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THE CHURCHES TO-DAY.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev T H Whitfield, the pastor, will preach this morning at 11 o'clock, and this evening at 8 o'clock,

ST. PETER'S (E.) CHURCH.—Services will be had to-day at 11 A. M., and at 6 P. M., by the Rector, Rev B S Bronson.

SECOND METHODIST CHURCH.—Services by the pastor, Rev. W. S. Haltom, at 11 A M and at 8 P. M. Sunday School at 9 A. M.

TRYON STREET M. E. CHURCH.—Services to day at 11 A. M., by the pastor, Rev P J Carraway, and at 8 P. M. Sunday School at 4 P. M.

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.—Services will be had to-day at 11 a. m. Rev J G Neiffer, of Salisbury will officiate. Sunday School at 9 a. m.

A. R. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Services in the Chapel, on the corner of College and 5th streets, to-day at 11 o'clock A. M., and at 8 P. M., by the Rev W. M. Hunter. Strangers invited. Sunday School at 10 A. M.

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Services in the morning at 11, by Rev Dr Drury Lacy, of Raleigh, and evening at 8 by Rev Wm L Lacy, at the Court House. Sunday School in the Court House during the summer at 9½ a. m.

PRAYER MEETING.—The Young Men's Christian Association will hold a Prayer Meeting this evening at 6 o'clock, at their Hall, over the Commercial National Bank. The public are cordially invited.

City Bulletin.

Go to Church to-day.

We were pleased to receive a call, yesterday from Maj S M Finger, the able and efficient member of the Legislature from glorious old Catawba.

Summer Absentees.

Mrs S P Smith, Miss Stella Smith, masters Robert R. and Ben L Smith, and Mr J L Hardin, of the firm of G W Chalk & Co., left for Beaufort yesterday.

Col J Edmonds Brown left yesterday morning to join Mrs Brown, in Morganton.

The Temperature.

The following was the range of the thermometer, yesterday, at the drug store of W R Burwell & Co.:

At 6 A. M. ..... 80°
" 9 A. M. ..... 81°
" 12 M. ..... 84°
" 3 P. M. ..... 85°
" 6 P. M. ..... 83°

Supreme Court.

The following cases were argued Friday morning before this Court:

W P Wetherell et. al., vs. M J Gorman et al. from Wake. Collins, Smith & Strong for plaintiff, Fowle for defendant.

J H Shaw vs. Jno Beaman, trustee, from Halifax. Busbee and Busbee, and Moore & Gatling for plaintiff, Batchelor for defendant. *A venire de novo* was issued.

Saturday Night Absentee.

'Tho' lost to sight, to memory dear.' We refer to the "rheumatic scribe" of this paper who left yesterday morning to spend Saturday night in Statesville, where, we presume, he is sitting with his legs hanging over the depot platform, reflecting sadly over his losses by the Bank of Mecklenburg, but not altogether obhvious to the pin-back passers-by.

Facts and Figures.

The largest vote ever heretofore polled in Mecklenburg county was 4,836. This was for Sheriff last year when many fraudulent votes were supposed to be given Mr Houston Mr Waring and his opponent only received in all 4,505 supposed to be a full vote. At the recent election 5,208 votes were polled showing an increase of 703 votes at the late election. Col Johnston received 13 more votes than Mr Waring while Gen Barringer increased his vote 790 votes. Could this have been accomplished except by fraud?

More Old Documents.

Dr W J Hayes has handed us for perusal some of the oldest documents which we have ever seen, and which are worthy of note. There are three copies of the "Virginia Almanack." One for 1745, one for 1795 and one for 1790, and considering their age are remarkably well preserved. One of them contains an interesting diary, and among other curiosities contains an account wherein the owner kept an account of his profits and losses at cards. Among others he records winning on June 22, 1793, 4s 6d. from Henry Clay, who afterwards made such an enviable national reputation. These old books are interesting and we may refer to them hereafter.

"The Greys."

This military organization was on parade yesterday. This company was organized at the first of the was and constituted Co. A. in the 11th N. C. Regiment. It has recently been re-organized under the same name with W L Hand as Captain, W B Taylor 1st Lieutenant, R B Alexander 2nd Lieutenant, C W Alexander Brevet 2nd Lieutenant. It numbers forty members, rank and file, every one of whom was a member of the Company during the war; and it is a little remarkable that every member was in the battle of Gettysburg. The Greys have secured the permission of the Governor to take charge of the arms furnished the Zouaves, who have disbanded. The Company have not yet provided themselves with uniforms but expect to do so at no distant day. If they can get their outfit in time, it is their purpose to accept the invitation tendered by the State Agricultural Association and compete for the prize to be awarded the best drilled company at the State Fair this Fall.

"She Kicked Him."

A correspondent of the Richmond *Dispatch* protests against the expression, "She kicked him."

We join with him in hoping our polite and pure-minded ladies will say, "refuse, discard, reject, dismiss," but never "kick" when they speak of an unsuccessful suitor.

The Suspension of the Bank of Mecklenburg.

Saturday evening about six o'clock it was publicly announced on the streets that the Bank of Mecklenburg had suspended and in addition had made an assignment to Judge Wm M Shipp, of the assets of the institution and that the Bank had gone into liquidation, which statement was subsequently confirmed upon the receipt of the advertisement, making an official announcement of the facts, from the President which appears in another column.

Rumors on the street were as thick as "leaves in Vallambrosa," and upon consultation with commercial men, we found that no two could agree as to the solvency of the concern. Many thought that the bank would be able to pay dollar for dollar, while not a few estimated their ability to pay would not exceed twenty-five cents on the dollar.

We have no means of ascertaining the real condition of the bank, for up to a late hour yesterday evening the assignee himself did not know how the affairs of the bank stood. It is said now that it has been looked upon with suspicion for over a year, though we must confess that it is news to us, and up to six o'clock Saturday evening a certified check on the Bank of Mecklenburg was good at our counter.

We learn that the Bank had twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars of its own money in circulation most of it in this city, and hundreds of mechanics and laborers who who were paid off with it Saturday night found themselves unable to obtain the bread necessary to sustain life until the end of another week, unless they can obtain credit.

In the event that the assignee is unable to pay off the indebtedness of the bank, we are are informed that the losses will fall heavily on a number of widowed and maiden ladies who were depositers. The Ass't Cashier, was Secretary of one of the Building and Loan Associations, of Charlotte, and the deposits of that corporation were kept in this bank. Reports say that the association will lose heavily, in the event that the bank is unable to pay out. Another report is that the Sheriff of the county will loose heavily, he having accumulated a considerable amount in the collection of taxes. But the hardest lick of all is where the bills were paid out to the laboring classes, for work done during the week, and who were unable to obtain the necessaries of life with it.

Every statement in regard to its condition or solvency must be a matter of speculation until Tuesday, when the public are promised a full statement of its condition. In this connection we will state that the impression prevails that all the other banks of Charlotte are perfectly solvent.

The Election Returns of Mecklenburg.

On yesterday the County Commissioners met at the Court House in this city, as they were required by law to do, to count the vote of the county, as given on Thursday last. All the Commissioners were present.

Gov Vance and Hon J H Wilson, as counsel for Wm Johnston, moved to send back the election returns sent up from Steel Creek township, and the returns from Charlotte township to the judges of the respective ballot boxes, upon the ground that the returns from said precincts were not according to law.

The grounds of argument in regard to the return from Steel Creek were that the votes for Gen Barringer and Dr Wm M Kerr, contained on them the word "No Convention Ticket," which the judges of the election declared illegal, but were yet counted. The motion also included Charlotte township, and the returns from both townships were sent back to the judges of election for final decision. Messrs Vance and Wilson, as counsel for the plaintiffs, argued that the words "no Convention" were a device within the purview of the law, and intended to deceive the voter under the idea, that the people were voting for or against Convention, when the legislature had constitutionally called the Convention, and there was no question before the people except the selection of delegates. There is no doubt, but there were many people who were opposed to the call of a Convention, for various reasons, who would have voted for the Conservative candidates had they properly understood that the sole issue before the people was the election of the persons who were expected to become members of the Convention, when it should assemble. The plaintiff's lawyers contend ed that the words "No Convention" was a device and that such device, rendered all tickets on which said device was written or printed was illegal.

On the other hand Messrs W H Bailey and Gen R D Johnston, on the part of the defendants held that the words "No Convention" was not a device within the purview of the law, and that for the County Commissioners to remand the returns back to the Judges of the election precincts specified, was unnecessary. They held that the returns already made were legal and binding. Mr B in his argument referred to the fact that the words "No Convention" could not be considered a device, and could not have been so considered by the Legislature, which enacted the law, with a view of preventing ignorant voters from voting like so many sheep crossing a fence, by means of a cotton bale, on anything similar, on the ticket. Gen Johnston argued that the returns sent up were correct, and must be so considered.

The Commissioners listened attentively to the whole argument and at its conclusion decided that the returns sent in from Steel Creek, and from Charlotte township, in the shape then before them were not complete and ordered them back for revision. Sec 20 of the election law makes the judges of the election the judges of the legality of the votes cast. The question of legality having been raised by the judges themselves, the Commissioners held that they (the judges) must determine the legality, or the illegality, of the votes cast.

It will be recollected that the last legislature passed a law authorizing the people of Mecklenburg to vote on the adoption or rejection of the fence law. In all but three or four of the townships the returns were worse muddled than on the vote for delegates to the Convention. The Conservative votes were cast solidly "for adoption." The Republican vote in some places was cast for "rejection," in others "no stock law" and in others "no fence law." The judges of the elections as we understand it, must decide between the legal and illegal votes, and they are afterwards to be counted by the County Commissioners. The returns in all the townships but three or four have been sent back for revision. All the vote will be returned at the Court House on Tuesday next at 12 o'clock, A. M., in accordance with the election law, and there can be no official announcement of the vote of the County, either as to candidates for the Convention, or the question of the adoption or rejection of the stock, or fence law, until that time.

The attorneys for the defendants gave notice of an appeal from the decision of the County Commissioners in requiring further returns from Steel Creek, and Charlotte townships, which gives the litigation a legal aspect, and promises more and better fees for some of the gentlemen who honor the green satchel profession, if nothing else.

In the meantime there is much feeling among the people over the prospect of contesting the seats of the delegates from Mecklenburg to the Convention. The Republicans are elated at having beaten us on our own ground, and are determined not to give up the advantage that has been gained. Profiting by dissentions and apathy, to which must be added any amount of chicanery on the part of these republicans, they claim that they have carried off the prize, and herald our apparent defeat as a great republican victory. On the other hand the Conservatives are sore over the apparent defeat of their ticket, knowing that it has been accomplished by the importation of voters; by the circulation of all manner of falsehoods among the negroes, and trying to impose upon the credulity of the people in making them believe that the vote was "for or against" Convention. This and that put together will make the contest lively, and exciting, and which will probably not be over until the final decision of the Commissioners.

For the Observer,

The Finest Climate for Invalids in the World.

MESSRS EDITORS:

I would ask the favor of the introduction into your paper of the following information touching the value of an important region of your State as a *sanitarium* for invalids. Being on a visit to the town of Morganton for several weeks during the heated terms just passed, as also on previous occasion. I have had an ample opportunity of forming an opinion of the effects of its climate, and of the hygenic influences favorable to health in this region.

I may state for the benefit of those who are uninformed, that the air of this place and the surrounding country, is highly tonic, dry and bracing especially adapted to the relief of all diseases of debility—such as dyspepsia, malarine and lung diseases, nervous prostration, etc., to which important sanitary advantages may be added the charm of delightful scenery (the town being located in full sight of the Blue Ridge) pleasant society and ample and comfortable accommodations for guests.

In respect of comfort a cool and bracing atmosphere, I regard this place in important particulars as the most desirable for invalids anywhere to be found in this region—having all the advantages of pure mountain air without the dampness, especially during rain, which is often found in places among, and in greater proximity to the mountains. To those who like a fine chalybeate water charged with carbonic acid and iron, it may be well to state that there is a spring of this character in the town known as the Morganton Spa, only half mile from Happoldt's House, the chief hotel of the place. Thinking it might be of interest to the traveling public both pleasure seekers and invalids, I venture a statement of these facts in your columns.

T. N. ROBERTS, M. D.
Professor in University of S. C.

[Special to the Greenville Daily News.]

Escape of Niles G. Parker.

COLUMBIA, August 5th, 1875.

MR EDITOR:—

Parker is out of jail. The jailor reports that he was in jail at 10 o'clock, last night, and must have left between that hour and 11. Just before 10 a bottle of brandy was sent to him from Hardie's saloon, part of which was found in his room afterwards. It is said that he climbed out the scuttle hole and down the lightening rod. Upon the lower insulator of the latter was found a piece of his musquito net which he had wrapped around his hands to protect them, and at the foot of it was his pistol. Alexander Moltison and Parker's colored driver have been arrested and are now in jail on the charge of assisting him by bringing his two horses to meet him at the Jew's burying ground. The horses were brought back to their stables last night. The above is the statement I received at the Sheriff's office.

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The following dispatch was received at police head-quarters in this city:

COLUMBIA, August 5th, 1875.

CHIEF OF POLICE—Niles G. Parker, former State Treasurer of South Carolina, escaped from jail last night. About fifty years of age, short hair—little grey—small goatee, ruddy complexion. Look out for him.

JESSE E. DENT,
Sheriff.

[COMMUNICATED.]

The Air-Line Railroad.

MESSRS EDITORS:—The train starting from the Junction on the North Carolina Road, stops ten minutes at the Charlotte depot of the Air-Line road. At times, fifteen to twenty-five passengers, men, women and children, are expected to get aboard, to say nothing of baggage. They have to get aboard as best they can, and then leave without time to obtain checks for baggage. If gentlemen have ladies to see safe on the train and can jump off without breaking their necks all well enough; for it is certain the employees of the road seem to care but little about it. The bell rope is pulled in two minutes after the train has stopped. If all are on board, well enough, if not, it is all the same to the company. This want of accommodation at Charlotte is a fair criterion that there is want of accommodation on the whole line.

A LADY TRAVELLER.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice.

OFFICE OF THE BANK OF MECKLENBURG,
Charlotte, N. C., August 7, 1875.

Owing to the very sudden and unexpected death of Thos W Dewey, Esq., late Cashier of this Bank, who, in fact, was the principal officer of the Bank, confidence has been temporarily impaired in the solvency of the Bank, and as a consequence, heavy demands have been made, such as the Bank cannot at once meet. To prevent one creditor from obtaining the advantage of the other and in order to afford time to collect the assets of the Bank, it has been deemed just, and the best for all parties that his assignment should be made, and one has been made to Judge W M Shipp, as Trustee, and as fast as the assets can be collected the creditors will be paid off *pro rata*.

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