

Carolina Watchman.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 1881.

Ex-President Hayes declares himself a total abstainer from the use of spirituous liquors.

The State Prohibition Convention will meet in Raleigh, April 27th, inst.

The people of the proposed county of Durham have ratified the action of the Legislature creating them a new county.

Bishop Payne, D. D., colored, preached, on invitation, for the white people in the First Methodist Episcopal Church South, in Danville, last Sunday.

"THE BANNER," is the title of a new weekly paper issued from Raleigh in the interest of the colored people of the State—J. H. Williamson, editor.

STATE PROHIBITION CONVENTION.—Reduced fare over the railroads will be granted delegates to the State Convention on the 27th; and efforts will be made to secure good accommodation to those who may attend.

The Boston and Albany railroad are introducing a new feature which will operate to the damage of hotel keepers. It is what they call the "lunchbasket." In other words, they will furnish meals on their trains, and a man can get what he calls for at 50 cents a meal.

The Virginia Midland Directors met in Baltimore on Saturday last, and definitely decided to extend that road from Danville via Mooresville with connections to Charlotte and to Spartanburg, S. C. The extension will be made under the name of the North Carolina Midland Railroad. There is to be a meeting at Winston, on the 26th, to arrange for commencing the work.

The Mahone treachery is proving to be a sort of Pandora's box to the country. It has brought about angry clashes between Senators North and Senators South, whose speeches tend to increase sectionalism. The Republican party is gaining nothing in the South by its corrupt bargain with Mahone, and by its persistent effort to compel the Democrats to ratify the trade. Meanwhile they are responsible for creating a difficulty which hinders the public business of the country.

A GOOD FEATURE.—The "Female Benevolent Society," and the "Ladies' Christian Union," of Whitestown, N. Y., which meet steadily for the promotion of their benevolent schemes, have arranged to mix literary enjoyment with their labors by appointing one of their number to read aloud at each meeting. Mrs. PHILIP WHITE, by allotment, read an essay on "True Merit," before the "Ladies' Christian Union" last week, who, though personally unknown to us, is the consort of a highly esteemed former citizen of our town.

SAD INCIDENT.—A citizen of Randolph county, aged 75 years, subject to attacks of bilious colic, was out with his wagon and team of horses, and feeling an attack coming on, hitched his horses to trees and spread a blanket on the ground, and it is supposed, laid down on it. There were marks of a struggle, as a man without in pain. His dead body, without marks of violence, were found in the woods, as if he had started in that direction for the house, but fell exhausted on the way.

DEATH OF LORD BEACONSFIELD.—The telegraph reports the death of this distinguished English Lord, statesman, and orator. No man in England has exerted more influence in the British government than he for the last quarter of a century, having several times been the chief counselor of the Queen. He arose from the humble walks of society, which in a country where titles and inherited honors have such potential influence, is the strongest evidence of his greatness.

THE MIDLAND RAILROAD.—As indicated in the published reports of the meeting recently held in Baltimore to consider the question of pushing this enterprise to completion, it was unanimously resolved to build the road from Danville, Va., via Salem and Winston, Mocksville and Mooresville, with connections to Charlotte, and to Spartanburg, S. C. The business men of Charlotte held a meeting Tuesday evening, and adopted a resolution inviting the directors to run their road to Charlotte, pledging themselves to endeavor to secure material aid, &c. There was a meeting appointed to be held at Statesville yesterday, with reference to the route for the road, and in the interest of Statesville. The main point, to wit: the building of the road, seems to be settled; and so far as we can see at present, there is nothing likely to prevent it. It is a subject involving weighty consequences to our town, and will doubtless receive the attention it deserves.

The disturbances in Russia have not been subdued by the execution of the murderers of the Czar. The Nihilists seem more determined and desperate than ever, and are menacing the life of the new Czar. The association permeates all ranks from the highest to the lowest; and the seizure and imprisonment or the execution of suspected persons intimidates no one nor seems to diminish the number. It is thought nothing short of granting a constitutional form of government can save the Emperor from the fate of his father.

THE DEAD-LOCK.—Mr. Blair offered the following resolution in the Senate on Tuesday, to wit: Resolved, That in the judgement of the Senate, public interest requires that Congress be convened in public session immediately. Mr. Blair said he offered it merely as information at this time. Subsequently he said the business affairs of this country were growing larger every year, and he thought continuous sessions of Congress would be no more than adequate to the consideration of public questions. He said De Lesseps was digging his (Panama) canal to-day, and it was becoming a vested right; and unless it was stopped now by some action of Congress, it would never be stopped except by war. And there were other considerations why Congress should be called in extra session. It is intimated that this is the plan by which the republicans will seek to break the dead-lock in the Senate.

"WET OR DRY."—The Charlotte Observer of the 19th, shows that the good people of the rising city have a lively time on the subject of Prohibition. The Prohibitionists have a well organized and working Association, comprising among its membership many of the most prominent citizens. They held a stirring meeting on the night of the 18th, to ratify the nominations for mayor and aldermen. Capt. T. S. Vail was chairman, and Col. C. R. Jones, Secretary. Col. Ham Jones, as chairman of the Executive Committee reported the following ticket which he advocated in an able speech, viz: Hon. F. S. Wolfe, for Mayor; C. Scott, C. A. Frazer, R. M. Miller, John L. Brown, Wm. Houser, A. P. Hunter, D. W. Oats, H. Edwards, A. W. Calvin, John Wilkes, E. K. P. Osborne and D. P. Hutchinson, for aldermen. The meeting was addressed by Mr. Wolfe, Col. J. P. Thomas, Hon. R. Y. McAden, Col. H. C. Jones, Bishop T. H. Lomax, Rev. Mr. Price, Chas. R. Jones, Esq., and several others.

"The Vets" held a meeting at the same time in the public square of the city, and was addressed by Col. William Johnston. He declared that he was honestly opposed to prohibition and to the prohibition law of the last Legislature, though not opposed to temperance. He said there would be no tears shed for the women and children who suffer by stopping the manufacture and sale of liquors, of whom from 40,000 to 80,000 were dependent for support on the business; that Dr. Mott has 250 men employed in the business who receive annually about \$225,000 which is scattering around among the people. That it would injure the business of Charlotte, and tend to increase crime. This meeting was composed of negroes, in the proportion of about three to one, and was cheered by the music of the negro band. It terminated suddenly: a half-drunken and wretched victim of intemperance got up to speak when a negro boy pulled the box from under him and ran.

There are two important problems to be solved within the next few months, or years at the most, by the scientific men of the country, and upon which they are now laboring, viz: To prove that steam engines, for the ocean, for railroads, and for many other purposes, can be run at less expense by fluid petroleum than by coal or wood. It has been said that four dollars worth of petroleum can be made to do the work of from sixteen to twenty dollars worth of coal; but the experiments in this direction have as yet been on a small scale. The other question, now on trial in Washington city, by Mr. Gamage, the inventor of what he calls the Zero-Motor, is to determine whether or not machinery cannot be propelled by gaseous ammonia, which requires no heat, and consequently no consumption of coal, wood, or any other substance. President Garfield and other dignitaries of the city have inspected the engine of Gamage and are of the opinion it is a success. But time and real work are the best proofs, and these alone can establish the value of new things of this nature.

The Yecberman claims that Newsbern is the principal corn market of the State. She keeps her railroad busy carrying it off.—Shad are still a little scarce, as compared with other seasons, but plenty is no name for herrings. The seals are catching all that can be wished for.—The same paper says "there are now 12 inexhaustible artesian wells in our city. It is the intention of the authorities to double their number, as it is cheaper to bore wells than to buy hose for our engines.—The pea crop is a subject of growing interest among the "truckers," around the city, and fears are entertained of damage to it by the severity of the weather some weeks ago.—The Irish potato crop is looked forward to with high expectations. A very large crop was planted. Craven county is becoming a vast truck garden. Think of it: her truckers sowed 600 pounds of Irish seed this spring, and other kinds in proportion.

The disturbance caused by a misunderstanding between the Rev. Mr. Plunkett and some respectable members of the church in Mecklenburg county, was harmoniously settled at a meeting of Presbytery held at Huntersville on the 16th. Mr. Plunkett was received as a member of Presbytery, which, owing to the misunderstanding referred to, had been held in suspense; and a committee was appointed to install him as pastor of Steel Creek church.

Chas. N. Hunter, a colored man, formerly a teacher in the colored graded school of Raleigh, has a clerkship in the postoffice of that city.

EX-PRESIDENT DAVIS AND HIS BOOK.—It is generally known that Mr. Jefferson Davis has been writing a history of the late war between the States. He has completed it, and it is now in the hands of the Appleton's of New York, to be printed. A few leaves with the preface have fallen into the hands of the Memphis Appeal, from which it has copied extracts. From these it is perceived that Mr. Davis has not changed his views of the struggle in which he bore so prominent a part. He adheres to the belief that by the terms of the compact between the States the sovereignty of each was reserved, and that the powers not expressly delegated to the general government remained with them as sovereign communities. In his preface he says: "In all free government the constitution or organic law is supreme over the government, and in our federal Union this was most distinctly marked by limitations and prohibitions against all which was beyond the expressed grants of power to the general government. In the foreground, therefore, I take the position that those who resisted violations of the compact were the true friends, and those who maintained the usurpation of undelegated powers were the real enemies of the constitutional Union." The style is extremely simple and easy, and we think it safe to say the book will stand at the head of all the histories of the war yet published.

CLEARED.—Beaumont B. Burke, a Texas Student, at West Point, who it will be remembered, shot and killed John G. Thompson, Jr., of Ohio, also a Student at the same institution, in June last, has been acquitted. The cadets have had a fashion, at West Point, of subjecting new students to all sorts of hardships, crosses and indignities. Burke, it seems, submitted to it until submission ceased to be a virtue. He moved his boarding house and quit school to get clear of the wrongs inflicted upon him, of which Tompson was the principal author. But when pursued to his new quarters with insults, taunts and threats, he fired the fatal shot, and the jury trying the case have acquitted him.

KILLED.—Arthur Foster, in Massachusetts. Arthur and his twin brother, aged 21, entered the house of Abiel Wilson, on the night of the 13th inst., for the purpose of robbing, and went prepared for desperate work. Mr. Wilson heard them in the house and when they burst open his chamber door he fired on them with a rifle. They fled, but the dead body of Arthur, who it is said was preparing for the ministry, was found a short distance from the house. The surviving brother made a confession of the facts as related. Wilson had a large amount of valuables under no other protection than his rifle.

THREE BLACK SHEEP.—The republican party of North Carolina was exceedingly unfortunate in the selection of their delegates to the General Assembly last year. One of their members was accused of larceny, another of forgery, and now W. J. Menden, of Pasquotank, still another member, has run away with J. A. Johnston's wife, carrying with them a large amount of Johnston's money. All this since they entered the capital at Raleigh. When shall they three meet there again.

The horrors of the earthquake disaster on Ohio Island continue to excite the concern of the public. The people there are still camping out in the fields, with nothing but the clothes on their bodies—still panic stricken, and in constant dread. The first shock seems to have been vertical: dishes on the table seem to leap up and fall on the floor, succeeded by horizontal oscillations. The walls of houses tumbled into heaps of ruins, killing and crippling the occupants.

A mad cur, pursued by the police, made things lively in Philadelphia, the other day. A young woman was encountered on the streets. She gathered up her skirts, displaying beautiful calves, and ran with all her might; but the dog drove his teeth into her stocking, and she was dragged into a drug store half dead. Spectators were greatly relieved, however, when they found that the dog had only torn the saw dust pads which filled out a pair of very lean shanks.

MAHONE'S REWARD.—He has been placed on the committee on postoffices, which brings him in close contact with the P. O. department. If he can fill all the country postoffices of Virginia with men of his stripe, it is expected to accomplish much through them to control the politics of the State.

Mr. S. J. Hinsdale, of Fayetteville, has been referred to by the Examiner of that town, as prepared to analyze sugar (so much of which is now adulterated), to determine its value. In some samples there is said to be 50 per cent. of glucose or grape sugar.

There was a meeting of Irishmen and those friendly to the Irish cause in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 11th, in which very ultra sentiments were uttered against Landlordism, one man declaring an assassination of landlords as the best remedy.

Senator Vance was in Charlotte last Friday. Food for the Brain and Nerves that will invigorate the body without intoxicating it, what we need in these days of rush and worry. Parker's Ginger Tonic restores the vital energies, soothes the nerves and brings good health quicker than anything you can use. Tribune. See ad. April 9th/1881

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The North Carolina Presbyterian: It ought to be generally known that the last Legislature so changed the law in regard to granting liquor licenses as to leave the matter optional with County Commissioners. County Commissioners are legally authorized to refuse all applications for licenses to sell. In response to a request from the central committee of the Prohibition Convention the board of commissioners of Mecklenburg county passed the following resolution: Resolved, That this board will refuse to grant license to retail spirituous liquors to any and all applicants, being of the opinion that such refusal would prove a saving to taxpayers of this county in the way of costs incurred in the prosecution of crime and the support of pauperism. As by the revenue law no license can be granted for less than a year, it would seem that this course which is strictly lawful and proper, is also expedient. If we are to have a fair expression of the people at the polls in August next, and the law if ratified by the people is to become promptly operative, every board of commissioners should follow the example of Mecklenburg.

"A FREE BALLOT AND A FAIR COUNT." Real what Gov. Vance has to say on this new republican watchword, to-wit: Mr. President, Dr. Johnson is credited with saying that patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel. So it would seem to me that leaving Bourbonism and turning their faces toward the door, is the last refuge of a needy and dissatisfied politician in Virginia; and however much of eloquence the republican Senators here may undertake to pour upon this transaction, after all it is simply an endeavor as was candidly confessed by the Senator from Ohio [Mr. Sherman] to stay and strengthen the hands of a waning party majority. That is what is the matter. They say they want a free ballot and a fair count, and that is to be the watchword. Mr. President, when did that free ballot and fair count become necessary? Has it not always been necessary? The honorable Senator from Virginia says that he fell out with the Bourbons some years ago, and if there was any cheating of the people in regard to their votes anywhere in Virginia it must have been done some time ago, for there has been no election there for over six months, and how does it happen that now for the first time this question of a free ballot and fair count becomes necessary to be introduced to the American people? I have noticed—perhaps my powers of observation may be at fault—that a man generally supports his weakest point. If a man is conscious of any particular defect in his character, he is always trying to fool his neighbors in regard to that; and that is why a coward is generally a bully. You will observe that old farmers going around their plantations in the spring of the year do not lay rails up where the fence is high enough. They lay them up on the low places. The commander of a fortress always strengthens the weakest point, and it is said that the strength of a fortification is equal to the strength of its weakest point. So when I hear the leaders of the republican party in this country break out on a fresh trail for a free ballot and a fair count, I always look out for some extraordinary outrage upon the ballot-box.

Why, Mr. President, you remember very well that the words which rang through this country like the sound of a trumpet, "let us have peace," just preceded the time when all the Southern States were deluged with troops. And again it was announced and paraded with another sound of trumpets in regard to the election of 1876, that neither candidate could afford to be counted in by fraud, and that preceded the great, gigantic, climacteric fraud of eight to seven. Always look out when a politician turns reformer. There is something going to happen just as sure as time permits it to happen. Now the cry of "a free ballot and a fair count" I say is raised by the republican party either because they can not raise anything else, or because some extraordinary outrage upon the ballot-box and the freedom of the citizens of the South is in contemplation. I have heard it whispered that they were going to raise committees to go down South and overturn a number of elections down there and unseat fifteen or twenty per cent. of the Representatives from that section. I do not know whether that is really so or not; but I think it would have been so if the President had seen proper to call an extra session of Congress. At all events I warn the people of my country so far as my voice can go that instead of this being an alliance for the purpose of promoting the purity of the ballot-box and the freedom of the citizen, it is an attempt once more to subject the people of the Southern States—who have been freed long enough now to accumulate a little money—to subject them once more to the domination of the carpet-bag rule,

in order that their little savings in the mean time may be gobbled up for the benefit of "loyalty!" That is what I think it means.—Speech in the Senate, April 7.

The Charlotte Observer, the Monroe Enquirer and the Greensboro Patriot, all report that the blackberry crop has been spoiled by the severe cold of the late winter, in their respective sections. We have heard no complaint in this County, but think we shall have an average crop. The raspberry canes in our gardens were not killed but on an examination of the blackberry briars near town we find they are mostly dead.

NOTICE!!! OFFICE OF THE W. N. C. R. R. Co. SALISBURY, April 13, 1881. An adjourned meeting of the Stockholders of the Western North Carolina Railroad Company will be held at the Office of the Company, in Salisbury, on the 28th of May, 1881. G. P. ERWIN, Sec'y & Treas. 261m.

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