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Daily Nournal-Observer CHAUNCEY BLACK ON JEFFER-SON AND HAMILTON.

Hon, Chauncey M. Black, Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania, and a son of Hon. Jere S. Black, delivered an ad dress last Saturday before the Young Men's Democratic Association of Philadelphia on Jeffersonian ideas of government, as contrasted with those of Alexander Hamilton. While a great deal that Mr. Black said was true, there are some passages in his address which recall the violent controversies which raged about the beginning of the century between the two parties then in existence, and which will not meet with universal assent, even among Democrats, at this day. He spoke of Alexander Hamilton as "the West Indian adventurer, who was not American by birth, nor aught but aristocratic in sentiment and action." This is the heated language of a partisan and not the calm utterance of a political philosopher, and it smacks of that Knownothingism which the Democratic party always affected to despise. Hamilton was a native of the West Indies, to be sure, but was a youth when he made his home in this country. His was the most magnificent intellect that ever adorned the public councils of this country, and, although Mr. Black asserts that Washington was the friend and Jefferson the champion of localization of governmental power, while Hamilton was the earliest exponent of centralization, the fact is that Washington's sympathies were altogether with Hamilton, who was the right hand of his administration, "the disciple on whose bosom he leaned." He was, it is true, not as enthusiastic in his faith in the capacity of man for self government as his great rival, but it is unjust and a perversion of the truth of history to represent him as an enemy to popular institutions, much less as the founder of the school which has culminated in modern radicalism-an assertion which certain bob-tailed statesmen of the present day love to make. of the government who foresaw the ultimate result of their experiment, and it is not yet certain that the very principle of which the most ardent disciples of Mr. Jefferson are most proud, to-wit. universal, unrestricted suffrage, may not eventually be the means of a total transfermation of the government from what even their great apostle sought to make it. The Revolution itself was rather a protest against misgovernment by a King three thousand miles away. than a determination to establish a Democracy, and the language of the Declaration of Independence in Philadelphia, and of the Mecklenburg Decclaration, 13 months previously, clearly indicates it. And it may be asserted with confidence that if the fathers of

quarter of a million majority"-only go to show how lasting and powerful inherited prejudices are, in politics. If Washington, and Hamilton, and Jefferson, could all return to life again, it is likely that there would be little or no difference of opinion between them as to how the results of their work corresponded with their original intentions and ideas in undertaking it: The growth of communism, and the ever approaching conflict between money nd muscle-the old and eternal warfare which seems inherent in the constitution of society-would astonish and grieve the one quite as much as the

the Republic could have foreseen the

actual results of their essay, the war

for independence would not have been

fought at that time. Alexander Ham-

ilton can no more justly be charged

with having originated "personal rule

and bossism," as Mr. Black intimates.

than Thomas Jefferson can be charged

with originating negro suffrage and

woman suffrage, or any of the other

isms of the present day. Expressions

like these, and the assertion that the

Federalists tried to do in 1800 what the

Radicals did in 1877-"inaugurate a

President who had been defeated by a

It is time to stop the business of at tributing all the good that has accompanied the progress of the country to efferson and all the evil to Hamilton The argument will not hold water.

INTENSIVE FARMING.

We publish to-day, for the especia penefit of our farmers, an article on inensive farming as conducted by Mr. Furman, the great Georgia farmer. His system has been certainly productive of the most remarkable results, and if it be a good thing in Georgia, why not in North Carolina, where the conditions are quite as gayorable as in Georgia? We would commend this article to the careful perusal of our tillers of the soil and suggest that by way of practical experiment they try the system on an sere or two to start with. Thus it can be practically demonstrated at small cost whether there be any thing in it

There is no doubt, however, that Mr. Purman's system of culture has atracted much attention in his State and that it is being followed by others who have watched and noticed its satisfactory results. It is a fact, too, that can not be gainsayed, that one acre well cultivated is more productive than two carelessly cultivated, and that the one well-cultivated acre continues valuable while the poorly cultivated one in time becomes worthless. Small farms, well cultivated, is the secret of future agrisouth, as it is elsewhere. Better a ten acre farm brought to perfection than a hundred acre field which after vast labor yields but a scanty return.

Are all these labor strikes that are being duily reported in the North, but the forerunners of some pollossal strike to follow? It looks as if there might be some method or concert in the movements. One thing is certain; there is much unrest among the laboring classes, and signs enough of trouble shead. The only place in the South thus far where any strike has occurred is at urg. Va., and there it is conined to the negro tobacco workers.

The heavy fall of a St. Louis man did not at first seem to have hurt him. but he soon found that his mind was singularly affected. He could not recall the names of his wife and children, and his eyesight was so strangely impaired that objects seemed to be several inches to the left of where they really were. The physicians pronounced his case a remarkable one of amnæsic aphasia. In ordinary ataxic aphasia, the patient remembers few words so as to speak them, but is able to readily understand anything that he sees written or printed. The man's eyesight was in sympathy with the rest of his disability.

Wm. Pitt Kellogg, ex-United States Senator from Louisiana, indicted for complicity in the Star Route frauds. says his is a case of persecution. Dorsey says he is persecuted. Brady ditto. What a persecuted lot of innocents they are, and the persecution, by the way, is all by their former cronies who pulled at the bag with them.

The Jewish custom of making Purim calls in masks and costumes has fallen into abuse. "The unthinking crowd. says the Jewish Messenger, "do under mask what they would decidedly object to do undisguised-visit a stranger's house and drink. It is time that the liberal entertainers insisted on limiting their hospitalities to their own friends."

The Philadelphia Times remarks that there is something radically wrong in the laws of that State as "there are only thirty causes for which divorces may be granted."

IRELAND.

An American Arrested and Found With Incendiary Documents in His

CORK, April 3.—Documents were found on Featherstone, the American who was arrested with Oherliby, who is said to be a newspaper writer, showing him to be in direct communication with O'Donovan Rossa. Letters from Rossa were selzed, giving elaborate orders with regard to the mode of using explosives similar to those which were found in a box carried by Denni Deasy, who was arrested at Liverpool Thursday on his arrival from this city.

A Question now only of Historical Importance.

LONDON, April 3 .- In the House of Commons this afternoon Lord Edmund Fitz Maurice, under foreign secretary, in reply to Kennard who questioned with regard to certain strictures which appeared recently in New York newspapers about the manner in which the United States had dealt with the sum awarded by the Geneva conference for the compensation of the suf-ferers by depredations of Confederate cruisers, said it was contrary to usage and inconsistent with the dignity of the House to base a discussion on ar-ticles in foreign newspaper destitute of official character and only representing the opinion of its own writers. He said the Alabama question was now only of historical importance, and the government had no interest in the manner in which the American government disposed of the money.

Prepared to Blow the Czar Up. LONDON, April 3.- The Daily News has advices from St Petersburg via Berlin that the revolutionary party in Russia has issued a proclamation announcing that their preparations to meet the coronation of the Czar are complete and that they have every hope of success in fully carrying out their long devised plans. The proclamation contains a warning to all persons that that they shall, if valuing their personal safety, keep at a distance from the Czar during the ceremony of coronation. The pronunciamento of the revolutionists concludes with the words "we will strike once more for the freedom of Russia." It is printed in letters of red and is bordered with stripes of the same color.

Excitement in the English Rice Market. LONDON, April 3.-There is unwonted excitement in the rice market. A firm, prominent in the trade, which has extensive agencies in Burmah, some time since made considerable sales of rice to arrive, in expectation of getting supplies from the natives and of securing a large tonnage for England. The natives held off the supplies, probably on account of being advised of the state of the oversold English market, and large purchases had to be made in open market here for the purpose of fulfilling the contracts. Rangoon rice has risen ten per cent. within the past week. As a consequence, failures are expected in the trade.

The German Reichstag.

BERLIN, April 3.-The Reichstag re assembled to-day. The president in his opening address stated that during the recess of the Chamber a large num-ber of donations for the relief of theflood sufferers of the Rhine had been received. Most of them had come from America.

The house adopted a resolution expressing in the name of the nation its most heartfelt thanks to those who had so generously responded to the appeals for assistance.

JACKSON, MISS., April 3 .- The fifth of the Mississippi valley convened here this morning at 11 o'clock in the House of Representatives. Forty-five delegates representing 14 States were in atendance. The session opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Houster. Governor Robert Lowry then made an address of welcome to the delegates which was followed by the regular annual address delivered by president Gustave Derron,

A Temporary Compromise. PHILADELPHIA, April 3.-The arbitra-ion committee to whom was referred the question of the proposed reduction of ten per cent in wages of 800 shoe-makers employed by John Mundell & Co. to day had a consultation with Mundell who finally agreed to re-em-ploy the hands for four weeks at the old rate with the understanding that if business did not improve in that time wages would be reduced ten per cent. or the mes be discharged.

Shameful End of a Young Life. ST Louis, April 2.—In the house of loose character last night Jerre Glenn a loose character last night Jerre Glenn a dry goods clerk, son of a prominent business man of Carrollion, Ky., was shet and killed by Albert Wing, brother of E B Wing, who was minister to Ecuador curing Grant's administration. The shooting was the result of jealousy and was done in the room of a woman belonging to a good family of Carroll-ton, Ky., but who has gone to the bad

THE CITY.

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South Atlantic States, warmer fair weather, winds mostly from east to south, and lower barometer on Wed

LUCAL RIPPLES.

—The white graded school now num-bers 700 scholars. -Dr. J. W. Byers, of Atlanta, has formed a partnership with Dr. H. M. Wilder, in this city.

-The assays of bullion at the mint in this city during the month of March amounted to \$7,291 41.

-The house and lot on 6th street, be ween W. T. Wilkinson and P. C. Wil son will be sold to-day at noon at auction. The sale will be on the premises. -Gov. Vance leaves Washington city next week on a visit to the fisheries of Eastern North Carolina, where he will spend a few days. He expects to reach Charlotte on the 20th inst.

- Mr. W. P. Alexander, of Long Creek township, tells us that the peaches are not all killed, and unless more cold weather comes the will have fully half a crop. He thinks there will be a full crop of apples and cherries. Mr. Alexander also tells us that in 1856 there were five snows, while we only had two last month.

Meeting of the School Commissi The board of school commissioner held their regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon, to look into the affairs of our graded schools in general The schools bave grown to be so much larger than it was expected that they would ever be, that it is probable there will be a shortage in the funds appropristed for the purpose of sustaining the schools, and the board of commissioners yesterday decided to call a men, next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, to consider matters concerning the schools.

Central Hotel Arrivals.

Among the arrivals at the Central Hotel yesterday were the following: Wm M White, Oswald Alexander Hugh Parks, Joseph Crow, F P Mundy, Miss Wood, Robt M Fields, 5 B Squires and daughter, North Carolina; General and Mrs Tom Thumb, Sylvester Bleeker, Miss Emily Warren, Major E Newell, H R Jacobs, Miss Jou Melake, Prof Frank E Bishop, Wm Wheeler, T Bing ham, New York; Wm A Holliday, and party of five, New Jersey; Col F Coxe, Philadelphia; Rev J T Chalmers, Rev Mason W Pressly, J C Lindsay, L M Davis, South Carolina.

At the Graded School Yesterday.

The exercises at the graded school vesterday were witnessed by a large party of visitors, numbering fully 300, ali of whom came away thoroughly delighted with what they heard and saw. The programme consisted of songs, recitations, declamations, etc., and was quite long, but exceedingly well carried out by the children, so well indeed as to be a matter of real pride to their parents and to their teachers, Miss Sallie Clarkson and Miss Sallie Bethune. The visitors were all noticeably struck with the part taken by little Miss Minnie Duls, who presided at the organ, playing accompaniments for herself and for the school.

Address at the Opera House To-Morrow by Dr. Mayo.

Dr. A. D. Mayo, of Boston, one of the most distinguished educational lecturers in this country, who has been traveling over the South visiting the schools, will be in Charlotte to-morrow, and will deliver an educational address in the opera house. His subject will be: "How does Universal Education Pay?" and the lecture will commence

at 11:30 o'clock a. m. The entire graded school will turn out to hear the lecture, and this will give all of our citizens a chance to see the school, as the scholars will be marched from the school building to the opera house. The pupils of the Female Coilege and of Dr. Barrier's school will also attend in a body. All other schools in the city are invited.

A Colored Boy, Bitten by a Mad Dog Dies With Hydrophobia,

The mad dog excitement is growing hot throughout the country east of us, along the Carolina Central railroad and there is good cause for it. A little negro boy, named Adam Safrit, who was bitten by a mad dog several weeks ago, died in all the agonies of hydropho phobia, at his home near Hamlet last Monday. The deg bit him in the leg and the bite partially healed, before symptoms of the dreaded diseased were noticed. The boy was first attacked with a severe pain in the region of the wound, the pain gradually extending over his whole body, until he was the mouth and became so violent at the sight of water that it required the com-He suffered for two or three days before death relieved him.

On last Monday a mad dog made a break through the town of Rockingrushed into the yard, of Long's Hotel and hit two dogs belonging to Mr Long Several, shots were find at the rabid animal, but it made its escape into the country. It will be remembered that just about this time last year, there was a general outbreak of made does all through this section of the country, and there appears to be a repetition of the outbreak this year. The death of this colored boy warms us that it is so falge alarm, and it would be a good plan for our people to begin at once and kill a secretary dos they meet. every stray dog they meet

though day to you, Mistage O'Broine, An' how is the pain in your spoine?

CHARLOTTE, N. C. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 1883.

The new law requires that the board of commissioners in each county, at their session to be held on the first Monday in April, appoint a justice of the peace and two discreet freeholders in each township, who are to assess the land and personal property in their township for taxation. These assessors are to meet with the board of commistioners on the first Monday in May to consult, so as to secure uniformity in assessing the property in the county. The assessors are to make their return before the second Monday in June, and are to awear that they have assessed all

property at its true market value. This work is very important. As matters now stand, property in town pays much more than its fair share of taxes, and some counties pay but a small part of what they ought to pay. This is because the assessors put the market value at too low a figure. A residence in town yields no income, but it has to pay town tax as well as State and county, and is generally assessed at its full value. In the country generally the valuation is made at one-half of what it would sell for. Taking the State at large we find that there were in 1889 6,481,191 acres of improved land in the State, whose owners themselves gave in its valua-

tion to the census takers at \$135,793,602. There are about 20,000,000 acres of land not improved, some of which is worth as high as ten dollars an acre-most of it five dollars an acre-and some only one dollar. Averaging this all at three dollars an acre, we have the value of the unimproved land about \$60,000,000. The value of town property is \$20,000. 000. The total value of the real property in the State is, then, about \$215,000,000. The valuation on the tax lists is now \$105,000,000. If then the property in the State were all fairly assessed at its market value, the valuation would be twice as much as at present. One consequence would be that the rate of taxspecial meeting of the board of alder- ation could be reduced to just half what it is. Instead of the State collecting 28 cents on the hundred dollars worth of property, it would have to collect but 14 cents on the hundred dollars worth of property. Another conse-

> In accordance to the provisions of this law, the board of commissioners, at their meeting yester-lay, appointed the following list takers and assessors for Mecklenburg county:

quence, and this is the most important,

is that property all over the State will

bear its just share of the common bur-

Charlotte township-List taker, J W Cobb. Real estate assessors, S H Hilton, J P, W J Yates and H G Springs. Berryhill-List taker, L M McAllister. Assessors, H D Stowe, J P. G H Wearn, T B Price.

Steel Creek-List taker.F Lee Erwin. Assessors, R A Grier, J P, A G Neal, J Walter Potts. Sharon-List taker, E H Walker, As-

sessors, J M Kirkpatrick, J P. T K Samonds, Zenas Porter. Providence-List taker, J S Grier. Assessors, A.G Reid, J.P. G O Morris.

Clear Creek-List taker, J E Henderon. Assessors, A C Flow, J P. J M. livery man word that he would not Beaver, E H Hinson. Crab Orchard-List taker,S R Farrar. Assessors, I N Wallace, J P. J Milton

Caldwell, J R Baker. Mallard Creek-List taker, R L De-Armond. Assessors, B H Garrison, J | the carriage and had a couple of signs P. R Bryce Cochrane, J H Henderson. painted after this style: "25 cents for a Dewese-List taker,J Y Weddington. Assessors, DW Mayes, JP.CE Bost H P Helper.

Lemley's-List taker, A.M. Barry Assessors, J M Wilson, J P, L A Potts Moses Alexander. Long Creek-List taker, Thos Gluyas. Assessors, C W McCoy, J P, J W Moore,

T W Neal. Paw Creek-List taker, Jno Gibbs. Assessors, D A McCord, J P. H T Rhyne, Wm Todd.

Morning Star-List taker, S B Smith. Assessors, J W Hood, J P, J T Barrett, D E Hooks. Pineville-List taker, F C Harris. Assessors, J H Collins, J P. J W Mor-

row, A.G Kirkpatrick. The justices and assessors will be called to meet on the first Monday in May next at the court house. R M Oates was authorized to have an

index in the Register's office transcribed on account of its worn condition. H C Walker, W B Cochrane and R W Earnhardt were appointed school committee for district No. 34, Mallard Creek, vice J W Galloway and A B McKay, non residents, and R J Coch-

rane, who failed to qualify. Capt S E Belk, county treasurer, was ordered to pay the coupons of Mecklenburg county bonds, issued to Atlanta & Richmond Air Line Railway, and to Atlantic, Teamessee & Onio Railroad Company, and falling due May 1st, 1888, smounting to \$10,500.

Among the bills audited yesterday

costs, &c, in the case of A, T & O Rai'- an entrance fee. The opera bouse was rad vs M E Alexander and the commis- fairly filled last night and all felt that sioners of Mecklenburg county, \$1240; J R Erwin, C S C, for cost of cases disposed of at spring term, 1883, for which the county of Mecklenburg is liable, \$324 07; R B Caldwell, for 29 cords of wood for poor house, and 300 pounds of bour, \$58.85; R S Gray & Bros, for weddington, for hardware and acid for poor bouse farm, \$43.96; H M Wilder, M D for medical services at poor house for February and March, \$16.25; H M Wilder, M D, for medical services at jail from February 8 to March 24, 813; H M Wilder, for post mortem Maxwell, \$30; J A Vogler, for printing 2.000 blank orders for commis 8.50: J A Vogler, for stationary for

public roads in Morning Star township, States. 'Rah for the railroad.

THE VALUE OF OUR COUSTY. \$4.49; W E Ardrey, for three days services on finance committee for 1888.

Sustices and Assessors Appointed to Assess the Valuation—Other Work of the County Commissioners.

vices on finance committee for 1888.

So, Anthony & Bryce, for half ton of coal for poor house, \$4.75; Anthony & Bryce, for two tens of coal for jail, \$19.

> A SURE AND CERTAIN SUICIDE How a Citizen of Cabarrus Did Away with Himself--The Top of His Head

Blown all Over a Room. Mr. Jake Eudy, a citizen of Cabarrus bunty, committed suicide, a few days age, at his home about ten miles from Concord, by blowing his head all to pleces with a gun. The suicide was a deliberate one, and Mr. Eudy went about it in a business way. His first act was to send his wife to the spring for a bucket of water, and while she was away he took down his rifle, one of hose old style, eight-feet-long fellows put in a big charge of powder, and drove a bullet home on top of it. Next he took off his clothes and lay down across the bed, his big toe tied to one end of a string and the trigger of the gun to the other end. He placed the mazzie of the gun under his chin and bloked out with his foot, and when his wife returned she was horrified at the eight. Her husband's head was scattered all over the room, being blown off from the chit., and his corpse, partly dressed, was lying on the bed, while the gan, which had rebounded to one side, was still tied to the dead man's toe, sowing the mode which he had adopted to pull the trigger.

Mr. Eudy had attended Cabarrus court two weeks ago and got to drinking. He went home with his mind in a badly disordered condition, from the effects of drinking, and was laboring under the delusion that he had mortgaged his two mules and farm to a lawyer while in Concord. Last week he went to Stanly court to see the lawyer to whom he supposed he had made the mortgage, and, on finding him, was told that no such tranaction had ever occurred between them. With all the arguments and explanations the lawyer could make, he could not satisfy the man that the supposed mortgage was agination, and Mr. Eudy returned to home in a despondent mood. He had evidently made up his mind about what he was going to do, for he had no scener entered his house than he told his wife to take up the bucket and go to the spring for water, and as soon as she had left the house he prepared for the work of self destruction. To load his gun, take off his clothes, and give the fatal kink, was the work of a few minutes, as Mrs. Eudy had not gone

many yards from the house before she heard the muffled report of the gun. It his suicide would certainly indicate that their supposition is correct. The deceased was about forty years old.

Carriage for the Day. The people of Winston have been enjoying a good joke at the expense of one of their livery stable men. A day or two before Easter, a gentleman who anticipated an Easter drive with his wife and family engaged a carriage for the day, but when the time came it was so rainy and muddy that he sent the want the turnout. The livery man sent back the word that "it is all right, You'll have to pay the bill whether you take the carriage or not." On receiving this message the stranger sent for ride to any part of the city or country." These signs were displayed from the carriage which was driven about over town. About 12 o'clock the livery man weakened and sent word that if the carriage would be returned to the stable he would not charge a cent for the time it had been out, but he received a reply that if he would pay the cost of the signs the carriage would be sent home. The livery man gladly acceded to this demand and took his carriage back. The boys say he will not stand much jaw about this business, and it's safest to throw it at him from across the street.

General Tom Thumb. General Tom Thumb is now at the Central Hotel, with his charming little wife, formerly Miss Lavinia Warren, together with such universal favorites as Major K. Newell, whose dextrous and amusing act on roller skates creates the wildest enthusiasm. One of the most interesting features, and one that ever engages the attention of the ladies and children, is the troupe of prettily educated canary birds, that so excellently perform the many wonderful exercises under the guidance of the charming Zee Meleks. The illustrious Bingham, whose exquisite grace ever captivates his audience, and whether as magician or yentriloquist, has few equals, and we doubt if any superiors.

We must compliment manager H. R. Jacobs on his tact in securing so great were: J R Erwin, C S C, for bill of and complete a company for so small they had got the worth of their money. The General will give a matinee this afternoon and another performance tonight will close his engagement in Charlotte, agaings and alp

A \$50,000 Depot for Charlotte, The Union depot, so long talked of for Charlotte, is coming at last, and from what we are able to learn of the architect's plans, the building will be one that is worth all the waiting we have done for it. It is to be built of brick and iton, and will cover all that space from the Clearing House across examinations in three cases, Dick Belling, an unknown infant, and Mary E posite side. The plan, as drawn by the company's architect, has been adopted by the authorities, and in a short time Inferior Court Clerk, \$1.50; S B Smith, coroner, for two days services holding the Union dapet is \$50,000, and this toutest over the days interest and building we are to have. It will be seven witnesses, \$13.90; E A Irwin, for 449 feet of lumber for caseways on the structures of the kind in the Southe

THE PRESBYTERY AGAIN. The Second Day of the Session and What was Done.

formed. The reports of the committees on sectional records, supplies, pastors' salaries and finance, were heard, discussed and adopted. Two petitions from new organizations were presented, desiring assistance from the church extension fund, one from the church in this place and the other from the new organization in the village of Lancaster, S. C. At this juncture in the proceedings a paper was presented by Rev. John Hunter, of this county, which he introduced in the shape of a resolution, as

That inasmuch as the long and sig-nally blessed custom of the Fathers, in preaching two sermons during the summer season, has been invaded in these days, and only one sermon sub-stituted in their place; and whereas, we believe this practice has a tenden to dwarf the services of God's hou

wo sermons of reasonable length during the summer days and that this can be done without detracting anything from the efficiency of our Sabbath

ble discussion, which resulted in placing the whole matter in the hands of a investigate and report at the next meet-

Rev. J. E. Pressley, D. D., tendered his resignation as stated clerk of the Presbytery, which after many expressions of regret on the part of members was accepted. Rev. John F. Chalmers. of Winnsboro, S. C., was elected to fill the place made vacant by this resignation. Dr. Pressley has been the stated clerk of this Presbytery for ten years past and in consequence of his faithful service the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Waller and D. G. Caldwell be appo a committee to select and present to him a suitable memorial of the Presby-tery's appreciation of his long and faithful service.

he hoped it would soon happen again. was completed by the author about one and elegant narative events that concern and interest every branch of Presbyterianism in this country. The work is destined to meet with general

Mr. Chas. N. Price died at his home in salisbury night before last, of paralysis. Mr. Price was a son-in-law of Mr. M. Murphy, of this city, and was about 27 years old. He leaves a wife and three children, to whom, in their affiction, the tenderest sympathies of

Charleston News and Courier.
Randall D. George, the colored Randall D. George, the colored man who recently bought the Reneker lands in Colleton county for \$20,500 cash, has been making preparations for an accurate survey of his property. He is, it is said, the largest land owner in Colleton. He is quiet, unobtrusive and business-like in his manners. George is a staunch advocate of the proposed railroad from Green Pond to Branchville. He not only signed the petition to the county commissioners, but gave \$55.50 the corporators to assist in preliminary work, and expresses a willingness to take \$5,000 worth of stock to carry the road. and expresses a willingness to take \$5,000 worth of stock to carry the road through to Branchville.

The reather here is now at last surfag like may dorth South the Crescent City fournalist compisioning of excessive heat, and the two

According to adjournment of the previous day, the First Presbytery of the A. R. P. church met at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning, and went into a private session for the purpose of criticising the progress of their student of theology, Mr. W. M. Plaxico, whose trial exercises had been delivered on Monday. Both the lecture and sermon of Mr. Plaxico, were sustained as specimens of progress in theology, and he was recommended to be licensed as a probationer to preach the gospel. The hour of 11 o'clock a. m. was appointed for the ceremony of licensure, which, when the hour arrived, was duly per-

and cripple the piety and devotions of God's people; therefore,

Resolved, That this Presbytery deems it to be the duty of all her ministers, where health will permit, to preach

This resolution provoked consideracommittee, whose duty it should be to

That the resignation of the clerk. Rev. J. E. Pressley, D. D., be accepted and that Revs. W. B. Pressley, W. T.

During the day a number of, visiting Presbyters appeared in the house and promptly received unanimous invitation to sit as consultative members. Among these we noticed Rev. S. J. M. Eaton, D. D., of Pennsylvania, Rev. A. W. Miller, D. D., and Rev. T. S. Brown of this place, and Rev. N. Aldrich. Once during the day Rev. Dr. Miller arose and made a warm expression of the pleasure he felt in having the body hold its meeting in Charlotte and said Rev. Dr. Ross of York county made some forcible remarks on the importance of the people of the church acquainting themselves with the church's history and highly recommended the new history compiled and written by Rev. Robt, Lathan, D. D., of Yorkville, S. C. To this the author feelingly responded and in a few words expressed himself as deeply grateful for the good wishes of the brethren in the work he had undertaken and completed in the interest of the church. This history year ago and is pronounced a complete

and others who have read it to the Presbyterian people at large. After a cordial vote of thanks by the members to the people of the congrega-tion and of this city for their princely hospitality, and a fitting response from the pastor for his congres their friends here, the Preabytery, on motion, adjourned with prayer and the benediction at 1:30 p. m., to meet at Elk Shoals, N. C., in September next.

favor, as it is recommended by pastors

Death in Salisbury. friends both in Charlotte and in Salisbury are extended. The deceased was a most worthy man and was admired by all who knew him. A Prosperous Colored Planter.

The Saharan Sea Pronounced Practi-It is some seven years since a French

> Saharan Desert into a sea. The result of his labors was the discovery of a series of sunken areas whose level was below that of the Mediterranean. That of the bottom of the old sea along a line large body of water which, not being replenished by fresh supplies from the Mediterranean or Atlantic, dried up after no long interval. The practice bility of introducing the Mediterranea again depends upon the nature of th have to be cut. If it is covered wit sand, M. de Lesseps pronounces the scheme one that can be undertake with profit; if of stone or other refrac-tory material, it will not pay. The en-gineer above referred to has obtained borings at short intervals throughout Lesseps made his recent expedition to Africa. Recent advices from Tozer, Tunis, say that Count de Lesseps has arrived at that place, and affirms that his explorations make it plain that the inland ses in the Desert of Sahar which he has been advocating, is practicable, and that it can be accomplished by using one hundred excavating machines, equal in their aggregate capacity to the labor of a hundred thousand

The Iron Ores of Virginia. At a recent session of the Tariff Com nission in Philadelphia Mr. Joseph L. Doran read a paper upon the iron ores of Virginia, from which we extract the

men. The Count has a wonderful fac

following:
"It is safe to state that the minera resources of Virginia are of such a character that, if properly developed they would make Virginia the mos prosperous State in the Union. He iron ore deposits alone with the facilities now possessed within her borders for the manufacture of iron and steel and for the transportation of the raw and manufactured material, are not surpassed in any other State. The want of capital, the difficulties of transporta-tion, and the earlier development of other localities, have hitherto prevent ed any extensive iron mining and manufacturing operations in the State. This condition, however, is now rapidly changing. Transportation facilities are now sufficient. Since 1870 the miles of railroad in Virginia have increased from 1,672 to 2,400 miles, an increase of about fifty per cent. This increase has about fifty per cent. This increase has been mainly in the iron and coal districts. Capital, too, is seeking investments in these districts, iron and coal mines are being opened and extensive furnaces and manufacturing establishments with improved app being located by practical and prude men. No less than \$5,000,000 have be rought within the State since 1879 by ining and manufacturing enterprise one. The iron deposits of Southwes Virginia are of such extent and variety, and kind and quality, that they are ample to meet the demand of the iron and steel manufacturing districts of the country. The great abundance of superior cokeing coal in the vicinity of these deposits must compel the estab lishment near the mines of iron fur naces and steel works. Where iron can be made the cheapest, there these in-dustries will be established. Of course

it is not to be expected that the great steel works of Pennsylvania will remove their enormous and expensive plants to Virginia, but there is every reason why their supply of Bessemer ores should now be provided here."

TALMAGE ON HUSKING. Reappearance of the Star of Betl

1572, Tycho de Brahe discovered a star in Cassiopeia which equalled Sirius, and even Venus, in brightness for a month, and then fell back into its former insignificance. Conjecture has 945. A not unnatural inference was that the same increase in volume of this remarkable star occurred before 945, which would bring us to about 630 and 310, and to the date of the Nativity. The star is again due.

More Trouble in the French Cabinet. Parts, April 8 .- Rumors that cabi net canges are imminent continued to be circulated. La France says that Prime Minister Ferry har telegraphed is M Tierard, Minister of France, who to at present in Algeria to curtail h
visit and return to France. A Cabin
council was held to day The meeting represented to have been stormy. Gen Thibauldin declared that rather than change his decision in regard to Gen. De Gallifet he would resign his port-

The lows Prohibitory Amendo Again in Court

DAVENPORT; lowa, April 3.—The Supreme Court to-day began the hear-ing of the re-argument on the validity of the prohibitory amendment which was first heard and decided last January. There is a considerable array of counsel on each side, but they are lim-ited to two hours each in speaking.

Didn't Like Massachusetts Well

WINNEPEG, April 8.—One hundre and twenty heads of French Canadia families, repatriated from an industris centre in Massachusetts, have arrive centre in Massachusetts, have arrived here in charge of Rev. Father Milo, Parish priest of Turtle Mountain dis-trict. Their families will follow in

Fire in a Pennsylvania Town. WILLIAMSPORT. PA., April 8.-A fir at Jersey Shore, Pa., early this morning, destroyed eight buildings, used in the lower stories for business and in the upper stories for dwellings. The loss is about \$65,000; insurance, \$80,000. Twelve or afteen families and as man business establishments were burnetest.

Dr. W. R. Septi, presentent of the college of clean, Mentreal, writes: "I have presented on for debility indignation. dymposium, pro-debility indignation. dymposium, pas, significant of appetite. (Take no other)

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