The September returns of the Department of Agriculture show a very heavy decline in the prospects of the cotton crop in all the States except Virginia, where it about helds its own. The crop of Virginia, however, is too small to exercise any appreciable influence on the general result. The State averages are as follows: Virginia 98; North Carolina 87, a decline of 15 during August; South Carolina 86, a decline of 18; Georgia 79, a decline of 17: Florida 77, a decline of 25; Alabama 81, a decline of 9; Mississippi 75, a decline of 14; Louisiana 62, a decline of 21; Texas 64, a decline of 41; Arkansas 47, a decline of 40; Tennessee 48, a decline of 35. The leading cause of this decline is found in the prevalence over a large section of the cotton area of severe drought, accompanied by intense heat. In many localities hot winds have parched the crops, and in one or two cases destroying it within half an hour. Several counties report no rain for four or five months. In many cases the top crops are en-tirely destroyed, the bolls having all fallen. The middle crops were also badly injured. In a few localities gentle rains have made fine crops, but the number of these favored spots is very small. In the Atlantic Cotton States cool nights Ind. Dem. and heavy rains are alleged in some counties as the cause of the decline. The drought has prevented the increase of insects depredating upon cotton. They are reported in very few counties, and have been no where very injurious.

WHITEWASHING .-- We hardly know a more pleasing sight than while whistling along on the various lines of railroads, to see a farmhouse, with all its outhouses and fences exhibiting a snowy whiteness in striking contrast to the green fields. It at once impresses our mind that the occupant has at least an idea of cleanliness and beauty. Apart from all this, it is preservative of wood, and it adds at least fifty per cent. to the looks of the place, and in a sanitary point of view, and its use cannot be overestimated. Its cheapness places it in the reach of all. Why not use it freely?

A MONSTER.-What might have been a very uncomfortable monster, but turned out a dead one, was born at Grayville, Ill., recently. It was a girl having a complex body, in which were one head, four ears, two noses, one mouth, four arms and four legs, two spinal columns, two brains in one skull, one stomach, two livers, three kidneys, and one alimentary canal. Had the monster lived, it would have been a greater curiosity than were the Siamese twins, but as it is, one doctor has dissected and given an account of it to the world.

Croup can be cured in one minute, and the remedy is simply alum and sugar. The way to accomplish the deed is to take a knife or grater and shave off in small particles about a teaspoonful of alum; then mix it with twice its quantity of sugar, to make it plausible, and administer it as quickly as possible. Almost instantaneous relief will follow.

A New York merchant has written to the Attorney General, that large quantities of ammunition have been sold in that city for organized leaders in the Southern States.

Members Elect to the General Assembly of North Carolina for 1874-'75.

SENATE.

1st District. Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Hertford. Gates and Chowan, Wm. B. Shaw and Thomas R. Jernigan, Dems. 2d. Tyrrell, Washington, Beaufort, Martin, Dare, Pamlico and

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6th. Pitt, Jos. B. Stickney, Dem. 7th. Wilson, Nash and Franklin, Chas. M. Cooke and Nick W. Bod-

8th. Craven, Rich'd Tucker, Rep. 9th. Jones, Onslow and Carteret, W. T. R. Bell, Dem. 10th. Wayne and Duplin, D. E.

Smith and John D. Stanford, Dems.

12th. New Hanover, Edw'd Cant-

13th, Bladen and Brunswick, -Cashwell, Rep. 14th. Sampson, Edwin W. Kerr,

15th. Columbus and Robeson, W. Foster French, Dem. 16th. Cumberland and Harnett, Geo. W. Pegram, Dem.

17th, Johnston, L. R. Waddell, Dem. 18th, Wake, Charles M. Busbee, Dem.

19th. Warren, John M. Paschall. 20th. Persou, Orange, Caswell, C.

E. Parrish and George Williamson, 21st. Granville, Richard G. Sneed,

22d. Chatham, W. G. Albright, Dem.

23d. Rockingham, James Irvin, Dem.

24th. Alamance and Guilford. Jas. T. Morehead, Dem., and A. S. Holton, Rep. 25th. Randolph and Moore, K. H.

Worthy, Dem. 26th. Richmond and Montgomery, James LeGrand, Dem. 27th. Anson and Union, C. M. T.

McCauley, Dem. 28th. Cabarrus and Stanley, Dr. Geo. Anderson, Dem.

29th. Mecklenburg, R. P. Waring, 30th. Rowan and Davie, J. H. Clement, Dem.

31st. Davidson, Alfred Hargrave, Dem. 32d. Stokes and Forsythe, Nelson

S. Cook, Rep. 33d. Surry and Yadkin, J. G. Marler, Dem. 34th. Iredell, Wilkes and Alex-

ander, R. F. Armfield and R. Z.

Linney, Dems.

tauga, A. J. McMillan, Dem. Mitchell and Yancey, J. C. Mills, J. M. Young, Dems.

37th. Catawba and Lincoln, Maj. W. A. Graham, Dem. 38th. Gaston and Cleaveland, Jesse Jenkins, Ind. Dem. 39th. Rutherford and Polk, A Walker, Rep. 40th. Buncombe and Madison, J

S McElroy, Dem. 41st. Haywood, Henderson and Transylvania, T. W. Taylor, Rep. 42d. Jackson, Swain, Macon, Cherokee, Clay and Graham, James R Love, Dem.

Democrats (straight), 37; 1 Independent Democrat; Republicans, 12. Democratic majority, 25.

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Union, Lemuel Presson, Dem. Wake, M W Page, L D Stephen-11th. Lenoir and Greene, Josiah son, Geo V Strong, Michael Whit-

Warren, Hawkins Carter, Wm H Williams, Reps. Washington, G B Wiley, Dem. . Watauga, J L Green, Dem.

Wayne, Isaac F Dortch, John W Isler, Dems. Wilkes, J H Foote, T J Dula,

Wilson, T J Eatman, Dem. Yadkin, W B Glenn, Rep. Yancey, W W Proffit, Deni.

Democrats (straight), 81; Independent Democrats, 2; Independents, 3; Republicans, 34. Democratic majority, 45. The Democrats have 70 majority on joint ballot, and two-thirds of each House.

OFFICIAL.

AWS OF THE UNITED STATES. L PASSED AT THE FIRST SES-SION OF THE FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

AND ORDER,

CONCLUDED Between the postal administration of the address with a stamp, indiof France and the postal admin- cating the date of mailing and the istration of the United States, for place of origin. the execution of the postal convention of 28th April, 1874. The director general of posts of

France of the one part, and the Postmaster General of the United States of the other part, in view of paid objects which the American exthe postal convention concluded the change offices shall forward to the 28th of April, 1874, between the French exchange offices the impres-United States and France, stipu-sion, i lating (Article XIV) that the postal "Paid administrations of the two countries shall designate, by common accord, tration of France shall cause to be the offices through which the ex- placed the impression, in red ink, change of the respective corres- of the stamp "P. D." upon the obpondence shall take place, and shall jects prepaid to destination; and of

36th. Caldwell, Burke, McDowell, tion of the said convention, have exchange offices. agreed as follows:

of France and the postal administration of the United States shall be effected as follows:

On the side of the postal administration of France-1st. By the office of Paris. 2d. By the office of Havre. 3d. By the office of Cherbourg. 4th. By the office of Brest.

5th. By the traveling office of Paris to Calais, 6th. By the traveling office of Lille to Calais.

On the side of the postal administration to the United States -1st. By the office of Boston. 2d. By the office of New York. ARTICLE II. The relations between the French

exchange offices and the American exchange offices shall be established in the following manner, viz: By the way of the French mai packets. - The offices of Paris, Havre, and Brest shall correspond with the

By the way of the packets of the Hamburg line.—The offices of Paris and Havre shall make up mails for the office of New York, and the office of New York shall make up mails for the offices of Paris, Havre, and Cherbourg.

By the way of England.-The offices of Paris and Havre and the traveling offices of Paris to Calais and Lille to Calais shall correspond with the offices of Boston and New York.

ARTICLE III.

In conformity with Article I of the convention of 28th April, 1874, the postal administration of the United States shall pay, on account of the postal administration of France, the expenses of the interwhich shall be sent from France to upon the letter bill. the United States, as well by means of the Hamburg packets navigating Davidson, Solomon A Mock, between France and the United by names on the letter bill of the (without change.) and the packets used for the con- tails which this bill allows.

of France to the postal administra- string placed crosswise. The ends thirty grammes of letters, and 50 means of a gum seal. centimes per kilogramme of samples of merchandise or printed mat- stamp "Charge," or "Registered," ter, for such of the said mails as whenever the mail shall contain one shall be forwarded by means of the or more registered letters.

Hamburg packets. 2d. At the rate of 44 centimes per thirty grammes of letters, and one merchandise or printed matter, for such of the said mails as shall be forwarded by the way of England and the packets used for the conveyance of the correspondence be- seal. tween England and the United

On its side, the postal administration of France shall assure, on account of the postal administration of the French mail packets.

United States shall pay for this negative letter bill. transportation to the postal administration of France the same rates, per thirty grammes of letters and per kilogramme of samples of merchandise or printed matter, as those at which the intermediary transportation is hereinabove fixed, by Hamburg packets, of the mails from France for the United States.

ARTICLE IV. The correspondence exchanged of France and the postal adminis- suppose that they have been opened. tration of the United States shall be forwarded in conformity with those commonly called decoy let-

regulations. ARTICLE V.

Correspondence sent in transit, in | may have been opened. open mail, conformably to Article VII of the convention of 28th April, 1874, shall be exchanged between and by tables B and C, annexed to ticle.

the present regulations. correspondence shall be stated by tions. the dispatching exchange offices in ordinary figures, and uniformly on

the upper left side of the address, as follows: In red ink, on prepaid objects entered by the dispatching office to the credit of the corresponding office. In black ink, on unpaid objects

entered by the dispatching office to the debit of the corresponding office. ARTICLE VI. Registered letters, which shall be

reciprocally forwarded by the postal administrations of France and the United States, shall be marked, on the side of the address, with a stamp, bearing in red ink the word "Charge," or the word "Registered," as the case may be. ARTICLE VII.

ters, samples of merchandise, and printed matter, sent either from the offices depending upon the postal administration of France for the United States and the countries to from the jail of said county, and has fled which the United States serves as the State or so conceals himself that the intermediary, or from the offices de- ordinary process of law cannot be served pending upon the postal adminis- upon him; REGULATIONS OF DETAIL tration of the United States for France, Algeria, and the countries to which France serves as interme-

Ordinary letters, registered let-

ARTICLE VIII.

placed on the address of the presion, in red ink, of the stamp By the Governor:

On its side, the postal adminisregulate the direction of the correspondence reciprocally transmitted, the form of accounts, as well as whatever of their course, which but not coal black; face oval, with high forehead, speaks slow, and has a habit of leaning with his face on his hand; has a down look when spoken to.

35th. Alleghany, Ashe and Wa- every other measure of detail or shall be forwarded by the French order necessary to assure the execu- exchange offices to the American

The stamp "Affranchissement in-suffisant," or "Insufficiently prepaid," The exchange of correspondence between the postal administration upon letters insufficiently prepaid. ARTICLE IX.

Each of the mails exchanged be-tween the postal administrations of the two countries shall be accompanied by a letter bill, upon which the exchange offices shall state, with the classifications established by the convention of 28th April, 1874, as follows:

1st. The nature and the number of the objects which the mail shall

2d. The number of single rates relating to the correspondence of the one of the two countries for the other. 3d. The weights or sums to be

correspondence. The office to which the mail shall be addressed shall acknowledge the receipt thereof to the dispatching office by the first mail thereafter. The letter bills and acknowledg-

ments of receipt of the French exchange offices shall conform to models D and E, annexed to the present regulations. The forms of the letter bill and acknowledgment of receipt, of which the American exchange offices shall

make use in their relations with the French exchange offices, must ac- Leave Greensboro, cord with the models hereinabove designated. ARTICLE X.

The correspondence described in the letter bill shall be divided into as many packets as this correspondence will admit of lines or special

a label, indicating the nature and the Mail Trains to or from points north the weight of the correspondence, or south. as well as the number of objects and the number of single rates or the

ARTICLE XI. Registered letters shall be entered States as by the way of England dispatching office, with all the de- Papers that have arrangements to ad-

Duplin, A G Moseley, W B veyance of the correspondence of These letters shall form a special the British Kingdom to the United | packet, covered with an envelope of white paper, sealed on all the folds These expenses shall be reim- by means of the seal of the dispatchbursed by the postal administration ing office, and surrounded by a T. M. R. TALCOTT, tion of the United States, as follows: of this string shall be attached to 1st. At the rate of 30 centimes per | the bottom of the letter bill by

The letter bill must bear the ARTICLE XII.

Every mail, after having been franc per kilogramme of samples of tied up interiorly, must be enveloped in gray paper, in sufficient quantity to resist the friction, then tied exteriorly and sealed with wax, with the impression of the office

The string which shall surround a mail exteriorly must always be without knot.

ARTICLE XIII.

In case that, on the day fixed for of the United States, the interme- the dispatch of the mails, an exdiary transportation of the mails change office should have no object which shall be forwarded from the to address to the corresponding of-United States to France by means | fice, this exchange office must nevtheless send, in the ordinary form, The postal administration of the a mail, which shall contain only a

ARTICLE XIV. The postage or charge upon letters that have become dead, from whatever cause, which the two administrations shall return to each other, by virtue of Article XIII of the convention of 28th April, 1874, shall only be admitted in release of the administration to which these letters shall have been originally transmitted, so far as the condition of will run daily, (Sunday excepted,) between the postal administration | their seals shall not give reason to

However, scurrilous letters and table A, annexed to the present ters, may be comprised and admitted in the dead matter reciprocally returned, even though these letters

ARTICLE XV. Letters not clamed, addressed poste restante or in furnished hotels, the postal administration of France may, after three months' stay, be and the postal administration of the returned on both sides, under the United States on the conditions re- conditions fixed by Article XIII, spectively fixed by the said article before cited, and the preceding ar-

The account of the total of dead The postage charges which the matter shall be prepared in bortwo administrations shall have mu- dereaux, conforming to the model tually to carry to account for this F, annexed to the present regula-

ARTICLE XVI.

It is agreed that the provisions of the convention of 28th April, 1874, and of the present regulations, shall be put into execution the 1st of August, 1874.

Done in duplicate and signed at Washington the 9th of June, 1874, and at Paris the 26th of June, 1874. [SEAL.] JNO. A. J. CRESWELL, Postmaster General. SEAL. LE LIBO, Director General of Posts.

PROCLAMATION BY THE

GOVERNOR. \$400 REWARD.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. Raleigh, Aug. 24th, 1874. WHEREAS, OFFICIAL INFOR-mation has been received at this Department that one David Martin. late of the county of New Hanover, stands convicted of the murder of Willie Carter, and that the said Martin has escaped

Now, therefore, I, Curtis H. Brogden, Governor of the State of North Carolina, by virtue of authority in me vested by law, do issue this my proclamation, of diary, shall be marked on the side fering a reward of

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Done at our city of Raleigh, the [L. S.]24th day of August, A. D. 1874, and in the 99th year of American Independence. C. H. BROGDEN. J. B. NEATHERY.

DESCRIPTION: David Martin is about 14 years of age : rather slender, 5 feet high, color dark

Private Secretary.

SCHEDULES.

Piedmont Air-Line Railway. Richmond & Danville, Richmond & Danville R. W., N. C. Division, and

North Western N. C. R. W. CONDENSED TIME-TABLE. In effect on and after Monday, Aug.

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> GOING BAST. Mail. Mail. Stations. Read Down. Read Up. Leave Greensboro 2.15 a. m. 11.15 p. m. Co. Shops, 4.00 "Lve10.00 p. m. Raleigh, 8.10

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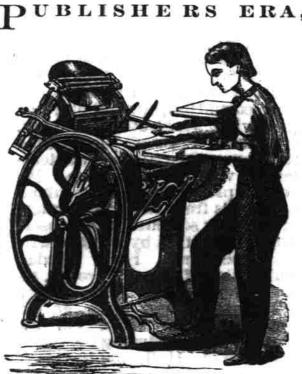
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