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## PLYMOUTH, N. C., FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1890.

## THE NEWS.

John Petyon, of Carthage, Ill., wants a divorce from his wife because she tried to poison him .---- Mrs. Wto. Wellhausen and her seven-year-oll son were drowned in a well in Marine city, Mich .---- John Bigham has been sentenced to hard labor at the Detroit House of Correction, for impersonating his brother and securing a pension .---- By an explosion in the Bessemer department of the Otis Steel works, in Cleveland, O., a number of workmen were seriously injured .---- Three men went through a train standing at a small station in Kansas City, and relieved the six passengers of their valuables .---- Two men were fatally and others seriously burned by hot dust from a coke oven while at work in Pittsburg .---- The Interstate Commerce Commission, in the case of the Board of Trade of Chicago, complainants, against the Chicago and Alton Railroad, and seven other railroad companies, defendants, and the Armour Packing Company and eighteen other packing companies, and the board of railroad commissioners of the State of Iowa, as intervenors, decided in favor of the Board of Trade of Chicago.----The Chicago grand jury returned indictments against George H. Lipe, the son of millionnire Clark Lipe, of Denver, on the charge of forging his mother'siname .---- The foreign iron and steel manufacturers inspected the iron works at Birmingham, Ala .---- Isaac Ellis was convicted of bigamy in Petersburg, Va., and sentenced to three years in state prison .---- Chief of Police Hennessy, of New Orleans, was shot and killed by Italians .----The Navy Department has decided to award the contract for furnishing the forgings for the batteries of the new battle-ships to the Bethlehem Iron Works, of Bethlehem, Pa. -A terrific storm swept over Maxton and Hasty, N. C., several houses being demolished, one person killed and several hurt.

Pat. .. Gorman, foreman of the gas department of a steel company in Cleveland, Ohio, was roasted to death .---- Lowenthal & Son, wine merchants, of Louisville, Ky., have won a test case against them for selling original packages .---- A boy robber stole \$100 from mail sacks near Ukiat, Cal., and was afterwards captured. --- Congressman Wilson, of Washington, lost his pocketbook, containing \$10,000 in securities and other valuables .----Jose Castro was arrested at Stonewall, Cal., on the charge of murdering a Mexican judge--Ferdinand Hesse and James Kelly were drowned in Eau Claire river .---- Dynamite is being used in Martinsville, Ind., to blow away liquor saloons .--- The American Christian Convention at Marion, Ind., adopted plans for the building of a distinctively Christian university .-- The committee appointed by the Presbyter ian General Assembly to revise the Confession of Faith closed its first session in Pittsburg, and will meet again in Washington, -Fire in Fairport, Ohio stroyed the business section of the town, doing \$75,000 damage. - The first sod in the construction of the Roanoke and Southern Railroad, was turned at Ronnoke .---- Charles Queen, an actor, was sentenced to eighteen months' impri-onment at Trenton, N. J., for counterfeiting .- It is now learned that the engagement Letween Miss Winnie Davis and Alfred Wilkinson, of Syracuse, N. Y., was broken because of the ill health of the former. -Col. Herbert A. Harroll, of the U.S. A., retired, died in Chicago.----Sparks from a threshing machine caused a fire that destroyed the big barn of Kinzer Bender, Jr., near Heller's Church, Lancaster county, Pa. Loss \$6,000 .---- Edward Balbach, one of the leading smelters and refiners, died in Newark, N. J. ---- A. M. McRae, secretary and treasurer of the Security Loan and Savings Company of St. Catharine, Out., is a defaulter to the extent of \$25,000 .---- The thirtcenth annual convention of the carriage builders of the United States opened in Chicago, and two hundred manufacturers made displays of their noveltics in the carriage line. At the annual meeting of the American Street Ra Iway Association, in Buffalo, N. Y., two-thirds of the street railways were represented, and all the electrical manufacturing companies .---- In Braxton county, W. Va., the floods swept away thousands of rails, and 2 - ruined the crops .- Will Walton was found murdered at Beaver Brook, near Danbury, Conn .---- In a wreck on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, at Centralia, Pa., both locomotives and a number of freight cars were destroyed. A conductor, an engineer and two brakemen were injured .- The one hundred and fortyfourth annual session of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States convened at Reading .---- The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Loyal Legion opened in St. Louis.----Charles H. Teom and George H. Shinn, notorious de peradoes, who had recently escaped from San Quentin prison, California, were captured in Chicago .--- The postodice at Chicago has been condemned. -During a fight among Poles, at a wedding, near Iron Mountain, Mich., one man was killed .---- In a dispute about religion, in Chicago; one policeman shot and killed another. ---- The American Brewing Association was incorporated at San Francisco with a capital of three million dollars .---- An explosion of chemica's in the establishment of H. K. Mulford & Co., of Philadelphia, caused a loss of \$5,000. There was a small panic for a while.

# FRIGHTFUL HOTEL FIRE

Over a Score of Lives Lost in a Burning Syracuse Building.

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Fire Breaks out at Midnight in the Leland Hotel-Vleeping Guests Awakened Oaly to be Suffocated.

What proved to be the most disastrous fire that has visited Syracuse, N. Y., for many years was discovered in the Leland Hotel at 12.30 o'clock in the morning.

An eye-witness of the fire says it is positive that at least twenty-five persons have lost their lives, and many more have been more or less injured. One woman was being lowered from a window by the aid of a rope. She had reached a point opposite the third story, when the rope became ignited from a burning sill parted, and, the woman fell to the pavement, her brains dashed out, and her

body flattened into a shapeless mass. So great was the confusion and excitement that the identity of those killed and injured is wholly unknown.

Frank Cary, of Glens Falls, N. Y., has been dentified as one of those that were burned to death. Many lives were lost, caused by people, crazed with fright, jumping from win-dows. One man says he saw six people jump from different windows on the Fayette street side of the building within a space of four minutes, and the sight sickened him with its horror, and he was compelled to leave the

spot. The building was provided with both iron fire-escapes on the outside and roped on the inside, which were the means of saving many lives.

Burnet Forbes, a stock broker of Syracuse, scaped into the street almost entirely naked. He was slightly injured about the hands. He loses a gold watch valued at \$500, and all of his clothing.

One woman was found with a nursing baby in her arms, cronched in a stairway, where she had been overcome by smoke. She was removed by the firemen, and it is impossible to say what her name or experience was. The fire is said to have started in the kitchen.

The building will be a total loss. It was built two years ago at a cost of \$150,000. It was six stories high and contained 400 rooms. It is impossible to learn how many guests were in the hotel at the time the fire broke out.

The total loss will not fall short of half a million dollars, and the building is partially covered by insurance. It is impossible to learn as to how much insurance was carried on the hotel furniture or what the private and individual losses will be.

## JUSTICE MILLER DEAD.

Another Vacancy on the Bench of the United States Supreme Court.

Justice Miller, of the Supreme Court of the United States, died at 10.52 P. M., at his residence in Washington.

Samuel Freeman Miller was born in Richmond, Ky., on April 5, 1816. His father emigrated from Reading in 1812 to Richmond. , where the future justice of the Supreme Court was born. His mother was the daughter of parents who had removed to Kentucky North Carolina before her birth. His from early years was spent upon a farm, but the drudgery of agriculture was a source of discontent to him, and employment in a drug store gave him the opportunity for reading medicine. He graduated in the medical de partment of Transylvania University when 22 years of age, and entered upon the practice of medicine in Knox county, Ky. He had been married in the meantime, and had begun the study of the law, and was admitted to the bar in 1847 In 1862 President Lincoln appointed Mr. Miller as associate justice of the Supreme Court. The sole remaining appointee of Mr. Lincoln on the bench is Justice Field. Among the opinions written by Justice Miller was that in the New Orleans slaughterhouse cases, which maintained the validity of national powers under the new constituthe tional amendments. In the 28 years of his service on the Supreme Bench Justice Miller dilivered opinions on a large number of cases involving high questions of government, and his lucid and weighty words have settled them, perhaps, permanently. Judge Miller has been regarded as the firmest friend on the Supreme Court of the reserved rights of the several states. His position on the electoral commission of 1577 gave more satisfaction to Republicans than Democrats, but to those who have watched the career of the stricken justice his impartiality has seemed as conspicuous as his common sense and his legal ability.

## ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE.

LEGITIME, ex-President of the Hytian Republic, is writing a history of the events which led to his downfall.

GENERAL BUTLER is fond of good dining and is himself an accomplished cook. He can broil a lobster to a turn.

THE original of Longfellow's "Village Blacksmith" is Henry Francis Moore, who is still living at Medfork, Mass.

JOHN JACOB ARMSTRONG ASTOR, the four-year-old sou of William Waldorf Astor, had his name changed to John Jacob Astor.

CONGRESSMAN JOHN E. RUSSELL, of Massachusetts, is accompanied in all his campaign-ing by his wife. When he speaks she occupies a seat on the platform, and she is considered fully as shrewd a politician as her husband.

GUSTAV FREYTAG, the most distinguished of German novelists, lives in the pretty town of Wiesbaden, where he occupies a handsome villa. He is now a tall, broad-shouldered villa. man of fifty-eight, with a fresh, healthy color and fair hair.

FRANK STOCKTON, the novelist, lives in a roomy house at Madison, N. J. He is a methodical man in his literary work, devoting the early part of each day to his writing. At times he suffers from weak eyes, and on such occasions he dictates his stories to his wife.

QUEEN CHRISTINA, of Spain, is fond of the opera, but dislikes appearing before public audiences. She overcomes this difficulty by having her chamber connected by telephone with the opera house, and in this way she listens to the performance without having to appear before the public.

GOVERNOR HILL, of New York, is one of the poorest of platform speakers. He lacks the quality of sympathy, and his utterances are all studied with a view to producing an immediate effect. There is nothing spontaneous or graceful in his platform oratory.

EMPEROR WILLIAM, of Germany, is reported to have given away no less than 150 lecorations during the twenty-four hours that he spent with the King of the Belgians, at Ostend, the distribution ranging from the Grand Cross of the Red Eagle down to the Ribbon of the Order of Merit.

KING HUMBERT'S hair has become snow white, much to the distress of Queen Marguerite, who is most anxious that her husband should follow the example of his father, and the fashion common among elderly Piedmon-tese officers, and dye his hair. Her pleadings were, however, of no avail.

PRINCESS METTERNICH'S clever daughter, Antoinette, who was married five years ago to Count Waldstein-Wartemberg, died very suddenly last week at Vienna, from disease of heart. The deceased Princess was imthe mensely popular in Viennese society, where her handsome figure and conversational ability fully atoned for her lack of personal beauty.

M. ALPHONSE DAUDET is now quite recovered from his recent illness and is busily engaged in a new novel as well as a play, the latter being intended for the Gymnase Theatre. In the forth-coming work the question of divorce will be analyzed, especially in its relations to the situation of children of parents who have been separated by law. M. Daudet is now in his villa at Champrose, a rustic retreat on the banks of the Seine near Corbell.

THE Countess of Aberdeen, who contributed so much to the popularity of her husband's vice-royalty of Ireland during the late ad-ministration of Mr. Gladstone, is to become an month young women and mothers, is to be brought out at the end of the year under the auspices of the Haddo House Association, which has now grown to such dimensions as to need an organ of its own, and the Countess, who is president of the association, will edit it. The

## SOUTHERN ITEMS.

### INTERESTING NEWS COMPILED FROM MANY SOURCES.

-Farmers in Dickinson county, Va., are losing much of their fodder on account of the rains. -Steps for the prompt construction of the West Virginia & Pennsylvania Railroad have been taken.

-An immense deposit of salt is reported to have been found near Brookneal, in Campbell county, Va. -Five prisoners made their escape from the

county jail at Winston, N. C., by boring through the walls, and are still at large. -A Northern firm has contracted to build an

electric railway in Wytheville, Va., and a franchise of the streets has been secured. -The Petersburg Va., council has authorized the expenditure of \$1,000 before the 1st of

July, 1891, to induce manufacturers to locate there.

-Asa result of the recent meetings conducted in Lynchburg, Va., by the Rev. Sam Jones, three hundred and two persons professed conversion.

-Pennsylvania miners are prospecting in the vicinity of Clearsbring, Md., and procuring rights to operate the iron ore mines in that vicinity. -Several prominent business men of Dur-

ham, N. C., have donated \$25,000 for a graded school building, and \$10,000 for a hospital in that town.

-Seventy-five acres in North Danville, Va., were sold to a syndicate with a capital of 100,000, who will improve the property for the market.

-A large number of prominent men met st Wytheville, Va., and organized a construc-tion company to build the Virginia & Kentucky Railroad.

-It is reported that the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company contemplates the erection of not less than twenty new hotels along their lines in Virginia.

-The Arlington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railroad, chartered by the last legisla-ture, expects to begin the work of laying its tracks early next spring.

-The bonded debt of Raleigh, N. C., is now \$210,000; assessed value of property, \$4,435, 448; tax rate, \$1.132. This is an admirable showing as compared with other towns of like size.

-A German carp, weighing twenty-five pounds, was caught by a man named Hesser, in the Potomac river, near Paro Paro, Md. This is the largest fish ever caught in that section.

--Willis Hepton, living in Granite Hill, near Ellicott City, Md., has a pumpkin vine bear-ing seven large pumpkins, the largest of which measures six feet and a-half in circumference.

-H. T. Campbell, of Sherando, Va., while sinking a well on his lot, struck a vein of manganese about twenty-two feet below the surface. It is pronounced to be of superior quality.

-The railroad from Christiansburg to Blacksburg, in Montgomery county, Va. will be commenced very soon now, and when com-pleted, will open up the finest coal and mineral lands in the State.

-J. M. Eyler, of Emmittsburg, Md., has several red-pepper stalks in his garden of the variety known as the improved red pepper, on one of which is 119 peppers; another has

mands upon him which he retused, and she drew a revolver and shot him. The woman has been arrested. She refuses to make any statement.

-A sensation was created at Greensvile, S. C., by the escape from jail of "Bill" Howard, who is under sentence of death for the murder of a confederate in the moonshine whisky business over a year ago. Howard's wife was allowed to spend the night in the cell with her hus band. Next morning Howard, dressed in his wife's clothing, came down the stairs of the jail with an infant in his arms, and leaving the baby at a relative's house he fled before the jailor had discovered the trick that had been played on him. Mrs. Howard, who is a buxom mountain girl of 17 years, occupies the cell vacated by her husband, whose capture is hardly possible.

## GOVERNMENT CROP REPORTS.

#### October Estimates of the Vield of the Cereals and Cotton.

The October estimates of yield per acre for the entire breadth of cereal crops, as consolidated by the Department of Agriculture, are: Winter wheat, 10.8 bushels per acre; Spring wheat, 11.5; the wheat crop, 11.1; oats, 19.8; barley, 21; rye, 11.8 bushels. The condition of corn is 70.6, instead of 70.1 last month; buck wheat, 90.7, instead of 90.5; potatoes, 61.7 instead of 65.7; tobacco, 85.4, instead of 82.4. There is practically no change in the general average of condition, except a reduction of four points in potatoes, and an increase of two points in tobacco.

The effect of Winter frosts upon wheat is shown by the low rate of yield to have been severe. The figure would have been lower but for the reduction of area by plowing and planting of the worst fields in other cross. The crop made a very low yield throughout the South, where acreage is small. In the Outo Valley the variation in yield in different counties, as on farms in the same county, has an extraordinary range-from five to twenty-five bushels, and in extreme cases from one to thirty bushels. One county in Illinois "claims the best crop in years," and another "a poorer crop than was expected." Soils in good condition that had thorough tillage made the best yields. The October statistical returns report a

material decline in cotton prospects and a fall in general percentage from 85.5 to 80. The State averages are as follows: Virginia, 92; North Carolina, 91; South Carolina, 83; Georgia, 82; Florida, 81; Alabama, 80; Mississippi 75; Louisiana, 83; Texas, 77; Arkansas, Teunessee, 83.

The largest deterioration has been in Tennessee, Mississippi, Arkansas and Louisiana, the fertile and productive bottom lands of the Mississippi Valley. The cause is too much rain. Excess of moisture, coupled with lack of sunshine and reduced temperature, delays opening, causes immature bolls to drop and jull grown ones to rot, and induces sprouting of the seed. The same cause discolors the open cotton, near the ground, and discharges the coloring matter of the bolls, staining the fiber. The value of the crop will be some-what reduced by discoloration.

The high expectations of the early season were first reduced by early droughts, and later more seriously by more or less continuous rains, from North Carolina to Eastern Texas. In the more Southern districts there is some complaint of the boll worm, with little menon of the caterpillar. The effectiveness of insecticides, when persistently applied, is frequently attested.

STATE OF TRADE.

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### Improvements in All Branches of Business Throughout the Country.

### Rallway Earnings for September-Wheat Advanced-Bank Clearings for the Week-Business Failures.

General business as reported in special telegrams to Bradstreet's, has been somewhat more active during the week, noticeably in groceries, general dry goods, clothing, and hardware. Cotton and woolen goods manufacturers in many instances look confidently for higher prices at an early date. The late advance in boots and shoes is sustained, though rough leather is accumulating and is lower.

Tobacco is active and prices tend upward-Under the new tariff, imported eigars will, it is reported in the trade, cost 3 cents more apiece, and American made eigars of imported tobacco 4 cents more apiece. An early advance of prices of cigais is expected. Almost all farm produce is in active demand at very generally advancing quotations, and fruits are all marked up and decidedly scarce. Anthracite coal costs 10 and 15 cents more per ton than it did a week ago, and is moving freely. Salt meats are in demand West and South at improving prices. Hogs and cattle are lower or unchanged at western markets.

September's cross railway earnings are more encouraging than those for August, as an increased gain is shown over September last year, when transportation was very active. The South Western, Southern and Granger Companies make the better exhibit in the order mentioned. The trunk lines are the only group showing a decrease from September a year ago. Only one-seventh of the com-panies reported show decreases, and except the New York Central, these are small. Total earnings of 143 roads for September aggregate \$41,568,482 on a total of 86,978 miles, a gain of 7.2 per cent. in carnings and 2.8 per cent. in mileage, the gain in earnings being the smallest except August of any month in 1890. For nine months earnings aggregated \$321,654,982 on a total of \$3,731 miles, a gain of 10.1 per cent. in carnings and 2.8 per cent, in mileage. Last year the gain in earnings for nine months was 8.9 per cent.

Bank clearings at fifty-three cities for the week are \$1,206,477,633, a decrease from this week last year of 4.7 per cent. New York city's clearings, which constitute 58.2 per cent. of the grand total, are less than those for the like period last year by 15.4 per cent. while at forty-two other cities, the gain is 15.6 per cent.

The toreign dry goods market is active and prices tend upward. Domestic dress goods are in fairly active call from agents and some low grades are stronger in tone, foreshadow-ing an advance. Prices as a whole are firmly held. Woolen men's wear goods are stronger in tone. Wool is active on immediat sumption demand and lower grades are I cent

higher, while prices generally tend upward. Wheat has advanced 2½c, corn 1½c, and onts Ic on the week, notwithstanding the reaction following a sharp advance Stocks of wheat available increase very slowly, only onequarter as last as they piled up in October, 1889. The increase of available wheat last week was 1,171,000 bushels. Exports of wheat, both coasts, and flour as wheat, equal 1,516,-759 bushels, for which Pacific ports are largely responsible. Last week the total was 1,593,900 bushels, and one year ago The total shipped abroad July 1 to date is 27,276,960 bushels. In a like period of 1889 is ras 27,685,105 bushels, and in 1888 ii was 35,019,196 bushels. There have been 1,126,435 bushels of Indian corn exported this week, against 879,449 bushels last week. Small stocks of raw sugar restrict sales. Raws are quiet, strong, and unchanged. Ro fined is in good demand, and refiners are closely sold up. Brazilian coffee moves in a narrow way, both speculatively and for actual lots

### A DARING ROBBERY.

#### An Eighteen-Year-Old Boy Holds Up an Overland Stage.

The overland stage was robbed the other night eighteen miles north of Ukish, Cal. The Wells, Faro & Co.'s treasure box and the United States mail sacks were taken. While the robber was cutting the mail sacks open Driver McDaniels snapped a pistol at him, but it would not go off. The robber retreated and fired two shots at the driver, neither of which took effect. The robber was caught at Gloverdale He proved to be a boy about eighteen years old, and a stranger in this community. He travelled over sixty miles afoot before he was captured. He succeeded in get ing about \$1'99 from the stage. He has admitted that he committed the crime.

## AN HEROIC ENGINEER.

### Crippled in an Explosion, He Saves Another Train.

An engine attached to a Chicago and Erio westbound freight broke down at West Point, Ind., and engine No. 60, manned by Edward Murphy, engineer, and George Kirby, fireman, was sent out from Huntingdon to take the train on to Chicago. When in a deep cut about two miles west of the city the engine exploded. The front end blew out and was thrown a distance of 400 feet.

Engineer Edward Murphy was badly scalded, but jumped off. His legs was broken by the fall. Fireman Kirby was blown from the engine cab back over the tender and upon the track. He is so badly burned and scalded that his recovery is doubtful. The engine ran about 700 feet, the wheels keeping the track. The explosion was heard for miles, track. The explosion was heard for and in a few minutes quite a crowd had gathered.

The first man to arrive found Engineer Murphy crawling up the track on his and knees with a lantern to flag vestibule train No. 8, which was due in a few minutes. The passenger train was stopped at the entrance to the cut. Murphy's presence mind and heroism saved what would have been a terrible wreck.

## A QUEL WITH REVOLVERS.

### John McRary Shoots Dead a Man Who Made Love to his Wife.

For a long time Oscar Burringer has been paying marked attention to the wife of John McRary, at Lexington, N. C. Recently Barringer wrote a loving letter to Mrs. McRary, which was intercepted by her husband. He at once challenged Barringer to duel.

The men, with their seconds retired to a secluded spot, near Lexington. Revolvers were the weapons chosen. At word from the sec-onds the men began firing. After both had emptied their five-shooters B granger fell to the ground dead. McRary had aimed well, and had sent three balls into the body of his McRary has fled from Lexington, victim. his whereabouts are still nukrown. Meffary's with wept hitterly over the body of Barringer.

Countess visited this country two years ago.

## MURDERED BY DAGOS.

#### The New Orleans Chief of Folice Shot Down on His Doorstep.

Chief of Police Hennessy, of New Orleans, vas shot at the entrance of his home about midnight, and died within a few hours. He had only a short time before parted from Captain O'Connor, of the Boylan Protective police, who heard several shots fired, and immediately alterwards the chief's cry for him to come to his assistance. Captain O'Connor says: 1 hurried towards the spot whence the cry came and found the chief sitting on the doorstep of a house on Basin street, between Girod and Lafayette streets. As I came up he said to me: "They have given it to me, and I gave them back the best I could." Bending over the chief, I said to him:

"Who gave it to you, Dave?"

He replied, "Put your ear down here." As I bent down again he whispered the word, "Dagos."

The tragedy was one of which the chief and his more initimate friends had regarded as within the range of probability for some years past, and for two or three years has always been accompanied by some trusty friend on his way home.

He walked to the door of his residence, and pausing a moment to draw his latchkey from his pocket, turned into the doorway. It was while in this position, his side turned toward his assassing, that the first two shots, the weapons being double-barrelled shot guns, one barrel of each being fired at a time, rang As quickly as the ambu-hed men could out. cock the guns, the second barrel was fired.

Chief Hennessy had a remarkable police areer. He was instrumental in breaking up career. the Italian vendettas, and securing the conviction of a number of the Dagos for murder Four of the assassing have been arrested and identified as Antonio Scaffidi, Antonio

Bagnetti, Sebastiano Incardono and Pietro Maestro.

### MARKETS.

**BALTIMORE-Flour-City Mills, extra, \$5.10** 35.25. Wheat-Southern Fultz, 1014@102 Jorn-Southern White, 54@56c., Yellow, Oats-Southern and Pennsylvania 421(a)43c. Rye-Maryland and Pennsylvania 74 @76e. Hay-Maryland and Pennsylvania 10 00@\$11.00. Straw - Wheat, 7.00@\$7.50. Butter-Eastern Creamery, 226 23c., near-by receipts 13@14c. Cheese-Eastern Faney Cream, 10@11c., Western, 8@94c. Eggs-20@ 21c. Tobucco, Leaf-Interior, 1@\$1.50, Good Common, 4@\$5.00, Middling, 6(@\$8.00, Good to fine red, 9(@\$11.00. Fancy 12(@\$13.00.

NEW YORK-Flour - Southern Good to choice extra, 4.00@\$5.75. Whent-No.1 White 1.00@1.004c. Rye-State 58@60c. Corn-South-ern Yellow, 554@554c. Oats-White, State 45@50c. Butter-State, 12@19c. Cheese-

State, 6@84c. Eggs-21@22c. PHILADELPHIA - Flour - Pennsylvania fancy, 4.50(@\$5.00. Wheat, Pennsylvania and Del 100 Ct 100 Pennsylvania and Southern Red, 1.00@1.001c. Rye- Pennsylvania, 56@57e. Corn-Southern Yellow, 523@ 534c. Oats-41@43c. Butter-State, 23@20c. Cheese -New York Factory, 10@104c. Eggs-State, 22@224c. CATTLE.

BALTIMOBE-Beef-4.25@\$4.45. Sheep-3.50@\$5.00. Hogs-4.50@\$4.70. NEW YORE-Beef-6.50@\$7.00. Sheep-

4.00@\$5.25. Hogs-4.20@\$4.90. EAST LINERTY-Beef-4.40@\$4.70. Sheep-

5.00@\$5.20. Hogs-4.70@\$4.85.

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-There is considerable excitement in North Carolina over the recent murder of Mr. Atkins and his aged mother at Aulander, in Bertie Official notice has been lodged at the county. executive office. A reward will be offered for the criminal.

-Mr. Moss, engineer of the Shenandoah Valley Road, is surveying a line from Middle-burg to Upperville, through Ashby's Gap. to Shenandoah Railroad. If this lin the adopted, the road from Front Royal, Markham, etc., will be abandoned.

-Col. D. D. Johnson, agriculturist of the West Virginia State University, has estab-lished an experimental station on the farm of Mr. John T. Colston at Charlestown. The purpose is to test the comparative values of different varieties of wheat and corn and the fertilizers used upon them.

-The board of aldermen of Raleigh, N. C. has passed an ordinance reducing the city taxes twenty cents on the \$100 valuation of property for the next two years. This reduc tion is the result of the decision of the Supreme Court whereby municipal corporations are allowed to tax solvent credits.

-Near Hairston, Halifax county, Va., John Medley, an old colored man, was in the habit of burying his savings in an old iron pot under a tree near his house. On going to make another deposit, he found that his bank had been rifled of its contents, which amounted to \$400.

-W. A. Bradby, chief of the Pomunky tribe of Indians, who live on the York River Rail-road, made his annual visit recently to the "Great Father," as his people call the gov-ernor of Virginia. It is his custom to present his Excellency with some tribute, and h brought him a fine bunch of sora this time.

-The machine shop and other works of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company, in Alexandria, Va., are very busy just now and the force at work there is being increased. Several locomotives and tenders are being rebuilt, and a number of freight cars and passenger coaches overhauled and put in

-As Mrs. Henry Soyster, of Cumberland, Md., was returning from market the heavy transom over the door was not properly fastened after being cleaned, and fell, striking her on the back of the head, knocking her senseless, and causing her to fall in such a manner as to prevent the door from being opened by her husband, who was following. Her injuries were painful, but not serious.

-While six persons on horseback were pass ing over an unfinished bridge near Webster Springs, W. Va., the structure gave way and they were precipitated into the Elk River, 40 Five of them were badly injured, feet below. two probably fatally, and two horses were killed. Mrs. George Dyer and Mrs. Andrew Miller received internal injuries, which will probably cause their deaths.

-The Cumberland Mills Manufacturingcom pany near Fayettesville, N. C., have recently repaired their five story factory and added twelve high speed English plaid looms. One of the fine t "Brush" dynamos has been put in. It contains four hundred lights, with a capacity of one hundred and twenty-eight thousand candle power. The company is far ahead in all of its productions and the outlook is very bright.

-At Weston, W. Va., a young man named Charles Williams, who was to have been married in a few days, committed suicide by tak-ing an overdose of laudanum. He had been cting strangely for about a week, and it is believed that his mind was affected. He had maye all arrangements for his marriage to Miss Annie Weish and had his house furnished, and everything was in readine s for the coming event.

-Edward T. Martin, a prominent business man of Birmingham, Ala., was dangerously shot by a woman calling herself Mrs. Clarence O'Martin. She asserted that Clarence Martin married her in Texas several years ago. The woman called on Martin and made some de-

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## DISASTERS AND CASUALTIES.

A DESPATCH from Burlington, Iowa, says that La Grippe has struck that city again. Two deaths have been reported.

THE boiler of a gin house at Luella, near Griffin, Georgia, exploded, killing Isaac Breed and John Reid, and fatally injuring John H. Stillwell, owner of the engine.

ALL the buildings on the Minnesota Experimental Farm, at Hamlin, were destroyed The fire was caused by the explosion v fire. f some chemicals. Loss, \$35,000; insurance, \$20,000.

OWING to an open switch a passenger train collided with an engine on the Northern Pa-cific Railroad, near Helena, Montana. Engineer Masser was killed, and his fireman was severely injured.

DURING a fire in a grocery store in St. Louis, a tank of coal oil exploded. John Brady, Rosa Pulaski and Jennie Herrick, were so badly injured that it is feared they Eight others were injured, six firewill die. men and two spectators.

AN explosion occurred at the saw mill of the Ducey Lumber Company in Muskegon. Michigan, as the fireman was getting up steam. Four of the six boilers exploded, wrecking the mill and throwing the other two boilers far from their foundations. Six men were injured, one, firman Yerger, fatally. The cause of the explosion was low water.

DURING a race at the fair at Canton, Ohio the stallion Bismark, valued at \$5,000, and owned by William Myers, collided with a buggy which was being driven across the track. The shalts of the buggy penetrated the horse's breast, killing him instantly. Myers, who was driving, was thrown and trampled upon, and is supposed to be fatally injured.

THE tow 1 of Cheviot, Onio, is lighted by gasoline at night. On Friday night Edward Conner, one of the lighters, started on his trip on a light cart drawn by one horse. In the cart were 92 pint cans of gasoline. At the first lamp one of the caus became lighted. The whole lot exploded. Horse and man caught the burning fluid. The man, badly burned, was thrown from the wagon, while the horse on fire, ran through the streets until he dropped dead.

Two freight trains on the Santa Fe road collided near Ethel, Missouri. The train going east was loaded with Texas cattle. Several steers were killed, and others escaped from the cars. The latter became enraged when they saw the dead ones. The trainmen escaped unhurt, but had a hard time to get out of the way of the angry steers. The cat-tle had to be shot before the crew could get near the wreck. Thousands of dollars' worth of freight and rolling stock were destroyed.

TORTURING THE ARMENIANS.

### Deprived of Food and Prevented From Sleeping.

A despatch from Constantinople states that arrests of Armenians are still being made and that many of those who have been taken into custody have been shockingly maltreated and tortured. Among other cruelties to which the prisoners been subjected is the withholding from them of all food. They have also been deprived of sleep. Persons suspected of disloyalty are arrested upon information being lodged against them by any spy.

The Armenian recently arrested for attempting to murder an archpriest in the Koomkapon quarter of Constantinople, was found dead in his cell. It is alleged that his leath was the direct result of the tortures inflicted upon him.

The officials at Nau, Armenia, are still arming the Turks, and outrages upon the Ar-menians there are of frequent occurrence.

Business failures reported to Bradstreet's number 183 in the United States this week. against 192 last week, and 243 this week last year. Canada had thirty this week, against twenty-six last week. The total number of failures in the United States, January 1 to date is 7806, against 8737 iin a like portion of 1889.

## A TRIPLE TRAGEDY.

### Wife and Perhaps Child Potsoned and the Man Shoots Himself.

The residents of Perth Amboy, New Jersey, are horrified over a double suicide and supposed murder which occurred there.

For some time past Gader Showdash and his wife lived most unhappily together, quarrels being frequent between them on account of the husband charging the wife with infidelity. The accusation seems to have been utterly groundless, and Mrs. Showdash reproached his wife with her infidelity, and the quarrel that followed between them was more than usually bitter.

After Showdash left his home to go to work his wife soaked the heads of a quantity of matches in water and swallowed the poison-ous liquid. Her moans attracted the attention of the neighbors, and medical assistant was speedily summoned, but all effort to save the woman's life was unavailing, and she died in great agony. When Showdash reached his home his wife was dead. Stricken with re-morse at the awiul result of their quarrel, he procured a revolver and shot and killed himself.

During the excitement produced by the tragedy the young babe of the couple was for-gotten, but when the people in the house had recovered from their first terror the child was sought for. To their horror it also was found to be dead, and, although it is not yet known positively, it is supposed that the mother he fore she killed herself administered some of the poison to her babe.

## FLOOD-SWEPT KANAWHA.

### Great Damage in the Valley-Houses Washed Away.

News from the valley of the Little Kanawha in West Virginia, states that the recent flood was a disastrous one. The river at Grantsville is 22 feet and rising rapidly, and the West Fork river is clear over its banks, and doing great damage. Ten dwelling-houses had passed Grantaville, and tens of thousands of logs were swept away. The same story of loss comes from the valley of every stream emptying into the Ohio between Steubenville and Parkersburg. In this county alone eight bridges were carried away. Farmers suffer great loss, and roads are badly damaged, while milroad traffic is nearly at a standstill. loss in Ritchie county is put at \$100,000, and in Barbour, Taylor and Marshall at as much more. The total loss in the state is probably \$400,000.

THE French cabinet has charged M. Roch minister of commerce, to frams a bill to be introduced in the Chamber of Deputies, fixing a maximum tariff upon exports into France, and giving the government power to make concessions to those countries whose governments in their tariff laws fayer French producta.