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THE PROPOSED TARIFF BILL.

The tariff bill, which was railroaded through the House of Representatives last Thursday in four hours, raises the duty on 4,000 articles and increases taxation \$44,000,000 a year. The Senate has not yet acted on the bill.

The bill is a reckless one, and was hurried through the House with but little consideration and debate. One principal feature of the bill is that it takes foreign wools from the free list and places very high duties on them. Very few foreign wools compete with those grown in this country.

Our wools are used largely for mixing with foreign articles. A high tariff on foreign wools not only increases the cost of woolen goods to our people, but is also an injury to our manufacturers of woolens, while it gives little if any benefit to the sheep growers of this country.

As a natural consequence, the woolen manufacturers from all over the country are protesting against this part of the bill. They know that, although it increases the tariff on woolen goods, it is not enough to compensate them for the free raw materials. And then, of course, the consumer has to pay more for his goods. This is not carrying out the Democratic doctrine, "the greatest good to the greatest number."

Unquestionably the people, and even most of the manufacturers, are satisfied with the present schedule, under which the woolen industry has thrived more than it had for years. The American Wool and Cotton Reporter, an acknowledged authority, says:

"The year 1895 has been, in several respects, a most remarkable one. In the volume of freights it has broken all previous records. The year 1895 will likewise be memorable for an unprecedented development of the worsted industry, notably for the large production of worsted men's wear fabrics, and finally the year has seen some recovery in the raw wool trade from the depression of two years ago."

Let those who fear that the tariff will be increased remember that, even should the Senate pass this bill, which is not probable, there sits in the White House one who will place an everlasting barrier against its becoming a law, a man who at all times and under all circumstances is the friend of the people.

Certainly Cleveland's message shows that he is ready to defy England's financial power. No longer can it be said that he is dictated to by either English or Wall street bankers.—Biblical Recorder.

STATE NEWS.

While in Charlotte Christmas eve, on his way home, Minister Ransom presented a handsome gold-headed cane to Mr. Joseph P. Caldwell, editor of the Observer.

Mr. Shuford, from the Seventh District, introduced a bill Tuesday of last week to abolish clerks for Members. He is the only Member from North Carolina who has not employed a clerk.

Capt. Samuel A. Ashe has been appointed Cashier for Collector Simmons to succeed Mr. F. S. Simmons, resigned. Capt. Ashe assumes charge January 1st. This is one of the three places in the Collector's office at Raleigh not under civil service. The salary is \$1,800 per annum.

In a deserted school house in Iredell county the body of Albert Speaks, whose business for some years has been the illegal sale of whisky, was found Christmas day hanging from the rafters. His hands were crossed and tied in front of his body. Speaks was forty years old and was wild and reckless.

William Miller, one of Davie county's most popular and wealthiest citizens, during a fit of insanity last Friday night, shot his wife in the back with a shot gun. She was running away from her when he fired. Her injuries are regarded as serious. Mr. Miller has several times recently threatened to kill his wife and children.

The town of Liberty, Randolph county, was visited by a very disastrous fire Thursday night. The fire started in a ware room, how it is not known, and as there was no protection whatever against the flames spread until morning. It was left for them to feed upon the store in the town was burned. The loss is about \$100,000 with insurance of about one-fifth that amount. Several dwellings were also burned.

During a business session of the congregation of Cash Baptist Church, near Cary Thaddeus Ivey, State business agent of the Farmers' Alliance, and J. H. H. McLaughlin, were called to settle some offence between them, while Clark was explaining Ivey threatened him and struck him. Clark promptly returned the blow. The trouble began in the last campaign, Ivey killed all Farmers' Alliance officials, being a Populist, while Clark is a Democrat.

William Devers Shot Devers and Mrs. West Cremated in Her House by a Kentucky Mob. LEBANON, Ky., December 30.—William A. Devers was killed and Mrs. Thomas J. West burned to death by a mob in this, Marion county, last night. A few months ago Thomas J. West was killed by Will Devers. The men met at the house of Devers. Devers was accused of intimacy with Mrs. West. At first the mob worked and before he could shoot Devers had killed him.

Since the death of her husband Mrs. West and Devers have been living together. The community was outraged by this state of affairs and especially so that Mrs. West's little child was an unwilling witness to her mother's conduct.

No. 3 Items.

Our folks report a good time through Christmas. Up to date we have no accidents to report from gun or fireworks. There have been more serious sickness in No. 5 within the last few days than we have ever known at this season of the year. Two of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Deal's family are quite sick; two of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Penningner's are sick; two of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Shinn's are very very sick; Mr. Ketter, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Misenheimer, is confined to his bed; Ina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Barnhardt, has been confined to her bed. It is said that pneumonia has been the disease of the above named. Miss Maggie Long is quite sick and has been for several weeks with catarrh trouble.

Messrs. Willie and Sandy Barnhardt are home from Newton with their parents (and others), Mr. and Mrs. John A. Barnhardt. Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Blackwelder, of West Virginia, spent Christmas with Mrs. Blackwelder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Misenheimer.

Mr. John Alexander, of South Rowan, arrived home from Texas a few days ago. John is a nephew of our No. 5 Charles W. Alexander. Mr. John J. Cook spent Christmas in Mr. Deant.

Mr. George M. Walter, Concord's wild turkey man, purchased three tame turkeys last week and brought to No. 5 a hen and gave it to Mr. O. P. Cline, to compete with Mr. Cline's wild turkey that George had killed some time ago. He set his turkey in time for a Christmas feast.

Mrs. Margaret Krimming, whose illness we have so often reported through THE TIMES, breathed her last on Christmas morning at 1 o'clock. Mrs. K. was about 65 years old. She had been afflicted for a year or more than six months with cancer in the stomach. She was a good Christian woman, and belonged to the Methodist church. Rev. W. H. L. McLaughlin officiated at her funeral. Her remains were interred by her request in New Gilead graveyard beside her mother. There is something remarkable about her death. It will be remembered on last Christmas morning (1894) that her son, Robert Krimming, breathed his last with consumption. Both died at the same hour and the same day, only the mother lived one year longer. She buried a daughter six months previous to her son Robert. She leaves one afflicted son, George, and eleven grandchildren to mourn her departure.

Harvey, the five-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cline, while playing with his wagon during the last week, was kicked in the head several times. At first the wound did not seem serious nor painful, but for the last few days the wound has become swollen and painful.

Mrs. L. E. Phillips and her daughter, Mrs. Nettie L. Patterson and Master Robert, of Concord, ask of this scribe to extend their many thanks to the editor of THE CONCORD TIMES and his good wife for the kind and helpful Christmas gifts from such kind and charitable and Christian-like people. They add, long may this good family live and prosper in the Master's moral vineyard.

Mr. Jos. A. Walter, of the Calhoun Cotton Mills, has been visiting in No. 5. O. K.

Robbed on the Train. Salisbury World, 30th. One of the passengers on the train that came in from Charlotte yesterday evening was Lilly Hunter, a colored woman, and about the first thing she did after getting off the train was to hunt a policeman. Somewhere between China Grove and Salisbury Lilly says she was relieved of twenty-five dollars, a ticket to Hot Springs and a trunk check. She accused Sellar Oringer, a negro woman who cooks for Lawyer Means of Concord and who occupied the seat with her from China Grove, of taking her valuables. Sellar went down to Pockwell on the Yadkin yesterday evening but returned this morning and was taken in charge by Sheriff Monroe, who will hold her until she gives bond for her appearance at court. The evidence against her is strong. She had fifteen dollars in her possession but the ticket and check were not to be found.

Big Christmas Trade.

The Journal is glad to see in its exchanges from all parts of Georgia reports of very brisk business during the holidays. In Atlanta the Christmas trade was the largest the city has ever known and we have similar reports from other Georgia cities and towns. The calamity howlers have been trying to convince the people of this state that they are in a deplorable condition and that every day finds them poorer. The people do not believe such stuff for the simple reason that they know their condition better than the calamity howlers do.

It is an admitted fact that during the two years of severe financial distress which passed over this country the South stood the strain better and suffered less than any other part of the country. Consequently when the recuperation began the South was in better position than any other part of the country to take up the onward march. That she has done and her prospects are beautiful. Settlers and capital are coming to her and the next few years will witness the most rapid development in her history.

The people of the South not only practiced economy during the hard times, but made better use of their energies and opportunities. They planted more corn, raised more hogs and became more independent of the granaries and stock yards of the West. They wisely reduced their cotton acreage this year and consequently got a paying price for their cotton. They have now, we have stated often, and we repeat now, that the farmers of the South are in better condition than they have known since 1860. This is the explanation of the fine Christmas trade over which our Georgia exchanges are rejoicing.

The fight is now on for the annulment of the lease of the N. C. R. R. to the Southern. Attorney General Osborne has decided to make application to the supreme court for the purpose of bringing suit to test the legality of the lease. Mr. Osborne does not consider the lease illegal but brings the matter to a test in his own name in behalf of the Farmers Alliance.

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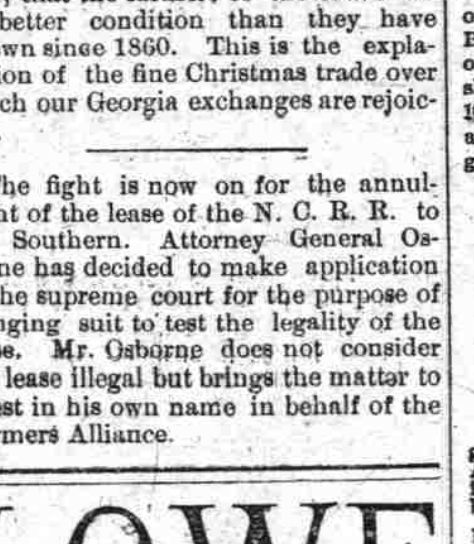
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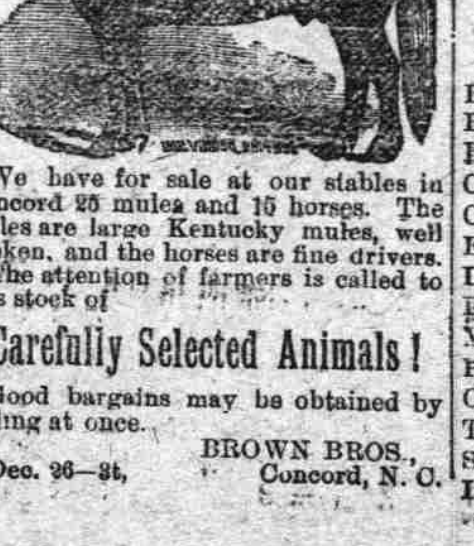
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A Case of Faltch Cure.

A remarkable case of "faltch cure" occurred here to-day, when Catharine Scott, aged thirty-five, who has been utterly helpless for five years from nervous prostration, arose from her bed an apparently well woman. She stopped using medicine one year ago, and kept up a correspondence with Dr. John Alexander Dowie, the "Divine Healer," of Chicago. The date for the cure was to-day. Prayers were said at her bedside, and she was commanded to arise. She did so and experienced no difficulty in the use of her limbs.

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Our Japanese Department. is the only one to be found in the town. Every article was imported from Japan. Japanese babies 4c to 50c. Small ones with a silk dress for 5c. Bon Bon Boxes, 2c. Baskets from 2c to 55c. We have some beautiful Handkerchief, Glove and Scarf Baskets at 18 and 24 cents.

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