

THE UNIT RULE.

The Conventions of both political parties in this State and throughout the United States are too frequently forcing upon their delegates the adoption of the "unit rule," that is instructing them to vote as a unit.

The Republican Convention.

The republican National Convention will meet at Chicago next Wednesday, for the purpose of nominating their candidates for President and Vice-President.

The Next Fair.

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina Agricultural Society held a meeting on Thursday evening at the Yarbors' Home.

PROHIBITION VS. LICENSE.

Prisoners, May 21, 1880. Mr. Ferron: Beyond controversy the indulgence in intoxicating liquors is the greatest moral evil of this country.

Hold for Lt. Governor.

Centre Township, Chatham Co., May 24 1880. Ferron Record: As the fashion of the day encourages every man to express his preference for candidates to serve the people for four years next to come, I will take the liberty in my plain way, to say a word in behalf of one whom the farmers will be glad to honor.

Unfortunate Lover.

The Raleigh News gives the following humorous account of an accident that befel a young man at the recent picnic at Wake Forest.

Gen. Gordon's Resignation.

That a United States Senator, with five years of his term unexpired, should suddenly resign his office to return to private life naturally excites some surprise.

Correspondence.

Such a man should be a farmer of extensive experience, large observation, and broad views. He should know not only the needs of our country, but should be familiar with all the details of our business, and our people's political leaning upon his party for leadership.

A Dark Day.

In Ball's "History of New England" 169 years ago to-day, we find recorded instances of extreme darkness in the day time and in some cases the obscurity had lasted for a number of days.

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A Cowardly Attack.

The Greenback correspondent of the Raleigh News gives the following account of a cowardly attack upon the officers of the Patriot.

Good Pay.

Seventeen thousand dollars is certainly good pay for working thirty-seven minutes. On the 19th inst., a rowing match took place on the Pamlico river near Washington between Haman and Courtney, resulting in a victory for the former.

Concentrated Wealth.

There are eighteen families living on one street - Fifth Avenue in New York city whose combined wealth amounts to the enormous sum of two hundred and forty-eight million dollars.

Suing for Damages.

A man named McLaughlin has been in the habit of getting drunk at the grocery of another named Neenan, in Brooklyn, whereupon Mrs. McLaughlin forbade Neenan from selling liquor to her husband.

Nearly to Asheville.

The cars on the W. N. C. Railroad are now running to within 24 miles of the Swannanoa bridge, and the completion of a trestle at the Bob Stevens' place is now the only thing preventing the track being run to the bridge.

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