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THE STATE CAPITAL.

Meeting Farmers State Alliance December 26th.

Populists Acknowledge Crisis. Big Land Lease, Court Record Broken, Oyster Business Large. As to Work of Legislature.

RALEIGH, December 21.—The Farmers State Alliance is called to meet at Hillsboro, December 26. It will settle finally the question of whether the shoe factory shall continue in operation. It appears that Alliance men are to a very small extent patronizing their own shoe factory. At one time, about 1879, the Alliance was declared to have 104,000 members. Now it hardly has 5,000. Then its State business agency did a business reported to be over \$400,000 a year. This has also greatly fallen off.

The Populist leaders are at last making the official acknowledgement in their organs of the fact that a crisis has arrived in the affairs of their party in North Carolina. They say it is a condition and not a theory which confronts the party, and that the sooner it is realized the better.

A Fayetteville syndicate has obtained a lease of 40,000 acres of land on the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railway, for the purpose of making it a great game preserve.

Judge Purnell says the present term of Federal Court here breaks all the records as to the size of the docket. There were over four hundred criminal cases docketed. In February he may hold a special term to try civil cases.

The United States court officials here say that as to prosecutions for intimidation in connection with the recent election they only know of the Richmond county cases, in which the defendants are eleven negroes, charged with intimidating a Democratic negro.

Revenue Collector Duncan, who came up from Beaufort says: "The present oyster season is by far the biggest North Carolina has ever known. The big packer, A. Booth, has started a branch at Beaufort, and is employing a great number of people. Some years ago dredging was absolutely prohibited and this killed the oyster business, but now the law permits dredging, under limitations, and the Baltimore packers and those from other cities also, are establishing plants. Business is lively, oysters plentiful and fine."

A member of the Democratic State committee, on the line of work the Legislature, which meets January 4, will do said: "I think we will be obliged to have a constitutional convention. The matter, above all, to be considered, is the regulation of the negro vote. We promised in the campaign that there should be no abridgement of the suffrage unless by a vote of the people. We will carry out that promise in good faith."

"The matter next in importance is the division of the public school fund equitably between the races. As it now stands the distribution is most unjust, as the negro who pays only three per cent of the tax gets over thirty per cent of the grand total. There is no justice at all in the present pro rata distribution."

"The matter third in importance is the proper regulation of county government and also municipal government, so that we can at once reap the benefits of white supremacy. I believe that counties will be given the choice whether they will elect their magistrates or whether the Legislature shall elect."

Negroes Meeting Out.
COLUMBIA, S. C., December 20.—The negroes of Greenwood county have begun to emigrate. It is thought that several hundred will leave in the next few weeks. Several carloads of them have gone since last week. They are moving to the lower part of Mississippi. An emigration agent went into the county some time after the Phoenix race riots.

A Greenwood man says: "There is no denying the fact that the negroes in the populous sections of the county are badly demoralized. They are in some places still panic stricken on account of the Phoenix troubles. They have not been molested, but have the unreasoning fear so common to ignorance."

The negroes of Saluda and Phoenix will hardly make contracts for another year. Merchants have enforced collections to the detriment of many families. Under the circumstances this exodus is expected to thin out the over-abundant negro population of this county considerably.

The colored renters are leaving. As a consequence some of the best land in the county will be occupied by white renters hereafter.

Oregon and Iowa Leave Chile.
VALPARAISO, Chile, December 21.—The battle ships Oregon and Iowa sailed yesterday. The people gave the American sailors a cordial reception. The United States minister visited the ships before their departure.

Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP
Will cure a Cough or Cold at once. It positively relieves all throat troubles. Small doses. Price 25 cts. at druggists.

VETERANS APPROVE.

Confederate Camp and Grand Army Festive Warmly Indorse McKinley's Speech.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 20.—The following resolution was unanimously adopted at a meeting today of Atlanta Camp, United Confederate Veterans:

"That this camp hereby offers to our President its sincere thanks and appreciation for his manly, patriotic and Christian sentiments expressed among us in regard to the graves of our dead comrades, and also to our living members, thus obliterating sectionalism and healing the wounds of the past and making one grand United States again."

A copy of the resolution will be mailed to President McKinley.

DUNQUE, Iowa, Dec. 20.—Hyde Park Post, G. A. R., has unanimously indorsed President McKinley's Atlanta declaration that the time has arrived when the federal government should assist the Southern States in caring for the graves of the Confederate dead.

A copy of the resolutions was telegraphed to the President.

Hyde Park Post is said to be the first in the country to act on the President's proposition.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 20.—Stevens Post, No. 517, G. A. R., of Lititz, has indorsed the President's speech relating to the government caring for the graves of the Confederate dead, and has requested Congressman Bronius to use his influence to bring about national legislation to carry into effect the President's sentiments.

PRESIDENT RETURNS.

At Home in Washington After His Week's Trip Through the South. Pleased at His Reception.

WASHINGTON, December 20.—The President and members of his cabinet returned to Washington this morning, after a week's tour of the south, greatly impressed with the conditions which they found to prevail and enthusiastic over the reception accorded at every point visited. In the President's private car this morning the entire official party expressed their satisfaction at the spirit of devotion to the country manifested by the Southern people and the cordiality and hospitality with which the President had been received.

While the President's visit to the south was principally to attend the Atlanta peace jubilee, he was anxious to take advantage of the occasion to express some sentiments regarding the two sections of the country which he believed could be delivered with greater effect on such an occasion. The ovation given him at Atlanta, where his first address was delivered, and when he referred to the Confederate dead, encouraged him to dwell frequently and at considerable length on what he termed the "unification of the country" as a result of the late war.

There is no doubt that the President has added to his popularity in the south. He has made many friends there. Democrats of long standing were heard to say that, while they had never voted the Republican ticket in their lives, they would be tempted now to vote for it in view of the President's declaration that the nation should care for the Confederate dead. Probably one hundred Democrats were heard to express this sentiment, but with the ladies of the south there was not the enthusiasm over the President's visit that might have been expected.

A cough is not like a fever. It does not have to run a certain course. Cure it quickly and effectually with One Minute Cure, the best remedy for all ages and for the most severe cases. We recommend it because it's good. F. S. Duffy.

Cashier Sentenced.
PHILADELPHIA, December 20.—William Steele, former cashier of the wrecked Chestnut Street National Bank, was today sentenced by Judge Butler, in the United States District Court, to six years and six months' imprisonment, and \$300 fine.

Steele was convicted of conspiracy with the late William M. Singerly, president of the bank, in making false entries in the books of the bank and false reports of the bank's condition to the comptroller of the currency, and in misapplying the funds of the bank.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

We'll Hang in Emery.
HAYANA, December 21.—The United States transport Chester, which sailed from Savannah on December 18th, with the Fourth Virginia on board, arrived here yesterday. The regiment marched to Quemados camp today.

Edgies of General Weyler were hung this afternoon in Cerro, the suburb, surrounded by jeering crowds, while small processions marched and counter-marched along the streets, shouting constantly.

Business is virtually suspended in consequence over the rejoicings over the evacuation.

In some instances bands of Cubans have visited Spanish shop-keepers and compelled them to shout "Viva Cuba Libre!" and to wave Cuban flags.

Printed papers insulting to the Spaniards and threatening to kill them after January 1st, continue to be circulated in various parts of the island.

POSSIBLY SOUTHERN

Railway Will be Purchased C. F. & Y. V. Railroad.

Pension Warrants Coming in Rapidly. Report Public Charities. To Examine Condition Penitentiary. Railway Commission Applicants.

JOURNAL BUREAU.
RALEIGH, N. C., December 22.—It is now said that the sale of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad which takes place December 29, may result in that road going to the Southern Railway. The minimum price will be \$2,000,000. It was thought once that the Seaboard would be the purchaser, but that road will not buy. The Coast Line also has an eye on the road.

Pension warrants are coming in rapidly for payment. State Treasurer Worth has so far paid out \$10,561. The total amount of pension money to be paid out this year is \$120,000.

The State Board of Public Charities began its annual session today. It will take two days possibly to finish up the business, for the report of the secretary, Capt. Denon, of the condition of every prison in State as well as the asylums, etc., will necessarily be very long, and the report of the board to the General Assembly will be made up from his report.

The special committees appointed by the penitentiary board to examine the conditions of the penitentiary farms left yesterday.

The alliance men are not patronizing the shoe factory at Hillsboro established by the State Alliance, so a meeting of the Farmers State Alliance is called to meet at Hillsboro on the 26th to finally settle whether the factory should continue operations. The Alliance in this State once had 100,000 members, but it has fallen off so that the membership now is only about 5000.

There are many applicants for the Railway Commissionership. Only the best men ought to be appointed, for it is a very responsible office.

The examinations at the Agricultural and Mechanical College which has been in progress are about completed.

All the post office employees all over the country will on January 1st have to be bonded direct by the government. The letter carriers have already been so bonded.

Federal court adjourned here yesterday, sending 30 convicts to penitentiary, and 31 to jail.

There is a great demand for good cotton here. Owing to the late picking, there will be a larger quantity of stained cotton here.

The fogs that caused so much disaster in being the cause of rail road disasters north, seem to be prevalent all over the country, for here in Raleigh they are so heavy that the big electric lights twinkle like tiny stars and one cannot see across the streets.

Again the mustering out of the Third North Carolina Regiment (negroes) is talked about. The record of this regiment is such that no plea for its continuance can well be made.

To Muster Out 50,000 Volunteers.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—At the cabinet meeting today it was decided that existing conditions justified a further reduction of the military forces of the United States, and the Secretary of War was instructed to arrange for the immediate muster out of 50,000 volunteers. The details for the execution of this order have not yet been arranged, and it is impossible as yet to ascertain what organizations will be first selected for discharge from the military service. Several of the volunteer organizations in the Philippines will undoubtedly be included in the number.

Money Sale.
We place on sale today 15 dozen children's heavy winter hose, all sizes, from 5 to 94, a great bargain at 124c per pair Barfoot's.

Mr. Bilis' Successor.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The President today named Ethan A. Hitchcock, of Missouri, to be Secretary of the Interior, vice Bilis, resigned. Mr. Hitchcock is at present Ambassador to Russia. He was appointed minister more than a year ago and when the rank was raised to an embassy he was reappointed.

Mr. Hitchcock is a business man of St. Louis and was for some time an extensive plate glass manufacturer. He is a great grandson of Ethan Allen, of Revolutionary fame. His ancestors were from Vermont, but his father moved south and Mr. Hitchcock was born at Mobile, Ala.

New Arrivals.
We have just opened two bales Saitten Covered Comforts, at the unusual low price \$1.48 each. BARFOOT'S.

Military hair brushes make nice Christmas presents. They are sold in pairs, one to be used in each hand, thus dispensing with combs. Everybody wants them and we have them from \$4.90 up with or without leather cases.—Bradsham's Pharmacy.

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ABSOLUTELY PURE

Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

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WILMINGTON VOYAGE.

Visit South American Waters in Which Our Flag Has Never Been Seen.

WASHINGTON, December 21.—One of the most interesting cruises undertaken by an American warship in years begins with the departure of the Wilmington from the Norfolk navy yard tomorrow. The Wilmington is under order to explore waters and visit settlements which have never before seen the colors from a United States naval vessel. The object of the voyage is to open up, if possible, closer commercial relations between several South American countries and the United States. The Wilmington will be gone about a year.

She will first visit the important ports of the West Indies, after which she is to proceed directly south to the Orinoco river and go up as far as practicable. This river will admit ships of the Wilmington class several hundred miles, and it is proposed to go just as far as the safety of the vessel will permit. The natives along the shores will be invited to engage in trade with this country, and to look after the diplomatic end United States Minister Loomis will accompany the vessel by order of the State Department.

The voyage completed, the Wilmington will enter far into the interior of South America, proceeding hundreds of miles up the great Amazon. She will go so far, indeed, that she will possibly be nearer the Pacific coast than the Atlantic when she finally turns back. Visits will be made to the seaport cities of Brazil and Uruguay, and then the Rio de la Plata will be entered as far as it is practicable to go.

RISKED THEIR LIVES.
Naval Officers in Secret Service During Our War with Spain.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—On April 30 Ensign W. H. Buck, who was then at the Naval Academy, and Ensign H. H. Ward, on duty here, volunteered to risk their lives in order to secure information which might be of value to the government. Both of these officers were detailed and in disguise and under assumed names, traveled abroad.

Ensign Buck remained in Europe, where he followed and reported the movements of a Spanish squadron, and Ensign Ward, after visiting Cadix and reporting the strength of the Spanish naval forces there, went to the West Indies, where he was employed until July 19, obtaining and reporting in regard to the Spanish forces. He visited San Juan in June and was there seized and detained by the Spanish naval and port authorities. He succeeded, however, in procuring the information which he sought, and in leaving San Juan and calling his information to the Department. Both officers returned home safely.

THE MARKETS.
Yesterday's market quotations furnished by W. A. Forsterfield & Co., Commission Brokers.

New York, December 22

STOCKS.

Open	High	Low	Close
Sugar	125	125 1/2	125 1/4
Am Tobacco	141 1/2	141 1/2	140 1/2
M. O. P.	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
J. C.	94	94	93 1/2
C. B. & Q.	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
L. & N.	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
Manhattan	98	98	97 1/2
People's Gas	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
M. C.	60	60	60

COTTON.

Open	High	Low	Close
March	5 47	5 52	5 47

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Wheat	Open	High	Low	Close
May	68 1/2	69 1/2	68 1/2	69 1/2
Corn				
May	37	37 1/2	36 1/2	37

CASTORIA.
The Kid You Have Always Bought

See the Signature of *Chas. H. Little*



A Drive in Clothing
For Christmas we are preparing now in men's and boys' suits, overcoats and hats. We have an elegant line of Waterhouse Ties and Mufflers that make a useful and acceptable gift as an Xmas offering. Our prices are special inducements!

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We desire to say that we have had in for the FALL AND WINTER TRADE one of the Largest and Best Assorted Stocks of

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We have just completed a lot of nice STABLES and a large shed to shelter your vehicles, which you are welcome to use FREE.

When you come to the city Don't Fail to examine our Stock before buying your Groceries.

Respectfully,
McDaniel & Gaskill, GROCERS,
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Friend, beginning six months before confinement. She felt perfectly well up to a few hours before the baby was born, and was in labor less than two hours. She had no morning sickness, no headache, no distressing tightness, no swollen or rising breasts. Her baby was strong and the picture of health.

Mother's Friend is the only remedy known which relieves the expectant mothers. It is a liniment to be applied externally. Nothing but harm can come from taking medicine internally at such times. All internal preparations used to relieve coming mothers are not only humbugs, but positively dangerous.

Mother's Friend costs \$1 a bottle of druggists, or you can send to The Bradford Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga.

Beifeld Coats.

SWEEEPING REDUCTION IN PRICE.

One of our New York buyers, has just tumbled unexpectedly upon us, by express, a package of "Beifeld" Ladies Fine Coats, at such prices that would have been unthought of earlier in the season.

An opportunity is now offered the New Berne trade, to buy fine tailored garments at prices less than the wholesale cost. There are only 18 of these coats and its worth the time of any lady to critically examine these offerings.

Be Quick. Come To-day.
December 21.

H. B. DUFFY.

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Assets July 1, 1898:	Surplus July 1, 1898:
\$26,029,137.04	\$5,627,584.24
Income 1897:	Insurance in Force 1897:
\$15,580,764.65	\$363,117,500
Insurance Written in 1897:	Paid Policy Holders to Date:
\$143,900,000	\$34,000,000

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