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THE DEMOCRATIC CALL TO ARMS.

Just a month from now the National Democratic executive committee will meet at Washington, D. C., to consider the time and place of holding the next national convention which is to name the party's candidate for president. Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas, has issued his call for the meeting of the committee, Jan. 12, and in this eventful period in the history of the party, there will be no doubt a full meeting of the committeemen from all the States.

Not since 1860, when the Democratic national convention had its split at Charleston over the sectional questions that then rended the party, has the situation of the Dem ocretic party presented such a condition as it does on the eve of the meeting. In two campaigns we lapsed. Wonder if Roosevelt doesn't have been beaten upon issues which the party presented to the people, monkeying with the flowers in the and as those questions have been roof garden? settled at the ballot box in no uncertain way, it is not assumed that any time will be wasted now by the Democratic leaders in "leoking beautiful Sunday morning just to backward."

That the wings of the Demacratic | there is to be no more Bassettket party will now get together on new | bawl at Trinity College for a long and vital questions and upon the old and true Democratic principles, there is every reason to believe. At any rate, there is at present a feeling of confidence in the outlook for the party, and it depends upon the leaders to act with statesmanlike discretion and get together in a spirit of harmony, if they desire to squeal. give the American people an opportunity to say whether they want their government conducted on lines contrary to the imperious Republican party's methods of extravagance, rashness and graft. What we desire to see is a united Democratic party in next year's campaign, and a platform and candidate that will challenge the respect of our opponents and win the support of the best men of the Union.

In view of the importance of next year's contest and the possibilities for Democratic harmony, the meeting of the national committee next month will be of the greatest possible interest and gravest concern. The greatest concern will hinge on this gathering of the leaders, for it will be the first opportunity for setting on foot the plans for a harmonious and united Democracy. From this meeting we will perhaps be able to judge what the prospects for harmony are, and from it will come come intimation of the plans upon which the party is to be reorganized to beat Roosevelt.

THE ROOSEVELT CHRONOLOGY.

Senator Ben Tillman's resolution to inquire into the status of Rooseveit's recess appointments, will take a sneak into the committee pigeon hole so deep that it can't be pulled out by its caudal extremity.

When it comes to a matter between Roosevelt and Tillman as to whether there was a recess or not between the extra session and the regular session, Republicans will be found taking their time of day from Roosevelt's Waterbury.

The South Carolina senator prohably expects to have the hands of the clock turned back on him, but his resolution will serve to show that he is still in the opposition, the Roosevelt chronelogy to the contrary notwithstanding, nevertheless, et omne genus.

UNCLE SAM LOOKS AT THINGS TWO WAYS.

In recognizing the suspected Panama secession it was to the interest of Uncle Sam to do so. In refusing to recognize the successful revolutionary government of San Domingo it was likewise his interest to do so.

If the San Domingo government will settle up what it owes Uncle Sam and not attempt that repudiation scheme, he will then see what

he can do about recognition. San Domingo must be reminded that Uncle Sam can make or unmake republics, and he's got the tools to do it with, too.

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Signs are unmistakable that we

are on the eve of a great campaign.

Leading Republicans are busy try-

ing to clean some of the smirch from

their "carracters." The doings of

Governor Odell, of New York, are

being so covered up by his organs

that all trace of his boyhood tracks

to the neighbor's watermelon patch

Cards are out for the marriage of

Mr. Thomas W. Rose and Miss Es-

telle Velt. It is hoped for the

couple's sake the newspapers will

not head the marriage account,

"Hose-Velt." A Rose by any other

name would smell as sweet but hy-

phenated with Velt would make the

The Congress of Mothers is still

bent on having Smoot, the Mormon

senator, expelled from the Senate

because he has too many wives. Oh,

mamas, don't you know that he is a

Republican and that all of those

kind of men are bound to stand to-

Washington that it will take a good

old Democratic clean sweep to clar-

ify the situation. Republicans never

When Gen. Leonard Wood comes

home from the Philippines and gets

to Washington, he won't have to

keep his eyes skinned to see that

red light hanging out where the

committee on military affairs is

An Associated Press dispatch

mentions that at Youngstown, O.

on Thursday, a furnace roof col-

wish Senator Hanna had been there

Would it be the least bit irreve-

rent to speak of college games this

say, by way of redundance, that

time to send down town.

times.

A New York paper announces now

that there is a short supply of corks.

This means that it will be hard to

stop jugs that are to be sent to pro-

hihibition towns these Christmas

The New York Advertiser tells us

that in New Castle, Ind., the physi-

cians have made out a black list.

We wonder how many blacks they

The Health authorities here are ad

vised of an epidemic of smallpox near

Mars Bluff, S. C., between Wilming-

ton and Florence, on the W., C. & A.

railroad and within a few miles of the

tive to the situation. Dr. Bacot, of

neighborhood Friday and has ordered

Judge Brown Out of District.

Terry murder case.

B. Rhodes.

Purchased Country Site.

Lost Her Wedding Ring.

way here.

general vaccination. The negroes

to ride the Raleigh district. Judge

Garland S. Ferguson, of Waynes-

ville, N. C., will preside at the next

term of court here and will try the

By deed filed for record at the Court

House yesterday F. T. Mills and wife

transferred to J. D. Farrior, of Wil-

son, N. C., for \$2,000, ten and a half

acres of land in Harnett township, one

mi' wilmington, on the Scott's

road, the same being a part of the

18-acre tract of fine land purchased

last January by Mr. Mills from Mr. I.

Newbern Journal: "Mabel Paige

lost her wedding ring at the Opera

promptly reported to the local authori-

ties, who arrested a negro and within

House last night, the case being

helped to get in a hole.

malipox at Mars Bluff, S. C.

time to come?

holding that investigation.

from it four years longer.

sound something awful.

gether?

are even obliterated.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1903.

Gale - Cargo Being Saved.

agent of the schooner "Clarence H.,"

which capsized off Cape Fear bar late

Wednesday night, drowning all on

beard, and Mr. J. W. Brooks, of this

city, have returned from the scene of

the wreck of the vessel, which is on

bodles had been found.

board with the cabin.

part of the ruined cargo.

velopments at nightfall. The tug

"Blanche" which came up yesterday

NEW JERSEY ROBBER BAND.

Dynamited a Safe and Held Up and Robbed

Several Persons at Pavonia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

Pavonia, suburb, last midnight and

after nearly wrecking the Pennsyl-

with dynamite used in blowing open

the safe, made good their escape, se-curing little for their trouble. Before

robbing the station the burglars, five

in number, held up Oscar Till and Jacob Eppler, tenders of the State drawbridge over Cooper's Creek and

shot at Ralph Haines, a telegraph

operator in the signal tower, a

short distance from the station.

After the robbery the bandits held up the crew of a drill engine who were

making up a freight train, and at the

points of their revolvers compelled

Edward Appleton and Henry Smith

the engineer and fireman, to leave the

To-day almost the entire police force

Camden has been at work endeavor-

ing to locate the robbers. Several ar

rests of suspicious characters have been made, but Chief of Police Foster

will not admit that any of these in

custody are members of the robber

WATCHING COLOMBIA.

troops in that section

The Atlanta has also been ordered

to patrol the northern coast of

the isthmus on the same mission.

The commanders of both vessels are

under instructions to conduct their in-

vestigation with all possible dispatch

and return to Colon so that the Navy

Department may have a full official

HEAD-ON COLLISION.

road Wrecked-Two Men Killed.

senger train; Fireman Jas. Lanahan, o

the stock train. Toree others injured

report of the exact situation.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 12. - A desper-

Messrs. Frink and Stanland expected

to take outlithe bottom of the schooner

yesterday and ascertain whether the

PENDER ODD FELLOWS

Team From Wilmington Instituted New Lodge at Burgaw Thursday Night.

TWENTY IN THE PARTY.

Installation by Special Deputy Grand Master LeGwin - Sumptuous Supper Served in Honor of Visitors -- Officers and Members No. 243.

Special Deputy Grand Master David K. LeGwin, of Cape Fear Lodge No. and some seventy or more Odd Fellows, of this city, including a fine degree team, returned-yesterday mornfrom Burgaw, where on Thursday night they instituted Burgaw Lodge No. 243, I. O. O. F. with a full complement of officers and a membership of 34, among them some of the most representative people of Pender county. Special Deputy LeGwin and members of the degree team went up Thursday night at 7 o'clock via the Atlantic Coast Line and were most hospitably received by the embryo brethren of Things are in such a mess in Burgaw. The visitors were escorted to the large Masonic hall, near the depot, and at 8:30 o'clock the installation of the lodge commenced. The following besides the instituting of could stand temptation, and it would ficer were present from Wilmington, be cruel to keep them side-stepping most of them taking part in the team

> Past Grand Master M. W. Jacobi Past Grands W. L. Smith, J. A. Orrell, B. F. King, J. T. King, R. J. Shepard, W. G. T. Keen, J. N. Jacobi, Rev. E. R. Welch and Messrs. J. H. LeGwin, S. J. Ellis, W. B. Muse, W. R. Dosher, E. C. Yarborough, W. F. LeGwin, M. C. Rayner, Caldwell Thailey, W. W. Hodges and C. E. Bender.

> The work of instituting the new odge continued until nearly 3 o'clock in the morning, and shortly before that hour a sumptuous feast of good things was served in honor of the visi-Past Grand Master Jacobi, Messrs. W. L. Smith, J. A. Orrell, D. K. LeGwin, Rev. M. C. Walton and Mr. A. B. Croom, Jr., it having been largely through the instrumentality of the ast named gentleman that the new odge was formed. The officers and members of "Burgaw No. 243" are as follows:

N. G.-Rev. M. C. Walton. V. G.-J. G. Blake. Secretary—A. H. Paddison. Treasurer—B. T. Murray. R S. to N. G.—A. B. Croom, Jr. L. S. to N. G.—S. G. Blake. R. S. to V. G.—W. M. Hand. Brother Varner, of the Lexington Dispatch, makes this interrogation : "Will it pay to raise hogs?" Well, L S. to V. G .- C. F. Mallard. Warden-R. B. Hand. er-we never do like to play with Conductor-J. A. Rowe. I. G.-G. W. Horsey. 'em, but if we should hold four aces we'd raise 'em just to hear 'em O. G.-Alva Cowan. R. S. S.-A. T. Brown. L. S. S.- E. L. Larkins. Chaplain-Rev. T. D. Johnston. Members-H. Dunie, O.P. Johnson, It is a fad now among rich New M. I. Bordeaux, F. T. Croom, C. M. Futch, A. B. Croom, Sr., W. D. Yorkers to have hospitals and phar-Futch, A. B. Croom, Sr., W. D. Croom, Dr. W. H. Crowell, J. A. macies right in their houses. After Blanchard, T. F. Johnston, W. T. a family scrap they can wade into Bordeaux, J. K. Brown, W. O. Pope, the coats-plaster without wasting A. S. Bowden, A. T. Brown, W. D. Moore, H. A. Bowden, Robt. Arm-

JAPAN VERSUS AMERICA.

strong, Wm. J. Murray and G. P.

Japanese Acrobat Assaulted White Boy Who Taunted Him With Chinc-Chinc.

Upon complaint of young William A. Wright, one of the quartette of clever little Japanese acrobats with the Mildred & Rouclere Company which closed an engagement at the Academy last night, was before Mayor Springer yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, charged with an assault. Young Wright and Master Victor Grainger, Jr., were riding a wheel-both on one-at Third and Chesnut streets yesterday morning when the "Japa" happened to be passing. One of the number understood Master Wright to call at him "Chine, Chine, Chinaman!" Now if there's one thing more than another last named city. Dr. James Evans, of that will cause the usual docile "Jap" Florence, who went to investigate the to get into action, it is to be called a prevalence of the disease near Mars Chinaman; so when the words fell Bluff, has gone to Columbia to confer upon the "Jap's" ear, he made for the with the State Board of Health relawheel upon which were perched the young Americans. The machine was Florence, also visited the infected overtuined, the boys were thrown to the ground and the "Jap" shook one of the boys rather roughly. are terrified over the appearance of

Mayor Springer heard the case at 5 the disease among them and are said o'clock so that the "Jap" could leave to be fleeing in every direction. The with his company for the "next idea with the Wilmington authorities town" to-day. Messrs. W. E. Perdew is to see that none of them find their and George Sloan testified to having witnessed the occurrence and Mr. James H. Cowan, lessee of the Academy, and Mr. Rouclere, manager Onslow Superior Court adjourned of show, interpreted the position of Wednesday after an unimportant sesthe defendant to the Mayor. The sion and Judge Brown left at once for "Jap" was let off with the costs, his home in Washington, N. C., until amounting to \$3.55, and all hands after the holidays, when he is assigned were satisfied.

Fire at Jacksonville. The store building of George W. Taylor, at Jacktonville, N. C., was totally destroyed by fire Friday morn- dition laid a great burden on the reing about 3 o'clock. The store of Petteway adjoining was a little damaged. This is the the third time Mr. Taylor has been bur d out. The loss is estimated at at \$8,000; amount of insurance n' known.

BURMAN UNIVERSITY.

A Donation of \$100,000 Secured from Jao D. Rockefeller.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 10.-Rev. E. Poteet, president of Furman University, of Greenville, S. C., who is here attending the Baptist State Convention, has just returned from the North, where he secured from John D. Bockefeller a donation of \$100,000 for Furman University. Dr. Potest recently raised \$125,000 for this institution, most of the contributions being in blocks of \$250. an hour had the ring restored to the

SUING HAUSER FOR DIVORCE.

Wife of Wilmington Incendiary Asks for Dissolution of Matrinonial Relations.

Suit was instituted in the Superior Court here yesterday by Mrs. Rosina Hauser who asks, upon the grounds of abandonment for the statutory period of two years, that the matrimonial relations existing between she and her husband, H. Hauser, be dissolved. It will be recalled by readers of the city papers that in Dec. 1901, Hauser was convicted of burning, by a most ingenious ontrivance, his jewelry and watchmaking establishment on Market street in August of the same year and that he was sentenced to a term of 10 years in the State penitentiary where

he is now serving the time. Mrs. Hauser employed Herbert Mc-Clammy, Esq., of this city, to prosecute the case and the complaint has already been filed and service of summons has been made upon the defendant in Raleigh. Mrs. Hauser is a native of New York and has spent much of her time there since the con viction of Hauser, but still retains her residency in Wilmington. In spite of strenuous objection on the part of her parents who objected to the infidelle belief of Hauser, the woman was married to him in Maine in 1897 and they had resided here until the Summer of the fire, when the husband bade her go visit her parents in New York and he would follow in a day or two. Hauser never followed and though written to several times, his arrest and confinement finally came as a good excuse. His path then was to the penitentiary and Mrs. Hauser took the road to divorce.

MANAGERS RETURN THANKS.

Grateful Acknowledgment to All Who As-

sisted With Hospital Donation Owing to the fact that many contrioutions were made to the James Walker Memorial Hospital on Donation day last month, by citizens who gave no name, and we have no way of locating them, and also that many of the ladies who gave their time and talents towards the arrangements are unknown to the Board, it was deemed advisable to make a public acknowledgment of the matter, and the following resolution was passed by the Board at its recent session, to-wit: "On behalf of the James Walker Memorial Hospital, the Board of Ma agers desire to return their thanks for the generous contributions made by

the public spirited citizens on donation day, and to Dr. Ackerman, medical superintendent, Miss L. P. Clark, su perintendent of nurses and their asso ciates; also to Mrs. M. S. Willard and all other ladies associated with her for the successful inauguration and consummation of the affair." Respectfully submitted.

GEO. R FRENCH. Sect. of the Board.

DIED OF HEART DISEASE.

Joha R. Proctor, of Kentucky, President of the Civil Service Commission and Confederate Veteran.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.-John R. Proctor, of Kentucky, president of the United States Civil Service Commission, and an intimate friend of President Rossevelt, died of angina pectoris at the Cosmos Club in this city to day, aged 59 years. The President and Mrs. Roosevelt were shocked at the news. They called personally at the club house and spent consider able time at Mr. Proctor's bedside Then the President returned to the White House, Mrs. Roosevelt remain-

ng with Mrs. Proctor. Funeral arrangements are deferred pending the arrival of a son, Lieutenant Andrew Morton Proctor, in charge of a torpedo boat, now stationed at the Norfolk navy yard. Another son, John R. Proctor, Jr., is lieutenant of artillery, United States army.

Mr. Proctor was 59 years old. He was born and brought up on a farm in Kentucky. He left the University of Pennsylvania to enlist in the Condederate army in 1864, remaining in the service until the close of the war. He returned to Kentucky and pursued cientific studies, becoming State geol ogist. He was appointed by President Cleveland a member of the civil service commission ten years ago, at the suggestion of Mr. Roosevelt, then a member of the commission, who had met Mr. Proctor during a trip to Ken-

N. 6. BAPTIST CONVENTION

Rev J. G. Massee Makes Declaration Concerning Editors of Daily Papers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star ... CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 12.-In the Baptist State convention here to-day. Rev. J. C. Massee, pastor of the Raleigh Baptist Tabernacle, speaking of the church paper, said:

"I believe the day will come when the license of editors of our great daily papers will have to be curtailed. These editors are exerting too much influence and power over the popular mind, too often not wisest and best, and I believe the day is not far distant when the government will have to lay the strong arm of the law, on the press and repress abuses. Mr. Massee believed that this congious press to correctly lead and fair- the Panhandle railroad, collided headly interpret the aspect of racial prob-

A number of delegates immediately asked for recognition and Rev. H. W. Battle vigorously protested against the declaration of Mr. Massee.

POSTAL FRAUDS.

Two Former Clerks in Postoffice Department Sonvicted and Sentenced.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. BALTIMORE, Dec. 12.-Columbus . Upton and C. W. McGregor, former clerks in the Postoffice Department at Washington, who were found guilty of postal frauds on Thursday last, were sentenced to-day by Judge Morris to serve two years in the Maryland penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$1,000 each. The counsel for both dendants gave notice of appeal.

AFTERMATH OF THE WRECK. COAST LINE WRECK.

Ne Purther Recovery of Bodies Which Went Down in Wednesday Night's Dozen Freight Cars Piled Up on the Track Three Miles Bevond · Navassa. Mr. R. V. Leonard, Wilmington

> RATHER UNLUCKY TRAIN. Two Mishaps to No. 80 from Plorence to

Wilmington Yesterday - Brakeman

Slightly Injared-W., C. & . Oak Island beach, immediately in front of the life saving station. They Tracks Were Blocked. were joined there Friday evening by Messrs, Jackson Stanland and W. A. The Atlantic Coast Line suffered an-Frink, other owners of Shallotte, and other very disastrous freight wreck together they cut a hole in the bottom Thursday and one which will perhaps of the overturned schooner and found cost the company thousands of dollars. several barrels of rosin and other por-Fortunately, however, no lives were tions of the cargo. There was no trace lost and no one was seriously hurt. of the four drowned men whose bodies The story of the wreck is a series of have not been recovered. Messrs. mishaps which befel through freight Stanland and Frink were left in train No. 80, from Wilmington to charge and yesterday Mr. Leonard re-Florence, and due here at 7 o'clock celved information that two bales of Thursday morning. The chapter of cotton and several barrels of rosin had accidents begins at Fair Bluff, about floated ashore on Bald Head, but up 60 miles from Wilmington, on the to last night no trace of the missing W., C. & A. railroad, very early yeaterday morning, when a box car of the Whether the vessel can be saved train of about twenty-five, flew the will not be known until Monday. track near the South Carolina line.

The car was more or less demolished

and the accident blocked the train for

a few hours. The passenger train for

deck beams are all right. If so, the Charleston was delayed two hours. hull will be saved. The cable, masts The wrecking train was sent out from and rigging were all cut off the Wilmington and soon cleared the schooner when she went over. From track. a general view of the wreck it is ba-The freight train proceeded and lieved that when the gale came, vas making good time towards Capt. Wm. Lewis was at the wheel destination when early in and the four other men were in the the afternoon some disarrangement cabin. Capt. Lewis' body is the only of a journal under a car near the one recovered, and across his forehead middle of the train gave way and bewere indications of a heavy blow, protween ten and fifteen other cars were bably caused by a mast striking him derailed and piled up in a confused as the vessel went over. A physineap on the track and upon each side cian of Southport, who made an about seven miles from the city, be examination of the body before it tween Malmo and Navassa station. was sent to Shallotte for interment, Some of them are cross ways, others said there was no evidence of water in are on end and many of them are the lungs as is usual when drowning completely demolished. Persons who occurs. The other men went overwitnessed the heap of ruins say it is the worst freight wreck they ever saw Last night a brother of Capt, Hewbefore. The train had just passed lett was looking for the body along over a long trestle and it was fortuthe beach, but there had been no denate that the disarrangement under

The engine and two cars in front of afternoon, brought a trunk and a bunthe train and the caboose and several dle of household goods belonging to other cars on the rear did not leave Mr. W. H. Phillips and which were a the track, else loss of life and serious injury to the crew would have certainly resulted. George Herring, a brakeman of this city, was badly shaken, up and more or less bruised by the shock, but no bones were broken. The wrecked cars were laden with cotton, lumber, phosphate rock and other material, much of which is smashed up in the wreck. The injured brakeman was brought to Wilmington and given ate gang of cracksmen appeared in Jno. C. Wessell, of the A. C. L. Revania railroad station at that place

the car did not occur a minute sooner.

sent to his home on Sixth street. Soon after the accident another wrecking train was sent out from Wilmington and Mr. W. J, Haylow, superintendent of transportation; Mr. Walter Forlong, engineer of roadway, and other Coast Line officials left at once for the scene. An extra train was sent to transfer passengers, mail and express from the train due here from the south at 1:45 P. M. and the same transfer had to be made for the return trip of the same train, causing a two hour delay. Although 40 or 50 attempt to clear the track it was still blocked and a transfer had to be made for the Charleston train due here at 11:20 P. M. The transfer train did not reach the city until 1:15 o'clock Friday morning.

Making Every Effort to Run Down Reports of Expeditions to the Isthmus. lina Pruit Package Co. Chartered.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASH INGTON, Dec. 12.—The Navy Department has received a cablegram rom Rear Admiral Glass, announcing that he is making every effort to run down the various reports regarding Colombian expeditions to the isthmus. He has ordered the Mayflower to the mouth of the Atrato, river to make a 832,010; disbursements, \$2,202,707. thorough investigation, and if necessary a reconnoisance of that region also will be made to definitely ascer-tain whether there are any Colombian

Charter is granted the Carolina Fruit Passenger Train on the Pan-Bandie Rail-

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WHEELING, W. VA., Dec. 12 .- The north-bound passenger train known

as the Pittsburg and Kenova flyer on on with a south-bound cattle train at Glendys, a few miles above this city, at 10 o'clock to night. The dead are: Engineer Thomas Murray, of the pas-The passenger train was running fast to make up lost time and met the freight when it was trying to make a siding. Both trains were completely wrecked, but the passengers escaped with a few minor cuts and injuries. Chief of Police Ritz, of Wheeling, W. Va., left Richmond, Va., yester-day, having in custody Thomas Eas-

was taken from the action of Judge

-- Greensboro Record: "We un derstand that a number of contractors will put in a bid for the sewer work in Greensboro. This is the

- The smallpox situation in Davidson county is such that two pesthouses will be built-one for whites and one for negroes. There were 115 cases of smallpox in the county in November.

- Raleigh News and Observer: Senator Gorman and Senator Simmons do well to demand a thorough investigation of the postal scandals. The President seems determined to unload the whole crime upon certain officals, who ought to be punished, but to deny that full investigation necessary to ascertain all the real culprits, to the end that the punishment may be made to fit the

- Asheville Citizen: The cotton seed oil industry has greatly injured the raising of the staple by consuming the first and best seed and leaving the farmers the poor seed in the last pickings of inferior cotton for planting purposes. This has resulted in deteriorated plant, smaller bolls and shorter fiber, greatly reducing thereby the total yield in pounds per acre. There is need of more intelligence in the farming operations.

- Lexington Dispatch: The most Monument Fund. Though this the hearts of all Davidson county share in the erection of this monu-

- Raleigh Post: It has been definitely decided that Raleigh's dispensary will be located on Exchange Place. In fact the three adjacent store rooms now occupied by the saloops of John U. Smith, R. W. Young & Co. and J. M. Nixon have been rented for the purposes of the dispensary. It is very probable that some arrangement can be made with the city finance committee, so the dispensary commission think, by which money can be advanced from the city treasury early in the new year to take advantage of the dis-counts that are offered by most of attention by Drs. Pride J. Thomas and | the dealers on the orders that have | cruiser Buffalo, new fitting out at the been placed. If this can be done, lief Department, after which he was it will be, the commissioners think quite a saving for the dispensary, increasing the profits materially. - Raleigh News and Observer

According to the Christian World. the negroes of the South, but a generation removed from slavery, are to-day the owners of 130,000 farms, valued at \$650,000,000; 150, 000 homes outside the farm ownership, valued at \$265,000,000, and personal property valued at \$165 .-000,000. The white people of the South rejoice in the progress and success of its negro population. Southern white men have ever been men worked all Thursday night in an | ready to assist those who are industrious and thrifty. The negro is doing well here-those who stick to the farms and to the trades they have learned, and it is here their highest development has been reached, and here lies their best hope for - The Durham Herald of Thurs-

FINANCES OF THE STATE.

State, Private and Savings Banks .-- Garo-

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 12 .- The legislative committee to examine the books and records of the State treasury completed its work to-day and issued a statement, showing a total balance of \$161,259, of which \$129,302 is general fund and \$31,907 is school fund. The total general fund receipts were \$2,-The Corporation Commission issued statement showing that the resources

was \$26,168,282; resources, last report

Package Company, of Warsaw, with \$50,000 capital. J. A. Brown, W. R. Newbury, T. B. Peirce and A. F. Johnson are the incorporators.

\$1,000 FINE.

Imposed Upon a Chicago Union of Press Peeders for Contempt of Court.

dollars fine for illegal acts as a corthe Union as a corporation guilty of or employes of ten printing firms, members of the Chicago Typothetæ. Judge Holdom's action creates a corporation. An immediate appeal

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

proper thing."

- Fayetteville Observer: The re-

porter has within the past two or three years seen and eaten remarkably fine pecan nuts grown in the vicinity of Fayetteville, with which it was said that the trees were well laden. If the pecan will flourish on this soil and in this climate, fruiting abundantly and excellently, why would not its extensive cultivation prove profitable.

interesting feature of the season will be the Bazaar to be held in Hedrick's Hall Wednesday, December 16th, under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy, for the benefit of the Davidson County undertaking is under the direct control of the Daughters, it is a cause which should be very near the people, who, we are sure, feel some ment to our Confederate dead.

[Special Star Telegram.] of State, private and savings banks at the close of business November 17th,

in April, \$24,985,138. The annual statement of the Secretary of State reports \$25,939.23 receipts from the following sources: Land grants, \$3,867.92; sale of Supreme Court Reports, \$5,071.31; organization tax on corporations, \$17,000. Total receipts from same sources last year,

CHICAGO, Dec. 12 .- One thousand porate body was imposed upon Franklin Union No. 4, press feeders, by Judge Jesse Holdom to-day. The court found contempt of court for violating an injunction restraining it as an organization from interfering with the business precedent, being the first time in the history of trades unions in this country that a court has fined a union as a

ton, a negro charged with assaulting a young Sister of Mercy in St. John's Orphan Asylum, near Wheeling. Easton was working on a railroad near Wheeling at the time the crime was committed, and he and two other negroes are charged with the fiendish yard to be docked and overhauled.

day says: The complaint in the case of Mr. B. L. Duke against his wife, Mrs. Minnie W. Duke, has been filed. The defendant is allowed until January 7 in which to file answer. In the complaint Mr. Duke goes a step further than was reported that he would and asks the court to set aside the right his wife has in any of his real estate, because she has abandoned him and now lives in California. Very able lawyers have been employed by both sides of this suit; Mr. Duke is represented by Judge R. W. Winston, Mr. V. S. Bryant, Mr. R. B. Boone, Mr. R. L. Fuller and Mr. Jones Fuller. Mrs. Duke is represented by Mr. James S. Manning and Mr. H. A. Foushee, of Durham, and a congressman from California. The case will be placed on docket at the January term of court. - Raleigh Post: The stockhold-

ers of the defunct Farmers and Merchants' Bank of Newbern having undertaken to settle up its affairs, have urged all depositors to present their claims for immediate payment. This, aside from the liability feature of the stockholders, which they assumed without hesitation, evidences another feature which is not to be overlooked, but which is gratifying withal. There was more than \$100,000 in cash to be raised to 772,675. Ex-U. S. deposits \$17,281, make good the losses of depositors 150; increase \$1,774,575. alone because of the ruin of the bank by its cashier. One hundre thousand dollars is no small amount of cash to be handled in one lump in any community; yet the general condition of the city and section, and substantial character of the stockholders themselves were so good that these gentlemen have raised the money, and will pay every cent of the proved liabilities of the all stock.

An immense deal in timber lands has been consummated in Florida. The deal consists of the transfer of 54,000 acres of timber land in Taylor county and the price paid was \$378, 000. It is said to be the largest single The United States Monitor Terror deal of the kind ever transacted in Florida. The land was sold by the been ordered to the Norfolk navy and O'Brien of Minnesots.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Will be Held in Chicago on June 21st to Nominate Quadidates for President and Vice President.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.-The Republican National Convention will be held in Chicago, beginning at noon on June 21st, the Republican national committee reaching the conclusion to-day and adjourning, subject to call. Pittsburg and St. Louis were rivals of Chicago for the convention. Each city was well represented in oratory before the committee, and each also had cash offers to make. Pittsburg offered \$100,000, Chicago \$75,000 and a hall, and St. Louis \$40,-000 and a hall. The vote stood fortythree for Chicago, seven for Pittaburg and one for St. Louis.

The work of the committee was harmonious throughout. Its open session to-day was attended by many Republi-can members of the House. Several minor questions were referred to special committees. Included in this list was the representation asked for Porto Rico, Hawaii and Luzon; the socialistic problem and the political right of the negro. A committee, headed by Senator Scott, of West Virginia, was named to make all arrangements for the con-

Socialism as a political factor is to be investigated by a committee which also is to take up the question of guaranteeing the rights of negro citizens. This committee consists of George R. Sheldon, New York; Myron T. Herrick, Ohio; J. E. Addicks, Delaware; J. G. Capers, South Carolina; J. W. Lyons, Ga.

MINISTER TO PANAMA.

W. I. Buchanan of New York Selected and Appointed by the President.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star, WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.-The President has selected W. I. Buchanan, of New York, to be the first United States minister to Panama. His selection was brought about by a desire on the part of the President to secure, temporarily at least and during the crystalization of the relations between the United States and Panama, the services of a trained and experienced diplomatic repesentative, having special reference to his knowledge of the Latin-American races. By reason of long service as minister to the Argen-tine Republic Mr. Buchanan fills that

The new minister was originally from Ohio, and represented that State as an agriculturist commissioner at the World's Fair at Chicago. He was appointed by President Cleveland United States minister to Buenos Ayres.

TORPEDO BOAT FLOTILLA.

Sailed Yesterday on a Record Trip o 18,000 Miles for Manila.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NORFOLK, VA. Dec. 12.-Lieut. Chandler, with the torpedo flotilla, consisting of the destroyers Decatur, Barry, Bainbridge, Chauncey and Dale, sailed from Hampton Roads today on a record trip of 18,000 miles for Manila. The boats, with the naval inspection board from Washington aboard, were all in first-class order when they steamed out of the Virginia capes for Port Royal, S. C., which will be their first stop. At Key West, the inspection board, which simply makes the trip down the coast to be sure that the little fleet is in shape to make the long voyage to the Philippines, will disembark and the flotilla will there await the arrival of their convoy, the new York navy yard.

IN THE PAR BAST.

Russia's Reply Received by Japan-No

Excitement at Tokio. By Cable to the Morning Star Tokio, Dec. 12.-Russia's reply has been received. The Russian minister informed Premier Katzura yesterday that Russia entertains Japan's proposals, probably with modifications. The

general election has been fixed for March 1st. There is no excitement here, notwithstanding the dissolution of the Diet, which, it is expected, will have little effect on the diplomatic situation. The government is calm and confident and apparently resolved to prosecute the negotiations according to the original plan.

ELECTION IN COLOMBIA.

General Reyes Chosen for President of the Republic

By Telegraph to the Morning Star WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.-The Colombian legation to-night received a cablegram from General DeCastro. commander-in-chief of the Colombian army, dated Port Limon, Costa Rica, to-day, conveying the information that the result of the election for Presdent held throughout Colombia on December 8th, show a complete triumph for General Reyes. When seen to-night, General Reyes would make no statement beyond saying that he expected to remain in the United States for a fortnight longer.

NEW YORK BANKS.

Stetement of Averages of the Assoclated Banks.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the week shows: Loans \$880,893,800; decrease \$1,108,500. Deposits \$842,855,700; decrease \$44,700. Circulation \$46,117,800, increase \$59,-200. Legal tenders \$66,458,300; increase \$1,039,500. Specie \$152,833,-600; increase \$722,000. Reserves \$218,-791,000; increase \$1,761,500. Reserve, required \$210,713,925; decrease \$11,-175. Surplus \$8,077,975; increase \$1,-

STICK OF DYNAMITE

Exploded With Patal Results at a Railroad Camp in West Virginia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. HUNTINGTON, W. VA., Dec. 12-

F. A. Johnson, of Lynchburg, Va., a foremen on the Norfolk and Westcent of the proved liabilities of the bank, though it amounts to a loss of out dynamite to-day when a stick exploded, wrecking the camp. Johnson had both legs blown off, John Black (colored) had his body blown to pieces, some parts of it landing in a tree fifty yards away. Others were injured but not fatally.

> The directors of the Jacksonville, Fig., baseball team have employed George Kelley, better known as king Kelley, as manager of the team for the coming season.