

FOR CONGRESS. HON. BURTON CRAIG, OF ROWAN COUNTY.

HAWKS' HISTORY OF N. C.

We are indebted to the courtesy of the publishers, Messrs. E. J. Hale & Son, for the "History of North Carolina: with Maps and Illustrations," by Francis L. Hawks, D. D., L. L. D., Vol. 1, embracing the period between the first voyage to the colony in 1584, to the last in 1591.

The Agent, Mr H. W. Horne, will visit Charlotte about the 20th of May, when an opportunity will be offered to those wanting the work to supply themselves.

CHARLOTTE MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.—At the regular annual meeting of this Company, held on the 14th inst., the following gentlemen were elected officers for the current year:

- Dr. M. B. Taylor, President. C. Overman, Esq., Vice President. M. B. Taylor, C. Overman, J. A. Young, Wm. Johnston, J. H. Carson, S. T. Wriston and F. Scarr, Directors. E. Nye Hutchison, Sec'y and Treasurer.

Learn that about three hundred yards of the track of the North Carolina Railroad was destroyed on Thursday last, caused by the wood, that is kept piled on the side of the Road, taking fire. The destruction was at Pine Level, between Goldsboro' and Raleigh. About 1,000 cords of wood was consumed.

The Winston (N. C.) Sentinel says there are some people in that neighborhood also, who desire to know what has become of "Col. J. W. White."

A Kansas paper says that White is an impostor.

FIRST DISTRICT.—Wm. N. H. Smith, Esq., has been nominated by the whig-american Convention in the first Congressional district, lately represented by R. T. Paine. The democrats will have a candidate, but he has not yet been designated.

The Hon. Calvin Graves, member of the Board of Internal Improvements, having resigned, John U. Kirkland, Esq. of Orange, has been appointed in his place. The Board now consists of Gov. Bragg, ex-officio President, and N. E. Canady and Mr. Kirkland.

Mrs. Fisher, Matron of the Insane Asylum at Raleigh, has signified her intention to resign that situation on the 5th of June, and the Committee, W. W. Holden Chairman, advertise for a suitable person to supply her place. Salary \$500, board and lodging furnished by the institution.

THE TROUBLED LAND.—News from Kansas represents the free-State men of that territory as being greatly dissatisfied with the appointment of Mr. Walker as Governor. They regard him as too much of a slavery man. Thus, while some southern papers believe, or affect to believe, that Walker is not to be trusted because he expressed the opinion that Kansas would be a free State, northern freedom shriekers are opposing him because they think he will use his influence to establish slavery in the territory. Both sides may complain, but Mr. Walker will perform his duties faithfully, no doubt.

FAYETTEVILLE WESTERN RAILROAD.—The County of Cumberland, by a vote of her citizens on the 9th instant, authorized the County Court to subscribe \$100,000 to the Western Railroad, which is being constructed to the Coal Fields. The Fayetteville papers speak with confidence of the early completion of the Road.

The receipts of the Wilmington and Manchester Railroad, from travel, freight and mail, for the month of February last, were \$43,270 26, being an increase of \$7,528 21.

Bishop Pierce, of the M. E. Church, is to preach the annual sermon at the next commencement of Greensborough Female College, May 21st. The Bishop has the reputation of being the most eloquent and accomplished orator in the South.

THE REVIVAL AT RALEIGH.—A correspondent of the Petersburg Express, writing from Raleigh, says:

"The religious interest at the Baptist Church has suffered no abatement. Twenty-five or thirty have professed conversion, and numbers of persons are serious on the subject. Thirteen of the new converts have been received into the church, and others propose joining during the present week, preparatory to their baptism on Sunday next, probably. The 'believers' will be baptized at the Raleigh paper mills on Crab Tree Creek, about three miles from this city. The accommodation for this purpose at these mills are said to be very good indeed.

Since Friday last the Baptist pulpit has been occupied by Professor Wingate, President of Wake Forest College. I noticed in the pulpit on Sunday last, the Rev. Mr. McDaniel, of Fayetteville, who has come up to assist the pastor, Rev. Mr. Skinner, during the present week.

Bishop Atkinson's Appointments. May 15, Mocksville. " 17, 5th Sunday after Easter. St. James, Iredeil county, Consecration. " 18, Christ's Church, Rowan county. " 19, St. Andrews' "

Mr James Cassidy, of Wilmington, has been elected President of the Cape Fear and Deep River Navigation Company.

We had a heavy frost in this section on Sunday night, the 19th instant, after several days of rain and "mud," dissipating all hope of "fruits and flowers and all things green." When shall "this winter be made glorious summer"? that's the question. Tell us, "ye winged winds!"

The men in North Carolina who are now raising the banner of American-whiggery, are the same ones who shouted "amen" when the platform was promulgated denouncing the Whig party as corrupt and unworthy of trust.—Charlotte Democrat.

Is not our friend and umphile neighbor, of the Democrat, mistaken about the philosophy of that platform? We never saw any platform "denouncing the Whig party as corrupt and unworthy of trust," unless the language of certain democratic platforms which have been "promulgated," and which have been construed into such denunciations. We challenge the Democrat to produce any platform ever promulgated by the American party, containing any such charge, and of this we put ourselves on the country. Now, issue having been joined, somebody has a chance of being "cornered," and we know it will not be the Argus.—Fayetteville Argus.

To the law and to the record we appeal. If the Argus is not the one that will get "cornered" this time, it will be because there is no meaning in plain language.

We asserted that the old whig party was denounced by the know-nothing platform. Now let us define the word "denounced." Webster says it means 1st. "Threatened by open declaration. 2d. Accused; proclaimed."

The know-nothing National Convention which assembled in Philadelphia in June, 1855, adopted a platform containing the following declaration and proclamation:

"The American party having arisen upon the ruins and in spite of the opposition of the whig and democratic parties, cannot be in any manner responsible for the obnoxious acts or violated pledges of either."

In the above sentence it is proclaimed that the whig party was guilty of obnoxious acts and of violating its pledges. A severe denunciation, endorsed by all who approved and stood upon that platform, our friend of the Argus among the number.

But the platform continues: "And the systematic agitation of the slavery question by those parties [whig and democratic] having elevated sectional hostility into a positive element of political power and brought our institutions into peril, it has therefore become the imperative duty of the American party to interpose for the purpose of giving peace to the country, and perpetuity to the Union."

Here the whig party is accused of elevating sectional hostility and bringing our institutions into peril. Remember that one of the definitions of "denounced" is "accused." And to show that the old whig party was "corrupt and unworthy of trust," the platform (the same that met the approbation of the Argus) declared it the imperative duty of the American party to interpose for the purpose of giving peace to the country and perpetuity to the Union.

Now, does not the Argus see that the whig party was not only "denounced as corrupt and unworthy of trust" by the know-nothing platform, but it was proclaimed [a reasonable inference from the language used] that it was necessary for the "American party" to interpose in order to keep the whig party from destroying the Union?

Who is "cornered" now, neighbor? We know it is not the Democrat—we have cited the record to clear us—and as "somebody has a chance of being cornered," it would be well for the Argus to "fess up." Will you do it?

LAMENTATIONS STILL ASCEND.—The opposition papers are making the welkin ring (if there is any ring in the welkin) with their disquisitions on the land question. The proposition to loan the surplus in the national treasury to the States, has aroused their love of gold and created bright visions (imaginary of course) of future prosperity. If the measure proposed to give the surplus revenue to the States, we could account for the great anxiety manifested on the subject by our opposition friends, but as it only offered to loan North Carolina a certain amount (and a small one at that in comparison with what New York and other abolition States would get) we are at a loss to understand what they mean by their constant lamentations at the defeat of the measure. We suspect their object to be to make political capital for the purpose of getting the outs in and the ins out. This is what they are striving for, and they have revived the land question and distribution question for the purpose of exciting public opinion against the democratic party. The opposition party has been defeated out and out on this question heretofore, and we think the same fate awaits it again. Let the people be not deceived by clap-trap arguments, and carried away by the proposition to divert the national funds, temporarily, into the hands of the States. Let the protection now given to the capitalists and manufacturers of the North, afforded by a Tariff which oppresses the South, be withdrawn by a reduction of the tariff, and let the proceeds from the sales of the public lands and the surplus revenue, be devoted to the legitimate objects for which they were intended, that of defraying the expenses of the General Government. And whenever whig-know-nothing papers feel like talking about squandering the public lands on the new States, let them tell the people that Mr. Fillmore, their President and their candidate, signed the greatest squandering bill ever passed by Congress, the Illinois central railroad bill.

INTERESTING ROMANCE. The Knight of the Black Wood—Thrilling Scene!!!

A large bull dog jumped afoul of a little cur dog in the street the other day, and bit off the extreme end of his tail!!!

The above is all you will get of the interesting story in the Democrat—if you want the balance you must subscribe to the Yew Nork Sledger, which will tell how our cur dog squealed, and what the bull dog did—and then how the little dog run. Wiregrass writes for the Sledger—Roastin'er writes for it, Jess Holmes writes for it, Pickle-pepper writes for it, George Gox writes for it, so does Fred Douglas—it is published in the midst of abolitionism.

The poetry of "Eva Earnest" shall appear next week.

ANTI-SLAVERY TRIUMPH. In Missouri, a slaveholding State, for some time past, an anti-slavery party has been gradually growing and strengthening, until it has become an element of prominence in that State, which may, at a future day, materially affect our peculiar institutions. At a recent election for Municipal officers in St. Louis, the contest turned on the question of slavery and anti-slavery, and strange to say, the anti-slavery party triumphed by about fifteen hundred majority. This result is no small matter—it shows that we have much to fear, yet more, from some persons living in the slave States than from fanatics at the North; the former are working for the gradual emancipation of slavery, and are thus weakening the institution, while the latter are not doing much more than talking on the subject. The triumph of anti-slavery principles in a large city in a slaveholding State is an event deserving of serious consideration and reflection. The non-slaveholding States are against us, we know, and we are prepared to meet their opposition, but the question is, how are we to meet fanaticism existing, as it were, at our own doors. This question will have to be solved sooner or later, and the quicker southern statesmen give it their attention the better for the South.

LATER FROM EUROPE.

New York, April 16.—The steamship Arabia, with Liverpool to the 3d instant, arrived here to-day.

Madrid reports says that the Spanish force destined for operation against Mexico, will, under every circumstance, occupy a portion of the Mexican territory for the protection of Spanish subjects.

The American ship High-Flyer had been wrecked at Formosa. The crew had been murdered and the ship burnt.

LIVERPOOL, April 3.—Breadstuffs are firm. Wheat has advanced from one to two pence. Flour is quiet. Corn has advanced six pence. Cotton was steady and unchanged.

WILMINGTON, CHARLOTTE & RUTHERFORD RAIL ROAD.

The unanimous action of the county Court of Anson county, at its recent session, is well calculated to brighten the hopes, even of the most sanguine friends of this great work. As will be seen by the letter of an esteemed correspondent in that county, the question of subscribing \$150,000 to the stock of the company is to be submitted to the voters of that wealthy county on the 4th of next July. Of the result of the popular vote, we entertain no sort of doubt. Anson is aroused, and will do her part; and there is no county along the line able to do more, if there be any able to do as much. Her people are wealthy and unembarrassed, and will hardly feel the burden which their efforts will impose upon them.

Union also, is coming up to the work, as will be seen from the letter. Need we say that we are gratified to see that such is the case—that there is still a North Carolina patriotism and public spirit in North Carolina; and that we are not all sold to our Northern and Southern neighbors.—Wilmington Journal.

NORTH CAROLINA GOLD.—We have been gratified, says the Warrenton (N. C.) News, with the sight of some small nuggets of the real "Simon pure stuff" from the mine of A. H. Davis, Esq., at Ransom's bridge, about twenty miles from Warrenton. We understand about forty hands are employed in the mines at that place, averaging from \$2 to \$2 50 each hand per day. The precious metal is generally found in grains among the gravel, but the nuggets we saw were turned up in ploughing. The largest weighed about ten pennyweights of pure gold, and with others of less size made a pretty pile.

THE NAILLESS HORSE SHOE.—We were shown, yesterday, a specimen of the nailless horse shoe, now coming into fashion at the North. It is a very simple arrangement, but we do not think preferable to the old style. The shoe is manufactured in two pieces, which clamp the fork on either side, and are fastened together by two small screws. Both sides may be made upon the pattern of the ordinary shoe. The upper part or "vamp" is thin, and has a flange projecting inward from its lower edge to match a groove in the sole. With the aid of set screws at the heels, the shoe is fitted on complete. A very neat, but not very economical affair.—Petersburg Express.

BREACH OF PROMISE SUIT.—Mrs Mary J. Shultz, of St. Louis has commenced a suit in the Circuit Court for \$50,000 damages against Alexander M. Mitchell, of St. Joseph, for breach of promise of marriage. It appears, from the petition of plaintiff, that she was engaged to defendant, and that the marriage was to have taken place at the Second Presbyterian Church on Monday evening, April 6th, but the defendant refused to fulfill his engagement, although every preparation had been made, and the guests invited. Defendant is now in St. Louis, and is said to have an income of \$100,000 per annum.

ELOPEMENT OF A PRIEST. Full files of England and continental papers brought by the Niagara, which left Liverpool on the 28th of March, have been received. Among other items of interest, we notice the following which is furnished by the Paris correspondent of the London Times: One morning last week every newspaper office of Paris was visited by a government messenger, who, in breathless haste, forbade them to print a word of the news which had just arrived from Meaux. The grand vicair had fled with one of his fair penitents, Mad'le Vaquerin by name, and one of the most beautiful girls in the place. What makes the affair so terrible just at this moment is, that this intrigue of the grand vicair, which forms one of the accusations upon which Verger breaks proofs of the corruption of the clergy, breaks out just as Verger and his damning proofs were beginning to be forgotten. The young lady who has refused the most brilliant offers of marriage, and who is possessed of a large fortune in her own right, has, by the advice of her paramour, who is supposed to have been her lover ever since she first attended his confessional, five years ago, only waited until her coming of age and the transfer of her money from the hands of her relations into her own, to take this extraordinary and decided step. The grand vicair is a tall, handsome man, of good family. The fugitives have landed in England—and rumor declares that the reverend father has written to his bishop, announcing his intention of throwing his free aux orites, and threatening, on the first sign of persecution or annoyances on the part of the ecclesiastical authorities, to issue a public confirmation of all the "horrible calumnies" which were suppressed in Verger's trial.

CROWDED AUDIENCE.—The Rev. J. Silliman Ives D. D., lectured to a crowded house in Norfolk on Tuesday evening. Subject, "Sources of Protestant Prejudices against Catholicity."

LATER FROM NICARAGUA.

The steamer Tennessee, from San Juan arrived at New York on 16th instant.

It appears by her advices that Gen Lockridge, instead of capturing Castillo, as reported in the filibuster stories brought by the George Law, has actually abandoned the attack and retreated, leaving the important post of Serapiqui and the whole of the river San Juan in complete possession of the Costa Ricans. He retreated without striking a blow, destroying on his way down all the fortifications below Castillo. Subsequently he formed a new battalion of his scattered troops, and would endeavor to join Walker by way of Panama.

The steamer J. N. Scott had been blown up on the San Juan river, during the retreat of Lockridge, and over sixty officers and men were either killed or wounded.—The wounded were sent in the steamer Rescue to Punta Arenas, while Lockridge remained up the river with his remaining force. He was well supplied with provisions.

MARRIED.

At Davidson College, on the 14th instant, by Rev. E. F. Rockwell, Mr John M. Porter to Miss Margaret L. Harris, all of Mecklenburg. In Raleigh, on the 15th instant, Kromlin H. Lewis, Esq., of Edgecombe, to Miss Bettie, daughter of Hon. John H. Bryan. In Lexington, on the 13th instant, Rev. J. A. Buzzer and Miss Mary J., youngest daughter of Mr Andrew Hunt. In New Hanover county, on the 10th instant, Mr J. W. Stringfield to Miss Rebecca A. Rogers. In Iredeil county, on the 15th inst., by the Rev. Stephen Frontis, J. E. A. Mellon, Esq., to Miss Nancy J. H. Moore.

DIED.

In Fayetteville, on the 11th inst., Mrs Ellen, wife of Mr John Smith, aged 37 years. Also, on the 10th inst., very suddenly, Mr Richard P. Overly, aged 43 years. At Davidson College, on the 5th inst., Morrison Hill, oldest child of Major D. H. and Isabella S. Hill, aged 6 years and 8 months. In York District, on 11th inst., Mr Daniel F. Hall, in the 44th year of his age.

In Desoto county, Mississippi, Miss Margaret Priscilla White, daughter of Moses M. and Sarah White, formerly of Lancaster District, S. C.

CHICAGO, April 14.—The election returns from Iowa indicate the success of the Republican candidates for State offices by a majority equal to that obtained at the November election.

When the downward train last evening on the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, (going at twenty-five miles an hour) approached the 99 mile post, a passenger suddenly sprang from his seat, and jumped from the window of the cars. The train was as soon as possible put back, and search was made for his mangled remains. The surprise of all on board can be imagined when instead of these, the passenger was discovered standing by the track apparently unhurt. Seeing parties approach him from the cars, he took to the woods, but was soon overtaken and brought back.

Dr. Sidney D. Sutton who was a passenger at the time pronounced the man as laboring under an attack of delirium tremens. As to the injuries, the Dr., after a superficial examination, thinks them to be but slight, and not likely to prove of a serious nature.—Wilmington Herald.

A DETERMINED COUPLE.—Mr Robert-taugh and Miss Wolford, of Pendleton county, Va., were married in Hampshire, Va. The affair was an elopement. The parties live some fifty miles distant, and walked the whole distance—the arm of the groom entwined the waist of his fair mistress throughout the whole journey. A rare instance of an elopement on foot, with so happy a result.

WHALE CAUGHT.—A whale of large dimensions was harpooned and killed Thursday morning near the Shackleford Banks, about six miles from Beaufort, N. C. It was sixty or seventy feet long, very fat, and yielded upwards of fifty barrels of oil, which will be worth at least \$1,000.

COUNTERFEITS.—A subscriber at Milton writes us (says the Fayetteville Observer) that he has seen at that place several counterfeit \$5 and \$100 bills on the Farmer's Bank of North Carolina; and that "any quantity" of counterfeit \$10 Cape Fear Bank bills are in circulation in that neighborhood. The bad appearance of the paper and engravings makes it easy, he writes, to detect these latter.

ONLY ONE O'CLOCK.—Mr—coming home late one night from "meeting," was met at the door by his wife.

"Pretty time of night, Mr—, for you to come home—pretty time, three o'clock in the morning; you a respectable man in the community, and the father of a family."

"Tisn't three—it's only one; I heard it strike. Council always sits till one o'clock."

"My soul! Mr—, you're drunk—as true as I'm alive, you're drunk. It's three in the morning."

"I say, Mrs.—, it's one. I heard it strike one, as I came round the corner, two or three times!"

EGGS.—The Western Democrat says Charlotte is the western egg market in N. Carolina. The citizens have eggs scrambled poached, boiled and fried for breakfast and dinner, and then again for dinner and breakfast. A friend informs us this is all a mistake. He says Gaston beats all creation for eggs, and adds, that such vast quantities are used there, that the navigation of the Roanoke has been seriously obstructed by the shells which the Gastonians have thrown into it. Charlotte, therefore, must keep dark in the matter of eggs hereafter. Petersburg Express.

MOBILE, April 16.—Havana dates to the 13th inst., state that an attempt had been made to assassinate Mr Smith, the British Consul, for an exposure of the slave transactions. It is thought there will be no war between Mexico and Spain.

WARNING TO PHYSICIANS.—Dr. Loock, the Queen's physician has been peremptorily dismissed from further attendance on the royal family, where he has been hitherto admitted on terms of familiar intercourse. His salary, \$5,000 per annum, a royal present on each safe delivery of the Queen, and a large practice among the nobility, is no small loss. The doctor has made every effort towards reconciliation, but the Queen remains in exorable. It seems that it came to the Queen's ears that Dr. Loock was given to too much talking, and that though she told Prince Albert that his habit of sleeping between the blankets was "a vulgar, dirty Dutch practice," she did not care to have it told abroad.—Liverpool Post.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

I WILL SELL, on Saturday, 19th of April, the Store-House and Dwelling attached, known as the J. K. Harrison property. Also,

4 Unimproved Lots, in the Town of Charlotte, and 500 ACRES OF LAND in Union County.

Terms made known on day of Sale. March 17, 1857. H. B. WILLIAMS, Trustee.

Christian Association.

It is requested that the young gentlemen of Charlotte, of all denominations, will meet in the Court House this (Tuesday) evening, 21st, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of forming a Young Men's Christian Association.

THE MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY T. M. FARRROW.

Charlotte, April 21, 1857.

[It should be borne in mind that the following are wholesale prices mostly. We endeavor to keep the quotations correct, but allowances must be made for the fact that prices frequently change immediately after the publication of the paper.]

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes items like Bacon, Hams, Sides, Hog round, Bagging, Cotton, Beans, Brandy, Coffee, Tea, Sugar, etc.

DR. WAYT, DENTIST. Has returned to Charlotte and is prepared to resume the practice of his profession. Persons are respectfully invited to call. April 20th, 1857.

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The largest and richest assortment of Silk, Crape, Neapolitan and STRAW BONNETS, that we have ever purchased, and which cannot be surpassed for beauty of style. Having bought too many, we will offer them at a small ADVANCE ON COST, rather than keep them over. MANTILLAS also.

LADIES' DRESS GOODS of all kinds and qualities, suitable for the season. PARASOLS, FANS, &c., &c. VERY LOW.

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GENTLEMEN'S Ready-Made CLOTHING.

Our Stock is large, NEW and FASHIONABLE—well made, and of all grades and colors—bought cheap and will be sold the same way. Our whole Stock is UNUSUALLY LARGE, and inducements will be offered either to Wholesale or Retail buyers. ELIAS & COHEN, April 20, 1857.

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Lumber for Sale.

The subscribers are prepared to furnish Lumber to those in want of that article. Their Steam Saw Mill on McAlpin's Creek, near Sardis Church, is in constant operation, which enables them to supply purchasers at short notice. All kinds and quantities of Lumber for building and manufacturing purposes kept on hand and for sale at reasonable prices. MILLER & PORTER, April 20th, 1857.

Negroes for Sale.

Will be sold on Tuesday the 28th instant, (County Court week,) at the Public Square in Charlotte, Three Likely Young Negroes. One girl aged 10 years, one boy 7 years, and a boy 5 years old. Terms made known on day of sale. S. A. HARRIS, Aucr., April 14th, 1857.

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