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#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1892.

THE Senate has been giving hearing to the proposed amendments of the Constitu. tion during the past week, making it lawful for U. S. Senators to be elected by the vote of the people.

On Tuesday Jan the 19th many of the business houses of North Carolina and other Southern States were closed, it being the birth day of Geu. Robert E. Lee, and it having been made a legal holiday by an act of the last General Assembly. Though dead this noble character yet lives in the hearts of his countrymen.

THE Carolina Dispatch has been launched out upon the turbulent waters of the jeurnalistic sea at Hertferd, with A. W. Jordan and C. H. Horton as editors, with "Equal rights to all and special priveleges to none," as their motto. We extend to the Dispatch a hearty welcome wishing it unbounded success in the good work it has taken to do. May it be instrumental in revealing light to the good farmers in this and other States and thereby lead them triumphant from under the yoke of oppression placed upon them by the money kings of the country.

THAT we must go to war with Chili is now looked upon as a settled thing. The Chilian Government don't seem inclined to do the fair thing, though we have been waiting patiently for three leng months.

It has been suggested that the matter be settled by arbitration, but in reply to this suggestion President Harrison is reported as saying "When a man spits in my face what is there to arbitrate?" He is right, and the best way to deal with that man is to go for him with gloves off.

It Chill don't regret the outrage committed by her people upon our sailers, and will his thoughts on a question of much im not offer some apelogy, then it is time for portance to the members of the Farmers our Government to resent the insult. Chili has had time enough to consider the matter order who advocate a "third party." He and make some effort to settle it without | says: war if she had been so disposed.

WHILE We are ardent admirers of Grover Cleveland and firmly believe that if nominated he could lead the Democratic party to victory in 1892, yet we agree with the New York Herald that it is not wise for the Democratic party to center all its hopes on Cleveland as the only possible nominee, we have otherable men whose names should be considered. It is not just to Gorman, Vilas, Gray, Campbell and other able Statemen, to have Mr. Cleveland's name consid. cred slone. It is not safe for the Demo. cratic party to tie itself to any one man be- To advocate any party is partisanism, and fore the convention meets. As the Herald truly says "it dampens the ardor and en. thusiasm of the party to let it see but one

A one man party has only defeat and disgrace before it. The Republican leaders saw this when they resisted the attempt to make theirs a mere Grant party. They foresaw that even that great and august name could not carry them to victory. To make a C.eveland party out of the Democratic party would be still more surely dis-

If the Herald urges these considerations strenuously this is not that it underestimates Mr. Cleveland's qualities, but because we desire to warn the Democrats away from the edge of a dangerous pit. Generals are put in command to win battles. If Mr. Cleveland can better and more surely than any other man carry the Bemocratic party to success next year then he ought to be nominated. But the question whether he can deserves to be freely, openly, candidly and honestly discussed by the Democrats in the meantime."

## AKE YOUR COMPOST.

re should be carefully saved, best under shelter where rains cannot reach it, nor ann overheat it. It is the best baisis we can have for a compost, as in fermenting it aids decomposition in the other mate risis of the compost which need it. For a corn or cotton compost the following is a good formula for a ton :

Stable manure......600 lbs Kainit......200 " Acid Phosphate ..... 800 "

Cotton seed ......400 "
If your soil is rocky, or has red clay subsoil, as is tue case in many localities of the central and western sections of the State, the kainit may be lessened and the quantity of stable manure mcreased In the sandy soils of the east, Kainit is eggential and may be increased Its value as a rust preventive as well known Where cotton seed meal is handy use it in place of cottod seed in half as to leave the Order neglected and overthe quantity Lay down under shelter some of the manure, then a layer of acid phosphate, then cotton seed sprinkling each layer with kainit disolved in water until all bents If the manure is well rotted the heap should stand three or four weeks To thoroughly kill the seed then mix well be-

### STATE NEWS.

THE LATEST HAPPENINGS, AS GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES AND ELSEWHERE.

Murfreesboro Index: Moj Isaac Pipkin hook keeper for Messra Neimeyer & Bridgers at Portsmouth, was stricken with paralyses Tuesday morning. Mr. Isase Pipkin, Jr., left that afternoon for Portsmouth to be with him. We are glad to state that he is getting better.

News & Observer: A few days ago one of the old soldiers at the Home wrote to the Royal Germiteur Company of Atlanta for a sample bottle, and in reply they write their agent here, Mr. John Y. MacRae, that they had heard that the grip , revails at the flome, and they shipped one dozen bottles to him to be delivered free. This is a gen.

Washington Progress: Mr. J. C. Mer. ton, jeweler, found it necessary to make an assignment for the benefit of his creditors last week. Mr J. B. Ross, the tailor, is assignee....One night last week M L. Flynn of Pantego had the misfortune to lose his store and entire stock of goods by fire, with the exception of a few hundred dollars worth of goods which were getten out before it was consumed there was no magrance so we are informed We regret to learn of this misfortune.... We regret to learn that Mr. B F Rodman, who until its destruction by fire, was owner of the Washington Iron Works, died in Baltimore on Tuesday last where he had been for some time About ten days ago he had an opera tion performed which resulted in death. We sympathize with his bereaved family

...On saturday morning last Mr. A. W Thomas one of our largest dry goods mer. chants made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors Mess. S R Fowle and A. Mayo are the assignees The liabilities are about \$12,000 and the arsets will amount to about the same If cost can be gotten for the goods he will be able to nearly pay 100 cents on the dollar The people sym. pathize with Mr. Thomas.

#### ALLIANCE READING.

The Following Are The Officers o Washington County Alliance. H. A. LEICHFIELD, President

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### THE FINA ANSWER

In the fitteenth number of the National Economist, the editor of that paper gives alliance, and especially to those of that

The readers of the Economist have never been in doub as to its position upon any great question of principle It has been conservative and non partisan, but firm and decidedly aggressive on all reform questions. But there are some who are anxiously and impatiently waiting to see whether the Economist will, after the February meeting, come out and advocate the new party, which it seems probable will be en-dorsed there, or whether it will urge the membership to make the reform fight in the woold parties It is a good time now to answer this question and settle all doubt. Once for all, then, let it be known that the Economist will not pursue either course; it will keep squarely in the middle of the road marked out by the Supreme Council. the Economist, as the national official organ, has no right to commit the Order to partisan action The Supreme Council itself could not do that; the membership alone have that power It is important that the situation be well understood before

delegates start to the February meeting The whole question as to the future course of the a tional organ, the future position of the Supreme Council, and the duty of the national officers, depends upon one thing, and that is, "can the Farmers Alliance as an organization consolidate with or organize a political party?" Unques.

tionably it can not 1 Because such consolidation or coalition would make such party a class party, or more properly, no party, but a political faction

2. Because the Farmers Alliance as an organization would cease to exist; the mo. ment it yielded sovereignty as a farmer's organization it would become something

3. Because to merge with any one party would drive those belonging to all other parties out of the Order and that is contrary to the fundamental principles of the organization

It seems to be generally conceded, both by Alliance men and by those most eager for the success of the independent party movement, that there can be no consolida tion of the Adiauce with any political party Both can not be supreme; neither can be subordinate; and therefore to attempt to consolidate them is death to one. This is a statement that all must admit; it is absor-

lutely incontrovertible The recognition of these facts tends to develop a conception of the necessity of work on the part of Alliance officers and members during the coming year to pre-serve the Order from the disorganizing effects of a fierce political contest. There are two ways in which a political contest has influence upon the Order; one is by direct conflict and antagonism, and the other is by centering so much partisan feeling and interest in the political conflict looked. These two effects must be felt more during the coming struggle of 1892 than ever before, because in addition to the two old political parties, which have neither aterials are used up Wet the heap if it accepted nor rejected the Alliance demands, there will be a new political party. Which will accept and contend for the principles advocated by the Alliance, and therefore

ing, as above shown necessary, non-parti-san. is highly dangerous because of the probability of conflict between the Order and the new party. All political parties by agitating interest and work for their cause will alike tend to draw interest away from the A:liance, but the danger of conflict with the new party is most to be feared because many of its members will be members of the Order, and conflict with that party would partake in some degree of internal dissension. The danger of conflict with the new party lies in the fact that some Aliance men believe that the Order should only be a co-operative and fraternal organization, and that those who are seeking reform by political methods should for the good of the Order, desist and turn their efforts to united action on these lines. There are others who see no hope of re form except by political methods, and sides are wrong. The Order has announced Salmon Creek and returns following day. a set of demands which are the basis of all upon all political parties slike The Alli. ance is a school in which principles are tan ht and agreed upon, and the destruction of the Order would be fatal to the reform movement. Those who would party would kill the goose that laid the

Political action is simply a question of method in securing the great principles advocated by the Alliance. The fight is for the principles by whatever laudable method promises most success. These considerations show conclusively that the crowning responsibility upon the official organ, the officers of the Order, and the membership, is to resist the disorganizing effects of these conditions and do battle for the Order and its principles, encouraging every State and every section to use such methods as are best adapted to secure suc. cess with them but contending that fealty to the principles of trath contained in the Alliance demands should be greater than fealty to party, old or new

The Economist will continue the war on evil in all its forms wherever found. It will give the news without partisan prejudice or bias, and will criticise from a true and economic standpoint the record made by all parties, old or new. It will make the family wiser and better by its weekly visits. without bringing in the gossip of society, or the sectional hatred of partisan politica. It will spend its every energy in battling for the Farmers Adiance, content if that fail to go down with it and enjoy the honor of a common grave.

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