

The Democrat.

CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Labor Prospects at the North.

The great social problem at the North is how to take care of the unemployed...

The Southern Security Company.

The following interesting sketch of the Southern Security Company is from the Charleston News...

Shortly after the war, when the South, paralyzed and almost hopeless, with its railroad communications literally "broken up"...

The first President of the Company was Gen. G. W. Cass, who was succeeded by James Roosevelt...

The object of the organization was to secure the control of such Southern roads as might be essential to form lines between the principal cities of the South...

Table with 2 columns: Railroad Name, Miles. Includes Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad, Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta Railroad, etc.

Some idea of the value of the Company's property can be derived from the fact that the gross income of the foregoing roads amounted, last year, to \$2,850,010.66...

It is due to this liberal-minded expenditure of capital, on the part of the gentlemen constituting this Company, that the Southern people, as an evidence of their appreciation of what has been done for their material prosperity...

As the Southern Railway Security Company is now emphatically a Southern institution, with its offices, officers and all its interests in the South...

Cotton Exports—Sugar Imports—Money Expended in Europe by American Travelers—Money brought into the Country by Immigrants.

From the N. C. Agricultural Journal. The following letter from the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics at Washington...

Dear Sir:—In reply to yours of the 14th inst., I have to state that the quantity of cotton exported during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1874...

The amount of sugar imported during the same year was 1,594,345,000 pounds...

The amount of foreign sugar consumed in the United States per capita of population at the middle of the period being 42,280,000—was, in weight 37 7-10 pounds...

I am unable to give you a statement of the amount of sugar imported into Germany and Austria...

The quantity of sugar imported into Russia in 1871 is reported from official Russian sources to have been 4,419 pounds...

The amount of money expended by citizens of the United States traveling abroad, I have usually stated at about \$20,000,000 a year...

The amount of money brought into the country annually by alien immigrants, I have previously estimated at about \$25,000,000...

Inauguration of the Governor of South Carolina.

Governor Chamberlain was inaugurated before the Legislature at Columbia on the 1st inst. The hall of the House of Representatives was densely crowded...

After the oath had been administered by the Chief Justice, the new Governor was greeted by a salvo of artillery outside of the State house.

Gov. Chamberlain then delivered his inaugural address, foreshadowing his policy for the reform of governmental abuses in South Carolina...

The paramount duty, he says, is the enforcement and practice of economy and honesty in the administration of the government...

He urges, also, that the expenditures of the State be kept within the receipts, and in the matter of abolishing unnecessary offices and reducing salaries...

In emphatic words the Governor declares that the settlement of the public debt, under the act of last winter, must be regarded as final...

Governor Chamberlain holds that the State is responsible for the outstanding bills of the banks of the State, and advises that they be declared receivable for all past due taxes...

The pardoning power will no longer be abused, he promises that the occasions will be rare when he will be justified in setting aside the judgment of Courts and the verdict of juries.

To these measures of reform, as well as others not mentioned in this report, Gov. Chamberlain declares himself to be unalterably pledged.

The inaugural is universally recognized as an able and statesmanlike address, and the tax-payers are hopeful that if Governor Chamberlain's administration will enforce in good faith the policy marked out...

Legislature of North Carolina.

TUESDAY, Dec. 1.

SENATE.—Mr Marler's general bill for the relief of Sheriffs, &c., passed its third reading. The bill is for the collection of the arrears of taxes for the year '72, '73 and '74...

Mr Jenkins of Cleveland, introduced a bill for the adjustment of the Public Debt of the State, which bill provides for the issuing of new bonds...

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HOUSE.—The bill concerning the homestead and personal exemption law was considered. The bill is as follows:

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Section 2. Nothing in this act shall prevent a laborer's lien for work performed for the person desiring such exemption, or a mechanic's lien for work done on the premises.

Mr Boyd offered an amendment changing the phraseology so as to strengthen the bill.

Mr Fields desired a postponement until to-morrow, that he might have more time to consider the bill, &c.

The postponement was voted down, and also the amendment of Mr Boyd, which was opposed by Mr Strong.

Mr Gudger offered an amendment to increase the homestead to \$2,500. He would support the bill if it was so amended...

On the third reading of the bill, Mr Johnson offered an amendment providing that the homesteads under the new act be laid off and duly registered.

Mr Pinnix offered an amendment providing that the homestead shall be laid off and appraised, &c. Lost.

Mr Gudger offered an amendment providing for the amount of exemption to be \$1,500 instead of \$1,000. Lost.

Mr Boyd offered an amendment providing that the homestead shall be exempt to the owner thereof and to his heirs. Lost.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 2.

SENATE.—Mr Hargrave offered a resolution to take recess on the 15th of this month and meet again on the 4th of January.

Mr Cook amended to adjourn sine die on the 15th. Mr Cantwell proposed to recess from the 14th of this month to the 15th of January.

Mr Boyd moved to lay the whole thing on the table. Refused. Mr Cook amended his amendment so as to read to adjourn sine die on the 22d of December.

Mr Busbee amended again from the 21st of December to the 3d Monday in January. Mr Williamson favored Mr Busbee's amendment...

Mr Waring was for business, and let recess alone—call a Convention and adjourn sine die by the 22d. If we don't call a Convention, then there might be some necessity for coming back.

HOUSE.—Mr Blythe introduced a bill in relation to Judges and Commissioners.

Mr Pinnix introduced a bill to be entitled an act declaring the shares of stock in corporations to be personal estate.

The bill for the more effectual prosecution of offenders against the criminal laws of the State, passed its second and third readings.

Mr Boyd introduced a bill concerning

fees of jailors, and to repeal section 40, chapter 105, Battle's Revision.

A Bill repealing the law giving magistrates jurisdiction of cases of fornication and adultery passed.

Mr Dorch of Wayne, introduced a bill amending the present usury law so as to apply to banks, and providing for a forfeiture of double the sum loaned in case of violation.

SENATE.—A poison bill, for the prevention of suicides and murders, was introduced by the Judiciary Committee.

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North Carolina News Items.

KILLED.—We learn that on Sunday night Nov. 29th, the Rev. J. D. Huffman, pastor of the Baptist church in this place and one of the editors of the Biblical Recorder, shot and killed two negroes with a rifle.

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Immigrants Coming.

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