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For the Herald.

## I am Dying.

I am dying, darling, dying, and my pulses slowly In her net of delusion which shines to deceive.

Soon life's tide will fast flow from me-even now the waves retreat. I am going, dear one, going, but 'tis joy-I will

not grieve-I'll not ask the grim old monster, Death, to grant

be with thee?

What would be a throne-a kingdom, if I knew that I must not Share it with thee? Ah! then none would envy

could be forgot? No; a heart's truest affection cannot ever thus be

bought What to me the wealth of India, what the worth

Can a heart give up it's idol for the price of diamonds clear?

For the worth of pearls and opals, coral red, and rubies bright?

No; the true heart's sable curtains closing round would make all night.

And the midnight plumes of sorrow, waving ever

o'er the heart;

ness did depart,

made them move,

of a lost love." So from earthly things I'm parting. Why care I

to longer stay ? I'll be nearer to my darling when from earth I

And when met in Heaven as spirits, who so hap-

Come, my durling, to the portals, I'll be watching

there for thee. NEWBERRY, May 10th.

For the Herald.

## The Old Academy.

The sun has sunk to rest 'neath the western hills, the hum and tread of children's departing feet have died away and we are all alone, sister and I, in the old Wake Forest Academy. It is an old time defaced building, surrounded with noble oaks which bow their heads in solemn majesty to the passing breeze. And in the evening's dusky light the village church looms up, rearing its humble spire toward heaven's blue dome, as if in mute adoration to

Sister is seated by a window watching intently the golden hued clouds left in radiance by the last reflection of Sols departed glory. Her houghts I surmise are of home and the loved ones there, as ever and anon a smile of pleasure flits over her face. Now she leans her head wearily on her hand and heaves a sigh, ah! there is a depth of meaning in a sigh, they come from the hearf. Sweet sister, I would that Heaven had willed thee a brighter lot, but if my love and devotion can alleviate the monotony, or cheer the dark path of your life it shall be yours as long as I exist. 'Tis true that our lots have been thrown in an uncongenial spot, but we have found friends around the hearthstones of strangers. One in particular whose friendship is valued by me as a priceless pearl. As I gaze into the silent depths of this grove I wonder where are the many busy feet which have pressed this sod in days of yore.

Some have gone forth to act their part in the great drama of life. Others, alas! rest in the quiet city of tombs, sic transit gloria muni; thus does the revolving wheel of time bring changes. A few more months and I will bid adieu to Wake Forest and its inmates, for other lands and strange scenes. I sometimes shrink from the fearful responsibility of fs, but my mass. . . . . be accomplished d all has been wisely desceed by an omnipresent hand. I have spent many hours in this old Academy; some were pleasant, some were sad; but wherever I roam I will bear with me for a tender recollections, and sweet

associations connected with this spot. When I left the classic halls of my almamater more than twelve months ago, little did I then think that I would be breathing out existence in this secluded spot, but so it was. Sherman and his vile followers swept through our sunny land like a scourging pestilence, and our televed capital was a doomed city. The holy hour of night witnessed the terrific there followed the army, or were entired away scene of destruction, and when morn dawned by it, two brothers linker C. C. Taylon and mockingly on the once glittering city, our Theorems Hamment Tayton, aged respectively loved, time honored institute by a beterogen- | 16 and 14 years, and sons of John Taylon. eous mass, a blackened pile of ruins. Ah!

time indeed does heing changes. I thought time indeed does bring changes. I thought at first I could not exist in this remote region,

but I found a friend on whose brow is stamped the seal of nobility, whose every action is guided by honor and truth, in whom I place 2d, there is an extract from "New Orleans implicit confidence. This friendship is the Crescent, 21st April," in which occurs the solace of my weary hours, a beacon light in following item as a part of the proceedings of my dark pathway. Then why, ah! why, my the General Conference of the Methodist E. heart this sadness, 'mid scenes like these de- Church, South, at its last session : cline. Alas, a few more months, and I will roam far away, a stranger in a strange land. Then no heart will beat for the absent one, no Advertisements inserted at \$1,50 per square, for thought be given to the wanderer. But time law of nature was objected to, as opposed to wears apace and I must cease. Yet what e'er the letter and spirit of christian religion, which befalls me, Wake Forest and its associations

> shall not be forgotten. Tis sweet to remember, I would not forego, The charm which the past o'er the present can

throw; For all the gay visions that finey may weave,

For the Herald.

Our Situation. No. 6.

the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, and the For I cannot live without thee. What is this consequent removal of the Huguenots from the note to the XXIII Article of Religion as France to England and other countries. From that when the requirements of the civil powers With it's riches, pomp and splender, if I cannot this emigration of Protestants and their set- conflict with the teachings of the Christian tlement in England it was that manufactures Scriptures, we should "obey God rather than began to flourish, and from that time have men." given the ascendancy in that branch of industry to England ever all other countries. We lution about "celf preservation," &c. In the to plant tobacco between the rows, and when A husband and a father, returning to his do not refer to this to show that the policy of remarks made in support of the resolution it | the tobacco is pretty well grown and ready | home, in all the strength and glory of his man-Think ye that I could be happy—that the past driving a people from their native soil should was said: "While self-preservation is the first to gather, plant corn between the rows, thus hood; a wife and mother, toiling for the little, be adopted by any government; but to pre- law of nature with the lower order of animals, sent the fact that manufactures are a blessing and that part of our nature common to them and said to be the warmest weather we have. side; a companion of your daily labor, who to a country when they spontaneously grow and us, yet obedience, active or passive, to The wells here are about sixty feet deep; with you shared your bed; who almost slept to a country when they spontaneously given the country when they spontaneously given the united States, I am naturally most solicity when they are first law of there are some running streams but very few. In your arms; at peace with you; the very the United States, I am naturally most solicity when they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom they had two or three good shows a breath of the country whom the co

government, tends directly to foster one branch exist—a false impression, as to the design had by thickly covered with bushes, vines and compassion, if compassion with bushes, vines and barred the right of entrance. In those halls, of industry at the expense of some other in the resolution. The Preamble, resolution branch-but when manufactures are demand- and remarks would occupy too much of your ed by the condition of the country, and they columns—yet without the whole a part cans but in some places is sufficient for cross-ties never done you harm; of three of these, in on to ay—and none to defend her or to vindithen grow up, the people are benefitted by not be understood. them; because investments are made by per-From which everything of pleasure, joy and glad- sons who have capital, and that capital is emploved in something that will be remunerative Would seem ever to be wrisp ring, as the sighing in its results. In a country of such large extent as this, there is ample room for the "I have seen a sad, sad burial, here's the grave growth of manufactures. Where agriculture flourishes, commerce springs up, and in this way articles are exchanged, and then is trade, which must in some measure always, in the long run, be profitable to some of the parties engaged in it. This is the general rule appli-

tion at this time is this. Is it expedient to that all of us have faults to be forgiven. How thing down. This is a fixed fact, and a large ters not which, so far as the legal and moral establish manufactures of any kind? if not, our hearts smite us when we think of the and superior colony is settled here now ; guilt of all these murders committed by you what should be done? There are manufactory there in as we would there will be good American society here in secured; and much more that human be fired—that not one bale was on fire when three of cotton goods and of iron, which could not have had them treat us. Every unkind a short time.

| a short time. | ceivable. | ceiva be put in operation. These ought to be en- word, every ungracious look, every ungentle in the bush yet; it will be some time before Almost without motive you went at your couraged to go to work-for if cotton is raised action comes thronging back upon our memo- any one can live there with any comfort. work self-imposed, and eight innocent victims his soldiers burned it to the ground deliberto any extent, and manufactured here, there ries and hangs around our sorrowful souls, Gen. Price and Gov. Harris are at this place; you slew; not suddenly, not in a tempest of must of necessity large profits to some per- until we would give worlds did we possess sons, say those interested in the establishment. them, to drink of the fountain of Lethe. We frame house out here, there having been no with solemn pause; with calm deliberation, Beside the direct profit to them, the hands employed must be supported. This will enneighborhood of these manufactories-and this cannot console our remorseful hearts. in ruins of former wealth and grandeur. The plete. then an internal trade will arise, which never Let us take warning by the bitterness of our natives live in huts built of bamboo and cov- This is but a poor picture of your work could have taken place were this state of contrite but unavailing tears over the dead, things not existing. Here there is mutual and henceforth be more faithful to the living, benefit, and there is no injury done by the and more obedient to the will of God, who hire them for fifty cents per day, finding them- enormity of your deeds of blood, and before operation of government. Should such a has told us to "do unto others as we would selves. They have the best staging and wag- God seek for pardon for your crime. No one victed of larceny and sentenced—the former course be adopted by men who have the they should do unto us." means, the drooping condition of affairs would soon assume a more cheering aspect, and the gloom which overhangs our political horizon which appeared in the columns of the Mem- fifteen miles above here; it contains 25,000 Society demands prosecution and violated law horn, against whom a jury had rendered the would be dissipated. To effect such changes phis Avalanche, we make the following ex- inhabitants, nineteen run of mill-stones, three vindication. But the Omnipotent God hath will require activity and enterprise, and men tracts of interest to our readers: must look around on things as they are, and prepare to make the best they can out of

cover from depression. When the Huguenots ern and Western Accidental Insurance Com- ning stream in the middle of their street, and of the night the invisible finger of the Alwere exiled from France, their loss was never supplied, and even to-day France feels the injury inflicted by that false step of policy. Bros., cotton and commission merchants; and five American families. This is 4,000 feet delayed. You had your s cess in the execu-England has received those benefit; which a noble and industrious people always confer upon a country; and it she is wise, she can

retain that power for years to come. and de encouraged to come. We can, in this important work, do our part. Energy and structed, and puts up the best article of old around their camp; they were near to a camp phia, from whence you came, and from thence of rape upon a child of six years, was sentenced to the crime of the country of rape upon a child of six years, was sentenced to the crime of the crime of the country of rape upon a child of six years, was sentenced to the crime of the crime o no hope for them.

through Fairfield District, S. C., from a neight business here. borheod about 7 miles south of Winnsboro,

John Taylon, Address

Winnebore, S. C.

For the horald. Messrs, Editors: In the "Herald" of May

"A preamble and series of resolutions were introduced, protesting against the interference of the civil or other power with the church. The doctrine that self-preservation is the first neuleates rather suffering and, if need be, dying for its sake. Were referred to the Committee on Revisals."

the nature of the preamble and resolution:

2. The resolution did not "protest against the interference of the civil or other power with the church." If a protest at all, it was rather a protest against the ambiguity-(if In a former number reference was made to that is the word) of the church on the subject of war. The resolution proposed so to amend

3. Nothing is said in the Preamble or Reso-

The encouragement of manufactures by the Thus much-to correct what may probably

Yours, very truly, SIDI H. BROWNE.

"Do unto others as you would they should

do ento rou." py we must cherish a beautiful spirit; and for about four dollars per acre, paying one- against the monster, in the shape of man, who what spirit more beautiful than that of love to mankind, which makes us 'do unto others the Government lands. The Government roof of Christopher Decring, but one remains as we would they should do unto us." If we lands, about 60,000 acres have all been taken | -a little, lonely, solitary boy, saved not by all the facts connected with the destruction of would possess a heart to enjoy the pleasures up here, even faster than they can be sur your mercy, for mercy you had none, but by of this life, let us learn to obey the "golden veyed. There are hundreds of emigrants an interposing Providence protected from your In the present condition of the South, one rule." Let us learn to think kindly and for coming here every day from the States, of the murderous arm and uplifted axe, with which of the questions presented for their considera- givingly of other's faults, for, let us remember | jointed, while others are delighted and set- performed alone, or aided by another, it matcourage the production of breadstuffs in the weep sorrowing and repentant tears; yet all

I learn from a general officer of the "so- factory with 14,000 spindles and 800 looms. His mercy I commend you. called" that there are twenty-eight doing busi It is in a valley, amidst the mountains, and one But what you have to do, do speedily; for there was a hope that the elemency of the ness here who were the stars and wreath, of the most wealthy places I ever saw. The the night of death casts its shadows already Among them are General Beauregard; Lieu- city has fourteen fountains spouting up in around you. The avenger of blood has fol-Despondency never enabled a people to re- tenant-General Longstreet, President South- every quarter of the city, and a constant run- lowed steadily after you, and in the darkness puny General Hood, firm of J. B. Hood & Co., the streets are all finely paved. I would rath- mighty pointed you out to your pursuers, and ant-General A. P. Steward, now Stewart & was American society, but it has but four or which it requires to be done shall not long be be prepared to meet their end. The sentence Major-General Frank Gardner, draughtsman; above the sea, and has all the tropical fruits; tion of your fell purpose. But it demands its place from whence they came, and there kept Major-General S. B. Buckner, of firm of this is the land of fruits and flowers. Horses triumph now, in the detection, exposure, con Phelps & Co., cotton factors, and editorially and cows are used here all the year, eating viction and promptest and severest punish- July next, when, between the hours of ten in connected with the Crescent; Brigadier-Gen- nothing but grass. Taking all together, this ment of the criminal, who has defied alike the the forenoon and two in the afternoon, they eral Henry Hays, candidate for Sheriff; Ma- is the strangest and most beautiful country I laws of God and man, and outraged all the were to be hung by the neck until they were jor-tieneral Joseph Wheeler, of the cavarry, ever saw; one can work out here with pleas- nobler sympathies of his nature. is before us. We partially know the losses selling carriages, buggles, &c.; Brigadier- we morning and evening, but hot in the mid-General M. Jeff. Thompson, the famous "Swamp dle of the day; no flies or musquitoes as I judgment of the law, which is that you (here appreciate the consequences of their crime; we have suffered—but perhaps we do not yet to have seen, and not many insects or reptiles. the four judges rose, and amid a breathless but when this awful doom was pronounced, realize them to their full extent. To repair greeces and commission merchants, who avows | 11's, survey has taken him into a very wild silence, concluded the sentence). Antoin they exhibited, by their bitter anguish, a keen these losses capital and labor must come here, that he is now as dorile as a kitten-would country, lifteen or twenty rolles from here, Probst, the prisoner at the bar, be taken from realization of their perilous position. and be encouraged to come. We can, in this not hurt anybody—and is thoroughly recon- where he had the tiger, panther and wolves thence to the jail of the county of Philadel-Bourbon in the market; Major-General Lo- of Liberals; and were afraid to fire their guas to the place of execution, and that you there tenced to be kept in safe custody until June perseverance can overcome almost all the obstaries that may be in the way of any people,
staries that may be in the way of any people, except the pernicious and destructive results. General Humphrey Marshall, Lawyer, who do not object to our coming here; we have Judge Allison's remarks were delivered except the permenous and destructive results of bad legislation. Where the Government protects the people in the enjoyment of the stall, grocer and commission merchant; Brigation is the first of the first of the first of the stall, grocer and commission merchant; Brigation is the stall in the fruits of their labor, and makes property se- dier-General McNale, grocer; Brigadier-Gen partridges and different kinds of game here. court room. cure, and the administration of justice imparteral Hawthorne, cotton factor; General Tru- A person can live here (eat) for thirty-five tial and sure, there are no obstacles which a dean, the old artillery officer, now practicing cents per day. Hotels charge one dollar and virtuous and great souled people may not overcome; but if they are so corrupt that overcome; but if they are so co these objects cannot be obtained then there is General King, of Texas, dry goods clerk; Now, for the objections to the country .-MACON. | General Joe Davis, ship chandler; Brigadier- These people are as mean as they can be as a General Higgins, running drays. Tom Scott, general thing, and as lazy as they can be. INFORMATION WANTED, -On the 21st Feb. of the old 12th Louisiana, and Colenel Walton, | Nine-tenths of the people are Indians and look

> Norrous, May 2.-The United States Circuit Court was opened yesterday. Judge Underwood delivered his charge to the jury, and dwelt partientarly on the necessity of bringing the leaders of the rebell on to trial.

+60+--of the Confederate dead in the cemetery at that am of opinion that there will be one thousand hisses were at their height. I place on the 26th uit.

[From the Anderson Intelligencer.] Letter From Mexico.

We have the pleasure of presenting our readers the following letter from an esteemed fellow-citize 2Col. Elam Sharpe, who is at present in Mexico. His views and comments upon the condition, climate, soil and advantages of that country, and the inducements to emigrate thither, will be found interesting. The letter was not intended for publication, and we have to return thanks to another friend for the pleasure of its re-production:

CORDOVA, MEXICO, March 16, 1866. This is the most beautiful country in some more that I do not know-green corn, peas, the andge remarked: beans, lettuce, radishes, potatoes and tomatoes, &c., and yet just above us, we have a the least degree by your own confession, but most beautiful mountain, 18,000 feet above by evidence from which there was no escape, the sea, with its top always white with snow. most conclusive in its character, you have It is the most beautiful sight I ever saw, been found guilty of the commission of one of Sugar cane grows from twelve to fifteen feet the most appalling crimes of which the records high and has only to be planted once in nine of civilized jurisprudence make any mention. years, and they are grinding it all the year A felony of murder unparalleled your heart round. Coffee grows very finely and produces 14 pounds to the tree when four years mest comprehensive; in minuteness of detail old. Tobacco grows well also; the rule is to unequaled; in execution relentless, brutal, plant corn, and when it is pretty well grown, savage beyond precedent. lands are very rich. This is the dry season, ing at her domestic altar-her humble fire-We have had two or three good showes beath of whose life you breathed; your since I have been here, the rainy season will fourth victim, an inoffensive visitor, whose commence in May. The lands are exceeding- sex would have not in vain appealed to your that city. Those who should be there are deshrubs; it costs five dollars an acre to clear you but thought of the mother who gave you there are none to speak for the South-none them. There is a good deal of stone upon birth. And four helpless children of these to participate in the legislation which governs the ground; the timber is generally small, | slaughtered parents; four little ones who had for Railroads. The whole country bears ev- innocent and happy childhood, you had been idence of laziness and neglect, and the count the daily witness; listened to their young and try is all over-grown for the want of work; merry voices, and perhaps have had them there are the ruins of large haciendas all over | play in confidence and trust about you; and 500,000 dollars; these hacierdas are cultivathad not yet learned to lisp your name, or to ed now in spots by the natives, who pay the know you as a stranger in that household; proprietors certain rent; they contain from whose tiny, bloody garments, brought here that her citizens set fire to thousands of bales It has often been said, if we wish to be hap- one to two thousand acres and can be bought by other hands, bore testimony most crushing rolled out into the streets-I deny that any fifth down, and waiting four or five years for cut and backed its young life away.

ruary, 1865, as Gen. Emmy. I's army passed of the famous Washington Artilery, are doing like the Indians you see about Pendleton. You have to learn the language of the country. You can have no associations with the what Covernment there may me, with an American colony, we will be able to have a vast influence and can protect ourselves. families here before eighteen months. Many

persons are disappointed because their preconceived notions are not fulfilled. I expected to see large and extensive valleys, such as we have in the States, with large and finely cultivated fields, but these is nothing of the kind-the country is table land, as level as any one would desire, but only opened and cultivated in patches; a great deal of stone on the land but not enough to interfere with plowing.

## The Death Sentence of Probst, the Burderer.

On Tuesday, in the Court of Over and Terrespects, I have ever seen. Our days are miner, in Philadelphia-Judges Allison, Ludsuch as you have in the month of May; the low, and Pierce on the bench-when Probst, ittee on Revisals."

Inights are cool, and we sleep under two or the murderer of the Decring family, was arthree blankets every night. We have all the raigned for sentence, his counsel moved an artropical fruits in abundance; the trees are rest of judgment and a new trial, on certain all green and a good many flowers, and any technical grounds. The motion, however, letter General Sherman used the following lan-1. Instead of a "series" there was but one amount of birds, and such caroling and singesolution.

was overruled, and Judge Allison, in the preing I never heard. We have all kirds of sence of a crowded court-room, and amid provegetables in the market that I ever saw in found silence, proceeded to pronounce the to thousands of bales of cotton rolled out into the Charleston market, and a great many sentence of death. Addressing the prisoner,

By none other but by legal evidence, not in

ne tourin, a simming, tender, gentie babé, who

the balance; tuese are considered better than | Of all who gathere I beneath the humble very best people; some of these are disap- you sought to kill them all. All these you eye hath not seen you did, with malice incoa- Sherman's troops took possession of the city-

they have laid it out and named it in honor of resistlers passion, but in the coclness of a prethe Empress. It is very difficult to build a meditated design-one by one, at intervals, land open for cultivation than anything else. fully ended, and you found yourself alone The country is a vast wilderness and abounds with the dead. Your triumph was then com- ling you, I am, &c.,

ered with straw; the higher class live in and of this I here remind you, that you may houses built of stone and lime, or cement. even now, at this dread hour for you, realize, Some of the Indians work well, and you can if it indeed be possible for you to do so, the ton, the following sentences were pronounced: oning here I ever saw. The Railroad will be may limit his power to forgive, but you can \$200 fine, 8 months imprisonment and 10. here in about eighteen months; it is about find mercy only in redeeming love. Men can- stripes. The latter fined \$100 and to receive Confederate Generals in New Orleans .- fifteen miles from here. This place is about not, will not, dare not pass by unaverged a 1 stripe. From a very interesting New Otleans letter 2,850 feet above the sea. I went up to town crime so fearful as to be almost nameless. The youths, Rantin, Smith and Wetheror four fine flouring mills, and a large cotton | said, "Whoseever will, let him come." To mercy, were then called up to learn their

ton and commission merchants; Lieuten- evilve here than any place I ever saw if there justice now claims you as its own. And that hopes should prove delusive, that they would

fixed on the Judge. He did not move a muscle The South respectfully asks to move one way during the entire time of the delivery of the or the other. We are like the fellow who was sentence, and at its close quietly food his forced to go to the show, and then not allowed

Directly after the sentence he was asked by for his ticket. We have been dragged into Mr. Eben, the Court interpreter, whether he the doorway of the Federal tent, and not alunderstood the sentence. Probst replied, "I lowed to see any of the performance except understood all the Judge said, but he did not to settle with the tall collector. We can hear say when I was going to be hung." [The the animals growling inside, and hear the Governor designates the day.] The removal crack of the ringmaster's whip, but we can't of the prisoner from the Court room was the see the show unless we pay for two and take lear of the instability of the Government, but signal for the most deafening and veetferous in a colored lady. And the worst of it is, I do not fear much on that account, for let shouts on the part of the immense multitude they keep a great eagle perched over the en-

Burning of Columbia. LETTER OF GENERAL WADE HAMPTON TO THE HON REVERDY JOHNSON.

The following well written letter, addressed by General Wade Hampton to the Hon. Reverdy Johnson, in relation to the burning of Columbia, South Carolina, was read by the latter in the Senate on Thursday:

WILD WOODS, Miss., April 21, 186€.

To the Hon. Reverdy Johnson, United States

Sin: A few days ago, I saw in the published proceedings of Congress that a petition from Benjamin Rawls, of Columbia, S. C., asking compensation for the destruction of his home by the Federal army in February, 1865, had been presented to the Senate, accompanied by a letter from Major-General Sherman. In this

"They," the citizens of Columbia, "set fire the streets, and which were burning when I entered Columbia. I myself was in the clty as early as 9 o'clock, and saw these fires, and knew that efforts had been made to extinguish them, but a high and stormy wind kept them alive. I gave no orders for the burning of your city, but, on the contrary, the reverse, and I believe the conflagration resulted from the great imprudence of cutting the cotton bales, whereby the contents were spread to the winds, so that it became an impossibility to arrest the fire.

"I saw in your Columbia newspapers the printed orders of General Wade Hampton, that on the approach of the Yankee army all the cotton should be burned, and, from what I saw myself, I have no hesitation in saying that he was the cause of the destruction of

This grave change made against me by Gen. S, having been brought before the Senate of ous to vindicate myself before the same thibunal. But my State has no representative in her-none to impose the taxes she is called cate her sons from misrepresentation, injustice or slander. Under these circumstances, I appeal to you, in the confident hope that you will use every effort to see that justice le done in this matter.

I deny most emphatically that any cotton was fired in Columbia by my order-1 deny cotton was fired when the Federal troops entered the city. And I most respectfully ask of Congress to appoint a committee charged with the duty of ascertaining and reporting Columbia, and thus fixing upon the proper author of that enormous crime the infamy that he deserves.

I am willing to submit the case to any honest tribunal. Before any such, I pledge myself to prove my positive order, by direction of Ceneral Beauregard, that no cotton should that he positively promised protection to the city-and that, in spite of this solemn promise ately, systematically, atrociously. I, therefore, most earnestly request that Congress may take prompt and efficient measures to investigate this matter fully. Not only is this due to themselves and the United States army, Trusting that you will pardon me for troub-

WADE HAMPTON.

At the Court of General Sessions, Charles-Thos. Cook and wife Hannah Cook, con-

verdict of guilty with a recommendation to doom. Although the Judge intimated that Executive would be exercised in their behalf, yet he urged upon them to place no undue reliance on this possibility, and so to dispos their minds that if their lives were to be spared their conduct would be reformed, and if their

William Highfield, convicted of the crime 29th, when he be hung by the neck until he be dead.

VOLUMES IN ONE PARAGRAPH.—The following inimitable hit is irresistable in argument as it is in humor. We quote from the Char-The prisoner stood erect, and kept his eyes hard to get in the Union as it is to get out. to go any further than where he had paid for Exchange. re-fund the money and tie up the eagle."