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## REVISE OR STAND PAT.

Some of the Republican Senators recently held a conference at the Hot Springs, in Virginia, to talk over the position the party should take on the currency question, the tariff, &c. Concerning this conference the Philadelphia Press published the following from its Washington correspondent:

Tariff, rather than finance, was the subject discussed by Senators Ald-rich, Allison and Spooner at Hot Spring, Vs. They are members of the Senate Finance Committee, but Mr. Spooner said to-day that the con-sideration of a financial bill had not

"An important feature of the meet ing was the consideration of the tariff. The question was presented in the form of a plank to be adopted by the Iowa Republican convention, which soon meets. Mr. Allison will write the tariff plank, and it is proposed to express the sentiment of Iowa Republi cans so there can be no mistaking the

There have been consultations between Senator Allison and Governor Cummics, and there is unanimity of purpose to correct the misunderstandng of what has been termed the Iowa idea.' Mr. Allison, in the conference with his colleagues of the Senate finance committee on this subjec', showed that the real 'Iowa idea' is not at variance with the views universally possessed by the Republican

'Iowa Republicans, as well as other leaders in the West, oppose opening the tariff question in the next national campaign. Such revision as may be necessary, it is maintained, should be undertaken by the Republican party at a time when the people are not excited over a national election when uncertainty might affect business. This is the view of Eastern and Western Republicans, and it is believed that the Iowa platform will declare that policy.

Upon this the Washington Star another Republican paper, comments as follows:

If Senator Allison convinced Senato: Aldrich that no difference exists bet seen the revisionists and the standparters he accomplished something very unusual. The public is of the op site opinion. Why the "Iowa idex" if it but expresses the generally accepted interpretation of the tariff situation? What is the discussion about Why should so experienced man as the senior Senator from Iowa have been selected to draft a State platform if the tariff plank is simply to advise letting well enough alone? The merest tyro in politics could do that in very acceptable phraseology.

O! course there is difference. revisionists not only hold that the tariff should be revised by those who believe in protection and want that policy perpetuated, but that the time has come when the work should be done. In their opinion, justice and the business interests of the country both require it. The standpatters hold that nothing should be done on the subject at all as long as the country continues prosperous. Tariff revision, even to a very limited extent, would, they assert, throw everything out of plumb and produce unessiness in the business world. Hence the phrase, "let well enough alone." The one side hopes for revision not later than the first session of the Fifty-ninth Congrees. The other side would appear to be desirous of making it conditional up in the return of the democratic

As to what the strength of Gov. Cummins may be at home, time will soon tell. The state convention is but a few months. So far as is known, he has not changed his tariff views, as the re-ult either of any conferences held in Iowa or here in Washington. He atands for revision now as he did last year, and surely if he is successful again in this year's race be may be expecied to stand for revision next year. But, as The Star quite recently stated, "Iowa idea" is not confined to Iowa. It has strong support in many localities west of the Alleghenies, and it will make itself heard and felt at the next republican national conven-

The Republican party machine managers have set themselves deliberately to work to relegate the "lows idea" and talk of tariff revision until after the next Presidential election, taking it for granted that if they carry that election they can relegate it indefinitely speeches of Secretary Root and Secretary Shaw, and in the speeches of President Roosevelt in his swing 'round when he alludes to the tariff. Other prominent Republicans, agree with them, and as far as we know only two-Gov. Cummins, of Iowa, and Representative Babcock, Wisconsin-contend for tariff revision, although they would limit it to comparatively few articles. Counting the heads, as far as they are visible, these two seem to be a

hopeless minority. A short while ago Gov. Cummins and Senator Allison had a conference, the result of which was that they came to some sort of understanding that the "Iowa idea" would

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be recognized in the platform to be I things to be done to accomplish and adopted by the next Republican State convention, the tariff plank in which will be written by Senator Al- another prompt, persistent and lison by agreement with Gov. Cummins. This plank will declare that when it becomes apparent that tariff ries, and as a means to this end, reduction may be made without detri- the establishment of centers in ment to the industries involved then foreign countries where samples of reduction will be advisable, and the products of this country may be should be made. This is pratically exhibited. what the Iowa Republican platforms have declared for the past two years, the "Iowa idea" about which so much has been said, and which as matter of fact is so very cautious and conservative as to practically amount of some of our consuls to which we to nothing, for there is nothing made reference in an editorial yes-

mandatory in it. What gave it force, and about the only thing that did give it force, was the interpretation by Governor Cummins in his in other countries they must adopt speeches and interviews, in which he held out the idea that it declared for prompt action in reducing the tariff duties on articles that no longer need protection, especially upon such as are shipped abroad and sold for less money than the same articles are sold for at home. He believes in protection, but only when protection may be necessary. and therefore he believes that this work should not be indefinitely postponed, but should be undertaken and carried out in good faith by Congress when it meets.

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There are thousands of Republicans throughout the country, especially in the West, who believe, the same, but the leaders have determined that this question shall be relegated, and they will find a way to convince Governor Cummins and Mr. Babcock of the expediency of that, and the Iowa idea will figure very little in Republican speeches, save in the indefinite, non-committal way in which the buncoers now

### THE COTTON SPINNERS.

The Southern cotton spinners who met in Charlotte the past week resolved as a matter of necessity to curtail production, the reason given being the high price of the raw material as compared with the price of manufactured goods. Whether this high price is in consequence of a shortage in supplies, or of the manipulation of the market by speculators we do not know, but the spinners attribute it to manipulation, in which they are probably correct, and in which they are somewhat corroborated by a New York press dispatch published yesterday that there were indications that the "local clique" was about to close its deal, when the price will doubtless go down. This is one of the results of speculation in futures and cornering, by both of which the few profit and the many suffer.

A statement was made in the address of the president of the Association that while the average cotton crop of the country is about 10.-000,000 bales, at least 100,000,000 bales are annually sold by the speculators who never deliver a bale They sell what they haven't got and don't expect to have to other speculators who do not expect to receive what they buy, but to make money by selling at an advance or by squeezing the men who sold and can't deliver. It is the same with wheat and corn and other staple crops, in which the sales amount to many times as much as is produced.

Occasionally the producer may be benefited some by this speculation when prices are run up, but generally most of the crops have passed out of the hands of the producers before this happens, so that it is practically only the manipulators who can control the market, or are shrewd enough to know when to catch hold and when to let go who profit by it. Cotton manufacturers. millers and others suffer by it on account of the increased cost of the materials they consume and the public suffers by it on account of the increased cost of the things it needs. And yet there seems to be no way to prevent or even check this injurious speculation and cornering.

# A NEW ENGLAND MAN'S VIEWS

Among the speakers at the recent meeting of cotton spinners in Charlotte was Mr. E. W. Thomas, formerly President of the New England Cotton Manufacturers' Association, which shows that he is a man of high or lay it upon the shelf. This has standing among the mill men and cropped out prominently in the therefore his views are entitled to more than ordinary consideration

Speaking of the possibilities of the industry in the South he said it was not at all incredible that with the raw material at the doors of the mills, the South may become in the near future the cotton-manufacturing center of the world, in which he simply agrees with many others versed in the cotton industry and competent to speak upon-it.

That was asserted twenty years ago when the South had scarcely entered the arena as a manufacturer, and has been repeated frequently since by Northern and Southern men, when the South had not onefourth the mills she has now. But he said there were many

facilitate this, one of which was greater diversity in manufacturing, energetic efforts to open up more avenues of trade with other count-

This is in line with the advice given the New England millers some time ago by Mr. Vanderlip, ex-Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and also with the suggestions terday. There is good business sense in these suggestion. If our mill men hope to build up a trade the methods to do it and not let their competitors get and hold the inside track.

That Indiana chamber maid who refused to make up a bed on which Booker Washington had slept, said she didn't dislike Booker Washing« ten, but that all coons looked alike to her. She is a Republican in politics, too, but her parents were Southern people who migrated to Illinois. She has been offered lots of jobs, but thinks she will take one offered her by some one in Houston, Texas. There is too good stuff in that girl to pass her life in the humble capacity of chamber maid.

A negro has recently been appointed postmaster in a Maryland county. A Virginia negro, too, and the Republican Congressman from that district is so worked up about it that he has asked for the abolition of the office as unnecessary, to get rid of the negro p. m.

The discovery that an old miser California, left \$142,000 in cash in safe deposit box, has brought to the front 900 "heirs" and an alleged widow, and all the precints have not been heard from yet.

Mrs. Sage says she is so glad that Russell never smoked. Maybe she wouldn't let him. Russell is glad, too, when he thinks of what a lot of money he has saved by letting the other fellows do the smoking while he enjoyed the odor.

It is reported that Gen. Viljoen, a Boer, has purchased a tract of land in the State of Chihuahua, in Mexico, upon which 1,000 Boer families will locate. This is a pretty long "trek" for them, but will doubtless be a good one.

Columbia is hard up for money and wants to squeeze some of that \$40,000,000 canal purchase money out of the canal company. This is said to be the reason why she is going so slow in ratifying the treaty.

A New Jersey man wants \$25,000 damages from a vigilance committee which hanged him two years ago. It seems from this that they made a bad job of the hanging.

# CURRENT COMMENT.

The United States has reached a point in its career as a world power where it will either have to off the hook at his home or place of form an "entangling alliance" with Great Britain and Japan or let Russia have free rein in China .- Mobile Register, Dem.

- Mr. Cleveland is, perhaps trying to profit by experience, it avoiding a direct answer to the question. In his first inaugural he met the question of a "second" term by a flat declaration that one was sufficient-and subsequently found that he had been too precipitate about it. - Norfolk Ledger, Dem.

- The beef combine is beefing about cattle being short as its pretext for short-changing the consumer some more. It will be noted that Deacon Rockefeller never finds it necessary to take the public into his confidence when he chooses to bore deeper .- Atlanta Constitution,

- Postmaster General Payne, who pretends to be so anxious to get at the bottom of the rottenness in the Postal Department, promptly cuts off the official head of the first subordinate who fails to prove charges of irregularity. As the witty Frenchman said of the execution of the British Admiral Byng, this act of Mr. Payne's is probably designed 'to encourage the others' who have charges to make. - Norfolk Landmark, Dem.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE FORGES.

Manager Balley Galls State Temperance Convention to be Held July 7th. [Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., May 14.-Manager J. W. Bailey, of the executive committee of the State Anti-SaloonLeague, issued a call to-day for a State temperance convention, July 7th. He calls the State convention for the purpose of marshalling the temperance forces for the conflict close at hand and for a recognition of the executive department, putting one or more men in the field all their time. The state-ment is made that there is a vast amount of temperance sentiment in the State and in its unorganized situation cannot be coped with on present basis. It also contains a warning that a small attendance will be taken as a sign that the interest is not great.

# NEW 'PHONE SERVICE.

Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's System Now Complete.

cult," If You Please-An Inspection of the Building.

system of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in this city is now complete and all 'phones will be hereafter operated from the company's handsome new building, next to the northwest corner of Second and Princess streets. The old exchange on the third floor of the Atlantic National Bank building was abandoned at 10 o'clock last night and the operators are now making conversation by wire possible from their handsome new and improved switchboard on the second floor of the new building. The conpany has spent a vast amount of money in Wilmington since Jan. 15th, this year, and that the service has been improved one hundred per cent No one who has tested the new 'phones will gainsay.

of the exchange, a reporter for the STAR last night was shown over the new building. The new structure is of brick, trimmed with stone, and is especially designed for the purpose to which it is being devoted. It has two stories and basement, the latter being used as a storage room of the company where all sorts of supplies are kept. The underground cables, recently laid in the business section are also brought into the building in the basement, the wires being carried up through the floors, encased in

leaden pipes. who recently died in Los Angeles, for the manager and clerical force of the care of Dr. D. W. Bulluck, arrivpliances are being installed.

> by the metric system. The second floor is the operating

board, the most perfect piece of mechanism yet devised in the way of facilitating the work of telephoning. A single operator at the new switchboard is capable of doing double the work possible under the old system and with 100 per cent. more satisfac tion and less annoyance. There is no "talking back" to "Central" and only one person can speak to her at a time, whereas under the former plan there was a frequent babel of voices out of when two numbers are through conversing, an impossibility before without breaking in on the conversation of the subscribers. There are no "trunks" as in the old system. A person calling for the conection takes the receiver business and instantly a tiny 24-volt light appears over the number of your telephone. "Central" gets the number for which you ask, and another light flares up. The moment the call is answered both lights goes out—that is, when the conversation is over. A dozen female operators are employed during the busy hours of the day. The operators speak in soft tones, there being absolute freedom

from noise and confusion. The head 'phone used by the opera tors is of an entirely new pattern. Each operator has her individual headgear-if such a term can be employed. The contrivance is detachable, and the moment the operator finishes her work for the day she takes her 'phone and puts it away until she returns. The phone has a transmitter, which the operator wears around her neck, and which is never more than three inches from her lips. She does not have to bend over and stretch to a receiver-1 is right with her all the time.

Mr. McManus gave a splendid de scription of the workings of the new exchange, in which he had all sorts of things to say about each 'phone being connected this and that way and how the man at the "trouble counter" could locate exactly a "break," but to a layman, a trip through the building only disclosed a forest of wires and telephones and bells and all other appurtenances for talking.

The building is furnished throughout with Babcock's Improved Fire Extinguishers and every person in the building knows how to use them.

The Bell Company now has 790 subscribers, but should the list grow to 2,900 the new switchboard will be able to accommodate the "string." For the long distance work a calculagraph is employed-a wonderful instrument recording to the second the length of any conversation. The new system is a wonder and Wilmington is to be congratulated that it is com-

- Mr. Thos. D. Meares, Jr., is at home from the University.

# JONES MURDER AT WILSON. Grand Jury Pound True Bill Against All

grand jury of Wilson county, Judge

Brown, presiding, after investigating

the killing of T. Percy Jones, found a

an application to Judge Brown to-morrow for the release of the men on

Fearing an effort on the part of the

prisoners' friends to attempt their res-

cue, the sheriff of Wilson county tele-

assembled in the armory holding it

self in readiness for a call. A few

groups of people are seen on the streets. The town is quiet.

THE CHADBOURN SHOOTING.

Mr. G. S. Reld Gave Bond and Came to

Wilmington Saturday, Accompanied

Mr. G. S. Reid, of Chadbourn, the

prominent trucker and business man

who Wednesday, May 13th, shot and so

seriously wounded Chester Edmonds.

who is now in the Hospital here under

companied by his brother, Mr. J. O.

Reid, of Norfolk. Mr. Reid gave bond

at Whiteville last Friday, the 15th,

and is now in the city on a business

which will be held as soon as Edmonds

Mr. Reid claims self defence as justi-

is able to leave the Hospital.

by His Brother-Self-Defence.

order he was a member.

senator of Arkansas.

day) morning says:

cial from Wilson, N. C., says:

the Men Arrested-Puneral of the Slain \*aa -An Odd Fellow. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

THE IMPROVED SWITCHBOARD

Old Exchange Deserted Last Night at 10 O'clock and Its Now "Metallic Ch-

true bill for murder against George Whitney, Gill Ward, W. H. Rich, John Allen, J. B. Piver, W. W. Barnes, W. P. Croom, Lawrence Morgan, J. T. Bass, John Pitman and Sam J. Walls. The new plant and metallic circuit Nearly every lawyer in Wilson is employed by the defence, and it is given out to night that there will be graphed Governor Ayoock for permission to call out the troops. This was promptly accorded and at 1 o'clock the Wilson Light Infantry is

Through the courtesy of Mr. T. 8 McManus, the affable local manager

The first floor is devoted to offices the local exchange and long distance lines. Handsome furniture is being placed there and all other modern ap-

At the rear of the offices is a room where are located the storage batteries, the motors for charging the batteries, the cables connecting with the operating room above. The batteries and motors are duplicated, so that if one set gives out another is put into operation by the shifting of a switch. To guard against emergencles the batteries are so constructed that they will run for many hours without being changed. The power comes direct trom the splendid plant of the Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Company, being paid for

of which is now plainly visible on room, wherein is the new switch-Mr. Reid. Ur. Green Locates Here. Dr. Thomas M. Green, a popular young Wilmingtonian and a son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Green, of this city, has resigned his position as resident physician at St. Joseph's Hospital, Baltimore, Md., and has returned to Wilmington where he has located for the practice of his profession in which he is eminently skilled. Dr. which the patient operator could get Green graduated with distinction at nothing. Another great advantage is the University of Maryland several that the operator can tell in an instant | years ago and has since that time held the responsible position which he has resigned to return to his old home. The STAR joins hundreds of friends in wishing him the great success his superior talent merits. LOCAL DOTS.

- License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Charles F. Pridgeon and Nellie Cumber, daughter of G. F. Cumber, all of Wilmington, and Joseph M. Winner, of Federal Point township, and Elizabeth Oliver of Wilmington.

- Mr. A. E. Blake, the well known wholesale and retail peanut dealer, will in a very short time remove his business from its present place on North Water street, to his truck farm on Market street road, just beyond the National cemetery.

- Kinston Free Press: "The committee of arrangements of the M. E. Sunduy school have selected Tuesday, June 2nd, as the date for the Sunday school excursion to Wilmington. The fare will be \$1.75. A sufficient number of cars will be had."

- Favetteville Observer, 16th Mr. A. T. Tripp, who has been shipping clerk for the Armour Packing Company here, leaves for Wilmington this afternoon to accept a position in the Armour office there. He will be succeeded here by Mr. G. B. Thees, of Wilmington."

White Oak, who comes to visit his son, Mr. A. E. Martin, were passengers on the Highlander which arrived last evening. Mr. King succeeded Mr. Sutton as deputy collector and the latter succeeded Mr. King as postmaster at Elizabethtown."

- Miss Allie Morris, who went to Davidson, N. C., fifteen months ago and entered the sanitarium of Dr. J. P. Munroe, president of the North Carolina Medical College, for treatment for a throat trouble, from which she has been a great sufferer for a there is reason to believe anything number of years, has returned to wrong may be found. The investiga-Wilmington entirely recovered. Miss Morris has a host of friends here who will be delighted to learn of her re-

# SCANDALS IN THE P.O. DEPARTMENT

Formal Charges Made by Former Cashier Tulloch of the Wash-RALEIGH, N. C., May 15 .- A speington City Office. At 5:30 o'clock this afternoon the

REVIEWED BY GEN. PAYNE.

Porto Rican Service-Letter Box Schemes. Illegal Vonchers and Payments-Physicians Carried on Rolls. A Ring in the Salaries.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, May 16.-The formal harges of Seymour W. Tulloch, casher of the Washington city postoffice The funeral of Jones, the man who was slain, took place to-day. He was buried by the Odd Bellows, of which for many years until his removal four years ago, alleging irregularities in the postal administration, were sub-The dead man was related to Sena-tor J. K. Jones, of Arkansas. It is stated that he was his nephew. The mitted to Postmaster General Payne to-day. Mr. Payne and Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow father of the dead man is an ex-state went over the statement in detail. Postmaster General Payne, reviewing RALEIGH, N. C., May 16.—A special from Wilson at 1 o'clock this (Saturthe charges of Mr Tulloch, said:

"The great bulk of irregularities of which Mr. Tulloch complains was the result of the government talking over the postal service of Porto Rico. Mr. Tulloch refers to troubles caused by the payment of the Porto Rican accounts through the Washington city postoffice and makes some other insinuations, as for example, the promotion of letter box schemes, etc., but there is no evidence, nothing but words. All that will be of any service whatever to the department in looking up matters in connection with the investigation is comprised in three

of the statement, how ever, consists of an accounting of his own grievances and of comments on his own removal. He deals in glittering generalities in criticising ex-Post-master General Smith. He refers to vouchers and payments of certain people which he claims to have been illegal and makes a pretty severe attack on the comptroller of the tressury. He makes some reference to the alleged smothering of the examination of accounts of the local office, but offers no new evidence or documents to substantiate his allegations, merely referring certain people. certain accounts.

"There are no particularly new points, except an explanation of what ne heretofore has said in a general way. I am greatly disappointed that the document will not be of any help trip and presumably casting about for counsel to represent him in the trial "Mr. Tulloch mentions a rumor

about the department that a cablegram

had come to the department which 'Papa, send a transport here quick. I am sick; but that is given fication for the shooting and says both only as a rumor. Edmonds and his brother jumped on There are some things of course that him and it was either a case of shoot look on their face to be wrong and that need explanation. The bulk of or be killed. He expressed a hope the offences alleged is that vouchers that his victim would recover but said were charged to the wrong accounts. he saw no other course to pursue All of the items which were not al-

upon the occasion of the affray. The lowed by the comptroller were finally audited except less than \$100. We will men were making at him with a heavy look into the records of these matters, iron nail puller and the brother of the of course. wounded man did finally deal him a Postmaster General Payne said as heavy blow over the head, the effect to the charge that physicians were carried on the rolls of postoffices without authority, that there had been fifteen or twenty such cases in the United States. This was a matter of administrative policy, he said, and entirely within the province of the post-

master general; but that he himsel

last Autumn restricted employment of physicians to postoffices whose reve nues aggregated \$1,000,000 a year. of the Supreme Court docket. "Mr. Tulloch," continued Mr. Payne, "refers to the return postal card scheme of the Economic Postage Association, which never was adopted and insinuates 'we are unprepared to find Mr. Beavers and Mr. Machen com

mending the plan.'
"Mr. Tulloch charges that there is ring in the salaries and allowance division of the Postoffice Department without whose approval noth ing can be done, saying the ring con-sisted of the head of the department, the first assistant postmaster gen eral and the postmaster general Well, those officials were the only ones who had anything to say about such matters anyway. He says that some man was carried on two pay rolls; but the laws specifically provide that an employe can draw from two pay rolls if properly authorized, his aggregate salary does not exceed \$3,500. Mr. Tulloch mentions alleged junkets of officials and employes who went to Cuba and Porto Rico to install the postal service there. How does Mr. Tulloch assume to pass on the question whether these gentlemen simply went on a junket? He refers to a man who was appointed to a place in Porto Rico, but who got drunk in New York on the way. Well, once in a while a postmaster defaults and gets drunk and is dealt with according to his deserts. Mr. Tulloch has made the

statement that the Cuban administrative troubles were as nothing compared to Porto Rico. There has been only one case of wrong doing of an administrative official in Porto Rico, and that was a

clerk in the Ponce postoffice, who defaulted for about \$3,000. "Mr. Tulloch refers to appointments of laborers, charwomen and cleaners as evasions of the civil vice law. These places are not in the civil service. He says that they per-formed no duties at all or often did work along a line not authorized. We are now investigating a charge that three women carried on the rolls as charwomen performed no service.

"All that indicates any wrong in the Postoffice Department or in the Washington postoffice, involving loss to the government or the integrity of an official, will be investigated by Mr. - Fayetteville Observer: "Deputy
U. S. Collector Sam King, of Elizabethtown, and Mr. Castine Martin, of Comptroller Tracewell called off one of his men from an inspection of the Washington postoffice accounts, because it was alleged that he was reaching what might be called 'pay dirt.' Comptroller Tracewell, in his letter to me, says that the inspection had been fully completed before the man was taken off and that his re-port was already in and all the infor-mation wanted had been gotten. Mr. Tracewell says he himself inspected the New York postoffice accounts.

"Now, once, for all all, I want to say that this investigation of the affairs of the Postoffice Department will go on to the end, will reach into every tiion will be pursued relentlessly. Any thought of hushing up the investigation is a pure gratuity on the part of the person who furnishes such infor-mation."

PROGRESSIVE WILMINGTON.

Manufacturers' Record This Week Contains

a Good Word for the City.

Under the significant caption "Pro-

gressive Wilmington," the current

number of the Manufacturers' Record

ing from persistent, energetic and well-directed efforts of business men

for the upbuilding of their com-munity. Mr. Chadbourn shows how

the Chamber has a general oversight of the business of the port, establish-ing rules governing trade and ship-

ping; he describes the methods for

in spending money to promote Wil-mington's interests, noting especially

the preparation of a volume setting forth the many advantages of Wilmington and its vicinity for manufacturing, for business and for residence, and its interest in attracting

new industries and sustaining those already established. He said that

never before were the prospects of the city so bright, and he revealed the reason for that in his additional

statement that the merchants of Wil

mington have more public spirit than

ever before, are more united in their

public efforts and present a solid front in bringing Wilmington for

ward as a commercial and industrial

ANALIZING RALEIGH BEER.

Companies Chartered by Secretary

State-One by Wilmington Parties.

[Special Star Telegram.]

ized: \$8,000 subscribed. The incorpo-

and S. Z. Lewis.

neid.

rators are Geo. G. French, W.F. French

A charter is issued to the Afro-American Mercantile Co., Wilmington. I.G. Barnett and W. A. Jordan are among

the incorporators. Capital subscribed is \$1,200; authorized \$50,000. The com-

pany names merchandise, manufactur-

ing, agriculture, etc., among the pur-

The Enfield Cotton Mill Co., of En-ield, Halifax county, is chartered,

with \$13,000 capital subscribed and

\$50,000 authorized. Walter N. Brown.

of Enfield, is the principal incorpora-

Samples of all beer on sale in Ra

leigh were gathered to-day for analysis by the State Chemist. The result is

the discovery that certain beer is

poisoned by excessive preservatives,

especially formalin and salicylic acid.

HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS.

Hearing in the Haywood Case Postponed.

Wilcox's Second Appeal.

[Special Star Telegram.]

Haywood habeas corpus case.

DUPLIN COUNTY TELEPHONE 60.

Traffic Agreement Arranged Yesterday

With the Southern Bell Company.

Duplin County Telephone Company,

operating lines connecting Kenans-

ville with Clinton, via Warsaw, a dis-

tance of something over 20 miles,

spent Saturday in the city and closed

a traffic agreement with the Southern

Bell Telephone Co., by which both

systems will have the use of the ex-

tension for its patrons at the usual toll

The line is now in process of con-

struction and will be of the regulation

standard, the 'phones being of the

long distance kind, the same as put in

by the Bell Company. Mr. Stevens'

company will develop other territory

for its lines and will keep the con-

struction going until all parts of the

business territory in that section is

-- Norfolk Landmark: "Mr. Ken-

Mr. Murchison is the architect for the

new Virginia Club building, now in

course of erection on Granby street.'

Money

Are you indebted to THE \$

WEEKLY STAR? If so, \$

when you receive a bill

for your subscription send

Remember that a news-

paper bill is as much en-

titled to your considera-

tion as is a bill for gro-

ceries.

us the amount you owe.

neth M. Murchison, Jr., of New

H. L. Stevens, Esq., president of the

wood trial.

rates.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 16 -Associate

The State Chemist will soon make re-

poses of the incorporation.

port of all analyses.

center and as an export city.

- Lumberton Bobesonian: At the meeting of the directors of the Lum-berton Cotton Mills, Tuesday, it was decided to increase the size of the plant, and consequently the stock from \$75,000 to \$175,000.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- Fremont Visitor: Thos. R. Hooks, near town, reports a three-legged guinea hatched on his place. He says that the extra leg and foot are perfectly formed and the guinea gets about as lively as any of the rest of the brood.

- Mount Airy News: The berry crop will be a good one this year.

The wheat prospect is extra fine in some sections and in other places very poor. It looks fairly well in this immediate section, but farmers generally are not figuring on a very large crop this year. - Monroe Enquirer: Since it

The report of Mr. Jas. H. Chadbourn, retiring president of the Wilmington (N. C.) Chamber of Commerce, at its fiftieth session, is a noteworthy summary of good results flowing from president and has been decided that it is impossible to get the obstruction out of one of the artesian wells, the aldermen have decided to have another well bored and Mr. L. L. Cracker, of Mannington, West Virginia, has been instructed to purchase a drilling outfit and come and bore the keeping a thorough record of all com-modities dealt in by the city's mer-chants, the liberality of the Chamber

- Sanford Express: Some of the farmers in this section have ploughed up their cotton and planted the second time. The cool weather prevented it from coming up. -While some of the other mills in the State have but little cotton on hand, the Sanford Cotton Mill has enough stored away to last till August. About all the cotton made in this section has been sold, and while it is bringing 11 cents none is brought to market.

- Raleigh News and Observer: True to his promise Robert, Ragan, of Durham, who disappeared Thurs-day and left a note to his father and two brothers saying that his dead body would be found in the reservoir at the Erwin Cotton Mill, ended his life night before last. His body was fished out of the reservoir named Friday morning about eight o'clock. - Dr. B. W. Kilgore has made an analysis of a beer which is being bottled in this city and finds RALEIGH, N. C., May 15.—The French Grocery Co., of Lumberton, is chartered with \$25,000 capital author-salectic acid, which makes it very injurious and causes sick stomach. The name of the beer is not given out. - - Wednesday night Mr. J. W. Holly, watchman at the Norfolk Lumber Company's plant in Camp-bleton, was suddenly approached by a masked man, knocked down and robbed of his watch. Mr. Holly's nose was broken and he was other wise badly injured. The robber then ransacked the company's monev drawer and desk, but it is not thought that he got anything of value. Mr. Holly says he recognized the robber, and a warrant has

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been issued for his arrest.

#### His Life in the Penitentiary Will Not be Altogether Disagreeable.

Its Asheville correspondent sends he Charlotte Observer the following: "J. P. Kerr, who has returned from meeting of the penitentiary directors at Raleigh, says the directors wit nessed an unusual sight at the prison. Young Utley, of Fayetteville, who willed a hotel clerk a had just been taken to just hams to visitors were making their regular he spection. The prisoner, who is of a wealthy and well-known family, took Justice R. M. Douglas of the Supreme Court, issued an order to-day, posthis check book with him, for he has something like \$40,000. The warden poning the hearing of the habeas corpus proceeding case against Ernest regarded the book as superfluous and Haywood for killing Ludlow Skinner, told the young man so, but the matter was finally compromised by a deposit of forty or fifty dollars with the prison from May 21 to 28th., giving as a reason that to hear the case on the 21st would probably interfere with the perofficials, who said that his young formance of his official duties in hearprisoner could purchase a little fruit occasionally, but that he would have ing and determining cases at the end to eat at the same table and the same food that was given the other It is understood that the Wilcox prisoners who, while they had been less fortunate in the accumulation of the goods of this world, had now been case from Elizabeth City will be up for argument on second appeal about May 21st, hence the postponemont of the brought to the same level by being in the same place. The directors left Ut-The defence is summoning upwards ley chopping wood and eating peaof five hundred witnesses for the Hay-

Baltimore Notice.

The Baltimore Sun editorially says: "The city of Wilmington, N. C., is growing and prospering. At a recent meeting of the Chamber of Commerce t was shown that the city's bank resources are now \$5,450,032. Its cotton trade the past year amounted to \$14,-471,720; its grocery business footed up \$7,000,000; dry goods, \$2,200,000, and fertilizers \$1,875,000. Wilmington's total trade amounted to \$35,146,720. A large amount of building is going on, and a number of factories are being erected. President Chadbourn, of the Chamber of Commerce, in his anaual address pays a high tribute to resident Henry Walters and the Atantic Coast Line, which has been a leading factor in the development of Eastern North Carolina."

More Youthful Burglars.

Last Wednesday afternoon between and 2 o'clock, while Mr. W. A. Eckles was at dinner from his junk store, Chesnut between Front and Water streets, his office was broken open by youthful negro thieves who had secreted themselves on the premi-York, is in the city for a few days. see, and a tin box containing between \$25 and \$30 was stolen by them. It was the third time since last October that Mr. Eckles' place had been broken open in much the same way.

JONES MURDER AT WILSON.

Five of the Men Indicted Admitted to Bail. Citizens Insist on Thorough Investigation-Special Term of Court.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WILSON, N. C., May 16.—Bail was to-day granted to five of the men indicted for the murder of Mr. T. Percy Jones, the Arkansas insurance man killed here in his room by a mob Thursday morning, The men to to whom bail has been granted in the sum of \$1,200 each are: S. J. Walls, W. P. Croom, Lawrence Morgan, John Pittman, T. J. Bass. A special term of court to try the case will be asked for by the bar.

In connection with the murder, the In connection with the murder, the board of aldermen of Wilson to-day discharged Policeman Snakenburg for gross neglect of duty; suspended Policeman Frank Felton for ten days, and deprived of his official functions Peter Nichols, depot watchman.

The citizens insist on a thorough investigation. There was no attempt last night to release the prisoner, as the militia were on duty.