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To The People.

Not a stranger to the people of Rowan, and the old patrons of the WATCHMAN, we assume entire control and management of this paper with confidence in their willingness to give it at least a liberal share of their patronage.

We have put the price of the WATCHMAN down to \$1.00 per annum so as to enable every farmer and laboring man in the county and section to take and read it.

No pains or expense will be spared to make it the LEADING DEMOCRATIC WEEKLY of the county, and in its columns will hereafter be found all of the very latest county, State, and foreign news that unfiring of it can obtain.

An organ of the pure, unadulterated principles of Democracy, the WATCHMAN will be found battling for the rights of the people against the prevailing, latter-day encroachments of centralizing despotism.

Bridge the Yadkin.

Salisbury ought to become an important trade center for a large section of country embracing the counties of Montgomery, upper Randolph, Davidson and Davie, a large part of which is now diverted to other points on account of the Yadkin River flowing between, forming such a barrier against the traffic that would otherwise naturally seek a market here, that from necessity goes some where else.

Is there no remedy for this? Could not a good substantial bridge be built across this stream somewhere about Stokes, Perry, and another up somewhere above the R. & D. Railroad bridge, at a cost that would justify the investment by the town and county? If this were done the farmers beyond who desire to come to this market with their products could do so under all conditions, and if the proper inducements were offered a vast amount of traffic would come to Salisbury that now must go elsewhere, and the commercial advantages thus gained would seem to us, beneficial to amply balance, or reimburse, the outlay.

A better purpose for expending an appropriation for public enterprise could not be found, and this would surely be a paying investment in the long run.

Would not a reasonable toll, not levied, however, until one or two years after the building of the bridge, soon reimburse the town and county for the cost of their building? Free passage for a year or so would start the traffic from those sections that would not likely be diverted afterwards by a reasonable toll. This is a question of no little importance to our town and section, and these thoughts on the subject are thrown out as suggestions which we hope will cause our people to think seriously of the matter and to agitate it until the much needed bridge is built.

Is It a Precedent?

A dispatch from Washington, May 9th, says: "Representative Grady and ex-Speaker Rose, of North Carolina, called on Postmaster General Bissell this morning and asked for the removal of the postmaster at Fayetteville, N. C., a colored man, who was appointed about a year ago. They represented that the postmaster was very distasteful to the people of the town, and had three colored female relatives in office equally distasteful. Postmaster General Bissell said unless there were charges of incompetency against the postmaster, following the general rule that he had adopted, the man would not be removed, but allowed to serve out the remainder of his term, about three years. The matter has been brought to the attention of President Cleveland. There are a number of colored Republican postmasters in the South, and Southern Democrats are fearful that this, if decided against them, will be regarded as a precedent for future action."

wishes of all the decent white people of Fayetteville, are permitted to remain in such responsible positions, it will and can only lead to disaffection and mistrust. This miserably pernicious law on the statute books and as an honest man Cleveland will doubtless execute the law, and therefore the Democratic Congress will have to be held responsible if it is not speedily repealed. Wipeout! It ought never to have been enacted!

Notes From the Lutheran Synod. Saturday's Charlotte News says: Dr. W. S. Bowman returned from China Grove last night where he has been all the week attending a meeting of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina. The body was ably presided over by Rev. Prof. Geo. H. Cox, of Mt. Pleasant.

The Synod ordained as ministers, Rev. R. L. Bame of Calabrus and Rev. Prof. W. H. Bates, formerly of Buffalo, New York, but now of this State. Prof. Bates has heretofore been government superintendent of education among the Cherokee Indians in North Carolina and has done noble work.

Lutherans will commence very soon the erection of a handsome church edifice in Winston. At present they have no house of worship in that city. Their meetings are held in a hall. Both of the Lutheran Colleges at Mt. Pleasant were reported to the Synod as being in a flourishing condition. The Synod adjourned to-day at noon.

Dr. Bowman says that the Synod was most royally entertained by the people of China Grove and that they were exceedingly hospitable.

The South's Musical Talent. Laura A. Brauhman, in the Atlanta Journal says that our dear southland is rich, not only with song birds of the forest, but with human song birds, whose beautiful and phenomenal voices only need study and cultivation to perfect any in the musical world.

A Successful Farmer. The most successful farmer in North Carolina is said to be Mr. T. J. King, a bachelor of thirty, residing at Lenoir. He is called a book farmer, because he uses his brains and scientific knowledge in his business.

A Race With a Cyclone. The Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta train that rolled into the Richmond and Danville station at 7:30 last night had a race with the cyclone near Blackstock, S. C. yesterday afternoon.

In the Electric Chair. Sing Sing, N. Y., May 8.—Carlyle W. Harris, the wife murderer, whose case was excited so much interest throughout the country, was led in the electric chair at 12:43 o'clock to-day.

The Arkansas and Ohio rivers have reached the danger point and are still rising. A destructive flood is feared.

Mr. John Stanhope, said to be a wealthy farmer of Indiana, is a patriot who has adopted a wise plan to commemorate this centennial year of America's discovery. He is reported as having sent his check to the postmaster at Richmond, Ind., for \$3,800 worth of the Columbian stamps which he intends to use for papering the walls of his parlor.

Gov. W. S. Rosecrans, Register of the Treasury, last Saturday, sent his resignation to Secretary Carlisle to take effect May 31st. His resignation was accepted in a letter from Carlisle who expressed regret at the General's illness which is the direct cause of his resignation.

News Notes. Another big Australian bank failed last week. There are 1,819 North Carolina Confederates buried in Hollywood cemetery, Richmond, Va.

The Mississippi river is two miles wide at Alton, Ill., with prospects of reaching the disastrous stage of last year. There is an insurrection in Cuba. Vigorous measures have been adopted by the Spanish ministry to suppress the rebels.

The Second National Bank of Columbia, S. C., has failed. No statement of the bank's affairs has yet been made public. The State board of education has adopted for the ensuing three years the same public school text books now in use.

Governor Northen, of Georgia, has appointed W. S. Yeates, of Hertford county, this State, to be geologist of the State of Georgia.

The Davis hotel at Kittrell was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. Loss over \$8,000; insurance \$6,000. The guests escaped in their night clothes.

Lieut. Perry will start in July upon his second perilous expedition in the frigid zone. He has made \$15,000 by lecturing and he is willing to risk it all.

Repeated earthquake shocks were felt throughout eastern Sicily last Saturday. The inhabitants are panic-stricken and have deserted many of the villages. Mount Etna shows signs of eruption.

A storage warehouse was destroyed and Stevenson & Taylor's grocery was damaged by a fire at Wilmington last Thursday. Loss \$15,000; well covered by insurance.

A colored woman in Orange county gave birth to an infant male child in the woods and she stamped it to death. When found it had the print of her foot on its breast; the woman is in jail.

The Willsboro Chronicle tells us of a very singular case in Wilkes: Mrs. Lottie Shumate, of Mulberry, is peculiarly afflicted. She has spells of bleeding. The blood oozes out through the pores of the skin and stains her clothes all over her body. Her tongue, which has been swollen from time has begun to bleed. She is gradually bleeding to death and cannot last very long.

Considerable dismay was not long ago caused near a swamp in South Australia by the discovery in the wet land of a new weed, which spread rapidly and was resisted by horses and cattle. This proved, however, to be the lavender plant, which yields a very valuable oil and perfumed water, and by cultivation the dreaded weed is likely to add much to the wealth of the settlers.

Weldon News: R. J. Mayo, a well known colored merchant, and postmaster at Hayes, in this county was before Justice F. E. Gary yesterday charged with breaking into the house of Hardy Times colored, and taking his money. Mayo was arrested by Constable J. A. House & Bro., near Gaston, was entirely destroyed by fire last Friday. They lost a large lot of lumber and other property in connection with the mill. The buildings were set on fire by sparks from forest fires.

Liberty, Ind., May 6.—A terrible storm of rain, hail, and wind passed over this place yesterday afternoon, doing much damage to fruit and crops. During the storm Miss Ella Mitchell, daughter of Albert Mitchell, one of the most prominent men in the city, was struck and killed by lightning. Charles McGee and wife were driving in an open buggy when a bolt of lightning struck the buggy, killing both.

Wednesday last week, Mr. H. LeRoy, while overhauling the road-working hands on a public road, about eight miles north of Wadesboro, Anson county, got into a dispute with a negro named Anthony Harris, when the latter struck Mr. LeRoy above the ear with a hoe, which fell him to the ground, and causing his death which occurred that night at 10 o'clock. The negro was arrested and is now in Wadesboro jail to await an action for murder.

Magnetic Nerve quickly restores lost manhood and youthful vigor. Sold by Edwin Cuthrell.

Charlotte News: One thousand troops and forty car loads of baggage passed through last week. It was an exchange of soldiers between Fort McHenry, Fort Fisher and Fort Mifflin at Annapolis. The Richmond & Danville took the contract for the transportation and filled it promptly and without accident.

In the contests for medals in the literary societies at Davidson College the following were successful. In the Edgar Allan Poe Society the debater's medal was awarded to Mr. John Douglas, of Blackstock, S. C., the declaimer's medal to Mr. E. H. Wardlaw, of Abbeville, S. C., in the Philanthropic Society the debater's medal to Mr. W. K. Foster, of Greensboro, S. C., and the declaimer's medal was awarded to Mr. J. H. Kerzian, and by decision Hargett secured the services of Rev. Dr. M. C. Payne, of the First Presbyterian church, as debating minister. It was not until yesterday that Hargett's Charlotte speech on the subject of his case, conducted by Mr. J. H. Kerzian, was heard by other members. He will be brought here and indicted for bigamy.

Give the People Facts in Detail. The Convention and papers of like character state that the general assembly of 1892 increased the appropriations \$211,515.91. We call upon these papers for a bill of particulars. They mean to state that there is an increase of the above amount or it is a total increase for the next two years.

A Special From the Nation's Capitol. Washington, D. C., May 9.—As requested the following is sent you from the Nation's Capitol which is after from early morning until late at night. There is little, if any means by which a stranger may distinguish between a d visitors who daily through the street a T. C. rush an array of street cars are seen on a most every side. In this connection it might be stated that there is not a single car in the city which is not propelled by electricity. By far the largest number being run by cables the remainder by horses. A trip down Pennsylvania Avenue on one of these cable cars permits an interesting view of the White House, the home of the National Government, the Treasury building is a large edifice covering about a block, and is five stories high with large imposing columns almost encircling it. Continuing down a gentle declivity you ride on one mile with huge piles in the shape of business houses, theatres, and hotels until the capitol building is reached. This is decidedly one of the most magnificent structures in the world.

Notwithstanding Congress has adjourned, a stream of people pour in and out of the building. The grounds are a delightful place. Around the walls are beautiful paintings and many pieces of sculpture showing various historic scenes. In the left wing of the building where the House sits workers are repairing the room getting in better condition for the next session. Here a little observation shows that the room needs new furniture, especially in the way of chairs. The speaker's desk, in use past evidence of stormy times. It is literally worn, and is a tragic proof of the continuous rap of the gavel. The covering, and fully half an inch in places of the top has been worn away in this manner.

But, speaking of politics the people here know little or nothing of what is going on in the city. They even know less than the Senators. They do not apparently make much effort to keep up with the news—like they would not if they tried to. Like people in other towns they let things wag on as they will making few inquiries.

Your correspondent arrived in the city at a most important time, had his business here of an "inspiring sort"—looking for office. Grover has put a stop to his numerous callers by issuing a mandate declaring that he will not receive any more other visitors. He gave as an excuse that there are other matters of interest to this great country which call his attention and which are of far more importance than the distribution of the offices. He further adds that the persistent "seeker" will only delay by insisting his claims so frequently, so strongly and so boldly. His new rule is not being received very graciously by many who are here on "important business." It is, however, working splendidly. The order was extended yesterday and today's efforts were unavailing. The crowd is said to be lessening considerably.

The Washington monument is well worth seeing. It is 555 feet high and has a dome 166 feet high. A mile or more inside this wonderful structure is highly interesting. As the elevator reaches the top the occupants are greatly favored. A lovely view of Washington may be seen from its top.

The examination for the Railway Mail Service closed here today. There were between seven and a hundred applicants. They represented North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. The examination was held at the post office building in the city hall. There was some misunderstanding regarding the place and it was fully ten o'clock before all were in and before the work began.

Hon. John S. Heflbaum, arrived in the city today. He visited the examination rooms and was interested in the proceedings. He was accompanied by Senator Thomson.

Five Truck Farms. The afternoon while the Press Convention was at New Bern the citizens provided carriages and took the citizens around to see the notable sights.

Several of the five truck farms were visited and the crops were in fine condition. The fields looked fresh and in a fine growing condition. The first farm there we stepped was that of Beckin and Willitt. This plantation was purchased some two years since for \$28,000, and the owners say that now they would take a hundred thousand dollars for it. It consists of 100 acres, of which 60 are in truck and 40 are in grass and pasture. On the latter 150 head of cattle subsist, and they own a yield of 100 gallons of milk, which is sold at 16 cents a gallon to a single milk dealer. The returns from milk last season were \$1,200. Cabbage forms a large item in the truck business on this farm, seventy-five acres being set in cabbage. The heads were just ripening and the cutting was just beginning when we visited the field. There were 60,000 plants, each set out or transplanted by hand. The farm is 25 acres in Irish potatoes, which produce an average of 60 bushels an acre, although sometimes the yield runs up to 100 bushels. Thirty acres in snap beans is another item, and there are green peas, asparagus, etc., and 100.

The farm year before last sold over \$75,000 worth of stock, while the cost of production was not quite \$40,000. The clean profit was \$35,000 in one year. But that was an exceptionally fine year; good seasons and good prices. This year the outlook is almost very fine. These gentlemen make their own fertilizers, using 250 tons, which cost them about \$30 a ton. They put a ton to an acre. Different grades of fertilizers are used for the different crops, the highest grade being applied to the cabbage. We saw other truck plantations, among them the fine one belonging to Mr. Rhen. At that of Messrs. Meadows and Crockett we found the hands in the field picking peas, which was a very interesting sight. Early in the day there had been 600 hands picking in, on the farm, but the number had largely diminished. Yet the acid seemed alive with workers. A hand can pick four baskets a day, and 25 cents a basket is paid. On this farm there are ten acres of berries and 18 acres of asparagus. The latter is of enormous size. The largest is the Palmetto, much of it is over an inch in diameter. The pea seed are Meadows's Extra Early and are grown in Canada.

The Democrats have gained another Congressman in Massachusetts by electing Dr. William Everett, to succeed H. C. Lodge, of Force bill fame, who is now Senator. Lodge carried the district last November by a plurality of 2,611.

The Democratic State of Missouri has an anti-trust law which prohibits any corporation from becoming a member of a trust. Proceedings have been instituted to annul the charters of about a hundred corporations which have failed to heed to the law.

Some horses have pretty good memories. A Pennsylvania man had one of this kind with which he was on the best of terms until he whipped him two weeks ago. Ever since then the horse was not a bit soluble, but behaved himself until the other day when he caught the man's eye and immediately turned round and struck him on the head. After he had been suspended ten minutes the body was completely riddled with bullets. There was no attempt at concealment by the lynchers and one or two pillars of the law are said to have been among the avengers. One of the little girls may die.

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