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—If, according to all indications, the Wheeler crowd is to handle the coalition drag-net in North Carolina, there will be caught some mighty small fish, and a few at that.

—The mention of Judge Fowler's name in connection with a Mahone movement in North Carolina receives an emphatic and indignant denial from the Raleigh Observer.

—The editor of the Union Republican says we have knowingly misrepresented Dr. Wheeler. The editor in question was one of Wheeler's strikers and was a mendacious upon his bounty.

—A Washington paper criticizes President Arthur because he drinks whiskey for which he pays \$18 a gallon and gives his guests nothing better than \$15 whiskey. This is very sad. It indicates the growth of aristocratic and arrogant ideas in the capital, and a tendency to drift away from the Republican simplicity which is supposed to be characteristic of our government.

—The revenue districts in Virginia have been readjusted to suit Mahone. The changes throw a lot of the counties with large numbers of colored voters together in one district. The others are also much readjusted and the disaffection of two collectors and appointment of one new one is said to throw the entire revenue force in the State into the hands of Mahone.

—The Baltimore Sun asserts that Dr. Wheeler was removed in 1880 by John Sherman because he persisted in using his patronage to send Grant delegates to the Chicago convention. If this be true, Dr. Wheeler has been the victim of base political knavery and his re-instatement needs no vindication. If true, we have wronged Dr. Wheeler again, and take occasion to say that he is the worst misrepresented man in the State. If true, Sherman is a great rascal and his methods of packing a convention are infamous. If true, Wheeler is a paragon of virtue to Sherman. And all the while Sherman was engaged in this nefarious scheme he was Grant's Secretary of the Treasury. Was such base perfidy ever known? Can it be true?

—A committee appointed by the Legislature of Georgia to investigate and report upon the advisability of establishing a school of industrial science in that State have visited a number of institutions of that class in New York and New England, and as a result of their investigation will unanimously report in favor of the proposition.

—From this statement it appears that a presentment was made by the Federal grand jury in 1881, and that by direction of the court, it was delivered to the District Attorney. No bill was sent by the District Attorney, and, of course, no indictment was found by the grand jury. Whatever this correction is worth Dr. Wheeler is cheerfully accorded to him.

—Personally we have not the slightest interest in the removal of Everett and the re-instatement of Wheeler. We have a very slight personal knowledge of either of them, and know nothing against their personal integrity. We make no accusations against Wheeler impeaching his personal probity. The charges against him affect his official record and they have been met and the latter as completely developed as possible. The school of technology which Georgia will soon possess, is just what North Carolina needs, and Greensboro is the place for it.

PRESIDENT ARTHUR TO WHEELER.

DEAR WHEELER:—As is well known to you the collectorship in your district has been at your disposal for some time. We both know how it feels to be kicked out of office under charges. My heart has yearned for you ever since that little collectorship affair of mine in New York.

—Gross abuses of administration have continued and increased during your incumbency. The expenses of your office have increased, while its receipts have been diminished. Bribes, or gratifies in the shape of bribes, have been received by your subordinates, and you have in no case supported the effort to correct these abuses.

—If it is to be held that, to procure the removal of Mr. Arthur, "it is sufficient to reasonably establish that gross abuses of administration have continued and increased during his incumbency," that bribes, or gratifies in the shape of bribes, have been received by his subordinates in several branches of the custom house, that efforts to correct these abuses have not met his support, and that he has not given to the duties of that office the requisite diligence and attention, then it is submitted that the case is made out. This form of proof the department is prepared to submit.

—You know what followed. How I was kicked out of office; how at Chicago the immortal 306 nominated me for the second place on the ticket, and how Guiteau's bullet landed me in the White House, and made me President of the United States. Now my dear Wheeler you can understand why I disregard the wishes of nearly all the leading Republicans in your State, and pass over the many grave accusations on file in the department against you in restoring you to office. Remember me kindly to Tom Keogh. We shall meet at Philippi. Until then I am yours, CHESTER ARTHUR.

—Satisfied that the editorial in Tuesday's PATRIOT, charging that Dr. W. H. Wheeler had been indicted in the Federal court for a violation of the internal revenue laws whilst collector of this district, does him injustice, we cheerfully make the correction due him. The statement was based upon current information at the time, to the effect that the grand jury had made one or more presentments against Dr. Wheeler. The emphatic denial of this charge caused us to apply for the clerk of the United States court at this place for more specific information. The reply is as follows:

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—We could have heard some good sense and an excellent sermon in Salisbury; if we had gone to the Presbyterian church Sunday, but the place against which the churches warn us have few terrors greater than the heat of that day.

The Stalwarts on Top.

In commenting upon the removal of Mr. Everett, and the appointment of Dr. Wheeler to the collectorship of the fifth district, which has been enlarged by the addition of several counties cut off from the sixth district, we asserted that it was a stalwart triumph, and that it marked the re-organization of the Republican party in the State under stalwart leadership.

—One of the conditions, it seems, upon which Dr. Wheeler was appointed, was that he and the stalwarts should give full adhesion to the coalition movement, which the administration expects to foster and upon which it largely counts. In fact this programme had been entered upon before the appointment of Wheeler, and the warfare between the contending rival factions led respectively by Dr. Mott and Thomas B. Keogh, had practically ceased, Mott recognizing the fact that Keogh was on top in Washington and Keogh on the other hand seeing the necessity of a truce and a closing of the lines for future operations.

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Randolph Items.

—The wheat crop of the county is panning out well.

—The worth factory narrowly escaped a big fire last week. A bale of cotton in the upper house caught fire from a match accidentally lit, but was discovered in time to prevent any serious damage.

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The News.

John H. Alexander, colored, applicant for admission to the West Point military academy, has passed an excellent examination and been admitted.

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A Minister Held for Murder.

A special from Mansfield, Ia., to the Freeman says: "The preliminary examination of the Jenkins brother, charged with the murder of the Rev. J. Lane Borjlen, was concluded Saturday. Judge Logan briefly reviewed the case, and held Rev. B. O. and C. E. Jenkins to answer a charge of murder. They will not be allowed to give bail. The case is to be tried at Cadron Parish jail at Shreveport.

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