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A case involving a very important principle has just been handed up to the judges of the Supreme Court of the United States for adjudication.

In some comments on the matter the News and Observer says: "The constitution says that no State shall make anything but gold and silver coin a legal tender in payment of debts; and it gives to Congress the right to coin money."

"We have long urged that the Democrats in Congress should take a decided stand on the matter, and by appropriate legislation, divest the greenbacks of their own legal tender quality."

"The present situation of financial affairs renders this an opportune time for the change. One of the effects will be to require the banks to hold more coin than at present, and this will result in the gradual scattering of coin throughout the country, thus putting our currency on a more substantial basis."

"To guard against that possibility, it is good policy to get the stock now held well distributed in the banks and among the people, so that its collection for exportation will be difficult."

"Our neighbor, it seems to us, must be right in this instance. The constitution in reference to the matter says: Art. 2 Sec. x: No state shall enter into any treaty, alliance or confederation, grant letters of marque and reprisal; coin money; emit bills of credit; make anything but gold and silver coin a tender in payment of debts."

"The authority to do these things is prohibited to the States, yet the right to 'coin money' is conferred exclusively upon the Congress of the United States. In Article 1, Section 8, the Constitution says: 5. To coin money, regulate the value thereof, and of foreign coin, and fix the standard of weights and measures."

"There is nowhere within the instrument any direct authority for the issue of paper. It says 'coin money' and paper is not money but merely the representative of money; it is simply a note of hand, an I. O. U., a promise to pay on demand. There is also another paragraph which bears on this subject. The tenth amendment to the Constitution reads: Art. X. The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution nor prohibited to it by the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

"It seems plain enough, therefore, that while the Congress has the power to coin money and to emit duplicates of value, based on the credit of the government, in the shape of treasury notes, or bank notes, which are simply promises to pay, yet it has no authority to force upon these notes an extraneous value by declaring them to be legal tenders, thus forcing for them a value which they might not otherwise possess and which, previous to the resumption of specie payments, was in fact a fictitious value."

"Who Questions the Honesty of the Louisiana State Lottery Company? No one does so who does business with it or knows anything about it. Of course, those who object to all lotteries, oppose it on principle; but only the ignorant and malicious say that Gen. Beauregard and Early do not make each month an absolutely fair drawing, or that the prizes are not fully and promptly paid."

Silver Plated Spoons and Forks, low prices at JACOBI'S

SHORTS.

The latest fashionable craze in England is mule-riding. The Bernhardt's coat-of-arms should be a horsewhip rampant.

A San Antonio court quashed an indictment in which a single horse was described as a team.

There were eighteen murders in Kentucky in November, as against thirty in October and twenty-seven in September.

Key West fishermen inclose pieces of dog-wood root bark in small fish and throw them to sharks, which are killed by the poison.

Ex-Gov. English, of Connecticut, who started out in life as a carpenter, is now worth \$6,000,000, and is the richest man in his State.

It is a Positive Luxury to brush the teeth with SOZODONT, so fragrant and refreshing is it, and so pleasant is the taste it leaves in the mouth after the operation.

How a woman can keep on talking while she twists up her back hair, and has her mouth full of hairpins is a mystery not yet explained.

Japan has a weather bureau also; but it is wise and discreet, and doesn't predict rain until after the rain has soaked things for a day or two.

When a man finds a dog collar in a piece of mince pie he feels sorry for the dog, but his sympathies are mostly concentrated on himself.

People talk about the "new moon" when there isn't any new moon. It is the same old moon with a tallow dip nose, that has been circling around this world for ages.

The "laying on of hands cure" is not the failure some persons believe it to be. Many a wise and excellent mother has used it with great success in the treatment of a refractory offspring.

Health is impossible when the blood is impure, thick, and sluggish, or when it is thin and impoverished. Under such conditions, boils, pimples, head-aches, neuralgia, rheumatism, and one disease after another is developed.

A sage remark: "A little more of the dressing, please."

MINISTERS HAVE TRIED

to battle with disease without the proper remedies, and have been ignominiously overthrown in the contest. When the minister is sick, everybody knows it, and many well-meaning friends prescribe all sorts of things to cure him, some of which would kill him were he to swallow them.

A kind-hearted woman brought her almost dying pastor a great jar of pickles, and said she knew they would cure him, for she had pickled them herself. The sick minister who swallows at random every sort of nostrum his friends suggest may kill himself in doing so.

But he who, when run down by debility, worried by dyspepsia, distressed by malaria, or vexed by liver complaints, takes Brown's Iron Bitters, makes a sure thing of his recovery.

The human system is too precious a thing to try random experiments on, or to doctor in the dark. Some people trifle with their stomachs and livers as they would not trifle with a two-dollar Yankee clock.

It is well known that Brown's Iron Bitters is no experiment, no guess-work, no hap-hazard trial. The wonderful preparation of iron on which it is based is the only form in which that metal can be taken into the system without injurious effects.

It restores lost appetite by putting the stomach into a condition in which it can digest food. It sets wrong livers right, and makes them secrete and dispose of bile as they should.

No minister, nor anybody else, runs a risk in making a trial of Brown's Iron Bitters. It is a matter of happy experience with thousands of people that this potent remedy has restored them from disease to health.

Twists and Twinges. "My brethren," shouted Dr. Talmage one bright autumnal Sunday, "here is a lesson from the cornfield. I. God has arranged that the ear and the husk shall be parted. Every rheumatic pain is but a thrust of the husking peg, and every neuralgic twinge is only a twist of the husker."

FRESH ARRIVALS! ATMORE'S CELEBRATED MINCEMEATS in Barrels, Half Barrels and Pails; and PLUM PUDDING in all sizes.

ORANGE MARMALADE. a most delightful Sweetmeat for the tea table. To arrive on Tuesday next, a fresh supply of Ginger Taffy, Beu's Boston Crackers, Genovese Wafers, Coffee Cakes, something new and nice, Orange Bar, Almond Macaroons, Coconut Macaroons, and The Genuine Albert Biscuit.

New Buckwheat! New Buckwheat NEW BUCKWHEAT AND WHITE SYRUP to suit, received by New York Steamer to-day. Also, Cakes and Crackers of every variety, fresh and crisp, and a general stock of Fresh Groceries usually found in a first-class Grocery at Crapon's Family Grocery.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1884. Harper's Magazine. ILLUSTRATED. Harper's Magazine begins its sixty-eighth volume with the December Number. It is the most popular illustrated periodical in America and England, always fully abreast of the times in its treatment of subjects of current social and industrial interest, and always advancing its standard of literary, artistic, and mechanical excellence.

Harper's Periodicals. Per Year: HARPER'S MAGAZINE \$4.00 HARPER'S WEEKLY 4.00 HARPER'S BAZAR 4.00 HARPER'S YOUNG PEOPLE 1.50 HARPER'S FRANKLIN SQUARE LIBRARY, One Year (52 Numbers) 10.00

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RAILROADS, &c.

Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company. OFFICE OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT, Wilmington, N. C., Nov 17, 1883.

Change of Schedule. ON AND AFTER NOV 15, 1883, AT 1.05 A. M., Passenger Trains on the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad will run as follows:

DAY MAIL AND EXPRESS TRAINS DAILY. Nos. 47 NORTH and 48 SOUTH. Leave Wilmington, Front St. Depot, 8.35 A. M. Arrive at Weldon, 12.30 P. M. Leave Weldon, 1.05 P. M. Arrive at Wilmington, Front St. Depot, 4.40 P. M.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R. Co. OFFICE OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT, Wilmington, N. C., Nov 17, 1883.

Change of Schedule. ON AND AFTER NOV 15th, 1883, at 4.33 A. M., the following Passenger Schedule will be run on this road:

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Capital Prize \$75,000. Tickets only \$5. Shares in proportion.

Louisiana State Lottery Company. We do hereby certify that we have arranged for all the Monthly and Annual Drawings of the Louisiana State Lottery Company, and in person manage and draw the Drawings themselves, and that same are conducted with honesty and in good faith toward all parties.

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