ASTE FIGHT OUR FATHERS FOUGHT.

sutherland of Nebraska Teletical Issues of Today-The Against the Bondholders and d reliemers.

at questions of bimetallism intreform are occupying the ntion of millions of Amerby. While we are divided ons minor issues, yet we are in the vital question of the in my judgment-nothing can the union of the silver forces se have won a victory that will til stone in the nation's march in her and better things. Our the same fight we are in row. They have furnished on in patriotism that will be to learn anew. They de not from that judgment there oppeal, that the nation of could legislate on matters of and concern to the people thing the aid or consent of country of a degree high or have had the benefit of their and aught to profit by their

and must be had for capital for labor, but I think all t. Labor should receive careful at all times, as it is very rarely must capital is unable to sus-If in any struggle. For the my years especially has the player been industrious. It has ed to possibilities never before of, and its growing power lawfully checked of it will

McCuliough, secretary of the in his report for 1866, said: interest from this is that gradthy and general advance of . which is the effect of the inthe precious metals. The coin durined in the gold and sildistricts, although it prices within such districts. the course of trade, and in laws, soon finds its to other countries and becomes a the common stock of the nawhich increasing in amount by. ander product of the mines, and tilly by the growing demands and race, advances the price of laand commodifies throughout the rolal world." He persistently in this and the report of 1867 ... price of products and labor :h, and that the continued conthe paper currency as a polthe maintained. Said he they may be retired must the effect which contracthere upon business and inand can be better determined work progresses." Again he The prices of most kinds of there was mainly the result of

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the contraction of the paper to the adoption of the gold hand by our country has been a swift and painful step. The Hon Economist, the great statistiprople verify it, that for twenty the prices of products have been The debts of the people have and but they are bearing burdens The gold dollar risen in value and day by day. or it by year, it requires more and the toil of the laborer and the of the farm to buy it. The who stand on the Chicago the Populists, of whom I ne and the Lincoln Republicans these whose patriotism is t by the interest they receive bonds and the dividends they from stocks shall not dictate by of the country, but the peothe source of all power what is right and just for that the man who can count to by millions shall receive indection under the law, but I had more, than the workingenly capital in the fierce of life is the muscle given the great Master of all. the history of Washington patriots, study the life "Merson and Jackson, draw in from the immortal name of

> a earth." auted in the soul of every the savage of the bush to dest scientist of the age, a passionate desire for some-It is so with nations, we our country is great and that

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IN FINANCE. | the future is full of glorious promise; that with wise legislation in the interest of the whole people our country will march on until it becomes the great nation of history and the most powerful factor in the civilization of the world.-Hon. R. D. Sutherland, in the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture.

> THE WAR REVENUE BILL. The Title That Ought to Be Given

Dingley's Measure.

Dingleys war revenue bill ought to be entitled "A bill to more thoroughly commit the United States to the single gold standard, and to aid in the establishment of bank rule in the United States," says the Silver Knight-Watchman. The committee estimates that the increased revenue by taxation will be from \$90,000,000 to \$100,000,000, as follows: Fermented liquor, \$35,000,-000; tobacco, \$15,000,000; cigars, \$5,-000,000; dealers in tobacco and cigars, \$5,000,000; stamp taxes on decuments. telegrams, etc., \$30,000,000; stamp tax on wines, mineral waters, etc., undetermined; tonnage tax on vessels engaged in foreign trade, \$2,000,000. The bill is elaborate and complicated in detail. It consists of forty-four pages, and if enacted into law its administration will be most vexatious and annoying. It reaches every branch of business and trade, and complicates every transaction with stamp duties too numerous and complex for descrip-

The bill also provides for issuing \$500,000,000 of twenty-year three per cent bonds and \$100,000,000 of shorttime 3 per cent bonds. If this scheme is carried into effect the Gage and the Indianapolis currency schemes will be practically accomplished. When the taxes proposed in the bill are once levied they will remain in peace as well as in war, while a gold standard president is in office. The \$220,000,000 now in the treasury, the \$600,000,000 of bonds and the \$100,000,000 surplus revenue which the new tax law would produce will soon cover into the treasury all the greenbacks, treasury notes and silver certificates now outstanding unless the expenses of the war shall far exceed the most extravagant estimates which have been made

The new 3 per cent bonds just fits. the proposed banking scheme. No further legislation would be necessary to retire all government money but gold to make room for bank currency. All the amendment to the banking law which would be necessary would be to authorize the banks to receive currency from the government equal to the par value of their bonds. The cold blooded proposition of the committee to load the people with excessive taxation and loa the government with \$660,000,000 of new bonds is as destitute of patriotism as Shylock was of charity and benevolence.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

The colonists threw the tea over board. It helped the revolution and eventually established the American republic. Is it not time for civilizattion to throw gold overboard? There is over \$100,000,000 of it locked up in the treasury. Of what earthly good is it to the people of what benefit to the human race? What better is it than so much gold buried in the mountains of Alaska? - Napa Reflector.

The government ownership of rail ways grows in public favor, as the failures of the railway commission becomes more and more apparent. Cuero (Tex.) Constitution.

The sugar and coffee war between the Arbuckles and the Havemeyers has been terminated. They have smoked the calumet of peace and henceforth instead of warring against each other they will, as allies, wage war on the public, who will be made pay all the losses of the two firms in fighting each other. Coffee and sugar are on the rise.-Journal of Agriculture.

There are thousands of idle acres of land, and there are thousands of idle men who would like to work it! . But why don't they? Why, the speculator gets in his grab hooks first. Funny, isn't it?-Evansville (Ind.) Com-

n in the world, read the padded dis patches in the big journals and then guess at their meaning. Such an ocean of flatulent slush never was printed before. Bodie Miner-Index.

Three Ways.

Nature gives to man nothing. With out work nothing can be produced Work is the producer of wealth, How, then, is it that there cams to be dictinctively a working class? Is it that some men devise schemes by which they can live without working, by throwing the burden of their work upon their fellows. An English writer has divided all men into three classes workingmen, beggarmen, and thieves

and this is correct. There are only three ways of getting the product of labor-by working for it, by having it given to you, and by stealing it .- Henry George.

The New York banker tells the bank er of the South what principles he must follow politically and in a business way. The New York banker is subject to the dictation of London We are like a fan. From one center, London, comes the edict to New York. From there it is distributed to the various parts of the United States, and the people are subservient to a system. the fountain head of which is in England, the active body in New York and its tributary element in every city of the United States,-The Caucasian.

THE RULE OF INTERNATIONAL PLUTOCRACY.

What It Means to the People of the United States-The Revolution Wrought by Compound Interest on Bonded Debt and Watered Stock.

The worst curse of modern times is usury perpetuated by war debt. It does more harm than all other forms of robbery combined, and it works a more far-reaching devastation than

the deadliest havor of war. Under modern methods, usury is facilitated as it never was before in the history of the world. The professional usuer of the higher grade no longer compounds interest by charging a single borrower an excessive rate. He strives to minimize the rate to the individual borrower and to raise it to the maximum against the community in general.

The highest possible rate of compound interest against the general public is attainable when the simple interest on a bond is invested at once in another interest bearing bond or simflar "security," or when it is put into the stock of a corporation and inflated by the usual processes of "watering."

We may illustrate by supposing that a New York financier (say Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, agent of the Rothschilds in their attempt to control the United States treasury), has just received \$4,-000 in interest on the lot of bonds for which he raided the treasury under the Cleveland administration, or the other lot with which he and his principals are about to be accommodated by the McKinley administration "for value received."

Having this \$4,000 cash, he can immediately invest it in the stock of a trust he is organizing on the plan of the Sugar trust or the Standard Oil trust, and water it up to a face value of \$20,000. On this, by favor of government which shuts out foreign competition by a Dingley tariff, he may realize a monopoly profit of twentyfive per cent or over. But at only ten per cent, he would have two thousand dollars usury on an investment of \$4,-000 of original interest from his bonds. And by re-investing and re-watering. he would go on year after year, piling higher and higher his hoard of plun-

Where the men who understand the science of compounding interest by reinvestment are allowed to control the money supply of a country, they must inevitably control the greater part of its wealth. Any one who can work out the rate at which a dollar will double itself can see to a certainty, as mathematical as figures can make it, that what has happened in the United States since 1865 happened of necessity and could not have been otherwise. The men who speculated on the necessities of the country during the war, and took advantage of its extremity to fix their usurious talons in its vitals, have preyed upon it ever since.

When men of common sense acquire determination they will not hesitate long in dealing with such a situation

These people control the country because they have monopolized its money. The most sensible and effective way to rid the country of their domination is to issue money from the mints and treasury until their hold on the supply is broken.

Nothing could be simpler, as nothing could be juster or more necessary than

It is not a question of the color of a metal or of its weight or of its fine-

ness, but of liberty and justice. These men control the money supply with which the products of labor are exchanged. In so doing they control labor and all legitimate business

which depends upon it. If they are allowed to say what monev shall be issued from the mints, how much or how little of it shall be issued, they will be masters of the country, and that in perpetuity.

Nothing could be more intolerable than such domination. Nothing could he simpler than the method by which we can escape it. Instead of issuing more bonds to add to the plutocratic hoard by the cumulative power of in-If you want to know what is going | terest to be compounded by reinvestment, we have only to issue, and to continue issuing, non-interest bearing currency from the mints and the treasury as the business of the country and the necessities of our national life, in

war or peace, demand it. Every million of new bonds put into the vaults of the plutocracy helps to enslave a hundred thousand men, who are not less the servants of their bondholding masters because their product is controlled rather than their persons.

as under the chattel system. Every additional million of currency, gold, silver, or greenbacks, put into circulation by the people themselves. brings the economic power of at least a hundred thousand men to bear against the plutocratic system.

We want no wild inflation. We want stern justice and rigorous common sense in using the mints and the treasury to break the power of plutocracy by issuing a currency that will meet the demands of business and free production from the fatal drain of compound interest.

We ought to be the most prosperous people in the world. We will be when we learn to defend like men the rights of American manhood.

Now that we have the Spanish war these vultures of usury are wheeling and circling over us as they were during the civil war. They are in power at Washington. The secretary of the treasury is there because they put him

BYTHE BOND BROKERS | there. The President of the United | PAY OUR OWN DEBTS. States is the personal protese of their agent, Mark Hanna, of the Steel trust. The speaker of the house is their tool ready to resort to any desperate means to gag protest against them. They have entrenched themselves in the Supreme court. They are ready with government by injunction and government by bayonet, if need be, to compel acquiescence. And being so, they cry out now that objections to their de-

> mand for more bonds is unpatriotic. It is not worth while to argue that point. It is better to state and restate, as often as possible, the plain fact that these men are thieves, who make a business of wholesale larceny, and that they stand ready to loot the national treasury as they did in the civil war-or, for that matter, as they did in the only too recent past, when they had their beneficiary Cleveland in power at Washington.

> Plutocracy is corrupting the country, not only in politics, but in social life. It leads to a base sensuality, which shows itself in art, literature, even in religion. The churches where plutocrats most abound have carriage entrances as the most conspicuous features of their arcflitecture—as if My Lord Dives, enriched with the plunder of the earth, and swollen with luxurious living passed the possibility of climbing the steep and narrow way on foot, could drive up to heaven's gate in his equipage and order the keeper of the keys to let down the carriage steps for him.

tolerable. Their contempt for human rights is supreme. Their determination to retain control of the country at any cost is desperate. Their alliances are with Europe, and their sympathies are with European monarchies rather than with America. They are imperialists, haters of popular government and popular liberties. They are prepared for any fraud, for any bloodshed they think necessary for the maintenance of their power.

These plutocrats have worked for a year or more to force some kind of a bond deal in connection with Cuba. They are directed from the back rooms of the Rothschilds in London, and the New York newspapers which best represent that interest are now working More bonds, more national banks, to force new bond issues enough to give the Rothschild banks in this country control of the currency on a The more bonds there are the more basis of corporation notes instead of national banks will spring into exist-

money of the mints. They will get their bond issues and everything else they demands from this administration. But if the Democrats of Congress have the courage to force issues on them by demanding, the opening of them into and the immediate submission of an income tax amendment to raise money for war purposes, the people will rise in such revolt against plutocracy as has never been seen before. They will rise, at any rate. And they will win their ciaries. It can exert a powerful influfight in any event. All they lack now is leadership from men as sternly honest in their purposes, as uncompromising in their methods, as are the forces of progress to which these reactionists are opposing themselves. And this leadership, too, the people will have. W. V. BYARS.

The Bees and the Drones.

"I tell you, my friends," said a big wasp at a busy-bees' convention, "I'm sick and tired of listening to those disgruntled, dissatisfied, dyspeptic, demagogic bees who are continually howling against the drones. Why, my friends if it wasn't for the drones, you'd starve to death! Actually starve to death The trouble is, you haven't half enough drones in the hive, that's the reason you can't get rid of this omnipresent overproduction which causes hard times. (Great applause.)

"Now, let us reason together," continued the wasp. "It's as simple as A. B. C. The more drones you have, the more honey is eaten. The more honey is eaten, the more work you have producing more honey. Do you follow me? And work is what you're always looking for, isn't it? (Great

"Now, my friends, I repeat, let us reason together," continued the wasp. "Let us suppose you didn't have a single drone in the hive. What the would you do with honey, I'd like to know?"

(A voice: "Why, eat it ourselves, of course!" Cries of "Order! Order!

Police!") "And if you didn't have drones. continued the wasp after the commotion had subsided, "who'd support your churches and seminaries? Who'd endow your hospitals and libraries? Who'd subsidize your colleges and newspapers? Who'd contribute to your soup-houses and foreign missions? I'd like to know! Why, my friends. if you didn't have drones, you wouldn't have any one to be kind to you and give you charity! You wouldn't

(A voice: "We wouldn't need charity if we didn't have drones!" Meeting breaks up in confusion.)-Dau Cavanaugh, in National Single Taxer.

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Sixteen to One or Bust.

Sixteen to One or Bust means that instead of giving the Rothschild's further mortgages on this country, we ought to open the mints, coin national defense silver dollars, and supplement them with war measure greenbacks.

It means also, that we ought to force the immensely wealthy men who are speculating on the necessities of the country to pay their share of war

bond-dealing plutocracy. It will win. - Journal of Agriculture.

DO NOT FOIST IT UPON OUR CHILDREN.

The Scoundrels Who Charged Us with Trying to Cheat Creditors Now Endeavoring to Rob Children Yet Unborn -The New Bond DeaL

The proposition that the government shall issue long-time bonds to meet the expenses of the war contains in it much that is dangerous to the peace of future generations. It means a certain amount of financial freedom to ourselves and financial bondage for our children. The whole principle is wrong. We have already gone too far in inculcating the principle that it is right for us to create debts for a future generation to pay. If we follow this principle for a few generations we will have the nation harnessed with a debt that will rejoice the heart of the bondholder and will be the despair of the bondpayer. If it were possible for that monstrosity-the gold standardto continue sindefinitely, these debts would be practically unpayable; for the fall in prices will continue till our children will receive only half the prices for work and product they now receive. The debt we incur will then virtually have doubled, and even the interest will be a tremendous burden.

The piling up of such a debt will mean the keeping of a vast standing army to keep down the growing army And these men are wicked in the of the discontented, and because the most literal sense. Their pride is in- value of our bonds must be kept up, to do which the holders of and the speculators in United States bonds must be assured that the government is so strongly intrenched behind the army that no harm can come to the interest-paying power. We do not want a condition brought about that will require any such expensive guarantee of

> Nevertheless we will find, and do find, the gold-standard men asking for this condition of affairs. They have passed the word along the line to agitate for more bonds. One of them said to the writer recently, "Why should we permit an increase of the internal revenue tax for the payment of war expenses? Let us issue bonds and let the next generation pay them." more gold standard. This is the trinity our political adversaries worship. ence. It would be a splendid argument for the extension of the law permitting banks to do business in very small localities. Every such bank is a center of political warfare for the establishment and the maintenance of the gold standard. Every new national bank created is a new fort belonging to the gold standard, and is garrisoned by the men connected with the bank in an official capacity, and is out-posted by its agents and benefience on the acts of its customers. During the last election these banks used their full influence against the party of the common people. A Republican business man of Wisconsin said to the writer just before the last election, I and many of the Republicans in my neighborhood are in favor of silver, but we will all vote the Republican ticket. Most of the men of whom I speak will so vote because they have loans from the banks and are afraid to incur the enmity of the banks, es-

> pecially those whose mortgages must shortly be renewed." This shows the whole situation. Every silver man in congress should be on guard. The issuing of bonds by the government is a powerful means of coercing men to stick to the gold standard. It is none the less powerful because it is indirect. If the government needs money let it raise it by some means other than the sale of bonds. Five dollars per head of the population means more than \$350,000,000 per year. If this amount be needed each year for war purposes let us, the people, pay it. We can do it. The people want to pay their own debts, and congress should permit them to do it. H. F. THURSTON.

What Does It Mean?

What is behind all the factional strife at Washington?. What is the meaning of the bickering between forward and backward? Ugly rumors of deals and jobs are in the air. The contractors have mustered in force and are all for a long war-the longer the better. Is it possible that this war undertaken to relieve the suffering of the Cuban people is to prolong their misery? And this at the bidding of suttlers and jobbers and the bondmongered crew? The secretary of war is reported to have said that the army should have been on Cuban soil three weeks ago, but Gen. Miles is, strangely enough, opposed to any vigorous stroke until fall. Whatever be the merits of action and non-action, the question ought to be decided once for all, and the decision should be adhered to.-Ex.

The Bond Shark.

The man who bares his breast to the enemy's bullets is not the man that gets the bonds. It is the fat, slick fellow with a big diamond pin and patent leather shoes that sits on the veranda in a duck suit and fans himself and drinks mint julips-he is the fellow that gets the bonds.

Ye Gods, What's This? Hanna is a patriot-gilt edge. He

has actually permitted Uncle Sam to buy (not borrow) his big fresh water It means unalterable opposition to a vacht. Think of America's greatest philanthropist going without his regu-It cannot fail. It is bound to win, lar summer cruise through the thousand islands,-Ex.

BIMETALLISM.

Civilization became stagnant and the Dark Ages swept over Europe because the great gold and silver mines that had been worked through the early days of the Roman empire were exhausted or forgotten and no new ones were exploited.

The result was, as Jacob, the great historian of the precious metals, tells us, that whereas in the reign of Augustus Caesar there was something like eighteen hundred millions of dollars in the stock of the precious metals in the Roman empire, by the year 806 it had fallen to about one hundred and sixty millions.

Industry died. Civilization went backward, "The Dark Ages" engulfed

Is it possible that men can dispute so simple a proposition for example as Many interesting races have taken this: That when there is relatively a good deal of money, prices are higher, business is better, there is encouragement for men to put money into the making of things, because when things are made they will sell at a higher profit; and, per contra, when money is scarce, and growing scarcer, it is a bad time for business; that as money grows scarcer, prices go lower; and people cease to invest money, for the reason that when you get the money in the thing, the thing, by falling in price, will let you take less money out than you put in.

making things or growing things, when turned the corner by the Long-Tate there is a scarcity of money, the money is put into the bank

Look at modern history. Go back to the time when, in the sixteenth century. Spanish conquest opened the silver mines of America and sent their great wealth across the seas in treasure galleons that were captured off the headlands by enterprising English buccaneers and their rich cargoes taken to England to form the basis of the marvelous expansion of English trade and commerce in that era.

Come down to the beginning of the present century. We are told, for example, that prices fell greatly from 1809 to 1849, and that the purchasing power of gold rose enormously, which, of course, is only another way of saying the same thing; and that if prices have fallen since 1873, it cannot be due to demonetization of silver, because silver was not demonetized from 1809

They tell us you cannot do anything by law. Well, they have done a great deal by law. It is very convenient to have mounted into power by this ladder of the lay, and then contemptuous-Iv to kick it to one side, so that your pursuer cannot overtake you by the

Aristotle, the myriad-minded man of the ancients-sometimes it seems that ae wrote equally well upon every subject of knowledge that anybody knew anything about in his time, and that, except so far as observed facts are conerned, he stated the limit of knowledge for all time-Aristotle thousands of years ago discovered and announced the fact that money is the creature of law. Gold and silver are gold and

Stamp one of them, give it a power to pay debts, receive it for government dues, and it is money, and it then becomes subject to the great demand for money. You can do little by law, say

Nobody contends that you can create value by law, but you can affect value by law through setting into operation certain economic forces which affect demand. And what is value? A relation between the demand for a thing and the supply there is of it. That is

That is the only law of value, and . Aristotle discovered that also. Why, our friends talk protection-and I am a protectionist, by the way. They say you cannot do anything by law, and yet they are mightily afraid that the law will not allow them to raise the prices on some of their goods. Well, perhaps it is true that law can accomplish something in the direction protection and is impotent to accomplish it in any other way.

If that be conceded to be the force of the reasoning of our friends upon the other side, it is only one other instance of what absolute impossibilities and inconsistencies you are required to believe in order to accept the philosophy of the gold standard.

CHARLES A. TOWNE.

Aristocratic Officers. To the Editor: What entitles young

aristocrats to positions of distinction in our army? I read, for instance, that young Mr. Lee and young Mr. Sartoris have received appointments on the staff, etc. Men without military training. Are they too good to enlist as privates? In creating colonels and even generals of the same material, as everybody knows happened, are we looking for a Bull Run? Or is the blood of our plebelan brethren not worthy of more consideration than to be butchered by the Spaniard on account of such incapable officers? I would be glad to hear from others who wish to enlighten me upon the subject.

PLEBEIAN.

The Honest Dollar.

Our 52-cent dollars seem to be standing up for Uncle Sam pretty well. Not half as cowardly as the 200-cent gold dollar and more to be relied upon.

Interesting Maneuvers Witnessed by a Large Concourse.

MADE A SPLENDID SHOWING

But Hove Too When a Broadside From a Blue Jacket Crossed Her Ports -- Sanguineless but Exciting.

We clip the following amusing and graphic account of Charlotte's flying squadron from the Sunday Observer: From time immemorial, Tryon street, from the square to Fourth street and beyond, has been the racing course. place over this course, but none which excited more merriment, and few which have drawn out a larger crowd

than the one of last night. Mag Carter-not colored, but black-led off. Officer Pitts followed. People thought it was the flying squadron passing, and every one rushed out to see it. Glimpses of white sails, followed by the dark-blue of the pursuer, could occasionally be seen. Right down the middle of Tryon the woman went, with a 20-of May crowd (to say nothing of the dogs) at her heels. She flew like the wind, but as swift as her No. 78 were, swifter was Officer Pitts, Every one was enjoying the race so that no So, instead of putting money into one helped to head her off. She Clothing Company, hoping to be lost in he darkness of West Fourth. hopes soon lay "thick in the blast. Officer Pitts caught her all right- and in a few moments towed his prize to

A Negro Assallant Caught.

The negro who assaulted Mrs. Malcolm Hanna by choking her in her own house several weeks since, was captured in Yorkville, S. C., by Chief of Police Love, of that place, and was tried and committed to jail at Dallas, Another negro, with whom this one had been associating, told the officer of one Thomas Simpson having boasted that he made the assault, but would not be caught. Thereupon he was arrested and carried before Mrs. Hanna, and she identified him as the right one. Before this, several suspicious negroes had been shown her, but each time she unhesitatingly said they had the wrong man, until this time.

Serious Accident Near Matthews. Mr. David Brown's children-three

boys and two girls drove to church to attend service, and on their return home the mules became frightened at a dog and ran away. The occupants of the buggy were thrown out. The boys were not burt, but the girls were. They were both unconscious when picked up. One-17 years old-remained uncon-

scious all night.

Stanly County Bond Case. Among the important cases is the Stanly bond case, to be heard by Judge Simonton, in equity, at Charlotte. It will be remembered that this case grows out of an attempt on the part of Stanly county to repudiate the \$100,000 in bonds issued by the county, in aid of the building of the Yadkin Railroad running from Salisbury to Norwood This case has awakened much interest in the State, and will be contested

vigorously.

A Fine Specimen. The finest specimen of this year's wheat crop that has been seen at the News office was brought in by "Pegleg" Graham, from his farm in Steel Creek. Mr. Graham has four acres like the specimen brought in which he is sure will turn out twenty five bushels to the acre. His wheat crop this year, they; you cannot create value by law. he says, is the best he has grown since the year '82. - Charlotte News.

The Orphan Home. The trustees and superintendent of the Odd Fellows' Orphan Home, Goldsboro, state that the type and fixtures from the American Type Foundry, which is designed to instruct the boys of the institution in the art of printing and to yield a revenue to the Home, in now in position, and the first issue of a sixteen column paper, entitled Our Orphan Home, will appear July 15th and every two weeks thereafter.

It Is Smallpox.

For some time the county physician and the physicians of Statesville have been positive that there have been some cases of smallpox in town, and in Belmont, a negro settlement two miles southeast of Statesville. But there was doubt expressed by a good many people, so to settle the matter Mayor Harrill requested that Dr. Wurtenbaker, the government expert, be sent there. He came, and with Dr. H.F. Long, the county physician, has examined every suspicious case. He pronounces the disease smallpox. He and Dr. Long went into the country eleven miles to examine a suspicious case below Granite Hill, finding it to be smallpox aiso. ---

Report Not True.

The report that the North Carolina troops were behaving badly is without foundation, Some of the Illinois troops have been casting the odium of their conduct when called to account upon our boys, by claiming to belong to the North Carolina regiment. The men are now about all provided with necessary clothing. The Jacksonville camp has been equipped so slowly that it suggests to the men that they will not be sent to Cuba for some time. They have no idea when they are going, or

A Charge of Incendiarism.

As a result of a fire at Durham W. S Brown, who conducted a grocery store over which it broke out, has been arrested and held under a bond of \$6,000. which was given by his mother. Brown is a young man about twenty years of age, and for some time has been conducting a fancy grocery store. The story above him was used by Thomas & Campbell as a storage room for furniture. The fire originated up stairs, to which both Brown and the furniture men have a key.