

DAILY OBSERVER.

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Tuesday, March 11, 1873.

News of the Day.

The peace mission to the Modocs is an entire failure.

Spencer has been sworn in as Senator from Alabama.

George William Curtis is seriously ill of typhoid fever in New York.

The government of Spain will be styled Pure Republican.

George Brown, a painter, dropped dead on the streets in Norfolk, Saturday.

General J. B. Kersey has resumed editorial control of the *Camden Journal*.

Rev. Dr. Newman, the clergyman who recommended the pious Harlan, has been reappointed Chaplain of the Senate.

The Louisiana case came up in caucus Saturday and was by unanimous consent passed over.

A destructive fire occurred in Cincinnati on Saturday. The planing mills of Thomas Gilpin & Co., were destroyed.

A Federal Collector has seized the property of the New York Central Railroad for non-payment of nearly a half million of taxes.

A new hotel in process of erection at Jordan Rockbridge, Alum Springs, Va., was thrown down Saturday, killing one man and wounding four.

Life saving stations, for which one hundred thousand dollars has been appropriated by Congress, will be confined to the coast north of Cape Hatteras.

Lewis Wagner murdered two women, who lived on a shoal near Portsmouth, N. H. He has been arrested in Boston. A squad of U.S. Marines are guarding him to prevent the populace from lynching him.

Members of Congress have been excited over the withholding of their extra pay which they voted themselves—some \$5,000 in amount. Controller Taylor has, however, finally quieted them by deciding that there is no trenchant objection to paying them.

A band of men who were attempting to leave France for Madrid to join the Carlist forces were overtaken Saturday by Government troops and dispersed after a short conflict. Fifteen of the band, including its chieftain, were killed and one hundred taken prisoners.

A terrible revolt has broken out in Algeria against the French rule of that colony. A concerted and determined movement has been made by all the native tribes to resist the invaders of the soil, which, it is claimed, will probably be successful. The Rajahs are heading the revolt, and many of those now prominent in the rising last year, and were pardoned for their treason. They are said to be well armed. Much anxiety is felt by the French Government over the situation.

Quiet has been restored in New Orleans. The usurpers are sustained by the Federal Government. "The empire is peace."

The general government has again assailed the liberty of the press. In Washington last week the police were ordered to suppress the sale of the *New York Herald* containing a travesty on the President's message written by Don Pratt, editor of the Washington Capital, and printed in the *Herald* of the 5th of March. The effect of the order was to insure the sale of the papers at a more rapid rate.

The McEnery government of Louisiana is resisting the Kellogg faction in the most determined manner. A central committee has been formed, with branches in every parish, to resist and delay the collection of taxes. They declare their purpose to withhold all support from the usurpation forced upon the people by the military power of the general government. A novel idea this, to starve out the government.

A FORTHCOMING HISTORY.

Mr. Joseph W. Holden, son of the rising luminary in the postal firmament of the United States, proposes to write a "Memoir of the Union cause in North Carolina, together with a review of the rise of the Republican Party." This author in prospective is fully capable of performing the task with credit to himself.

He proposes to deal impartially with men. If he does this, he must represent the coming postmaster of Raleigh first as a fire-eating secessionist and then as a blant Union man. The public will be curious to know how he will reconcile the inconsistency in the political career of his parental ancestor, between 1860 and 1866.

The project is not to be condemned as Mr. Holden seems to fear it will be by the press of the State. It is, however, unfortunate for the future reputation of the would-be historian that he will have such poor material to work upon, as the personal history of the "martyrs to the Union cause" in North Carolina.

STATE NEWS.

Sheriff Masten, of Forsyth county, is dead.

Charles O'Connor, of New York, gave \$50 towards building an Episcopal Church in the town of Wilson.

Mr. J. W. Biggs will shortly take charge of the Elliott House, Statesville.

A little colored child was fatally burnt at Alex. Tingham's, Lenoir county, a few days ago by its clothing taking fire while warming itself.

W. G. Candler, of Buncombe, has been appointed Solicitor for the 11th Judicial District, vice Mark Erwin resigned.

The Cape Fear Club, of Wilmington, gave free admission complimentary entertainment this evening, on the eve of his departure for Egypt.

Col. Hickman addressed a large audience in Goldsboro on Friday night last, and initiated 40 persons into the Good Templars.

On Wednesday last, M. E. Burns, County Treasurer of New Hanover, gave bond in the sum of \$70,000 and entered upon the discharge of the duties of his office.

Jones, of the Statesville *Intelligencer*, persists in talking about the egg business. Being so knowing on that subject he can probably tell us something else about that smart mill which grinds six bushels to the minute.

It is said that Gen. Dockery declines to accept the Directorship on the Penitentiary Board because it won't pay. The late legislature limited the yearly compensation to \$300. Heretofore the Board charged expenses and Gen. Dockery's were some \$60 monthly. So you see it doesn't pay.—*Rail. Sentinel*.

The editor of the *Shelby Banner* voted the wet ticket in the recent election up there on wet or dry. He went right back from the election, set down and wrote this local:

"The windy beard of Dolus himself, and all his succedaneous bags of atmosphere, beset our segment of earth from long ere dawn of a few mornings ago through a bitter twenty-four hours of extreme winterness and physical and spiritual shiverings. Dew tell!"

The Caldwell Board—two out of the 5 members—have dismissed Captain Everard Hall from the position of Deputy Warden of the Penitentiary, and put W. H. Thompson in his place. D. C. Murray, Steward, has been removed, and M. Grausman, city clerk, put in. It is rumored that Dr. Hill's services have been dispensed with and a Dr. Jones, of Rowan, substituted. Gov. Caldwell appoints the Directors and dictates the appointments.—*Rail. Sentinel*.

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Fraud on a New York Bank.

NEW YORK, March 8th.—Allen J. Jones, late clerk of the Southern Bank, Germany, at Savannah, Ga., came to this city with fraudulent drafts for \$32,500, which were induced by Kissoon & Co. He drew the money from the Park Bank, in this city, with which the Southern Bank of Georgia are depositors. The fraud was discovered to-day. Jones has absconded.

The Pope and the Italian Government.

ROME, March 8.—The Pope, in replying to an address presented to him to-day, said that reconciliation with the Italian Government was impossible. God would punish the invaders of his dominions. As Catholic were ever unshakable in their faith. He had the utmost confidence in the ultimate triumph of the Church.

Comparative Cotton Statement.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Net receipts at all the United States ports during the past week, 80,773 bales; same week last year, 49,764 bales. Total receipts to date, 2,757,857 bales; same last year, 2,376,617. Exports for the week, 53,501 bales; same week last year, 67,518. Total exports to date, 1,001,036; to same date last year, 1,340,321. Stock at all United States ports, 563,637 bales; last year, 571,080. Stock at all interior towns, 10,283; last year, 88,368. Stock at Liverpool, 588,000; last year, 629,000. Stock of American afloat for Great Britain, 265,000 bales; last year, 199,000.

The Virginia Legislature and the Debt of that State.

RICHMOND, March 7.—The General Assembly has passed a bill for the payment of four per cent. interest for the years 1872-'73 on consols and on two-thirds of the unfunded bonds.

For the remaining two per cent. non interest bearing certificates, payable at the pleasure of the State, are to be given. No special provision is made for matured coupons, but it is calculated that the above amounts can be paid even if half of said coupons reach the Treasury this year in the way of taxes. The General Assembly also appointed a special Committee of five to investigate the charges of mismanagement against the Ladies' Mount Vernon Association. The charge is unauthorized speculation upon visitors to the tomb of Washington.

A Horrible Accident from an Attempt to Light a Fire with Coal Oil—A Woman Converted into a Pillar of Fire.

BALTIMORE, March 7.—A frightful scene occurred here this morning, caused by the careless use of coal oil. A colored woman, employed at the boarding house of Mrs. Duval, poured coal oil in the stove to have the fire to burn. Instantly the can exploded and the unfortunate woman, enveloped in flames, rushed into the street literally a pillar of fire, the flames mounting far above her head. Her screams were heard for several squares.

In a short time several hundred persons were attracted to the spot, and several gentlemen threw their overcoats around her, attempting to quench the flames, which was not accomplished until every particle of the clothing, except a small hand full about her waist, had been consumed, the entire body being horribly roasted. Her injuries are necessarily fatal.

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