

THE SENTINEL

LOCAL DEPARTMENT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 1862.

DEATH OF HON. DAVID L. SWAIN.

A telegraphic dispatch was received in this city, on yesterday afternoon, announcing the death, at his residence in Chapel Hill, at 9 o'clock the same morning, of the Hon. David Lowry Swain. But a few hours before the mournful intelligence was communicated to us, we had been shown, by the Hon. D. M. Barringer, a letter from Dr. Phillips, written at the request of Gov. Swain, in which he indicated strong hopes of his recovery. On Wednesday, Gov. Swain sat up and spoke cheerfully of his prospects of soon getting well—an anticipation, alas! so soon dashed as to be truly sad by its evidences. It will be recalled that Gov. Swain and Prof. Foster, while riding out together, about a fortnight since, were thrown from a carriage and severely hurt, though no bones were broken. That accident, coupled, we fear, with Gov. Swain's deep and anxious concern and a sorrow at the fate of the great institution over which he had so long and ably and faithfully presided, hastened the affliction which we here announce.

Gov. Swain was a remarkable man. No son of the State was more jealous of her honor, more careful of her interests, more proud of her history, or so conversant with her annals. Few men in the Union were distinguished for greater and more useful versatility of attainments, more vigorous intellect, more lofty patriotism, and no man, anywhere, for more conspicuous probity of private and public character. It may be said, with all the emphasis of perfect truth, that a "great and good man has fallen." We cannot pretend, in this brief announcement, even to attempt to do justice to the eminent loss which North Carolina has sustained. It will be the subject of regretful public demonstration throughout the State, and his character and services will be the theme of eulogy, not only in home, but National circles. The thousands of citizens—some of them in the highest stations in the country—scattered over the Union, who have, in the years that are gone, enjoyed the benefit of his wise counsels and affectionate instruction, will hear of his demise with a feeling of affliction akin to that with which one hears of the loss of a father. One by one, the great lights which have illumined our dear old *mother* State, in the past, are being extinguished—making all the more intense the gloom over which we are at present surrounded.

Without any of the advantages of birth or fortune, Gov. Swain rose to positions of honor and distinguished usefulness; and it may truly be said of him that he was always equal to any responsibility devolved upon him. He was born in Buncombe on the 4th of January, 1801, and was consequently in the 61st year of his age. He studied law with Judge Taylor, in Raleigh, who predicted for him, though he was then but an undevoted and awkward country boy, the eminence he afterwards attained. Admitted to the Bar, in 1823, he was successively some few years after, elected a member of the Legislature, a solicitor and Judge. In 1822 he was elected Governor of the State, which office he filled for three years. During the last year of his Gubernatorial term, he was elected President of the University, the honorables and elevated duties of which he continued to discharge, with illustrious fidelity and ability, until the present State authorities closed the doors of the University of North Carolina against him and his respected and faithful associates a few weeks since. His last moments were saddened by the spectacle of the University, which he loved and whose affairs he had so signalized, under charge of a military guard.

We trust that some competent pen will furnish our column with a suitable tribute to the memory of this most excellent and eminent man, a son to his honored sires.

New Amherstensis. Jas. R. Grist, Asst., will sell all the Real Estate of the late Allen Grist in Beaufort county, at the Court House door in Washington, on the second Monday in October.

FAMILY SHOW. Sugar-cured Strips and Caviar Ham, Fox Liver, and Choice Teas: Douglas Bell.

First-rate Piano and Guitar for sale. W. H. Jones & Co.

BANTING IMPERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS. Ivory Types, Literary Photographs, colored in oil, &c. Mrs. Weston, Raleigh.

Teacher wanted to take charge of a limited School at Newton Grove, N. C.—Address Dr. Jno. C. Monk, at that Post Office.

Norfolk Female Institute. A Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies: Rev. Edwin Green, Principal. Mr. Geet is so well and favorably known in North Carolina, that we are sure we need not commend his eminent qualifications for the position which he occupies. His advertisement.

HANDSOME ESTABLISHMENT.—We are pleased to inform that the large and elegant Store, one Fayetteville Street, situated Tucker Hall, belonging to A. L. Longer, Esq., is now completed. It is leaving out its big windows on the North, the handsomest store in the City,—having an iron front, monumental windows etc. The interior is fitted up in the highest style of improvement. The carpentering has been executed in a most skillful and workmanlike manner by Messrs. Atkins and Will, and the painting and decoration by Clowson, who has no superior in the art of embellishment.

The Store, rooms, upper stories, are occupied by the well-known firm of R. B. Atchison & Co., Clothiers, who took possession on Wednesday. Enlarged rooms will enable them to extend their already very large business, and they will soon present an establishment which will have few, if any, equals South of the Northern cities. Mr. Atchison, the resident partner, is famous for his taste and enterprise, and is to be highly esteemed.

HISTORY RECAPITULATING.—Sawarrow, when the streets of Warsaw were silent with the slaughter of heretics, made a deposit to the Emperor.

"Order reigns in Warsaw."

King Louis Philippe, after crushing the Republic of France under his heel, says:

"All Empire is at peace."

Grant, after a final chapter of American history, announces his intention to come dictated, or—

"Let us have peace."

new store, under his energetic direction, will, indeed, be an Emporium of fashion, which will be the resort of all who want something extra in the "fitting-up" line.

The basement rooms are to be occupied as a Barber-shop, and are to be tenanted, we learn, by a white Barber, with white assistants.

CASWELL AROUSED.—There was a grand Democratic Barbecue and Rally at Yanceyville on the 21st. There was a very large crowd of people in attendance. That veterans and distinguished gentleman, Giles Mobane, Esq., presided. A Seymour and Blair Band was formed, when every white man present, and twenty-four colored men, came forward and enrolled their names as members. The Barbecue was fine and bountiful. Speeches were made by Colonel F. B. Withers, Mr. Hodnett, and Hosa. Giles Mobane and Bedford Brown, and also by Stephen Stagg, George Blodow and David Hunt, sensible and worthy colored men. Jesse C. Griffith, Esq., was Marshall of the Day.

The Danville Times, from which we make the foregoing extract, says:

"Caswell is all right. Every white man in the county, with the exception of two or three scalawags, will vote for Seymour and Blair, and one-half the negroes. Caswell is a glorious old county."

GOOD NEWS FROM THE MOUNTAINS.—A friend, writing us from Asheville, under date of the 21st, says: "There is a change going on in this country, which is more and more apparent, daily, and I believe that we shall carry this county by 300 majority. Haywood county is doing wonders. Two precincts, which gave 50 Radical majority at the late election, have not now twenty Radicals in them."

FAYETTEVILLE EAGLE.—This paper is now a semi-weekly, and starts with good promise of success. It is a live paper, and the editor, M. J. McSween, Esq., better known as "Long Gras," of the old *Observer*, has our best wishes. By the way, we should have preferred the old name, "Fayetteville Observer." Its prestige would command it to the people of the State.

OUR CONTEMPORARY.—The Weldon News, fairly glitters with good tidings from the Roanoke country. The people seem to be thoroughly aroused to the great importance of the contest before us. By the way, we take occasion to commend our friend Stone's paper as an able, sprightly and earnestly in the good cause.

THE VANDALS AT WORK.—We learn that the fine dwelling of Mr. Bullock, near Williamson's, in Granville county, with nearly all its contents, was consumed by fire, some night last week.

On Monday night last, the fine Merchant Mill of Dr. Alex. Hawkes, of Warren county, was burned to the ground.

Both were the work of incendiaries.

THE RADICAL THE WAR PARTY.—No man is better informed of the designs of the Radical party than Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks, of Indiana. In his canvas for Governor of that State, (election in October,) in a speech he delivered elsewhere, at Princeton, Ind., he showed some of the principles of the War party.

COLFAX AGAINST NEGRO SUFFRAGE.—In his speech out in Colorado the other day Colfax declared himself *opposed to negro suffrage*—no doubt in order to catch the votes of his hearers.

FARMERS MEETING IN CHATHAM.—A meeting of citizens of Chatham county, was held at Mt. Pleasant, on Saturday, Aug. 1, 1862.

On motion of Mr. York, Dr. R. J. Fodder was called to the chair, and F. Williams and H. B. Barber, Esq., appointed Secretaries.

By request, Major York explained the object of the meeting to be the formation of an Agricultural Society, to induce immigration, and secure a better system of cultivation, &c.

On motion, Committee was appointed to prepare business for the meeting, who reported and recommended: 1. That the officers temporarily chosen be retained until a permanent organization was effected. 2. That another time and place of meeting be fixed. 3. That a Committee for Constitution and Laws be appointed.

Martha's Chapel was fixed as the place, and Aug. 15 as the time, of the next meeting.

The Chairman appointed the following Committee on Constitution and By Laws: J. J. Jenkins, John C. Stone, R. W. Yost, C. R. Scott, H. Sears; and M. D. Whiting, T. C. Scott, and Walter Griffin. A Committee to select some person to deliver an address at the next meeting.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

R. J. POOSHKE, President.

B. H. BARKER, Vice President.

H. B. BARBER, Secretary.

W. J. SUTTON, Treasurer.

W. R. SUTTON, Assistant Treasurer.

W. C. HARRIS, Clerk.

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