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We desire to have the News largely circulated during the Presidential campaign. The larger our subscription list the more effectually will we be enabled to work, and to this end we trust our friends and patrons will exert themselves somewhat in adding to our present list.

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LOCAL MATTER.

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THE POPULAR WILL.

The Radical papers are raising a great hue and cry because the Democratic press of the State ask that the reports of fraud in the late State election be investigated.

The Radicals pretend that we are desirous of disturbing the verdict of the people by opposing "the popular will."

Nothing can be farther from the truth. We desire that the popular will shall be vindicated and upheld.

We desire that the legally elected Governor of North Carolina, be he Caldwell or Merrimon, shall take his seat.

We desire that the voice of the people shall prevail.

We desire that fraud and dishonesty and cheating at the ballot-box be forever banished and forgotten.

We desire that the man whom the people of North Carolina have fairly chosen, shall be installed in the gubernatorial chair, and shall wear the honors and don the regalia of office.

But the Radicals assert that frauds have likewise been committed by Democrats.

Very well then; let them be exposed. We would not cover them up nor attempt to palliate them, if any have in fact been committed by our party.

It is time that an end shall be put to fraudulent voting in North Carolina.

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The remarkable uniformity of temperature, disclosed by the availing equally the extremes of the summer and the severe cold of winter, shows its wonderful adaptation to the condition and constitution of invalids, and especially of such as have incipient symptoms of pulmonary disease, not only during the season of weather, but throughout the whole year.

The following letter to the Norfolk Virginian, under a recent date, written by a worthy gentleman now residing in this city, and descriptive of Western North Carolina, we transfer to our columns with pleasure, believing that it will interest the people of our State who have never visited the mountains, to read of their beauties and the exhilarating effects of the mountain air.

Says the writer: So many persons residing in Eastern Carolina and Virginia, and especially those in crowded cities, are seeking a retreat from the excessive summer heat and a more salubrious air among the mountains, that for their information, I avail myself of a brief stay to say a favorable word about the town of Asheville and the route by which it is reached.

Through arrangements made along the connecting lines of travel, the fare from Norfolk to Asheville and return, over four hundred miles of road, of which all but twenty-five is by rail, and that by stage, has been reduced to twenty-two dollars, and to corresponding rates from intermediate points. The time consumed in the journey is two days, and Asheville is reached about 10 o'clock at night of the next day after leaving Norfolk, including a stop of four hours, from 8 1/2 o'clock at Roanoke, from 24 to 25 o'clock at Raleigh, from 24 to 25 o'clock at Salisbury, and thence over the Western North Carolina railroad to its present terminus at Old Fort, a distance of 200 miles, at which place you arrive at 1 o'clock. The country traversed by the railroad west of Salisbury is highly improved and fertile, and after passing Morganton, as the train occasionally emerges from among the compact hills and goes on going to the mountains, a grand and beautiful panorama of mountain scenery breaks upon the view, and fills the mind with admiration at the stupendous works of nature seen on every hand.

Regardless of all the puffing engine hurries you along these ever recurring and absorbing views, and the track strikes the base of the first mountain range, which for two hours before has been seen converging from the northwest, and now arrests all further progress. And now we commence the slow, tiresome ascent of the mountain, but the steep mountain slope the road winds its lonely way. The road bed is made by excavating along the side of the hills and thus leveling a space barely sufficient to permit the passage of wheels. One side rises the high, precipitous mountains, and the other, the coach and its rattling wheels, sinks a deep, almost perpendicular abyss - only partially bridged by the heavy growth of trees and shrub. But after hours of straining and toiling by the over-worked horses, relieved by occasional rests to recover breath and excitement, not alone because you are close to the precipitous descent, but the exultant passengers emerge from the dark, wooded glens below, to the sunlit plateau of the mountain and to a wide expanse of territory stretching away in every direction and bounded by new mountains. The descent is more gentle and and over smoother roads, but as the night closes in and its deep shades shut out every object from sight, the monotony of the journey is unbroke ten till at 10 o'clock the stage halts and its passengers dismount at the city and enter the hotel and the weary sink into a deep slumber.

And now where is Asheville, the county seat of Buncombe? A glance at the map shows its location at the western base of the mountains that have been crossed, and on the eastern verge of a rolling valley hemmed in on every side by successive intersecting and interlacing ranges of lofty hills. Its elevation has been ascertained to be 2,250 feet above the level of the ocean, and far up into the pure atmosphere of heaven, to which the air is so clear and so pure, and so invigorating. Cool breezes come down these mountain slopes, and sweep along the ravine, fresh and pure, and imparting vigor and life to the body.

In all my rambles and journeyings, I have never, during a week's experience, met a climate more refreshing, nor anywhere more pleasant and salubrious. The currents of watery vapor floating westward from the Atlantic, are chilled and condensed by contact with the mountain tops, and discharge themselves in copious showers upon the eastern slopes, and then passing over, expand, and absorb their moisture. There is consequently much less rain; less dampness in the locality in which Asheville stands, and the air is remarkably dry.

This peculiarity is noticeable to the casual observer, the rapid evaporation of water spilled or exhaled in the vessels in a room, in the absence of mildew and blight that elsewhere penetrate into ladies' wardrobes and spot and rob its silks of their richest tints, and more especially in the rapid tempering of rivulets, not fed by perpetual snows, and on the eastern slope of a same property in the air is experienced in breathing it, and in the elasticity and energy it imparts. A resident of low latitudes of Eastern Carolina can scarcely realize the full effects of a transfer to this mountain region without a personal practical experience of them.

Some knowledge of its delightful temperature may be derived from comparing it with certain well known places in Europe, of which a tabular statement, prepared by Dr. Gatchell, is submitted, exhibiting the average of each season, and of the entire year:

Table comparing Asheville with other locations like Paris, London, and New York, showing temperature averages.

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Free government and civil liberty have triumphed through the instrumentality of the gallant heroes of government, and through the patriotic efforts of those who will surely bring a restoration of wholesome government, of public confidence and general prosperity. We have solid cause for rejoicing and congratulation. And let us rejoice and be glad! I congratulate you! I felicitate you! I rejoice with you! But our work is not done. We need to ascertain the full measure of our success and secure that. And let us understand and appreciate the fact, that another great battle is to be fought in November next. Our free system of government as a nation is in peril. It has been prostituted to dishonest and sinister purposes, until we to-day live under a practical despotism. The contest is not one for political party ascendancy, it is not a question of party affiliations and party records of public men, it is a question of the rights of the people, and our work is not done. 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