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debtedness and heavy taxes. She

owes a very large State debt, a part

of which is just, and a part of which

is the work of carpet-baggers who

plundered the State and impoverished

the people. We believe the debt of

the State is some \$21,000,000. In

1874-'75 the Legislature recognized

\$14,445,045 of this debt and proposed

to fund a certain part at 40 per cent.

and the remainder at 25 per cent.,

thus making a total new debt of \$4,-

448,846, to be provided for by an

issue of thirty years bonds, with an

average of less than 41 per cent.

yearly interest. By this arrange-

ment or plan nothing was accom-

plished, as the creditors did not ap

pear willing to take about four and

a half millions of dollars for a conce-

ded debt of fourteen millions and a

half, or the full debt of twenty-one

The committee recently at Raleigh

proposed to scale at the rate of 50

cents on the dollar, the interest to be

paid semi-annually at New York and

Raleigh, and the coupons to be good

for all taxes and State dues. This

scheme met with but little favor, and

there is no reason to believe, as far as

we can learn, that the proposed plan

will be accepted by the Legislature.

And now a meeting is held in New

York by leading bankers and mer-

chants to consider what shall be done

There is great dissatisfaction among

the Northern creditors of the South

and it is said that the general oredi

and business of the South must be

materially affected unless some fair

and satisfactory adjustment is arrived

at. As calm and thoughtful a paper

as the New York Journal of Com-

merce says plainly, that "there can

be no commercial confidence between

the North and South, and no revival

of prosperity in either section, until

this question is settled." So we think,

and so we have said. We are anx-

ions for some basis of settlement to

been long convinced that unless this

is done the return of prosperity must

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the view entertained by the creditors

of North Carolina and the other

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obtained in all the cities, and in many of the large towns. We consider them perfectly safe, and the best means of remitting afty dollars to the consider them. ystem, which went into effect June 1st, are a very safe means of sending small sums of money where P.O. Money Orders cannot be easily obtained. Observe, the Registry fee, as well as postage, must be paid in stamps at the office where the letter is mailed, or it will be liable to be sent to the Dead Letter Office. Buy and rifle the stamps both for postage and registry, put in the money and sed the letter in the presence of the post-master and take his receipt for it. Letters, ent to us in this way are at our risk.

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N INTERESTING NORTH CARO. LINA RECORD.

All that concerns the past history of North Carolina should be interesting to a citizen of the State. The revolutionary incidents are always pleasing and edifying when presented in an attractive manner. The great trouble with our history is that it is so scattered through many books and documents that what is known to students is not accessible to the general reader. We could mention a dozen books you would have to consult patiently in order to obtain any thing like a connected and satisfactory survey of our historic field There are many facts that can be gathered in all of the old settled coun ties that would throw real light upon the Revolutionary struggles. Fo instance: in an investigation into the historic annals of one of our counties, we discovered an incident of the past that directly confirmed the meeting of the patriots in Mecklerburg coun-

Our purpose now is to direct attention to an interesting report made to the provincial Congress that met at Halifax in 1776. A committee was appointed, such is the record, to inquire into the most practicable way of procuring and purifying sulphur, &c. The report of the committee was as follows:

"That they have been informed there is a large quantity of virgin and fossil sulphur at or near the mouth of Little River, in the upper part of Dobbs county, and in the county of Bladen at or near Peter Lords, and at several other places in the Province, and recommend that George Miller, John Sasser, and Benj. Exum, of Dobbs county, and Jas. Council, Thos. Robinson and Josiah Cain, of Bladen county be empowered to contract with person to procure and purify at the public expense such sulphur as may be had or found within the Province, &c."

We copy this that gentlemen liv ing in the counties once embraced under the name of Dobbs, and those who live in the territory then called Bladen, may make inquiry of search as to the existence of virgin or fossil sulphur within their limits. If it existed in 1776, as was delieved by the members of the Provincial Congress, it exists now in all probability, and may become an important and be agreed upon; because we have profitable article of commerce. Our brethren of the press, who live within the limits of the territory specified in be delayed, if not indefinitely post-1776, can take the matter in hand if they deem it worthy, and give their readers the results of their investigafrom Governor Drew the offi

We have no book or map at hand, States South, we copy the following. so we cannot undertake to definitely from the last Journal of Commerce:

state the territory mentioned in the resolution of the Halifax Congress. Wheeler will no doubt give the desired information.

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THE ISONDESCLERES AND THE STATES.

The Leigram from New York published in the last Strangives an account of a meeting of bankers, merchants and others interested in the settlement of the debt question in the settlement of the debt question in the Southern States. Resolutions of conditions and laws to stand between delease, in which shows curred the Southern States. Resolutions of conditions and laws to stand between dered and oppressed Southerners would be paid.

THE ADDICATED BY SOUTHERN I Would be an exchange of the present State

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more than human if they were ready to assume as their, own all the debts run up by their tyrannical, ignorant and thieving meeting "recognized the obstacles in the way of the honorable discharge of the obligations" of the Southern masters, if in any way they could honorably escape the burdensome obligations. But while this is a strong undercurrent of sentiment all through the South, there is a States, and stated "that some method of compromise and readjustment was potent conservative interest there which absolutely necessary," and recomopposes fepudiation, in any resort. This has prevented the defaulting States from taking extreme measures. Upon the assistance of this honorable element at the mended "the intervention of disinterested arbiters between the States and the bondholders, as offering a fair South the New York committee of arbiters can rely for the settlement of some plan of mutual relief which will be faithfully car-ried out to the end." and hondrable method alike to debter and creditor." A committee of five was accordingly appointed, and an in-LET US REJOACE, 800,664 vitation "to the defaulting States" The telegraph brings glorious news was extended, requesting them " to

to our readers. The electoral count confer with this committee upon the bill has passed the House by a vote of 191 to 86-over two thirds. Grant The position of the STAR has been will sign the bill, and if he did not it often stated in regard to the indebtwould be easily passed in spite of this edness of North Carolina. We beveto by the requisite two-thirds malieve it is necessary to make some setjority. It passed both houses by more than two-thirds. It is joyful tlement, the very best that can be obtained under the circumstances. news for the whole country built set-We believe that delay will only agtles the great question of the perpegravate the disease-increase the tuity of our institutions and the conservation of civil liberty. It will difficulties. That part of the State give a new, impulse to industry set debt that is unquestionably just cannot be avoided honorably, and some in motion the machinery of a buncompromise should be effected if posdred factories, and cause the dry channels of trade to overflow with The New York meeting was called the bounteous streams; of plenty. by thirty-four of the leading bankers Let us rejoice together, for the and merchants of that city. These majestic voice of the people signers are all interested in the sethas in this instance proved to be the tlement of the Southern debts, as voice of God- Vox populi, vox Dei. they either hold or represent the The patriotism of the people has holders of considerable amounts of proved equal to the fearful emergendefaulted Southern bonds. We shall cy, and the institutions of our counbe glad to know that the five pertry are thus saved from the awful sons selected to confer with the maelstrom of passion that threatened Southern States, have some generous to engulf them. Whoever may be and magnanimous plan whereby the elected, we'feel now confident after the relief of the debtors and the satisfac- sharp and agonizing experiences of the past, the Constitution and the laws will be preserved, because the people North Carolina is extremely poor. will rise up in their cresistible might Her tax books show this. She is and demand it. With some little greatly burdened with county inchange we might apply to our coun-

> "This England never did, nor never shall, Lie at the proud foot of a conqueror. But when it first did help to wound itself. Now these her princes are come home

> try the earnest and kindling words

Come the three corners of the world is make us rue

If England to itself do rest but true. If the result shall be in favor of Hayes the country will accept the result in perfect good faith, hoping for the best. As the Senate will be so nearly divided between the two parties, and the Democrats have control of the House, it may be that Hayes will endeavor to govern justly and wisely. That will depend to a very great extent upon the character of tions. his advisers. If he stands aloof from Morton and Chandler and Blaine he will probably keep his oath and rule under the Constitution. If he gather around him the wisest and best mer of his party he will at least escape many of the great evils that have marked the course of his predecessor

But if Tilden is elected, as we hope and believe he will be, then we shall have an honest, fair, able, just execution of the laws, and all will be well

Of sovereign rule into the good man's hand. Is giving peace and happiness to millions."

Read this choice bit of "bull-doze literature." It is from a recent work by Zach Chandler, called "Tricks by Telegraph." The following is one of his Casarian sentences sent to bogus Packard: "Make the attack, if von have to die in the street." Old Zach was not in New Orleans to die with Packard. So he was brave.

Funeral of Col. Strange. A vast concourse of our citizens assem bled at St. James Church yesterday afternoon, at 31 o'clock, in attendance upon the funeral services of Col. Robert Strange. The building was crowded to almost its utmost capacity, while hundreds of persons, both white and colored, filled the adjacent

The funeral services were conducted by Bishop Atkinson, assisted by Rev. Dr Watson, Rector of the Parish, Rev. Mr. Ambler, Rector of St. Paul's, and Rev. Mr.

The services at the church were concluded shortly after 4 o'clock, when the tuperal cortege, embracing a long line of carriages, moved on its way to Oakdale Cemetery, where the last sad rites to our departed fellow-citizen were performed, Messrs, Ed-

IN MEMORIAM. there is an incorporated city or

Meeting of the Bar of Wilmington. Declarations, Resolutions and Addresses in Memory of the Late Col. Mobert Strange, January 25th. fifteen Justices of the Pencersud

In physusace of a motion made on Wednesday, at a meeting of the Bar off Wilmington, that it adjourn until Thursday, morning at 104 o'clock, Hon. George Davis took the chair at the hour named, and called the meeting to order. The proceedings of the meeting of Wednesday were read unlivi

"Judge Russell, Chairman of the commit-tee appointed to draw up suffable resolutions expressive of the sense of the Bar in the great and irreparable loss they had sustained, then addressed the meeting. We can only give an imperfect outline of his scellentaddress, copiet from some hucried . rotten # ba

JUDGE RUSSELL'S ABDRESS. Judge Russell said, the committee had attempted as far as language could do so, which they all had on this occasion. His inclination was to leave to others the daty of scoressing the meeting who had known him longer than he had, and who could speak more definitely of his virtues. There was a feeling pervading his own breast and he breast of every other member of the Bar that none can disguise or deny, that this is not an occasion of mere form, but one in which language is wholly inadequate to express the emotions that now excite he hearts of all here assembled. These sad and silent faces, so full of sorrow and thought and warning—these speak more eloquently than any feeble words of his what all do now feel. The occasion is not one for formal eulogy. We all knew him. He tpoke not the words of empty compliment but of sober truth when he declared that to man among us no man of all of this Bar, commanded such general, such universal affection and respect, and this he declared without any reference to those who are left.

Imperfection is the lot of man. Frailties who illustrated in his life so much of virtue and exhibited so little of the baser qualifaithful and honorable, for these words could not describe all he was or add to his fame. His ine abilities we have all admired and lave felt when it fell to our lot to be opposed to him in the management of a cause. The manner of his death was worthy of his life. Coming into this court of Philip Faulconbridge, in King tortured with pain and suffering, and responding to the cimperative calls of duty at whatever cost of physical anguish, he cell at his post with his professional armoton. The heroism of such a death is not less splendid than that of the plumed warrior who falls upon the field of his glory at the head of armies. For my part, said the speaker, being engaged with him in the trial of a cause at the time when the eslamity befel us, I confess that impression upon ma . When the some without being admonished of our own mor-We bury him. The funeral bell will peal its last farewell. The hearsethe funeral procession will come and go,

and soon, sir, each of us must follow each of us must follow our friend, alipping from the bank and shoal of time through that dark valley he has passed through, and by which none can return. Ashes to ashes, dust to dust will, be spoken loven him and over us. I request any brother A. T. Lon-don to read the declarations and resolu-RESOLUTIONS, &C. The members of the Wilmington Bar, as ibled for the purpose of expressing their regard and affection for Col. Rob't Strange,

their sense of the great loss which the pro-fession, as well as the State at large, has sustained by his sad and untimely death. We have heard with deep emotion of the death of our brother, Robert Strange, a han who, to a profound practical acquaint ance with the law, an ardent attachment to its principles of justice and truth, and emi nert abilities as ap advocate, added the

lustre of a blameless and unsulfied reputation in private life? neutmon - 8W In the character of Robert Strange we find, happily combined and exemplified many of the noblest traits which adorn man, and his memory deserves to be cherished by all who admire the good and noble.

As a gentleman he was refined and pol-shed; as a member of the bar faithful and zealous, learned and profound, diguisted and courteous, and he commanded and re eived the respect and affection of his asso ciates by his uniform kindness and urban-

As a citizen he was upright and bold in the assertion of principle; as a friend he was kind and true, and in the relation of husband and father devoted and affection-ate; as a Christian, zealous and pure, and, take him all in all, a man whose life is s model worthy of imitation, and whose loss is a severe blow, not only to us, but to the State of North Carolina. As a tribute of respect to our decease friend-

Be it Resolved. That in token of our re pect to his memory we wear the customar badge of mourning for thirty days and atund the funeral of the deceased in a body Resolved, 2d. That a copy of the proceedings of this meeting be presented to the Superior Court of New Handver county, new n session, by the Hon George Davis, Chairman of this meeting, with the request that they be spread upon the minutes of the Court.

Resolved, 8d. That shopy of the proceeings of this and the previous meeting be transmitted by D. J. Devane, Esq., Secre-tary, to the family of the deceased, with an expression of our sincere sympathy in their

On motion of Col. B. B. Moore, the declarations and resolutions were unanimously

On motion of Mr. Cutlar, the meeting adjourned, and Judge McKoy was requested to resume the beach. ADDRESS OF HON, GEORGE DAVIS.

was but an indignant flash. In the judgment placed upon him by the bar of Wilmington there is a lesson for all. It speaks
to every one, and tells how lawyers who
are true to themselves and their profession
are respected and revered, and it tells of
what stuff Hobert Strange was made. We
are possibly too much inclined to attach
importance to those who save their country in public stations. I would not detract
from the well earned tame of any man who
has secured it in public life, but we are apto underestimate—to do actual injustice to
those who devote their lives to more quiet
and less conspicuous pursuits. Robert
Strange's whole life was spent in doing his
duty as a private citizen, and in doing it
thoroughly well. Now that he is gone forever from amongst us, no man can go to
that grave in which he will soon be briled,
and stand over it and sav of him that he

and stand over it and say of him that he had been wronged by the dead. Gentle and kindly as he was he had as much true manhood as he had ever known. But it was not that aggressive manbood that makes enemies. He left no every. He was held high in the esteem and veneration of his brethred of the barand of his fellow-officers at large. His life and death were citizens at large. His life and death were the fluished, rounded, complete career of a high minded, true Christian gentleman.

This is an indifferent summary of a taste ful, feeling, appropriate, cordial address. Mr. Davis was followed by Judge Cant-

JUDGE CANTWELL'S ADDRESS, del

May it please Your Honor. The resolutions which are now offered for your approval, however fully they seem to us to present the sentiments of this bar, will convey to posterity at best but an inadequate conception of the character of him we are assembled to honor, the admiration with which his personal history and professional career are regarded among us, and the grief that is aniversally felt in his sudden

No human tongue has yet articulated or ean translate those deep emotions of the soul which are occasioned by such visita-tions. The gloom which fills this house and pervades the city; the shadow which but yesterday crept along these walls and has now vanished from all human eyes; the voice which then sounded in our ears, that unfinished speech descending into the silent tomb, the befeatement this sudden stillness has occasioned, what human language can depict?

Had he fallen in battle, or been instantly crushed in some catastrophe in which numhe perished as others do, the victim of disdeath would be robbed of all terrors and hailed as a relief. At least the indiwidual loss might be disregarded in the magnitude of the common calamity. It was our fate, however, to see him perish alone in our midst in the peaceful prosecution o his ordinary pursuits in the course of a trial and the full possession of all his faculties. cannot, however, but think him fortunate n thus receiving death in the forum, at the bar, in the discharge of his duty, in the full plaze of his own genius and the possession of intellectual strength.

Considering his lofty aspirations, the ac curacy of his election, the splender of his rhetoric. I shall compare him to the elder Crassus, because he so closely resembled him, not only in these particulars, but also more particularly in the circumstances of his fall, and am tempted to exclaim with hem: O. fallacem hominum spem fraction que fortunam; et inanes nostras tonten For a small portion of his life Colonel Strange occupied military and civil public stations, and these he filled acceptably, but his claim; on our remembrance are to ascribed to the purity of his private life, the depth of his acquirements, the indescribable fascination of his smile, the sweet ness and dignity of his daily walk and carriage. These made up the character worthy

that universal respect he enjoyed. I think his was an intellectual The overwrought brain could no longer control the hand and resigned the throne and life. . When that little paper dropped twice from his nerveless grasp, he is said to have looked up with an expression of astonishment and surprise. The latest offort of his intellect, was to comprehend and recognize its own ship wreck and utter over-

ruke you ever, and we will giswords So the struck eagle, stretched upon the No more through rolling clouds to see That winged the shaft that quivered in his

sation to their Northern" track ton But it was as a sincere, devoted and prac tical Christian that he was best known, and think that as time rolls on, he will in the character he best recognized. A star has been blotted from our sky, but to be transfered, we hope, to a higher sphere, where in undimmed radiance it may shine on for

JOHN L. HOLMES, ESQ'S. ADDRESS. Mr. Holmes said in substance:

May it please your Honor : The loss have sustained in the death of our belove brother and friend is deeply deployed by all. We all loved him with the affection close relation; and he was every way worthy of our love. He was a noble ger leman, and there was no guile or duplici in him. His great heart was always fill with charity. He was worthy of our affect esteem-no man more so. H was a true friend. When called upon fo advice he was candid and just, and advised others to pursue that course which h would have adopted under like circum stances. He always acted conscientiously It, was one of his main characteristics. When client sough his advice he invariati counselled him to act just as he would have acted himself if similarly situated.

Another eminenently characteristic trait was his honorableness. If he were pressed by a client to pursue a certain line of ac ion he would decline promptly ifult was repugaant to his sense of right, saying, cannot do that—I am not your counsel practice in that way. I I have known him to say to a client when he was firmly con-vinced that he was actuated by wrong motives," I do not desire to be your coupse Such acts as these speak volumes. None knew him who did not love him. He was a gentleman of the kindest feelings—a devoted husband, an affectionate and watchful father devoted to his children to his country and to his State. His death is a great loss to North Carolina. The parity of his character, the brilliancy of his mind, his high conception of duty were all cal-culated to make that singularly useful. mag, Du, Brutz, Cutlar, John L., Holmes and E. S. Martin acting as pall-barersion, the occasion, the occasion, the occasion, the member of the bar, Trequest that the member of the bar, I have adopted, be ordered by your Hoper to be adopted by your Hoper

distinguished clergyman of this city say of him, so I repeat it: "Mr. Holines, Coronel Strange was a Christian gentleman... He died in the faith, and I trust his soul has been warred to the neavenly manslone." was with him in his last moments. He dies about 24 o'clock on Wednesday morning His death was indeed a said one; for his passed away without knowing any of those friends who stood about him. May God have mercy upon his soul paragramous

ies ipsabmedit as ad sended were May it please Your Honor; One trait in the character of Colonel Strange has not been referred to, which was a very marked epc. He was extremely kind to the young men of the profession. We all feel that we have lost a friend the who was ever ready to aid by his advice and to give en-couragement. I remember when I first came to the Bas how I felt my want of knowledge and experience, and how I found in Colonel Strange a friend who was ever ready to help me and encourage me by kind and sympathetic words. Such traits as these are very noticeable in one who was in the middles of a bright and prosperous professional career, and are never forgotten. Tcan say, and I feel that I express the views and feelings of all the younger members of the bar, that I cherish a feeling of sincere and heartfelt gratitude for the generous and kindly offices of our departed friend. To the older members of the bar who knew him longer and were more intimately sassociated with him, the loss must be greater. But the youngest members of the profession must all feel that they have lost a friend. It should impress us with the necessity of so governing our lives that when we too pass away we may have said of us what has been said of the eminent dead—that we were controlled by a high sense of duty and honor, and were ever animated by feelings of benevolence and sympathy. The manner of his death, so sudden, so like a flash of lightning from a clear sky, reminds us of what scientists say, that the eternal absorption of the mind—the constant strain—must ultimately produce direful consequences. Lawyers are more liable to die suddenly than any other profession. Such a warning should make us all heed. I thought Col. Strange's even temper and constant discipline over himself would prevent him from suffering from the calamities of an over-wrought system. But the mind and body that the stand the constant area within can not stand the constant, unremitting tension, and all must give way.

D. J. DEVANE'S ADDRESS. We can only give a very crude and brief

outline. He said in substance May it please your Henor: I do not know that any thing I could say would add any force to what has been so fittingly spoken by others in behalf of our friend and brother, who is no more. I should not be contented and happy, however, if I were to allow this occasion to pass without giving expression to some emotions and memories that are called out by this scene. My relations with the deceased have not been of long duration—were those of a junior to a senior member of the legal profession. I do feel, however, that I express the sentiment of all the younger lawyers who were asso-ciated with him, that his large stores of varied information and learning-his experience and wisdom as an attorney, constitu-ted a mine upon which all his prethren in his giving out-there was no manner that repelled the seeker or inquirer. They were The whele they saren tor entall advice or assistance it was granted cheerfully and promptiy. He was indeed an universal favorite. He had been but a little while in public life, but he discharged his duties thus imposed faithfully and ably. The main efforts of his life were confined to the law. Whoever saw Robert Strange conduct himself other than sobly, and who did not feel as he watched his lofty bearing that the profession was honored in having such a representative? Who that knows him did not feel an increased pride that he was a North Carolinian, and when he was point ed ont to strangers, who did not feel proud that such a man adorned the legal profes-sion in our midst? So, may it please your Honor, this loss which brings such deep igrief, such great bereavement to his fami-ily, is also deeply felt by our profession. It is indeed a great loss to us all and to the State at large. The chaim thus made how shall it be filled? He was nobly, generin his profession, and had but few equals He had a combination of faculties that was fare. And then how seldom is it that such fine abilities are used so beneficently, so justis, in so much moderation. He was

without self-assertion and obtrusive vanity. He stood aside for others to secure high positions to which he might have so become ingly and justly aspired o He was often in a position to destroy an adversary, and yet no taunt ever escaped his lips, no wound That he is gone, gone forever. Quiet, re-tiring, loving home and friends, he seemed almost without ambition, and was content to devote himself to a profession which he

loved with so muck ardot a Has family, hi friends, his profession - these were his chie pleasures to love his family, to oblige his friends, and to henor his uprofession, appeared his highest aspiration and desire. he had lived he would not have been per-mitted to continue in retirement, but would have been elevated to a position of rank and influence, where his fine abilities would have found a fitting arena for their dis But the honers he would have received wil be never enjoyed by him. He has than God, gone to enjoy higher and purer bon ors than earth can confer and trick in the His Honor, Judge McKoy, then delivered an exceedingly handsome and touching ad tthera State debts can be accommissible

To my Brethren of the Bar. The sad intelligence conveyed by your appropriate and feeling resolutions on the death of one in whom all could claim a friend, reminds me of an utterance of his father in an eulogy upon William R. King Time like a mighty tor-rent, bears away successive generations, and to those who come after the virtues of those who preceded live alone in slovy." If this be true, then will successive generations wreathe in song and depict in the tions wreathe in song and depict in the glowing inspirations of story the many many virtues and heroic acts of our departed fitend, whose character and force, combined the rarest elements of our most exalted nature. Boft as a woman when a field offered for the display of the kindler sentiments of the heart; him as a moral hero when necessity called up the manly exercise of that nobler part of nature, he dared do right, no matter who opposed. Whether his acts met with this entitle of approbation from an almaring grows of fickle citizens, or ran counter to the popular our rant of an honest yet misguided nopplace, his course was determined, mainly and right, with balance enough to awas the veturning sense of right, which is as sure to succeed (in the popular heart) the mistakes of the day as that one wave will follow another wave upon the home of the restless deep.

death removed him from our midst. Often,

through every fibre of my system until I became lost in my admiration of the man, and little Hull management of the subject, and would ask myself which has made the more lasting impression, and nature would always assert its right, and force the con-viction that while the brain which planned and the genius and tact which matured an argument so complete are much to be steemed, yet there underlies a nature so gerisl, pure and manly to which you must accord all of the soul's fervent admiration. A character so perfect was not suited to revolution or an era immediately succeed-ing a revolution. His mind was so bal-anced that his triends might complain that be didenot act with the rash haste which the impetuous natures of many good men might demand, yet no one could lay his hand to his heart and say that an act once performed was without good reason, having the authority of a pure mind and guarded by the purpose of a sound judgment. Thus it was, or could be, credited to a nature so pure, a mind so exquisitively poised, a character; so faultless and an intellect so clear. With a nature pure, a heart filled with the best of purposes, and an almost in fallible indgment, now can his worth be measured and our loss ascertained?

With a heart brim full of charity be often did acts which were known alone to him-self and the recipient of his kindness (as he believed) yet the full heart would speak, and truly would he "do good by steakh," and as truly would he blush to not a chamela a ton el

There was ever in his deportment that which would attract even a stranger; a simple grace, a gentle dignity that failed not at first accost to please, and, as reserve relented, so winning was his aspect and adiress, his smile so frank, and so accordant with his voice (which ever charmed) that he who saw him once remembered long. and those at all capable of strong impressions have hoarded them in their hearts among tancy's fond dreams and memory's oys, like some loved relic of romantic song cherished masterpiece of ancient art And when the stream which overflowed the soul had passed away a consciousness remained that it had left deposited upon the silent shore of memory images and pre-cious thoughts that shall not die and cannot be destroyed, but stand like spires whose silent fingers point to Heaven."

The ways of Providence are indeed be-

yond our feeble comprehensions. Why our friend should be taken and we be yet spared. can only be accounted for in the language of Wordsworth, who says: "The good die first, and they whose hearts are dry as sum-mer dust burn to the socket." One by one hey pass away, and as we look around how thinned are the ranks of those who greeted us upon our entrance at the threshhold of our professional life! "How fast has bro-ther followed brother from smishine to the sunless land!" Calm be their rest in their cold dwelling place! Sweet be the repose of the grave and bright their resurrection! And may their virtues ever remain bright in our memories and lead us to emulate their example. How hard is it to realize that he who came to duty strong, brave and room, should in an instant be rendered helpless, and so soon should the sweet voice whose music still lingers like entrancing echoes in our ears, be hushed in the stillness of death! But is there not some pleasure in the thought that his bright intellect was unclouded when his brief illness first befell him? Even now can I recall his train of thought breathed out in persuasive words as I caught the first glimpse of the trembling hand which too plainly pointed the attack of the fell destroyer. And with what mournful pleasure can we recall his last moments, and say in the beautiful language of another, "He fell as falls the Summer tree, strong in the pride of its beauty, ere the breath of Autumn had seared a leaf that adorned it." Gentlemen of the Bar, in accordance with your request, let the following order

be spread upon the minutes, and, as a tri bute to the memory of our deceased friend, that the Clerk of this Court mscribe upon one leaf of the Minute Docket of this Term the name of Col. Robert Strange. And it is further ordered that this Court

adjourn. DAWSON BANK ..

The Board of Directors of the Dawson Bank, at the call of the President, Mr. F. W. Kerchner, met at their Banking House on Wednesday, at 12 o'clock, when the President announced the death of Col. Robert Strange, a member of the Board, and a committee, consisting of Messrs. A. J. DeRosset, Alfred Martin, and James Anderson, was appointed to draft resolutions, expressive of the sentiments of the Board

at the great loss they had sustained. The Board reassembled yesterday, at 12 clock, to hear the report of the committee, when the following resolutions were submitted and adopted:

Resolved, That while we how in humble tibmission to the will of the Almighty Ruler, in suddenly removing from among us, in the midst of his useful and eminent career, Col. Robert Strange, our late asso-ciate in this Board, and the Attorney of this institution, we regard his loss as not only a great affliction to ourselves, but as a public calamity to our city and to the State f North Carolina.

Resolved, That we will ever cherish the membrance of the many virtues and adairable qualities which adorned the charicter of our deceased friend; his kindness and gentleness of manner, his liberal berevolence, and the purity of his life as a Christian gentleman, which endeared him to all who knew him; his ability, high acemplishments, and diligence as a lawyer, which secured for him an unusual degree of mineuce and success in his profession; and the uprightness and high sense of honor which so remarkably characterized him in all the relations of life, and commanded the respect and admiration of all the good people of our whole State.

Resolved, That these resolutions be en-

tered upon a blank page of our minutes, and that the Secretary be requested to send a copy to the family of the deceased, with the assurance of our deep sympathy in their great affliction il sua in ilean

A friend writing us from Cerro Gordo, Columbus county, states that he had just witnessed the weighing of a hog at Dr. J. M. McGougan's that turned the scales at 570 pounds, net, and learned that this was the third one of the same weight he had killed this season, besides forty-two-smaller ones. Some : Ime ago, our correspondent learns, the Doctor killed five shoats, one hundred

and fifty three days old, that weighed 143, 176, 178, 183 and 187 pounds, respectively. ord, was ofweremented and brage Says the Raleigh Observer of Saturday, "carried the day yesterday in the House of Representatives. Mr. Rose, of Cumberland, handsomely supported by his young colleague from Harnett, Mr. McLeau, batsied manfelly and successfully in favor of his people. And, too; it would have made the heart of a Fayetteville man rejoice to have heard the words of commendation of the good old town and her people that fell from the lips of Mr. McGthee as he entered

ovisse Germany thinks of investing in Americanfire engines, and a committee will come over to inspect and investigate.

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