

THE DUTY OF OUR NEXT LEGISLATURE. When parties are nearly balanced, it is difficult to settle such questions as may weaken one party and give preponderance to the other. In our next Legislature, the Democratic party have a majority large enough to remove the fear of becoming too weak to accomplish its purposes, by vacating seats which may be claimed by man in violation of our Constitution. The Opposition is also so weak in numbers that it cannot be hurt by sending back to the people such claimants as may have been unconstitutionally elected to that body. No better time than the present therefore, to settle, by precedent, which will hereafter be respected, such constitutional questions as may arise, regarding the eligibility of its members. The last section of the last article of our Amended Constitution is this, "No person who shall hold any office or place of trust or profit under the United States, or any department thereof, or under this State, or any other State or government, shall hold or exercise any other office, or place of trust or profit, under the authority of this State, or be eligible to a seat in either house of the General Assembly: Provided, that nothing herein contained shall extend to effects in the militia, or to justices of the peace."

TO MARRIED LADIES

It is a good time to give this portion of our Constitution a practical interpretation. The Democracy cannot be hurt by it—it is strong. The Whig and American party cannot be hurt by it—it is so weak. Let both parties, then, unite patristically, and make this master forever. If there are men, of either party, who have been chosen in seats in the Legislature, having constitutionally disqualified, let right be done, and a suitable example set for the future.—If it be deemed expedient to institute an inquiry into all the cases of unqualified membership, because the investigation may consume too much time, let at least the rule in some one case be established, as a guide and precedent hereafter.

The other matter, and we have done—

The Democratic party is largely in the ascendancy here and elsewhere. They can now afford to place their best men in office. We ask nothing for ourselves. But we do ask, modestly and deferentially, but in all sincerity, that they would no longer disgrace the state in which we all have an interest and pride, by appointing to high and responsible offices incompetent men—men who have neither ability, reputation, nor even good manners. There is no need of specification on this subject. But every true-hearted citizen of the good old State has but cause to blush and hang his head in shame, when he sees seats of honor, once filled by our best and greatest men, now occupied—not filled—by pupines of the most contemptible sort. Let us have men at least in our highest places—not sleek-headed boys and bores, who have crawled up to office by means it was a shame to speak of. The Democracy of North Carolina numbers great men in its ranks—men who are respected by all parties at home—men who could be repented and honored. Let these fill our public offices, and even the Opposition will be satisfied, and graciously submit to their late defeat. Our friends, the Democrats, might give us this charm of consolation, and feel better and prouder themselves.—*Ibid. Register.*

THE SEA GULL AND THE TELEGRAPH CABLE.—A very curious incident occurred, when the paying out commenced in mid-ocean. The spool had been made, and the cable was being lowered over the sterns of the vessels, when a little before it touched the water a sea-gull, fatigued no doubt after a long flight, perched on it, and his claws getting fast in the tar with which the cable was coated, he was unable to extricate them, so that the bird was dragged down under water and drowned. He made desperate efforts to save himself, but to no purpose, as he sank fast, and when he found himself going down, his despairing screams sounded far across the waters. The strangeness of the occurrence, and the terrible agony of the poor bird, caused some sensation on board the vessels.—*Scandinavian Journal.*

RELIABLE NOTICE.

The Editor of the Episcopal Church, though from time to time, will inform the public of the state of the work. The work is in much all that respects due to the present as to the most wealthy members of the community. In fact, it is the post that the Reector is practically anxious of seeing there. Subjects of anxiety for next Sunday morning—Eternity or Eternals.—The General Judgment.

TERMS PER SESSION.

Board, including washing, fuel, lights, and every necessary comfort, with tuition and English Readers. \$15. Tuition for Boys' Schools. \$16. \$18. Music on the Piano or Guitar. \$3. Use of Instruments. \$3. Modern Languages, each. \$10. Drama, Union or Picnic. \$10. Pictures Painting. \$10. Oil Painting. \$20.

It is very desirable that Pupils enter the first day of the session. It commences the middle of the month and the progress of the pupils.

A Valuable Plantation, about 5 miles from Charlotte, containing 188 acres, on big Spring Creek, facing Dr. John M. St. George. This place is well situated, and the buildings are in excellent condition.

Valuable Chalybeate and Sulphur SPRING,

which adds much to its value. Terms cash. Any one wishing to examine the land can apply to Stephen H. Turner, living on the premises.

D. R. DUNLAP, C. M. E. P. S. for \$1. 10.

Equity Cash Sale.

BY Order of Court, Monday the 15th Nov., between the Clerk of my next Superior Court, at the Court-House in Charlotte, I will offer to public sale a

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Land for Sale.

THE undersigned offers for Sale Five Plants, one of which is now ready, containing 129 acres, comprising the lands of Ethan Robinson and H. B. Hartley, and others, situated in the town of Concord, N. C.

John A. Cochran, A. H. Cochran, and others, will be sold separately.

A. H. COCHRAN. Sept. 21, 1858.

To the Ladies.

MRS. E. J. PRATHER.

Milliner, Mantua-Maker and Dress-

I am prepared to do all kinds of work connected with the Master-Moving business in the latest and best style. Having been engaged in the business for a number of years, I am a trust in all that is said to be important in this work.

L CUTTING and FITTING by measure, Models, Hair-sale.

Six or eight prepared to make trim and dress BOONETS.

For fixtures required monthly. Room at the residence of Mr. Johnson, opposite the Presbyterian Church.

Sept. 7, 1858. 4m.

To Church Builders.

THE subscribers respectfully inform the public, that they are prepared to erect Work for lighting Chies, Towns, Villages, Col-

lages and large Halls. They have erected works in Charlotte and B. C., which have given entire satisfaction to the owners of those places.

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Charlotte, Aug. 18, 1858.

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friendly to his friends and the re-

publican cause, that every effort will

be made in his power, to please in every particular

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W. W. ELMS.

Charlotte, Aug. 21, 1858. 24m.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

COURT OF EQUITY.

T. R. Tate et al.

vs. T. R. Tate et al.