A HEAVY CUT

inde by the Georgia Railroad Com

The Atlanta Constitution of yes

terday says: "The 20 per cent cut on fertilizer rates goes into effect to-day. It is said that the farmers

ave taken a deep Interest in this

matter, and are more stirred upover it than on any similar question in years. The argument was made

before the railroad commission that the proposed reduction would save them from \$150,000 to \$200,000 a

ar on freights. This was denied

Very little of it has been shipped

### ONLY 2 CANDIDATES

meeting was very largely at-ded and Asteresting exercises as observed. Mr. J. W. Bailey his in order to placate them.

The speaker will be Ambrose F.

illeman of Cabarrus county or J. B. Schulken of Columbus county. They are the only Popullat candidates.

ed during the year. It was resolved to increase the mission work in the city during the year. A collection was taken and \$200 raised. Senstor Butler is backing is friends are using every effort to ect Hileman... Butler has the adon is to be settled in a Populist aucus, while Pritchard has the trongest candidate which is in his

It is a battle royal between the two worthies and really the beginning of the Senatorial fight. The Republicans would fight Butler to the death. From all indications Hilleman has more strength for the

urge one of their number for that responsible position. The senti-ment among three fourths of the Rement among three fourths of the Republicans in the city is that the
speakership should be conceded to
the Populists. This policy will be
finally determined upon tomorrow
uight at the republican caucus.
The story goes that a combination
has been formed between Pritchard's
friends and those close to Elicman
whereby the latter is to be made

by the representatives of the rail-roads, who stated that the middle-men would pocket that difference and charge the farmers as much as though the old rates were charged. Advices from the interior, how-ever, are to the effect that the farmers are clamoring for every cent's difference made by the cut. The competition is very keen this year between the agents who sell, and they are said to be selling or peaker and Hileman is to use his niluence either directly or isol-setly, for the re-election of Senator critchard to the Senate. All indicaone point to a confirmation of this

The great bulk of the product is appead in January, February and h. Probably 40 per cent of the confident of Senator Pritchard's reelection and indeed many of them
are boastful. Odds of all kinds are
being offered on his re-election. At
least a dosen Republicans of shading have vouchsafed the information
that six of the dosen or more populists
in the city have pledged themselves to support the Republican
Senator- The Populists decline to
talk when questioned on this point.
Nearly all of them give evasive answers. If there are any Populists
here who will support Pritchard
they will not say so openly. The
Republican leaders all say that
Pritchard cannot be defeated.
Chalman Ayer told a Passa-Very little of it has been shipped so far this season. Buyers ordered their shipments held back until the reduction should go into effect. For the next few days the movement will be very heavy. Everybody will want his goods to move while the commission's order is in effect. The argument to to be heard next Wednesday, and there is a chance that the reduction may be called off after that, but this is not very confidently looked for. Probably the strongest point

which the roads made on their side of the case was that the reduction Pritchard cannot be defeated.

Ohalrman Ayer told a Passa-Visivos reporter today that he understood the republicans had couceded the speakership to the populists. Sutton of New Hanoversays that the honor will be conferred upon a populist, while E. C. Duncan, of Carteret, says that the republicans

of the case was that the reduction would take a large sum of money out of their treasuries without any compansation, as it is not belived that the sales will be increased by reason of the lower freightrate. Fully three-fourths of the product of the factories has been sold now, and if there should be a very much larger demand for fertilizers, the hotories could not supply it.

The manufacturers say that if the 20 per cent out reduction had been held up for thirty days, no shipments would have been made for a month, and by they the railroads would not have been able to have hauled all the fertilizer in sixty days. This evening there will be an in-ormal conference of Democratic numbers of the legislature at the come in the public library. The enference will be exclusively of embers and no outsiders will be iven admission. At this confergiven admission. At this conference it will be determined whether the regular caucus shall be held to morrow evening or night. The question of nominating candidates for Speaker and Senator will be discussed. Cel. John S. Guaningban A german was given on Saturday rening at the Bobenian Club in more of Mr. J. B. Munson, on the consion of his savering his connectan with the club, of which he was charter member. Mr. Munson has den a residence at the corner of old and Wilmington streets and fill remove his family to his new case about the middle of the month.

nors worthity bestowed. Capt. A. E. Walters of Rockingham, has been ged for the honor, but he does not nire the nomination. come about the middle of the month. The ball was participated in by all he numbers of the club and Mr. I was a himself did the honors by miling the figures, accompanie by music by the entire band. To attendance was so large that space orbids the communities of manerall ware and at the breaking away if the macopalities of one of the months.

desire the nomination.

The republicans and popullate will caucus separately. The division of the legislatives offices will be the same as two years. Each office was alternates between the two parties and proved entisfactory to

The indux of selena today has been heavy. Every training by cought in delegations. By night it is expected that the majority of members will have arrived.

Yoularday the politicians awarmed

nday So did J. P. Setterfield, person Blackburg, J. G. Grant, of tendersonville, Senator J. D. Mauisby, Little Bille Bryan of Arringto J. A. Lillington, Thos. Duncan and numbers of others. Col. John S. Cunningham, of Per-

on and Capt A. E. Walters, of Rocksecured permanent headquarters at the Park Hotel. They occupy room 68. Dr. B. I. Dixon of Claveland, one of the brainless members of the lature is also here and is quared at the Park.

Dr. Mott arrived yesterday. Un-til the landing of this venerable po-litician, Senator Otho Wilson was torially speaking. Dr. Mott pro-fessed great ignorance of things po-litical. He wanted informs on on the Senatorial que hen queried on that subj sked him if a silver man would be

"A majority of those who will elect Senator are silver men," the doc-

Chairman Holton figures out the strength of the three parties in the egislature a little different from one of the others. He says there are 72 Republicans, 55 Populists and 18 Democrats. Strange to say the

official figures are not obtainable.

There are only four contests for seats. Broughton, Democrat conests the seat of Young, republican rom Wake. A democrat contests the rom Wake, A democrat contesta the seat of the negro Orews from Gran-ville and Williams and Oanton re-publicans contest the seats of the Democratic representatives from

Col. O. H. Dockery, whose friends my he is very much in the race for nator will arrive here Wednesday. icularing Governor Flect Chan-synolds came in this afternoon om Winston. Mr. Reynlods will supy rooms at the Floren Mr. WS Hyams, who is tec, anthorizes the statement that the article appearing in the moving paper here accrediting him with being a candidate for marshall of the ern district is absolute Mr. Hyams says he is seeking no

All three parties will caucus to-norrow night. Candidates for morrow night. Candidates for speaker will be named and the legislative officers will be nominated. There are dozens of the pie counter brigades in the city. They keep the politicians of "prominence" and the innocent legislator from the interior on the dodge. This legislative office seeking class is certainly a persistent crowd. It looks as if most all of the old officers will necure a reof the old officers will secure a re-

Populier Caucus.

Members of the Peoples party are requested to attend a caucus to be held in the Senate chamber tomorw (Tuesday) night at 8 o'clock sharp. An informal report will be offered by the State committee, and other matters will come up for con-sideration. Hat W. Ayes, Ch'm. P. P. State Ex. Com.

## TO BE EXECUTED.

or the execution of three oriminals who had taken an appeal to the su-preme court, where the decisions of the lower court were confirmed. The date set for the execution of

Monroe Johnson, of Mecklengbur, is February eights. Johnson is charged with burgiary.

The same date was set for the execution of George Cody and Wm.
Cody of Madison county, also
charged with burglary, neither of
the Codys are in custody, they
having made their escape from jail.
Governor Carr set the date for their
execution so that if they are ever
captured the penalty of the law may
be imposed upon them.

Mr. Alt. A. Thumpton, president of the Raleigh Street Railway Com-

of Nat Goodwin on Wednesday, February 17th, in this city. In signing a contract for the appearance of Mr. Goodwin at the Academy, the mana rs will have to put up the large rantee ever offered any come to this city.

for this the greatest of all comedian and if the management can be a sured of half of the amount of the guarantee asked, the contract will be signed immediately. Subscription tickets, which will not be payable earlier than the

tenth of February, will be circulated tenth of February, will be circulated among the people of the city during the next few days. Persons desiring to secure these tickets can do so by calling at King's or seeing either of the managers of the Academy.

Nat Goodwin is recognized as the

reatest actor on the stage by every theatrical critic. No one disputes his position. But any intro-duction of Goodwin's name to the American public would be superflu-ous. Maxime Elliot, Mr. Goodwin's world, will appear with him.

### END OF BROWN'S CASE, 1.00

ol Proce Taken by Solicitor

Court Convened.
The January term of criminal court convened to y, Judge Adams presiding. This is Judge Adams' first court and in charging the jury today he performed that duty with credit to himself.

Most of the day was spent in organizing the court. There are 98

Judge Adams signed a petition saking for the appointment of two additional members of the board of county commissioners of Orange

The case against engressing clerk Brown was finally ended today, Solicitor Pon asking that it be not prossed. It will be remembered that the supreme court decided the se in Brown's favor.

## A COUNTER CHARGE

Young to Allege that Mr. Brought Received a Number of Illegal Votes.

This evening at 6:30 p. m. the ex-amination before Justice Marcom of the evidence in the Broughton-Young contest for a seat in the General Assembly will be continued.

The cross-examination of D. P. ane will be continued.

Mr. Broughton has introduced evidence to show that twelve electors, who were not entitled to vote, voted for Jim Young.

Now Jim Young declares that twenty-five electors who were not entitled to vote cast ballots for Mr. Broughton. Young's counsel will introduce svidence to show this, so his consulters say. It is claimed that several Wake Forest students who voted for Mr. Broughton were not entitled to do so. They also allege that he received several illegal votes in Raleigh. No evidence has been proed or is at hand to show this.

# AT WASHINGTON.

pecial to the Presa-Visitor.

WASINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.

Washeron, D. C., Jan. 4.
One thing has been made very clear by the first week of the tariff hearings. That is, that the men who have asked for higher duties, on the ground that their present tariff is unprofitable, must have had a big surplus to draw upon. None of them looked like mea engaged in unprofitable occupations. On the contrary io a man they appeared well-dressed well-fed and prosperous, and if they haven't been making money that nust have inherited money. They ertainly didn't look like men who were "hard up."

Senator Call's term expires Marca 3, and the Florida legislature which will elept his successor does not farch, Florida will for a une noverly one Senstor. According to a sembor of the Florida legislature, who is now in Washington, Senstor that will certainly be his own successor, new that anding the red hos ight which is being made up

# FIRE IN CHARLOTTE.

The Charlotte Observer building ustained a disastrous loss by fire aturday night, the result of an ex-losion in the office of the business manager of job department on the second floor. The explosion was the work of safe robbers, who alpted to blow open the sale in it office. The paper stock in the that office. The paper stock in the room was instantly ignited and the fire spread with such rapidity that the men in the newspaper compos-ing room barely had time to get out, losing their coats, hats and other effects. The second floor was wholly, nd the third partially gutted. A ew book bindry plant had just been ut in on the second floor, and this was entirely destroyed, and all the presses were more or less burned besides the loss of a \$3,000 stock of

The Observer's battery of Mergenthaler type-setting machines was swept by the fire, the belts burned off and the ribs melted. The loss is fully covered by insurance. With its usual enterprise the Observer appeared Sunday morning with a most creditable issue. Charlotte should feel proud of the Ob-

server.
The companies with which the Ob server was insured are: The Carolina Mutual of Charlotte; the Royal Georgia Home and North America. The damage is six thousand, mostly in the job office.

### TODAY'S MARKETS.

New York, Jan. 4. Market quotations furnished by E B. Cuthbert & Co., 30 Broad street New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their special wire:

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Closed barely steady; sales 116,

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange today:

New York Stock Market	disid
Sugar	1101
American Tobacco	78
Burlington and Quincy	691
Chicago Gas	731
Des. and Cat. Feed	
General Electric	33
Louisville and Nashville	444
Manhattan	881
Rock Island	66
Southern Preferred	
St. Paul	
Tennessee Coal and Iron	751220
Western Union	The same of
Chleago Grain and Provision Mar	
The following were the closing	
tations on the Chicago Grain and	Pro-
vision market today:	1

wheat—May, 834; July 795.

Corn—May, 254; July, 264.

Oats—May 194; July —.

Pork—January, 7.50; May, 7.80.

Lard—January 3.80; May, 3.97.

Clear Rib Sides—January 5.80;

May 2.97

May 3.97. Liverpool Cotton Market. January ...... 3.59 Closed steady, sales 10,000 bales.

# DEADLOCK IN IDAHO

opullets and Democrats Can't Agree on the Spoils in Legislature. By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Boiss Inano, Jan. 4 .- Populist and Democrats are in a deadlock over the organisation of the legislature. The Democrats demand control of all important committees. The legislature met today and the state officers were installed.

# A Credit to Ruleigh

Our esteemed contemporary, the News and Observer, of yesterday

"We tender our congratulations and felicitations to our afternoon ontemporary, the Passa-Visiron, and congratulate it upon the second and congratulate it upon its success. At the meeting of stockholders on anuary lat a dividend of 5 per cent January 1st a dividend of 5 per cent on its capital stock was declared. The Paras-Visiron is an enterpris-ing, bright and attractive news-paper, oreditable alths to its pub-lishers and to its city of Raloigh."

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

### AROUND THE CITY.

ner-Points and People Pertineutly Picked and Pithily Par in Print.

There will be an important meet ing of the governor's guard tonight. Young men's meeting at the Baptist Tabernacle at 7:30 p. m. tonight. All young men cordially invited. Superintendent elect Mebane of

Public Instruction is out after a several days illness, which confined him to bed. Members of the Rescue Fire Com-

pany are urgently requested to be present at their meeting tonight. A pleasant time is anticipated. Peace Institute commences

morrow. A number of new pupils will be present at the beginning of the spring term. The school was never inamore flourishing condition. Mrs. Sarah Brooks died last night

at 12 o'clock at her home in the Prairie building. The funeral will take place at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at the home of the deceased

Business manager Kenyon of the Tribune says that the paper will appear by the tenth. As soon as the office can be put in thorough running shape, the paper will appear every day in the week.

There will be a called meeting of Wm. G. Hill Lodge, No. 218, A. F. and A. M., tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock. Work in the E. A. degree. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

Mrs. S. C. Dodd, widow of the late James Dodd, has purchased the residence on Hillsboro street formerly owned by Mr. F. C. Dancy. Mrs. Dodd will make her residence there.

The reception tendered to the Loyal Temperature Legion by the C. T. U. and the Y's at their headquarters on Friday afternoon was highly enjoyed by the bright and noble boys and girls composing the legion, and other invited guests.

Mc. and Mrs. Heber R. Robertson of New York are visiting Mrs. V. C. Royster. 306 Hillshow afreet. Mr. Robertson is the proprietor of "The Halcyon" the famous summer resort at Milibrook, Duchess county New York.

Dr. J. M. Ayer returned today from Philadelphia and New York, where he has been taking a special course in porcelain, crown and bridge work, and acquainting himself with the most modern dental

work. Mr. N. Y. Gulley, professor of law at Wake Forest, has madean assignment for the benefit of his creditors. Mr. Gulley's failure was du e to bad business investments. His liabilities are about \$25,000. Dr. E. E. Terry, graduate of the

Ohio Veterianary college and late consulting veteriarian for the state board of agriculture of West Virginia, has permanently located in Ra-Terry is thoroughly competent in his profession and comes well recom-mended and we hope will meet with good sucress here. Phone 229.

Col. E. G. Harrell has accepted the position as general agent with Messrs. Thomas Cook & Sons, London, England, the great excursion firm. He can furnish you a cheap round-trip ticket around the world or to any point thereof. He is now arranging a tour of the Holy Land, Egypt, to begin February 13th and continue five four days. This will be the apportunity of a life-time for visiting the Holy Land at so little cost.

Benule Budd, a penitent looking young chap of about 12 winters, was at the depot this morning awaiting the S. A. L. train, which took him to Petersburg. The youngeter has

the S. A. L. train, which took him to Petersburg. The young ter has no father and a year ago he ran away from his mother, who lives in Petersburg. He has spent most of the year in North Carolina tramping from Geldsboro, Durham and othe points. He came here from Du ham. Capt. Brooks put him safe on the train this morning and sent

VARSITY BALL

33.00 PER YEAR.

The University will probably have the strongest ball nind this season the institution has ever put out. The team is compos-ed almost entirely of old and ex-perienced players and there is an abundance of promising material from which to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement ofGr Brem and Graham, members of year's team. The team is particularly fortunate in having a str corps of pitchers. Young Pears the little left-handed phe who proved such an enigma to th big northern teams will return and he will will be one of the stars on the

The outfield promises to be the strongest ever gotten tog the state. There are nearly a applicants for outfield position all are good players. Messre. Whitaker and John McKee, by Raleigh boys and excellent player by the way, stand splendid chance of making the tean.

The schedule of games this season is certainly the most gratifying that has been arranged for a university nine. Engagements have been made with the leading amateur teams in the United States and nearly all of the games will be played on Carolina

Raleigh will have the opportunity of seeing the University nine in this city. A game with the Wake For nine has been scheduled for Apri third. The Wake Forest te also said to be a strong one.

Nineteen games in all have be scheduled. The arrangements for these games have been so complete and thorough that only three school days will be lost by the team in playing them.

Three games have been arra with the nine of the University of Virginia for the championship of the South. The first of the series will be played at Chapel Hill, the at Charlottesville, Va., and the third on neutral grounds. Games have been scheduled with Princeton at Chapel Hill, Yale at Greens Lehigh at Winston caster week, University of Georgia two games at Athens and Atlanta. There are other games scheduled with les

A few days before the lamented street cars retired from active service one of Raleigh's best know business men was made the victim of a clever joke at the transfer on Hillsboro street on the west of the Capitol. This gentieman and his excellent wife had just arrived at the transfer on a Blount street car. The atmosphere was so thick that it was about as dark as it generally gets to be, but one of those all powerful electric lights forced down a few rays of electric sunshine. The business man alighted from the car. A colored girl of ebony hue was the next passenger to step down. The business man took the girl by the arm, escorted her to the Fayetteville street car and put her safely on the platform with the satisfaction of having performed a duty, well done. The wife of the business man who had been following behind caught her husband by the arm. A face filled with astonishment met the laughter of the wife.

The spring term of Peace Institute will open tomorrow morning. The annual meeting of the Capital Club will be held Wednesday evening January 6th, 1897.

As heretofore announced Judge

can save money by doing business with him. Do not fall to call and take advantage of the bargains

Box Sheet Tombre