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AN UGLY COUNT.

That our readers may see how radical ...ies increase in certain localities, we will ...rect their attention to the county of ...lifax. It will be seen that the increase ...out of all proportion to the actual pop...ation.

In 1870 the United States government ...used the census of all the States to be ...ken. The persons employed to do this ...rk were radicals, supporters of Grant's ...dministration. Marshal Carrow, the in...dividual who has latterly become famous ...infamous from certain sums drawn ...m the United States treasury, had the ...nsus taken for North Carolina. He re...orted from the actual survey of Halifax ...unty, every family being visited, that ...e county contained 4,445 male persons ...o were over twenty one years of age ...d who were entitled to vote. During ...t very year the election came on. Our ...aders will remember how exciting the ...es, for Holden was in the midst of his ...r upon constitutional government, upon ...e laws and liberties of the people, and ...ork was carrying it with a high hand ...d an outstretched arm in Alamance and ...swell. How did Halifax vote? We ...swer that 4,577 votes were cast in the ...unty—an excess of 132 votes over the ...mber found by Carrow's assistants who ...re entitled to vote. Whence came ...ese? The only answer is, negro boys ...t.

In 1871 another election was held. Ac...ding to the ratio of increase of popu...tion in our State, not more than 4,47... votes ought to have been polled, suppos...g an impossible thing, that every man ...the county had voted. How many ...ted then think you? We answer again, ...at over 600 more votes were polled than ...e census called for. No doubt the dem...rats that year were defeated by their ...scrupulous opponents to the amount o... or eight hundred fraudulent votes, for ...at amount of fraudulent voting must have ...ken place to swell the increase so much, ...it is fair to suppose that in all elections ...our State since the war, hundreds of ...ful voters in each county did not ex...cise their franchise.

And now, how think you it was in the ...t election that has just taken place? ...cording to the census, mark you, when ...e consider the ratio of increase of popu...tion that obtains in North Carolina, ...e lawful vote ought not to have exceed... 4,550. But tell it not in Gath, preach ...t not in the streets of Askalon, the in...ease of votes was 853 over that of two ...ars before. It is true the white vote ...s largely increased, but that was to be ...pected, as the whites had not vot... ...nerally voted since the war. On the ...her hand because of the actual depar...tion of negroes to other parts, there ...ving been a considerable exodus, it was ...pected that they would show a de...ased vote, and so they would if no ...uds had been committed.

In addition to all this, there were some ...ty accessions from the negroes to the ...mocratic ranks. That the negroes per...trated the most barefaced frauds is ...ow well known. Two car loads o... orange negroes lauded at Enfield at one ...me; hundreds were challenged at Little ...n and Weldon. Indeed, it has been ...timated by intelligent Halifax gentle...n, that 250 illegal negro votes were ...lled at Weldon, Littleton, and Scot...d Neck.

How can all this be got at, and how ...n the guilty parties be reached? The ...eater part of the guilty ones are "doubt...ss in Virginia before this, so the law will ...t reach them. They came to do dirty ...ork, and having accomplished their ...nd, they have fled from the avenger, ...and of the law. But the ballots still ...remain to do their work, and we doubt ...t a thorough examination into the mat...te by the Legislature will reveal enough ...to authorize and justify that body in ...throwing out the entire vote of Halifax ...unty. And so with Craven it may ...turn out, and with other counties.

At any rate we believe the people ...should demand investigation. We be...lieve they should hold primary meetings ...in all the counties at once, and reques... ...State ticket to take immediate steps ...towards contesting the election. Now is ...the time, to squelch the monster. Now is ...the time to put a stop to all fraudulent ...voting. Allow the radicals to go un...challenged now, and the next election ...will be a farce indeed. Hold your meet...ings at once, and insist that the election ...shall be contested, if it shall appear to ...Judge Merrimon and his associates upon ...the ticket, after diligent inquiry shall have ...been had, that actual frauds and of an ...extensive character have been perpetrated ...by the opposition.

Only let the radical administration and ...ruffians managers see that they can terror...ize over half the State and into the other ...half introduce thousands of negroes from ...the adjoining States, without fear of suc...cessful challenge, opposition or proper ...punishment, and they will ever hereafter ...command just as many votes as the exigen...cies of the times may demand. The edi...tor of the Danville *Times* saw the other ...day a large crowd of negroes who had ...been at work on the Danville and Lynch...burg road, but who with knapsacks on ...back had just returned from a voting ex...cursion into North Carolina.

If immediate and vigorous steps are ...not taken to suppress and punish fraudu...lent voting, and to prevent counties in ...which it is manifest large frauds have ...been committed from being heard, then our elections will indeed become farcical performances to be annually gone through with, and the true voice of the people will be stifled and unheard.

A pure ballot is what is demanded by the character of our institutions and the condition of our people. With the *viva voce* system we should be able to purge easily the polls and bring to condign punishment every violator of the election laws.

THAT CONVENTION.

It was the proud boast of Gov. Caldwell in the late campaign that he was nominated for Governor and made standard bearer of his party by one of the largest and most respectable conventions ever assembled in the State. We will not discuss the size, but the respectability and character of that body.

This respectable Convention was out in full force on the 8th inst., making night hideous with their Yahoo yells over the election of Gov. Caldwell.

Smellfungus himself was almost stifled at the unpleasant odor emitted by the assemblage of the Convention, in a warm night of August.

The congratulatory Convention was a set of Yahoo, howling creatures, who manifested their rejoicing by shrieks and and inarticulate gibberings. They were oh scene, filthy in words, filthy in thoughts, in looks, and raging in action.

The vulgar old Scott looking at one of his own books, *Talent a Tub*, said, "Good Lord! what a genius I must have had to have written this book."

When Gov. Caldwell is old and look...ook to that nominating convention, and that other congratulatory convention, he will be able to say with the vulgar old Jean, "Good God, what a genius I must have had to have received the commis...sion and the plaudits of two such conven...tions."

But to the respectability of the nomi...nating convention. We will not call it filthy and foul because it nominated Governor, "Deems" Harris, negro, was the presiding officer and genius of the body. Why, was he not respectable when according to the report of the Shipp fraud committee he had received $7,500 of the $16,000,000 stolen from the people?

Here we beg to correct an error which consists in having stated on a former oc...casion that Z. Gizzard French was there when he was not. He should have been there to back *Deems* because he received $25,000 of the ill gotten gains of Little Ad and Sweptson.

If Gizzard had been there he could have added $25,000 of radical respectability to the body.

Joseph C. Abbott, United States Sena...tor, was there with his $25,000 of the Littlefield and Sweptson fund. He added just as much money and respectability as Gizzard could have done, less the money received for contesting Gen. Ransom's seat in the Senate. With such a startling array of delegates well might Gov. Cald...well call the convention *respectable*.

Rev. James Sinclair was there, and if Gov. Caldwell had only thought of him he might, with a like regard for truth, have declared the convention the most pious and Godly ever assembled in the State. Sinclair, once Grant's revenue man and now his mail agent, who was deposed from the ministry, after a full trial, for lying, stealing, drunkenness, kidnapping, and another crime not to be written where ladies can read. Yes he was there with his share of the $18,000 000, stolen from the people.

Gov. Caldwell is not much on piety, for he "cusses" like Holden before he was bap...tised, and hence while naming the re...spectability of the Convention he forgot its piety, as exhibited in the daily walk of Rev. James Sinclair.

We beg the Governor's pardon for this digression from the respectability of the Convention to its piety.

In our next issue we will endeavor to confine our survey to the question dis...cussed by the Governor, to wit: "the re...spectability of the Convention."

MEXICO.

It really looks as if this country would never again be quiet. Its people have been revolutionists so long that the arts of peace are forgotten and constant war seems to be their habit—their normal con...dition. Their ablest man, Juarez, re...cently died. He was President and at war with certain revolutionists at the time of his death. The revolutionists are still in the field, despite a proclamation of am...nesty that had been issued. They are op...posed to Sordo de Tezada, who has as...sumed the functions of government, and are endeavoring to secure the elevation to the highest office of Diaz. The Govern...ment General is Rocha, and hot work may soon be expected between the belligerents. The prospect of peace is gloomy enough. Diaz, like Grant, is a mere soldier, and not of the best type. Like Grant, he knows nothing of government, and is stubborn and stupid. If he succeed, as we hope he will not, the rule of Mexico will be like our rule has been under the Imperator Grant—a harsh, bitter, brutal, corrupt despotism. There were malcon...tents who opposed Juarez, an able states...man, and the result is anarchy, war, blood...shed. There are those who oppose the rule of Peace, the sage of Chappaqua, and greatly desire the re election of Use...less Simple, the man of the Sword and Bayonet, and they are willing to see their country deluged in blood—to have an archy or war, or any other direful condi...tion of things, if only their tyrant and keeper can retain his hold upon office, and they can eat at his table.

BLASPHEMOUS.

When Grant's Secretary Delano spoke in Raleigh, he referred to our Saviour as "THAT FELLOW." This shocked every decent man present and drove several from his vile presence. We commented upon the indecency and blasphemy of the remark a day or two after it occurred, and hinted that it might suit another latitude but not ours. We might have added that it would not prove distaste...ful or abhorrent to many of his hearers and to the great mass composing his party.

We are reminded of the delightful De...lano by a recent cartoon by the radical Nast—it should be written *Nasty*—in Harper's *Journal of Radical Cant*, in which he employs his genius in the most offensive blasphemy. He too seems to regard our Saviour as a mere "fellow," if we may judge from the freedom he takes with the utterances of Jesus and the bold...ness with which he takes a scene full of interest to every man with either Christian faith or Christian sentiment, and prosti...tutes it to the basest and most malignant partisan ends.

Horace Greeley and Satan are seen upon a mountain top. Satan is tempting him with the promises of a full possession of the riches that lie spread out before their vision. Underneath is written—"Get thee *not* behind me Satan."

Now is not that horrible? Not con...tent with dragging a sacred scene full of the tenderest interest, the blasphemous artist mutilates designedly the language of Scripture, and makes Satan say, "Get thee behind me Satan." Can it be possible that the radical press have no reverence for holy things, that they are so steeped in the gall of party animosity, and so controlled by a spirit of diabolism that they can see no wrong, no indecency in [illegible] in such cases? Caricature as succeed the Nasty are at. Whatever genius there may be in the picture cannot atone for the arrant bla...phemy of the whole execution. Eve y decent man should frown indignantly upo... such vulgar and improper caricatures. If the great democratic artist, Morgan, is ever guilty of coarsely travestying the life of the Lord Jesus Christ, we will be prompt to censure him as we are to denounce Harper's artist.

Query. Why will respectable, intelli...gent, true Southern people patronize Har...per? It is in many respects a disgrace to "civilization." It for years abused and caricatured the South and its people, and it is now the earnest ally and supporter of Grant, in his efforts to fasten a central...ized despotism upon the American peo...ple. How can any people opposed to Grant and his confederates in crime spare dollars in money for Harper? In doing so they only increase its power for evil.

SIGNIFICANT.

Guilford county has a population of 2,736 Halifax county a population of 24,408. Guilford county has 15,656 whites, and 6,080 colored. Halifax is divided, white 6,418, colored 13,990. If the same ratio of votes to population obtained in both of these counties, what ought to be the negro vote? In Guilford the whites preponderate over the blacks very much to the same extent that the blacks prepon...derate over the whites in Halifax. What then should be the vote? In Guilford by dividing the whole population 21,736, by the total vote polled at the last election, 3,640, we find that there was not quite one vote to every six of the popula...tion. How will this work in Halifax? Let us see. Halifax has 20,408 popula...tion. It polled 5,313 votes, or *one vote to less than every four of the population*. A...ference, it will be observed, of nearly *fifty per cent. in favor of Halifax*. Will any one pretend to say that more people can vote lawfully in Halifax according to population, than in Guilford? Only think of it—a county with a little more than 20,000 people voting 5,313, whilst a county with over 21,000 only voted 3,680, and yet the vote of the last county is thought to be full. How can this be accounted for? Were there not the most villainous frauds per...petrated?

The census gives the voting population of Halifax at 4,455. The vote was 5,313—858 more than the census takers could find.

There is certainly a vast difference in the voting ability of white and negro counties if no fraud has been committed. Is there not in the Halifax vote sufficient indications of fraud to excite very great suspicion, and ought such indications to pass unchallenged? There are many other counties whose record may turn out to be no better than that of Halifax.

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WARSAW, August 13th, 1872.

Messrs Editors:—I am only a little way from Sampson county and propose to let you know how it was we lost in the county. It was all owing to two democratic can...didates for Sheriff, who divided the vote and distracted the people. The two democratic candidates received between them 1700 votes. Clifton Ward a radical candidate received 1300 votes and was duly elected. This is a proper and de...served punishment not only on the two candidates but on the people of Sampson. We may look for a repetition of the same thing two years hence unless the people will in convention assemble and nominate a candidate. All Sampson wanted was discipline and organization. Even Dr. Murphy deservedly the most popular man of the county and one who has done most for it, fell short of the vote justly due him by reason of the family quarrel about the Sheriffalty of the county.

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Yours,

W.

GAMBLING AT SARATOGA.

Morrissey's Costly Residence—The People Who Resort There for Gaming.

From the Saratoga Correspondence N. Y. World.

Speculation, chance, betting, gambling (call it what you please) is, and has been for some time the amusement of the most...population here, and when they cannot vent their speculative energies on races, or pools, they expend it on poker or faro. Every facility is afforded them. There were never so many gambling houses in full blast as is the case at date. The Union Club House is closed, or used only as a lodging tender to the Union Hotel, but there is a large "hell" on the other side of the street, nearly opposite to it; there is another some where on Philadelphia street; there are several smaller "games" on Broadway. Above all there is the world famous establishment of John Mor...rissey—a man who cannot be omitted from any faithful account of Saratoga.

There is [illegible] exclusive manhattan John. He is prominent only on the race track, where he pre...serves the best of order; but the races over, he subsides. Now and then you may see him in the pool room; and evg and anon he walks through the club house; but he is generally invisible to the public eye, is usually low voiced, and for a man of his size, self buttoned, and never makes a needless show of himself, being in this respect the very opposite of the late James Fisk, Jr., and not the influ...ence exerted in New York by the latter in his life time was not a whit greater than now dispensed by John Morrissey in and about Saratoga, which place, by the by, is completely, though indirectly, under his control. He is the acting spirit of the races, he is consulted and confided in by the hotel interest. He is on the best of terms with the police, while he is universal...ly popular with the villagers, and is one of the largest real estate owners in the village. Call it [illegible] possible that the radical press have no reverence for holy things, that they are so steeped in the gall of party animosity, and so controlled by a spirit of diabolism that they can see no wrong, no indecency in [illegible] in such cases? Caricatures succeed the Nasty are at. Whatever genius there may be in the picture cannot atone for the arrant bla...phemy of the whole execution. Eve y decent man should frown indignantly upo... such vulgar and improper caricatures. If the great democratic artist, Morgan, is ever guilty of coarsely travestying the life of the Lord Jesus Christ, we will be prompt to censure him as we are to denounce Harper's artist.

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A HARD FATE.

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[illegible], S. C., August 8.—Comp...roll Nagle, of this State pub...lished [illegible] forth [illegible] last [illegible] levied [illegible] on the [illegible] Governor [illegible]

antheritics, it is said, intend to collect this tax, amounting to over $1,000 000, by September 15th next.

In a letter to Henry Clews & Co., New York, dated August 6, Governor Scott says that the interest on the State debt was not paid because of the excessive leg...islative expenses absorbed all the money in the treasury, and unless a special tax is levied and collected immediately, as urged, no interest can be paid before January next, when the regular tax now being levied will be received.

For the Sentinel

ALBEMARLE, Aug. 12, 1872.

Editors of the Sentinel:—In the Semi-Weekly SENTINEL of the 10th inst., Stan...ly county is recorded as having but 131 votes as compared with the election of 1870. Allow me to make the correction. The vote for Merrimon was 646 for Cald...well 364, a gain of 134 over the Stanly secured by fraud is a disgrace to the white men of North Carolina. I do not wish Stanly to bear a portion of the disgrace to which she is not justly entitled.

Yours,

A VOTER OF STANLY.

SOUTH STATE. The Democrats lock North Carolina, and the Grant Republi...can stole it from them, or, in better words what the Democracy won in a fair fight the tricksters executed out.

In [illegible] House of Rep...resentatives was impossible. There are too many men in them. The members of Congress were elected pretty fairly, be...cause each constituency had his own wants to [illegible], but electing a State, an idealistic, spiritualistic, a creation but on paper, was easier, we see.

The news from North Carolina, how...ever is, that when the Democratic Legis...lature is organized, it will find the stolen State, and put honest men there in pow...er.—*N. Y. Express*.

NORTH CAROLINA PILLAGE. The Grant...ites did not get much in North Carolina, and paid a high price for what was ob...tained. The Governor is a barren office, with [illegible] branches of the Legislature in the hands of the opposition. In the first [illegible] will elect an honest [illegible] United States Senator in the [illegible] seat, one of the most dis...gusting [illegible] that ever grovelled at the foot stool of power. He has been a steady enemy of North Carolina and the South and his defeat will be peculiarly gratifi...ing to the people in that section. In the next place the Legislature can examine into the election of Governor, and correct all fraud...ulent returns. It is alleged that Cald...well's majority is entirely fraudulent.—*Phil. Age*.

One of the most notable accessions to the Greeley party in North Carolina is that of Colonel William R. Myers, of Charlotte. Col. Myers is one of the few men in that State who, while acting with the Radicals, have never lost the respect and friendship of their Conservative friends. He has never approved of the outrageous legislation of his party by which the State has been so fearfully plundered, and has not hesitated to de...nounce it. His last Radical act, except perhaps, to vote for Caldwell, was to cer...tain Secretary Boutwell during his late visit to Charlotte. Colonel Myers, it is reported, will take the stump in Mecklen...burg county for the Liberal ticket.—*Rich Dispatch*.

Some time ago, at the instance of the Earl of Shaftesbury, a memorial was ad...dressed to the two English Archbishops, praying, that in future, the use of the Athanasian creed might be made option...al. This was most excessively sapped by many leading men of all branches of soci...ety. In reply to it, the Archbishops say, dish, under all circumstances, they are pre...pared to assent to the course recommend...ed, though it may have inconvenience and they hope, in conjunction with their brethren, to be able to meet the wishes of that large body of persons "who object to the solemn use of words which they re...gard as unauthorized, in their most ob...vious sense, either by the letter or the spirit of the Holy Scriptures," while pay...ing due attention to the legitimate scru...ples of those who, "through their zeal to maintain the truth as it has ever been taught by the Church of Christ, feel great anxiety respecting any change."

There has been another invasion of American soil by Mexican soldiers. An in...habitant of Texas was seized and carried into Mexico and his farm plundered. When does General Grant mean to take notice of such occurrences? When does he intend to put a sufficient force on the Rio Grande to make the Mexicans respect the flag and nationality of this country? Let a "Ring" spy, carpet bagger or scala...wag report that a few men in any of the Southern States are organizing to oppose the re-election of Gen. Grant, and soldiers are on the move at once, and citizens seized, maltreated and dragged to prison, if they are not butchered in cold blood on their way, by their captors. But no atten...tion is paid to invasions of our soil by Mex...ican soldiers or Mexican bandits.—*Phil. Age*.

The *Commercial* has the following char...acteristic item:

"Notice is hereby given that my wife, Annie E. Baird, has left my bed and board without sufficient cause or provoca...tion, and that all are cautioned against trusting her, as I will pay no debts of her contraction from and after this date.

STEPHEN D. BAIRD.

NOTE.

No bed or board as yet I've had
From Stephen D., or Stephen's dad,
But since the time that we were wed
Have furnished him with board and bed;
And for just cause, and provocation
Have cast him home to his relation.

MRS. ANNIE E. BAIRD.

GEN. MCCLURE, OF PENN.

This distinguished gentleman, it will be remembered, made some speeches in our State in the recent campaign, and rendered very efficient service. Among the places at which he spoke was Yancey...ville, and the good returns from that per...secuted village and the county of Caswell would indicate that his speech did much good. More than two weeks ago we re...ceived an interesting private letter from a distinguished and very eloquent gentle...man who heard Gen. McClure, but some...how in the press of duty we overlooked it. It affords us pleasure to copy the fol...lowing handsome tribute to the able Pennsylvanian:

YANCEYVILLE, July 29th, 1872.

My Dear K.:—Last Saturday we had a large gathering of our people (both white and [illegible] to hear [illegible] on the political issues now pending before the American people. He is a very attractive man in appearance, has a pleasant voice—is very intelligent, and for the purposes of the occasion, made the very best speech I ever heard in my life.

He consumed a little more than two hours in speaking—and was listened to by the large audience with the closest and most constant attention I ever saw given to any public speaker.

He certainly made a good impression on the colored people, and if they were not under the irresistable constraint of their vile teachers, (who act upon them through the medium of the leagues) I should certainly expect a large majority of them to vote with us on Thursday next and also in November. But swayed as they are, by the fears kept in constant operation upon them, by the bad men em...ployed for that purpose, I confess I ex...pect but little benefit from the great [illegible] of which he was not [illegible] the less entitled to our grateful [illegible] ...ions and we people of Caswell will ever cherish him in our "heart of hearts" for what he has essayed to do for us in the present momentous crisis.

For the Sentinel.

FORT DEAR, N. C., Aug. 13, 1872.

Hon. Josiah Turner, Raleigh,

DEAR SIR:—Will you please give notice in the Weekly edition of the SENTINEL, that the democrats and liberal republicans of Oak Grove Township will meet on Saturday, the 24th inst., for the purpose of organizing a Greeley and Brown Club?

Very respectfully,

THOMAS HICKS,
W. J. SCOTT,
J. J. FERRELL,
M. V. ROGERS,
DUNKIN GIBBS,
JOHN NICHOLS,
J. A. PASCHALL,
and others.

From the Washington correspondent of the Louisville *Courier Journal* we copy the following paragraphs:

[illegible] And here let me say that by investiga...tions in North Carolina convinced me that the negroes there are governed in their politics and will vote like sheep just as the carpet baggers tell them. Politically, they are to-day as much slaves as ever they were in service to their old masters. The difference is that whereas they were once owned by gentlemen they are now owned by as vile a set of thieves and scoundrels as ever disgraced the human form. This hold over them is aided by the machinery of the Union Leagues. They no longer [illegible] orders to apply the torch and they are not now en...couraged to the violation of women and the murder of white men, but there can be no doubt, from their late opera...tions in North Carolina, that the more respectable negroes who may dare to act with the Conservatives are to be in...timidated by violence and murder. The blacks are to be kept banded as a unit against the whites by coercion and vio...lence. If the whites were to organize for their protection they would be denounced as Kuklux and have a fair chance of be...ing sent by Judge Bond to the Albany penitentiary.

THE POWER OF THE FEDERAL GOVERN...MENT in North Carolina is immense. Go, every...where and you encounter their office ...olders. They are like the Egyptian plague of lice which darkened and cursed that rich and fertile land. Their power is great and it is all a political ma...chine. Take the Internal Revenue Bureau for instance. It comes home to nearly every man in North Carolina. There are thousands of men in that State ignorant of the minute and complex provisions of the laws upon whom these Federal officers can bring the screws to bear so as to extort money or votes, and these people all know that if they were accidentally tripped up, that however ignorant and innocent they may be, it will go hard with them if they are active against the administration, and easy enough if they go against the con...servatives. The kuklux and enforcement acts are used in the same way. You have a federal judge who is the most shameless partisan that ever disgraced the ermine—a creature as pitiless as Jeffries, but lack...ing his candor and open avowal of malig...nity; a federal marshal who has the right to pack a jury and other officers and hire...lings ready to make up the court "organi...zed to convict." Considering what I know of Judge Bond and of his minions and the law for selecting juries, I do not hesitate to say that a trial in his court is a mockery.

THE MERRIEST FARCE,

and that no man in North Carolina to day is safe.

SAUCE FOR THE GOOSE.—In 1870 the voters of Gates and Caswell both giving Conservative majorities, were both thrown out for informalities. It is probable that this year Ceasar will share the same fate. What was good sauce two years ago for Gates and Caswell ought to be quite good enough for Craven now.—Some have suggested that thanks be returned to the Board of County Commissioners for elect...ing Merrimon. We object for if they have elected our ticket as they most probably have, they deserve no thanks from us, since their action proceeded from their great anxiety to defeat Major Hughes. They will be entirely satisfied with the censuring they get from their Radical friends, when their result of their attempt...ted sharp practice shall have been fully known. To save less than one hundred votes for one candidate they have thrown away fifteen hundred and sixty-two votes for all their Candidates on the State ticket.—*Newberne Journal of Commerce*.

The Asheville Pioneer reports a street fight with pistols growing out of the election, and a difficulty between a coun...try gentleman and a colored employee, in which the gentleman's wife interfered in time to save the husband's life. The ne...gro was beating him over the head with a gun.

WIDENING THE GAUGE.—We learn that the gauge of the North Carolina Railroad will be widened from here to Charlotte sometime this fall and that trains will run through instead of breaking bulk and transfering passengers as now.—*Greensboro Patriot*.

On Thursday night, August the 8th some one fired into the bed chamber of Mrs. Josiah Turner. The assassin, at best is a loathsome creature, but when he loses his last spark of courage and man...hood and turns his cowardly hand against the wife of his enemy, he has indeed became a very "sink of sin, a compen...dium of human baseness." Henry Berry Lowrie is a nobleman when compared with him.—*Rob. Recorder*.

SUDDEN DEATH.—Johnny A. Hendrix, a youth about 17 years of age, while on a visit to his uncle, Mr. James E. Hen...drix, of this place, died very suddenly at 2 o'clock last Sunday morning.

The young man's parents live in Co...lumbia, S. C., from which place he start...ed a few days ago for Trinity College in this State, but finding that the session did not begin until the 14th inst., concluded to come to Hickory and spend the inter...vening time with his uncle.—*Hickory Tavern Eagle*.

AN ACCIDENT AND ITS CONSEQUENCES. We learn that H. E. Scott, Esq., Superin...tendent of the county Poor House, met with quite an accident on Saturday evening last. He was in the act of placing a rail on the fence when he accidentally stepped into an old well, which was over grown with grass and weeds, and of the [illegible] of which he was not [illegible] to the bottom, a distance of about 22 feet. There was about four feet of water in the well at the time. He was rescued apparently but slightly injured, but we regret to hear that he has since been taken quite ill, caused, it is presumed, by the accident to which we have re...ferred.—*Wil. Star*.

A SAD ACCIDENT.—Died suddenly in Caswell county, N. C., on Saturday, Aug 10th, 1872, Cara Reed, daughter of John B. and Mary E. Blackwell, aged three years five months and four days.

The circumstances attending the death of this lovely child were very sad. She in company with a negro child, younger than herself was walking down a lane, a short distance from the house to a place where the hands were threshing wheat. Some one had called to the driver that one of the bags of wheat was leaking. He turned round and looking at the bags while the mules were going forward did not discern the child until the wheel had passed over its body.

It is supposed that the children being so near the wagon became frightened and in attempting to run, Cara fell under the wheel. She lived about three hours.

ACCIDENT AT ROCKINGHAM.—A SWIN...DLING CONCERN.—During a performance of Deerfoot & Pierce's Indian show at Rockingham, [illegible] Saturday last, the seats suddenly gave way and came down with a crash, precipita...ting the crowd to the ground. Subse...quent investigation disclosed the fact that the leg of one gentleman had been broken and a lady had been badly injured. It is stated that this company, which is pro...nounced an outrageous humbug, stole everything they could lay hands on at Roch's Hotel in Lauringburg, which ena...bled them, with the proceeds, to pay the sufferers by the accident in Rockingham $500 damages, when they departed in the direction of Wadesboro'. A gentleman from Lilesville informs us that they pass...ed through that place about 11 o'clock on Sunday night, all drunk and yelling like demons.—*Wil. Star*.

The following are new mail routes which were established by act of the last Congress. We copy from the *Era* of the 6th inst:

NORTH CAROLINA.

From Troy to Carthage.

From Bower's Mills, via Rock Bridge, Allen's Store, and Caledonia, to Cuvier...ville.

From Catawba Vale, via Crooked Creek, Stone Mountain, Bear Wallow, and Blue Ridge, to Hendersonville.

From Asheville, via Burnsville, Bakers...ville, Boone and Jefferson, to Sparta.

From Hickory Tavern, via Dudley's Shoals, Brushy Mountain and Warrior Creek, to Wilkesboro'.

From Globe to Blowing Rock.

From Sparta to Independence, in Geor...gia.

From Catawba Station, via Young's Mills, Cline's Store, White Sulphur Springs, and Hickory Tavern, to Jeffer...son.

From Brown's Summit to Company Mills.

From Warm Springs to Spring Creek.

From Manteo to Cape Hatteras.

From Shoe Hill, via Montpelier, to Ed...inboro' Medical College.

Mr. J. C. Stutz, a worthy and highly respected German citizen of Petersburg, committed suicide on Sunday morning by drowning himself in the Appomattox river.

THE FAIR AND CATTLE SHOW AT CUL...PEPER COURT HOUSE.—We are told by the *Observer* that the Piedmont Agricultu...ral Society is now an institution, an estab...lished fact, and that the Agricultural Fair to be held there on the 15th October, is a foregone conclusion—a matter of positive and absolute certainty. The Executive Committee are working with a determined energy, and pushing forward their plans with as much dispatch as is consistent with sound discretion and judicious fore...cast. *Fredericksburg Herald*.

THE PIEDMONT AND POTOMAC RAIL...ROAD.—Col. Isaac D. Budd, of Loudon county, Va., the general superintendent of the Piedmont and Potomac Railroad Company, has a large corps of engineers at work in the Blue Ridge mountains, who are making a careful survey and ex...amination of Thornton's Gap, Beahm's Gap, Milan's Gap, Brown's Gap, and Swift Run Gap, with a view of ascertaining the most practicable and feasible point of passing the ridge from the east to the Page valley country. It is proposed by the company, if possible, to reduce the grade, going east, thirty feet to the mile, which accounts for the careful surveying and thorough engineering which has been made. A tunnel, nearly a mile in length, will have to be constructed, and the nature of the road is such that a heavy expenditure will be required. It is estimated that the cost will be nearly $6,000,000.—*Washington Patriot*.

THE ELECTION—JUDGE MERRI...MON, HIS DUTY.

The indications now are that Caldwell has received a small nominal majority in the State.

We say "nominal majority," for the reason that we do not believe that he has received an actual majority of the legal votes cast.

We are still of the opinion that it will be necessary to have the officials returns be...fore anything definite can be ascertained. Under all circumstances, and counting all the fraudulent votes cast, the vote is an exceedingly close one.

We do not by any means, however, ad...mit that all the votes cast were legal votes. Far from it. We are informed that in Brunswick county, at one precinct, there were eighty votes cast that were not registered.

At one precinct in this county, we learn that one if not two negro military com...panies marched with arms to the polls.

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We are informed also, that others were registered after sun down before the elec...tion, in plain violation of the letter of the law.

At other places the votes cast exceeded the number of voting population, as shown by the last census. Nor are these all the evidences of fraud.

In addition to fraud, intimidation was freely resorted to. After Greeley's elec...tion witnesses will neither fear nor hes...tate to make full disclosure of the force and intimidation practiced upon them.

In view, therefore, of all the facts, we demand that Judge Merrimon shall con...test the election of Governor Caldwell be...fore the next legislature.

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We do demand, however, if he was legally elected, that we shall not be cheat...ed out of our victory.

We repeat that we do not speak from mere temper or sarcasm or passion, but from a settled determination to have the matter judicially determined.

The Constitution of the State makes it the duty of the Legislature to decide all cases of contested elections for Governor and other officers on the State ticket, un...der such rules and regulations as it may prescribe.

We now, therefore, formally demand of Judge Merrimon and the other candidates on the State ticket, to contest formally the election of their Radical opponents, so that the Legislature may take the proper steps in the premises.

We demand this in the name of the Constitution and laws of North Carolina, and of the Constitution and laws of the United States, and we call upon the press of the State to unite with us in the demand, and also to unite with us in calling upon our friends in parts of the State to gather up and put upon record the evidences of fraud that now every...where abound.

We intend that this thing shall be sift...ed to the bottom.—*Wil. Journal*.

DEATH OF A VENERABLE AND DISTIN...GUISHED GENTLEMAN.—Mr. Joseph Mayo died in this city yesterday morning at the advanced age of seventy-six years. He was born in Powhatan, came to this city at an early age, and here had been in the public service in various important stations until near the close of his long life. For thirty years he was prosecuting attorney for the city—then a member of the Legislature for Richmond—then Mayor of the city and *ex officio* presiding jus...tice of the Hustings Court for sixteen years. For nearly half a century he was employed in some important public ser...vice, in all of which he was faithful and efficient. He was one of the best crimi...nal lawyers at the Richmond bar, and author of that book so valuable to jus...tices, notaries, clerks of courts, &c—*Mayo's Guide*. Socially and pro...fessionally Mr. Mayo was an extraordi...nary man. He had been in life intimate with some of the greatest men of the times, and was respected alike for his pro...fessional acquirements and his fine social qualities. He preserved throughout life the bearing and tone of the gentleman of the "early days," and always maintained a high degree of popularity as a public man. His genial and warm heart made him one of the kindest of men, and one of the best and most faithful of friends. For devotion to duty, for promptness and for industry, his example was eminently worthy of emulation.

Socially, it touches a tender cord, this going off the stage of this venerable gentleman. It breaks another of the few remaining links which unite the present generation with the days that are past, and which were so full of all that digni...fies human nature and ennobles the senti...ments and impulses of man. There are but few of these links left.—*Richmond Dispatch*.

LYNCHBURG AND DANVILLE RAILROAD. The Alexandria *Gazette* learns from Mr. Benjamin Pendall, an engineer on the Lynchburg and Danville Railroad, the Southern prolongation of the Orange, Al...exandria and Manassas Railroad, that the grading and masonry of that road will be completed by the first of next December, and that trains will probably be running over its entire length three months after...wards—the first of the following March.

Southeim, the leading tenor of Germany, has retired from the stage.

General Leopold del Re, a personage who played a conspicuous part at the Court of the Bourbons of Naples has re...cently died in Rome.

John A. Coleman, of Providence, has received a check for about $3,000 from the New York and New Haven Railroad Company, being the amount of damages awarded, after four years' litigation, for ejectment from the train, he offering for his fare at the time a coupon ticket.

Whymper, the distinguished Alpine climber, has just had two canoes built for use in Greenland explorations. One of them is driven by a screw propeller at an average speed of three and a quarter, weighs only 80 pounds, including her machinery, and affords good sleeping accommoda...tions, though only fourteen feet long.