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**ROBERT H. KENNEDY**, assistant door-keeper of the Senate, died in Raleigh last week.

A bill to establish the county of Scotland has been introduced in the House. The court house, we suppose, would be either at Shoe Heel or Laurinburg.

This bill increasing the number of judicial districts, by which the State is to have twelve Superior Court Judges, passed the second and third readings in the House. It then passed third reading in the Senate and is now a law.

The people of Durham in large numbers memorialized the legislature in the interest of establishing an Industrial School. It must be done to meet the demands of progress. The need of young men having thorough technical education is more pressing than anything else that concerns the material advancement of the State.

REV. T. DEWITT TALMAGE, in a recent sermon at the Brooklyn Tabernacle, said that Bob Ingersoll, who was filling a lecturing engagement at that time in Brooklyn, should be arrested, under an existing statute of New York, for blasphemy. Freedom of speech, he said, did not permit any man to commit crime or do wrong.

The recalcitrant member of Congress, a Republican by name of White of Kentucky, who became persistent in making dilatory motions, thus retarding the work so as to force the responsibility of an extra term of Congress upon the Democrats, was at last taken from the floor and, per force, placed in his seat by the sergeant-at-arms who was ordered to do so by the Speaker of the House.

An insane asylum was consumed by fire in Philadelphia on last Thursday night by which eighteen unfortunates were burned to death. The description in Northern papers of the scene on the streets presented by many of the escaped inmates, who wandered around while the building was in flames, not seeming to know what it all meant, was peculiarly touching and heart-rending.

The president of the U. S. Senate on Wednesday of last week, in presence of both Houses of Congress, after a computation of the electoral vote of the various States, declared the result of the election of Grover Cleveland as President, and Thos. A. Hendricks as Vice-President, to serve four years beginning 4th of next month. One more step—the inauguration—and Cleveland will be in good luck.

The News and Observer notes the fact that the feeling in favor of the stock law is growing. The House has passed several such bills, and even introduced proposition of extension of the duties which have their benefits. The question of not at the average legislative session from Tyrrell county seems morally undecided about.

A London dispatch of the 11th states that the natives who escaped from Khartoum say Gen. Gordon was killed while in the act of leaving his house to rally the faithful troops. After the slaughter of the people, women and children being among the number, many Arabs were seen rushing about the streets with the heads of Egyptians impaled upon their spears. The next night was spent in a saturnalia of blood and debauchery.

A certain point meantime the rebels entered the city in the quarter left comparatively unprotected. Gordon died at the hands of Arab spearmen on the morning of the 27th of January, 1885. He was a man of faith and of singular determination.

**SCOTLAND COUNTY.**  
It seems the proposition to form a new county out of the upper portion of Robeson and the lower portion of this county is now properly before the legislature and, if it fails, it will not be for the want of advocates from among the people to urge it through. We question, however, if the feeling in favor of it is as general in the section to be embraced as is made to appear.

We grant that a few, comparatively speaking—prominent citizens among them—have been for years quite solicitous about getting a new county. If let alone about it we believe the people at large are very well contented with the situation. They feel that Richmond, with a population of something over 18,000, and Robeson, having something over 23,000, can get along very well as the matter stands. Neither one is so crowded as that it is necessary to divide up. And then what is the hardship entailed by the present status? It seems, and we believe the principal argument in favor of the movement consists in this, that the sections most remote from the county-site, at least the sections immediately interested, find a reason for the change in this fact itself: too great a distance and too much loss of time in the passage from home and the county-site and back.

As to our county this reason might be urged with more propriety, we think, by the upper end from which the people, to reach Rockingham, have to travel from fifteen to twenty-eight miles and over rough and hilly roads at that. We hear of no proposition up there to establish a court house for the lower part of Montgomery and the Mangum section of this county. They have no rail road either, nearer than Leeville in Anderson county, and the Pee Dee river intervenes—always a barrier, sometimes an impassable one. Not so at the other end of the line; on the contrary, good, smooth roads, in the main, and, when railroad travel is preferred, the inconvenience of reaching the track is not considerable from any point we now have in mind.

We simply present the contrast in situation as between the two extremes of our county. We would not be understood as opposing this movement on any other than public grounds. Certainly none other could exist. To gratify the good people of those communities, the public interest being in every respect properly cared for, we would say give them the new county. But, being chary upon general grounds about the formation of new counties in addition to the ninety-six which the State already has, we think, in this case, it is a peculiar stretch of the necessity plea to demand such action at the hands of the legislature.

We understand that sentiment is much divided on the question at Laurinburg, and we know a prominent citizen of Shoe Heel told us that, according to his observation, the people there were taking no stock in the movement. Be sure, gentlemen, that in making one good Democratic county you do not form two Republican counties. We fear such a result would follow inevitably upon such a step in the case of Richmond. We oppose it heartily on this ground.

**The Embarrassed Exposition.**  
The President has transmitted to Congress the report of the board of managers of the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition at New Orleans, and also the memorial of the United States commissioners to the Exposition, requesting an additional appropriation to extinguish the deficit in its accounts, and asking authority to re-open the exposition during the winter of 1885-6. The President in his message of transmittal says:

"The failure on the part of the management to carry out the original intent in regard to the exposition might reflect on the honor of the United States government, since twenty-one foreign nations and forty-six States and Territories have joined in the enterprise through faith in the value of the exposition to the cause of material progress and general education. I respectfully submit the report mentioned for the favorable consideration of Congress."

The report of the board of management, and the memorial of the United States commissioners, have already been printed.

Mr. Cleveland, having interviewed about all the visiting statesmen whom he cares to see at present, will now devote himself to the preparation of his inaugural address. It will doubtless be clear and concise in terms and of Jeffersonian simplicity in style.

**Randall and the Cabinet.**  
While it has been well understood in the circles of Mr. Randall's chosen friends that he would not leave his seat in the House to accept a position in the Cabinet, many have still hoped and believed that his name would be on the list of the constitutional advisers of the new President.

Mr. Randall could not with grace publicly decline what has not been tendered to him, but it is understood that in his conference on Saturday in New York he had the opportunity of expressing to President-elect Cleveland, his settled purpose not to leave his place in the House for any other position in the government.

In this Mr. Randall has acted with fidelity to himself, to his party, to the administration and to the country—his position as the ripe and trusted Democratic leader of the House, is the one distinction in a free government that accident and fortuitous circumstances have no part in attaining; and when attained, it is the commanding attitude among administrations, Cabinets, Speakers and the people. The man who is fitted for a Cabinet office, often more attests his fitness by declining than by accepting the trust.—N. Y. World.

Mr. Jenkins introduced a bill into the Assembly of New Jersey which the house does not know whether to accept seriously or not. Its object is to establish the whipping post where brutal husbands may be punished by being whipped by the Sheriff. The bill specifies that "hereafter any male person who shall beat, bruise, or whip his wife, or any female person, or any female person, shall be punished by the infliction of a number of lashes, not exceeding 39 to be laid upon his bare back by the sheriff of a county or one of his deputies, armed with a whip of suitable proportions, the whipping to be done only in the presence of the officers of the court or jail."

**The Press.**  
The Manufacturer's Record, of Baltimore, in a recent article in regard to the rapid growth and development of the South, says of the press:

Every dollar spent in helping to build up a first class local paper in a town will be returned many fold, for even if the money thus spent in advertising should not bring a direct profit, it would be more than repaid by the immense good that a flourishing paper necessarily accomplishes for the town in which it is published. To say that a town is judged by its papers is only to state a truth that everybody knows. Some may say that one paper is naturally more pushing and enterprising than another—very true—but no paper can be enterprising unless its business justifies, and the seeming lack of enterprise in many country papers is often solely from the lack of adequate financial means or a lack of local support. Our ideas as to dozens of Southern towns, that we have never seen, are formed by their local papers, and we imagine that, judging simply by these papers, we can almost, without a mistake, name the town whose business men are pushing and energetic, and then on the other side name those whose enterprise is almost nonexistent.

A paper, profusely decorated with skulls and crosses, with a large black cross in the middle, giving a list of alleged defunct companies, relative insurance companies, was distributed around town on Tuesday. It will take something more substantial than this to shake the faith of the numerous citizens in Monroe who are members of the Knights of Honor, Royal Arcanum, Valley Mutual, &c.—Monroe Express.

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