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The version of the Greensboro North State as to the source of the above common saying is as follows:

In 1853, when the North Carolina railroad was in course of construction and the survey unfinished there were a considerable number of sub-engineers, chain-bearers and other attaches constantly going up and down the road. All of these were under the direct supervision of Col. Walter Gwynn, of Richmond, Va., chief engineer. After the grading of the road had passed Hillsboro, coming west the headquarters of the "chain-gang" were made at High Point, it being the most desirable locality from which to make observations. At this point most of the subordinates of the chief engineer were wont to congregate. Here they slept and had their meals. A construction or observation train ran from this place to and from different stations on the route. At night when business was over they usually embarked for their pivotal point, and, when ready, the cry was usually, "All aboard for High Point." This from thenceforth passed into a common saying "which endureth to the present day."

The latest word from America's "finest female orator and great teacher," formerly known as Victoria Woodhull, is that she has been married for four years to Mr. John Biddulph Martin, a wealthy English banker, and that she is lost forever to the American platform, but will never cease to charm her select English circle of admiring friends. It is to be hoped that this report will never be contradicted.

Asheboro Courier: The Worth Manufacturing Company has now in operation twenty new bag looms with a capacity of 1,000 yards per day.

New Presidential Post Offices.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The following post offices of the fourth class have been added to the list of presidential post offices, and the salaries of postmasters fixed at the figures below stated: Eutaw, Ala., \$1,100; Barnesville, Ga., \$1,200; Houma, La., \$1,100; Henderson, N. C., \$1,200; High Point, N. C., \$1,000; Kingston, N. C., \$1,100; Salem, N. C., \$1,100. Altogether seventy-six fourth-class offices have been raised to the presidential grade during the quarter just ending—a number largely in excess of the number of changes in any preceding quarter.

The Bartholdi statue is now entirely finished and will soon be ready for shipment to New York but as long as there is no pedestal upon which to place it nor money enough in hand to pay for the pedestal, there need be no hurry about its transmission. Thus far only means enough have been raised to lay the foundation for the pedestal, and the fund is still nearly \$200,000 short. The delay in providing for the reception of Bartholdi's noble gift amounts to almost a personal discourtesy, but fortunately for the credit of the rich men of Gotham, the good-natured sculptor does not look at it in that light.

It is not generally known that there is a gold mine in Stanly county owned by the late James A. Garfield. The mine is known as the Flagtown mine, and was bought by the President a short time before he was assassinated. President Garfield not only bought the mine, but established at the mine a postoffice called Flagtown. The mine has been lying idle, but the man in charge of the property has received a letter from Mrs. Garfield, stating that she intends to visit the mine in person next summer and make arrangements to have it properly worked.—Charlotte Observer.

DRIED FRUIT REPORT.

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| Cherries, pitted, | 17 |
| Damson, Plums, | 10 |
| Whortleberries, | 10 |
| Blackberries, | 8 |
| Apples, quartered, | 4 to 5 |
| Apples, sliced, common, | 3 to 5 |
| Apples, sliced, bright, | 4 to 7 |
| Apples, sliced, fancy, | to 8 |
| Peaches, dark, peeled, | 4 to 8 |
| Peaches, bright, peeled, | 8 to 10 |
| Peaches, fancy, peeled, | 10 to 14 |
| Peaches, quarter, unpeeled, | 5 |
| Peaches, halves, unpeeled, | 4 |

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