The Only Hope.

efficient and well disciplined body.

### A High Compliment.

Gov. Chamberlain has received nany encomiums for his course over ince his inauguration, but in our adgment, the highest, most flatter ng of all is that bestowed upon him the State Central Committee of ne democratic party, in their adess to the people.. Representing they committee do, a party naturly supposed to be inimical to all o men and measures of the repub can party, the compliment thus pressed is creditable, not alone the governor, but to the candor ad impartiality of the democrats South Carolina. Gov. Chamberto withhold his official approval m has reason for pride and self until a final settlement of the quesngratulation at winning such an tion. Nor does it appear to us mor from such a source.

### The Fence Law.

The has been much discussion our state for several years past on the subject of fences. The ptection of large tracts of land, ach of which lies fallow, is a con-there can be no interference of the nt expense and a constant an-The number of people view of the important results likely gaged in cattle raising to the to flow from the governor's action, lusion of other farm pursuits, and of the evil likely to be averted, Imost insignificant, and yet the he is all the more entitled to com-Tholder is required to guard his wing crops against his neighabor. By far the majority of be impossible to induce two-thirds ple in Fairfield county, both of the members to vote for convice and colored, are engaged in tion. The constitutional require culture preper, their interest ment is two thirds of the members eattle-raising being, purely e'ected. ndary and incidental. ship of the present law of s therefore a very great one. e the law repealed, the impetus by given to agriculture and mhancement produced in the the democratic party, which met derable. Aside from the very us expense of keeping up lawnces under our present sys forth to the people is the fruit of line. Every day brings resent law would redound to Avantage of a vast majority of cople of Pairfield, white and is needed for a there esence all that planter and laborer, landlord tion of the que his . Singh apprecia-

stod only by toleration deular is therefore unnecessary. ites, and in ated by providing for a vote in township, to determine the rested in cattle-rearing could tect their interest, while the iter could be saved an enors annual expense, for which he but little return. This plan been successfully adopted in ly states, and in some counties South Carolina. We suggest the sible harm; on the contrary, it y disputes incident to the pres-

Ve invite correspondence upon hrough our columns.

# The Real Effect.

ct of the governor's action in of what they have undergone. Such gradual improvement of our ma tion the degradation of a proud sing to sign the commissions of being the circumstances under torial condition and in the bringing people. Never were demagagues ipper and Moses. It has been which the Committee have felt it about of a higher tone of morality night by many that his course their duty to address their constit among that class of people from discuss the situation with bated ld have the effect only of delay uents, we can by no means be sur among which most criminals now breath. A few unite with the prices the seating of these insolent priced at the earnestness with come. But this is a slow process governor in denouncing the election

aspirants till the question of the which they have spoken. But to and we must find a speedier remedy as a horrible disaster. judges' tenure of office shall be what extent will their words of for the trouble. decided by the supreme court. In caution and counsel be heeded? Another powerful cause of the ermined upon and most easily put The ground taken by him is that soon as possible.

claiming to be the duly elected

legislature—as was actually the

case in Arkansas some months ago.

Each body might elect a judge or a

number of judges. In the absence

of a judicial determination of the

legality of either body, it would

clearly be the duty of the governor

that the supreme court could

compel him by mandamus to act

otherwise-at least till the constitu

tional question be finally settled.

If we recognize the co-ordination of

the several branches of the state

government, we must admit that

one in the acts of the other. In

mendation. There have been some

vague hints about impeaching him

The Work Begun.

will be found the address of the Stat

In another portion of this paper

### A Good Selection.

Col. A. C. Haskell, Col. James P Low and T. S. Cavender, Esq. legislature, known as the big bonanza." Col. Hackell is well known all over the state as a gen tleman of fine talent and the strictest integrity. Col. Low is a North- crime is undoubtedly the lack of se ern man, and bears a very high verity in the punishment inflicted to the material interests of the character both for honesty and by the law, as it now stands, for state by this infamous action of the capacity. Mr. Cavender is an excellent business man and his repu tation for uprightness is said to be with death, the certainty of that face of a probable revolution. quite good. Altogether, the governor seems to have made a most deter any but the most confirmed no transfers of property going on excellent choice, and we feel as desperado from the commission of and that litigation has been stopped sured that no claims will pass the board without first undergoing a most rigid scrutiny.

s'eattle. The main object of when the legislature re-assembles, which the present commissioners can best be accomplished by means this change of policy does not prove passed a bill similar to that under prevention of coime, and if that end will be pursue l. At the same time of government is, or should be, thing will be done. The attempt jectionable features, the bill named once becomes eminently right. If wrong. It is only the sacrifices made by the conservatives, their greatest good to the greatest would end in failure, for it would the commissioners—three individu als, at least two of whem had not expediency, in the case of murder, it blacks, and their firm support of won the public confidence. The governor vetoed that bill, and the crimes. legislature passed the present one. which is free from the obnoxious provisions. The commissioners valence of crime in our state. Time

# The Provalence of Crime.

of our lands would be very at Columbia on the 6th inst. The but be struck with the already conference was full, free and har great and constantly increasing monious, and the address now sent prevalence of crime in South Carothe Committee's deliberations of some great.

expressed in the address are so in plain, so carnest and so forcili dit that an attentive persual disdaining, most outrageous burglary, arson or the principal streets. Later in the however, it be feared that a construct would work at hardship in particular in particu It is now for the people of our tien, and alarming because of its not heard the result of this meet. the paster; but let the hearld of the , bus difficulty can be State to determine whether the direful consequences and danger ing, except that a large crowd as- Cross, in the discharge of his miniswork thus marked out by the Com- ous tendencies. When we seek for sembled. It is to be presumed terial functions, look to her, as to the mittee shall be promptly and reso- causes for this state of things, we that the usual buncombe was gotten pole star of hope, who, when men stion. In this way, such por lutely entered upon. It is now for are not long in reaching them. The off. This meeting is but another forsook and fled, was found "last at s of the county as are mainly them to them to show by their financial troubles of the people have evidence of the unfitness of the the crose, first at the grave." Let ONE Barrel Oil known as Residuum evidence of the unfitness of the the crose, first at the grave." actions whether their duly appoint doubtless had much to do in driv- party to govern. The judicial men, in their hours of ease, find her ed representatives in the Committee ing men to deeds of violence and election having been denounced "uncertain, coy, and hard to please, have expressed the real views of rapine-especially when the result through the whole country, sensible and variable as the shade by the the democratic party. It is now of such deeds is to relieve pressing office seekers, however corrupt light quivering aspen made," the for them to show to what extent wants. Pecuniary losses and pe themselves, it would be supposed minister of Christ will find in her a they appreciate the evils which we cuniary embarrassments are always would evince a hesitancy to take steadiness of purpose, an apprealready suffer and those we still more or less calculated to blunt part with the radical majority, ciating sympathy, and an unfaltering apprehend, and to what extent they the moral sense and induce to crime, But & continued defence, i e activity in the great work of doing tter for the consideration and have faith in the democratic organi- and this is especially the case where face of public opinion, only nice quick good, to which merconary man is a on of our legislative delegation. zation as a means of relief. The the suffering party is ignorant. ly scale the doom of the present stranger. local option" law could do no Committee have stated in most un- The victim in such cases is almost leaders and their blinded constitu mistakable terms the state of things invariably a man of real or of supents. This defiance of decency their incentive in some beautiful ald be the means of ascertaining which has led to their meeting, posed wealth, and the robber, or bowever is manifested chiefly by Caristinas presents from three of wishes of the people upon this and the terrible disasters we must murderer with a view to rob, eases the blacks. The white radicals are singly pecked box of almost every ed question, and of settling expect unless we soon have a decid- his conscience, if he has one, by the in a terrible quandary. On the conceivable article of ministerial ed change for the better. Nor have thought that the sufferer can easily one hand is the mass of ignorant necessity, from one, a handsome they in one jot or tittle overstated bear the loss. This reasoning, we voters, whose suffrages placed them piece of chamber furniture, &c. from

the article in question, however, it To what extent will those to whom prevalence of crime is the carelessis held—and the reasons for the these words are addressed give ness with which the laws have been lican ticket with Chamberlan at opinion are strongly put—that the them their assent by word and administered during the past eight its head, and that this ticket will supreme court cannot compel the deed? These are questions that years. There is nothing more like governor by mandamus to sign the commissions. This is seemingly and extraordinary proposition, but the ground taken by the News and ground taken by the News and Courier is that the executive and It will be observed that the Com- acquittal or pardon. The sessions the judicial department being co- mittee have neither distated nor of the circuit court in many counties ordinate, the one cannot interfere suggested a line of policy to be have been brief and irregular, and this in any way with the other. The pursued by the democrats in any has doubtless had the effect of im The only hope for the honest only remedy would therefore seem future political contests. They pressing men's minds with a dispenter does not know whether to be the impeachment of the have wisely confined themselves to regard of law. There is nothing He deplores the violence and blood. early and thorough organization of governor for official misconduct. placing plainly before their conmore important than the propert the democratic party. Whatever It would certainly be at variance stituents the absolute necessity, of errest, conviction and punishment course of action may be hereafter with the fundamental principles of thorough, compact, efficient organiof a guilty man. The effect most of the radical office seekers. deemed most expedient, the first our political system to invest one zation. When that shall be come is decidedly wholesome alike and great need now is a union of department with controlling power pleted, then will there be ample upon the criminal himselfthe democracy into a compact, over the other. The signing of the time for the party to settle and and upon the community at large. The presumption to say they will n such a shape, the proper action assuredly a matter purely within nor. But the 'organization should crime has been the abominable abuse Pall, and that the Conservatives for the party can be most easily dethe discretion of the governor. begin at once, and be perfected as of the pardening power- It is need on the discretion of the governor. Their nto execution. This organization the terms of Judges Reed and The organization of the people Scott and Moses in this particular. point of an open proposal. less here to recur to the career of andacity has not yet reached the annot begin too soon. Let us be Shaw respectively having not yet of Fairfield county has been en- It is enough to say that by far the merely finds expression in hints. expired, there is no vacancy in their trusted by the Committee to most greater proportion of convicted T.e day, h. wever i past alien the circuits, and hence the present excellent hands. Gen. John Brat criminals from 1868 to 1874 were legislature had not the right to ton is too well known to require pardoned, eitler upon sentence or elect successors. There might any compliment at our hands. It is long before their term of imprisonarise circumstances in which the enough to say that he has the con- ment had expired. Of course this it has been found wanting. governor would be forced to re- fidence of the people alike in his had its direful effect upon the very fuse, by causes other than those integrity, and in his capacity. By class of people in which the great which present themselves in the a combination of these he will sure-majority of criminals are now found. opening expressed ms opinion that the election of Judges Reed and case of Whipper and Moses. Sup- ly do the county good service and These two causes, we are glad to Shaw was for four years. pose for instance that there were himself great credit in the sphere say, are constantly becoming less Justice Moses is interested in the of duty to which he has just been as and less powerful. The judges throughout the state are more attentive than formerly to the business of their respective courts and more Gov. Chamberlain has appointed adequately severe in the penalties inflicted, while Gov. Chamberlain has shown a commendable chariness commissioners under the act of the in his use of the pardoning power. of Whipper.

ikely to serve out, their allotted time in the pendentiary. A third source of the increase of certain crimes-arson, burglary and rape. When these were punishable afraid to advance money in the dreadful penalty was sufficient to lawyer informs me that there are them. The opposition to capital punishment is but the fruit of a out of this chaos good will be sickly sentimentality, and a mistaken evolved. The conservatives, backed It will be remembered that the view of a Divine injunction. The by the North, democrats and relogislature, at its last session, great end of all punishment is the publicans, will overthrow the party it is justifiable, on the ground of

> causes of the present alarming pre snown tack magning, now without fear of cavil take will prove how far our views are correct.

# LETTER FROM CHARLESTON.

[Correspondence News and Kerald.]

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 2d. 1576 New Year in Charleston was very dull disserved ston was very us tidings by the whites, save in the churches. In our indement a repeal of The terms in which their views are within, with contrage committed The colored element, however, had our borders. Ati the erimes a grand parade in honor of emancithe calendar, from the most pation day. The military companies insignificant petit larceny cogniza- were out in full force, and pre- prise will succeed. ble in a trial justice's court, to the coded by a band marched through it shows the prevalent demoraliza- to the first judicial circuit. I have nothing of the wants and work of the magnitude and the serious na think, applies to individual in in power. And to denounce the appreciated, from a third. Ansubject. The views we have ture of the issues now presented stances, but there are a large num election of Whipper is to alienate ressed are the fruit of our in- for the people's determination. It ber of crimes for which we can find this element. On the other hand ics and our observation. We needs but a superficial observation no such incentives, and which are is Gov. Chamberlain, the fountain Il be glad to have the opinions to present to every reasonable attributable solely to the general stonewall, firmly backed by the conthers, and to give them publici- mind the evils of our present condi- demoralization necessarily incident servatives who wield the physical tion and the still greater evils that to the varied conditions through and the money power in South threaten us. The people of Fair which our people have been called Carolina, and the national republi can party who are devoutly prayfield have suffered in common with to pass during the past ten years. The News und Courier contains their fellow-citizens all over the The remedy for this state of things of this radical death, and the whole at once, or their accounts will be placed in ell written article upon the state, and they need not to be told is necessarily slow. It lies in our country which views with indigna- an officers hand for collection

in a more pitiful plight. They

Mackey says that Whippor and Moses shall never take their sea s. Congressman Mackey thinks there win. Congressman Wallace thinks that Gov. Chamberlain made a great mistake in breaking with his party as it will injure him and ruin the party. Moses sold out the party last year and is now a judge. thinks the ways of the majority are inscrutable and past finding out. Attorney-General Molton, it is said will resign his position and eschow Coffee O G Java shed that will ensue this Fall. This, by the way, is the attitude of They dwell eloquently on the bless-Conservatives will acquiesce in any straight republican ticket, however Radicalism has been tried, good. borne with, and acquiesced in, and

days are numbered. result of the suit he cannot sit upon it, and it is hardly probable that Gov. Chamberlain will appoint a judge favorable to the claims of Vhipper and Moses. Court however so decide the peo people of Charleston express openy their determination to rise en masse and prevent the seating The mechanics of Most persons properly convicted are the city, a powerful element, have resolved in meeting not to suffer Whipper to act as judge. Whipper and Moses will have a hard road to travel to reach the coveted ermine. The injury done legislature is incalculable. by the dread of having Moses and Whipper to act as arbiters. But mide by the conservatives, their is equally so in the case of other Gov. Chamberlain's measures that have gained them the public car Such, we think, are the chief and public sympathy. But having decided steps for refe radical party is thoroughly organized and determined efforts will

be necessary to drive it from power. The weather is very warm. tea on New Year's day is not common occurrence. I leasure seelers are looking forward to the 5th January, when Raymon I will appear at the Academy of Music in his celebrated character of Col. Mulberry Sellers. It is said that a new paper will shortly appear in Charleston. The money has not yet been fully raised and it is uncortain whether or not the enter

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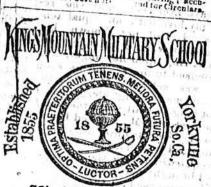
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