

The Democrat.

CHARLOTTE, N. C. FEBRUARY 14, 1879.

Fees of County Officers.

The Committee to which was referred several propositions to regulate the Fees of the Supreme Court Clerk and certain County Officers...

A Bill to be entitled an Act to regulate Fees of Clerk of Supreme Court, Clerks of Superior Courts, Sheriffs and other specified officers in specified cases.

Sec. 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact, That the Clerk of the Supreme Court shall receive an annual salary of \$2,000, to be paid quarterly.

Sec. 2. Superior Court Clerks shall receive the following fees: For every original writ of summons or other original leading process, 75 cents...

Memorial to the Legislature

From the citizens of Cherryville Township, Gaston County.

We, the undersigned citizens, would respectfully memorialize your honorable body to the end that our burden of taxes may be lessened, asking first that all laws and clauses of laws allowing fees to any officer, State, County or Municipal, be repealed...

We would also recommend that all our offices be made so poor that rich men will stop office-hunting, and let the office hunt the man. Then we shall have fair elections...

The Prevailing Horse Disease.

I saw in your journal that there is an epidemic among the horses in some sections of this State which is considered to be kindred to blind staggers. While I do not profess to be well versed in the diseases of horses, if you will permit me to give my views I will do so in as considerate a manner as I possibly can...

In regard to the disease above referred to, I think it very probable that it is contagious, as was doubtless the epizooty, unless the present disease is caused by the use of unwholesome food.

In 1866 or 1867 from the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad to the sea coast, the staggers so-called prevailed to an alarming extent. A wealthy farmer who was losing horses and mules daily, by a disease as he thought staggers, called on a noted physician...

I have no doubt that three-fourths of the disease is caused by feeding unwholesome food, such as moulded grain or straw. It is well known by some, but not by all, that there are millions of living insects so small that they can hardly be seen by the aid of a microscope...

THE LOUISIANA LOTTERY SWINDLE.—The downfall of the Louisiana Lottery seems to be near at hand...

THE COTTON MOVEMENT.—The Cotton receipts for the week ending on Friday night, Feb. 7, were 171,908 bales, against 167,098 bales the preceding week.

The exports for the week were 103,457 bales. The exports for corresponding week of 1878 were 116,751 bales; a decrease for this year of 13,294 bales.

We are informed that Col. Wm. Johnston of Charlotte, was recently offered the Presidency of the construction of a very important Railroad in Pennsylvania...

The Ladies' Car.

When Mr Pike, one Winter morning in 1871, arrived at the Hudson River Railroad train, at New York, to take his passage for Albany...

At all events, he yielded to the brakeman for the moment, but watched an opportunity and slipped in. The brakeman was wroth at this. He seized upon the intruder, and hustled him out forthwith...

Is that doctrine obsolete or old-fashioned? Has the "ladies' car" been altogether superseded by the Pullman and Wagner vehicles? Perhaps not everywhere.

By Smith, C. J.—Sutton vs. Schowald, from New Hanover.—The defendant S. was Guardian of one of two infants, and under the impression that he was Guardian of both...

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By Dillard, J.—Leakee vs. Bear, from Richmond.—The note sued on was made payable as soon as, and not before, the Legislature shall pass an act recognizing certain bonds in favor of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad...

Digest of Supreme Court Opinions

January Term, 1879.

By Smith, C. J.—State vs. Monroe, from Cumberland.—The Constitutional amendment which prohibits a Judge from holding the Courts in the same District oftener than once in four years, does not abrogate acts creating extra regular terms which have been established for certain counties.

By Smith, C. J.—Mebane vs. Mebane, from New Hanover.—A judgment of foreclosure does not conform to the rules which should be observed in decrees of foreclosure and sale of mortgaged property...

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Additional Decisions.

By Smith, C. J.—A R Mason vs. Rachel McCormick, from Bladen.—Judgment reversed. State vs. Emanuel Leak, from Richmond—judgment reversed.

By Ashe, J.—State vs. H A Davis, from Orange—judgment affirmed. M E Walker vs. W P Dicks, from Forsyth—error—reversed.

By Dillard, J.—State vs. Whitson Waller, from Catawba—new trial. H Brunhill & Bro. vs. J H Freeman—new trial.

Cotton and Tobacco Crops.

The Agricultural Report just issued by the Department at Washington, in giving the price of the cotton crop, says:

"We are guided by the prices received by the planter, which have ruled excessively low this Winter, the average for the whole country being 8 1/2 cents per pound. The great value of this crop is founded on the demand for export prior to the war. In 1859 and 1860 the amount imported into Great Britain from the United States was four-fifths of their whole importation.

The price of tobacco is reported as very low this year, being for the whole country an average of 5 1/2 cents per pound on December 1, 1878. This price is mainly the result of an over-stock of poor tobacco last year.

Mexico and United States. Owing to their warm and delightful climates, their inhabitants grow a large quantity of tropical fruits...

Florida, our Land of Flowers. A throng of sufferers with coughs and colds, annually go South to enjoy the ethereal mildness of the land of flowers...

Important to Ladies. Just received a lot of new ABDOMINAL CORSETS. Give them a trial and you will be pleased.

Horse and Mule Shoes. Horse Shoe Nails and Castings. A large stock of Whips. Rope of all sizes and kinds.

Oils!! Linseed, Strain's, Machine, Lard, Sperm, Kerosene and other Oils in quantities to suit customers, at bottom prices.

Wanted. 1,000 Bushels prime White Corn, 1,000 Pure City Peas.

Home Insurance Company, Organized in 1868. Has paid over \$175,000 in losses. Insures all kinds of insurable property against loss or damage by fire upon the most reasonable terms.

In the Market. Please remember that we are always in the market for Cotton, Grain and Flour.

Window Glass. All sizes. Can furnish you by the pane, box, or hundred boxes, at bottom prices.

The Black Death.

The veritable black death of the middle ages on the eastern border of Russia, is killing, it is reported, ninety-five per cent of those whom it attacks, and alarming the Russian Government so much that it is using large bodies of troops to form a sanitary cordon one thousand miles long...

LONDON, Feb. 10.—Reports from Russian villages continue to give alarming statements of the prevalence of the plague and other epidemic disorders.

Blockade Tobacco at Retail.

If you want cheap Tobacco go to "PERRY'S," Charlotte, N.C. It never has been retail as cheap before. As the stock is limited call early and get bargains.

Cigars, Candies, Fruits, Or any thing you want in the Confectionery line, can be found there.

Buist's Garden Seed. A large Stock of these popular Seed just received by WILSON & BURWELL.

Garden Seeds. Just received a full supply of Buist's and Landreth's fresh Garden Seeds.

Landreth's Garden Seeds. These Seeds, known to all Kitchen and Market Gardeners as the most reliable any on the market, we offer to the trade at as low rates as other Seeds are sold...

Landreth's Extra Early Peas. This is the original Extra Early Pea named and introduced by them over 50 years ago.

Garden Seeds. Of all varieties, fresh and genuine, just received and for sale by T. C. SMITH, Druggist.

Garden Seeds. An entirely new and fresh stock of BUIST'S GARDEN SEEDS, the most reliable Seeds in the market, for sale at SCARR & CO'S DRUG STORE.

Crockery, China and Glass. TO MERCHANTS AND THE PUBLIC GENERALLY.

Decorated China, Porcelain and Granite, Dinner, Tea and Toilet Sets we make a Specialty.

Decorated Chamber Toilet Sets. And Dinner and Tea Sets in nearly the same proportion.

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Country Merchants. Will find everything they need in the Drug line at Dr. T. C. SMITH'S Drug Store.

L. E. Wriston & Co. Keep constantly on hand Soda, Catchup, Salts, Sulphur, Pepper, Annatto, Maco, Indigo, Spice, Analine, Alum, Madder, Glazes, Red Lead, Copperas, Borax, Cinnamon, Venetian Red, Ginger, Ready Mixed Paints, all colors, 1 pound cans, Blacking and Blacking Brushes, Hair, Tooth and Nail Brushes, and all other articles usually kept in a first class Drug Store.