not send it, because the operator said

the Cincinnati or the Iowa would be

wanted to make me go.

"It took four days to get ready, and

Dr. Diaz said that persecution be-

building, but no one was hurt.

apprized of the condition, the military

court had to dismiss him. From the

suspected that he had been writing let-

he was associated with Alberte Fer-

LIQUOR AND POLITICS.

Dispensaries Must Not Mix the Two Things

The State Board of Control.

move the dispensary as far from poli-

tics as possible. To this end the board

passed an order that a man could not

be a member of a county board of con-

trol or a county dispenser who was a

Aiken-Clinton Barton, B. F. Hol-

Anderaon-John Eskew, Jesse M.

Smith, J. W. Bowden. Barnwell—J. B. Hunter, T. C. Wise

Beaufort-Jos. L. Reed and C. L.

Berkeley-S. P. Driggers, S. J. Mc-

Coy and W. C. Whaley. Charleston—J. M. Muirhead, W. T.

Chester-J. J. Hocd, S. M. Jones

and W. O. Guy. Chesterfield—John M. Laney and J.

Pickett Laney. Clarendon—E. B. Felder, W. E.

Colleton—Henry Remley, L. Bellinger and L. W. Westberg.

Darlington-A. F. Stuckey, J. O. A

Edgefield-Jesse W. Dorn, D. R.

Fairfield-E. P. Jenkins, J. F. Lyles

Georgetown-W. O. Burk and

Greenville-R. Y. Hellams, W. L.

Jenkinson and T.C. Thomas.

Moore and J. W. Davis.

Derrissoe and R. B. Dorn.

Killett and J. E. Speegle. Hampton-C. J. Gray,

en and A. A. Browning.

Ballentine and S. P. Goorge.

Durham and W. T. Field.

Meiton and Robt. E. Martin.

Marlboro-Not yet appointed

Newberry-Not yet appointed. Oconee-J. J. Keith and W. L

Orangeburg—E. T. Edwins, Chas. A. Stroman, H. C. Pauling. Pickens—W. W. F. Bright, L. R.

Richland-E. W. Robertson, P. L.

Sumter-W. J. Dinkins, H. C. Cut

Union-B. F. Foster, C. C. Sarton

His Accounts Short.

Washington, May 6.—It is reported

ipon what proved to be good author-

y that the expert accountant employ-

ing officers of the Treasury in Mr.

Keickhofer's general account, brings

the total up to \$13,000. What action

the government will take in the mat-

Died in the Ring.

ter has not been made known.

Spartanburg-Robert F. Lane,

M. Hanelser and W. L. Morgan.

and J. D. Oliver.

Merriman.

Spencer.

Hudgins.

Miller and J. H. Graman.

and C. B. Free.

Paul.

COLUMBIA, S. C , May 8 .- The State

Was Persecuted Because He Was an American Citizen --- How His Message to

Diaz, the Cuban missionary of the Southern Baptist convention, who was recently expelled from the island after being imprisoned for eight days, arrived in Atlanta this morning.

In the present struggle, however, he has held himself apart from the con-flict on account of his church work, ed by by the police." although as a member of the Red Cross society, or the White Cross, as it is called in Cuba, he has succored a score of engagements between the insurgents and the Spanish during the

wounded led to his arrest and imprisonment though he and those of the society who followed him ministered

together with his family, including his brother. Unless there is a revocal of Chronicle the order he can never again set foot upon the island without being arrested. His wife and three children are now in Tampa, Fla., where they will remain for some time. His brother is also there. They left Havana last board of control spent a greater part Wednesday. Under the decree of of yesterday in making the appointbanishment they were ordered to leave ments of the county boards of con-Cuba by the first steamer that cleared | trol. It seems to be their desire to refrom the island the same day that Dr. Diaz was released from jail. He, however, declared that he would not go until he had made his business arrangements so that the church propat \$140,000, was safely provided for. the list of applicants the following On account of the banishment of Dr. ferent county boards Sample, 1. o. Diaz, the church will have a claim for Abevillee hoards Sample, 1. o. Dr. it upon the Spanish government. Spanish soldiers had already sacked one small church building in a suburb of Havana, before Dr. Diaz left and a

claim will be made for this. "The soldiers took the building," said Dr. Diaz, "and broke up all the furniture. They had had a fight with the rebels in the vicinity of it, and declared that the people in the neighborhood were in sympathy with the insurgents. Not stopping with the destruction of the church furniture they butchered one hundred persons. They said these victims were insurgvnts, Among them were two cousins of mine and several members of the destroyed church. Two of them were women, and a child was shot also. My brother and I saw these dead victims with our own eyes. We know the names of all of them, for when I am through with my church affairs here we shall set to work to show the people of the world the horrible atrocities that are being perpetrated by the soldiers of the government, and will need the records. I have been on twenty battlefields and have seen the graves where the helpless victims who have fallen into the hands of the sol-

were marched out they were all made to go out and dig their own graves. It was a horrible sight."

victims of the slaughter."

taken along and put in the cell next to me. There was no warrant or any charge.

Williamsburg-H. O. Britton, W. D. Fitch and C. M. Hines.

York-P. M. Burris, W. F. Dye

chair and sat with my face to the wall. warned not to talk or to speak to anyone. My imprisonment was what i called 'Incommunication.' Under the law of the island suspects may be ar rested and held without being allowed to communicate with anyone for 72 hours, which was illegal under their the State Department. This amount,

"For the first 24 hours I was not given anything to eat or drink and no bed to sleep upon. I was afraid to eat anything offered by the guards, be-cause it often happens that prisoners are poisoned and the police give it out that they commit suicide. After awhile when it became known that I was an American citizen I was allowed to rethe 130 hours passed I was allowed to tonight as the result of a four-round send for the consul general and to see scrap with gloves with Faul Rapport

sage to my family. He told me that the middle of the third round, Willy visit any locality in the South during a trap to catch me, and I told him no, but died before medical aid could ease as they can visit any similar locala trap to catch me, and I told him no. but died before medical and could be started at the start tell my wife to telegraph Uncle Tich. who saw the scrap there was no blow in America it would cause trouble. | ter.

But they could not send my telegram. Everybody was watched by the police.

CONVENTION.

Resolutions Passed Declaring That the Climatic, Agricultural and Mineral.

down there in no time to fight it out for me, Dr. Porter was followed, the SOUTHERN PINES, N. C., May 6. - The police trying to get the telegram. He lowing address to the public as a concise expression of the views of north-

cause he was an American citizen was "O wing to peculiarly favorable cli-the cause of his true arrest. A few matic conditions and natural g-ologi the wounded and buried the dead after weeks before some one placed two dy- cal divisions the South is blessed with national namite bombs in the lobby of his resources distinctive and of inestimachurch. They exploded during ser ble value. Its healthfulness far sur vices and shattered the glass in the passes that of any other section of the union; its soil is unsurpassed in vari-During his confinement he was sumety and fertility, and its mineral, agricultural and horticultural products nor fused to answer the questions put to furnish the basis of a great diversity many settlers in each Southern State that Northern men can find, not only written questions put to him the court profitable investments here in their new homes, but can live with their lers to the insurgent chiefs and that family in pleasant social relations with their native neighbors, enjoying their political and religious convic tions as fully and fearlessly as anythis section has within its borders numerous places where persons with sensitive lungs and throats may be cured | 16 to 1. of their ailments and live in vigorous health the alloted years of human

"The testimonies of this class of wit nesses have been corroborated by exhibits at great fairs and expositions of recent years, where as fine fruits and vegetables, as rich ores and precious stones, as heavy corn and wheat and other grains as the earth affords, have other manufactories, our farms, forwith each other in such generous rivdevertementations and capital to one

"Raw materials of every industry are to be found in inexhaustible quantities at our doors. Religion, education and broad ideas are generously fostered by all classes of our citizens. The South needs a larger population of a thrifty, skilled and intelligent class. It needs more capital to help forward development. Its people (to the manor born) appreciate these things, and, without a dissenting voice, unite with us in inviting all men of trained ability and good morals to join us in building up this, the

Marked interest was manifested in the plan of making an exhibit at Chicago and the convention unanimous

proposing to organize and maintain the Chicago Southern States exposition for the display of Southern reof the great western metropolis of our country.

and J. M. Higgins.
Florence—E. J. D. Munn, Jas. Law-hon and John C. Wilson. Horry-Jas. F. Harper, C. J. Prince Kershaw-D. M. Bethune and D. E. Spencer.

Lancaster-K. T. Estridge, F. M.

Fitzpatrick and W. M. Neal.

Laurens-J. D. M. Shaw, H. E.

Gray, J. W. Little.

Lexington-W. B. Taylor, W. T. made in this section of our common country," is of the utmost importance to us and can be made of incalculable Marion-A. M. Gasque, D. McInbenefit in the developing of our resources.

Resolved, That the success of the undertaking and our advantages therefrom now depend on Southern action in securing representative exhibits of our resources and achievements; that failure of the enterprise would cast a Washington, that was all nonsense. stigma on us and our South; and we He was regarded by other senators as ment of Charleston would be reduced earnestly urge official and private organized effort in each Southern State for securing and sending to Chicago typical and complete exhibits of her products.

idopted: Whereas, we have one of the greatest sections of the country in the scope of vast and illimitable resources, and, whereas, if we keep this knowledge to ourselves our Northern friends will suffer and die in ignorance of the fact,

therefore, be it

ern States deem the South the hotbed

enor. I did not say Dr. Tichenor for severe enough to have produced death. conditions of temperature, humidity posseeses for the manufacture of cot- borrow their neighbor's paper.

MANNING, S. C., WEDNESDAY, MAY

Stamming.

ton goods; be it Resolved. That this convention ur ges upon all citizens of the South to THE LAST DAY'S SESSION OF THE co operate in the erection of cotton mills in different sections that our farmers may be able to realize the best prices for that staple product-

Resolutions were adopted pledging aid in the establishment of free libraries; thanking the officers of the Seaboard Air Line for its courtesies and congratulating it for the development along its line and particularly congratulating it upon the valuable work be ing done by Vice President St. John; who was fleeing in his carriage from was devoted to speeches. Among the thanking the citizens of Southern 5 o'clock in the senate chamber of the Pines and Manager Charles St. John State house. tion, and gave him the message to be sent from Key West. When the Masconvention, and of the settlers assocition thanking John T. Patrick for efficient work for efforts to make the convention a success, and thanking the Southern Associated Press correspondnt for full and accurate reports of the preceedings. The convention this af- had in getting the delegates from the ternoon adjourned sine die.

AS TO STATE POLITICS.

vention. COLUMBIA, S. C., May 6.-Governor Evans returned to the city yesterday at Chicago.

from New York and Weshington, where he has been for the past week plan to raise the \$10,000 needed for the He was in good health and spirits and talked pleasantly to a representa- meeting to decide on such a plan as it

tive of The State on politics, State and On the table in his library lay a handsome goldneaded walking cane, missioners and the following were with "John Gary Evans, April 24, 1896," engraved thereon. It was pre-

sented by an admirer of the Gover-When asked how he was pleased him because he declared that he was of industries. The southern harvest with the actions of the different coun-entitled to a cival trial. He had come has taken the first premium at the ty conventions, which were held on municated with the consul general world's fair at Chicago in wool and Monday, he answered that he was world's fair at Chicago in wool and Monday, he answered that he was army before, but they also knew that and seen him, and the consul being wheat. It has been clearly attested by more than satisfied with the result. When the State convention met on the 14th instant, he said Tillman would be present with a strong major ity of the delegates thinking as he does, and ready to act with him. E. H. Aull; Oconee, Z. W. Jordan, Orangeburg, B. H. Moss; Pickens, J. E. Boggs; Richland, W. McB. Sloan. There was no doubt in his mind about Tillman being sent at the head of the delegation from this State to Chicago. know Fernando, and had nothing to where in the North or in the wide The delegates would probably go undo with the insurgents.—Augusta world. It has been demonstrated that instructed, but with a firm determina tion to nominate a man as candidate for President who stood for silver at Saluda were not represented.

As to bolting, he hardly thought the delegation would find it necessary. for there would be a majority at the Chicago convention holding the same views as they did on the monetary question.

The governor was particularly gratified with the results in Charleston. Greenville and Laurens. One-half of the Charleston delegation, he said, been examined. Our mines, mills and were stalwart administration men, who could be relied on. In Laurens erty which in Havana alone is valued candidate for any office. After sifting ests and fisheries are now vieing Irby barely got in by the 14 Auti del- so that every one present could see egates in the convention supporting what sum his county had been assess-If any damage comes to this property were appointed as members of the dif- alry for first place among profitable him. He would come to Columbia, ed.

Irby's inconsistency is being brought out forcibly, he thinks, for last year of course be binding on each county the senator would not hear of a divis- to raise the amount assessed, but each ion of delegates with the Antis, while would simply do its best to get such now it looks as if he is trying hard to sum. get their support since he is about to lose his seat in the Senate.

The governor is of the opinion that interest in the exposition as others. he is the man who is about to unseat and by this assessment plan would Irby in the Senate. Everything is not be equally treated. Some of the moving smoothly to that end, so he counties with the largest assessments says, and he entertains no fears of the would not have so large manufactur-When Greenville was mentioned

Gov. Evans could not repress a smile. "Yes," he said, "Gray and Donaldson have been given back seats." He thought that the fight in Greenville had been made on very much the same line as it will be for the Senate and if it ends the same way he will

carry the county.
While in Washington, the governor said he had talked with many leading men from all over the United States. Almost every man thought Tillman the logical candidate to nominate on a free silver platform. To win the fight for the Democratic party and would have to come from the towns silver, against McKinley, it will take a man who can arouse the enthusiasm all. of the people in the west. No halfhearted man would stand any showing, the times requiring a man of Till

man's magnetism. It is marvelous, he says, to note the number of letters Tillman receives from all over the country, telling him how much he is admired. They are not confined to the west, but come thus raised would be considerable. from New York and other eastern States.

Tillman was not a caudidate for the the most equitable. Let the money party demanded his services he would of course make the fight for silver.

with great attention whenever he be made in all the counties by this

spoke.

In conclusion, the governor said of lively times ahead. Tillman stands the same result."-State.

A Close Call.

LOUISVILLE, May 6 .- A sensational Resolved, That this convention urges encounter took place on a crowded upon each section of the South the su- street car coming in from the races preme need of advertising its resources shortly after 6 o'clock this evening. in papers and periodicals which reach | One person was killed and one badly a shortage of \$127,000 in the trust the Northern people, and that such shot and many narrowly escaped. advertising should be facts and only Henry Jones, a negro, was arrested til recently the disbursing officer of facts, and that nothing should be con- by a private policeman, Charles Failes, tained in such advertisements which for gambling. Failes handcuffed the together with the \$12,000 shortage cannot be amply sustained, upon experiment. This amount, cannot be amply sustained, upon experiment. said to have been found by the auditthat each section necessarily having There were 225 people on the three some particular point in which it exceeds, that particular point should be drew a revolver and began firing at ism to be shown. He urged that the made the keynote of advertisement, Failes. Failes foolishly returned the motion be passed and all get to work leaving for others their own keynote. ire, the fusilade creating a panic in Whereas, many people from North- the cars, which were promptly stopped. Failes and Jones were removed to the SAVANNAH, May 5. - Andy Willy, a of disease during the summer months city hospital, where the negro died ceive food from my family, and when young Scotchman, died sudddently and whereas, such is not the case, tonight. Four bullets pierced the the 130 hours passed I was allowed to tonight as the result of a four-round therefore be it therefore be it

Resolved, That this convention demy family in the presence of the of Montgomery, Ala. The two men clares for itself and for each individ- and one builet went through the rim were entertaining a few friends at the ual member that the health of the of Mrs. Camp's hat and tore a hole in

Her: is the way an exchange under- ferent counties were read and remarks stands the game law: Book agents made thereon by the representative of may be killed from August 1; spring each county. poets from March to July; scandalmongers from January 1 to December 1, inclusive; umbrella borrowers from be raised," said the commissioner. February 1 to November; open season I knew that if they suspected he was The coroner will investigate the mat- and length of day which the South all the year round on fellows who it.

Barnwell, \$373. "Three hundred and twenty five dollars would be raised CAROLINA AT CHICAGO.

and maybe the whole amount."

Beaufort, \$211. "The county was in debt and had a large negro population. but efforts would be made to get \$100 Full Attendance and a Fuller Discussion

Berkeley, \$302. "No wealth except Charleston, \$1.215. "Of this \$750

COLUMBIA, S. C., May 7.—The concould be raised. Chester, \$223. "Chester would give rention of the county commissioners his amount. for the Chicago Southern States expc-Chesterfield, \$91. No remarks were sition was held yesterday afternoon at nade as the county was not represent-

> Clarendon, \$157. "It would be Colleton, \$251. "The amount would

sented at Chicago. In getting up an exhibit for Atlanta, great trouble was ive that. Edgefield and Saluda, \$365. "That will be raised." Fairfield, \$211. "Not much en-

Darlington, \$221.

It would be best to have the getting up of an exhibit in the hands of an Florence, \$215. There was no one experienced man, such as Mr. Roche. o answer for her. The Atlanta exhibit was on hand and Georgetown, \$119. \$150 would be raised," said the comwould serve as a nucleus for the one missioner.

The meeting was to decide on some Greenville, \$470. "It would iven. Horry, \$96. "At least \$100 would purpose. The assessment plan had been proposed, but it was left to the e given. Kershaw, \$150. "It could be given."

Lancaster, \$131. to answer.

commissioner from this county, so the chairman appointed Mr. W. P. Roof.
Marion, \$249; Marlboro, \$149; Newberry, \$298; Oconee, \$155 Orangeburg, \$410; Pickens \$125; Richland, \$443; any persons on the other floors could appear to the building, where the piteous cries and moans of a female were the only evidence of life beneath the wreck. These cries came from the cellar. It was utterly impossible that any persons on the other floors could would all be ready with the cash, so their commissioners stated. Spartanburg, \$643. Mr. Twichell, the commissioner, was absent. Sumter, \$377; and Union, \$195. Both would try and get their amounts. Williamsburg, \$155. "Afraid it

could not be raised.' York, \$365. "Could be counted on." After the reading of the assessment f the counties and expression of opinions, Mr. Manning wished to hear from Mr. Roche as to what his views and aims were.

Mr. Roche said the display to be made at Chicago depended on how Laurens, Lexington, Spartanburg and much money there was at the disposal Commissioner Roche, after the roll of the commissioner. Maunfactories would be urged to make individual call, took the floor and stated that afexhibits, and if they did so the money ter the meeting in Spartanburg, he required would not be quite so much. had looked through the comptroller Work should be started at once, as the general's office and gotten the last assessment of all the counties in the State, which he had here, and from August; and fruits, vegetables, grains, street. etc, should be gathered and put through which he apportioned the \$10,000 some process of preserving. among the counties according to the Seven States have gone into this amount of taxable property in each.

show, and it will be a general southern States exposition. All the resources tradis tume up, and so and the ques per line in the proposed hand books. door from the colonia

A full discussion was had as to the best way to raise the amounts in each county. All were generally in favor

the counties did not have as much of subscription lists. Mr. Morgan of Georgetown moved that all the commissioners raise their funds by the 20th inst. and send them to Mr. W. A. Clarke, the treasurer of the exposition funds. This was agreed ing interests as others, and he thought to. Mr. Folk introduced a resolution the counties having such interests thanking the railroads for furnishing should do a greater part toward getfree transportation to this meeting. It

Governor Evans made a few concluding remarks. He said the factories had shown great lukewarmness in aiding in the Atlanta exhibit. He had to make personal appeals to them, and even then he met with poor success. This was a southern State exposition, manufactured products to a new of new factories coming in and competing, for they never came from the west, it being an agricultual region.

He spoke of the advantages of emmi grants coming into this State from the west, and urged Charleston to do her best for the exposition. Twelve hundred dollars could be raised there without trouble.

Mr. Roche was instructed to send out to the county commissioners a circular stating what had been done at good number of them, the amount this meeting, giving the scope of the work and the assessment of the coun ties. This circular is to be printed in R. A. Davis. travelling man, Hamil the plan proposed by Mr. Rocne was the county papers.

The finance committee was authopresidential nomication, but if the be raised, even if hot suppers had to rized to give the commissioner a suitbe given as a last resort. Greenville able salary for his work. The meeting then adjourned.

would come up with her share and he

Diaz's Startling Story. and wealth. By this plan the assess-JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 2.- The a very able man, and was listened to from \$1,215 to \$750. Changes would Rev. Alberto Diaz, Southern Baptist believed several will die. nissionary, expelled from Cubaby plan, the amount being raised in some Weyler, in a long interview tells appailing stories of atrocities being comand decreased in others. This was a Tillman's pitchfork will be the em- moral obligation to raise the amount mitted by Spaniards. In the last blem of the victorious farmers of the under Mr. Roche's plan and he did two weeks in the rural districts of San south and west and there is promise not want to leave letting the members Miguel, Del Parlon and Minas Mr. think that Charleston could raise Daz says Col. Fonderville has had Drach's saloon early this morning As before the nation now as he stood in \$1,200. What right oid this meeting more than one hundred persons butch- he has not been seen since the explo South Carolina in 1890 and I look for have to assess factories, banks or ered and then reported them to the sion his friends fear that his body is anyone else? Some factories in this outside world as having been killed State did not care anything about the in battle. Among those killed were children 12 and 14 years of age. The exposition, They didn't want new ictims were compelled to dig their factories built and have competition. wn graves before being shot. As the As for the Atlanta exposition, Charles ton had given \$1,800, but he did not seamer was leaving Havana Mr. Diaz think there was any hope of getting says word was brought on board that twenty seven more peaceable citizens the hardest labor, he himself assisting ern and extreme western counties the Mr. Ligon of Anderson regretted to had been butchered by Col. Fonderhear Mr. Tucker speak as he did. It ville's troops near Havana. Col. Fondid look to him as if \$10,000 spent now derville is one of Weyler's favorites would do more good than any other and is acting under the Captain Geninvestment. The assessment of Ander eral's orders.

> Stove Explodes. NEW YORK, May 5.-As the result of the explosion of a gasoline stove in Brooklyn tenement house today, two Mr. Tucker would not make a speech women and two children were so bad- might and main to save them burned that they died soon after. on Charleston's record, but he would say that her past record spoke for itself and could not be impugned. wo other children were also seriousy burned. The dead are: Mrs. Re-Mr. Ray of Aiken said he had come here to get enthusiasm and not the olues. Aiken's amount was twice what her people had expected, but still Pasternek, one aged 8 months and one though not seriously hurt. Finally, the assessments of the difmonths, were seriously burned.

Such was the decision of Chancellor Aiken, \$349. "Yes; they would try had not removed her hat.

A HOUSE BLOWN UP.

Shocking Cacastrophe in the City of Cin-

CINCINNATI, May 5.-What may prove to be the most disastrous calamland and negroes, yet it would do its ity of the year occurred in this city last night, when a five-story brick building, filled with people, completely collapsed and fell, a conglomerate mass of brick and shattered timbers. burying the unfortunate inmates beneath its ruins.

It is impossible to say how many persons have been killed, some placng the number as high as forty, others as low as fifteen. No accurate statements can be given on this point until the debris shall have been cleared away, which will certainly take all night

The building was situated on the east side of Walnut street, just south couragement from the people, but as of 5th, the lower floor being occupied much as possible will be raised." by Drach's saloon. The upper apartments were rented out to lodgers. Peo-"Not less than the disaster occurred were startled by a most terrific explosion about 7:45 o'clock. A fire alarm was instantly be turned in, and in a few moments half The highest mean was 73 degrees, and upon the scene. The work of rescue was immediately begun, a force of men taking the front while a second corps "She would give went to the rear of the building, which opened into an alley. The first per-Laurens, \$239 No one from there sons who appeared upon the scene entered the alley and came up to the Lexington, \$198. There was no rear of the building, where the piteous

> any persons on the other floors could have escaped a horrible death. In addition to the victims who are buried beneath the building it is estimated that fully one hundred people have been more or less injured by the con cussion, falling electric wires and fragments of shattered glass, stone and timbers.

Twenty of those injured on the streets were taken into the Gibson House just across the way and their wounds dressed. Among these was Chief of Police Joseph Pagh, of Coviogton, Ky, who reports a most miraculous escape. He was just in the act of entering the saloon, in fact, one foot was upon the door sill when he backward, when almost simultaneously the explosion occurred and he felt the ground leave his feet. He was exposition opened by the middle of blown almost into the middle of the

Three persons whose names cannot be learned were injured slightly in a passing street car, and several ladies in another car were prostrated from the shock. A New port, Ky, car, which of the State would be shown, and this was near the scene, met with a remarkwas an opportunity to work for South able experience. It was suddenly brought to a standstill by a fearful umense mass came This was referred to the committee on which by some strange freak of the explosion had been blown through the falling debris and up into the air.

man named John Neibel, of this city, had just left the spot where it fell and walked back to the rear platform. No one was hurt.

A Brown street car was smashed almost into fragments. There were for tunately no passengers on board and the conductor and motorman escaped with slight injuries. The explosion was caused by the ignition of a gasoline tank. Adolph

Drach, proprietor of a saloon on the

lower floor, had recently placed a gasoline engine in his cellar for the purpose of generating his own gaso line fuel. Best authorities agree that the commutator of the engine had burned out, setting fire to a tank of gasoline. The building was seen to on corn are favorable. and it would be the means of carrying shake for an instant and then cave in-An instant later only an indiscriminate market. This should remove the fear mass of ruins remained. The walls of the buildings adjoining on either side remained in tact. The streets all around the block are literally covered with pieces of glass. It is almost impossible to push one's way tarough the throng of excited thousands gathered about the place as late as midnight. Hundreds of anxious inquiries keep the telephones busy and the hospital and morgue are besieged with callers. eager to ascertain the identity of the

dead and dying.

The identified dead and the injured so far as known are as follows: Dead, ton, Onio, has wife living in Tryon, N. C.; Adolph Drach, proprietor of sa-

loon. Four bodies not yet identified The injured are: H. E. Hunwick out doubt, the governor said, be presented to the Chicago convention, and if it were he would probably receive the nomination.

As for Tillman not ranking well in Washington, that was all possessed according to population.

Mr. Roche's plan.

Mr. Roche's plan. bookkeeper; Joseph Spriggs, colored domestic; John McCarthy, of Cincia-nati Wharf Company; Pete Burus, Charles Spirlo. Of the injured it is

Several more victims are yet beneath the ruins and everything possible is being done to recover the bodies. R. A. Fricke, of Norwood, was to have left for Philadelphia to-night

He is known to have left his valise is buried beneath the ruins in the cellar a pathetic incident in the work of recovery occurred when by digging through an aljoining wall the firemen came upon John McCarthy, who was

his rescuers by giving them directions low to proceed. Near where McCarthy was found

were three other victims, among them a woman and a child. who have not vet been taken from the rains. The pitiful moans of the mother and

ther to come to her, stimulated the brave fellows who are working with priests, Fathers Tiernan and Kelly. were con-picuous for their efforts a consoling those beneath the ruins. becca Cohen, 234 Johnson street; Carl While leaning forward to administer ohnson street. Solomon and Rosie struck by a falling tile and badly

An exchange srys that a fellow in a A LAWYER may keep her hat on near by town who couldn't spare one other sections of the State. when addressing the court down in dollar and a half a year for a newspalersey, if she happens to be a woman. per sent fifty two cent stamps to a down East Yankee to learn how to McGill the other day when opposing stop a horse from slobbering. He got each him to soit."

A MARKED IMPROVEMENT

IN THE CONDITION OF THE CROPS OF THE STATE.

Weekly Bulletin of the State Weather Observer Issued Yesterday-The Rain

Relieves the Situation Somewhat. The following is the encouraging weekly bulletin of the condition of the weather and the crops of the State

issued yesterday by State Weather Observer Bauer: This bulletin covers the weather and crop conditions for the week ending Saturday, May 2, and in its preparation were used reports from one or more correspondents in each county

of the State. WEATHER.

The past week was considerably cooler than the previous one, with a mean temperature about 2 degrees above the normal. The mean for the ple for several blocks around where week was 69 degrees, that being the average of 40 stations reporting mean tempeeature; the normal for the same period is approximately 67 degrees. the fire department of the city was occurred at Shaw's Forks, Aiken coun-

ty; the lowest, 66 degrees, occurred at Little Mountain, Newberry county.

The maximum temperature for the week was 90 degrees on May 1st, reported from Gillsonville, Hampton county, the minimum was 48 on April 27th, reported from Lynch, Florence county, and 50 on the 26th, reported from Elloree, Orangeburg county.

The excess in temperature over the normal since March 1 was slightly increased, and now averages about 1.5 degrees per day.

The late drought was effectually re-

lieved at most places during the week, but the showers were scattered and partial, so that there yet remain many localities without beneficial rains, but generally the rains were sufficient for the present needs of crops. In richland, Newberry, York and portions of Sumter, Kershaw, Lancaster and Lexington but little rain fell, and practically none along the southeastern coast. Elsewhere the showers were well distributed and in places heavy. The following heavy rainfalls were reported: Society Hill, 1.60; Green-2.84; Pickens, 1.82; Camden, 1.27; was startled by the flash of a burning electric wire overhead. He sprang other stations reported. 1.21. Tea other stations reported measurements ranging from 0.50 to 1.00, and 26 reported from none to 0.50. The average of 43 rainfall records for the week is 0.54, and the normal for the same period is approximately 0.79.

Note-Special reports received since the regular reports were closed state that rain was general over the State. on Sunday and Monday (May 3 and 4.) Liberty, Pickens county, reported over 4 inches. The special reports will be recorded regularly in the next bulletin.

previous week, and with but lew limited exceptions all crops made satisfactory improvement, due to the rains of this and the previous weak. The full beneficial effects of the late rains are not yet reflected in the reports, except where anticipated, so that continued improvement may be expected.

Corn made satisfactory advance during the week. It has received its first work generally, and in places its second. The later planting has not attained good stands yet, but will be materially helped in this respect by the late rains. Corn retains a good color, but cut worms are damaging the stands in a few counties. worms were injuriously active in Lexington and Edgefield counties during the few cool nights. Much bottom land corn yet to plant. All reports

Cotton planting is practically finished, reports indicating that in a few counties from 5 to 10 per cent. only remains to be planted. That that which is up has a vigorouns stand of good color, but later planting coming up to irregular stands, but during the latter part of the week a great improvement was noted in this respect. Chopping out has been actively begun. The not, dry weather of the past two weeks affected cotton favorably, except that it retarded germination. Sea Island cotton has a good stand and

color, but needs rain badly.

The failing tendency of grain was effectually checked by the rains. Oats have shown much improvement during the latter portion of the week, but it continues to be the opinion of most correspondents that oats cannot fully recover from the damaging effects of the late drought. Fail oats look more Tobacco has grown well in beds.

Plants are small in beds that were replanted in March. Transplanting has een slow, some farmers watered the plants by hand previous to the rains. Transplanting will now be pushed rapidly, as the weather favors it. Plants continue comparatively scarce. Rice seeding contiunes, and what is up appears to be doing well generally, except in Florence county, where poor stands are reported. The weather favors late planted rice.

The different reports continue to express a diversity of opinion as to the fruit prospects. In some localities fruit is dropping freely, while in other ying upon his back helplessly pin- localities the prospects continue prom-McCarthy was released after ising. Generally in the extreme easttrees look most promising.

Grapes appear to be putting out numerous bud clusters and promise well. Small berries are ripening in the southern counties. Strawberries are plentiful every-where. Gardens have improved where

cries of the little one, begging her mo- enough rain fell, but in some localities continue to fail, although seasonable vegetables are comparatively Two plentiful, and quantities of peas, beans, lettuce, radishes, cucumbers and cabbages being snipped out of the State. Sweet potatoes putting out plenty of draws, which appear to be more plenti-Cohen, aged 2 years; Solomon Cohen, consolation to an unformate who was ful than for many years; in places aged 3 years; Mrs. Pasternek, 234 crying for aid, Father Tiernan was considerable transplanting has been done. Irish potatoes generally doing

well with rapid improvement noted Bugs are numerous on the coast potato fields, and are reported from a few Mrs. Fannie R. Allen, of Athol,

Mass., who is 75 years old, recently took unto herself a new husband. counsel ungallantly called attention to his receipt and he'll never forget it: This is somewhat remarkable in view the fact that Miss Philbrook, attorney 'To stop your horse from slobbering of the fact that the bride is a greatgrand mother.

VOL. XI. REV. W. J. DIAZ

So when Dr. Porter came to see me TELLS OF HIS ARREST AND IMPRISafter I was allowed to communicate with my friends, I gave him the tele-ONMENT IN CUBA. gram that finally came. When Brother Porter went to the telegraph office with the message, however, they would

His Brethren in America Was Sent. ATLANTA, May 6.-Rev. Dr. A. J

Dr. Diaz, though an American citizen is a native Cuban, and in personal apperrance is a manly type of his race, short-built and stout with a swarthy complexion and a pair of dark eyes the police thinking that he was trying tion. Among other speakers were J to get the message on board arrested J. Ward of Darlington, S. C. J. P. He wears a closely cropped chin beard on the police thinking that he was trying tion. Among other speakers were J to get the message on board arrested J. Ward of Darlington, S. C. J. P. Coffin of Florence S. C., J. L. Patterand is somewhat bald-a man whom on its way. Brother Porter laughed son, commissioner of agriculture, H. at a glance one would pick out for at the police and told them so, and in H. Battle, State chemist and J. A. great energy and indomitable courage. two hours I was released and told to Holmes, State geologist of North Carleave the island by the next steamer. olina. Several State delegates met was a captain in the rebel army and I would not go without my family and elected vice presidents as follows: Governor Evans on the Coming State Conis the personal friend of General Go- and leave my business affairs unsetis the personal friend of General Go-mez and General Maceo, with both of whom he has served on the field of would have to carry me appared if they Norfolk, Va; J. P. Coffin, Florence, would have to carry me appared if they S. C. The convention issued the fol-

advance of the former on Havana. This work among the sick and

to both Spanish and Cuban alike. "They knew," said Dr. Diaz this morning, "that I had been in the rebel I had not had any communication with the rebels this time, because I was devoted to my church work. Why I was arrested I do not know. The day before I left Havana I wrote a letter to Consul General Williams asking him for the reasons. But he did not an-

swer me and will not." Dr. Diaz was banished from Cuba

diers afterward were buried, sometimes six deep.
"The day of my arrest twenty-seven persons were shot-among them were small boys and old men. Before they

"Another time I rode horseback sixty miles out into the country through the lines of the insurgents to rescue a friend who had sent for me. He had ten shots in his body and six wounds made by a sword. It was the work of the Spanish. He was not an insurgent but happened to be found at home after an engagement. The soldiers left him for dead, but he managed to get word to me. There were others dead about him. One of them I buried by the side of six others who had fallen

Of his arrest and imprisonment he "It was between three and four o'clock in the morning. The soldiers came and surrounded our house. The captain called me up, and marched me off to the jail. Moro Castle and Cabanas were overcrowded and I tins and T. T. Hays. could not be taken there with the other political prisoners. My brother was and A. C. Lyles.

"I was put in the cell with a single and W. H. Moore.—The State. hours. But I was held so for 130

own laws. guards.

SOUTHERN SETTLERS.

last day's session of the Southern happened to come up with Brother States Settlers convention here began Bueno, the missionary at San Miguel, at 10 o'clock this morning; most of it the country, on account of persecu- speakers were Gen. J. R Lewis of cotte was getting ready to sail Broth- ation, and who also presented the er Porter went down to the dock, and claims of Georgia to northern emigra-

> ern and foreign-born citizens of southern States concerning their respective on official business.

moned before a military court, but renando, a rebel leader. Dr. Diaz, however, declared that he did not

grandest country that the sun shines upon."

ly adopted the following:
Resolved, That the liberality and enterprise of citizens of Chicago in sources and industries is characteristic

Resolved. That this convention of Southern citizens from many cities extend most hearty thanks to Chicago and the enterprising gentlemen who conceived and will carry to successful termination this proposed exposition.
Resolved, That the Chicago and Southern States exposition, the object of which "is to present the illimitable resources and natural advantages of the South, and to show the people of Chicago and the great Northwest the wonderful progress which has been

The following resolutions were

"One day the guard asked me if I Pastime Atheletic Club, an institution | South is as good as that of the North, the side of the car. didn't want to send some private mes- devoted to scrapping matches, and in and that persons from the North can he was my friend and in sympathy retired from the ring and laid on a the summer with as much freedom, with me. But I knew that it was only bench. He was stripped and rubbed, and with as full immunity from disTHE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DIS-CUSS THE OUTLOOK.

ir the Senate Chamber .-- The Counties

Assessed According to Taxable Property.

Governor Evans, after calling the

meeting to order, said that its object,

as they all well knew, was to devise means to have South Carolina repre-

several counties to attend the meetings,

but he was glad to say such was not

The secretary, Mr. Auil of Newber-

v. called the roll of the county com-

Abbeville, A. J. Sprois; Aiken, H.

J. Ray; Anderson, R. S. Ligon; Barnwell, J. F. Folk; Beaufort, W. H. Lockwood; Berkeley, J. B. Morrison;

Charleston, G. H. Tucker; Chester,

R. A. Love; Colleton, B. H. Padget; Darlington, W. C. James; Edgefield, G. B. Lake; Fairfield, J. E. Coan;

Georgetown, W. D Morgan; Green-

ville, A. H. Dean; Horry, B. R. King;

Kershaw, C J. Shannon; Lancaster.

LeR by Springs; Marion, E. H. Gasque

Marlboro, T. B. Gibson; Newberry,

Sumter, R. I. Manning; Union. J. A. Flant; Williamsburg, F. B. Grier;

Chesterfield, Florence, Hampton

He would like the secretary to read it,

ner, made a motion that Mr. Roche's

assessments be adopted. It would not

Mr. Moore of York said that some of

ting up the exhibit for Chicago.

Mr. Sproies said if \$405 was what

Abbeville was to raise, he would do

his best to get it, and though there

would be difficulty in getting it, yet

he would go before the different town

coucils and ask for appropriation and

try in other ways.

Mr. Moore asked if there could not

be a plan devised by which the facto-

ries could be assessed so much, accor-

ding to the number of spindles or

looms. He thought that all the money

or factories, or it would not come at

Mr. Boggs said that the commis-

sioners must first go the individuals

and ask for contributions. In his

county he was going to appoint solic

iting agents at each precinct and he

would get 50 cents from each of them,

Mr. Dean stated that in his opinion,

the \$1,200 assessed.

son, compared to Charleston's was

they were going to try to raise it.

Abbeville, \$405. "It could probably

They are as follows:

Anderson, \$348. "Yes."

anyway, and as there would be

the case with this.

thought best.

found to be present:

York, W. B. Moore.