THE CONIGLAND CASE.

The result of the suit by the admin intrator of the late Edward Conigland against the Wilmington and Weldon Railread, which was tried at the last term of Northampton Superior Court, ships, They skall, with respect to this seems to have excited unusual commeat by a portion of the press of the State.

We neticed a few days ago that the Farmer and Mechanic denounced it as "outrageously dejust;" and we clip the following as indicative of the sentiments of the Ashville Citizen-and Charlotte Observer:

Elward Conigland, of Halifax County. sued the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad for camages, the deceased being run over and killed by a train on that read some eighteen months ago. He in their township. They shall annually was quite deaf, and did not hear the at their meeting in February, elect some train. The case has just been tried in one of their number chairman; Pro-Northampton county, and the jury has man shall be held on the first Monday awarded the plaintiffs \$15,000 damages. in May, 1879 and the chairman then The Charlotte Observer, commenting elected shall hold the position until the upon the action of the jury says:

"This is nothing short of an intoler-Law or to law the principle which awards a verdict for a plaintiff is such an action is all wrong. Such a verdict would not have been thought of in an action between individuals and such verdicts bring the American jury system into still greater contempt than has heretofore belonged to it. To say that \$15,-000 is no more than a fair compensation to Mr. Conigland's family for the loss which they have sustained, is an argument which does not at all touch the merits of the case. The worth of such a man as Mr. Conigland to his family and to the State cannot be ,estimated by dollars and cents, but even oif it could there are questions of equity arising which are entitled to decent respect and which should be adjusted in the minds of the law-maker, court and jury, before a defendant is allowed to be maleted.

Why such comments should follow this verdict we cannot say, unless it be that the editors write about matters of which they know nothing, or are misled by the friends of the Rullroad, who with the courts, whose duty it is to decide it; and who, we may safely asescaped from the track; and that all provisions of this act. this occurred at a time when the train the road who shall fail to attend and quarters of an hour later.

findings is apparent to all who heard be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on the testimony, and know the character conviction shall be fined not less than of the witnesses for and against the or imprisoned not exceeding five days. COFFEE! COFFEE!! COFFEE!! Company; and for the further reason or bath, in the discretion of the that the Judge though requested so to court. do refused to disturb them.

consent of the plaintiff, reduce the pervisors of his township make report damages to 10,000. Upon these facts, we road, of the number of days worked on submit that at least "decent respect" has his section since last meeting, of the If upon these facts, the Judge and jury are subject to such censures, then it will be hard to find a case in which they will be the one dollar as provided. That the Mixed (Gun powder from Young Hyaon Imperial and work; whether or not they paid the one dollar as provided. That the blameless. While writing, we are reminded said overseer shall before some person of a case tried the same week in the adjoin authorized to administer an oath make jury gave \$10,000 damages against the sworm to as aforesaid, if it shall appear Families or the trade at the very lowest R& O.R. R.for breaking a boys leg. Is it that any of the hands, after being le- terms. these corporations be our masters or

We protest, in behalf of the learned or hands, and shall put him or them sed impartial Judge, and the honest upon trial for the offence. intelligent jury who tried the cause, the meeting of the supervisors in Febthese sweeping denunciations of them ruary make a report of all moneys colshall lease; unless, as suggested "law lected by them from parties excused er so las" me must submit to the from work on the road for the prewaston and crost conduct of irresensi. cedlog year, with a statement as to how ble Railroad officials.

BERRYOR JOHNSTON occupied the of the duties imposed by this act be great dig . W

PUBLIC ROADS.

A BILL ENTITLED "AN ACT TO TRO VIDE FOR KEEPING IN BEPAUL THE PUBLIC ROADS OF THE STATE."

The General Assembly of North Carelina de enact :

Section 1. That the Justices of the Peace in each and every township shall have the supervision and central of the public roads in their respective towework, constitute and be styled the "Board of Supersisors of Public Roads" of such township. They are hereby in-corporated, and the above shall be their corporate name. Sec. 2. The said board of supervisors

shall meet at some place in their respective townships, to be agreed upon by themselves, or in the absonce of such agreement, to be named by their chairman, on the first Monday of February, The admicistrators of the late Hov. May, August and November, for the purpose of consulting on the subject of the condition of the roads in their township. They shall some time duri g the week preceding each meeting, go over and personally examine all the roads first Monday of February, 1880.

Sec. 3. The said board of supervisors shall annually, at the meeting is May, able outrage. Mr. Conigland was upon divide the roads of their townships into the company's right of way and like sections, and appoint overseers for said every other deaf man he took his life sections at said meetings. They shall in his hand when he stepped upon it, at the same time allot the hands to said overseers and shall also designate the boundaries or [points] to which each resident shall be liable to work on said section, and shall, within five days after such meeting, certify to each overseer written notice of his appointment, with a list of the hands assigned to his section : Provided, that the board of supervisors may at any time alter the sections or allotment, but shall give notice thereof to the overseer. The overseer may resign after the expiration of twelve mouths, provided his road shall be in good repair and the board of supervisors shall so find; and any overcer so resigning, and whose resignaion has been accepted by the board, shall not without his consent be again appointed everseer until after the exration of two years from the date of is resignation. That when a public road shall be a dividing live between the county shall determine as to how said road shall be divided, with notice as to the working of said road.

Sec. 4. All able bodied male persons between the ages of eighteen years and forty-five years shall be required seek to create a false sentiment in their under provisions of this act to work on favor-but whatever the cause, we the public roads, except the members think the press should leave the case of the board of supervisors of public roads, not less than 3 days in each and

Sec. 5. The overseer of the road sume, will treat it with as "decent res- shall at least 3 days in the year sunformation of our contemporaries, we would say that the case was tried by an able Judge, an impartial jury, and by the testimony showed gross and to work on the road who has been so wanton-almost cruel negligence on place named, and with the implement the part of the Company-and that by directed, and shall work on the road the most ordinary prudence, and care under the direction of the overseer until on its part, the fearful disaster could discharged by him: Provided, that no bave been prevented. It was proved that the engineer saw Mr. Conigland lauger time than ten hours in any one \$50 yards before he reached him; that day. Any person summore I as aforehe knew who he was and that he also said who shall by twelve o'clock of the knew he was deaf; that Conigland day preceding the one appointed for could not hear the running of the train work on the road pay to the overseer 50 yards behind him, but could bear from working on the road for one day. the sum of one dollar shall be relieved the whistle that distance; that the en The money thus collected by the overgineer made no attempt to stop, nor seer shall be by him applied on the give him any warning of his approach working and repairing of the road; Provided, that any person who shall and that if he had done so after he stitute, with the implement directed, by me, under the name and style of W. recognized Conigland, he could have shall be held to have complied with the PATTIE V. JONES.

work as hereinbefore provided when summoned so to do, unless he shall have That the jary were justified in these paid the one dollar as aforesaid, shall

S c. 7. Every overseer shall at each The Judge did, however, with the and every meeting of the board of suto them of the present coad tion of his been paid to the equities of the case, number of hands who attended and leg county of Greensville Va., where the written affidavit that the report is true that the courts and juries are all cor- gully summoned, have failed to attend rupt, or is it that Rullroads are become and work on said road, and that they ing too careless of human rights? Shall did not pay the one dollar, then it shall be the duty of the said justice of the peace, or any one of them, to issue a warrant for the arrest of any such hand

the same was expended. That if any overseer shall fail to discharge any one chair of the President of the Senate of shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and United States Friday, and presided with lars, and in default of payment of fine and cost be imprisoned not exceeding | mr27af.

five days. In case of failure of any overseer to make any report to the board of supervisors of public roads of his township, as provided in this act, then and in that case it shall be the duty of the chairman of such beard immediately upon such failure to make a sworn statement of the fact before some justice of the peace of an adjoin ing township, who skall immediately issue his warrant for the arrest of the said overseer, and proceed to try him

for the offence. Sec. 9. The board of supervisiors shall have the right to lay out and discontinue cartways, subject to all the rules and regulations now in force, and the board commissioners of the county only shall have the right to lay out and establish and discontinue public roads, sub ject to the same rules and regulations now in force : Provided, however, that in laying out and establishing roads and cartways and for the purpose of assessing damage to property by reason of the same, no greater number of jurors than five shall be summoned or be required, any provision in any other law to the contrary notwithstanding,

Sec. 10. The board of supervisors shall annualy make report to the first term of the superior court of their county after the first Monday in August of the condition of the roads of their township. and if the meetings provided for in this act have been held for said board, and the judge holding such term the superior court shall after his charge to the grand jury and before they shall retire to their room call upon the clerk of the court for such reports, and they shall then and there be delivered to the foreman of the grand jury; and if any board of supervisors shall fail to make said report or to discharge any other duty impo-ed by this act, they shall be guilty of a misdemennor and on conviction thereof shall be fixed or imprisoned, or both, in the discretion of the court, and the indictments may be either against the board of supervisors, or against the individuals composing it as justices of the peace.

Sec. 11. The several superior court clerks and the register of deeds in the state shall within twenty days after the passage of this act post a copy thereof in some conspicious place in their respective offices, and to carry out this provision the secretary of state, immediately upon the ratification of this act, shall cause to be published in convenient form for this purpose a sufficient number of copies of this act, and he shall mail one copy to each and every superior ownships the board of commissioners of court clerk and register of deeds is the state: Provided that the provisions of this act shall not apply to the counties of Alleghany, Ashe, Alexander, Watauga and Mecklenburg.

See 12. All laws and clauses of laws in coeffict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed. Sec. 13. This act shall be in force

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J. T. GOOCH,

Admit. istrator.

Admi. istrator March 13th '79. Notice! Notice!!

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