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HONOR FOR OFFICE.

It is understood that the Head Centres and leaders of the Radical party in the North Carolina have given out that all the offices of the State, big or little, are to be filled only by those who wear the Radical ticket. What is to become of those already elected on the Radical ticket, both for State and county officers, who did not vote the Radical ticket in the late election? There are some who did not vote it, and yet were elected by Radical votes. Indeed, we apprehend that almost the only men who are really competent to fill the places to which they have been elected by Radical votes in the State, are Conservative men. Besides some Conservatives have been elected by Conservatives.

We regret, that the condition of any Conservative in the State, places him in circumstances which force upon him the position of office. The identification of any man with the Radical party in this State, is a punishment and a degradation for which the penitentiaries of office cannot pay. It is indeed a hardship that any man should be compelled to sacrifice principle for bread.

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If the Radicals could fill all the offices of the State even decently, we should not grieve if they apply the party screws rigidly, but the material interests of the State will suffer severely at many points in Radical hands; and the purveyors of office cannot pay. It is indeed a hardship that any man should be compelled to sacrifice principle for bread. It may be so from sheer compulsion.

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If justice and right were all that every man sought, we should have no use for judicial tribunals presided over by men who know little of law or of justice either.

STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The discouragements of the times and the pecuniary difficulties of the people, have well-nigh destroyed entirely the ardor of agriculturists in that important organization, the State Agricultural Society. We regret this. If such an association was ever a necessity in this State, it is far more important at the present time.

The agricultural interests of North Carolina can never be protected and improved, until systematic regular field labor is resorted to, and until some system is established in regard to time, price, &c. If the labor in the State cannot be regulated and brought under proper control, we must have labor that can be; otherwise agriculture must in a great measure be abandoned. The most efficient agency for the regulation of the whole master, is the organization of an Agricultural Association in each county, under proper regulations, all of which should be auxiliary to the State Society.

The good to result from such organizations either in systematizing the labor we already have in procuring what is needed, is incalculable. There is much said about immigration and the introduction of foreign labor, through the agency of Immigration Societies, but until we are prepared for such efforts by properly organized societies in all the counties, operating through a State Agricultural Association, but little permanent good can be effected.

We call the attention of our plotters to this subject very early, in order that the matter may be discussed, and that the efforts of all who are interested in the matter may be directed to the early reorganization of the State and county Societies. We invite discussion in these columns.

PITTS COUNTY AFFAIR.—It is stated that there were no females injured in any way in the late Carney affair in Pitt County. All the facts we possess will be brought out by an investigation into the tragical affair, which we suppose will be had. The Carneys appear to have been desperate men and had made themselves amenable to arrest and punishment. The impression seems to be that they might have been arrested without endangering the lives of innocent persons and destroying property.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.—The District Court of the United States, Dr. Hopper, Gen. W. Brooks, Judge, will commence its regular session in the Court House, in the custom house building, to-morrow (Tuesday morning). Much important business will be brought forward this term.—*Advertiser.*

TRUCK FARMING.

Immense sums of money have been made in late years, upon small investments in land, manure, &c., around Norfolk and Portsmouth, Virginia, by raising vegetables, early fruits and planting of vineyards. The business is largely followed, in Norfolk, Princess Anne, Newbern and Isle of Wight counties, and recently this business has been extending into this State on the line of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad and also the Raleigh and Gaston.

We learn that the truck and fruit-farms which have been started on the Wilmington and Weldon Road are promising good results.

We learn that a good beginning has been made in Halifax and Warren counties. Parties are now engaged in arranging for extensive peach orchards in Warren. We learn that that enterprising man, Col. J. M. Heck, is encouraging this movement and Col. Frampton of Wilmington has contributed largely in promoting this scheme on the Wilmington road.

The demand for early fruits and vegetables in the North in cities is enormous, exceeding perhaps the produce of these areas for years to come, and the prices are such as to encourage very large competition. Early strawberries are sold to sit at \$2 per quart in New York, and we have heard of a gentleman in Surry County, Va., whose June apple crop last year was estimated at \$18,000.

The improvements which have been made in late in the preservation of fruits and vegetables, in the manner of packing and the facilities afforded by the Railroads and Steamers for their prompt and quick delivery, enable the truck and fruit planter to do a fine business.

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ALLEGED FRAUDS IN THE CASWELL ELECTION.—The *Daily Times* gives the following particulars in regard to the alleged frauds in the election in Caswell. We hope that Gen. Canby will require something else besides expert statements and affidavits. Both sides should be fully heard, and we hope the Conservatives of Caswell will ask for strict and impartial justice in this matter. The *Times* says:

The Freedman's Bureau agent from Caswell, N. C., was in Roanokeville last Wednesday, taking the depositions of negroes with regard to alleged frauds in the election. Several gentlemen, feeling a deep interest in the result, went into the court house to see what was done, but they were invited out—everybody who had a white skin, except Stevens, the candidate on the Radical ticket who was defeated. He was allowed to remain. The depositions of all that bad rogues and rascals who had been disfranchised for crime, were taken, to prove that it was not a fair election.

When night came, he adjourned from the court house to Stevens' house, and there they sat on their diagonal work until a late hour of the night.

We such proceedings ever tolerated before in any civilized government? To what length will our examiner go? God grant that the day may come when the Democrats of the North will get the power. It will be a glorious day for us.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The people of the Old North State have our most profound sympathy in their affliction.

Absolute ruin now stalks the noble people of North Carolina in the face.

How the majority was manufactured, by which they were defeated, we have had no time to learn. Masters in the arts of chicanery and fraud had charge of the election. The same persons, in many cases, acted as registrars, poll-keepers and candidates, and the result, as declared, is a majority for the odious "constitution."

May God, in his infinite mercy, soon send deliverance to the people of that noble State.

And may the lessons taught as by the election there, be carefully pondered over and laid to heart.

The man who is lukewarm in such an emergency as that now upon us will bring a lasting disgrace on himself and his descendants.—*North Carolinian.*

ALTA VELA BIRCHAM, BUTLER & CO.

The exposure of the part taken by Butler, Bircham, Stevens and Logan, in the big Alta Vela speculation of a million or more, by urging a forcible seizure of the island of the President, in a letter dated the 9th of March, after impeachment had commenced and notice had been served on the President to answer at the bar of the Senate, has produced a great sensation in the Senate and in the community. These ardent impeachers, who had assigned the President on the most trivial pretexts, were the men who urged him, during the session of Congress, to commit an act of war, the power to do which belongs to Congress alone and that entirely for the advancement of pecuniary interests. The dates and circumstances of this transaction—the withdrawal of Judge Black from the cause after having accepted that position and confided with those who are still acting; and that Col. Schaff, for one of the attorney's for this monstrous claim, was chief of "battled up" Butler's staff; the signatures of these four Managers to the paper and those of other Radical chiefs, have all conspired to produce unusual excitement here. The question is asked naturally enough, if the President had yielded to this indecent pressure of the four Managers, by making way to recover the claim which they favored so strongly would he have been pursued with the rancoar that he has been? Does not his refusal to lend the government to this speculation explain the motive of the persecutors?

What is thought of the men who, placed as these Managers are toward the President and claiming to represent "all the people of the United States," should witness with a portion of this kind, in the cause of a person or a threat, on the eve of his trial? These are the virtuous Managers who are so indignant about the President's alleged indomitable and wise prudence about defense, honor and integrity. The impudent Butler, Bircham, Stevens and Logan, all of whom contributed more or less to some of whom, like Stevens, were the active engineers of the Pacific Railroad swindle, which Washburn, a brother radical and equally virtuous when his own interests are involved, has since declared to be the most deplorable spectacle ever witnessed in the House of Representatives. When the galleries were packed with male and female lobbyists and the seats of members were invaded by the constant importlings of that job, who came in to second the patriotic exertions of their friends on the floor, this dirty transaction deserved to take its place in the same annals, and to enhance still further the exceptional reputation of Butler and his associate Managers.—*Ward Corves, N. Y. Herald.*

THE IMPEACHMENT TRIAL.

It will be seen that Mr. Bingham commenced on yesterday his speech. This is the last speech in the trial. After he concludes, the Senate will probably discuss the matter a day or two and then will come the decision. Excitement seems to be quite high in Washington and the telegram announces that bills are being made in favor of impeachment three to one. This fact discloses a singular state of things.

The President is arraigned on a charge of high crimes and misdemeanors—a charge which is not sustained by the specifications and which the impeachers failed to prove in every instance. There is hardly a pretense set up now, that the President has violated either any law or the Constitution, while his counsel have clearly shown, that the President violated no law and that what he did was in defense and support of the Constitution. The conviction and removal of the President is caused by the Radicals, chiefly upon the ground that it is a public necessity, by which it is understood, that they deem it a party necessity.

If the people of the United States have deliberately made up their minds to surrender the Constitution of the Republic, and with it, their liberties and government, we must quickly submit to the conviction of the President, and of course will submit to what may follow; but if there is virtue enough left in the land, and any love for the Constitution, the conviction of Andrew Johnson will seal the doom of the Radical party. One or the other must fall, either a free constitutional government is doomed or the Radical party. May Heaven defend the right.

CALIFORNIA.—The Richmond *Whig*, after noticing the rapidity with which California and the West are filling up with emigrants, very properly says that the inducements offered by the Southern States, so far as good cheap lands are concerned, render the South more desirable than any new State.

California is rapidly filling up with immigrants from the Atlantic States. The exceedingly low fares, caused by the competition of the rival lines of steamers to California, it is said, are flooding San Francisco with more people than can find employment, and the newspapers of that city are beginning to complain of the rapidly increasing surplus of population. They say trade is dull, wages low and provisions high, and that persons of limited means, who are able to raise the money to get out there, find themselves unable to get back. They deny also that San Francisco is any longer a "new country," in the sense of needing fresh immigration. As it is with California, so it is with the West. The most attractive field to immigration now, whether from the Northern States or Europe, is undoubtedly the South. Here more can be had, with less inconvenience, and with greater future advantages, than in any new country. In fact, in our present condition, we present to the immigrant the combined advantages of new and old.

Those from the ranks of the people there are some who say that Stevens and Butler to impeach these impostors for maladministration in a thousand ways, obstructing trade, commerce, agriculture, manufactures, education, every human interest in the nation, rather the law's due and the innocence of office will stay proceedings in their judgment. This is the Radical answer and it does not baffle the lives and destroy property.

THE LWIN-MOWBRAY.—Two of Dume's devils were named, as translated into English, "Dirty Dog" and "Foul Mouth." There are two American devils that those names fit—one is Forney, the other Bass Butler. These two wretched fil-tholes in the politics of the country from which every man of any pretensions to honesty and decency recedes. Butler has more than fit to say, but it would be impossible for him to be more unscrupulous. Butler may be easily likened to that contemptible scoundrel by the famous Falstaff Rascal, which was described as "half hog and half hell."—*Richmond Whig.*

THE DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATURE OF OHIO have resolved to remain in session until the impeachment trial is ended, in order that they may fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of Mr. Wade. —*Advertiser.*

TABULAR STATEMENT.

ELECTION DISTRICTS.	Average Republican Votes.	Average Conserv. Votes.	For Committee.	Against Committee.	Repub. Gain.	Conserv. Gain.
Barks and McDowell,	1,924	430	1,449	1,124	539	132
Polk and Rutherford,	1,422	81	1,265	560	111	111
Mitchell and Vancey,	692	236	—	—	—	—
Bennett, Madison,	1,200	695	1,141	1,141	1,181	1,181
LELAND, S. C., AND	2,300	695	1,424	1,424	—	—
Transylvania,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Jackson and Haywood,	602	537	—	—	397	397
Cherokee, Clay, and	609	374	—	—	—	—
Macon,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Allegany, Ashe,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sheriff, Madison and	1,000	935	—	—	—	—
Washington,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Alexander, Caldwell,	3,008	1,400	—	—	1,754	—
Lodell and Wilkes,	2,008	1,400	—	—	1,754	—
Ross and Darke,	1,024	1,121	—	—	1,120	—
Chesterfield,	630	693	—	—	630	—
Catskill,	438	399	1,058	—	447	—
Lincoln,	573	386	15	—	152	—
Gaston,	785	159	201	—	630	—
Mockingbird,	3,473	918	1,923	1,923	3,473	—
Union,	575	349	16	—	226	—
Catawba,	859	463	224	—	630	—
Stanly,	417	278	389	389	417	—
Asheville,	2,119	633	290	290	2,119	—
Stokes,	526	111	283	283	526	—
Forsyth,	802	120	1,204	1,204	802	—
Davidson,	996	238	—	—	996	—
Randolph,	1,177	362	—	—	1,177	—
Guilford,	1,209	116	—	—	1,209	—
Rockingham,	748	234	1,413	1,413	748	—
Caswell,	1,111	334	—	—	1,111	—
Alamance,	789	648	15	15	789	—
Person,	692	708	283	283	692	—
Orange,	1,147	1,241	550	550	1,147	—
Chowan,	1,741	554	—	—	1,741	—
Wake,	3,961	1,818	9,380	9,380	1,961	—