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STATE NEWS.

Reidsville has nine tobacco factories, working 500 hands.

A young man in Raleigh was thrown in a wrestle and had his arm broken.

Maj E W York, of Granville, is writing a history of the Sixth North Carolina regiment.

The orchard of Mr Sam Mickey, of Salem, covers two acres. He will begin to ship fruit in two weeks.

It requires about \$7,000 per week to pay off all the hands at the Winston tobacco factories. Somebody has got some money, certain.

Yadkin College commencement attracted a large crowd. The address was delivered by Hon Chas W Button, of Lynchburg, Va.

Mr and Mrs D G Worth, of Wilmington, have gone to Asheville, Randolph county, where they were married, to celebrate their silver wedding.

In Wilmington during the month of May, there were 21 births, 13 marriages, and 25 deaths, these figures including white and colored.

Winston Sentinel: There will be a grand rally of all the friends of the narrow gauge railroad at newville, Forsyth county on Wednesday, June 12th, at 1 o'clock, p. m.

Rev D J Craig, a young minister of Orange county, has been called to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church of Reidsville, as we learn from the Times, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of Rev Jacob Doll.

Winston Sentinel: It takes like fire, the idea of a re-union on the coming 4th of July, of the survivors of the old 21st North Carolina regiment. We hope the thing may yet take definite shape and expression.

Fayetteville Gazette: Mr John Smith, of Reelin, in this county, brought into our office last Friday some perfectly ripe peaches of the Almond variety, pulled from a tree that was planted this spring. They were gathered on the 8th ult.

Just listen at that awful paper, the Salem Press: A colored individual presented a watch at the counter of one of our repairers. It wouldn't run no how, and was out of fix mighty bad. It was duly examined and the result proved that a louse had taken up its quarters in a delicate portion of the works and hindered the movements.

Winston Sentinel: At a special sale of fine tobacco at Brown's warehouse, on the 31st ult, 80,000 pounds of the weed were sold. It was one of the best lots of good manufacturing tobacco we have as yet seen, and much of it in proportion as at any half a million days' sale in a place like Danville. There were some over 200 loads of tobacco in town during the day.

Wilmington Review: We understand that operations will begin at once for the erection of a new cotton compress in this city, to be located on the long Vick & Mcbane wharf, foot of Red Cross street. The parties interested are Capt E J Pennypacker, Mr E E Burrus, and Messrs Sanders & Blackwood. The compress will be of the Morse patent, one of which is now in use in New Orleans, and Mr Morse, the patentee, was himself in the city a day or two since, making estimates, &c. The new compress will be in operation by the first of September, so as to be in time for the new cotton crop.

STATE POLITICAL ITEMS.

Rockingham county Democratic convention meets at Wentworth to-day.

At the Person county convention held the other day, Monford McGehee was nominated for the House.

Raleigh News: The great unanimity of the Democracy of the State for Chief Justice Smith is a tribute to the worth and character of an able and pure man.

Capt Jas D McIver, of Moore, has been appointed for solicitor of the Fayetteville district.

Twenty-two counties have declared for Judge Schenck for a seat on the Supreme Court bench.

The Goldsboro Messenger reports that the Radicals, in the congressional district are rapidly assuming the war paint.

A CHICKEN FIGHT AT KING'S MOUNTAIN.

Not Between But About Chickens—A Graphic Description of a Trial in a Justice's Court.

Editor Charlotte Observer—

The story goes that there was once a man who resolved to follow that profession which would be most pleasing to his patrons. Thinking the doctors were the nearest this, he commenced practicing medicine. After witnessing several deaths, he concluded that man would give more for his soul's welfare than bodily alleviation. So he began to preach, and upon studying human nature still more he concluded that man would give more to have his own way than he would for either body or soul. However true this may be, certainly men will go to an expense entirely incomparable with the possible gain in order to have their way.

This was illustrated a few evenings since in a suit before a jury, all about a chicken. The excitement was intense. Our villagers were anxiously inquiring where it was to be held, and oddly enough it was neither held in doors nor out doors, but on the porch of the justice's house. The constable was kept on a run about town for two hours collecting witnesses and jurors. The impatient crowd had collected and bitterly lamented the delay and red tape. At last, after many delays, "oh yes, oh yes" was called at 7 p. m. The first thing to do was to draw the jury and swear the witnesses, of which there was a list as long as your arm. They came from South Carolina as well as this State. The roster in dispute was present and two of his relatives. The jurymen were marched up before the magistrate, and by this time it had grown so dark that a dispute was raised as to whether there were five or six jurors. By stepping them off, one by one, it was ascertained that only five men were present; the sixth refused to serve, as his name had been mis-called. Another drawing was resorted to. The jury formed a circle and the chickens were displayed.

The first witness swore, after all had subsided, that he could only swear to the cock by its crow. At this it was suggested that it be made to crow. Several attempts were made to force it to testify by pulling its tail and blowing in its ears. These failed; the rooster from South Carolina, as well as this State, that puzzled the wisest, and it was moved that the court adjourn until sun-rise, when the obdurate thing would crow of itself. The judge hardly thought it was a competent witness at best, and declared that the case should go on.

Thus despoiled of his evidence the witness quirkly told what little he knew about the case. The cock's pedigree was then gone into at some length. Its father was there, with which it was compared, to the discredit of the sire. A chicken was produced by the disputing party which was claimed to be its brother, but they did not seem to recognize each other. There was a family resemblance between them all.

The next witness had a more novel way of recognizing the bird, viz: by the way it held its tail and its position in standing. An adjournment to the yard was called for to see this peculiarity in posture. For this purpose the chicken was untied, and to illustrate the peculiarity the so-called brother was also let loose within the ring. There was anything but a brotherly feeling manifested by the two cocks. A first-class fight was the result, which used up some twenty minutes of the time, entirely breaking up the trial. The cocks were well matched and the time was nowhere. At last the constable, under threats of promotion from the justice, succeeded in capturing the chicken in a dispute and put it into a basket for safe keeping, and the trial proceeded minus two jurymen, who had absconded during the disturbance.

The next witness being closely pressed to identify the chicken not under dispute, went to the basket to make sure that the right one was there, and declared that the confined chicken was the one he saw in the defendant's possession before the trial. To give him out of this the prosecution asked him if it did not resemble the chicken he was talking about. He replied yes, that the chicken resembled itself very much. The defendant's lawyer, a short man, with a linen Ulster on, had occasion often to complain of leading questions being asked by the prosecution, one of which was the following: "What was the color of the red chicken which you saw my client have?"

The opposing lawyer slid down in his starched Ulster in despair. The trial closed before midnight and the jurors decided in favor of the defendant very shortly. (They had had no supper.) The basket was opened and the coveted chicken handed to the happy man, but, alas! it was dead. Injuries received in the battle for the entertainment of the court had killed it.

Chickenless both the defendant and prosecutor wended their way home, and on footing up the cost it was found that it more than covered the bond, and the justice was two dollars out, much to his displeasure. The boys had caught the spirit of the night and crowing was heard all over town a most unseasonable hour.

Thus ended the chicken trial to the dissatisfaction of all the parties except the spectators, who enjoyed two hours

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of unalloyed fun, and went home to dream the rest of the night of picking chicken lice off from the justice, lawyers and near spectators.

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