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LINCOLNTON N. C :

SATURDAY, :: :: JUNE 1, 1878

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE. of the Supreme Court.

HON. D. SCHENCK

OF LINCOLN

DEMOCRATIC TICKET!

The Nominees. For Solicitor, Sixth Judicial District: W. J. MONTGOMERY,

OF CABARRUS.

Legislative Candidates. For Senate from Lincoln and Catawba: W. A. GRAHAM, OF LINCOLN.

For the House of Representatives: BEVERLY C. COBB.

County Candidates.

For Sheriff: J. A. ROBINSON. For Clerk of Superior Court: W. M. REINHARDT. For Register of Deeds:

> For Treasurer: J. C. JENKINS.

W. R. EDWARDS.

For Coroner R. S. EDWARDS.

For Surveyor: O. A. RAMSOUR.

COL. WM. JOHNSTON MENTIONED FOR CONGRESS.

Correspondent Charlotte Observer. Soncord, N. C., May 28th, 1878. Our people are all delighted that Johnston will be a candidate to represent our district in Congress. Johnston spent yesterday in Concord. and from the warm manner he was received you may set Cabarrus down cord cornet band seronaded him last night at the American Hotel. He returned thanks in a short and beautiful speech for the honor paid him.

700 votes to start with. CITIZEN. Lincoln county and has many warm friends in it. He is a gentleman of crisis when a United States Senator high culture and of more varied information than any man in the dis- long before we let our passions contrict. The race will be a warm one trol our reasons or our personal preferbetween him and Col. Steele.

Robeson county, in the lower end of this Congressional District, declaresfor Col. Steele for Congress and from the West.

tering Raleigh and Johnston's army was passing through, several old gentlemen of the first prominence and station besieged Governor Vance in his office and besought him to surrender to Sherman the keys of office and thus virtually to end the war. Now a few days before this Vance had made a talk to the boys in gray at Smithfield and told them that so long as a North Carolina soldier carried a musket he should stick to them as the Governor of the State. Well. As Johnston's army filed through the city the gallant Hoke's division brought up the rear and Gen. Hoke catching the news that efforts were then being made to have Vance surrender to Sherman, he didn't like it a bit; he would rather risk the chances of a lead bullet in his stomach than any such news at that, so the true and chivalrous soldier halted the best picked company in his command and stationing them in the capitol square he stepped in to see Gov. Vance on the subject, determined if the worst had to come, to capture Vance and all again. No doubt about that. the old men and carry them off with the soldiers before the State by the civil authorities should be surrendered to Sherman. As Hoke entered he said: "Vance, you said at Smithfield soldier carried a gun you should stick will vanish into thin air, if he is ever to the government; now, come, and look out here," and he motioned Vance to the window on Hillsboro street, down which his splendid di- didate for Congress, and there are vision was then tramping. (The nervous old gentlemen were then huddled together into the coroner of the office.) Vance promptly replied "General I'll be with you to-night." And sure enough he kept his word. That night he marched into camp and entering the general's tent in rough mountain boy style he began to un- you in our interview the other night," mous cry of "Governor, we are glad to see you," he only responded, "Boys are any of Wheeler's cavalry around here? if they are I'll sleep with my breeches under my head, but if they minion, who rarely forgets anything ain't I'll put them on this stool," and suiting the action to the word he was soon stretched out fast asleep sticking to the remnant of the government Times.

THE SUPREME COURT.

ment over the nomina one for the Supreme Court has almost subsided and that the count conventions are acting harmoniously and pleasantly. In the Centre the present Chief Justice seems now to be the strongest, though Messrs. Ashe, Dillard and Ruffin have many friends. In the West, which embraces thirty counties, lying in the 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th districts, as far as heard from to this date, the following have declared for our distinguished fellow-citizen Judge Schenck for the position of Associate Justice: Graham, Cherokee, Clay, Macon, Swain, Jackson, Haywood, Henderson, Yancy, Mitchell, Burke, Alexander, Lincoln and Gaston; and the following counties have declared for him for Chief Justice; Madison, Polk, Cleaveland, Cabarrus, Alleghany, Caldwell, and McDowell, making in the aggregate twenty-one counties. The following have sent delegations without any instructions : Buncombe, Transylvania, Mecklenburg, Iredell and Catawba. Judge Schenck we can safely say, will carry nine-tenths of the western counties and most probably all of them. This seems to settle the question as to the nominee from the West.

In the East the strength of the party is about equally divided, so far. between Winston, Howard, Hill, Mc-Koy and Judge Manly, and Col. Martin a distinguished lawyer and polished gentleman is also put forward by his friends All these are worthy gentlemen and either would grace the position and do honor to his section. We think the West should wait and see who wins in the generous race now going on among our eastern bretheren and whoever they unite upon should have the support of the West, or if they cannot unite we must select the best and strongest man and rally to his support. We shall respect the wishes of the East and shall de your esteemed fellow-citizen, Col. Wm. | mand that they respect our choice. The West, where the white votes and white representatives in the Legislature come from, will not tamely submit to dictation from other quarters. strong for Col. Johnston. The Con- They will present a man for Associate Justice whose record and character they know has had a brilliant career as a Judge and they will stand by him to Cabarras can give him a morjority of the end. To give the center the Chief Justice and one Associate Jus-Col. Johnston is a native of tice will endanger the harmony and unity of the party and in the present is to be elected we should consider ences defeat the success of the party.

We do not, however, anticipate any may take place at a distance, but Judge Shipp for Associate Justice when we come together, face to face, and the representative men are heard, the noisy disputants who have been A Little Scrap of History Never kindling strife will not be regarded. Conservative thinking men, who love When Sherman's army was just enthe party because it is the salvation of our race and country, will not do rash things, and gentlemen who are leaders and representatives will not destroy their hopes by leaving bitterness be- frolic, passed by Roberts' house and hind this convention. The storm is left a pair of boots to be mended, over. We believe we shall have a which he promised to have done on harmonious convention, a popular his return. Roberts killed him with ticket which will unite all sections and an axe, and carried his body to the a glorious victory. So mote in the

# Hon. David Schenck.

MR. EDITOR: Some of Judge Schenck's friends are not afraid to announce now, in advance, that is the combinations which have been formed to defeat him for a seat on the Supreme Court Bench are successful, they will secure his election to Coness from this District whenever he chooses to accept the place, probably not till 1880. Give David Schenck a murder. chance before the people and none of his friends will fear the result. He has heretofore triumphed over extraordinary opposition, and he will do so

CATAWBA RIVER. We copy the above from the Charlotte Democrat, and suggest the substitution of 1878 for 1880. The charges that as long as a North Carolina now being made against Judge Schenck allowed to come before the people, which he could properly do as a cansome portions of this District where we know Judge Schenck would be glad of the opportunity of ventilating these charges. A FRIEND.

More About the Fraud.

"You forgot one thing that I told man, whom he met on the street yesterday.

"What was that ?" said our vigilant unless it may be an invitation to "jine I am prepared to die, and I feel like I jedges" in practice at the bar.

"Why, you didn't state that the cent of the crime that I stand here that "still carried a gun."-Reidsville McLin affidavit, upon which all the accused of to-day. God knows I am

We are glad to see that the excitemiddle of last February."

"Finley's."

"Not at that time."

order to do so head to show McLin fellow-member of similar sta stead of doing fidence and gave

Herald." "Yes; but after that there were other affidavits published in New York. How did they get them ?" "Well, your friends in New York,

to the correspondent of the lew lork

when they saw the McLin matter was out, thought they might as well let it all be published, and so gave the other documents to the press." "What friends in New York?"

"I don't care to say," said the

"Will the investigation show Haves' complicity in the frauds?" said The

"I think so," said Mr. Morton. "Do you know so?"

"I think I do; but that remains to be proven," said the wary witness. "Tell me all about it now?"

"Not now; not now!" replied the Judge, as he waved an adieu to The Post and lit out in the direction of

### THE GALLOWS!

The Hanging of Henry Roberts for the Murder of Gus Water

SHELBY, N. C., May 24. Henry Roberts, colored, was executed here to-day for the murder in March last of Augustus Ware.

Henry is about 39 years old, weighing 155 lbs., stout, of more than average intellect for his race, readand writes, which he has learned since his freedom.

It appears that two years since Henry had a sick family and lost one of his children. Medical attention was given by Drs. Dickson and Tracy, of King's Mountain, near which the murderer lived, and where the murder was immitted. During the ill trouble or discord. A little sparring bess of the children a Dutch dector, they are termed here, visited them and by marks and tricks, convinced Henry that the medicine administered was useless; that the children were conjured by one who pretended to be his best friend, describing das

> Ware and his wife. 💉 Henry made threats that he would kill Ware. On the night the murder occurred Gus Ware, on his way to a railroad near by and placed it on the track, and the train soon passed, mutilating the body.

This evidence is from Benjamin Bates, who testified that he was forced to assist him in carrying the body to the railroad, which was borne out by other circumstances and corroberated, Bates was a stranger who happened in with Roberts on the night of the

At half-past twelve, five colored ministers, the jailor, sheriff and others, visited his cage, sang the old hymn,

"And must I be to judgement brought,
To answer in that day,
For every vain and idle thought, And every word I say,"

and prayer was offered by one of the ministers. This was all at the request of Roberts. In a few minutes after the devotional exercises in the jail, the Sheriff, B. F. Logan, accompanied by his guard, led the condemned man to the gallows. The gallows was about 35 feet high, with steps leading up to the platform. The Sheriff and our townsman P. D. Hoke, mounted the scaffold with Roberts, after which the Sheriff made some appropriate remarks, and requested the large audience to be quiet and hear Roberts speak his last words. Roberts stood shuck his breeches, and to the unani- said Judge Alfred Morton to the Post in perfect silence for about one minute, and then began and said:

> "Friends, this is my last view of this world—the last time that I will ever see you all, but thank God that will soon be in heaven. I am innorest of the case was based, was taken innocent. Guss Ware and myself was

by me right here in Washington, and good friends, and I never killed him. set completely aback while in the from entering Petersburg on the furnished to Mr. Finley about the I am innocent-God knows I'm inno- midst of devotional exercise; and the morning of the springing of the mine. cent. I have been in jail a long time. story connected with that "once" I The facts are these. The mine was "At whose instance did you get Was never in a jail before I was put have beard him tell several times, but sprung about daylight of the 20 h of in for this crime. I have been treated never without laughing till the tears July, and was immediately followed well since I was put in jail, and many ran down his cheeks. Though the by the capture and was to not our white people have been up to see the clarest was a fatherly line of heast-week. "Was anybody else interested in the white people have been up to see me venerable clerg man was a fatherly line of breast-work and talked with me. Christ died on brother to us all, and a rotherly They remained the cross for the world, and I feel father, perhaps as well-though he 8 c'clock before making preparations t the first that I am going to die now in a few was like one of on bwn set genial, for the advance. Shout that time lards was minutes for somebody else—the guilty comfortable, and always they reformed line of battle and he. constion? and then announced to the Sheriff hearts wereto your that he was through. The moose was places on his o in well yet be was a main road near the free House of fixed around his neck by Mr. P. D. "D. D.," and at " Hoke, a black handkerchief drawn S. A." I men ion this sine y that Confederate breast weeks made into the McLines that I over his face, when the Sheriff and you may the better comprehend how the to get others. To Bloke came down from the scaffold, thoroughly he must have enjoyed the Hoke came down from the scaffold, thoroughly he hous have enjoyed the Roberts then bid several of his friends joke—if joke it may be called. Thus said, "farewell," He then walked

wear in the "sweet by and by."

are quiet and law-abiding.

by starvation, refusing to cat anything for four or five days after being sentenced by Judge Cox at the recent the general circulation. the Riggs House .- The Washington term of the court, but since he has believes in his guilt.

Kate Southern.

Semetime ago we published an account of the murder of Kate Southern. Since the publication the murderess has been brought to trial and the Raleigh News has this to say of the

case of Kate Southern, the Georgia woman who was recently convicted of murder and sentenced to be hanged. Governor Colquitt has commuted the death sentence to imprisonment for ten years in the penitentiary. The action of Georgia's Chief Executive will be applanded. The published and undisputed facts of the tragedy pointed clearly to manslaughter rather than murder. She slew ber rival in a moment of jealousy and rage, and under great provocation. The ends of justice in this country may be fully met without hanging women, under any circumstances.

The affidavits presented for the con sideration of Governor Colquitt, make out the following case:

Kate Southern, who was a girl of modest, chaste character, loves and marries Bob Southern, She discovers that he has before marriage contracted an illicit intimacy with a handsome, fast and reckless woman of the county. She finds that through certain threats of exposure her husband who succeeds in carrying him to her house three days before the marriage, the fourth night after the marriage. She learns from all sides that this be questioned. ... woman swears that she and her husband shall have no peace, or satisfaction as long as she lives, that she is circulating reports that blacken her (the young wife's) character and is carrying these reports to her busband and his relatives. After being driven out of the neighborhood by this persecution, she returns for a visit, enwhile she is smarting under this scandalous attack and fearful of the future whenever he tells the story. this woman comes to her in the presence of her husband, and insults her Flanner's North Carolina Battery by flaunting herself in front of her and saying, "Now Kate Southern, I am ready for you!"

interfere Nancy Cowart is killed."

"You're Wrong, Parson."

Once upon tip while Father would man to the edge of the scaffold, then back Bumberton was praching in New lext day. In to the centre, when the Shariff cut Bedford, he was called upon to attend the rope—the platform falling it delt as old sailor who was supposed to be Henry Roberts suspended between living at the point of death, and who the heavens and the carthe He drew had signified a willingness to have a himself up three times and then be clergyman waitinpon him, though he gan to strangle and choke. He seemed had not made any such request. The to die easily-no conversions. He good old man went at once, and found had pulse for twenty minutes, after the patient certainly very low. The which the physicians pronounced him sailor was well advanced in years-a dead. He hung for thirty minutes, grizzled, thoroughly salted specimen was then cut down, placed in the cof- tanned and pickled to the color of fin and turned over to his friends, who mahogany, the aroma of the sea were present in readiness to convey guthering about him even on that his remains to a country cemetery. hospital bed. He was over three-His nek was not broken He was re- score, and for full fifty years had fol signed to his fate, and requested a star. lowed the sea, most of the time on to be put on his coffin, as an emblem whaling voyages to the Pacific. The of the starry crown he expected to man's disease was a sort of bilious, gastric fever, and though the tan of This is the first hanging that has the skin almost entirely overcame the ever occurred in the county, which is bilious color, yet that part of the eye thirty-three years old. The people which should have been pearly white was the color of gamboge, showing Roberts tried to cheat the gallows very plainly that the liver had turned traitor, and was pouring its bile full tilt into the stomach, and thence into

The good clergy man sat down by eaten ravenously. Nearly every one the bed-side, and ere long he was not more glad that he had come than was the old sailor that he was there. There was a wondrous sympathy between them, and when the reverend visitor, genially and with graceful case, brought himself down to converse upon the ignorant man's own level the latter was glad. We say, ignorant, meaning according to the books. "Our readers are familiar with the but in the great science of heart and soul, he was well educated, though he

knew it not. At length the clergyman proposed that he should pray-that the sick man should join him in a petition to the Throne of Grace-to which the sailor assented with evident pleasure and satisfaction, for Father B's conversation had deeply impressed him So the good old man knelt by the bed side, and lifted his voice in curnest prayer, the patient, with folded hands and half-closed eyes, listening with earnest attention; and even those who sat near at hand-attendants of the hospital-were deeply moved by the fervent supplication, and more than one pair of eyesgrew moist.

By and by, with increasing ferv i and pathos, the clergyman came upor the sick man's spiritual needs, and he prayed,-O, Father of Mercies, give to this, our stranded brother, and a new regenerated heart !"

At this point the sick man put forth his hand and touched the clergyman's forehead, that being the is under the influence of this woman, bodily part bent nearest to him, and broke in upon the prayer. His played a singular freak of nature in speech was so earnest, so directly and seduces him away from home on simple, and so imploringly pathetic, that his purity of purpose could not

"Ah-ho!-Avast there, Parson! You're all wrong-all in the wind 'Taint my heart 'at's out o' fix. That's all sound. It's my poor liver that wants prayin' for !"

For a little time the clergyman was taken completely aback; but when he looked up, and marked the earnest, prayerful look upon the swart, cient, nervous and worn down by corrugated face, he knew there was epilesy. The first night of her return no guile and with such self-control as she is confronted by her rival, an he could command, he briefly conenemy, who tries to take charge of cluded the exhortation, not forgetting her husband, pulls her confident from to pray that the sufferer's whole her lap and taking her into an ante- bodily frame, together with the inner room, fills the ears of this friend with spirit, might be healed. And he did Peas, ...... 60% (0) the vilest abuse of her character. This not smile again until he was away friend returns and tells her what has from the hospital, and alone, and then been said, and in a few moments, he laughed heartily, as he has done many times since-as he does, in fact,

# at the Battle of the Crater.

[Southern Historical Society Papers,] After reading Captain Gordon Mc She jumps up to confront her insul- Cabe's article in the Southern Historiter; she is caught by the hair and cal Society Papers on the defence of which Kate Southern's sister takes to find fault, not with what is writpart, and before the bystanders can ten, but what was omitted in the article referred to.

I claim that the battery commanded by me, and composed entirely of Father Bumberton-good old soul! North Carolinians, is entitled to the -has told me he was never but once credit of preventing the Federal army

re good gan advancing toward the city Flanner's hattery was posted in the a "F. two bundred yards or rean of the ly in rear of the miles forming what might be considered a second the but entirely without infantry support. Immediately upon the advance of the enemy we opened on them with shell and canister, and they soon sought shelter in their trenches. minutes they again formed and commenced advancing. Again we opened on them with our six guns. The enemy pressed steadily forward, when our guns were double charged with canister, and a deadly fire poured in o their ranks. Their lines were then broken, and they fled to the worls and there remained until our infantry composed of the brigades of Mahone, Girardy and Sanders, all under the command of Mahone, arrived, and were placed in position preparatory to making the final charge, which icsulted in the recapture of the works about 2 o'clock in the day.

The fire of the enemy, from mearly one handred guns, was concentrated upon my company for two hours: but amid this terrible rain of deadly ians stood to their guns and repulsed every advance made by the enemy, holding them in check alone, and without infantry support, until the arrival of Gen. Beauregard with the troops commanded by Mahone before mentioned.

We claim the henor of saving the day, and preventing what might have been a very serious disaster and probable loss of Petersburg.

No one save those who went through the fiery ordeal can form the slightest; conception of the fary of this attack. Not less than fifty shells a minute were hurled at the compan; and but for the protection afforded them by the sides of the road, they would have been swept off the face of the earth. .. There are those now hying who can confirm my statement; and if this should meet the eye of the gentlemen cognizant of these details, they will doubtless do asthis justice. The history of a battle can not be truthfully written from the same stand point of any one man, although present in they engagement. It is due, therefore, to the brave men who composed my command that they should be properly placed upon the

We do not wish to lessen the claims to which the valorous troops of other commands are entitled, but let us make such contributions as the future historian can work into a continuous narrative and do justice to all. HENRY G. FLANNER,

Late Captain Flanner's N. C. Battery.

# Curious Freak of Vegetation.

Dr. T. J. Walker, of King's Mountain, bas sent us a corn cob, or rather a bunch of cobs, in which is disthe growth of vegetation. Growing out from the main stem, which is as large as a man's wrist, are five distinct and perfectly formed cobs, the whole representing the thumb and fingers of a human hand. The corn stock which produced this curiosity was grown on the grave of an unknown man buried in a field of Mr. Read Falls, of Cleveland county, N. C .- Yorkeitte Enquirer.

# COMMERCIAL

### Lincolnton Market. [Corrected Weekly by P. D. Hinson.]

Friday, May 31, 1878. We quote selling price from wagons Butter, ...... 1216c 15 Chickens,.... Eggs,.... Sheeting, ..... Bacon—Hams, ..... 106a Shoulders..... the it. 

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