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FOR BETTER SCHOOLS.

We give a brief outline of the new legislation as to the public schools. It is excellent legislation on the subject, for which credit rate was raised to 20 cents from 18 cents on the hundred, which will run the schools about four months, especially as the districts are made larger to include a township. This feature is not wise, as many teachers will have more pupils than should be given to one person, especially for the good of the children.

Besides the regular school tax, the law was passed appropriating fifty thousand (\$50,000) a year for the schools on the following conditions: Any township that votes to tax itself ten cents on the hundred dollars worth of property, and thirty cents on each poll, and raises any amount up to \$250, the State will give the same amount for the public school of that township. If the amount raised in the township is over \$250, the State will give only the latter amount. This does not apply to places having local systems of public or graded schools.

An election in all the townships next on this question. After a township votes to tax itself thus, no counter election can be ordered ceed \$50,000 a year.

This is a long step forward. This local taxation feature is a wise one, and the main one by which public schools in other States have been most successful. The length of the public schools may be doubled, and townships should avail themselves of secur ing every dollar when, for each one voted, the State will give another. The day-dawn for the mass of children in the Old North State is breaking. May they soon see its high-noon of realization. President Aldeman and Prof. Holmes, of the University, President Mc Iver, of the Normal and Industrial College worked hard for the public schools.

os was realized by the sales of Bob Fitzsimmons knocked out hese bonds, but the reserve was lim Corbett on Wednesday at steadily decreased until, on Feb-Carson City, Nev., on the 14th ruary 8, 1895, a third sale of \$62. 315,400 in bonds for \$65,116,244 round. If all the "talent" aswas announced to Congress. sembled had been knocked out by The receipts of the government law so that the butchering busifor the fiscal year ending June 30, ness had been broken up, we 1895, were \$390,873,203 and the exwould have no tears to shed. penditures \$433,178,426, showing a Such a bloody, savage scene is a deficit of \$42,805,223. A further loan of \$100,000 was negodisgrace to Nevada and to the tiated by the government in Febcivilization of America. We are ruary, 1896, the sale netting \$111,rather more satisfied, if we have 166,246 and swelling the aggregate ever, the spry old lady placed a warrant in the sheriff's hands callany preferences on the subject at of bonds issued within three years all, that Corbett loses and that the to \$262,315,400. For the fiscal year ing for young Torrence, and ending June 30, 1896, the revenues Australian wins. Jim and his charging, it is said, that he was of the government from all sources crowd will not make so much fuss attempting to flee the country amounted to \$409,475,408, while hereafter, nor take up so much its expenditures were \$434,678,654, with \$600 of his beloved's clear cash. space before the public. There is or an excess of expenditures over receipts of \$25,203,245. In other nothing noble in this to desire our words, the total receipts for the country's side to win. It appears three fiscal years ending June 30, 1896, were insufficient by 137,811,-729 to meet to total expendithat Fitz, "fit," here.

THE EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS-EY'S MESSAGE. ton of the Fifty-fifth Congress, as per President McKinley's order, convened the liberal wages and adequate re-Monday. The main purpose of wards to which skill and industry this extra session is to enact a new are justly entitled. The necessity ariff law. The President was of a tariff law which shall provide very brief in his recommendations, urged. The imperative demand and nothing more than was ex- of the hour is the prompt enactpected is given in his message, ment of such a measure and to

Following is the message : To the Cangress of the United States:

Regretting the necessity which has required me to call you to-gether, I teel that your assembling

in extraordinary session is indis-pensible, because of the condition finances. a which we find the revenues of the government. It is conceded [Signed.] should not be withheld. The tax that its current expenditures are greater than its receipts and that such a condition has existed for now more than three years. With unlimited means at our command, we are presenting the remarkable pectacle of increasing our public moved Dr. Murphy. lebt by borrowing money to meet the ordinary outlays incident upon an economical and prudent administration of the government. of March 15th, says: An examination of the subject dis-

loses this fact in every detail and eads inevitably to the conclusion that the revenue that allows it is unjustifiable and should be corrected.

We find by the reports of the Secretary of the Treasury that the evenues for the fiscal year ending lune 30, 1892, from all sources were \$425,868,260.22, and the expenditures for all purposes were \$415,963,806.56, leaving an excess t receipts over expenditures of \$9,614,453 66. During that fiscal year \$40,570,467.98 were paid upon the public debt, which had been reduced from March 1, 1889, \$259.-76,890, and the annual interest harges decreased \$11,684,577.60. The receipts of the government from all sources during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1893, amounted to \$461,716,561 and its

of the State will be held in August expenditures to \$459,374887, showng an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$2,441,674. Since that time the receipts of no fiscal year, and with but few exceptions for three years. The amount to of no more of any fiscal year, have be given by the State cannot ex- exceeded the expenditures. The receipts of the government from all sources, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1894, were \$372,-802,498 and its expenditures \$442,-

605.758, leaving a deficit, the first since the resumption of specie payments, of \$69,803,260. Notwith-standing there was a decrease of \$16,769,128, in the ordinary exeverywhere condemned." penses of the government as compared with the previous fiscal year, its income was still not sufficient to provide for its daily necessities and the gold reserve in the Treasury for the redemption of greenbacks was drawn upon to meet them. But this did not suffice, and the government then resorted to loans to replenish the

reserve. In February, 1894, \$50,000,000 n bonds were issued, and in November following a second ssun of \$50,000,000 was deemed necessary. The sum of \$117,171,-

CORN CRACKER'S TROUBLES. domestic and foreign commerce to aid and develop mining and Accused of Stealing a Bee Gum and building, and to render to labor in Seed Turnips. every field of useful occupation

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ample revenue, need not be further

this movement.

gives the officers the same duties

HE IS IN A BAD FIX. on't Know What to Do-He Hope However, That He Won't Wind Up in the Legislature-His Future Letters to

The Herald" Will Be from Cuba. rrespondence of The Messenger

this object I earnestly recommend Those who have been reading that Congress shall make every the correspondence from this secendeavor. Before other business tion are aware that it abounds in is transacted, let us first provide stirring occurrences. What would - called a rousing sensation in sufficient revenue to faithfully ad minster the government without other quarters, does not here rank the contracting of further debt, or as more than commonplace. But now and then we do have somethe continued disturbances of our thing that causes wiseacres to wag WW. MCKINLEY, their heads, and gossips their President of the United States. tongues. Very recently the shadow of a great grief settled on this sec-THE HOSPITALS ACT DEFECTIVE. tion of the moral vineyard. It

The Old Directors of the Western, Cenwas a murder, for we can spare a tral and Eastern Hospitals Employ Counsel to Contest the Validity of the New Act of Removal-Why Russell Reman, and it is no trouble for a widow to remarry. It was not stealing a horse, for any man of sense would not want one of our bone-The Raleigh correspondent of yard delegates. Our jockey street the Charlotte Observer, under date journeymen can talk horse till they give you the night-mare, but their "It was common talk here a chargers are not of the fiery, unmonth ago among republicans who tamed order. The dark crime to claimed to be well informed that which we refer was stealing a bee-Governor Russell did not desire to gum with its store of winter honey. see Dr. Murphy interfered with as The owner had the grip, and the superintendent of the Western Hospital. A republican of promigum left between two days. He is righteous man who lives in the nence was asked yesterday what sweat of his face, and the face of started the movement of the Gov-ernor against Dr. Murphy. He his bees. When he found his gum was gone, he lifted up his voice replied that Burke county declared and wept. He likewise cast ashes for Russell and that the Burke rein the air, and covered himself publicans wanted ' pie'; that they were the people who clamored for with sackeloth and guano sacks His voice of lamentation was heard Dr. Murphy's head. This particumingling with the deep roar of lar republican had no words suffi-Hinton's creek. The chief of the cient to express his abhorrence of Chevry Mountain Detective Bureau reported with a "Yanger" "The assertion is now made that rifle and a batchet to know why the legislative act which was this thusness and whence these drawn, it is understood by Govweeps. He said some man who ernor Russell's own hand, to take had not the fear of God before his the control of the three hospitals face had stormed his picket fence, for the insane from the democrats, and his favorite bee gum was but is defective, and does not really a bitter memory. That the grip was bad enough, but now the repeal the former charters of the ospitals, but re-enacts them and preacher would have to eat chicken,

and rights as before. The old with no honey to cool his parched boards of directors have retained tongue. That he had been shot in counsel and all will act in concert. both hind legs and in the neck It is understood that among the while fighting at the head of his counsel are James E. Shepherd, F. column, but never before had he I. Osborne, Busbee & Busbee, W. felt such sore bereavement. The C. Monroe, C. B. Aycock, Isaac J. detective gave the alarm that a "haynous" crime had been com-Dortch and F. A. Dauiel. The new boards of directors are called mitted, and everybody sprang to arms like the highland clans rose to meet next Thursday. The act of the republicans and bolting popat the bugle blast of highland ulists in grabbing the hospitals is Rhoderick Dhu. Tracks were measured, conjurers consulted, and

Tried to Skip With His Aged Wife's Money. every man girded up his loins and put his rabbit foot in his jeans. Lenoir Special, 9th, to Charlotte Observer. But no bee-gum was found, and no Ouite a ripple of excitement was clew to the thief discovered. caused here to day by the arrest Finally, it was decided, by a rising about daylight this morning of vote, to get Tommy Elliott's fox hounds. Why they are called Fry Torrence, and his vigorous resistance of the officers. Some fox hounds nobody has ever been six or eight months ago Tom Setable to explain. They may have some time or other met a fox, but zer, of this county, died, leaving a wife about 70 years of age, and it it is certain they never overtook was supposed, quite a lot of money secreted about his premises. Some one. Nor have they ever been known to trail a criminal. Yet, two weeks after Setzer's death the when any man is hiding, from a old lady-his widow-and Fry hen thief to a decamped bank Torrence, a young chap of wild cashier, somebody suggests "Tomways, and about 22 or 23 years of my Elliott's dogs." They were age, were married on the Blowing brought to the scene of the crime, Rock turnpike about two miles and after knocking down the remaining bee gums and getting the

north of Lenoir. Apparently all went along smoothly until within the past few full hue and cry on a "hot trail." days, when there have been In one hour they had treed a very "rumors of war." It seems there well developed Thomas H. cat, was a row in the camp yesterday, that was the pride and joy of an followed by the announcement by old maid's existence. Some fa-Fry that he was going to leave the country. He got as far last night as his sister's, a few miles in the country. In the mean time, how-female rallied to the defense of her among the R

the face of evidence that I don't eat turnips, and that I don't like a man who is a slave to the turnip habit. I was turned out of the

church for being a democrat, and found it hard work to get a foot-hold in the society of the non elect. Now I don't know what to do. Some say my chances are golden to be elected to the next Legisla ture, but it would be less of a stigma to go a session to the penitentiary. A blamed fortune teller tried to crush my hopes once by telling me I would wind up in the Legislature, but I hope to escape. Here I am in the heydey of life, with a prospect of dying unwept unhonored, and unsung. 1 could live down a term in the pen, learn a trade, pick my flint, and try it again in a new home and under new influences But to go to Raleigh, learn nothing, and do noth-ing noble, would blast every prospect, and it would be as when white-winged Hope withering fled and Mercy sighed farewell. Just for information, I'd like to know if stealing bee-gums and seed turnips paves the way for political preferment in North Carolina 1 1

know some politicians are so densely ignorant that you might fire a double-barreled shotgun at them from every point of the com pass, at point blank range, and never touch the quick for the ignorance; but I was not aware a man has to be a thief. It is said that some candidates handle the truth very carelessly, but to think of having to steal bee gums and seed turnips to be a statesman ! It is to be hoped, however, that if I succeed in saving the State, and a monument is crected to my memory, it will not have a bee gum and seed turnip on it. I had rather not have notoriety than have the kind I am getting.

Next week 1 expect to mount Buckafeelus and go to Cuba. I think by stealing from the Spaniards, I can keep out of the Cuban Legislature. My future correspon-dence will be from there, and will be about as reliable as any we have read so far.

WASHINGTON, March 15th .- Representative Bailey, of Texas, had the honor of receiving the democratic nomination for Speaker of the House, and every Democrat who was present at the meeting of the House to-day voted for him. Mr. Reed was, of course, elected, but the present House has a republican majority of about 100 less than the last House. There was more or less talk about an attempt being made at the republican caucus to curtail the power of the Speaker, but when the time came for action the nerve was lacking, and Mr. Reed will dictate the business of this House just as he did that of the last. The democratic nomination for Speaker was equivalent to an election of the democratic leader in the House, and Mr. Bailey will be so recognized during the fiftyfifth Congress. He is a comparacrowd stung, they started off in tively young man for so responsible a position, but during his service in the House his natural ability has forced him to the front and no doubts are entertained of his making a good leader and vored summary punishment; for adding to the reputation he

ong the Republic

ANOTHER "SCRAP" IN POLK.

lina. Mr. Drake reached here last Sash, Door and Blind Factory for Ruth Thursday night and was also erfordton-To Vote on the Quest Dispensary-A Fire Near Ratherf placed under arrest. Friday morning all of them gave bond. Tues-Rutherfordton Vidette, March 12th Saturday, at Cox's bridge, eight

Drake, Jr., who was in South Caro-

HAS PAID \$1,184 FOR FIGHTING.

pike somewhere this side of Blow-

was called and, both sides being miles from here, just over the line in Polk county, Matt Davis and a man named Matthews met and ready, the examination of witnesses began. The entire day was devoted to hearing evidence on the were disputing the depth of the part of the State, and an adjournriver. To satisfy themselves they ment was taken until yesterday undressed and went in, but still morning when the testimony on could not agree, whereupon they the part of the defense was subgot their knives and went at it mitted. This, with the argument hot. Matthews was pretty badly cut up in the face and head, Davis of the counsel, occupied the greater part of the day. After giving the receiving several ugly gashes. testimony and the argument care-Matthews was carried home and ful consideration, E-q. Bruns deis not expected to live. Davis has cided that there was not sufficient not been seen since. They were evidence to connect Mr. J. F. both drinking. ... The latest en-terprise in Butherfordton is a sash, door and blind factory. Mr. W. H. Drake, St., with the fire and released him from custody. The evidence agains: Messrs, J. Hester, of this place, informs us Drake, Jr., and Frank Drake was that he will put a plant near the regarded as sufficiently strong to Ohio River & Charleston depot at demand an investigation by the an early date, and will begin the grand jury and they were required manufacture of sash, doors and to give bond for their appearance blinds. Mr. Hester is a lumberman at the next term of Catawba Suwith years of experience and has perior court. The terms of the ample capital. He is a hustler and bail, we understand, are that if a we feel quite sure that he will joint bond is given it shall be in make a success of his new enterthe sum of \$1,000. If separate prise. The bill to establish bonds are given J. F. Drake, Jr., is to furnish \$1,000 and Frank a dispensary in Rutherfordton passed the Legislature Saturday. \$500. The bonds in either case are A vote will be submitted to the to be justified. The State was people in the May election. Many represented by ex-Attorney Genfear that this will divert trade eral Frank I. Osborne, of Charfrom Rutherfordton, while others lotte, Solicitor J. F. Spainhour, of Morganton, and Messrs. E. B. Cline and T. M. Hufham, of the think it will help the town financially and morally. Editor James M. Allen, of the Press, the local bar. The attorneys for the defense were ex-Solicitor W. C. republican organ of this county, has been appointed commissioner Newland, of Lenoir, Messrs, L. L. of agriculture of the ninth con-Witherspoon and W. C. Feimster gressional district of North Caroof Newton, and Messrs. Self & Whitener, of the local bar. Up to lina by Governor Russell, We learn the office pays about \$500 a this morning the Drakes had not year. The large two story house of Mr. T. J. Withrow, about given bond, and we have not heard whether or not it has yet been sethree miles south of this place, on cured.

the Spartaoburg road, was destroyed by fire Tuesday about 12 o'clock. The fire originated in the T. C. Coffey Has Had a Wide Reputation kitchen by a defective flue. The as a Fighter-An Ex-North C Who is Prospering. family were on the front porch when the fire was discovered, and enoir Topic, March 9th. before anything could be done to The Quakers are holding an insave it, it was enveloped in flames. Nothing was saved. The bouse teresting meeting at Patterson this week. ... Mr. Julius P. Coffey was insured for \$600 and the furnihas obtained a charter for a turn ture for \$200, but the insurance pike up Mulberry to intersect with did not cover the loss. the Caldwell and Watauga turn-

DIED FROM BLOOD POISON.

ing Rock. Mr. C. C. Richards, of Little River township, this The Shelby Dispensary Bill Killed—A Gourd That Holds a Bushel—Somebody Paid the Freight of a Republican Execucounty, was married on February 25th to Miss Lillie Winkler, of Wative Committee's Trip to the Inaugura

Cleveland Star, March 10th. Dr. B. F. Dixon has been elected a trustee of the State University and the A. & M. College. Every member of the republican executive committee in Gaston county attended the inauguration last week. Somebody, possibly Linney and Pritchard, paid the freight, for the members said it wasn't costing them anything. It is thought the committee was called expended. ... Dr. Hill Moore, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is spending this week with his brother, Mr. J. together for the purpose of fixing up a slate for the parceling out of the offices.At a meeting of the board of aldermen last week Frank Moore, at the Taylorsville Cotton Mills, in Alexander county. the resignation of H.T. Hudson as Dr. Moore left North Carolina alderman and school committee-man was accepted and J. F. Whisabont twenty years ago and has been living in Cincinnati for a nant was elected school committeenumber of years. We learn he is man and O. E. Ford alderman now accumulating quite a fortune ... Our friend from the state of from a catarrh cure of his own Polkville, Julius A. Lattimore, compounding. In addition to his raised a gonrd on his place on Grassy Branch that will hold a office in Cincinnati, he has opened one in London, England, from both bushel. We didn't see the gourd, of which he is receiving a large but then "Corn Cracker" did and revenue. He has invested \$40,000 of course what the Polkville crowd with his brother in the Taylorsville say is so Prior Justice, who re-Cotton Mills and expects to invest sides near Belwood, presented the Star with a fine specimen of a more there as soon as the busines gourd raised on his place. The promises to be a success. Dr.

There is much disappointment handle to the gourd is about four Moore spent the most of the past winter in London feet long and perfectly straight.

THE DRAKE TRIAL.

Mrs. M. E. Thornton has re-

Home in Leunir.

Hickory Times, March 11th.

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tauga. The ceremony was performed at the residence of Mr. W. J. S. DYSART. H. H. Hartley, the officiating mag-istrate. Mr. T. C. Coffey, of Watauga, was in Lenoir one day Livery and Feed last week. Before the war he lived in Buncombe county, and had a wide reputation as a fighter. Some one remarked to him, the other day, that he was said to have paid Stable. out \$1,000 in Buncombe for fighting. The old gentleman in reply said he had receipts for \$1,184 thus

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Cherry Mountain, March 12,1897. FROM WASHINGTON. Brilliant Young Texan-Republicans Growling Because McKinley Hasn' Made More Appointments. rom Our Regular Correspondent

Hoping for free Cuba, I am. Yours in affliction, CORN CRACKER. sallad, pies and other roughness The Success of Representative Balley, the

On last Monday in New York

tures. City the importers paid to the Nor has this condition since improved. For the first half of the cashier of the custom house over present fiscal year, the receipts of two millions of dollars to get their the government, exclusive of posforeign goods out before the new tal revenues were \$157,507,603, tariff bill becomes a law. Why and its expenditures, exclusive of this haste, if the foreigner is the postal service, \$195,410,000, or an excess of expenditures over reman who pays the increase in the ceipts of \$37,902,396. In January tariff tax? Why not wait and call of this year the receipts, exclusive up Mr. Foreigner at the proper of postal revenues, were \$24,316,time and have him pay the bills. 994 and the expenditures, exclu-No, do not be deceived; the con- sive of postal service, \$30,269,389, a deficit of \$5,592,395 for the sumer pays the tax. month. In February of this year

the receipts, exclusive of postal At the beginning of the year we revenues, were \$24,400,997 and the noted that for local, and not beexpenditures, exclusive of postal service, \$28,796,056, a deficit of cause of political reasons, on the whole the general business of our \$4,395,059, or a total deficiency of community was looking up. The \$186,061,580 for the three years same is true yet. If for political and eight months ending March 1, reasons, on account of the present national administration, business improves we will give due credit. there has been a corresponding in-This would be fair-no more can crease in the annual interest be required. Let prosperity come charge from \$22,893,883 in 1802. along.

The bill for arbitration between the United States and Great Britain was reported favorably to the Senate on vesterday. This is a great source of rejoicing to all lovers of peace among nations. May it become law.

It looks now as if war will be declared between Greece and he debt would have been de-Turkey, It so, where would the reased in at least the amount of he deficiency, and business con end be? Greece and Turkey thus fidence immeasurably strengthmingled together would not be ened throughout the country. palatable. We hope war may be averted.

The total expenses of the State

four years is out. Just think home market, so as to protect our own producers; to revive and in- GEE. \$1.00 a year.

top of him broke a rib for the officer.

The Closing Scenes Were Somewhat Tame, taleigh Special to Charlotte Observe

The closing scenes of the legislative session of 1897 were tame compared with those of last week. Those who saw them will not forget the sight of the venerable Mr. Bryan of Wilkes (the Red Fox) as, wearing his scarlet trousers, he stood on the top of the clerk's desk in the House and spoke about things in general. Mr. Lusk, who was ridiculed by Mr. Bryan Saturday night, could not stand the scarlet trousers, and left the hall in disgust. Almost from start to finish, the

House has been a show. There were never such gallery crowds. 1897. Not only are we without a surplus in the Treasury, but with Ladies predominated. No one ever knew what would happen. an increase in the public debt At times the floor was like a bull ring. It was the hardest Legislature to control your correspondthe lowest of any year since 1862, ent ever saw.

A singular feature of the Legisto \$34.387,297 in 1896, or an in-crease of \$11,493,414. It may be lature was that in it was not one urged that even if the revenues of notable orator. Not one of the three (or one might say four) he government had been suffiient to meet all its ordinary exparties had a leader. The remark penses during the past three years. has been made frequently lately, Where are the party leaders? The the gold reserve would still have been insufficient to meet the deonly answer is an echo, Where? mands upon it, but be that as it Four hundred bills died in the House, among them the bill for a may, it is clearly manifest, with at denying or affirming the correformatory for young criminals. rectness of such a conclusion, that

The True Remedy.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., *Chief*, says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Ex-perimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and

Congress should promptly corect the existing conditions. Ample revenues must be supplied not The total expenses of the State government, institutions, etc., is given as §950,890,84. Last year the same was §853,000. McKinley is to allow Democrats to hold office till their full term of four years is out. Lost think home, as in it we have a certain and only for the ordinary expenses of

foreign products as to preserve the

beloved feline in full war paint, armed with a kettle of hot water and a meat axe. The meat axe went wide of its mark, but sundry yelps of mortal agony from the hounds, with bald spots on their gress by requiring them to unite

After the hardest tussle Sheriff water had gone home. The dogs Boyd has ever experienced, he says, he and his deputy, Abernethy, landed Torrence in jail martial spinster with her beliger-Although handcuffed and ent Thomas remained masters of as many of the republican Senabeing led by the sheriff, he man-aged to trip the sheriff, throwing the situation. Sympathy is very active in favor of the dogs, while him into a ditch, and falling on the fading damsel and the re- as five or six men for the same doubtable cat are voted common

enemies of society. At length two boys hauling pine discovered and so fix up things as to save the gum in sections, but rifled of

was then and thereupon accused of the "haynous" crime. He was known to have a constitutional weakness for a medical preparation known as peach and h but it was also in evidence that he fears bees about as much as he does rattlesnakes and bold hornets. Some of his accusers say he never

saw any snakes except those in snakes. The chief of detectives said they did not have conclusive evidence against me, for he saw me since the theft and I had my shirt on, and he knew I had but one. Still, that did not satisfy that assembly, and they think yes

seven alibis, but their suspicions were not shaken. One of the best customers of our Cherry Mountain laboratory swore I was at three was not believed. It's an old say. ing that if you give a dog a bad.

a great statesman out of a job. Every sore eyed, red nosed hoodlum in this badiwick now points at me as I pass, and says : "There goes the man who stole the beegum."

And behold one woe quickly Two days since a wild eyed son-of a guasmith came before the tribunal and charged me with stealthat he ever had any seed turnips, be railroaded through the House or any other kind of turnips, for all right, but that it will be mathat matter, or a place where tur- terially amended before it gets IF Subscribe for THE MESSEN- mps would grow. All this was through the Senate is very prob- afternoon and were held in custody proven, but I was found guilty, in abie.

appointments McKinley has made The gourd is nicely shaped and and no end of growling because just he hasn't made more, but he has shifted most of the responsibility respected citizen of Caroleen, died upon the state delegations in Conflea pastures, showed that the hot water had yone home. The door from their states before he will were tenderly and reverently borne even promise to consider them. to their tanyard kennel, while the This may be merely a bluff to save time. If so, it is a good one, tors and Representatives are known to have indorsed as many position, and it will require time for them to settle upon one man Legislature.

themselves at home. Many of the its contents. The bees had died delegations are also split up of broken hearts and burnt shirt among themselves and it will re poisoning. As the old shirt bore quire time for them to unite upon a striking family resemblance to men for the offices allotted to one worn by this unholy scribe, he their state. Meanwhile Mr. Mc-Kinley gains time to devote to some of his other troubles, including the extra session of Congress which covened to day. The credentials of all three of

the gentlemen appointed to the Iun Sunday night. He came here Senate by the Governors of Kentucky, Oregan and Florida are now in Washington, but that is by his wife. The body was em-about as near a seat in the Senate balmed and shipped to Philadel-them, for they are bad looking seating the Republicans from attracted a large number of spec-Kentucky and Oregan are so tators. Probably no other event weighty that no serious attempt in the history of Hickory has will be made to upset them. The caused so much excitement among democratic appointee of the Governor of Florida is thought to of the accused parties. The have a valid claim to a seat, but crowd was so large in the city hall before it could be established the I took that bee gum. I proved Florida legislature will probably began to swag and a collapse was have elected a Senator. Consequently it is not probable that the attempt will be made.

If the new tariff bill is what its different places twenty five miles framers call a "conservative" measure, it would be decidedly interesting to know what they would call radical. Although the ame you had just as well shoot country denounced and drove about three months ago caused him, and the same rule applies to from power the republican party because of the high duties imposed by the McKinley tariff law. the average rates of duty to be imposed by the new tariff bill have been made higher than the Mc-Kinley bill, And about the heaviest taxation carried by the treadeth on the heels of another, new bill is imposed upon such ment, and we are glad to learn necessities as sugar and clothing. There may not be such plain sai ing his seed turnips. Nobody McKinley and his personal wor-could be found who would testily shipers expect. It will, of course,

pending the arrival of Mr. J. F. Morphew & White,

latter part of February. the size to make a dipper FIFTEEN CHICKENS STOLEN.

Seizure by Revenue Officers-Death of Mrs. C. H. Bangle-Dr. Robert McLea Ill.

last Wednesday night from blood poison. The Vidette says that crat, March 11th some weeks ago he received a Major H. W. Burton had fifteen slight scratch by a nail, which rechickens stolen from his barn last

sulted in blood poison and caused his death. He was buried Friday Sunday night. Col. J. C. Tipton, who has been confined to his with Masonic honors, the lodger bed for some days is better and at Mooresboro, Forest City and able to be out again to day. Henrietta assisting.A tele-gram from Raleigh Tuesday an-Dr. Robert McLean is lying critically ill at his home in Lincoln nounced that the Shelby dispen-sary bill had been killed in the county, with pneumonia.Col. J. C. Tipton's family are moving into the house of C. E. Childs,

Esq., on the Sumner lot on Main street. Mrs. J. L. C. Bird and J. F. Drake, Sr., Discharged-J. F. Drake, Jr., and Frank Drake Bound to Court-Mrs. Walter Covington Returns to Her son, who have been on a visit to her mother, Mrs. C. Motz, in Lincolton, for several weeks, returned to her home in Marion on last Fri day. Special Deputy Collec-tor P. A. McElroy and Deputy

turned from an extended visit to Collector Williams were in town relatives in Louisville, Ky. yesterday and levied upon the property of B. B. Wooly which Mr. E. C. Collins, of Philadelphia,

McKinley's Cabinet.

From Cripple Creek

died of consumption at the Hickory they are advertising for sale. Mrs. Catherine Helms Bangle died from Connelly Springs about a at her home near Reepsville, last week before his death, accompanied Monday, March 8th, and her funeral was preached at Thessalonica in Catawba county, yesterday by C. E. Gower, to a large gathering of her many friends. For 39 years she lived as a christian to honor God and bless humanity. She only lacked a few days being 73 years old and was the mother of the people as the fire and the trial six children, twenty-six grandchildren and seven great grand-Tuesday morning that the floor children. A long, useful life has fittingly closed.

feared. In order to prevent an accident and possible injury, the Secretary of State-John Shercase was temporarily suspended nan, of Ohio. and props were placed under the floor to make it secure. We learn from the Lenoir Topic that Secretary of War-Russell A. Alger, of Michigan. Secretary of the Navy-John D. Mrs. Walter Covington, whose strange disappearance from home org, of Massachusetts. such excitement, returned has, Secretary of the Interior-Cor Mrs. Covington, it will be rememnelius N. Bliss, of New York. bered, was found in a mentally un-Postmaster General-James A. balanced condition in a Baltimore Gary, of Maryland. hospital and was taken to the Attorney General - Jos. Mc. home of her father, Rev. J. F. Kenna, of California. Tuttle, in Johnston county. She Secretary of Agriculture-James has since been there under treat-Wilson, of Iowa. that her health is very much im-After the big fire at Cripple Creek, I took a very severe cold and tried many remedies without help, the cold only becoming more settled. After using three bottles of Chamberlain's Cough

its origin, and of the fact that warrants had been issued for the suspected incendiaries. Mr. J. F. Drake, Sr., and his younger son, Frank, were arrested Thursday me, and in this high altitude it takes

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