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Our telegraphic news service has recently been largely increased, and it is our determination to keep the STAR up to the highest standard of newspaper excellence. NORTH CAROLINA VERSUS STATE OF FRANKLIN.

We have no space for miscellaneous reading of much length or which would like to reproduce a critical article in the Philadelphia American of the 9th inst., upon the "State of Franklin," and in review of J. R. Gilmore's (Edmund Kirke) work entitled "John Sevier as a Commonwealth Builder."

another and more grateful account to present as the result of his own historic studies. He says: "Throughout the disturbances due to an unruly people, Richard Caswell, the Governor of North Carolina, acted with conspicuous wisdom and moderation, and his conduct had the satisfaction of seeing the authority he represented practically restored.

He treated Sevier always with due courtesy and consideration, but the less patient legislature for two years made that leader the sole exception to its act of pardon and oblivion. Sevier was then overwhelmed with debts incurred on public account and his enemies harassed him with executions on his property.

On the 1st of March, 1790, he was Governor, and as an successor had been chosen, the State of Franklin was silently dissolved in the next year, when North Carolina ratified the Federal Constitution, and again ceded to the United States the territory beyond the mountains, and in 1793 Congress without dispute when it became a State six years later, John Sevier was the unusual choice for its first Governor, and afterwards was re-elected as often as the State constitution or his own inclination would allow."

THE STAR can never allow North Carolina to be misrepresented or maligned without a protest. It must defend its people in the other centuries as well as in the present century against all slanders and injustices. We cannot let Gilmore's book go unchallenged, although as mentioned, we had not seen it but had read Northern criticisms upon it.

We have concluded to allow all subscribers in arrears to pay all back dues at our reduced rate of One Dollar per year provided they pay also for one year in advance. This is a very liberal concession, and we trust all who are indebted to us will settle at once. A FALSE ISSUE SUGGESTED.

The Raleigh Signal, Republican, copies a paragraph from the STAR relative to the growth of Protection and adds: "If the STAR will influence the next Democratic State Convention to declare its choice for its first Governor, and Protection, and put the Democratic issue on this platform there will be a square issue before the people. In this event, not only the Democrats will be benefited in this State, but the Republicans desire a fight on this issue. Shall we have it next year? We think the Democrats will try to dodge this issue."

to us, this writer also survives. Mr. Lovejoy said to us more than once that it was the best case—the most intellectual—he ever taught. Of the class Haywood was the finest intellectual unless Carter was able. We rather think Carter had the most logical mind as he had the greatest talents for the acquisition of languages. He was the ablest man in our class at the University and there were some sixty four members.

Ed Graham, as the boys called him, was an unusually handsome boy, and dressed with a fastidious neatness and costliness of attire that none rivaled. He was unusually precocious and gave decided promise of his subsequent distinction. He delivered an address at one of the boys' justice and envy, said either his father wrote it, or his friend Col. D. K. McRae. We have but little doubt that it was his own work for he was intellectual-ly extremely clever, as we have said.

He married Miss Mag Henry, a most lovely and beautiful woman, and a daughter of the late Hon. Louis D. Henry. She was sister of Louis E. mentioned above. Mrs. Haywood was one of the most charming and superb women we have ever known or seen. She died a few years ago. By her Col. H. had several sons and daughters.

Col. Haywood in early life was a member of the Legislature. His seat was once contested and he made a speech in behalf of himself. He was then some twenty-eight years old. Judge Badger heard it and said it was the ablest effort of the mind for a man of his age to which he had listened. He was a Presidential Elector in 1860, and canvassed extensively. His speeches were not popular. That is to say, he did not indulge in anecdote or illustration. His speeches were philosophical elevated, eloquent and statesman-like. They were too purely abstract and intellectual and subtle for the universal mind to grasp.

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That is the issue. Shall we still, after nearly a quarter of a century of peace, keep up a grinding War Tax on the necessities of life or shall we cut down the taxes to a constitutional basis? Henry Clay was the great exponent and advocate of the Tariff system. It was he who gave it the alluring name of the "American system." And yet in his Tariff of 1832 he made an average of twenty per cent, exactly, no more, no less. Now the Republicans propose—nearly twenty-five years after the monopolists have enjoyed the nursing bottle—to keep up the War Tariff to forty-five per cent—more than double what the great Clay favored or asked for.

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The case of Jones the condemned burglar, a member of the jury which convicted John Jones, the colored man, now under sentence of death for burglary, is circulating a petition for the commutation of the sentence of the prisoner to imprisonment for life in the State Penitentiary.

At yesterday morning's session of the Criminal Court, Mr. J. T. Elliott, of counsel for Jones, stated to the associate, Mr. R. H. McKay, they had agreed to ask that a motion be heard to oppose the sentence pronounced. Judge Meares said that he would consider the matter and give his decision to-day, as to whether he would hear the motion. It is held by Jones' counsel: "First, That the Supreme Judge has declared that the late legislative enactment authorizing the Governor to designate the time and command the execution of sentences in capital cases where the judgment of the Court below is confirmed, has no relation to cases brought up before the passage of the act; and secondly, that the Legislature having expressly deprived by its enactment the Court from pronouncing sentence, that power is divested, by implication of law, if not in express terms."

Mr. Elliott asked for the opinion of the Supreme Court in the case from the State of Maryland, in the case of Jones, but it could not be found. A correspondent of the STAR at Maxton writes on the 20th: We had a good shower of rain early Sunday morning, but with the intensity of rain following the effect was not desirable to cotton or corn and it was rather scalding. On Tuesday morning a heavy rain fell, of considerable volume, considerable wind, slight hail. No damage done of any consequence. Crops are doing well in better spirits. The rain was local in its character—neighboring a few miles away had not.

A correspondent at Red Banks writes: The farmers in this section are delighted with a good rain this p.m., it will do much good if it continues all night. A Marville correspondent says, under date July 19: Thank goodness we are cool once more for the first time in a week. This locality has had an elegant rain this afternoon and the rain has been general, reaching up as far as Whiteville. This rain settles the most of the cotton crop in this section. Cotton in this locality is fine and people generally have good crops—the best for several years.

Buried at the expense of the county, Caroline Albritton, a colored woman about forty years of age, died in a small house in the yard of a private residence on Campbell between Front and Second streets Monday morning last. Yesterday afternoon a message was sent to Coroner Miller that the body of the woman was still lying in the house and that no steps had been taken to give it burial. The coroner viewed the body, which was in an advanced stage of decomposition, and made the necessary arrangements for burial at once, at the expense of the county. He ascertained that the woman died from natural causes, and that her reputed husband, Ben Blount, colored, had been furnished with a burial certificate by Dr. Potter, city physician, but had not been able to raise sufficient means for a interment of the body.

A sad occurrence at Laurinburg. A correspondent of the STAR, writing from Maxton, N. C., gives the following account of a sad occurrence at Laurinburg on the 19th inst.: Our town was painfully shocked yesterday morning by the sudden death of a lady of Laurinburg, known quite well here—Mrs. Minnie Phillips, wife of Col. Phillips, and daughter of J. O. Hanlon, Esq., of Fayetteville. She had been suffering intensely with neuralgia for several days, and finally expired in the morning at about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. She was a highly accomplished physician, but she was beyond human aid, and died at 5 o'clock in the morning. The stricken husband and children were highly sympathetic of every one.

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