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Jan. 17, 1857, 33-tf

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
ROBESON COUNTY
Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
May term 1857.
Joseph Thompson Admr.
Charity Blount Admx.
of William Blount dec'd
Original Attachment,—Levied on two Slaves Edmond and Fanny.
Vs.
William Price.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant is not a resident of this State. It is ordered by the Court that publication be made in the North Carolinian, a Newspaper published in the Town of Fayetteville, for the space of six weeks notifiing the said William Price to appear at the next term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions to be held for the County of Robeson at the Court House in Lumberton on the fourth Monday in Augmst next, and then and there to plead or replevy or final Judgment will be given against him and the property levied on be condemned to satisfy the plaintiffs demand and Costs.

Witness Shadrach Howell, Clerk of our said Court at office in Lumberton the fourth Monday in May A. D. 1857.

SHADRACH HOWELL Clerk.
By B. FREEMAN D. C.
July 4, 1857. 58-6t

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ARCH'D M. GIRT.
Aug 8, 1857 62-2t

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D. B. RAINWATERS.
July 4, 1857. 3m

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July 1, 1857 60-3t.

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May 49-tf

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OF

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The Presbyterian Church in North Carolina has long labored under a serious disadvantage from the want of a journal to advocate her claims and represent her interests. It is estimated that only 1000 Presbyterian Weeklies are taken in the bounds of our three Presbyteries. We have 13,000 Communicants, and it is safe to infer that there are 30,000 Presbyterians in principle in the State. Our Synod stands fifth in the Union in point of numbers, and her membership is greater than that of any Synod South or West of Pennsylvania.

Our sister States on the North and South, neither of which has a membership so large as ours, publish the Central, and the Southern Presbyterian, for the benefit of their people.

The time has come when the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina should likewise do her duty to her children. It is a conceded and important fact, that hundreds of our members will take a State paper who will take no other.

The Paper is needed to be the organ of our Synod and Presbyteries—to elevate and enlighten the piety of our membership by diffusing evangelical knowledge—to promote the cause of Education—to develope the talents of our Ministry, and to strengthen the attachment of our people to the soil and sanctuaries of their own State.

If our Church in other States, and other Churches in this State, can supply their members with a religious journal, why may not we?

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It is our wish and design to make the NORTH CAROLINA PRESBYTERIAN a journal of the first class, equal to the best in the country in typographical appearance and in adaptation to the wants of our Churches. Its columns will afford the latest intelligence, both foreign and domestic, and special care will be taken to give a full and accurate summary of State news. The name of the Paper is designed to be an exponent of its character and contents. From conviction, it will advocate the conservative, orthodox, Old School doctrines and order of the Church.

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Aug. 1, 1857. 61-1y

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June 6, 1y-62

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July 11, 1857. tf

NORTH CAROLINIAN

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

The Lodge's Private Closet.

The Lodge of I. O. O. F., at Woodstown, determined to have their Lodge room done up clean and nice, and it was resolved unanimously that Mrs K. should be employed to do the job.

After the meeting adjourned, the guardian, who knew the inquisitive character of Mrs K., procured a billy goat and placed him in a closet that was kept as a reservoir for the secret things. He then informed the lady of the wishes of the Lodge, and requested her to come early next morning, as he then would be at leisure to show her what was and what was not to be done.

Morning came, and with it Madam K., with her broom, brushes, pails, tubs, &c., prepared and armed for the job, and found the guardian waiting for her.

"Now, madam," said he, "I'll tell you what we want done, and how we came to employ you. The brothers said it was difficult to get any body to do the job, and not be meddling with the secrets in that little closet; we have lost the key, and cannot find it to lock the door. I assured them that you could be depended on."

"Depended on!" said she, "I guess I can. My poor dead and gone husband, who belonged to the Free Masons, or anti-Masons, I don't know which, used to tell me all the secrets of the concern, and when he showed me all of the marks the gridiron made when he was initiated, and told me how they fixed poor Morgan, I never told a living soul to this day If nobody troubles your closet to find out your secrets till I do, they'll lay there till they rot—they will."

"I thought so," said the guardian, "and now I want you to commence in that corner, and give the whole room a decent cleaning, and I have pledged my word and honor for the fidelity to your promise; now don't go into that closet," and then left the lady to herself.

No sooner had she heard the sound of his foot on the last step of the stairs than she exclaimed—"Don't go into that closet! I'll warrant there is a gridiron, or some nonsense, just like the anti-Mason for all the world, I'll be bound. I will just take a peep, and nobody will be any wiser, as I can keep it to myself."

Suiting the action to the word, she stepped lightly to the forbidden closet—turned the button—which was no sooner done, than, bah! went the billy-goat, with a spring to regain his liberty, which came near upsetting her ladyship.

Both started to the door, but it was filled with implements for house cleaning, and all were swept clear from their position down to the bottom of the stairs.

The noise and confusion occasioned by such unceremonious coming down stairs, drew half the town to witness Mrs K's efforts to get from under the pile of pails, tubs, brooms and brushes into the street.

Who should be first upon the spot but the rascally door-keeper, who after releasing the goat, which was a cripple for life, and uplifting the rubbish that bound the good woman to the earth, anxiously inquired if she had been taking the degrees.

"Taking the degrees!" exclaimed the lady "If you call tumbling from the top to the bottom of the stairs, scared to death, taking things by degrees, I have them, and if you frighten folks as you have me, and hurt them to boot, I'll warrant they'll make as much naise as I did."

"I hope you did not open the closet, madam," said the door-keeper.

"Open the closet! Ere ate the apple she was forbidden! If you want a woman to do anything, tell her not to do it, and she'll do it certain. I could not stand the temptation.

The secret was there. I wanted to know it. I opened the door, and out popped the tarnal critter right into my face. I thought I was a goner, and I broke for the stairs, with Satan butting me at every jump—I fell over the tub, and got down the stairs as you found us, all in a heap."

"But, madam," said the doorkeeper, "you are in possession of the great secret of the order, and must go up and be initiated, sworn, and then go in, in the regular way."

"Regular way!" exclaimed the lady, "and do you suppose I am going near the tarnal place again, and ride that are critter without a bridle or lady's saddle? No, never! I dont want nothing to do with that man that rides it. I'd look nice perched on a billy-goat, wouldn't I? No, never! I'll never go nigh it again, nor your hall nuther. If I can prepent it, no lady shall ever join the Odd Fellows. Why, I'd sooner be a Free Mason, and be broiled on a gridiron as long as fire could be kept under it, and pulled from garret to cellar with a halter, in a pair of old breeches and slippers, just as my poor dead husband was; he lived over it, but I never could outlive such another ride as I took to-day."

Figures are the ornaments of speech, and ornaments lose effect by being set too thick.

The Man who was Afraid of an Office.

"A thing of shreds and patches," about as much like a man as a camel is like a whale, was hauled out from under a pile of lumber, near a new building in Eighth street, Philadelphia, and conveyed to the station house under the imputation of vagrancy. When, at the proper time, he came forward to defend his reputation against the charge of loaferism, the following conversation took place between him and the "Major's deputy:"

Deputy—"Come, sir give us your name."

Prisoner—"John Covington Smith."

Deputy—"How came you to be skulking under the lumber pile last night?"

Prisoner—"I'm obleeged to hide myself, day and night."

Deputy—"Hide yourself? Pray, what for?"

Prisoner—"I'm afeerd of being made an alderman, or one of the 'detectives'"

Deputy—"Who wishes to make you anything of the kind?"

Prisoner—"Why you see, old gentleman, I've been kicked out of the alms house twice, and been tuck up for small prigging three or four times, so my 'quaintences talks about running me for some sort of office. But I don't care about serving the public in that capacity, and so I tries to keep out of the scope of public observation."

Deputy—"By hiding yourself under lumber piles?"

Prisoner—"Exactly so. I stows myself away anywhere to avoid such testimonials of public gratitude. If I've done anything for the good or glory of my country I don't ax no reward. I don't want to be made an alderman a policeman, a city councilman, or anything of the kind. If I am a ragamuffin, I haint sunk myself that low either. When my old father died, he guv me this good advice: 'Jack,' says he, 'remember that you are one of the swiths. You sprang from an illustrious family. Don't disgrace your ancestors.' A little boozing, or prigging, or loaferering, won't hurt your reputation much; but don't you, my boy, don't you accept of any office under the city government of Philadelphy."

The Deputy Mayor with a faint smile, ordered Mr John Covington Smith to be set at liberty.

A GOOD 'UN.—A "Green Mountain Boy" (so called because the mountains, and not the boys, are green tells the following spicy anecdote, which he says is authentic, and which we do not remember to have seen in print.

Roswell F——, a Vermont lawyer of distinguished ability, now residing at St. Louis, and in the first rank of the bar of Missouri, had brought a suit in court which was really so plain a case for the plantiff that, having submitted the papers and other proof to the court, he felt that his client's interest really required no more, and accordingly he sat down without making the customary opening address to the jury. But the defendants counsel more anxious of rhetorical display, and probably conscious that the defense required the best abilities, rose and made a long harrangue, charactertsed by an immense flood of pompous words, (as was his custom (but destitute of even an attempt at logic or reasoning of any kind. When he had done, the plaintiff's counsel who was expected to make an elaborate speech in reply, rose and merely said—"May it please the court and gentlemen of the jury—in this case I shall follow the example of the counsel for the defence, and submit the case without argument."

The seekers after "horribles" and notorieties, that abounnd in New York, met with a sad disappointment the other day, on the arrival of the Asia. The Cunningham excitement had pretty much died off, and something must be done to satisfy the appetite of the speculators in human misery. A Miss Madeline Smith has recently gained much notoriety, and been exciting much interest in Scotland, in consequence of figuring as principal in a murder trial. She was accused of poisoning her French lover, and being young, accomplished, rich and beautiful, her trial was the all-absorbing topic of the day. She was acquitted, and it was reported, had left as a passenger for the United States on the steamer Asia. The Albany Statesman gives an account of what occurred in New York on the arrival of the steamer:

A large number of New Yorkers, bent upon giving Miss Madeline a public reception, serenade, &c., after the most approved Gotham fashion, proceeded to the Cunard dock to receive her. But, alas! it was found that the heroine was not on board, but that the error had arisen from the fact that a Dutch lady named Mathilde Schmidt was among the passengers. The Committee of Reception, rushing on board, inquired for "Miss Smith." They were shown to the cabin of the "fat, fair and forty" Mathilde Schmidt. Their chairman and spokesman had hardly commenced his prepared speech, when he was interrupted by something which sounded very much like "nix furstay—nix spreich Anglish!" The committee were thunderstruck. They knew well that the dialect was not Scottish, and concluding that there must be some mistake, gathered up their hats and left.