

The Courier

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FRIDAY.....JANUARY 30, 1874.

While we are as different in politics from a majority of our Board of county Commissioners as black is from white and as far apart as Africa is from the North pole; yet we are not so selfish, and hide bound as not to deal fairly and justly with our political enemies, and commend them in when they do right. We must say, that while they have done some things, that we did not entirely approve, yet in most cases they have shown that they had the interest of the county at heart, and have done what they could to advance her interest. Under their administrations, (assisted once in a while by a rap over their knuckles from the Courier) the County money has advanced from a mere nominal price to almost face value. They have been economical with the County money, trying by every means, (and we fear sometimes to the injury of the county, in neglecting the public works of the county,) to relieve our good old county of the onerous debt that is sapping the very life blood from her. They show a disposition to make the improvements for which the County must be taxed to pay, of a good and substantial character. The new Jail, which must be built in the place of the one burnt on the 7th, will be of granite, and located in a part of the town, much more suitable than the site of the old one. The location proposed is either hill country lot containing about two acres of land, and but very little further from the Court House, than the old one. Build the new Jail of Granite, and build it on cedar hill, and you will meet the wishes of almost the entire town, and we think the town should have a voice in the matter.

We sincerely hope that our Legislature will not adjourn, until they have made a handsome appropriation for the Orphan Asylum. They have voted \$4,000, to the insane Asylum, which is well, but a loud cry comes up from the little Orphans, do not forget us, we are very needy, support us in our weakness, hold us up, do not let us go back to our poverty and ignorance. Ye law makers of North Carolina, ye men who have the power, we call upon you, we beg you, not to turn a deaf ear to the call of the helpless and needy Orphans. A body of good men have acted well their part, the Grand Lodge of Masons have voted an annual appropriation, (independent of the home which they have given) of \$1,000, to this grand, this glorious, this God like institution, and the citizens (The ladies foremost in the ranks, as they ever are in all good works) all over this good old State of ours, have responded most nobly to the call made upon them for the support and maintenance of the Orphan Asylum. Don't adjourn until you have done something handsome for this Asylum, and more than one hundred little Orphans now under the protection of the Orphan Asylum, will rise up and call you blessed.

The Petition of Hon. Josiah Turner, Jr. - Resolution impeaching Judge Watts.

Yesterday morning in the House of Representatives Mr. Bennett of Anson, presented a petition from Hon. Josiah Turner, Jr., praying that the General Assembly take notice of the corrupt conduct into which the Judiciary of the State has fallen, and to remedy the evil. In alluding to Judge Watts, the petition recites:

"But it is to the moral and judicial depravity of the Judge of the sixth judicial district that your petitioner would call the attention of your honorable body.

Your petitioner charges that Judge Watts administers justice in a loose and disgraceful manner. About the year 1869, when the Ringe and Railroad Presidents were robbing the State of \$18,000,000 the grand jury of Wake county, on Tuesday or Wednesday of the second week of the term, made a presentment of Gen. Lith and others for lobbying and corrupting the General Assembly. The Judge adjourned the court for the term in three minutes after the presentment: and before the Solicitor could draw a bill.

At Northampton court when a felon was convicted, no grant was made, and on the trial, when the case was about to be put to the jury, the Judge sent a note by the Sheriff, written on the bench, telling the counsel for the defendant what points to make, and

instructing him to 'press them and you will get Cox,' who was the Solicitor prosecuting.

Your petitioner refrains from mentioning the junketings of the Judge in this city and elsewhere. If it is desirable for your honorable body to know of them, he refers you to Quant Bryan and others in this city, who can give the disgraceful particulars.

In June last at Weldon, in Halifax county, his Honor, Judge Watts, brought scandal and disgrace upon the Judiciary by drunkenness, which was continued on the cars to the great disgust of passengers and the public.

Your petitioner forbears, decency forbids that he should here repeat a toast given by Judge Watts in the presence of gentlemen from three States, in his drunken debauch in Weldon. Suffice it to say, the toast was insulting alike to the flag and eagle of his country, and disgraceful to the Judiciary, but if these things can be pardoned and overlooked by your honorable body, your petitioner says and charges that the said Judge, Samuel W. Watts has taken a bribe.

Your petitioner charges that he has a letter in his possession from Hon. John T. Dewee, former member of Congress from this district, in which the writer says that he 'bargained with Judge Watts that he would grant an injunction in a certain blackmailing suit, known as the 'Keogh suit,' that he, Dewee, would pay him \$5,000 in greenbacks or in bonds, and that he paid him in bonds.

For facts to corroborate and sustain John T. Dewee, your petitioner refers your honorable body to the sworn evidence of Timothy F. Lee, Sheriff of Wake, who received the bonds as his agent and undertook to sell them in New York for Judge Watts, and the Judge says, did actually sell them as he believed."

The petition, after being read, was referred, on motion of Mr. Bennett, to the Judiciary Committee.

After the expiration of the morning hour Mr. Bennett introduced the following resolution for the impeachment of Judge Watts: based upon the petition, which was also referred to the Judiciary Committee:

Resolved, That Samuel W. Watts, Judge of the Sixth Judicial District of North Carolina, be impeached for drunkenness, or for taking scandalous conduct, high crimes and misdemeanors, in office.

In introducing the resolution, Mr. Bennett said that the charges against Judge Watts had been rung over the whole State for some time, and it was due to the dignity of the State and all concerned that their truth or falsity should be established, and proper action had in the matter.—R. News.

We copy the following from the Rocky Mount Mail, in relation to legal advertising. We intended writing an article on the same subject, but Bro. Thorpe has done the thing so much better than we could, that we just copy his article in full, and we hope the Legislature will not disregard this very important matter.

"In the matter of advertising property sold under a mortgage, execution or otherwise by order of court, the present law is inadequate, unjust and very oppressive to the debtor who, when sold out, is generally too poor to advertise his own property so that it can command its real value.

"The requirement of the present law is fulfilled if a notice of sale (badly written and altogether unreadable except by the law) is stuck up at the court house door and at two other places in the corner of the county, although in five minutes, perhaps, it is torn down by a mischievous schoolboy or an interested party who wishes to make a bargain. And again as to county expenditures, the law is complied with, if an exhibit is stuck up at the court house door where it remains but a short time, and is seen only by those who have business at the court house. Excutors and administrators are allowed the greatest latitude for fraud, and the people, generally, are ignorant of that which the policy of the law should make public. The present law, in justice to the whole people of North Carolina, should be changed, or so amended as to require all legal advertisements to be published in some paper when the county or judicial district, such a bill has been introduced in the Legislature; we hope it will pass, and that fraud and dishonesty can no longer conceal itself under the protection of the law."

H. C. JONES.
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ART DEPARTMENT, 1874.

The illustrations of The Aldine have won a world-wide reputation, and in the art centres of Europe it is an admitted fact that its wood cuts are examples of the highest perfection ever attained. The common prejudice in favor of steel plates is rapidly yielding to a more educated and discriminating taste which recognizes the advantages of superior artistic quality with greater facility and production. The wood-cuts of the Aldine possess all the delicacy and elaborate finish of the most costly steel plates, while they afford a better result in the artist's originality.

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In addition to designs by the members of the National Academy, and other noted American artists, the Aldine will reproduce examples of the best foreign masters. Selected with a view to the highest artistic success and greatest general interest, thus the subscriber to the Aldine will, at a trifling cost, enjoy in his own home the pleasures and refining influences of true art.

PREMIUM FOR 1874.

Every subscriber to the Aldine for the year 1874 will receive a pair of chromos. The original pictures were painted in oil for the publishers of the Aldine, by Thomas Moran, whose great colored picture was purchased by Congress for ten thousand dollars.—The subjects were chosen to represent 'The East' and 'The West.' One is a View in The White Mountains, New Hampshire; the other gives 'The Cliffs of Green River, Wyoming Territory.' The difference in the nature of the subjects themselves is a pleasing contrast, and affords a good display of the artist's scope and coloring. The chromos are each worked from thirty distinct plates, and are in size (12 x 10) and appearance exact fac-similes of the originals. The presentation of a worthy, example of America's greatest landscape painter to the subscribers of the Aldine was a bold and probably happy idea, and is a successful realization of the idea, the following testimonial, over the signature of Mr. Moran himself.

Newark N. J. Sept. 20th, 1873.
Messrs. James Sutton & Co.,
Gentlemen.—I am delighted with the proofs in color of your chromos. They are wonderfully successful representations by mechanical process of the original paintings. Very respectfully,
(Signed) THOMAS MORAN.

James Sutton & Co.,
Newark N. J.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA. FRANKLIN COUNTY: In Superior Court.

PETITION TO SELL LAND TO PAY DEBTS.
Against
Frances Mitchell Administratrix with the will annexed of William Mitchell, deceased Plaintiff,
W. A. Mitchell, Polly Beddingfield, Gilly Winston, Perry Wiggins, Hinton Wiggins, Gaston Wiggins, John A. Powell and Elizabeth his wife, Joe, Fuller and S. Lilly his wife, Kack Powell and Fena his wife, George Wiggins, Green Wiggins, Fanny A. Sugg, Sally Watson, Elizabeth Watson, Sanders Watson, Tabitha Watson, Jincy Watson, McKee Watson, the last named an infant under 21 years of age, without guardian, S. R. Trawick, Calvin Bangh and Angelina his wife, James Carr and Patna his wife, Lem Bryant and Martha his wife, Renee Allen and Thatha his wife, M. Jewell and Sally his wife, Judson Arnold and Lucy his wife, Judson Buffalo, Sidney Buffalo, Benjamin Mitchell and Titha his wife, Adolphus Buffalo, Alonzo Buffalo, Madison Buffalo, Virgil Buffalo, the three last named infants under 21 years of age, without guardian, Julius Altori and Elizabeth his wife, Sidney Frazier and Gilly Ann his wife, Sidney Wright and Amy his wife, Hilliard Mitchell and Jane his wife, and Charles Wiggins an infant under 21 years of age without guardian,
Devises of William Mitchell dec'd., Defendants.
It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court by the affidavit of the Plaintiff, that Wm. A. Mitchell, James Carr and Fena Carr his wife, Fanny A. Sugg, Sally Watson, Elizabeth Watson, Sanders Watson, Tabitha Watson, Jenny Watson and McKee Watson, and Charles Wiggins Defendants in the above stated action are not residents of this State. It is therefore ordered, that 'Courier,' a newspaper published in the town of Louisburg, N. C., once a week for six weeks successively, notifying the said defendants of the filing of this complaint in this case commanding them to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court for the County of Franklin at the Court House in Louisburg, within 30 days after the expiration of the time of the publication of this notice, and answer the said complaint, and let the said defendants take notice that if they fail to answer the said complaint within that time the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.
*** Given under my hand and the seal of the said Court the 5th day of January, 1874.
R. H. TIMBERLAKE,
Clerk Superior Court.

DISSOLUTION OF

Copartnership.

Notice is hereby given that the firm doing business in Louisburg under the style of

E. W. Fuller & Credit,

will be forever dissolved on the 1st of Jan. 1874 by mutual consent. Persons indebted to the said firm are requested to come forward and settle before that time. The highest price paid for cotton in settlement. Accounts now due the firm must be closed before the end of the year.

New Firm! New Goods!

E. W. Fuller & Cash.

On the 1st of Jan. 1874 we will offer a well selected stock of

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ING, BOOTS AND SHOES, HATS, NOTIONS, &C.

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I wish to sell a tract of land containing 190 acres adjoining the lands of R. F. Wither and A. J. Underhill; belonging to J. W. Chamberlain of Orange.

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One or two other small tracts conveniently located. R. T. WILDER.

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