

Johnstone Jones, Esq., has withdrawn from the Editorial chair of the Observer.

General Wm. Mahone and Bradley T. Johnston have been trying to fight a duel.

W. H. H. Hanston, of Charlotte, who forged notes on two or three banks of that place and fled to Canada, has been arrested and returned to Charlotte.

Shall we wait till the morning stars sing together before a system of manufactures is established in this city and State?

The same question might be asked in Salisbury, but it seems really to do no good to talk about the matter. There is so little interest manifested on the subject, that we feel sometimes a great disinclination to refer to it.

We don't know exactly when the morning stars will begin to sing, but we do hope that our capitalists will not wait much longer before they do something in the way of establishing manufactures. Time is precious and delay is ruinous.

A white woman living alone in a house in Stanley county, N. C., was visited recently by a negro who told her that on the next day (Sunday) he would expect her to accompany him to church.

We take the above from the N. Y. Sun. If it is true, it is the first we have heard of. It would like for some one living in Stanley acquainted with the facts to give them to us. We are inclined to think the story false from beginning to end.

The Prevalence of Crime.

One mail brings us the following announcements of crime in different parts of the country:

One night last week a man by the name of John B. Harrington, of Columbia, S. C., stabbed his wife to death and then attempted to kill himself. The man and his wife had been having frequent quarrels.

Near Warrenton, Va., Fleming Brown shot and killed his son, Elias Brown, a week ago last Sunday. They had quarreled about a matter of wages.

A little boy killed a little negro in Green county last week.

John Dugan, a butcher, was fatally stabbed in the back, last Friday by Michael Gilhooly in N. Y.

James Stimpson leaped on the stage of the Waverly Theatre in Jersey city last Thursday night, and proceeded to hack one Hamilton, an actor, on the head with a knife. Hamilton narrowly escaped with his life.

Carris Sharp was shot by her brother in Jersey city last Thursday night.

Mary Shoemaker of N. Y. city stabbed Annie Allen dangerously in the breast last Friday.

Kate Vine and Lottie Williams, of N. Y. city, had a fight last Friday night. Lottie bit off one of Katie's eye-brows, and the latter bit three of Lottie's fingers off.

In Cincinnati, Sept. 1st, Mrs. Julia Perkins cut the throat of her little three year old child with a piece of glass. This was a most heart-rending tragedy.

The mother dressed the little girl up in white. The little girl it seems suspected that her mother was going to do; for she was heard to cry, mamma, don't kill me. After repeated efforts with the glass the mother succeeded in killing her daughter and then attempted to put an end to her own life. All because of jealousy.

A Clerical scandal comes from Iowa. Rev. Frederick Hahn and Miss Emmeline Huffer married last June. Last August Miss Emmeline Hahn gave birth to a child. The Rev. Hahn and his young wife were brought before the Church, an investigation was had, and both expelled, on the assumption that they must have been unchaste before marriage.

Thereupon, Mrs. Hahn publishes a card in which she says that her husband is innocent and that one Rev. A. J. Culver is the father of her child. So the excitement is running high. Libel suits are talked of, but it is thought the church will make both the reverents get up and dust.

A murder is reported at Leesburg, Va. A Presiding Elder was expelled from the M. E. Church at Sioux city for scandalous conduct.

They have a first class scandal in Jersey city again. The Rev. Walter W. Hammond is the culprit. The matter was investigated a few days ago. One of the pious brethren interrupted the pastor while making a statement, with the exclamation, "you are a liar." The meeting adjourned in great disorder.

A negro woman was put in jail at Lincoln last week for killing her child.

Last Friday night at Wilmington a negro woman attempted to murder her husband while he was asleep.

The above, of course, can not be one hundredth part of the crimes that have been committed, but they will serve to show how prevalent crime is.

The party of Irish Peddlers that went out to see if the murdered man found in the Creek at Kample's bridge was known to them, could not identify him. So his name will probably never be known, and his friends will probably never know what became of him.

Can a man be thus blotted out of existence on the public highway, in a thickly settled and civilized country, without some one having known or seen him previously, without having met or stopped with somebody a short time before, without leaving any thing in the neighborhood of his death to lead to the detection of his infamous murderer?

We do not believe it. If the matter was thoroughly sifted and followed up fearlessly and boldly, something would be discovered that would throw light on the horrid crime; and the people of that neighborhood owe it to themselves and to humanity to have the crime ferreted out.

A most horrid murder has been committed, and the demon of the deed is at large and no doubt in the neighborhood where the crime was perpetrated. Shall he go unwhipped of justice?

LIQUOR-HOUSES.—The Governor on Saturday signed deeds relinquishing to the United States the title of the Commonwealth to certain points of land lying in King George county, on the Potomac river, as follows: Maryland Point, to be used as a light-station, and Matthias Point and Matopkin Point, to be used as day beacons.

Records of these lands are first made by the register of the general land-office, after which they are transmitted to Washington. Each grant is accompanied by a topographical exhibit of the land conveyed.—Richmond Whig.

If we are to judge from the action of the Federal Government in its dealings with Virginia, and the other Southern States, it and they belong to that government; or, at least, they seem to belong to Grant and his tools, why, then, this formality of ceding territory to the Washington Government?

READ! READ! READ!!! BOSTON, October 2.—The following letter from S. J. Simmons, brother of the Collector, is published in the Herald:

BOSTON, Oct. 1. To the Editor of the Herald: I well know the opposition I shall meet with in giving the following facts to the public, and I alone am responsible for the statement I am about to make:

The question is asked what is Butlerism? It is chicanery, fraud, corruption for three years as an United States officer in the Government honors, and using good time, I have done that for the Butler party which at this moment brings a blush of shame to my face.

I have received money from United States Marshal Usher and other Butler men to carry out the nefarious work of Butlerism. While in New Bedford just before Butler's caucuses last year I received money from the hands of Butler's partner to carry caucuses while there, and the money was used for that purpose.

I received money from Usher to go to Fall River and pack caucuses for Butler. I stand ready as a young man, formerly a strong Butler man, to take the stump in any place between the hills of Berkshire and the shores of Provincetown to proclaim to the State the rottenness and corruption that fills to reptition the Butler organization.

I will know that I shall be accused of treachery and falsehood, but I stand ready to meet any Butler man or any platform in any place in this State and discuss the merits of Butler. They will call me insane perhaps, but every man who knows me and knows my record as a soldier and citizen, will say that I mean just what I say, and have the courage to back it up at any time and place.

I hold myself personally responsible for every word I utter, and it is my earnest desire to speak before the people of Salem as soon as possible on this matter. I shall be attacked on every side by Butler men, who have been my friends, but with truth on my side and possessing the pluck to speak I defy them one and all, and I now throw down my gag.

(Signed) S. J. SIMMONS.

It is impossible to conceive of a more irregular, illegal, and in every way unreasonable act on the part of the Judiciary, the power of the Court to make such an order, the Judge, one of Court, had no more authority to make it than the Marshal.

It is not sealed, nor was it designed by the clerk, and was of no more legal effect than an order issued by any private citizen. \* \* \* Should Congress adjourn without making any provision for the case, or two things must result, either collision and bloodshed between the adherents of the two Governments, or the President must continue the support of the Federal authority to the Kellogg Government.

The alternative of civil war or the maintenance by military power of a State Government not elected, is exceedingly embarrassing.

The way in which this usurpation struck even Republican Senators is best conveyed in the language of Mr. Carpenter, President of the Senate, who arose in his place and declared that it was "difficult to restrain the indignation which such conduct on the part of a Federal Judge naturally inspires."

The order was issued for no purpose but to control the organization of a State, and to give the Federal Government the power of any Federal tribunal or the United States themselves to accomplish it.

It was issued in open and shameful defiance of all law, and in utter disregard of the rights of the Federal Government and State jurisdiction. And further, that if Congress levies the "President with this responsibility upon his shoulders, we virtually compel him to stand by and see the Federal Government, summer and for years we shall bear from it."

Who among the Senators and Representatives—who sought to impeach and depose President Johnson for removing Grant from office—now in Congress can fail to advocate the impeachment of Ulysses S. Grant for his conduct in this Louisiana affair, to say nothing of his acts of despotism and military interference with the States of the Union for the purpose of securing by fraud, force, and intimidation the selection of his partisan adherents to offices of trust and responsibility, to the detriment of constitutional liberty, and to the destruction of the material interests of the people?

The difficulties in the way to the call of a Convention might seem to recede, if they were approached with a sincere determination to remedy the imperfections and abuses of the present Constitution. Those who admit the pressing necessity of amendments but who fear to trust a Convention to effect them, might acquire assurance by examination into the authority and powers of a Convention.

A Convention is in its nature absolute and supreme. It is a reference to the body of the people themselves of the whole organic law. It implies a surrender back into their hands of the powers that have previously delegated, and a re-acceptance of the authority they had previously parted with.

In the exercise of their rights they are amenable to no authority but their own, save the paramount obligations they have assumed in relation to the Constitution of the United States. The Legislature in calling a Convention has but one function to perform, and that is, to call it in obedience to the prescribed forms and sanction of the existing Constitution.

That done, the Legislature can no longer control the action of its sovereign, the people. Now, assuming the Convention to be called, where is the danger that the people are so sedulously made to believe will attend it? Are they not absolute masters of the situation? Will they prescribe any measures detrimental to their own interests, or sanction any infringement of their recognized and established privileges?

In the composition of a Convention, it will be necessary to select with judgment the most discreet and able citizens. To do this, county meetings will be had, and at these, it will be the easiest and most natural thing in the world to instruct delegates as to their action.

This must necessarily be done. How is it possible then, that any thing could be engrafted into a new Constitution repugnant to the will or the wish of the people? Take the Homestead for instance, the most dreaded subject. How can it be supposed that the people would fail to guard this from infringement or interference?

Would any body of men coming fresh from the people themselves in a condensed form, undertake to do of their own will an act so suicidal as the overthrow of a provision they themselves declare inseparable from their security? So with other subjects that might be named.

And again. Suppose by any possibility any clause unsatisfactory to the people were engrafted into a new Constitution, have they not the final power of amendment? Will it not, or may it not, be admitted to their modification?

They have its fate in their hands, and they can control, reject or stife it before there is ever a danger that it can be perpetuated in their injury.

With such a generally admitted necessity for amendments to the Constitution; with such opportunities as are now presented for effecting them; with such ample security against perverting the powers of a Convention, it strikes us as absolute fatuity or craven timidity that counsels a halt now. We are no extremists. We are no advocates of causeless changes. We are a Conservative by name and by nature. But we cannot give willing adhesion to an instrument of such base origin as the Constitution of 1868, nor can we conscientiously and conscientiously be quiet at the bidding of timid counsels or the whisper of policy, and see the golden moment pass by, in which, if wisely seized, the most enduring good can be accomplished for the people of North Carolina.

Let those who appear to have ceased in their advocacy of a Convention or who seem to have assumed so readily a popular dissent, take a second view of the subject and retrace the steps which led to the premature idea of abandonment. It is to go grave a stake to trifle with.— Hillsboro Recorder.

The Coming Elections. Within a week from last Tuesday the States of Ohio, Indiana, Iowa, and Nebraska elect forty-three members of the Forty-fourth Congress.

In their several nominating conventions, Democrats, Republicans, and all other parties took the precaution to set aside a good many obnoxious persons. It is worthy of special note and an encouraging sign of the times that not a single man who pocketed the back pay has had the courage to face his constituents in the salary grabbers.

How STATES MAY BE OVERTHROWN.—The Missouri Republican concludes a review of the late proposals of KELLOGG's correspondence as follows: "The Federal Government has been hired to place its ponderous foot upon the neck of a State for the payment of about thirty-five thousand dollars in various sums to certain of its legislative and judicial officers."

If States may be overthrown on such cheap terms, may not the National Government be overthrown by a proportionate sum? A venal Congress and judiciary might soon do the business.

A FAVORED CITY.—It is said that there is a city of 10,000 inhabitants in Mexico which has four public schools, two churches, only a half dozen drinking places, and not a single lawyer. It is further stated that in the space of twenty-six months there has not been a murder committed in the city, and only two slight collisions between citizens have occurred.

The Source of Many ILLS. If all the ailments, bodily and mental, which torment the human family could be traced to their primary sources, it would probably be found that three-fourths of them originated in the failure of the stomach and the other organs by which the food is converted into nutriment and applied to the purposes of life.

Hostetter's Stomach Bitters may be truly characterized as a preparation of this kind, indeed as the only one which can be implicitly relied on as combining the properties of a stomachic, an alterative and an aperient in such proportions as to produce simultaneous the desired effect upon the disordered stomach, liver and intestines.

This conclusion is warranted by the celebrity and certainty with which the Bitters afford relief in chronic cases of dyspepsia, torpidity of the liver and constipation. The false idea that these complaints and others that grow out of them, could be cured by fierce cathartics, has at last, it is hoped, been thoroughly exploded.

The sick, during the last hundred years have sweated themselves of tears of mercury, accumulated thousands of tons of mercury, accumulated thousands of gallons of arsenic, and thousands of thousands of lives have been prematurely flung thereby.

It is with much regret, that I retire from the mercantile life but I trust ere long to be able to serve my friends and customers in a most substantial way.

I thank you for your very liberal confidence, and patronage and trust that you may find it to your interest to patronize the new firm.

Announcement Extraordinary. It is with much regret, that I retire from the mercantile life but I trust ere long to be able to serve my friends and customers in a most substantial way.

Public Sale of VALUABLE MILL PROPERTY. Will be sold on Thursday the 19th of November next, on the premises, at 10 o'clock A. M., the Steam Mill Property known as ROWAN MILLS, ROWAN COUNTY N. C.

Wheat & Corn Mills: This property is situated 3-4 of a mile from Hillsboro on the Western N. C. Rail Road. It consists of 70 acres of Land, a large Mill House well fitted with excellent Machinery, two fine Dwellings, and various necessary out-buildings.

Handle Factory. The L is occupied by machinery for manufacturing HANDLES—a HANDLE FACTORY—and turned out 40 dozen handles per day.

Dwellings, & other Houses: There are two excellent Dwelling Houses comprised in this property. One new frame building 35 feet front, with a veranda, and passage through the center, a room on each side—an L, 30 feet, two rooms with veranda, and pantry and cook house.

TERMS OF SALE.—One half CASH on the first day of January, 1875, when full possession will be given; and the balance in twelve months, at 8 per cent interest from January, 1875. Title reserved until last payment, when a good and sufficient Deed will be given.

EMMETT & BRO. Rowan Mills, N. C. Oct. 6th, 1874.

Did you believe that the great scythe that cut through the South, taking away their first born, overthrew their wealth and their social system, could be lifted up again in a day or ten years?

They shall put forth leaves and blossom again in the spring. They are not dead; they shall not die; they only wait, and they shall by and by come forth from their lethargic rejuvenated, on a better foundation, with better policy, with better industries, with surer wealth, and above all with hearts that love and are worthy to be loved.

The North and the South shall clasp hands in reciprocal unity, and the East and the West join together their acclamations, and this great land is yet to stand before all other lands, and also to achieve this not for the sake of sitting down in idleness, not to make arrogant laws and to oppress the weaker nations, but that she may bear witness to the long race of mankind that everywhere are languishing, that knowledge, freedom, morality, love of country, and love of God make all things fruitful and all things strong.

THE BAR-ROOM REMEDY for all ailments in Rum, Bitters, surcharged with Fused Oil, a deadly element, rendered more active by the pungent stimulants with which it is combined. If your stomach is weak and liver or bowels disordered, strengthen & regulate them with VINEGAR BITTERS, a purely VEGETABLE ALTERATIVE AND APERIENT, free from alcohol & capable of infusing new vitality into your exhausted system.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. FULTZ WHEAT. For sale at J. M. Knox & Co's. Average yields per acre 18 bushels; one acre 35 bushels. Took the premium last fall, call soon.

DISSOLUTION. The co-partnership heretofore existing under the style of McNeely & Walton, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

NEW FIRM. We have this day succeeded Messrs McNeely & Walton in a general Merchandise business, at the stand of the old firm.

A CARD. It is with much regret, that I retire from the mercantile life but I trust ere long to be able to serve my friends and customers in a most substantial way.

Advertisement for BELL & BRO., Salisbury N. C., offering the best selection of Jewelry to be found in Western North Carolina.

LADIES' & GENTS' GOLD WATCHES, Gold Opera Vest Chains, FINE GOLD PLATED Jewelry, SILVER WARE, GOLD PENS, &c.

Advertisement for THE FOURTH GREAT ANNUAL FAIR of Western North Carolina, to be held in SALISBURY OCT. 27TH, 28TH, 29TH, 30TH, & 31ST, OCT. 1874.

Advertisement for AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS of all descriptions and fine blooded Stock of all kinds.

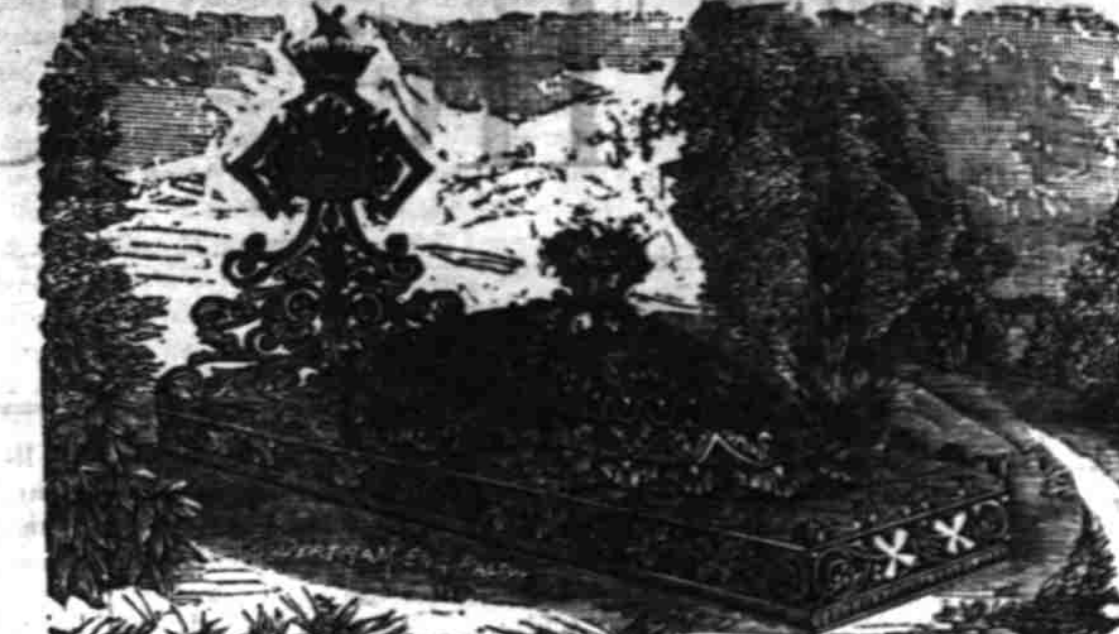
Fifteen Hundred Dollars in Premiums are offered in this department all who insure some of the finest racing ever seen in this part of the country.

Advertisement for POSTPONEMENT SECOND AND LAST GRAND GIFT CONCERT IN AID OF THE Masonic Relief Association OF NORFOLK DAY POSITIVELY FIXED. THURSDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER.

Advertisement for THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, ROWAN COUNTY IN THE SUPERIOR COURT, THOMAS P. JOHNSON, Plaintiff vs. The Georgia Home Insurance Company, Defendant.

Advertisement for EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Having on the 8th day of May, 1874, qualified as Executor of the estate of M. E. Rome deceased, Notice is hereby given to all indebted to make immediate payment; and all having claims against the said estate, to present them in the time prescribed by law.

Advertisement for HENRY V. MOORE, Sec'y, Norfolk, Va. Tickets for sale by John H. Ennis Salisbury, 17, 1874—1f.



A BEAUTIFUL METALIC GRAVE COVERING. Is now offered to every one interested in beautifying and protecting the graves of their deceased relatives. They are made in four sizes, with a variety of styles, ranging in price from \$25 to \$60, according to size and style.

REBEL DEVIL. I will sell my Stallion, Rebel Devil, without reserve at auction on Thursday, October 29th, on the Salisbury Fair grounds, it being the week of the Fair.

JAS. LEFFEL'S IMPROVED DOUBLE Turbin Water Wheel. The most powerful Wheel in the market. And most economical in use of Water.

POOLE & HUNT BALTIMORE, Manufacturers for the South and Southwest. Nearly 7000 now in use, working under heads varying from 2 to 240 feet!

MANUFACTURERS, ALSO, OF Portable and Stationary Steam Engines and Boilers, Babcock & Wilcox Patent Tubular Boilers, Ebaugh's Crusher for Minerals, Saw and Grist Mills, Flouring Mill Machinery for White Lead Works and Oil Mills, Shading Pulleys and Hangers.

FOR TEXAS AND THE SOUTH WEST. The undersigned wishes to inform his numerous friends that he has received the appointment to sell through tickets from Salisbury, N. C. to all points in Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Missouri, Tennessee and Louisiana.

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Advertisement for SALISBURY FEMALE ACADEMY. The exercises of this institution, under the direction of Miss Jennie Collier, will open on the 1st of October.

Advertisement for TAYLORING ESTABLISHMENT. I take this method of informing my old friends and patrons that I have returned to Salisbury, and opened a shop on Main street in the building below John Sniders, up stairs.

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