#### TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

A negro is hanged in Norfolk, Va., for murder. It was the first execution in

that city in fifty years .- The courtmartial in the case of Engineer Clever. of the Raleigh, suspend him from rank and duty for one year for leaving the eruiser without permission. Secretary Herbert has ordered the proper officers to look into the practicability of turning the dynamite gun boat Vesuvius into a torpedo boat. -- The Democrats of the Eighth and Tenth districts in Georgia rehominate the present Congressmen.-Three men are killed and others wounded by a dynamite explosion in quarries near Chicago. - In the Populist State convention to-day a resolution will be introduced endorsing the selection of candidates for justices of the Supreme court irrrespective of party. The names oftenest mentioned are Faircloth, Connor, Furches, Clark and Armfield. Whitaker and Guthrie are also spoken of. These two, it is said, are ready to fully affiliate with the Populists. The fusion of State issues is arranged and is a certainty, a Populist says. -- Commander -John S. Newell will command the Detroit.-The court-martial finds Lieut. Bostick, of the navy, guilty of the charges of drunkenness and he has been suspended for one year, - The Populists held a conference in Metropolitan hall, Raleigh, last night. Buck Kitchin will be chairman of the platform committee of the convention to day. The Republicans appointed a committee to confer with the

Populists on the subject of fusion .--In the Michigan Republican convention the Detroit delegation cast a blank vote for Governor, which means that Mayor Pingree will head a bolt ticket, -Indiana farmers are now feeding their wheat to their hogs and selling their corn. -The parish treasurer of East Baton Rouge, Mr. W. G. Randolph, is shot and killed by Dr. King Holt, city physician of Baton Rouge. Hyns county- (Jackson) Miss., goes most probnight the Republican conference committee proposed to the Populists the names of Judges Faircloth and Furches, for the Supreme court and they were accepted. The nine members of the Republican Executive committee now in Raleigh will sign an address recommending fusion with the Populists .- In the Williams-Settle contest for a seat in the House the point is raised that the notary public who took the testimony for Mr. Settle is under age and was, therefore disqualified to act in such capacity. He was appointed at the suggestion of Mr. Settle, who writes the Governor that he did not know the man was a minor when he recommended him. Two large brick buildings in Dallas, Texas, collapse burying a number of people under the ruins. One dead body has been recovered. The Japanese Government publishes a statement giving the causes of the outbreak of hostilities with China. They do not believe the transport that was sunk was flying the British flag and deny the charges of brutality toward the soldiers and sailors on the yessel.-There is serious disagreement between the House and Senate over the River and Harbor bill. The Senate added \$3,500,-000 to the House bill and both sides in the conference are determined not to give way .-- It is said that for the first

ing the lie and using other choice lan-

Fatal Dynamite Explosion. CHICAGO, July 31.-One man was killed, two fatally and several others seriously injured by an explosion of dynamite at the quarries of Dolez & Shepard in Hawthorne just before noon to-day. A crowd of workmen were gathered at one side of the quarry, where experiments were being made in crushing stone with dynamite. The dynamite is with his determination by any suggestsome way was discharged, blowing up the boilers in the engine house near by. Two of the injured died on their way to the hospital:

time yesterday the Senate conferees on

the Tariff bill showed any inclination to

meet the House conferees haif way and

All of the dead and wounded were employed by the Western Electric com-They had been blasting rock in pany. They had been blasting rock in the Dolez & Shepard quarry for nearly two months. This morning Rudds, who was in charge of the men, brought a new invention for blasting purposes to the yards and announced that he would make an experiment at noon. His men were standing about him when a charge of giant powder was placed in a hole which had been drilled into the rock. In some manner unknown the powder became ignited and a terrific explosion followed. The explosion was heard for nearly two miles around and in a very short time hundreds of people crowded into the quarries. Frank Corbin, one of the dead men was terribly mangled. A portion of his left leg was torn from the body and was found nearly a hundred feet from where his body lay.

Scott Clark and his son Richard were found lying near together. The elder Clark suffered intensely before death, which occurred on the way to the hospital. Richard Clark was killed. A large gash on his forehead was the only wound found. It appears that he was struck by a flying piece of stone. The explosive was an invention of Mr. Rudds which he called "ruddsite."

Dallas, Tex., July 31.-Two large brick buildings on Elm street, occupied by the Wells Faro Express company and sons are buried in the ruins. One man has been taken out dead.

Local Option in Mississippi. JACKSON, Miss., July 31 .- At the local cption election in this (Hyns) county, and 5,000 people in the audience, Govto-day, Jackson gave 138 majority for ernor Rich was re-nominated on the first the wets. Unofficial advices from the ballot, Wayne county gave Rich four and county indicate that the dry ticket has other 106 voted blank. This is the Detroit won. The vote was light. There was a delegation. The blank votes of the Decomplete absence of bitterness of former troit delegation is held to mean that local option elections. If the county has gone dry it only leaves six counties in Mississippi where the sale of liquor is legalized.

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you need!

WILLIAMS VS. SETTLE.

THE CONTEST ASSUMING A NEW PHASE.

The Minority Report Based Upon the the Fact That the Notary Public for Mr. Settle Was a Minor-Spicy Correspondence Between Mr. Settle and

Governor Carr on the Snbject.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—The Williams Settle election case from the Fifth North | until next winter. The conferees on the Carolina district is likely to come before the House for action shortly. This was one of the first contests considered by the Committee on Elections, and as long ago as January 31st. Mr. Paynter re. ported for the committee that Mr. Settle was entitled to the seat he occupied. On the 6th instant, however, Messrs. Woodard, Patterson, Hayes. Denson and to the \$8,500,000 provided for in the Sun-Jones filed a minority report, concluding with a resolution declaring Williams entitled to the seat. One of the points made by Williams in the contest was that the notary public (Ratlliffe) before whom Settle took his testimony in Rockingham county, was an infant, under 21 years of age, and that he was not, therefore under the law of North Carolina, even a de facto officer. and was not authorized to take depositions, The majority of the committee, referring to this, say: "The committee does not pass upon this question, because it is not necessary to do so for the pur-pose of determining who is entitled to

In this view of the case the subjoined correspondence is of interest.

"STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. RALEIGH, N. C., July 25, 1894.

Hon. Thomas Settle, Washington, D. C. "DAER SIR:-I am instructed by the Governor to inform you that he has been notified that T. A. Ratlliffe, Jr., of Rockngham county, whom he appointed upon your recommendation a notary public, is under age and, therefore, under our law, section 55 of the Constitution, ably for prohibition, leaving only six is ineligible to such a position. Unless counties in the State in which the sale of this information can be refuted he will liquor is allowed. —At a late hour last feel compelled to ask for his resignation. you he would appoint any one you would recommend, thinking, of course, that you would not place him in this position. He feels that before taking action in the matter, you should be informed, and hence this letter. Please give the matter your prompt attention, and oblige, Yours very truly,

S. F. TELFAIR. Private Secretary,' "Washington, D. C., July 29, 1894. S. F. Telfair, Esq., Raleigh, N. C.:

"MY DEAR SIR:-Your letter of the 25th inst., in reference to Mr. T. A. Ratlliffe, Jr., written by instruction of the Governor, was received this morning. You say that the Governor has been notified that Mr. Ratlliffe is a minor, and unless this information can be refuted he will feel compelled to ask for his resig-

"It would gratify something more than idle curiosity on my part to know who so informed the Governor, and why this matter was not agitated at an earlier date. Mr. Ratlliffe was commissioned, I believe, in March 1893, and only a few months of the term for which he was appointed remain unexpired. He has served the greater portion of this time withcomplaint or notice of ineligilar coincidence that this matter to the Senate and House conferees and should imperitively demand action just to the House of Representatives. at the time it is expected my contest will be called up for decision by the House of | full Senate, this conferee expressed some | it was important. Most of the bills Representatives. You say when he (the Jovernor) issued the commission, he old you (me) that he would appoint any one you (I) would recommend. The Governor did not tell me that; he said he would appoint any Democrat whom I would suggest and he actually refused to appoint Mr. H. M. Joyce, of Danbury, N. C., because he was a Republican,

the latter left the conference in much or rather because he was not a Dembetter spirits than at any previous time. ocratic. I regret very much if the Gover-There are prospects of a compromise and nor feels any embarrassment on account of having made this appointment, and I settlement in the near future. --- After assure him through you that when I the speaking between Tillman and Butler recommended Mr. Ratlliffe I did not vesterday they met in a car and had a know he was a minor, but recommended "cussing match" with each other, passhim upon the suggestion of Mr. P. B. Johnson, a good Democrat, Inasmuch Mr. Ratlliffe's qualifications to fill the position of a notary public have been the subject of so much concern to the people of North Carolina, it is deeply to be regretted that the point in issue cannot receive a judicial construction. The opinion of the legal profession is not all one way, but the Governor having satisfied himself, and apprehending that great injury might result from Mr. Ratlliffe serving the few remaining months of his term, I shall not interfere

> THOMAS SETTLE." Sun's Cotton Review.

Very truly yours,

NEW YORK, July 31.-The Sun's cotton review says: A decline in Liverpool, and an estimate by Neill & Co., of 8,900,-000 bales as the minimum crop, depression at the South, long selling and bear hammering, caused lower prices here early in the day. Later, on reports of drought in Southwestern Texas, some recovery in Liverpool, and buying by shorts caused a rally, which put prices slightly above the closing prices of yesterday. Copious rains were reported in some parts of Texas and spot markets at

the South were weaker. One firm said: "To sell cotton at rul ing prices is taking the chances that there will be a continuation of all the bearish features that have recently prevailed to bring the market down to its present level, and as many things may next sixty days, it would seem best that the season should be a little further admade on the 20th, it would be regarded before the season should be a little further admade on the 20th, it would be regarded promotions vanced before attempting to put the as a menace to Japan. market below the figures touched to-day.

However, we must wait upon Liverpool, as is usually the cose, to determine whether prices have receded as much as the present crop prospects warrant. With any encouragement from there we shall improve, but without their support T. C. Craddocks, grocer, collapsed at we shall have to drag along until we 11:30 o'clock to day. A number of per hear more favorably from that market.'

A Split Among the Republicans. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., \$1 .- The Republican State convention met here today with 929 delegates in attendance Mayor Pingree, of Detroit, will run on a bolt ticket against Rich. Pingree's friends say this bolt has been determined

Johnson's Oriental Soap is the most delicate facial soap for ladies' use in ex-istence, absolutely pure and highly medi-

TWO DEADLOCKS. THE RUSSIAN THISTLE.

The House and Senate Disagree as t the River and Harbor Bill-Possible Defeat of the Measure-Prospect of Settlement of the Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, July 31.-The Tariff bill not the only measure over which there is a deadlock between the two Houses of Congress. The River and Harbor bill, which is now in conference, is not only dead-locked but it was intimated this morning that it may either fail altogether or its further consideration postponed part of both Houses are, as usual, reticent about what occurs in the committee room. But the fact has leaked out that the House conferees have taken a determined stand, and flatly informed their Senatorial associates that they will not consent to the enormous increase made in the bill by the Upper House. The bill as it passed the House carried an appropriation of \$9,500,000, in addition dry Civil bill to continue work under contract. This made the total river and harbor appropriations for the next two years \$18,000,000 in round numbers. The Senate increased the appropriation by \$3,500,000.

for some days and thus far the Senate conferees have yielded only \$655,000. This is not nearly enough to satify the representatives of the House. They insist that the bill as it passed the House was as liberal a measure as could have been expected, considering the depleted condition of the treasury, that the increase on the part of the Senate is not only unwise when the straightened conditions of the national finances is remembered, but that these increases have been made with an amiable desire to please individual Senators and not because the necessites of the case demanded them. The House bill, it is contended, is an harmonious and well rounded and well considered measure, while that of the Senate s not. If an agreement cannot be reached, the House conferees, it is under stood, may retire from the contest and eave the whole matter in the air until the next session.

The prospects of an agreement on the tariff were much improved to-day. For the first time in many days the House Democratic conferees came from the meeting with the ststement that previous irreconciliable differences were in process of amicable adjustment. With tors had shown a disposition for the first time to meet the House half way. As to when a full agreement would be reached there was some difference of opinion. One House conferee said it would probably be this week. Another thought it would be "soon." Chairman Wilson would not eyen admit that the understanding had gone far enough to warrant the prediction of a speedy report. He said, however, that the conferees had at least done some business and made progress to-day, which was more than-could have been said of the past meetings. The Senate conferees came from the meeting without showing the hopefulness of the House members. They said the conference was far from an agreement as it had been. While there was this conflict among those informed of the inside workings of the

conference, the general belief prevailed that the hopefulness of the House conferees had some substantial foundation. One of the conferees said that while no final agreement had been made on iron coal and sugar, yet that sufficient had been developed in conference to show that an agreement could be reached items, which would be acceptable Whether it would be acceptable to the doubt. In this connection it developed to-day that Senator Caffery, of Louisiana, who has been most active in the sugar question, had a long and it is said satisfactory conferences vesterday with

Speaker Crisp and Chairman Wilson. While the House conferees were so pleased at the bright outlook, their Sena- struction and improvement of the naval torial colleagues contented themselves with saying that while they were hopeful of reaching an understanding, nothing had transpired in conference to base this hope upon. They declare that on items except the one appropriating the essential items of disagreement the \$1,000,000 for the extirpation of conferees are as far apart as they ever | the Russian thistle in the Northwest, put

One of the leading "conservative" the Senate. Senators said as he was leaving the Senate chamber to-night that the Tariff bill would be finally agreed upon by next Monday, and he added that the bill would be virtually the same bill. The day developed the possibility of a

report of partial agreement, and while agreed to. the report at first appeared as a vague rumor, its probability was afterwards confirmed by Senators not members of the conference committee. The fact that the conference had the schedules other than those relating to sugar, coal and iron ore under consideration to-day is one fact in confirmation of

The China-Japan Affair. YOKOHAMA, July 31.—The following statement of the difficulties between China and Japan, which led to the outbreak of hostilities between those two countries, has been issued by the Japan- ing provision that he should not lose

ese Government; "Japan and China were approaching a settlement of their difficulties when China suddenly requested Japan to withdraw her fleet from Corea, and to give a formal compliance with the Chinese demands by the 20th, otherwise the whole Chinese forces were to land and a State advance on the part of China was to be made. The Japanese regarded this happen, such as adverse crop reports, a settlement of the tariff matter and a advice of friendly powers, they agreed to revival of business confidence, any one or all of which might occur within the

It is conjectured that the Japanese naval commanders were instructed to be on the qui vive for the Chinese warships and, seeing the latter advancing on July 27th, they opened fired. The Japanese do not believe that the Kow Shung, the Chinese transport sunk by a Japanese any case, they regard it, if true, as being

ruse de guerre. The Japanese indignantly deny the charge of brutality brought against the officers and crew of the cruiser which sank the transport. No official report has been received at Yokohama of this engagement.

Lieutenant Bostick Suspended. WASHINGTON, July 81 .- The court-martial which recently tried Lieut. Edward Bostick, of the United States navy, for drunkenness on board the United States steamship Ranger at La Union, Salvador, February 17th, and at San Diego, Cal., April 17th, found him guilty on each charge of being "so much under the influence of intoxicating liquor as to be incapacitated for the proper performance of duty," and the Secretary of the Navy

A THORN IN THE SIDE OF OUR CONGRESSMEN.

The Two Houses Cannot Agree on Proposition to Spend \$1,000,000 in Its Extermination - The House Bankruptcy and Railroad Tax Bills Reported in the Senate -A Dull Day in Both Houses.

WASHINGTON, July 31 .- The stupifying dullness of the Senate proceedings to-day was interrupted but not enliyened by a repetition of the discussion which comes up every year on the subject of a site for a new building for the Government printing office. For several years past there have been three rival propositions pressed with about equal pertinancy. The one which has had hereto fore the most numerous partisans, in cluding Senators Sherman and Teller, is the acquisition of the square known as 'Mahone lot," not far from the present building. The next in point of number

of supporters, including the chairman of the Committee on Printing in the last Congress, Senator Manderson, is the purchase of the square known as the "base ball lot." And the third, of which the chairman of the Committee on Printing, Senator Gorman, is the chief advocate, is the retention of the present building and the acquisition of adjoining property sufficient to erect an addition that will meet all the requirements of the Government in the way of public printing and binding. In the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill, which came before the Senate to-day, an amendment had been reported looking to the purchase of the Manone lot, although the chairman of the committee, Senator Cockrell, declared himself opposed to it and in favor of Senator Gorman's plan. A motion to substitute the base bal

lot was made by Senator Manderson and was rejected-yeas. 13: nays, 34. A motion to acquire an addition to the site of the existing building was also rejected-yeas, 13;nays,34, and the amendment reported by the Committee on Appropriations for the purchase of the Mahone lot was agreed to without division. The bill went over without final The conference report on the Indian

Appropriation bill, showing agreements on some amendments and disagreement on others, was presented and adopted and a further conference was ordered. The General Defiency bill was reported and placed on the calendar, and so was the House Bankruptcy bill, which is to be taken up for consideration on Mon-day next. Some half dozen bills were taken from the calendar and passed.

The House bill to prevent interference in the collection of State, county and municipal taxes assessed against corporations and corporate property was taken up and explained by Senator Coke. He said that it was intended to apply to railroads which were in the hands of receivers, it having been held that all power on the part of the States to collect taxes from such railroads was withdrawn. The passage of the bill, he said, was absolutely necessary in order that State revenues might suffer no diminution. The bill had been reported unanimously by the Judiciary committee. On objection by Senator Mitchell, or Oregon, the bill went over until to-mor

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The House transacted considerable business in the three and a half hours that it was in session to-day, but little of passed were reported from the Committee on Naval Affairs, and one only was of general interest. It authorized the Secretary of the Navy, under proper regulations, to loan to the States applying for them such ships as can be spared for that purpose, to be used for the in-

row, and the Senate adjourned.

militia of the States. Mr. Hatch reported the result of the conference on the Agricultural Appropriation bill, an agreement on all were. An increased hopefulness that a on the bill in the Senate. After discussbill will be agreed upon is noticeable, ing the conference report for an hour the however, on the part of Democratic | House voted 176 to 52 to insist upon its Senators who are not members of the disagreement to the Senate amendment and to agree to the conference asked by

Mr. Outhwaite asked unanimous consent to withdraw the order from the Committee on Rules for consideration of the bill to protect the public forest reservations, which was pending when the House adjourned yesterday, and it was At the conclusion of the morning hour, at 3:20 o'clock the House adjourned.

An Ambiguous Sentence of a Court

Martial. WASHINGTON, July 31.—The court martial which tried Passed Assistant Engineer Henry T. Clever, of the Raleigh, for leaving the ship without permission and staying away nine days, sentenced him, upon his plea of guilty, once. to be suspended for one year on furlough pay, to retain his present number during the year's suspension with the conflictmore than four numbers. Acting Secretary McAdoo returned the finding to the court, suggesting, in effect, that the court would have to specify whether the suspension be by the neck or whether his rank or duty be suspended. He called attention to the fact that the punishment was extremely mild compared with what was inflicted upon enlisted men for similar offences. The court modified the sentence to suspension from pay, which is half that of waiting ord

To Command the Detroit. WASHINGTON, July 31.—The Secretary of the Navy has selected Commander John S. Newell to command the cruiser Detroit, now about ready for sea, at Norfolk. Commander Newell was detached cruiser, was flying a British flag, but, in from the naval war college at Newport to-day and to-morrow will receive his instructions to assume command of the been undergoing several changes since her return from Rio.

A Fatal Affray. NEW ORLEANS, July 31 .- Mr. W. G Randolph, parish treasurer of East Baton Rouge, and one of the most prominent men in politics and society in that parish was shot and mortally wounded yester-day afternoon by Dr. King Holt, city physician, who stands equally high in the business, political and social circles at the Capital. Holf received a bullet through the leg. Randolph died at 4 o'clock this morning. Bad blood had existed between the men for some time.

cated.

ROME, July 31.—The Ministry has decided to raise the state of siege in Sicily and the necessary decree will soon be issued.

Capacitated for the proper performance of duty," and the Secretary of the Navy has approved the sentence that he be suspended from the rank and duty on waiting orders pay for a period of one year, retaining his present number on the list of lieutenants.

Those thin, pale, weak, nervous people of duty, and the Secretary of the Navy has approved the sentence that he be suspended from the rank and duty on waiting orders pay for a period of one year, retaining his present number on the list of lieutenants.

THE POPULISTS.

A Resolution to be Introduced in Their State Convention-Judicial Timber-Fusion on State Issues Settled.

[Special to the Messenger.] RALEIGH, July 31.—The following resolution will be offered in, and adopted by the Populist State convention to-mor-

WHEREAS, On account of the weakness of human nature, even the best and purest men when elevated to office by one political party are liable to be biased, often even unconsciously, in favor of said WHEREAS, The People's party believes that the best interests of the State can be

served by lifting judicial ermine above contaminating influences of partisan politics; therefore, be it Resolved, That it shall always be a cardinal principle of our party law to select and cast our votes for the broadest, purest and best qualified for the high and important office of judge, irrespective

of party affiliations. Who will be the nomines at to-morrow's convention for chief justice and three associate justices? Most probably W. T. Faircloth for chief justice, D. M. Furches, Walter Clark, H. G. Connor or R F. Armfield. Spier Whitaker has supporters for the nomination for chief justice, and many of the Populists want some other man, while a third set are doubtful. The suggestion of Judge Whitaker's name was a new thing to most of the delegates. Mr. Faircloth is in the lead.

"Under the terms of the resolution above quoted," said one of the leaders, we go for men best qualified and endorse them without regard to endorsing their politics or expecting them to endorse ours."

W. A. Guthrie, Esq., is very popular with the party and if there were plenty of offices would get one.

V. S. Lusk would like to get the nomination, but will not. Furches and Faircloth stand very high in Populist esteem. A Populist leader, said Whitaker and Guthrie were prepared to fully affiliate. 'The fusion on State issues is arranged and is a certainty," he added. As to the Treasurer, the drift is now strongly towards Professor John Graham, of Ridgeway. Maj. W. A. Graham is prominently talked of, but he will be the nominee for Congress most probably. There is a desire that W. H. Worth shall keep his present position as business agent of the Alliance.

THE POLITICAL ALLIANCE. Republican Committee Appointed to Negotiate Fusion with the Pop-

ulists-Populist Conference -Faircloth and Furches Agreed Upon. [Special to the Messenger.] RALEIGH, July 31.—The Populists held caucus at Metropolitan hall this even-

ing. Over 200 attended. They meet in that hall at noon to morrow. Their committee on platform, of which Buck Kitchin will be chairman, makes the financial plank the chief one, and silver coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1 is demanded. The election law is attacked. The Republicans appointed the following as their committee to confer with the Populists as to fusion: C. M. Bernard. H. L. Grant, A. R. Middleton, James H. Young, R. M. Dougles, Oliver H. Dockery, W. A. Bailey, John Hoffman and H. G. Ewart. This committee was instructed to ascertain if fusion was wanted or not. It is a committee of citizens and not of the executive commit-

tee. There was a difference of view as to whether fusion was desired or not. Some did not desire it. It was late tonight before this committee finished its conference with the Populists, and the Republicans then held another confer-

11:45 P. M.-At 10:30 o'clock your correspondent saw Maj. H. L. Grant, who said "Our committee of conference was harmonious. We named to the Populists Judges Faircloth and Furches on the Supreme court ticket and they were accepted, Ewart wanted Lusk, but that would have antagonized Eaves. Douglas will make a minority report to another meeting we will hold to-morrow morning. Eight of our executive committee are here to-night. Walser has gone home. He opposed anything being done by the committee unless it was regularly called by Chairman Eaves, or any action which would forestall the action of our State convention. But he and Crawford and the other seven committeemen will sign and address recommending fusion, which we will issue. The committee will prepare this address at

Base Ball. New York, July 31.-Boston, 3; New York, 4. Batteries-Nichols and Tenny Rusie and Farrell. BALTIMORE, July 31,-Washington, 3 Baltimore, 11. Batteries-Mercer, Sulli-

van and McGuire; McMahon and Robin-CLEVELAND, July 31.—Cleveland, 12; Louisville, 10. Batteries—Mullane, Young and O'Connor; Hemming and Weaver. Second game-Louisville, 12; Cleveland, 4. Batteries-Menafee and Grim; Young and Zimmer.

PHILADELPHIA, July 81.—Philadelphia, 13; Brooklyn, 6. Batteries-Harper and Cross: Kennedy and Dailey.
PITTSBURG, July 31.—Cincinnati, 10 Pittsburg, 11. Batteries-Parrott and Murphy; Ehret and Sugden.
CHICAGO, July 31.—St. Louis, 1; Chicago, 8. Batteries—Breitenstein and Twineham; Hutchinson and Schriver.

Georgia Congressmen Nominated. ATLANTA, July 31.—The Democratic pose Black again.

RULER OF TWO PARTIES

MAJ. GRANT POSTPONES THE POPULIST CONVENTION.

Frequent Conferences Between Populists and Republicans-Maj. Grant Again Interviewed-The Populist Forces Well Organized -Nine of the Republican Committeemen Pres-

ent Yesterday. MESSENGER BUREAU, RALEIGH, July 31. Last night your correspondent had nother interview with Maj. H. L Grant, who just now is the actual head of the Republican party in the State, i seems. That party is at present engaged

in the altogether congenial task of

'managing" the Populists. Very thinly disguised is the contempt the Republi cans feel for the lamb with which they are now about to "lie down." Maj. Grant had a talk with Mr. Butler Populist manager, yesterday, and told him and other Populists it was best not to hold the Populist Congressional conven-

tion here to-day; that it was premature.

He felt quite sure, he said then, that

nothing would be done. Not hearing anything this morning of the Populist convention aforesaid, your correspondent went to the Park hotel, and found the Populists in council, a great many of them too, including Harry Skinner and Kitchin. A card was sent up to Mr. Butler, who in political affairs as always "the brains" of the Populist party, asking him when and at what hour the convention would be held. In a minute back came the answer. "The convention is postponed." Your cor-respondent had ever since Sunday afternoon, when the interview with Maj Grant was had, been of the opinion that the district convention would not materialize. See the "fine Italian hand" of Maj. Grant,

Mr. W. F. Stroud, who expected to get the nomination this day arrived yesterday

Maj. Grant says Otho Wilson was the only Populist who wanted the district convention. Maj. Grant evidently places little value on his opinions. He no doubt remembers that Wilson is the man who two years ago told Chairman Eaves would never vote for a Republican. Mr. H G. Ewart, of Hendersonville arrived to day. Col. Harry Skinner arrived yesterday afternoon. The "Pops" are at the Park hotel, the "Reps." at the Yarboro. They are in conference nearly all the time; sometimes apart and sometimes together. The local "faithful" assembled with them. There are nearly as many Republicans as Populists. The plan is to have two steering committees, which will cut out the work for the con-

Readers of the interview with Mr. of it. Maj. Grant says that the "Pops" have their people under better control and have no quarrels among their leaders, and hence can control their people better than the Republicans. Yes, even then, he says they will have to work hard to "deliver the goods"—meaning the votes. He says he knows the Republicans will have far more trouble in this line. He declares he does not want to underestimate the difficulties, and knows the fight will be a desperate one.

The conferences of the Republicans were informal yesterday. This morning at 9 o'clock nine of the sixteen committeemen were reported as here. Maj. Grant said three more would be here tcday. Two are out of the State and Brady and Millikin are, as stated, not in sympathy with fusion and will not be here. Maj. Grant says that he thinks Eaves has a friend here watching events, who keeps him posted. Eaves has not yet come. Mr. Zeb. Vance Walser playfully spoke of him as being "conspicuous by his absence."

The Republican committee will shake up things in the Second district, where heatham and White are running for Congress, Both are negroes. They will not give way to each other or retire in favor of anybody, save a white man. So they will have to choose a white man to make the run and then step down and out themselves.

Republicans when asked if Chairman Eaves would resign said "no," Here is a little aphorism-"Scratch a Republican-Fusionist and you will find an office-seeker." It is a paraphrase of famous saying, but is the truth. It is Professor Kilgo, of Spartanburg, who is the choice of the trustees of Trinity college. The trustees met to-day

Gen. John W. Cotten, Grand Master of The First Execution in Fifty Yeats.

NORFOLK, Va., July 31 .- The first execution in Norfolk for fifty years took place at noon to-day, when Madison Brown, colored, was hanged for the murder of John Dollard. The execution was witnessed by about sixty persons and went off without a hitch. Brown was decidedly the coolest man in the crowd. He ascended the steps of the scaffold without a tremor, and maintained himself in like manner throughout the

Religious ceremonies were conducted by a Catholic priest, at the close of which the drop fell. Death was caused by strangulation. The condemned man made no confession.

On the morning of April 7, 1898 about 1 o'clock several shots were heard in the vicinity of Queen and James streets. The residents of the neighborhood were aroused and soon it was reported that John Dollard, a member of the select council; a prominent and wealthy citizen, had been killed by burglars who were attempting to rob his store. About ten days after the murc the detectives discovered a clue and April 18th their efforts were rewarded by the capture of Madison Brown and

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Indiana Polis, July 31.—The farmers of Indiana, for the first time in the history of the State, are feeding their wheat to their hogs and selling their corn. Wheat brings 43 cents per bushel when convention of the Eighth Congressional delivered at the country stations, and district met at Greensboro yesterday and corn sells readily at from 45 to 47 cents. re-nominated Judge Thomas G. Lawson | The farmers say that one bushel of wheat Detroit August 14th. The Detroit has for Congress. The Democratic conven- contains as much nutriment as two tion for the Centh district met to-day at bushels of corn, and as hogs are bring-Warrenton and re-nominated J. C. C. ing good prices and corn is higher than Black. Tom Watson will probably op- wheat, it is economy to feed the latter and sell their corn.

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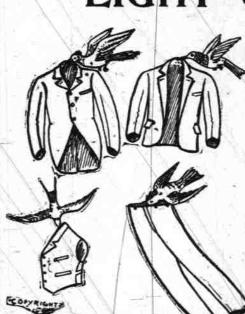
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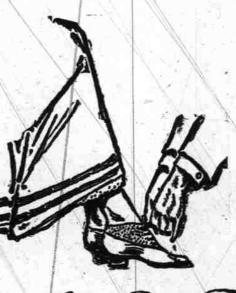
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