



HENRY W. GRADY.

At the annual dinner of the New England society, given in New York in December of 1886, Mr. Henry W. Grady was one of the most prominent men present. The brilliant, ringing speech which he delivered will be long remembered by the auditors of the occasion. Mr. Grady is a coming man and destined, if he lives, for higher honors than those which he now enjoys. Mr. Henry W. Grady is a Georgian by birth and education and a townsman of Atlanta. He received his education at the University of Georgia, finishing at the University of Virginia, and participating in some of the closing events of the civil war.

After this he entered into several unsuccessful business ventures and finally turned and centred his ambitions towards journalism, becoming the leading writer on the *Atlanta Herald*. His writings usually carried conviction with him as being both forcible and impressive, and when the *Herald* finally succumbed to the inevitable (dissolution) which had long been threatening it, Mr. Grady's energy was directed to a broader and wider sphere, by becoming the Georgia correspondent of the *New York Herald*. His energetic nature soon became inspired with the idea of developing all his latent powers by writing and publishing a series of letters under the title of "Sheep, Gold and Oranges," which have proved to be the means of reopening industries to the Southern classes which had dropped into a semi-comatose condition. In time Mr. Grady became one of the editors and owners of the *Constitution*, which has become one of the most influential organs of the South.

Mr. Grady has contributed numerous articles on Southern subjects to both *Harper's* and the *Century* magazine which have been widely read and appreciated.

U. S. Courts.

In the United States courts this morning, Hon. W. T. Newman, district judge, presiding, the case of the United States vs. Wm. M. Haynes, Milton Moore, Littleton Skelton and John K. Ferguson, being a suit on a fruit distiller's bond, was tried, the jury returning a verdict in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$29 03.

The case of the State of Georgia vs. Virgil T. Stephens was taken up. This case was removed from Cherokee Superior court under the law authorizing the removal of criminal cases brought against officers of the United States in the State courts to the Federal courts. Stephens was a storekeeper and gauger at the government distillery of Newton Wheeler, in Cherokee county. In February last Stephens and Wheeler had some trouble during which Wheeler was stabbed. An indictment was found against Stephens, charging him with stabbing. The State was represented by G. F. Gover, solicitor general of the district, and the defendant by Hon. B. H. Hill, United States attorney.

There are fifty-five cases of this character on the docket, and the court will in all probability be occupied with them the remainder of the week. An effort will be made to clean the docket of these cases, among which are the cases against Deputy Collector Chisolm and Deputy Marshal McDonald, who were indicted in Fulton Superior Court for the alleged murder of John Brown, a moonshiner. Most of the cases are against revenue officers, charging them with carrying concealed weapons.