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NEWS SUMMARY.

...in New Orleans and the President will not interfere unless there is a rupture between the opposing camps. Some rare developments are being made by the House Committee relative to the returning board of railroads. Alex. H. Stephens is better. Louisiana dispatches are in the hands of the Committee. Hopes of positions in Europe are getting stronger. Edmunds, Morton and Frelinghuysen, Republicans, and Thurman and Tilden, Democrats, form the Senate Committee. While Payne, Hunter and Abbott, Republicans, and Garfield and Hoar, Democrats, are from the House. Judges have sent in to both Houses, the name of the fifth Judge generally supposed to be Bradley. Judge Settle was yesterday confirmed by the Senate as U. S. Judge for the Northern District of Florida. Florida Legislature has passed a bill on the Democratic electors. A bill of whiskey frauds lame, has been conditionally pardoned and is now before the Senate. A N. Y. dispatch says the Secretary of State reports the New Mutual Life Insurance Company in short, and does not recognize its policies. The four battalions of artillery recently ordered to be sent back to the States. It is thought the other three will leave for the North and West on Monday. A. T. Britton succeeds on the Police Board. The preparing an encyclical in protest of the clerical abuse act. It will be published at the Consistory on the 15th. A bill to amend the law in relation to the hearing of cases in the Supreme Court has been passed. A bill to amend the law in relation to the hearing of cases in the Supreme Court has been passed. A bill to amend the law in relation to the hearing of cases in the Supreme Court has been passed.

General Assembly.

SENATE. MONDAY, Jan. 29. unfinished business being the subject of Senator Moore's (col.) bill, relative to the colored people, upon motion of Mr. Graham to the committee on judiciary. A bill, by permission introduced by Mr. Graham, relating to the colored people's right to testify in court. A bill, by permission introduced by Mr. Graham, relating to the colored people's right to testify in court. A bill, by permission introduced by Mr. Graham, relating to the colored people's right to testify in court.

summons, was taken up on its third reading and passed. Mr. Singletary moved to make the consideration of the bill the special order for Tuesday next, which motion prevailed. Mr. McGehee moved a suspension of the rules to take up the machinery bill. The motion prevailed and the bill was made special order for 12:30 o'clock.

CAROLINA.

Shad \$1.50 a pair in Newbern. Last sales of corn in Newbern 45 cents. Newbern is to have a festival for the benefit of the Orphans. The Toisnot Dramatic Association give an entertainment this evening. Charlotte and Concord both have quail-eaters making a bet on 30 quails in 30 days. Mr. Leroy W. Bagley and Miss Sallie M. Breese were married at Wake Forest on the 24th. A car load of cotton on the Air Line R. R. was burned Monday evening just as it arrived in Charlotte. The Cadets of the Charlotte Military Institute will give their semi-annual ball on the 2nd of February. The late Col. S. H. Walkup, of Monroe, had a policy for \$5,000 on his life and the money was paid last week. The net proceeds of the Concert given by the Newbern Silver Cornet Band on the 23d inst. amounted to \$76.50. Otho M. Barkley has resigned the Postmastership at Statesville. Cause unknown. His successor has not been named. The Columbia papers state that two companies of United States troops left there Saturday morning for North Carolina on a crooked whiskey hunt. The residence of Mr. Joseph Smith, five miles west of Wilson, was entered by thieves on Sunday and a large quantity of goods, wearing apparel, &c., stolen. The Charlotte Observer says that the venerable Judge Brevard is lying very ill at his home at Cleveland Springs. He is about seventy years of age and has been in feeble health for some time. The residence of Mr. Isham Scagraves, twelve miles southwest of Raleigh, was entirely consumed by fire Sunday night. All the furniture and clothing, in fact the entire contents of the dwelling were consumed. The Raleigh Observer says: The meetings at the First Baptist church continue with considerable interest. Some eight or ten persons have made a profession of religion, and quite as many more earnest seekers present themselves at the altar. Allen Carter, tried and convicted at the last term of court in Rockingham, Richmond county, for the murder of a Mr. Lilly, in Stanly county, and who took an appeal to the Supreme Court, will shortly be resentenced, the decision of the Court below being re-affirmed. The Wilson Express says: Gideon Hayes, who lived in Cross Roads township, sold out last fall and moved to Bay River. He sold to Mr. Jesse Lucas, a neighbor, the pen as it stood for \$2.50. A few days ago Mr. Lucas proceeded to remove the shucks, when about the centre of the pile he found a bundle of greenbacks amounting to \$86. As yet no owner of the treasure has been found. The Edenton correspondent of the Portsmouth Enterprise says: Have just learned that the jail of Perquimans county, located at Hertford, was burned last night by persons confined in it, who set it on fire thinking that in the confusion they would be able to escape. The result, however, was the destruction of the building, and a transfer of the prisoners to our county jail. They were charged respectively with murder, burglary and infanticide, and are all "fifteenth amendments."

LOCAL NEWS.

New Advertisements. A. SHRIER.—Rare Bargains. HEINSBERGER.—New Publications. DANFORTH.—Blank Books. T. C. SERVOSS.—City Clerk & Treasurer. JAMES HEATON, C. S. C.—Court Calendar. Our friends and patrons will please understand that carrier boys are not allowed to sell copies of the REVIEW. Please do not buy of them or encourage them to do so as it will positively cost the boy his situation when detected. Sch. Lucy Holmes, Teel, cleared from Boston for this port on the 29th inst. The Violette, Roggatz, cleared from Massibus for this port on the 14th inst. Nor. barque Ruener, Langfeldt, from this port, arrived at Rotterdam last Sunday. Our venerable friend, the City Clerk and Treasurer, who has been confined to the house for several days, was well enough yesterday afternoon to appear at his office. I. O. of G. T. The members of Wilmington Lodge No. 64, I. O. of G. T., are requested to meet at their Lodge Room this (Wednesday) afternoon at 7 o'clock, as business of great importance will be transacted. A full attendance is desired. Eggs have dropped down to thirty cents.

The *Cito*, Nielsen, from London for Wilmington, anchored in the Downs, at Deal, England, on the 15th and the master reports that the vessel lost an anchor and part of chain off the Wasp Bank. The next day she was supplied with an anchor and chain to replace that which had been lost.

Supreme Court.

Among the decisions rendered in the Supreme Court on Monday we find the following: By Bynum, J.: J. J. Nance vs. Carolina Central Railway Company, from Bladen; error; venire de novo.

Committee Meeting.

We are requested to state that a joint meeting of the several Democratic Ward Committees, recently appointed, will be held at Munds' Hall this (Wednesday) evening, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of receiving a report from the Sub-Committee of five.

Drank and Died.

On Monday last a small colored child got hold of some concentrated lic which with its mother, the wife of a man known as "Tip," was scolding and drank a portion of it, from the effects of which it died yesterday. This happened on the corner of Seventh and Harnett streets.

An Outrage.

A horrible outrage was perpetrated yesterday afternoon in the woods just South of Third street, on a young colored girl some 14 or 15 years old, by two young colored men. The villains succeeded in escaping but there is a clue which it is hoped will lead to their capture.

Taxing Fortune Tellers.

At a called meeting of the Board of Aldermen, held yesterday afternoon, an ordinance was adopted in reference to fortune tellers, requiring them to pay a license tax of \$50 per week and providing a penalty of \$50 for each and every day such business is carried on without a city license.

Odd Fellows' Ball.

To Messrs. W. S. Warrock, S. H. Fishblate and W. C. Farrow, Committee, we return thanks for an invitation to attend an Odd Fellow's Ball, to be given at McGinney Hall on the Thursday evening of next week, the 8th proximo. Judging by past results we have no hesitation in saying that it will be a happy time for all who may attend.

City Court.

Before the Mayor this morning: Henry Whitted, charged with larceny, in feloniously taking a bag of cotton, the property of the Compress and Warehouse Company, was bound over to Superior Court in the sum of \$200. Lott Berry, for cursing and abusing Police officer Lewis Gordon, was fined \$50 and costs or 30 days work on the streets. The same, for doing business as a junk-dealer without license, fined \$50 and costs, or 30 days work on the streets. The same, charged with the larceny of cotton, the property of some person unknown, case dismissed. Margaret Dahmer, charged with selling liquor without license, was fined \$50 and costs, from which judgment an appeal was taken to the Superior Court under bond of \$300. The same, charged with selling liquor on Sunday, was found guilty but appealed to Superior Court under bond of \$300. David Brown was charged with the larceny of cotton, but the case against him was dismissed. Report of the Grand Jury. The Grand Jury at this Term of Superior Court submitted yesterday through their Foreman, Mr. John H. Allen, a report in regard to public buildings. They found the Jail and Poor House well kept and the prisoners and inmates reported that they were kindly cared for. There are now 13 paupers in the Poor House of whom 7 are colored, the colors, as well as the sexes, being kept carefully separate. In the jail there are 25 male and 2 female prisoners and the report commends Gen. Manning, the Sheriff, for the cleanliness and wholesome arrangements in effect there. The Jury recommended that a portion of the Jail wall which is broken down be repaired; the Grand Jury room be heated with a stove; that the Court House premises receive some needed attention and the making up of the delinquent tax lists be hereafter placed in the hands of the Register of Deeds. Eggs have dropped down to thirty cents.

Tax-Payers in Council. The tax-payers of the county met at the Court House last night pursuant to adjournment.

The proceedings of the former meeting were read and approved. The committee appointed to confer with the committee appointed by the County Commissioners, to examine into the affairs of the county, presented the following report: WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 20, 1877. To the Tax-Payers of New Hancover county: Your Committee have carefully considered the affairs of the county to such an extent as they have so far been able, with the assistance of Messrs. Wagner, Worth and Grainger, of the County Commissioners, and beg leave respectfully to report:

FLOATING DEBT.

From the account laid before us, we find the floating debt of the county, as near as can be ascertained, to be not exceeding \$35,000, of which about \$8,279.98 is in shape of judgments awarded by the Courts, and the balance in warrants of the Chairman of the Board on the County Treasurer and in witness tickets.

BONDED DEBT.

The bonded debt, as reported by the Board, is \$35,000, on which interest (in gold) at 6 per cent. per annum is paid, and for which a special tax has been and may continue to be levied to cover interest and principal. This matter requires no attention at your hands, save to enjoin the Board to carefully and sacredly maintain this sinking fund for the purposes for which it was and will be collected, that no difficulty may arise in promptly paying the interest as due and the principal at maturity. These bonds fall due March 1st, 1879.

CURRENT EXPENSES.

The estimated expenses of the county from January to September inclusive, nine months, are \$25,000; and as the county is entirely destitute of funds, and has no means of raising money, except from "Schedule B" tax, this amount must be provided for by a special levy to cover the deficiency, the "Schedule B" tax being barely sufficient to pay the expenses of the Superior Court for the January and April Terms.

ANNUAL EXPENSES.

After a thorough canvass of the past and probable expenses of the county government, in all its branches, your Committee are satisfied that it cannot be conducted for less than \$33,000 per annum with a proper and faithful maintenance of the public institutions and the courts as at present provided for.

SOURCES OF REVENUE.

Sundry facts in this connection must be borne in mind—viz: The Constitution prohibits a tax levy for State and county purposes exceeding 66 2/3 cents on \$100 valuation of real and personal property. Outside of this source of revenue are the taxes on incomes, polls and under schedule B, and from the State as compensation for the care of insane at the county hospital. Judging from the past you can only depend upon: say from income tax \$900, polls \$1,000, for care of insane \$1,200, and from Schedule B \$12,400. In estimating this last item we would explain, that in the last published report of the Treasurer the revenue from this source is put down as \$6,183.03.

Your Committee are firmly of the opinion that the county is grossly imposed upon by justice listing much below what they should in justice to themselves and the county; and we have no hesitation in saying that we believe that if the law were strictly enforced that the receipts from this source would be at least double what it was last year. Hence our estimate of \$12,400. These estimates make a total of \$15,500, which being deducted from the total \$33,000, leaves \$17,500 to be provided for by a tax on real and personal property.

As it is now necessary to provide not only for the current expenses for the first nine months of this year, but also for the next ensuing fiscal year, it becomes necessary to make a calculation on what will be required until October 1st, 1878, a period of 21 months.

Taking the estimate for nine months, \$25,000, and for the next twelve months, \$33,000, make in all \$58,000. During this period there will be three levies under Schedule B, making \$18,600, and one levy each from other sources referred to, say \$3,100, or a total of \$21,700, which, deducted from the above total, leaves \$36,300 to be raised from real and personal property, and requiring a levy of about 72 1/2 cents on the \$100 valuation, and which, on the basis of last year's taxes, (38 cents being levied for State purposes, leaving only 28 1/2 cents for the county) would be a special tax of nearly 44 cents on the \$100 for the 21 months.

VALUATION OF REALTY AND PERSONALTY. The valuation of real and personal property in the county was \$6,000,000. This being the year in which a new valuation is required, in present condition of affairs we may reasonably expect to see this reduced to \$5,000,000, upon which we now base our estimates.

It is especially desirable that all supplies for the county should be purchased on a cash basis, and thus save a heavy portion of the expenses heretofore incurred.

The question then arises: how can this be done? It is obvious that there are only two ways to meet the emergency—prejudging that there is no disposition on the part of

the people to defraud their creditors by repudiating their just claims—one being to borrow the money, the other to levy a special tax to cover past and future expenses.

The tax levy is made in April and due and payable in September of each year.

There is no money on hand except the sinking fund, which cannot be used for general purposes, and the receipts from Schedule B with which to meet court expenses, consequently to meet present necessities money must be borrowed in any event.

If power is granted by the Legislature to levy a special tax to cover the estimates above made, this tax will not be available before September next. Meantime we are assured that with this power granted by the Legislature, and the adoption of a resolution by the County Commissioners promising to pay warrants issued subsequent to a certain date, say February 1, 1877, with interest at 8 per cent. per annum, out of the receipts of taxes as they come in, that the banks of this city will cash such warrants at their face value and hold them as provided. This arrangement would permit the government to be conducted on a cash basis.

The floating debt should be provided for as to throw its burthen over a term of years, and as it is impossible for the county to borrow money, for a term of years, on any other pledge than bonds duly authorized; and, as under the constitution, no municipal corporation may issue bonds except under the authority, first of the Legislature, and then by approval of the qualified voters, such authority must be obtained.

Your Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

First. Resolved, That the County Commissioners be requested to apply to the Legislature for power to levy a special tax to provide for the current expenses of the county for the first nine months of the year 1877 not exceeding the sum of \$25,000, less the receipts from other sources.

Second, That the Board be further requested to ask for the same authority to issue bonds of the county bearing six per cent. interest, payable in January, 1887, to an extent not exceeding \$35,000, said bonds to be issued at not less than their par value, and for the sole purpose of settling the floating debt of the county, contracted previous to the 1st day of January, 1877, and to be exchanged for the described judgments and warrants on such equitable terms as may be agreed upon between the Commissioners and the said creditors.

Third, That the Board be requested to apply for the same authority to levy a special tax to cover the excess of expenses over estimated revenue for the fiscal year of 1877-78, not exceeding in the aggregate \$3,200, this being the full amount of such estimated excess.

The time at our disposal so far has not permitted any investigation of the several county officers' accounts, and we can not, therefore, express any opinion as to the validity or justice of the claims against the county, included in the estimate of the county debt. This will take time and a vast amount of labor, and we must ask further indulgence until the whole matter can be thoroughly looked into.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. L. DE ROSSET, EDWARD KIDDER, H. NUTT, Com.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the thanks of the meeting returned to the committee.

On motion the committee were requested to continue to act as a Permanent Committee of Conference, with power to fill vacancies, and their appointment be made a provision of the bill.

On motion, the thanks of the meeting were tendered Messrs. I. B. Grainger and B. G. Worth for the acceptance by them of places on the Board of Commissioners in the interest of the tax-payers of the county.

Mr. Fishblate offered the following resolution, which was adopted unanimously: Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that it is very injurious to the interests of Wilmington, and the other cities of this State, that merchants should be virtually charged double tax, by first paying taxes under Schedule B, for all their purchases and then paying property tax on the same goods on April 1st; and that the Legislature is respectfully requested to abolish either one tax or the other.

Major McKay moved that a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to memorialize the Legislature on the above resolution.

On motion, the meeting then adjourned.

Cut this Out—It May Save Your Life. There is no person living but what suffers more or less with Lung Disease, Coughs, Colds or Consumption, yet some would die rather than pay 75 cents for a bottle of medicine that would cure them. Dr. A. Boschoe's German Syrup has lately been introduced in this country from Germany, and its wondrous cures astonish every one that tries it. If you doubt what we say in print, cut this out and take it to your Druggist, and get a sample bottle for 10 cents and try it, or a regular size for 75 cents.

In this age of education and general intelligence the household is hardly complete without a Cornish & Co. Piano or Organ. Read the advertisement in another column, and then send for illustrated catalogue and price list.

PLEASE NOTICE We will be glad to receive communications from our friends on any and all subjects of general interest but: The name of the writer must always be furnished to the Editor. Communications must be written only on one side of the paper. Personalities must be avoided. And it is especially and particularly understood that the editor does not always endorse the views of correspondents, unless so stated in the editorial columns.

The Grand Jury, which adjourned yesterday, made 57 presentments and found 81 true bills and 7 not true bills.

New Advertisements.

New Publications.

RUPERT HALL, A Love Story. By Mrs. Henry Wood, author of East Lynne. CYRILLA, A Love Story. By author of "The Initials." WHITEFRIARS. By the author of White-hal. CORINNE, or ITALY. By Madame De-Stael. EDINA, A Love Story. By Mrs. Henry Wood. Popping the Question. The Jealous Wife. Sylvester Sound. The Confession of a Pretty woman. For sale at

Heinsberger's,

Jan 31 Live Book and Music Store.

DO YOU WANT A

BLANK BOOK

OR A

SET OF BOOKS?

IF SO CALL AT

Danforth's

He has just received a lot. Business men "down on the wharf," take notice. Jan 31

Office of City Clerk & Treasurer,

CITY OF WILMINGTON,

JANUARY 30th, 1877.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD

of Aldermen of the City of Wilmington, N. C., as follows:

Section 1st. That Fortune Tellers shall pay a License Tax of Fifty Dollars per week. Any person or persons who tell Fortunes shall be liable to this Tax.

Section 2d. And any such person who tells Fortunes in this City, without first obtaining a City License therefor, shall be fined Fifty Dollars, (\$50) for every day he or she carries on said business without City License.

The above Ordinance was passed by the Board of Aldermen, January 30th, 1877.

T. C. SERVOSS,

Jan 31 City Clerk and Treasurer.

Bargains

IN SWEET THINGS.

I AM SELLING OFF BALANCE OF

Christmas Sweet Goods at

PRIME COST,

And can give good bargains. Call before it is too late. All goods bought of me are delivered free of cost. S. J. WEST, Family Grocery Corner 4th and Campbell str. Jan 29

FOR RENT.

HAVING MADE UP MY MIND to move out to my Plantation, on Little Bridge Road, the HOUSE that I purchased from W. P. Canaday, on the corner of Third and Walnut streets, is for Rent. Possession given immediately.

The House contains twelve Rooms, is in good, neat condition, Gas and Water throughout, a good Cistern, and every thing convenient and in good order.

The rent reasonable. Apply to me or to Messrs. CHONLY & MORRIS.

Jan 20 J. F. GARRELL.

Hall & Pearsall

OFFER LOW:

61 BAGS RIO COFFEE, 25 BBLs. REFINED SUGAR, 50 BBLs. PORK—Prime and Mess, 30 Boxes Bulk Sides and Shoulders. Jan 26

You Bet!

JUST RECEIVED BY EXPRESS another lot of these FIVE CENT CIGARS. Best in the city. Call and try them at VANN'S Tobacco Store, 42 1/2 Market Street. Jan 29

Rare Bargains.

MAY BE HAD IN GENT'S and Youth's

CLOTHING AND FURNISHING GOODS

at Shrier's Clothing House, South side of Market street. Getting ready for Spring stock; and all heavy goods must be sold. Our specialty is the all-made Linen Boas Shirt for 90 cents. A. SHRIER. Jan 16

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