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The new jail for Danville, has been completed, at a cost of over ten thousand dollars.

Two hundred acres of land will be planted in tobacco this season, within a radius of fourteen miles of Goldsboro.

The U. S. Senate will—probably—vote to-day on the long talked-of Tobacco tax bill. The country will no doubt breathe easier.

The first official act of Governor Jarvis was to sign the bill rotating the Judges, and Act II. was relating Governor Vance into the U. S. Senate.

The TIMES says the Reidsville postoffice was opened and robbed of \$60 in small change, but the rogues left \$150 in money and several sheets of stamps in another drawer.

Julian S. Carr, Esq., of Blackwell & Co., was elected Vice-President of the National Tobacco Association on Friday last. Mr. Helme is President and one of the Lorrilards is Treasurer.

Gov. Tilden has been examined about the cipher dispatches in regard to the Presidential steal, and comes out with clean skirts. Now call Rutherford B. Hayes to the stand, and make him kiss the calf skin.

The tobacco factory in Danville on Patton street belonging to a firm in New York and occupied by Mr. J. B. Pace, of Richmond, and managed by Messrs. Craddock and Branford, was burnt down Monday night last. About thirty hogsheads of tobacco was saved.

The proposition to restore the whipping post has been defeated in the Legislature. The main argument against it was its barbarity, and the fact that it would deprive the State of so great a portion of convict labor now needed on the works of internal improvements.

The Jews have scored another victory in the politics of the country. Hon. B. F. Jonas, who was recently elected United States Senator from Louisiana, to succeed Hon. J. B. Eustis, is a Jew. He enlisted as a private in the Confederate army and served throughout the war.

As there seems to be a lull with some of the State papers in puffing men into greatness, we rise to say, that Gov. Jarvis, who succeeds Gov. Vance in the gubernatorial chair, is just eighteen inches taller as Governor than he was as Lieutenant Governor—according to the papers.

The night blindness of the three children of Mr. James Howard, of Ocracoke Island, is accounted for in the Tarboro Southerner by a Louisville physician. The disease is, he says, said to come from the marriage of blood relatives. I have found it to be so in only a few cases. It would be interesting to know whether Mr. H. and wife were related or not. If Mr. Howard was not related to his wife before marriage, probably there was some inter-marrying some years back. Nothing can be done to stop the disease.

That Air-Line Rail Road

which seems to be engrossing the attention of the people of Raleigh and Charlotte, just at this time, looks to us, from this standpoint of view, as a proposition to cripple the N. C. Central road, and cut the throats of our own sea-ports, by dividing the State between Virginia and South Carolina. The wisdom of this measure may be well questioned. Is it wise to build a Railroad at great cost, and then construct another to cut its throat? We say nothing as to the justice or injustice of leasing the road (already built) out for a term of years, for a pretty fair consideration—and then building another in (what seems to be) opposition. But is not this "new movement" calculated to deal N. Carolina sea-ports a death blow, by dividing the State between Virginia and South Carolina? Verily, it looks so to a man with two eyes in his head. It certainly will not tend to build up Wilmington or Beaufort, but on the contrary must result in pulling them down. Are North Carolinians prepared to do this thing? We trust not.

Too MUCH LAND.—This is the great drawback of the majority of the Southern farmers. The land may be good; it may have been purchased for less than its estimated value, still there is such a thing as having too much of it; especially if it is not fully paid for. To shoulder a burden of debt for a piece of non productive property is not a wise thing to do in any vocation. Taxes must be paid, year after year, and capital is locked up which might be more properly employed.

A farmer needs no more land than he can thoroughly cultivate or pasture. Add to this a moderate quantity of woodland. All excess should be disposed of, to actual settlers if possible, and proceeds used for improving what remains. Better have too little than too much.—Ex.

The Stock Law.

We do not see that this question has come up before the Legislature; if it has it does not seem to be making a noise. A wise body will the Legislature prove itself to talk fence law in a whisper, unless it leaves the adoption or rejection of a stock law to the people—and it will be wiser still to defer the whole matter until after the great contest in 1880. We need not say why. Now a law to tax dogs, to educate the children of the State, is a very different thing, for such a law will dispense its blessings alike to poor and rich, and besides the money is needed, for according to present showing there is but one dollar for every child in the State for educational purposes this year. Think of it! One dollar a year, to educate a child.

The Legislature.

This body has not done much as yet, of any interest to the people. It has much business chalked out, most of it, however, is of a private or local character.

The report that Gov. Hampton was growing worse and that his leg would have to be re-amputated, is, we are glad to learn, unfounded—he is riding about and doing well.

Indian Eloquence.

Here is the last mail from Sitting Bull, the old hatchet-wielder who led the U. S. troops such a lively dance a short while ago out on the frontier. He is as eloquent as he was "strong and brave."

"Once I was strong and brave and my people had hearts of iron, but now I am a coward and will fight no more forever. My people are cold and hungry, my women are sick and my children are freezing. I will do as the Great Father wishes. I will give my guns and my ponies into his hands. My arrows are broken and my war paint thrown to the winds."

Governor Jarvis.

Gov. Vance having resigned to accept the position of U. States Senator, Lieutenant-Governor Jarvis becomes Governor. The new Governor entered upon the discharge of his duties Wednesday Feb. 5th.

Thomas J. Jarvis, for many years, has played no mean part in North Carolina politics. He is a native of Hyde county, but is now a resident of Pitt. He is now about forty-six years of age. He was a captain in the First Regiment of North Carolina troops, in the States war. His right arm was disabled by a wound.

Captain Jarvis was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1868, and fought for the liberties of his people which were then and there ruthlessly overthrown. He was a leading member of a better Convention in 1875. Between these dates he served in the Legislature, and was chosen Speaker of the House, which position he adorned. In 1876 he was nominated by the Democratic State Convention for Lieutenant Governor, and was triumphantly elected with the rest of the ticket.

Gov. Jarvis is a true man, an unswerving Democrat, a political manager of more than ability. We feel quite sure that we will have a worthy successor of Z. B. Vance in the chair of Gubernatorial.

Singular Facts.

Charlotte Observer.]

It is a fact which perhaps has occurred to but few of our people, that no Governor of North Carolina for fifteen years past has served out a full term. Gov. Vance is the last one who did so. He was elected Governor in 1862, and filled out his term, ending in 1864. He was then re-elected, but the end of the war came before the two years for which he was elected expired. The first Governor elected by the people after the war was Jonathan Worth. He was hustled, under protest, out of the executive office, to make place for W. W. Holden. Holden was elected, after the "reconstruction" of the State had been effected, but was impeached and deposed, being succeeded by Lieutenant Governor Caldwell. Mr. Caldwell was then, in 1872, elected by the people. He died in the midst of a four-year term, and was succeeded by Lieutenant Governor Brogden. The next man elected Governor by the people was Z. B. Vance, who has just resigned after two years' service, and whose name is to be put again on the list of those who began a work and did not finish it.

Woodhouse and Turner—They Meet.

Concord Register.]

We saw him, was introduced to him, talked with him, and beheld the grandest wreck of human greatness that we have ever witnessed, in the decades that have elapsed, since we came to the years of observation. We thought of the bright days of the *Sentinel*. We thought of the bright days of Joe Turner's unflinching Democracy. We thought of his fall. We breathed a sigh as we saw the *tremendousness* of the moral, social and political wreck, that we beheld, with mournful sadness, as we looked upon the once exalted, but now defunct, Josiah Turner.

A N. C. INVENTION.—Alexander Oliver is a rather obscure shoe-maker in Union county, but has recently invented a method of making seamless shoes which is likely to give him a national notoriety. A shoe constructed on this method was exhibited in Charlotte last week. The inventor claims that in addition to the comfort in a shoe without seams, the manner in which it is cut saves one-quarter in the upper leather—a very important fact, if true. The shoe exhibited is well shaped and seems to have a decided advantage over those made on the old style, whether a coarse brogan or a French calf-skin gaiter.—Observer.

The losses by fire in the United States and Canada during 1878, according to the Insurance CHRONICLE, aggregate \$70,266,400, not counting a multitude of small fires of which no returns have been made. Of this loss \$39,678,600 fell on insurance companies, the remainder on the owners of the property. In all there were 12,023 fires, or one for every forty-three minutes of time, and the daily destruction was \$192,511.

STATE NEWS.

A New Jersey man has come to Weldon for the purpose of erecting a stove factory.

Several wagon loads of apples, from across the mountains, were in Salem Saturday, being offered at \$1 and \$1.25 a bushel.

A number of our Sampson county friends contemplate experimenting in tobacco growing this season.—Goldsboro Messenger.

John G. Williams, President of the State National Bank, Raleigh, is dead, in the 52d year of his age. He was a useful, amiable and worthy citizen.

Up and down the Yadkin River wild geese fly in flocks by the score. More are said to be on the wing along this water course now, than have been known for years.

The Secretary of State's total pay for 1877 was \$4,059 70; in 1878, \$3,902 00. Georgia and Tennessee—both much richer than North Carolina—pay their Governors \$3,000.

Two dogs left their yard and tried to eat up a little negro girl in Wilmington on Thursday, and yet the Legislature will not tax these creatures out of existence.

The citizens of Pender county recently held a public meeting and passed resolutions addressed to the Legislature advising adherence to the present public road system, demanding a dog law, and favoring a compromise of the public debt.

Chatham county petitions vigorously against the bill to give additional jurisdiction to magistrates. Some of the petitioners are and have been for years active justices of the peace. The reasons given are plain but very strongly stated.

The Newton ENTERPRISE ventures the assertion that the farmers of Catawba, buy and put into use, more agricultural implements, such as drills, reapers, mowers, &c., than the farmers of any other two counties in North Carolina, which goes to show that they are thrifty and intelligent.

A meeting of the taxpayers of the town of Fayetteville was held at the Town Hall, in said town, on Tuesday evening last, to devise some feasible plan by which the overburdened taxpayers shall obtain relief. No definite action was taken, save the appointment of a committee of twenty, to whom the matter was referred.

Mr. David White, one mile and a half from High Point, raised over one thousand one hundred bushels of corn on twenty acres of land, averages near thirty bushels of wheat to the acre, and has as fine Alderney cows, Southdown sheep and general stock, as can be shown anywhere. Twelve years ago his farm was a barren, worn out old field. So much for well directed labor.

When Gen. Leach had walked with the new Governor into his office and had fully installed him in his apartments, he shook his hand cordially and said: "Now, Jarvis, I've done all I could for you. Be comfortable and you will soon get used to it. God bless you and make me your successor. Good-bye." And before the Governor could reply he was gone.—Raleigh Observer.

We hope the Legislature will elect honest and exemplary men as Magistrates. No man of bad or doubtful character should be set before the rising generation to poison the moral atmosphere of the whole township or county for years to come. Select men who are honest and fair in all business matters, and moral in their lives. The influence of rules is tremendous, and may be traced everywhere for good or evil for generations after they are dead and forgotten.—Salisbury Watchman.

But Raleigh is a dreadful place, and it takes so much money to live there you know. A man in office will starve if he does not get from \$3,000 to \$10,000 a year. One of the officers is said to be worth \$8,000. We have known Raleigh editors to work all day and half the night the year round on a salary of \$1,000 or \$15,000, and others at less. They had families, and they were well born, well reared and well educated. They ought to tell how they worked so hard on so little. They did more work in a week than the officials in the capitol do in a month—possibly some of them in a year.—Wilmington STAR.

Good Advice to Young Men.

Franklin (Ky.) Patriot.]

Young men, be busy. Don't throw away the precious moments of vigorous youth. Don't loiter about the streets in idleness. Don't be out at night; for if you are vice well overtake you. The first little step in the path of error is the biggest, longest and most fatal step of all of them. Stay at home with your parents and books. Look for something to do; there is plenty of it everywhere if you will but take hold.

It is your duty to be industrious and energetic. Life was not given you for idle pleasure; it was given you that you might improve yourself, glorify God, bless your fellow-men with good examples as well as good deeds. Remember that the errors of to-day can never be corrected. The little fountain that gushes out of the mountain top and hurries on to the great ocean cannot go back to its source and retrace its steps. Like that little fountain you are leaping down the hill of time to the great ocean of eternity. All along the way of life there stands a sentinel on either side, above and below, who records your every thought, word and deed. That these reports may be good, make haste to improve every moment of life; make haste to be just, honest, truthful and honorable in all things. This is the most important moment of them all, because it will be lost if not used now.

Messrs. Jesse Adams & Co., (Mr. Adams of Amherst) have contracted for the building and equipment of the narrow-gauge railway from Ward's Spring, on the Midland railroad, in Pittsylvania county, to Rocky Mount, the capital of Franklin county. The work is to be done by the 1st of December next.—Richmond DISPATCH.

The hay crop of the United States is the most valuable of all our crops, amounting to close on \$400,000,000, and yet the cured hay is a small portion of the crop, which, take it all in all, is the most valuable single crop of the world.

"When do you intend to go back Mike?" said one exile of Erin to another, "If I live till I die, and God knows as I will or not, I intend to visit old Ireland once more before I leave this country."

In spite of the present distress in England, it is said that, in the matter of wages, the agricultural laborer is better off than he ever was before, if prices are taken into the account.

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