Doors Closed on 2,000 Employees this Morning.

### MAY PAY ALL DEBTS.

Creditors Share Alike-The Firm Which Succeeded A. T. Stewart & Co. Occupled a Block-Betty Green Mortgagee.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. New York, Aug. 26,-The old dry goods house of Hilton Hughes & Co., successors to the famous business, founded by the late A. T. Vewart, occupying an entire block, bounded by Ninth and Tenth streets and Broadway and Fourth avenue, failed to open their doors today. Over two thousand employees who gathered to begin the days' work were surprised by the notice sted on the doors saying that Geo. posted on the doors saying the M. Wright assignee would keep the store closed until further notice. Employees will be paid off today. The announcement of the failure caused considerable surprise. Some of the employees have been with the firm and predecessor for many years. The failure is due to the stringency of the money market. The assignment papers were filed at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Hetty Green held the mortgage on the Hilton Hughes building and other Hilton property for a miltion and a quarter. The assignees and attorneys promised to file a statement later in the day. There were no preferences. All creditors share alike.

It is announced later today that Hilton Hughes' creditoas will probably be paid in full.

#### MAY BE BOMBARDED.

British Guns Turned Upon the Palace a Zanzibar.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

ZANZIBAR, Aug. 26.—Shortly after Said Kalid had seized the Palace and proclaimed himselfSultan yesterday, was advised by the British con-sul in the interest of public order to disarm a force of seven hundred Askaris, whose assistance enabled aim to obtain possession of the pal ace. They refused to do so. The trained guns of the palace square were turned upon the warships the harbor. The warships are awaiting orders which will determine their course of action .

The British gunboats are await ing authority of the government for bombardment of the palace.

## Big Town Completely Burned Out.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. GREEN BAY, WIS., Aug. 26 .- The entire town of Ontenagon, Michigan is destroyed. Fifteen hundred citizons are camping out and going to surrounding towns. Many professors of assistance are coming today The Diamond Match Co's plant worth over a million was completely destroyed. Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railways are carrying homeless people to surrounding towns without charge. The number of dwellings destroyed were five hundred.

## Odell Instead of Platt.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. SARATOGA, Aug. 26 .- The convention was called to order at eleven forty-five. The conference this morning of managers of the various candidates excepting Aldridge re-ported that they had agreed to support Benj. B. Odell for Governor They also stated that Aldridge had been asked to retire.

Black for Governor of New York. Sanaroua, Aug. 26.-Frank Black was nominated for Governor today.

## Died from the Injury.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. Boston, Aug. 26 .- J. F. McKibben, of the Atchison railway company, died this morning at New stle, Colo., from an injury received by falling from his horse yesterday.

Death of Mrs. Syme. In this city today, after a long as cainful affliction Mrs. Mary Cowan me, widow of the late John W. Syme, of Petersburg, Va., in the 84th year of her age. Funeral from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Auderson on Thursday afternoon at 5 o'cleck. Friends and latives invited to attend.

Petersburg, Va., and Louisburg, W. Va., papers please copy.

### A GREAT BIG, SUCCESS.

Haywood Bros' Minstrels Played to a Big House Last Night. Great house; great show.

Hay wood Brothers' original negro ninstrels opened their season at Metropolitan Hall last evening to a crowded house. The galleries were filled to overflowing and there was not an available seat to be had. Down stairs, the hall was filled as it seldom is. The half which was

occupied. The show was a hot number from the beginning to the fall of the curtain. Every one of the artists are local boys and the performance which they presented last evening

reserved for white people was well

was a startling success, agreeably surprising to the large number of peo ple, who filled the hall.

The music is great, the songs up to date and clever, the jokes splendid and the dancing unsurpassed. The minstrel was a pronounced success and Mr. Upehurch, the proprietor, who has made it such a success received many hearty congratula-

"I don't love nobody" caught the crowd and it was the successful song of the evening. Jim Jones put just enough ginger in ittand he sang | vention . it well. "A picture of my best girl' as sung by Chas. Winters" was effectively rendered. Winters has a splendid voice. Asa Bunn is a remarkable tenor. He is just a boy but he sings splendidly. Wm. Freeman whom the boys know as Moose, sang "I've been hoo-doo-ed." It is a typical nigger song and one of the best rendered last evening. Moose made quite a hit. "Looking for the bully" a late and catchy song just from the big cities was one of the

most popular selections last evening. The music was as good as has been heard here. There are splendid voices in the troupe. The song and dance team, the Warren Brothers attracted as much attention as any feature of the show. They were loudly encored for their splendid work, Perhaps Kemp Plummer is entitled to the palm as general favorite. Hismouth will carry him along. Kemp is great as a comedian. Claret.ce Alston's cornet solo was a difficult piece of music, but he mastered it completly. The audience

was not slow to appreciate the fact. The grand drill was a pleasing part of the program and it was done with great effect.

The Barber's Pienic, consisting of all kinds of dancing concluded the evening's performance and a most enjoyable one it was.

Mr. Upchurch has many friends here who hope to see him reap a rich harvest from the success which he has developed.

Programme Grand overture-Haywood's orhestra and company.

Interlocutor-Richard Hayes. Bones-Frank Twitty, Wm. Freeman, John Hinton and George Matthews.

Tambos-Jim Jones, Tobie Davis, Kemp Plummer and John Warren. "Looking for the Bully"-Tobie Davis.

"If They Write I'm Forgiven, I'll Go Home"-Asa, Bunn.

"I've Been Ho-doo-ed"-William

Freeman. "In the Baggage Coach Ahead"-Charles Dunston.

Warren Bros , (John and George)-

Song and Dance. "Watermelon Spoiling Down at Johnson's"-Frank Twitty. "A Picture of My Best Girl"-

Charles Winters. "I Don't Love Nobody"-Jim

Olio quartette-Winters, Bunn,

Harris and Thornton. Kemp Plummer and John Warren Comedians. In their Monologue pecialties

Clarence Alston-Celebrated cornet soloist, late of Al. G. Fields' 'Darkest America."

Warren and Matthews-The greatst grotesque and acrobatic dancers Kemp Plummer-One of our origial comedians. Rival of Billy Ker-

Grand drill.

Mortima-The most marvelous prodigy of the century, the Human nake, the Boneless-Wonder or the Human Anaconda, is unrivaled in his snake-like movements, and has set two continents wild with enthu-

Barber's 'Piente - Introducing Buck, Wing, and Pos-ma-la dancers. Regular meeting Raleigh Council, No. 1, J. O. U. A. M., tonight at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is de-sired. Initiation of candidates and other very important business.

# UNCLE STROWD TALKS

Wants to Make a Joint Canvass in the District.

#### MR. POU WILLING

Pat Massy and Bent Alford May be Invited ... Claude Dockery and Mott here. The Former Won't Talk... What a Populist Says.

Congressman Stroud, Dr. J. J. Mott, Claude Dockery, Washington Duke, P. T. Massey and several other celebrites in whom the public is more or less interested, struck town today. Of course it was just a casual coming together of persons in the public eye, and their presence here was purely accidental, entirely innocent of any political plot. It was ever thus and it will ever be.

Congressman Stroud's ignorance of current events was distressing. He accounted for this by stating that he had been seven miles from a postoffice since the Populist State con-

Mr. Stroud came here to see Hon. E. W. Pou, the Democratic nominee for congress in order to arrange a joint discussion in the district. Mr. Stroud said he favored a joint discussion as did Mr. Pou.

Mr. Stroud was asked if Mr. Massy would be invited to participate in the debate, and he replied, Why certainly, we will ask him. It was suggested that Hon. G. Bent Alford had been overlooked

and that an invitation should be extended him by Mr. Stroud. "Yes" said Congressman Strowd I think he ought to be invited."

Mr. Stroud said that there was no conference here so far as he knew. and that his trip was purely a business one. When asked what he thought of Mr. Massy's nomination, he replied that he thought it was a good one from a Republican stand-

Mr. Stroud was asked if he understood that there was a tacit agreement between the Republicans and Populists in this district whereby the former was to support him in his nomination for congress two terms. He replied that he did not.

When queried as to what he thought of the chances of electoral usion, he replied that he thought it was at an end at the time of the State convention, but now he hardly know whether it is or not. When asked why his mind had undergone a change, Mr. Stroud remarked that he talked with ex-Gov. Jarvis this morning and the latter took the position that there ought not to be two candidates for the same office entertaining the same views.

A Populist of State influence and standing stated today that if Massy remained for Congress there would be no fusion in any of the counties in this district with Republicans by Populists. It is hard to tell whether the Populist leaders could break up up fusion in this county even if they wanted to.

Otho Wilson made the very significant remark today that the Populists were not afraid to make a straight fight in this county. He thinks the Populists have a plurality,

# Appointments of Governor Jarvis.

Hon. Thomas J. Jarvis will address the people at the following

times and places: Hillsbore, Thursday, August the

Graham, Friday, August the 27th

Golston, Chatham county, Saurday 3 p. m., August the 29th. Flea Hill, Cumberland county,

Monday, August 31st. Maxton, Wednesday, September the 2nd.

Wilmington, at night, Thursday, September 3rd. Lumberton, Saturday, September

the 5th. Let all come out and hear the great ssues of the day fully discussed

Every voter of all parties ought to

hear the great questions fairly pre- state. CLEMENT MANLY, Ch'm. JNO. W. THOMPSON, Sec'y.

Kitchen and Settle. Messrs . Kitchen and Settle Demo ratio and Republican candidates espectively, for Congress in the fifth district, have made out a list of appointments for a joint canvass of the district. They open their campaign at Oxford on September to work. The famous strike was 10th and close at Reidsville on Oc- productive of several battles and

### MASSY FOR GOLD.

He Writes his Letter of Acceptance Declar

P. T. Massy of Johnston, the Republican nomineefor Congress spent yesterday in this city. While here he received the letter of notification of his nomination for congress. The letter was forwarded by Ed Johnson, J. J. Sharpe, John Nichols and Francis M. Sorrell, the committee appointed on notification.

Mr. Massy's letter of acceptance

is given below: SMITHFIELD, N. C., Aug. 26, 1896.
Messrs. E. A. Johnson and others of

the Committee: Yours of the 25th inst, informing me of my nomination as the Republican candidate for Congress in this: the Fourth congressional district received. I take this opportunity of signifying my acceptance of the

same and appreciation of the honor. My political convictions are well known to the people of the district and I heartily endorse the nominees and platform of the National Repub- the meeting was remarked upon, his

lican Convention. In 1894, I favored co-operation with the Populists for the purpose of securing to the people a free bal lot and a fair count with local self government which was accomplished by the Legislature of 1895, and favor a continuance of a co-operation in order to make sure the perpetuation of these banefits. I earnestly solicit the support of all who endorse the principles which we contend for with the assurance if elected to support all measures looking to the restoration of confidence and the prosperity of our country.

Respectfully, P. T. Massy.

Mr. Massy says he is in the race to stay and can't be pulled down, He is banking on being elected and thinks he will carry Johnston

Talking to Mr. Massy last evening, Chairman Holton said "Massy. I'll feel as proud of your election as any man in North Carolina," Mr. Holton figures it out that Massy will win by 2,000 votes.

He figures that he will get 200 majority in Randolph, come out even in Chatham, 300 majority in Franklin, 700 in Vance, 500 in Nash and quit even in Wake and Johnson.

Mr. Massy assented to these figures except as to Johnston, which county he claims he will carry. Mr. Massy says his committee will decide whether he shall canvass

jointly or challenge any of the other Watch E. W. Pou, our next Con-

## BRYAN'S ITINERARY.

President Cameron Has Just Seen Him His Visit to Raleigh.

Col. Benehan Cameron, president of the State Fair, returned from the North yesterday fresh from a visit to Mr. Bryan, Colonel Cameron went to see him about being present at the State Fair in October.

The Greensboro Record in interview with Cameron says: After consulting with the committee it was decided that it would be better for Mr. Bryan to finish up his work while here, before he crossed the Mississippi on his return.

This decision makes it impossible for him to be present at Raleigh when the fair is held, but he will speak there in September.

The itinerary, as mapped out for him, is for him to speak in Baltimore on the 15th, Richmond on the 16th and at Greensbero perhaps on the 17th, though when Col. Cameron left it had not been decided whether he would go direct from Richmond to Raleigh, or come to Greensboro and thence to Raleigh.

The date for Greensboro will there fore be either the 17th, 18th or 19th, as it may be determined to let him speak in Raleigh on the 17th, Charlotte on the 18th and Greenshoro on the 19th.

He is booked for Washington city on the 20th.

As soon as the exact date is fixed it will be announced all over the

If the weather is fair he will speak in the open air, as there is not a house here, in fact in the state. large enough to hold the crowd.

To Return to Work.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. CLEVELAND, Aug. 26.-Locked out men of the Brown Hoisting Company's works have voted to return

# BRYAN RETURNS WEST

Savs His Visit to Hill Was Purely Social.

### HAD NO PARLOR CAR.

And he Was Besieged by Cranks-It is Understood that Hill Will Support Bryan-The Candidate Spoke at Rome Today.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. Utica, Aug. 26.-Bryan started westward at seven this morning. SYRACUSE, Aug. 26,-Bryan's train

from Utiea bad no parlor car. The party took seats in the coach where passengers crowded about them for handshakes and autographs. Mr. Bryan had little to say about the dinner with Senator Hill. It was a purely social affair, he said. Although the absence of Hill from utterance regarding the support from those who did not support every plank was regarded as significant. The general impression is that he received assurances from Hill that he will declare for the ticket. Bryan spoke briefly at Rome. The streets were thronged when the party arrived. The Bryan and Sewall club escorted Bryan to the square where the meeting was held.

## MR. EDWARD M'KESSICK.

Appointed Chief Marshall of the State Fair-Racing Programme, Etc.

Mr. E. McKessick of Asheville has been appointed Chief Marshall of the North Carolina State Fair by President Benehan Cameron. Mr. McKessick has not signified his acceptance, but it is considered that he will. The selection was a very happy one and President Cameron is to be congratulated on his excellent judgment.

Mr. McKessick will announce his aides later in the season.

Secretary Nichols is very busy now with many of the details of the great fair, which truly promises to be the record breaker. President Cameron is very energetic in whatever he undertakes, and he is very much interested in the success of

this fair. He has just been north in the interest of the fair and is expected here tomorrow, There are a numhis attention. The program of the horse races will likely be published this week. The purses will in all probability be the largest ever offered by a State fair and will be sufficient to attract many speedy animals here.

# WAS AWAITING DEATH.

Frank Howard Would not Eat or Sleep-

Scaffold Put Up Yesterday. Yesterday afternoon while Governor Carr was signing the order for a 30 days reprieve for Frank Howard who was sentenced to be hung tomorrow, the sound of the saw and hammer used in the construction of the gallows was beating upon his

Howard was not notified of his prolongation of life, and what must have been his joy when he heard it

today. The Concord Standard said yesterday afternoon: "Not until the sound of the saw and hammer used by the carpenters in the erection of his gallows did Frank Howard, the negro who is sentenced to be hung Friday, realize that his life was to come to a sudden end and not until then did he believe that he would hang. He does not sleep or eat and is suffering with nervous prostration. He is thin and haggard. He wants very little and is not talkative. Ministers and laymen, both white and black, have yisited him, conducting prayer and song services.

A Narrow Escape from Death.

A special from Weldon says: Miss Agness McGee, one of Welion's most popular young ladies, made a narrow escape from death or serious injury yesterday afternoon. She was driving across the bridge over the bayou in Mush Ishland, when her horse became frightened and backed buggy and occupant over the edge of the bridge. Horse and all went crashing to the bottom, a distance of thirty feet, but strange to say, Miss McGee was uninjured The horse also escaped injury, but

the buggy was badly broken. Miss McGee is well known in Raleigh having visited here on a number of occasions.

### THE JOINT DISCUSSION.

Dates and Places for the Discussion B tween Watson and Guthrie Arranged. Chairman Manly of the Democratic Executive Committee and Chairman Ayer of the Populist committee met yesterday and arranged the dates

and places for the joint canvass between Cyrus B. Watson, Democratic nominee for Governor and Maj. W. A. Guthrie, Populist nominee. They are as follows.

Rutherfordton, Friday, Sept. 4th. Shelby, Saturday, Sept. 5th. Salisbury, Friday, Sept. 11th. Concord, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Henderson ville, Monday, Septem

Bryson City, Wednesday, Septem-

ber 16th. Waynesville, Thursday, Sept. 17 Marshall, Friday, Sept. 18th. Asheville, Saturday, Sept. 19th. Taylorsville, Monday, Sept. 21st. Wilkesboro, Tuesday Sept. 22nd.

Come out and hear the candidates

discuss the issues of the day. Judge Russell, the Republican candidate for Governor, has been invited to speak at all these appoint-

CLEMENT MANLY. Chm'n, State Dem. Ex. Com.

HAL W. AYER, Chm'n People's Party Ex. Com. Mr. Watson will also meet promptly his appointments as heretofore announced, to wit-

Durham, August 28th. Statesville, Saturday, August 29. Newton, Monday, August 31st. Morganton, Tuesday, Sept. 1st. Marion, Wednesday, Sept. 2nd. Lincolnton, Monday, Sept. 7th. Lexington, Tuesday, Sept. 8th.

CLEMENT MANLY, Chairman .

# TODAY'S MARKETS.

Cotton Closed 27 Points Lower than Yesterday's Closing Prices.

NEW YORK, August 26. Cotton quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 56 Broadway, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, over their special

MONTHS.	OPEN- ING.	HIGH- EST.	LOW- EST.	ING.
January,	8 01	8 01	7 77	7 77-
February,	8 06	8 06	7 81	7 81-
March.	8 09	8 09	7 85	7 85-
April,	8 09	8 09	7 89	7 89-
May,				*****
June,				
July,				
August.	8 00	8 00	7 79	7 79-
Sept'mb'r,	7 89	7 89	7 66	7 67-
October,	7 97	7 97	7 74	7 74-
Novemb'r.	7 92	7 92	7 78	7 68-
December,	7 97	7 97	7 73	8 73-

New York opened about 3 points lower, became easy and weak closing finally 27 points below yesterdaysteady sales 294.100.

The Bureau was more favorable than expected and says that a top crop in the northern part of Texas s possible.

Liberal receipts at the ports

helped to depress the market. New York Stock Market. The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock

Exchange today: Missouri Pacific..... Union Pacific ..... Rock Island ..... Burlington and Quincy ..... Western Union.... Louisville and Nashville..... United States Leather..... Southern Railroad..... Southern Preferred ..... Chicago Gas..... Sugar .... Atchison...

D. L. & W. 144

Jersey Central 95 Erie ..... Silver .....

# Liverpool Cotton Market.

number of cotton shippers here. Liverpool opened 1 to 2-64 up, became easier and closed quiet at 21-64 below yesterday. Spot sales 6,000 bales; receipts 1,000 bales; demand poor; middling 132 lower. now 4 17-32.

August-September...... 4.24 s September-October ......
October-November. December-January ....... 4.151 b February-March Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

The following were the closing quo-tations on the Chicago Grain and Pro-vision market today: Wheat-September, 561; December

Corn-September 214; December Oats—September, 16; December 1 Pork—September, 5.42; December 5. Lard—September, 3.32; Dec. 3.52. Clear Rib Sides-September, 3.15.

A barbecue was given today at Mr. M. M. Perry's residence, three

miles from the city.

# SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

#### AROUND THE CITY.

Pot-Pouri of the News Pictured on Pa per-Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily Put in

Print. An important meeting of the Y. W. C. T. U. will be held tomorrow afternoon at Mrs. Worth's at 5.30.

Jim Young went to Henderson today to attend the bedside of his mother, who has been partially

stricken with paralysis. A beautiful boquet adorns Mr. Hal Ayer's desk in Populist headquarters, and it is surmounted with a card on which is inscribed the following in feminine handwriting,

"Mr. Hal Aver, the next auditor. Ramseur's excursion from Charlotte to Baltimore passed through here yesterday behind 38, soon after 12 o'clock. It was filled with business people from Charlotte and surrounding points.

"Desirable goods at popular prices is what attract the people," say Messrs Whiting Bros. who are making an unusual display of midseason bargains. Read their new 'add' in this issue.

Millie O'Neal, white, a pauper waving a legal settlement in Johnston county, for some time a charge upon Wake county, was by special proceeding under section 3546 of the code held before Justice H. H. Roberts, returned to Johnston county this morning. Officer R. M. Gray, of the county home, conveyed her to Smithfield on the 9 o'clock train.

Mr. Otho Wilson has moved to the city and is occupying a residence on Salisbury street, near Mr. J. N. Holding's. In moving the furniture to the city, the driver left his horse and the latter turned the wagon over an embankment, upsetting the furniture. Little damage was done.

The Bryan and Watson Club will meet tonight at the Mayor's office. The meeting last night had to be postponed on account of the great crash and noise occasioned by the minstrel performance. Business of mportance will come up tonight and every member of the club should be present.

Haywood Bros' minstrel took the 11:30 train for Louisburg, where they appear tonight. The boys left here 26 strong. A large number of their friends were at the depot to see them off. Mr. Upchurch is contracting with the railroad for a private car in which to sleep and board the troupe.

# WE DON'T GET IT.

Said that the Southern Will Locate

The Southern Railway will construct a cotton compress at Norfolk.

This is said to be almost certain. It was thought last season that the Southern would locate their cotton compress for this end of the line in Raleigh, being a central cotton point, but it seems that Norfolk is the lucky place.

When the construction of the new

cotton platform began at the Southern's freight depot in this city it was thought by not afew that it was only the beginning of a movement for the location of a large compress here. It appears though, that the platform is being built simply for the convenience of the constantly growing

### It is stated that one compress is enough for a town of this size.

Death of Mr. Thos. Norwood. Mr. Thos. Norwood, a well known and highly respected citizen of this county died this morning of heart disease at his residence seven miles northeast of the city. Mr. Norwood

was sixty years of age. He leaves a

family, several brothers and one

sister, Mrs. L. J. Jones of this city.

The funeral will occur tomorrow

afternoon from his home. Powder Mill Explosion

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor SPRINGPIELD, Aug. 26-The powder mills of the company's st on the Pennsylvania railway, blew up this morning. The shock felt thirty-five miles. Several m