SPANISH ARE SCARED

Fear Rivera, Maceo's Successor, Will Attack Havana.

WEYLER TO RETURN TO THE CITY

The Probability of the Insurgeuts Striking a Blow at the Capital Itself Has Greatly Alarmed the Officials of the Island-Colonel De Lome's Cavalry Defeated by the Cubans.

KEY WEST, Feb. 8.—It is rumored in Havana that General Weyler will return there soon, as the frequent raids in Havana province have startled him.

On this account the acting captain general, Marquis Ahumada, has been in



GENERAL RUIS RIVERA [The Cuban Who, Spaniards Fear, Will Attack the City of Hava is.]

close touch with General Weyler lately. The Spanish officials are uneasy over the appearance of General Rivera in Havana province, and the possibility of his striking a blow at the capital itself has greatly alarmed them all.

General Rivera defeated Colonel Delome's cavalry, 50 miles northwest of Havana, Tuesday. No details of the fight have been allowed to escape. The censorship has been more strict the past

CHARGES AGAINST CARTER.

Populist Senator Said to Have Been Indicted Twice In Hartwell County.

ATLANTA, Feb. 8.-The situation has cleared somewhat as regards the charges that have been made by friends of Judge Sweat against Senator Yancey Carter. News comes from Hartwell to the effect that two indictments are pending there in Hart superior court against the noted Populist senator.

One of these charges is assault and battery and the other is using profane language in the presence of ladies. These indictments on charges totally different from the charge hinted at may possibly offer the foundation for the charge that the senator had been guilty of immoral conduct with a young Ger-

Another important development in the case comes in the shape of a posttive announcement from the friends of Judge J. L. Sweat that the charges against Senator Carter were given out by them after a full and thorough consideration of them in conference, and that they now stand responsible for

To Reduce the Cotton Acreage.

ATLANTA, Feb. 5. - Hector D. Laur, president of the American Cotton Growers' Protective association, is here in conference with W. A. Broughton, president of the association for Georgia. and as a result of the conference and of correspondence between Mr. Lane and other state presidents of the association, an important movement will be set on foot in a a few weeks. It is a series of tri-state meetings of farmers at Waco, Memphis and Atlanta or Augusta to take steps for an increase of the acreage of food crops and a proportionate desrease in the cotton acreage.

Dropped Dead White In Church.

COLUMBUS, Ga., Feb. 8. - Fred J. Estes, a reporter for The Evening Call, an evening newspaper of this city, dropped dead while at church. He was kneeling at prayer, when he raised him-self to his full height, and fell back dead. Mr. Estes is known throughout the south, and is the original owner and proprietor of the paper. He is also a leading labor man, having toured the state several times in the interest of different labor unions.

Extra Legislative Session Likely.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 8.-It is not improbable that it will become necessary for the governor to call a special session or the general assembly upon the adjournment of the present legislature. A constitutional provision requires that the assembly shall not sit exceeding 50 days, and Monday was the forty-second day of the present session. Probably seven-eighths of the important legislation of the state remains undisposed of.

A New Colony In Georgia.

ATLANTA, Feb. 8. - Georgia is to have another big colony. It will be known as Union City, and will be located in Cherokee county, where a tract of more than 9,200 acres has been secured and laid out. A town site has been laid off with a central park and sections for regidences, stores and factories. Nearly 400 applications for lots have been re-

White Chicken Stealer Killed.

MACON, Feb. 8 .- John Speer, white, a carpenter, was shot and killed by E. R. Anthony, a well known vineyard proprietor and wine manufacturer, while he was in a tree stealing chickens in Anthony's yard, a short distance from

Negro Kills a White Hoy.

TIFTON, Ga., Feb. 8 .- Ed Purvis, a young white boy, who lives about 4 mi es from here, was instantly killed by a negro named Robert Riley. The shooting was without any cause. The murderer escaped.

MESSAGE TO LEGISLATURE.

Governor Ellerbee of South Carolina Fa vors a Graduated Income Tax.

COLUMBIA, S. C. Feb. 6.-Governor Ellerbe has sent his first important message to the legislature. It calls attention to the certainty of a deficit this year unless special provisions are made to meet it. In reference to the request of the trustees of Winthrop Normal College for Women for \$30,000 to build an additional dormitory, he says:

"Should you decide to build another dormitory for Winthrop, I would respectfully suggest, owing to the unfavorable condition of the state's finances and the financial condition of our peopie, that you have all the brick necessary for the construction of the dormitory made by the convicts of the penitentiary. This could be done in the summer after the crops on the state farm have been 'laid by,' and before harvesting time begins. You could then, at the next session of the general assembly, make a small appropriation to have

the work completed. "The deficiency that I bave called your attention to should be provided for and the question for you to decide is whether it should be done by increasing the levy or by increasing by some other means the revenue of the state. This can be done by a graduated income tax and a graduated license tax. Every legislator should be commended for his efforts to give the recode a low rate of taxation, but it is unwise and unbusinesslike to levy a tax insufficient to meet the current experses of the government and thereby incur a debt. I believe in the principle of paying as you go.

"In my opinion there is extravagance in the management of county affairs which should be thoroughly investigated. The county government act is objected to by many on the ground that it is too cumbersome and that the work of the chaingang costs more than it is worth. I would recommend that you examine these matters thoroughly before making any radical changes in the

BUTLER SCORES RUSSELL

The Populist Chairman, In a signed Editorial, Denounces the Governor.

RALEIGH, Feb. 5. - Senator Butler has caused a big sensation here by publishing in his paper a signed editorial denouncing Governor Russell. He says:

"We understand the governor has sent for members of the Populist caucus and tried to tempt them to break their loyalty to their party and its principles by tendering them some jobs that he expects to be placed in his hands by the vote of the unholy and infamous combination of Republicans and bolting Populats. In fact we have heard it is the governor's purpose to have himseif clothed with unlimited power in defiance of and in violation of the co-operative contract between his party and ours, and then use his patronage and power, thus secured by such unjustifiable means, to build up a 'Russell admin-

istration party' in the state. "It is unnecessary to say that not a single true Populist in the state will accept patronage or favors coming from such a deal.

"Let every Populist member of the legislature stand on the floor and denounce and brand these bills by which the bolters hope to get their booty and by which the governor and the Republican machine hope to demoralize and destroy the People's party at home."

Senator Butler then says: "Co-operation with Democrats as a failure. Co-operation with Repuis a failure. What next? More co-operation? Not if the people can profit by experience. If they shall have sense two and four years from now co-operation will not be necessary."

Carolina's Vote Will Be Counted.

Washington, Feb. 8. - Representative Murray of South Carolina, the only negro member of the house, who, it was reported several days ago, would object on Wednesday during the counting of the electoral vote to the recording of South Carolina's vote on the ground that the election laws of that state were unconstitutional, announce: that he has abandoned all idea of interrupting the proceedings on Wednesday. Murray, after looking into the precedents and consulting with his party leaders, decided that nothing could be effected by such a dramatic action, and, as he said, "some harm might result."

A Woman Burned to Death.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 5.-Mrs. G. W. King, living near Rock Hill, was burned to death. Passing in front of the fireplace in her room, her night garments ignited. Her husband was in the room, where there were also a lot of blankets, but both lost their presence of mind.

No Ten-Hour Law In Carolina.

RALEIGH, Feb. 6.-The house tabled by an overwhelming majority the bill to make' ten hours a day's labor in factories. A bill of like character was before the senate committee and many mill men argued against it. It will be unfavorably reported.

Verdict Against the Railroad.

COLUMBIA. S. C., Feb. 5.—The jury in the case of Henry Willoughby against the Northwestern Railway company for \$20,000 damages for an injury, has been on trial in Florence for a week. It took one hour to find a verdict for the de-

Editor W. W. McDiarmid Dead.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 6.-W. W. McDiarmid, for 23 years editor and proprietor of The Robesonian, one of the most influential papers in the state, died at his home at Lumberton after a short illness of pneumonia.

A Young Boy Drowned.

old sor of George Rolin, while crossing Salem creek on a footlog, fell off and was drowned. The stream was swollen by recent rains, and the body has not been recovered.

Two Nominations Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.-The senate has confirmed John F. Valls of Louisiana to be consul of the United States at Matamoras, Mex., and Watson S. Lenefee, postmaster at Union Springs, Ala.

PROGRESS OF DIXIE LAND. A Large Number of New Industries Re-

ported During the Past Week. CHATTANOOGA, Feb. 10. - Business generally has recovered from the depressing effects of the severe weather and The Tradesman's correspondents at southern trade centers report favorable indications for improvement in all departments of trade.

The demand for iron and steel is slowly gaining and a large proportion of the mills is fully employed. Prices have an upward tendency. The demand for southern iron shows considerable increase and a much more hopeful feeling

Among the most important new industries for the week are the following: The Brazos Valley Construction company, capital \$25,000, Henrietta, Tex.; a cotton compress at Waxahachie, Tex.; the Lynchburg Diamond Ice factory, capital \$25,000, Lynchburg. Va.; the Louisiana Boiler and Sheet Iron Works company, limited, capital \$10,000, New Orleans, La.; the Manufacturers' Exchange, capital \$200,000, Chattanooga; the Rome Lighting company, capital \$20,000, Rome, Ga., and ochre mines to be developed near Hamburg, Ark., at a cost of \$200,000.

The Elevator Coal Barge company has been chartered at Mobile, Ala., with a capital of \$50,000; the Brannon Circle Cycle company, capital \$20,000, Richmond, Va.; the Newberry Phosphate company, capital \$25,000, Ocala, Fia; the Oogar Hemp company, capital \$30,-000, Danville, Ky., and the Arkadelphia Water and Light company, capital \$50,-000, Arkadelphia, Ark.

EX-CASHIER MAY IS DEAD.

Practically Managed the Bank of England Until He Resigned In 1893

LONDON, Feb. 10 .- Mr. Frank May, formerly chief cashier, and practically manager of the Bank of England until he resigned in 1893, is dead.

The resignation of Frank May as chief cashier of the Bank of England, announced on Nov. 10, 1893, caused quite a stir in financial circles in Great Britain. Mr. May was practically manager of the Bank of England and had been chief cashler for 20 years. His father was junior partner of the firm of Coleman & May, stock brokers, who were connected with several trust companies, which collapsed towards the end of 1893. It was reported after May's resignation that the Bank of England had advanced large sums of money on the securities of these companies, but the report was never verified and it was denied that the Bank of England sustained heavy losses in consequence of their failure.

The reason given for requesting the resignation of Mr. May was that he had induced the bank to engage in transactions which were not in accordance with the old traditions of the Bank of England, and it was stated that the loss sustained did not exceed £25,000 (\$125,-

British Ironmakers Disquieted.

Washington, Feb. 10 .- United States Consul Parker, at Birmingham, England, has supplied the state department with extracts from local papers showing that the British Ironmakers are disquieted over the receipt at Birmingham of large consignments of American pig iron at £1 and 5 shillings per ton, or fully 10 shillings under the English minimum. There were also rerorts of negotiations in Philadelphia for the sale to European buyers of 20,000 tons of billets at £3 and 15 shillings per ton, delivered. The British iron men generally ascribe the phenomenal movement to the trade depression in the United States, which causes forced sales abroad, but others point to the steady continuance of the American shipments as evidence that they must be made at a profit.

Morchant Tailors In Session.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 10 .- The twelfth annual convention of the Merchant Tailors' Exchange was called to order in the banquet hall of the Hollenden hotel, by President Robert L. Walsh of Chicago. About 200 delegates were present, the most of them being from the east, New York city being especially well represented. Mayor Robert E. McKisson of Cleveland, and Mr. A. C. Yesinger of the local exchange, delivered addresses of welcome to the delegates, which was followed by the president's annual address. Routine business was then taken up, consisting principally of officers' annual reports.

l'ops and Democrats May Fight.

LATTLE ROCK, Feb. 10. - Democrats and Populists each had a candidate for sheriff in Lawrence county, this state. Childers, the Democrat, was declared elected by a small majority. Stewart, the Populist, charged fraud. Election commissioners discovered an error and gave the election to Stewart. County Judge Townsend, a Democrat, held that the vote in several districts was irregular, and he threw it out and confirmed the election of Childers. Populists at 1 Prohibitionists on one side and the Childers faction on the other side are arming and bloodshed, it is feared, will

To Prevent Lynchings In Carolina.

RALEIGH, Feb. 10 .- A bill has been passed by the house empowering the governor to convene special courts and the supreme court for the speedy trial of capital cases. This is the act to prevent lynchings in the state. It is provided that the request for the special term of the court must come from the sheriff and the chairman of the board of county commissioners.

A Big Rifle Is Tested.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10. - On the bluffs, 300 yards back of Fort Winfield Scott, the big 10-inch breechloading rifle Winston, N. C., Feb. 8.—A 6-year- was fired for the first time. Every one ld sor of George Rolin, while crossing belonging to the Presidio reservation, who was off duty, was there to witness the sight. About a hundred people from the city were there by invitation.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher Worse. STAMFORD, Conn., Feb. 10. - Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher is a little worse. The aged woman passed a restless night and she shows signs of weakening. She is still conscious, but the ability of the distinguished patient to live more than 24 hours longer is strongly doubted.

TWO MEN ROB A TRAIN

Daring Holdup Near Nelson, Arizona Territory.

ONE OF THE BANDITS SHOT DOWN

Killed by the Express Messenger, Who Showed Remarkable Presence of Mind. The Other Outlaw Made His Escape, Taking With Him Only a Few Registered Packages.

Los Angeles, Feb. 10 .- A dispatch has just been received to the effect that at 1:10 the westbound Santa Fe train, due at Los Angeles at 1:30 a. m., was held up and robbed by two masked men near Nelson, a small station about 6 miles east of Peach Springs, A. T. One of the robbers was killed by the express messenger.

The robbers stopped the train by signal, and as the engineer stepped out of the cab to ascertain the cause of the trouble an armed masked man commanded him to cut the engine off and run ahead a quarter of a mile, which he did. The robbers then turned their attention to the mail car, their command to open the door being complied with.

One robber entered the car and commenced picking up the loose registered packages. The robber started for the express car then, but Messenger Summers quickly opened the door and with extraordinary coolness shot the robber dead. The other man then escaped, taking with him a few registered packages. The dead robber was taken to Peach Springs, but has not yet been identified.

RIOT AMONG THE STRIKERS.

Pencsylvania Miners Fight and Two Men Are Fatally Wounded.

Belle Vernon, Pa., Feb. 10.-A riot occurred among the striking miners at J. H. Summers' Fuel company mines, in which Superintendent William Bates and Boss Hauler Charles Cannahan were shot and probably fatally wounded. The 400 men at the works struck last Friday because the company refused to reinstate a hauler who had been discharged for reckless driving. At a meeting called to discuss the difficulties a quarrel arose and a fight was precipitated. The stotous miners were driven from the han, but no sooner were they on the outside than they renewed the struggle, using clubs, stones and re-

Superintendent Bates, who was in the midst of the rioters, was attacked. and drawing a revolver, attempted to defend himself. He was met by Cannahan, who flourished a revolver over his head. The men exchanged six shots each and then fell to the ground.

After the mob feil back they were picked up. Superintendent Bates was shot four times, twice in the stomach. Cannahan received two bullets, being also shot in the stoma h.

Burgess Johnson closed the saloons temporarily and the town is under heavy patrol. Another outbreak is feared. Summers' company have an office at Belie Vernon, but their general office is at Cleveland, O.

Long Has Not Yet Accepted.

CANTON, O., Feb. 10. - There is the highest authority for saying no formal acceptance of the navy portfolio has been made or that anything new has been received from ex-Governor Long of Massachusetts. It has been expected for several weeks Long would be in the cabinet and probably hold the navy pertfolio, but the best information is that no formal announcement has been received, much less made known here. Ex-Governor Long will probably take the naval portfolio, if formally tendered.

Receivers For An Atlanta Bank.

ATLANTA, Feb. 10.-W. C. McLane, who is a clerk in the Bates-Farley bank, caused the States Savings bank's doors to be closed by a receiver. He alleges that he holds 56 shares of stock in the bank and that the institution is insolvent. The bank officials, on the other hand, declare that McLane is not a stockholder in their bank, his name not appearing on their books as a holder of stock. They intimate that other reasons than those set forth in the petition caused the receivership.

New Mining Law Passed.

MONTGOMERY, Ala, Feb. 10. - The house has passed the proposed new mining law by a vote of 82 to 2. It is voluminous, covering the whole mining situation and repealing all mine laws now in force in the state. Only two sections of the bill were contested to any extent. One requires that all mines shall be well ventilated and leaves the question of ventilation to the discretion of the three mine inspectors.

Hoshi Leaves For Washington.

St. Louis, Feb. 10.-Japanese Minister Toru Hoshi, who has been here several days on his tour of investigation into the condition of trade in the United States, with a view of bringing about a closer trade relationship between the two countries, has left for Washington, D. C., where he will continue his work.

The Bubonic Plague Increasing.

BOMBAY, India, Feb. 10.-The viceroy of India, the Earl of Elgin, has given his sanction to Madras being made a port of departure for the pilgrims en route for Mecca. The citizens of Malras, however, have entered a vigorous protest. The plague is increasing here, at Karachi, and at Peona.

Steamer Angloman Ashore.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 10.-A steamer supposed to be the Angloman, Captain Lewis, from Boston Jan. 30 for this port, is ashore, off the Skerries. She has two tugs in attendance and two lifeboats are going to her assistance. A dense fog prevails.

Constitution to Have a Rival.

ATLANTA, Feb. 10. - From a private source it is learned that the Atlanta Journal will soon begin the publication of a morning paper, in addition to its afternoon edition.

COTTON CROP STATISTICS.

Movement of the Fleecy Staple For the First Five Months of the Season.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 10. - Secretary Hester has just issued a statement analyzing the movement of the cotton crop for the first five months of the present season, from Sept. 1 to the close of January inclusive, compared with the previous three years.

He shows that the actual delivery of cotton from the state of Texas has been 1,865,081 bales against 1,564,109 last year and 2,738,967 the year before; that the amount brought into sight, which includes interior towns' stocks in excess of Sept. 1, as shown by railroad returns, etc., in each of the three groups of states, has been 1,872,614 in Texas, 2,288,-827 in other gulf states and 2,881.540 in Atlantic states, an increase in Texas compared with last year of 277,561, a docrease under the year before last of 907,-893, and increase over 1894 of 141,200; an increase in other gulf states of 533 .-673 over last year, a decrease of 1,419 under the year before last, and an increase of 477,294 over 1894; an increase in the Atlantic states of 660,698 over last year, a decrease of 62,267 under the year before last, and an increase of 170 .-315 over 1894.

After the close of January the movement in sight in three groups in the past three years was as follows:

Texas, last year, 394,529, year before last, 495,541, and in the year before the latter, 327,646; other gulf states, last year, 407,300, year before last, 709,957, and in the year before the latter, 404,-729; Atlantic states, last year, 784,468, year before last, 681,303, and in the year before the latter, 563,260.

The three groups as above set forth consist first of Texas, including Indian Territory; second, other gulf states, embracing Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Missonri and Oklahoma, and third, Atlantic states, embracing North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Virginia. Of the decrease in the January movement into sight compared with year before last (the 9,901,000 crop year) 195,000 was in Texas, 58,000 in other gulf states and 66,000 in the group of Atlantic

NO MAHER-SHARKEY FIGHT.

The Sallor Objects to Being Classed as Secondelass Attraction.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10.-Dan Lynch, the backer and manager of Sharkev. says that his protege is residing at Vallejo and he has heard nothing substantial relative to a purse for a fight between Sharkey and Maher-that is so far as the Nevada stake is concerned.

"I consider that Sharkey is as big a card as either Fitzsimmons or Corbett. yet I am willing to match Tom against Maher in a contest to a finish if Stuart will hang up a purse of \$10,000." said Lynch. "As there is only a limited time for the men to train properly for a finish fight, which must be pulled off in | teasing the Creel by for some time. A Nevada on the seventeenth of March, I have reason to believe that the men will not meet in the Sagebrush state.

"I had a talk with Wheelock, who is one of the Stuart managers, when he was in this city, and I then gave him to understand that if Stuart was looking | blow. Price's headwas split open at for a second attraction and had Maher and Sharkey in view, he must put up \$10,000 or there would not be a fight.

"Wheelock thought that the amount of the purse was too much, but when I handed him a telegram, which I received from a prominent eastern sporting man concerning an offer made by one of the big eastern clubs for a ten or Sharkey, he changed his mind and said he wrote Stuart and explained the situ-Wheelock or Stuart, and I presume meeting between Peter and Tom in Nevada. If a match were made I would not besitate to back Sharkey in any sum from \$1,000 to \$5,000 a side, but

Mr. Siler would not be the referee."

Small Fire In a House of Refuge. NEW YORK, Feb. 10.-The house of refuge, on Randall's island, caught fire and a damage estimated at \$3,000 was caused. There were 600 boys in the institution. The keeper, however, had established such excellent discipline that | widely known Reublican. The trouble it took less than one minute to arouse the lads from their sleep, get them dressed and march them out of the building. They went out in perfect order, none being injured or permitted to escape. The fire engines from the several institutions on the island were quickly put to work and the fire was extinguished, after which the boys were marched back to their cells and ordered to bed again.

Nevada May Have a Lottery. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10 .- A plan is said to be on foot to engineer a lottery bill through the Navada legislature. Local capitalists who are reputed to be behind the undertaking were, it is said, so impressed by the ease with which a bill was passed by the Nevada legislature enabling the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight to be held within the state that it is reported the sum of \$100,000 has been subscribed for the expenses of lobbying

the bill through the legislature. Uncle Sam May Make His Own Armor.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10. - The senate committee on naval affairs has reached a conclusion on the proposals to be made as a result of the inquiry on the subject of armor plate. The committee will recommend that the secretary of the navy shall not be authorized to pay more than \$400 per ton for armor and that an appropriation of \$1,500,000 be made for use in the establishment of a plant if the manufacturers refuse to ac-

A Woman Elected Chaplain.

cept this price.

Boise City, Feb. 10.-Mrs. Rebecca Mitchell of Idaho Falls, president of Coy, a stonemason, was fatally injured the Idaho Women's Christian Temper- while working with a gang of sewer ance union, has been elected chaplain of the state legislature, an unusual honor for a woman. She was largely instrumental in securing woman suffrage for Idaho.

Australian Ball Team Coming.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10. - America is this year to be invaded by an Australian ball team and the admirers of the national game will have a chance to witness a series of international contests.

CROOKEDNESS & ALLEGED.

Butler Demands an Investigation of Recent Senatorial Election.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9. - Senator Merion Butler is not over the mad spell which attacked him alew days ago on the occasion of the re-lection of Senator Pritchard. He low proposes to have the election of his colleague and rival investigated.

Butler is now at Raeigh. Word bas been received by political associates here that he expects immediately upon his return to Washington to put into motion the necessary machinery for a thorough investigation into the methods employed in Prichard's recent elec-tion. He believes he has the necessary evidence to substantate his charges that there was wholesas purchase of votes in Pritchard's behalf, and that the result was in line with the boasts of Hanna and his emisaries.

He claims that these gentlemen, by the employment of corrupting methods, secured certain voes for the republicans, and his decision to push an investigation shows thathe believes he has the evidence to susain his charges.

The Cruiser Enconters a Severe Gale on the Wayto Charleston.

MAINE LOSE; THREE MEN.

CHARLESTON, Fb. 8 .- The Maine, the Columbia and the Amphitrite arrived at noon. The flags ip New York is expeoted at any tim.

The fleet encountered a severe gale Friday night 50 mles off Cape Hatteras and six men of th cruiser Maine were washed overboad, three of whom, Brown, Nelson and Dogel, were drowned. The others wer rescued by a crew under the commnd of Cadet Walter

R. Gherardi. The fleet behaved admirably. The Fern and Diphin of the blockade fleet are aleady in port. Four other ships have seen sighted, but cannot yet be made out.

Jail Delivey at Orangeburg.

ORANGEBURG, S. C., Feb. 5. - A successful plot of frends of prisoners confined in jail herewas carried out during the night. Firewas set to grass just outside of town and an alarm given. The jailer joinedthe crowds, rushing to the fire, and wasvery active in helping to extinguish it. On his return to the prison he discoved that during his absence five of th prisoners, all white, had escaped. Thy had burned their way out of their cells and scaled the walls. Although verything was done to recapture the mn, none have as yet been caught.

Half-Witted Be Commits Murder. BLOCTON, Ala., Feb. 9. - Isaac Creel. a half-witted 15year-old boy, killed Elijah Price, a wel known citizen, by splitting his skul with an ax. The boys and men of Blocton have been crowd was around the boy and Price pulled a knife and aid he was going to cut Creel. The later had an ax in his hand and said he vasn't going to be cut. Price still woried the boy, when he threw up his ax nd struck a fearfal

death was almost invantaneous. A Pine Association Chartered.

NORFOLK, Feb. 5. - The North Carolina Pine association ias been chartered here. Its objects areto foster the lumber trade, to protect t from unjust and unlawful exaction, to reform abuses, to 15 round contest between Maher and diffuse accurate infomation among its members as to the sanding of dealers, to produce uniformiy and certainty as ation. Thave heard nothing since from to the customs and bages of the lumber trade, the transactio of business among their silence means there will not be a its members as ma be expedient and lawful. The princial officers are to be

in Norfolk.

Assaulted an E-Congressman. MEMPHIS. Feb. 1-On Union street, one of the most pominent thoroughfares of the city. Ion. Hugh Brinkley, a wealthy and proxinent citizen and at present one of the olice commissioners, assaulted with a ane and seriously injured ex-Congresman William R. Moore, a prominat merchant and a grew out of the ssuance of a salty circular by Colone' Moore in which the honor of Mr. Brnkley was brought into

A Negro Cleats the Gallows.

RALEIGH, Feb. 9 .- Calvin Mangam, who was in jal at Oxford under sentence of death for the murder of Nathan Wilson, has cheated the gallows by dying. He was convicted jointly with two negpes named Tanner and two of Wilson's daughters of murdering Wilson and burying his body in the front yard of his house and making a flower bed over it. The crime would never have been discovered but for Wil-

son's little son. To Improve an Alabama Waterway. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5. - The senate committee on conmerce has ordered a favorable report on Mr. Morgan's resolution for a survey looking to the improvement of the waterway between Birmingham and the Black Warrior river, and an appropriation of \$15,000 is made to be taker from moneys already

appropriated. Burglar's Neck Broken.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb. 8.-Monroe Johnson, convicted of entering the house of A. C. Shields in the night and of wounding him and attempting to kill his daughter, was hanged here at 11:19 a. m. The execution was private, but a large crowd gathered outside the

Stonemason Fatally Injured.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb. 5.- John Mcpipe layers. He stood too near a blast and was struck by a large piece of stone. His skull was fractured. He was quite old and a well known character.

Baby's Mutilated Body Found.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Feb. 9.-The body of a badly mutilated white baby has been found beneath a house on Adams avenue, minus its head. Physicians made an examination and said the was murdered. The coroner's ju considering the case.