

DAILY REFLECTOR.

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Senator Ransom's prospect for the Mexican mission seems to be brightening every day.

The bill to reduce the official bond of the Treasurer of Pitt county was tabled on last Saturday.

The "Big Five" have dispersed after having been in Raleigh for two or three weeks. Their purpose in assembling was to shape legislation to suit themselves. They prepared especially two bills, the Election bill, and the County Government bill. The former has been introduced in the Legislature and made the special order for to-day. This bill is about what was outlined even before the Legislature met, so no very great wisdom is exhibited on the part of the "Big Five" in its preparation. The County Government bill has not as yet reached the Legislature. This is what has hung fire. Caucus after caucus has been held night after night and nothing could be done. No agreement could be reached. The "Big Five" scattered, and reassembled and tried the effect of their august presence, and overpowering eloquence, to get everybody together but it was all in vain. Finally they gave up and left for their homes and this wonderful production has gone into the hands of the "little fourteen," seven Popalists and seven Republicans. What will be its fate cannot be even conjectured now. It is said this "little fourteen" will consider at least three bills, and may evolve one from the three. These are the one which has been left as a

legacy to them by the "Big Five," one introduced by Mr. Ewart, and one which has not been offered but much talked of reducing the Commissioners to three and having a committee of audit. How ungrateful this Legislature seems. The "Big Five" left their work at home, paid their board, gave sleepless nights and toil to prepare a bill that would be the admiration of the age, and then for the body to refuse to receive it.

What a set-back for the "Big Five!" But so is life. May be that all will be for the best, at least this is all the consolation we can offer them.

SHODDY BUSINESS

We notice the big horse heads advertisement of the Lyon Manufacturing Company appearing in some of our State exchanges. It is to be hoped not one of them took it at the significant price offered us. The cut is 8 inches long and 3 columns wide, occupying space of 24 inches or more than one column. Now, be honest gentlemen, and say how many of you would have done the same amount of advertising for one of your home merchants, (from whom you ask and receive favors it may be and to whom you ought to feel indebted in consequence) at the price paid you for this business (?) We pause for reply.—*Henderson Gold Leaf.*

The REFLECTOR has also been curious to know what some of the papers in which the horse-head advertisement appears are getting for it. We received a proposition from the house sending out this advertisement offering the big (?) sum of \$8 for its insertion three months, but they were notified that they could get that space in the REFLECTOR three months for \$20, and nothing less. We presume that about the same offer was made to other weekly papers in the State, and its appearance so soon in a number of

them leads to the belief that they were eager to accept the offer made them. If this is true to say the least of it such papers reflect discredit upon the profession in the State. It is not dealing honestly, either, to charge home patrons who support a paper one price for space and then sell it to outside concerns at half or less than half price. The EASTERN REFLECTOR charges \$75 a year for a column, with a small increase in price for smaller space or shorter time, and nobody gets space in it at a less rate. If a paper has any favors to show in the way of special rates, the home patron who stands with it year by year is more entitled to such favor than the outsider who only wants space semi-occasionally. In justice to themselves the home patrons of some papers ought to investigate and see if they are being treated fairly in such matters.

Slaughter in Music.

300 pieces select sheet music to be sold at 5 cents each or six pieces for 25 cents. Call early if you wish to get the benefit of this low offer.

REFLECTOR BOOK STORE.

Cotton and Peanuts.

Below are Norfolk prices of cotton and peanuts for yesterday, as furnished by Cobb Bros. & Co., Commission Merchants of Norfolk:

COTTON.	
Good Middling	5 3/4
Middling	5 1-16
Low Middling	4 3/4
Good Ordinary	3 15-16
Tone—steady.	
PEANUTS,	
Common	1 to 1 1/2
Prime	1 1/4
Extra Prime	2 to 2 1/8
Fancy	2 1/4
Spanish	2 1/2
Tone—steady.	
Eggs—steady at	19 to 20 cts.
B. E. Peas—best,	2.50 to 2.75 per bag.
“ “ damaged,	1.50 to 1.75.
Black and Clay,	75 to 90 per bushel.