North Carolina Press Association, held in Charlotte last week, was a complete success. This was our first privilege to meet, in a body, the newspaper men of our adopted State.

The Association convened at 12 o'clock M. Tuesday. The President Dr. H. E. T. Manning, of the Mary land Medical Journal, and the Secretary, R. T. Fulghum, of Raleigh, were present. Twenty-one newspapers of the State were represented.

On behalf of the city Press and citizens of Charlotte, F. Brevard Mc-Dowell, Esq., of the Charlotte Ob server, delivered a beautiful and ap propriate address of welcome-at the conclusion of which the President made an able response. After which the business of the meeting was gone through with.

In the afternoon, by institution of Major Yates, the able editor of that popular journal, the Charlotte Democrat, we were one of a party privileged to enjoy the pleasure of accompanying him on a tour through and around the city. In a literal sense, this was our introduction to Charlotte, and we were pleased to make her acquaintance. Charlotte is a beautiful and prosper ous city, and has many places of interest to a stranger. Among other places of interest, we visited Rudisill Hill Gold Mines, which presented a busy appearance. On our retarn to the city we visited the beautiful residence of Major Y., on Tyron street, where we were entertained in a most pleasant and hospitable manner.

The Association re-assembled on Wednesday morning, and among other important business, the following officers were elected for the ensuing

President-Col. Win. L. Saunders, of Raleigh.

Vice-Presidents-Col. Charles R Jones, of Charlotte; Dossey Battle, of Tarboro, and J. S. Tomlinson, of

Recording and Corresponding Secretary-W. A. Davis, of Oxford

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Executive Committee-W. J. Yates, of Charlotte; R. M. Fizman, of Asheville; R. T. Fulghum, of Raleigh; T. K. Bruner, of Salisbury, and J. P. Caldwell, of Raleigh.

In the afternoon it was the pleasure of the Association to visit, by invitation, the handsome and hospitable residence of Colonel Win. Johnson, the permilar Mayor of Charlotte, where we met with a kind, hearty reception. After which we visited the United States Mint, where it was our pleasure to meet Colonel Cowles, who is wellknown to many of our citizens.

Later in the afternoon we availed ourselves of an invitation from Col. Thomas to visit Carolina Military Institute-an institution which pet only Charlotte, but the whole State should be proud of. Here we were entertained in a most pleasant and agreeable

of our genial host.

beauty and intelligence of the city.

for an hour and ten minutes he highly therefore they must not be paid. dress was well received.

to partake of a magnificent banquet cised in dealing with the issue, to tendered by the Press and several assure the respect and faith that leading citizens of Charlotte. The Commonwealth must inspire if it banquet was a grand success. The tables were well loaded with substantials and all manner of delicacies, no fixed rule that could be applied to and the "champagne cannonading" was kept up during the evening.

made by Col. Wm. Johnston, E. S. tion which fraud displayed in anthor-Gregory, Esq., Col. J. P. Thomas, Dr. | izing and issuing State bonds defy all H. E. T. Manning, P. F. Duffy, Esq., | accepted laws in the effort to attain Col. Ham. C. Jones, F. B. McDowell, equity. In some cases, such as North Esq., Dossey Battle, Esq., Sam'l P. Carolina, it is not difficult to define Smith, Esq., Maj. J. A. Englehard, certain pretended obligations which Dr. J. T. Moore and Col. L. L. Polk. should be paid; but the dividing line The Association adjourned on is not co clear in most other States had one party, who brought him from his)

and the appealion of an orator, is to or less equity against the State. be decided by the Executive Com-

From the Philadelphia Tiwes we take the following ettting, showing the northern sentiment in regard to the fraudulent debts of the southern States: Now that the protracted political turbulance of the reconstructed States seem about to end its curse. and government, law and thrift may revive throughout the South, the question of an honorable adjustment of the practically repudiated indebtedness of commonwealths which have been the prey of the political adventure should command prompt attention. No State can afford to justify the charge of repudiation, and yet there is ndebtedness that was created by fraud, of which the world had reasonable notice. In some few instances it would be actually impossible for Southern States to pay the millions of debt piled upon them by plunderers without even the shadow of compenration, and in other cases the equities a tween the States and their creditors ere such that a compromise on a percentage of the outstanding bonds would leave no stain upon the good name of the Commonwealth. It would be idle to talk about North Carolina attempting to pay the millions of bonds literally plundered from the men as Littleton and Swepson. Some corrupt contractors by a corrupt Executive without any attempt to protect the State or to have some pretence of consideration therefor, and the purchasers of such securities could Carolina law and protect North not have been wholly ignorant of the fraud that attached to them. We do not assume that there was such technical legal notice of conspiracy and fraud as would defeat recovery by an innocent holder against an individual. flood of debauchery and venality sweeping around the Holden administration, and such open admonitions from the press and the people of the State that every purchaser of a North Carolina bond took it with his eyes open and calculated the chances of getting double or treble his money back or of losing the whole of it. Had such securities been created

there was such a notorious without public question, and the improvements been prosecuted for which they were ostensibly issued, every consideration of law, justice and honor would require the State to pay them, no matter how unwisely they had been disposed of; but when the stench of fraud was attached to every bond, and public notice of repudiation came from every fearless newspaper and honest tax-payer of the State, the holders cannot plead that they were innocent purchasers. Whether the technicalities of the law would so regard them or not, the laws of honesty and common sense must decide against North Carolina, South Carolina.

Florida, Alabama, Arkansas, Missis-On our return we were once more sippi and Louisiana need a reconinvited to the hospitable home of struction of their credit, and to effect Major Yates, where we were regaled it should now be the first care of every in that pleasant manner characteristic good citizen of those States. Each of them could readily provide for the At eight o'clock we repaired to the interest and gradual payment of such Opera House, where was assembled amount of debt as they have received an audience representing the elite, any just consideration for; but they cannot take a stand, in all classes, Colonel E. S. Gregory, the orator, on the ground that their bonds were was introduced by the President, and squandered by thieving officials, and entertained his hearers, in an elegant | More than half the whole addition to address, abounding with useful and the debt of the States we have named practical advice, and well interspersed created during the last ten years, was with wit and humor. Col. G.'s ad- literally stolen and was expended to debauch the authority and destroy the After the address of Colonel Greg. prosperity of the people; but the soundory we returned to the Central Hetel est discrimination should be exerwould fulfil its sacred and responsible mission to its citizens. And there is all the States, and probably none that would justly apply to any two of them. In response to toasts speeches were | The originality and fertility of inven-

No State can stain its sweatcheon party. with repudiation and command the respect of either the world or of its laughing was used at the house, when SOUTHERN STATE CREDIT, own people. Any commonwealth may old man Snider ordered them to get safely stand upon what the considerate out of his house. About that time judgment of mankind could approve as he took hold of a chair which was in the honest between man and man; but porch and raised it a foot or so from the employment of the trickery of the floor, when the revenue party demagogue to escape State obligations will rank second only in public reprobation with the frauds which created

(Rafelgh News) We print elsewhere this morning the history of one of the bloodiest of the revenue outrages committed in the western part of the State. It was the killing of Johnson Snider and his son, by Revenue officers, in Ashe county. The statement was prepared law, justice or sound public policy for the Nous by a Republican who to require the payment of pretended lives in the adjoining county of Johnson, Tennessee, and who is fully ac quainted with all the details of the case The tale of blood is so long that it is necessarily condensed, but enough is presented to show what lawless ruflians execute the Federal law in the mountain country. Snider was a most respectable and inoffensive old man, seventy years of age. When the arrests were attempted no warrants were exhibited by the Revenue officers or pretended to be in their lands; and neither the old man nor his son were connected with illicit distilling. The grand jury of Ashe Superior Court last week found true bills against people by Governor Holden and such all the parties of murder; and capiases were issued for the accused, with what thireen millions were nanded over to result is not yet known. We hope the offenders were caught and tried before Judge Schenk, who evinces

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THE KILLING OF JOHNSON SNIPER AND HIS SON HAMILTON BY REVENUE OFFI-CERS IN ASHB COUNTY-DETAILS OF THE FATAL ASSAULT.

Is Ashe county last week true bills were found against Ed. Ray, R. O. Patterson, - Wilson, and others, revenue officers, who killed Jehnson Suider, a respectable citizen of Ashe county and his son Hamilton, on the issued for the accused. The following is the bloody story of the murder, as made up for the News by a gentleman who lives in the adjoining county of Johnson, Tenn., and whose son was so unfortunate as to be a witness to the horrible tragedy. Additional weight will be given to the story when it is known that the writer is himself a Republican.

THE HISTORY OF THE CASE. About the 10th of April, 1877, in the county of Ashe, Ed. Ray, R. O. Patterson, - Wilson, and others. whose names I do not know, to the number of ter, apparently considerably intoxicated came to Johnson Snider's house on the head waters of the North Fork and New river, in Ashe county, near the Tennessee line. and asked if Johnson Snider lived there, and a man by the name of Ammon, who was there, and he (Ammon) went to the gate with a small pocket knife in his hand cutting a stick or whittling. Ray spoke to him and demanded his surrender and that he give up his knife. Ammon asked Ray "what have you got to do with my knife?" at which instant Ray knocked him down with his pistol. Alex. Snider, a nephew of Johnson Snider was present and came with Ammon to his uncle's. When Ammon was knocked down Alex. seized a maul lying near the gate, which was taken from him by Franklin Grayson, who was present, who informed Shider and Ammon that Ray was a revenue officer and told them to have no difficulty. These two were from Tennessee. Ammon was an artist collecting some claims. A moment after that Ray fired his pistol twice in the air. Ten or twenty seconds afterwards, horses were heard approaching rapidly, bringing nine others to the place, some armed with

so the whole fraudule: tissues and garden beyond the house to the porch. tioss which give to the holder more Next thing seen he was again brought to the perch in custody of the same

Then loud swearing and boisterous commenced firing. One ball took effect in his head, one in his neck and one in his side, oausing almost instant death, as he recled and fell as soon

At this time a portion of the party was operating in the house. Soon after the old man fell rapid firing was heard in the house, as was stated by the witnesses who were outside. Ray, having gone in there as soon as Snider fell, commanded young Ham Snider, aged 22, to come down from the loft, and Snider came down. Some of the revenue officers demanded a surrender and Snider said: "I have surrendered." One of the party said: "You are a d-d liar; you haint;" at the same time he (said to be Wilson) fired a pistol at him. Snider knocked the pistol up and the ball took effect. in the loft of the house. Hamilton had no weapon of defence; then he was seized by some of the party by the arms and legs and one of the party carrying him called for a man by the name of Wilson and said "G-d d-n him, shoot him," A pistol was placed against his side by one of them, near the hip, and fired, and set his clothes on fire. They then let him down and left, taking with them Ammon and Alex. Snider as

The whole transaction lasted some ten or fifteen minutes from the time Ray came till they all left. Hamilton Suider lived three days and died.

These facts were elicited from the winesses with whom I have conversed freely and fully about the matter. I do not have any feeling in this matter but make this statement at the request of friends.

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guns, others with pistols. Then the whole party rushed to the house, some surrounding, others penetrating. A short time after that old man Johnson Snider, aged about seventy years, was seen in the custody of two of the reverse with the pistors. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame of \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, without frame, sent to press for \$1.50. The picture, wi

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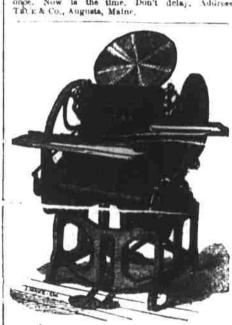
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