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EX-GOVERNOR

WEARY.

Governor Carr, State Officers and Gov ernor's Guard Attended the Funeral. The Story of

as Governor. He was the largest cot- The people who live in the interior ton manufacturer in North Caroline have no idea of the immense fishing and also one of her wealthiest citizens. interests of the State. Governor Carr, State officers and Gov. ernor's Chard attended the funeral. terian Church at Graham, and the interment was at Graham cemetery. His duration.

The following biographical sketch of the Carolinas:

Blographical.

Thomas M. Holt, son of Edwin M. Orange county, which has since been | Court for its conclusions thereon. staff into Alamance county. He was prepared for college at Caldwell Institate, Hillsboro, and when eighteen management. When only twenty-one years of age he was honored by an appointment by the Legislature as a magboard of thance of Alamance county. and served for four years. His kindly will be manufactured in the South. disposition, his unswevring integrity, his courteous demeanor and neighborly interest in the people of his county, nearly every one of whom he has long known personally, made him very popular, and he was never brought forward for office without receiving not only the strength of his party, but many votes from others. In 1876 he was elected State Senator, receiving 650 more votes than any candidate for that office had ever obtained. In the Senate his services were highly useful to the State. He had been a director in the North Carolina Railroad, in which the State had an interest of 23,000,000, since 1869, and was elected president of the company in 1875. He was also largely interested in agriculture and was president of the North Carolina Agricultural Society for twelve years. His varied experience and ripe judgment and sterling character made him one of the most influential Senators. He labored successfully for the establishment of the agricultural department, and was, by virtue of his position as president of the agricultural society, made a member of the board controll-

In 1883 he was returned to the Honse of Representatives; and again in 1885, when the House, in recognition of his entirent fitness and patriotic services, chose him for Speaker. He was a member of the House again in 1887, and at the succeeding election was ended by the people to the office ef Lastin and Governor, and as such, he present over the deliberations of the mente. As a member on the floor of the Assembly, he had been able, efficient and practical; and as a presiding officer he was fair and impartial, courteous towards all and a wise adminislanter of the rules. During the period of his legislative service he won the confidence of the whole State, and when on the 8th day of April, 1891, he was called to the executive chair, on the sudden deaath of Gov. Fowle, the people were entirely satisfied that the affairs of State were in good hands, and that the duties of that high office would be discharged with ability, intelligence and lofty patriotism. For sixteen years he had administered the affairs of the North Carolina Railroad, as its president, with zeal and good judgment, and he laid down that office on becoming Governor, with the consciousness that all of his acts had met State, and at last caught him in Polk and dealers to pay a license. The committee on ways and means suggested a reduction of the retail dealers' license from \$40 to \$12 a year, and that was agreed to. as its president, with zeal and good sciousness that all of his acts had met public approval.

But not with standing all of the varied duties that have claimed his attention, his chief interest ever centered in his cotton factories at Haw River.

On the opposite side of the river, premises-one of the finest country turn to work. residences in the State, where nature and art are combined to illustrate the taste and elegance of a cultured family. But it was Linwood, his splendid plantation on the North Carolina road, that Gov. Holt found his greatest pleasure. There his fine stock, and his beautiful fields yield their increase. his beautiful fields yield their increase and delight the eye of the practiced cided to put in water-works. farmer.

In October, 1855, Gov. Holt was happily married to Louisa, the accomplished daughter of Samuel and Mary born children: Charles T. Holt, Cora M., who married Dr. E. Chambers Laird, of Virginia; Dazie M., who mar- irregular. ried Alfred W. Haywood, of Raleigh; Ella N., who married Charles Bruce Wright, of Wilmington, but : o v a resident of Raleigh, and Thomas M.

Holt, Jr. He was also a Royal Arc'i Masor, and has faithfully discharged his relig-

# TAR HEEL NOTES.

The Big Fisheries at Edenton. The fisheries at Edenton, in the eastern part of the State, are a revelation to us who live inland. The REST COMES AT LAST TO THE steam seins are huge affairs, the one at this fishery being three miles long, the rope included. The sein is carried out into the sound, a mile and a helf from the shore, by two steamers. The great net is then drawn to shore by steam power, and the fish are landed in smaller nets. Sometimes as many as ninety thousand herring have been caught in a single haul at this fishery. Ex-Governor Thos. M. Holt died at Shad and herring are the principal his home, at Haw River, N.C., Saturday catch. Mr. H. G. Woods is the owner Hange was 65. He served two years of this large fishery, and about fifty men are employed in the enterprise.

A Rathroad Decision. In the suit for forclosure in the His funeral was held in the Presby- Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad case in the United States Court, the Court decides that the road should be preserved as an entirety and should be death was due to Bright's disease. sold as such unless it appears im-His illness was of only a week's practicable to make such sale after certain preliminary questions are considered and passed on by the Court; the main questions being the value of is condensed from the "Cyclopedia the divisions and branches and the disof Uninent and Representative Men tribution of the proceeds of sale among to be rid of his former action. the respective holders of the different classes of bonds. The Court, therefore, orders a reference to Special Master E. S. Martin, to take testimony as to the values of the different divisthelt and Fannie Banks Farrish Holt, as to the values of the different divisthe latter surviving. He was born ions and branches and certain other journed. July 15th, 1831, in that part of old statistics, and to report the facts to the

The Mills to the Cotton Fields. North Carolina built more cotton ars of age entered the University of mills last year than were built in all North Carolina, When twenty years New England. Mills are shutting down of age his father took him for an assist- in New England because it is not proant, and soon began to lean on his fitable to run them, while they are judgment and confide in his skill and running on full time in all the Southern States. This is as it should be. The movement of "the mills to the cotton fields," which began in earnest strate, and served as chairman of the less than twenty years ago, should see its natural conclusion in less than adjourned until Monday. In 1872 he was elected chairman of twenty years more, when it is probable the board of county commissioners that the whole cotton crop of the South day.

Presbyterians Can't Agree.

Concord Presbytery is much dissatisfied with the decision of the Mecklenburg and Concord Presbyteries in giving Charlotte the proposed female college, so much so that it has refused to ratify the decision. A movement is now on foot now to establish the college any way by a joint stock company. If Charlotte undertakes to enforce the above decision of the Presbyteries it will disrupt their union, so strong is the feeling in the matter.

In the House on Tuesday the day was spent in the discussion of establishing a free public library in Washington to share the expense with the District of Columbia, and the bill reported from the Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures to adopt the Matric every in Government business Lan tablish the college any way by a joint

Morton Will Get Some Delegates. Thomas B. Keogh, who is making a tour of North Carolina in the interest of Morton's candidacy for the presidency, says that Morton has con-iderable strength in the State and will get some delegates to the convention. It favor of Murray, colored, Republican, is stated by some leading Republicans that it is now the field against McKinlev in North Carolina and that McKin- that Stokes retain his seat. The case of

Vance Monument Fund.

Mr. Polk Miller has ended his lecture tour, and it has netted the Vance-Monument Fund about \$1,000. This makes the fund on hand nearly \$2,000. It is said that at least \$7,500 is needed.

If a biography of Zeb Vance should not be written in this generation of North Carolina some one will be to blame, and we will not be the one. If Ala., and what steps, if any, the government Judge George Brown and his father, has taken to secure her release or mitigation Mr. Sylvester Brown, of Washington, N. C., would undertake the work it would be well done. They are both men of literary taste and culture, both knew Vance personally, and are both skilled, conscientious, patient and painstaking writers. If properly canvassed the sale of the book would placed on the calendar. The measure, as Mr. Bailey's grove, near Clearwater, build the monument.—Elizabeth City agreed to, recommends specific appropriations amounting to \$5.842.337 and in addi-Economist.

Governor Carr has paid fifty dollars reward to J. A. Bishop for the capture and ordnance departments, making a total expenditure authorized by the bill of \$11,of Nathan Jones, wanted in Henderson county for assault with intent to kill. Bishop certainly earned his reward; he followed Jones down into South Carolina, then back into this State, and at last caught him in Polk

The strike of the carpenters at the Asheville Wood-Working Company's (Vanderbilt's) shops has been followed by a sympathetic strike on the part of the carpenters on the Vanderbilt estate. Some of the strikers on the esspreading themselves over a gradually tate reported for work, but Mr. Mcascending eminence, lie his princely Namee declined to allow them to re-

In Mitchell county, two men were buried alive in a mica mine by a

The Greenville town council has de-

Dry Goods Markets.

The reports coming to hand from various A. Bethel Moore. To them have been trade in dry goods during March hardly

Extending the Civil Service.

The President has further amended the civil service rules by placing under the classified service the assistant attorneys and law clerks of the department of the interior. The order includes about thirty persons 60,560 and 63,297; erop brought into sight for whose salaries ranged from \$2,000 to \$2,700 the first ten days of April 91,694 against 140,-

THE FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS. | DI A Synopsis of the Proceedings of Both

Houses. THE SENATE.

MONDAY.

In the Senate on Monday Gorman, Democrat, of Maryland, attacks the Postmaster-General in connection to small postoffices near large towns. A message announcing the action of the House on the Cuban resolutions was received by the Senate,

In the Senate on Tuesday Mr. Butler (Pop), of North Carolina, introduced a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, limiting the President's veto power. It proposes that a presidential veto may be overcome by a majority vote (instead of a two-thirds vote), in both houses; also that all orders, resolutions and votes to which a concurrence of both houses may be necessary, except on the question of may be necessary, except on the question of adjournment, shall be presented to the President, and shall be approved by him before they take effect. It was referred.

WEDNESDAY.

In the Senate on Wednesday Senator Turple, (Dem.) of Indiana, achieved quite a reputation in the Senate for his skill in clothing the most stinging sarcasms in picturesque language. The speech was made in support of the joint resolution introduced on the 1st of April by Mr. Call, Democrat, of Florida, proposing intervention in the war now being prosecuted ed in Cuba. The object of Mr. Turpie's in vective was not so much General Weyler and and the Spanish government as the chairman of the committee on foreign relations, Mr.
Sherman, Republican, of Ohlo, and the junior
Senator from Massachusetts, Mr. Lodge,
Republican. He ascribed to Mr. Sherman
helpless inertia delay, and irrational obstruction, and spoke of his taking refuge in the
crypt of the conference committee, very glad
to be rid of his former action.

The Senate on Thursday did a rushing

A joint resolution was introduced in the Senate by Mr. Call, in reference to the imprisonment of Mrs. Maybrick, in England. It declares that "the people of the United States sympathize with Mrs. Maybrick in her ment at hard labor;" that "they almost universally believe in her innocence;" that she was "unfairly convicted before a presiding judge whose harsh rulings were caused by demented mind, almost bordering on insanity." And it requests the President of the United States to communicate the resolution And it requests the President of the to the government of Great Britain. A bill giving the aid of the government to a trans-Mississippi and international exposition at Omaha in 1898 was passed. And the Senate

SATURDAY. There was no session of the Senate Satur

THE HOUSE.

MONDAY. In the House on Monday the Cuban re In the House on Monday the Cuban resolution were adopted by a vote of 245 to 27. Wadsworth, Republican, of New York, arranged to put up the garden seeds in packages of five instead of fifteen, as first arranged, making 2,025,000 packages instead of 652,000 for the use of members of congress, an additional expense of \$5,000. The river and harbor bill was passed, under the suspension harbor bill was passed under the suspension of the rules by a vote of 216 to 40.

Metric system in Government business Jan. 1, 1898, and to make it the legal standard of the country Jan. 1, 1901. WEDNESDAY.

The House committee on elections No. 3 Mr. McCall, of Massachusetts, chairman decided four contested election cases. The case of Murray vs. Elliot, from the first South Carolina district, was decided in the contestant. In the case of Johnson vs. Stokes, from the seventh South Carolina, it is recommended ley can carry only two districts. McKinley men insist that they have sixteen votes.

Vance Monument Fund.

Kearley, Populist, vs. Abbott, Democrat, from the sixth Texas district, was decided in favor of Mr. Abbott, the sitting member.
In the case of Ratcliffe, Populist, vs. Williams, Democrat, from the fifth Mississippi cistrict, the contestant failed to appear and the committee unanimously recommended that Mr. Williams retain his seat, Nothing else of importance was done, and the House adjourned.

THURSDAY. instructed Chairman Hitt to report, with a recommendation that it be passed, a resolution asking the Secretary of State to report of punishment. Mrs. Maybrick is in prison in England serving a life sentence upon conviction of the charge of poisoning her husband, a Liverpool merchant.

In the House on Friday the appropriation bill for fortifications and coast defences for the year ending June 30, 1897, was reported by Mr. Halner, Republican, of Nebraska, and tion gives authority to the Secretary of War to make contracts involving the further expenditure of \$5,542,278, under the engineer

After two days' debate the House, by vote of 160 to 58, passed the "Filled Cheese" bill, taxing the manufacturer of the produc 1 cent a pound and requiring manufacturers

## \$3,000 IN PRIZES.

The Galveston Semi-Centennial Cup at

Savannah, Ga. Dispatchers received from Adjutant General W. H. Maybray, of Texas, informing the military interstate association that an order had been issued by him ordering a competition in May for the Galveston semi-centennial championship cup. This cup is now in possession of Thuston Rifles of Omaha, who have practically refused to enter. They may

## New Orleans Cotton Exchange State-

The New Orleans cotton exchange statekept up the favorable comparisons with last year made by January and February. Business continues quiet throughout and prices are land to mills and Canada 730.756. 755.396.201 ment is as follows: Crop statement from ber 1st, 236,191 against 189,406 and 212,902; Southern mill takings 684,447 and 631,288, 553,297 and 525,155; crop brought into sight from September 1st to date 6,519,301 against 9,885,502, 6,987,36 and 6,138,672; brought into sight for the week 66,388 against 109,563 for the seven days ended April 10th, last year, 575, 70,085 and 68,567.

BUSINESS.

Breathing Balmy Air and Viewing from Duneden was stranded on a bar Beautiful Sunsets

With but little warning I had to eave home and wife and two daughters and numerous grandchildren and run down to Florida on business. Here I am again at Clearwater, breathing its balmy air and feasting my vision upon the same beautiful sunsets and dancing waters and tropical scenery that always charm me when I come. I am happy with three other daughters and two dear little grandchildren cy! and with congenial friends who greeted my coming and gave me a glad welcome. Life is still worth living, if for nothing else but the pleasure of meeting those who are dear to you and receiving the cordial salutation of friends. They tell me that if I did not discover Clearwater, I uncovered it to the southern people, who had never heard of such a place, and now

I find scores of visitors who are looking in upon the beauties of this place and buying property, and preparing to plant here their winter homes. I was surprised to see so many of Atlanta's good people visiting here -the Hillyers, Hemphills, Howells, Inmans, Swanns, English, Colonel George W. Scott, Dr. Palmer and others-and even Mr. Plant and Colonel Wrenn and their wives did for a time leave the Tampa Bay hotel and Howell staying here a week or two gulf again." without saving a word about Cleveland or finance or conventions or any other politics during his stay. The calm thoughts. The tired mind comes here

in search of rest, and finds it. Evan Howell used to smile at my gushing letters, and declared there was no such place this side of heaven: but now that he has seen it with his eyes, he can't find adjectives enough to express his admiration, and, like a loyal husband, has gone after his wife to come down and make a choice of a bay-front lot. He says he is prepared to believe anything I say-yes, even my fish stories. I told him about an Atlanta Constitution. old lady who had lived near here for fifty years, and when she wanted fish for breakfast, walked down the bluff and waded out a few yerds into the crystal water and held out her apron and let the fish jump in it. Evan missionaries from Turkey. smiled, but said nothing. Next morning I met my old friend Turner, who publishes a paper at Statesboro, Ga. | Gap & Louisville Railroad. I introduced him to Captain Howell here, and captain, thinking to put commits suicide in Washington. off a good joke on me, told Mr. Turner what I said about an old woman the war. Mr. Turner looked at him solemnly and seriously and said: "He told you the truth, sir; that woman

was my mother." When a man first comes here and sees extraordinary things, he is almost afraid to tell of them when he goes back home, and he begins to look around for a creditable witness. Col. Scott, the quiet old gentleman who founded the Agnes Scott institute, has bought a beautiful bay front, with an orange grove attached, and asked me The House committee on foreign affairs to walk down and see him measure a grape fruit tree. He did it very carefully, and found it was fifty-two inches to the House what facts are in possession of the Department relating to the case of Mrs. said he had measured it before, but wanted a witness. So, for fear he may be suspected of exaggeration, I had just as well give the certificate. That tree is seventeen inches in diameter four feet up from its base. The groves ered from the freeze and are now covered with blooms. Some groves suffered but little, and never lost a crop, gave him an average crop, and so did Mr. Markley's. Our home market has not been without a supply of fines first-class fruit, as far superior to the invest in a grove or two on specula- and English. tion, for here is the safety line, and

Yesterday morning our young peo- Confederte Congress. sailed out to the coral reefs in the green blue gulf. I was respectfully invited to stay at home and look after the little girl, and they promised to be back by 4 o'clock. I read and wrote and ruminated and prayed with the child and helped her make sand pies, until the sun was nearing the horizon, but still there was no sail in at Haw River, Saturday of Bright's sight. Every few minutes I scanned disease. the distant waters and the two passes are brief down here, and when the dark had spread its lonely curtain I until the tide rose and brought them, for there was not a breath of air to song to float its melody over the waominous notes of a screech owl and the plaintive song of the whip-poor-ill in the grove near by. At o plock we put the little girl to a colock we

LETTER | had become excited, and couldn't LATEST NEWS hair and her hands for an hour, when at last, with a sigh, she dropped A RUN DOWN TO FLORIDA ON asleep. Eleven o'clock came and 12 and 12:30 o'clock, and I reasoned that the boat was on a sandbar and could GLEANINGS FROM MANY POINTS. not get off till morning. A boat party last week and had to stay there all important Happenings, Both Home night, and their families and friends were greatly alarmed and sent out searching parties for them. All is not gold that glitters, even at Clearwater. At half-past 1 o'clock, while I was nodding in my chair, I was suddenly awakened by the sound of voices, and

> sleep, and sighed and said, "Oh, mer- chosen in Kentucky. My daughter threw herself into a chair and exclaimed, "Oh, I am so tired and so thankful;" and another daughter said: "Now, don't scold us one bit, but 'listen to our tale of woe:' We started back at 3 o'clock, but soon found our boat becalmed away out in the gulf, and we could not move half a mile an hour. When night came we

Twice the little girl had talked in her

were five miles from home, and after we got into the north pass we lodged on a sand bar and had to wait for the tide to rise and float us off, and the four gentlemen then got into the little boat and pulled at the oars with all their might for three hours and towed the big boat after them. Oh, it was awful, and some of the girls got awfully sea sick and fed the fishes and lost their dinner, and we had a new found a happy hiding place in Clear- awful, awful! If I live a thousand \$80,000. water. Just think of Captain Evan | years, I will never go out so far in the

Well, of course, I did not scold them; but I will bet \$2 they go again next week if they are invited. Alserenity of this heaven favored spot ready this morning they are boasting puts politics to the blush and smothers of what a good time they had at the all selfish ambition and ungodly grouper banks, and how they caught thirty-seven, and one that Miss English caught was three feet long, and would weigh thirty pounds. There is such a charm about these waters, that they cannot keep away from them.

But I am going home to my better and bigger half tomorrow and work in my garden, and in hers, too, of course, for "the winter is over and gone. The time for the singing of birds has come, and the voice of the turtle dove is heard in the land."-BILL ARP in

TELEGRAPHIC Fillic. The Sultan will consult Russia be-

fore issuing is proclamation expelling of the Ohio legislature. The Southern Railway has acquired control of the Knoxville, Cumberland

Henry Fitch, a brother of one of the as a man who was born and raised proprietors of the San Francisco Call,

A plot to dynamite the Kentucky penitentiary was discovered in bare catching fish here in her apron before | time to prevent its being carried out. Berclair won the derby at Memphis,

> A father in Texas kills his daughter and her lover to prevent their marriage, then blows himself up with dy- in Washington July 8-13. It is ex-

Incendiaries after destroying \$200, 000 worth of property in Savannah attempt to burn the postoffice and other

Samuel P. Langdon, the wealthy coal operator of Philadelphia, charged with the murder of Anne McGrath set free for lack of evidence.

Potatoes in New York State are so cheap that farmers are throwing them away. One man is burning them in giment for service in London. his stove and says they make a very hot and steady fire. At some auctions of farm property held lately tubers sold at two and one-half cents a bushel around here have pretty much recov- and in many instances no bids could be

> Governor McCraw, of Washington State, has ordered out the militia to suppress rioting between Washington and Oregon fisherman on Columbia It is believed that negotiations are

being made to effect an Alliance be-California oranges as an apple is to a tween the Abyssimians and the Mohampersimmon. If I had money, I would | median Devoishes to repeal the Italias

Judge William H. DeWitt, one of Florida oranges and grape fruit will Tennessee's most distinguished jurists, command high prices for some years died at Chattanooga at 69 years of age. Judge DeWitt was a member of the

ple made up a grouper party and Bishop Ryan dies at his home in sents affairs as unchanged, but the ten-Buffalo of Bright's disease.

Arthur Schneider, a young German, hanged in Louisiana for murdering his sweetheart and his rival.

Col. John A. Cockerill, the wellknown correspondent, dies in Egypt. Ex-Governor Holt died at his home,

S. B. Minshall, an attorney and an between the islands. The twilights insurance agent of Pentwater, Mich., assinated William B. O. Sands, President of the Sands & Maxwell Lumber began to be troubled, and walked the Company, Village President and the verandah with anxiety and impatience. leading man of the place. After leav-Then I walked down to the dock, and ing Sands Minshall went to his home was comforted with the information and shot his wife and three children that our boat could not possibly get in dead, and then committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

Elected a Female Ticket.

The enfranchised women of Ellis, Kas., scored a sweeping victory at the recent municipal election. A complete ticket of wo-men candidates was nominated and all were elected with the exception of Mrs. Clara Sheldon, candidate for police judge, who was defeated by a majority of five. Mrs. M. A. ters, for they always come back sing-ing; but there was no sound save the ominous notes of a screech owl and the majorities of twenty. The women named work has been inspected by Prince Luigi, a nephew of King Humbe t of Italy, who is

and Foreign, Biefly Told.

Southern News Notes. A number of mass meetings held in Tennessee endorsed McKinley.

A wreck on the Southern Railway my heart bounded with gratitude and near Danville, caused about \$100,000 joy. The long suspense was over, for damages. I had imagined many distressing things. McKinley received a majority of the

belegates to the National Convention

for re-election to Congress.

For the month of March the Southern Railway earned \$1,524,690, an bers of the United Confederate organi-increase of \$13,994.

Tobacco growers of Kentucky form one or more warehouses at Lexington. A fire at Savannah, Ga., destroyed the six story building occupied by the Savannah Grocery Company, causing

a loss of \$175,000. Edltor of the "Leader," Dayton, Tenn., waylaid and shot by five men, and the type in his office scattered about by unknown persons.

Collat Bros., Savannah, Ga., has been gutted by fire. Insurance, \$71,-200 on stock and \$13,100 on building. pilot and lost our way; and it was just | The estimated value of stock was

> Northern News Items. Mrs. Mary Lease is to take a tr around the world.

Mayor Strong vetoed the "Greater" New York" bill.

A farmer in Illinois kills his wife and two-year-old child in a most brutal

The W. C. T. U. will hold its next National convention at St. Louis, Nov.

Fourteen buildings in the business section of Yonkers, N. Y., burned with loss of \$100,000.

A hundred horse power engine explodes in Ohio injuring three men and doing \$75,000 damage.

The marriage of Ex-President Harrison and Mrs. Dimmick solemnized at St. Thomas' Church, New York.

A bill taxing electric light and gas companies one-half of 1 per cent. of gross receipts has passed both houses

Washington.

Mr. Terrell, United States Minister at Constantinople, has arrived in Washington.

Secretary Carlisle will not contest for the nomination of candidacy for Presidential nomination at the Chicago Senator Butler has introduced a

bill at Washington providing for the Tenn., by two lengths. Lady Inez establishment of a postal telegraph second; Ben Eder third. Time 1.55%. system by the government. The Fifteenth International Christian Endeavor Convention will be held

> pected that fully 60,000 people will be, but it shall carry along with it a brave A bill declaring bicycles to be bag-and welfare of the entire country.
>
> PEYTON WISE, Chairman. gage and that they shall be transported

by railroads subject to the same lis-bilities, passed by the New York leg-

Foreign.

Everything is again quiet in Hayti. Canada offers England a militia re-The Sultan has signed a decree ex-

pelling missionaries from Asiatic Tur-Students in Spain are prepariing to

make further demonstrations against the United States.

The friends of Cuba in all parts of the world are enthusiastic over the action of Cangress in recognizing its belligerency.

French and English newspapers make sharp criticisms in regard to the action of the United States in recognizing Cuba.

## TROUBLE FEARED.

Populists and Democrats May Collide in Louisiana.

A special to the New Orleans Daily States from Opelousa, St. Landry parish, represion between the white supremacy Democrats on the one side and the Populite-Republicans on the other is strained almost to the point of breaking. The mayor of Opelousa is a Populist and the sheriff of St. Landry is a Democrat. The sheriff has re-quested Governor Foster to send a company of militia to St. Landry to preserve the peace on election day, April 21. It is believed that serious disturbances will occur at that time. Attempts have been made and failed to bring about a settlement of all the trouble by leaving the question of the parochial's officers, which are the bone of contention, to a white primary, but the Populists and Republicans deelig d the a

The Only One of His Kind. Prof. J. W. Hoffman, of Tuskegee Institute, the only distinguished negro scientific agriculturist of America, has been elected a member of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in recognition of the work he is doing for the race along scientific lines and for originating a new variety of strawberry a few years ago, now cultivated from New Jersey to Florida and along the Pacific coast. Prof. Hoffman's worth has been recognized by members in leading societies in this country and Europe.

Work on the Panama Canal.

Work upon the Panama canal is belon pushed. A contract has been given for 100,-Emma Shields and Elia Newcomb were closed members of the council by average cliffs and of the council by average cliffs and of the council by average cliffs and of the council with the council

THE CONFEDERATE RE-UNION General Peyton Wise's Admirable Letter of Welcome to the Old Veterans Who Wore the Gray.

1.00 Per Year in advance.

Preparations are being made as rapidly as possible for the reception of the immense throng of Confederate veterans who will visit Richmond on the occasion of their annual re-union. on the 30th of June, next. The work of preparing for such a large gathering is of necessity of great magnitude, and for a long time past the various committees who have the matter in hand have been busily engaged. A large proportion of the work has fallen upon Gen. Peyton Wise, chairman of the executive committee, and Capt. Thomas

Ellett, secretary. The programme has not as yet been arranged, as there are many details to be settled before this can be done. Col. W. C. P. Breckenridge, of Capt. Ellett is now busily engaged in Kentucky, is coming to the front again | sending circulars, giving all the needful information to the veteran organizations in the State, and to all mem-

In order that all interested in this an association for purpose of erecting great occasion may be familliar with its aims and objects, Gen. Peyton Wise has prepared the following ad-mirable letter:

To the United Confederate Veterans Everywhere:

Everywhere:
Your sixth annual re-union will be held at Richmond, Va., on the 30th day of June, 1st and 2nd days of July next.
Widely scattered since the war by the ties of family and old-time firesides, by the demands of business, by your natural energies and by the necessities of life, you are coming home—home to the city which is yours by the supreme tests of the rain of fire through which you went and of the sea of blood through which you passed, on the mission of her and the common defence. You have been no prodigal sons, for you inherited onbeen no prodigal sons, for you inherited only the remnants of a rapacious ravage that

be merry together, not because of pity for your sins, but because pride in your fame You shall traverse again the streets which thrilled to the tread of your legions while they were passing to the ranks of the best

was rampant everywhere in your land; be-cause you had nothing left but the manhood

from which you were inseparable. But the fatted calfshall be killed for you and we shall

army that the world ever knew. You shall be confronted by the Virginians who were the comrades of your immortal glory and who are your brothers forever. You shall see again the women who nursed you back to vigor from the feebleness of wounds and want, from the wretched woe of your losses, and who pointed the dying gaze of your fellows to the heavens which

stooped to enfold them.
Your eyes shall behold for themselves the city which proudly wrapped herself in your patriotic flames, from which she has emerged a thing of beauty and a joy for always.
You shall revisit the battle-fields which have been consecrated by your blood, and where, if you lost your country, you found a lame that fills the world.

Heartily helped by our city and her citizens, we are building for you a place of ry union in which ten thousand of you mag make the welkin ring to the music of Dixi and to the chorus of the rebel yell.

On some appropriate day of the reunion you shall be part and parcel of the rearing of

hat monument which shall be to Jefferson Davis, not merely because he was your President and dwelt as such in the capital of your Confederacy, but because he was the unspeakable type of that ineffable manhood which made the armies of the South.

During your stay here there will be many a bivouac, where, not in bravado or disloyal-

y, but for sweet memory's sake, will be sung over again the old songs, told over again the old tales, fought over the old fights, yelled again the old yell, unfuried again the old Come, then. Come to our hearts and

nomes and these bivouacs. Before we we pass to the great beyond we ought to have one more bout and toast together. The oast shall be to our own memories and to our Confederate comrades wherever they may blessing for our fellow-citizens everywhere, a determined devotion to the safety, honor

CONDITIONS OF WINTER GRAIN There Was Less Killing by Cold Weather than Usual.

The United States Department of Agriculture report on condition of winter grain, April 1, 1896, composed of consolidated reports from townships, county and State correspondents show a condition of winter wheat in nine leading States as follows: Pennsylvania, 64; Ohio, 56, Michigan, 82: Indiana, 70; Illinois, 81; Missouri, 75; Kansas, 88; California, 91: average for the entire

country, 77.1; last year, 81.11. The condition

or rye was in New York, 91; Pennsylvania, 78; Winsconsin, 77; average for the entire country, 82.9. Dry weather at seeding time, from which scarcely a county was exempt. largely retarded or prevented germination.

Throughout the winter grain producing region, the winter covering of snow was ex-ceptionally scanty. Rye suffered in most States less than wheat. Drouth in early winter and alternate freezing and thawing winter and alternate treezing and thawing afterwards greatly injured the crop east of the Mississippi. In Nebraska, Kansas and westward, there was less winter killing than usual, owing to the mild season, and present conditions are reported favorable. Hessian fly reported in a very few countles along the Atlantic slope.

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