

MR. CALL'S BACK-DOWN.

HE FLAUNTILY REFUSES TO MEET CHAIRMAN CHIPLEY.

Chiefly because he regards the letter as an enemy to the State; to the cause of public morals, and the rights of the people.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., September 6.—Hon. Wilkinson Call, senior United States Senator from Florida, has addressed an open letter to Col. W. H. Chipley, chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, declining the latter's proposition to meet him in a joint discussion before the people of Florida as contained in Chipley's acceptance of Senator Call's challenge to his alleged defamers.

On August 18th, Chipley accepted the challenge and suggested fifty public discussions to begin early in March 1890. The Times' Union will tomorrow publish 5,000 words in which the Senator declines the general challenge, but declines to accept to Chipley's personal propositions.

Call continues by reciting the circumstances in connection with the railroad last session of the legislature, and charges that a combine was then and there made to defeat his reelection to the Senate by the legislature of 1887.

Continuing, Call says: "I do not regard you as sufficiently important either in forming or directing public opinion to single you out, and limit this discussion to you as you propose."

Baseball Yesterday. At Columbus—Columbus 7, Louisville 3. At Baltimore—Baltimore 3, St. Louis 2 in 6th.

CHICAGO REVIEW.

Business in the Grain Center During Yesterday's Session.

CHICAGO, September 6.—The wheat pit was dominated to-day by bearish influences. The feeling became weaker as the day progressed. Prices receded to the lowest level touched this week, there being a decline as compared with yesterday's closing of fully a cent in more deferred deliveries.

An active business was done in corn during the early part of the day, trading being unusually heavy around the opening, after which the pit became quiet and active by turns.

STATE NEWS. Morganton Star: Mr. A. G. Corpening, of North Catawba, wheat, this year, 7,008 bushels of wheat, 3,862 bushels in Burke and 3,146 in Caldwell.

Charlotte will vote in November on an appropriation of \$90,000 for the purpose of macadamizing her streets. Also on a proposition to subscribe \$50,000 as an inducement to get the Roanoke and Southern railroad to come to Charlotte.

Charlotte Chronicle special from Fayetteville, September 5: The incorporators and others interested in the building of the Fayetteville & Alleman railroad, met here yesterday, and after making subscriptions to the capital stock to the amount of several thousand dollars by Fayetteville, Aberdeen and Philadelphia capitalists, elected the following board of directors: John Blue, Jr., J. W. McNeill, A. A. McKeithen, Jr., Hon. Thos. H. Sutton, J. Milton Haggy, A. B. Williams and N. S. Blue.

Stateville Landmark: Here is another story, the authority for which is so excellent that we venture to repeat it. A few days ago Rev and Mrs. T. J. Allison, of Elmwood, were sitting together at home when the latter exclaimed: "Look at that apple with a pin!"

REPUBLICAN PATRIOTS WHO WERE REWARDED FOR PARTY PATRIOTISM

By the President and Br. Clark-son Yesterday—Postmaster and Secretaries of Legation Galore—San Domingo Declines.

WASHINGTON, September 6.—The President has appointed the following postmasters: David F. Wherry, Fayetteville, N. C.; J. R. Smith, removed; Wm. P. Roller at Bristol, Tenn.; vice John Stack, removed; John W. Stone at Chattanooga, Tenn.; vice Geo. W. Martin, removed; Andrew W. Wills at Nashville, Tenn.; vice Thos. C. Curry, resigned; John Edwards at Sanford, Fla.; vice John J. Harris, removed; Wm. M. Hancock at Meridian, Miss.; vice J. J. Shannon, removed; Mrs. Mary C. Matthews at Winona, Miss.; vice D. L. Young, removed. Also the following: Secretary of Legation to Japan, Consul of the United States: Joseph T. Mason, of Virginia, at Mannheim; Bernard G. Macaulay, of New York, at Managua, Nicaragua, and President of the District of Columbia, at Dresden; John D. DeLille, of Texas, at Bristol; Thomas H. Anderson, of Ohio, minister resident and consul general of the United States to Bolivia.

Another naval apprentice of the training ship New Hampshire died at Newport yesterday. No new cases of fever since the 3rd inst.

STRIKERS' DEMANDS CONCEDED. LONDON, September 6.—The Steam Navigation Company has conceded the strikers' terms. An increased number of wharf laborers are at work to-day. The shipwrights in the dock at Walmersley, at Workington, in Cumberland, have struck for an advance of four shillings weekly.

COTTON RECEIPTS SINCE SEPT. 1. NEW YORK, September 6.—The following are the total receipts in bales at all ports since September 1, 1889:

A WARNING TO THE FRENCH CIRCULAR. PARIS, September 6.—M. Thevenet, minister of justice, has sent a circular to the Bishops of France reminding them that the clergy are prohibited by law from taking part in the elections. The circular says the government will unhesitatingly and rigorously proceed against ecclesiastics who may overstep the lines enjoined under all governments since the concordat. It was a violation of this law which caused the difficulties between the civil power and religious authorities at the commencement of the present regime.

Attention, Boys! The County Board of Education, in connection with the County Superintendent, of Public Instruction for Buncombe county, will meet in their office at the court house in Asheville on Saturday, September 21, to examine applicants for admission to the benefits of "The North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

EAST ASHEVILLE.

Visible Signs of Progress and Prosperity Recorded.

ERRAND CITIZEN—Suppose you allow me to express your spicy daily to tell you how things were going in East Asheville. I know you will not expect anything so eulogistic as Mr. Tighe's writing-up of our city in the News and Courier of a recent date, or half so interesting and instructive as Capt. Patton's European letters.

Yet I can assure you we are building up and improving rapidly. There are several new buildings in course of erection now. Mr. J. W. Patton has almost completed a neat two-story cottage of six rooms on North Main street.

A CYCLONE COMING. PREDICTED TO STRIKE OFF HATTERAS TO-MORROW MORNING. WASHINGTON, September 6.—The hydrographer of the navy department authorizes the following statement relative to the cyclone reported from the West Indies: "Reliable telegraphic reports indicate that it passed St. Thomas and Charlotte Harbor, Fla., on the 5th, with a force of hurricane violence and barometric pressure as low as 28.97, moving along a track about west by north. It passed to the northward of Porto Rico on the morning of the 4th, and along the north coast of Santa Domingo the following day at 10 a. m. To-day it is reported as east of Santiago de Cuba, but at such a distance that it is probably receding and will not reach the Gulf, but will be felt along the coast below Hatteras to-morrow afternoon. On the 6th, it will probably be east of the axis of the Gulf stream off Hatteras, and masters of vessels are cautioned to take suitable precautions."

High Priced But Remarkable. At a sale in Birmingham, England, a dealer paid \$287,500 for a picture of Queen Anne herself, and the king of hearts represents King George of Denmark; the queen of clubs is the princess royal of Prussia, and the queen of spades is the Princess Anna of Russia. The knives were represented by leading politicians of the day.

Going South. The machinery of the well-known Gambrell Cotton Mill in Washington, Del., will be shipped to-day to Reidsville, N. C. This machinery is valued at \$75,000 and fills twenty freight cars. The Wilmington Evening News says the reason for the removal is that the plant has been sold to the Reidsville Cotton Mills Company, of which Mr. Melville Gambrell is a stockholder and president. There is gradual but steady movement of the cotton manufacturing business southward to the section where the cotton is grown, and having an opportunity to sell to the North Carolina company, Mr. Gambrell deemed it best to take advantage of it. The mills at Reidsville are among the finest in the South, and it is proposed to double their capacity during the coming year. The Gambrell Mills at Wilmington employed about 100 hands.

A Court House Burned. RALEIGH, September 5.—The court house at Carthage, Moore county, was burned this morning, and all the records were totally destroyed.

TRADE REVIEW.

DUN & CO'S REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF BUSINESS.

NEW YORK, September 6.—R. G. Dun & Co's review of trade for the week says: A real improvement is seen in almost every department of business. With each week it becomes more certain that the crops of the year will be large, and of late, news from abroad has clearly indicated larger foreign demand while such movement of grain and provisions has so far been prevented. In cotton, on the other hand, the present scarcity rules the price in spite of bright prospects as to the coming crop. The effect of heavy bond purchases by the treasury has been great in the stock market, and is now felt in the much more certain movement of commercial paper, while the prevailing opinion in the street is that all danger of monetary stringency is over for the year. Nor can a good reason be seen for distrusting this impression unless speculation is pushed so far as to cause mischief. Meanwhile the unfavorable effects of recent dry goods and manufacturing failures are gradually wearing off, and no further disasters of importance have followed. Reports from other cities are unusually good, indicating that at every point there is an improvement or a continuance of previous activity where the expansion of trade had been greater. At Cleveland there is great activity, especially in iron and pig iron, and the demand for iron seems to have actually exhausted the supply for the season. The improvement in iron and steel is general at Philadelphia and Pittsburgh; but large buyers hesitate here, and No. 1 rails are still quoted at \$17.00 to \$18.00, with rails at \$28.00 to \$28.50. The demand for bar iron is heavy, and prices have advanced. Though production is enormous, it is realized that the cost of making iron is advancing all over the world; and meanwhile the remarkable rise in prices abroad shuts out all foreign competition to an unusual extent.

The attempt to hoist wheat on extravagant estimates of a European deficiency and demand has not been a success, and the price has declined 1/2% for the week, with sales of only 7,000,000 bushels. That Europe will want more wheat than it did last year is obvious; but this country has a great deal more to sell. Corn also fell a cent, with sales of 7,000,000 bushels, and continued exports reaching 5,000,000 bushels for the four weeks of August, with an important bearing on the probability of wheat. Oats were also a shade lower, and oil declined 1/2% with small transactions. Sugar has gone still lower, but at the same time increasing demand appears. Pork has been steady at a high price, while speculators in coffee have raised the price to 19 1/2 cents.

The distribution of groceries is generally liberal, and in dry goods the jobbing trade has been very large. Dress goods are steady and well sold, as before, and in comparatively light demand. During the past week there has been great activity and stimulus afforded by the treasury disbursements. The cash holdings of the treasury have been reduced over fifteen millions since a week ago, partly in payment for bonds, of which considerable offers are still made daily, and partly in disbursements incident to the beginning of the month. The effect upon stocks has been an advance of \$2.15 per share in prices of dozen active securities and a moderate advance in the rest of the list, with the failure of one operator on the wrong side of speculation.

Another "Irregular" Treasurer. BOSTON, September 6.—It is stated on the authority of president Perkins, of the Douglas Gas Company, that that concern will go into insolvency immediately. There are, it is said, irregularities in the accounts of treasurer Benjamin D. Dana, a Dana had not been seen by the officers of the company for several days, and his whereabouts are unknown. The company was capitalized at \$400,000, and has a large factory at East Douglas, employing three hundred hands.

Platt Elected President. NASHVILLE, Tenn., September 6.—Senator Thos. C. Platt, of New York, was elected president of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company at the meeting of the directors in this city to-day to fill the place made vacant by the death of Hon. John C. Brown.

Knocked Off a Car and Killed at Chillicothe Yesterday. COLUMBUS, O., September 6.—A special train bearing the Knights of Ivanhoe arrived here yesterday from Athens, the train was in collision with an exhibition car at the fair grounds. This side of Chillicothe, Wm. Scott and James Cohen had occasion to go on the roof of the car which contained their horses, and were knocked off while passing under a bridge which they had just crossed. Cohen was horribly mangled as he was almost unrecognizable, and Scott was also fatally injured, although still alive.

OUR DUMB ANIMALS.

A Plea in Their Behalf Made by a Fair Stranger.

THE CITIZEN publishes the subjoined from a lady visitor to Asheville. It is timely and directly to the point, and should be read and considered by our local society of prevention of cruelty to animals, especially.

ASHEVILLE, September 6, 1889. Editor Citizen:—The charms of Asheville have been painted, and the pictures are not unreal but true. The amphitheatre of mountains which surrounds the town reaching afar, range on range, was built by the Almighty. His sun and mists forever beautify it. His sky is its roof. But, alas, there are here signs of sorrow, as in less lovely places. How ever beautiful for the abode of human beings Asheville may be, it is no heaven for horses, nor for the other beasts of burden that toil up its hilly, rocky, and often deeply muddy streets. Many of these patient creatures are far too heavily loaded. Their bones and sinews seem sometimes ready to break as they drag the great weights. The crack of the driver's whip and the creak of his shabby tongue are heard. A stranger's heart is racked with pity, but has no power to help. It is said that Asheville has an "Inmate Society." I have not "its homes become dry?" or sweet spirit of mercy breathe over them that they may live and move! Inspire all the people to join with one accord to do something strong and effectual to lessen the loads and to increase the food and comforts of the toiling animals given to man for his kind, not cruel use; given for his protection and cure. A STRANGER.

Who They Are: Where They Are, and What They Are Doing. George H. Smathers, of Waynesville, is here. George P. Hart, of Rocky Mount, N. C., is in the city. T. H. Vandulfer, of the Internal Revenue service, was here yesterday. Capt. Natt Atkinson left for New York yesterday on important business. Mr. and Mrs. Ogden E. Edwards, of Anniston, Ala., are at the Battery Park. J. F. Graves, of Graves & Thrash, leaves for the North to purchase goods, this afternoon. Hon. John W. Hinsdale, a prominent lawyer of Raleigh, is at the Battery Park with his wife. Miss Lettie V. Brown goes North to-day to purchase her stock of fall and winter millinery goods. Rev. Dr. T. E. Skinner, of Raleigh, will occupy the pulpit at the French Broad Baptist church tomorrow morning. Solicitor J. M. Moody, of Waynesville, and J. A. Glenn, of Columbia, S. C., were at the Grand Central last night. Miss May Bowman leaves for Bakersville this evening, where she will give an eloquent entertainment Tuesday night. Mr. J. A. Enslow, Jr., of St. Augustine, Fla., is in the city, as is also his son, J. A. Enslow, the third. Both gentlemen are at the Battery Park. A cablegram to THE CITIZEN received yesterday afternoon from Glasgow, Scotland, announced the sailing of Capt. T. W. Patton and party for home.

Knights of Ivanhoe. NASHVILLE, Tenn., September 6.—A special train bearing the Knights of Ivanhoe arrived here yesterday from Athens, the train was in collision with an exhibition car at the fair grounds. This side of Chillicothe, Wm. Scott and James Cohen had occasion to go on the roof of the car which contained their horses, and were knocked off while passing under a bridge which they had just crossed. Cohen was horribly mangled as he was almost unrecognizable, and Scott was also fatally injured, although still alive.

The Fatal Colliery Disaster. ENDSWORTH, September 6.—The colliery explosion yesterday resulted in the death of fifty miners, only fourteen of the sixty-four men at work in the pit having been rescued. The scene of the disaster was at Penituck, a small town within ten miles of this city.

Asheville's Loss Durham's Gain. DURHAM, N. C., September 6.—Virginia Howell, colored, desired to go to Asheville yesterday evening. She would not accept a second class ticket, but wanted to go first class. Being refused a ticket of that character, she would not go, and had her trunk taken off.

ANTWERP'S ANGUISH.

OVER TWO HUNDRED OF HER PEOPLE DEAD OR DYING.

A frightful explosion in a Cartridge Factory—the Cause—Many Employees Heavily Wounded—the City Enveloped in Flames. ANTWERP, September 6.—Dynamite exploded to-day in a cartridge factory in the vicinity of the Bourse, killing several persons and doing much damage to property. Portions of the Bourse were struck by burning fragments and set on fire, causing a panic in that building which was at the time crowded.

It is now known that 120 persons were killed. The cartridge factory was situated behind the docks upon which millions of cartridges were being loaded. It was adjacent to the petroleum stores, and two large Russian petroleum warehouses were set on fire and are now burning. Other stores are endangered. The police, gendarmes and troops are assisting in the work of extinguishing the flames, while the priests and Sisters of Charity are looking after the injured. The city is enveloped in a dense smoke.

RANDOM NOTES. Roped in by Rambling Reporters Roaming Round the City. Some very excellent street work is now in progress on Patton avenue. The United Workmen held an important business meeting last night. Haywood superior court convenes at Waynesville Monday. Judge Clark will preside. Transylvania superior court which has been in session at Brevard during the week adjourned yesterday afternoon. Autumn leaves are falling, and the Buncombe agriculturist who has not yet saved his tobacco crop is anxious about "the frost."

More Bones Found. A party of men residing in Big Ivy township have recently made a full and complete examination of the fire-place in the Bullen house in that township, in search of further evidence to be used in the trial of David Ballew and his wife, on the charge of murder of their child, at the approaching term of the criminal court. It is reported that they found a number of bones, teeth, etc., in the dirt, which they sifted through a sieve during the examination, thus adding material strength to the horrible charges against the accused.

Farmers in Council. There will be a very important business meeting in the court house to-day of the Farmers' Alliance of Buncombe and other western counties. A full attendance of tillers of the soil is expected, and much business will be considered for their welfare. The session will be a private one, and will be presided over by the Buncombe county president, Maj. D. A. Blackwell.

First Presbyterian Church. Sabbath services—Divine worship at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m., the pastor, Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, officiating, Sabbath school at 9.45. The Presbyterian (colored) Sabbath school will meet in the building at the corner of Poplar and Mountain streets, at 4 p. m. Wm. Cowan, superintendent.