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The Indictment Against Maj. Englehard.

The Grand Jury of Bladen has found a true bill of indictment against Maj. Englehard of the *Wilmington Journal*, for slanderous words against Judge Bond. This is one of the dirty tricks of Cantwell and his backers, who on every occasion that offers, will be sure to strike at the liberty of the press and the purity of the jury box. Of all our oppressors, the most despicable are these *little tyrants*, who when clothed with a little authority. try to swell to the size of their masters. Hitherto we have considered the endeavor to indict the editor of the *Journal* merely as bombast and bravade; but since it appears that there is a possibility of its becoming serious, we deem it time to speak and show our condemnation of these nefarious acts. All good men see how these things stand, and will treat this attempt of Bond and his minion Cantwell with the contempt, that their attempt to oppress the freedom of the press merits.

Reform.

The papers tell us that on May the 20th two hundred and thirty Assessors and one thousand assistant Assessors are to be relieved from duty. Many of them will retire to the shades of private life with their pockets so well lined with Unlee Sam's money, that the loss of their lucrative positions will effect them but little. But let them go. Lets have a change anyhow, for there is scarcely a possibility that we shall be worsted. No doubt it will be a sorrowful day with the most of them, for like the vermin of an old ship they have been housed so long, that they know no other home. They will no doubt lose some of that exalted patriotism, that they have so often vaunted. and for which they have been so long distinguished; and will we fear realize that the powers that be are not infallible. We may look out, for them Fourth; carpet-bags have already gone up.

"Homeless and Officeless they roam."

Fertilizers.

It has become evident that our farmers have become wild over cotton from the fact. that the factories will not be able to meet the overwhelming demand for fertilizers. Just imagine the immense acreage that must have been designed for this crop when with the many kinds of new guanos that have been made, and the enlarged facilities of the factories already in existence, the demand of the farmers have not been met.. We ask all thinking men what must be the result of this if there should be a good crop made, or if there should be a failure? They will be in a dilema either horn of which must be injurious, for if good crops are made the amount of cotton will depress the price, and if sorry ones are made, the fertilizers will not be paid for. Think of it farmers and see if you cannot make yourself safe by enlarging your corn crop.

FOR THE COURIER.

An aged married couple called on one of our city Attorneys a few days since, to get him to file an application for a Pension by virtue of the male member of the couple having served as a Soldier in the war of 1812. The Attorney proceeded to inter gate the said male member of the aforesaid couple as to his claims upon the bounty of the Government; and found, that he had not served in the said war a time sufficient in length to entitle him to a draft upon the liberality of the United States Treasury. Knowing the County Commissioners to be in session on that day, and having his feelings somewhat excited by their destitute and helpless condition the Attorney suggested that they apply to that source for relief.—Whereupon he accompanied them to the office of the aforesaid Commissioners, and sought the relief that their necessities required. He was informed that the County had prepared a place for such people and the only relief they extended was to persons at that place and that they could avail themselves of it if they chose. They accepted the proposition and were furnished with a letter of introduction to Rial T Edwards Esq.

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Lost and Found From, Darkness to Light—Past Differences Between Husband and Wife Amicably Settled.

Not many weeks ago, a lady with several small children got off of the train at Franklinton and took the hack to this place under the guidance of Mr. Joyner the driver. They remained all night with Mr. Joyner, and was conveyed by him on the following day to the residence of Mrs. Bell, a widow lady, who it seems was a relation of the traveling unknown, Such were the facts and all that was known up to a few days back, when two gentlemen made their appearance in our town looking for a lady who was the wife of one of them, and who had left him during one of his *sprees*, and sought safety and quiet in this State far from the scenes of his dissipation. On his becoming sober he found his wife gone, leaving no clue by which he might follow, and so the days and weeks passed by.

We leave the reader to imagine the grief and despair of the repentent man, it is not for our pen to portray. Ascertaining that she was in this part of North Carolina he came immediately thither in quest of her, and succeeded in tracing her to this place. And on questioning the hack driver, found out her present abode.

The differences between man and wife have been most happily adjusted, the one forgiving, the other forgiven. And ere this they are on their way back to their home in the Sunny South where the murmer of the Mighty Father of Waters ever breaks upon the ear, and where we trust their future may be as bright with happiness as the past has been black with grief.

The name of the gentleman is Boeday, that of his companion Matthews. They were from near Vicksburg, Miss. During their stay in this place, they stopped at Green's Hotel.

MR. EDITOR:—Section 8 th of the Postal Laws read as followers (viz) If the mail key be broken, or so defective as not to open all the locks, the bag should be passed. unopened, to the nearest office, with a r quest P. M. to take out the letters &c. for the office where the lock could not be opened, and send them back by the mail carrier, outside of the bag, in a sealed package, until another key be received from the D partment. In such a case any mutilation of the bag is inexcusable.

You will see from the above that I did not have the right to open the bag notwithstanding your views to the contrary.

Respectfully,
Miss S. E. Jones P. M.

In reply to the above we would say that the remark made in our last issue were based upon information furnished by the acting P. M. who informed us that he had the right to open the bag This is all that we have to say.

FOR THE COURIER.

ROLESVILE, N C

MR. EDITOR.—I attended the examination of the students attending the Musical Institute conducted by Prof. Carmichael at this place a few weeks since, and must say that I was greatly pleased with the exercises. The examination was very thorough, the students being required to answer many questions They acquitted themselves handsomely, and reflected credit upon their instructor. Several students obtained certificates of proficiency and are allowed to teach. (viz) G W Perry of Franklin, W H Haywood, G W Richards and J S Woodward of Wake.—The certificates were delivered to the young men by Rev. J W Wellons of Franklinton with very appropriate remarks. This gentleman also lectured upon the necessity of vocal music: He showed himself thoroughly conversant with his subject and his remarks were well received by the audience which was very large. Prof. Carmichael has done a great deal of good with his Institute of vocal music, and those who desire to become teachers would do well to attend the same, Cultivate the voice, learn to sing for the sake of your Church music.

PRC

CHOWAN FEMALE INSTITUTE.—We learn that our Townsman, Charles M Cooke Esq., has accepted an invitation to deliver the literary address before the Chowan Female Institute at Murfreesboro N. C. at the annual commencement in July next. This is a compliment that could not have been bestowed upon one more deserving. Though a young man Mr. Cooke has already attained an enviable reputation at the bar both as an advocate and judicious and able counsellor. His literary attainments are of a high order and the people of Eastern North Carolina may expect a rich intellectural treat on that occasion.

A n m eting of Clinton Lodge No 124 of A. Y. M. at the Masonic Hall in Louisburg, on the first Thursday in March 1873 Geo. S Baker, T. White, and C. M. Cooke were appointed to prepare and report to the next meeting of the Lodge, a Tribute of Respect to the memory of brother J. R Brummitte. The Committee at the next meeting of the Lodge on the first Thursday in April, made the following report which was unanimously adopted.

Brother J. R. Brummitte died on the 6 h of March 1873. He came to this place, a stranger to our people about eighteen years ago, since which time he has been a useful member of our Society, and at the time of his death he was occupying a position in our community, which we fear will not be so well filled for many years to come. He became a member of our order scarcely twelve months ago. But he had been with us sufficiently long, to discover to us that his ear was ever open to the "cry of distress," and that his hands were always ready to do a deed of charity.—He was especially kind in his attention to the sick and the afflicted. It is therefore

Resolved, That this Lodge as well as the community—has sustained a great loss in the death of our brother J. R. Brummitte.

2. That the occasion of his death should impress us with the solemn fact that we who are left must soon follow him, and that the great important matter of life is to prepare for death.

3. That we desire to express to the widow of our deceased brother our sympathy with her in the hour of her great bereavement and that a copy of these proceedings be sent to her.

4 That these proceedings be published in the Franklin Courier, and be spread in full upon the records of the Lodge

Geo. S. Baker,
T. White, } Com.
C. M. Cooke,

BRANCH COUNCIL No. 10 F. of T.
FRANKLINTON March, 31st. 1873.

WHEREAS, In the dispensation of an overruling Providence, our Council has been called to lament the death of our beloved brother and Worthy Chaplain J. A. Henley, who died suddenly from a stroke of paralysis, Sunday morning March, 23 d 1873.

Resolved, 1st. That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the dear companion of his bosom and family in this sad bereavement and loss to themselves, the community and the cause of Temperance of which he was a most worthy member.

2 That while we mourn sincerely the death of our esteemed brother, we bow with humble submission to Divine Providence; having the comforting assurance that he was ever ready for the summons "to join the innumerable caravan above."

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent his bereaved family and a copy to the F. of F. and Franklin "Courier" for publication.

H. H. Gibbons,
C. W. Conway, } Com.
W. H. Joyner,

Temperance Alphabet.

A is the young men's first glass of ale.
B is the beer which next will prevail,
C is the cider so simple at first, causing in future unquestionable thirst.
D is the dram taken morn, noon and night.
E is the extra one, at eleven, I believe.
F is the flip though so good for a cold.
G is the gin not so pure as of old.
H is the hotel where often he goes.
I is the inner room he so well knows.
J is the jug he there fills to the brim.
K is the knocking of the conscience within.
L is the landlord who smiles as you drink.
M is your money he's getting I think
N is the nightmare which visits your brain.
O is the orgies of the midnight train
P is the poor, penniless pauper you become.
Q is the quarrel, the product of rum
R is the ruin rum brings to your door.
S is the suffering never known before.
T is the tremens, and mark this as true, they make few calls ere death must ensue.
U is the undertaker who comes to your aid.
V is the valley where your body is laid.
W is wretchedness, wail and woe.
X ecrable drunkards alone can know.
Y is the yearning for mispent time.
Z is the zenith of the drunkard's clime

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