

## Carolina Watchman.

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 1883.

The crop prospect this year, with the exception of wheat and oats sown in the fall, is far from encouraging. The oldest inhabitant has no recollection of such a backward state of the crops. Corn should be knee high by this time, and much of it is yet to plant. Cotton is coming up very slowly with not more than half a stand. Tobacco plants are scarce and not yet set out, whereas they are ordinarily by this time in a flourishing state. Garden vegetables are all backward, and in fact there is nothing as forward as usual at this time of year. Altogether the prospect is gloomy, and it is for each individual farmer to bring his best judgment to bear on the situation and determine for himself how he may avert the calamity of a failure. With good seasons for the remainder of the summer much can yet be done to guard against the threatened evil, if labors are wisely directed. But there is no time to be lost in bemoaning the situation. Prompt decisions and persevering industry can alone meet the necessities of the case.

Charlotte Journal-Observer: Joseph G. Sifton, Superintendent of the Maryland and Charlotte Copper mine, a native of South Carolina, was shot and killed Tuesday morning last, by Thos. L. Shields, flying near the mine, in Howell town-ship. The cause alleged for the murder, as given by Shields on his arrival at Charlotte, to which place he went to give himself up to the authorities, was the seduction of his sister and the refusal of Sifton to marry her. He says he made the issue plain and absolute to Sifton that morning, who declared he would not marry her, but would rather die; and that thereupon he shot him. Aiming at his head, the shot took effect in the temple, causing instant death. But the case is greatly complicated by the unqualified denial of the girl, only 16 years of age, who utterly denies any improper intercourse with Sifton.

The persons concerned on either side are respectable people. The murderer is in jail, and the body of his victim will be sent to South Carolina for burial.

The man Bechtler, and his associate Hajdin, who recently passed a raised draft on the bank of Shelby, and fled with the money, have come to grief. They slipped about in the mountains from point to point for several days with a view to concealment, and finally went into Tennessee, and thence to Atlanta Ga., where the officers in pursuit, came up with and captured them. They are now in Shelby jail awaiting the due course of law.

A panic occurred on the new bridge connecting Brooklyn and New York, a few days ago, caused by the cries of a woman who fell in passing. The crowd pressed forward to ascertain the cause of the outcry until those in the press became panic struck. Many were trampled by the crowd and suffocated, causing a number of deaths. The passage way was found insufficient for safety and will be improved.

Goldboro Bulletin: Those who are wise in that kind of lore tell us the English sparrows have driven nearly all the mocking birds from this section.

We have the English sparrow here, but we have never seen them in the pursuit of or in strife with other birds. They build in holes of brick walls, and spend very intent on minding their own business.

High excitement prevails at Dover, N. H., between striking shoemakers and men who took their places. One man was killed in a row between them. Lynch law threatened.

High excitement also, at Dodge City Kansas, growing out of a proclamation posted up stopping all gambling. The gamblers and their friends are defiant and a contest in force is imminent.

Over 100 pledged pension certificates were voluntarily returned to the Philadelphia pension agent by paybrokers and saloon keepers on Saturday, making over 700 returned since Wednesday. It is the intention of Gen. Siegel, the pension agent, to criminally prosecute all persons who persist in holding the papers as collateral.

THE EFFECT OF THE DROUGHT.—A dispatch dated at Lynchburg, June 5th, says, "the drought in this section has resulted in incalculable damage, and information from the southwest represents an alarming state of affairs. Cattle raisers are obliged to purchase food for stock, the pastures being all dried up. Crops are also suffering from want of rain."

There is a fusion movement in Mississippi between the Democrats and Republicans for the purpose of defeating the independents. The offer was made by the Republicans of Madison Co., and accepted by the Democrats.

The Agricultural Department at Washington has announced that hog cholera in this country has been practically exterminated.

They also announce that there is less disease among cattle than for years past.

Gen. Grant arrived at Louisville Saturday, and Sunday left for Lexington. The Courier-Journal reporter he expressed the opinion that Blaine and Logan were both very strong men for the Republican nomination in 1884.

One of the saddest incidents of the times, with many of which the newspapers constantly teem, is that of Mr. O. Covington, of Richmond county, who was lost overboard from the steamer Passport, on an excursion from Wilmington to Smithville, N. C., a few days ago. The party were going to the black fish grounds below Smithville—a pleasure party—and at some point down the river, unknown to any one, Mr. Covington is supposed to have fallen overboard and was drowned. Diligent search for him was commenced shortly after being missed and kept up for days by his friends. But the sullen waters make no revelations of where or how he went down into the rayless deep. It is probable that his body will float out into the sea and never be found; thus passing away forever without even the glance of an eye, signaling his departure to friends and the bright world of which he formed a part.

Too Precious.—The Charlotte Journal-Observer tells a pretty story about the arrival at Salisbury, of a train through from Louisville, Ky., en route to Charlotte, S. C.; and of the garlands of flowers, flags, inscriptions, &c., with which the engine was decorated. It is a little in advance of an event in the near future: No such train has yet arrived.

We acknowledge the receipt of the Premium List of the second annual Wheat and Cattle Fair, to be held Thursday and Friday, August 30th and 31st, 1883, in the Pace Warehouse, Winston, N. C.

The Buckeye self-binding reaping machine was declared the victor in a competitive test in Mecklenburg county on Tuesday.

A "CEILING WALKER" GETS A TUMBLE.—Indianapolis, June 5.—While Mons La Hairey, the trapeze performer, was doing his "walking ceiling act" at Park Theatre last night, one of the straps broke, letting him fall to the stage, a distance of 22 feet. His injuries are thought to be fatal. He is a French Canadian, whose home is at Toronto.

A few days since one of the gang of convicts employed at Auburn, cutting wood for use at the penitentiary, attempted to escape but was caught. He was being carried to the quarters by the guard, when he made another break for liberty, wouldn't halt when told to do so, and was then shot. The bullet went through his body near the shoulder, making a painful though not a serious wound.

FRIGHTENED TO DEATH.—A little 12-year-old girl in Knoxville, Iowa, was frightened to death by a severe thunder storm a few nights ago. She had been quite well the day before, but awoke during the storm and besought her mother to take her to bed, "for she was afraid of thunder." Her applications were unheeded, and soon the mother was aroused by the child's difficult breathing. Approaching the bed with a light, she found her dying, and in a few moments she breathed her last.

Notes About the Fish Commission. Mr. S. G. Worth, the State Fish Commissioner, says that from reliable sources he has learned of an improvement in the run of shad in many rivers of the State during the present year, and that although the spring weather has been worse for fishing than for forty years, he made an average season at Avoca, releasing four million of fry. It has been the most successful season he has ever had, especially in the discovery of the spawning grounds of the rock fish at Weldon, and in determining his capacity to ship shad ova to interior points packed in moss and ice. The latter discovery will lead to the establishment of sub-hatcheries at Weldon, Rocky Mount and such other points as lie on the streams which are being stocked.—News-Observer.

In Bad Taste.

The writer is a constant reader of more than one religious paper and, while he does not set himself up as a critic, he desires to submit to the preachers who write for their church papers an idea which has suggested itself to him by reading their letters. It is, it seems in bad taste for a preacher to write, and for the editor to publish items as follows: "On my return home I found brother B—, a most excellent brother, had left a sack of excellent flour for which I thank him in the name of the Lord;" or my dear brother X—, has made the preacher's heart happy by the presentation of an elegant broad cloth coat. May the Lord bless the giver;" or "Sister Y— has filled our parlor with an abundance of good things. May she have an abundant entrance granted her." &c. These and many like things are to be found in the most of our religious papers. We object to it because it is in bad taste, because it crowds out interesting matter and because it is a species of "puffing" which we do not approve of. We know it is rather presumptuous for a wicked secular editor to presume to give advice to the clergy but we think that it needs only to be brought to the attention of the "brethren of the cloth" to cause them to desist from a course that lays them open to criticism.—Wilson Advance.

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## All is Vanity.

The life of ex-Governor Holden has had a saddest of political honors. With the old Standard he was master of the field and as Governor of the State he sat clothed with more despotic power than any Governor before or since. And yet what did it profit him? To-day William W. Holden is living with an eye to another world. As an editor and politician who has sampled the horrors of the populace and found the honors of to-day the curses of to-morrow he lings the retirement of private life as sweeter than all the glory he has tasted. Holden has shown himself liberal to his political foes. Of the late editor of this paper, who had hit him many a sore lick, he spoke in handsome eulogy at a Press Association a few years back, and when the late Daniel W. Conrath, ex-Treasurer of the State was on his death-bed at Cary a few weeks since, Holden sent him word that he hoped soon to meet him on the shining shore. When Mr. Conrath left Raleigh at the close of the war he said to Holden that they had been a long time together as political friends of the same faith, but now they must part forever, and Holden replied that there were three men in North Carolina he should always esteem in the highest and they were Daniel W. Conrath, Wesley Jones and David S. Reid. And these three gentlemen, if all living, would testify to-day, that political honors are bubbles and public breath a gust of wind and that the only substantial greatness which will last all time and endure thro' all changes is the honor of striving with God Almighty's help to be generous, just and good.—Milton Chronicle.

## Silk Culture—The People's Industry.

It is estimated that there were 20,000 people engaged in silk culture in the United States last year, and 40,000 will be engaged in it next year; and that, supposing an 50,000 population comprises 10,000 producers, silk culture may shortly transfer (women, children and old men) 10,000,000 from non-producers, Silk culture embled France to discharge a war debt quicker than so large a debt was ever paid by any other nation. Cities and towns may adorn the streets and parks with the mulberry and thereby turn hovels into coconeries, and make their poor, aged and infirm self-supporting and contented. There are 320 silk mills in the United States. Two-thirds of the raw silk which they use is imported, for which \$35,000,000 are annually sent abroad. Silk culture can retain all this money at home, and put it at once into the pockets of farmers' wives and daughters. There is no reason why the entire demand of the mills should not be supplied by cocoons produced here. Silk culture can be conducted wherever mulberry trees will grow; and the hardiest as well as the best varieties, will grow almost everywhere in the United States. Taxation is reduced by whatever increases national wealth. National wealth is simply individual prosperity. Silk culture is the only industry applicable to every individual. It brings money to the humblest "hewer of wood and drawer of water," the farmers' wife and daughter, the brown-skinned son of toil, teacher, scientist and clergyman alike. It is peculiarly the people's industry.

A PRAYER FOR EDITORS.—We understand that at the services of Bethany church last Sunday a week ago, Rev. E. F. Rockwell, D. D., who forgets no class or condition, remembered the editors in his prayers. This was as unusual as his was considerate. We believe it is customary, in the councils of the various churches, for prayer to be offered for the editors of the church organs, and many years ago we read or heard that the Rev. Drury Lacy, D. D., of blessed memory, prayed upon one occasion for the newspaper men at large, but he probably had no example and has had but few imitators. Editors as a class are probably not worse than other classes which follow purely worldly vocations, and yet there is probably no class which stands more in need of prayer. Standing in the relation that they do to the people, their responsibilities are very weighty, and the temptations which surround them are great and manifold. This is peculiarly the case in this stage of our politics when there is a price upon the head of every man and when any one particularly who is supposed to have any influence can so easily find a market for it. If it is important that Presidents, Governors and Legislators should be clean-hearted, and that the judiciary should be pure, it is all the more important that the power which makes and unmakes these should be uncorrupted. Dr. Rockwell did well to pray for the editors of our land.—Ex.

Sugar seems likely to be added to the many other products of North Carolina. It has been made heretofore experimentally; but the Wilmington Review says Mr. Middleton, of Duplin county, makes it at the rate of 2,000 pounds per acre, planting the Louisiana cane. About 500 farmers last year made sugar from both Chinese and Louisiana cane, giving the preference to the latter.

We now have in the Southern States, in operation or in course of erection, 191 cotton factories. This outnumbers by 27 all the cotton factories in New England, outside of Massachusetts, and exceeds by 16 the number in that State. The figures speak for themselves, and give an outline of what the South is doing in the way of becoming her own producer, manufacturer and consumer.—Savannah Recorder.

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## Gov. Butler's View of It.

Being informed of the refusal of the overseers of Harvard College to confer the degree of LL. D. on him, Gov. Benj. F. Butler said to an interviewer:

"I have to thank them for doing me a very great personal and political service. The affront intended by their action is not upon me, but upon the people who elected me, and the verdict and execution of the judgment of Harvard College upon the acts of the people of this Commonwealth for daring, by a large majority, to choose a Governor without asking the consent of that college, and it only emphasizes what I have sometimes said heretofore, that Harvard College claims the right to govern the Commonwealth. Having received from more than one college a literary degree of that rank because of appreciation by those institutions of my attainments as a lawyer—for which consideration thus bestowed upon me I feel the deepest sensibility—the act of Harvard would have added nothing to me, and therefore I can have no feeling because of its action in this behalf. I should have felt very grateful for it if it had been given to me as a lawyer, but not as Governor. I should have looked upon it as a ceremonial matter, a compliment to the Governor of the Commonwealth, and the people of the Commonwealth, following out a custom, without any regard to my attainments or fitness for the degree, although, as I happen to know, I would have been one of perhaps two or three men who have received it during the last twenty years who could have read it and translated it without the aid of a dictionary. I regret very much this political action on the part of the college, because I fear it may tend to impair its usefulness; for it is quite possible that the people of the Commonwealth may hereafter remember it to the disadvantage of the college. They may come to the conclusion to divorce the college and State as our fathers divorced the church and State, and may inquire if there is any reason why the property of that institution should be exempted from the taxation which is so burdensome upon us while they use the aims of the State, so bestowed upon them for educational purposes, in an endeavor to control the politics of the State. But time at last sets all things even."

ALBEMARLE ACADEMY.—The closing exercises of this Institute came off Wednesday, May 30th, 1883. The Principal, Prof. H. W. Spinks, is a graduate of Trinity College, and a native of Randolph county. His assistants, the Misses Hutchings, are natives of Raleigh, N. C., and are accomplished ladies and splendid teachers. Monday night the little ones entertained the audience with speeches; they had their say and they said remarkably well. Tuesday evening was taken up by the musical concert and was quite a treat to the lover of the fine arts. The young ladies exhibited exquisite skill on the piano and thorough training. Wednesday morning, the Methodist church was jammed with human beings, and in our opinion not less than five hundred souls were in the building, and perhaps half that number were on the outside. The compositions and declamations were excellent. All were good, some superior and others extraordinary. The Mt. Pleasant Cornet band interspersed the exercises and entertained the audience with some scientific strains of music. The Hon. Clem Dowd, of Charlotte, N. C., was promptly on hand, and delivered the Literary address. The address was a rare gem of literary beauty.—Savannah Observer.

There are, we learn, but two planters in Salem Chapel township, this (Forsyth) county, who have tobacco plants enough to set their own crops. The names of the happy men are Zac, Marshall and Jack Guthrie.—Winston Republican.

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Sixteen thousand rejected models of unpatented inventions were sold at auction and disposed of by private sale at the patent office Friday. They brought \$762.

## A Great Water-Power FOR SALE!

The most extraordinary unimproved Water Power on the Yadkin River is for sale at low figures. It is situated at the head of the Narrows in Stanly county, 8 miles from Albemarle, the county seat; 13 miles from Gold Hill, and about 28 miles from Salisbury. It is one mile from the public highway leading to Salisbury, from which road it is easily accessible down to the water's edge. The peculiar feature of this property is that it is a natural stone dam which makes about a six foot head of available water. The dam runs at an angle of about 20 or 25 deg. up the river nearly all the way across, gradually diminishing in height as it approaches the opposite shore. A race of 400 feet in length will add from 12 to 14 additional feet of head, making the grand power of 18 or 20. There is any quantity of building stone and slate of excellent quality, on the premises, easily transported by water.

This excellent power may be used for GRIST AND FLOURING MILLS, COTTON & WOOLEN FACTORIES, REDUCTION MILL FOR SULPHUR-RETORT ORES.

It is conveniently near the mines of Montgomery, Stanly, parts of Cabarrus, Rowan and Davidson Counties to make it a custom mill, for the reduction of ores with the great advantage of being in the centre of the mining districts named above. The ores within easy reach could not be worked out in a century.

This water power with 10 acres attached is offered at \$2,500, with the option of 100 acres at \$3,500. The lands are valuable for farming purposes; the situation healthy, the society good, and church and school advantages very good. Persons wishing further information may address "Watchman," Salisbury, or Mr. J. R. Littleton, Albemarle, N. C. [Map of place furnished on application.] 33-1t.

## VALUABLE TOBACCO FACTORY FOR SALE!

On Saturday the first day of September, 1883, at the Court-House door in the Town of Salisbury, I will sell to the highest bidder, the following Real Estate, to wit: The lot on Council street, consisting of one acre of land, known as the Tobacco Factory lot, within 150 yards of the Court-House, now occupied by Messrs. Payne, Lenoir & Co., manufacturers of Tobacco. The Factory Building situated on said lot, is of modern build, very large, new, with brick walls on the inside, capable of being heated in winter, and cool in summer. The building was erected for the purpose for which it is now being used, within five minutes walk of the Railroad Depot, and very near the Tobacco Warehouses now in operation. This is a

TWO STORY FRAME BUILDING, having all the modern conveniences of a first class Factory building. On the side is a wing recently erected for a store room of manufactured tobacco, built expressly for that purpose.

There are other buildings on the lot, used for purposes incident to the carrying on the business. This lot is of the most valuable real estate in the town of Salisbury. It is the property of a Joint Stock Company, and is sold by order of the Stockholders.

TERMS OF SALE: One-half cash, the other half within six months from date of sale, with interest on deferred payment at the rate of 8 per cent. Title reserved until all the purchase money is paid.

The property is insured, the purchaser to be entitled to the benefit of insurance, and possession of the property to be given the purchaser on the 1st day of January, 1884. The title to the property to be warranted. —Hour of sale 12 M. R. J. HOLMES, President of the Salisbury Building Association. Salisbury, N. C., May 24, '83. 33-14t.

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## State of North Carolina, IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

ROWAN COUNTY, May 21st, 1883.

Charles Price, Adm'r of John N. B. Johnson, Plaintiff, Against Sam. Johnson, James Johnson, Victoria Johnson and Adolphus Johnson, Def'ts.

Special Proceedings to make Real Estate Assets.

To the defendants above named: Take notice, that a summons has been issued against you in the above entitled action, and you are required to appear before me at my office in the town of Salisbury on Monday the 9th day of July, 1883, and answer or demur to the complaint.

J. M. HORAH, C. S. C.

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Special Proceedings for Partition of Land. John W. Powlas and wife, Margaret V. Powlas, Plaintiffs, Against

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To Henry Miller, non-resident: Take notice that a summons has been issued against you in the above entitled action, and you are hereby required to appear before me at my office, in the town of Salisbury, on Monday the 2d day of July, 1883, and answer or demur to the complaint.

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## The Valley Mutual Life Association OF VIRGINIA.

—HOME OFFICE, STAUNTON, VA.—

The Cheapest, Safest, and Most Reliable Life Insurance now offered the public is found in the Valley Mutual, which enables you to carry a \$10,000 life policy at an actual average cost of \$8.50 per annum. For further information, call on or address

J. W. McKENZIE, Agent, SALISBURY, N. C.

May 20, 1883.]

## Special Notice!

(In the matter of the estate of Horatio Motley, deceased): Having qualified as administrator of Horatio Motley, dec'd., notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to the estate of the dec'd., to make settlement of the same. And all persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same to me within 12 months from this date or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery.

J. A. CREMP, Adm'r.

May 24, 1883.—1m:pd.

## Notice to Creditors.

All persons having claims against the estate of Moses Lingle, dec'd., are hereby notified to exhibit the same to the undersigned for payment on or before the 19th day of April 1884, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery.

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS!

All persons having claims against the estate of Levi Deal, dec'd., are hereby notified to exhibit the same to the undersigned on or before the 1st day of May, 1884, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery; and all persons owing said estate are required to make immediate payment. This April 30th, 1883.

I. L. SHINN, Ex'r of Levi Deal, dec'd.

## BANK NOTICE!

Ordered by the Board of Directors, that the Books be re-opened in the town of Salisbury, at the store of J. D. Gaskill, for additional subscription to the capital stock of the Bank of Salisbury, from April 25th to and including Saturday, May 5th, 1883. The amount of additional stock is limited to Twenty Thousand Dollars.

S. W. COLE, Pres't.

J. D. GASKILL, Sec'y Board Directors, April 24, 1883.—1t.

## FAIR WARNING!

—All persons indebted to me, as agent for Guano notes, that are part due, as well as those due me individually, by note or account, are requested to make payment, for I cannot give a further indulgence. If you fail to heed this notice don't be surprised to find your notes or accounts in the hands of an officer.

J. D. McNEELY.

April 26, 1883.—28:1m

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