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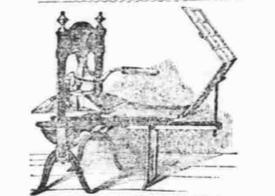
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ern States. I have erected large Merchant  
Mills contiguous to the Railroad, capable of grind-  
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and to keep them running I must have wheat.  
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ure for it.

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flour whose brand will be sufficient to sell it in  
any market in the world, here is the place to  
have it manufactured. These Mills have al-  
ready made a reputation not inferior to any  
in the country.

June 15, 1855. LEROY SPRINGS. 47-tf.

**Cash paid for Hides.**

The highest prices will be paid for hides  
by S. M. HOWELL,  
3 doors south of Sadler's Hotel,  
Charlotte, Oct. 30-6m

**Congress Gaiters for Ladies,**

JUST Received at  
Boone's Boot & Shoe Emporium.  
May 25, 1855. 44-tf.

**Attachments**

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GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

ANOTHER DECLENSION.

Ex Senator Dickinson, of New York, has  
declined to lecture on the slavery question  
in Boston. He says:

"To lecture upon this disturbing subject,  
unless it is proposed to act upon it, would  
seem to be a barren and profitless gratuity;  
and if action is proposed, it must have  
relation to the domestic concerns of our  
sovereign equals, with which we have no  
right to interfere. They left this question  
in other times according to the true sense  
of the constitution, to the people of New  
York and Massachusetts, with all its re-  
sponsibilities and irritations, to dispose of it  
in their own good time and manner; and  
may we not, in the same confiding spirit,  
leave it to those upon whom it rests? De-  
termined long since to leave this question  
where the constitution left it, was I to ac-  
cept your invitation, I would choose for my  
theme 'The Duty of the People of these  
Free States,' and would endeavor to inculcate  
the valued admonitions of the Father of  
our Country upon sectional disturbances.—  
Lest, however, a formal lecture, as proposed  
by your course, even invoking non-interven-  
tion in the affairs of sovereign States,  
might be construed into an admission that  
it was an open question, and that by the  
same rule others might arraign and assail,  
I have determined that I shall best con-  
tribute to preserve the public peace by de-  
clining to take part in the proposed dis-  
cussion."

GREAT BANK FRAUD IN BOSTON.—Investiga-  
tions were made Friday into the affairs  
of the Grocers' Bank, Boston, when it was  
discovered that a defalcation of \$250,000  
had taken place. Kilbourne, the Boston  
merchant who disappeared, was one of the  
clerks in the Bank, and Mr. P. F. Kingman  
the cashier of the Bank, has also disap-  
peared. There is an over issue of \$100,000.  
Nothing has been heard of either Kilbourne  
or Kingman. A full investigation, it is said,  
will show the defalcation to be \$400,000.

A YOUTHFUL COUPLE.—Robert Gray, aged  
ninety-five, has just been married, in Fla-  
vanna county, Va., to a lady aged ninety-  
two years.

NEBRASKA.—The election in the Territo-  
ry of Nebraska for a delegate to Congress  
has resulted in the success of Bird B. Chap-  
man, Esq., the democratic candidate. There  
were three other candidates.

TEXAS U. S. SENATOR.—Hon. T. J.  
Rusk, dem., has been re-elected to the U.  
States Senate by the Legislature of Texas.

VERY DEEP.—The depth of the Niagara  
river under the suspension bridge is es-  
timated by engineers to be seven hundred  
feet. This is deeper than any other rapid-  
ly running stream in the world.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH.—Last Monday  
a woman named Sarah Schriber, was ar-  
rested at Sharpsh, Pa., on the charge of  
passing a counterfeit \$10 bill. During the  
examination she fell from her chair in an  
irresponsible state, from which she never re-  
covered sufficiently to be conscious of her sit-  
uation until the next morning, when death  
ensued.

CURIOUS SUIT IN COURT.—A curious  
point of law has just been decided by a  
county court judge at Exeter, England.—  
The question was whether an inhabitant of  
a town was at liberty to keep animals whose  
noise proved a serious annoyance to their  
neighbors. It was shown on the part of a  
Mr. Abraham, that his neighbor, Mr. Min-  
ty, had a cock which crowed 150 times in  
25 minutes. The learned judge thought this  
was an amount of crowing which human  
nature was not bound to put up with, and  
awarded to the plaintiff 1s. damages.

METHODIST E. CONFERENCE.

Appointments of the Preachers in the  
South Carolina Conference of the Metho-  
dist Episcopal Church, South, for 1856:

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Hugh A. C. Walker, P. E.  
Charleston, Cumberland St.: William P.  
Mozon.

Trinity: Joseph Cross.  
Bethel: J. T. Wightman.

St. James: Wm. E. Boone.  
Cooper River circuit: W. W. Jones, H.  
E. Ogburn.

Cooper River mission: G. W. Moore.  
St. Andrews: To be supplied.

St. George's circuit: Paul A. M. Wil-  
liams.

Cypress circuit: W. H. Lawton.  
St. George's & St. Paul's mission: Abram  
Nettles.

Walterboro circuit: A. W. Walker, W.  
A. Hemmingway.

Albany mission: W. C. Kirkland.  
Ashpeno and Cambahie mission: P. G.  
Bowman, E. A. Price.

Prince William mission: William Hutto.  
Black Swamp circuit: Sam'l Leard.

Allendale circuit: A. G. Stacy.  
Savannah River mission: J. D. W. Crook.

D. A. Ogburn.  
Okatie mission: To be supplied.

Beaufort mission: J. R. Coburn.  
Edisto and Jhosse mission: Charles Wil-  
son.

Benjamin Jenkins, missionary to China.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.

Charles Betts, P. E.  
Georgetown: Thos. Mitchell, J. W. Mil-  
ler, sup.

Santee mission: Joseph Parker, R. W.  
Burgess.

Saunty mission: M. A. McKibben.  
Black River and Pee Dee mission: J. A.  
Moore, C. E. Wiggins.

Black River: M. S. Banks.  
Black Mingo mission: J. P. Dupose.

Lynchburg circuit: Lewis A. Johnson.  
Darlington circuit: A. McQuorquodale,  
L. M. Hauser.

Cheraw: Bond English.  
Bennettsville circuit: H. A. Wood, J. W.  
Cridler.

Society Hill mission: I. P. Hughes.  
Marion C. H.: C. H. Pritchard.

Marion circuit: L. M. Little, Randolph  
R. Pegues.

Liberty Chapel mission: J. A. Minnick.  
Conwayboro circuit: E. D. Boyden, G.  
R. Andrews.

Waccanaw mission: Wm. Carson, G. W.  
Stokes.

A. M. Shipp, Professor in the University  
of North Carolina.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

Wm. Crook, P. E.  
Columbia, Washington St.: W. A. Game-  
well.

Marion St.: F. A. Mood, Witeford Smith,  
sup.

Congaree mission: N. Talley.  
Columbia circuit: J. D. Ervin.

Richland Ford mission: A. S. Smith.  
Barwell circuit: E. J. Meaynard.

Orangeburg circuit: D. J. Simmons, W.  
W. Mood.

Lexington circuit: Frederick Rush.  
Santee circuit: D. W. Seale.

Upper Santee mission: A. P. Avant, one  
to be supplied.

Sumterville: W. H. Fleming.  
Sumter circuit: J. J. Fleming, J. P. Munds.

Fairfield circuit: A. B. McGilvray, sup.  
Chesterville circuit: J. H. Robinson, J.  
M. Cline.

Wrentham circuit: Cornelius McLeod.  
Colin Marchison, Agent for Columbia Fe-  
male College.

S. M. Townsend, Agent for the South  
Carolina Tract Society.

COKESBURY DISTRICT.

R. J. Boyd, P. E.  
Cokesbury circuit: H. H. Durant, G. W.  
McCreighton.

Edgefield circuit: J. H. Zimmerman, J.  
S. Nelson.

Greenville and Aiken: J. A. Porter, J.  
S. Conner.

Newberry: William A. McSwain.  
Newberry Circuit: M. Puckett, D. D.  
Byars.

Union circuit: W. Martin, J. S. Hill.  
Tiger River and Enoree mission: John  
Finger.

Laurens circuit: T. Razor, A. P. Martin,  
sup.

Greenville: F. M. Kennedy.  
Greenville circuit: M. Eaddy, A. B. Ste-  
phens.

Anderson circuit: A. M. Chritzburg.  
Mount Tyrone mission: H. J. Glenn.  
Pickens circuit: To be supplied.

Joscepe mission: L. Scarborough.  
J. W. Wightman: Teacher in Cokesbury  
School.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

Hilliard C. Parsons, P. E.  
Charlotte: J. R. Pickett.  
Charlotte circuit: John Watts, J. W.  
Murray.

Concord: J. L. Sheford.  
Albemarle: B. G. Jones.

Wadesboro: O. A. Darby.  
Wadesboro circuit: S. H. Brown, A. J.  
Evans.

Chesterfield circuit: Simpson Jones.  
Canden: James Stacy.

Waterre mission: A. J. Cauthen, A. H.  
Hammann.

Lancaster circuit: James H. Ward.  
Catawba mission: W. A. Clarke.

Pleasant Grove: G. W. Ivey.  
T. R. Walsh, President of Carolina Fe-  
male College.

SHELBY DISTRICT.

John W. Kelly, P. E.  
Spartanburg: S. B. Jones.  
Spartanburg circuit: D. May, E. W.  
Thompson.

Yorkville: Archibald H. Lester.  
Yorkville circuit: J. W. North.

Lincolnton: L. Wood, W. J. Black.  
Shelby: James T. Kilgo.  
Rutherford: Paul F. Kistler.  
Catawba circuit: J. W. Puett.  
Lenoir: Abner Ervin.  
Morganton: R. P. Frank.

McDowell: M. A. Connelly.  
South Mountain mission: W. B. Currie.  
W. M. Wightmans, President of Wofford  
College.

Charles Taylor, Professor in Spartan-  
burg Female College.  
Charles S. Walker, Agent for Wofford  
College.

D. McDonald, transferred to the Missis-  
sippi Conference.  
The next session of the Conference is to  
be held at Yorkville, S. C., on November  
25th, 1856.

WILMINGTON CONFERENCE.

The North Carolina Methodist Episcopal  
Conference, which lately convened at Wil-  
mington, made the following appointments  
for the Salisbury District:

W. Barringer, P. E.  
Salisbury: L. S. Burkhead.

Rowan: C. M. Anderson.  
East Rowan: To be supplied.

Mocksley: S. D. Adams.  
Iredell: D. W. Doub.

Alexander: D. B. Shelton.  
South Iredell: O. J. Brent.

Wilkes: L. M. Wood.  
Jonesville: J. M. Gann.

Fisher's Creek: To be supplied.  
Surry: J. C. Thomas.

Forsythe: S. Hilsbeck.  
Winston: J. E. Marn.

Davidson: R. R. Bibb, C. W. King.  
Yadkin: To be supplied.

Blue Ridge: To be supplied.  
New Instate: W. W. Nesbitt, sup.

STATE NEWS.

N. C. U. S. CIRCUIT COURT.—The Cir-  
cuit Court of the United States for the Dis-  
trict of North Carolina, met in Raleigh on  
Monday—present, Judges Wayne and Pot-  
ter. We hear that there are two cases of  
mail-robbery that will probably be tried—  
the United States vs. Lee, and the United States  
vs. Cherry.

RENEWED JUST IN TIME.—Wm. Charles,  
Esq., who was killed on the 16th of last  
month, near Elizabeth City, N. C., was in-  
sured for \$5,000 for seven years in the Mu-  
tual Life Insurance Company of Wilming-  
ton. His policy had been renewed only two  
days before his death.

BISHOP ATKINSON.—The Petersburg Ex-  
press speaks in glowing terms of a Thank-  
sgiving sermon preached in Grace Church,  
Petersburg, by Bishop Atkinson, of North  
Carolina. Bishop Atkinson is undoubtedly  
one of the most vigorous and clear-headed  
divines, and thorough theologians, in the  
American Church.

DWELLING HOUSE BURST.—The dwell-  
ing house of Capt. A. P. Woodall, four  
miles west of Raleigh, took fire on Friday  
evening last, and was consumed, together  
with some valuable papers, and various ar-  
ticles of clothing and furniture. The fire  
was communicated accidentally.

GRAND LODGE OF OLD FELLOWS.—At  
the late session, of the Grand Lodge of Old  
Fellows at Wilmington, the following offi-  
cers were duly elected for the ensuing year:

W. J. Hoke, of Lincolnton, Grand Mas-  
ter; J. E. Morris, of Newberne, Deputy  
Grand Master; J. E. Jones, of Washing-  
ton, Grand Warden; A. P. Reption, of  
Wilmington, Grand Secretary; R. J. Jones,  
of Wilmington, Grand Treasurer; R. A.  
Caldwell, of Wadesboro, and J. N. Wash-  
ington, of Newberne, Grand Representa-  
tives to the G. L. of the U. S.; Rev. Malcom  
L. Douglass, of Duplin, Grand Chaplain.

The total amount, expended during the past  
year, for charitable purposes, was \$3,984.43,  
leaving in the hands of the Treasurer a bal-  
ance of \$1,204.03.

TO BE HANGED.—Joseph Williams, con-  
victed of the murder of his father, Francis  
Williams, has been sentenced by the Cir-  
cuit Court of Person county, to be hanged  
on the 24th day of December next. A peti-  
tion signed by over 400 persons has been  
forwarded to the Governor, praying the par-  
don of Williams.

N. C. RAIL-ROAD.—At a meeting of the  
directors of the North Carolina Rail Road,  
held at Raleigh last week, Mr. T. S. Gar-  
nett was elected General Superintendent of  
the Road. Salary \$2,500.

SUICIDE.—Mrs. Winslow, daughter of  
Hugh Baker, of Guilford county, committed  
suicide on Friday night last, by cutting her  
throat with a razor. No cause is assigned  
for the rash act.

CHANGE OF NAME.—The name of the  
post office little to known as "Rozzel's Fer-  
ry," in Mecklenburg county, has been  
changed to "Mountain Island." John Tate,  
Esq., is the post master.

NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.  
The Raleigh Standard states that the Con-  
ference of the Methodist Episcopal Church,  
recently held in Wilmington, determined to  
publish a weekly paper under the above ti-  
tle; and the Rev. Rufus T. Heflin was elec-  
ted Editor. A publishing Committee of five  
was appointed, whose duty it is to fix the  
salary of the Editor, and select the location  
for the paper, &c.

SALE OF LAND.—A tract of land belong-  
ing to the estate of the late Dr. A. W. Me-  
bane, of the Hermitage, a few days ago in  
Bertie county, living near Woodville, Per-  
quimans county, was 57 bid off by William  
Mebane, son of the late owner, for \$57,000.  
It contains 1331 acres, and is said to be fine  
for the production of grain, as are all the  
lands lying on Turkey ridge in the vicinity.

CHESTNUT TREES DYING.—Nearly all  
the chestnut trees throughout the section of  
Rockingham county, N. C., and the sur-  
rounding counties, have died this season.

A FORTHCOMING BOOK.—The Fayette-  
ville Argus has been put in possession of  
the manuscript pages of "The Seven Trav-  
ellers; or North Carolina Traditions;"—a  
new book now ready for the press, by a  
young gentleman of Robeson county. The  
materials from which the tales, legends, &c.,  
have been taken, have been wrought, it is  
said, in a masterly manner by the author.

LAND IN WARREN COUNTY, N. C.—A  
tract of land lying in this county, within a  
few miles of Warrenton, containing 185  
acres, was sold at public auction about  
seven years ago for \$500, and purchased by  
the late Wm. H. Harris. On Thursday last,  
the same land was exposed to public sale by  
the Executor of Mr. Harris and was pur-  
chased by Mr. Wm. C. Williams at \$2,500.  
The lands of Warren, says the "News," have  
been greatly enhanced in value within the  
last few years, and are still increasing, *pari  
passu*, with their increased productiveness,  
under the present improved system of agri-  
culture, and also with the high prices of  
their products.

CURRITUCK CANAL.—We understand that  
the Company recently organized for cutting  
a canal from Currituck Sound to the waters  
of Virginia, have commenced building their  
dredging boats, and the work of excavating  
is soon expected to begin. Indeed we un-  
derstand that the Dredging Machine and a  
number of men have already arrived at  
Nags Head, for the purpose of commencing  
the work of opening the Inlet there, under  
the appropriation of \$50,000 made by the  
last Congress.

Selected Poetry.

HALLOWED BY THY NAME.

BY MISS ELLIZA COOK.

List to the dreary tongue that dwells  
In rippling wave or sighing tree;  
Go, hearken to the old church bells,  
The whistling bird, the whizzing bee;

Interpret right, and glory will find  
'Tis power and glory they proclaim;  
The chimera, the evanes, waters, wind  
All publish, hallowed be Thy name!

The pilgrim journeys till he bleeds,  
To gain the altar of his bliss;  
The hermit pines above his beads,  
With zeal that never wanes nor dies;

But holiest rite or longest prayer  
That soul can yield or wisdom frame,  
What better import can it bear  
Than 'Father, hallowed be Thy name'!

The savage kneeling to the sun,