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TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

At the close of business yesterday the treasury balance was $134,258,007, of which $102,128,585 was in gold, all of which except $8,000,000 had been paid in for new bonds. The Government receipts for the month amount to $9,000,000 and expenditures $11,000,000. So far this year the deficit is $48,000,000.——The Treasury Department will soon begin work on more public buildings and by early spring work will be under way on seventy-six such buildings.——Secretary Herbert has appointed a medical board to inquire into the sanity of Lieut. Fillette, of the marine corps.——A collision of passenger trains near Rosa, La., occurred yesterday, caused by one engineer disobeying orders. The engineer of one of the trains was killed ——The railroad office at Sparta, Ills., was broken into by masked men at 1 o'clock Friday morning, the operator bound and gagged and the safe robbed.——Lucien D. Starke has secured an attachment for $100,000 against the Richmond and West Point Terminal company.——The defalcations of Cashier Love, of the Watkins, N. Y., bank amount to $100,000.——The eleventh of the twelve 13-inch guns to be used in our navy was successfully jacketed yesterday at the Washington navy yard. One of these guns was to be tested at Indian Head proving grounds to-morrow, and it was found that the railroad track was not strong enough to transport it.——The Old Dominion steamship Yorktown was successfully launched at Chester, Pa., yesterday ——Gladstone passed through Paris yesterday on his return to London ——It is reported that Lobengula, King of the Malabeles, is dead. ——Twelve German and Italian Anarchists have been expelled from Switzerland.——Six dispensary constables raid Florence hunting for blind tigers yesterday but found nothing.——The temporary court house at Lillington was burned Friday morning. All the court papers and records were lost.——Two miles east of Fayetteville yesterday a white man named Capps cut the throat of a negro, though not fatally wounding him. ——Marion Butler has been elected president of the National Farmers' Alliance.——Work is being pushed on the buildings for the car wheel works at Raleigh. The plant will be ready for work in ninety days ——Col. J. M. Heck, of Raleigh, died in Philadelphia yesterday.——One blockade still is captured in Wake county and another in Granville.——Thos. A. Miller, former business manager of the *News and Observer*, died yesterday at Raleigh.——The steamer Hilary, which has just reached New York from Pernambuco, brings the latest news of Brazilian affairs in that quarter.——The Federal court in Florida has ordered the return to Cuba of the twenty-three Chinese recently captured at Boca Chica.——Federal Judge Boarmann decides on a writ of habeas corpus that the Cuban cigar makers at Key West were not guilty of violating the immigration laws.——The Government cotton crop report estimates that 92.2 per cent. of the crop has passed out of producers' hands.——In a 10-foot cage at Huntington, W. Va., yesterday there was a fight between a catamount and a bull dog. The latter won.——There are eighty-nine cases of small-pox at the pest house in Chicago. ——Hon. J. J. Ingalls denies that he was converted by Sam Jones.——During the fire at Atlanta Friday night the assistant chief fell four stories down a shaft and could not be released until the fire was gotten under control. He is badly hurt. The grand jury of the Federal court at Dallas, Texas, have indicted a number of bank officials in North Texas.——One of Savannah's mounted policemen was killed by a negro desperado yesterday.——It is said the sugar, coal and iron Senators will form a combination against the Tariff bill if those schedules do not please them.——There was fighting at Rio yesterday, the insurgents having landed troops.——Congressman Wilson, of West Virginia, was too sick to speak at Kansas City last night.

Governor Tillman's Gentlemen Raid Florence.

[Special to the Messenger.]

FLORENCE, S. C., Feb. 10.—Six of Governor Tillman's gentlemen, Elliott in the lead, went through several establishments passing for blind tigers, to-day, but failed to get a bite. The constables marched by twos, the sheriff in command, and two police guarding the rear. Behind these the crowd, which invariably gathers to watch the hunt, followed with mild gibes and jokes. No trouble arose. Everything was done quietly and in order. No arrests were made.

IN A PERILOUS POSITION.

Atlanta's Assistant Fire Chief Imprisoned in a Burning Building—Casualties of the Livery Stable Fire Last Night.

ATLANTA, Ga, Feb. 10.—James H. McMillan died to-day from the effect of his injuries received in the Venable livery stable fire last night. McMillan was fifty years old. He came here from Knoxville Wednesday, with a carload of mules. He was a paralytic and had a negro to carry him and wheel him about. The negro was not in the building when it began to burn, and the firemen did not find McMillan until the room in which he was lying was in a mass of flames. He was then taken out of a window, but he had been horribly burned.

Jake Emmit, assistant fire chief, is at the hospital with two broken ribs, a broken nose, and burnet face and hands. His hair and mustache were burned off. Emmit's experience was singular. He fell down four stories through a shaft. He could not get out and his fellow firemen could not reach the opening to the shaft until the fire was under control. For more than an hour he was penned in, expecting the brick and granite walls to fall upon him.

Chas. McAllister a printer, who was burned, is in a critical condition. The doctors think that the others will recover.

Tom White, a printer, was arrested after the fire charged with refusing to surrender $1,100 belonging to McMillan. McMillan's purse was left in the room where he slept, when he was carried out. White went up to the room and got the purse from a woman, stating that McMillan sent him for it. After McMillan died to-day White admitted that he had the purse. He told the detectives where to get a $900 check and a small sum in cash. The detectives think that there is more cash somewhere. White was released to-night on bond. He was drunk when he got the purse and hid it.

A "Run-down"

and "used-up" feeling is the first warning that your liver isn't doing its work. And, with a torpid liver and the impure blood that follows it, you're an easy prey to all sorts of ailments. That is the time to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. As an appetizing, restorative tonic, to repel disease and build up the needed flesh and strength, there's nothing to equal it. It rouses every organ into healthful action, purifies and enriches the blood, braces up the whole system, and restores health and vigor.

For every disease caused by a disordered liver or impure blood, it is the only guaranteed remedy. If it doesn't benefit or cure, in every case, you have your money back.

$500 is offered, by the proprietors of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy, for an incurable case of Catarrh. Their remedy pertectly and permanently cures the worst cases.

Another Case for Judge Lynch.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. Feb. 10.—An unknown negro assaulted Mrs. Taylor, a married lady, this morning on Straight Fork Creek, Campbell county. Mrs. Taylor fought the brute, and was overcome by force. She is in a critical condition. The negro escaped to the mountains. Armed men are in pursuit, and if captured lynching is certain.

THE PEERS MUST GO.

ENGLAND ON THE EVE OF A CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS.

The Question of Abolishing the House of Lords Becomes Acute—Radicals Determined to Make the Issue—The Silver Crisis—The Theft of Torpedo Destroyer Plans by Officials.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—[COPYRIGHT.]—There are many signs that the country is on the eve of a grave constitutional crisis. The question of abolishing the House of Lords has become acute and it now depends upon the action of the Cabinet meeting to be held on Tuesday, whether or not the continuance of the Upper House shall be discussed in the first plank of the National Liberal Federations platform.

Gladstone is unwilling to lead a campaign against the Peers, yet, he may be forced to it by a combination of Ministers insisting upon the necessity of the issue. There is no doubt that the Cabinet favor heroic methods of dealings with the Lords.

Campbell-Pannerman, Secretary of State for War, said in a speech last evening at New Castle that the question was whether a free self-governing community or a body of irresponsible hereditary Peers ought to prevail.

Professor Bryce, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, said to a liberal meeting in Liverpool: "If the house of Lords will force the conflict, we must clear away the bar on which so many vessels freighted with useful legislation have been wrecked."

Sir Charles Russell, Attorney General, declared in addressing the Liberals of Wisebeach: "The question is now whether the Lords, sitting by accident of birth, can be allowed to mangle an act passed by the chosen representatives of the people."

These extracts from the speeches of the most conspicuous Liberals show which way the wind blows. Instead of Home Rule, the abolition of the House of Lords is taking first place among the questions of the day. The Peers themselves, judged from their unusually industrious attendance of Parliamentary sittings, seem to have the consciousness that their situation is precarious. On all votes they now turn out 200 strong against the Government.

The programme that finds much favor among the Radicals just now is that the Ministers bluntly refuse to accept the Peers' amendments to the Parish Councils' and Employers' Liability bills and introduce a bill to reform the Upper House by abolishing the system of heriditary legislators. On the strength of this action, Radicals say, the Cabinet should then appeal to the country. One obstacle to this course is Gladstone's invincible attachment to the heredtary Upper House. Another is the Premier's strong desire to see the Home Rule issue kept in the foreground of Liberal legislation. Despite his influence, however, the time is ripening for the abolition of the Upper House in its present form. If the wire pullers of the National Liberal Federation have a free hand, the agitation against the Peers will become the leading question of the hour.

The House of Commons will resume work on Monday and the Cabinet will meet on Tuesday. About February 22nd, Parliament will be prorogued, but will reassemble within a week to hear in the Queen's speech how the Government proposes to settle with the Lord's.

The Hyde Park demonstration against the Lords bids fair to be the largest political gatherings ever seen in London. All the trades councils in the country will send delegates. It is estimated that more than 500,000 persons will march from the Thames embankment to the House of Parliament and thence to the park to hear the speeches.

The silver crisis in India is the principal topic in the city. The fall of the metal to a fraction below 30d per ounce means that silver is now 50 per cent. under its currency value in the colonial empire. Thus a crown pence requires only half a crown worth of metal in its coinage. The India Government are at their wits ends to devise a way of meeting the crisis. The Anglo-Indian banks dread the developments of the immediate future.

The Admiralty Lords have been thrown into a state of consternation by the theft of the machinery plans of the new torpedo destroyers of the Havock type. The Government ordered a fleet of forty-two Havocks and sent the plans to a private firm on the Clyde. The papers were stolen en route. Two postal officials who must have handled them have disappeared.

This week's *Field* says: American yachtsmen will be disappointed to hear that the Valkyrie will not race in American waters next season. It was expected that the Vigilant and the Colonia would be named to meet the Valkyrie, but it has been definitely decided that neither will race with her. It would be very interesting to see the America's cup races over again, the Valkyrie having more canvass, but Lord Dunraven is right in not wishing to sail his yacht against inferior craft.

The Sun's Cotton Review.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The *Sun's* cotton review says: There was a rising in the clouds of the bulls. Liverpool did not decline so much as was expected, and the bureau report was bullish. It stated the quantity already marketed at 92.2 per cent. against 87.9 per cent. at this time last year. Superintendent Hester, of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange telegraphed that the bureau report indicates a crop of 7,250,000 bales maximum. Some people here thought that it pointed to about 7,100,000 bales. At any rate, it raised prices. After the close to-night the talk was bullish among not a few operators. How will Liverpool take the bureau report? That is matter of considerable interest. Henry Heintz & Co., were buying May. Mr. Hagedorn was a buyer to quite a liberal extent. Violett & Co. bought March and May. Collins & Co. sold quite freely. Liverpool bought, and also did some switching by buying the near months and selling the new crop months. The port receipts were larger than some had expected, but the favorable factors carried the day. The receipts at the ports this week are estimated at 85,000 to 90,000 bales, against 70,889 for the same week last year. Riordan & Co. said: "This week, for the first time, the amount of cotton that has come into sight is less than for the corresponding week last season. If the next few weeks should show a similar or greater diminution prices ought to improve. We rather expect such a continued diminution. But the accounts of the amount of cotton still unmarketed in the South are conflicting." Another firm said: "The drygoods trade continues poor, and this fact has an unfavorable influence on cotton. If the Wilson Tariff bill were unsettled, the trade would improve. It is the uncertainty about it that is doing harm." The Galveston *News* says that on the basis of the railroad movement the Texas crop this year will be 1,750,000 bales, against 2,025,000 bales last year.

Grand Jury After Big Game.

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 10.—The Federal grand jury at noon to-day adjourned until the 20th inst. As a result of the jury's deliberations so far, that body to-day returned a number of indictments which will create sensations when the parties indicted are arrested. It leaks out that, in accordance with the charge of Judge Renslaer the jury went in pursuit of big game and that they have indicted bank wreckers all over North Texas. Marshal Hunt, and Clerk Lednnm, of the court, have declined to divulge the names of the indicted lest the persons get wind of it and leave before the marshals can reach them.

A Prominent Minister Writes.

After ten years of great suffering from indigestion, with great nervous prostration, biliousness, disordered kidneys and constipation. I have been cured by Dr. Mozley's Lemon Elixir and am now a well man.

REV. C. C. DAVIS,
Eld. M. E. Church, South,
No. 28 Tutnall St., Atlanta, Ga.

From a Prominent Lady.

I have not been able in two years to walk or stand without great pain. Since taking Dr. Mozley's Lemon Elixir I can walk half a mile without suffering the least inconvenience.

MRS. R. H. BLOODWORTH, Griffin, Ga.

50c. and $1.00, at druggists.

SIMMONS AND VANCE.

Mr. Simmons Replies to Senator Vance's Letter Giving His Reasons for Opposing the Former's Confirmation.

[Special to the Messenger.]

RALEIGH, Feb. 10.—Collector Simmons will to-morrow publish the following letter:

"Senator Vance in a letter to the Asheville *Citizen*, dated February 5, 1894, and published in your issue of yesterday, declared himself opposed to my confirmation for the alleged reason that, as chairman of the Democratic Executive committee of this State, I went to Washington and interfered with and defeated the appointment of Mr. Hale to a high grade foreign position and of Mr. Gudger for collector of internal revenue and secured the appointment in his stead of Mr. Elias, whom he antagonized.

"In view of this specific and public statement by the Senator, of the grounds of his opposition to my confirmation, I am constrained to believe it proper for me to make a statement of my connection with the appointments referred to by him, that those interested may judge whether I have transcended my rights on the one hand or usurped the prerogative of the Senator on the other. Both as a citizen and as chairman of the Democratic Executive committee, I was, on account of their acknowledged fitness and eminent party services, ardently in favor of the appointment of Mr. Glenn for attorney of the Western district and of Messrs. Jernigan, Robbins and Henry for the best obtainable positions in the foreign services of the Government. Some of these gentlemen appealed to me in very urgent terms to go to Washington in their behalf. I cheerfully yielded to their solicitations in this respect, because I thought they deserved the recognition they sought as a reward for honorable and faithful public services, and I felt that they had the right to call upon me as the chairman of the Executive committee of their party to assist them to that end to such extent as I might be able.

"It was opposed, as was also Senator Vance, to Mr. Elias for district attorney. But I was not opposed to Mr. Gudger for collector. I had taken no part in the contest for the latter position and the appointment of Mr. Gudger would have been entirely satisfactory to me.

"Mr. Hale had requested me to endorse him for the position of Consul General to London, a position which pays about $50,000 per annum, I am informed, and I had not complied with his request, because I did not think him entitled to absorb all the patronage in this service which might be accorded to North Carolina.

"This was the position which I occupied with reference to these gentlemen when I called upon Mr. Cleveland and the Assistant Secretary of State, Hon. Josiah Quincy. I had had no communication with Senator Ransom concerning the appointment of either Mr. Gudger or Mr. Hale and did not then know his attitude toward them, nor towards Mr. Elias, except that he was opposed to him for district attorney.

"When I went to the White House I did not expect to allude to the contest over the collectorship. I went simply to advocate Mr. Glenn and the other gentlemen first named and did so withwarmth and ardor. I spoke of Mr. Glenn's opponent, Mr. Elias, in such high terms of praise as I thought then and now think him entitled to receive. When Mr. Gudger was mention I spoke of him in equally as high terms of prase. I became satisfied however before the interview closed that the President would appoint Mr. Elias either district attorney or collector, and in response to a question I expressed the opinion that there was a more general crystalization of sentiments in favor of Mr. Glenn for district attorney than there was for Mr Gudger for collector, there being at that time quite a number of candidates for the latter place, and for this reason I expressed the belief that there would be greater disappointment in the party if Mr. Glenn failed to receive the appointment of district attorney than there would be if Mr. Gudger was not appointed collector.

"I did not advocate the appointment of Mr. Elias, nor oppose the appointment of Mr. Gudger for collector. In all I did and said in this matter I was actuated by no thought or purpose of antagonism to Senator Vance or favoritism to Senator Ransom, for for I then regarded both of them as my friends, but I was moved and influenced purely and simply by what I thought to be my duty to the party in the interest of harmony and right.

"With reference to Mr. Hale and his aspirations for a high grade foreign appointment, I will say generally and briefly that I have never advocated him for any position and I have in the exercise of my right of personal opinion, at all times denied his claim to precedence over all other North Carolinians in the distribution of the foreign patronage of the Government. During my conference with the President—I have had but one with him since the election—the claims of Messrs. Jernigan, Robbins and Henry were discussed, but nothing was said about Mr. Hale.

"During my stay in Washington on this visit I called upon Assistant Secretary Quincy twice, once on my own accord, and the second time at his suggestion. On the occasion of my first visit, made solely for the purpose of urging the recognition of Messrs. Jernigan, Robbins and Henry, I was told by him that it had been suggested and claimed that Mr. Hale ought to have the next best place in the foreign service given to North Carolina. From this claim I dissented, and expressed the opinion that he was not entitled to precedence over such gentlemen as Messrs. Robbins, Jernigan and Henry, and that it would be unjust to set aside the men who had borne the heat and burden of the fight just ended in victory, for Mr. Hale. I knew of nothing in his political career which entitled him to such paramout consideration and I believed and said if he appointed this gentleman it would create great disappointment in the party.

"In taking this position I acted from a sense of duty to the party, and without feelings personal to any one.

"This is the sum of the facts of my so-called interference with these appointments.

"Senator Vance says my tone has been defiant and insulting to him. He has been misinformed.

"I have neither privately nor publicly given forth any utterance which could make me obnoxious to this charge. I have no desire to make an issue with Senator Vance regarding my rights to express an opinion to the President, whether in advocacy or opposition to the claims of an aspirant from the State for a Federal position requiring Senatorial confirmation. That is not the issue made by the facts in that case, but I do insist and maintain that I had a perfect right in doing so. But I certainly did not in either usurp or inrode the rights of the Senators from this State."

FEDERAL FINANCES.

THE CASH IN THE TREASURY STILL INCREASING.

The Receipts Less Than Expenditures—Work to Begin on Many Public Buildings — The Department Cotton Crop Report—The Big Guns for the Navy—The Eleventh One Completed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—At the close of business to-day the stated treasury balance stood at $134,258,007, of which $102,128,585 was in gold coin. All, except about $8,000,000, has been paid in on the bond issue, including the premium. The total receipts for the month aggregate $9,000,000 and expenditures $11,000,000, of which $5,350,000 were on account of pensions. This makes for the fiscal year up to to-day an expenditure of $48,000,000 in excess of receipts. In addition to paying the sugar bounty, which up to the present time has been deferred, the Treasury Department will now proceed more rapidly with the erection of public buildings, which also have been delayed because of the scarcity of money. Within the next few weeks advertisements will be inserted for proposals for some six or eight public buildings, the plans or specifications for which have been ready for some time. By the time spring fairly sets in work on public buildings throughout the country will be progressing at a more rapid rate than for the past year or two. According to the last report of the supervising architect, seventy buildings were uncompleted, which added to those about to be begun in the spring, will make a total of seventy-six Government buildings on which work will be pressed.

Secretary Herbert to-day disposed of the court of inquiry proceedings in the case of Lieut. T. Glover Fillette, United States Marine Corps, in a rather odd way. The court was appointed to inquire into the conduct of Lieut. Fillette, who overstayed his leave during a recent absence and it is understood that the court recommended his trial by court martial. Secretary Herbert, however, was given information that led him to doubt the officer's sanity, and to-day he appointed a board of medical officers to examine him on that point. The board consists of Medical Director C. J. Cleborne, Surgeon J. P. Bradley and Surgeon H. H. Simons, and it will meet at the Portsmouth, N. H., navy yard next Tuesday. Lieut. Fillette has been ordered before it.

Attorney General Olney at the request of Secretary Carlisle, has directed the United States district attorney for Florida to represent the United States in any proceedings that may be instituted at Key West, Fla., to prevent the deportation of the Cuban cigar makers. Information has reached here that the people of Key West, Fla., will appeal to the courts to prevent the warrants for deportation issued by Secretary Carlisle on Tuesday last and which reached Key West to-day in the mail. Superintendent Stump expresses the opinion that the courts have no jurisdiction in such cases. This has been the finding in several courts where the same point was raised.

Returns to the Department of Agriculture for the month of February, which relate to the Government's cotton estimates of the product compared with last year, proportions to meet the market, damage by insects, average date on which picking closed, etc. The following are the State averages of comparative crop: Virginia 94, North Carolina 94, South Carolina 82, Georgia 93½, Florida 106, Alabama 96, Mississippi 104, Louisiana 90, Texas 85, Arkansas 94, Tennessee 84, Missouri 81. The general average for the country is 91.1. The proportion of the crop which has been sent from the plantations and is, therefore, in the hands of others than producers, as shown by the returns of correspondents is 92.2 per cent., leaving 7.8 per cent. of the crop still unmarketed. Correspondents of the department assign as a cause for the unusually large proportion marketed that the producers, owing to the stringency of the times, have been compelled to part with their holdings to pay debts and meet necessary expenses. The percentage by States is as follows: Virginia 85, North Carolina 88, South Carolina 90, Georgia 92.5, Florida 91, Alabama 93, Mississippi 92.4, Louisiana 94, Texas 92, Arkansas 94, Tennessee 92, Missouri 92. Losses from insects have been small, Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi and Alabama being the only States reporting damage from that cause. The proportion of lint to seed ranges from 31.7 to 35 per cent.

At the Navy Department it is estimated that the mail steamer City of Para reached Roncador reef this morning from Colon, and that the rescue of Admiral Stanton and the officers and men of the Kearsarge was accomplished early this morning. It is believed that the Para will be back in Colon with the survivors to-morrow by noon, but naval officers say no alarm need be felt if nothing is heard of the vessel at this end until Monday or Tuesday morning.

The big 13-inch guns made at the Washington navy yard, the largest guns ever made for an American war vessel, will not be tried on Monday next, at the Indian Head proving grounds. One of the guns was mounted on a truck and placed on a track, but the rails were not strong enough to bear the weight and a special steel track will be constructed at the yard and the proving ground to move it on and off the vessel that will carry it to the latter place. The time necessary to construct the tracks will cause the delay and it is likely that the test will not take place until about March 1st. To-day the eleventh of the twelve 13-inch guns, which are to be used on the first-class battleships Massachusetts, Indiana and Oregon, was successfully jacketed. The delicate operation of jacketing is always attended with the danger that the whole gun may be ruined by the slighest mishap. A number of naval officers were present by direction of Secretary Herbert.

The House Adjourns Out of Respect to the Late Mr. Houk.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Mr. Outhwaite announced the death of Representative Houk, and submitted resolutions expressing the grief of the House at the loss which Congress had sustained.

The resolutions were agreed to, and the Speaker appointed the following committee: Messrs. Springer, of Illinois, McKaigh, of Maryland, Hulick, of Ohio, Bryan, of Nebraska, Ritchie, of Ohio, and Ellis, of Oregon.

The House then at 12:07 o'clock adjourned.

The Houk funeral party left Washington this afternoon at 3:15 o'clock by the way of the Pennsylvania railroad.

The Vice-President, at Senator Sherman's instance, appointed the following committee on the part of the Senate: Senators Brice, Sherman, DuBois, Hinton and Martin.

Chairman Wilson's Condition.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 10.—Congressman Wilson, of West Virginia, did not speak here to-night, nor did he partake of a banquet provided at the Midland hotel by local Democrats. A tremendous audience was disappointed in consequence. At 7 o'clock to-night Dr. Porter, a local physician, positively forbid Mr. Wilson to leave his room. His physical condition was such, the doctor said, to venture out would be exceedingly dangerous.

Ingalls Not Yet Converted.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 10.—Hon. J. J. Ingalls said to-night, in reference to dispatches sent out from here referring to his conversion by Rev. Sam Jones, that it was not true. He had gone to hear Mr. Jones and after his discourse had expressed his pleasure at meeting him, and endorsed his sermon. That was all there was in it.

THE CAR WHEEL PLANT.

Work on the Buildings—To Start Up in Ninety Days—Marion Butler Presented of the National Alliance—Death of Two Raleighites.

[Special to the Messenger.]

RALEIGH, Feb. 10.—A telegram received here to-day says that Marion Butler has been elected president of the National Farmers Alliance.

The directors of the insane asylum are called to meet here next Tuesday to accept the new heating and ventilating system.

In an interview it is learned from W. E. Ashley, superintendent of the North Carolina Car Wheel company, here, that sixty men are now at work on the buildings, and that the latter, with plant complete, must be finished in ninety days, and that work will then begin. The foundry is to be 82 by 172 feet with cupola; the furnace and complete machinery and car erecting shop 86 by 120 feet. The axle forge will probably be put in later. Home labor is to be used and only two experts will be brought here from the north.

Col. John M. Heck, of Raleigh, died at Philadelphia to-day of cancer. His age was 62 years. He was one of Raleigh's wealthy residents and owned extensive coal properties in Tennessee. His funeral will be held here to-morrow afternoon.

Deputy Collector Willie Jones, of this division, last night captured two illicit distilleries one in Wake, the other in Granville, and arrested a moonshiner who was operating one of them.

Thomas A. Miller who was for twelve years business manager of the Raleigh *News and Observer* died here to-day of consumption, aged 34 years. He was a son of the late Dr. Jas. A. Miller and a nephew of Capt. S. A. Ashe, editor of *News-Observer-Chronicle*.

COURTHOUSE BURNED.

The Temporary Courthouse at Lillington, With All Records, Destroyed—A Negro Has His Throat Cut.

[Special to the Messenger.]

FAYETTEVILLE, Feb. 10.—News was received here to-day that the building in which court was being held at Lillington was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. The court papers and records were lost. The courthouse and records were burned about a year ago. The fire is due to carelessness in throwing a lighted cigar on the floor.

Two miles from town on the east side of the river this afternoon about dusk a white man named Capps, in a fight with a colored man, cut his throat—it was at first thought fatally—but after an examination by the doctors, it is said he may recover.

NEWS FROM BRAZIL.

Preparations for Meeting the Insurgent Fleet at Pernambuco—American Sailors Discharged—Bress Gangs at Work.

QUARANTINE, N. Y., Feb. 10.—The steamer Hilary, Capt. Pinal, just in this morning from Pernambuco, reports all quiet at that port and no fighting in progress. The Hilary was fourteen days in Pernambuco harbor and those on board had an opportunity to observe the preparations made by the Government fleet of cruisers and torpedo boats to encounter Admiral Mello's warships.

The American crew of both the Nictheroy and the America had all been discharged and their places were being filled by impressed Brazilians. Capt. Baker, of the Nictheroy, who was supposed to be friendly to Admiral Mello on account of his long standing acquaintance with the rebel admiral, had been ordered to transfer the command of his ship to a Brazilian naval officer. Capt. Baker, however, objected and exhibited his certificate issued by Mendonca, Brazilian Minister at Washington, appointing him to the command of the Nictheroy. The name of the America, formerly called Britannia, has been again changed, and she is now known as the Andradi.

The Hilary left Pernambuco on January 24th. On the 22nd, the Nictheroy left Pernambuco, having in tow the old harbor guardship Paranhyba, and three new torpedo boats, which have arrived from Hamburg.

The sub-marine boat, Destroyer, accompanied the fleet. Their destination was understood to be Bahia. A few days before the Nictheroy sailed, the Hilary supplied her with four hundred tons of coal, which was her cargo. The Nictheroy is said to be a veritable coal-eater, and, although she certainly develops a high rate of speed, it is at a tremendous expenditure for coal. The vessel also draws 24 feet of water. The difficulty of securing a sufficient number of men to man her is causing the local authorities considerable trouble. Press gangs were ordered to impress every man who could be made available as a sailor, stoker or marine and, in consequence, the new Brazilian crews are composed of carters, longshoremen, clerks and occasionally a real sailor. This action of Peixotto's Government, together with other high-handed proceedings, has only served to aggravate the popular feeling against the Government and in favor of Admiral Mello.

It seems to be the decided opinion of those an board the Hilary that if the rebel forces would make a decided demonstration in the direction of Pernambuco, the town would make a decided demonstration in the direction of Pernambuco, the town would declare for them, in spite of the dreaded Government's soldiery.

Heavy Defalcation of a Cashier.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Feb. 10.—The affairs of the First National bank, of Watkins, which closed its doors yesterday, owning to the flight of the cashier, John W. Love, with the funds, remain in a muddled condition and nothing definite will be known until the bank examiner from Washington has made his report. The story that Cashier Love has committed suicide by drowning in Seneca lake is disbelived. It is thought that the placing of his hat and coat near the boathouse was merely a blind to throw the officers off the track. His defalcations are estimated as high as $110,000. The greatest excitement prevails in the village and runs have been made on the village banks, but the demands have been met in all cases quickly. The story that Love went away with a girl is not true, the girl having returned. Love's wife is prostrated from grief.

It is a great domestic remedy, and should be kept in every home. Mr. Norman Cheatham, Waverly, Sussex Co., Va., who has never been without it for twelve years, subscribes to this opinion. He says: "Our family has been using Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup for twelve years and are never without it in the house. It is invaluable."

Chinese Ordered Back to Cuba.

KEY WEST, Fla., Feb. 10.—In the United States District court to-day Judge Boarmann ordered that twenty three Chinese, captured on Boca Chica several weeks ago, who were held here by order of Judge Locks, pending the action of the Department at Washington, be returned to Cuba, from which place they were brought with the intention of smuggling them into the country through this city.

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Ex-Justice Reade Improving—An Exciting Runaway—Negro Exodusters Returning—Collector Simmons' Appointments Completed — Grading the Raleigh and Western Railway.

MESSENGER BUREAU,
RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 10.

The Populists are bringing every argument to bear, not only with their own Senators, but upon Republican Senators to secure the defeat of the confirmation of Collector Simmons.

Two convicts were brought to the penitentiary to-day from Granville county. Sheriff Horne of Union brought six.

Ex-Associate Justice E. G. Reade, whose illness was reported yesterday, is pronounced by his physicians to be better.

There was an exciting runaway on one of the principal streets here. A pair of dray horses ran away and literally ran over a wagon loaded with wood, striking a white boy who was on the wagon and breaking his skull.

State Chemist H. B. Battle will hold a farmers' institute in Iredell county, February 23-24, assisted by two professors from the Agricultural college.

W. G. Brodie, of Warrenton, who was badly injured in the railway collision at Henderson, is improving rapidly and will in a little while be out.

Many negro "exodusters" are returning to North Carolina from the far South, and are extremely destitute in nearly all cases.

An attempt was made night before last to burn the large public school at Oberlin, a village in the suburbs of Raleigh, but was discovered just in time to save the building.

A telegram from Fayetteville says that William McArthur was killed near Cumberland Mills by a tree which fell upon him while he and many others were fighting fire.

Collector Simmons informs your correspondent that he has completed his list of recommendations for positions as storekeepers and gaugers and brandy gaugers. He has made 130 recommendations.

The Southeastern Tariff association has raised quite a storm among property-owners in this city by its action in raising fire insurance rates. Raleigh has one of the best fire departments in the country, and has been an excepted town, the local board making the rates. The representative of the tariff association was here this week and put up the rate over 50 per cent. on business risks. The local board no longer has control. The insurance men here themselves regard the new rates as excessive. The matter will be laid before the Chamber of Commerce Monday evening.

A force of laborers is now at work grading the Raleigh and Western railway, and by the 15th instant will have this completed as far as Harper's Cross Roads. Not much iron has been put down on this road yet.

The reduction of the cotton acreage in this section of the State is to continue There will be a large increase in the acreage in small grain and corn.

An Attachment for $100,000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Lucien D. Starke, Jr., of Norfolk, Va., has obtained an attachment for $100,000 against the Richmond and West Point Terminal Railway and Warehouse company, on its note made in February, 1892.

A YOUNG GIRL'S FORTUNE.

AN INTERESTING SKETCH.

Nothing appeals so strongly to a mother's affection as her daughter just budding into womanhood. Following is an instance: "Our daughter, Blanche, now 15 years of age, had been terribly afflicted with nervousness, she had lost the entire use of her right arm. She was in such a condition that we had to keep her from school and abandon her music lessons. In fact, we feared St. Vitus dance, and are positive but for an invaluable remedy she would have had that terrible affliction. We had employed physicians, but she received no benefit from them. The first of last August she weighed but 75 pounds, and although she has taken only three bottles of Nervine she now weighs 105 pounds; her nervousness and symptoms of St. Vitus dance are entirely gone, she attends school regularly, and studies with comfort and ease. She has recovered complete use of her arm, her appetite is splendid, and no money could procure for our daughter the health Dr. Miles' Nervine has brought her.

When my brother recommended the remedy I had no faith in patent medicines, and would not listen to him, but as a last resort he sent us a bottle, we began giving it to Blanche, and the effect was almost immediate."—Mrs. R. R. Sullock, Brighton, N. Y.

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