COLUMBIA, S. C.

Thursday Morning, June 5, 1873.

Cotton Futures.

at present. Much complaint is made throughout the entire cotton belt of the from the Legislature upon the Execulatter rains, which are regarded as un- tive. It unsettles government, and unseasonable and calculated not only to destroy the stamina of the plant and wash that the Assembly should continue to it away in many places, but to so promote the growth of weeds as to seriously interfere with the process of cultivation. nation; but, if the President be left Though it is too early to make predictions as to the extent of the next crop, yet it is a fact, patent to every one, that The world has not forgotten how little the late frosts and excessive rains make M. Thiers was kept bobbing up and the present outlook anything but encouraging. Moreover, unless we are official acts were called into question; shortly favored with a few weeks of and, if the new Government is to be comparatively dry weather, that deadliest enemy of the cotton plant-the soldiery figure of MacMahon going army worm-will undoubtedly put in an through the same farcical attitudes, the appearance, and make the prospect even better it will be for the prosperity of the worse than it is at present. In this city country. What France wants is a free and the region round about every one is Assembly, and an Executive responsible more or less interested in the fleecy staple, not only as an existing entity, but in. as to its prospective future. Cotton still retains many of its old kingly elements. prosperity as a people.

But "cotton futures" has a technical from Vermont to Georgia, embracing each may be willing to take some risks immoral in B.'s agreement to deliver price too high. But, on the contrary, should the prop be a small one, B. will neither is likely to do so. have the worst of the bargain, for he is obliged to deliver cotton at a lower rate than he could obtain for it in the open market. All such speculations on future possibilities and probabilities partake more or less of the character of gambling. In the special technical meaning of "cotton futures," where there is no actual delivery of cotton, and the differonce between the stipulated and the ourrent price is paid in money to the losing speculator, the transaction is held by a recent decision of the United States Supreme Coart to be in the nature of gambling-a species of commerce which is reprobated by the judiciary; and on contracts contemplating such transactions, it is averred that no recovery can be enforced.

It may be a foolish thing for a man to contract to deliver 1,000 bales of cotton, or 10,000 bushels of wheat, in December next, when he can have no correct means of ascertaining how the cotton or corn market may rule at that date; but to us the contract seems as legitimate as if he had contracted to build a house, or a ship, or complete so many miles of a railway. In any one of these contracts he us based on cot ton futures, the purchasing party might, did the law not interfere with him, domand an actual delivery; and if he accepts a moneyed consideration in lieu of such delivery, we cannot clearly see what enterprises are based rather upon expectations than on accomplished or cerliver a ship, or a certain amount of stocks ana. or bonds, at a fixed price and on a future day. confectioner, named Charles Baswildebald, disappeared from Macon, Ga. For for two months his remains have been the formula his remains have been hanging, beaton upon by the rain, withered by the sam, swing and swayed by the winds, while his requiem was sung in the branches of the pines in grander diapasons than were ever breathed from the organ. The Chronicle has a great advertisements. The Chronicle has a great advertisement advertisements. The Chronicle has a great advertisement adver

Conservatives-as it is said they intend to co-propose a law making the President irresponsible to the Assembly for his acts, the proposition will be adopted. Cotton futures are very uncertain just The fault of French statesmanship is The fault of French statesmanship is visit their graves and adorn them with that there is too direct an influence flower. It seemed that the era of good fixes stability. It would be well enough exercise to the letter the already great power it exercises in the affairs of the irresponsible, it will, on the whole, be better for the permanence of order. down before the Assembly whenever his maintained, the less the world sees the

only to the people and to the age he lives conciliation extended to them living, is

The Farmers' National Congress met It serves us as a substitute for gold in at Indianapolis on Thursday last and adthe settlement of foreign balances; it journed on the following day. As indibrings commerce to our shores and it cating the strength of the farmers' contributes in a thousand ways to our organization, it may be stated that twenty-four States were represented,

as well as general meaning. When "the ninety societies, with 150 delegates. Actrade" use these terms, they mean the cording to the report of the Secretary, delivery of cotton at some definite fu- there are already 10,000 agricultural asture period and at some fixed and stipu- sociations in the country, with an aggrelated price. A. may be a merchant and gate membership of 400,000 farmers. B. a planter. The latter may want as- It appears that two-thirds of these assosistance of the former, till his crop is ciations have been organized within the grown. Under these circumstances, past six months. The question of transportation was the most important one as to the extent and character of the discussed by the Congress, free trade next crop; and there is certainly nothing having been given the go-by. The proceedings were not characterized by any and A.'s agreement to receive so many demonstrations of a political character. bales of cotton at a given rate per Nevertheless, an organization that empound. Should the crop be a full one, A. may find his bargain hard and the political tendencies, is too formidable to courage and endurance, they followed be despised by either political party, and their dis-Union flag to wounds and death, as simply and bravely as if it had

MOST BEAUTIFULLY SAID .- While nothing stings the smitten heart as neglect or disrespect shown the graves and me- of patriotism. mory of those heroes who died in the defence of Southern rights and independence, yet nothing, at the same time, people than the expressions of appreciation of her fallen braves from those who were once arrayed against us. At Arlington, Friday, Dr. Talmadge gave expression to the following beautiful sentiments, which alike reflect credit on himself and the section he represents:

South. Surely there has been blood Union who doubted its power to preserve enough shed and groans enough have been uttered and familios destroyed to satisfy the worst man on earth and the more in the pitt and if amid this erect lawyers alay to often the fling a mountain of nettles and night- no means innocent of the war, therefore shade.

way. In any one of these contracts he may make money, if circumstances favor him, and lose money if they prove ad-verse. In all transactions based on cotmissioner, for want of proof of an "overtact," says: The decision of the Commissioner, however, is important in one respect. He adjudicates that Col. DeBiane and his associates, in resisting Kellogg's corps d'armee, committed no offence right outside parties have to interfere in against the laws of the United States, the matter and prevent him. When traced to their ultimates, all commercial enterprises are based rather upon exand his military were enforcing the snp-posed laws of the State of Louisiana, tain results. If effterprise be desirable in any direction, we think when it takes the form of a contract to deliver a certain number of cotton bales, or bushels of tain results. If effterprise be desirable and resistance to this enforcement was wheat, it is quite as much to be respect-ed, and as little assailable on the score the judicial tribunal of the United of morals, as if the contract ran to de- States to consider, but exclusively under the jurisdiction of the State of Louisi-ana. This is a great deal, if it shall be adhered to; for it will be the end of col-lecting faxes in the parishes. The only penalty for kicking Kellogg's tax collect-ora on to f the parishes will be unit of On the 28th of March last, a German ors out of the parishes will be suits or profectioner, named Charles Baswilde. prosecutions in the State courts, which every good citizen, we presume, will be bald, disappeared from Macon, Ga. For prepared to meet. But we do not learn three or four weeks, vain search was that any suits or prosecutions have been made for him, and his friends finally instituted before the parish tribunals for made for him, and his friends finally concluded that he had lost his life in the swamp. The mystery of his disappear-ance was fully explained on the 30th ult., when his body was found hanging on a pine tree, near the top, some fifty or sixty feet from the ground. The unfor-tunate man seems to have climbed the tree, made a noose of his suspenders and hanged himself to the limb, where for two months his remains have been again, becoming glorions by tremendous let us not forget rosemary for sweet re-

THE IRREPRESSIBLE "DUNDREARY" HOAXES THE MURBAY HILL FASHION

lows:

Full Dress.

AMATEUR OPERA.

PURITANA.

Union League Theatre, Twenty-sixth

street, Thursday Evening, May 22,

At 8 o'clock.

Admit Gentleman and Lady.

At a quarter to 8, carriages began to ar-

rive in front of the Union League Thea-

tre, ireighted with elegantly dressed la

not open. He opened his eyes in amaze-

ment, and said that he knew of no reason

the gentlemen, in full evening dress, be-

become of their escort. By S . clock,

Iwenty-sixth street was crowded with

carriages, and in front of the Union

scanning the exquisitely engraved ticket,

avenue, Southern side. "By ORDER OF THE COMMITTEE."

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tice on the door, as follows:

It is to be hoped that, if the French Henry Ward Beecher's Noble Ples for. Justice to the South. It was announced from Washington, a aBLES. — Yesterday, nearly every family week ago, that on decoration day, the riends of all soldiers, Union or Confede-tate, lying buried at Arlington, might friends of all soldiers, Union or Confede-rate, lying buried at Arlington, might feeling had really dawned, and all wise and tender spirits said, "Amen." But next day, it was reported that a commit-tee of the Grand Army of the Republic had straightway hastened to the War Department to inquire who is to control he ground on that occasion, and to beg that the "insult" might be averted. Various journals bastening also to con-demn this intended kindlinese, it scems worth while to inquire whether there is any excuse for withholding so simple a courtesy.

recognize, of course, in the pro We test of these gentlemen, a staunch loyalty to their notion of a patriotism which is in itself admirable. Their mistake, as it seems to us, is a misapprehension of the conditions of the case, both past and present. They assert, and with truth, that after victory so dearly bought as pars, there must be no tampering with the spirit which so nearly overcame us. They also assert, and with error, that honor offered to our enemies' dead, or such tamporing. And here we take issue.

There are two asputs of our late me-lancholy war, which we of the North ought never to forget, and which, practically, we hardly ever remember. One is the fact that, as a community, we did consent to the ever-growing encroachments of slavery, of which war was the logical and inevitable end. Ours was a baser sin than that of the South. For the South had taught itself to believe that slavery derived its strength from the Bible, and it planted itself on the abstract right of the patriarchal institution. Supple doctors of divinity supplied it with Scriptural arguments. The churches, most of them at least, did not besitate to fellowship it. The whole South, religiously, was as solidly orthodox as it was solidly slave-holding. In an enormous agricultural country, where the masses could neither read nor write, and where, naturally, the newspapers had al-most no part in the education of the people, it was inevitable that a few orators and political managers should con-trol the community. So that slavery and the consequent secession were, to a peen the Banner of the Cross and they the old Crusaders. They were very ig-

norant and .wholly wrong, but they died for the best cause they knew-their idea B_t we who believed slavery to be

wrong, who could not lure our con-sciences to justify it, still accepted and dence, yet nothing, at the same time, encouraged it through love of gold and more decply touches the feelings of our desire of an ignoble peace. We taught people than the expressions of apprecia-the South that it could not demand what we should not be found ready to give. And when, at last, slavery threatened our national life, it was the instinct of self-preservation rather than any nobler sentiment which prompted resistance. In that golden summer of 1860, we went on gathering and spending, and living luxurious lives, careless of the potents "Let nothing be done to stir up the in the sky. In the early spring of 1861, old feud between the North and the it was not alone the enemies of the

worst demon in the pit; and if, amid this holocaust of the dead, any haud, North or South, shall ever be lifted to tear down a peace established at so much North, almost up to the moment of the he should lead them to Wallack's Theasacrifice, may that hand turn white with firing on Fort Sumter, to check the the snow of an incurable leprosy. In-stead of flowers upon such a villain's grave, let the whole nation come and grave, let the whole nation come and guistly fall apart. Because we are by not in. it behooves us to speak temperately of our fellow-sinuers, however we abhor Union League Theatre last evening. redemption for which we fought. If the object of the war were not a re-stored and regenerated Union, but only the triumph of a late-roused North over an insolent and defiant South, then their cause was as much better than ours as honest devotion to an ideal, however mistaken, is better than pure vindictiveness. We have no moral ground to stand upon, but are guilty of our bro-ther's blood, unless we meant to make an offering to God of our national sin, and to free them, with ourselves, from the body of that death. We lose, then, the only harvest worth the reaping from the tears and blood that both sides so plentifully sowed, if wo will not see our brother in our enciny, tions. Sober and discreet travelers in the South, men like Bryant and the great Chief Justice, not easily deceived, testify that they have found everywhere a kindliness of feeling which would be brotherliness if any answering kindli-ness encouraged it. If we are not yet lofty enough to forgive the living, who themselves have something to forgive in us, let us at least respect the heroism and the honesty of the dead. They were of our race and of our kindred. They were not greatly different from ourselves. Remembering that we invited, through

Eocal Items.

GITT MATTHES. - The price of single opies of the PECENTX is five cents. More rain, yesterday.

Old newspapers for sale at PECENIX fice, at fifty cents a hundred.

A Republican paper is to be published n Anderson County.

A gas lamp in front of the different

engine houses is desirable. Tickets, \$4. German Eleven. Sheriff B. G. Yocum, of Chester, left Across every ticket was written the one word, "Complimentary," in red iuk.

this city, yesterday, on his way to Vienna. The State Dental Association convence

in Palmetto Engine House, this morning, at 10 o'clock.

dies and gontlemen, in full evening dress. The gentlemen alighted from the car-The Sumter News has entered its riages, and looked with astonishment at the closed doors. Then they called the janitor, and asked why the doors were eighth year. It is ably edited, and cuts

eighth year. It is ably edited, and cuts into the ruling regime weekly. Δ . A. Gilbert, Esq., of the Sumter Watekman, is in the city. His paper is the oldest in that section of country. A blaish silk umbrella, with a crocked handle, has been spirited away. The article is much needed at the PHEMIN office. M and why they should be opened. At length coming indiguant, produced the exqui-sitely engraved tickets, and demanded the meaning of it all. Meanwhile, the elegantly dressed ladies were shivering

in their carringes, wondering what had The committee of arrangements on The committee of arrangements on pic-nic, to be given by Excelsior Lodge, No. 7, I. O. G. T., will meet this afternoon, at 6 o'clock, at Masonic Hall.
The sale of express goods comes off at the auction room of Mr. Jacob Levin, this morning, at 10 o'clock. Look ont for bargains.
N C. Columbia Hotel—J H Stelling, Penn; J Williams, Penn; C H Schivanny, Charleston; A A Gilbert, Sumter; L S Browne, B R R; J S Browning, W H Snowden, J F Newman, J J Murrell, Charleston; W J Sprinkle, J O Roath, Charleston; W H Snowden, J F Newman, J J Murrell, Charleston; W J Sprinkle, J O Roath, Charleston; W H Schivanny, J Murrell, Charleston; W J Sprinkle, J O Roath, Charleston; W Thames, Wilmington; Donald Mc-Queen, Camden; Mrs Gardner, Chester; League Theatre stood a group of handsomely dressed gentlemen, all engerly each and every one bearing the favorite The janitor was called upon so often,

that he found it necessary to post a no-There will be an accommodation train on the Camden branch of the Sonth Ca- ton; G S Goodale, Washington, D C. "This theatro has not been engaged rolius Railroad to-day. It will leave on for an amateur operatic performance this evening, consequently it will remain regular schedule time-2 P. M.

Persons in arrears to the PRENIX for The multitude steadily increased, each new comer appealing to the throng already gathered and asking what it money or no paper. A handsome gentleman arrivel

from the Union Club and exhibited a Rev. C. W. Warren delivers his pecasupplementary notice which he had just liar lecture on "Snobs and Snobbery," received, as follows: 'Owing to a misunderstanding about securing the Union League Theatre, this evening (for which the management is

not responsible,) the amateur opera will take place at Robinson Hall, Sixtcenth Fairfield, that the crops in that County way to a settlement at the headwaters of have literally gone to grass. There has the Columbia River, in Oregon. On the street, between Union Square and F.fth been so much rain that the farmers have route, after the most horrible suffering, Many hurried back into their carriages and went to Robinson Hall, where they Richland is bat little better off.

saw the following notice: "The Amateur Opera postponed in We were in error as to the Newberry I. O. O. F. celebration. It came off, There was a vast turn out of the first families in front of the Union League yesterday. Palmetto Lodge was well represented. The father of the order in covering, lived among the Indians for Theatre; the clubs were deserted, and all this city-John McKenzie. Esq. -was in many years afterwards. His courage, dash and manly accomplishments soon the elegant young gentlemen in town were on the ground. All were dumb-founded. At length, Mr. C. B. Bishop,

There is a beautiful silver service on exhibition in the window of Mr. George Bruns, joweler, on Main street. The mony, which lasted several weeks, and of Wallack's Theatre, chanced to pass, just in time to hear a gentleman drawl out: "Egad, Sothern again; let's go home." It was actonishing to see how service is a testimonial of the esteem of was attended by all the neighboring bands, on an island in Kalmah Lake, he the Charleston firemen recently visiting was regularly adopted into the tribe and quick the multitude saw the joke. They Columbia for Captain John Dennison, of married to the daughter of the head looked at each other, and in silence en tered their carriages. As they departed, ladies were heard indulging in immodethe Vigilant Fire Engine Company.

rate laughter, but their escorts were sicharged with robbing the store of Mr. This was afterwards corrupted by the Thos. Steen, were carried before Trial Jastice Thompson, yesterday, and held to bail in the sum of \$300, for trial at Colonel Jack. The old chief dying a At 9 o'clock, the Union League Cinb stationed a valet in full uniform in front of the theatre, who informed each newcomer that the opera had been postthe next term of the Court of General few years afterwards, he succeeded to the command of the tribe, which he go-At 11 o'clock an excited crowd as-Sessions.

sembled at George F. Browne's chop-house, 924 Broadway, and insisted that the street in front of their premises than the command of the tribe at the early tre in search of Mr. Sothern. That the street in front of their premises than the command of gentleman could not be found. Aux- the law relative to the width of the age of eighteen. ous inquiries were made for him at his streets allows. The proper distance is hotel and at the Union Club, but he was easily arrived at-as all the streets, ex- Jack is involved in mystery. He disapcept Assembly and Senate, are of uni-of the breaking out of the rebellion. A At the clubs numerous groups disform width.

cussed the hoax, and many acknowledged that they had been sold. It is estimated that upward of 1,000 persons visited the papers do, that such a man died "to-day," when we know the paper was ficer. Colonel Jack is still believed to be At 1 o'clock this morning a Sun re-

MURDER IN GREENVILLE -A parallel to the Hodge Van-Eaton murder has been discovered in Greenville. A passenger from that town reports the discovery of the body of a tobacconist in Davis' pond, about a mile beyond the corporation. There were several wounds upon the body, indicating that a murder had been committed.

LIST OF NEW ADVERTISEMENTS Meeting Acaoia Lodge. Lecture by Prof. Warren.

HOTEL ARRIVALS, June 4.- Wheeler House-J D Brooks, Wilmington; W A Batler, J F Smith, Baltimore; B G Yocom, Chester; Mrs Wheeler, Yorkville; W D Starling, Richland; W G Beok, city; Geo W Gwinn, Mrs M J Clark, H J Furber, N Y; W L DoPass and wife, Comdens I H J Hum

U Tel Co; W H Heiskell, Md; W C Hill, NC.

Queen, Camden; Mrs Gardner, Chester; A J Federick, SC; W H Evans, Charles-

CAPTAIN JACE AND HIS ANTECEDENTS. The Oshkosh Bugle, in a late issue, gives Persons in arrears to the PRENIX for some interesting particulars concerning subscriptions are notified that prompt the birth and parentage of the famous payment must be made. It is either Captain Jack, which we condense as follows:

Captain Jack is now about forty years old, and is the son, on his father's side, of an American who spent many years in Parker's Hall, this evening. It is said to be very amusing as well as enter-taining. We are informed by a continuum form We are informed by a gentleman from himself to an emigrant train, then on its been so much rain that the farmers have the party became scattered, through been unable to keep the grass down. deaths and desertion, and only two or three were ever heard of afterward. These two or three fell in with a small band of Modoc Indians, while in a destitute condition. Two of them died, being unable to rally, but the other re-

chief. The Indian name he received on The four colored men, who were this occasion was "Yahk-Wah-ton"-in

Complaint has been made as to certain verned wisely and well for the length of time stated. Colonel Jack had several children by this marriage; the eldest,

The subsequent history of Colonel rumor exists among them to the effect It is preposterous to put it, as some that he entered the Confederate service,

printed the night before; but it is fa-tigning and detrimental to soundness of warlike son, Captain Jack.

paper in New York.

porter visited Mr. Sothern's hotel. On the door of his room a notice was posted, the door of his room a notice was posted, as follows: "Gone to bed." Hearing the as follows: "Gone to bed." Hearing the sonuld of a piano, the reporter rapped. The door was opened, and Mr. Sothern and Mr. Philip Lee (the husband of Miss Neilson) were scated at the piano singing. The reporter told Mr. Sothern that it was rumored in the clubs that he had perpetrated a stupendous joke on the residents of Murray Hill. Mr. Sothern looked at Mr. Lee, they both looked at the reporter in astonishment,

and Mr. Sothern exclaimed: "Impossi-ble! impossible! if there is any one thing more than another that I do abhor, it is a practical joke."

Both expressed ignorance of the joke, and manifested sincere sorrow for the persons who had been hoaxed. Both had received invitations to attend the Amateur Opera, but previous engage-ments had prevented their acceptance. They called for brandy and water straight and the reporter retired. [New York Sun,

LARGE FIRE-THE COUNTY JAIL DE-STROYED. - About fifteen or twenty minutes past 12 o'clock, Tuesday night, the fire bell started our citizens from their slumbers, and it was soon ascertained that the flames proceeded from the jail, located in the very heart of the town. The whole upper story of the building was destroyed before the engines reached the spot. The fire had made such headway before it was discovered, that it was ntterly impossible to save the building. The jailor barely had time, it is said, to turn the prisoners out, before the upper roof fell in. We learn that there was an insurance of \$2,000 apon the concern. The loss is a heavy one to the County,

Cazada talks of expelling the Jesuits. Call and see him.

is a big boy a ladder?

make a quick trip.

What is the perfection of politences? Offering a standing joke a seat.

durance. A bad one is confusion, weakness, discomforture and despair.

have got it?" asks the Times. Well, perhaps they will decompose the Khanate of!Khiva, and precipitate the Khan.

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF KENTUCKY,-We are informed that the third concert of this enterprise comes off on the 8th of July. Fire hundred thousand dollars have already been deposited in bank to pay all gifts in full. All tickets unsold will be canceled, so the Library draws no prizes. The two former drawings having been so fairly conducted, and there being two more to follow this, is a guarantee of its perfect fairness. Now is the time to try your luck. We understand that the July. Five hundred thousand dollars general agent has left a few tickets with There were 36 deaths in Charleston

s a big boy a ladder? Step on an orange peel if you want to nake a quick trip. What is the perfection of politences? ing about Yreks, but went thither twice Offering a standing joke a seat. It is our solemn conviction that in the facility of "turning a tune," no musical instrument can compare with a hand organ. A good wife is to a man wisdom and courage, and strength and hope, and en-durance. A had one is confusion work man, never drank any liquor, and in-variably punished any of the tribe for chemistry for the Czar—"What are drunk or sober. They are, according to the Russians to do with Khiva, now they Mr. Steele, a superior race of Indians in have got it?" asks the Times. Well, intellect and physical development, and they are resolved to die rather than yield. In Captain Jack's own words: "To die by bullet does not hurt much; starve to death on reservation hurt a heap.

THE FIRE FIEND AT WORK. -- We are truly sorry to hear that our energetic

our friend, Mr. D. Gambrill, for sale. for the week ending the 31st ult .- whites 13; colored 23.