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THE LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY NORTH CAROLINA DAILY.

TO ASK RECOGNITION

DR. CASTILLO SENT BY THE CUBANS TO THE UNITED STATES.

A RECENT INSURGENT VICTORY

The revolutionists have conquered Puerto Principe and are now in full control of three-fourths of the Island--They are well armed and have over 300 American officers in the Army--Two large filibustering expeditions now being planned.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Oct. 24--A member of the Cuban Junta, who travels for the cigar trade, and who was a Colonel in the first Cuban revolution, reached Minneapolis to-day. While refusing to permit his name to be mentioned on the ground that the success of the Junta's operations depended upon the secrecy of his movements, he nevertheless gave to the Associated Press late news received by the Junta from Cuba. He has been concerned in every effort of the American Junta to help the Cuban cause, including the Wilmington affair.

Following is a dispatch he received last night from Cuba, describing the recent revolutionist victory which gave the control of the province of Puerto Principe to the insurgents:

General Maceo, acting under orders from the War Minister, started to march from Santiago de Cuba to join General Sanchez in Las Villas, in the Province of Santa Clara, where they were to unite their forces and ravage the sugar plantations. The Spanish got wind of Maceo's intentions and immediately dispatched a formidable column of 2,800 men under Gen. Echangua to prevent the junction of the Cuban armies. This column found Gen. Maceo as far advanced on his way as the San Juan Valley, in the South of Cuba, between Polguim and Barajuga. Maceo had 3,000 men, of which 500 were cavalry and 2,500 infantry. The Spanish had 200 men less, but this difference was more than compensated for by the possession of three excellent pieces of artillery. The battle began at once, and was fought by the Cubans with great fury. After four hours of terrific fighting, Gen. Echangua was driven from the field in disorderly retreat, leaving 800 killed and wounded men and all his artillery behind him. Since the battle the insurgents have overrun Puerto Principe and have effected a junction with Gen. Sanchez at Las Villas.

The Colonel said: "We are bound to win. We control three-fourths of the island now. Our men are armed not only with muskets captured from the Spaniards, but also with Winchester and Remingtons from the United States. There are over 300 American officers in our army, and more are going every day. Only a few of the relief expeditions we are sending out get into the papers. We are now planning a couple that will put a final quietus on Spain.

"The Spaniards are fighting barbarously," he continued, "they give no quarter, and kill the wounded. We are going to ask the United States for recognition when Congress meets. Our president, Salvador Cisneros, has sent Dr. Joaquin Castillo, well remembered in connection with the Jeanette expedition, to this country to treat with President Cleveland. He has not arrived yet and is probably having trouble in getting through the lines."

Important Capture of Filibusters.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 24--It has been due to the activity of Minister Dupuy De Loma, the Spanish representative in Washington, that the large band of Cubans charged in Delaware with being filibusters have been apprehended in one of the Bahama Islands. Brief word of the capture has been received heretofore and now has been confirmed by official advices.

Since the acquittal at Wilmington, Del., of the Cubans charged with being filibusters, the minister has not lost track of the men. While the jury found them guiltless, the minister was satisfied that they intended to conduct an expedition to Cuba. He received constant reports of their movements, but took no step toward their apprehension until they reached one of the Bahama Islands and were under the jurisdiction of the British authorities. The latter were quick to act on information from Washington, and as no British warship was at the point of the Cuban rendezvous, a ship was ordered to proceed from Jamaica. The capture was effected without difficulty, and the prisoners taken to Nassau, where they will be tried by the British.

The impression among officials here is that the subject will be dealt with by the British in a summary way. The capture is regarded as one of the most important thus far made.

THE RUSSO-CHINA TREATY.

Many Commercial Advantages Obtained by Russia.

LONDON, Oct. 24--The correspondent of the Times at Hong Kong learns from a reliable source that by the recently concluded Russo-China treaty, Russia obtains rights to anchor her fleet at Port Arthur and to construct and work under Russian administration railways from Nerchinsk and Tshitshar to Vladivostok, and from Tshitshar to Port Arthur, together with several other commercial advantages to which the most favored nation clause is not applicable. But the Chinese reserve the option to purchase the railways twenty years hence at a price to be arranged hereafter.

KIDNAPPED HER CHILD.

A Sensation Caused by Mrs. Thompson's Visit to Claremont College.

HICKORY, N. C., Oct. 24--Something of a sensation was created in town yesterday. Several years ago Prof. Severio D'Ana, who, at that time, was instructor in music at Claremont College, married Miss May Murrill, of this place, she being one of his pupils. The marriage did not prove happy and the parties were divorced. Subsequently the lady married Mr. C. P. Thompson, of Washington city. The court had awarded to the custody of the wife her children by her first marriage, but she voluntarily relinquished them to Prof. D'Ana. Last summer he placed his youngest son, Hugh, aged 7 years, in care of the boy's grandmother, Mrs. Alice Murrill, to be educated at Claremont College.

This morning Mrs. Thompson arrived in Hickory by the vestibule, drove to the college and secured the boy, telling the teacher in charge that he was going to take dinner at the hotel.

Mrs. Murrill being advised of this state of affairs hastened to consult her lawyers. But before anything could be done Mrs. Thompson and Hugh had departed for Newton by private conveyance. A warrant was sworn out against Mrs. Thompson before S. E. Killian, J. P., charging her with assault and kidnapping. Chief of police Clement and Sheriff Hower went to Newton by the afternoon train, expecting to arrest her at the depot, as she is thought to be taking the child to Washington City.

Prof. D'Ana, professor of music in the Lexington Female College, Ky., has been notified by telegraph and will probably be here to-morrow.

Mr. A. A. Shuford and family left today for an extensive trip to Atlanta.

Mr. Patrick Ransom and sister, Miss Essie, who have been spending some time at the Hickory Inn, will return to Northampton the latter part of the week.

Mr. Alex. Hall has removed to the Yadin Valley where he will engage in mercantile business.

A DISASTROUS TRAIN WRECK.

Two Men Instantly Killed and Nine Others Injured.

HARRISBURG, Oct. 24--A disastrous wreck occurred on the Pennsylvania Railroad near Newport, a small town a few miles west of this city early this morning. The southwestern express, ran into a disabled freight car of an east-bound train, the engine of the passenger train and four mail cars being thrown down the embankment into the canal. Fireman Haines and Engineer Wolfkill, both of Altoona, were buried beneath the engine and killed.

The injured are:

C. A. Chamberlin, Harrisburg, left arm broken and a fractured wrist.

E. S. Colville, of Pittsburg, wound above right ear; sprain of right arm.

E. I. Brand, Harrisburg, contusion of the back of the head and slight cut over the nose; sprained wrist and injury to right arm.

A. E. Woodruff, Lewiston, Pa., sprain of left leg and back.

M. S. Groff, Mt. Joy, Pa., contusion of left shoulder and leg.

A. T. Rowan, Trenton, N. J., slight injuries to shoulder and left leg.

J. O. Donald, freight brakeman, Mifflin, Pa., sprained lumber muscles and sprain of left ankle.

George Gilmore, contusion of the left shoulder.

J. C. Campbell, of Gallitzin, Pa., scalp torn, sprain of left knee and slight abrasion.

The mail cars were piled on top of the engine and were soon ablaze. One of the mail cars were several employees and they were piled up in the midst of the burning debris. By heroic work they were soon liberated from their perilous positions, but some of them were badly bruised. Several houses near the burning cars caught fire and this city was immediately telegraphed to for aid. A special train bearing an engine, hose carriage and the entire hospital staff was at once despatched to the scene of the wreck. Aid also came from Newport.

The cause of the wreck was the breaking of a flange of a freight car wheel.

The bodies of Wolfkill and Haines are still under the engine.

One Killed and Fifteen Injured.

NEWYORK, Mass., Oct. 24--The Hyde Park Express on the New York N. H. and H. R. R. R., due in Boston at 5:40 p. m., collided with an out-bound passenger train near this station about 5:15 o'clock. One person was killed and fifteen injured. A request was sent to Boston for medical aid and word has been received that six police ambulances are on their way to the scene of the wreck.

A Plot in the Sultan's Palace.

LONDON, Oct. 24--A special dispatch received here from Constantinople says that a plot has been discovered among the officials of the Sultan's palace. In consequence, he added, numerous arrests have been made and the residences of the ministers are now guarded by troops.

Four Seamen Lost.

GLoucester, Mass., Oct. 24--Four men are reported missing by the schooner Lizzie Merifield, which arrived from Grand Banks to-day. They are Isaac Little, Edward Garrigan, Martin Hansen and Carl Johnson. The men were lost while hauling trawls. Little and Garrigan were from Nova Scotia and Hansen and Johnson were Swedes.

OPPOSE ITS REMOVAL

THE SYNOD IS NOT UNANIMOUS AS TO THE SEMINARY MATTER.

THE THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

Reports of Committees and Interesting Addresses--Synodical Orphan's Home and the South Atlantic University--Collection for Foreign Missions--Rev. J. A. Ramsey Elected Secretary and Treasurer--Address by Elder McLawrin, of Wilmington.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Oct. 24--The North Carolina Presbyterian Synod in evening session yesterday made its second order of this morning to hear an address by the editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian, Mr. John McLawrin. Rev. C. A. Monroe gave notice for himself and others that they would submit a dissent to the action of the Synod in the matter of the removal of Union Theological Seminary. It was made the third order of the day to-morrow to hear the report of the regents of the Orphan's Home.

The order of the day was the hearing of the report of the chairman of the foreign missionary committee. Rev. A. T. Graham was called, and the chairman, after devotional exercises, read the report. Addresses on the subject were then made by Rev. A. D. McClure, L. B. Turnbull and W. D. Morton, D. D. and a collection taken which amounted to fifty dollars. The report was then approved and recommended accepted.

The evening session was then adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. B. Shearer to meet at 9:30 o'clock to-day.

The third day of the Synod convened at 9:30 o'clock and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. H. G. Hill. The minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected and approved. Rev. R. A. Willis, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was invited to sit in the Synod as a visitor and was introduced by the moderator. The judicial committee submitted a report in the appealed case from the Orange presbytery, which was adopted. The committee on the minutes of the General Assembly made a report which was adopted. The committee on bills and overtures made a report on several overtures referred to it which was received and adopted.

It was made the order of to-morrow at 10 a. m. to hear the report of the committee on colored evangelization. Rev. J. M. Rose, D. D., R. F. Campbell, D. D., and W. B. Arrowood were appointed a committee to recommend an order for services in memory of those brethren who died during the year.

It was made the order of the day to hear the report of the agent of ministerial education at 4 p. m. The order of the day, hearing the report of committee on churches and Christian education, was called and Rev. Dr. J. B. Shearer read the report, which was approved and its recommendation adopted.

A commission was appointed to try the appealed case from the Orange Presbytery. The hearing of the report of the regents of the Synodical Orphan's Home was exchanged for hearing the address of the editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian. Rev. Dr. J. Rumpel read the report, which was received and referred to a committee consisting of Revs. Egbert W. Smith and F. H. Johnson and Eld. P. C. McRae.

Rev. Dr. J. B. Shearer, one of the regents of the South Atlantic University, reported progress in their work. Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., was appointed to fill the vacancy in the board. The Synod then recessed until 3 o'clock p. m., and met at that hour.

Rev. D. J. Craig submitted the report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence which was reconsidered, the order of the day being the address of Editor McLawrin, of the N. C. Presbyterian. Mr. McLawrin having spoken, the following were appointed a committee to make a response to the address and suggest plans to increase the circulation of the North Carolina Presbyterian. Revs. L. B. Turnbull, H. G. Hill, D. D., E. Nye Hutchison were appointed.

It was ordered that the selection of the time and place of the next meeting be made the second order of the day to-morrow. The Treasurer's report was read, and referred to the committee on the report and books of the Treasurer. Rev. J. M. Rose, D. D., read the report on ministerial education, which was adopted. Rev. Dr. J. M. Rose submitted a report, with reference to memory exercises, making to-morrow, at 11 a. m., the hour to conduct the same.

The following committee on nominations was appointed: Revs. Dr. F. H. John, W. B. Arrowood, J. W. Wherry, D. D., N. McKecheon and W. J. Martin.

The agent, Rev. A. D. McClure, submitted the report on publication, which was adopted. Rev. K. E. Caldwell submitted the report on the Bible cause, which was adopted also. The committee on systematic beneficence, which had been recommended, was returned and adopted. Rev. J. A. Ramsey was elected stated clerk and treasurer. Rev. J. A. Ramsey, of the historical committee, had nothing to report. It was made the second order of night to hear the report of the Commission of Synod. The Presbytery then recessed until to-night.

Application for a Receiver.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 24--To-morrow morning, in the United States Court, an application for the appointment of a receiver for the Tennessee Central Railroad will be heard.

BACK FROM ATLANTA

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND AND HIS PARTY SAFE AT HOME AGAIN.

THEY REACHED THERE LAST NIGHT

The Party was Unchanged Except That Secretary Smith Remained in Atlanta--The President Especially Pleased With the Ovation Tendered him by the People of North Carolina--No Untoward Incident Marred the Pleasure of his Visit to the South.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 24--The special train over the Southern Railway which conveyed the President and a number of the members of his cabinet and from the Atlanta Exposition reached the city ten minutes after eight to-night. The members of the party, with the President and Private Secretary Thurber in the lead, walked along the platform, through the public passenger waiting room and out the front door to their carriages.

Very few persons were in the waiting room at the time and but a very small portion of them knew the personnel of the distinguished party. There was no public demonstration, only the occasional lifting of a hat by those who recognized the President and the members of his cabinet. Mr. W. A. Turk, the General Passenger Agent of the Southern Railroad, who accompanied the visitors to Atlanta and looked after their comfort, also returned with them.

The President's party on the return trip was unchanged except that Secretary Hoke Smith remained in Atlanta to make arrangements to bring his family to this city for the winter. None of the returning travellers appear to be worse for their trip but appear in excellent health and spirits and are delighted with what they saw and heard and express their hearty appreciation of the excellent service of the Southern Railway, over which the trip was made. No untoward incidents or sickness marred the pleasures of the visit. The President and those accompanying him were particularly pleased with the ovations tendered by the people at the various points along the line of the road, the largest crowds of which appeared at Charlotte, Salisbury, Greensboro, Danville and Lynchburg.

Over 1,000 People at Salisbury.

SALISBURY, N. C., Oct. 24--The special train bearing the President and cabinet, returning from Atlanta, arrived in Salisbury at 11:17 a. m. Notwithstanding the fact that his coming was not generally known up to an hour before his arrival, a crowd of a thousand people were at the station to meet him. Mr. Cleveland and cabinet appeared on the rear platform of the private car "Wildwood," where they shook hands with those who crowded forward. Mr. Cleveland seemed to be in extremely good spirits, laughing and joking with almost everyone he shook hands with. After seven minutes' stay amid loud cheers the train left for Washington.

Nearly 2,000 at Greensboro.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Oct. 24--The presidential party passed through Greensboro shortly after noon to-day on their return from Atlanta. The train stopped here fifteen minutes. The public school children were present in a body and cheered the President lustily. Nearly two thousand people turned out to greet the party. Secretary Carlisle was the recipient of many cordial greetings.

More Than 3,000 at Danville.

DANVILLE, Va., Oct. 24--As the train bearing the Presidential party rolled into the Union depot at 1:45 there had assembled more than three thousand enthusiastic people to greet the party. President Cleveland stepped onto the platform and shook hands with many including quite a lot of ladies. As the train passed the Danville Military Institute a battery, in command of Lieut. Byron, fired a salute in honor of the party, and the President and party waved their hats in recognition of the honor from the rear platform. The female institutes in full force were at the depot to greet the party. The mayor and city officials in a body were among the crowd.

Shook Hands With the Crowd.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Oct. 24--The special train with the Cleveland party aboard, passed through here at 3:40 p. m. A large crowd shook the President's hand. Gen. Fitzhugh Lee boarded the train and was cordially greeted.

Gave Him the College Yell.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Oct. 24--The Presidential train passed here at 5:08 this afternoon. Only two hundred people were at the station, owing to a misunderstanding as to the time of arrival of the train.

The President shook hands with people from the car platform. Students of the University of Virginia gave the President the college yell. The train stayed here eight minutes.

An Old Grudge Wiped Out.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 24--Dibrell Walker, of Cookeville, was shot and killed at the Union Depot this afternoon by young Terry, also of Cookeville. Some time ago, Terry's brother killed Walker's brother in the mountains and since then there has been bad feeling between the families.

Middleborough, Ky., Oct. 24--In an encounter over Sarah Carson, near Arthur, five miles from here, Wiley Green shot and killed James Collins. Green escaped. A large reward is offered.

THE ARGUMENT HAS BEGUN.

The Assistant District Attorney Makes the Opening Speech.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 24--Assistant District Attorney Piexotto to-day made the opening argument for the prosecution in the Durrant trial. When court convened Gen. Dickinson asked that Miss Cunningham be recalled but she was only asked a few unimportant questions and then excused.

The remainder of the day was occupied by Mr. Piexotto. He discussed the evidence in the case from the time Durrant accompanied Miss Lamont to school on the morning of April 3rd, until he appeared before Organist King in Emanuel church, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, pale, trembling and excited. He closed by asking the jury to uphold the laws of the State by rendering a verdict of guilty and fixing the penalty at death. During Mr. Piexotto's argument the court room was crowded. Rev. George Gibson, of Emanuel church and his secretary, Robt. N. Lynch, occupied seats near the jury box and paid close attention to the speaker. Durrant sat stolid and indifferent in his usual place beside his attorney, surrounded by his father, mother and a number of friends. Durrant betrayed no emotion or feeling even when accused of murders that were compared with the crimes of Jack the Ripper in the White Chapel District of London. His mother, however, looked more thoughtful and depressed than she has at any time since the trial began.

When Mr. Piexotto closed his argument at 3:30 o'clock General Dickinson for the defense asked for a discontinuance until Monday, in order that Attorney Duprey might make the opening argument for the defense. He produced a certificate from Mr. Duprey's physician to the effect that he was unable to appear in court at present, but probably would be well enough to resume his duties Monday.

District Attorney Barnes objected to the delay, and as the court was opposed to granting the continuance, the motion was denied.

SENATOR VAN WYCK DEAD.

He Was Stricken With Apoplexy Monday Afternoon.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 24--Ex-United States Senator Charles Van Wyck, of Nebraska, died in his apartment at the Portland Flats, at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon. He was stricken with apoplexy Monday afternoon and his condition since has been very critical. He showed slight improvement Wednesday morning, but at night grew steadily worse and since then his death has been momentarily expected. At his bedside when the end came were Mrs. Van Wyck, a daughter, Miss Fannie, and his wife's brother, Mr. Mark Broadhead.

Charles Henry Van Wyck was born at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 10, 1824. He served in the lower house of Congress two terms, from 1859 to 1863, as a Republican. Before the close of his last term in the House he was chosen colonel of the Tenth legion, or 58th regiment of New York volunteers. He went to the front and served with Gen. McClellan in the Peninsula campaign. In 1865 he was brevetted brigadier general. A term of the war he returned to the practice of his profession and was again elected to Congress in 1867 and again served two terms. In 1874 he removed from New York to Nebraska and engaged in farming. But he soon drifted into politics and was elected to the Senate, where he served until 1880, when he was elected to the United States Senate.

He retired from the Senate in 1887 and returned to Nebraska, where he was subsequently twice a candidate for re-election, without success.

Mr. Van Wyck, although a very rich man, was an implacable foe of corporations.

HIS FINAL PROPOSITION.

Corbett Says he Has Done all he can to Make a Fight Possible.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Oct. 24--"I gave to every newspaper representative last night my final proposition in order to make a fight possible, naming ten reputable unbiased men for referee, giving Julian until noon to-day to agree to one of them or suggest others. Julian left here this morning unceremoniously, without arranging anything. I further said I would wait until noon to-morrow, Friday, for him to deposit \$10,000 with any reputable man, in order to make his boasts good. I claiming that nothing further could be done without his side stake or a referee. I will wait until noon to-morrow, and Fitzsimmons not accepting my fair proposition, I shall leave for New York at 3 o m., and pay no further attention to Fitzsimmons." (Signed) "JAMES J. CORBETT"

Fitz. Calls Corbett Names.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Oct. 25--Said Fitzsimmons to-day:

"Corbett has acted a coward and a sneak in the whole business, and if I ever meet him I will tell him so to his face. I intend to complete my four weeks' training at this place fight or no fight."

Grave Charges Against a Minister.

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 24--In the United States Circuit court to-day Judge Putnam presiding, the grand jury returned another indictment against Rev. Frank Hyatt Smith, of Cambridge, for sending scurrilous postal cards through the mail. Mr. Smith was recently arrested in Denver, on this charge and is now on his way to Boston for a hearing.

Fire in Des Moines Elevator at Des Moines, Io., yesterday caused a loss of \$100,000.

THE RECORD SMASHED

BY A SPECIAL TRAIN RUNNING FROM CHICAGO TO BUFFALO.

NEARLY SIXTY-FIVE MILES AN HOUR

The Distance was Covered in 481 Minutes and 7 Seconds, an Average Speed of 63.60 Miles an Hour, Including Stops, or it was Made in 470 Minutes 10 Seconds, an Average Speed of 61.98 Miles an Hour, Exclusive of Stops.

BUFFALO, N. Y., October 24--The World's record for railroad speed over a great distance was broken to-day by a special train on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, which ran from 100th street, Chicago, to Buffalo Creek, Buffalo, a distance of 510 miles, in 481 minutes and 7 seconds, an average speed of 63.60 miles an hour. This time includes stops. Exclusive of stops, the run was made in 470 minutes and 10 seconds, an average speed of 64.98 miles an hour. The New York Central record of September 11 was an average of 63.61 miles an hour, including stops, and 64.26 miles an hour exclusive of delays.

The train left Chicago this morning at 3:29 27 a. m., central time, and arrived at Buffalo Creek at 11:30. Four minutes later the train came to a stop in the Central Station in Buffalo. The train was made up of three coaches, engine and tender. The coaches were two Wagner drawing room cars, a smoker, Dr. Webb's private car, the combined weight of which is 304,500 pounds. The weight of the engine and tender was 184,000 pounds, making the total weight of the train 488,500 pounds.

Different engines were used on each of the divisions, and the run for the divisions were:

Chicago to Elkhart, 87.4 miles in 87 minutes, 26 seconds

Elkhart to Topeka, 133.4 miles in 134 minutes, 35 seconds

Toledo to Cleveland, 107.8 miles in 106 minutes, 6 seconds

Cleveland to Erie, 95.5 miles in 85 minutes, 32 seconds

Erie to Buffalo, 86 miles in 70 minutes, 16 seconds

Between Chicago and Elkhart the train was obliged to slow down for railroad crossings eight times, and to scoop up water once.

The engine which pulled the train over this division was No. 957, Mark Floyd engineer. This engine is a standard Lake Shore passenger engine (8 wheeler) built by the Brooks Locomotive Works at Dunkirk, N. Y., and was designed by Geo. W. Stevens, Superintendent of Motive Power for the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad. The diameter of her drivers is 72 inches, size of cylinders 17x24, weight of drivers 65,000 pounds, total weight exclusive of tender 104,000 pounds.

The East Coast record on the Great Northern Road of Eng'nd from King's Cross to Aberdeen is 523 miles in 512 minutes, or 60.3 miles per hour. The West Coast record on the London and Northwestern is 540 miles in 513 minutes or 63.28 miles per hour.

The run from Chicago to Buffalo was made for a practical object. It was neither to beat the record of the English roads nor to show what absolute speed could be attained on the road bed, but to ascertain at what rate a commercially paying train could be made to go safely.

INSURANCE CASES ON TRIAL.

Whole of Carteret County in a Ferment of Excitement.

Special to the News and Observer.

BEAUFORT, N. C., Oct. 24.

The insurance cases are now on trial and the whole county is in a perfect ferment of excitement.

The defendants are being tried in batches. Dr. T. B. Delamar, Levi T. Noe and Bill Fisher, colored, were tried yesterday and to-day for forgery, and the jury after being out an hour or two brought in a verdict of not guilty. The Doctor and Noe are now being tried for forgery in another case, and the prospects are that the same verdict will be rendered in this case as in the other.

True bills have been found in several other cases, and the grand jury is yet at work.

O. H. Allen, A. P. Massey and Col. Hinsdale are assisting the solicitor, and the defendants are represented by W. W. Clark, L. J. Moore, O. H. Guion, of Newbern, and C. L. Abernethy, of Beaufort.

THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Platt, Clarkson and Carter Decide on Time and Place of Meeting.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24--Following the conference last night which resulted in the issuing of the call for the meeting of the Republican National committee on December 10th, there was a dinner at the Brunswick to which Chairman Carter, Gen. J. S. Clarkson and T. C. Platt sat down. It is alleged that it was decided at this dinner, so far as the will of three men may decide it, that the National Republican Convention will be held either in Chicago or Pittsburg, and probably on June 10. It was said that seventeen members of the National Committee had expressed a preference for San Francisco as the convention city, while twenty-five votes are necessary to a choice. San Francisco, it was alleged, cannot obtain the requisite eight additional votes.