

THE SENTINEL
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THE UNIVERSITY
There are many pleasant reminiscences of this long-remembered institution, ever to be forgotten. Many of the best and ablest men of this and other States remember its classic walls with a tender affection. They would rejoice to see their Alma Mater tower high above all others, with new strength and vigor, blessing the land and imparting upon the intellects and affections of the youth of the country her lessons of wisdom and virtue.

THE NEW CONSTITUTION
The new Constitution in Article IX, Sec. 5, says, "The University of North Carolina, with its lands, emoluments and franchises, is under the control of the State and shall be held to an inseparable connection with the Free Public School system of the State."

THE UNIVERSITY CONTINUED
But neither can this: The new Constitution, without regard to their chartered rights, the present Board of Trustees of the University. The Board of Education shall elect Trustees for the University on a given plan according to section 12.

THE UNIVERSITY CONTINUED
We have always understood that the Board of Trustees of the University was a corporation with a common seal, etc. If so, they certainly have chartered rights and a succession, to be continued in a certain way. Is it within the province of a regular State Convention authorized according to our organic law and republican forms, to break up and amend a charter? We do not know the precise character of the Trustees of the University as a corporate body, or that there is anything in their investment differing from other corporations, but it seems to us that their right of succession cannot be invalidated and rendered null, even by the people themselves, so long as the trustees perform their duties, until the charter expires. We know that extravagant ideas of the power of Conventions have grown up of late in the country. It is contended by some that they are omnipotent. We admit no such teaching. Conventions called without express limitation, according to the organic law of a State, are assumed in American politics, to be capable of doing everything that the people would do, in present and acting. This we hold to be correct. But there are some things that the people cannot do. For instance, the people of North Carolina can do nothing legitimately which violates the Constitution of the United States. This the people of North Carolina bound themselves never to do when they ratified the Constitution of the United States. Hence we always held that secession was an invalid, illegitimate act, though a revolutionary right, and hence nugatory and void, unless made good by successful revolution. The people of North Carolina cannot, without violating the Constitution of the United States, pass any law, organic or statutory, "impairing the obligation of contracts." Now we do not certainly know, that there is anything in the character of the Trustees of the University peculiar and differing from other corporations. A charter is always understood to be of the nature of a "contract," and heretofore nothing has been considered more binding than a charter, a contract made between the State and other parties, for certain purposes specified, and that nothing but malfeasance or misfeasance in office or some breach of trust or duty, could work a forfeiture of the charter or rights and powers conveyed by it. If this be so, could the people of North Carolina decide to nullify the contract made years ago between the State and the Trustees of the University, unless it could be first shown that they had violated the charter or until it expired by limitation?

DECLARED BANKRUPT.—In the Southern District of New York, thirteen hundred petitions in bankruptcy have been filed. Of this number only 800 have been granted a discharge by Judge Blatchford.

The "Union White Boys in Blue" is the expressive name of an organization which has been formed by the Conservative soldiers and sailors in Indiana.

VIRGINIA STATE CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION
This body met at Richmond on Thursday last. Thirty-three Candidates were represented. Hon. John B. Baldwin, of Augusta, was chosen President. In his speech he said, "that the Convention was assembled to endeavor to save the life of Virginia, by defeating a Constitution which was a galling disgrace." After appointing a Committee, the Convention adjourned till eight.

CONSERVATIVE CONTINUED
At eight the Convention adopted resolutions that candidates be selected who adhere to the Constitution of the United States, with the honor of Virginia, and without reference to their ability to take the iron clad oath. Also authorizing the appointment of delegates to the National Democratic Convention.

CONSERVATIVE CONTINUED
Several names were then put in nomination, including Hon. A. H. Stuart, Robt. E. Withers, and others, without balloting. The Convention adjourned to meet again on Friday.

"GONE HOME."
We understand the Governor-elect has declined going to Washington City. "Would it have been a good or bad idea for the entire Radical State ticket to have gone on a body? We should have been glad for the Congress to have formed the acquaintance of the entire office to whom the interests of the State have been confided. Especially ought such men as Mr. Sumner, Mr. Trumbull, Beveridge, Johnson, Messrs. Hingham, Boutwell, Steves and Butler, get acquainted with the eminent judicial lights of the present North Carolina Bench, such as U. C. Pool, Judges Jaylorn Jones, Tourgee, Dan Russell, Sam Watts, and Judges Logan, Henry, Cannon and others. It would be a good cure for the ague and fever, to hear them taken through a course of sprouts by such lawyers as Pender, Trumbull, Johnson, etc."

HONORABLE GREELEY SAYS
For young men who are worth \$1,000 each, regard Virginia, Tennessee, and the Carolinas, as very inviting. Twenty such may buy for \$10,000 an estate large enough to cut up into twenty good farms, and then have half of their money left for improvement, etc. By settling together and cherishing a fraternal spirit, they may diminish by one-half the amount they must otherwise invest in teams, implements, etc. We advise no poor young men to migrate South alone; but let twenty to forty go together, buy an estate judiciously located, cut it up into a store, a blacksmith shop, a common school, etc., and they will double the value of their purchase in one year, and have good circumstances within ten years. There are as cheap lands and as good chances to-day in the South as in the West; but a man worth \$100 may squat in the West on a quarter section in some section remote from present settlements, and grow into a corn patch; whereas we could advise no one to migrate Southward with less than \$500, while he goes alone and settles among utter strangers, he will need far more than that.

Vicious as old Greeley's politics are and have been, there are yet some good streaks in him. In the above he tells the simple truth, and gives some good advice.

THE NORFOLK VIRGINIAN SAYS
"Since the election in North Carolina, large numbers of negroes have poured into Norfolk. By each canal boat and schooner that arrives these loyal voters come, and we must look to the next registration."

THE NORFOLK VIRGINIAN CONTINUED
John W. Thomas.—Some of the friends of John W. Thomas, as an eminent, are disappointed over the result of his trial in the last number of the Patriot on his trial, as calculated to do him injustice and prejudice him in public estimation. We are sure we have no ill will against him, and would be very far from doing him any injustice, knowingly. In fact, the greatest portion of that article was signed at a very gross crime which we believe has been no exception in our country, rather than charging Mr. Thomas with being guilty of it.

CONSCIENCE AND CANDOR IN THE SENATE
It is a time since the impeachment trial has been so much depressed and uncertainty among its advocates, and so much hopefulness and security among its opponents, as now, when the case is about closed. It is understood that several Senators have prepared careful and elaborate opinions against conviction, and among them as said to be Senator Fessenden, who is not prepared to go on the record as convicting a President on such testimony and such law as have been prepared by the prosecution. This confirms the opinion to which we have already adhered, that Mr. Johnson would be undisturbed in his functions as Chief Magistrate.—Washington Express.

IMPEACHMENT CONTINUED
A MESSAGE OF WITNESS, will be held in Oxford on Saturday 9th inst. (to-morrow) for the purpose of printing a thorough organization, and to take such steps as may be necessary for their own protection, and for the oversight of the negro, amalgamation—disgusting concern that has been picked up by a miserable radicalism, within our borders. Let us have a full meeting. The line has been drawn—the gauntlet has been thrown—and now, necessity requires that we should at once prepare for the reaction that will present itself, to shake from us the galling and degrading yoke that by a unanimous indignity, has been forced upon us. There is no neutral ground now—no halting between two opinions. We must either be fish or fowl. A man who will not come out in such an emergency, and show his colors, is no friend to us, he is a secret enemy. If that is not for us, must be against us.—Henderson Index.

RECOVERING.—The many friends of the Rev. Chas. F. Deems, formerly of North Carolina, and now in charge of a Methodist church in the city of New York, will be pleased to learn that he is rapidly convalescing from his recent sickness, and has already resumed his ministerial duties.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS
AUCTION SALE, Saturday, May 9th. WILL BE SOLD AT TOWLE'S AUCTION, to commence at 10 o'clock: One good mule, sound and well conditioned. One two-horse team, heavy and well conditioned. One lot of wagon and harness, and household articles. A variety of Merchandise and Ready-made Clothing. Also four dozen bottles prime Blackberry Wine. JAS. M. TOWLE, Auctioneer.

NOTICE
OFFICE CHATHAM R. B. COMPANY, Raleigh, May 6, 1896. CERTIFICATES OF STOCK in the Chatham R. B. Company, conforming to the regulations adopted by the late Stockholders' meeting, have been prepared, and will be delivered to the stockholders by W. W. VASCO, May 6-11. Body and Treat.

Candles, Candles. FINEST BOXES ADAMANTINE CANDLES. For sale by UPCHURCH & DODD, May 5-11.

MASSON'S BROS. Blacking. FINEST GLOSS SHOE BLACKING. For sale by UPCHURCH & DODD, May 5-11.

STARCH, Starch. TWENTY BOXES PEARL STARCH. For sale by UPCHURCH & DODD, May 5-11.

Soup, Soup. TWENTY BOXES ROSE SOAP. For sale by UPCHURCH & DODD, May 5-11.

Powder, Powder. A LOT OF FINE RIFLE POWDER, Water-proof Gun and Muzzle Caps, etc. For sale by UPCHURCH & DODD, May 5-11.

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