

DAILY OBSERVER.

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Friday, January 24, 1873.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

HOME.

Harrison Gray Otis, of Massachusetts, is dead.

A printer was shot to death in a New York gambling house Sunday night. Clarence Lockwood is the name of the murdered man.

George Sylvester Wright, of South Carolina, has been pardoned. He was convicted of violation of the Enforcement Law.

The Texas and Pacific Railroad has been surveyed. The surveying parties from the east and west met at Arizona City Thursday last.

The clipper ship, *Young America*, ran from Liverpool to San Francisco in 93 days, making the fastest time on record.

Floods and freshets continue in the Potomac, Susquehanna, Delaware, Hudson and tributary streams. Loss property is enormous.

Company E., 5th U. S. Cavalry, went on an Apache hunt in Arizona. He was out fifteen days and bagged forty-one of the "noble red men of the forest."

Ballotting in the Florida Legislature for U. S. Senator began on Tuesday. A resolution was introduced in the Senate, disqualifying Federal officeholders from holding State offices.

There was heavy betting on the Georgia Senatorship in Atlanta. Gen. Gordon was the favorite and sold three to one in the Senatorial pools; Stephens brought the next highest price and Hill the lowest.

A great conflagration took place at Parker's Landing, in the oil regions, Pa., last Saturday. About the same time destructive fires occurred at Troy, Chicago, Toledo, Ottumwa, Ind., Ashland, Pa., and Dey Street, N. Y.

Fourteen dead soldiers were left on the battle field on Lake Tule, when Captain Jack and the Modoc Indians routed the United States forces. For two hundred red-skins to whip four hundred "boys in blue" does not speak very well for the boys in blue.

Gordon was elected Senator from Georgia on the 5th ballot on Wednesday, by the following vote: Gordon 112, Stephens 86, Akerman 7. Stephens will probably come to Congress from the Eighth District, made vacant by the death of the lamented General Wright.

FOREIGN.

Gambetta is suffering from an attack of bronchitis.

Prince Arthur, of England, is on a visit to Rome.

Wet weather prevails in Cuba. Plantation work is suspended.

Porto Rico is under the government of the sword. The military rule the civil authorities.

The boundary line between France and Germany has been finally established.

Queen Victoria and Princess Beatrice have sent bouquets of flowers to the tomb of Napoleon.

The boy Louis has resumed his studies at the Royal Military Academy of England at Woolrich.

The funeral sermon in memory of the late ex-Emperor Napoleon III. was preached in the chapel of Chislehurst Sunday.

The Cubans have rewarded one of their patriots, General Melchor Aguerro, with a present of a large sum of money, and four houses.

The Italian Chamber of Deputies are about to adopt measures to prevent "the cruel frauds practiced upon emigrants by American emigration companies."

The London *Daily News* says of the lease of Samana Bay to an American company that it is not likely to give rise to any diplomatic complication; but the wholeness of this tendency to acquire territory beyond Continental limits is doubtful. The United States, it adds, present the spectacle of communities maintaining liberty and order by the exercise of absolute self-government; therefore the Union is strong and respect ed.

CONGRESSIONAL.

A bill has been introduced for the distribution of the Geneva award.

The admission of Colorado is still a subject of discussion in Congress.

A bill to repeal the stamp tax on bank checks was introduced into the House Monday.

The merchants of New Orleans have presented a memorial to Congress asking the government to take charge of the Mississippi Levees.

On the Bankruptcy Law the vote of the North Carolina delegation stood thus: Waddell, for it; Cobb, Harper, Leach, Rogers, and Shober against. Thomas did not vote.

Congress has under consideration a bill to provide for the appointment of a commission of inquiry on the subject of restrictive and prohibitory legislation for the suppression of intemperance.

A bill was introduced by Wright authorizing a reference to the Court of Claims of the claims of the Book Agents of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Simon Cameron has been re-elected to Congress from Pennsylvania. Conkling, of New York, has been re-nominated by both Houses of the Legislature and will be re-elected to Congress.

The Committee on Privileges and Elections were to have begun the Louisiana investigation yesterday. Large numbers of people were arriving in Washington for the purpose of attending the sitting of the Committee.

Pinchback's credentials have been presented to the Senate. No action has yet been taken upon them. Gen. W. L. McMillan, Senator elect of the Fusion Legislature for the Kellogg vacancy, has arrived at Washington.

Public Education is one of the chief subjects of discussion in the French General Assembly. Pity our Legislature could not find time to consider this all-important subject. If the cause of education does not receive more attention, if our schools and colleges are suffered to languish and die, if the rising generation are not well educated, a quarter of a century hence the people of our State will be chiefly distinguished for knowing nothing.

The melting of the snow in the Mountains last week during the warm spell, caused a tremendous freshet in the Catawba river. The stream was more full than it has been in several years. No very serious damage is reported, however. The spring floods are yet to come, and the severity of the winter which has already been distinguished for its heavy falls of snow will cause the inundations to be unusually expansive and turbulent.

JUSTICE IN NEW YORK.—The turn which the public sentiment of New York city has taken with regard to murderers is strikingly illustrated in the conviction and condemnation of Stokes, and Foster, the man who killed another on a street railway with a car hook. The Court of Appeals in this latter case has affirmed the judgment of the court below and ordered the sentence to be executed. In Stokes' case an appeal has been taken, but it is hardly probable that the higher court will order a new trial. It is more than likely that the verdict of guilty will be sustained, and the unfortunate young man sent to the gallows on the day already fixed for his terrible doom, Friday, the 28th of next month.

WAR IN ASIA.

Russia is attempting the conquest of Khiva, the capital of Chorasmi, a fertile country of Usbeck Tartary in central Asia. An expedition was recently made against Khiva. It has failed, owing to a severe and bloody defeat of the Russian troops by the Tartars: the Czar's veterans were not equal to the task of catching these Tartars.

A telegram to the New York *Herald* from London states that the *Caleutta Englishman* of December 10th contains the following:

"A Badakhshani merchant reports the defeat of the Russians by the Urganj people to have been most bloody and complete, and that the whole attack on Khiva has completely failed."

These people whom Russia seeks to subdue, inhabit a vast region of country lying east of the Caspian Sea, and north of Hindostan. It is not a very great way from the snowy peaks of Ararat, where we are taught to believe Noah's ark rested after the flood; and it is separated by a sea of only a few hundred miles width from Mount Caucasus, where the white race is said to have originated.

A NOBLE CHARITY.

Among the most notable of recent charitable bequests in America, is that of Mrs. Mary Van Horne, an Episcopalian, resident of New York. She died some weeks ago, leaving nearly half a million of dollars, the bulk of her property, to the New York Orphan Asylum, St. Luke's Hospital, Five Points' House of Industry, Seaman's Home, the Friendless Women's Asylum, and numerous other charitable societies. Such magnificent gifts to the poor

are not uncommon occurrences now-a-days. We frequently hear of princely fortunes being bestowed upon the needy and the distressed. In England and America many Peabodys and Cottuses, on a less grand scale, however, may be found. And if this is a money-making, mercenary age, it is also an age of splendid charities. Witness Chicago, where millions upon millions of dollars were poured in upon those houseless, helpless people. And Boston, where aid was proffered from almost every quarter of the globe even before the red glare of the fires had died out, stands another living witness of the christian charity that prevails throughout the civilized, Gospel-taught nations of the earth.

LEGISLATURE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 22, 1873.

Senate called to order at 11 a. m., Lieut. Gov. Brogden in the chair. Message from the House transmitting a message from the Governor concerning the sale of the Western N. C. R. R. Referred to the Joint Select Committee on the sale of the said Road.

Mr. Seymour, a bill to amend chap. 185, acts of 1869-70. Referred.

Mr. Morehead, of Guilford, a bill to prevent destruction of timber, making it a misdemeanor for persons to disturb timber upon another person's land. Referred.

Mr. Nicholson, a bill to allow certain real estate to be redeemed within 12 months after being sold. Referring to schools, churches, &c. Referred.

Mr. Cunningham moved that the relief of Jno J Hasty, sheriff of Union county—that he be relieved on the 2 per cent per month imposed for having failed to make collections in time. Referred.

Mr. Cunningham moved that the special order for the protection of life and property upon railroads be placed upon calendar. Adopted.

Mr. Waring moved, under a suspension of the rules, that the bill to incorporate the City Hall Company of Charlotte, be recommitted. Adopted.

Mr. Stille, a resolution relating to assets of the Board of Education. Adopted.

Mr. Nicholson, under a suspension of the rules, called up bill relating to the Western N. C. R. R. The said bill instructs the Joint Committee on said Road to examine into the legality of the bonds of said Road.

Mr. Flemming, from Committee, said the Committee had now under consideration all the questions bearing upon the sale of this Road, and would report in a few days.

Mr. Merrimon could see no good in giving them instructions.

Mr. Waring moved to lay the matter upon the table. Lost.

Mr. Nicholson hoped the resolution would be adopted; it was a matter in which his people felt deeply interested, as they strongly opposed the sale of the said Road. Resolution adopted.

Mr. Welch introduced a resolution calling upon the Governor and Attorney General to inform the Legislature what steps they had taken, under a certain law, to inquire into the legality of the sale of the Eastern Division of the Western N. C. R. R. He wanted the responsibility for this sale to rest where it belonged. Resolution adopted.

Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. House called to order at the usual hour.

Mr. Whisnant presented a memorial for a new county out of portions of Rutherford and Cleveland counties.

By Mr. Marler, a resolution of instruction to the Judiciary Committee concerning the rates of interest charged by banks. Referred.

By Mr. Dula, a bill to amend section 35, chapter 192, laws of 1871-72, concerning Marriages and Divorces. Referred.

By Mr. Jones, of Orange, a bill to amend section 27, chapter 67, laws of 1868-69, and section 4, chapter 228, laws of 1870-1. Referred.

By Abbott, colored, a bill to amend sections 4 and 5, chapter 139, laws of 1870-1. Referred.

By Mr. Jones, of Camden, a bill to encourage horse raising. Referred.

By Mr. Trivett, a bill in relation to the law of evidence in cases of Divorce. Referred.

By Mr. Paschall, a bill in relation to official and other State bonds. Referred.

The bill to abolish the usury law and the substitute therefor, being the unfinished business its consideration was resumed.

The question recurred upon the motion of Mr. Bowman to indefinitely postpone.

Mr. Bennett took the floor in favor of the bill and in opposition to the indefinite postponement.

The motion to postpone was carried by a vote of yeas 70, nays 41. The resolution that the committee to examine into the affairs of the Penitentiary stand as it is now constituted was taken up and adopted.

The bill to increase the compensation of the Chief Justice to \$3,500 and that of the Associate Judges to \$3,000 per annum, came up as a special order.

On motion of Mr. Waugh, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The bill to amend the school law of Feb. 12, 1872, being the special order for this hour (1 p. m.) its consideration was gone into.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Davidson, the bill was considered by sections.

Pending definite action the House adjourned.

Our Congressmen.

From the report of the proceedings in Congress Monday we gather the following items of information: UNITED STATES COURTS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Mr. Waddell introduced a bill to change the place of holding the United States courts in the western judicial district of North Carolina; which was read a first and second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

AMENDMENT OF PENSION LAWS. Mr. Waddell also presented resolutions of the Legislature of North Carolina, asking an amendment of the pension laws; which were referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions, and ordered to be printed.

REMOVAL OF DISABILITIES. Mr. Waddell also presented joint resolutions of the Legislature of North Carolina, asking the removal of disabilities, which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

JURORS IN FEDERAL COURTS. Mr. Waddell also presented joint resolutions of the Legislature of North Carolina, in regard to the manner of drawing jurors for the Federal courts in said State; which was read a first and second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

WILLIAM A. GRAHAM. Mr. Rogers, of North Carolina introduced a bill to remove the disabilities of William A. Graham, a citizen of North Carolina; which was read a first and second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

SAMUEL A. ASHE. Mr. Rogers, of North Carolina, also introduced a bill to remove the disabilities of Samuel A. Ashe, a citizen of North Carolina; which was read a first and second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

W. N. H. SMITH. Mr. Rogers, of North Carolina, also introduced a bill to remove the disabilities of W. N. H. Smith, a citizen of North Carolina; which was read a first and second time, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

JUDSON FEMALE COLLEGE. Mr. Harper introduced a bill for the relief of the trustees of Judson Female College, in North Carolina; which was read a first and second time, ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee of Claims.

Small-Pox in Boston.

The small-pox epidemic in Boston and vicinity is beginning to create grave apprehensions among the people of all classes. For months the disease has been on the increase, and the feeble efforts of the authorities to prevent its spread have amounted to nothing. The new city government has grappled with it with an apparent determination to check its progress, but the disease has obtained such a firm foothold that it will be a long time before it can be wholly eradicated. It is probably no exaggeration to say that 3,000 cases now exist in this city, and the percentage of deaths is much larger than by all other causes combined. Nearly all the burials are made in the night, and from midnight until daylight there are very busy times in the various cemeteries surrounding the city. Two hospitals have been established for the treatment of Boston patients, and within two days after they were ready they were filled to their full capacity, and yet there are accommodations for only a fraction of the cases now existing and rapidly multiplying. The authorities, of course, endeavor to conceal the real state of affairs, and, until within a day or two, they have partially succeeded. The alarm now, however, is becoming general, and a great many families whose means allow it have removed from the city. There is probably not a single hotel of any class in the whole city but has had its quota of cases, but of course the patients have in every instance been promptly removed, and therefore no deaths have occurred in the public houses. Only last night Judge Colt, of the Supreme Judicial Court, was taken with the disease, and at midnight was taken from his hotel to one of the hospitals in the Highland district. His condition to-night is very critical, and it is probable he cannot recover. The epidemic has already begun to affect business, and its damage to the commercial interests of the city promises to be scarcely less than that occasioned by the November fire. Of the suburban cities most afflicted Charlestown is the most prominent. N. Y. Herald.

AN ARKANSAS MURDER.—Little Rock, Jan. 20, 1873.—A negro drayman, Enoch Jackson by name, was murdered here yesterday morning by his wife and another woman. The cause of the murder is not known. They knocked his brains out, while sleeping, with a dray pin, and then tried to get rid of him by burning him. They laid him on the fire, and, placing a pillow under his head to receive the blood, waited for the end. They took him off the fire, not being successful in getting rid of him. He then groaned and scared the women, who gave the alarm, having previously punctured his face with a sharp instrument to represent a bullet hole. A son of the murdered man told the true story. Jackson lived four hours after having been burned.

The Greensboro Patriot says: Last Friday we saw on our streets a German family, consisting of father, mother and six fine-looking girls and boys, who had just arrived to take up their residence in their new home, purchased a couple of miles from town.

STATE NEWS.

Quite a number of eagles have been recently killed in Polk county.

A huge black bear was killed near Elizabeth City one day last week.

Parties in Beaufort are swearing over their bad luck in bird hunting.

The small pox is fast disappearing from the limits of this State.

Rutherfordton has 4 clergymen 4 doctors and 8 lawyers.

The little village of Rutherfordton has 38 marriageable ladies.

The search for Stephen Lowery, the remaining Robeson county outlaw, is being vigorously pushed.

The Statesville *Intelligencer* has just added a large power-press and a Gordon jobber to its office. Good.

A force of seventy-four men is employed by the Greensboro Handle works to cut the timber required by that establishment for handles, spokes, &c.

The youthful fool in Greensboro goeth about weighted down with pistols, with which to protect himself from the furious highwayman who exists only in his imagination.

Boys in Newbern don't behave themselves at public entertainments. The newspapers of that place speak in parables to them.

In nearly all the eastern counties there is great complaint of the scarcity of labor. The colored people are attracted by the high wages offered in the South.

Capt. Walker, who has a railroad contract in Georgia, carried away sixty-five freedmen from our town last week, says the Statesville *Intelligencer*, to work on his road. We wonder if they won't all come back in time for the next election?

The Raleigh *Sentinel* says that the hog cholera—so-called—is making sad havoc among the swine in that locality. The disease, we are told, resembles the horse malady—a cough, loss of appetite, with fever, are the characteristics, and the hog thus afflicted lingers a day or two and dies.

On Wednesday, Prof. Kerr the State Geologist, ate some stewed oysters for dinner and accidentally swallowed a small piece of oyster-shell, which lodged in his wind-pipe. His efforts to expel the shell by coughing, &c., were protracted and finally became exhaustive, but he ultimately succeeded. So the *Sentinel* says.

Thus the Era: Victoria Pool, the white woman pardoned out of the penitentiary, was caught stealing meat in the store of G. T. Stronach, last night. Vick is not detained here as a witness, but the real truth is, "Vicky" is strapped and hasn't the funds to leave on. And besides being as poor as the ridgebone of a horse with the epizooty, Vicky is said to suffer with the hysterical desquameums that fashionable ladies often happen to when their hobbies come home drunk.

A DEFAULTING POSTMASTER.—Mobile, Ala., Jan. 20, 1873.—This afternoon's Register contains an account of the defaulting of J. J. Moulton, Postmaster in this city, amounting to \$30,000, all of which has been recovered. The Post Office Department, however, caused the arrest of the Postmaster, Assistant Postmaster W. H. Ferriss, George A. Green, Mail Clerk, and W. H. Cragin, Stamp Clerk, on a charge of embezzlement. They all appeared before Commissioner Trimball and waived examination. Parties are arranging bonds for their appearance for trial in the United States Court.

New Advertisements.

Free School.

MRS. Martha Moore gives notice that her School has ever been, and is now, free to all white children. District No. 2, Charlotte Township. Jan 24-3t

MORE of that elegant Sour Krant; come running or it will all be gone before you get any. Also another lot of Good Chesnuts, not many words. J. F. BUTT. Jan 23

MASONIC.

THERE will be a special communication of Excelsior Lodge No. 261 A F & A M held at Masonic Hall (Thursday) evening at 7 o'clock, for work in F. C. degree. Brethren of other Lodges invited to attend. By Order of W M T. ROANE WAKING, Secretary. Jan 23

School Notice.

MISS H. MOORE gives notice that her School in District No. 4, Charlotte Township, is open, for the reception of all white children, as a Free School, as prescribed by law. Jan 22-law 2w

Freight on the Air-Line Railroad.

OFFICE A. & R. AIR-LINE R. R. Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 22, 1873. ON and after this date, freight will be received only on the evenings of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, from two to five o'clock P. M.

S. S. PROGRAM, Agent. B. Y. SAGE, Gen'l Superint't. Jan 22-3t

Apples.

ELEGANT juicy Northern Apples. Call E lovers of real Good Fruit. Onions also very fine, ordered by the solicitation of scores of People. Irish Potatoes Early Rose, Early Good, rich, Peach Blow, Harrison, &c., for eating or planting. ALSO Buckwheat Flour and fine Yellow, Rich Goshen Butter with capital Factory Cheese. JOHN F. BUTTS Market. Jan 22

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Just Received. 100 Bushels Mountain Irish Potatoes, per bushel. Warranted sound and good at \$1.00. SYMONS & CO. Jan 21-4t

HOMINY and Grits, fresh and good. Goods sent to all parts of the City. SYMONS & CO. Jan 21-4t Near the Charlotte Hotel.

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GRAND GIFT CONCERT.

In aid of this new and delightful

SEA-SIDE RESORT.

The undersigned take pleasure, in announcing that the Concert will take place, without fail, on

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1873.

In the OPERA HOUSE, Norfolk, Va.

When the following magnificent gifts amounting to

\$100,000.

Will be distributed by lot to the holders of tickets:

1 Gift in Greenbacks of, \$5,000

5 Gift in Greenbacks of \$1,000 5,000

20 Gifts in Greenback, of \$500 10,000

75 Beautifully located Cottage Lots, "by the sea" 30 by 150 feet, at Vue de L'Eau, valued at \$400 each. 20,000

200 Other Beautifully-located Cottage Lots, 25 by 150 feet, at Vue de L'Eau, valued at \$200 each. 40,000

100 Gift in Greenbacks, of \$100 each. 10,000

401 Gifts, valued at, \$100,000

The distribution of GIFTS will take place immediately after the Concert, on the vast stage of the Opera House, and in full view of the audience under the supervision of the President and Directors of the "Vue de L'Eau Company," and the following distinguished gentlemen, who have kindly consented to be present and see that the gifts are properly distributed as advertised:

Hon. John R. Ludlow, Mayor of Norfolk.

Hon. A. S. Watts, Mayor of Portsmouth.

Hon. J. B. Whitehead, ex-Mayor Norfolk.

Col. Walter H. Taylor, of Norfolk.

James G. Holladay, Esq., of Portsmouth.

Should the tickets be not all sold when the Concert comes off, the presents will be distributed in proportion to the number sold.

Currency gifts will be paid in CASH at our banking house in the city of Norfolk on presentation of the tickets entitled thereto, without discount. For further particulars and for tickets, apply to the unders