 and a charter has been ap

plied for. If built the new road will

connect with the Saaboard Air Line at

Wadesboro and the Atlantic Coast

Line at the same point. — Mr. M.

Bowers, telegraph operator at Con-

rad's Siding, recently returned from

Pelham, Caswell county. Mr. Bow-

ers says there is a minister in that town, Rev. T. H. Walker, who has

united for better or worse during his

ministerial career, exactly 1,551

couples. Rev. Walker began "tieing

the Knot" in the year 1874, and from

tinue the great work for several years

to come. A large number of those

the State of Virginia.

married were runaway couples from

GERMAN TROOPS IN CHINA.

Present Time Regarded as Opportune for

Withdrawal of Von Waldersee.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

Washington, May 25.-The State

Department has been advised that the

German government regards the

present time as opportune for the with-

drawal of Field Marshal Von Walder

see, commander of the international

forces in China. Nothing is stated as

to the exact date for the return of the

field marshal nor as to the number of

German troops that will be left in

China, but it is hoped at the State De-

partment that the German governmen

will follow our own example and with

draw all but a legation guard. The

United States force will remain in

command of a major and he will not

be permitted to assume the command

of the international forces even if so

STEWARD ARRESTED.

Charged With Abstracting Gold From the

Specie Room of a Steamer.

BERLIN, May 25 .- Theodore Magers,

the bed-room steward of the North

German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wil-

helm der Grosse, who in April last,

at Bremen, found the three gold

bars behind a cornice in the cor-

saloon which had been missed from

the specie room on the arrival of the

steamer at Cherbourg, and who

claimed and obtained the reward of

10,000 marks offered for the recovery

of the gold, has been arrested at

Bremerhaven, at the instance of the

North German Lloyd Company,

charged with being the man who

abstracted the gold from the specie

BOERS STILL ACTIVE.

Three Commandoes Again Invade Popu

lous Districts of Cape Colony.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MIDDELBURG, TRANSVAAL COLON

May 25.-The commandoes of Krite

zinger, Vanreenen and Fouche de-

bouched yesterday before dawn and crossed the railroad. They dashed southward, re-invading the more populous districts of Cape Colony. Fouche's commando has been resting

many weeks in the Zourberg moun-

BANK ROBBED.

Twenty Thousand Dollars Taken-No Clue

as to the Robbers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MINERAL POINT, WIS., May 25 .-

The First National bank of this city

was robbed early to-day of \$20,000 or

There is no clue to the robbers.

ridor outside the second

nirst time he ever saw the perform-

est, except in length. Mr. W.

says that he thinks the cotton crop in

does his full duty an unfavorable sea-son may be tided over and a fairly

pect to reap in proportion

good yield secured.

generally good. -- Wheat is repre-

000 has already been subscribed. -

the committee on publication, showing that the publication plant is worth Three baskets of homing pigeons, shipped to this place by a Baltimore club, were liberated last Sunday mornabout \$60,000. The new hymn book, he reported, is now ready, printed, and ing. The most of them left at once on will soon be on sale. Dr. S. M. Smith presented a protest

against the action of the Assembly in declining the invitation to participate in Confederate memorial exercises. but after the original resolution was read he withdrew his protest.

The Assembly adopted the report of the committee on Sabbath observance, urging the people to remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy, and that all ministers preach on Sabbath observance at least once a year. In response to an overture from the Montgomery Presbytery as to the validity of ordaining a probationer by two ministers and one elder, the As sembly declared that an ordination so made is not strictly regular, yet when

he has the promise of at least 5,000 bushels of oats Smaller farmers exsanctified by the presbytery is valid. - Reidsville Webster's Weekly: The Home Missions executive com-Mr. James Robinson, one of the mittee was directed to turn over the county's best farmers, says he has property, books and papers of the failed only twice in the last ten years invalid fund to the ministerial relief in making a good wheat crop. Eight executive committee to take charge of good crops out of ten is a fine record the work of raising and distributing Mr. Robinson's experience is that funds for the relief of disabled ministhorough preparation of the land is ters and their families. the main thing in wheat growing.

At the business session last night Rev. S. L. Morris, of Macon, Ga., the new secretary of the Home Missions Committee, was received, the commissioners standing in welcome to him. Dr. Morris said the honor had come to him unsought. He announced his acceptance, after prayerful consideration and consultation with his home people. The moderator called upon Dr. Boggs, of Holly Springs, Miss., to offer a prayer for the success of the new manager of Home Missions and

THE TEXAS OIL FIELDS.

Dr. Boggs responded.

Report of the Chief Geologist of the U.S. Geological Survey On Extent of the Oil Territory.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, May 25.—Robert T. Hill, chief geologist of the U. S. Geological Survey, has returned from an extended geological investigation

in the Texas oil fields, and has embodied the result in a report, which "The importance of this oil field is far greater than at present can be described or estimated. It means not only a cheap fuel supply to the largest State in area in the Union, but owing to its proximity to tide water it promises an export trade such as exists nowhere else in the world. Preparations are being made to sink hundreds

output of 500,000 barrels a day may be quadrupled. "It is entirely within the limit of probability that oil will be found at many places throughout the coastal pririe, and especially in its southern extension toward the Rio Grande and in the northeastern State of Mexico at Tamalipus. The outcrop of the territory formations in Southwest Texas, in . Wilson, Atascosa, McMullen, Duval and other counties is naturally rich in oil and the practical oil men are risking their money in experimenting in that region. As the oil bearing tertiary strata extends east of the Mississippi into Louisiana and Alabama it is not beyond possibility that oil may be found in these States. "It is impossible now to state exactly the extent of the oil yielding bed which supplies the Beaumont well and this can be only determined by drill-

The area of profitable exploitation of the Beaumont oil fields is confined between the Sanjacinto and the Sabine rivers, east of the Houston and West Texas railroad and south of Oil City, Nagderches county. This area may be extended or restricted by future

exploitation. "It is very probable that other oil fields may be discovered in the coastal plain between Beaumont and Tampico fields. Here lies a vast territory underlaid by the oil bearing ecoene formations which has not been ex-

COAL RATES REDUCED.

Caused by Prospective Invasion of Oil for Fuel From Texas.

By Telegraph to the Morning stat BIRMINGHAM, ALA., May 25.-The cheapest coal rate in the history of mining in this district has just been announced for shipments to New Orleans, Mobile and Pensacola, a reduction of more than 25 per cent. having been made. This reduction makes the rate to New Orleans \$1.25 per ton; to Mobile \$1.10, and to Pensacola \$1.10. The rates heretofore have been \$1.75

The admitted cause of the reduction of rates to New Orleans is the prosctive invasion of oil from the Texas fields for the purposes of fuel.

PLOOD SUFFERERS.

Destitution at Elizabethton, Tenn .- Appeals for Assistance. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., May 25 .- Destitution prevails with many families at Elizabethton, the flood stricken town. Mayor Lee F. Miller appeals through the Associated Press for aid. Congressman W. P. Brounlow has made a request for 1,000 tents and blankets from the War Department at Washington. He has secured the immediate shipment of enough to accommodate fifty families. The Southern Railway offers to ship free of charge all supplies.

The weekly statement of the associated banks shows: Loans, \$858,872,-600; decrease \$14,639,500; deposits, \$941,116,900, decrease \$10,509,800; circulation, \$31,140,700, decrease \$4,300; legal tenders, \$76,501,000, increase \$2,-183,500; specie, \$180,067,200, increase \$3,178,100; reserve, \$256,568,200, increase \$5,361,600; reserve required \$235,279,225, decrease \$2,627,450; surplus \$21,288,975, increase \$7,989,050.

L. F. Loree, fourth vice president of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. has been selected as the president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, and the official announcement will be promulgated next Wednesday, the appointment to take effect June 1.

Mary Allen Lease, the lecturer, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court yesterday. The liabilities are \$3,247, and assets \$2,293. more, mostly currency. Insurance covers the full amount of the loss.



