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TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

At Pembroke, Ga., on Monday three young men of good standing got into a shooting scrape, and all three were mortally wounded.——A locomotive on Long Island, N Y., exploded yesterday, killing the engineer, fireman, brakeman and severely scalding the conductor.——The Augusta Exposition party spent yesterday in New York.——Ex-President Grevy, of France, died yesterday——Near Arcadia, Miss., a negro fiend was skinned alive, cut to pieces and left to the fowls of the air.——It is stated that the cholera epidemic in the East is nearing Aleppo, and it is feared that the Jew-emigrants will spread it into Europe. ——Great Britain has demanded an apology from Turkey for indignities to British merchant vessels in the Dardanelles.——The California train robbers have been identified.——President Harrison and party is off on a fishing trip in the Cape May Sounds. ——John Fitzgerald, president of the Irish National League, is dying at Lincoln, Neb.——The Rev. Tom Dixon, of New York, is to deliver the opening prayer at the Southern Exposition, at Raleigh, October 1, and an address is to be delivered by Octavius Cohen of the Charleston, S C., *World* ——The Prohibition party of Massachusetts has nominated a full State ticket, with a colored man for State Auditor.——J Sloat Fassett, Collector of the port of New York, was nominated for Governor yesterday by the State Republican convention of New York.——The cotton pickers' strike for $1 per hundred pounds has already been inaugurated in South Carolina The planters will resist the movement. ——The new Chilian government has enjoined the British ship Moselle from relinquishing the million dollars of silver shipped by President Balmaceda before his downfall.——M J. O'Brien, supreme treasurer of the Catholic Knights of America, has failed. The society will lose nothing.——The republican agitation in Spain is growing alarming.

Cotton Statistics.

Secretary Hester of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange has completed the final details of his cotton crop report for the past year. He states that the cotton crop of the United States for the year ended at the close of August, 1891, was 8,652,579 bales, the largest ever grown by 1,341,275 bales. In reference to receipts at the American ports, Mr. Hester says that with the enormous crop movements in every direction they have been correspondingly heavy.

New Orleans has handled more cotton than in any year but one in her history, her net receipts exceeding two million bales for the first time since the war and reaching within sixty thousand bales of those of 1860, the largest ante-bellum year. Galveston has passed the million mark for the first time, and Savannah has handled more than a million bales, exceeding all previous records. The gross overland movement for the year, after deducting interchanges between the different points of crossing and reshipping into the cotton belt, has reached 1,538,260 bales, exceeding last year by 184,970, and the year before by 181,689. The heaviest gains in the overland have been in St. Louis and points above on the Mississippi river, which show an excess of 237,000 bales. Railroads out of Louisville are 95,000 bales ahead of last year, while Cairo, exclusive of through cotton for St. Louis, is short nearly 42,000 bales Cincinnati and Virginia points also show a falling off of 113,000 bales.

The statement makes the foreign exports for the year to Great Britain 3,329,432 bales, and to France 539,099, to the continent and channel ports 1,890,291—a total, exclusive of Canada, of 5,758,822. The excess taken in foreign ports over last year is 878,382, of which Great Britain has taken 479,330, France 86,362, and the continent 312,690. The report mentions shipments of American cotton from New York to Japan of 4,494 bales. The total takings for American consumption during the year were 2,632,023. These embrace 2,027,362 by Northern spinners, against 1,799,258 last year, a gain of 228,104, and 604,661 by Southern spinners, against 546,894 last year, a gain of 57,767.

Secretary Hester has made a complete census of the Southern mills. These show that South Carolina has become the largest consumer of cotton among the States of the South. Georgia, which ranked first last year, coming next.

The report refers to the excess in Southern cotton consumption as a handsome showing, when considered in addition to the marked increase in 1889 90, and calls attention to the fact that several States now consume more cotton per annum than was consumed by the entire South but a little more than ten years ago. It also shows the total number of mills in the thirteen cotton States to be 340, including 287 in active operation, against 270 in September, 1890. The total number of spindles in operation is 1,825,710, a gain for the year of 158,519 and 60,404 new spindles are reported in course of erection. Regarding the marketing of the new crop the report shows receipts at Southern seaports of 53,003 bales up to the close of August, as against 63,507 last year.

Novelties in Fashion.

Many novelties are expected in the new wraps to be brought out this fall, but their shapes are as yet known to the favored few only. The reefer jacket will doubtless hold a prominent place with young ladies. As for hats, more than half has been told already of their beauties. Velvet-covered hats and bonnets will prevail, and frequently the shape will be covered with cloth to match the costume.

One recently designed is made of a pinkish fawn cloth. It is a medium-sized flat shape with a low crown, trimmed with velvet and adorned at the back with a cluster of ostrich tips mixed with black. A bonnet of tomato colored velvet has an inner fold of velvet covered with handsome jet. The crown is covered with open passementerie, and small black tips complete the trimming. A hat of pale-gray felt is twisted and turned in all sort of ways, with the back folded into a kind of frill. It is trimmed with pale-gray terry velvet ribbons, and gray and white swallows are artistically disposed over the crown. Jet will hold as prominent a part as ever in millinery, while gold will be highly-favored for evening wear.

Strike Among Conductors.

NASHVILLE, Sept. 9.—The freight conductors on the Nashville and Decatur division of the Louisville and Nashville railroad struck last night because of the refusal of Superintendent Geddes to reinstate H. B. Ridley, who was discharged for refusing to take a train out.

POLK UNDER FIRE.

HOW LONG CAN HE STAND THE BOMBARDMENT.

A Reformatory Needed in the State for Juvenile Criminals—A Wife Shooter to be Carried Back to Florida—Topics at Raleigh.

MESSENGER BUREAU, RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 9.

Sheriff Gardin, of McDowell, this morning brought a couple of 15-year old boys—one white and one colored—to the penitentiary, both having been convicted of larceny. He says that he feels the need of a State reformatory for youths, and that the other sheriffs hold the same opinion in regard to the matter.

The cotton compress, which has been working off and on during all the summer, will start up regularly on the 20th instant.

There are improvements in progress at all the towns in this section. Henderson is partially active in this respect. That place is growing.

It is said that quite a good crop of winter wheat will be sown this year. News from Granville today regarding the crops is that the tobacco is turning out badly. Mr. Pulaski Cooper says that he heard of a farmer there who last year got $3,000 for his tobacco who this year says he will get only $800 from the same land.

Can Polk stand the incessant hammering which he is undergoing? is a question which was asked today. It is thought that it is bound to result in something. Every day he is pounded.

The question is asked by planters here as to whether the proposed cotton pickers' strike, which starts in Texas, is to extend to North Carolina. Certainly $1 per 100 pounds cannot be paid for picking here. Last season the price paid pickers was higher than ever before, but there was a wonderful crop and the planters could afford to pay more.

Sheriff Buckles, of Osceola county, Florida, came here today and took away Lee Jones, a negro who shot his wife there.

This morning the various superintendents of the Seaboard Air Line, Winder, Myers, Smith, Moncure and Whisnant, met here for consultation.

Some beautiful work is being done at the new Commercial and Farmers' Bank An elaborately designed metal ceiling is being put up.

The Raleigh and Gaston railway is putting the finishing touches on over a half mile of addition sidetracks near its shops here, and will still further increase the space

There are at present sixteen prisoners in the jail here, of which a few are United States prisoners

Ex-Sheriff Rogers (Republican) was short in his accounts with the county. His bondsmen have made up all the sum due save $1,000, which they will pay in by October 1. They paid in $2,900 yesterday.

It appears that the new temperance text books for the public schools give general satisfaction. The superintendent of this county says he is impressed with their value.

The graveling of the public roads appears to give satisfaction. It makes a firm roadway, and a fairly smooth one. The convicts do the work very well. The gravel is put on with a machine.

The rush for licenses for fruit brandy distilleries is about over, and the distillers are now hard at work. The apple crop is certainly a large one, and the fruit generally sound.

The many varieties of figs planted at the experiment farm are growing well. Some figs are sold here. They are mainly grown by Italians, who live six miles west of here, near Asbury. Figs are always in demand at high prices.

People who have been away in the mountains are now coming home rapidly. The weather is cool and bracing. It is a delight to be in the sunshine.

Bishop Edward Rondthaler, D. D., of Winston-Salem, will preach the annual sermon before the Y. M. C. A. of the University next Sunday, September 13th. The bishop is one of the finest scholars in the South, and is very popular with the University students. The Y. M. C. A. in the University is very vigorous and healthy. To it is largely due the fine standard of manliness and morality that gives the University pre-eminence.

The delay in the selection of a site for the State Normal and Industrial School for white girls, at Greensboro, is due solely to the fact that of the several sites offered none are judged to be sufficiently near the center of the town. One or two are a mile from the court house. For the interest of the school and of the Greensboro people, who have contributed so largely, it is desired that the location be central. Such is the information given your correspondent by Maj. Finger, State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The Fort Monroe Murder Trial.

HAMPTON, Va., Sept. 9.—In the trial of Haynes for killing Charles Byrd, quartermaster at Fort Monroe, was the first witness. He testified that he was sitting on a porch overlooking the Roads, sail boat with two men, one standing sculling, the other sitting rowing; turned his eye for a moment to watch an approaching squall when his attention was called to the boat by a shot in that direction, He then saw a shot fired by the man standing at the the one seated; heard talking in the boat but could not distinguish what was said and shortly went into the house; twenty or thirty minutes afterwards saw Haynes passing at a quick walk towards the Hygeia hotel. The cross-examination developed nothing new.

Capt John Guy, of Washington, was the next witness, and gave similar testimony.

The Augusta Junketers in New York.

NEW YORK, Sept 9.—Twenty-seven representative citizens of Augusta, Ga., arrived in New York this morning on a special car. The party has come North in the interest of the Augusta Exposition, which will open November 2d They remain in New York, with headquarters at the Hoffman house, to-day, and will go on to Providence Thursday morning. After presenting the claims of the Exposition at Providence they will visit Fall River, Lowell, Boston and other manufacturing centers in New England and then contemplate a visit to Montreal. At the head of the delegation is Hon. Patrick Walsh, editor of the Augusta *Chronicle* and president of the Exposition.

The Train Robbers Identified.

VISALIA, Cal., Sept 9.—William Dalton and Riley Dean, suspected of being the Ceres train robbers, were on Monday night confronted with Mr. and Mrs. Graham, who were camping a short distance south of Ceres on the night of the robbery. The Graham's identified the men as having come to their camp shortly before the robbery and asked for a drink of water and left, going in a northerly direction.

Seven Years for Shooting a Conductor.

ROLLING ROCK, Miss., Sept. 9.—Kirby Bird, who shot Conductor Howard, of the Louisville, New Orleans and Texas railway, two weeks age, was indicted yesterday and convicted and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary today.

THE COTTONPICKERS' STRIKE.

The Trouble Already Begun in South Carolina—The Planters Will Resist.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. 9.—Specials to the *News and Courier* indicate that the cottonpickers strike has actually been ordered in this State and will be put into effect. The planters are determined to resist it to the bitter end. The negroes are so reticent and secretive that nothing in regard to the proposed strike can be stated positively, but the above are conclusions reached by intelligent correspondents.

COMMERCIAL NEWS

The Grain and Provision Markets of Chicago—Stocks in New York Yesterday.

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—The stock market to-day, on the whole, was very active, but the animation was in spots and the same may be said of wheat strength, and weakness was seen during the day, the general list being held firm within narrow limits and following the leaders from time to time. The great feature of trading at present is the prominence of Vanderbilt stocks in speculation, and for a moment they furnished the only support to the market, as their strength is attributed to inside buying, though how much truth there is in the conjecture is not to be known. There was considerable selling for arbitrage account, but the foreign operations are not of special influence now and give no promise of being of any material influence for some time to come. The bears endeavored to keep their advantage of yesterday afternoon still farther this morning, and with the aid of some London selling a weak opening was made, with most stocks down from ⅛ to ⅜ and Rock Island 1 per cent. The demand was urgent, however, and the the temper of speculation was soon changed and after some slight hesitation an upward movement was inaugurated, which lasted with little interruption until noon, when in the most of the active list the highest prices were attained. Vanderbilts, and especially Canada Southern and Nickel Plate second preferred, led the advance, but later Lake Shore, Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and St. Louis and Chesapeake and Ohio became prominent. At different times New England, Reading and Erie were especially strong, with marked activity, but while St. Paul, Atchison, Union Pacific and other leading shares were more liberally traded in than those mentioned, their fluctuations were confined to narrower limits and their movements were sluggish throughout. In the last hour realizations started a reaction which aided by renewed pressure by bears gained free as day came to an end. All the market finally closed active and was generally at insignificant changes for the day. Gains in most of the strong stocks were completely neutralized but Lake Shore and New England are 1¼ per cent. higher to-night and Reading 1 per cent. The only really weak spot in the market was cordage which dropped away 4 per cent and closed with a loss of 3½. The sales of listed stocks aggregated 406,000 shares, unlisted 9,000.

CHICAGO, Sept. 9.—Wheat and corn broke badly to-day and closed with a loss of 3 and ¾ cents respectively on leading futures compared with yesterday's close. Around the opening wheat sold at 1 cent decline. The heavy receipts aggregating about 1,500,000 bushels for the past three days, against one third of that amount for the corresponding period last year, moderate exports and weaker calls were the causes of the decline. The price for December at the close of yesterday's session was 98⅜@98½c and at the opening this morning there were sellers at from 98 to 97¼ cents, but no general demand above the lower of these quotations, and before the session was an hour old it was down to 97½c The sentiment of trade was bearish and outside orders were light.

An afternoon paper says; The surroundings of trade have been gradually undergoing a change in the last two weeks. The enormous receipts have at last overtaken and surpassed the capacity of the ocean fleet to move the surplus with sufficient rapidity to prevent some accumulation, and this before the weight of the heavy spring wheat crop has had time to make itself felt. The wheat bought by French importers is ready for them faster than it is necessary for the immediate wants of consumers, and the English grain trade is taking advantage of that act and is holding off with the evident expectation that this feature of business will become still more aggravated. The prices succeeding the quotation last given showed some symptoms of improving under demand from yesterdays buyers of puts but upon the receipts of product the visible supply statement showing in addition to our increase of 1,196,000 bushels, East Rochester stocks on the Pacific coast, exclusive of Washington, had increased 2,832,000 bushels, a further break occurred, the prices for December getting down to 96⅝c.

Then came a dispatch from New York saying that a cablegram received from Antwerp reported the latter market nearly in a state of panic, and some longs here immediately threw over enough of their holdings to cause a further break to 95⅞c. Trading was slow and without much animation until after the price had worked below 97½c. After that there was heavy trading on each successive break. The last half hour was one of sacrificial buying by the longs, and the hurried calling of margins by the bears, under which a quantity of these offerings were kept back and prevented any reaction from the lowest figures and the market closed weak at 95⅝c.

Corn was traded in only to a fair amount during most of the session. It started weak and lower but after declining another fraction grew temporarily strong and recovered the loss. This was followed by a decided weakness and a heavy break. The subsequent reaction was attributed to purchases by the clique which is supposed to be manipulating September and October. In the light of subsequent developments, the trade came to the conclusion that the syndicate had decided to give up the deal and that its buying was for the purpose of making a hard spot to sell on. In the last hour offerings became free and the bears, believing that liquidation by the syndicate had begun, added their offerings and prices went off with a rush.

The local trade is aggressively hostile to the operations of the clique, and its attitude at the close seemed to indicate the probability of a further bear raid to-morrow unless the situation is materially changed. October opened at 58½@58⅜c, sold as low as 57⅝c, and from that up to 59c before the big break of the day occurred. It declined in stages to 55½c, and closed easy at that figure.

There was little of interest in the oats market, which took its action from wheat, and declined ⅜@½c.

The provision market was firm in contrast with the surrounding markets, and lower prices for hogs. The fluctuations were confined to a narrow range, and the closing prices were practically the same as yesterday.

Hamilton Fish celebrated his eighty-teird birthday lately and had congratulations from his two fellow-surviving Secretaries of State, Messrs. Evarts and Bayard.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS.

WAR SHIPS TO BE SENT TO CHINA AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Secretary Blaine Ready to go Back to Washington—The War Vessel Itata to be Surrendered to the New Chilian Government.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—An order was issued by Secretary Tracy today which forebodes a considerable reduction of the number of naval vessels now on the North Atlantic coast. It was directed to chiefs of bureaus and ordered them to immediately prepare the Yorktown for service on the Pacific station and the gunboat Petrel for service on the Asiatic station. The Yorktown is at present attached to Admiral Walker's squadron of evolution and the Petrel to the North Atlantic squadron, commanded by Admiral Gherardi. Probably a month will be consumed in fitting out the vessels for their long voyages.

The Yorktown will go down the coast of South America, through the Straits of Magellan and then gradually north to San Francisco. She is an economical vessel to maintain in active service by comparison with the larger cruisers, like the Charleston and the Baltimore, and with San Francisco as a base can be hurried off to Central or South America, the Hawaiian Islands or Samoa on short notice.

The Little Petrel will probably cross to Europe, run through the Mediterranean and Red Seas and go to China by way of India. She is especially designed for service in shallow waters, and will prove a valuable adjunct to Admiral Belknap's fleet in running up the Chinese rivers.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Admiral Brown this afternoon cabled the Secretary of the Navy that the Baltimore had arrived at Mollendo, Peru, with the political refuges which she carried away from Chili, and will return to Valparaiso without delay.

Secretary Blaine's residence is being put in order for his return to Washington, and orders have been issued to have it ready for the reception of the family not later than October 1.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—The *Star* this afternoon published the statement that the Itata is to be returned to the Chilian Government, in accordance with the terms of the compromise effected at a conference between ex-Mayor Grace, of New York, and the Congressional representatives here on the one hand, and Secretary Tracy and Attorney General Miller on the other.

The *Star* says it is not an unconditional surrender of the vessel and a simple back down on the part of the United States, though it is very generally agreed now that the Itata could not be held by the United States. The terms of the agreement are that the Chilian Government is to pay the United States a sum equal to the expense incurred in pursuing and capturing the Itata and that the case will be nolle prossed in the courts, and the vessel turned over to the new Chilian Government.

Tracy and Miller are both in town, but neither could be persuaded to say anything upon the subject of the above publication. The officials of the Department of State have not had any connection with the case for some time, so that they had no opinion to express. The Chilian envoys also refused to make any statement. There is, however, reason to believe that some such proposition for the return of the Itata as that referred to has actually been made, and there is every probability that the case against the vessel will be nolle prossed.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Judge Cooley, chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission, has tendered his resignation because of ill health.

The amount of silver offered for sale to the Treasury Department to day was 926,000 ounces and the amount purchased 650 000 ounces at 98 49@98 60.

AN UNFORTUNATE FAILURE.

The Treasurer of the Catholic Knights Embarassed on Account of Bad Health.

CHATTANOOGA, Sept. 9.—M. J. O'Brien, a well known citizen and Supreme Treasurer of the Catholic Knights of America to-day filed a deed of trust on all his real and personal property to protect his creditors. His liabilities are not fully known but will probably not exceed $50,000, which will include any deficit in his accounts as treasurer of the Catholic Knights.

It is stated by his intimates that his property is sufficient to pay all indebtedness. His embarrassment is due to heavy losses on railroad construction contracts. O'Brien has tendered his resignation as Supreme Treasurer of the Catholic Knights of America, which office he has held for six years.

The order is protected by good bond for $80,000. The M. J. O'Brien Grocery Company, a chartered organization, is in no manner involved in O'Brien's personal affairs. O'Brien has been in poor health for months past, and his difficulties are in a great measure attributed to his inability to properly attend to his business.

Sun's Cotton Review.

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—The *Sun's* cotton review say: Futures opened at 6 to 8 points advance, closing quiet at a decline of 12 points on September and 1 point on October and 2 to 4 points advance on other months from yesterday's closing prices. Liverpool was a complete surprise to the bears. That market must have been greatly excited as it opened 2-64@3 64 lower and advanced closing 3-64@4-64 dearer. As soon as our people ascertained that the Liverpool flurry was due to emanations from New Orleans statisticians they took no stock in it but began to sell freely, and the bulls gradually gave way. There was much guessing about the report from the Department of Agriculture at Washington, expected at noon to-morrow. Thursday. The bulls estimated as low as 76 and the bears as high as 83. It was generally agreed that the report will be pretty bad, and the market will not decline under it, for it was again asserted that the adverse crop accounts are from whatever source are pretty fully discounted for the present.

The weather South today was generally clear and cool, highly favorable to progress in fielding. The exceptional weakness in September contracts was due to the expectation that spot quotations would be revised at once and high grades reduced. Spot cotton was quiet

The President Goes a Fishing.

CAPE MAY POINT, N. J., Sept. 9.—President Harrison, Lieutenant Parker, George W. Boyd, Chas. Coffer, of Baltimore, and Congressman John E. Reyburn started out this morning in Reyburn's yatch, the Neosho, for a gunning and fishing trip in the Cape May Sounds.

Fire in Portner's Brewery.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Sept. 9.—At 10:40 this morning fire broke out in Portner's Brewery in this city, and after a hard fight the firemen got it under control. The bottling house and some sheds were burned, but the principal buildings of the brewery were saved. The loss is estimated at between eight and ten thousand dollars.

THE SOUTHERN EXPOSITION.

Rev. Tom Dixon to Deliver the Opening Prayer—An Address by Octavius Cohen.

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 9.—[SPECIAL.]—The Rev. Thomas Dixon, of New York, to-day accepted the invitation to offer the prayer at the opening of the Southern Exposition here October 1. On the same day Octavius Cohen of the Charleston *World* will deliver an address, his subject being, "The Real New South." Ten Southern States have already arranged for exhibits. The colored people to-day made application for 5,000 square feet more space for their distinctive exhibit. They already have over 15,000 square feet of space.

Incendiary Fire at Beaver Dam.

BEAVER DAM, Union county, N. C.—[SPECIAL.]—Fire broke out at 9:30 o'clock tonight at this place in the store house of John Hamilton, a merchant. The stock and building will be a total loss. The value of the stock is $300, and of the store house $350.

The next to catch on fire was J. W. Austin's store and shoe shop; total loss to house $250. Then the store of J. A. Tingle caught; total loss to house and stock $500. The fire was burning at 10 p. m. in an old building adjoining Marsh & Lee's, but by tearing the old house down the fire was gotten under control. The fire is thought to be incendiary.

THE HANDY PISTOL.

Three Well Known Young Men of Georgia Put Bullets Into Each Other.

CHICAGO, Sept. 9.—A special from Savannah, Ga., says a terrible tragedy occurred at Pembroke on Monday, in which three young men were mortally wounded, two of which were sons of Hon. J. B. Brown, ex-ordinary of Brayan county, and the other, P. H. Patrick, a highly respected young man. The trouble arose over a dispute between young Brown and Patrick, in which they came to blows over a small settlement between the parties. The young brother to one, engaged in it trying to separate the parties, when Patrick, mistaking him, withdrew a pistol and shot him, and all three drew pistols and began to shoot. All had emptied their pistols, fifteen shots being fired. There lay on the ground the three young men who had been friends from childhood up to the time of this terrible tragedy. The physician in attendance, soon after the affair occurred, gave it as his opinion that all the parties would die.

THREE KILLED OUTRIGHT.

Terrific Locomotive Boiler Explosion—Mens' Bodies Thrown Three Hundred Feet Away.

OYSTER BAY, LONG ISLAND, N. Y., Sept. 9.—Locomotive 113, attached to a train of three passenger cars, just ready to leave this station for Long Island City at 7 o'clock this morning, exploded, killing Engineer James Donaldson, Fireman Dickerson and Brakeman Michael Mahoney. Edward Swan, the only passenger in the smoking car, which was next to the engine, was injured, but not seriously. Conductor Alfred Jones was badly scalded and had all his clothes torn off his back. He had just left the side of the locomotive, after comparing time with Engineer Donaldson, and so escaped death. The body of Donaldson was thrown 300 feet in one direction, while that of Fireman Dickerson was thrown nearly the same distance in the other direction. Brakeman Mahoney, who was standing on the front platform of the car next to the engine, was thrown over the top of all three cars His body was found several feet beyond the last car, blackened and terribly mutilated. Donaldson and Mahoney were killed instantly, but Dickerson lived for fifteen minutes

The cab of the engine was blown into fragments, portions of it being found 300 feet distant in different directions. The boiler was thrown in a perpendicular position with its headlight buried in the track Some pieces of the boiler plate were thrown a distance of over 500 feet. A portion of the station platform was badly damaged by the trucks and wheels being thrown from the track on it.

The explosion was heard for miles, shaking houses and breaking windows. It was felt as far as Glen Cove, seven miles distant, where dishes were shaken off the tables in the houses. The wreck of the engine is complete, but the cars are but little damaged.

Locomotive No. 113 was built by Rogers two years ago, and was considered one of the best on the road. It came out of the Long Island Company's shops after a thorough overhauling and testing six months ago.

Master Mechanic Thompson says, after an examination of the wreck, that he is unable to account for the explosion, unless there was a defect which it was impossible to discover, or perhaps from gasses forming in the flues. He said that the road never had such an accident before.

The coronor is holding an inquest.

SKINNED ALIVE.

Horrible but Deserved Fate of a Negro Fiend in Louisiana.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept 9.—The *Picayune's* Shreveport, La., special says: "News was received here to-day of a most hideous ourtage committed on the person of a young lady school teacher near Arcadia. The school was two miles from the young lady's home, and in the afternoon after school was dismissed she started to walk home. In a lonely place she was set upon by a burly negro, who dragged her into the woods near and tied her to a tree, where she was kept for two days. The searching party found her there on the evening of the second day, when she told them her story and requested them to hide near by, as the negro would soon return. This they did, and in a short while the negro made his appearance and was captured. He was fearfully tortured, being skinned alive and literally cut to pieces. His body was left in the woods for the buzzards to dispose of.

A State Prohibition Ticket in Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, Mass., Sept. 9.—The Prohibition State convention met here to-day and adopted a platform and nominated the following ticket: For Governor, Chas. H. Kimball, of Lynn; Lieut, Governor, Augustus R, Smith, of Lee; Secretary of State, Alfred Richardson, of Springfield; Auditor, William Oscar Armstrong (a colored man), of Boston; Attorney Generl, Walcott Harlin, of Amherst; Treasurer, Samuel B. Sharpsleigh, of Boston. Only two or three votes were cast against Armstrong. All the other nominations were unanimous.

A Leading Irishman Dying.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 9.—A private telegram received here from Lincoln, Neb., states that John Fitzgerald, president of the Irish National League, is very ill, and that no hopes of his recovery are entertained.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

A REPUBLICAN UPHEAVAL THREATENED IN SPAIN.

Danger of Cholera Reaching Europe—Great Britain Demands an Apology From Turkey—Death of Jules Grevy, Ex-President.

PARIS, Sept. 9.—M. Proust announced at the Academy of Medicine last evening that the cholera epidemic which arose in the East is nearing Aleppa. He thinks the great danger in Europe lies in the Persian gulf. He believes the immigration of destitute Russian Jews, 7,000 of whom have gone to Aleppa, will increase the violence of the epidemic.

PARIS, Sept. 9.—The cycling race from Paris to Best and return between Jiellaval and Terrent was won by the latter. A distance of 745 miles was covered in 54¼ hours.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—A dispatch to the *Standard* from Constantinople confirms the report that Kiamil Pasha, the recently deposed Grand Vizier, is a virtual prisoner in his own house, and that he is not allowed to emerge therefrom or to receive any visitors.

Sir William White, British ambassador at Constantinople, a few days ago sent a strong note to the Port demanding an apology for indignities offered British merchant vessels in the Dardanelles.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—Counsel on behalf of the provisional government of Chili applied to-day to the Judge of the High Court of Justice for an order restraining the owners and officers of the British mail steamer Moselle, from Montevideo. expected to arrive in Southampton this week, from relinquishing possession of the million dollars in silver, said to belong to the government of Chili, except by depositing it in the Bank of England.

The counsel for the same plaintiff also applied for an order to restrain the Bank of the River Plate, which institution made advances against this consignment of silver, from endorsing the bills relating to the silver. The judge allowed notice to be served for Wednesday next and issued a restraining order in the meantime.

The silver is money conveyed to Montevideo by H. M. S. Espiegle at the request of President Balmaceda, concerning which transaction there has been so much outcry in the English press.

LONDON, Sept 9.—It is considered probable that a sensational despatch published in the *Times* in regard to the Republican agitation in Spain is founded on facts There is a rumor that the army reserves have been called out and that a new army corps is to be formed for garrisons and mobilization. It is also said that the Republican agitation in Corruna is increasing in gravity and that the mob openly defies the civil guards.

The Virginia Democracy.

RICHMOND, Va., Sept. 9.—The State Democratic committee, J. Taylor Ellyson chairman, met to-day at the Exchange hotel. Representative Democrats were present from every Congressional district in the State except the Sixth. There was considerable discussion on the question of the policy to be adopted by the State committee, whether the committee should pass a resolution requiring Democrats in every district to make nominations, or whether the whole question of methods touching nominations should be left to the county and district organizations. It was decided that it was better not to pass any resolutions intended to shape the policy, but that the matter of how best to act should be left to the local organizations to confer with the State chairman and get his advice and aid wherever they were needed. Governor McKinney, who was present, was called upon and spoke briefly of the situation. He said the Democratic party in Virginia is in first rate condition and the outlook was never better. Congressmen Tucker, Epps, Jones and Wise were also present.

The Trade for Textrile.

MANCHESTER, Sept 9.—The Guardians commercial article says: Full prices, hinder business and firmness is often warranted by orders in hand, and is encouraged by the steadiness of cotton. Important business is executed only where special sorts are wanted or sellers are easy to deal with. Inquiry for export yarn is moderately active. Prices are unchanged Cloth is steady. There are few transactions. The demand for India is chiefly for Bombay. Few orders are executed for china. Finer printing and other finishing cloths have sold in moderate quantities. Better makes of heavy goods are steady. Common makes are difficult to sell.

The Lane-Kolb Case.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Sept. 9.—The opinion of Judge Randolph today in the Lane-Kolb contest over the office of State Commissioner of Agriculture was to the effect that the act of the last Legislature making the office elective became a feature immediately, and that the Governor had no right to appoint a successor to Kolb, whose term by limitation expired September 1. This decides nothing as to Kolb's right to hold over. The case has been appealed to the Supreme Court.

Major Bundy Dead.

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—The following cablegram was received this morning at the *Mail and Express* office from Minister Whitelaw Reid, in Paris: "Major Jonas M. Bundy died last night in the Grand hotel from apoplexy, resulting from an advanced stage of Brights disease. He never regained consciousness. The body will be embalmed and placed in the receiving vault of the American church in avenue De L'Alma.

WHITELAW REID."

Base Ball.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—The following games were played yesterday:

Philadelphia—Pittsburg 6; Philadelphia 5.

New York—New York 7; Cincinnati 3.

Brooklyn—Chicago 4; Brooklyn 2.

Boston—First game, Boston 14; Cleveland 10. Second game, Boston 10; Cleveland 8.

It was Ben Johnson, we believe, who, when asked Mallock's question, "Is life worth living?" replied, "That depends on the liver." And Ben Johnson doubtless saw the double point to the pun. The liver active—quick—life rosy, everything bright, mountains of trouble melt like mountains of snow. The liver sluggish—life dull, everything blue, molehills of worry rise into mountains of anxiety, and as a result, sick headache, dizziness, constipation. Two ways are open. Cure permanently, or relieve temporarily. Take a pill and suffer, or take a pill and get well. Shock the system by an overdose, or coax it by a mild, pleasant way.

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THE NEW YORK REPUBLICANS.

The State Convention Opens With Prayer and Hymn Singing—Fassett for Gouvernor.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 9.—The Republican State convention was called to order at 12:20 by General Knapp, chairman of the State committee. Rev. D. Stebbins offered prayer. The reverend man asked especially that the interests of capital and of labor should be permanently harmonized, also that the convention's platform should be wisely and well framed. At the conclusion of prayer, an orchestra and quartette led the convention in singing the hymn "America." Just as the hymn was finished Mr. Fassett was seen making his way toward his seat and he was at once greeted with wild and prolonged cheering. It was fully five minutes before the chairman could restore order so that the roll might be called.

W. W. Goodwin was made temporary chairman, the usual committees were appointed and a recess was taken till 4 o'clock.

When the convention reassembled the following ticket was nominated: J. Sloat Fassett for Governor, on first ballot (He is now collector of customs of New York city); John W. Vrooman, of Heibmier, for Lieutenant Governor, by acclamation; Eugene F. Oldman for Secretary of State, by acclamation; Ira M. Hodges for State Tsearurer, by acclamation; A. C. Wade, of Jamestown, by acclamation, for Comptroller; A. M. Sutherland, of Rochester, for Attorney General, by acclamation; Venplauck Calvin, of Albany, for State Engineer, by acclamation.

Fassetts vote was 514, out of a total of 774. The vote was made unanimous.

Special Notices.

FOR RENT—From October 1st, that desirable dwelling, No. 315 South Fifth street, containing 7 rooms; also rooms at No 311 South Fifth street Possession given immediately. Apply to MRS. J. H. RUNGE. se 10 and 13*

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New Advertisements.

U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE, WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 5th, 1891.—SEALED PROPOSALS for $75,000 Dredging in Ocracoke Inlet, N. C., will be received at this office until 12 M., on Oct. 20 1891 The attention of bidders is specially invited to acts of Congress, approved 26th February, 1885, and 23d February, 1887, volume 23, page 332, and volume 24 page 414, Statutes at Large All information will be furnished by W. B. BIXBY, Captain of Engineers. se 9 10 11 12 oct 17 18

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September 9, 1891.

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BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE Mayor's office until Monday, the 21st day of September, for furnishing thirty four Winter suits for the Police. The same to be made to measure of heavy dark blue cloth and delivered by the 15th of October. Bidders required to furnish samples of cloth with their bids. Further particulars given on application at City Hall.

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NOTICE.

Office of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Carolina Central Railroad Company, WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 8, 1891.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Carolina Central Railroad Company will be held at the office of the Old Dominion Steamship Company corner of Beach and West streets, in the City of New York, on Thursday, the 8th day of October, proximo, at 1 o'clock, p. m.

JOHN H. SHARP, Secretary.

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Miscellaneous.

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