

Carolina Watchman.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 1881.

Snow drifts in Watauga county on the 24th, from 3 to 6 feet deep.

State prohibition convention at Raleigh on the 27th of April.

France will be represented at the Yorktown centennial celebration.

Concord Presbytery is now in session at Rocky River Church, Cabarrus county.

It is said there will be an abundant peach crop in the Brushy Mountains this year.

Senator Hill has a flood of letters from Virginia Democrats thanking him for skinning Mahone.

The war between Chili and Peru is about at an end, and the Peruvians are now trying to reconstruct their government.

A pair of ostriches in South Africa, where they are reared for their feathers, rates at from \$750 to \$900.

Is this to be another year of "strikes"? There are some signs of it in the North and Eastern States.

A clean-cut tree in Caldwell county, says the *Topic*, was recently felled, the 2d cut of which made 240 rails. It was 17 feet 9 inches in circumference.

The New York Board of Aldermen has passed a resolution providing for the introduction of Edison's electric light for public parts of the city.

The Narrow Gauge road through Lenoir will "run along the depression between the Presbyterian church and the Finley High Academy," and thence on in the direction to Patterson.

Yadkin College commencement exercises will be held on the 25th and 26th of May. Annual sermon by Rev. Wm. Hammond, of Indiana; literary address by F. H. Busbee, of Raleigh.

The Asheville *Citizen* says Buncombe is not going to be outdone in the matter of population, and under the head of "a handsome present," adds that Mr. Witt Sluder's wife had presented him three bouncing boys at a birth.

Dr. J. F. Woods writes in the *Toledo Medical and Surgical Journal* of Dec. 1880, of his successful use of carbolic acid in the treatment of carbuncles, using it vigorously with a hypodermic syringe, completely saturating the Carbuncle with the pure acid.

Mecklenburg county, as will be seen in another part of this paper, is taking a leading part in the Prohibitory movement. Her example in this case, as on the no fence question, will prove contagious. Other counties can well afford to follow where Mecklenburg leads.

The County Commissioners of Buncombe are allowed to pay \$20 for the killing of a wolf. So much for the encouragement of sheep raising. Dogs are as great a nuisance to sheep farmers as the wolves. They ought to come in for similar attention.

Venor's prediction of snow on the 21st of March was verified in Asheville, N. C. Snow in Asheville and pea vines in Newbern two feet long and in bloom. What a State!

P. S.—Snow in Salisbury March 30th. Ice the 31st 4 inch thick.

There is a fellow North who advocates that prisons should be chiefly employed to reform instead of punishing criminals. He thinks a fellow who is put in jail for stealing or murdering ought to be turned out whenever he becomes thoroughly sorry for committing the crime. He is tender towards law breakers.

Billy Smith and the *New North State* are bidding for Senator Ransom to become the Mahone of North Carolina. It is a loss of time and labor. And if there were a chance as the shadow of a shadow of success, it would result here as it has in Virginia, where Mahone is damned and the Democratic party strengthened.

There was a great disaster in the theatre in the city of Nice, on the Mediterranean, last week, by the building taking fire while filled with people. Several of the stage performers and a large number of the visitors were killed or wounded—some by fire and others crushed by the panic-stricken crowd in attempting to escape from the burning building.

There is a strict law for liquor sellers now before the Indiana Legislature. It provides that, before selling, the vendor of liquor shall obtain the signatures of half the voters resident in his ward, and town or township; and, in addition, be required to pay a license fee of two hundred and fifty dollars.

The excitement over the liquor question is becoming intense in Kansas. Meetings are daily and nightly held in all the principal cities and villages of the State. In some places the people are about equally divided, but in most towns the officers will be vigorously supported in enforcing the law. Many prosecutions have been begun, the Supreme Court having decided that the constitutional amendments are valid.

IMPORTANT RAIL ROAD CONSOLIDATION.

The Richmond and Danville Railroad Company has leased the Charlotte and Atlanta Railroad, and has thus secured a trunk line reaching from Richmond, Va., to Atlanta, Ga. The Baltimore and Ohio Company were scheming to effect a lease of the Air Line, but the Richmond and Danville has gone off with the prize in the face of their competitors. This arrangement it is thought, will cook the Midland scheme via Mocksville to Mooreville. And it swags off the Charlotte and Statesville road at both ends, restricting it to simply a local business; for it must be remembered that the Richmond and Danville Co. now own the Western N. C. Railroad also. It is a recast of Railroad interests in North Carolina which it is thought will benefit all except, perhaps, the Charlotte and Wilmington road. It will probably block some enterprises hereafter contemplated; but on the whole the business men of this place are pleased with the transfer, and look forward with increased confidence to the speedy completion of the Western N. C. Railroad to the Tennessee line at Paint Rock, and the realization of benefits from a connection with the roads stretching westward by that route.

There is a project now on hand by the North State Mining Company to run a road from this or some other point on the Western N. C. Road via. Wilkesboro to Jefferson. If it starts from this point it will go by Mocksville. It is an enterprise which holds out strong inducements to the Richmond and Danville Company to encourage in the most substantial way, as it will traverse a region rich in agricultural, mineral and timber products, and contribute as much or more freight to the trunk lines than the Western. Gentlemen in the interest of this project are now reconnoitering the country via. Mocksville and Wilkesboro to Jefferson.

JACOB REESE, of Pittsburg, Pa., as we learn from the *Scientific American* of April 24, 1881, has patented a smooth-edged iron circular saw, of 42 inches diameter, which will cut in two, without touching it, a bar of steel placed in front of it and revolved in the opposite direction. It is a practical invention and parties using it pay Mr. Reese \$1,000 royalty on each saw. When the bar to be cut is brought near the disk in motion the melle immediately melts, and there escapes a current of sparks of a dazzling whiteness. And yet the hand, a sheet of paper, or oiled cotton, may be placed near the saw without being affected by it. The molten melle as it falls in drops will not burn the fingers.

It is a well known fact that a smooth-edged sheet iron saw or wheel, revolving at a high speed is a good implement for "gumming" mill saws. It melts out the steel of the saw without itself becoming heated. Mr. Reese's saw is given a revolution of 2,300 per minute. The steel 200.

TAXES.—The *Charlotte Democrat* gives the following statement in regard to the revenue act passed by the recent Legislature:

The revenue law, recently adopted by the Legislature, levies a tax of 25 cents for general State purposes on the \$100 value of real and personal property, and 12 1/2 cents on \$100 value for school purposes—making 40 1/2 cents levied by the State for 1881. Last year the tax was 24 cents for general State purposes and 23 cents for school purposes—making 37 1/2 cents on the \$100 value. The increase this year is 3 1/2 cents.

The State tax on the poll for 1881, is as follows: For general State purposes 84 cents, and for school purposes 37 1/2 cents—making \$1.21 1/2 on the poll. Last year the poll tax for State purposes was 72 cts. and for schools 25 cents—making 97 cents. Increase this year 24 cents on the poll. To the above State tax is to be added the county tax, not yet levied.

Mrs. Josephine Caire, of Pongheepsie, N. Y., in a suit for damages, last Monday, against one Frank Gassner, saloon keeper, for selling liquor to her husband after being warned not to do it, was given a verdict for \$525. Caire had got drunk at Gassner's bar and went home and beat his wife—a very common incident in this "land of the free." But was it not a sensible jury that made Gassner settle for that beating? It appeals to common sense, common justice and common righteousness. Every man who sells intoxicating liquors ought to be held responsible for immediate consequences, as in this case. If Caire had killed his wife, then both he and Gassner would have been guilty of a capital felony.

There is great activity in railroad matters just now,—now schemes and combinations are the order of the times. It stands us in hand, as a community, to be wide awake and ready to act promptly when an opportunity shall occur by which we may advance our interests. Our town and county are free of debt; our individual indebtedness is small, and we have bright hopes of a prosperous future. There is no county in the State, perhaps, in a better position to take advantage of good opportunities for the promotion of its welfare than Rowan.

The great concernment displayed by the *Charlotte Observer* over the lease of the "Air Line" to the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company seems to indicate that the popular opinion of the effect likely to follow is, to send Charlotte "up the spout." We don't believe a word of it. If the new proprietors shall arrange an equitable freight tariff, not discriminating either for or against its customers along the line, as we trust they will do, there can be no just cause of complaint from any quarter.

All written matter heretofore passing through the mails will hereafter be subject to first class or letter rates.

JIM HARRIS vs. HOLDEN.—The Raleigh *News* talks concernedly in opposition to the removal of W. W. Holden as postmaster, to make room for Jim Harris, the colored leader of the republican party of that city. We are glad to learn that a special agent sent to investigate the subject will probably report against making the change. It is believed an arrangement has, however, been made to appease the colored supporters of the republican party in the South, by distributing to a few of their leading men some good fat offices, and thus quiet their clamor for a part in the government. That they hold an influential position in the republican party must be admitted, and it is about time the party should duly recognize the fact, and this they will probably do, however distasteful it may be to the white people.

NEWBORN.—The *Newbernian* speaks in high hopes of the future of the city, and notes several important facts in support of its opinion. It says the future of the city "is locked up in the soil, and not in manufactures and railroad connections. The farmers hold the keys to Newbern's greatness and to these alone we must look for whatever of prosperity the future has in store." In this connection is mentioned the vast development of the truck industry in that vicinity. Thousands of acres are now given to it where formerly were only a few small patches. Thousands of empty flour barrels are shipped from Norfolk to pack the products of the truck farms, which are sent to northern markets. A great increase is also noted in the rice and corn crops marketed there. And the lumber business is very active, no less than fifty thousand feet a day is the estimated average.

In the first week in May New York is to have a musical festival extraordinary. It is to be held in the Seventh Regiment Armory, which will accommodate 10,000 people. The chorus will be composed of twelve hundred selected and trained singers, besides fifteen hundred young ladies from the schools, and three hundred boys from the church choirs. The orchestra will comprise 250 picked and drilled musicians, and five of the most distinguished solo singers in the country. An immense organ will also be set up in the Armory to be used on the occasion.

Shipments of wheat and corn from the West down the Mississippi by barges, for European markets, have greatly increased since Eads' improvement at the mouth of that great river. Before that work was done shipments of grain were counted by thousands of bushels. Last year it ran up, from St. Louis alone, to 15,717,664. And the prospect of further extension of the business is indicated by the formation of barge companies, and a marked impetus in the construction of barges. Companies already operating have barges and boats with a capacity of over 5,000,000 bushels, and one company alone moved last year 5,913,272 bushels.

The *Detroit Free Press* relates the particulars of a man named James Gouppel, a Canadian, with a broken neck and still living. His physician managed to suspend the man by the neck until he applied splints with an abundance of adhesive plasters, and in a few days the man could get about but not turn his head. Pretty hard story, but supposing the marrow of the spinal column not injured by the breaking of the bones of the neck, it is possible a remarkably healthy person might live with such an injury.

Dr. Henry A. Smith, in an able paper read before the Philadelphia County Medical Society, as reported by the *New York Sun*, denounces baby carriages as a hurtful institution to the babies, impairing important muscular functions, particularly those of the spine and abdomen. Other evils were enumerated, such as impeded respiration, brain congestion, spinal cord tension, and inadequate digestion. He said it was far better to carry an infant in the arms, and that a nurse incapable of doing it was unfit for the duty.

A large, bold and turbulent fresh water spring gurgles up from the depths of the ocean 18 miles South of St. Augustine, Florida. It covers half an acre in extent, and in calm weather boils like a pot. The waves occasioned by rough weather hide it in a measure. Commodore Hitchcock, of the U. S. coast survey, several years ago examined it and found bottom all around the spring at about six fathoms; but the spring itself was almost fathomless.

A THORNY SEAT.—President Hayes must have had an uncomfortable time as President. A Washington correspondent of the *Baltimore Sun*, noting the difference in the degree of the respect shown to him and the present occupant of the White House, says: "there was not one day of Mr. Hayes' sojourn there that his disputed right of tenure did not throw its shadow across his path." And he stood it four years! A republican's capacity for endurance must be enormous.

New York city is aroused just now on the manner in which the city government has been and is yet administered. The city has been in the hands of politicians who have used their power (which is immense) for party purposes to the neglect of the most common and essential sanitary observances, and the people are endeavoring to effect a change.

A recent decline in cotton it is said has caused serious losses to speculators.

Cincinnati has a Charley Ross case to interest her.

Charlotte and Atlanta railroad stock sold for 40 cents on the dollar, a month ago. Now it rates at 75 cts.

President Garfield is opposed to an extra session of Congress, and says all the talk about it as mere outside clamor.

Merchants complain very much of the detention of goods on the road from the northern cities. Who is at fault? The weather is the one and there is no providential hindrance.

3000 lbs. of railroad iron for the Yadkin Valley Railroad has been bought and shipped, and will soon be laid on the track.

Mr. Samuel F. Phillips passes from the office of Solicitor General into the office of Judge of the Court of Claims. He will continue to reside in Washington. Salary \$4,500 a year.

Tounges' Fools Errand made him a big man with the republicans, but he has recently written on civil service reform, and now they say he is a fool; or drey from his imagination for facts.

SHEEP PROTECTION.—A Pennsylvania farmer understands the business. Next day after a visit from dogs he deposited poisoned meat in the field where his sheep had been killed, and the day following had 18 dead dogs lying around.

MONITOR LOCOMOTIVE.—Just out from the Altoona Pa. machine shops an engine 60 feet long, weighing 92,700 pounds, and making 19 1/2 feet at every turn of the crank. Has run a mile in 58 seconds.

Who is U. S. Consul at Matanzas? The fellow has been swindling American tourists, and a Spanish Official made him disgorge. If there is any virtue in Garfield he ought to make the rogue walk the plank.

The P. O. Money Order transactions last year amounted to \$100,000,000. The system is only sixteen years old. The transactions of 1879 amounted to a little over \$43,000,000.

According to the report of the National Board of Health, Norfolk, Va., was, last year, the unhealthiest city out of sixty-eight which made weekly reports, and Vallejo, California, the healthiest.

An electric lamp of 100,000 candle power was tested in Cleveland, Ohio, March 6th. It is to be used in the British Navy. It requires a 40 horse power engine to maintain it.

Thirty German emigrants passed through Raleigh last week on their way to South Carolina, where they design locating.

PROHIBITION.—At a meeting of the central committee held in Raleigh on the 23d, it was resolved to call a State prohibition convention to be held in that city on the 27th day of April. Preliminary arrangements for such a convention were made.

Stage robbers continue to ply their business in Texas. A mail coach was stopped 15 miles from Oakville, last week, and the passengers were robbed of money, watches and jewelry, and the mail bags were filled.

The carrying capacity of the steam vessels employed on the lakes has been on the increase for several years. Six hundred tons were large enough a few years ago, but vessels now in use and building, run up to 2,000 and over, carrying from 80,000 to 100,000 bushels of wheat in a cargo.

NEW R. R. SCHEME.—Mr. L. W. Humphrey, a former R. R. president in this State, is reported in a dispatch to the *New York Herald*, as negotiating for the Fayetteville and Florence railroad. Mr. Humphrey is representing Jay Gould, who proposes a railroad from Norfolk, Va., to the Pacific, running nearly centrally through the cotton States.

An experiment was recently made on the Metropolitan line, England, of using Compressed Air Locomotives for underground railways. A rather small engine moved 20 tons eleven miles in less than the average time taken by the ordinary trains. They started with a pressure of 1000 lbs to the square inch, and still had 300 at the end of the run.

TRY IT.—A Leipzig journal gives a method which it asserts will prevent lamp chimneys from cracking by sudden changes of temperature. They are to be put into a pot filled with cold water to which add some salt. The water is to be boiled over a fire, and then allowed to cool slowly. Chimneys then to be taken out and washed. The same treatment of tumblers, crockery, stoneware, porcelain &c. will also toughen them.

With the exception of a few communists in this country and in Europe, the civilized and enlightened people of the world have unqualifiedly denounced the assassination of the Czar of Russia. The Legislatures of the States of America, and even the Grand Jurors in the different countries, would render a public service by putting on record a denunciation of the wicked deed.

The smugglers of Rome are enterprising fellows. It has recently been discovered that they had a veritable underground railroad for conducting their operations. The tunnel was three feet wide and six feet high, and connected by ladders more than a hundred yards apart, suitably situated for the business. Goods were conveyed by a hand truck.

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Most of the drinking water consumed in Cincinnati is taken from the Ohio river, though many use water from springs, wells, and cisterns. It has been found that the sewerage of the city seriously contaminates the water from the river, and they are talking of bringing supplies through pipes, from Dayton, Ky. A recent analysis of the cistern water has found it to be very impure also.

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Geo. Leonard and wife Josephine Leonard, O. F. Brown, Alphus Brown, Joseph Brown, W. C. Brown, and Charles Bodenhamer, *Def'ts.*
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.
To the Sheriff of Davidson County greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon George Leonard, Josephine Leonard, O. F. Brown, Alphus Brown, Joseph Brown, W. C. Brown and Charles Bodenhamer, the defendants above named, if to be found in your county, to be and appear before the Clerk of our Superior Court, for Davidson County, at the Court House in Lexington, within 20 days from the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and answer the complaint which will be deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said county, within ten days, and let the said defendants take notice that if they fail to answer the said complaint within the time prescribed by law, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint. Hereof fail not and of this summons make due return.
Given under my hand and seal this 21st day of March 1881.
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23:6w
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