

RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION. One year in advance (by mail) \$7 00. Six months in advance " " 4 00. Three months in advance " " 2 00. One month in advance " " 75.

OUTLINES. Forty houses were burned and one child was killed at Minersville, Penn. It is feared that of a prospecting party seven have been murdered in Arizona by Indians. Six cholera deaths Thursday and Friday in Cincinnati. Several persons are missing from the Michigan fire. One death from cholera in Washington. Seven sunstrokes in New York Friday. A cartridge explosion in New York seriously injured several. Reported Castelar is drafting a Federal Constitution for Spain. Reported Carlisle captured Pancho with 400 prisoners. Sultan of Turkey seriously ill. Aristarchi Turkish Minister at Washington in place of Blaque Bey. New York Markets: Gold, 115 1/2; cotton 20 1/2; spirits turpentine 45 cents; rosin 30 1/2; 30 1/2.

THE HOMESTEAD. Its Constitutionally Reaffirmed by the Supreme Court of North Carolina and Declared not to Conflict with the U. S. Supreme Court's Decision in the Georgia Case.

EXTRACTS FROM JUDGE READE'S OPINION. [From the Raleigh News.] From this explanation it will be seen that the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the Georgia case conflicts in nothing with our own decisions; but they are in exact conformity. The Georgia case decides two points: first, that in that particular case, the plaintiff had obtained a judgment on his debt, but that the homestead laws were passed, and that in Georgia, that judgment was a lien upon the debtor's property, which he had at his disposition; and that thereby the plaintiff had a vested right, a property, which could not be destroyed or taken from one person and given to another. We distinctly conceded this principle in Little Kessler, and we expressly decided it in McKeehan vs. Terry. There is then no conflict upon this first point. There is, however, this difference between the law of Georgia as stated in the Georgia case, and the law in North Carolina; a judgment in North Carolina prior to the Code has never been held to be such a lien upon property as to create a vested right, or property in the plaintiff or to divest the property out of the defendant, or to invest in the officer. The only force of the lien has been to prevent the debtor from selling it. It requires not only a judgment, but a levy to change the property. Ledd vs. Adams, 66 N. C. R., 164, Norton vs. McCall, Id. 159.

The second point decided in Gun vs. Barry is, that the Georgia homestead laws impair the obligations of contracts. We conceded in Hill vs. Kessler, that any law which had that effect was void. We said: "We conceded that if this exemption impairs the obligation of contracts, either expressly or by implication, it is against the Constitution of the United States, and therefore void." We concede also that a contract must be understood with reference to existing laws for its enforcement. And we said, also, that the State cannot abolish or injuriously change the remedy. It is not the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court, and our decisions, that are in conflict, but it is the Georgia homestead laws and North Carolina homestead laws that are unlike as has been already shown.

The purpose of our legislation being to secure its citizens the "necessities and comforts" of life, and this having been decided to be a legitimate purpose, and paramount to all debts, let us see in what condition our people would be if our homestead laws are declared to be void. Our homestead and personal property exemption act repeals all other laws upon the subject. Therefore our debtor class are to be left without any relief in bankruptcy; because a large portion of the debtors have not the means to pay the expenses, nor are their debts large enough to bring them under the bankruptcy law.

There was nothing significant in the action of the Maine Republicans, yesterday, at their State Convention. Mr. Nelson Dingley, who was nominated for Governor, has probably some local reputation, but is not known outside of the State. Ex-Gov. Kent, elected on the Whig ticket as long ago as 1837 and 1840, was one of the candidates before the Convention, but was only third in the race. The resolutions were as virtuous, as such declarations usually are, denouncing various things out of reach, and approving the Credit Mobilier investigation by Congress.

The Weldon News contains an account of the Wesleyan Female College commencement at Weldon, which took place last week. The literary address was delivered by S. S. Lambeth, of Elizabeth, N. C. President Whitehead retired and will be succeeded by Rev. W. G. Starr.

The Raleigh Sentinel learns that a little child four years of age, son of Mr. Samuel Fells, an English resident of Raleigh, strayed from home about 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, and has not been found as yet. The father is from home and the mother is almost frantic with grief and alarm.

The Raleigh & Gaston and Raleigh & Augusta Air Line Railways give the freight on lumber intended for the Fair Grounds at Raleigh to the State Agricultural Society.

THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. P. HEINBERGER—Plano. FALCONER & SON—Dissolution. J. C. PASS—\$50 Reward. H. BOKUMER—Chewing Tobacco, &c. MCKEN & CO.—Cognac, Whisky, &c. F. W. KERCHEMER—Bacon, Whisky, &c. CHAS. D. MYERS & CO.—Choice Claret. T. C. SERVOSS—City Tax Sale.

Our Churches To-Day. Services in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church at 10 1/2 A. M. Sunday School at 5 P. M. Preaching at the First Baptist Church at 11 o'clock A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday School at 9 1/2 A. M. Weekly Prayer Meeting Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

Services in St. John's Church to-day, being the second after Trinity, as follows: Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 7 o'clock; Morning Prayer at 11 o'clock; Evening Prayer at 8 o'clock.

Services at Front street M. E. Church at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday School at 4 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 o'clock. Seats all free. Gentlemenly users will be in attendance to conduct strangers to seats. Rev. R. S. Moran, D. D., Pastor.

Services at St. Paul's (Prot. Episcopal) Church at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Rev. T. M. Ambler, pastor. Seats free. Services in St. Thomas' Church to-day, being the third Sunday after Pentecost, as follows: Mass at 7 and 10-30 A. M. Verses chanted at 5 P. M. Catechism at 9-30 A. M. Daily mass at 6-30 A. M. Officiating clergymen, Revs. Mark S. Gross and Jas. B. White.

Independent Church.—Services at Union School House, on Sixth, between Nun and Church streets, at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 9-30 A. M. Rev. D. J. Saunders, Pastor.

Services at St. Mark's Church, (Colored Episcopal), every Sunday at 11 A. M. Children's services at 4 P. M. Night service at 8 P. M. On Wednesday evening at 8 P. M.

Services at the First (Colored) Presbyterian Church, corner Eighth and Chesnut street, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sabbath School at 9 A. M. Rev. D. J. Saunders, Pastor.

Mayor's Court. The following cases were disposed of yesterday morning: Henry King, charged with the larceny of a saw from the premises of Benjamin Ahrens, was found guilty. Judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Wright Powell, charged with attempted burglary and being otherwise disorderly. The particulars of this case are as follows: Mr. John C. Koch, who keeps store and also resides on the corner of Front and Orange streets, returned home from a Lodge meeting about 12 o'clock on Friday night. On reaching his door he heard some noise on the Orange street side of the house and going to the corner he perceived a man standing at the window with his hands on the blinds. Thinking at first that the individual was a policeman trying the windows to ascertain if they were secure, he called out "Who is there, what do you want?" Without replying, the man immediately took to his heels and ran off. Mr. Koch kept an eye on him and observed the object of his suspicions ensconce himself in the corner of the door-way of Dr. A. E. Anderson's residence, on the opposite corner. Mr. K. procured his pistol and "went for" the fellow, who proved to be Wright Powell, taking him by the collar and leading him down to the corner of Front and Market streets, where he delivered him into the hands of a policeman, who conveyed him to the Guard House. A decision in this case was reserved until to-morrow morning.

London Perkins and Lewis Legrand, charged with fighting on Water street yesterday morning. It appears from the evidence that Legrand was engaged in removing some of the damaged goods from the store of Messrs. Williams & Murchison for the purpose of being put up at auction. A number of persons were sampling candy and other articles and Perkins followed their example, when he was ordered, rather abruptly, to keep his hands out of the boxes. Perkins asked Legrand if he meant what he said, to which the latter replied that he did—that he must keep his hands off, as they were not to be disturbed until they were goods sold at auction. Perkins wanted to know of Legrand if he intended what he said as an insult, and upon that individual's making a rather exasperating reply, Perkins retorted by using some very profane and insulting expressions towards his antagonist. Legrand immediately seized a piece of board about four feet in length, with which he struck Perkins several severe blows about the head and shoulders, inflicting some ugly wounds. The struggle between the two continued for some moments, when Mr. M. Cronly interfered and parted the belligerents. Legrand then cooled down and commenced attending to his business, but Perkins was far from being satisfied and continued to give vent to his ill-humor in terms more expressive than chaste, until finally a police officer was sent for and the irate individual was taken to the Guard House. The judgment of the Court was that the parties be required to pay a fine of \$30 each and the costs.

Sanitary Measures. The city authorities make a particular request that all owners or occupants of wharf property on Water street shall clean up the same, including warehouses, during the earlier part of this week. The Health Officers will be instructed to visit every locality and report the condition of the same. They also inform us that hereafter no vessel will be allowed to empty bilge water on any of the wharves of the city, and the law will be rigidly enforced against all who may violate this regulation.

Receipts. There was paid into the City Treasury during the week just closed, the sum of \$1,384 73, of which \$356 was for special license taxes, \$71 for dray badges and \$457 73 for real and personal taxes for 1873.

Wilmington Retail Market.

The following prices ruled during yesterday afternoon: Onions, 50¢ to 10¢ per bunch; cabbage, 10¢ to 20¢ per head; sweet potatoes, 40¢ to 50¢ per peck; Irish potatoes, 40¢ to 50¢ per peck; radishes, 5¢ per bunch; lettuce, 50¢ a doz; carrots, 10¢ a bunch; apples, 50¢ a peck; apples, (dried) 10¢ to 12¢ per pound; peaches, (dried) 12¢ to 25¢ per pound; turnips, 5¢ to 10¢ per bunch; walnuts, 50¢ per peck; pickles, 30¢ per dozen; lard, 12¢ per pound; butter, 45¢ to 50¢ per pound; cheese, 25¢ per pound; chickens, 90¢ to \$1 10 per pair; Spring chickens, 50¢ to 75¢ per pair; lamb, 20¢ to 25¢ per pound; beef, 13¢ to 20¢ per pound; beef, (corned) 15¢ per pound; pork, (fresh) 12¢ to 15¢ per pound; veal, 20¢ to 25¢ per pound; mutton, 20¢ per pound; ham, 18¢ to 20¢ per pound; shoulders, 14¢ to 15¢ per pound; tripe, 20¢ per bunch; oysters, (Sound) 80¢ a gallon; clams, 30¢ a peck; open clams, 15¢ to 20¢ a quart; oranges, 40¢ a dozen; green peas, 25¢ a quart; a peck; soup beans, 5¢; plums, 10¢ a quart; whortleberries, 12¢ to 15¢ a quart; snap beans, 50¢ a peck; peas, 25¢ a bunch; eggs, 25¢ to 30¢ a dozen; shrimps 25¢ per quart; green corn, 50¢ a dozen; blackberries, 12¢ to 15¢ a quart; cucumbers, 25¢ to 40¢ a dozen.

Stealing from a Blind Man. A colored individual by the name of Charles Artis was arrested yesterday afternoon on the charge of stealing the sum of 35 cents in nickels from a man of his own color known as "Blind Jim," a sightless object of commiseration from Raleigh, who has been in this city some weeks gleaned a few pennies from the charitable disposed of both races. When taken to the City Hall, Artis stoutly denied the charge of the theft, but upon being searched the seven pieces of money were found stowed away in his bosom. This case is a little more aggravated than the one alluded to in our last, where the children of a Sunday School were swindled out of their pennies by their Treasurer. In his opening remarks in that case Mr. A. T. London, counsel for the plaintiff, stated that he heard when he was a boy of a person going into a vault in a cemetery and stealing a silver plate from a coffin, and remarked that the case under consideration developed an instance of moral depravity equalled only in his experience by the one referred to. A man that will appropriate money belonging to a blind man, which he has secured through charity, is worse than either.

Artis was locked up to await an examination before the Mayor's Court to-morrow morning. Mary Queen of Scots. The young ladies of the Academy of Incarnation will give an entertainment in their new recitation and exhibition hall, just erected, on Wednesday evening next, June 25th. Mary Queen of Scots, a drama in three acts, translated from the French by a member of the institution, is the piece selected for the occasion. The following is the dramatic personnel: Young Scotch Ladies, Companions of the Queen, Anna Kennedy; Duchess of Guise, Catherine de Medicis; Queen of France, Lady Throgmorton; Elizabeth, Queen of England; Countess of Lennox, Mrs. Knox; Countess of Murray, Ladies of the Court, &c. There will be a dress rehearsal on Monday evening. The performance will be repeated on Thursday evening. Tickets to be had at the Academy of Incarnation or from any of the pupils.

Rather Like Him. The Chester Reporter has the following: "Our people have enjoyed recently before expression the delightful preaching of Rev. A. P. Dickson, late pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Wilmington. We express the common sentiment in pronouncing him an able, earnest and soul-stirring preacher. His sermons were beautiful and deeply interesting, and failed not to make an impression upon the hearts of his hearers. The hope is sincerely to be entertained that the members of the Presbyterian congregation of our town will be blessed with the good fortune of securing, if only for a time, the ministerial services of the Rev. A. P. Dickson."

Patrons of Husbandry. Col. D. Wyatt Aiken, of South Carolina, arrived in this city yesterday and addressed a small crowd at the Court House at 12 o'clock. Owing to the fact that the most of the farmers and planters of the county were busy with their crops, very few of them were in attendance. Col. Aiken explained the objects of the order of "Patrons of Husbandry," the meeting having been previously organized by calling G. S. French to the Chair and appointing Dr. S. S. Satchwell Secretary. After the conclusion of Col. Aiken's remarks, a Grange was organized, with G. Z. French, Esq., as Manager, and after which the meeting adjourned.

Mortuary. There were 4 interments in Oakdale Cemetery during the past week, of which was 1 an adult and 3 children. The first was an adult aged 48 years, and the latter 16, 17 and 15 months, respectively. The adult died of cancer and the three children of cholera infantum. In Pine Forest (colored) Cemetery there were 10 interments, of which 1 was an adult and 9 children, the ages of the latter averaging about 1 year.

Brief, But to the Point. The following is the copy of a letter received by a gentleman in this city yesterday, dated Goldsboro, June 20th: "DEAR SIR: Please chain up the Dog. Yours truly, JOHN DOOLEY."

Local Notes. Marriage licenses were issued for 1 white and 7 colored couples during the past week. The Schr. Adella Corson, Godfrey, arrived at New York from this port on the 19th. The British Brig Somerset, McBride, cleared from New York for this port on the 16th inst. The Board of County Commissioners have a called meeting to-morrow for the purpose of appointing Registrars and Inspectors for the August election. A shed on the wharf of Messrs. James Anderson & Co. fell down yesterday afternoon, making a considerable crash and creating no little excitement. Nobody hurt. A great many hogs in this city and vicinity are said to be dying with some sort of distemper. The fat ones seem to be the most liable to take the disease. Dealers in fresh pork should be on the qui vive.

Interesting Occasion. Presentation of a Watch. The carpshop of the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad Company was the scene of an event of a very pleasant nature yesterday. Mr. J. W. Rowell, for several years the efficient Foreman of the shops, having received an appointment elsewhere, had assembled the members of the Eagle Island Fire Company together for the purpose of tendering his resignation as Foreman of that body, which position he has held for several months past. His resignation being accepted, and his successor, Mr. J. A. Rouark, appointed, Mr. Rowell was presented, in behalf of the employees, with a beautiful watch as a token of the esteem in which he has always been held by them. The offering was made by Mr. W. W. Yopp, in the following appropriate remarks: "Mr. Rowell, to-day severs your connection with this Company. For the past several years you have been in its employ, and you have proved faithful in the discharge of your duties. Your friends think you duly entitled to the well earned plaudit of well done, good and faithful servant. In leaving us, we part with you with feelings of regret, but you can rest assured that you carry with you our best wishes for your future success. We congratulate the Cape Fear Building Company upon securing the services of one so competent as yourself. We feel satisfied that you will reflect credit not only upon yourself but the Company you represent. And, in conclusion, allow me in behalf of the employees of this Department to present you with this silver watch as a token of their friendship."

Mr. Rowell, on receiving the gift, replied as follows: "Mr. Yopp and Gentlemen of the Car Shop—Your kindness has imposed upon me a task which I confess it is difficult for me to perform. It is to acknowledge in fitting sentiments this unexpected and flattering testimony of your esteem. I am no orator, and make no pretensions to declamation. I can only, however, remain silent on an occasion like this. I heartily and sincerely thank you for this expression of your good will and well wishes. In the discharge of my duties as Foreman of these shops, I have always endeavored to act honestly and fairly both with the Company and the men under my charge. I have endeavored to make the labors of the shops as pleasant as circumstances would admit. I have had no animosities or jealousies to average. But in the performance of every duty which my position has imposed upon me, the interest of the Company and the welfare of the men have been the chief aim which has actuated me in the line of my conduct. I acknowledge, gentlemen, and must thank you for the valuable aid which you have given me. The uniform steadiness and fidelity which have characterized your labors have greatly assisted me in the performance of my own. I am, therefore, most grateful to you for the gift so graciously received. I can find no words adequate to express to you my thanks for it. Its utility and service will be valuable to me in coming years. I acknowledge, gentlemen, and must thank you for the valuable aid which you have given me. The uniform steadiness and fidelity which have characterized your labors have greatly assisted me in the performance of my own. I am, therefore, most grateful to you for the gift so graciously received. I can find no words adequate to express to you my thanks for it. 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