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EDITORIAL:

The Conventions.

The different Democratic Conventions will be held at following places and times:

National.
At St. Louis, Mo., June 5th.

State.
At Raleigh on Wednesday, the 30th day of May.

Congressional.
For the 3rd district, at Goldsboro, May 23rd.

County.
At Carthage, on Thursday, May 17th.

Township.
At the voting place in each township, Saturday, May 12th.

It seems to be settled that Minister Phelps will be recalled from England and appointed Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court.

Aspirants for Congressional honors in this, the 3rd district, are too numerous to begin to enumerate. Thus far there has been no centralization on any one, and there is no telling who will be our standard bearer.

Hon. Roscoe Conkling, of New York, one of the brainiest men in the Republican party, died last week. Though he has been an active politician for many years, he has been guilty of no act which would leave a stain on his character. His death is universally regretted. Senator Vance pays the following just tribute to the dead statesman's memory:

"I was not on terms of personal friendliness with Senator Conkling during the latter part of his career in the Senate, but I always respected him as a man of commanding abilities. He was, moreover, a clean, pure man, and goes to his grave without a stain upon the record of his public life."

We have been very forcibly impressed during this term of court of the good results which would be attained by a change of the mode of punishing petty criminals. The whipping post would be a most excellent substitute for the penitentiary. What does the average negro boy care for a few years' incarceration there? They like it; can live well at the honest tax payers' expense; wear warm clothing, and have little or no work to do—it is a regular picnic for them, not a care on earth. No disgrace attaches to them from having served a term there. We once heard a negro, who had served three terms, says that he desired to return, that living there was so much easier than at home. And that is about the way they all feel after having been there once.

Look how crime has increased since abolition of the whipping post. There are ten times as many thefts committed now as in those good old days, when every person convicted of stealing had his back bared and was publicly whipped. The courts then were not over run with business, and counties were not bankrupted with cost bills for worthless rogues.

We favor a return to this method, and every honest man ought to favor it. It will be no hardship to him, and will relieve him of his part of the court cost tax and the tax which he pays to maintain the penitentiary. Now, Moore county sends from this court seven strapping young negro men and boys to State's prison. Suppose they had each been taken in front of the Court house and given nine and thirty lashes, well

put on, does any one think they would have repeated the offense? It would most assuredly check them for a long time, if not effect a permanent cure. We need the whipping post; it will certainly be no worse than the present kinds of punishment meted out to criminals.

Washington Letter.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

In connection with some current methods of Departmental discipline there is a narrative extant of one of the Auditors, who, being a Southern man and a gentleman, and having formerly owned slaves whom he was wont to treat with humanity, somewhat fails to tackle kindly to the application of penitentiary discipline to gentlemen and ladies, whose only crime is the necessity which compels them to serve the Government for a living. On several occasions when clerks in his office, by reason of a delayed train or snow blockade of the street cars, a stopped watch or a sick child at home, have been as much as a whole minute late, and accordingly brought to book by the vigilant door-keeper, the Auditor has been observed to chafe considerably. At last an exceptionally faithful and efficient clerk, who frequently performed hours of overwork, of course without any credit, was stopped, reported, and lauded before the authorities for three minutes tardiness. Then the Auditor rose in his wrath and said it was time an example was made. A court of inquiry was organized in due form of law. The delinquent clerk, the reporting doorkeeper, the conductor, brakeman, engineer and fireman of the suburban train whose lateness had caused this serious loss to the Government, were all properly summoned, examined, cross-examined, and their testimony reduced to writing by a Departmental Stenographer. After due deliberation the court decided that two minutes absence was unavoidable by reason of the delay of the train. The remaining minute, it was adjudged, was chargeable to the clerk himself, and ordered to be deducted from his annual leave. The court further reported the expense of the inquiry to the Government, amounting to three and four hundred dollars.

The grief over the probable failure of many measures on the House calendar on account of the time lost in filibustering, is not unmingled with satisfaction. A number of special orders, of course, lost their day, but this is not all. There are many measures on the calendar not provided for that have been cut out of what was otherwise a good chance of getting a special assignment. Many members think that, as a matter of politics, it is just as well that too many bills should not pass during the session just before a presidential election. These men are just as well satisfied with things as they are, and will be content that there should be a free debate on the tariff, with an occasional let-up to give opportunity for an appropriation bill to go through.

Captain Sam Donaldson, who conducts the House restaurant, is the one man at the Capitol who has not been heard to groan over the deadlock. He has been kept constantly busy and has profited much. Donaldson would not feel disgruntled if the House should remain in contentious session for six months. So long as the laborers in the pie factories do not strike, and the flow of lactical fluid keeps up, the restaurant can stand the strain and the hungry legislators can be fed. It is noticed, that pie and milk are much more popular among members of the House than terrapin and champagne.

Congressman Martin, of Texas, who was accused of blowing out the gas when he first came to Washington, is the constant butt of the jokers in the House. After the all night session of Wednesday morning Mr. Massey, of Chicago, met and congratulated him on his escape. Martin said he did not understand when Massey said: "Why it is reported that you wanted a drink of ice water and that you could not find a glass; that you caught the nozzle of a Babcock fire extinguisher and turned the tap. It was reported further that you had been blown down three flights of stairs." "It is one of them newspaper lies," said Mr. Martin and he did not appreciate the laughter of his associates.

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State News.

As culled from our Exchanges.

The Wake county Cattle Club will hold its next show May 15.

Torboro Southerner:—The Raleigh Stone hurled at editor Hearn intensively became hit.

Considerable damage has been done all over the East by the recent freshets.

Fayetteville is the meeting place of the State Medical Society this year, and the 8th of May the time.

Wilmington raised in one night \$8,500 for the erection of a Young Men's Christian Association building.

The Cumberland Agricultural Society gives dot one a cent and has \$180 25 in its treasury.

A li lion son of Mr. J. C. Aderbo't, of Gaston county, was killed by a falling limb from a burning tree last week.

A Person county bean hid his tickler out at a party and the hogs rooted the stopper out and drank "his tulu."—Ex.

A gentleman in A-ville has fitted up a henery at a cost of \$2,000, and will raise fine chickens on an extensive scale.

Shad selling at 25 cents per pair in Fayetteville.

The Senate has passed a bill appropriating \$10,000 for the erection of a monument to Gen. Lee Davidson.

Jay Gould will summer at Asheville.

There is talk of removing Davidson college to Charlotte.

Work on the new cotton factory at Charlotte is progressing rapidly.

The dead body of an infant was found in a mill pond near Winston last week.

The farmers around Laurinburg are organizing a company to build a cotton seed oil mill.

Wake Forest College students have organized an athletic association with a membership of more than 100.

During the past three months North Carolina has lavished three millions of dollars in new enterprises. And yet some say the good old State is at a stand still.

Immigration Agent Patrick has received a letter from a Canadian manufacturing firm back up by \$1,500,000. They wish to establish a factory in our State for every description of wool work.

Pittsboro Record:—One of the most curious freaks of nature that we have ever seen was sent to the "Record" museum by Mr. Geo. Partin, from near Riggsbee's Store. It is twin pigs, or a double pig; that is, there are two distinct and well formed bodies from the shoulders, each body with four legs and a tail, but at the shoulders the bodies become one and have one head with four ears.

General News.

The Indiana State Normal School burned. Loss \$185,000.

The Democrats made a clean sweep of Jersey City in the recent election.

A colored woman 130 years old died at Columbia, S. C., last Friday.

The Department of Agriculture reports unfavorably the condition of the wheat crop.

The deposed Gen. Boulanger has been elected to a seat in the French Chamber of Deputies.

Enoch Carse, of Cincinnati, claims to possess the finest Masonic library in the United States.

Boston had a \$100,000 fire Friday. Nearly covered by insurance. Several firemen were injured by a falling wall.

1,570 or 2,000 union malsters and brewers are on strike in Chicago because the brewery proprietors refuse to recognize their union.

During the past thirteen months we have had one thousand strikes in the United States. The losses in wages and other ways amounted to several millions of dollars.

At Cumberland Gap, Tenn., a fight occurred between striking railroad men and men employed in their stead. Five men killed and more than a dozen wounded.

President Cleveland has nominated Brigadier Gen. George Crook to be Major General, and Col. John B. Brooks, of the Third Infantry, to be Brigadier General.

Memphis, Tenn., April 13—Jerry Smith, a negro who attempted to assault a white girl some days ago, was taken from jail by a crowd of farmers yesterday and lynched.

Mr. Pulitzer, proprietor of the New York "World," has purchased a \$625,000 lot with a hotel building on it, which will be torn down and a \$1,000,000 building for the "World" be erected instead.

The Italian Cabinet has decided to stop military operations in Africa during the summer. A special colonial corps will remain at Masswah, and the rest of the troops will return to Italy.

Fighting has occurred between the Spanish garrison at Sooloo Is'lan', in which the Spaniards lost ten killed and seventy wounded, and the natives 200 killed.

It is expected that a satisfactory settlement of the differences between the United States and the Moroccan Government will be effected through the mediation of the British, French and Italian Ministers.

A syndicate has secured the right for the Southern States of a process to manufacture paper out of cotton stalks, seed and hulls. It is claimed that good newspaper can be made by them at 3 cents per pound.

A dispatch from Helena, Montana, says: "The Kootenai Indians are getting ugly, and threaten to avenge the hanging of three of their number for murder by the white people. The Governor has been called on for troops."

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