TO MEET AGAIN.

The Democratic State Executive nmittee is called to meet here next Thursday, Chairman Manly says the meeting is called to consider va rious matters, the election law among others. It is intimated that interesting political developments may ture up. Chairman Ayer was asked if the

Populist Executive committee was going to meet. "No." he replied, "but it can meet on ten minutes no-

Adjutant Otho Wilson says that the so-called fusion between Populists and Democrats in Cumberland, Durham and other counties wont luse. Adjutant Wilson announces that he will visit the two counties above mentioned and re-arrange the genuine article with the S. O. W. brand on it.

The Republicans bave taken another poll of the State. They claim that McKinley will carry the State with 160,000 votes and that Russell will receive 140,000.

Chas. Price, of Salisbury, will take the stump for McKinley in a few days.

Secretary Patterson of the Republican campaign committee has the special work in charge of arranging fusion in the counties. He states that 25 or 30 counties have not yet arranged their county tickets. He says the Republicans of Cumberland will unite with the Populists. Mr. Patterson predicts that the Republicans will sweep the state. He says the Democrats will not carry over 20

WAS READY FOR WORK!

an Illicet Distillery Seven Miles from Raleigh Chopped Up.

Revenue officers ran uponan illicit distillery within seven miles of the city yesterday. For months Revenue officers have been trailing this still, but to no avail as the cunning shiners covered all signs behind them.

Yesterday the officers went out early in the afternoon upon a brand new south was not long be-

The still was found on the Hodges road which connects the Milburnie and the new road, near Neuse river. The still was located in a bottom near a branch. It had been in position about twenty-four hours, hav-ing been moved. No beer was found and the still had not been in operation since it was removed. It was of about sixty gallon capacity. The officers chopped the dew produce in small pieces before leaving.

There has been a still in that locality and very likely this is the one-for three years past, but the officers have never been able to detectit. It is said the still was worked at night instead of the day.

The parties to whom the still belonged are not known.

FUSE ON MAGISTRATES.

That is What Populists and Republic Want to Do in Raleigh Towns

There was a meeting of the Populist and Republican township execu tive committees last evening in Clerk of the Court Dan H. Young's office. The meeting lasted several hours and all that transpired will never be put down in cold print.

It is sufficient to say that a joint committee was appointed to confer with chairman Holding of the Democratic executive committee with a to be elected in Raleigh township between all three parties.

There are sixteen magistrates to be elected in Raleigh township, and in the county every township is en-

titled to three magistrates.

The Republicans and Populists do not propose to fuse in Walte county on magistrates, but only in Raleigh

Adjutant Otho Wilson was asked what the idea of the Populists was in offering to apportion the nominees for magistrates in Baleigh township mong all their parties, and he re-illed that it was suggested to select

ly the best men. It has been suggested that the

Mr. Dan H. Young is chairm the Republican committee and Dr. R. B. Ellis is chairman of the Popuunittee named to confer with

It is stated that an independen madiante for Register of Deeds will amounce himself in a few days.

Those for Wake County Appointed by Clerk Young.

21 ARE NECROES.

Election is Four Weeks Away-Only Two More Saturdays of Registration Until the Day

The election will be on us four weeks from today. There are only two more Saturdays in which to register, and every man in the city should register Saturday next, for further delay may deprive one of that right.

Mr. Dan Young, Clerk of the Superior court, announced the pollholders today, who will be judges of election at the polling places on elec-

Of the poll-holders appointed by Mr Young 21 are negroes. Barton's Creek; Hutchinson's

WHRay, WC Winfree, J J Penny. Roger's Store-Henry Thompson, Elihn Sater, A T Peed.

Buckhorn township-James Ennis, W B Womble, Thos Bland. Cary township-A W Thompson

N G Williams, A S Crocker. Cedar Fork township; Morrisville precinct-Marion Burroughs, J K Gibson, W G Seares-Pollards, Luter Harris, George Marcom, Jno W Parker.

Holly Springs-T B Holt, M M Prince, C H Collins.

- House Creek Township; Edward's Store-M M Perry, J G Saunders, A M Thompson-Harris' Store: R T Bogurn, H B Thomas, W J Clay. that this circular has been issued

Little River Township; Wakefield -C F Marriott, WR Brantley, TL Honeycutt-Mitchell's Mills, W E Redford, Kemp Upchurch, J A

Marks Creek Township; J D Pair, F M Ferrall, S A Richardson-Middle Creek; A B Jones, S M Rowland, K B Johnson.

Neuse River Township, W J Rudy, W B Hunter, Rufus Reddish.

New Light Township; Robertson's -Benj F Sandling, T W Woodlief, James Hunt. New Light Township; Stony Hill

J S Mangum, J S Bailey, W H Chappell. Oak Grove Township -G D Hayes,

J W Jenkins, J G Fergerson. Panther Branch; Township House -T L Banks, C E McCullers, S Z

Myatt's Mills-Arnold Parrish Sidney Smith, W F Matthews.

St. Marys Township; Auburn-J C Pore, Lewis Haywood, Alf Stat-

St. Marys; Garner-J P Goodwin Bunyan Hobgood, Allen E Hay-

St. Matthews; Milburnie-E M Pore, Thos E Daniel, Jerry Smith. Wilders Grove-M W Buffaloe, J G Dunn, Sidney Partin.

Swift Creek Township-MT Jones W B Jones, Rufus Adams. Wake Forest Township; Forest-

ville-Jos Jordan, Geo E Gill, J W Rolesville-A Z Fleming, J Peebles, E C Allen.

White Oak Township-J H Mills M W Brown, Jesse A Norris.

Raleigh, First ward; first division -L C Neal, W M Vass, W W Wil-

Second division-W H Dodd, J Ramsey, E B Bain.

cond ward; First division-M L Haynes, J W Denmark, Jno E Brid-

Second division-R H Bradley. sar Johnson, J C L Harris.

Third ward; First division-AJ Rogers, S W Holloway, E A Adams. Second Division; George W Taylor, J E Pogue, E C Owen.

Fourth ward-First Division Frank Blacknall, N A Blake, A D Hulin. Second Division; J A Dean, A W Shaffer, Z S Bland.

Outside East-W H Martin, T B Jones, E B Taylor. T Hall, C N Dixon, Jao H Porter.

Southern Division—C E Crawford, Ernest Haywood, John Alston. Manteo Lodge, L O. O. F. Manteo Lodge, No. 8, I. O. O. F., sets tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Every

ber is carpestly requested to be

Capital Lodge I. O. O. P.

Capital Lodge, No. 146, I. O. O. F., cets touight at 7:30 o'clock. A full

A FIGHT FOR STOCK.

The Baltimore News of yesterday

The publication in the News that an offer had been made of \$100 a share for a majority of the stock of which is the controlling company of the Seaboard Air Line system, and that the offer was believed to have been made in the interest of the Southern Railway Company, has aroused considerable interest in local financial circles owing to the large holdings of the securities of both companies in Baltimore and in view of the fact that both have water terminals here.

The offer was made by the Mercantile Trust and Deposit Company of Baltimore, which addressed a circular letter to the stockholders asking for options on the stock and named \$100 a share, or par, as the price, if a controlling interest can be secured.

Some stockholders have accepted the proposition, but some have declined to consider the terms, claiming that the price is not high enough. Among the latter is President R. Curzon Hoffman, of the Seaboard Air Line, who is one of the largest stockholders. Mr. Hoffman has taken a firm stand and has issued the following circular to stockholders:

BALTIMORE, Oct 2. To the Stockholders of the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad Company:

GENTLEMEN-Having seen a circular issued by John Gill, as president of the Merchantile Trust and Deposit Company of Baltimore, asking for options on your holdings of Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad Company's stock, I beg leave to say without the knowledge, consent, authority or approval of the management, and is against your true in-

R. C. HOFFMAN,

President. In regard to the negotiations of the Mercantile Trust and Deposit Company to secure control of the common stock of the Seaboard and Roanoke, it was stated at the office of the former company today that it was making very satisfactory progress in securing options on the stock and that it was not its intention to make any public statement of its actions until its attention was called to the circular issued by Mr. Hoffman. President Gill has, therefore, prepared the following circular in reply to Mr. Hoffman's statement: To the Stockholders of the Seaboard

and Roanoke Railroad Company: I have before me the circular addressed to you by Mr. R. C. Hoffman, president of the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad, and while it is true that my circular was issued without the knowledge, consent or authority of Mr. Hoffman, it was known to a great many stockholders of the Seaboard road and approved

by them. In this connection I would further say that I fail to see why I should be called upon to ask for the "consent or authority of the manage-

. I have endeavored for some years past to sustain the president of the Seaboard, but like every other man of business or financial experience, I have been compelled to take issue with Mr. Hoffman on his present action. I do not know a single gentleman of any prominence in financial circles in this city or in any other

who approves it. It is not Mr. Hoffman who owns the Scaboard. This property is owned by the stockholders, of whom I am one of the largest. It is this management for which Mr. Hoffman in his circular claims the right to speak, which has put your stock down to \$45 per share, rendered the securities of the Seaboard almost salable and affected the value of securities of Southern railways

For this reason I seek a change, and to give to the stockholders either end to the war of rates.

I have already secured an option on large blocks of the stock, and repeat what I said in my previous tion of the board. ircular, that if a controlling interam assured it can be sold at \$100

I desire to make only one com- bolders. ment on Mr. Hoffman's circular re- It was also reported that he w plain this point. No dividend has Vice-President St. John would rebeen declared upon the stock of the tire. In regard to this last rumor, the Seaboard and Roanoke railroad, company for some time past, and however, it may be stated that Mr. none is in prospect for a considerable time; the market value is from \$40 to \$45 per share, and within 12 months sales have been made at \$38 per share. My expectation is to effect a sale at \$100 a share, which he has something better in sight. figure can only be procured if a sufficient number of shares can be at 3 o'clock, and it was given out offered, and I submit to the candid that the meeting would probably last judgment of shareholders to determine upon these facts whether I am shareholders to make any sacrific

of their holdings. I further beg to advise the stockolders of the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad that a petition has been filed with the Mercantile Trust and Deposit Company, signed by numerous bondholders and the largest financial institutions in this city, demanding of them as trustee to intervene in the suit now pending in the United States Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, the object of which suit is to compel the various railroads made defendant therein to restore and maintain rates.

JOHN GILL. The relations between General Gill and Mr. Hoffman have always been of the most cordial nature. General Gill is a director of the Seaboad Air Line system, and his company, the Mercantile Trust and Deposit Company, is and has been for years financial agent of the road, and as such, placed most if the securities recently issued by e Seaboard Air Line. Mr. Hof ann is a Deposit Company,

Little of the Seaboard stock is on the market, and the price during the past few months has fluctuated around 45, with an occasional sale at that price. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Seaboard and Roanoke will be held Tuesday at Portsmouth, Va., and a board of directors will be elected to serve during the ensuing year. As far as known, the only effort to secure proxies has been made by the present management, and it is believed that it will be returned.

It is possible, however, that the meeting may develop surprises. That there has been opposition to the conduct of the rate war is admitted by some of the stockholders, but the dissatisfaction appears to be directed against Vice-President St. hn rather than President Hoffman Mr. St. John is regarded as the real director of the company, so far as the operation of the property is concerned, and it is suggested that if he had been more diplomatic the rate war could have been avoided.

If the opposition crystallizes it could make things warm for Mr. St. John There has been no disparagement of that gentleman's railroad ability. That is admitted, but it is claimed that he has shown bad judgment in forcing the issue which re-

sulted in the rate war. The offer of the Mercantile Trust company is announced to include the stock of the Bay line, or Baltimore Steam Packet company, at a fair price. The steamers of this company are run in connextion with the Seaboard and Roanoke, forming a

part of the Scaboard Air-Line. In addition to the above the Baltimore News of yesterday contains the following:

The directors of the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad, which is the parent company of the Seaboard Air Line system, held a lengthy meeting today in President R Curson Hoffman's office in the Equitable Building to discuss the affairs of the company, and examine the annual report preparatory to its presentation at the stockholders' meeting to be held at Portsmouth. Va., tomorrow.

The directors present at the meeting were Messrs. R Curzon Hoffman, who presided; Louis McLane and an opportunity to sell their stock at | Charles D Fisher of Baltimore; W good price or by co-operating with W Fuller of North Carolina; Leigh us to secure harmony and put an R Watts of Portsmouth, Va.; and end to the war of rates.

Moncure Robinson of Philadelphia. Vice-President and General Manager St. John was also present by invita-

The meeting was held behind est in the stock of the Scaboard and closed doors, and if reports be true Roanoke Railroad can be obtained I it was not marked by the same harmony that in times past has charrised the directors' conferences If, therefore, you desire to give Various rumors were affoat as to us this option, I shall be picased to include your stock in the sale if made, and shall be glad to have you call at the Mercantile Trust and Dedent Hoffman at the annual meeting what transpired at the meeting, but

posit Company for any further in- tomorrow, if his course in the rate war was not approved by the stoc)

ferred to above. He states it to be not accept re election except by he against your interests as stockhold- unanimous vote of the stockholders. ers to sell. I would like him to ex- Another report was to theeffect that St. John has a contract with the Seaboard Air-Line which still has several years to run, and he is not likely to voluntarily surrender a position that payshim \$15,000 unless

The directors were still in session until a late hour this afternoon.

The directors and some of the open to the charge of asking the largest stockholders will leave on the Bay Line this evening for Portsmouth to participate in the meeting. At 5 o'clock this afternoon a telegram was received here from Ports-

TODAY'S MARKETS.

directors was re-elected today.

mouth stating that the old board of

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. Cotton quotations furnished by G. E. Leach, Broker, 311 Wilmington street Raleigh, N. C. [By Private Wire.]

MONTHS.	OPEN- ING.	HIGH- EST.	EST.	CLOS
January, February, March,	7 90 7 87 7 99	7 99 8 02 8 08	7 88 7 94 7 99	7 96- 8 01- 8 05-
April, May,				8 09
June,				******
July,				
August, Sept'mb'r.	*****			
October,	7 66	7 71	7 65	7 70-
Novemb'r,	7 69	7 78	7 68	7 75-
December,	7 80	7 90	7 80	7 87-

New York opened at a decline of director of the Mercantile Trust and 6 points from last evening's close, and after a decline of 2 points the market rallied and worked within a range of 8 to 10 points, closing practically at same figures as yesterday.

New York Stock Market. pantry, carrying away a good supply. The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock street was also visited. A supply

Exchange today:
Missouri Pacific
Union Pacific
Rock Island 61
St. Paul 70
General Electric
Tennessee Coal and Iron 21
Manhattan 92
American Tobacco 66
Burlington and Quincy 69
Western Union 83
Louisville and Nashville 42
United States Leather
Southern Railroad
Southern Preferred 24
Chicago Gas 60
Sugar 110
Reading
Des. and Crt. Feed
Atchison
D. L. & W
Jersey Central 103
Erie
Silver
Liverpool Cotton Market.

October-November...... 4.264 s. November-December. 4.264 s. December-January ... 4.23 b. January-February 4.23† s

February-March 4.224 b.

October...... 4.30 s.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market. The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Pro-

vision market today Wheat-December, 691; May,724. Corn-December, 231; May, 261. Oats-December 18; May 191.

Pork-October, -; January, 7.27. Lard-October, -; January 4.25. Clear Rib Sides-October, 3.30; Jan-

Gold Democrats Spoke Last Night.

Messrs. Lindsay Patterson of Winston and W. W. Clarke of Newbern, electors of the National Democratic ticket spoke at the court house last evening. The audience was not an over large one, but close attention was given the speakers in the presentation of their side of the question. Both gentlemen presented agruments in dignified speeches, favoring the gold platform as adopted by the National Democratic Convention. The speakers were introduced by Mr. W. E. Ashely, who presided over the meeting.

Big Failure Rumored.

A rumor was received here today over the wires of the failure of a large cotton firm in Georgia. No particulars were received up to the hour we go to press.

Meeting of the Raleigh Typographical Union tomorrow evening

Mrs. T. H. Chavasse accor Capt. Chavasse to Norfolk today.

Minor Matters Manipulated

for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

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per-Points and People Pertinently

Picked and Pithily Put in

Mr. Henry E. Litchford is still

is better today and his many friends

The Supreme Court took up ap

peals from the second district

today. The Brown Satterfield cases

Rev. Dr. George Patterson, of

Memphis, is visiting friends in

Hillsboro. Dr. Patterson is greatly

beloved in North Carolina, where he

Mr. W. D. Terry, who was con-

elector in the sixth district.

of Mrs. J. M. Barber.

hope to see him out soon.

ed from a European trip.

Deputy-collector Gibson who directed the attack on Barnum Jones. the celebrated outlaw of Bladen county when he was killed last Wednesday while resisting the revenue officers in a pitched battle, arrived here today. He is accompanied by Deputy-Marshall J C Parrish, who was in the thickest of the fight and subsequently received a scalp wound from the discharge of

Mr. Gibson in talking today said Chairman Holton yesterday named Henry Dockery as the Republican Mrs. Susan Farely, of Danville, Va., has arrived in the city to wit-

ss the Crawford-Barber nuptials. Mrs. B. F. Jefferson and Mrs. T. D. Seabury, of Danville, arrived in the city yesterday and are the guests

sick at his room at the Yarboro, but

ing Jones. The officers ascertained Jones was at his store after having been on his track for 12 hours, They approached will not be reached until after the the place from a swamp in three parties. Deputy Parrish, the chief of police of Florence, S C, and two other officers were detailed to approach the entrance door, Their plan was to creep up on the outlaw formerly lived. He has just returnand sieze him by force. While the revenue men were in thirty feet of the store, Jones caught sight of the four officers with fire arms in their

nected with the Linnell Steam Laundry has accepted a position with the firm of Parker & Tyrrell. Mr. Terry is an exceedingly clever gentleman and he will be pleased to have his friends call on him. Thieves broke into the residence of Mr. J. C. L. Harris last night. They paid special attention to the

of provisions were taken away. The Bryan and Watson club meets at the Mayor's office tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Every young Democrat in the city should be present. Some very important matters will come

Mr. D. L. Royster's on Hargett

up for consideration. Col. Francis D. Winston, of Bertie county is in the city attending the charming personality has made for ere in Rateigh where be always welcome visitor. Mr. Win ston's campaign in the East has been very effective and from all points where he has spoken most en- Deputy Parrish's head and the seccouraging and gratifying reports ond one entered the arm of the chief

Messrs. Royall & Borden are prepared to supply "Wilson heaters," the best in the market. They have the hilgest testimonials, among which is that of W. H Barnard, of Norfolk, Va., who says: "We have sold so many of the Wilson heaters and the satisfaction they have given has been so remarkable, that I resolved to send one to my own house. and try it myself. I ran it 30 days, 24 hours a day, on one half cord of wood. I make this statement with full knowledge rf what I am speaking, as my wife has an infant now six weeks old, and on her account and the baby's I could not but appreciate the stove very highly. With the proposed addition of the attachment to prevent the escape of smoke when the top is removed, it will be a marvel of utility, economy and comfort.

The Yarboro to Remain Open.

Mr. L. T. Brown, proprietor of the Yarboro, has perfected arrangements whereby the Yarboro will be

kept open during Fair week. After the Fair it is understood that the furniture now in the hotel will be removed and Mr. Brown will then fit it up with new furniture and it will be kept open through the legislature at least. The PRESS-VISITOR is glad to note the fact and the entire community will be glad to know that the Yarboro will be open to accommodate the many visitors during the Fair and the Legislature.

Bryan and Watson Club Meets Tonight Don't fail to attend the meeting of the Bryan and Watson club at the mayor's office at 7:30 this afternoon. Matters of much importance will come up and the presence of every Democrat in the city is requested.

DEPUTY GIBSON HERF.

Details of the Battle Between Barnum

the desperado's gun.

it was his opinion that the Jones gang had been completely broken pp. Six of the outlaw's pals were arrested several days before Bar num was killed and they are in jail in Columbus county.

No one will ever know who killed Jones outside of two men who saw him fall when the fatal shot struck

The revenue men laid their plans to capture the desperado alive and had he not opened fire on them with out so much as a warning he might be living today. The blood hounds were not used as reported in trail-

hands. Instantly he raised his gun and let go at the Revenue men twice. The officers returned the fire and made it so hot that the defiant desperado was forced to retreat.

He took to the rear of his store, climbed a fence and entered a corn field. As soon as he had discharged the shells in his gun, he would fall to the ground as if he had been shot, butthis was only a ruse employed by the outlaw to reload his gun. He did this four times, while retreating in the corn neld and each time he would come again and make a more

vicious charge on the officers. The terrorized and desperate man little knew that he was slowly and surely entering the trap which had been set for him, as he retreated through the corn. Two men had been stationed near the cornfield in Supreme court. Mr. Winston's anticipation of Barnum's retreat by that direction. One of those men him a host of friends in all parts of discharged the volley that sent Barthe State, but none more loyal than num Jones reeling to the ground.

Death was almost instantaneous At least forty volleys were discharged in the fusilade. The outlaw's first shot grazed the top of of police of Florence, S. C.; after that the officers succeeded very well in keeping out of the way of his

Barnum never spoke a word during the exciting battle. His twelve year old son was in the store and witnessed the tragedy from the start. Two of the outlaw's daughters heard the first shots and they arrived just before their father fell. The dead outlaw has an estate valued at \$15,000. He leaves five children and an aged mother and father, who are highly respectable people in Bladen county.

M'lle Rhea Next Week.

Madamoiselle Rhea, whose fine sense of the pathetic and great art in portraying legitimate roles have won for her a high place in the esteem of the public, will play an engagement at Metropolitan Opera House Monday night, October 12th, in her latest, and it is said her greatest impersonation of "Mary, Queen of Scots." Rhea's remarkable triumphs are but the just reward of her painstaking efforts on behalf of the clean and wholesome in the drama, embodying in her characterization the highest and noblest instincts which are destined to dissimenate an influence over her auditors that will bring them into a closer relationship with the stage and make them feel that such an institution teaches many a valuable moral lesson. Her company is an axcellent one and the performance

most entertaining. Cleveland Leaves Buzzards Bay.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. BUZZARDS BAY, Oct. 6 .- Cleveland left this morning Jersey City on Benedict's steam yacht Oneida. Mrs. Cleveland and children took the Be on hand at the meeting tonight. train for Greenwich vin Providence.