THE SENTINEL.

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OBITUAL.

Departed this life in the 75th year of his age, at his residence near Oxford, N. C., on Thursday morning, August 21st 1873, JOHN C. TAYLOR, Esq. He was born in Granville county, his family being one of the first in that section. He was graduated with distinction at the University of North Carolina in 1820, and among his classmates were such distinguished gentlemen as Hon. W. H. Battle, Hon. B. F. Moore and Bishop Otey. He studied law with Chief Justice Henderson, and was licenced to practice in 1822–'3. Mr. Taylor did not remain long at the bar, preferring the life of a farmer with its comforts and independence. He represented the county of Granville during several legislative terms both in the Senate and House, and was one of the most intelligent and reliable members. Mr. Taylor was twice married, his last wife, a most estimable lady, having died some six years ago. He leaves but one son, the remainder of his children, two daughters and two sons, having preceded him to the tomb. One son, Capt. John T. Taylor, of the 12th North Carolina, was killed in one of the battles around Richmond while doing his duty as a gallant soldier. He was a member, like his father, of the Episcopal church, and evidently regarded his death as certain, for a card was found on his person with the following written in distinct chirography: "*This is the body of Capt. John T. Taylor, 12th North Carolina. Please give it decent burial.*"

Mr. Taylor prior to the war was a gentleman of large fortune, the most of which was lost in the calamities of that struggle. He was one of the most honest and honorable men that ever lived. We mention a circumstance that shows how perfectly high-toned, and how scrupulously honest he was. He was security to a considerable amount, and it became necessary, to sell his plantation to pay the debt. When the day of sale came it was proposed to him to have a homestead laid off. This he instantly refused, telling them to sell all, he claimed nothing. He was then over seventy years of age. Soon after that time he reviewed nearly all of the leading Latin classics, and taught a small number of pupils at his home, which a relative had saved for him by purchase. He had been President for many years of the Goodwyn Agricultural Club of Granville, probably the ablest body of the sort to be found in the South. Its membership embraced many men of fine culture, talents and literary tastes. Mr. Taylor was a gentleman of fine culture and excellent literary tastes himself, was the best read farmer we ever knew, and by all odds the foremost Shakespearian scholar in the State. This we dare assert without qualification. He wrote with elegance, and often there was a Virgilian grace in his composition that made it delightful to read. As a gentleman he was of the noblest type—brave, generous, kindly, affable, the very soul of honor, thoroughly conscientious and truthful, absolutely *sans peur, sans reproche*. In all our days we have never met a finer specimen of a man—one in whom the noblest qualities were harmoniously blended. We confess we revered and loved him as we have never done any other man not of our kin.

Before the war he was a Whig; during the war he was for his native South; since the war his heart's truest sympathies have been with his afflicted and oppressed people. He was as true to principle as the mother to the child, or the needle to the pole.

It was a touching sight to behold this "fine old gentleman," when his vision had grown dim with age, and his form had lost its fullness and elasticity, having experienced the sorrows and bereavements incident to human life, and having descended from the heights of affluence into the vales of comparative poverty, solitary, widowed, childless, (save his son who lived far away,) turning to his Latin favorites—Virgil, Horace, Catullus and others—for solacement and intellectual delight, and gathering around him a few pupils that he might impart to them the wisdom of his years, and teach the same lessons he had learned in youth.

And now the once stalwart tree is struck down, its branches all withered, its leaves all seared and fallen, its life-sap gone, gone forever. But our friend has not lived in vain. Living much in retirement, he yet by his beautiful life taught those around him the excellence of virtue, truth, honor, chivalry, courtesy and benevolence. Full of years, loved, honored, reverenced, he has gone, we cannot doubt, to a better world. We apply to him the somewhat quaint but touching lines of old Dan Chaucer, which are so appropriate to him as to any one whom we have ever known:

And though that he was worthy, he was wise,
And in his port as meek as any maid.
He never yet no villanie ne said,
In all his life, unto no manner wight
He was a very perfit gentle knight.

A BIG PETITION.

The agricultural laborers in England are getting in earnest. Eighty thousand of them have petitioned to the House of Commons asking that the elective franchise shall be bestowed upon farm hands in rural districts as well as upon mechanics in cities and towns. The leader in this movement is Joseph Arch, an intelligent, God fearing laborer. Referring to this subject, the *Laborer's Union Chronicle*, published at Leamington, a city of some forty or fifty thousand, thirty miles, we believe from London, and in the great county of Warwick, says:

"An apathetic and indifferent government, a scornful aristocracy, and a greedy, selfish class of farmers can convert a Joseph Arch, with his Methodist mildness, into the Spartacus of the movement to embattle the laborers into a phalanx, or to become a latter-day Moses to lead them to the promised land of freedom and plenty in America."

Mr. Arch is expected to arrive in America very soon—probably this week. He is President of the Union, of which the above publication is the organ. He wields a tremendous influence, and it is confidently asserted that he can control the movements of quite two hundred thousand English farm hands. He is a great lever, therefore, and his voice to-day is more potential over a larger body of men than any other man in the British Kingdom. We do not mean that he can have as much influence over the destinies of the British Empire, but that he absolutely directs a larger body of men than any other British subject. He is not to be ignored, and it is a great pity that we cannot have an authorized committee to represent the interests of North Carolina and to visit him when he shall have arrived in New York. If he were to be induced to visit our State, especially Raleigh its capital, we might bring such facts to bear upon him as would secure for us a colony of the best farm hands in the world, as well as men of capital who desire to embark in agricultural pursuits. Suppose the people of Raleigh invite Mr. Arch to visit our State and town? We throw out the suggestion for what it is worth. Surely a man who represents two hundred thousand able-bodied men accustomed to labor on farms, and also vast capital, must be of sufficient importance to demand the attention of our people.

OUR STATE DEBT.

A constant theme with Northern editors is our State debt, and the debts of other Southern States. Some of them marvel that people can be so corrupt as to entertain the idea for a moment of repudiation. They talk glibly enough of honesty and responsibility and all that, as if those questions were seriously involved as to whether North and South Carolina *can pay* the tremendous debts that have been heaped upon them by emissaries and tools of Grant, most of whom come from the very honest and very shocked North. Even so respectable and intelligent a paper as the New York *Tribune*, does not seem to understand the real condition of affairs and the feelings and purposes of the Southern people. It goes so far as to say that there is but little difference between the failure of a State (North Carolina if you please) to pay the interest on the funded debt and repudiation, stigmatizes such action as disgraceful, and advises them to place the "decaying carcass under ground"—i. e. repudiate openly and squarely.

It thinks it is not of the slightest consequence whether our people intended or not to declare bankruptcy by the adoption of a recent amendment. It then goes into figures which prove, if they establish any thing, that our people are absolutely unable to pay the immense debt, or the interest, if they desired it with all their hearts. Here are the figures concerning our debt.

The amount, is stated in Poor's Railway Manual at $29,900,000, bearing interest at six per cent. To pay the interest, $1,794,000 would have to be collected annually. The value of the property of the State, as assessed for taxation, is $123,500,000. The amount of the taxes collected in the year 1872 for the general expenses of the State Government was $700,000, which does not include a penny for interest on the debt, and falls $100,000 short of meeting the disbursements for educational and general purposes.

Now we insist with such figures before it, and they are correct or nearly so, it is rather unkind to make the useless flings that are in the editorial. As a full reply to all Northern writers upon the conduct of North Carolina in the matter of the State bonds, we clip the following from the Baltimore *Gazette*, regretting that want of space prevents us from copying the entire excellent editorial for which we are thankful. It remarks:

If agents got temporary possession of a man's estate; if they proceeded forthwith to give notes and mortgages in his name, and to lease or sell valuable portions of his property, enriching themselves and almost literally beggaring him—if all these things were done, not only without his consent, but colloquially against his will—would not that man, when called upon to provide for these obligations, be justified, both legally and morally, either in compounding with those who sought to hold him responsible, or in repudiating their claims altogether? Who would blame the helpless victim, not of misplaced confidence, but of bold, unblushing rascality, if he refused to recognize the mountain of debt which others had piled upon him, and by which they had profited, but by which he not only was in no wise benefitted, but had been grievously injured?

Such, in point of fact, is the condition of several of the Southern States at the present time. The men who have had control of the State governments were foisted into office in the first instance, by the power of Federal bayonets, and were kept there subsequently by Federal influence, often despotically exercised, and through the enactment of iniquitous laws which disfranchised great numbers of legitimate voters. In no sense was the popular will represented, either in the Legislature or in any department of the State Government.

SLANDER ON BLACKBERRIES.

Lawson, speaking of blackberries in North Carolina in the last century, says the dewberries are very good but the blackberries are bitterish and not so palatable as in England. Old Lawson ate of blackberries in the East. We are told the blackberries of the East will give double the quantity of juice as compared with those of the West. When our Geologist returns from Vienna we shall know of him the difference between blackberries of the East and those of the West. The sheriff of Forsythe county told us that in 1869 but for the blackberry crop the people of that county would have found it difficult to pay their taxes.

ROTATING THE TRUSTEE.

In a few days Mr. Orren Smith, the great house mover will begin to move the old postoffice. The postoffice will not be vacated. Persons having business can call and go in and out as if no house-moving was going on. This is all in the name of economy, retrenchment and reform. The postmaster could rent a suitable house until the new building is completed, but this would not be strict economy, and our new trustee would miss the ride and the "rotating." If Judge Cantwell would, he might enjoin our "cousin beloved" and blessed trustee, and happy postmaster, and forbid his rotating on his (the Judge's) land.

This site for the postoffice was bought by the United States before the war. Our loyal postmaster and blessed trustee had hardly signed the ordinance of secession, with Judge Dick, Judge Thomas and Billy Smith, before Judge Cantwell cockade in hat, entered and took possession of the lot as abandoned or vacant land. Old Brownlow says our post master and the loyal Republicans above named, forfeited their lives by signing the ordinance. We trust that Brownlow will not have them hung, for they all professed and claimed the right to do what they did. They signed in ignorance of what they were doing, and are now under pleasant if not heavy salaries "petting" themselves of their conduct. We hope our blessed trustee and first class post master will not break down in his house moving as he did in the Kirk war, and his State bond and railroad schemes when he was playing Governor.

We notified the house mover that he was trespassing on the property of Judge Cantwell, but it did no good. Orren Smith seems as devil bent on "rotating" the Wake Forest trustee as the trustee was on secession. Go on, Mr. Smith, we have said our last word. We have admonished you that you are a trespasser upon the property of the most remarkable Judge North Carolina has produced. Mind, Mr. Smith, if you should let a heavy timber fall upon the Wake Forest trustee, you lessen the number of guardians for that college, besides you may be indicted for murder. If you were Prof. Wise and bent on taking the trustee "up in a balloon boys, up in a balloon boys," to cross the Atlantic, we should not say a word, for there would be no heavy timber to fall on him. Let us hope the postmaster will have the christian fortitude to stand the "rotating," as well as Judge Cantwell will the loss of his property.

A WISE AND JUST LAW.

The State of Mississippi has rather a peculiar law, passed by the last Legislature, by which it is provided that every person holding office in the State who shall be found drunk shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall by the judgment of the court and sentence, be removed from office.—*Exchange.*

The best thing we have heard of in a long, long time. It betrays a measure of good sense which encourages us. Mind you, it is not the action of a New England Legislature—that might be regarded as fanatical—but a law passed in the South, and in the sober State of Mississippi.

We would cast *twenty* votes if we could, for such a law in North Carolina. Indeed, we would go further than that. It is our deliberate conviction that any man who gets drunk should be put in jail. If he were the Governor of a State or a Judge of the Supreme Court, he ought to be sent at once to prison.—*Spirit of the Age.*

This is rather steep. We have a law forbidding drunkenness in officials. If it were put in to execution there would be many vacancies on the bench.

THE VIRGINIA CAMPAIGN.

A very animated campaign has just opened in Virginia. Some of the best men are already in the field and enthusiasm is gradually spreading throughout the State. The Conservative papers seem confident of victory. The Richmond *Enquirer* says:

"It must be so. It cannot be otherwise. The questions at issue between the two parties are too grave to be regarded with indifference by the great mass of the citizens of this Commonwealth who are so vitally interested in the decision upon them; and nothing but indifference on the part of the white men can possibly prevent the election of Kemper, Withers and Daniel by a majority of from fifteen to twenty thousand."

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Of the Official Vote of the State on the Constitutional Amendments August 7th, 1873.

COUNTIES.	State Debt. F.	State Debt. A.	Public Works. F.	Public Works. A.	State Census. F.	State Census. A.	Tax Exemp. F.	Tax Exemp. A.	University. F.	University. A.	Hospital Session. F.	Hospital Session. A.	Code Com'n. F.	Code Com'n. A.	St. Sta Offices F.	St. Sta Offices A.
Alamance,	878	521	868	521	886	514	750	613	814	550	851	530	848	525	884	515
Alexander,	425	6	442	32	431	4	323	103	423	6	429	4	425	5	429	4
Alleghany,																
Anson,	800	125	805	125	802	125	641	287	798	125	800	126	797	127	798	124
Ashe,																
Beaufort,																
Bertie,																
Bladen,																
Brunswick,																
Buncombe,																
Burke,	1022	110	1005	95	1001	108	957	169	986	113	989	74	987	99	987	95
Cabarrus,	953	19	943	22	916	22	842	108	885	35	955	16	912	24	916	26
Caldwell,	685	1	678	00	683	2	646	24	644	14	698	2	688	1	667	1
Camden,																
Carteret,	601	228	581	259	581	268	597	27	528	276	582	264	579	278	575	263
Caswell,	922	253	909	259	909	261	804	355	931	264	942	264	941	262	940	259
Catawba,	1026	6	1020	6	1023	6	942	163	1031	7	1026	6	1022	6	1018	6
Chatham,	1278	601	1223	487	1227	485	758	965	1109	578	1218	481	1223	474	1216	471
Cherokee,	449	32	429	46	448	29	432	39	395	136	408	62	429	53	424	43
Chowan,	405	258	401	260	400	261	385	266	401	259	402	262	387	258	399	259
Clay,	248	39	247	33	250	27	239	46	246	29	256	18	244	28	246	43
Cleaveland,																
Columbus,																
Craven,	708	1515	710	1520	721	1512	583	1051	689	1520	722	1520	706	1507	708	1498
Cumberland,																
Currituck,																
Dare,	456	254	449	267	452	255	416	179	444	259	454	257	447	258	449	257
Davidson,																
Davie,																
Duplin,	1006	350	1008	348	1005	350	615	780	1074	340	1020	362	1003	357	1003	350
Edgecombe,	664	1381	661	1401	648	1397	467	1444	625	1397	627	1319	628	1390	625	1397
Forsythe,	775	168	780	178	816	157	607	254	702	231	823	165	789	173	779	168
Franklin,	1285	588	1276	592	1278	590	1089	677	1277	394	1279	585	1270	600	1281	584
Gaston,	630	74	649	67	657	60	630	69	643	69	664	56	645	67	647	68
Gates,	764	005	762	005	748	000	597	74	696	24	747	000	735	1	707	000
Granville,	1067	324	1177	998	1185	987	1501	998	1155	1247	1164	1069	1166	1128	1146	1004
Graham,	99	11	114	9	121	6	85	42	101	17	112	10	104	14	106	12
Greene,																
Guilford,																
Halifax,	580	667	575	1722	580	1646	500	1393	579	1698	587	1697	595	1682	575	1703
Harnett,																
Haywood,	765	18	772	17	600	149	738	28	747	17	700	51	733	16	757	23
Henderson,	756	90	765	88	752	89	635	1120	764	89	764	87	767	87	764	85
Hertford,																
Hyde,																
Iredell,	859	116	850	119	855	118	667	128	532	116	836	114	835	123	861	107
Jackson,	1332	24	1328	22	1307	30	859	978	1282	24	1332	23	1295	26	1305	17
Johnston,	547	7	544	6	541	8	473	76	548	74	547	6	540	9	540	8
Jones,	1212	201	1213	175	1217	170	1108	199	1107	174	1185	166	1194	172	1178	164
Lenoir,	420	362	423	360	425	361	301	225	404	274	425	358	414	359	418	361
Lincoln,	1091	174	1110	154	1089	177	1047	227	618	640	1104	161	1096	158	630	524
Macon,	631	14	624	16	630	13	366	303	618	16	631	11	619	13	612	16
Madison,																
Martin,	662	1	618	0	616	1	615	2	617	1	616	0	621	0	616	0
McDowell,	560	56	573	47	570	48	539	66	570	47	566	48	566	47	567	47
Mecklenburg,	1898	197	1889	181	1908	181	1662	428	1871	169	1902	181	1894	181	1885	184
Mitchell,																
Montgomery,																
Moore,	592	340	585	330	601	319	493	410	544	367	573	338	576	340	576	326
Nash,	677	644	662	646	698	643	584	709	658	649	696	741	659	649	653	646
New Hanover,	1588	2089	1525	2105	1569	2112	1527	2007	1523	2172	1467	2055	1517	2103	1522	2094
Northampton,	722	1107	624	1025	647	1065	279	1417	522	1249	666	1139	691	1037	1018	1166
Onslow,																
Orange,	1543	316	1621	332	1626	52	1698	346	1618	320	1624	332	1627	330	1622	318
Pasquotank,																
Pamlico,																
Perquimans,																
Person,	898	195	898	195	908	190	899	139	901	193	904	194	904	196	897	195
Pitt,	1143	169	1138	179	1131	188	1072	230	1056	167	1141	166	1141	167	1140	166
Polk,																
Randolph,	1157	75	1132	92	1071	71	1035	173	1149	80	1137	75	1146	74	1148	70
Richmond,	1356	14	1148	15	1152	14	1181	15	1138	15	1140	15	1139	14	1154	14
Robeson,	1124	780	1155	800	1177	792	903	1087	1148	819	1149	811	1183	807	1090	768
Rockingham,	1409	9	1428	2	1436	00	1435	00	1409	12	1442	00	1437	1	1422	1
Rowan,	820	263	803	268	818	268	814	294	805	262	808	274	807	267	808	275
Rutherford,	565	498	548	500	529	523	369	488	492	557	492	538	522	553	493	494
Sampson,	1272	427	1265	395	979	801	925	949	1224	574	1230	654	1259	666	1208	534
Stanly,	421	179	436	169	430	169	404	190	434	171	438	169	433	168	428	169
Stokes,																
Swain,	221	53	235	51	234	49	221	51	227	50	229	52	232	50	226	49
Surry,																
Transylvania,																
Tyrrell,																
Union,																
Wake,	2095	2014	2160	2032	2196	2027	2254	2049	2114	2005	2314	2122	2168	2027	2156	2006
Warren,	740	1788	739	1809	742	1810	681	1852	721	1808	735	1785	741	1786	737	1788
Washington,																
Watauga,																
Wayne,	1303	1264	1310	1255	1300	1263	1160	1326	1278	1257	1291	1306	1305	1299	1293	1249
Wilkes,																
Wilson,	1087	36	1071	28	1076	30	1075	28	1069	29	1083	28	1070	29	1080	28
Yadkin,	988	7	992	12	982	17	881	91	988	22	1014	16	993	7	976	8
Yancey,	434	12	435	7	433	6	437	14	433	9	437	9	440	6	439	6

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