

DAILY OBSERVER.

JOHNSTONE JONES, Editor and Proprietor. Saturday, January 3, 1874.

South Carolina.

From the leading journals of our sister State, we learn that her financial affairs are desperate. No longer able to meet the interest on her public debt, which has been standing over for two years, her treasury empty, her credit utterly exhausted, taxation pushed to its utmost limit and without ability to borrow, the Legislature has at last set about the work of adjusting the debt. The bill adopted for this purpose repudiates the conversion bonds which are known to be fraudulent, and scales the remainder of the debt at fifty cents on the dollar, with provision for the payment of the semi-annual interest.

By this process the debt will be reduced from sixteen millions to six millions. So far as regards the conversion bonds, there can be but one opinion; they were fraudulently issued and bought at a nominal price, with intent to swindle the State, many of the officials being parties to the fraud. Such bonds ought to be repudiated. As to the bonds scaled at fifty cents, no distinction is made between the genuine and the fraudulent, but they are all put upon the same basis; many of these bonds were illegally and fraudulently issued—for example, 1,200,000 were issued to redeem bills of the Bank of the State, while it appears that less than one third of that amount of bank bills were taken up and cancelled; the same is true of half a million of bonds issued to redeem the bills receivable; indeed, suspicion rests upon nearly all the bonds issued since reconstruction. It is certain that the State has received no adequate consideration for any except a very small portion of them; yet all the bonds of the state not repudiated as above mentioned, are to be scaled alike at fifty cents. The holders of genuine bonds who paid full value are to be treated no better than the dishonest schemers at home and abroad who conspired to plunder the State—excepting always the holders of conversion bonds, which are confiscated outright.

Such is a brief outline of the "bill to reduce the volume of the public debt," whether it will be operative or not depends on the bondholders.

The South Carolina Radicals—we mean the leaders—never do anything by halves. Whether white or black or mixed, whether in the Executive chair or Departments of State, or the halls of legislation, nothing daunts them. Would they carry an election—they rob the ballot box; when money is needed—they rob the treasury; when they would replenish its vaults—they issue fraudulent bonds: nothing impedes their progress where corruption and fraud can win.

By these practices, they have in five years raised the public debt from five to sixteen millions, and now, when State bonds can no longer be sold in market, when the load of debt becomes too heavy to carry—they heave the burden from their shoulders, and cry, the devil take the hindmost.

When the party came into power in '68, the debt as we have seen, was five millions; by the combined process of promiscuous scaling and confiscation, they propose to reduce their debt from sixteen to six millions—the difference, or eleven millions, it is plain, are the perquisites of the party during their five years, making something over two millions a year. This is one item of public plunder, the millions which have been raised by taxation during the same years, and squandered, constitute another and a heavier item;—taxation we believe, has averaged two millions per annum. Last year it was nearly three millions. Add this to the loans and we have an average annual income of four millions, for which nothing can be shown beyond current expenses.

The editor of the Carolina Watchman thinks that "editors ought to attend church." So think we.—And indeed we are inclined to the opinion that our wise neighbor ought to run to the nearest church, before Death on the Pale Horse overtakes him, and with streaming eyes, with bended knees and heart bowed down, pray that he be forgiven for palming off on the public the following squib: "There have been two small fires in a little town in the Western part of this State. The name of the little place is—let's see—anyhow its a place that thinks itself celebrated and mighty great because something has been said by some old people to have been done there on the 20th of May, 1775."

Now that the consolidated railroad scheme has received the endorsement of the General Assembly, after careful consideration of all the pros and cons, we hope the project will be rapidly carried into execution. There are few more lovely regions in the world than Western North Carolina. Like some of the beautiful damsels within its borders, it needs only to be seen to be admired.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Advisers from Madrid are to the effect that the situation in that city is serious.

The Sun and Times of Columbus, Ga., have both been consolidated with the Enquirer of that city, under the management of A. R. Calloun, late of Philadelphia.

Maj A B Venable has retired from the editorial management of the Petersburg Index and Appeal, and is succeeded by E. S. Gregory, Esq. It is a splendid paper.

There are rumors of a general strike of locomotive engineers on nearly all the roads centering at Chicago, to-morrow or next day, unless the various companies decide to restore the former rates of pay, which some of them, it is thought, will do.

For the Observer.

PHOTOGRAPHY.

Perhaps no profession can parade such an array of pretenders as that of Photography in all its branches.

No profession can exhibit such a host of novices and tyros, whose ephemeral productions of photographic labor blot and mar the dignity of a noble calling. Content with a most superficial knowledge of the art, sufficient, however to enable them to get up and get off some glaring specimens of their ignorance and stupidity, they rest satisfied with their attainments, and with the utmost self-complacency repose on their imaginary laurels.—Establishing themselves in some obscure country village, they display specimens of their (?) work to the admiring gaze of the ignorant and unsophisticated, and with pompous air talk sagely of their chemicals and cameras, and succeed perhaps in palming off upon a credulous community, some miserable dabs, which, under the practical eye of a connoisseur are but flaming advertisements of their ignorance, and consequent unfitness for such a work. It is refreshing, however, in the midst of such an array of so-called artists, to find, now and then, one who has risen above that point beyond which so many cease to strive;—one who, unsatisfied with a mere modicum of artistic lore, is ever reaching forward, and making new explorations in the boundless field of labor open to him, and one who has entered the arena, manifesting that degree of enthusiasm, which, when fostered and kept alive, is a sure harbinger of a successful career.

In Rufus Morgan, Esq., now a resident of Charlotte, we recognize such a character. Possessing in an eminent degree those qualifications, which, in an artist, are paramount to all others, viz: admirable taste, and a quick, intuitive perception and appreciation of the beautiful, he is fast rising to that eminence in his profession, which he so well deserves. He has spent years of unremitting toil in perfecting himself in his art, and, instead of lowering or degrading in popular estimation, a noble vocation, as so many weakling tyros have done, he is rising with it, and it with him, and investing it with that importance and dignity to which it is so fittingly entitled. A man of untiring industry, he is constantly bringing out new views, and thereby enhancing whatever of interest attaches to particular localities. He is a true artist, entering heart and soul into his work. His Stereoscopic and Photographic views, far surpass any we have ever seen, being bold, clear in outline, distinct and true to Nature in a surprising degree. Perhaps no man in North Carolina has done more towards inviting attention to the wild and picturesque scenery of our mountain district. The geological surveys of this portion of our State by Professors Emmons and Kerr, and the careful and accurate measurements of mountain peaks by the lamented Dr. Mitchell, and Gen. Clingman, have not invested them with half the interest as Morgan's Stereoscopic views of the very same localities. Mr. Morgan has directed the attention of hundreds of tourists to this portion of North Carolina, and thousands of dollars have been emptied into the lap of our mountain counties, mainly if not solely through the agency of these wonderful re-productions of the most gorgeous scenery perhaps in North America.

Though we have dwelt on the artistic excellence of Mr. Morgan's productions, we would not ignore other really deserving artists in our midst. The Photographic Gallery of Mr. Van Ness, is one of the finest we have ever seen, and, as an artist, he stands deservedly high. The Gallery of Mr. Baumgarten, we have not visited, but we understand that his artistic executions are much admired. ERIENNE.

Some skeptic carried a dark lantern to the entertainment of the Davenport Brothers, at Westernly the other evening, and when the dark scene came, and the guitars and bells were busy, turned on the light. One of the brothers was found to be untied and was lustily swinging about the instruments. The performances came to a very sudden close.

In Northampton county, on Christmas eve, a white man—by the name of Eli Vick, in attempting to cross the track of the Roanoke and Seaboard Railroad in front of a rapidly approaching Express train, was struck by the engine and so badly injured that he died in a few days.

STATE NEWS.

Milton wants a boot and shoe maker.

Col. John H. Wheeler has completed his work, The Political Handbook of North Carolina.

Excelsior Reading Club has been organized at Hickory Tavern, with Rev. E. N. Joyner as President.

The Christmas Tree given to the Oxford Orphans was a splendid affair.

A quilt was raffled off in Wilmington for the benefit of the Orphan Asylum and brought \$68.50.

Old man Tommy Turner, who lived near Milton, dropped dead one day last week with heart disease, while in the woods cutting wood.

Everybody in Durham, save about a dozen persons, belongs to the Good Templars, and it is expected that that dozen will soon be roped in.

John Spelman, formerly local editor of the Raleigh Sentinel, is now the private secretary of Maj. W. A. Smith.

A horse, belonging to Mr. W. C. Stronach, of Raleigh, ran away on Tuesday afternoon, and running headlong against a tree, killed himself instantly.

Raleigh News: Dr. L. Von Meyerhoff and Prof. Gretz, the two great musical luminaries of North Carolina, contemplate giving a concert in the city of Wilmington at an early day.

The report that the notorious Milton S. Littlefield, the great bond thief, is penitential and friendless in the State of Florida, is confirmed by letters to private parties from his section.—Raleigh News

Father Evans of the Milton Chronicle is right ashley. Hear him: The senior editor will be pleased to take a good look at the prince of liars who put out the report that he was drunk Christmas. He did not even "feel" his spirits on that occasion.

We hear it from parties who have facilities for knowing, and who have the utmost confidence in the fact that in the event that Williams is rejected by the Senate as Chief Justice, the President will appoint in his stead a member of the Court, and Hon. S. F. Phillips will be nominated as Associate Justice.

Piedmont Press: A friend writing us from Boone, Watanga County, tells of a buxom mountain lassie living in that delightful village, who stands on a half bushel measure and shoulders 3 bushels of wheat. She is thus described: a brunette, five feet three inches longitude; her gravity is 25 pounds, and can whip any editor in the State.

Piedmont Press: A merchant Good Templar of Morganton was summoned before the Lodge to answer the charge of having violated his pledge. He proved by a number of witnesses that he had indulged in nothing stronger than milk. In the course of the investigation it was found that his cow had ranged in the South Mountains and had been feeding on "still" slop. Dr. Laxton analyzed her milk and found it one third "sweet mash." Upon going to the lot the calf was found dead drunk.

Two Foes of Health.

Cold and damp are inimical to health, and we generally have an unwholesome combination of the two at this season.—They penetrate the skin and integuments and affect the muscular, glandular and nervous organizations, producing rheumatism, neuralgia, chills and fever, and where there is a tendency to dyspepsia or liver complaint, provoking an attack of indigestion or biliousness. The best advice that can be given under such circumstances is to keep the external surface of the body warmly clothed, and to keep the internal organs in vigorous working order with the most wholesome and gentle of all tonics, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.—Gradually but constantly this famous invigorant is asserted under such circumstances to be a medicinal stimulant and corrective, in all parts of the country. It will be a happy day for humanity, and it will surely come, when this pure restorative shall have taken the place of raw spirits as a stimulant in all our public and private hospitals. It is not, however, merely a harmless substitute for the fiery stimulants referred to. Its stimulating properties are not its chief merits, although in this regard it surpasses all the unmedicated products of the still, domestic or imported. The powerful influence it exercises over the torpid and toneless stomach, the scorched liver, the constipated bowels, and the relaxed nerves, render it a positive specific in dyspepsia, liver complaint, intestinal constriction, nervous weakness, hypochondria, rheumatism and sleeplessness. All chronic complaints are aggravated by a cold, moist atmosphere, and it is therefore particularly necessary for those afflicted with ailments of this nature, whatever their type may be, to meet this predisposing cause of sickness with a wholesome antidote. Hostetter's Bitters should be taken daily at this season by all persons laboring under chronic ailments that tend to weaken the system.

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