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M. KOPPEL.

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THE CITY.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., December 20th, 1875.

On and after this date, mails will open and close in this office as follows:

Northern, delivered 8.30 a. m., close 9.00 p m Southern, " 8.30 " " 7.30 p m Air-Line, " 8.30 " " 8.30 p m Statesville, " 11.00 " " 9.00 p m C. C. East D., " 8.30 " " 9.00 p m C. C. West D., " 6.30 p m " 9.00 p m Money Order and Register hours from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

R. E. McDONALD, P. M.

CITY BULLETIN

Notwithstanding the court, it is dreadfully dull now.

We are gaining day light at the rate of two minutes a day.

The Grand Jury has completed its labors, and will be discharged this morning.

The Indian Lodge gives a hop on the 6th of April, to which expelled chiefs will be invited.

Mr E M Andrews has his painters at work upon the Institute for Young Ladies, the exterior of which is being very much improved.

The "house" which we spoke of yesterday as having thrown a boy, is well; the boy, however, still gazes upon the beauties of nature with one eye.

In all the townships of the county where the fence law has been adopted, stock must be put up to-day. Good fences have been built all around the townships.

There was a partial eclipse of the moon this morning, beginning at 6 minutes past 12 and ending at 5 minutes past 2. Only a very small part of the moon's disc was obscured.

The big old house which sat in the Five Points, and in which much of the rascality of that locality was concocted is being moved up on Trade street near the old foundry, and will have a brick front.

We have perhaps the best, the most thoroughly attentive, pains taking and conscientious County Treasurer in the State. A punster well remarks that no one will ever catch our Bekk-napping.

The season for Spring poetry has come. "The gentle Spring has come again" is a very good foundation, and the poet who can't build up sixteen stanzas on it, is very much lacking in ideas.

The fine pleasant weather is favorable for tree planting, and every property owner should see to it that trees are set out on his vacant lots. Improvements of this kind cost but little, yet they add much to the appearance and value of property.

The Atlanta Constitution has this item concerning an Air Line conductor: "The conductor's punch voted at the centennial tea party of the Young Men's library to Capt Fred D Bush, has arrived. It cost over \$40 and is handsomely plated with gold and appropriately inscribed."

Catholic Calendar for this Week.

Last Sunday was the first Sunday in Lent. Monday—Feria; Tuesday—St Thomas Aquinas, confessor and doctor of the church; Saints Perpetua and Felicitas, martyrs. Wednesday—St John of God, confessor. Ember day. Thursday—Holy Crown of Thorns. Ember day. Saturday—The Forty Martyrs of Sebaste. Ember day.

Convicted All Except Two.

Out of 100 criminal cases tried at the present term of Court, Mr Solicitor Montgomery lost but two. This statement shows well for his abilities and qualifications for the office of prosecuting attorney. He exercises great judgment in the cases which he brings to trial, and if satisfied that an indictment will not hold water, he throws the case out of court.

A Lady Complimented.

The Atlanta Constitution pays the following compliment to lady who once resided in this city: "Mrs H M Clark, for a number of years the leading soprano at St Paul's church, Augusta, sang in the choir of the Central Presbyterian church last Sunday morning in the voluntary of 'Jesus, Saviour my Soul,' Mrs Clark singing the soprano solo. She fully sustained her reputation as a fine singer. The alto solo was grand."

A Good Day for It.

There never has been as much tobacco chewed here in any one day as there was yesterday. There wasn't anything else to do, and it was a pretty day for chewing tobacco. Besides, the store keepers, when they sat down to a piece of white pine, get so much interested in it, that they would throw out one chew and put in another without ever thinking about it. One grocery dealer, who don't advertise, chewed 30 cents worth, and it took all the profits off of the day's sales.

An Important Supreme Court Decision.

A telegram received in this city, yesterday afternoon from Raleigh, states that, in the case of Joseph H Wilson, et al, vs the Board of Aldermen of the City of Charlotte, recently argued before the Supreme Court, the Court on yesterday filed an opinion in favor of the city. In this case the plaintiffs raised the question of the power of the city to tax stocks, bonds and evidences of debt, and also the right of the city to borrow money for its necessary purposes. The Court holds, as is presumed from the decision, that the defendants have the power, under the charter, to tax stocks, bonds and other evidences of debt, and to borrow money for necessary purposes. It overrules, it is thought, a previous decision of the Court, in the case of Weinstein v. the City of Newbern. Some \$8,000 or \$10,000 are involved in this suit. The telegram announcing the decision, was received by Messrs. Jones & Johnston, attorneys for the city. The full text of the opinion as filed, will be received in a few days, when we will publish it, as a matter of general as well as local interest.

We copy from the Raleigh Sentinel, the following decisions made by the Supreme Court on Monday last, in cases from this portion of the State:

State vs. Leander Cruse, from Irell. Affirmed.

Benjamin Justice vs. Hilda Eddings from Claveland. Judgment affirmed.

W M Smith vs. Rufus Barringer, from Cabarrus. Affirmed and remanded.

Telegraph Change.

We are sorry to know that Mr T C Joyner, who has been manager of the Southern and Atlantic Telegraph Office in this city for about two years past, has been transferred to the office at Columbia, of which he will have the management. Mr Joyner leaves here a few days before the end of the present month, and will be succeeded by Mr Eugene Dodge, who now has charge of the Office of this company at Lynchburg, Va. Tom Joyner's place in the community will be hard to fill. He is a most excellent fellow, and no one can know him without liking him. The town is full of his friends, and we are by no means alone in our regret that he is to leave us.

A Valuable Hand Goue.

The Republican party of Mecklenburg has lost its leading speech maker. Rev Z T Pearsall has moved to Raleigh. This reporter was compensated, during the last campaign, for all the stench he endured at Radical meetings, by watching and listening to Pearsall. He was always big with a speech. If any other windy orator was ever sharp enough to get the floor from him, he dared not pause for half a second between his words to spit, to wipe the perspiration from his brow or to take a drink of water; if he did, Pearsall would pop up and take the matter out of his hands and do the speaking himself. To hear Z T on the constitutionality of the act calling the late Convention, was to hear a speech which would be remembered to one's dying day. We are sorry he has gone.

Sand-Packed Cotton.

Messrs Sutherland & Johnston have just received a couple of bales of cotton from a point on the Eastern Division of the Carolina Central Railroad, which were packed fraudulently and quite ingeniously. The outside of the bales, show good cotton, with nothing to indicate that there is anything wrong within; yet the centre of the bale is filled with loose white sand, scattered all through the bale. Burrow into the bale and pull out a handful of cotton, and the sand rains from it so that the amount shaken from one handful, will cover the palm of your hand. One of the bales weighs 587 pounds, and the other 528, and there cannot be less than 50 pounds of sand in each bale. Messrs Sutherland & Johnston know from whom they purchased the cotton, but do not know the farmer by whom it was originally sold and who packed it with sand.

Capt Elms, the chief cotton weigher, who has been in the business for a long while, says he never saw a bale packed this way before. He once saw two bales with a bag of sand in the middle of each, surrounded by brick bats, but never saw a bale with the sand scattered all through it, like this. The man who sold those bales with the sand bags and brick bats in them, found that he had been detected, and fled the town without any money at all for his cotton, and the firm which had bought the two bales, made 700 or 800 pounds of good cotton without ever paying a cent for it.

Silver Threads Among the Gold.

The last issue of the Robertsonian contains a piece of poetry entitled "Silver Threads Among the Gold." We have understood that these words have been set to music. If so, we would be very much pleased to hear the song.—Oleander.

Thus sayeth Bro. Caldwell, the accomplished city editor of the Charlotte Observer in last Friday's paper. We are really at a loss to know whether our cotemporary is ignorant of this sterling sentimental air, or whether he is trying to poke fun at us for trying to vie with the numerous song books. This is not for granted, however, that he is ignorant of it, we will inform him that this song was obtained by the chief musicians of our town nearly twelve months ago, and in due course of time it was transmitted to the serenaders.—J. J. GORMLEY.

The Southern Life Insurance Company.

Col Wm Johnston returned yesterday morning from Memphis, whither he went to attend a meeting of the Directors of the Southern Life Insurance Company, which has recently failed. Col Johnston reports that the Directors found the failure to be a very bad one; the Company is entirely swamped, and in such a condition that it could now pay almost nothing at all. The causes of the failure are, in brief, the failure of the Carolina Life to pay up its reserves—\$85,000—and the deaths of policy holders from cholera and yellow fever. A great many of these policies were held in the infected districts, and the losses by death from these diseases, have not been less than \$500,000.

The Directors at their meeting assessed the stockholders 40 per cent, and appointed two agents, the late Secretaries of the Company at Memphis and at Atlanta, to go to work and ascertain if they could not effect some kind of compromise with the creditors. These can make nothing by forcing the property of the company to sale, since at the present time the property would go at an enormous sacrifice. If a compromise of any kind can be made, it is hoped that the company can be re-instated to its former position among the insurance companies of the country, and resume business. By this means the policy holders at least would be protected, and preferred stock could be issued to creditors.

Col Johnston says that the cry of hard times is general, in all places where he has been, and in all sections from which he has heard. On passing through Atlanta, going to and returning from Memphis, he heard of three failures involving a million of dollars, and the people of Memphis confess that their city never knew such financial stringency. This is the report on all hands, and Col J. returns home relatively better satisfied.

Convicts for the Penitentiary.

Deputy Sheriff Farrow, accompanied by a sufficient guard, leaves this morning with the prisoners sentenced to the penitentiary during the present term of court. The prisoners are colored; there are 16 in all—14 that went down to Raleigh after the last term of court. We give below a list of the names, with the crimes of which the prisoners were convicted, and the terms for which they are sentenced.

Wm Bryce, larceny, 2 years; Isaac Griffith, embezzlement, 2 years; Mose Welch, larceny, 2 years; Henry Williams, larceny, 2 years; Gus Wayman, larceny, 10 years; Neal Knox, highway robbery, 30 years; Jim Suthers, Adam Phifer, Dennis McCoy Jim Poindexter, all highway robbery, 25 years each; Jim Porter, larceny, 3 years; Decatur Bryant, who was convicted at the last term of court, of robbing Mr John Rankin, and appealed, but failed to get a new trial, was sentenced to 10 years.

A "Ghost" in a Church Yard.

A few nights ago, persons passing the First Presbyterian Church, saw a white figure walking to and fro between the door and the lamp posts in front of the church. It paced this short distance, back and forth, time and again, till those who first saw it, calling the attention of others to it, caused a large crowd to assemble in a short time around the railings enclosing the yard. The figure excited great interest and some excitement, and speculation was rife as to what it was. Presently two of the crowd who had been watching, started around the yard for the purpose of closing in upon it, when the ghost lowered call, jumped the fence and hid in the old cemetery, in rear of the church. It was, of course, a man enveloped in a sheet, under which he had a pole by which he could raise the sheet to any height desired.

It was elegant fun, and we've no doubt the sportive genius, after getting into the cemetery, laid down and rolled all over the graves, and nearly died in a paroxysm of laughter.

The Courts.

Superior Court.—The proceedings, yesterday, were devoid of interest. There were no jury trials, and all the business consisted of motions, compromises, non-suits, abatements, judgments, &c. By these means, quite a number of cases were gotten off the docket. The only case of any interest whatever, was that of the Commissioners of Cabarrus against the Commissioners of Mecklenburg, in which there was a motion for judgment, and argument. The Commissioners of Cabarrus brought suit against those of this county to recover the amount of cost to that county, in consequence of the Rea suit which was moved from Mecklenburg over there. The amount is about \$1,500. The papers were handed up, but His Honor afterwards granted the motion. The civil docket will be worked upon again to-day.

There was no session of the Mayor's Court yesterday morning, and no criminal cases before any of the Magistrates.

The Morgan Portable Engine.

W C Morgan, of this city, had one of his engines on exhibition at the great exhibition at New Orleans. The New Orleans Times, of the 5th, speaks in the following complimentary terms of Mr M's exhibition: "Another highly meritorious award was that given to the Morgan Portable Engine, represented by Mr W C Morgan, and from the Erie City Iron Works, over four competitors. We have frequently taken occasion to speak favorably of this compact and smooth-running little engine, and experience no surprise that the committee should agree with us in estimating its value for plantation use; for they could hardly have done otherwise. One third lighter than any other of the same power, less liable to be upset on bad roads, more economical in consumption of fuel, and easier handled; it out lasts and outworks many much larger affairs—as is made evident of the very best of material, from the top of the smoke stack to the bottom of the waste tire."

An Exciting Chase After a Horse Thief.

There was considerable excitement in some parts of the city last evening about supper time, produced by a chase after a South Carolina horse thief named C. Williamson. Some weeks ago, this fellow stole a dark chestnut sorrel horse from L. W. Corley, of Lexington county, S. C., and was traced to this city. Mr Corley telegraphed to a friend here concerning the matter, and papers were gotten out and placed in the hands of the Constables, who have been working up the case for a day or two past. Last evening, Williamson was spotted, and Constable King called on him at Mrs. Asbury's boarding house, corner Tryon and Fourth streets, where he was stopping, called him out and told him that he had a warrant for him. He expressed surprise, and asked what for; being informed, he responded that it was all right, and he would go as soon as he stepped in and got his overcoat. All too confident in the honesty of the thief's purpose, the Constable let him go inside, and no sooner in than he slammed the door in the officer's face, and dashed out the back door.

Pursuit was given, and a crowd of men, boys and dogs joined in the chase. Several shots were fired, all of which were returned, and the rascal ran down the back streets, past the jail, through California, across Davis' meadow, and escaped. It thought that one of the shots struck him, as he fell; he soon recovered himself, however, and was off again. Williamson is rather below medium size; has grey eyes, black mustache, is rather good-looking, weighs about 145 pounds, wears dark clothes and a cap with the ears tied across the crown. The whereabouts of the horse is not known, but Williamson remarked, yesterday, to a lively stable keeper, that he had a horse "across the river."

At Her Rations, Then Broke Her Back.

There is more fun in the Magistrate's Courts than anywhere else in town. Last about 11 o'clock, Emeline Springs had Ellis Bright, both colored, before Justice Davidson, for assault and battery. The woman alleged that Ellis had been living at her house for five months; that she had fed him, done his washing, patching, &c.; and when she asked him for a pair of shoes, he knocked her down with a stick, threw her in a ditch and nearly broke her back, and then wouldn't pay the doctor bill. Defendant stated that the woman tore his shirt clean off him, and when he left the Justice's office, the court hadn't just exactly made up its mind what to do about the matter.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

It is a lamentable fact that thousands regard an affection of the throat or lungs, such as a cough, cold or hoarseness, with extreme indifference. These complaints are often but the forerunner of consumption, and can be instantly cured by Dr Bull's Cough Syrup.

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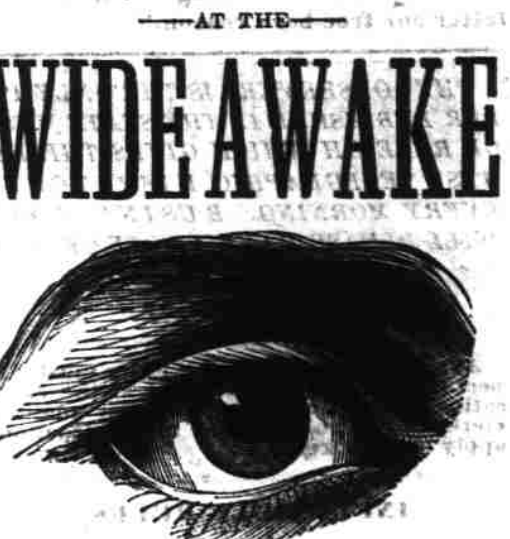
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Train No. 1 No. 3.

Leave Charlotte, 3 15 a. m. 2 30 p. m.

" D College, 5 05 " 4 30 "

" Mooresville, 5 43 " 5 12 "

Arrive Statesville, 6 45 " 6 30 "

GOING SOUTH.

Train No. 2 No. 4.

Leave Statesville, 2 50 p. m. 5 50 a. m.

" D College, 3 57 " 7 16 "

" Statesville, 4 35 " 7 58 "

Arrive Charlotte, 6 0 " 9 50 "