

REMARKS OF WM. R. MYERS, OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

Delivered in the Senate of North Carolina on the 22d December, on the Bill to re-charter the Bank of the State.

It must be conceded that the question now under consideration is, perhaps, one of the most important questions that will engage the attention and earnest consideration of this General Assembly...

Intimately connected with the development of the resources of the State, is the establishment and maintenance of a judicious and equitable system of legalized banking.

DEATH OF A CLERICAL MISER. The Rev. Henry Dickenson, M. A., who recently died at West Retford, England, was the last of a family who had lived in the neighborhood over two hundred years.

From Washington—Successor to Mr Cramp-ton Appointed. WASHINGTON, Jan. 6th.—The administration has been officially advised that Villiers, the brother of Lord Clarendon and the late Judge Advocate General, has been appointed British Minister to this country...

IMPORTANT TO BACHELORS.—The Court of Oyer and Terminer, at Pittsburg, a few days since, on application for divorce, made principally on the ground that the wife was an inveterate scold, and therefore a most undesirable life companion...

The Herbert Case. WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—It appears from a document sent to the Senate that the Netherlands government approved the conduct of its minister, Du Bois, in refusing to testify in court in the Herbert case.

then invest the funds of the State in an enterprise untried and unknown—placing this large amount of means in the keeping of untried, unknown and inexperienced men.

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THE EARTHQUAKE IN CANADA.—A correspondent of the Boston Post writes from the Island of Candia, under date of November 15th, that official returns made to the pasha, show the following loss of life and property there by the recent earthquake.

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CHRISTMAS.

It was required of the Israelites of old to give to their children a reason of their observance, when asked, "why do ye this?" but, how many, either old or young, could give any reason for observing the 25th of December in commemoration of the birth of our Saviour?

1. It would be a very inconvenient time for making the enrolment spoken of; and a very unfavorable season for traveling.

With regard to the weather in that climate we learn that "December is the first winter month; the cold is piercing and sometimes fatal to those not inured to the climate, but rain is more common than snow."

Its observance did not originate in the early church. "There is no mention in the early church of any such observance, till between the 3rd and 4th centuries, and then the day could not be found out with any certainty."

Nor does the origin of this day called Christmas recommend it to our regard. "Like many other observances it was borrowed by the Catholic church from the heathen."

THE BIRTH OF CHRIST.—It was supposed that with the introduction of railroads, the trade of brigandism on the high road would be at an end. It appears not to be the case, however, in the Papal States.

Brown in Ordo Saeculorum fixes a conjugal date 5 years earlier. Justin Martyr in 2d century makes a remark from which we infer that he thought it about 5 years before our A. D. Irenaeus who also lived in 2d century, says that Christ was born in the 41st year of Augustus Caesar, which would make it 4 years before.

There is no truth in the report that the Supreme Court has come to a conclusion in the Dred Scott case, involving the constitutionality of the Missouri Compromise. The Judges have not yet had a consultation on the subject.

CHANGE OF PUBLIC OPINION.—The Daily News of New York, a conservative Democratic journal, expresses the belief that a change is taking place in the public opinion of the popular mind in relation to Federal politics.

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A MOST REMARKABLE CASE.—We do not expect that our readers will place the utmost confidence in the truth of the following, which we find in one of our exchanges: "Charles Houston, a man well known on the Alabama river, but the last few years a resident of California, was killed by the explosion of a steamboat near San Francisco a few months since.

Of all kinds, for sale at very low prices. Spoons, Knives & Forks, of every description. Also, CASTORS AND CANDLES OF ALL KINDS.

GLORIOUS LIVING.

A writer from Fillmore city, Utah, furnishes the following little historical and physiological sketch, exhibiting political standing, personal qualifications and marital responsibilities—to say nothing of those which are paternal—of some of the prominent Mormons of the territory:

- Of the members of the Council, 13 persons, each has the number of wives respectively affixed to his name. Herbert C. Kimball, President, 5 Council 57 Daniel H Wells Councilman, (cross eyed) 19 Albert Carrington, (crippled and near sighted) 21 Orson Pratt, (crippled and near sighted) 27 Wilford Woodrum, (crippled and near sighted) 12 John Stoker (crippled and near sighted) 8 Lorin Farr, (crippled and near sighted) 3 Lorenzo Snow, (crippled and near sighted) 25 Leonard E. Harrington, (crippled and near sighted) 3 Benjamin F. Johnson, (crippled and near sighted) 3 Isaac Moorley, (72 years old) 5 John A. Ray, (from Texas) 2 George A Smith, (crippled & near sighted) 5

- Grand total, men 13, women 171 House of Representatives, 26 members: J. M. Grant, Speaker, has 6 W. W. Phelps, (printer of Morgan's book) 7 A. P. Rockwood, (an old man) 8 Edwin D. Woolley, (a small man) 7 J. W. Cummings, (crippled) 10 Hosea Stout, (lawyer from Kentucky—3 dead) 1 S. W. Richards, (young and handsome lawyer) 15 Jesse C Little, (lawyer of Boston, Mass.) 3 Wm. Snow, (Vermont laborer) 8 P. H. Young, (older brother of Brigham—tailor) 5 C. V. Spencer, (of Mass., quite small) 2 Ezra S. Benson, (old and homely) 15 James C. Snow, (quite poor) 3 Aaron Johnson, (has three sisters, and altogether) 6 Lorenzo H. Hatch, (wagon maker) 2 Jacob G. Bigler, (farmer) 10 George Peacock, (farmer) 10 John Eldridge, (phonologist—two dead) 1 Isaac C. Haight, (coal digger) 12 Jesse N. Smith, (lawyer) 12 John D. Parker, (old and deaf) 10 Jesse Hobson, (ox steamer) 3 J. C. Wright, (hotel keeper) 1 James Brown, (dairyman) 7 Enoch Reese, (farmer, etc.) 3 W. A. Hickman, (one of the Danites) 2

- Total, 127 To which add officers of the House, to wit: Thomas Bullock, (Clerk and an Englishman) 4 J. Grimshaw, (Assistant Clerk and an Englishman) 5 Chandler Holbrook, (foreman and deaf) 4 Jacob F. Hutchison, (messenger) 2 Joel H. Johnson, (Chaplain) 7 Total, 22 To which add 68 for the number of Gov. Young's wives, and we have the whole number of females thus represented by the members of the Legislature, and his excellency, amounting to 420; or in other words, 40 men have 420 wives.

A NEW TRADE. Already some palpable good has come of the Southern Convention at Savannah. A gentleman of this city who attended the Convention was surprised to find that a prominent merchant of Savannah purchased his supply of nails in a Northern market.

That is the way to do the thing. Neither the commercial nor manufacturing interests of the South can thrive unless Southern merchants are ready to give the preference to one another over the merchants of the North.

SNOW BALLING WITH A VENGEANCE.—On Thursday afternoon, says the Argus, a gang of fellows collected on Water street, Norfolk, and commenced a furious snow ball frolic among themselves and attacking all who passed.

DEROSSET & BROWN, Wilmington, N. C. BROWN & DROSSET, New-York, GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

WATCHES OF ALL KINDS & QUALITIES. SOME VERY CHEAP. JEWELRY Of all kinds and NEW styles.

CLOCKS Of all kinds, for sale at very low prices. Spoons, Knives & Forks, of every description. Also, CASTORS AND CANDLES OF ALL KINDS.

INDIAN OUTRAGES.

The Austin (Texas) State Gazette says: A gentleman (Mr. Neal Robinson) writes us from the Upper Blanco, that there have been more depredations by the Indians in Kerr county. Seven citizens were lately surprised by a party of thirty Indians; three of the whites were killed on the ground, two others were wounded; one mortally, the other slightly, and the remaining two made their escape.

E. B. Drake, Esq., Editor of the Ashboro Bulletin, is about to become Editor of the Salisbury Herald. The Bulletin office is for sale. The age of the world is involved in great obscurity. There are about one hundred and forty different eras respecting it, some claiming the world to be more than three millions of years old.

STEEL CREEK ACADEMY. The Patrons of this Institution being desirous of giving their children a good Academic Education, have obtained the services of John W. Henderson, a graduate of the University of Mississippi, who has had some three years experience in teaching and is fully competent to prepare students for any class in our Colleges; under a good moral character, and also a consistent member of the Presbyterian church; raised in this county, but a resident of the West for the last eight years.

THE FRIENDS OF H. B. Maxwell announces him as a candidate for the office of Constable for the Charlotte Beat, Election 24 Saturday in January, 1857.

Servants to Hire. I have two Servants to hire by the day or week, at 50 cents per day. They cook, wash and iron well, and are good house servants generally. Also, a boy 18 or 19 years of age, who can do any kind of work. A. C. WILLIAMSON, Jan 6, 1857.

MEDICAL JOURNAL & REVIEW. C. HAPFOLDT, M. D., Editor & Publisher. The Twelfth volume of this Journal commences with January, 1857. It will, as heretofore, be independent of every local interest and influence, and will be devoted to the interests of its Patrons, and to the advancement and dissemination of sound views and correct observations.

Charlotte Common Schools. WE, the "Common School Committees" for the two districts in the town of Charlotte, inform the citizens that we have unitedly employed Mr. E. C. Eims for the ensuing year, and that a School under his superintendance will be opened at the Common School-house in this place on Monday the 5th of January, 1857.

Watches of all kinds & qualities. Some very cheap. Jewelry of all kinds and new styles. Clocks of all kinds, for sale at very low prices. Spoons, Knives & Forks, of every description.

WALKING CANES, silver, ivory, and bone heads, also with crooks. The above articles are offered low for cash. THO. TROTTER & SON, Charlotte, Dec. 30, 1856.