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Personal.—We had the pleasure of a call from Capt. Robsinson, late of the Cherokee *Herald*, on yesterday.

Dissolution.—Messrs Watson & Torrence have dissolved co-partnership. Mr. Torrence retires, Mr. Watson continues the business at the old stand.

Cluster Diamond Rings.—Messrs. Bell Bro., have shown us some very beautiful cluster diamond rings. The public are invited to call and see them, and the many other pretty articles of jewelry kept by them.

Trees.—Quite a large number of fruit trees has been sold here and drstributed among the farmers of this section this year. This is a sign, we think, that improvements are going on, on the farms.

☞ The Western Conference of the Lutheran Synod of N. C. will convene at the new Lutheran Church (Bethel) on Bear Creek, in Stanley Co., on Friday before the 5th Sabbath in November at 10, A. M.

☞ **Dedication of a Church.**—The new Lutheran Church (Bethel) on Bear Creek, Stanley Co, N. C., will be dedicated to the worship of Almighty God, on the 5th Sabbath in November. The dedication sermon will be preached by the Rev. W. Kimball.

Removed.—Messrs. R. & A. Murphy, have removed their stock of goods just a cross the street, 3 doors above the National Hotel, and directly in front of Bingham & Co's. They respectfully invite their friends and patrons to call and see them in their new store.

The entertainment given by the Dramatic Club of this place last night, to a select audience, was a success, improvement is manifest, they are doing much to enliven and interest our pleasure loving people. We hope they will give an other entertainment during Christmas week.

Col. Robt. L. Steels, of Rockingham, who was arrested a few days ago, on an affidavit of a vagabond negro, charging him with a violation of the Enforcement Act, has had a hearing before U. S. Commissioner Cassidey, and been released, the charge not having been sustained. The negro will be proceeded against for perjury.

The Steamer Louisiana collided with the steamer Falcon, on the Chesapeak Bay, last Friday night and was sunk in forty-two feet water. The passengers were all saved.

The Louisiana was a favorite steamer of the bay line, of 1,300 tons burden and valued at $150,000. There was no insurance on her cargo, which was lost, and consisted of two hundred bales of cotton, large quantity of tobacco, thirty tons of pig iron and other freight.

The Message.—Governor Brogden's Message to the Legislature is received. It is about as good as was to be expected from a Radical, yet we do not think our readers would be much interested in it. He has much to say about the State debt, urges its settlement, &c, favors Legislation in behalf of the N. C. Railroad and the W. N. C. Railroad, education, the university, immigration and the public charitable institutions, and recommends the organization of the State Militia. We may give some parts of the message our next.

OF INTEREST TO ALL.—The Centenia Calender, dated July 1st. 1874 good for one hundred years, and a monthly almanac, embracing eighteen months, from July 1st 1874, to December 31st. 1875, containing much information relating to the Centennial Celebration of 1876, and the valuable properties of Simmons' Liver Regulator. Four million are printing and all for gratuitous distribution Send a one-cent stamp for a copy to J. H. Zeilin & Co., Philadelphia. Druggists supplied upon application.

Sickening.—To see persons blowed and puffed up by newspapers for highly responsible positions, who are absolutely without character or qualifications. There is now a great deal of this sort of thing done, and it is justly becoming disgusting—sickening, to sensible people. Every little strut who has the brass, the effrontery, the impudence, to wring himself in, to impose upon the credulous—is at once proclaimed a hero and worthy to occupy any position. It is only necessary now for a fellow to have impudence, be a good judge of whisky, possess the gift of gab, and pin on to the coat tail of a certain clique, to get into the papers and acquire position.

Daily Christain Advocate.

We notice that the Raleigh CHRISTAIN ADVOCATE is to be issued a Daily during the session of the Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, which convenes in Raleigh on the 2nd of December. The appraching session will be an important and interesting one, and the Daily ADVOCATE will be a convenient mode of communication with those who are interested in the doings of Conference. It will contain full reports of the proceedings as they occur, condensed reports of discusions and sermons, church and miscellaneous news and other interesting matter. It will be issued to subscribers during the session, which will last a week or more, 30 cents, postage prepaid at Raleigh.

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 13th 1874.

J. J. Bruner Esq.:—I notice in the Intelligencer that it is rumored that I have an idea of returning to Salisbury to refit and reopen the old Mansion House. This report is *false*, and there is no foundation for it in any particular. The object of its author is to injure me in my business here—to prevent members of the Legislature from contracting for board during the session. The same game has been played here before. You will please contradict the report and oblige. I am glad to have it in my power to truthfully say that I am well pleased here, that I am succeeding much better than I expected, my patronage both from the citizens of this place and the traveling public is steadily increasing every day.

Your Obedient Servant,
C. S. BROWN.

National Hotel, Raleigh N. C.—WE are glad to know that this excellent House is receiving that public confidence and patronage it so well deserves. The traveler who stops there may be assured that he will lack for nothing so long as it remains under the control of the present prince of landlords, Col. C. S. Brown, and the Col. will be apt to keep control while he lives.

The following members of the Legislature are boarding with him:

Dr. R. Anderson,	Stanley Co.
N. S. Cook,	Forsythe "
A. M. Erwin,	McDowell "
Wm. B. Glenn,	Davidson "
T. E. Hooker,	Greene "
T. R. Jernigan,	Hortford "
James Irvin,	Rockingham "
James T. Le Grand,	Richmond "
S. A. Mock,	Davidson "
Joseph C. Mills,	Burke "
J. S. McCubbins,	Rowan "
Thomas Martin,	Stokes "
C. E. Parrish,	Orange "
Wm B. Sham,	Curituck "
J. W. Shackleford	Onslow "
Josiah Sugg,	Greene "
R. G. Sneed,	Granville "
Saml McD. Tate,	Burke "
J. M. Woodhouse,	Curituck "
L. R. Waddell,	Johnson "
Platt D. Walker,	Richmond "

A Deserved Compliment.

The Conservative Senators of the present Legislature did credit to themselves and paid graceful tribute to the modest merit of as gallant a gentleman as ever trod shoe leather when in caucus on Monday afternoon, at the conclusion of Senator BUSBEE'S very neat speech putting him in nomination for Engrossing Clerk of their body, they greeted the name of Col. J. MCLEOD TURNER, with applause and made his nomination unanimous. Col. TURNER was the faithful, courteous Engrossing Clerk of the last Senate and will give unqualified satisfaction to the present Senate we are sure.

For the compliment, in his behalf, as his friends, we return hearty thanks to the Senate.—*News.*

We most heartily concur with the *News* in the above. [*Ed Watchman.*

At the Paris Morgue there was exposed this month the body of a young woman aged about twenty, so wondrously beautiful that the authorities caused a mould to be taken of her. She was seen to throw herself into the river.

The Setzer Tragedy.

A Life or Death Struggle with a Negro ROBBER.

Husband and wife Defending Themselves.

The Negro Killed by the Wife.

The Husband Dies of his Injuries.

One of the most terrible tragedies ever recorded in this county, occurred last Thursday night, between 10 and 11 o'clock, at what is known as McConnaughey's muster ground. The building in which it was enacted, was designed and used for a country store, years ago; but of late years has been occupied by Mr. Caleb Setzer and family, as a residence. It is situated within ten paces of the Sherrill's Ford road, which passes the front door. The house is a story and a half, with two lower rooms, one for a store and the other, (about 9x18 feet), for a counting room.

Mr. Setzer's family comprised only two persons—himself and wife—and the counting room of this building was used by them as a bed room. The house stands nearly East and West, the front door opening on the South side. To the left as you enter, is a narrow stairs leading to the upper apartment; on the right, the petition which divides the two rooms, and against that near the front door, a small table. The door leading into the Store room is opposite the fire-place which is in the West end of the house. In the east corner of this room, stood the bed, with the head against the petition, and the foot reaching down to within 3 feet of the fire-place. In the narrow corner between the foot of the bed and the West wall, stood a small water table. The fire-place is near 4 feet wide; rocks and bricks are used for firedogs. And for a shovel, an old spade, which is much worn, and the handle burnt away until there is not more than 18 inches of it remaining.

The occupants of this room were in bed last Thursday night, when some one knocked at the door. Mr. Setzer asked, "who is there?" "Jim Jordan," was the answer. And in reply to various questions, Jim represented that he was out with a wagon, and that he wanted to get fire to camp. Mr. Setzer knew nothing of the man, but being of a kind and confiding disposition, got up to open the door, against the remonstrances of his wife, who insisted that all *honest* waggoners had struck camp before that hour of the night.

The door was opened, and Jim entered, and Mrs. Setzer's fears, already aroused by the negro's answers, were soon confirmed by his behaviour, and by the questions which he and his companion (who stood out-side), were disposed to ask. That companion sought to keep his face from being seen, notwithstanding he professed to be well acquainted with Mrs. Setzer's brother, for whom he also inquired. But Jim got fire and went out, saying he would return soon and get some water, which he did in the course of 10 or 15 minutes. After pretending to drink he sat down before the fire, and commenced a series of questions addressed to Mr. Setzer, who was sitting to his right, near the foot of the bed. His companion Frank Johnson, as he called him, was somewhere outside. Jim called him several times but he did not answer. He went to the door and called him, and though he did not answer, Mrs. Setzer heard his footsteps near the door. Jim wanted to know what Mr. Setzer had to trade on. Wanted "spirits;" wanted to know who about there had a "shooter," and finally, drew a revolver and pointing it at the breast of Mr. Setzer, told him he had money and he must give it up. Mr. S. answered, "I have no money;" but Jim insisted that he had, and that he must tell the truth about it. Mrs. Setzer here sprang from the bed and caught the negro's pistol hand, and then commenced the struggle for life One chamber of the weapon was fired about this time, the ball passing between the husband and wife without touching either of them. Mr. Setzer also grasped the fellow by the throat, and thus these three were in the terrible strife. They swayed towards the front door, and the little table sitting against the dividing petition was dashed over against the front door which was partly open. The negro cried for help. Mrs. Setzer slammed the door, the struggle still going on. They sway towards the petition door leading into the Store room, and all fell into that room in a heap. Mrs. Setzer could tell but little about this fall. She rose from it with the negro's pistol in her hand, and tried to fire it, but could not. The contestants got back into the bed room, and there she used it in beating the fellow on the head, and brought him to the floor with it. The pistol broke in pieces, and she seized a stone from the fire-place, (by which her hands were badly burned) and struck him several blows with that. She thought he was dead; Mr. Setzer who was all the while closely engaged with the fellow begged that they should not kill him, but tie him. Believing he was dead, Mrs. Setzer ran up the narrow stairs, having previously locked the door and took out the key, to a window in the East end o the building to alarm the neighbors. The nearest house was a quarter of a mile off. The next nearest, still further. While calling, she heard a noise down stairs, and speeding back, found the negro had revived, and was engaging Mr. Setzer again. She arrived in time to seize a piece of pine wood lying on the hearth, with which she felled him while thus struggling. They fell this time against the stair case, or between it and the fire-place, Mr. S. on top. Here the fellow begged for his life, saying that Frank Johnson had got him into the scrape. Mr. Setzer wanted to tie him and called for a rope. Suddenly, he made an effort to rise and turned Mr. Setzer, and Mrs. S. then discovered that he was trying to cut her husband's throat with a knife. He had already given him several severe cuts on the cheek and chin. She seized the old spade shovel, described above, and this rude implement decided the battle. She continued to strike with it as long as there were any signs of life. She covered the negro's head with wounds, any one of which it would seem was enough to kill him.

When quite certain the negro could never rise again, she re-assended the stairs and went to the window to renew her calls for assistance. After a long time her cries were answered, and the news spread through the neighborhood, and the people came in to witness the scene of horrid confusion and blood. They found the negro's body stretched on the floor in gore, and carried it out and laid it in the yard. A messenger was sent for a doctor to dress the still bleeding wounds of Mr. and Mrs. Setzer. The messenger came and went on this errand several times before he found a physician, and at last, did not arrive with one until 8 or 9 o'clock next morning.

A coroner's inquest was held on the body of the negro late in the evening of Friday. No one present was able to identify the negro. Mrs. Setzer was the principal witness, and substantially testified to the facts as above given. The jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide.

On the next day, Saturday, the Coroner returned to town, bringing the body of the negro, for public exhibition and identification. It was identified by several of our merchants, who knew him as James Jordan; but strange to say, of all the many negroes who saw it, we believe none professed to know him.

Frank Johnson, or the man who passed by that name, could not be found by the Coroner; but circumstances were remembered by Mrs. Setzer and her friends, a few days after, which directed suspicion against a negro well known in the neighborhood by the name of John Berry. These circumstances were all related to us yesterday, but it is not proper to repeat them here. John Berry was arrested yesterday and examined before Mr. T. G. Haughton, and committed to jail for further examination.

Mrs. Eliza Jane Setzer, whose misfortune it was to play so tradgic a part in this terrible scene, is a person of 33 years, a little above medium size, of good health and strength. She is a native of Wilkes county. Her family (Kennedy by name) resided in Davie county before her marriage to Mr. Setzer, though for several years they have been citizens of Rowan.

She sustained severe injuries in this conflict, of which she was all unconscious until it was nearly over. She has a severe cut diagonally across the left fore arm; a very black eye, and badly burnt hands. The shock to her nervous system was very great, and to this was superadded on Saturday the death of her husband, whom she mourns in piteous accents.

Mr. Caleb Setzer was about 60 years of age; a man below medium size, and for several months past, an invalid. The loss of blood by his injuries from this negro, and the fearful excitement of the struggle with him resulted in his death. He died at 9 o'clock, Saturday night.

Melancholy Untruthfulness in a Church.

The evidence in the case before the Presbytery in Jersey City is as conflicting as it is in the MCKENNA case.

JOHN S. GLENDENNING is the pastor of a church. He is a young man, twenty-five years of age.

Miss MARY E. POMEROY was a member of the same church and its organist. She died, unmarried, after having given birth to a child. She declared on her death bed, and just before her dissolution, in the presence of witnesses, that JOHN S. GLENDENNING was its father.

Mr. GLENDENNING asseverates under oath that he was not the father of the child.

Now it is a particularly deplorable feature of this case that there is a deliberate falsehood somewhere, and that it is by a person who was a member of the church and its organist, on the one hand, or by a member of the church and its pastor on the other. "Which of the two to choose" embarrasses a good many people.

Our discerning and highly esteemed neighbor, the *Times*, contends that the doings among church people have become so scandalous that it is not decent any longer in a daily journal to publish them; and the *Times* is pretty apt to be right.

Murder among the "statesmen," and adultery and lying in the churches: what are we coming to?

DIED,

At his home ten miles of Salisbury, on the 11th inst. Mr. Daniel Eddleman, of dropsy of the heart, in the 68th year of his life. Mr. Eddleman was a good and useful citizen, and highly esteemed by his neighbors. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and died in faith.

SALISBURY MARKET.

OCTOBER, 29.

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COTTON—11 a 13
FLOUR—$3.25 to 3.50
MEAL—75 a 85.
BACON—county) 15 to 16½—hog round
POTATOES—Irish 90 a Sweet $1.50
EGGS—15 to 20.
CHICKENS—$2.50 per doz.
LARD—16 a 20
FEATHERS—new, 50.
RYE—a 80
BEESEWAX—30.
WHEAT—$1.15 a $1.50.
BUTTER—25 to 30.
DRIED FRUIT—5 to 8.
Blackberries, 8 cts.