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and here is a big opportunity for the

mechanical engineers to get busy.

that make the seed one of the valu-

able portions of the crop, and in

cotton factories where the cotton is

grown; so all we have to do is to

bring intelligence to bear in devel-

oping fully our resources and im-

proving our methods as to cotton

growing and handling. When it is

considered that billions will have to

be spent in Africa in building rail-

lishing machinery plants, and in all

other essentials to equal the advan-

tages which we have already at-

tained, we need not get scared for a

We shall not neglect to say that

the earnestness of the British and

other European spinners in seek-

ing emancipation from America

as a source of supply of raw cotton,

is due in a very small measure, if at

all, indeed, to the [manipulation of

the price of the staple by specula-

tors. We have before said and stick

to it that cotton has been scarce and

prices have ruled high mainly on ac-

count of unfavorable crop conditions,

in face of the increased demand for

ogists, if we may coin the word, that

consumption has over-reached pro-

duction, and this is really the basis

for the anxiety of European spinners

to look out for their future supply.

THE PULPIT AND ITS WORK.

ed contemporaries are discussing

"the decadence of pulpiteering."

Some criticise the methods of the

pulpit, and there are not wanting

those editors who want the preach-

ers to go back to sermonizing in a

others who believe that the relega-

tion of such pulpiteering to the past

is a sure proof of progress and not of

We are inclined to leave all this

to the pulpit. Our observation is

that there never has been such a

strong pulpit as may be found to-

day throughout the world. For

eloquence, learning, plety and af-

fectiveness, we believe that the

soldiers of Christ were never

stronger. We have all sorts of pulpit

deliverances, and it is not for people

who are "standing afar off" like

All sorts and sizes of guns are

being used in modern warfare to

day, and the nature of the assault

the distance of the bulwark to be at-

tacked, and the position and

size and destructiveness of the shot.

It rather appears to a layman that

the more the methods employed in

the pulpit the more people will be

in the pulpit will have to decide

what kind of guns and what kind of

shot to fire, as their aim is to get

small game and big game. Different

Our opinion is that the pulpit i

doing its work better than its critics

are doing theirs. We haven't got a

A new novel is announced by

Thomas Dixon, Jr., author of "The

One Woman" and "The Leopard's

Spots." It is is said to be in a way,

a companion to his first book, and is

entitled "The Clansman." The

author's purpose here is to show that

the original formers of the Ku Klux

Klan were modern knights errant,

taking the only means at hand to

As Democratic conventions are

democratic they can instruct if they

please or not do so, as the circum-

cratic conventions do as they please.

The Chicago News says: "Court-

matrimony it is calculated to break

skins every year in New York.

Please state what kind of coons, so

President Roosevelt will know how

The Chatham Record tells of a

Republican primary in that county

where only ten persons were pres-

ent. That's easily accounted for.

to construe this item.

shot for different game.

word to say.

right wrongs.

worn by a Democrat.

reached. The man behind the guns

We note that some of our esteem

cotton in all portions of the world.

couple of hundred years vet.

oads, developing lands, in estab-

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE.

The subscription price of the Weckly Star is

THE CRUSADE ON AMERICAN

We do not apprehend that the supremacy of the South as the cotton producing region of the world is seriously threatened, yet it is worth while for us to note the possibilities and probabilities of competition in the production of the one The fact is, it is agreed by cottonolgreat staple that is so absolutely necessary to clothe the people of the world.

As the world grows in intelligence and civization the need for clothing becomes more imperative and proportionately the demand for raw cotton increases. The enlarged uses, the increased need and the greater demand for cotton make it an interesting subject, and it comes home to us who are in the fields where the fleecy staple is produced.

That the European spinners desire to seek freedom from their dependence on America for cotton grows plainer every day. In fact, the movement across the waters takes the shape of a crusade against American cotton. In the British House of Commons a few days ago that body adopted a measure pledging the government to use every effort to foster the production of cotton in the British empire, in order to relieve the British mills from dependence upon us for cotton. In the discussion upon the resolution offered in the House of Commons, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, speaking for the govdeclared that the government had already taken steps to foster experimental cultivations in Great Britain's African possessions, and he gave the assurance that the government would in the future assist the movement in every way possible.

This action by the British Parliament indicates that the movement to produce cotton in Great Britain's own colonies is going to be given an effective test, and while it may not have any immediate influence upon the South's interests in cotton production, it is so serious as to cause us to "sit up" and at least watch the movement very closely. We know that limited areas of Great Britain's colonies, and also those of Germany, France and Belgium, are capable of cotton production, but it remains to be demonstrated and proven that the area can be so enlarged, the methods of cultivation so adapted, and the quality of the product to be obtained, will be sufficient to ultimately bring about any serious competition with us. Along with their efforts at cotton culture are the two very important questions of labor and transportation, considering that all

the other conditions are favorable. in the South we already have a cotton growing region without any experimentation, we have railroad and water transportation against the undeveloped regions of Africa, we have the labor situation fairly stances demand. In fact Demowell in hand, and the chances are certainly in our favor. Surely we Americanism is about the only tag are in a favored land, but we must not be content to stand upon what we have already achieved in the production of cotton. From this time forward no effort should be spared to experiment along lines calculated to develop a more prolific variety of cotton, a better quality of staple, and more approved and more economical methods of cultivation, harvesting, and handling of our great fibre crop. We know of no greater room for improvement than 18 open to our method of ginning and baling cotton. We are speaking, of course, from the standpoint of securing more economy in this respect, both in money saving, labor saving, and time saving. The "old fashioned" gin house, with its screw or press so far away as to require more labor than is necessary in the process of baling must give way to modern gin houses where seed cotion can be handled by elevators and conveyors, ginned by improved machinery and go in the lint from the gin into the press instead of maids can be seen at Wilmington's having to be carried in baskets or in seaside resorts this season, but the few ginneries are so well equipped, glory and as enchanting as ever.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, MAY 13, 1904.

THE COURTLY STEDMAN.

The South has the lead over any High Tribute to the Next Governor of other country in cotton lands North Carolina-An Incident Showalready tried, in climate, in labor, log His High Sense of Honor. in transportation, in cotton oil mills

[Raleigh News & Observer.]

To the Editor: - One of the significant things about Major Stedman's campaign for the gubernatorial nomination is the large number of personal friends in every section of the State who are working for him. His friends are making his fight for him. And what a host of them he has! It is said that every man with whom Major Stedman has ever associated on terms of friendship during his young manhood or in middle age is enthusiastically supporting him in his present ambition. This is a great thing to say of any man, for a man may

be known as well by the friends as by the enemies he has made. What is the secret of this power to attract and hold men? I know that his rich experiences in affairs, his equitable temper, his mature judgment, have influenced many in his favor, who believe that the State needs as chief executive a man with these qualifications. But this is not the secret. Nor can it be wholly because he is courteous and kindly and considerate, a gentleman of the old school—and he is all these things; many men have these qualities who are not so successful as Major Stedman in quest of friendship. The secret lies in his possessing a quality that is a much rares thing, particularly in candidates for office, than courtesy and kindi ness and consideration, and that is sincerity. The point is that he has always been just the same kindly, considerate gentleman that he is now. All who have known him will testify that Charles M. Stedman was the same yesterday that he is to-day. These characteristics of the true gentleman which I have attributed to him are not worn in his case as a mere campaign garment. In him they are the mani-

festations of a sincere soul. It is common knowledge that the way that will frighten or terrify cheap politician is a past master in the art of hypocrisy. He is Bon Vi vant or Puritan. Prohibitionist or Saloon defender, Chistian or Scoffer, a Free Trader or Protectionist, for Monopolies or against them -anything to suit the prejudices or beliefs of those whose votes he wants. He can become all things to all men with a facility which would excite our admiration except that it arouses our contempt. This is not the class to which Major Stedman belongs. He would scorn to deceive any man for the paltry price of a vote. You will never find him making a red-hot prohibition speech and then scooting to the nearest saloon to fill his stomach and his pockets with whiskey. You will not find him accept Peter to say what the methods ing employment of the trusts and the railroads and then, with their money in his pockets, vehemently denouncing them on the stump and posing as the friend of the people. If he did, it would not be surprising to find him distrusted both by the corporations and the people. There are some things asincere gentleman canstrength of the enemy dictate the

effective range of the guns and the not do. Charles M. Stedman is not hypocrite. Sometimes one act in a man's ca reer will so illuminate him that all may see him as he is. There is one act in Major Stedman's political life-I may call it the initiatory act of his political career—which shows him to us in his essence as volumes might not do. I want the people of North Carolina to know about it. At one time, before he became Lieutenant Governor, he was the attorney for three important railroads, the Wilmington & Weldon, the Carolina Central and the Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta—at that time separate corporations. The salaries received from these three roads must have been in the aggregate considerable sum. But immediatey upon his election as Lieutenant Governor he resigned these positions—gave up a lucrative employ ment for a meagre per diem. His sensitive honor would not permit him to undertake the impossible task of serving two masters, the corporations and the people.

It was the knowledge of this act, of which I learned several months ago, that first turned me Stedmanward in my search for a personal choice for Governor; and, in the light which further investigation has thrown upon his character, know that this act is characteristic of the man. And I know that the honor of my State will be safe in the keeping of a man who maintains his own unsullied.

WALTER P. STRADLEY. Oxford, N. C.

CAPT. "BILL" DAY HAS A FIGHT.

ship is a two sided game, in which each player tries to fool the other." Mix-up in Yarborough Lobby With Mem-When both parties are trying to ber of News & Observer Staff. stack the cards on a show down for

[Special Star Telegram.] RALEIGH, N. C., May 6 .- This evening in the lobby of the Yarborough Hotel a fight occurred between Capt.

A New York merchant says North | W. H. Day and Mr. E. E. Britton, of Carolina sells \$20,000 worth of coon | the editorial staff of the News and Observer, in which Mr. Britton received several severe blows from Capt. Day, who used a heavy cane, and the latter caught a hard knock on the nose from Britton. Friends separated them before either was seriously hurt. The News and Observer had passed severe criticisms on Capt. Day recently in connection with his course as leading counsel for Finch and Capt. V. E. Mc-Bee in their efforts to put the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad in the hands of a receiver, and it seems that as Capt. Day passed into the hotel, Mr. Britton made as though he was going to speak to him and Capt. Day

will investigate the case to-morrow.

There were no Federal office-holders in that township. told him he must not, using the most insulting epithet that could be ap-plied to a man. Britton struck at him We can't promise that any merand then Day used his stick freely until by-standers interfered and held the arms of laborers. Comparatively Summer-girl will be here in all her the two men apart. Mayor Powell

COUNTY CONVENTION.

Harmonious Gathering of New **Hanover Democrats at Court** House Saturday.

PRIMARY ACTION RATIFIED.

Shairman Will Appoint Delegates to State and District Conventions-Executive Committee Reorganized-Delegation Solid for Stedman.

The utmost harmony prevailed in the New Hanover County Democratic Convention which met Saturday at noon in the Court House, pursuant to official call. Its unity of purpose was strongly emphasized in the fact that within twenty minutes after it was called to order by Chairman Geo. L. Peschau, of the executive committee, the convention had unanimously nominated a full county and township ticket, recommended a candidate to represent the counties of New Hanover and Brunswick in the State Senate and provided for the appointment of delegates to the State, Congressional and Senatorial conventions, all in ratification of the will of the people as expressed last Tuesday in the primaries. Hon. John D. Bellamy was called to the chair and Mr. D. C. Love was requested to act as secretary. Upon assuming the chair, Mr. Beliamy made an enthusiastic address explaining the object of the convention and taking a very optimistic view of the prospects for a National Democratic victory in November. The county convention, he said, was the formal inauguration of the campaign of 1904 in New Hanover, for the continuation of good government. He said he had never known a more opportune time nor the prospects brighter for Democratic success than now. With a Republican president at the belm of government, uncertain, erratic, quixotic; a man who utterly disregards law, declares war without warrant or consent of Congress, takes out forty millions of dollars to pay Federal pensioners; insults the people of the South by running rough shod over all the tradition of the South by inviting negroes to dine at his tablethese were some of the reasons why it was desirable to change. The Nation was yearning for a man to oppose him, who is an observer of the rights of the people, an able jurist and a conservative Democrat. However, Mr. Bellamy said the people of New Hanover were not then assembled for the purpose of discussing National politics, whereupon he declared the convention ready for business and nominations in order for permanent

organization. Upon motion of Walter P. Gafford, Esq., the temporary organization was made permanent. Chairman Geo. L. Peschau, of the Executive Committee, then transmitted to the secretary, the official returns in Tuesday's primaries with the certified results. A roll call by the secretary showed every township and preclact in the county represented by strong delegations. Nominations of county officers next being declared in order Marsden Bellamy, Esq., nominated Mr. G. J. Boney for the House of Reresentatives; Mr. J. D. Smith nominated Mr. Frank H. Stedman, for sheriff; Woodus Kellum, Esq., Mr. W. H. Biddle, for Register of Deeds; Mr. J. W. Branch and Mr. D. C. Love, Mr. H. McL. Green, for County Treasurer; Mr. J. W. Branch, Dr. C. D. Bell, for Coroner; Mr. W. B. Savage, constable of Wilmington township, Mr. R. A. Chadwick, constable of Cape Fear township, and Mr. J. M. Hewlett, constable of Harnett township. All the nominations were carried unanimously, in accordance with the result in the primary. No nomination of constable in Masonboro and Federal Point townships having been made in the primary, Mr. Gerrit Walker nominated Mr. D. J. Fergus for Masonboro township and Mr. Thos. Burnett for Federal Point township. Both were carried also unanimously. Mr. Fergus attempted to withdraw in favor of Mr. J. J. Melton, but literally he had the honor "thrust upon

Walter P. Gafford, Esq , moved that Brooke G. Empie, Esq., be recommended as New Hanover's unanimous choice for the State Senate. The motion received several seconds and was carried by acciamation without a dissenting voice. Mr. G. Herbert Smith. advertising to the fact that the appointment of delegates to the State and district conventions was in order, moved that the time-honored custom be adhered to and that the chairman be authorized to name the list to each of the meetings. Maior W. H. Bernard offered as an amendment, which was accepted, that the chairman and secretary of the County Convention be included i the lists of delegates. Mr. J. D Smith said he was in favor of instructing the New Hanover delegation to he State Convention to vote for Mai. Chas. M. Stedman for Governor. Mr. H. K. Nash, an ardent admirer and supporter of Maj. Stedman, said that he with others of Maj. Stedman's closest friends in the county, thought it best not to give instructions to the delegation as New Hanover would vote for him as a unit at Greensboro Springer & Co. Schooner "Chas. C. anyway. The same sentiment was expressed by others, whereupon Mr. Smith very courteously withdrew his suggestion. Reflecting the sentimen of the county as expressed in the recent primaries it may be regarded as an absolute certainty that the delegates appointed to the convention will vote solidly for Maj. Stedman. The begin work on a handsome new

strength of 20 votes in the State Convention, 59 in the Congressional and about the same in the Senatorial.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES ORGANIZED. Immediately upon adjournment of the convention, the executive committees from the several precincis elected in Tuesday's primaries, met and organized by electing one of their number as chairman, who thereby became ex officio a member of the Democratic County Executive Committee. The chairmen elected to constitute the central committee are as

follows: First Ward-First precinct, W. F. Carpenter; Second precinct, E. F. Lewis; Third precinct, G. T. Hewlett. Second Ward-H. M. Chase. Third Ward-Geo. L. Peschau.

Fourth Ward-W. A. Willson. Fifth Ward-First precinct, J. H. Burriss, : Second precinct. C. S. Bur-

Cape Fear-W. H. Shearin. Harnett-Gerrit Walker. Masonboro and Federal Point Town-

ship-D. J. Fergus. The newly constituted County Committee then met and reorganized by re lecting George L. Peschau, Esq., chairman, and Mr. W. A. Willson,

BOUGHT A WHOLE CITY.

Interesting Clipping from Paper Relative

to Mammoth Purchase by Morgany The STAR's good friend, Capt. John Barry, a few days ago showed a reporter a clipping from a New York ne spaper, stating that the good old Irish town of Castle Martyr, county of Cork, had recently been put up at auction and sold to interests believed to be backed by J. Pierpont Morgan. The town is about one-half mile long and belonged to the Earl of Shannon, whose finances needed the tonic said to lodge in American dollars. According to the newspaper clipping, Morgan will be proprietor of every square inch of ground, every building, the public streets, highways and byways, the churches, city hall and public buildings and houses. As a

"I was born nine miles from that town," said Capt. Barry in speaking of its sale to the great American financier. "It's a beautiful place," he continued; "it is on the mail route, 14 miles from Queenstown and the seaport town of Yopel. I can remember it from the long ago and the grandeur in which the then lord of the property lived was marvellous."

EX-SENATOR MARION BUTLER

Made a Portune in a Recent Indian Deal [Special to Raleigh Post.]

WASHINGTON, May 6 .- Ex-Senator Marion Butler, who left to-day for Sampson county, has made a fortune in a recent Indian deal that was negotiated by a syndicate composed of promineut Washington politicians, one of whom is said to be Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania. This syndicate, ac cording to information here, was or ganized to press a suit on behalf of the Delaware Indians against the Cherokees for 147,000 acres of valuable land, which the Delawares claim is rightfully theirs. The syndicate reports that it expended \$65,000 in pressing the suit, but that it asked nothing from the Delawares except an oil lease on 80 acres of each Delaware's allotment. As there are 195 Delawares and oil leases are worth \$100 an acre. it is figured that the syndicate will secure a fee of more than \$1,500,000 for a suit which it lost and which it took on a contingent fee. Ex-Senator But-ler is understood to have a onefourth interest in the syndicate. From all accounts the possibilities of oil leases on the land are almost fabu-

The "Jao. H. Sweeney, Jr." Mr. D. K. Abbott, representing the Kelly Springfield Road Roller Co., of Springfield, Ohio, was here yesterday and closed the contract for the new 20,000 pound machine for which the city will exchange the big "Jno. H. Sweeney," now in use and regarded as unsufted to the work here. Mr. Abbott will have the large roller shipped away as early as possible. The city pays \$1,750 in exchange between the rollers, the new one being valued at \$3,250. The Springfield Company agrees within one year to replace free of charge any part of the roller that may prove defective, either in workmanship or material; also to send an expert here to operate the machine for ten days and give instructions to the local engineer.

Mr. J. W. Brooks, of the firm of Brooks & Taylor, left Saturday for Seaside, Brunswick county, in response to a message informing him of the very sudden death of his father, Mr. J. U. Brooks, at his home in that town Friday afternoon. The deceased is survived by his wife, three sons and three daughters. The sons are Messrs.

J. W. Brooks, of Wilmington; George

E. Brooks, of Beaside, and W. E.

Brooks, of Kingland, Ga., while the

Mr. J C. Brooks Dead.

daughters are Misses Fannie, Carrie and Stella Brooks, all of Seaside. - British schooner "City Nassau," Capt. Munro, cleared yes terday for Kingston, Jamaica, with cargo of 165,000 shingles and 12,000 feet of moulding, consigned by J. A.

Lister" cleared for New York with

cargo from the Cape Fear Lumber Co.

- Mr. Price Furpless, representing the B. F. Smith Fire Proof Construction Co., of Washington, D. C., was here vesterday from Jacksonville, N. C., where on Monday his firm will delegates will be announced by Mr. \$35,000 Court House to be erected for Bellamy later. Now Hanover has a Onslow county.

HE INVITED THE SHOT

Negro Killed by Young White Man at Worth's Ice Factory Yesterday.

GOOD HIS ESCAPE.

Had Quarrelled and Colored Laborer Had Been Ordered from Premises-Particulars Hard to Obtain - Coroner's Investigation Today.

Because he was insolent, threaten-

ing in his demeanor and engaged in the use of vile and abusive language towards him, after having been twice ordered off the premises, Sam Phipps, a young white man employed as a su perintendent for the Fruit Growers' Express, stood upon the top of a refrigerator car at Worth's ice factory on Second street, vesterday evening about 6:80 o'clock and fired upon Jim Hall, a middled-aged colored man, who was standing on the railroad yards below, the ball from the young man's pistol having taken effect in the negro's head, producing a wound from which he died five hours later at the James Walker Memorial Hospital. Phipps immediately came down off the car, went through the factory and is said to have proceeded to the Carolina Central depot, where he procured a hand car from the yards and made good his escape.

Particulars of the shooting were hard to obtain last night, but from best information, the negro and overseer had a difficulty about cleaning one of the cars being iced at the factory for strawberry shipments. The negro said he had cleared the car; the overse; r said he hadn't and Hall was ordered away. Phipps went on top of some cars on the railroad tracks and the negro continued to harangue from the yards below. The young overseer again told the negro to leave or he would shoot him. Hall is said to have then thrown open his coat, applied some bad lanresult Mr. Morgan could name the guage to the young man and told him mayor, policemen, judges, jailor, tax to "blaze away." The white man pistol and fired. The ball entered the right side of Hall's head, a little back and above the right ear, splitting in two, and extensively fracturing the skull. Some of the brain substance escaped through the wound and a portion of the bullet was taken out with particles of the shattered skull. The hospital ambulance was quickly summoned and the negro was sent to the hospital, where he died at 11 o'clock last night. After a coroner's investigation to-day, the remains will be turned over for burial to Hall's brother, who lives in the vicinity of Fourth and Bladen streets. The dead man is well known in the city and for several years has worked at the two

Phipps came to Wilmington two days ago from some point in Georgia and is only slightly known. He is about 21 years of age, weighs about 135 pounds and is not very strong physically. Chief of Police Furlong made every effort to intercept his flight from the city by sending guards to all approaches a few minutes after the shooting, but the effort was fruitless. A number of telegrams were sent to adjacent towns to look out for hlm. - Morning Star of the 6th.

ARGUMENT IN SELMA CASE.

More Propositions to Lease the A. & N. 6 The Day-Britton Assault.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., May 7 .- Mesars. Junius Davis and Jas. H. Pou made arguments for the Atlantic Coast Line to-day before Judge Geo. H. Brown in the Selma case. The arguments for the Corporation Commission were made by Attorney General Gilmer and F. A. Woodward. The closing speech for the Coast Line will be made Monday by R. N. Simms, the principal question at issue being the right of the Commission to make an order for the operation of a new train that must, according to the verdict of the jury, be operated at a loss to the

Governor Aycock received telegrams to-day from Newbern and Goldsboro asking for verification of rumors there that the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad had been leased to the Finlayson-Mills syndicate, and replied that there was no truth in it. He says he expects a third bid for the road Monday, he having in hand now bids from the Finlayson-Mills and the Philadelphia syndicates, but that he cannot lease to any one until the Federal receivership proceeding in the Federal Court is settled.

At noon to-day Captain W. H. Day appeared before Mayor Powell, waived examination under the charge, of assault with a deadly weapon on Edward E. Britton, of the News and Observer and gave \$50 bond for his appearance at the next term of Superior Court Mr. Britton was declared guilty of no affray. Capt. Day, in waiving examination, gave notice that he would not admit using a deadly weapon.

BURGLARY AT MAXION, . N. C.

Hardware Room of J. W. Sarter's Department Store Entered Wednesday. Special to News & Observer.]

MAXTON, N. O., May 5.-The hardware room of J. W. Carter's big department store was burglarlously entered last night, probably about 1 o'clock, and a haif dozen pistols and several hundred cartridges taken. The thief entered a rear window by re-moving one of the iron bars in the grating. When the burglary was dis-covered early this morning, bloodhounds were put upon the trail, which they followed for about half a mile and finally lost it at the crossing of the railroad tracks in the suburbs of the town. It is supposed that the burgiars boarded the night freight train going to Wilmington.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- The Democratic county convention of Bladen will be held at changed.

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- Raleigh News and Observer: That proposition to elect a negro bishop, made in the Northern Methodist Conference, is one reason why the Southern Methodists have not wished to unite with their Northern sum was \$5,500,000 paid in 1876 to the brethren.

-The Weed Distilling & Manufacturing Company, a wood product plant located near Fayetteville, has made very large additions in the last month and expects to more than double its output of spirits turpentine and other products

- At Caledonia, the State penitentiary farm, near Tillery, Halifax county, 1,800 acres, against 1,400 ast, will be planted in cotton. There are about seven or eight hundred acres for corn and about the loop. same number for peanuts. The recent rains have put everything in good shape and the cotton is nearly all planted. There is some corn to plant yet, as the cotton was attended to first.

-The Cape Fear Power Company has installed their sub station in Fayetteville, run all their wires necessary to the factories that take their power and expect to turn on their current by the 1st of July and not later than the 1st of August. It is stated that one party has spoken for as much as 3,000 horse power, saying that it would all be used in a new enterprise that would Mr. and Mrs. Powell at Bowers' soon be started in Fayetteville.

- The Holt-Williamson cotten mill at Fayetteville is breaking dirt for a considerable addition to its factory. It is reported that Mr. W. L. Holt has purchased the old Fayetteville cotton mills, and will make extensive additions to the same in girl in a jealous frenzy. the near future. From present indications the LaFayette knitting mills will soon be sold to a prominent cotton mill man of that section, and more than doubled in its capacity.

- The Snow Hill Standard prints a picture of Mr. B. W. Edwards, e popular and capable sheriff of Greene county, and says: "The above cut represents the best sheriff in the State. He has actually collected every white man's poll taxes prior to May 1, 1904, in the county and therefore no white man will be disfranchised in Greene county by not paying the poll taxes. There are a few on the books unpaid, but they are known not to be living in the county.

- Fayetteville correspondence of Raleigh News and Observer: In the matter of the Democratic nominatian for Governor the talk is mainly for Major Stedman, though Capt. Glenn has some strong friends. It is pointed out that Major Stedman went to the war from here as one of the Bethel volunteers who were members of the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry, in which company he was a private. For this reason the Fayetteville militia are said to be all for him.

- One day last week a negro who had violated the law was arrested by Policeman Gibson, of Grimesland, Pitt county. The negro's companions, however, surrounded them and took the prisoner away from the officer. A second attempt met with defiance of the law and resulted as before. Assistance was then asked from Greenville, and prompt response made. Three negroes who had defied the officer were then arrested and carried to jail at Greenville, but they were not taken without some fighting.

- C. H. Williams, who was shot in the thigh during a quarrel between his son and another man whom he was trying to separate, died at Wilson Wednesday night. The shooting occurred near Mount Olive about a week ago. Mr. Williams was taken to Wilson Tuesday and placed in the Sanitarium, but blood poisoning had set in and the injured limb had to be amputated. Owing to his extreme age and seriousness of the wound he was unable to stand the shock. He was buried in Maplewood cemetery at Wilson.

- Hickory Times-Democrat: The shameful revelations which took place in connection with the Wilmington postoffice, the riotous and fraudulent proceedings of the Wadesboro convention and the long files of charges which are on record at Washington setting forth the rascality of various aspirants for office, prove the the truth of what was recently said by a leading Northern Republican statesman: "If what the Southern Republicans say of all a aet of cut-throats.' - A Greensboro man, in the per-

son of Prof. William Hammell, instructor of Science at the State Normal and Industrial College, has invented a wonderfully simple and practical wireless telegraphy system. t has been tested at the Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, and found to be perfect in every respect in sending and receiving messages. The wireless system will be installed at the Normal college and messages from one building to another will be all tuberculous persons in their pracwalls, doors and all other hindrances ing disinfectants and spittoons, and to test the strength and efficiency of for disinfecting premises after rethe system.

- Duplin Journal: Mr. F. R Wyckoff, of New York, who came South several months ago in order that his declining health might be restored, has located Duplin county for a while and has gone into the trucking business quite extensively with Mr. A. M. Faison, near War-saw. Mr. Wyckoff travelled throughout several Southern and Western States and finally decided that Duplin county, North Carolina, was the best place to live and get well. of these ordinances will reduce the We are glad to state that his health number of consumptives and also the well pleased with the prospects for ence in the three large cities which the coming crop at Woodlawn farm. have enforced similar ordinances.

Treasury Warrants for \$40,000,000 to b

PANAMA CANAL PURCHASE

Delivered Monday to J. P. Morgan & Co., Disburalng Agents.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 7 .- Secretary Shaw this afternoon signed a treasury warrant for \$40,000,000, which will be delivered next Monday to J. P. Morgan & Company of New York, as dicbarsing agents of this government, on account of the Panama canal pur chase. The warrant is dated May 9th, Elizabethtown June 2nd, instead of and will be delivered by Secretar June 8th, the date having been Shaw personally on Monday next. This warrant is many times larger than any warront ever before issued by this government. The largest sum previously covered by a single government warrant was for \$7,200, 000 paid to Russia in 1868 on account of the Alaskan purchase. The next British government on account of the Halifax award under the treaty of Washington for infringement of fisheries rights in Nova Scotian waters. In 1899 this govern-ment paid, through the French ambassador, \$20,000,000 for the Philippine islands, but this sum was represented by four warrants of \$5,000,-900. The \$15,000,000 agreed upon as the purchase price for the Louisiana territory, was paid in 1803 by the assumption by the United States of the claims of citizens of this country against France amounting to \$3,750, 000 and the issue to France of certificates of stock in the sum of \$11,250,-

MURDER OF MISS ALBIN.

Mrs. Powell Convicted and Punishment Pixed at Life Imprisonment.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star, DOVER, DEL., May 7 .- Mary A. Powell was to night convicted of the murder of Estella Albin, the jury fixing the punishment at imprisonment for life. The trial was in progress one week and the jury deliberated two hours. Sentence will be pronounced on Monday. Estella Albin lived with Beach, near here. On February 9th she was found murdered in the attic of the house. Mrs. Powell was arrested and confessed, but declared the act was committed in self-defence. The evidence showed that illicit relations existed between Mr. Powell and Miss Albin and the prosecution endeavored to prove that Mrs. Powell killed the

FIRE AT PITTSBURG.

Sarriage Manufactory Destroyed-Loss Estimated at \$100,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star PITTSBURG, May 7.-A fire broke out to-day in Gerber Carriage Company's plant and for a time it threatened to develop into a disastrous conflagration. The entire fire department was called out, but the flames were, by good work, confined to the Gerber building, a large four-story brick structure, which was entirely destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$100,000; fully covered by insurance. An explosion of a gas engine was the cause of the fire.

ENGINEER KILLED.

A number of employes on the fourth

floor were rescued with difficulty.

Passenger Train on the R., F. & P. Ratiroad Wrecked at Quantico.

RICHMOND, VA., May 7 .- South bound passenger train No. 403, on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad, was wrecked at Quantico

to-night, and Engineer Robert Davis. of this city, was killed. Fireman Franklin saved himself by jumping. Express Messenger Herring was slightly hurt. The train ran into an open switch, and on to a turn table. The engine and tender turned over into the pit. The express car was badly damaged. The body of Engineer Davis was brought to his home here to-night. The dead man leaves a wife and eight children.

RESULT OF A FEUD.

Twe Preminent Citizens Killed in an Affray at Luting, Mo.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 7 .- A special to the "Star" from Austin

A sensational killing occurred today at Luting, eighty miles southeast of Austin. S. T. Nixon, a member of the State Democratic executive committee, shot and killed R. A. Malone and Colonel Veasy, two prominent citizens of Luting. Nixon is a weal-thy planter. The shooting is said to

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have grown out of an old family

Report of Committee to Consider Advisability of Change of Name.

BOSTON, MASS, May 7.- The committee of fifteen which was appointed by the national triennial convention of the Episcopal Church at San Francisco in 1901 to consider the advisabilieach other are true, their leaders are ty of changing the legal name of the denomination, has issued an extended report in which the opinion is expressed that any change at this time is nexpedient. The report is to be submitted to the general convention, which will assemble in this city next

- Raleigh News and Observer,

May 7th: Last night the Board of Aldermen of the city of Raleigh unanimously adopted ordinances re-quiring that all physicians report to the Board of Health the names of moval. These regulations were proposed by the Chamber of Commerce. This is a very important step that Raleigh has taken and is made necessary by the increase in the death rate from consumption generally where preventive measures are not taken. Raleigh is the first city in the South to take this advanced step. Such action was taken in Boston, Philadelphia and New York only a few years ago. It is believed that the intelligent and careful carrying out of these ordinances will reduce the has been greatly improved and he is death rate, as has been the experi-