

THE WILMINGTON POST.

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WILMINGTON, N. C. SUNDAY MORNING, JAN. 2, 1881.

Secretary Sherman, with perfect good reason, regards his election to the Senate as certain. He says he shall not regret giving up his position in the Treasury Department.

The late Attorney-General Sherman has left a widow and five young sons living quietly in their pretty little home near Cartersville, Georgia.

The greatest and chiefest need of the South is more general education for all her children of all classes, ages, sexes and colors.

The February number of the North American Review will contain an article by Gen. Grant on the general question of interoceanic ship canal, favoring the Nicaragua route.

The temperance memorial of \$10,000 to Mrs. Hayes takes the form of a magnificent life size picture by Huntington.

GARFIELD'S POLICY.

There are certain necessities which are the results of political canvasses which are successful. Great conventions meet and formulate opinions and tabulate principles into concise and consequential statements.

The Southern Democrats are now speculating as to the possibilities of Garfield's policy. There are some of them who indulge the fantasy, that the new administration will adopt a mild policy so far as relates to the south.

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But if anybody expects in the new government any halting, limping, or hesitating, any ignoring of the well defined principles announced in the canvass which carried Garfield to the Chief Magistracy of the Nation, they probably will be mistaken.

According to the report of the Bureau of Statistics, the exports of provisions for the 11 months ending November 30th reached \$123,000,000, which is \$23,000,000 in excess of the same 11 months of last year.

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Had been in poor health since the death of Mr. Lewis. She was one of the greatest of English novelists. She was not a prolific writer reckoned by the side of Walter Scott, Dumas or Victor Hugo.

She was forty when Adam Bede was written, but she had written much before, especially the "Scenes of a Clerical Life," which appeared in Blackwood when she was thirty-seven.

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A GREAT STORM.

On Saturday forenoon, Christmas day, there arose a storm west of the Gulf of Mexico, which swept along the coast, reaching New York on Sunday evening and New England in the night.

The storm centre at noon on Saturday was at Montgomery, Alabama, and moved northeast, causing the off shore signals to be hoisted all along at Wilmington, Hatteras, Norfolk, the Capes of the Delaware, Barnegat, the Jersey coast, Long Island, Boston and even as far as Eastport, in Maine.

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A DISGRACEFUL ROW.

Between members of the House. Old Times Revivings—An Anti-Bellum Day in Congress—The Life Passed Between Sparks and Weaver on the Floor of the House—a highly Dramatic Scene.

A GRAPHIC ACCOUNT OF THE ROW. Not since the celebrated row of 1858, when the House passed such a scene as was presented on the floor last evening. The details of the preceding bill in Committee of the Whole had drifted away out of the range of the subject, and Weaver, of Iowa, having obtained the floor, was pouring hot shot into the Democratic ranks, meaningly waving aloft the Greenback flag, under which that resolutely consistent party fought the battle of 1858.

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Official Census Returns for North Carolina, by Counties.

Table with columns: County, Total, Male, Female, Native, Foreign, White, Colored. Lists counties from Alamance to Wayne.

We will publish the remainder of the counties just as fast as we receive them.

The Vote of North Carolina for Governor.

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A COMPLAINT FROM TOWN CREEK.

EDITOR OF POST: Sir: We are having disagreeable weather for Christmas, but times are lovely and the future promise to be better.

Cotton is becoming popular in small way among the farmers and is better than any other crop to raise money on. But farmers are so terribly gouged and fooled in the manner of selling and having cotton inspected in Wilmington that it is discouraging for them to sell cotton there, and hence it is that a great deal of the cotton made in Onslow county goes to Newbern. The farmer takes his bale of cotton to Newbern on his cart to the merchant's door. They examine it by taking out one-fourth of a pound, guess on the price, weigh it, give him his money and he goes on about his business. All is done in a few moments. Not so in Wilmington. He often has to wait two days before he gets his money. In Wilmington a farmer sends his cotton to a commission merchant and instructs him to sell. The merchant has a sample, generally taking out five samples from one to three pounds and sometimes more. He exhibits his samples in his office to the purchaser who tells him he will pay a certain price, if the lot will hold out as well as the sample. But he is not satisfied to purchase by the first sample, but has it sampled a second time, taking out from one to three pounds, again, and then weighs it. And the poor farmer loses from each weighing six pounds, and sometimes ten pounds.

Now, Mr. Editor, this is wrong. The cotton should be weighed before it is taken out for samples. I have been told that there is over 150 bales packed up in Wilmington annually from samples which the hard working farmers have to lose. This should be prevented, and it is hoped that if our next legislature has honor and brains enough, they will act in the premises. By publishing the above or any part, you will oblige.

E. W. TAYLOR.

The Tale of the Ineffectual Man.

From the Macao (Ga.) Telegraph. We learn from a reliable, confidential listing clerk at the Brunswick freight depot that just previous to the alarm of the Tuesday night he was jumped upon the window seat outside the window, and by pecking on the glass, attracted attention from within. The window was raised, but instead of entering, the man dropped one wing and began scratching it with his foot. A friendly hand gathered in the fowl and placed her upon a bookcase to roost; she retained the position, but was evidently uneasy for some minutes. Finally a cry of fire was heard, and up and was commenced in a short time over to alarm the men, and tried to imitate the scratching of a match by rasping her toes on her wing.

Statistics of the War.

The Adjutant General's office at Washington has recently issued a statement of the number of men furnished for the Union army, under calls for that, in all calls, the quotas from all the states were 2,775,400, and the men furnished were 2,775,400, and 65,720 paid commutation, making a total of 2,841,120. The states that exceeded their quotas were Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Ohio, Illinois, Kansas, Tennessee, Arkansas, North Carolina. There were 92,441 colored troops credited to any states. In Kansas only two were paid commutation, and the state exceeded its quota by 2,215 men. Illinois exceeded its quota by 14,710 men, and only 65,720 were paid commutation. There were in all 2,841,120 soldiers to a three years' call, of which New York furnished 625,000 men, but she was short of her quota by over 100,000 men. Pennsylvania furnished 250,000 men, but was short nearly 50,000 men. Ohio furnished 240,000, and Illinois 210,000.

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