

STAFF NEWS

A Duplin county ewe gave birth to four lambs within seven months.

Hall's Combination was as Wilmington night before last and last night.

Monroe has an Ethiopian Minstrel Troupe, composed of 14 members of the "Ornet Band and others."

A Milton man has a cat the forward half of which is cat, while the rear half is rabbit.

Mr. Joel B. Walters, a prominent planter of Caswell county, recently lost 17 hogs by cholera.

A young man in Polkton claims the championship of the State as a chicken eater, and is not afraid to enter the lists against a preacher.

The deputy sheriff of New Hanover county, on Saturday last arrested 15 gamblers who had been deceiving the unsuspecting at the Wilmington Fair.

The Wilmington papers are engaged now in telling just how great was the success of their Fair. The retrospective view of a Fair is always the pleasantest view for a reporter.

The following post offices have recently been established and changed in this State: Established—Tuscarora, Brunswick county, N. C.; Laurel Falls, Yadkin county, N. C.; Chancel—Town Creek, Beaufort county, N. C. Change route from Wilmington to Charlotte.

On Thursday night of last week, as Mr. Joseph Wells, of Wayne county, was going home, having sold a bale of cotton, he was assaulted on the road by a white man and two negroes who cut off a portion of his coat and robbed him of \$40 in money.

The Advocate says that it is expected that the U. S. Court, Home and Post Office now in course of erection in Raleigh, will be finished by the 4th July 1874. Active work began on it in April 1874. It is estimated that it will cost \$325,000.

The Biblical Recorder believes, on what seems good authority, that the chair used by General Washington while he was Master of the Lodge in Alexandria, Va., is now in possession of the Masonic Lodge in Edenton, N. C.—that it was sent thither for safe keeping in the Revolutionary war.

The Goldsboro Messenger says that on Wednesday night last, some one hailed at the gate of Mr. Henry M. Smith, who resides in Greene county, near the Wayne line, and as Mr. Smith opened the door, he saw the call he was waited by the discharge of a gun evidently aimed at him. Only two small shots took effect in his arm and side, the entire load having lodged in the door.

The Goldsboro Messenger has learned that there are only thirteen salaried postmasters in North Carolina, and these are, Wilmington, salary \$3,300; Raleigh \$2,700; Charlotte \$2,700; Fayetteville \$2,300; Greensboro \$2,300; Newbern \$2,500; Goldsboro \$2,000; Salisbury \$1,600; Asheville \$1,500; Tarboro \$1,400; Wilson \$1,200; Elizabeth City \$1,200; Washington \$1,100. All other postmasters work on commission.

Smart Weed for Tanning. A writer in the St. Louis Globe Democrat is enthusiastic over the discovery that a variety of the smart weed which grows wild in Missouri in such profusion as to be a nuisance, surpasses bark in its tanning qualities. As its only cost is that resulting from the labor of cutting and stacking it, say \$5 a ton, while bark costs in that State \$12 per ton, it is argued that hereafter millions of hides will annually be made into leather in the West instead of being sent to the Eastern States to be tanned, which involves the expense of transportation both ways for a leather consigned in the West, besides paying the Eastern capitalists and mechanics for work which could just as well be done at home. It is said that this plant yields at least 100 percent of tannin, and that the tannin of the Nebraska State chemist gives nearly twenty-two percent from the root, and seventeen to nineteen percent from the plant—hemlock and oak bark yielding from eleven to thirteen percent. But even if the results stated by the Nebraska chemist are correct, it does not follow that this weed will make as good leather as bark. There are many other properties for making good leather found in bark that, so far as is generally known, have never been equaled in any other material. More or less tannic acid is found in almost every plant that grows, and in some the percentage of tannic is as high as from forty-four to fifty per cent. Yet the leather produced by the use of the plant has never come into favor, and that may be from some of them is bad in color.

WOMEN.—Mr. Wendell Phillips, in recent lecture, got off the following: "God meant that the sexes should react upon each other, and that each should be lifted higher by the inspiration of the other. The reason why the northern half of Europe is so far ahead of the other in industrial enterprise is because of the higher position of woman. Mohammed captured half of Europe, but his power dwindled; for his was male civilization. Sophocles and Euripides were purer than Tennyson and a great deal purer than Dickens, and yet a man cannot read either of them with a brighter light than the other. All claims due me should be made prior to that time, remaining unmade on the 1st day of December next, unless reserve, will be placed in the hands of an officer for collection."

Notice. WOODEN Express Company having effected permanent arrangements, will on and after this date (Oct. 20th, 1874), receive freight for all stations on the A., T. & D. Railroad and Western North Carolina Railroad. Through freight to Asheville direct a specialty. All freight consigned to our care will be promptly delivered to consignees at points designated.

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