TILLMAN WILL

**NOT WITHDRAW** 

Charges That Gov. McSweeney

Transcended Authority in

Returning Resolutions.

REASONS FOR HIS ACTION.

Governor Sharply Criticised-Influenced

by Would-be Aspirants Not Ready to

Enter the Contest-Claims He

Represents the People

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 1.-Senator

Tillman has declined to withdraw his

McSweeney transcended his authority

in sending the resignations back to the

Senators. Senator Tillman has written

an open letter, which has not reached

"Your Excellency of course has the

the Governor yet, in which he says, in

right, and it is entirely proper, to re-turn my resignation and advise more

serious consideration. In declining to

accept, I am sure you have transcended

your authority. It will take very little

nvestigation and reflection to con-

vince you of this. You cannot compel

member of the United States Senate

to hold his commission and exercise

the functions of that office if he

chooses to surrender it. My action in

tendering my resignation, while hasty

was not ill advised, and I am firmly

convinced of the wisdom of my course

and everything to lose and I do not feel the need of further instructions

or vindication, because I had just been

re-elected by the people with practi-cal unanimity. I offered to resign in

order to bring about the resignation of

my colleague and thus put us on a

level, with equal rights, to go before

the people and ask an endorsement of

our respective courses. It is some-

what remarkable that you should ask

the Senators who have resigned to take

time to consider, when you yourself

"Your conception of the office of

to acknowledge that this is very de-

I am very much deceived a large ma-

jority of the people of South Carolina

would be glad of an opportunity to

have those principles and policie

which they support loyally represent

ed in the Congress of the United

"I am aware that there is some

strong opposition in certain quarters

to a campaigu in this 'off year' to fill

two vacancies in the Senate. Many

unthinking citizens do not know its

importance. Many would be as-

pirants are not just ready for various

reasons to enter the contest brought or

so unexpectedly; it is not cenvenient

or suitable, and, therefore, they have

no doubt importuned your Excellency

to await their convenience, claiming

"On the other hand, it might be re-

marked that the session of Congress

beginning next December marks an

era in the history of our republic, and

the patriots who will then inaugurate

a struggle for the restoration of the old

andmarks and the preservation of our

free institutions, will need every voice

and every vote that can be had. The

fact that the Republicans have a good

the case in the least. The recent deci-

sion of the Supreme Court promulgat-

ing the damnable doctrine that this

and taxed without representation,

must be met and exposed, and

death by the lovers of Democracy

"I claim to represent the people and

to voice their wishes. The result of

the Gaffney meeting had brought

Senator McLaurin within reach of his

constituents and it was to obtain this

answer at once that prompted my con-

duct at Gaffney. Your Excellency's

action gives him a loop-hole and the

censure or blame must rest where it

"There is nothing personal in m

attitude towards Senator McLaurin.

Nothing but a sense of duty forces me

to the course I have pursued. Mate-

rial prosperity and progress may be

worth more than strict adherence to

principle, and loyalty to trust, but I

cannot see it in that light.
"Holding this view, I decline for the

present to withdraw my resignation.

It was tendered in order to secure the

resignation of Senator McLaurin and

will not be withdrawn until he shall

have shown his unwillingness to let

our people pass upon his conduct this

year instead of next. He declares in

his latest interview that he 'will speak

on such invitations as he did at Gaff-

ney when possible, and will not con-

sent to any interference by Senator Tillman or anybody else.' Whether

or not Mr. McLaurin will be allowed

people have a right to hear him, the

same people have a right to hear me

and others. He no longer seems to

have anxiety about his health, and if

ROCKEFELLER'S BENEFACTION.

Plans for Scientific Research Into Prob-

lems of Medicine and Hygiene.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ferred with many of the most eminent

pathologists in this country as to the

best means of setting on foot an original

scientific research into the problems of

medicine and hygiene, John Rocke-

feller has added to his already large

Mr. Rockefeller has placed at

the disposal of a body of promi-

not medical men \$200,000, to be

available for immediate expenditure

by an association incorporated under

the name of "The Rockefeller Institute

for Medical Research." The home of

staff and equipments as may be found

this institute, with such laboratories,

list of benefactions.

NEW YORK, June 1 .- Having con-

and liberty against this heresy.

through 'Congressional absolutism.

that it is for the public welfare.

States.

"Personally, I had nothing to gain

upon reflection.

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"for sake of the civilized world" to

make that trade and buy the sover-

eignty such as Spain had to sell.

The civilized world had nothing to

do with our making that trade, for

we could have done all the civil-

ized world needed or expected by

acting jointly with the representa-

tives of the Filipinos and accepting

the transferred sovereignty in their

name, and then assisting them to

establish a government of their

own, for which we would stand

sponsor before the world and over

which we would exercise a guar-

dianship sufficient to prevent ag-

gression by other nations or tribal

conflicts that might disturb the

peace of the islands. All this could

have been done with the full con-

sent and co-operation of those peo-

ple, and that would have discharged

our trust to the civilized world.

We could have done with them sub-

stantially what we have done with

the Cubans and wound the business

up with a sort of catch job like

the Platt amendment, which would

have given us all we wanted and vir-

tual control of the whole archipel-

ago, and that without paying any

\$20,000,000 bonus to Spain, or

spending any \$200,000,000 in the

effort to establish this "trust for

the sake of the Filipinos" (who do

not seem to have appreciated our

benevolent intent), or "for the sake

of the civilized world," which doesn't

care a continental about it, unless

some of them have traders in the

islands, who might suffer if any

No one reading the Tribune would

ever suppose that we were actuated

by anything like selfishness in mak-

ing that grab, but if there hadn't

been a pretty strong conviction that

the grab would "pay" we would very

soon have found a way to settle the

question as far as the civilized

IS THIS A SUBTERFUGE?

Mr. McKinley's Cabinet has de-

clined to accept the constitution

adopted by the Cuban Convention

on the ground that it was adopted

with certain interpretations put

upon the Platt amendment and that

ment straight, without any inter-

pretations. These interpretations

were based upon the explanations

made by Secretary Root to the

Cuban commission which visited

Washington, while now it is con-

tended that no officer of the Gov-

ernment has any authority to inter-

pret an act of Congress, that this

must be done by the Supreme Court

of the United States. That's the

contention of Senators Platt and

Spooner, who are quoted as saying

in private that Secretary Root went

too far and said more than he had

any right to say to these commis-

sioners, who went back to Havana

with these assurances and on the

strength of them secured votes

enough to adopt the constitution

with the Platt amendment by a ma-

Suppose Secretary Root did say

too much to these commissioners,

didn't the President and the mem-

bers of the Cabinet know what he

told them? Didn't they have inter-

views with the President, and were

they not permitted to go home

after having been dined and wined,

with the full belief that they under-

stood what the clauses in this

amendment meant? Why, if all this

business and explaining didn't mean

anything and why, if nobody had

any right to explain, was not that

discovery made before or when these

commissioners were in Washington,

and all this disgusting tomfoolery

prevented? Didn't Secretary Root

and the President of the United

States know what they were doing

when they were talking to these

commissioners and smoothing the

way for the adoption of the Platt

amendment? Now it seems they

didn't know what they were doing,

again and swallow the amendment

just as it came from Congress, with-

out any explanations. This looks

like mere quibbling and seeking a

Some hustling fellows up North

somewhere, who keep the location

a pound on all the pennies it turns

In prospecting for coal in Wash-

ington county, Ala., one of the

prospectors struck a vein of asphal-

in that country if they don't find

Notwithstanding the recent de-

cision of the Supreme Court, Secre

tary Gage says he will go right on

ports as usual. Later on he will

one thing they find another.

ness to invite competition.

a pretence to hold on to Cuba.

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## CONGRATULATING ITSELF.

The New York Tribune congra tulates itself on the recent decision of the Supreme Court, or rather part of the Supreme Court, on those Porto Rico cases, and takes to itself no small measure of the glory. claiming that it was one of the very few papers in this country which from the start had the nerve to declare for and support the imperial plan of dealing with our Spanish acquisitions. It also substantially claims that it did much to educate the people up to that and to win the five judges who declared in favor of it over to that side. Perhaps so. Something did it, and perhaps they came to their conclusions by reading the Tribune's editorials, which are about as logical and convincing as anything these five judges say, with such a solemn air of authority.

One reason why, we suppose, the Tribune took so much interest in this question and was so anxious that the United States hold on to the Philippines, and some authority be found which could support them in holding on, was because Hon. Whitelaw Reid, the chief editor, was one of the gentlemen commissioned by President McKinley to make the Paris treaty and was one of that same commission which made the \$20,000.000 dicker with Spain. In the course of his self congratulatory editorial, the writer justifies the dicker thus: "The conclusion of hostilities with Spain left this country to decide the fate of the Philippines. No other course seemed open but to take possession of them unless we would leave them derelict or remand them back to Spain. The Tribune was and is convinced that the United States was bound in selfrespect, for the sake of the Filipinos and for the sake of the civilized world, to assume that trust forced upon it by circumstances." This is a defence of the dicker and about the only defence that can be made, but it is not a good one, and if it be a good one, it suggests some inqui-

There was no "trust forced on us by circumstances," and if there had been we could have discharged that trust without making a dicker for those islands, something which was not thought of when the commission arrived at Paris. The Spaniards had surrendered, their power was broken and not a vestige of it remained in the Philippines. The only power there was the Filipino and the American, but the Spanlards were smart enough to demand money compensation for surrendering a nominal title and got \$20,000,-000. This wasn't, as this quotation from the Tribune says, "to discharge a trust to the Filipinos or to the civilized world," but to avoid complications and possible war with other powers. Judge Day, president of that commission, gave that away in an interview shortly after his return, and exploded this trumpered up defence by the Trib-

and that the convention must un-But assuming it to be the true do that part of its work, do it over reason, why should we take so much interest in the Filipinos as to pay \$20,000,000 for the land they lived on? Were we under any obligations to them? Had we any understanding with them that made it imperative in us to take so much interest in them? Some say they were our allies, and that we were of their plant a secret, are competbound in honor to stand by them and help them out in their fight for | ing with the U.S. Government in the manufacture of pennies. As the ndence, and that when we stole a march on them and traded with Spain we didn't do the fair out, there is something in the busithing nor show the right kind of interest in them. The imperialists Who agree with the Tribune denythat they were our allies or that we were under any obligations to them, and for that reason we were not tum three and a half feet thick of a bound to consult with them as to good commercial quality. When the trade with Spain, or about anythey start out hunting things down thing else. If there was no co-operation for a common object and no mutual understanding between our representatives and the repreentatives of the Filipinos, then here was no reason why we should take any particular interest in them and that part of the Tribune's decollecting duties on Philippine im-

lence amounts to nothing. We were under no obligations have to give 'em all back.

## WEEKLY STAR

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 1901.

The probabilities are that Governor McSweeney anticipated a "hot time in the old town" which he desired to prevent by returning to Senators Tillman and McLaurin the resignations which they had sent him. He gives that as the reason why he returned the resignations. and the probabilities are that in doing so he is in accord with the sentiments of many people in the State who regard a heated campaign, which would be to a great extent personal, a disturbing factor, productive at this time of more harm than good. There had been but one joint meeting so far, but the contest had already reached the "malicious lie" and "base slander"

DECLINED TO ACCEPT.

rents warmed up to their work. has been anxious to resign for some time, seems to take the Governor's action resignedly and will withdraw his resignation if the Governor requests it, while Senator Tillman, who wasn't at all anxious to resign, is hot under the collar and says that the Governor has nothing to say about it, that his only business in the premises is to forward the resignations to the president of the Senate. However this may be the matter will stand statu quo for some time, the campaign will be postponed until cool weather in the Fall, and then likely each gentleman will run his own campaign.

stage, which was pretty warm for a

of the ardor that might be developed

as the principals and their adhe-

The impression prevails that the Indian is no joker, but one who escaped from a sheriff in New Mexico, sent word by a messenger of the handcuffs he wore he would return the handcuffs. The sheriff sent the key.

The champion juvenile burglar in this country operates in Mount Vernon, N. Y. He is 13 years old ized eight stores. He took to the Infantry Association. dime novels, and then to burglarizing. He will take a rest now unit must come with the Platt amendtil he gets out of jail.

The oil fever has broken out in Washington county, Ala., and land sells high. The remarkable thing about this is that the fever was caused by an old well sunk three years ago, from which oil is now running into a nearby creek.

Those judges who discovered that the Territories belong to and are appurtenances of the United States, but not part of them, should start out and hunt up the man who first discovered McKinley as a Presidential possibility.

There were 455 cases of typhoid fever and 54 deaths in New Haven, in April. The cause was traced to the impure water supply. Then people began to boil the water and the doctors and undertakers got a

Oil gushers are becoming the order of the day now. A big spouter which throws a six inch stream 100 feet in the air, was "brought in " on Bass Island, in Lake Erie, a few miles North of Sandusky, Ohio, a few days ago.

Our British cousins are rejoicing that the United States are now an "empire" and can boast subjects as well as citizens. We are coming right along on the imperial line.

A Northern astronomer has discovered snow on the moon. But they aren't having hail storms, floods and all that kind of thing like we are down here.

EXCURSION BY RED MEN.

They Will Go On Fourth of July Hunt to Carolina Beach,

Arrangements are already under way for a Glorious Fourth at Carolina Beach. This year the celebration at this popular resort will be under the auspices of Eyota Tribe No. 5, Improved Order of Red Men, of this city, which alone assures success. The sturdy men of the woods are already on the warpath, mapping out an elegant programme, which, taken in connection with the many attractions of the beach and the always delightful Government makes a profit of \$1.05 trips on the steamer Wilmington, will make the occasion one unsurpassable

in enjoyment. Theigeneral committee, Messrs. Wm. Sheehan, M. E. Keathley and James H. Cowan, appointed by Eyota Tribe at its last meeting, have concluded all preliminary arrangements, including the engagement of a fine band, and at the next meeting, Friday night, the various sub-committees will be ap pointed and put immediately to work.

Royall Hearing Continued. The hearing in the matter of J. H. Royall, of Clinton, bankrupt, before Referee Samuel H. MacRae at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, was post- ington, reports 1,024 steam and sail poned until June 22d on account of vessels, of 359,789 gross tons, built in Goldsboro, Mr. Royall's chief counsel. | ceding June 1st.

CURRENT COMMENT.

- Several thousand Georgia negroes are "honoring" the memory of the federal dead at Andersonville in the usual way to-day by indulging in a howling drunk and killing a few of themselves. To witness the observance of one memorial day at Andersonville would be a great educator for the average northerner -Attanta News, Dem.

- The disagreeable discussion over the Canteen, the abolition of of the Canteen and the deplorable results that have followed it, are all due to the fact that Congressmen ignored their obligations to the people who elected them, and who want all such questions settled by the rules of common sense, and not to satisfy the clamor of an insignificant lot of male fanatics in league with a few hysterical women utterly ignorant of the subject. - Brooklyn beginning and somewhat indicative Citizen, Dem.

- The self-congratulation of the Imperialists over the United States Supreme Court decisions are Senator McLaurin, who says he in some respects premature. If a military illustration can be properly applied to so grave a judicial matter, he position of the Imperialists and their opponents under these Porto Rico decisions is in the nature of a a mutilated Constitution does follow the flag until Congress shall have determined to the contrary. In the choice of the next Congress the people will have a chance to put their own construction on the Constitution .- Phil. Record, Dem.

BACK FROM THE REUNION.

Capt. Metts Speaks Most Enthusiastically of Trip to Memphis-Greetings From Infantry Association.

Capt. James I. Metts returned yesday via the Seaboard Air Line from Memphis, Tenn, where he attended the Confederate Reunion as a delegate from Cape Fear Camp No. 254, that if he would send him the key U. C. V., and as a representative of the Third North Carolina Infantry of veterans of either side in the late Civil War. Capt. Metts speaks most enthusiastically of his trip to Mem phis and relates many incidents of great interest to veterans. The following is a copy of the greetings carried and within two years has burglar- to the reunion by Capt. Metts from HEADQUARTERS

THIRD N. C. INFANTRY ASS'N, WILMINGTON, N C., May 16. Comrade Confederate Veterans, Greetiny: This certifies you that our valued secretary and esteemed member, Comrade Capt. James I. Metts, is authorized and delegated, proper time and opportunity offering, to extend in our name and behalf to all worthy Confederate soldiers, sailors and mariners the right hand of good fellowship and the soldier pledge that tho' time will thin our ranks, death only shall chill the brotherly greeting of this, the oldest Confederate Veteran Association, organized February 2d, 1866, since when their annual reunions, held at first armed in secrecy, have never been omitted, and tho the individuals are members of the U. C. V. camps of their neighborhoods, they preserve this as a distinct organization—cherishing a justifiable pride in being first in a movement whose action has proclaimed to the world and furnished a record for our children of the trials, privations and triumphs of those who bore the battle flag of our glorious Confederacy.

WM. L. DEROSSET, President. JNO. L. CANTWELL, Secretary pro tem.

Death of Mrs. Benson.

The STAR notes with regret the death of Mrs. Mary R. Benson, wife of Mr. D. J. Benson, the well known contractor, which occurred after a two months illness from pneumonia at the family home No. 910 South Second street, yesterday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock. She was aged 50 years, 7 monhs and 28 days. She leaves to mourn her loss besides the sorrowing husband, one son, Joe Benson, aged about 17 years. The funeral will be conducted by Rev. Father C. Dennen from St. Thomas' church this afternoon at 4 o'clock with interment in the Catholic cemetery.

Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure.

Friends of Rev. A. D. McClure rejoiced vesterday at the announcement that the degree of Doctor of Divinity had been conferred upon him by Davidson College. Rev. Mr. McClure is pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, this city, and is deservedly one of the most popular ministers in the city, irrespective of denomination. He is not an alumnus of Davidson College and for that reason the compliment is all the more appreciated by Mr. McClure and his numerous friends.

Harbor Master's Report.

The Harbor Master's report for the month of May shows arrivals of 19 ressels of 90 tons and over at this port. The combined tonnage was 16.884 and the vessels were divided as follows, all of them being American except the two barques: Steamships 0, tonnage 12,289; barges 1, tonnage 1,600; schooners 6, tonnage 1,778; barques 2, tonnage 1,217. The report shows a slight increase in shipping over that of the same month last year.

Capt. Mclihenny's Successor.

The STAR learns that Mr. W. T. Old, of Elizabeth City, N. C., will likely succeed Capt. H. H. McIlhenny as commander of the N. C. Naval Briggade. He is next in rank to Capt. McIlhenny and it is said to be a custom to make appointments to succeed with regard to the line of promotion. Capt. McIlhenny's successor will be named by Adjutant General Royster.

The Bureau of Navigation, Wash-

TUG BUCK LIBELLED.

River Steamboat Taken Into Keeping by Deputy United States Marshal.

UNDER LIBEL PROCEEDINGS

Claim Sued for by Mr. C. M. Whitlock Owner of Tug Announces That He Will Sue for Damages for Unlawful Detention.

Capt. W. H. Ward, owner and mas er of the steam tug Buck, was vesterday served with notice by Deputy U. S. Marshal Knox that his vessel had been libelled for a claim filed in the office of the United States Court clerk by Mr. C. M. Whitlock, proprietor of Whitlock's Machine Shops, this city.

The amount of the claim is \$68, and is for a propeller wheel ordered from a Milwaukee house by Mr. Whitlock about two years ago, and which Captain Ward says he didn't accept on account of its not having come up to contract in the way of delivery, etc. The vessel is tied up at the foot of drawn battle. What is clear is that | Dock street with a watchman aboard and is in charge of the deputy marshal. The libel proceedings were instituted through Messrs. Russell & Gore, attorneys for Mr. Whitlock.

The boat is just off the ways at Skinner's ship yard, where it received a complete overhauling preparatory to taking up the contract for carrying the mail between Southport and Wil mington on June 1st. Capt. Ward says he has made arrangements to have Capt. Harper continue his contract a day longer on the Wilmington and that he will give bond and have his vessel released by Monday so that he can take up the contract on his own boat.

He also said last night that he had retained Messrs. Empie & Empie and A. J. Marshall, Esq., and would at once institute a damage suit against Mr. Whitlock for the alleged unlaw ful detention of his boat. The amount asked for, he said, would be \$10,000. He claims that inasmuch as the wheel did not arrive as per contract, he owes Mr. Whitlock nothing and he has no right to detain the boat. Bond Given.

Capt. W. H. Ward, owner of th steamer tug Buck, yesterday gave bond in the sum of \$175, with Mr. T. J Gore as surety, and his vessel was released from the libel proceeding instituted against it day before yesterday by Mr. C. M. Whitlock. The Buck will leave at 8 A. M. to take an excursion party to the upper bridge over Town Creek.

State Guard Encampment.

It was learned yesterday from a member of the Governor's staff that it would likely be the last of the present or possibly the first of next week before a decision would be announced as to the site for the State Guard Encampment to be held in July. Rates are yet to be secured from the railroads and there are other details of the arrangements to be perfected, the STAR is informed, before public notice will be given of the place for the gathering of the militia.

COTTON CROP CONDITIONS.

Average Lowest in Twenty Years-Total Area Planted-Increase in Acreage Compared With Last Year.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, May 31.—The statistician of the Department of Agriculture estimates the total area planted in cotton at 27,532;000 acres, an increase of 2,111,000 acres, or 8.3 per cent. over the acreage planted last year, and of 2,498,000 acres or 10 per cent. over the acreage actually picked. The increase in States where the area planted and that picked last year were practically the same is 10 per cent. in North Carolina, Florida and Arkansas; 9 in Georgia and Louisiana; 7 in South Carolina; 14 in Ten nessee; 25 in Oklahoma; 20 in Indian Territory; 18 in Virginia, and 12 in In Alabama the increase is Missouri. estimated at 9 per cent. over the acreage planted last year and 12 per cent. over that picked; in Mississippi at 2 per cent. over that planted and 7.9 per cent. over that picked, and in Texas at 8 per cent. over that planted and 10 per cent. over that picked. The average condition of the grow-

ing crop is 81.5 as compared with 82.5 on June 1st of last year; 85.7 at the corresponding date in 1899, and 86.4 the mean of the June averages of the last ten years. A condition of 81.5 is. with one exception, the lowest June condition in twenty years.

The condition by States is as follows: North Carolina, 87; South Carolina, 80; Georgia, 80; Florida, 80; Alabama, 76; Mississippi, 82; Louis iana, 80; Texas, 84; Arkansas, 81; Ten nessee, 78; Oklahoma, 88; Indian Ter-

CALIFORNIA LYNCHING.

Coroner's Investigation of the Hanging of Five Men at Lookout. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIEBER, CAL., June 1 .- The coroner's jury to-day concluded its investigation of the lynching of the five men at Lookout yesterday morning and rendered a verdict that the men were hanged by unknown persons. The testimony at the inquest given by the guards of the prisonere was to the effect that that the mob came upon them so silently that they heard nothing until the door of the office opened. Guns were immediately pointed at the officers, the prisoners secured, taken to the bridge and hanged. The mob then dispersed as silently and as quickly as it had come. The men all had burlap sacks over their heads. In twenty-five minutes from the time they entered the hotel they had secured the prisonthe United States and officially regis- ers and left with them. In four minthe illness of Judge W. R. Allen, of tered during the eleven months pre- utes more the men were hanging un- this government to reject the constituder the two bridges.

GATTIS-KILGO LIBEL CASE.

New Trial Granted by the Supreme Court. The Naval Brigade.

Special Star Telegram. RALEIGH, N. C , May 30 .- Adjutant General Royster to-day accepted the resignation of Captain H. H. McIlhenny, of Wilmington, as commander of the Naval Brigade, to take effect June 10th. The appointment of a successor is under advisement. Pressing business causes Mr. McIlhenny's

resignation. The Supreme Court has handed down an opinion granting a new trial in the famous Gattis Kilgo libel suit. in which a verdict for twenty thou sand dollars in favor of the plaintiff was allowed by the jury in the trial at Oxford some months ago. Opinion of the court is unanimous, though Justice Clark took no part.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- Sanford Express: The farmers are in the dumps over their heavy losses by last week's floods. The grass is about to take all that was left.

- Fayetteville Observer: Mr. W H. Carver, formerly of this county, and for the past fifteen years a large merchant at Red Springs, died at that place Thursday.

- Carthage Blade: Mr. J. J. Richardson, a leading farmer of the Curriesville neighborhood, was in town Saturday, and in speaking of the hindrance of hawks to the poultry business of the county, said that since last Spring one year ago he had caught on his plantation twenty hawks in traps. The traps are ordinary steel traps, which were nailed to the tops of

- Mount Airy News: The farmers tell us wheat, rye and oats are do ing well and that a good yield is look-ed for. Some few farmers fear wheat will not be well filled. — We drop ped in at the new lounge factory this week and found everybody busy. The work compares favorably with that turned out by the Northern factories. The upholstering as well as the other work is first class.

- Mount Olive Advertiser: The for this season. The largest shipmen from Mount Olive in one day was nineteen cars. The heaviest shipmen last year was twenty two cars. There has never been more than two consecu tive days of good strawberry weather this season, but in spite of hail and rain our growers have shipped almost as many crates as last year. Prices, as a rule, have been satisfactory.

- Tarboro Southerner: The esti mate of the submerged lands in culivation on Tar river in this county is placed at 2,000 to 2,500 acres. Not all tha crops were ruined, but very much of them. Where oats were covered the loss is almost complete. Corn is not quite so bad, but from one third to one half is killed or so dis eased that it will not produce. Cot ton is believed to have fared some better. The damage sustained is conjectural, but will mount up into the thousands of dollars without any close calculation.

- Winston Sentinal: Some two years ago W. B. Stancil, superinten dent of a convict camp near Charlotte, received notice that Frank Rozzell. negro who had been sent to his camp to serve a period of three years and who had escaped, was in a certain neighborhood in Gaston county. He went at once to Gaston (without a warrant) went to the house where the negro was. The negro ran when he saw Stancil. Stancil pursued and fired twice, inflicting wounds from which the negro died next day. His trial resulted in a sentence of four years on the road. Stancil appealed to the Supreme court which has just affirmed the sentence. A petition has been forwarded the governor for Stancil's pardon. The case is somewhat similar o the Pink Fulton case.

- Charlotte Observer: Prof. J J. Britt, cashier in Collector Harkins' office, returned to Asheville Tuesday Bakersville, where he went when the first reports came of the flood in Mitchell county. Flood is the only word which can be used in the effort to give anything like an adequate description of that awful inundation, for certainly it was no mere 'freshet." Prof. Britt says that no newspaper report sent out so far tells half the story, and that even yet the full extent of the devastation is not known, for no communication has been had with a number of places. such as Montezuma and Linville. So far there is only one mill standing in the county, and many estimate that more than 200 homes have been washed away. But still the greatest loss will be suffered by the farmers. Along Cane creek a stream which i ordinarily about 30 feet wide, and which wrought such destruction at Bakersville, there is one continuous landslide for miles and miles. Great sections of hills gave way and covered the fine rich bottom lands with poor dirt, rock, logs and other debris. Prof Britt had a library which he valued very highly. Every volume disappeared with his home.

THE CUBAN SITUATION.

United States Will Remain in Control Until the Platt Amendment Has Been Adopted.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, June 1.-It is officially stated that the United States will remain in control in Cuba until

he Platt amendment has been "ent stantially adopted." This was made known to General Wood last Tuesday by Secretary Root and his action has been approved by the President. Secretary Root was with the President for about an hour and a half to-day, discussing with him the cablegram which had been prepared to be sent to Genaral Wood, at Havana, relating to the action of this government on the Cuban constitution. The message is long and will be forwarded to General Wood with the idea of having him communicate it to the constitutional convention. It will not be made public at this time and probably not until the convention takes action. Secretary Root has received no official copy of the Cuban constitution as adopted, the copy received being furnished by General Wood and consequently the action taken now is considered of the same unofficial character, but indicates the determination of

ion in its present form.

FIFTEEN FISHERMEN MISSING

Supposed to Have Been Drowned in a Wild Squall Off the Coast of Charleston, S. C.

By Telegraph to the Merning Star. CHARLESTON, S. C., June 1.-The NO. 32 negro fishermen of Charleston, every clearday, except Sundays, sail beyond the bar, many of them out of sight of land, to catch fish for this and neigh-

boring markets. Their boats are

small cat-rigged craft, which impress

the stranger as unsafe for a trip in the inner harbor. Fifteen fishermen are supposed to have been drowned in a wild squall which blew up yesterday afternoon while the mosquito fleet of fishing boats were anchored off the "Eastern Patches." There were eight boats fishing at the time. The storm scattered then to the four winds and all save three were accounted for to night. The missing boats were the Anna Julia, the Messenger Boy and the Knife. There were fifteen men on the three boats. When the supposed disaster was reported the revenue cutter Forward went to sea and skirted for thirty miles around the lightship,

but came back with the report that not a sign of life or a disabled boat could All hope for the safety of the fisher men was abandoned at dark to day when the cutter got into port with the bad news. It was thought during resignation, and charges that Governor the day that the boats had drifted to places of shelter, but the failure of the government vessel to find a trace of their whereabouts convinced the crowd of watchers on the wharves

that the men were dead. Capt Joe Watkins, of the Messenger Boy, was the only white skipper

supposed to have perished. Relatives of many of the fishermen wait to night for news from the sea. They cannot believe that so many victims would be called in one storm, and in spite of the little hope held out they wait and believe that the lost will be found. Experienced skippers, however, say that there is not one chance in a hundred that the fifteen were saved.

CLAIMED HE WAS ROBBED.

Story Told in Seattle by George Mulligan, of Liberal, Kansas, En Route to Yukon.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. SEATTLE, WASH., June 1 .- George Mulligan, of Liberal, Kas., who says he is president of the Eagle City Mining and Exploration Company, claims that while in this city awaiting the sailing of a vessel for the Yukon he was robbed of \$17,000. He says he are reported to be ready to appoint was drawn into a dark alley by two two Senators in 'two minutes and a men as he was passing down a bright ly lighted street, sand bagged and robbed of the money by the ripping open of his shirt, underneath which Senator and its powers can be best the money was concealed. He reunderstood by the ease with which you think you could fill it. It was ported his loss to the police. Chief of Police Meredith found \$13,500 of not my fault that an immediate resignation was not sent you. You declare the alleged stolen money in the lining that the 'people are entitled to one of Mulligan's overcoat. Mulligan year of peace and freedom' from polit claims he was playing a joke on his men. Mulligan is not under arrest. cal battles and bitterness. I am ready but is not allowed to leave the police sirable, but our race has ever thought station. The police do not believe his war preferable to dishonor, and unless

LIBERAL, KAS., June 1.-George Mulligan left here last Saturday with a company of thirty four young men, bound for the Klondike gold fields. He was president of the Eagle City Placer Mining Company, made up of Liberal men, and the money slleged to be lost was principally that paid by the men in the company. Each man, before leaving here, paid Mulligan \$600, for which he was to furnish all expenses to Eagle City and provisions for one year.

A KANSAS TRAGEDY.

Mutilated Body of a Woman Found in a Shallow Trench Near Her Home. Her Husband Missing.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HOLTON, KAS., June 1.-In a shallow trench, less than one hundred yards from her home, one mile north of Holton, the mutilated body of Mrs. W. H. Klensmire, was found to day. majority in the Senate does not alter On Saturday, May 19th, the children of the family were absent. When they returned they say their father informed republic, whose bed-rock principle them the mother had gone to Texas on is the 'consent of the governed,' can a visit. Later Klensmire left, ostensibly for Texas. Yesterday the children acquire by conquest or purchase territories and peoples to be controlled received a telegram saying that their mother had died from yellow fever, and had been buried in Texas. The discovery of her body has created inplans must be laid for a battle to the ense excitement.

TOPEKA, KAS., June Swetlie, brother of Mrs. Klensmire, was murdered in 1892 and the manner of his death was never explained. He carried \$80,000 life insurance. The beneficiaries were Mr. and Mrs. Klensmire. Part of the insurance was contested and a verdict for \$38,000 was secured in favor of the estate in the United States Circuit Court. The case was appealed and was argued at St. Paul yesterday. The whereabouts of the corpse of Mrs. Klensmire was made known by dogs.

ELECTIONS IN CUBAN TOWNS.

General Victory for the Nationalists. Bitterness Against Americans—The Constitutional Convention.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, June 1.-The press deplores the misunderstanding with the Washington government but generally admits the possibility of a wrong construction being put upon the amendment by the explanations and interpretations, and that it will be best for the convention to take the question up immediately and accept he amendment as passed by Congress. SANTIAGO DE CUBA, June 1.-The reports from outside municipalities show a general victory for the Nationallowed to speak by himself rather en-joys the prospect." alists, but in the city both parties claim to have won. The Republicans showed unexpected strength, though probably not enough to elect their candidates. The Nationalists

make charges of illegal voting. The streets were filled with frenzied partisans, cheering their favorite candidates. Over one hundred arrests were made during the day, but there was no serious disorder, though one small riot occurred in front of the jail. The rioters, however, were quickly dispersed by a charge of twenty of the

rural police. Considerable bitterness is expressed against the American supervision of the municipal elections.

The statement of the associated banks for the five business days ending yesterday shows: Loans, \$866,-314,600; increase \$7,442,100. Deposits, \$952,398,200; increase, \$11,281,300. Circulation, \$31,093,600; decrease, \$11,-100. Legal tenders, \$78,162,600, increase \$1,661,600. Specie, \$181,190,000; increase, \$1,122,800. Reserve, \$259,necessary, will be located in this city. | 352,600; increase, \$2,784,400.