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The Mississippi Democratic state convention endorsed the Chicago platform and Wm. J. Bryan as the "greatest exponent of those principles." Three states have spoken for Bryan during this month.

Gen. Otis may find that by keeping the Administration in the dark regarding his proceedings, he has stirred up trouble for himself. As long as it was only the people who were flouted and hoodwinked the Administration did not care.

When it was finally announced that Thos. B. Reed had filed his resignation to take effect Sept. 1, a great big sigh of relief went up from the administration. But Amos Allen, his probable successor, will continue the fight against expansion.

The Associated Press correspondent at Manila says: "The censor writes stereotyped official phrases and adjectives into the dispatches, tending to magnify the American operations and to minimize the opposition." This explains why the reports appear so one-sided, and yet the war does not end.

O. H. P. Belmont of New York, now that he has punctured Van Wyck's boom is being actively pushed for the second place by Bryan. He is very wealthy, believes the silver question is one for Congressional rather than Executive action, strongly favors an income tax, and is against expansion. Nebraska Democrats, Populists and Silver Republicans met in separate conventions at Omaha and nominated ex Gov. Holcomb for Supreme Judge. Mr. Bryan was a delegate to the Democratic convention. Ex-Senator Allen could have had the nomination, but with draw in the interest of harmony. The Democratic platform declares uncompromisingly for free silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

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## FROM FAR AWAY LANDS.

Walter Pender Writes an Interesting Letter of His Cruise.

Saturday night, 29th, Mr. D. D. Overton received a letter from Mr. W. T. Pender, one of the crew of U. S. S. Marched that is now on a cruise around the world. Mr. Overton turned the letter over to THE REFLECTOR to make some extracts from, and while it is largely of a personal nature there is much in it of interest to Walter's host of friends here in Greenville.

The letter was written from Talcahuano, Chile, dated July 15th, showing that it required one month and eleven days to reach its destination, having traveled thousands and thousands of miles enroute. It bore two postage stamps, one yellow for ten cents and one blue for five cents. There was also a collect postage notice for ten cents that Mr. Overton had to pay here.

Walter started out by speaking of just receiving a letter from Mr. Overton and "Cable Leon" (Mr. L. H. Pender, the letter before, which letters bore date of May 20th, and contained the first news he had heard from the United States since he left Kingston, Jamaica, in March. Seventeen letters were awaiting him at Talcahuano. He says every now and then brings him nearer to the "only country" in the land of the living, and he longs for the time when he can once more greet his friends in Greenville. He expects this time to be next spring when he will have a three months furlough from March to June. Now to quote from the letter:

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## MURDER NEAR WILSON.

Prominent Citizen Assassinated on the Highway.

Wilson, N. C., Aug. 29.—Capt. Calvin Barnes, a prominent citizen of Wilson, was assassinated on the public highway about half past seven o'clock, Monday evening, within half mile of town. Capt. Barnes was in a buggy returning from his farm, and was accompanied by two little grand-children. The shot came from the side of the road, struck him in the left shoulder and passed entirely through the body. He died at 2:30 o'clock this morning. A negro suspected of being guilty of the murder has been arrested and is held pending investigation.

JOHNSON'S MILLS ITEMS. JOHNSON'S MILLS, N. C., Aug. 28. E. F. Cox and Zeb Bland went to Newbern today.

Miss Birdie Koonce is visiting in the neighborhood. Julian Bender is visiting at W. J. Kilpatrick's.

Mrs. W. S. Pugh, of Newbern and Mrs. W. B. Brown, of Ayden, are visiting at W. J. Laughlin's house.

Fred Ives returned to his home in Carteret today accompanied by Joe Cox.

Two Calves at One Time. J. T. Couch was in to see us today and informed the Sun that a cow belonging to his mother, Mrs. Margaret A. Couch, who lives just across the line in Orange county, gave birth to two calves at one time last Sunday morning.

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Land Sale. By virtue of the power vested in me by a decree in a Special Proceeding in the Superior Court, entitled Sarah Cox and Harry Skinner, ex parte, petition to sell land for partition in the undivided whole, on Wednesday, September 20th, 1899, before the Court House door in the town of Greenville, expose to public sale, to the highest bidder cash, the following piece or parcel of land to wit: Situated on the N. E. corner of Evans and First streets, and bounded on the East by the lands of J. W. Brown, East by lands of Sarah Cox (Lot No. 110) South by First street and West by Evans street, and known as Lot No. 98 in the Plat. of said town of Greenville, and being the same as formerly owned and occupied by J. D. Cobb, deceased. Terms of sale, cash.

## WINTERVILLE DEPARTMENT.

NEWSY HAPPENINGS AND BUSINESS NOTES.

WINTERVILLE, August 25, '99. Tom



