SUBSCRIPTION PRICE. The subscription price of the Weckly Star is a

FACTS FOR FARMERS.

About everything in the food line for man or beast is higher this year than it was last year and cotton is lower, so that the cotton-grower who depends on cotton and has to buy his food supplies is caught both ways, on his higher food stuffs and his lower cotton. This isn't the first year they have been caught this way, but it takes many of them a long time to learn even when buying experience at a high price. By way of illustration we publish here two clippings from Southern papers, one the Augusta, Ga., Chronicle, the other the Charleston News and Courier, each of which tells a story of its own, but both substantially the same. The first is from the Chronicle, in the form of a letter, which reads as follows:

"I notice that in his remarks before the Richmond County Agricultural society on last Saturday, Mr. Berckmans cautioned the planters of this county to be careful in pitching their than their limited market will be able to consume. Suggestions and advice from so high authority as Mr. Berckmans are well to heed, but Mr. Editor, are his fears well grounded? "I hardly think so, and unless the

farmers of this county grow very much more than they now produce it will be several years before they will glut this their territory. To satisfy myself as to the state of

aff irs and learn how much imported stuff was sold here, I to-day visited several of the produce merchants and questioned them along that line. During my conversation with one the express man drove up and unloaded thirty cans of butter, which was made in Tennes-see. I then asked the merchant where the stuff that he sold came from and this is what he told me: His potatoes came from Michigan, cabbages from New York, onions from New York and the West, apples from New York, and just think of it. his turnips were grown in Canada and just then he had a car on track received that day.

"Now look at the above. Isn't it an object lesson? How can we ever expect to have anything when all that we use for man and beast comes from somewhere else. It is a well known fact that many of our planters fight grass six months out of each year, and the other six months they buy hay from Maine or Iowa. With such conditions of affairs existing it behov s us to get up and do something to bring about a change or we will be like the cannibals in a short time, eat one another up.

The other is an editorial in the News and Courier, which reads as

"At a recent meeting of the Commercial and Industrial Association of the city of Montgomery, Ala., the custom prevalent in that section of raising cotton to exchange for corn and meat purchased from the West was deplored. It was reported that during the year 1901 the trading section adjacent to

Montgomery used:		
Per	Car.	Amoun
250 cars hay at	\$150	\$37,50
1,010 cars oats at	600	606,00
950 cars corn at	500	475,00
1,100 cars flour at	650	715.00
935 cars meal at	450	420,75
950 cars pack'g-house	1000	
produce et	9 800	9 975 00

"It was further asserted that every

pound of this material could and should have been raised at home. It was pointed out that this material represented the value of 115,000 bales of cotton, or about two-thirds of the entire receipts, and the pertinent ques-tion was asked: 'How can a country prosper which is drained year after year in this manner?'

This is a serious question for th farmers of the South to consider. It is so hard to break away from old customs. Soon after the war there was such a demand for cotton that the farmers of the South used every pos-sible acre of ground in its production. and under those abnormal condition it was more profitable to raise cotton than anything else, and the farmer could afford, with the high prices he obtained for his cotton, to buy his

But all that is changed. The price of cotton has come down, until it is now only a little higher than the cost production, and it is sucidal for the farmer to expend all his energies in producing cotton and use the all propositions requiring statements proceeds to purchase his supplies. Take for example a year like this, when by reason of the scarcity of corn in the West the price is more than doubled. But it cost the farmers of the South no more to raise corn in that year than in ing. The favorites in the ring will other years, and so those farmers who did not raise corn are compelled to pay double prices for their supply of that

"On general principles, we say that a farmer can produce everything that his farm will produce cheaper than he Mr. Kahn, of California, talked can buy it from somebody else, because when he produces it he gets it at prime cost, whereas when he purchases it he must pay at least two profits, with the cost of transportation ad-

The remedy suggested by the writer in the Chronicle is immigration, which would be a good thing by birth and was at one time a cirand help in the revolution which he would like to see, but such immi-

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Southern farmer to raise his own

supplies whether he plant little or

much cotton and thus make himself

independent of the dairies, pens.

pastures and grain bins of other

We saw an estimate last year,

based on inquiry and investigation,

of the quantity and value of food

stuffs shipped into Atlanta from

other States, the aggregate of which

ran up into many millions. We

saw at the same time estimates for

other Southern cities and towns,

the aggregate of which ran up into

millions, and we judge, that it is

probably much the same this year

although, perhaps, not to quite as

great extent, for there are more

food stuffs raised now in the South

than in former years, but an amount

insignificant in comparison with

We do not know what the figures

are but we do not think it would be

a wild estimate to say that it takes

at least three-fourths of the cotton

crop to pay for fertilizers and for

the food stuffs consumed while

making the crop and this has been

the case every year since the war,

This is not a condition confined

to Georgia or Alabama, but applies

to every Southern State, even to

those outside of the cotton belt

proper. It applies to every State

from Virginia to Texas, although

more, of course, to some than to

others. There is not a city or a

town of any size in North Carolina

which does not import food stuffs

from other States, food stuffs that

the farmers of the surrounding

sections do not supply and do not

attempt to supply, and much of this

imported stuff is sold to those farm-

ers, who ought to be sellers instead

of buyers. The South may prosper

as a whole, and may multiply her

manufacturing establishments and

thus give work to more people and

thus increase the wealth of this sec-

tion, but the Southern farmers, as

a class, will never be prosperous

while they continue to grow cotton

and make that their main depend-

ence. There is too much cetton

grown now to leave a large margin

for profit in it. But to be depend-

ent on any one crop year after year

PLAYING POLITICS.

The Republican leaders never lose

sight of politics in the measures

had charge of that \$500,000 Manila

job, was playing politics in that as

shown by his demand for a separate

vote on it. This separate vote got

sixteen Democrats, who were prob-

ably afraid of being held up in the

next campaign as men who were op-

posed to "protecting and sheltering"

the American soldier, which was the

His object in calling for a separate

vote on that amendment was to use

it in districts where the soldier vote

is a factor and where the Democrats

who voted against it would be ar-

raigned as enemies of soldiers and

opposed to "protecting and shelter-

ing" the American soldier. Of

course this is a falsehood like the

thousands of others that have been

uttered misrepresenting the motives

and actions of Democrats in opposing

This appropriation was at first

sandwiched into the Urgent Defic-

iency bill, and the attempt was

made to run it through without stat-

ing what it was for and when forced

to do that then they offered it as an

amendment so phrased as to put every

member who opposed it in a false

position. They stubbornly opposed

as to the expenditures of that sum

so that there will be a pretty good

opportunity for considerable steal-

get away with a considerable per-

centage of that appropriation, re-

gardless of the "sufferings of our

soldiers in the Philippines" that

But Mr. Cannon has his separate

vote, and will proceed to play it

for all it is worth in the districts

Thos. M. Patterson, the Senator-

where it can be played.

Republican measures.

is not farming. It is blundering.

below ten cents a pound.

what should be raised.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1902.

IT IS GETTING FUNNY.

Here comes Hawaii protesting practicable for some years to come, against making concessions to Cuba and would then require much syson the sugar question, and San Dotematic effort and a considerable mingo, too. Guam and the Philipexpenditure of money. Colonies pines haven't been heard from yet. have been established in Georgia Concessions to Cuba will, they say, but it took money and work to do ruin the sugar industry of Hawaii, t. If the reform depends on immiwhich is owned and controlled by gration that section of Georgia will Claus Spreckels and a few other be dependent for its foodstuffs upon rich fellows, but isn't it somewhat other sections for some time to cheeky on the part of Hawaii to be kicking about this business so soon The remedy proposed by the after having been taken in herself? News and Courier is the one pro-When Hawaii was paddling her own posed thousands of times in the past cance concessions to her sugar were ten years by Southern writers on all right, but now concessions to farm topics, and by Southern busi-Cuba would be all wrong, and on ness men, and the only practicable the same principle, because it would and effective remedy. It is for every hurt her, she would doubtless

> if that were proposed. As San Domingo also protesta against showing any favors to Cubs we may soon expect to hear from the other islands which grow sugar or fruits consumed in this country. Concessions to Cuba would be giving Cuba an advantage over

The Louisiana cane interests have had their say with the sugar bee interests. The Louisiana cane men don't want any freciprocity because it would hurt them, they say; but isn't the Southern cotton planter who would be benefited by reciprocity entitled to some consideration? Should the sugar cane men be coddled at the expense of the cottongrowers? We are talking about the possibilities of opening a larger market in China for Southern cotton goods, and are urged to oppose Chinese exclusion, and to favor the policy of forcible expansion in the Philippines to do this while right at our doors, in Cuba, with reciprocity there is a market for \$20,000,000 or more of American

cotton goods. who consume sugar entitled to some

Some women are tough. A young one crossing a bridge over a stream on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, saw a train bowling along her way and rather than dispute the right of way, jumped from the bridge. She struck the water eighty feet below, and strange to say, with the exception of being pretty angry, wet and chilly, she was not much the worse

Governor Cummings, Republican of Iowa, uttered a rock-bottom truth when he said that "Pretection was made for man-not man for protection." In a general way that's right but it would be nearer the exact truth if he had said "Protection was made for men, special favorites of the fellows who made the protec-

The State of Missouri seems to reverse the rule as to the payment of teachers in the public schools. It is said that the male teachers receive an average of \$296 a year and the female teachers \$306. But these figures do not indicate a very high valuation put upon the labors of those who teach the young Missouri they discuss. Mr. Cannon, who

The physicians who say that three hearty meals a day are too much for the digestive capacity of the average mortal and that the dinner should be abolished, might point to the tramp to support their dictum. Tramps seldom have dyspepsia, they seldom eat three meals a day and cunning title Mr. Cannon gave his very rarely a hearty dinner.

> It cost France about \$60,000 to entertain the Czar of Russia on his last visit. It will cost this country about as much to entertain Prince Henry. It would be cheaper if those fellows did their visiting incognito.

The young Korean Prince who was sent to this country to be educated got some of it while he was getting away with the \$30,000 which he borrowed from that Philadelphia

Perhaps when Indian Commissioner Jones issued that haircut order, he thought the barber might solve the Indian problem by talking the young bucks to death.

with the engineer of the train on which he travels. He believes in keeping on good terms with the fellow who manipulates the throttle. The latest about Mrs. Stone is

Bishop Potter always shakes hands

that the brigands will release her but will hold her for a few days until they get a chance to hide the money so the nosers can't find it. A man on trial in France for

murder established an alibi by proving that at the time of the murder he was in another town burglarizing a hotel.

Japan is not backward in coming forward. She is erecting wireless telegraph stations on the Korean

THE LATE WM. A. WRIGHT.

Remains Arrived Yesterday and Were Laid to Rest in Oakdale Cemetery-Puseral Prom St. James'.

The remains of the late William A. Wright, whose death at Jacksonville, Fla., on Friday has already been chronicled, reached Wilmington at 12:05 o'clock yesterday afternoon via the Seaboard Air Line railway, accompanied by the bereaved wife, her daughter, Miss Alice Wright, who was in school at Spartanburg, S. C., and joined the party there, and Mr. Samuel P. Holmes, brother-in-law of the deceased. The other two children remained with their grandmother at Jacksonville until their mother's rekick against the annexation of Cuba.

From the station, where a large party of friends awaited the arrival of the funeral cortege, the remains were tenderly borne to the vestibule of St. James' Episcopal Church until the hour of the services-3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. There were in attendance upon the funeral a large assemblage of friends of the deceased and family, and upon the casket were laid many beautiful floral tributes.

The order for the burial of the dead was impressively said by the Rt. Rev. Bishop A. A. Watson, assisted by the Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsfield, rector the parish of which the deceased was so long a faithful member. The remains were laid to rest in Oakdale cemetery, the following having acted as pall bearers: Honorary, Dr. T. S. Burbank and Col. John Wilder Atkinson; active, Messrs. T. D. Meares, T. O.-James, George Kidder, Jno. H. Brown, L. B. Sasser and Jos. H. Wat-

The Jacksonville Times-Union of yesterday has the following to say of the death of Mr. Wright.

"After a brief residence here, William A. Wright, formerly of Wilmington, N. C., died suddenly at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his nome in the Sanderson flats, on Ocean "Mr. Wright came here several

weeks ago on a visit, accompanied by John L. Holmes, mother of Sam P. Holmes, J. Dobbin Holmes and Miss Sallie Holmes. Soon after coming here he decided to make this city his future home. He was in the best of health and his sudden passing away from heart failure is a great shock to his family here and to those whom he left in Wilmington, where he was prominent in business and social circles. He was the promoter of Wrightsville Beach, a well known and popular Summer resort near Wil-

Wilmington, accompanied by Mrs. Wright and her brother, Sam P. Holmes. The funeral arrangement were in charge of Funeral Director Charles A. Clark. The funeral services will be held to-morrow at Wilming-

CAROLINA NORTHERN RAILROAD

Rumor That It Will be Extended From

Payetteville to Charleston, S. C. The Washington correspondence of the Raleigh Post of yesterday contains the following:

There is a strong probability of the Carolina Northern Railroad being extended from Lumberton to Fayetteville. I get this information from E. K. Proctor, Jr., of Lumberton, gen eral counsel for the road, who arrived here to-day from Philadelphia, where he went to confer with the majority stockholders. This road is now in operation from Lumberton to Marion, C., a distance of 45 miles. Mr. Proctor tells me that the road is to be built at once to Charleston, S C., a distance of 110 miles. Work will begin within sixty days. It is the de-sire of the owners of this road to build an extension to Fayetteville, which would give a direct route to Charleston. Mr. Proctor was here to see Representative Bellamy about the \$3,500 appropriation for the improve ment of the Upper Cape Fear. He says if this appropriation is granted and deep water is obtained at Fayetteville there is no doubt about the road being extended to that point. Mr. Bellamy will give the River and Harbor Committee the benefit of this in formation. It is 33 miles from Lumberton to Fayetteville and it is proposed to cross the Cape Fear about Tar Heel.

REV. JUHN STANLY THOMAS.

Resignation as Pastor of Suffolk Presbyterian Church Much Regretted, [Suffolk, Va., Herald, 24th.]

On Sunday last Rev. John Stanly Phomas resigned as pastor of the Suffolk Presbyterian church, his resignation to take effect February-26. Mr. Thomas came from W.lmington, N. C., to Suffolk in 1899, to undertake pastoral work in the church here. During his pastorate the membership has grown, the attendance increased, the church property has been improved, and extra salary has been paid. In addition to being a talented pul-pit orator and an efficient pastor, Mr. Thomas has been an aggressive worker in moral reforms. He has also conducted mission services a few miles

Mr. Thomas is not only greatly be loved by his own congregation, but has many other friends in Suffolk and vicinity who will regret his departure will follow him wherever his lines may be cast. He has under consideration several fields of usefulness, but has not yet decided where he will go.

DIED AT COUNCIL'S STATION.

Mr. J. S. Council, Aged and Respected Citizen, Died Thursday Night.

[Special Star Correspondence.] Councils, N. C., Jan. 24.-Mr. J. S. Council died suddenly of heart failure at his home here last night. He was in the 72nd year of his age. He had been postmaster here since Grant's first term, and was a genial, kindhearted citizen and was loved by all. He leaves four daughters, Mrs. R. E. Vick, Mrs. J. F. Flowers, Misses Olive E. and Lenora Council, of this place and one son, D. W. Council, of Rutherfordton, N. C. TEACHERS' ASSEMBLY.

Will Meet This Year June 10th to 14th The Place Yet to be Selected. [Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. O., Jan. 25,-The W. McLauchlin Company, of Raeford, Camberland county, is chartered, with \$20,000 capital. The lincorporators are J. W. McLauchlin, E. B. McNull. J. C. Thomas and D. S. Davis. The Executive Committee of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly met today and decided to hold a session this year, June 10th to 14th, at a place yet to be selected by the committee. Members present were President Edwin Mims, Secretary and Treasurer W. D. Car-michael, J. C. Horner, E. W. Sikes, J. T. Faust, J. J. Blair.

COMPANY INCORPORATED.

To Construct and Operate Electric Rallway Between Hamlet and Rockingham.

[Special Star Telegram.] RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 24 - Joseph W. Daniel, of Rocky Mount, filed petition for voluntary bankruptcy to-day. Liabilities, \$1,952; assets, \$1 000

The Hamlet and Rockingham Street Railway Company has been incorporated with \$150,000 capital. The in-corporators are M. C. Freeman, J. P. Cameron, Geo. O. Saunders. The principal office is at Hamlet; the object is to construct and operate an elec-tric line, for freight and passengers, between Hamlet and Rockingham.

KENANSVILLE AGAINST WARSAW

And the Peculiar Situation in Which Ouarantine Placed an Englishman.

The smallpox situation in Duplin and Sampson has taken a rather ridiculous turn. It seems that Warsaw had quarantined against the town of Clinton, and yesterday a drummer-an Englishman-who was not familiar with the way Americans do things, came over from the latter place and was immediately arrested and fined ten dollars.

He refused to pay and was sent to fused to receive him and returned him to Warsaw. Before he was well on his way the authorities were called together and quarantined against Warsaw and will not allow the "suspect" to be sent back to jail. The Englishman would not pay his money, the authorities would not take his body, and the last time he was heard of no one would either take the responsibility of taking him or discharging

Thrown from Bicycle.

Mr. Frank L. Huggins was the victim of a very painful accident yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock. Mr. Huggins is manager of the "Unknown Factory," to the north of the city, and was riding his bicycle out to the factory after dinner as usual. Soon after coming to the macadamized road leading to Castle Haynes, he quickened up his pace somewhat and was spinning along at a rapid rate. The front fork of his machine, from some unknown cause, suddenly broke and the was thrown violently upon a pile of lumber on the road side. The left side of his face and the left eye were badly contused, and his left hand and forearm were also badly bruised. He sent for his horse and buggy at the factory and was brought back to his home in the city, where Dr. Bellamy gave him the necessary surgical attention. At last accounts

The Abandoned Schooner. The Alexander Jones arrived in port yesterday afternoon towing the abandoned schooner Mary L. Crosby, which was taken from the shoals near Frying Pan on Friday. She was left at Skinner's railway, where she will likely be hauled up and pumped out for repairs. Capt. A. Trimm, master of the vessel, arrived from Baltimore yesterday to look after his interests and a member of the firm of Pendleton Bros., of New York, the owners, is expected here to-day. The story of the shipwreck was told in these columns yesterday. A board of survey will likely decide what disposition to make of the vessel to-morrow.

he was resting well, and his friends

hope to see him out again in a few

Engraving of the "Shenandoah." Raleigh Times: "It will be remem bered that the Confederate flag was flown by a North Carolinian, James Iredell Waddell, on board the "Shenandoah," up to Nov, 6th, 1865, nearly seven months after Lee's surrender. A sketch of this cruise of this famous vessel has been written and printed in volume 5 of "Regimental Histories" now being issued by the State. Hon. E. W. Pou, our member in Congres, informed the editor of the work that the United States government had an excellent cut of the "Shenandoah," and a sufficient number of copies (2, 000) would be sent out for the State work for the cost of press work and paper, which would be \$12. The letter was sent to Wilmington, whose patriotic citizens raised the necessary sum and sent it by next mail. There is no discount on public spirit in the 'Oity by the sea.'

Those Eastern Appointments.

Washington special to Charlotte Observer: "Senator Pritchard said today that the appointment of the committee of eastern Republicans to re-commend candidates for the offices in eastern counties was merely in accord ance with the plan of campaign organization he had adopted several months ago. The proposed committee will recommend candidates, but according to later information received on the subject, the anxious ones will still have to look to Pritchard as the court of last resort. However, the decision of the committee will stand unless the circumstances are out of the ordi-

Died at Harrison's Creek.

Mr. James T. Westbrook, of Harrison's Creek, died Friday morning at 8:15 o'clock. He was 62 years of age and leaves a wife, two sons and three daughters, Messrs. J. S. and D. O. Westbrook, Misses Laura and Mamie Westbrook and Mrs. J. A. McIntyre, of this city. He volunteered in the civil war in 1861 and served in "McIntyre's Cavalry." The funeral was held

at 11:80 A. M. Saturday and the burial

Aged Citizen of Pender Dead.

was in the family cemetery.

News reached the city yesterday through a telegram to Mr. F. P. Lamb of the death of Mr. Daniel Bordeaux, a venerable and highly esteemed citizen of Pender county. Mr. Bordeaux was about 75 years of age, and resided about six miles from Burgaw. He leaves four sons and one daughter to mourn their loss. The funeral will take place at 3 o'clock to-day from the late residence. Rev. C. G. Vardell.

Fayetteville Observer, 25th: "Rev. C. G. Vardell, president of Red Springs Seminary, has been unanimously elected president of the Texas College for Girls. President Vardell is graduate of Davidson College, was for some years pastor of the Presbyterian church at Newbern, and has built up Red Springs Seminary to its present high standard of scholarship and use fulness. He has not yet signified his acceptance of the appointment. If he does accept, his place will be hard to

Custom House Appointments.

The STAR learned vesterday from a mostireliable source that Deputy Collector John E. Taylor would retain his position under Collector Keith at the Custom House and that it was almost as positive that Mr. Wm. Struthers would be retained also. It is expected that Mr. Keith will qualify and enter upon the duties of the office of Collector early this week.

MARINE DISASTER.

Kenansville to jail. Kenansville re- Large Steamship Reported Ashore On the Coast of Virginia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NORFOLK, VA., Jan. 25.-A large steamship went ashore on the Virginia coast near Wash Woods Life Saving station to night during a heavy fog. At this writing her name has not been learned nor bave any particulars been received in this city. The Merritt and Chapman Wrecking Company have sent their wrecking tug Rescue to the scene to offer aid.

CAPE HESRY, Va., January 25.— Weather Bureau Official Drinkwater, of Currituck Inlet, N. C., reports the Italian barque Vergine Della Guardia, sand ballast, from Barbadoes for Philadelphia, Captain Salvatore Lubramo and crew of twelvemen, stranded half a mile south of Wash Woods Life Saving Station at 7:30 to-night, during a dense fog. The crew with their bag-gage were safely landed by Captain Corbel and his men of the Wash Woods station. The vessel is leaking but may besaved if the weather continues favor-

SCHWAB'S OBSERVATIONS.

Believes That European Markets Will Appropriated by the United States.

By Cable to the morning star. BERLIN, Jan. 25.—Charles M Schwab, president of the United States Steel Corporation, in his tour of the European continent, arrived here Thursday and has had two busy days seeing acquaintances and receiving s procession of bankers and manufac urers who wanted to see the man who directing five milliards of capital.

Schwab's observations in France, Italy and Austria, and now in dermany, have confirmed his belief that their external markets will in evitably become the United States, markets and that all they can do in their trade contests is to preserve their domestic markets, through tariffs, the Americans appropriating the rest of the world. Whether Germany puts up her tariff or not, it does not count for much, in Mr. Schwab's general survey of the international situation.

MISS ELLEN M. STONE.

Accused by Turkish Officials of Conniv ance With Macedonian Committee,

By Cable to the Morning Star. VIENNA, Jan. 25.—The Politisch Correspondenz, a highly reputable paper, publishes a dispatch from Constantinople declaring that the Porte has received secret reports accusing Miss Stone of connivance with the Maedonian committee in allowing herself to remain a prisoner in order to ncrease the ransom for her release lemanded by the brigands, the bulk of which will go to the committee. The dispatch further says that Miss Stone is at present living in a Bulgarian village in disguise.

SMALLPOX IN LONDON.

Disease Spreading—Re-vaccination of Al Government Employes Ordered. By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 25 .- Owing to the spread of smallpox, the various government departments have issued instructions which will result in the revaccination of practically all government employes, including postmen, in land revenue officers and telegraphers Many private companies have already taken similar precautions, but the above order will result in an increase in the number of red-taped arms, of which the streets have been full for weeks past.

SPANISH GUNBOAT CONDOR.

Towed Into Port Disabled-Boiler Ex ploded, Killing Four Men.

By Cable to the Morning Star. Vigo, Spain, Jan. 25.—The obsolete Spanish gunboat Condor has been towed into this port in a damaged condition, due to the explosion of her boiler, which killed four men and injured seven others, including the commander of the vessel. Several of the injured men are in a dangerous condition. Most of the crew sustained contusions or burns. The gunboat is practically a wreck.

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- Littleton Reporter: The Lit-tleton shuttle block factory will begin operations in a few days. This enter-prise will create sale for all the dog-wood and persimmon wood market-able in this section.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- Fayetteville Observer: News was received here this (Friday) morn. ing of the death at his home in Greensboro of Mr. R. W. Brooks, one of the most prominent lumbermen in the State, and well known to many Fayetteville people.

- Sanford Express: The people from the North are pouring into Pinehurst and the number of visitors this season will exceed that of last season, when it reached 1.800. — The Currie gold mine, near Macedonia church, in Montgomery county, is said to be a rich mine. One evening last week \$360 in gold dust was taken out.

— Rocky Mount Spokesman: On January 20th, 1903, Mrs. Harriett Proctor died at the ripe old age of 78 years. — There has been in circulation a report that there is smallpox in Rocky Mount. After careful inquiry we are able to state that there is no smallpox here, nor has there been this winter. Dr. Battle, superintendent of health for Nash county, stated here a few days ago that there is not a case in Nash county. And so far as we are able to learn there are very few if any cases in Edgecombe, certainly none

near here. - Goldsboro Argus: The small pox situation in Sampson county is causing alarm. The report received here to-day (Friday) from Clinton will cause people to take a more serious view of the matter. It is reported here that there were two deaths from smallpox Thursday night. One ocout in the country from the town. The case in the town is that of Miss Draughan, whose disease has caused some dispute in the State papers by the medical fraternity. The other un-fortunate victim of the loathsome disease is a Mr. Crumpler, a young man who lived in the country. While the doctors are engaged in scientific discussion, the people are dying from the disease, whether it be smallpox or not

- Wilson Times: Last Friday morning, while at work on his farm, Mr. B. B. Tomlinson heard his wife screaming and so started running to the house. When he reached the top of the hill from which he could be heard at his home, he called, wanting to know what was the matter. replied a negro was trying to get her. When Mr. Tomlinson came in sight he saw the negro running across the field. A search failed to reveal his whereabouts, and of the three negroes afterward arrested Mrs. Tomlinson failed to recognize any as her assailant. Mrs. Tomlinson is a small woman, and having no family was quite alone at the time. The negro had hold of her at the time her husband called, and but for his being near the brute doubtless would have accomplished his diabolical purpose.

- Raleigh News and Observer News has reached Paint Rock of a bloody affair at Bluff Mountain, a town about six miles distant, on the Tennessee State line. A few days ago some one stole a moonshine still oper ated by Arch Babb. Babb suspected Baker Morelock, who is his brother-in-law. Bad blood has existed for some time between the two men on account of Morelock's repeated bad treatment of his family. The two men met at a still house, when the row began, which resulted in Babb shooting Morelock through the stomach and Morelock in turn shooting Babb through the ear. Morelock live only about an hour and a half. Babl has fled. Officers are in hot pursuit but are handicapped by heavy snow.

— A remarkable find was made

Thursday by a young man near Caroleen, in Rutherford county. For several generations it has been believed that somewhere on the William Morrow plantation was buried a pot of gold and for years people who have lived in that locality have dug for the hidden treasure. Mrs. Morrow, a widow, who is a very aged lady dreamed out the mystery and directed her grandson, Tom Tomes, where to dig for the long talked of pot of gold. The young man went immediately and excavated an old soapstone pot, which will hold about one gallon, and found it filled to the top with gold. There is one large nugget in the pot. The bal ance seems to be old coins hammere out and without date or device. There was also with the pot an Indian flin

SECRETARY GAGE.

When He Turns Over His Office Will Lo cate in Either Chicago or New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.-A repre sentative of the Bankers' Trust Company, of St. Louis, called on Secretary Gage to-day and intimated to the secretary that the company would like to make him a proposition to accept a position at the head of it. Mr. Gage informed his visitor that when he turned over his office to his successor, he would locate in either Chicago or New York and that he could not entertain proposition from any other source. It well known among Secretary Gage's intimate friends that while the New York offer is a tempting, one his inclination is very strongly in favor of accepting an offer from a leading Chicago trust company and the probabilities are that after taking a rest of about two

permanent home in Chicago. EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGED.

men, With \$19,000 Missing.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

months in Florida he will make his

Trusted Employe of Chicago Warehouse-

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Wm. S. Apple gate, manager for Waken & Mc-Laughlin, warehouse men, was indicted by the grand jury to day on a charge of embezziement preferred by J. Russell Waken. Applegate disappeared a week ago, and since then experts have been at work on his accounts, which are said to be short about \$10,000. Applegate has been a trusted employe for almost twenty

years, and several years ago was made manager of the company's affairs. During the hearing in New Orleans yesterday of Klein and West, charged with robbing a man who claimed to be T. E. Manners, of Chicago, but who was later identified as valet Edouard Kern, Jr., who stole \$50,000 worth of jewelry from the Thebaud mansion in New York. Manners took the in New York, Manners took the stand and confessed that he was Kern. He stated that he would return to New

York without a requisition.

MRS. RICHARDSON ACQUITTED

WomaniCharged, With Murder, of Her Husband, Who Was Shot and Killed. Sensational Scene

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

PLATTSBURG, Mo., January 25 .-Mrs. Addie Richardson was this afternoon acquitted of the charge of murdering her husband, Frank W. Rinhardson, a wealthy merchant, who was shot and killed Christmas eve, 1900 as he was entering his home in Savannah, Mo. A dramatic scene followed the rendering of the verdict. Mrs. Richardson was overwhelmed with congratulations from friends who had crowded the court room to await the arrival of the jury.

Mrs. Richardson was indicted for murder in the first degree and the State endeavored to prove as a motive

State endeavored to prove as a motive that she had sustained improper relations with Stewart Fife, a young ac-ciety man and former business associ-ate of Richardson. Fife was arrested recently at North Yakima, Washington, on a charge of complicity in the crime and is now in jail at Savannab. waiting for trial.

Mrs. Richardson sat as usual beside her father, and was surrounded by other members of the Richardson fam ily. Most of the time during the speech making she covered her eyes with her hands.

The defence laid particular stress on the fact that Mrs. Richardson was a typical young Southern woman who with characteristic hospitality had thrown her house open to her hus

The announcement of the verdid was received with frantic enthusiasm and joy, not only by Mrs. Richardson and her own and husband's relatives, but by all the spectators. J. D. Richardson, brother of the dead man, seized the widow around the waist and raised her clear off her chair. Holding her in his arms, he kissed her again and again, while the crowd cheered. After she was released by her brother in-law, her venerable father, Adam Lawrence, seized her in his arms and their tears of joy mingled as they em-braced each other. All of the relatives and the attorneys for the defence gathered around the father and daughter and with tears of joy em-braced or congratulated the latter and the little Richardson boys were kissed by scores of people.

CONFESSED THE MURDER

Strother, the Negro Attendant at the Bath House in St. Louis, Told How He Killed A. D. Cooper.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. St. Louis, Jan. 25 .- Wm. Strother. the negro attendant at the Vista Turk-

ish bath house at Grand and Franklin

avenues, confessed to-day to the mur-

der on Wednesday night, in the bath house, of Alexander Dean, Cooper, millionaire. The confession was made to-day be fore Chief of Police Kiely, Chief of Detectives Desmond and a police stenographer, who took the murderer's words verbatim. Strother signed the

confession after it had been tran-"sweated" by Chief Desmond, finally broke down this forenoon just prior to the hour for the coroner's inquest to begin and confessed all. He said that he took a coal hammer in one hand, lifted it high in the air and brought it down on the head of Mr. Cooper, who was asleep on the cot "I don't know why I did it," said Strother. "I guess I must have been

drunk and mad.' The coroner's jury this afternoon found the following verdict: "We, the jury, find that A. Dean Cooper came to his death January 28d, 1902, at 9:30 A. M., from a fracture of the skull, resulting from a blow struck with a sledge hammer by William Strother. Verdict, unjustifiable homi-

A number of witnesses were exam ined. Deputy Coroner Boogher, conducting the inquest, asked the prisoner (Strother) if he desired to make statement. Strother replied that he and been advised by his attorney, Orittenden Clark, a negro, not to make any statement.

BLIZZARD IN NEBRASKA.

emperature Par Below Zero With Heavy Wind and Snow-Loss to Live Stock Will be Heavy.

By Telegraph to the Merning Star.

OMAHA, NEB., Jan. 25 .- One of the neaviest blizzards ever experienced in Nebraska is raging apparently at all points in the State to-night. Reports. ndicate that the loss to live stock will be heavy, as the snow is flying in blinding sheets and the temperature has sunk far below zero. Chadron, Tecumseh, Creighton, Valentine and McCook report twelve to eighteen degrees below zero, with a heavy wind, snow drifting and passage of human beings or cattle through the storm practically impossible. All trains due rom the West are from three to seven

FIRE IN MOBILE.

Iwo Men Killed by Palling Walls-Prop erty Valued at \$300,000 Destroyed.

MOBILE, ALA., Jan. 25 .- Fire early to-day in the wholesale district destroyed property to the value of \$300;-000 and caused the death of Richard H. Vidmer, a leading society man of Mobile, and Bat Thomas, a negro laborer from New Orleans. Three firemen were injured, two slightly and one painfully. Mr. Vidmer and Thomas were assisting the firemen in subduing the flames and were caught by falling walls. Mr. Vidmer was a prominent Hoo Hoo and was once Vice Gerent Snark for Alabama. The fire broke out on the second floor of the Michael & Lyons Grocery Company, in the office occupied by E. Holzborn & Co., cotton brokers. The entire loss is almost covered by

GREAT GLUCOSE COMBINE.

Plans for Consolidation-Capital Stock of New Company to be \$70,000,000

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. CHICAGO, Jan. 25. -Plans for the consolidation of the Glucose Sugar Refining Company, the National Starch Company and several outside plants have made such progress that large stockholders in the glucose con-cern have been asked to sign an agree-ment that they will participate in the

The capital stock of the new cornpany will be seventy million dollars.
The larger part of it will be common stock of which the Glucose Company alone will absorb \$48,000,000 with its issue. The company will be entirely a stockholding corporation, and the identity and organization of the constituent concerns will be preserved. stituent concerns will be preserved.