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The bankruptcy bill was made a special order by so large a majority the vote was 83 to 14—that its friends are led to hope for its ultimate enactment into law. Its chances of getting through are very slender though still.

SENATOR VANCE is reported as determined to deliver his speech on the provisions of civil service reform just as soon as he can get the floor. He is not opposed to the principle of the law, but to the provisions of that principle.

One two-story brick building has already risen complete from the ashes of Wilmington's burnt district, and those ashes are still smouldering in some places. Talk about enterprise, pluck and so forth! What do you call that?

It is easy to say that arbitration is the solution of the labor question. No one will doubt the wisdom of that position. But how is the principle of arbitration to be applied? What sort of boards of arbitration are to be established, and how are the findings of the boards to be made obligatory?

GEN. SCHENCK, the famous authority on poker, has been removed from the office of editor of public laws which he has held at Washington, a sinecure worth about \$3,000 a year. The place being a sinecure will not be filled by the present democratic administration. Democracy is opposed to filling sinecures.

That is a most disgraceful state of affairs developed by the Jake Sharp investigation in New York—one which vividly recalls the outrageous performances of the Tweed ring. Is such a thing as decent municipal government impossible nowadays in the great cities? It would seem so.

GREAT mystery still hangs over the cause of the hole that sank the Oregon. As nothing has ever been seen or can now be heard of the vessel which is supposed to have run into the great Gunader, perhaps it was a phantom ship that did the damage—possibly the Flying Dutchman, since the accident occurred near the home of the Knickerbockers.

Two new comets have swung into the ken of the astronomers—one discovered by Fabry, at Paris, and the other by Prof. Barnard, of Vanderbilt University. The first is now, according to the calculations which have been made, about 130,000,000 miles away, and the latter 150,000,000 miles. About May 15 the Fabry comet will be only 15,000,000 miles from the earth, and on June 1 Barnard's will be distant 35,000,000 miles. Both comets will appear in their greatest brilliancy about May 1, and will be plainly visible to the naked eye, they say.

MR. WALTERS, of Baltimore, did get the wonderful peach-blow vase after all, it seems. A report says he has acknowledged the fact. He did not buy it at the auction sale, though. Shortly after the death of Mrs. Morgan, it is said, he offered the administrators of the estate \$10,000 for the vase, and it was accepted. The article was put up at auction merely as a formality, the administrators supposing that the first bid of \$10,000 would easily secure it. The competition which unexpectedly developed surprised the administrators, but they were none the less compelled by their agreement with Mr. Walters to secure the vase for him. It cost them just \$5,000 to do it. And so ends for the present the story of this remarkable bit of pottery.

A good deal of "innocent merriment" is being made over the expression "innocuous desuetude," used by the President in his recent message to the Senate. The Atlanta Constitution goes so far as to say that it cannot understand it. "If we take the phrase apart," it says, "we understand it perfectly, but when it is put together we fail to take in the peculiar meaning with which it is supposed to be invested." We presume therefore that the Constitution has not consulted its dictionary. The President might have said "harmless desuetude" and expressed his idea just as well, and, considering the usual simplicity of his style, it is strange he did not do so, but he preferred the other form and used it, making his meaning obscure to none save those who do not care to see it. His lawyer tendency toward Latinisms overcame for the moment his love of Anglo-Saxon, and that is the head and front of his offending.

We see in some of the papers a most sensational account of the killing of ten negroes and the mortal wounding of three others by white men in the court room at Carrollton, Mississippi. It is probably an exaggeration; if not the occurrence was a gross outrage whose perpetrators ought to be brought to justice speedily and effectually. The story is that thirteen negroes had been arrested for attempting to assassinate James Liddell, a prominent planter of the Carrollton neighborhood, and that fifty white men rode into the town, repaired to the court house where the negroes were awaiting trial, walked into the court room and deliberately shot their victims down. We are loath to believe the tale. It is monstrous, and we hope it will speedily be shown to be exaggerated.

THE PHOSPHATE BEDS OF THE STATE

The last Bulletin of the State department of agriculture contains an interesting account of the discovery and development, so far as this has gone, of the phosphate beds lying in Duplin, Sampson and contiguous counties. After referring to the fact that Dr. Emmons first reported the existence of phosphatic nodules in the State and said that "if the conglomerate in which they were found should prove extensive, it would form an excellent fertilizer," the Bulletin shows that, as a result of the explorations which have been made by direction of the board, it may be taken for granted that there is enough phosphate rock in our eastern counties to make all the superphosphate our farmers may need for any period of time, almost, that may be suggested. "Extensive deposits have been found underlying a wide territory," says the Bulletin. "They have been traced through an area of country ten miles in width and twenty-five miles in length. In general features these beds bear a striking resemblance to those of South Carolina. Like them they are found at a varying distance below the surface, generally but a few feet. Like them they vary widely in quality; some being rich in phosphate of lime, some comparatively poor. Like them, too, the beds vary in thickness, some being but a few inches, some from four to five feet in thickness. In South Carolina they are found not only beneath the surface of the land, but at the bottom of rivers, sea marshes and shallow bays. They are there most profitably worked, because at least cost.

"The phosphates of North Carolina present peculiar facilities for working. They are found at a depth of three or four feet, and they are imbedded in sand; hence, are easily mined and cleaned. Railroad and river transportation is easily accessible. They yield readily to the action of acids. These circumstances diminish the expense and therefore increase their value."

The article to which we refer then goes on to give the probable value of the phosphate rock and of the marl found in connection with it and concludes with a quotation from Prof. Kerr to the effect that "the mineral wealth of the eastern section of the State in the form of marl is worth tenfold more than that of all the rest of the State besides, great and various as that is," and with the remark that "every new discovery of a material so valuable will win the acknowledgment of every friend of agriculture." For our part, we grant this last most heartily and we should like to see now the development of the beds to the fullest extent possible. A first-rate beginning has already been made and the result is in every way satisfactory to those who made it. We do not believe private enterprise can find a better field for its employment than in the preparation of this article for market. We hope to see the business assume the proportions of a boom and we have no doubt that the whole eastern part of the State will eventually be made as fertile as a kitchen garden by the application of this fertilizer from its own bosom.

As we predicted, the Senate majority has been unable to follow Edmunds farther in his ridiculous course with reference to the President's attitude concerning removals and are proceeding to desert him. The latest action of the Senate committee on finance is proof of the fact. That committee has been seriously considering the situation recently and consulting with Secretary Manning, and as a result have wisely concluded to ignore the republican caucus resolution to the contrary, and report upon the many nominations which are pending before it without further delay. They cannot save their party from the effect of the illogical and wholly untenable position which they have assumed under the guidance of Mr. Edmunds, but they realize, we suppose, that it is never too late to mend. Their decision will affect more than 100 nominations, made up to a great extent of internal revenue collectors appointed to fill vacancies caused by suspension. The method adopted by the committee in dealing with these cases, it is reported, is to send to the treasury department a letter of inquiry in each case, asking if there are any charges against the suspended officer, and, if so, requesting that they be furnished to the committee. The reply of secretary Manning, which is the same in each case, refers the committee to the President's special message for the reasons for the suspension, with the additional remark that there are no charges on file affecting the moral or official character of the person suspended. With this assurance the committee rests content and will recommend the confirmation of the nomination unless there are some special reasons to the contrary. About a dozen of the committee's letters have already been answered, and forty or fifty more will speedily follow. Republican Senators have little to say about the new move of the finance committee, but they do deny that it looks very much like a square back-down. We congratulate the republican Senators on this coming to their senses. It is late, but it is better to be late than never. And what can be said of Edmunds in his defeat—of him who marched up the hill with such sound and fury? Alas! the noise he made signified nothing, and he has now but to march down again and alone, for his followers have preceded him. Perhaps he will know better next time than to assail an impregnable position held by a firm democratic executive. Let us hope he will, for the exhibition he has made of himself has been in some respects pitiful. O, what a fall has there been, countrymen! First was the square demand for the "reasons" for removal, then came the request for "charges" against those suspended, with silence on the subject of "reasons" for suspension, and now the complete evacuation of the whole position originally assumed! All praise and honor to our democratic President who has upheld the constitutional rights of his office "without variableness or the shadow of turning."

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OLDEN DAYS—NEW ENTERPRISES—TOSACCO INTERESTS—WARRENIANS, AC., AC. COR. OF THE NEWS AND OBSERVER.

WARRENTON, N. C., March 18. No county in the State has given birth to more distinguished statesmen or able jurists than Warren. Her sons have held the highest offices, State or national. The names of Eaton, Macon, Edwards, Hanson, Jenkins and many others are written in letters of gold upon her bright escutcheon.

In the good old ante-bellum days Warren and the "Shocco Springs," in this county, were favorite summer resorts for the beauty, wealth and fashion of this and other States. Warren has always been prominent for the refinement, culture and hospitality of its people and the proverbial beauty of its Senator, Matt W. Ransom, was born not many miles from Warrenton. Cut off from railroad communication, its people crippled and suffering from the results consequent upon the late war, Warrenton has been gradually retrograding until some of its men of pluck and enterprise determined upon building

"THE WARRENTON RAILROAD," thereby effecting a junction with the Raleigh & Gaston railroad, which runs in three miles of the town.

Some eight or ten years ago Mr. Richard Kingsland, a Northern man, then residing with his family in Warrenton, aided by Messrs. John White, N. R. Jones, W. J. Norwood and other public-spirited citizens of the town, agitated the construction of this connecting link of railroad. Private subscriptions for a considerable amount were made, the right of way obtained, work begun, the road-bed graded and ties for a considerable distance laid, but the amount thus raised being insufficient, the work was abandoned temporarily.

At the session of the legislature of 1883 the charter of the road was amended so as to allow the town of Warrenton to increase its subscription in town bonds for the purpose of completing the road. This being done the next thing was to find a market for these bonds. Fortunately for the town and road the Rev. Dr. B. F. Long, who was then and is yet engaged in the insurance and real estate business, was elected president of the road. Dr. Long, with his accustomed energy and business tact, went to New York and there succeeded in placing the bonds. The interest on these bonds has been promptly met, and they are today worth one hundred cents on the dollar. The road has been built and trains have been running regularly since November, 1884. The veteran mail-carrier, Capt. A. P. Shell, who for eighteen years carried the mail and passengers from Warrenton to the Raleigh & Gaston railroad depot, through sunshine and storm, winter's sleet and mud and never once lost the mail, is the conductor. Capt. W. J. White is now president, and J. M. Gardner, Esq., secretary and treasurer. The board of directors are Dr. J. G. King, Messrs. C. A. Cook, J. Draper, J. R. Johnson, W. J. Norwood and Elias Carr, all sound, practical business men. The sound of the locomotive whistle aroused the Rip Van Winkleism of the place, and today every available house in the town is occupied, numbers of people who are desirous of moving here being unable to do so on account of there being no houses for rent.

THE TOBACCO BUSINESS. Within less than ninety days from the time the first train rolled into Warrenton, Capt. W. J. White, who for many years had been a leading merchant in the place, formed a partnership with J. E. Magee, Esq., of Clarksville, Va., for the purpose of doing a tobacco warehouse business. In January, 1885, White & Magee had their opening sale of tobacco. The business men manifested a lively interest in this new enterprise, and everybody was surprised at the large quantity of tobacco brought in to the first sale. The farmers showed a willingness to sustain their nearest home market. The Gazette, Democratic to the core, and ever ready to lend a helping hand to any enterprise tending to build up the town and county, under the able and patriotic conduct of H. A. Foote, Esq., pushed on the good work, and now in common with other citizens rejoices in the great change in business activity, the erection of new and handsome buildings, and the new life, wealth and prosperity that have come to the town of Warrenton.

ARRINGTON'S WAREHOUSE, one of the largest and most convenient, best equipped and handsomest buildings to be found in the South for handling tobacco, was designed by an architect who evidently understands his business. Built of the very best material and in the most substantial manner, it presents an appearance of solidity and permanency which at once impresses the eye of the beholder with admiration and wonder. It was built and is owned by Messrs. Arrington Brothers, who constitute the old established firm of John Arrington & Sons, of Petersburg, Va. The senior member, Mr. R. T. Arrington, conducts the Petersburg business, while his brother, Capt. S. P. Arrington, resides with his family in Warrenton, where he buys tobacco largely on order for manufacture throughout the United States. The salesroom of this immense building is under the entire management of Messrs. White & Allen, Mr. White being the former partner of Mr. Magee, and Mr. Allen a farmer who knows all about tobacco. Both are natives of the county and are popular with the businessmen and farmers of the county. The floor-room of the entire building aggregates about 50,000 square feet. The building contains about 250,000 feet of lumber, and 250,000 brick were used in the foundation. It is provided with a large elevator and every convenience for storing and handling tobacco. The building covers nearly a whole square, its front reaching entirely from one street to the other.

BOYD BROS. & CO. were the pioneer warehousemen of Warrenton, having opened the first warehouse in the place for the sale of tobacco. They do a large and increasing business. Mr. Walter Boyd, the senior member of the firm, is a live, active business man, of fine personal appearance and very popular. He was for

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many years successfully engaged in the tobacco business at Henderson. His partners are his two brothers, Henry and Ed. Boyd, and Mr. W. P. Baughman, recently from Washington, in this State. They have just completed a large and excellent "prize house," five floors, with an elevator running from top to bottom. This building is connected with their warehouse by a bridge across the street, making the two houses practically one building and affording ample room for handling tobacco in large quantities. There are other warehouses built and being built. The best of feeling prevails between the warehousemen and tobacco buyers and it is a pleasure to see and hear the hearty good humor attending the daily sales.

Tuesday about 65,000 pounds of tobacco were on sale on the warehouse floors. Tobacco is brought to Warrenton from Warren, Granville, Vance, Franklin, Nash and Halifax counties in this State and from Brunswick and Mecklenburg counties in Va. Frequent shipments are made by rail from the line of the Wilmington & Weldon railroad. Warrenton has a good private telegraph line, and will soon have an office of the Western Union open also. The farmers generally are complaining of "hard times" and the low price of tobacco, cotton and other products. They should remember that the production of good tobacco of whatever kind, has never been too large. It is the production of poor tobacco that has caused the mischief. Like every other farm product, poor quality, whether poor cotton, poor rice, poor wheat or poor corn, poor tobacco is a weary way to travel to find a purchaser.

Fuel of the Future. The houses of the near future will have no fireplace, steam pipes, chimney or flues. Wood, coal oil and other forms of fuel are about to disappear altogether in places having factories. Gas has become so cheap that already it is supplanting fuels. A single jet fairly heats a small room in cold weather. A New York artist has produced a simple design for heating entirely by gas at a merely nominal expense. It is a well known fact that gas throws off no smoke, soot or dirt. The artist filled a brazier with chunks of colored glass and placed several jets beneath. The glass soon became heated sufficiently to warm a room 10x30 feet in size. This design does away with the necessity for chimneys, since there is no smoke; the ventilation may be had at the window. The heat may be raised or lowered by simply regulating the flow of gas. The colored glass gives all the appearance of fire; there are black pieces to represent coal, red chunks for flame, yellowish white glass for white heat, blue glass for blue flame, and hues for all the remaining colors of the spectrum. Invention already is displacing the present fuels for furnaces and cooking ranges, and glass doing away with delay and such disagreeable objects as ashes, kindling wood, etc.

It was an Artist. From the Chicago Rambler. Mrs. Mimosa: "Well, Mrs. Van Dyke, your husband seems to be turning out a good many pictures lately." Mrs. Van Dyke: "Yes, he is really working too hard. It actually interferes with his sleep." Mrs. M.: "Really?" Mrs. Van D.: "Yes, indeed. Why only last night he kept muttering something about drawing three queens."

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