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LOCAL AFFAIRS. Cotton Market. WEDNESDAY, February 18, 1874.

inferior.....6@10 Ordinary.....12 Good Ordinary.....13 1/2 Street Good Ordinary.....14 1/2 Low Middling.....14 1/2 @ 14 1/2 New York Market week. Low Middling 15 1/2

LOCAL BOYS. It is said that nothing keeps Lent so well as an umbrella.

It was too cold yesterday morning to wash one's face.

Mass in the Catholic Church this morning at 7:30 o'clock.

We call attention to the prospectus of that most excellent religious paper, the Raleigh Christian Advocate.

The hop of the Independent Hook and Ladder company at their hall last night passed off very pleasantly.

Gov. Vance returned to Charlotte yesterday. He was not detained in Weldon by sickness, as was reported in this city on Tuesday.

A gentleman in this city says he never likes to buy anything at auction, because he always has to pay more for it than any body else.

The Newton Visitor and Watchman makes mention of the fact that "Dr. C. F. Brem and W. D. Martin, Esq., of Charlotte," were in that place last week.

We learn from passengers on the Air Line train that a heavy snow storm prevailed at Spartanburg from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m. on Tuesday.

Yesterday morning Mr. Yates, of the Belmont, found in his front yard one of the three pairs of harness which were stolen from him last Saturday night.

The Air Line train due here at 8 A. M. arrived yesterday at 4 P. M. The delay was caused by the engine running off the track just as the train left Atlanta.

We can prove by one of the most reliable gentlemen in Charlotte that our copy of the Raleigh Christian Advocate of last week is dated February 10.

Our columns being now unnumbered by legislative proceedings, we shall, in future, devote the space formerly occupied by them to other, and more interesting matter.

The Baltimore Sou says that, among other prominent gentlemen on the stage, the evening Gov. Vance lectured in Baltimore, were Gen. M. W. Ransom and Col. Wm. Johnston, United States Senators from North Carolina!!

The editor of the Wilmington Journal writes that the subject of Gov. Vance's lecture in Baltimore was the "Scattered Nation," but it appeared in the paper the "Scotland Native."

A little negro boy named Sonny Moore was arrested yesterday with having stolen the saddle of Mr. John A. Newell on Monday. He had a saddle in his possession. Mr. Newell has not yet claimed the saddle, and the boy was released on bond yesterday.

Resigned.—Capt. Alex. Whaling has resigned his position as Master of Transportation on the Air-Line Railroad, and is now Soliciting Agent for Piedmont Air-Line. He will be efficient in any capacity, and has scores of friends wherever he is known.

Ash Wednesday.—Yesterday was Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, and takes its name from the custom of the early Christians using sackcloth and ashes. In the Catholic church the members are marked on the forehead by the priest with the sign of the Cross with ashes, saying at the time, "Remember, man, thou art but dust, and unto dust thou shalt return." The ashes are made from palm used on Palm Sunday.

Interesting Dialogue.—"Who's sweet little lamb is on?" he asked her as they walked along to church one Sunday night not long ago. "Tse' on se' little lamb, ain't it?" she replied, as she bent forward and cast a loving glance into his manly face. At the same time checking him as he was making preparations to stop and stand on his head awhile. But a horrid young couple behind them heard their honeyed accents, and not being moved by a proper appreciation of the circumstances of the loving couple, went right off and told it all over town.

The Mountain Trade.—There is a suggestion in regard to this matter which we desire to make to the merchants of Charlotte. They need not be reminded, for they are fully aware, that this is a very large consideration, and something which is not to be lightly regarded. In this view of the case it behooves our merchants to cultivate this trade, and draw, as much of it to Charlotte as possible. There are dozens of merchants in the counties of Alexander, Wilkes, Ashe, Catawba, Burke, McDowell, Buncombe, and even still farther West, who buy their stocks in North Carolina and Virginia; nearly all of these, and many others in addition could be brought to Charlotte to buy their goods if proper inducements were held out to them.

The merchants of Charlotte owe it to themselves to make this effort be it too late. A railroad is projected through the mountains into South Carolina. When this is built, as it is very certain to be built sooner or later, Spartanburg, Greenville, and Charleston will compete for the trade of Buncombe, McDowell, and other western counties. Statesville is now supplying the major part of the goods sold in Alexander, Wilkes and Ashe. Catawba and Burke buy their goods in different places.

Nearly all of the trade of the counties mentioned can be diverted to Charlotte, and this trade is one which Charlotte cannot afford to ignore. These counties naturally look to this place as the market wherein to sell their products and buy their goods; but if they are not invited to come here, and if the advantages of Charlotte as a market and purchasing point are not held up to them, they will never come and our merchants will miss a trade which would otherwise come to their doors.

This is a matter which demands careful attention. Let the merchants of Charlotte bestir themselves before it is too late. They can get this trade now, but the day may soon come when they cannot. Let them send their agents and drummers throughout all the western counties, to see the business men, talk with them and tell them the prices at which Charlotte can sell them goods. In addition to this let the merchants advertise judiciously in the papers of those sections, and by these means combined the business of our little city would receive an impetus which would be felt for good, and which would grow and strengthen with each succeeding year.

Communicated. City Finances. This subject, always interesting to taxpayers, particularly so at this time in view of the approaching election, on the 23rd inst., on the question of issuing City Bonds in addition to those already outstanding.

The Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen, acting in pursuance of instructions have attentively considered the condition of the city's indebtedness, and in consequence of their report the Board have ordered an election to be held, in order to ascertain the feelings of the people by their votes as to the proposed method of settling the floating debt of the city.

The Committee, believing it to be proper, in view of the general interest on the subject, to explain the action of the Board, respectfully submit to the voters and taxpayers the following considerations, under the influence of which they have been induced to seek the specific instructions of the people, in the manner indicated by the City Charter.

inducements were held out to them. The amount in coupons and interest upon its debts, the larger part being for renewal of its notes in the several banks of this city.

The committee would, therefore, show that at this time the debt of the city is less than it was when the present Board was organized, (it being credited with assets to the value of the former steam fire engine, say \$3,000); and that the debt for the settlement of which the Board proposes the issuance of bonds at this time, was in existence before the organization of the present Board of Aldermen.

If the bonds, to the amount of \$18,000, are issued, as proposed, the debt of the city will not be thereby increased, but will be in a condition of much more convenience to itself and to its creditors. The increasing revenues of the city would be sufficient, not only to pay hereafter the interest and coupons upon its bonds, but to establish a sinking fund, with which to pay off its bonds as they mature, and at the same time to carry on its government and improvements at a reduced cost, by reason of its ability to pay cash for what it receives.

In conclusion the committee would state, that the financial status of our city should be in as firm a condition as its wealth and general prosperity would warrant, and with the proposed adjustment of its floating debt accomplished its credit would stand perfect, and its bonds offer superior inducements for permanent investment.

In comparison with the value of its taxable property, the aggregate indebtedness of the City of Charlotte is very considerably smaller than the public debt of any of the surrounding cities of which we have any information. For example it is less than that of Wilmington, with a population of about 18,000, owes bonded debt of between \$500,000 and \$700,000 besides floating debt. Columbia, with 13,000 inhabitants, has bonded debt of \$504,000; Raleigh, with a population of 10,000 acknowledges a debt of \$150,000, while the whole debt of Charlotte, bonded and floating debt added, will hardly reach \$45,000. And in the three first-named cities the rate of taxation is from one half to two per cent upon assessed valuation of property, or from two to three times as high as the rate of taxation on property in this city. There is probably no city in the South where local taxes are lighter, the debt smaller in proportion to the value of its property, and the expenses of government generally at less cost than in our own city.

Having entrusted to them the interests of the city, the Board of Aldermen have considered it their duty to endeavor to place upon its merited footing the city credit, and to this end alone they have proposed the issue of bonds to an amount only necessary to retire the floating debt, deeming this plan better, as being of less inconvenience to the tax-payers than an increase in the next assessment of taxes.

FINANCE COMMITTEE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Save Your Doctor's Bill.—When Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry will cure coughs, colds, bleeding at the lungs, and arrest the fell destroyer, consumption, it does more than most physicians can do. The use of a single bottle, costing one dollar, will satisfy the incredulous that they need look no further for the required aid. till Feb 19

New Advertisements. MASONIC. THERE will be a special communication Phalanx Lodge No. 31, A. F. & A. M., held at their Hall to-night (Thursday). Work in the third degree. Visiting brethren are fraternally invited to attend. By order of the W. M., DR. H. H. HOFFMAN, Secretary.

SARATOGA WATER. W. R. BURWELL & CO. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES! TO enable me to keep my business in proper bounds during the busy season, I shall after this date require all freights to be paid daily and any failure on the part of consignees to comply with this notice will be sufficient cause to withhold all goods received until the charges on the same are paid. J. H. BAKER, Collector R. & D. R. R., N. C. Div. Feb 17 1w

New Arrival Irish Potatoes. 300 BARRELS in fine order, comprising: Early Rose, Early Goodrich, Pink-eye, Peach Blow, Jackson White, Monitor and other desirable varieties. Just landed and for sale low to close consignment. STENHOUSE, MACAULAY & CO. Feb 17

HOUSE SALES. At the City Point on Saturday, February 21st, at 12 o'clock, J. E. ERWIN, City Marshal.

LOOKING GLASSES. A FULL assortment just received at P. M. Shelton's. Also, Ladies' and Gents' Folding Chairs, Patent Towel Holders, Parlor Brackets, &c., &c., all of which will be sold at low figures. Feb 17

Boarding House. MRS. E. PRESLEY informs the public that she has opened a Boarding House on Church Street, between Third and Fourth streets. Private and Transient Boarders soiled. Terms reasonable. Feb 14 1w

VALUABLE IMPROVED CITY LOTS FOR SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION. Postponed to Saturday, February 21, 1874.

THE undersigned, as Commissioner of the Superior Court, and by virtue of various Deeds of Trust, will sell at public auction, at the Court House door in the city of Charlotte, on Saturday the 21st day of February next, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M., the following valuable Real Estate, to-wit:

One brick Store House and lot on Trade Street near the Court House, adjoining the Harry Crockery Store.

One Store House and lot on South side of Trade Street.

One Dwelling House, corner of 9th Street and Cemetery Avenue.

One Dwelling House, corner of 8th and Tryon Street, known as Wm. Harty property.

Two brick Store Houses on South side of Trade Street, occupied by McMurray & Davis and W. J. Black.

One Dwelling House and lot on B Street adjacent to S. P. Smith.

Also, the following LAND in the County of Mecklenburg, to-wit:

1 Lot known as the Shuman place, opposite the Fair Grounds.

1 plantation 1 1/2 miles from the City of Charlotte, 37 1/2 acres, known as the Taylor place.

1 plantation, 155 acres, 2 miles from Charlotte, known as the Crayon place.

1 plantation known as the Williamson or Mobley place, 3 1/2 miles from Charlotte, 130 acres.

1 plantation 4 miles from Charlotte, on the Statesville road, 40 acres, adjoining Mrs. Barnett and others, known as the Hunter place.

1 plantation, 41 acres, 3 miles from Charlotte, near Sugar Creek, known as the Hatch place.

5 acres of Land, on Town Creek, near corporate limits, known as the Old North State Distillery, with machinery, fixtures, &c.

All sold as the property of J. Y. Bryce. Terms of Sale.—One-half cash, balance at six and twelve months, with interest from date. Title retained until the money is paid for. J. E. BROWN, C. DOYD, Feb 17 3t

"LOVE IN A COTTAGE" MAY exist only in Poetry; but by calling on Reel & Whiffy you can be convinced that all kinds of Groceries may be bought at Retail on as reasonable terms as anywhere in this city. Pure Durham smoking tobacco, fine cigars, Country produce brought and sold. For our motto we refer you to the Golden Rule. "Blue Front" Trade St., Charlotte, N. C. Feb 14

Sweet Potatoes. FARMERS and others wishing sweet potatoes for planting will, perhaps, find it to their advantage to call on the undersigned, as they are prepared to furnish them in quantities to suit the short notice. Eggs, Poultry and Country Produce generally taken in exchange for Potatoes, Fresh and Salted Fish. Orders and Consignments solicited. REEL & WHIFFY, "Blue Front," Trade St., Charlotte. Feb 13

FINE Salad Oil, Coleman's Mustard, Nelson's Gelatine, Geniune, Italian Macaroni, Nutmegs, Cloves, Peppercorn, Ginger and Arrow Root, just received at Feb 13 W. R. BURWELL & CO.

35,000 ENVELOPES, just received. Jan 17 PUREFOY'S.

HORSES AND MULES. FOR SALE. Wadsworth's Sale and Livery Stables. The finest stock always on hand. Persons wishing to purchase horses or mules will find it their advantage to call on

J. W. WADSWORTH, Jan 15

Geo. W. Chalk & Co., Grain and General Commission Merchants, Corner Trade and College streets, CHARLOTTE, N. C. Dealers in all kinds of

Groceries, Flour, Bacon, &c. Special attention given to consignments of cotton for sale here or in northern markets. Feb 4

FINE FARM near the city of Charlotte containing about 200 acres. Can be had upon easy terms by applying soon to Feb 13 GRAHAM & NASH, Attorneys, Court House

Just Received! GENUINE Worcestershire Sauce, Tomato Catsup, Pepper Sauce, English Mustard, English Pickles, Fresh Tomatoes, Peaches, Corn, Sardines, One Case Edam Cheese, Cox's Gelatine, Cinnamon, Blueing and Ground Pepper, at Feb 13 J. S. M. DAVIDSON'S 3rd door above Market, Trade Street.

COLGATE's Glycerine and Honey Soap, English Glycerine and Honey Soap, Old Brown Windsor Soap, at Feb 13 W. R. BURWELL & CO.

100 BARRELS POTATOES. Early Goodrich, "Rose," "Mink," "Pink Eye," For sale by A. E. NISBET & BRO. Feb 14 Democrat and Home copy.

North Carolina Books. I have a few BOOKS pertaining to the History and Commerce of North Carolina, some of which are out of print, and not to be had elsewhere:

Jones' Defence of N. C. \$1.25 Debates in Convention of 1835. 2.00 Revolutionary History of N. C., by Hawks, Swain & Graham. 1.50 Pickett's History of N. C. 1.50 Agriculture of N. C., compiled at \$2. by Edmonds, 50 Swamp Lands of N. C. 50 Woods' Plan of N. C., by Dr. Curtis, 50 N. C. Tragedy, (Garman Trial) 25 Taming's Narrative, published at \$5. 2.00 Pickett's History of N. C. (showing military deposits sheet) 25 Any of the above sent post-paid on receipt of price by Feb 8, 87 J. A. JONES, Raleigh, N. C.

AT COST FOR CASH. E. SHIBBER'S Temple of Fashion still continues to dispose of his entire stock at cost for Cash only. Feb 10

PABER'S Rubber Head, Eagle, Office and Faber's Lead Pencils, at Jan 21 PUREFOY'S.

PURE CIDER VINEGAR for sale at Jan 17 SCARR'S DRUG STORE.

The Farmers' Savings Bank MECKLENBURG COUNTY, N. C. CHARTERED BY ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE. Organized November 4th, 1873.

CAPITAL PAID UP \$100,000 CAPITAL AUTHORIZED \$1,000,000

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FRESH SPICES. Just received a lot of select Spices for Pickles, Preserves, &c., at F. SCARR'S Drug Store. June 29

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and furnish accommodations to all its Customers on Liberal Terms. The bank will receive Deposits subject to check, and will Allow Interest According to Agreement on all Deposits left on time, or issue Certificates of Deposit bearing interest at the rate of

Eight per cent per Annum on all sums lying undrawn over thirty days. Gold and Silver Coin, Bullion and Bank Notes Bought and Sold. THOS. W. DEWEY, Cashier. Jan. 1 1874.

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BOARD, Note and Letter Clips very cheap, at PUREFOY'S. Jan 21

SLATES, all sizes, at PUREFOY'S. Jan 21

LANDRETH'S WARRANTED GARDEN SEEDS. WE have just received a very large supply of these celebrated Seed, which have been used throughout the South for so many years. Wholesale trade supplied at Landreth's prices. Jan 21 W. R. BURWELL, Druggists, Springs' Corner, Charlotte, N. C.

UPHOLSTERING. I AM now prepared to do UPHOLSTERING of all styles and descriptions, at lowest cash prices. Sofas, Settees, Lounges, Spring Chairs, repaired and renewed, at most reasonable rates. Few Cushions, and Cushions of all kinds made to order. Work done neatly and promptly. Satisfaction guaranteed. S. EINSTEIN, Beckwith Building, up stairs, 2 doors below Tiddy's Book Store. Jan. 29.—17.

C. DOWD, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. CHARLOTTE, N. C. Office near Court House next door to Col. John E. Brown. Jan 21, 3mos.

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P. LUDWIG BEGS to inform his friends and customers that he has again taken charge of the Lager Beer Saloon under Cochrane's. He has added to his former business, the bottling of Reading and Philadelphia Ale, Lager and Porter, for the wholesale and retail trade. He will send it anywhere in town at \$1.50 per doz. the bottle to be returned. Jan 24 3m

Prepared Cocoa-nut. A. Blandings, &c. Cocoa-nut, at Bland's Drug Store. Feb 11