

Such talk from Southern news-

sylvania citizens, headed by Senator

Saturday-A. D. Wessell vs. L. Keive, J. D. Bellamy for plaintiff; A. friends and true ones, too, and to those Marshall and H. McClammy for de his passing from among them while fendant. Margaret Magarahan et al yet comparatively a young may, will vs. A. G. Bicaud et al., J. D. Bellamy be a source of sincere regret. for plaintiff. Caroline Wise et al. vs. James McMillan et al., J. D. Bellamy

for defendant. F. T. Mills vs. J.

McClammy for plaintiff.

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THIRD WEEK

one malice. He had warm personal

By Cable to the Morning Star

for McBee and Finch would abandon ork for every colored man and

have been a more perilous one. In

papers is by no means a novelty. It comes much nearer being the rule than the exception. The truth has always found outspoken and fearless ulterance in the Southern press.

The Southern press will appreciate what is said above by the model newspaper of America, which is another name for the Washington Post. Speaking of a "fearless press," the Post is the ideal of that class among all newspapers in this country. We have often wondered at and have always admired the absolute freedom with which our highly esteemed contemporary discusses all questions. No bogotory or partisanry sways its utterances and it strikes us as the one paper that is "free from the doting scruples that fetter our free born reason." We know that such a policy guiding a newspaper at the Capitol of the nation emanates from a source that puts honesty, fairness and patriotism above all else. The lofty purposes and aims of that paper, and a very few others which somewhat approach the Post's standard, will do more to make a united and and sturdy nation than will all the narrow, rancorous, partisan papers of either the South or the North.

Next to the Post comes the press of the South for papers that are "bold and fearless." With perplexing problems to settle in their own way and harassing conditions created from outside interference, the newspapers from the Potomac to the Rio Grande have never failed to speak out when the occasion demands it. The fact is they use the "liberty of the press" with a free hand in discussing their own affairs or those of others, and the Springfield Republican, another of our great newspapers, may not have had the opportunity to observe that from the city to the rural press of the South the American spirit to think crops out all along the line. The fact is that under different conditions here and the disappearance of the policies of certain misguided people in the North, many "Washington Posts" might be published in the South. When all the circumstances favor it, we would like to see a press in the South edited with the ability and discriminating judgement that puts the Post at the head of a monopoly in correct newspaper making.

The press of the South has a stupendous work ahead of it, under discouraging conditions, and what the newspapers and the South needs in handling its questions is friendly

Penrose and Representative Acheson, called on the President to invite him to attend the opening of a public park at Washington, Pa., reand T. E. Brown for plaintiff, Russell

cently donated to the city by a phi-& Gore for defendant. lanthropic citizen. The President indicated that he probably would not be able to accept the invitation. In this connection, it is announced at the White House that the President uniformly will decline this year to make any engagements away from Washington, where he may be expected to deliver addresses. This, of course, excepts the engagement liver the Memorial Day address of the battlefield of Gettysburg. It may be necessary for him to speak in public either in Washington or detendant. at Oyster Bay during the campaign, but he will deliver no more addresses than are absolutely necessary.

Grover Cleveland is the most reck-

less man in America. Right in the face of being run down with a nomination for President, he has been laying off duck hunting on the flats of the Upper Chesapeake. He landed in Baltimore on Wednesday with twenty canvas-backs and red-heads. He is liable to be needed any time while he takes himself out of sight like that.

Fresident Roosevelt has announc. ed that he cannot attend the opening of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis, April 30th, but has consented to press a button at the White House which will start the machinery on the Exposition grounds. He will do the pushing at 1 P. M., standard Eastern time.

Faint but distinct seismic disturbances were photographically recorded by the delicate instruments as it pleases and say what it thinks of the government's magnetic observatory at Cheltenham, Md., when the earthquake occurred March 16th and 21st, on the Northern Pacific and New England coasts.

> The Atlanta Constitution says the spectacle of a millionaire's whipping his wife while driving a carriage along Peachtree street "almost stunned" Atlantians. Do they suppose a millionaire is going to drive up an alley out of respect for Peachtreet street ?

It will soon be time now for married men, after the manner of Ananias, to "beat the bushes" and tell their wives that they had to come co-operation and generous advice, down town to attend their ward and not the sectional bias, partisan meeting. In some instances this Monster Rattlesnake.

SECOND WEEK. Mr. A. T. Yopp, of this city, last Monday-B. F. Penny vs. W. O. & night exhibited at the STAR office . R. R. Co., Bellamy & Bellamy, E the largest Diamond rattlesnake ever K. Bryan, H. McClammy and A. Marshall for plaintiff; Rountree & seen in captivity in these parts. The Carr, Davis & Davis and J. D. Bellamonster reptile had 13 rattles and s my for defendant. J. H. Sloan vs. J. button, measured 71 feet in length, 9 L. Hines, Bountree & Carr for plaininches around the thick portion of its tiff, J. D. Bellamy for defendant. J. C. Martin vs. J. T. Cowan, H. Mcbody, and weighed ten pounds. The Clammy for plaintiff, C. D. Weeks for snake was captured by Mr. Yopp last defendant. Grand Rapids Show Case Wednesday on Island Creek, near Co. vs. I. Shrier, H. McClammy for cut. While the reptile watched the defendant. Identity Thos. F. Dagley vs. City of Wilmington, W. J. Bellamy for defendant. Timothy Donlan vs. Amelder Mr. Yopp, the son procured s tight cord, crept up near the snake erican Bonding & Trust Co., E. K. Bryan for plaintiff; Iredell Meares for and threw a loop around its neck. The fangs were later extracted. Mr. Wednesday-The Virginia Carolina Yopp has killed eight rattlesnakes Chemical Co. vs. McNair & Pearsall, since the Spring weather commenced, et al., Rountree & Carr for plaintiff; week or ten days ago. E. K. Bryan and J. D. Shaw, Jr., for

defendant. McNair & Pearsall, vs. Wesley Thompson, et al.; E. K. Bryan for plaintiff, J. D. Shaw, Mc-Killed by Lightning.

News reached the city Baturday of Intire & Lawrence and J. D. Bellamy the instant killing by lightning of H. Fuchs; J. D. Bellamy and H. Annie Deal, 15 years of age and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Thursday-T. G. Williams vs. Inter-Deal, who live on Mr. A. M. Prince's State Telephone Co.; Bussell & Gore and Iredell Meares for plaintiff; Rounplace, near Holly Ridge, Onslow tree & Oarr, E. K. Bryan and Bellamy county. Mrs. Deal and three daugh-& Bellamy for defendant. Louise B. ters ran into the house out of a thun-Smith vs. Susan E. Moore, Ex., E. K. der storm last Wednesday, and while Bryan for plaintiff; Bellamy & Bellamy and Rountree & Carr for defengrouped about the room a bolt of lightning tore through the roof, in-Friday-Graham Murray vs. Dr. C. stantly killing the young girl, who, L. Harper and City of Wilmington, L, V. Grady, for plaintiff; W. J. Belit is said, was seated in her sister's lap. Other members of the family amy and H. McOlammy for defendants. United Sons and Daughters of were only stunned. Salem vs. Fletcher Pittman, Rountree

## & Carr and H. McClammy for plain-Meier Sues for \$25,000.

tiff; W. B. McKoy, A. J. Marshall and Bellamy & Bellamy, for defendant. Mesars. Herbert McClammy and James A. Armstrong vs. Southern Ball way Co., H. McClammy and J. D. Bellamy, for plaintiff; F. H. Busbee, Ino. D. Bellamy; counsel for the plaintiff. Saturday filed the complaint in a by special appearance for defendant \$25,000 damage suit brought against Wilmington Iron Works vs. W. A. the C. R., L. & P. Co., for the estate Whitehead & Son, J. D. Bellamy for of the late Joe Meier, who was run over plaintiff; Bellamy & Bellamy, for deand killed by a suburban car near Baturday-J.W. Monk et al. vs. City Greenville Sound. The case will not of Wilmington, J.D. Bellamy and Belcome up for trial next week, but it is lamy & Bellamy for plaintiff; W. J. Bellamy and H. McClammy for desaid there will probably be a special fendant. City of Wilmington vs. term of court in May to clear the docket Iredell Meares et al., W. J. Bellamy of a number of civil matters, which for plaintiff; Russell & Gore by spewill necessarily have to go over from cial appearance for defendants. E.K. Bryan vs. Chas. O. D. Lee et al., E.K. the term beginning next week. Bryan for plaintiff; J. D. Beilamy and

## Bellamy & Bellamy, for defendants. Refused Habeas Corpus Writ.

D. C. Love, Admr. vs. Elizabeth P. West et al., J. D. Bellamy, for plain-tiff; Bellamy & Bellamy and H. Mo-Judge Peebles at the Court House yesterday morning "heard and refused to grant the writ of habeas corpus sued for by R. L. Joyner, the white man Monday-R. W. Hicks vs. W. W. Blair, E. K. Bryan and J. D. Bellamy committed to jail on a charge of disfor plaintiff; Rountree & Oarr for de posing of mortgaged property belongfendants. R. W. Hicks vs. O. A. ing to G. D. Phares & Co., the Market Healey et al., E. K. Bryan for plain-tiff; Rountree & Carr for defendant. H. A. Burr vs. Thad F. Tyler, Iredell street furniture dealers. The committing magistrate was Justice G. W. Meares for plaintiff; Bellamy & Bel-lamy for defendant. R. W. Hicks vs. Bornemann and Woodus Kellum, Esq., appeared for the man. C. D. Mary H. Kenan, ex'r., E. K. Bryan for plaintiff; Iredell Meares and Roun-Weeks, Esq., appeared as counsel for Messrs, Phares & Co. Tuesday-J. Allen Taylor vs. Mrs.

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A. O. McKinnon, Iredell Meares for plaintiff. T. R. Williams vs. D. R. Futch et al., Russell & Gore for plain-	
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their receivership case, having assur-LONDON, March 26.-Public interest continues to be largely absorbed in ance that the solicitor would not push the case against McBee and Finch the extraordinary developments folwhen they come up in the Superior lowing the suicide of a man named George Crossman. On the night of Court.

as that official had made in court.

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made this statement:

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duty." \* \*

The bond for Finch was given in

the sum of \$2,000 with W. F. Moody,

March 23rd Crossman, who was living mitted to make a statement and rein the respectable suburb of Kensal ries, killed himself to avoid arrest by viewed his conference with Judge Robthe police, whose suspicions had been inson, which he said was in confiaroused regarding the contents of a dence, Robinson having the privilege trunk which Crossman was sending of informing his associate counsel that Robinson had kept the confiaway from his house. On opening the trunk the body of a woman was found dence, but he was not surprised that one of the associate counsel (meaning encased in cement. An investigation Capt. Day) had now divulged it. He proved that she was murdered about explained that there was really no six months ago and that she was one agreement, but rather a sort of tacit of Crossman's eight wives. Five of understanding, through the solicitude his wives were traced and found alive; account of decomposition and injury After the Governor left the stand Capt. Day was allowed another state to the skull, which had been spli ment. He pronounced the Governor's with an axe or similar instrument. reflection on him for stating the agree-The police believe it possible that the ment as gratuitous. Judge Clark told investigation may prove that Grosshim he could not allow a statement man adopted a similar method in ridreflecting on the Governor to go furthding himself of other superfluous wives, er, Capt. Day and the Governor being of which, it is suspected he may have now even in that respect. Capt. Day had several who have not yet been persisted enough to say before he was traced.

Though only about thirty years of age, Orossman's case rivals that of the most famous criminals. Under various aliases he led a double and even a triple married life, posing

successfully according to the fancy o the moment as an engineer, compositor, wig-maker or book-maker. His chief means of support, however, appear to have been derived from his wives, several of whom he secured through advertisements.

GREAT FLOOD IN MICHIGAN

Damage at Grand Rapids Estimated at \$1,500,000 -Thousands of Buildiegs Flooded -Gity in Darkness

> By Telegraph to the Morning Star. GRAND RAPIKS, Mich., March 26.

This city is in darkness to-night; Grand river is still rising, 3,000 buildings are flooded, 1,500 families are imisoned in their homes on the west side; 10,000 employes are thrown out of work and the river is seven feet above danger line. The estimated loss is \$1,500,000. Buch is the flood situation here to night. The west side of Grand Rapids is under water from two to six feet deep. Leaving its banks near the Grand Trunk bridge in the north end of the city, the Grand river has cut for itself a new and shorter channel down through the west side and in places the current runs so swiftly that a boat cannot cross. The river is five miles

DETROIT, March 26 .- The flood situation throughout Southern Michigan seems decidedly unhopeful tonight. At present the point of great-est danger seems to be at Grand Rapids and along the course of the Grand river. Estimates made at the various cities affected indicate that the flood damages will reach several millions of dollars. The number of drownings reported was increased to three to day by the death of Joseph Kirkbride, who while riding horseback was swept off a flooded bridge at Baranac.

ARKANSAS RACE TROUBLE.

Rioting in DeWitt County. By Telegraph to the morning Star.

Two More Negroes Killed as the Result of

woman of that place. When one is found who can work and will not. he or she is to be deported under a vagrant law of that city. The same thing might be applied in almost Governor Aycock asked to be per any community with good effect.

- Rockingham Anglo-Saxon They say our Standard Oil friend (?) John D. Rockefeller spent the past season at Southern Pines. He

walked up from the depot, lugging his grip, stopped at a second-class hotel-never tipped a waiter while he was there; spent two hours hunting for a golf ball he lost to save paying fifteen cents for it This is

-Mr. Daniel Sink, a well-known and prosperous farmer living just across the Forsyth and Davidson county line, relates a remarkable record concerning himself. Mr. Sink is 60 years old, has never seen the Yadkin river, living only twelve miles from it; has never been over twenty-eight miles from home, and cut off that the Governor would not has never ridden on the train. He dare make such a statement on the hat reared a family of eight children, street where he (Day) could resent it, has always raised plenty and to spare, Judge Robinson went on the stand is a member of the Reformed Church, and reviewed the negotiations between and is an industrious and highly re-

he and the Governor and coroborated spected citizen. in many respects, the statement by the Governor. He insisted, though, that - Raleigh Post: The prospect of it was an agreement in all but name the liveliest sort of times in the Refor the abandonment of the proceed publican convention of the 8th disings by both sides; that as a result of trict of this State are most promisit, he and his associate counsel abaning, the brethren getting ready to loned their amendment to the com-"stand up to each other" in good plaint in the receivership proceedings. old Republican convention style. This was for making C. B. Ouyler, o The Linney-Blackburn factions will New York, co complainant with Finch in asking for the receiver and summake Rome howl when they "get tomoning new witnesses from Newbern gether" in convention, and a circus their case being withdrawn. He told may be expected with all the attracof conferences with the Governor and tions incident to an old-time Re-W. Tillett and other counsel for publican "fight for pie." [The conthe State, verifying the understanding vention meets at Wilkesboro on the as to the dropping of the prosecution. It also came out that R. T. Gray had 31st March.] been sent to Josephus Daniels to get

his consent for dropping the prosecu-tion and that Daniels had said he - The Republican primaries were pulled off in Caldwell on Friday. The contest was between Blackburn would be satisfied to have the prose and the organization on one hand. The whole hearing was intensely inand Price, assisted by Conley, Harteresting and held up through the arshaw and Milley. The result puts gument by counsel during the after-noon session when W. O. Maxwell The Blackburn much in the lead. town of Lenoir was warmly conand Judge Robinson argued for Detested. An incident which might fendant Finch, and the Attorney Genhave been serious occurred when Dr. eral for the prosecution. At the close of the argument Chief Justice Clark Shell and Chairman Robbins tried to have a negro vote polled after the "After attentively listening to the polls were closed and the result deevidence and argument, the court is of clared a tie. Postmaster Seehorn, the opinion there is probable cause esa Blackburn man, and some Price tablished that requires the defendant leaders protested, it having been a to give bond for his appearance at white man's fight, consequently Mr.

the next term of Wake Superior Nigger did not vote. There may be 'The court cannot letipassiunnoticed several contests, and some bad blood the intimations that there have been is up. No quarter is being shown private arrangements by which if the on either side. efendant was bound over to court, the

-The marriage of Mr. W. D. Mc-Solicitor is not to send a bill and this cause is to be allowed to die upon the Adoo, Jr., of Greensboro, and Miss Clemmie Tsie, of Salem, at the latdocket. If there is any truth in such statements, this proceeding would be a ter place on Thursday afternoon was sham and make belief to deceive the an interesting social event in both public. This court has no knowledge cities. The happy couple arrived of this subject, has not been and could in Greensboro from Winston at night, not possibly have been a party thereto, enjoyed a royal bridal supper at the if there was such an agreement. This court can but believe the Solicitor will home of the groom's parents, Mr. do his duty when the case reaches his and Mrs. Walter D. McAdoo, and jurisdiction, and if he does not, he is retook the 10:47, northbound train for sponsible to the people and not to this an extended tour to Canada, the court. This court at least will do its

Thousand Islands and other interhis wife, Mrs. Minnie W. Duke, esting points. The groom's father was never known to do things on a which promised to be long drawn small scale, and it is authentically out and sensational litigation, came

he rear of the blazing buildings, sept rated only by Trinity Place, is a densely packed mass of ancient warehouses and tenoments stretching westward to the North river. Had this barrier been crossed a most disastrous confiagration could not have been averted.

TERRIFIC WIND AND RAIN.

Storms in Kentucky and Arkansas Cause Great Damage to Property-Several Persons Killed-Many Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morping Star .... jured a number of people in Louisville and throughout the State, caused losses to property owners of probably \$125,000, and in many instances delayed railroad traffic and interfered seriously with wire communication. A temperature of Summer sultriness has been followed by a drop to below the freezing point and cold weather is forecasted for Sunday.

In Louisville the greatest damage was done by a gale which reached a velocity of sixty miles an hour. More than 200 houses were unroofed, or had their windows blown out and many manufacturing establishments suffered heavily. The entire city was for a time flooded. Third avenue, near the Confederate monument, being three feet deep in water. The roof of the main building at the Industrial School of Beform was blown completely off. falling clear of the building on the ground and a panic ensued among the 100 boys sleeping in that section of the school. Two hundred and forty five inmates of the Masonic Widows and Orphans home were marched into the center of the building after the storm had torn away a part of the roof. It was feared the building would col-

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lapse.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK, March 26 .- A special to the "Gazette" from Paragould, Ark., says:

A destructive storm visited this county to-day, causing the death of three persons, injuring many others and laying waste much property in Gainesville and vicinity. It is feared that there will be more casualties. At present it is impossible to obtain full details of the damage done, as the wires are down.

A BOSTON FAILURE.

Newspaper Advertising Agency of Pettingill & Co .- Liabilities \$1,000,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, MASS., March 26 .- The newspaper advertising agency of Pettingill & Company to-day announced that it had placed its affairs in the hands of its creditors. Counsel representing Pettingill & Company stated that the liabilities may reach \$1,000,000, with assets possibly one-

quarter of that amount. The announcement of the financial troubles of the company was made in a statement issued by counsel which said the corporation had become badly embarrassed through many errors of judgment in the extension of credits and in the general conduct of its busi-

- The case of B. L. Duke against

