The Raleigh Register.

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THE LATEST NEWS.

LATEST FROM THE NORTH.

The Baltimore *American* of the 8th has been received. The following is a summary of the news:

FROM THE SOUTHWEST.

The steamer Rich was burnt on the night of the 4th at Island No. 1. She was bound for Helena, and had on board eight paymasters and $200,000 in paymasters' checks, for Gen. Grant's army. All her officers and crew were lost. The cargo consisted of four hundred tons of commissary and sutler's stores, and about one hundred tons private freight. The boxes containing the money were consumed.

MAINE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The State Democratic Convention met at Portland on the 6th. Nine hundred delegates were present. Resolutions were adopted inviting all men who are in favor of the restoration of the relationships which now press this unhappy land to come with this party; declaring that the Union cannot be preserved without recognizing the Administration, which has been destructive to the Union and the Government; asserting that the war cannot be carried on to the abolition of slavery; that if the Rebels are willing to return to the Union, they should be welcomed with all their dignity, equality and rights claimed by the citizens; that the system of military arrests, suspending the habeas corpus, subject and supplant civil authority, is contrary to the spirit of our institutions; that the Constitution is not in danger from the people, but from those who are violating it; that the Union must be preserved at all hazards, and that the Government must be sustained in its war upon treason.

Brief speeches were made and the Convention adjourned.

KENTUCKY ELECTION.

Returns from twenty-one counties in Kentucky give a Union majority of 16,000. At Louisville, for Congress, the Union candidate for Congress, Wickliff, Democrat, 1,270 majority. Of the Union candidates elsewhere we have no news.

FROM EUROPE.

The Hecla has arrived at New York with Liverpool advices to the 29th ult. The political news is unimportant.

The British Parliament had been prorogued, and the expedition fitted out by some ship-builders to cruise against the United States was mentioned in the Queen's speech. The whole question of the recognition of the Southern Confederacy was left in the hands of the Government, with an understanding that if Great Britain should be involved in war, Parliament would be called together.

The London Times sees in prospect a United States war, in which England may be involved in consequence of the belligerent attitude of the Confederate cruisers. The Times says that the Northern people are in a temper to make war upon England, if they can find a pretext for it.

The Polish question remains in status quo. Russian troops are being massed on the Austrian frontier, and the Austrian Government is said to be preparing to support Austria in her attitude of protest against the incorporation of Galicia with Russian Poland.

The Paris Bourse continued dull, and the prices of all kinds of stocks continued to decline. The Paris Exchange continued firm, and the prices of all kinds of stocks continued to decline. The Paris Bourse continued dull