

STATE NEWS.

Cream of the State Press—Drops of Turpentine and Grains of Rice from the East—Clusters of Grapes and Tobacco Stems from the North—Stalks of Corn and Grains of Wheat from the West—Peanuts and Cotton Seed from the South

This is the worst yet: A Concord girl cleans her white shoes with her face powder.

Girls at Greensboro over 25 object to the term "old maids." They want to be called "bachelor girls."

We learn that there is a considerable sprinkling of apples in the county and a few peaches, says the Lenoir Topic.

A genuine African from the heart of the dark continent was in town this week. He claimed to be a ship-wrecked sailor, says the Washington Gazette.

The reports of good crops are heard on every hand. Instances are reported of corn falling down from the weight of the ears, says the Gastonia Gazette.

Corn was slightly damaged by the rain and wind last Saturday night. The land was so very wet that a slight wind was enough to blow down corn, says the Monroe Enquirer.

Maxwell Fesperman, a young white man, was jailed at Salisbury, Tuesday, for chicken stealing. He was found at the home of his brother, hidden between the ceiling and upper floor.

Mr. D. B. Evans has a hammer that he has been using for thirty nine years. He also has a small hand vise that was used by his father when he was a small boy, says the Greenville Reflector.

Traders in horse flesh say that animals which brought \$400 two or three years ago can now be purchased for half that amount. In fact a tip top horse can now be bought for \$100.

A barn owned by Rev. Z. T. White, side in Rutherford county, was burned last week. While carrying water to quench the fire Mike Whiteside, colored dropped dead from excitement.

The Charlotte News says that the telephone line connecting Charlotte with Concord, Harrisburg and Newell will be erected as soon as the wire, which has been shipped, can arrive.

Mr. J. Wallace Cook, of Forest Hill, who runs a livery stable, lost one of his fingers Monday evening. He got it in a feed cutter. It was a clean, smack up job, says the Concord Standard.

Rockingham Rocket: Miss Anna Little, of Wednesboro, who is visiting Mrs. Bessie Steele, slipped upon the floor Sunday morning and got a severe fall, breaking her right arm just above the wrist.

It seems that the Democrats have given up the ghost in Chatham. Bear Creek, the banner Democratic town ship was not represented in their convention last week, says the Chatham County News.

Wilkesboro Chronicle: The piece of corn of Mr. A. A. Finley's just above the bridge on this side of the river, is said to be the finest ever grown in this section. Many of the stalks are over twenty feet high.

Oxford Ledger: The protracted meeting of Enon closed on Friday last. There were quite a number of converts. Thirty four joined the Baptist church and were baptized Saturday morning at Tar river bridge.

George Vanderbilt is now the largest landholder in the State. He has just purchased 98,000 acres of mountain land in Henderson and Transylvania counties. This adjoins a tract of 16,000 acres bought recently.

Liberty Herald: The farmers of this section are greatly elated over the prospects for the corn crop. The seasons have been delightful and a few more rains will make the crop. Other growing crops are doing fine.

Mr. J. W. Shuford and Col. M. E. Thornton were arraigned before the Mayor Monday morning last for an affray. Shuford plead guilty, while Thornton made the plea of self defense, says the Hickory Mercury.

Lumberton Robesonian: Up to date the crops in this county are the finest for over twenty years. Ransom McDermid, a colored man residing in the Antioch section of this county, was killed by lightning last Saturday.

Henderson Gold Leaf: A revival meeting is being carried on at Cokesbury church this week, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Daily. Much interest has been manifested and a number of persons have made profession.

Raleigh Press: Some of us had a watermelon feast last night, and Will Macy tells us that Wharton Separk saw John Brown and Bill Utley open a melon in which was a partridge nest with 23 young live partridges in the nest.

Green-boro Record: Wilkesboro produces something besides chickens. While other parts of the country are bare of apples a small crop has been raised in that section and dealers find no trouble in finding a market for them.

On Monday night last chicken thieves entered the hen-house of Mrs. Allison Pink, in No. 5 township, and took therefrom quite a nice lot of chickens, among them a hen with a brood of small chickens, says the Concord Standard.

A little son of Mr. T. L. Satterthwaite, living two miles from this town, was bitten by a rock snake yesterday. At last account the little fellow was doing well and we hope no serious result will follow, says the Plymouth Beacon.

Sampson Jones was committed to jail Monday evening, for theft. This makes 10 that are now in jail, three of whom are for murder. We suppose the entire week will be about taken up with the State docket, says the Roxboro Courier.

Morganton Herald: At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the board of directors of the North Carolina School for the Deaf and Dumb, Dr. G. H. Moran was elected attending physician to the school. Dr. Moran is one of the leading physicians of the State.

Col. I. A. Sugg said that the rain fall from Friday noon to Monday noon was 6 1/2 inches. Monday his lowland corn was standing in two feet of water. Neighboring farms along the river were submerged, says the Greenville Reflector.

Three or four young men who voted the Democratic ticket two years ago took part in the so-called Republican Convention here last Saturday, but not a single man who voted the People's party ticket participated, says the Chatham County News.

Charlotte News: Hiram Foad, Esq., receiver of the Leakville Woolen mills, filed his report at this week's term of Rockingham court, the same being a very satisfactory showing of the mills' operations during the past few months. The mills are in full operation.

The laying of the corner stone of the Female Industrial School took place at Franklinton on Wednesday. Hon. C. M. Coke delivered an address to about a thousand people. This school is being established by the colored Baptist Church, says the Lenoir Times.

Charlotte Observer: Dr. J. E. S. Davidson, who was in the city yesterday, brought news of a hard fight which occurred on Mrs. Mary Conner's place, between several negroes. Jim Burton got the worst of the affair, as he was knocked out with a cracked skull.

Mr. H. T. Duls' store on McRee and Chestnut streets, was entered by robbers yesterday morning between midnight and day. A lot of wine, chewing gum and groceries were taken by the thief. It is hard to estimate the value of the goods stolen, says the Wilmington Messenger.

Charlotte News: Capt. B. A. Newland, general passenger agent of the Seaboard Air Line company, who has had his headquarters here in Charlotte for a year past is to be transferred to Atlanta. His territory has been enlarged and he is to have headquarters in the Gate City.

Clinton Democrat: The protracted meeting which began at Beulah church on Sunday the 22d under the conduct of Rev. A. A. Butler and Rev. J. L. Britt, closed last Sunday. It was an interesting meeting attended with lasting good results. Twenty-two accessions were made to the church.

Robert Craig, son of Mrs. Holland Craig, and about 18 years of age, was drowned Sunday. He and two little boys were in swimming in a mill pond, so we hear, and none of them could swim. It is supposed that he took the cramp, which caused him to drown, says the Lenoir Topic.

Warrenton Record: Some of our farmers are finding out that there is more money in sheep than in cotton and tobacco. To raise them costs so little that it can scarcely be counted and one hundred per cent. a year on the investment is a very moderate calculation of the profit realized.

Rocky Mount Argonaut: We regret to state that Mrs. Jacob Battle has had a relapse and is very sick. The colored Teachers institute opened here on Tuesday under the supervision of Professor Atkins, a prominent colored teacher of Winston, with fifteen or twenty teachers in attendance.

Mr. S. W. Williamson, who farms near Lodo, in Berryhill township, was in the city to day with a load of watermelons, and as a sample of what can be done in the melon-growing line in Mecklenburg, he had two melons each weighing 75 pounds. He sold them for \$1 each, says the Charlotte News.

Alamance Gleaner: With Mr. J. S. Henly we looked at his patch of German millet last Saturday morning. It is exceedingly fine and the yield will be several tons per acre. Some of it is four and one half feet high. It is generally considered an excellent forage plant, being nutritious and making a heavy yield.

We regret to learn that our young friend Joe Savage, had the first finger on his right hand cut off last Friday, by the machinery at the Tarboro Chewing Gum Factory. The machinery caught the first joint of his finger and ripped it off completely. The injury was a very painful one, says the Tarboro Southerner.

The New Berne Sewerage System was sold under judgment yesterday and brought \$5,100. Mr. Reuben E. Walker, of New Hampshire, was the purchaser. New Bernians bid on the system until it ran up high enough to cover the claims held here, which was all that was wanted, says the New Berne Journal.

Owing to the scarcity of fruit, the managers of Bethel camp meeting have thought a law prohibiting the sale or delivery of hard cider on or within two miles of the camp ground unnecessary. There may be some drinking there this year as usual, but it will be on some beverage other than hard cider, says the Charlotte News.

C. B. Green, clerk of the Superior court, has a mascot. It is a sweet potato, and it is three years old. About this time in 1891 old "Bucket," a half-witted negro at the Poor House brought Mr. Green a large sweet potato as a present. It is in a remarkable state of preservation, and is now in his office, says the Durham Sun.

Esquire D. G. Maxwell, tax lister, has completed his task of listing the delinquents in Charlotte township. It is found that this year 420 tax payers in this township alone, failed to list their property. These delinquents represent \$50,000 of real estate, besides polls and personal property. They will have to pay double taxes, says the Charlotte News.

New Berne Journal: Mr. C. W. Bray of Pamlico county, is in town to-day with another lot of 168 of those very fine melons grown on Arlington farm. They weigh 65 to 68 pounds. The heaviest weighing 80 1/2 pounds. Mr. Bray has been three years cultivating this melon—the "Iron Clad." The first year the heaviest weighed 65 pounds. The second year the heaviest weighed 69 pounds, and this year the heaviest so far weighs 80 1/2 pounds. Mr. Bray thinks that he can get this melon to grow to the enormous weight of 120 pounds next year.

Ed. S. Hart, wanted for barn burning in Craven county, and for whom a reward of \$100 is offered by the Governor, was captured in this town on Tuesday evening by Policeman Flynn. Hart lived here for a while, and Mr. Flynn, who knew him has been on the lookout to arrest him since the reward was offered, says the Washington Gazette.

Monroe Journal: Monday, Hugh, the eight-year-old son of William Broom, went into the Monroe Cotton Mills where his father was at work. By some means his right arm was caught in the machinery of the lapper room and terribly torn from above the elbow to the wrist. Both bones were broken and the first finger mashed into a pulp.

Deputy Sheriff Walker, of Person, came over last evening with Maggie Pinnix, a demented colored woman, who was being carried to the Goldsboro asylum. While in the Durham guard house last night she tore up her clothing, and plating the strips, wove them around the bars of the cell; she said she was making a carpet, says the Durham Sun.

The Winston Sentinel's correspondent at Elkin sends this item: Mr. A. T. Spainhour, one of the proprietors, was painfully hurt Monday at the Elkin Lumber Mills. His clothing was caught in the set screw of the planing machine and one of his pant legs was torn off and a hole cut into the leg to the bone. It is a miracle that he escaped as he did.

Walter Gardner, a Durham young man, the son of S. F. Gardner, has invented a combination pad lock that is novel and works well. It is of solid brass and has a combination arranged in a new way. The combination is very simple and yet admits of sixteen changes of combination. No one can unlock the lock without knowing the combination, says the Durham Globe.

Burlington News: On last Friday night a burglar entered the house of Mr. Hatch, who has lately moved near Aurora from Raleigh, and took his pants from a chair, in which were nearly \$50. Mr. Hatch awoke as the man was going out and gave chase. On being pursued the burglar dropped the pants which he had rifled, and held on to the money, making good his escape.

Sam Kramer returned yesterday from Goldsboro where he has been tied up for two days by the high water and washouts on the railroads. He says it is distressing to see the damage done to crops on the low grounds around Goldsboro. There are several washouts on the W. & W. road, and also on the Wilson short cut. One of the bridges sank four feet just after a train had passed over it, says the Durham Sun.

Lumber river is now nearly up to the high water mark of 1867 and it is thought by many that but for the deepening of the channel by the government, it would be fully as high. Water is running over the new road for about 300 yards and canoes are being conveyed across. The dams of quite a number of water mills in the county are reported broke and bridges carried away, says the Lumberton Robesonian.

Winston Sentinel: Junius Page, aged 14 years, was killed on Saturday afternoon, near Dalton, by a falling tree. His body was not found until Sunday morning about ten o'clock. Young Page was out alone squirrel hunting and discovered a squirrel in a hole. He cut the tree down, and as it fell the trunk jumped and pinned him to the ground where he remained over night. He is not supposed to have lived long after the tree caught him.

While one of the street sprinkling carts was standing at the plug on Sixth and Tryon streets this morning, a little son of Mr. Pat Palmer attempted to climb on one of the wheels. As he did so, the horses started, the little fellow was thrown to the street, and one of the wheels of the heavy machine passed over him. The flesh on one leg from the thigh down, was badly crushed and lacerated, and one of his hands was injured, says the Charlotte News.

The Philadelphia Record of the 2nd instant has the following item about a well known North Carolinian: Henry J. Faison, of the village of Faison, N. C., has obtained a writ of habeas corpus from Justice Barrett, of the supreme court, for the production of his 4-year-old son, Raymond, who is now in the custody of his mother, Estelle L. Faison, at No. 114 West 104th street. The husband says his wife deserted him and is not a proper person to have charge of her son.

H. C. Pennel tells us of the most wonderful specimen of a chicken that we have heard of. It is at Mr. John Gaither's and was hatched out last week. The little chick has four distinct feet, and almost two bodies. The second body which is attached to the main body by something like a tube, lacks a head and neck in being complete. The chick is alive and doing well, and walks around just like any other chick would, says the Wilkesboro Chronicle.

The Murphy Scout says that M. W. Sandlin, who some months ago had a difference with a Charles Hill, of Clay county, shot at Hill and killed Hill's son, died in the jail at Murphy Monday of typhoid fever. After the killing Sandlin escaped to Tennessee, where he was caught a few days ago. He was brought to the Murphy jail for safekeeping. Sandlin was only 22 years of age and had a family. The Scout says it is learned that Sandlin married again while in Tennessee.

Charlotte News: The post office at Lowell was robbed last night. When Postmaster Ragan went to his office this morning he found the doorspriced open, and the trunk in which he kept his stamps and government money gone. The robbers had bored a place near the centre of the double door and then prized it open with a crowbar. The trunk was carried about a hundred yards from the office and considerably bruised up though not broken open. One slot was torn from the bottom of the trunk and the lock hammered badly, but the valuables remained all right within.

KOLB MAKES A STATEMENT.

He Claims He Carried Alabama by 18,000 and Names a Number of Counties Where Frauds Were Perpetrated.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 7.—Captain R. F. Kolb, the defeated candidate for Governor, is at his headquarters here with a number of leading men of his party. In response to the Age Herald's request for an interview he furnished the following over his own signature: "I have deferred making any statement to the public as to the result of the election until I am able by the returns received upon which a just and proper statement could be made. Up to this hour (10 p. m.) sufficient returns have been received to show that I have carried 40 out of 51 white counties, and that I have been elected with the entire State ticket by a majority of not less than 18,000. This majority I claim, after giving to the opposition every white county they have carried, without reference to fraudulent methods in the nature of bulldozing in the absence of inspectors for our side.

"Any citizen of Alabama of ordinary intelligence who will take the trouble to examine the figures as reported by the Associated Press, and claimed by the opposition, can at once see that it will be a physical impossibility for the ticket headed by Col. Oates to be declared elected except by claiming a majority of over 27,000 from seven black belt counties having a white voting population not exceeding 12,000.

"The frauds of this year are more notorious and shameful than those of 1892. For the purpose of deceiving the public, they have, to some extent, been shifted. The returns as reported from Lowndes indicate frauds exceeding any ever before known in the history of this State or any other State, and the record in that county is a disgrace to our civilization. In Montgomery, Bullock and Barbour the frauds are hardly less aggravated. The opposition claim Madison county by a majority of 1,443. There are hardly a dozen intelligent citizens in that county who do not know that our strength in Madison county this year is much more strongly developed than in 1892, when we carried the county by about 400 majority. The intensity of feeling prevailing this year is much greater than in '92, and it is ridiculous to claim that there has been a change of nearly 2,000 votes in Madison county in favor of ballot box stuffers and machine Democracy.

"Furthermore, it is known to the disgrace of the whole State, that some seven or eight negroes were appointed as inspectors in Madison county, several of whom could neither read or write. It is a serious fact that in the city of Montgomery, at 4:30 p. m., only thirty minutes before the polls were closed, not exceeding 1,340 white voters and 74 colored voters had cast their ballots by actual count. Notwithstanding this fact, it is claimed that the city of Montgomery gives a majority of 2,400 for Col. Oates. In this county of Jefferson a large number of votes were controlled against our ticket by fixers who are opposed to us. Deputy sheriffs crowded the polling places and treated illiterate voters particularly negroes, with indignity, and insisted upon fixing their tickets. In many precincts we had no fixer, and in one precinct in the city of Birmingham we had only one fixer, while there were from eight to ten deputy sheriffs standing around the polling place, ready, anxious and solicitous in fixing the tickets of voters who declared their desire to vote the other ticket. At Bessemer more than 400 of our voters were denied an opportunity of casting their ballots on account of opposition leaders crowding the polling places and being materially aided by officers of the law in blocking the polling place to the disadvantage of our voters.

"In view of this condition of affairs, in the absence of a contest law, I cannot escape the responsibility of presenting the issue not only to the supporters of our ticket, but to all intelligent, honorable and law-abiding citizens of this State. The great majority of our citizens, without regard to past or present party affiliation, favor honest elections, and in my opinion the good people of this State are not willing longer to submit to the domination of a machine organization whose perpetuation of power is solely contingent upon election frauds.

"The issue was made in 1892, and we submitted. It has again been made and it now rests with the good people of this State to determine whether or not they will longer submit to a policy which sets aside the will of the people and destroys the form of Republican institutions in this State, and which, if persisted in, will surely end in deplorable consequences. Supported by the conservative, intelligent, industrious and honest elements of this State, it has been our sincere desire to maintain and respect the law, and it will still be our policy to advocate only those measures that will insure the perpetuation of republican institutions to the end that lawlessness may not prevail. The time has arrived, however, when the people of Alabama must decide for themselves.

"A conference of the candidates of our State ticket as well as the members of our committee has been called to meet in this city to-morrow and at that conference a line of policy will be determined upon and the people of this State will be given an opportunity definitely and quickly to determine whether or not the law shall be master of us all and our government be maintained in purity according to the will of the people."

[Signed] R. F. KOLB.

ANOTHER ADDRESS.

The Populist Executive Committee and Other Prominent Members Hold a Conference and Issue an Address.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 9.—The conference of Kolb leaders, which convened yesterday, finished their labors to day. They have been consulting on the situation and discussing a plan of action. The following address to the

people was given out this afternoon as the result of their labors:

"To the People of Alabama: The campaign committee of the Jeffersonian Democracy, and the People's party of Alabama, have been instructed by a conference of our State candidates, the leading supporters of that ticket and the State Executive Committee, to promulgate the following: The election returns, as reported by the Associated Press and supporters of the ticket headed by Col. Oates, show a repetition of the election frauds of 1892 with less pretext and absolutely without the least semblance of justification, in order to overcome legitimate majorities for our ticket in 41 white counties. These false and fraudulent majorities aggregate 34,107, from 15 black belt counties, aggregated majorities of 28,669.

"In addition to this frauds have been perpetrated in white counties, of not less than 15,000. With the consummation of these has also been brought forth four or five fraudulent elections of Senators and eleven or twelve fraudulent elections of representatives in the General Assembly. This outrageous action, intensified by the impudence and effrontery with which it has been taken, displays a disregard of public sentiment in such a brazen faced manner that it seems to have been intended to add insult to injury. The law under which the election of 1892 was held, which was devised to assure the prevention of fraud with ease, facility and safety, has been amended by the Sayre law, the purposes of which were to disfranchise illiterate voters and to assure the perpetration of greater frauds in the black belt counties. This has been demonstrated by the election just held, and as was known and intended by the usurper who exercised the functions of Governor, illustrated by his remark when he signed that bill. A contest law was promised to allay and prevent a popular uprising in 1892, to be broken in the most shameful manner, and the perfidy and treachery displayed was afterwards boasted of as a fine piece of legerdemain. We admonish our people not to accept promises nor pledges from those who have proven themselves recreant to every requirement of law, to every demand of honor and to every exaction of duty. They have demonstrated that they are enemies to liberty and republican institutions.

"In face of the fact that only a few months ago the proposition to submit to a State primary, in which only white voters should participate, which was afterwards so amended as to meet the supposed wishes of Oates' followers by eliminating white Republicans, which they declined to accept upon a specious excuse that it was an afterthought and very puerile, combined with the fact that only 42,000 votes were polled in the State primary that brought out the full strength of that party, they now claim, urge and insist upon the most extravagant and ridiculous figures as correct and true.

"The conditions in this State have reached a climax. There is no doubt that the State ticket, headed by Capt. Kolb, has been elected. The alternative is presented of submission to wrong, insult and robbery, or to assert the sovereign power before which thrones totter, sceptres fall and the outrages of tyrants cease. That alternative must meet a response from manhood or silent submission from those unworthy of citizenship. A proud and chivalrous people, worthy of freedom, cannot shirk the responsibilities the situation enforces. A distinguished patriot has asserted that the man who will not fight for his liberty is unworthy of freedom. We do not advise fighting or lawlessness of any kind, but the crisis has arisen that the sovereign power shall assert itself to compel unworthy servants of its will to submit to its power and recognize its future.

"Your committee recognizes that it has been entrusted with certain duties, and that its powers are circumscribed, and it feels authorized only in going to the extent of advising and urging those whom it represents to exercise the power vested in them and to hold meetings on Thursday, the 23d of August, at the respective court houses, if not otherwise specified, to act upon this great crisis and to insist that manhood, patriotism and love of liberty which has evoked prompt and decisive action from them shall find expression in their course, that will be creditable to their evolutionary sires and furnish a precedent in history to which all will ever revert with pride and satisfaction. At the same time and place, we would urge the organization of law and order leagues to uphold the supremacy of that greatest of all law and power—the sovereign will of a free people.

"Upon the adjournment of these meetings, reports of the proceedings should be furnished immediately to W. H. Skaggs, chairman, Birmingham, Alabama.

[Signed] "W. H. SKAGGS, Chm'n Central Campaign Com. "A. T. GOODWIN, Chm'n Jeffersonian Ex. Com. "JOHN W. PITTS, Chm'n People's party Ex. Com."

CHAIRMAN TOMKINS TALKS.

He Admits That Kolb Carried the Forty White Counties By 4,000.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Aug. 8.—Kolb's claim that he has been defrauded out of his election is considered in the light of undisputed facts so absolutely baseless, as to be ridiculous. His majority in counties carried by him amounts in the aggregate to 14,000. Oates' majority in the counties carried by him, leaving out Barbour, Bullock, Dallas, Hale, Lowndes, Maringo, Madison, Montgomery and Wilcox, the only counties which Kolb challenges, amounts in the aggregate to 12,000, Kolb only 2,000 ahead.

The white vote in the nine counties left out of the above calculation, according to the census of 1890, amounts in the aggregate to 16,000. It is a well-known fact, too well known to be disputed, that not more than one tenth of these white voters were supporters of Kolb. It is equally as well known that the number of negroes that have for

many years, ever since they were given the suffrage, voted the Democratic ticket in those counties at least equals the whites who are supporters of Kolb.

This shows conclusively that not taking into consideration the increase in the white vote since the census of 1890, and allowing nothing for the large number of negroes in those counties who, though Republicans, it is well known as between Kolb and the Democrats, vote every time with the latter, even had all the Republican negroes remained away from the polls, Oates' majority in those nine counties could not have been less than 15,000. From this it is shown that, even admitting everything that Kolb claims, it is clear that instead of being elected, Kolb is defeated by not less than 13,000. But Kolb's claims are absurd. Many negroes openly voted the Democratic ticket. This was particularly the case in Kolb's own county (Barbour) and in his old home (Eufaula). It was natural that they should have done so, and it would have been very strange if they had not.

In the recent riots in Jefferson county the Governor used the whole power of the State to protect the negroes against the murderous assaults of those who were supporters of Kolb. This action of the Governor was so universally endorsed by the Democratic press and speakers, and people, while the press and speakers of the opposition as universally condemned the Governor for his action. If the negroes, under such circumstances, had not supported the Democratic party, they would have shown that they did not possess even ordinary gratitude.

Governor-elect Oates was open and avowed in his endorsements of the action of Governor Jones, and naturally the negroes voted for him. This man Kolb has always cried fraud. He according to his own admission, has frequently been a party to fraudulent practices in elections. He assumes that the Democrats use the same means to obtain their majority that he admits having used himself. The two counties not heard from before reported to day. One (Baldwin) gave a small majority for Oates, and the other (Covington) about offset this with a majority for Kolb. This settles the Democratic majority at 26,000.

The Legislature will stand: Senate, 24 Democrats, and 9 opposition; House, 62 Democrats, and 38 opposition. Kolb the defeated candidate for Governor, has published a card, claiming that he was elected by 18,000 majority. To day Chairman Tomkins, of the Democratic committee, in an interview with the Advertiser, spoke as above.

THE POPULISTS MEET.

They Decide to Hold Their Convention August 28th.

The Populists held a conference at the Henrico court house yesterday morning with just a quorum present. Julian M. Ruffin, of Hanover, was in the chair, and H. A. Muller, of Henrico, acted as secretary.

Judge J. M. Gregory, of Chesterfield, addressed the meeting, and a lively interest was manifested in the proceedings. At the conclusion of the Judge's address a resolution fixing August 28th as the date for holding the convention to elect a candidate for Congress was adopted, and after some further discussion the meeting adjourned.

Judge Gregory stated that he estimated the present strength of his party in the State at 140,000. The Judge declared that the Populists commanded 50 per cent. of the Democratic vote in Manchester and Chesterfield, and promised to surprise the natives at the next election.—Richmond Times, 9th.

HEROIC YOUNG LADIES.

They Assist Their Father in Rescuing a Shipwrecked Crew With Life-Saving Apparatus.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Aug. 7.—Last night the full rigged Norwegian ship Catherine, Capt. Stevenson, stranded on Santa Rosa island nearly two miles from the life-saving station, while trying to enter this harbor. A terrible northeast gale was blowing at the time. The government disbanded the life saving station from May to September, leaving only the captain in charge, Capt. Broadbent, with the assistance of his three daughters and one man, hauled their apparatus nearly two miles, fired the life line and rescued the crew of the vessel. The fate of the vessel is very uncertain. She lies in twelve feet of water. A fleet of tugs is endeavoring to aid the vessel, but the terrible storm keeps them off.

LATER.—The vessel is now in seven feet of water and is rapidly going to pieces.

CONFESSIONS OF PARTIES.

Taking Part in the Outrage Upon the Adjutant-General of Colorado.

DENVER, Col., Aug. 7.—The News says: Joseph R. Wilson, an El Paso county deputy sheriff, captured by Adjutant General Tarsney in Missouri, has made a full confession and given to Chief of Police Armstrong the names of the men connected with the outrage committed in Colorado a few weeks since. He confirmed the story that a murderer from El Paso was allowed to help put tar and feathers on Colorado's Adjutant General. According to Wilson, the men engaged in the disgraceful enterprise were Sheriff Bowers, his deputy sheriff, Bob Mullins, Capt. Saxton, of Troop A, Sergt. Wm. Bancroft, of Troop A, Deputy Sheriff J. R. Wilson, Deputy Quackenbush, Sherman Cromley, Walter Cromley, "Short" Allen, Smith, Shellenbarger, and perhaps one or two others, including women. The police now have three confessions—those of Wilson, Parker and a prisoner in the El Paso county jail, who is being held as a witness to a murder committed in Cripple Creek. These men will all be brought before the grand jury, now sitting in Colorado Springs. Chief of Police Armstrong confirms the report that Wilson made full confession, as stated in the News.