CORRESPONDENCE

[For the ADVERTISER. "Wattentoy" Writes a Letter to His Nephew's Folks and Thanks Them for the 'Taters.

DEAR JOSEPH, CALLINE, AND LIT TLE MISS BETSEY: The Bible says "Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy," but I wish I had planted them seed 'taters on Sunday A. M. you were so good, prompt, and kind in sending to me. It is said that "cold 'taters on ones own table is better than roast meat on his neighbor's," but I fear I won't have hot nor cold 'taters for our toble if she and the little ones don't let them seed 'taters alone. You see as how it was this way: One of our little ones had been quite sick for a few days and none of the family went to church Sunday except your "Nunkie" and you see the 'taters arrived late Saturday P. M. and it took some half dozen or more raw ones to satisfy the little ones, right away And Sunday for dinner she had baked 'taters, 'tater po, (but they were rich 'taters) 'tater pudding, and 'tater custards, and I only remarked at the dinner table (for we had company), I believe I would have had a few fried 'taters and a few roasted 'taters. And then I begin to think, and I thought a man can't prosper till he gets his of his race to emigrate to the wife's leave, and a thiffty wife is better than a great income, and a good wife and health is a man's best wealth. Bless their hearts, what would we do without them? And it is said they like to have their own way, and the proverb says: "A wife ought to have her will during life, because she can not make one when she dies." And a true wife is her husband's better half, his lump of delight, his flower of beauty, his guardian angel, and his heart's treasure. She is the light of his home and

So I eat 'taters like the balance of the family Sunday, 'taters for breakfast, 'taters and 'taters and 'taters for dinner, and 'taters for supper. And one of the little ones woke up in the night and cried for 'taters, or the 'taters made it cry, I don't know which, (but I think it was the last "which") as it eat several raw ones, poor little thing. And we all dreamed of 'taters, and I dreamed I had one lying across me as big as friend Dan Ouzts, and in a desperate effort to get it off, I woke and quietly (or as quietly as I could, for I was considerably disturbed) I got up and took what few seed 'taters there were left and carried them to a secluded spot away under the hill on the extreme corner of my little farm and there I placed them under the ground for future reference. And now she and the little ones are sorely perplexed to know what become of the balance of them seed 'taters.

the comfort of his soul.

Now, in conclusion, for there would exactly do. And to wish world's good, as we did the 'taters, wouldn't exactly do for great inconveniences followed the pleasureable enjoyment of that bountiful feast of 'taters, caused no doubt by the quantity eater and not the quality of the 'taters (for they said all sweets have their bitter. in and through this life and eter- Atlanta to Liberia. nal rest and peace in the sweet bye and bye. All send love to you all, and believe me, very truly, respect- recently tried in Atlanta on the fully, and fondly Your Nunkie,

WATTENTOY.

P. S .- She says and the little please, and I would shave, kill a goat, keep the little ones home from school, and all take holiday, even to the cream-filly, "Ginger-Snap." The old roan "Ellick" he he is gone.

Truly,

The strong man held up the John Axtell. piano on his chest. He also had

OFF FOR A PROMISED LAND

Colored People from Atlanta ton crop I could plant. on their Way to Liberia.

REV. B. GASTON THEIR PROPHET.

Recently Acquited on a Charge of Swindling Negroes, He's Now Hailed as "the Master."

Thirty-eight Georgians arrived in New York Thursday midnight on the steamship City of Augusta. They are colored and are bound for the "Promised Land." At least that is what Daniel Brown, President of the African Emigration Movement, who is at the head of the party, calls Liberia, where they expect to settle.

"It is the best country this side of heaven," said Mr. Brown.

about half of the party are men, the other half women and children. Most of the men are old, while the children are very young. All come from Atlanta. They left that city Monday, and 3,000 people were at the station to see them off. The Rev. B. Gaston, who has lived in Liberia from 1886 to 1891, and who has been busy for nearly three years in the South inducing people "Promised Land," was to meet them here and take charge of them on the long sea journey.

At noon Friday the entire party was still on board the City of Augusta. The men and women were looking very solemu. The Rev. B. Gaston, their promised suide and mentor, had not appeared. For hours groups of men, women, and pickaninnies watched on the ships deck, gazing at the city and the sea. Then a big, thick-bodied, bushy-whiskered black man stepped up the gangway. The crowd uttered a shriek of delight that startled the deckhands. There w a rush for the newcomer. A tall young woman got to him first. She threw her arms around him and squeezed him and kissed him a half-dozen times.

"The master's come! The maser's come!" she shouted. "Oh. he's here! He's here! He's here! He's here! He ain't forgot us! He's come! He's here! Mr. Gaston's come!"

Then she released Mr. Gaston and ran around and shook hands with her companions. All the others, men as well as women, hugged and kissed Mr. Gaston, and he returned the hugs and kisses. He was complete master of the crowd. They hailed him as a Messiah, and were ready to follow him to the North Pole if he said so. So melancholy a half hour ago, they beamed all over with unctuous de-

"Bless you, my children, bless you,' said the Rev. Mr. Gaston. "You're all here, bound for the must be an end to everything, to Promised Land. The Lord don't simply say "Thanky" doesn't seem forget his children. He watched over you, an' he will watch over you all may enjoy much of this you until your long journey ends. We are in the hands of the Lord.

an' he will protect us." entire party sailed Saturday mornwere exceedingly fine]. But it is ing for Liverpool in the American municipal taxes assessed against as the preacher described And now quiet, or comparative they will be transferred to a vessel quiet, once more is had at "Wild- of the British and African Steam Woods." But I do say, may a kind Navigation Company, which will receivers appointed by judges and Providence grant unto each and all take them to Liberia. They pay courts of the United States in the of you great success and happiness \$75 apiece for the journey from

> The Rev. B. Gaston is pretty well known in this county. He was charge, of swindling negroes, but was acquitted. It is said that he is closely watched now by the At-

> > How to Kill Nut Grass.

the strength to support the player lately for a method of killing nut proved by four-fifths of the Demo- effect upon congregation. -but then! Alas! The player grass. I used to think the only crats in Congress will give an implayed "Daisy Bell," and with a way to get rid of it was to move off petus everywhere. The repeal of groan the strong man collapsed. and leave it but I have found a It was too much for his strength. better method of treating it. I it has to come. Prosperity for the have either loved and lost, or The last straw had broken the had about one acre of very rich country is better than 'repose' for loved and got him.—The Watergarden land thoroughly seeded Wall street."

down with it. I could raise a winter or early spring crop but it would choke out any corn or cot-

Five years ago I raised a crop of Irish potatoes on it, then planted it in corn. Before it was large enough to hoe, it was a mass of green nut grass, and to get it out To Time My Son-Hutrah for His Followers-If Caught They of the hill I pulled up nearly all the corn. It was very dry at the time, and by the time 1 was through, my corn was nearly all dead, but the grass was doing finely 1 concluded to try heroic treat ment on it. So I took a Planet (Jr.) cultivator and tore up every Judge Simonton filed a decree in ed with a single gun shot the blade of corn and grass in the field, using a hoe around the fences.

In about four days a new crop came up. Then I cultivated it the other way, always in the hot sun equalization. The railroads refused The fourth time I plowed it deep, to pay the taxes on the increased French cruiser Magan. and I got another pretty good crop of grass started, which I cultivated as before.

In one month, I think, I had sprouted and killed every vestige amount of taxes on the old assessof it, as not a stalk has appeared ment. The case decided to-day and delighted that they got through since, and it has been planted was brought by D. H. Chamberlain, corn or sweet potatoes every

worth, but the only way to get rid ality of the assessment made by eager for a battle. of it is to keep it from seeding, the board of equalization. The either top or root, and cultivate court, in a lengthy opinion, decided and Igerminate all dormant seed that the assessment was not unconand kill them by cultivation in the dry hot weather of May and

SKINNED HIM ALIVE.

A Negro Literally Flayed and Burned in Kentucky.

BARBOURSVILLE, Ky .-- From Haran County there comes a reliable story detailing the terrible torture which Len Tye, a negro was compelled to suffer for his inhuman

Tye is the brute who, about a vear ago, murdered Miss Bryant on the railroad between Jellico and Williamsburg, and for which he was hanged only long enough to try and make him confess. He did not confees at the time, however, and was allowed to go, and little has been heard of him since until this report comes from Harlan County. Tye went there since that time and kidnapped a young girl, a farmer's daughter, and kept her secreted for a long time, until a party of hunters found her in the woods tied to a tree. They lay in wait for the fiend, and were soon rewarded by his appearance, when they tied him and proceeded to skin him alive.

Before he was dead his last victim built a fire upon his head, and thus he was roasted alive while his skin was being peeled from his body.

Tye confessed to the murder of Miss Bryant, it is said and also to having taken three other girls in Kentucky and Tennessee, and kept them the same way he did the Harlan County girl until they died for want of shelter and pro-

Railroad Taxes.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 14 .-Mr. Dearmond (Dem). of Misscuri, Augusta after his arrival. The a bill to prevent interference in porations that are in the hands of same condition with respect to the collection of these taxes as if

no receiver existed. Rank Treasen. The Columbia State says: "If the statement attributed to the State bank tax may be ob- man has. jected to on the same ground; but

COMES AT

ernor B. R. Tillman.

B. R. Tillman and the

Reformers.

CHARLESTON, March . 13 .- The cases. Last year the assessment teries, . . on all the railroad property was arbitrarily raised by the board of assessment and carried the case into the United States courts. They, however, tendered receiver of the South Carolina Railway, to test the constitutionstitutional and orders the receiver to pay to the State the balance due and a'so costs of the action.

THE JUDGMENT.

A Vivid Picture of the Great joy in the city. Exchange has im-Day, by a Negro Preacher.

The most wonderful sermon I ever heard, said a business man recently, in conversation with a Pittsburg Dispatch reporter, was delivered by a colored preacher in South Carolina, shortly after the war. I happened to drop into a large gathering of colored people one night and was informed that a new preacher was about to tried, by The preacher arose back of a pulpit that had been improvised from a barrel turned bottom upward, on which was a lighted caudle stuck in a bottle. He began to read the Bible, but stumbled at every word, spelling some throughout before pronouncing them. A man in the rear said, 'Go ahead with your sermon, and the preacher ceased reading. He stood up at length, and in the dim flickéring light of the lone candle looked more like an apparition than a man. His subject was "The Judgment." Here came in that wonderful imaginative power for which the colored race is noted. In going about during the war he had become imbued with the military dog in the house but they are al- homespun suit started hard at the spirit, so he began by giving a ways going on about the baby, and soldierly figure as though not vivid word picture of the hosts of saying, "Ain't it perfectly sweet?" quite certain of recognition. He heaven lying in their tents asleep the night before the judgment day. Then he worked up to a point him, and then you get scolded afwhere the bugle sounded to prepare for the descent upon a sinful my, just hold the baby a minute, world. He pictured the heavenly there's a good boy;" and then, as hosts hurriedly running out of their tents to form in line of battle with the Great Commander in front. Then he described the stillness that reigned when all was It was evident that Mr. Gaston from the Committee on Judiciary, ready, awaiting the command to do your best, and then be scolded mind if I cheer you. The General was a master spirit, and there was reported to the House to-day, with advance. By this time the whole for it; but that is the way boys are assured him that he did not mind, no more sadness on the City of the recommendation that it pass congregration, including myself, were sitting with nerves strained, the collection of State county, and excited in the extreme, and ferently. liner City of Berlin. At Liverpool corporations. The measure, the re- tramp, tramp of the mighty host went out to make calls, and told in three ringing rounds of hurrahs port says, is designed to put cor- approaching the earth. I saw me to stay at home and take for the man that the Southland several members. under the benches. on a white horse" as having ap- whether I went to it or not. They BANK OF CHESTER ASSIGNS. preacher described the Commander little while, and if the baby waked Depositors Protected and Stockdetailing a squad of his soldiers to up, I was to play with it, and keep groan came from the audience. not let it swallow any pins." Of President Cleveland that the pass- Finally he brought the army of course I had to do it. The baby of Chester made an assignment tolanta authorities, who intend to age of the Bland bill will be de- heaven down to earth just be was sound as leep when they went day to protect the creditors at large, see whether he is deluding the ne- structive of the repose which now fore day break, and had them out; so I left it just a few minutes It was through due consideration ones say, come to see us and I groes. He told a reporter that all surrounds the financial condition resting on their arms, awaiting while I went to see if there was of the directors that such a course the Liberian immigrants were of the country was really made by Gabriel's trumpet. He pictured any pie in the pantry. If I was a was taken. The depositors will be happy, which statement differs him, it is an unfortunate remark. at length how quiet everything woman, I wouldn't be so dreadful paid off in full and the stockholdfrom some of the reports from that The 'financial repose' of the coun- was, then putting his hands to his suspicious as to keep everything ers will not suffer, as the assets are country. He said that the people try is the repose of stagnation. mouth he imitated the bugle call, locked up. When I got back up would go to work raising coffee and The money centres may be satisfied which so terrified and completely stairs again, the baby was awake, with this 'repose' but the rest of unstung his audience that the and was howling like he was full he had gone to raise the necessary the country isn't, and the sooner greater portion of it arose hurriedly of pins. So I gave him the first cash funds to carry on a satisfacthe President understands that the and rushed out of the building. In thing that came handy, to keep tory business and the inability to better it will be for him and his all my life I have never heard a him quiet. It happened to be a I have seen several inquiries party. A veto of that bill, ap- sermon that had such a startling bottle of French polish, with a

He-What a sad face that wo-

She-Yes, poor dear. She must

LAST! PEACE REIGNS IN RIO NOW.

EDGEFIELD; S. C., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 1894

on a French Steamer.

OLD MAN SIMONTON HAD TO COME ADMIRAL MELLO HAS DESERTED

Will in all Probability be Court Martialled.

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 14.-State gained a decisive victory Floring Peixoto is triumphant. over the railroads in the United The Insurgent vessels surrendered States Circuit Court to-day, when last night without having answerthe much litigated railroad tax cannonading from the hill to bat-

The feport that Admiral da Gama had fled was confirmed this morning. He sought safety on the

The American officers of the government war ships came ashore this afternoon. They report that the crews of the vessels are well without a fight. Excepting the officers, robody aboard Peixoto's men-of-war seems to have been ful and shiny, though the doctor says it will wear off in a few years.

In coming up the harbor this morning the government fleet saluted the United States flag and Rear Admiral Benham. The United States fleet will disperse soon.

The men aboard the American war ships are in excellent health. The end of Insurgent power in the harbor has been welcomed with proved 25 per cent. Business is as usual. Not a symptom of disorder has appeared in the city.

The people are preparing to celebrate the collapse of the insurrection. The Aquidaban and Republica, which constitute about all that is left of the Insurgent cause are reported to be in South Brazilfan waters. Both are said to be disabled. Admiral Melio has just been November ran as the

Admiral da Gama deserted his of the most hospitable and eleofficers and men on the harbor gant entertainment General. Lee

be pardoned. The officers will be sity. Bidding his kind friends court martialed.

How Jimmy Tended the Baby.

I never could see the use of through a rather dreary stretch of babies. We have one at our house wooded country, when he espied a ment. that belongs to mother, and she plain old countryman mounted on thinks everything of it. All it can a sorry nag coming toward him. do is to cry, and pull hair, and As they passed each other both kick. It hasn't half the sense of bowed as is the fashion when my dog, and can't even chase a cat. strangers meet in out of the way Mother and Sue wouldn't have a places, but the old farmer in the

The worst thing about a baby is, went his way a little further, then that you're expected to take care of turning his horse around, cantered terwards. Folks say, "Here, Jimsoon as you have got it, they sav. "Don't do that! Just look at him! That boy will kill the child! Hold grasped the chieftain's hand and it up straight, you good-for-nothing with the tears streaming down his little wretch!" It's pretty hard to face said: 'General Lee, do you treated. Perhaps after I'm dead, and there on that lonesome pine folks will wish they had done dif- hordered highway with no one else

Last Saturday, mother and Sue swinging hat lifted up his voice terrified, get care of the baby. There was a idolized. Then both went their He then fol- base-ball match, but what did they way without an other word being lowed a courier coming down from care for that? They didn't want to spoken." the distance, who reported, "Death | go to it, and so it made no difference peared far away. When the said they would be gone only a "Go capture Death," a terrified it from crying, and "be sure and Columbia State. sponge on the end of a wire' that and scarcity of money, collections Sue uses, to black her boots, be- on the notes maturing at this time cause girls are too lazy to use the of the year could not be made. regular brush. The baby stopped crying as soon as I gave him the

him, he'd got out the sponga, and MAY about half of his face was jet black. This was a nice fix, for I knew A Grand Victory for Gov- Admiral Da Gama Escapes nothing could get the black off The People Worked Up his face, and when mother came

baby, and when I saw that the

baby was part black, I made up

Nobody shows any gratitude for

all the trouble I took, and I can

tell you it isn't easy to black a baby

without getting it into his eyes

and hair. I sometime think it is

hardly worth while to live in this

How They Loved Him.

"Gen. Robert E. Lee once told

me of an ovation he received that

touched him more than any demo-

stration ever made in his honor,"

back and soon came up with the

"I beg your pardon, sir, but is

"Then the old Confederate

holders Will Lose Nothing.

CHESTER, March 13.-The Bank

ties. President J. J. McLure had

just returned from New York where

the summer months caused the as-

signment. Owing to the tightness

The assignees are John J. Hemp-

hill, and J. Lyles Glenn. The ac-

tion of the board of directors is

this Gen. Robert Lee. Did I ever

meet you before, my friend?"

General again.

cold unfeeling world.

t a good coat of black.

to a Frenzy. she would say the baby was spoiled and I had done it. Now I think WILL HOLD THE HALL IF IT TAKES an all black baby is ever so much

more stylish than an all white Dynamite to do It-The Military Gathering from all Over the State.

my mind that if I Llacked it all DENVER, March 15 .- The politi over it would be worth more than cal fight waged by Gov. Waite culit had ever been, and perhaps minated to-day in the most exmother would be ever so much pleased, so I hurried up, and gave citing scenes, and mob violence was imminent many times during You should have seen how that the day. Fortunately the common baby shined! The polish dried as citizens was calm and collected, soon as it was put on, and I had and the prompt action of leading just time to get baby dressed citizens, in leaving their business again, when mother and Sue came and appearing in solid bodies to be in. I wouldn't lower myself to repeat their unkind language. in time to consider the situation When you've been called a murder- carefully, caused a delay that prob- den. ng little villian, and unnatural ably prevented bloodshed, and the son, it rankles in your heart for probable assassination of Gov. ages. After what they had said to Waite. In all probability, had a tented. me, I didn't even seem to mind shot been fired, a mob would have father, but went up stairs with him almost if I was going to quickly formed, and have captured and storm often end in a glorious church, or something that didn't the Governor before official assist- sun-set. hurt much. The baby is beauti-

ance could have reached him. At 6 o'clock the intelligence that the Governor had called upon Gen, McCook, to preserve the peace, settled all fears of a contest between the militia, and the police, backed by as fearless a lot of deputies, sworn in by the sheriff as could possibly be gathered together.

Soapy Smith's crowd of sports had been sworn in as deputies, and they were placed at the hall to await orders.

From 2 o'clock until long after dark a dense mass of humanity God by money you have stolen said the venerable Judge White, of empacked in front of the City Hall, from your neighbor. Virginia, to a Post man at the Na- and upon the streets adjacent. tional. Following closely on the They cheered and chaffed and joked, yet did not hesitate to exsurrender of the Southern army, the commander-in-chief of the press indignation at the situation.

Confederacy went to pass a season at the home of his particular friend, E. R. Cocke, who last Regiment of the Colorado National not have touched him. If you Guards stood flanking the Chaff don't mind yours you will be swalstor in the streets of Montevideo, candidate for Governor against Light Artillery, consisting of four lowed by a worse whale. He has deserted his followers as Col, O'Ferrall. After a few weeks gattling guns, with cassion, filled with ammuntion. Their positon commanded the entire front of the was called to the presidency of hall, and once the militia was un-The Insurgents sailors here will the Washington and Lee Univerder motion for the attack on the hall, when Secretary Lorenz arrived with a message from the Govadieu he started for Lexington on ernor to stay the attack for half which must commend him to the horseback and alone. He had gone some miles and was passing an hour, to permit a conference looking toward a peaceful settle- His course in reference to the en-

The sheriff issued an order to ar- stubbornly resisted in Charleston, arms away. A friend of the deposed a conspiracy against it and the

the Governor and with the police, but nothing was accomplished. o resist attack.

police magistrate. The prisoner: in sight, the old rebel veteran with Honor's permission I'll spell it-O, double t, i, double you, e, double ; double you; double o; dee," whiskers on the prisoner were shorter than the moss on this wise, perhaps, in his talk about proper entry without any trouble, and so can you.

church said to one of his Deacons: "I find that Brother Linkum has very liberal religious views." "Yes" replied the Deacon, "Brother Linkum is more liberal in his views than in his contributions." people would overlook his intem--Chicago Standard.

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There is no such a thing as the

ight use of a wrong thing. It is the one who will not forgive

who is always in the wrong. It takes dark days to show us

that we really do trust in God.

Trials never weaken us. They only show us that we are weak.

No man can have a Daniel's God who is not willing to go to the lions

All cannot be rich, but all may become well off by being con-

Days which begin in darkness

God has promised that the man who will have mercy shall re-

Faith is the one thing that makes

the Christian seek after he has lost everything else. Living without a plan is as foolish as going to sea without a com-

pass in the ship. . Paul preached resurrection as a truth, lived it as a fact, and waited

for it as a hope. You can never pay your debt to

Don't be always asking who Cain's wife was. It is none of your business. Don't be always hanging around the whale that swallowed up Jonah. If Jonah had minded On Fourteenth street the First his own business the whale would

Tillman's Fidelity to Duty. rank Leslie's Weekly Governor Tillman of South Carolina is by no means an ideal personage, but he has displayed some qualities as an executive approval of law abiding citizens. forcement of the Dispensary law From that time until the United has certainly shown that he is States troops were called out, the absolutely fearless in the permost intense anxiety prevailed. formance of what he conceives to All sorts of rumors floated about. be his duty. This law has been rest the militia and take their where something in the nature of members of the fire and police officers with its execution has board went out of the City Hall to been organized by the liquor inapply for a warrant to arrest the terest. It is said that spies and spotters dog the steps of the con-

A committee of the most in- stables and harass them with fluential citizens were arguing with threats of personal viclence; that the board, with the mililia, with this defiance of the law is encouraged in more influential quarters: and it is this state of affairs which The Governor declared he would provokes Governor Tillman to order the militia to fire upon the agressive action. He meets the City Hall regardless of crowds of bulldozing of the liquor sellers spectators, and the police board with this declaration: "The law within maintained their position will have to be obeyed. I will stop illicit whiskey-selling in Charleston if it takes all the mili-"What is your name?" asked the tary and constables in the State to do it, and even if we have to "I stutter a little and with your kill a few of these Italian cutthroats and bulldozers." There is no mistaking the meaning of this declaration. The Governor is not chestnut, but the clerk made the killing, but he is right in his determination to maintain and enforce the laws, and if he should The new pastor of a country actually employ the military, as he says he will if necessary to do so, and those who defy him should become victims of his displeasure and their own folly, right-minded

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perance of speech in their approv-

al of his fidelity to official duty.

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