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WEDNESDAY MORNING, JAN. 6, 1877.

THE PLITION OF THE BUSINESS MEN.

The bankers, merchants and other business men of New York have addressed a petition to Congress in behalf of an honest and equitable settlement of the Presidential contest.

We are disposed to think favorably of Senator Cook in this connection. He is a man whose personal interests could only be seriously impaired by taking an ultra position on this question.

The petition he presents is a timely one. The voice of the business men of the metropolitan city ought to be heard with respect in Congress.

JOHN SHERMAN ON MEXICO. Senator Sherman, of Ohio, is a mealy-mouthed, paucis-voiced, bitter-hearted partisan.

Mr. Sherman does not like the effect of executing a State's vote because it might be objected to by one House of Congress.

Mr. Sherman is just the man to talk of Mexico. He has helped so materially to Mexicanize this government, he would appear to speak by the card when he refers to Mexico.

NORTH CAROLINA BONDS. A meeting of the holders of North Carolina bonds was held in New York on Thursday.

The Governor's message will probably suggest some feasible plan of compromise. We have no suggestion to offer until the matter takes a more definite shape.

with his own compass, he will find a General Assembly in a communication at once compact, clear and forcible.

AN IMPROVEMENT IN BUSINESS AFTER THE 4TH OF MARCH.

The strength and solidity of Mr. Tilden's administration will inevitably restore the confidence of the country.

Business is a sensitive plant. Let it be touched by some wanton passing wind, and its vitality is soon and not kindly or carelessly—and its face is that of a moment withdrawn.

THE DEATH OF COMMODORE VANDERBILT.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, the octogenarian capitalist of New York, died on Thursday after a long illness and from old age and exhaustion.

In some respects Commodore Vanderbilt was the most remarkable man of his time. He was a prince among railroad men—a king on Wall street.

Commodore Vanderbilt married a young Alabama lady a few years ago. This is not the only link that connected him with the South.

Wilmington & Weldon RAILROAD.

ON AND AFTER WEDNESDAY, JAN. 3d, 1877, Passenger Trains on the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad will run as follows:

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MISCELLANEOUS. TO THE

COMMISSION MERCHANTS AND

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THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM, ADOPTED AT ST. LOUIS, JUNE 18, 1876.

THE delegates of the Democratic party in the United States, in national convention assembled, do hereby declare the administration of the Federal Government to be in urgent need of immediate reform.

WE DO HEREBY REAFFIRM our faith in the permanency of the Federal Union, our devotion to the Constitution of the United States, and the settlement of the controversies that engendered the civil war.

WE DEMAND A JUDICIAL system of preparation by public economies, by official restraints and by wise finance, which shall enable the nation to assure the whole world of its perfect ability and perfect readiness to meet any of its promises at the call of the creditor entitled to payment.

REFORM IN TAXATION. Reform is necessary in the sum and mode of Federal taxation so that capital may be set free from distrust and labor lightly burdened.

WASTE OF THE PUBLIC LANDS. Reform is necessary to put a stop to the profligate wastes of the public lands and their diversion from settlers by the party in power which has squandered two hundred millions of acres upon railroads alone.

REFORM IN THE CIVIL SERVICE. Reform is necessary to correct the mistakes of the Republican Congress and the errors of our treaties.

REFORM IN THE CAMPAIGN ISSUE. Reform is necessary, and can never be effected but by making it the controlling issue of the election.

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Vice-President, Judges, Senators, Representatives, Cabinet officers. These offices, and others in authority, are the people's servants.

THE STATE GOVERNMENT. Names of Officers. EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. Governor—Curtis H. Brinson, of Wayne.

REFORM CAN ONLY BE HAD BY A peaceful civic revolution. We demand a change of system; a change of administration; a change of parties, that we may have a change of men.

OFFICERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WILMINGTON. Mayor—W. P. Cassady.

FEDERAL OFFICIALS. Collector of Customs—Joseph C. Abbot.

NEW HANOVER COUNTY GOVERNMENT. Clerk of the Superior Court and Judge of Probate—James Heaton.

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