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CHARLESTON, THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 31, 1871.

A STRANGE NARRATIVE.

THE EARLY LIFE OF MRS. WHARTON THE BALTIMORE "BORGIA."

Singular Rumors as to Her Lineage-Some of the Peculiarities of Her Youth-Prodigality and Practical Jokes-Tricks on Her Lovers-How She Came to Marry at Last-Is She

The latest development in the Wharton mystery at Baltimore is the publication of the following interesting letter from a lady friend of the accused widow:

PHILADELPHIA, August 20, 1871.

Much interest having been manifested throughout the entire country on the possible guilt of Mrs. Whatton, I have thought some account gathered from persons who knew her intimately as Ellen Nugent might gratify public curiosty, and throw at the same time some leading to the crimes. light upon the causes leading to the crimes with which she stands charged as having per-

mrs. Wharton was the daughter of a French gentleman of superior education and reputed wealth, who was, with his family, long a resident of Norristown, Pa. Mr. Nugent was greatly esteemed for his elegant manners, and for his graceful and profuse hospitality. He had been married and had lost his first wife before coming to Norristown, and noth-ing whatever was known of the mother of his elder children, although rumor asserted that she had been a quadroon. This report took rise from the fact of the extreme darkness and rise from the fact of the extreme darkness and mulatto that visible in the complexions of the children by the first wife. Although they had no other foundation for their belief, the people of Norristown at first refused to associate with his family, rud for several years they were virtually tabooed by what was called the best society of the place. Few caste prejudices, however, can withstand great wealth, when much wealth is judiciously expended in propliating or overcoming them; and after a time ruch wealth is judiciously expended in propi-tiating or overcoming them; and after a time the "best society" of Norristown became aware that visitors to the Nugents were enter-tained with great profusion and elegance. This discovery opened their eyes to the fact that the Nugents were not so very dark after all and that perhaps the mulatto tint obser-vable in them was due rather to French than to African blood. And so society, in its usual to African blood. And so society, in its usual graceful and generous manner, took them up, and made pets of all of them and a belie of

The father, being tender and indulgent to all his children, was especially so towards Ellen, and supplied her munificently with the means of keeping up a grand appearance in the aristocratic and exclusive circles which she so gracefelly adorned. So lavish was she in attire and expenditure, that the report soon spread abroad that she would be heiress to im-mense wealth—that her father was a second Girard, &c. The report drew around her a crowd of eager admirers, and she was soon surrounded by a bevy of sultors, all ready to go to the death for a smile of encouragement from her lips.

Yet, even whilst the idol of her father and

ret, even whist the indi of her latter and the centre of attraction to a score of honorable men, Ellen Nugent was in the habit of perpetrating frauds and indulging in practices which would, had she been a poor girl, have consigned her to a prison cell. Being the child of wealth and a petted darling of society, however, neither exposure nor less of position. child of weath and a petied daring of society, however, neither exposure nor loss of position followed her delinquencies. Her failings were by common consent hushed up, or, at worst, furnished a little gossip amongst those who had become cognizant of them. Indeed, some of her escapades were so reckless and undisguised that it seems scarcely possible to believe the brain which conceived and executed them to have been in a same condition—menthem to have been in a sane condition tal aberration, one would think, could alone have prompted them.

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She was in the habit of spending the greater part of her time with friends in this city. Most of those whose guest she was knew her "peculiarities," but were willing, for the sake of her charming company, to overlook them. On me occasion, whilst sojourning with a prominent family of this city, she asked her hostess to accompany her upon a shopping expedition, exhibiting at the same time a huge roll of notes which her father had given her for the purchase of her winter outfit. The lady accompanied her to Levy's, and assisted in the selection of sliks, velvets and other expensive material, but was somewhat surprised when a selection of sire, veryets and other expensive material, but was somewhat surprised when a few months later the bill for the goods pur-chased by Ellen was sent to her husband as having been contracted by herself. Of course Mr. Nugent was informed of the matter, and at once liquidated the bill. Whilst upon a visit to the same friends, shortly atter, she called upon a gentleman who was acquainted with her host, and represented to him that her entertainers were greatly straitened in circumstances, and had sent her to ask him for a loan of a few hundred dollars. The gentleman ap-plied to, rather doubting the representations of Miss Ellen, put her off with some excuse until he could inquire if the money was indeed needed by his friend. Of course the whole malter was discovered to be a pure fabrication, but upon being asked for an explanation,

but upon being asked for an exp!anation, Ellen exhibited no discomfiture whatever, but laughed the whole affair off as "a joke."

For a long time articles were being missed at the houses she vialted before suspicion alighted upon Miss Nugent; but after a time circumstances indicated that she had appropriated the missing property, and during a temporary absence her trunks were opened, and a partect missing property were opened. temporary assence her trunss were opened, and a perfect museum of stolen property was discovered therein—articles, for the most part, which could never be of the slightest use to her. Upon going to her trunks after the stolen goods had been removed and restored to their respective owners, she manifested neither the smallest confusion nor mortification but without volunter removed or explaint. neither the smallest confusion nor mortification, but without voluntary remark or explamation proceeded to set in order her belongings. She stayed the length of time she had
laid out with these friends, and the circumstance seemed neither to impair her pleasure
nor cheerfulness in the slightest degree.
We have been told that she would spend
hundreds of dollars for costly laces, which
laces she would bestow on the servants of
the houses she visited as liberally as inough
they had been cheap cotton fabrics, thus wasting large sums in making presents to people
of inferior station articles of which they knew
neither the value nor the use. She was very
fond of playing practical jokes, and ulterly
careless as to the damage she inflicted upon
property or feelings in having her inn. The
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collicated to be a second of a visitor so that most innocent of these jokes of which we have heard was the pluning up, on a bitter cold was the pluning up, on a bitter cold collected in hight, the overcoat of a visitor so that he could not possibly wear it home, and was obliged to brave the inclemency of the weather without it, she having used a whole paper of pins upon it. On another occasion she prevalled upon one of her admirers to kneel at her feet under some pretence, and then sprink-the over a new and expensive coat a bottle of assafectida.

The Department of State has issued two circulars urging claimants to prepare and prevalled can be withdrawn, but additional papers of themselves proof of claims. Upon application the State Department will furnish a copy of the treaty and instructions regarding the mode of preparing proof.

assacetida. Her reckless behavior gave great pain to her family, and when at home she became the object of unceasing care and vigilance. Becoming disgusted by this surveillance, she resolved to leave home for good and all, and determined to marry. She had three suitors, whom she favored about equally, and to these three she wrote on the same day, telling each if they would meet her at a certain hotel, which she named, she would marry them there and then. The announcement was so sudden which she named, she would marry them there and then. The announcement was so sudden that each gentleman doubted his good fortune, and in turn called upon the lady's bosom friend to know if she thought Ellen serious, or if this was only a practical joke. After the lady had seen the notes addressed to all of them by Miss Nugent, she made each aware of the fact that they were deceived. One gentleman went off in dudgeon, whilst the others had resolved to wait upon Miss Nugent together and demand an explanation of her conduct. Accordingly they—Mr. Wharton and another—proceeded to the hotel indicated in her note. Although apparently surprised to see them in company, she put a bold face upon the matter and tried to pass it off as a joke. This would not answer, and a stormy scene was the consequence. Overcome by wounded affection and mortificatiou, Mr. Wharton fell faintling upon the floor, when she calmly stepfainting upon the floor, when she calmly step-ped over his senseless bory and left the room. After helping to resuscitate Mr. Wharton, his rival left him to recover his composure. This he did, and sent for the lady of his love. Mr. Wharton was so urgent in his entreaties that she would become his wife that she agreed to she would become his whe that she agreed to marry him as soon as the clergyman and bridesmaids were ready, and they were married that very day. The match, not-what and ing the circumstance that pre-ceeded it, turned out, it is said, most hap-pily, and during the lifetime of her devoted

husband no stigma rested upon the fair fame of Mrs. Wharton. It may be that his death, and the sorrow occasioned by that painful event, developed the insanity latent in her nature. It may be proper here to state that her father more than once during her girlhood applied to physicians for authority to have her confined in an insane asylum, her pranks and vagaries having destroyed his happiness and impaired his fortune. Although medical men believed her brain to be somewhat affected, they could not pronounce her mad, her con-

believed her brain to be somewhat affected, they could not pronounce her mad, her conversation being intelligent, her wit keen, and her deportment in society unexceptionable. All her friends, however, regarded her as morally irresponsible, and glossed over her peccadilloes because of this belief.

Mrs. Wharton may be a criminal, but if she she is doubtless an insane one. No other theory will account for her peculiar actions; and the fact that the friends of her youth condemned her offences because of her supcondemned her offences because of her sup posed insanity should go far towards inducing a jury to examine carefully, but conscientious y, all testimony that may be offered in proof of mental disease as opposed to voluntary crime. If it could be proved that she inherited from her mother African blood, this should tell greatly in favor of the insanity plea, as it is a well known fact that the issue of the madroon and white are more liable than has compelled a recognition of its truth. M.

THE OLD WORLD'S NEWS.

LONDON, August 30. Six lives were lost by the wreck of the Boadicea, from Cronstadt for an English port. In a railway collision at Bolton, six persons were injured.

The Duke d'Aumale has again declined the candidature for the Presidency of the French

Victor Emanuel appoints Count Selaphis as arbitrator at Geneva under the Washington treaty.

A violent demonstration has occurred in the streets of Rome. A drunken crowd, led by

and several on both sides have been wounded The cholern has appeared at Hamburg. There were sixteen deaths at Altona during the past week. It continues its ravages at Konigsburg. On the 27th there were one hundred new cases and twenty-nine deaths; on the 28th, eighty new cases and fifty deaths. PARIS. August 30.

Leroy, minister of public works, has re signed. Since the annexation of Strasbourg 260

inhabitants have left for France and America The members of the Government have agreed upon a bill for prolonging Thiers's powr, which slightly modifies the committee's bill. It will receive the unanimous support of the Left. It is stated that Gambetta withdraws his proposition for a dissolution of the Assembly.

Garibaldi has recovered. Repose only is necessary for his complete restoration to health.

BERLIN, August 30. Three hundred and twenty-nine cholera deaths in Konigsburg during the week ending the 25th, including one hundred and twenty seven children. No deaths at Dantzic during

the last two days. VIENNA. August 30. The Free Press says a league for the preser vation of the peace of Europe has been formed at Gastein, and that Austria, Germany and Italy, and perhaps Prussia, are its adherents.

THE MANHATTAN QUARANTINED.

NEW YORK, August 30. The steamship Manhattan from Charleston is detained in the lower bay. Her passengers will be detained until Friday or Saturday.

Sr. Louis, August 30.

A new steam brake has been tested on the Missouri Paolic Railroad. A train of cars going forty-five miles an hour down a grade of forty feet to the mile, was stopped within a thousand feet in thirty-two seconds.

THE RADICAL ROBBERS IN LOU-

NEW ORLEANS, August 30. The most shocking developments of the ras-cality of the Radical city government are com-ing to light. The city is to be robbed outright of its gas works and other property, and of two millions of dollars besides.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

LOUISVILLE, August 30.
The fourth floor of Whitney, Brown & Co.'s
grain warehouse fell in to-day, killing two
black and one white man. The building was
crushed to the cellar. Two prominent Main street merchants were blown into the street by the concussion.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

—A youth was sent from Hoboken with a check for \$1000 on the Hanover Bank of New York. His body was washed ashore, and he is said to have been killed.

—Major Geo. F. Browning, of Boston, aged thirty-four, died from excitement upon hearing of the railroad disaster, wherein his brother was badly hurt. No additional deaths have been reported.

THE CLAIMS AGAINST JOHN BULL

mode of preparing proof.

THE GEORGIA RADICAL ROBBERS.

ATLANTA, GA., August 30.
The archives of the State road were to-day urned over to a committee of citizens. This action was the result of a series of prosecu action was the result of a series of prosecu-tions for the last several days, during which the late auditor, treasurer, general ticket agent, master mechanic and several mer-chants have been held to ball to answer for frauds on the treasury. The road is the ex-clusive property of the State, and has been managed by the Republican party of Georgia.

DISASTERS AT SEA.

NEW YORK, August 30.

The steamer Wilmington, from Galveston, picked up, on the 26th, a boat, containing Francis Munte, first mate; Minard Simmons, second mate, and Lewis Schiader, seaman, belonging to the bark Linda, of Philadelphia, from New York bound to New Orleans, which loundered in a hurricane on the 25th, in latitude 25.34, longitude 73.42. A boat containing Captain Smith, the steward and four seamen left the bark; and was in company with the boat containing the mate until the night of the 25th, when they got separated. Both boats were to steer northwest for the Florida coast. After taking on board the mates, the boat and the crew of the Wilmington searched in different directions for the boat containing Captain Smith and crew. The same day, in latitude 28.25, longitude 79.45, she spoke the brig Delphine, with the loss of her main topmast and yards, and square sails blown away from the yards forward, in the hurricane of the 25th; she was from the coast of Africa for New Orleans.

CRIME AND MYSTERY.

THE LAST HORRIBLE SENSATION IN NEW YORK.

The Dead Body of a Young Woman Found in a Trunk Checked for Chicago-Trying to Solve the Mystery, &c.

New York is never without a mystery or a sensation. The last one is the case of the unknown young woman, supposed to be the victim of an abortionist, whose dead body was found cramped in a packing trunk at the Hudson River Railroad, checked for Chicago, as reported by telegraph yesterday. We gather the following particulars of the mysterious discovery from the New York papers :

The body was entirely nude, and had been shockingly distorted in the effort to pack it in so small a space. In the top of the trunk and covering the body were a comforter or heavy bed quilt, a piece of blanket, a coarse chemise, and two or three other articles of common material. All these things, much solled, emitted a very offensive odor. The scene at the depot after the discovery was an exciting one. Railway officials rushed up and down in search of the woman who had brought the trunk, and Railway officials rushed up and down in search of the woman who had brought the trunk, and policeme! "-e active in their efforts to find some clue which the persons engaged in what now seemed clearly a tragedy might be discovered. The boy who assisted the carman to carry the trunk into the depot has a clearer recollection of the woman who had the trunk checked containing the body than any other person who saw her. His story is as follows: THE STORY OF THE BOY.

My name is Alexander Potts; I am twelve years old, and live with my mother; I am around the Hudson River Railroad depot every day, where I sell candy and papers, and carry light baggage from the carriages; on Saturday I was standing in front of the depot, on Thirteenth street, about 1 o'clock, when I saw a one-horse cab coming toward the depot, from the direction of Ninth avenue; the cab stopped in terrors of the additional contracts. in front of the ladles' entrance to the depot streets of Rome. A drunken crowd, led by
Lognetti, rushed through the streets shouting
against the priests. The soldiers dispersed
them. Several shots were exchanged, killing
one and wounding many.

Fresh disturbances have arisen between the
people of Strasbourg and the German troops,
seemed to be about eighteen or infecten
years old, and her hands looked like those of a
years old, and her hands looked like those of a years ond, and her hands looked like those of a working gir; as she got out of the cab she handed the cabman a one-dollar bill, and he drove off; she then turned to me and said, "Sonny, can you tell me where the ticket office is?" I asked her how far she was going, and

GOING TO CHICAGO. then told her that if she went inside and got her ticket she could then get her baggage checked. She then went with me to the ticket checked. She then went with me to the ticket office, and after inquiring the price of a ticket, she handed the ticket clerk two twenty dollar bills, and he returned the change, \$18, and a ticket. The change he gave her was three five dollar bills, a two dollar bill, and a one dollar bill. She then stood talking with the ticket clerk about five minutes, but although I was standing near I did not hear what was said because I naid no stanting. When she said, because I paid no attention. When she got through talking with the clerk she turned to me and said that she had not intended to go to Chicago, but had

CHANGED HER MIND. and guessed she would on account of her baggage. I told her that unless she went her baggage. I told her that unless she went her bag-gage couldn't go. She then asked me what she should do about her baggagé, and said it would be there soon on Tripp's express wa-gon. This wagon or truck was a very small one, with three bars painted red on each side, one, with three bars painted red on each side, and also with the name "Tripp" painted upon one of its panels. The truckman was old, of slight stature, and wore the blue overalls of a common carman. He was greeted by the woman as an old acquaintance. We then went outside, and while standing in front of the depot she saw a wagon coming down the street from the direction of Ninth avenue. She then turned to me and said. "Here She then turned to me and said: "Here comes my man," and then beckoned with her finger to him as if to hurry him up. When the man with the wagon saw her beckon he the man with the wagon saw her becken he seemed to drive faster. She then asked me if I would mind helping him in with the trunk, and said she would pay me. When the wagon stopped in front of the baggage-room I stepped up to help the man place the trunk on the sidewalk, but he wouldn't let me, saying he'd handle it himself. He

LIPTED IT CAREFULLY, handle and he the other, and we carried It into the baggage-room. I wanted to set the trunk on its end, as they always do, when the woman on its end, as they always do, when the woman and the man both stopped me, saying that the trunk contained glass, and it musn't be handled roughly. I stepped up to the counter and told Frank, the baggage checker, that the lady wanted to get her baggage checker, that the lady wanted to get her baggage checker, the trunk to place it on the counter, when the lady placed her hands underneath the trunk and assisted us. She said that she would like to have an extra strap around the trunk, and I told Frank what she said. Frank then told her that the strap would cost her one dollar, and she answered, "I don't care for a dollar if you strap it good." Frank then put the strap around the trunk and drove three nails into it. around the trunk and drove three nails into it. She then gave Frank her ticket and one dolar. He punched the ticket and handed it back to the woman with a baggage check. She then turned to the truckman and said, "I'm much obliged to you for your trouble. They then

and the truckman drove off, wishing her good-by. The woman and I then went lato the street, and she handed me five cents. I told her that was not enough, and she gave me five cents more, and asked me to show her a good cents more, and asked me to snow her a good restaurant where she could get some dinner. I went with her to Keenan's saloon, on Ninth avenue, between Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth streets. When we got there she would not go in, but said she guessed she would go to her friends, as she didn't have much time and very little money. She then left me and walked down Ninth avenue, and I went back to the IN THE MORGUE.

The appearance of the body as it lay in the trunk was frightful. The trunk was but two feet eight inches in length, yet the young woman was over five feet in height, and had been literally crushed into it. Her head was forced over on her breast, and her limbs were

forced over on her breast, and her limbs were drawn up to the very fullest tension of the ligatures in order to crowd the body into the narrowest compass possible. The rags which covered the body had evidently been selected for the purpose, because of their worthlessness. The pillow-cases, which were among the number, had pieces torn out of the open ends, evidently to remove the name which had probably been written on them. The young woman was doubtless very beautiful. She was about twenty years of age, and a tangled mass of the most beautiful golden hair fell over her shoulders. The limbs were white and shapely, and the feet tiny and delicate. The arms and hands well-shaped, and every feature showed refinement and grace. The small exquisitely cut face was terribly discolored, and the mouth distorted by suffering; the testh fine and white. the teeth fine and white.

THE POST MORTEM EXAMINATION. Dr. Cushman, deputy coroner, went to the Morgue and made a post-mortem examination of the body. He found it as it lay in the coffin, decently covered with a linen sheet. He says that the girl was about twenty years of age, and had been dead three days. The body Dr. Cushman found very much decomposed; the eyes were swollen, and the mouth open. Decomposition had particularly far advanced in the head, neck and trunk. There were no external marks of violence, but the lower part of the person was very much swollen and bloody. On opening the body, the womb showed marks of laceration, and there were found evidences of intense inflammation. All the other organs, the liver kidney bear the other organs, the liver, kidney, heart, stomach, &c., were in a perfectly healthy condition. Dr. Cushman thinks that death was caused by metro peritonitis—the result of malpractice or criminal violation of nature's laws in the delivery of the unfortunate girl in childbirth. Who is responsible, or

WHAT HIDEOUS MYSTERY here is that should require such desperate

their efforts to fathom the mystery. The boy said that he did not notice the number of the truck, but was positive that the name of Tripp was painted on it. THE MYSTERY CLEARED UP.

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A press telegram from New York last night, says: "The mystery of the corpse found in a trunk at the Hudson River depot is clearing up. The truckman who brought it surrendered himself, and the police, acting on information given by him, have arrested an alleged notorious abortionist, Dr. Joseph Rosenwig, alias Asher, from whose house, it is stated, the trunk was taken. The people attempted to lynch the dot or as he was being conveyed to the Tombs, and he was saved with difficulty by the police. He denies all knowledge of the affair. Rosenwig's house has been thoroughly searched. The only clue is some cast-off linen found in a cellar. The servant girl confessed to previous abortions in the house. The district attorney thinks the evidence against Rosenwig overwhelming. evidence against Rosenwig overwhelming.
The latest theory is that the girl was a native
of Platz, Poland, aged nineteen, a niece of
Rosenwig, whom he ruined. The corpse was
undoubtedly taken from Rosenwig's house.

AN UNKNOWN RACE OF GIANTS.

The Discovery of a Great Charne House Under Trees of Centuries' Growth-Who First Inhabited Amer-

The sons of Anak lived and died near Cayuga, New York, if a correspondent of the Toronto Telegraph is to be believed. He tells a narvellous tale of the exhuming of sundry colossal skeletons on the farm of one Fredenburg, on the banks of Grand Biver.

There are about two hundred of them, "In layers," with strings of beads around their necks, and large glone pipes in their jaws. In stature these wonderful remains vary from the giant of nine feet down to the pigmy of seven. The skulls are of enormous size and of all manner of shapes. A considerable ex-citement is said to exist in the neighborhood, as is but natural, and the bones are being rapidly secured by curiosity-hunters. There are a few more left, however, the price not being stated. These skeletons are supposed to have belonged to a race anterior to the Into have belonged to a race anterior to the in-dians, and the imaginative picture to them-selves a Brobdignaglian city in ancient times-upon the present site of the peaceful Freden burgian domain. Owing to the presence of axes and hammers in the excavation, toge-ther with the fact that many of the skulls are misshapen, some are led to believe that the Anakim killed one another even to the ex-tinction of their tribe. Others inter, with Anakim killed one another even to the extinction of their tribe. Others inter, with deference to Mr. Trask, that they smoked themselves to death with their huge pipes. But the story is as above related, and we give it for what it is worth, adding that Mr. Fredenburg throws in extra inducements for emigration to Cayuga, in the shape of hints of probable gold and silver mines in the vicinity, and seems nervously and unnaturally anxious to part with his worldly possessions.

THE VIRGINIA CONSERVATIVES.

BICHMOND, August 30 The Conservative Convention is organized, with Thomas S. Babcock as president. The delegates from the colored Conservative club were admitted and applauded. A motion to admit Governor Walker to the privileges of admit Governor Walker to the privileges of the floor was opposed, on the ground that it might give an appearance of official influence to the deliberations. Even Jubal Early re-fused to serve on the business committee because not sympathizing with the progres-sive report of the majority. The president made a speech counselling the burial of dead issues. ssues.

STATISTICS OF HOMICIDE.

Washington, August 30.

The census office furnishes the following statistics of homicide for the year ending in May: Alabama, 100; Arkanesa, 76; Arizona, 44; Colorado, 45; California, 47; Connecticut, 6; Delaware, 4; Dakota, 4; District of Columbia, 13; Florida. 44; Georgia, 116; Idaho, 2; Illinois, 56; Indiana, 32; Iowa, 24; Kansas, 42; kentucky, 13; Louisiana, 128; Maine, 7; Maryland, 20; Massachusetts, 22; Michigan, 11; Minnesota, 5; Mississippi, 89: Missouri, 94; Montana, 37; Nebraska, 9; Newada, 19; New Hampshire, 1; New Mexico, 54; New Jersey, 5; New York, 70; North Carolina, 48; Ohio, 61; Oregon, 5; Pennsylvania, 55; Bhode Island, 5; South Carolina, 37; Tennessee, 117; Texas, 323; Utah, 1; Vermont, none; Virginia, 73; West Virginia, 9; Wisconsin, 10; Wyoming, 13. The above includes 160 killed by Indians.

THE WEATHER THIS DAY.

WASHINGTON, August 30.
Clearing and pleasant weather are probable for Thursday from Georgia to Lake Ontario and westward, with brisk westerly winds for a short time from Lake Michigan to New York. Pleasant weather in the Gulf and South Atlantic States, with local rains on the coast at midday. The storm in Canada will probably bring strong southerly winds, with rain, to-night from New Jersey to Maine, and local storms of some severity from Virginia to New York, the whole clearing away by Thursday evening, excepting Maine.

Yesterday's Weather Reports of the WASHINGTON, August 30.

Yesterday's Weather Reports of the Signal Service, U. S. A .- 4.47 P. M. Local Time.

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Note.—The weather report dated 7.47 o'clock, this morning, will be posted in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce at 10 o'clock A. M., and, together with the weather chart, may (by the courtesy of the Chamber) be examined by shipmasters at any time during the day.

Taking the Veil.—The Savannah Advertiser says that the Chapel of the Sisters of Mercy, in that city, was crowded Monday morning by a large assemblage, drawn thither to witness the touching ceremony of taking the white veil by four young ladies, former pupils of the sisters, who graduated at the last term. The postulants, who were handsomely attired in their snow-white robes, were Misses Agnes Brown, Ella Kennedy and Agnes McMahon, of Savannah, and Miss Broderick, of Augusta. At the same time two novices were made full Savannah, and Miss Broderick, of Augusta. At the same time two novices were made tull sisters, viz: Miss Mary Enright, in religion Sister Mary Augustin, and Miss Mary O'Connor, in religion Sister Mary Gonzaga. The postulants, after the delivery of a very appropriate sermon by Father Patrick, received communion and read out their vows of postacy, charity and obedience. After mass the veils and caps were received at the hands of the officiating clergyman, Father Patrick, assisted by Mother Veronica and Sister Celia. The entire ceremony occupied over two hours means as were here employed to conceal, can be solved only by those whose duty it is to sit! It to the bottom. Who the poor creature is no one knows. The police are indefatigable in

THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS.

Barnwell.

Our correspondent, George H. Kirkland, Esq., writing from Allendale on the 26th

says:

I estimate that the acreage rate of fertilization and yield of cotton for 1870-71, in this vicinity, will be approximately represented by the following figures: Acreage of cotton for 1870, say 100 per cent.; acreage of cotton for 1871 not more than 85 per cent. Rate of fertilization for 1870, say 100 per cent.; rate of fertilization for 1870, say 100 per cent.; yield for 1871 not more than 20 per cent. Yield for 1870, say 100 per cent.; yield for 1871 not more than 60 per cent.

Bad stands and grass greatly embarrassed the planters in the spring and early summer; nevertheless the prospect was not a bad one up to the 21st of July. Then came a cold snap of several days, followed by a drought, an extremely hot sum of eighteen days in some places, and twenty-five in others, which brought all advanced cotton to a stand-still, and a state of nudity from rust on all hom-

and a state of nudity from rust on all hom-mock and low lands. Even that on the clay land which has retained its leaves, is dark or brownish from dead bolls and squares.

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We are now undergoing a deluge of rain for the past twelve days, causing our later cotton, upon which we had placed some hope, to shed its fruit rapidly.

The yield of corn will be at least 33 per cent. greater than last year, and the promise for field peas is very fine.

With the same price for cotton this season as was realized last, we don't expect to make much money, but will have plenty to eat the ensuing year.

Marion.

The Star of Wednesday says: "The gloomy reports concerning crops in the county are this week no better. It is indisputable that Marion will not raise more than half crops, and our farmers may say 'thankee,' if they manage by close economy to 'make both ends meet.'"

RAVAGES OF THE WORM. Terrible Accounts from Georgia and the

A circular dated August 26th, from Messrs. Epping & Hanserd, of Columbus—one of the most reliable firms in that section—gives a very gloomy account of the cotton prospect. It is stated that caterpillars are devastating the fields on both banks of the Chattahoochee River, thence to Florida. Their ravages as the way not bear very great on the Georgia. yet have not been very great on the Georgia side, where, however, the general condition of the crop is very poor. Thousands upon thousands of acres which last season produced heavily, have nothing on them this year but a stunted growth, stalks ten to twelve inches high with scarcely a lateral branch, thus presenting with scarcely a lateral branch, thus presenting but little attraction to caterpillar. Picking has ommenced in some sections, chiefly on plantaing of bolls. Forward cotton on stiff l which had been worked during the rainy sea-son in May and June, is not well fruited, while late cotton on prairie, canebrake and line lands, is now blooming and taking on fruit, though the plant is still small and now in

though the plant is still small and now in much danger of injury from caterpillar and boil worm. Columbus the past year has received 75,000 bales; the highest estimate for the coming season do not exceed 45,000. Advices from Western Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, announce that caterpiliar, army worm and boil worm are destroying the cotton; and dispatches from Gaiveston state that estimates of the Texas crop is reduced fully one-third on account of ravages of worms.

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OF CAPTAIN OF POLICE, CHARLESTON, S. C., AUGUST 29, 1871 .- The attention of the public is hereby respectfully called to the following Sections of "An Ordinance to provide for keeping the streets and lots in the City of Charleston clean and for other purposes," which will be strictly enforced after this date. By order of the Mayor.

II. W. BENDRICKS, Chief of Police.

SEC. III. Erom and after the passing of this Ordinance it shall be the duty of every owner of a lot who may reside thereon, and of the owner of every vacant lot, and of every lot not having a known lessee or tenant residing thereon, and of every lessee, tenant or occupant of every lot, to cause said lot, and the stables, cowhouses and outhouses thereon, to be carefully swept, and all outhouses theieon, to be carefully swept, and all the dirt, dung, soot, ashes, carrion, garbage, shreds, oyster shells, or other filth or rubbish to be carried out every day, (Sundays and general holidays excepted,) between sunrise and 7 o'clock in the morning, and placed in boxes, barrels or in heaps in the street, at the edge of the pavement, opposite their respective lots, but so as not to obstruct the gutter, in a situation from whence the same may be conveniently removed by the scavengers.

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SEC. V. It shall be the duty of every owner, occupant, lessee or tenant of any lot bounding on a public street to keep the pavements, gutters, and also the said streets opposite their respective lots as far as the centre of said street, clean and free from all flith, rubbish, animal and vegetable matter; and shall, moreover, on Saturday of every week, and as much oftener as may be prescribed by any resolution of Council, cause such pavement, gutter and street opposite their respective lots, and as far as the centre thereof, to be carefully swept and cleaned and the dirt and rubbish heaped up in the manner above mentioned, to be removed by the Superintendent of Streets.

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SEO. VII. If any flith, dirt, rubbish or animal or vegetable matter shall at any time be found in any street, alley or lane contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance, it shall be deemed and taken to have been placed there from the lot nearest thereto, and the owner, occupant, lesse or tenant of such lot shall be fined accordingly, unless he or she can make it appear to the satisfaction of the Intendant that it was placed there by some other person, in which case the person gulity of the offence shall be liable to a fine of not less than twenty dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

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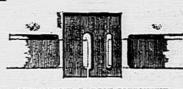
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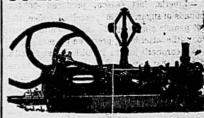
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