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THE ELECTION IN WAKE COUNTY ON THE 24TH OF APRIL.—We hear frequent inquiries as to the object and effect of the election on the 24th inst., and publish the following brief statement for the information of the public:

The Constitution, Article IX, Section 3, provides that "each county of the State shall be divided into a convenient number of districts, of which one or more public schools shall be maintained at least four months in every year; and if the county commissioners of any county shall fail to comply with the aforesaid requirements of this section, they shall be liable to indictment."

To carry out this provision the last Legislature in the school bill enacted—"Section 27. In addition to the State and county capitation taxes appropriated by the Constitution and other revenues heretofore provided by law for the support of public schools, there shall be levied and collected every year for the support of such schools, in addition to the State and county capitation taxes, eight and one-third cents on every hundred dollars' worth of property and credits in the State and twenty-five cents on every poll in addition to taxes in the revenue law."

"Sec. 24. If the tax levied in this act for the support of the public schools shall be insufficient to maintain one or more schools in each township for the period of four months, then the county commissioners of each county may levy annually a special tax to supply the deficiency for the support, and maintenance of said schools for the period of four months. The said tax shall be collected by the sheriff in money, and he shall be subject to the same liabilities for the collection and accounting for said tax as he is or may be by law in regard to other county taxes. The said tax shall be levied on all property, credits and polls of the county, and in the assessment of the amount upon each, the commissioners shall observe and the fund thus raised shall be appropriated in the county in which it is collected as provided in section thirty-one of this act: Provided, That the question of the levy and collection of said tax shall have first been submitted to the vote of the qualified voters of the county at an election to be held at the different election precincts of the county, under rules and regulations to be fixed by the commissioners and conforming as near as may be to the rules and regulations for conducting other elections, except that no new regulation need be made, but the registration books of the next preceding general election may be used. The penalties for illegal and fraudulent voting shall be the same as provided in annual elections."

It is further provided in the said act, that of the funds so collected a part may be used to pay for half the costs of repairing, building and furnishing school houses, and the whole cost of purchasing school house sites.

The sources of the school fund, provided by the State, are therefore, first, the share of the income of the permanent fund which the Treasurer of the State may allot to this county. Second, Seventy-five per cent. of all taxes levied upon the poll, and three-eighths and one-third cents upon every one hundred dollars of property and credit. These amounts are to be used for school purposes every year, whatever may be the vote of the county on the question to be submitted on the 24th of April.

Now if these sources shall be sufficient to provide for schools in each school district for four months in each year, pay for half the costs of building and repairing school houses, and the whole cost of school house sites—then no other tax will be levied, however the people vote on the 24th of April. But if they are not sufficient in amount for all these purposes, and the people vote to levy a tax—then the county commissioners must add to the assessment of the taxes a sum sufficient to make up the deficiency.

If the people vote against the levy of a tax, then the only sources for schools purposes will be those mentioned above, provided by the State.

So that those who vote for school tax, vote that the county commissioners shall add to the assessment a sum sufficient to supply the deficiency, if any exists—and those who vote against the school tax, vote to have no other fund for school purposes than that provided by the State.

NOTICE TO DISOLVE THE INJUNCTION.—Judge Albertson will this morning at 9 o'clock, at Chambers at the Court House in this city, hear the argument in the case of the State vs. R. & D. Railroad, on a motion to dissolve an injunction sued out before Judge Watts on the 24th of April, to prevent the change of the gauge of the North Carolina Railroad from Greensboro to Charlotte.

Messrs. Merriman, Fuller & Ashe, Strong and R. C. Badger, of this city, and Judge Marshall, of Virginia, appear for the R. & D. R. R., and the Attorney General and Messrs. B. F. Moore and W. N. H. Smith appear for the State. The case is one of much importance to the roads and to the State.

MASTERLY INACTIVITY.—The manner in which our "City Fathers" (how lamentable to be the sons of such sires) are proceeding with the culvert on South street, east of Blount, it is believed it will be finished in ten years from the time it was commenced, which was one year ago, unless some unlucky or shrewd shrewd wash it away, which it is feared, is not improbable. Much has been said against the present Board of Commissioners, and with great justice, and we mention the faithful and energetic manner in which they have pushed this work, to show how unjustly they have been abused. Municipalities as well as "Republics are ungrateful."

A NUISANCE.—The two large logs, three feet in diameter, which have been lying in the middle of Cabarrus street, near its intersection with Fayetteville street, for the past twelve months, and under the noses of city officials.

FOR RENT.—The rooms over Cramer's Drug Store. Apply to W. H. Dodd, Wilmington street.

IRON ORES OF NORTH CAROLINA.—The following letter from the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce has been received at the Executive office:

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, WILMINGTON, N. C., April 10th. To his Excellency Tod R. Caldwell, Gov. of the State of North Carolina:

SIR:—The attention of the Chamber of Commerce having been called to a plan proposed for collecting, classifying, analyzing and describing the iron ores of the several States and territories of the United States, with the view of preparing and presenting the results at the Centennial Exhibition to be held in Philadelphia in 1876, and this Chamber being unanimously of the opinion that such a plan if properly carried out will be incalculable advantage to the whole country and particularly so to the State of North Carolina, in bringing her immense and valuable deposits of iron ore to the knowledge and attention of the world; therefore,

Resolved, That we respectfully and earnestly recommend to his Excellency to take such steps, as in his judgment may seem best, to co-operate in the proposed plan, and to make arrangements to have samples of all the ore beds of the State, procured and prepared for said exhibition in such manner as will ensure a full and proper understanding of their extent and value.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolution be sent to Hon. Daniel J. Morrell, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the United States Centennial Exhibition, and that he be requested to correspond with yourself, and furnish you with full details of the proposed plan.

The above being a true copy from the minutes of the meeting I have been ordered to forward you.

Very respectfully, Richard W. Andrews, Secretary of Chamber of Commerce.

The communication was referred by the Governor to Prof. W. C. Kerr, State Geologist.

FASHION GLEANINGS.—For the benefit of our lady readers, we surrender space for the publication of the following brief fashion notes:

Yah lace of a soft, creamy white color, laid flatly over folds of a darker shade than the dress, will be used extensively for trimmings.

Black grenadines for full dress are to be found embroidered in patterns of leaves and flowers for skirt borders and other trimmings.

Roses, lilies, poppies, and especially marguerites, are elegant upon black, and the goods are made into overdresses to be worn over black silk skirts, whose sombre folds cause the embroidered to be all the more effective.

Satin striped grenadines, in combinations of worsted and silk, will be popular for overdresses.

Colored silk costumes trimmed with plaited or ruffled grenadines, gauzes and crapes of the same shade are noticed among the spring importations.

Piques are softer and prettier than ever; some are plain and some embroidered with Hamburg work, in clusters of leaves and in borders.

Some of the new prints are very curious; bugs, bees, birds, and small reptiles are not uncommon ornaments upon pale buff or tea colored fabrics.

I. O. F.—The Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows of this State, will assemble in regular session in this city, on Wednesday, the 14th day of May. The session is looked forward to by the membership, as one of unusual interest. The Order is a growing one, and has recently, in the last few years since the war, in this jurisdiction, and especially in Raleigh, made rapid advances.

The Railroads will, as usual, give return tickets for one fare to members of the Order attending the session, and distinguished brethren from other jurisdictions are expected to be present and deliver addresses and instruct the membership in the Secret Work. Among the brethren promised to be present, is Past Grand Master Wm. H. Barnes, of New York, editor of the Heart and Hand, an Odd-Fellow, renowned alike as an editor and lecturer.

STATE OF THE THERMOMETER.—The Thermometer yesterday stood as follows at Branson's Book Store:

At 9 a. m. 54
At 12 m. 54
At 3 p. m. 56
At 6 p. m. 54

FOUND.—Yesterday morning, near the market House, a couple of bills of North Carolina currency, issued during the Revolutionary war. The owner can obtain possession of the property by calling at this office.

PERSONAL.—Among the arrivals in our city yesterday were Wm. A. Wright, Esq., of Wilmington, T. L. Emry, of Weldon, and Col. Robert Strange, of Wilmington.

TURTLE SOUP.—This delicacy will be served up this morning at 11 o'clock at Pepper's saloon. Call and try it.

(1) Pure and mellow! Century Whiskey!

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. NOTICE. Osburn's Grain Feed and Store.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS. NOON DISPATCHES.

New York News. New York, April 16.—The Herald publishes a long letter from O'Kelly, dated at the residence of the Cuban Libe, March 14.

Gen. Garcia, commanding the eastern district, says reconciliation with Spain, except upon the basis of independence, is impossible. The Cubans have no faith in the establishment of a permanent Spanish Republic. Garcia's force is 700 of whom one-third are white, two-thirds negroes and the remainder are mixed.

Céspedes says the Spaniards must go away and leave us in peace or continue the war until we are all dead.

Despatches from the West report a snow storm on the line of the Union Pacific railroad, the worst of the season. No trains are running. No one can face the storm.

It is stated that the Howe Sewing Machine Company is in trouble. One-half of the employees quit with six weeks wages unpaid.

At a meeting of the Southern Aid Society held yesterday, appropriations were made for the relief of nearly thirty churches in the Southern States in need of assistance. The sum thus disbursed varied from fifty to five hundred dollars, and amounted in all to over three thousand dollars.

Georgia Postoffice. WASHINGTON, April 16.—Postoffice agent has been dispatched to Georgia to investigate the alleged scandals of bribes and corruptions in regard to the new postoffice appointees in Georgia. There will be no action until he reports.

Died in the Effort. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 16.—Two convicts in the penitentiary attempted to escape upon a passing train. One was shot down and the other died from his wounds upon the top of the car, which he succeeded in reaching.

Lieut. Sherwood Dead—Attack by the Modocs. SAN FRANCISCO, April 16.—Lieutenant Sherwood is dead.

The evening after the murder of Canby the Modocs attacked the picket line and were repulsed. One Modoc was killed.

Accidental Poisoning. ATLANTA, GA., April 16.—J. W. Craig died from acetic for elixir of orange. Judge Thomas Pulliam who drank with him recovered.

Graveyard Caved. LITTLE ROCK, ARK., April 16.—The graveyard caved, and several hundred bodies were washed away in the rapid current.

Canal Bill. ALBANY, April 16.—The Assembly passed the bill for a ship canal from Troy to Lake Champlain.

New Market Races. LONDON, April 16.—The horse "Nero" won the New Market stakes.

MIDNIGHT DISPATCHES. Washington Affairs. WASHINGTON, April 16.—The Attorney General has advised of the riot in Grant Parish, Louisiana. He thinks the affair is exaggerated.

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