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CITY.

The market is fishy. All quiet on the "Fear." Auction bells ring nightly. Christmas comes on Saturday. Rooster hens crow at unseemly hours.

Senor Lemus has made an affidavit in the case of the Cuba with a view to her release. "Tell it not in Gath!" The Journal advocates paved streets! "While the lamp lights," &c., &c.

Sylvester Capps has been appointed deputy to Constable Hill and will be "respected and obeyed" accordingly. Smith cries, "on the mossy bank I stand," for at his stand he notifies all those having curd moss that he will buy.

SERENADE.—We are thankful to Lieut. Powell and the members of the 8th Regiment band for that serenade to the Post. Front street, above Dock, is being leveled and raised under the superintendence of the Marshal. This work was sadly needed.

There are 623 insane persons in North Carolina.—Ee. Then there are 623 democrats? Thank you!

Wise, acts wisely in preparing for New River Oysters. Dealers in the luscious bivalve, leave your orders at Harris News Stand. "Shoot folly as she flies."—Journal.

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Incubus ephialtes (nightmare) is murdered to incubus "ephaltes"! in the Journal. Allow us to correct again! No disrespect "you know," only we cherish some feeling for the reputation of city journalism!

With the opening and grading of Nun street, with the dock built at the foot of the aforesaid street, we witness evidences of enterprise and thrift—small it is—but they are straws which show whether we are advancing.

Correction.—In speaking of the accident to Miss Wiggins we inadvertently stated it as occurring on the Wilmington Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad. It should have been Wilmington and Weldon Railroad.

On the wharf in front of the Custom House, yesterday, we noticed another large gun. "That's rather a heavy goak" on the Star, for the gun was a donkey engine. Alas poor twinkler!

In Charleston, all fish vended by unlicensed peddlars are "confiscate to" the orphans! As fish is considered by Agassiz as purely brain food, it would be politic to enact such a law for our city in favor of their orphans. What say the B. O. A.?

Muddled.—A countryman, slightly inebriated, while walking up Market street last evening soliloquized thusly: "Dem Splen' n' play, I guess that 'er mus, be er Wide Wake percussion." The befuddled countryman merely gazed upon our street lamps.

The "Thanksgiving" article of the Wilmington Post is good—all but the "ole flag" and "freedom" part of it.—Terror's Carolinian. The Carolinian man may thank his stars, that he has no stripes!

SCIENTIFIC.—Prof. Ed. D. Cope, State Geologist, called upon us in his journeyings among the fossil beds of the State. He states to us that he has already discovered and forwarded to Raleigh, specimens of fossils of the genus Mammalia, Megasthinic, and Megalithic.

The Wilmington Post man is grieved because we have a green coat. He takes it as a reflection upon him.—Standard. And that reminds us of a story of our friend introducing another as a Mr. Brown "who is not such a fool as he looks." Which was retorted to by Brown saying that that was "just the difference between them." See the point?

ALL ABOUT A PIPE.—Henry Adams "a carpet bagger," although of native hue, did thrice choke his housekeeper of the mighty house of Samson, on Friday evening. The cause therefore—a pipe. Which for the time being was "a choking sensation." Samson, unlike her herculean prototype, was weak, but boasted of an unshaven head. The noble face of the Marshal, beamed upon Justice. Justice beamed in return, and Adams, was Adams again. Sic!

IS THIS SO?—One of the soreheaded in this city, who foggy-like is a foe to any improvement, becoming incensed at the "innovations" of the Marshal in making his street look respectable, desired one of the city papers to insert an article condemnatory of the Marshal. The editors thereof feeling that any attack upon the Marshal would be "unpopular," refused; whereupon a certain gentleman respectfully offered to pay for the space. "This needless to say that this gentleman is a good democrat."

We have been requested to call the attention of our lady readers to the appeal of the Ladies Benevolent Society. It is certainly a small thing for any lady to spare a single dollar for the poor and suffering. No single quality is so charming to men or acceptable to God as "charity" and she is indeed "twice blessed" who labors to relieve the wants of those called in the old time Church language "Gods Wards."

Mrs. Kennedy will receive for distribution any articles of clothing or quantities of food that may be spared by our citizens. Let all help.

There has been "much ado about nothing" in the papers relating to the "Georgia State Fair." One eccentric newspaper publishes a half column of "Grand Tournament"—Knight of the Lost Cause" winning another donkey by his gallant etc., etc. Now this "tournament" business is bad enough when practiced by Virginia or the Carolinas, but when plain plebeian Georgia encourages such nonsense we are reminded of the pungent remark of a common sense Southerner that "Tournaments were only fit for dumph phools who liked to ride with a stick and punch at a ring; imagining it a Yankee.

AN ERROR.—Some misapprehension having arisen as to a humorous attack on our worthy Alderman from the First Ward, we are pleased to make this correction, viz: That in pitching into "George" for attacking the hospital we did not intend to disparage the present management of either the jail, workhouse or poor house. Certainly all who know how indefatigable Sheriff Schenck and his deputies have honestly discharged their duties, and how well Mr. VanAmringe has labored to save the county expense, as indeed has Mr. Scott, need no reminder of the kind. The Post has ever cherished to ward these gentlemen.

There is a "wrinkle" in magazine literature. The necessity for a childrens corner for charades, puzzles and poetry suited to the childish intellect has called forth The School Festival. The average number for January, 1870, is before us, and Alfred L. Sewell & Co., of Chicago, Illinois, have the honor of publishing the same. The Festival is issued quarterly at the modest price of fifty cents a year or fifteen cents a copy. The original Dialogues, Recitations, Readings, Tableaux, Charades, &c., makes each number complete and of much value to every school and family circle. "Old boys" may have much fun from this little "mag." as well as young "uns."

THE NEW SPECIAL COURT.—The act drafted at Raleigh, as a substitute for the present act gives the court jurisdiction over "petty larcenies" and defines the same. The 2nd section declares any violation of city ordinances, where the penalty sued for is not over \$100 as misdemeanors. The 3rd section defines the jurisdiction of the courts; also declares no jury trial shall be demanded. The 4th section still retains the obnoxious clause binding over the prisoner to the Superior Court. The 5th section declares the right of the Mayor and Commonalty to appoint a clerk. The 6th section specifies the salary of the judge (\$1,000) but allows fees as a Justice of the Peace. The 7th asserts the right of appeal, and the 8th declares all laws in contravention of the same null and void; and also that the act shall take effect upon ratification.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.—All receiving subscriptions or sending in new names before January 1st will be entitled to the Post for 1870 at the exceeding low price of THREE DOLLARS PER ANNUM! Let all who claim to believe Republican ideas, and desire to show allegiance to the National Government assist the only true American organ in this section. To quote a distinguished writer: "It is the shame of any citizen owning allegiance to the flag that he subscribes for or assists the organs of treason and does not stand by the only National paper worthy of the name in North Carolina." The Post has been improved at such cost and is worthy the aid of all good citizens.

LIBERAL OFFER TO OUR READERS.—We will send the American Agriculturist, price \$4, or Our Schoolboy Visitor, one of the best magazines for boys and girls published in the country, worth \$1.35 a year, and magnificent steel-plate engraving, entitled "Help Me Up," worth \$2.50 per copy, all to any one who will send us \$4. The engraving will be sent post-paid, secure from injury, and will make a charming ornament for any parlor or sitting room. Send in the names, and secure \$8 worth for only \$4. To subscribers sending additional names, we will send a copy of the Agriculturist or Visitor, and to clubs of five persons we will agree to send five copies of the Post for FIFTEEN DOLLARS! All payments strictly in advance.

"ONLY PLAYIN'."—Friday evening about six o'clock, in one of the saloons along Water street, an officer—arrested one Hamble Williams, who as the sequel will prove, had no inappropriate cognomen. Hamble, having not the fear of the bandaged god before his eyes, did in a moment of "exceeding frenzy," "let loose the cords which bind the passions," and did flourish, like unto that of Rollo to his sanguinary followers, a blade of blazing sharpness upon four of his companions, until felled by the lion-hearted Brown. Hamble was brought before Judge Catwell yesterday morning, and stated that he was "only playin'." Hamble was fined \$20 and costs; with the permission to handle a shovel, and with the coveted honor of working for the city. Kith Hamble!

COMMON SCHOOLS.—County Examiner Rutherford has received from Superintendent Ashby "circular No. 12," which states the number of inhabitants of our county between the ages of 6 and 21 years, as follows: White.....3,515 Colored.....4,020 Total.....7,535

Amount to apportion among the Townships of the County.....\$3,767 50 The County Examiner is notified that the money must be expended only for teachers' wages, and is also instructed to notify the Township School Committees of the county as to the sum they may apportion to expend for public schools, each school to be kept not less than four months. County Commissioners must approve bills for teacher's wages. The Commissioners are ordered to establish schools immediately. The County Examiner will act as agent in this matter.

WITH THE FAIR, AT THE FAIR.—On Thursday evening, when night "Had drew her sable mantle "Round, and pinned it with a star" we sallied forth, enog, to where evergreen and ivy in soft luxuriant bowers nodded, to the soft courtesies of bewitching beauty, &c. the City Hall. Here we found the ladies of the Front Street Methodist church, prattling, cooing and smiling, in all the enthusiasm consequent upon a gathering of this kind. Some seemed to say: "Drink to me only with thine eyes," others, patted romping youths on their fair cheeks, or basked in the genial warmth of sunny smiles born in bright black eyes, that "shone again in brave response." We tarried long enough to inspect a few of the articles on exhibition, viz: The silver sugared cakes, the gaudily dressed dolls; the tinkling, ringing toys, and last but not least the decorations which fair hands had made elegant. We departed very much satisfied with our visit, and bespeak for Mrs. Dally and assistants the encouragement, and aid of all persons in the next fair of this church.

A PLEASANT SUPPER.—The worthy Alderman from the fourth ward invited a few friends to sup—all old bachelors except the gallant Ryan, and the way the oysters and other little arrangements flew from the "banquet board" was a caution to the "old Cape Fear sires" the Journal man drags from their graves to decorate his gushing efforts at composition. Our friend Jones gave a good illustration of "old Cape Fear hospitality" on Friday night, and we venture to say that although not a member of the Cape Fear Club nor "proud of his lineage" or "proud of his representation of those chivalrous sons of the old Cape Fear" for a plain Republican Alderman he did yet for a plain Republican Alderman he did very well. The time honored custom of "giving a supper to a few friends" is as old as the "Cape Fear." Can illustration go further? All who fed at the Alderman's board declare him worthy to be a "city father." "Need we say that he succeeded? Let the partakers of his hospitality answer. Old Cape Fear Hospitality is not dead yet, nor will its memories be quite forgotten so long as such representatives are still left."

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.—We have received a very eloquent appeal in behalf of a church college proposed as the great religious university of the South, to be established at Mount Sennance in Eastern Tennessee. Did our limited space permit we would print entire the very able article of Rev. Dr. Watson, but it is only within our power to state that Rev O. P. Thakera—the accredited agent of this noble enterprise is in our city and the aid of all good Christians is asked in behalf of a most worthy object. From all appearances the worthy successors to those good men Bishop Polk and Elliott will succeed in rebuilding the walls cast down during our late civil war, and under Bishop Quintard the good work progresses. Fully \$25,000 is yet wanted and if 1000 churchmen contribute \$25 00 each the object of Mr. Thakera's mission will be accomplished. Let all who feel interested attend St. James Church to night and listen to the appeal there to be made.

HOP AT FORT JOHNSON.—The officers of the garrison stationed at Smithville gave a very delightful reception to their many friends last Wednesday night. The soldiers mess room was elegantly fitted up with flags and some forty guests danced themselves into a condition of happiness previously unknown in Smithville. The ladies of Colonel Frank's family took every care of their fair visitors from Wilmington, while the gallant Powell, Lt. Ray and Dr. Boyer did "all that man could do" to make their friends in love with themselves and garrison life. The music by the Regimental band made "bright eyes look" all that "bright eyes" ever can look under pleasant circumstances, and the dance went on right merrily until the "wee sma' hours." The officers of the revenue marine stationed in this port lent their handsome faces and brilliant uniforms to grace the scene, while those ex-officers whose "wearing of the blue" would shut them out from a rebel shindy; gloried in once more seeing the "knightsly bars," and "lordly leaf" decorating shoulders only too able to bear all the honors the government may shower upon them.

The Union Club of Wilmington vote thanks to Col. Frank and officers as well as to Captain Usher, Lieuts. Gamble and Murray and many others. The pleasure of the visit was enhanced by the attentions of gentlemen worthy to represent their government in any position of honor.

STATE.

New Berne is improving. Charlotte has got the Fair fever.

Raleigh will have a city bell and Town clock.

New Berne wants an independent gas light company.

Representatives Dewees and Jones have left for Washington.

North Carolina revenue to the U. S. is over 500 per cent increase on corresponding period of last year.

The Hillsboro Recorder and Tarboro Southerner (democratic) speak favorably of Gov. Holden's message.

Supt. Ashley was to visit Salisbury on the 27th inst, for the purpose of establishing schools in that town.

Bishop Deuringer and Doggett attending the conference at New Berne, have had their trunks robbed of \$200, in that city.

The Rock Island Manufacturing Co., we see by special telegraph to Charleston Republican, has taken the premium for woolen goods, at the Georgia State Fair. Good for Charlotte.

RELIGIOUS.

Raise the Ministers salaries. The N. C. Presbyterian is to be enlarged. Faraday, the great scientist, was a devout christian.

Prof. Samuel B. Wilson, of Richmond Theological Seminary is dead.

The N. C. Presbyterian discusses the question of "Education and its relations to the Gospel."

The valuable Hengstenberg Library recently purchased in Prussia for the Baptist Theological Seminary at Chicago, is to be made a free public library. Hon. J. G. Scammon having contributed a lot and money for the building. The following days of the week are those set apart for public worship in different nations: Sunday by the Christians; Monday by the Brecks; Tuesday by the Persians; Wednesday by the Assyrians; Thursday by the Egyptians; Friday by the Turks; Saturday by the Jews.

POSTINGS.

Zoe is in Erie, Pa. "Phil." is ill, in Ill. Dr. Livingstone is alive. Minnie Warren is "so sick." Burlingame has arrived in Berlin. Lotta is "Fire Flying" in Gotham. Horace Maynard is in Washington. New York "as at Russian li'opera." Chicago wants to be a port of entry. Eye glasses are vulgar when affected. France has thirty thousand "crazyites." "Comfortable coffins" are "ad's" in Boston.

Er. Senator Fitzpatrick, of Ala., is dead. An Art Museum is contemplated in New York. Boucicault has made \$70,000 from "Fort-mosa." Tomatoes are fifty cents a peck at the Capitol. Scott Siddons is "As You Likeing It," in Buffalo. The Masonic Fair in Charleston realized \$10,000. Small farm, and thorough cultivation, is the best. Bob Toombs is "practicin' lar" in Georgia.

Women horsewhip physicians, in Pittsburg, Pa. A London theatre has discharged its orchestra. Charlotte Cushman is "claning" it among the Scots. The N. Y. Fire Department will be re-organized.

Washington will have a first class military company. High heeled boots are "nobby" for "nice young men." The Virginia State Republican Convention has met.

The S. C. and Alabama Legislature met last Monday. Fred. Douglass is "Freedomizing" in the land of Fennel. Miss Pittfield is the composer of the "Fat Mens March."

Booths Theatre, October receipts amounted to \$34,339. The N. Y. Times averages a profit of \$80,000 per year.

Rochefort has been elected to the French "Corps Legislatif."

Colfax "Temperanced" to the Maryland inebriates Tuesday last.

Senator Ramsey was unsuccessful in his postal mission to Europe.

Mrs. Secretary Belnap, occupies Seward's old residence in Washington.

One of the Atlantic Cables has been leased to a German Company.

Gov. Merrill says "no Senator will be appointed in the place of Grimes."

Train calls Omaha "the zodiac of the Republic." Zodiac is pretty good!

Twelve large omnibuses are building in Cincinnati for our Southern cities.

San Francisco maidens have presented G. F. T. with a \$500 emerald ring.

Gen. Butler gave bail in New York to answer the charge of Miss Florence.

The Spanish gunboats in New York are to be seized by the Federal government.

Paris has women gold breakers, that is "gold brokers." What's the difference?

Chicago has a National Convention of Liquor Dealers now in session. Appropriate. The convicts in the Hudson county jail, N. J., attempted to blow it up on Sunday last.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

FRANKLIN, Nov. 20th, 1869. DEAR POST:—I have at last secured my own consent to write you a few lines but the question is, what shall I write? for I have always heard that a man must have something to say before he can say anything; and I now feel the force of this old saying more sensibly than ever; but no excuse, no apology will be acceptable now; something must come. Then to proceed: I will remind you, Mr. Post, that though we have had a long, not dry and discouraging summer in some respects, the spirit and vim of our people has not deserted them, but with the recent rains, have returned all the elements of industry, common to our people, and a more encouraging display of energy and activity has not been seen for a long, long time in our midst. Turpentine and tar will soon be borne upon the recent rains of Heaven to Wilmington, to gladden and make light the heart of the merchant, the capitalist and the inspector. Then, we have crops, which are not to be grinned at, by him who is without teeth; indeed we will have here more than an average crop. So much for crops, tar, turpentine, &c.

To-day was the regular day for the Justices' Court at this place, and hearing that there were some novel cases to be tried and counsel had been secured, both pro and con, we felt some curiosity to see how things would be conducted, and accordingly went to the court room, where we found Justices Anders and Robertson, presiding, and the counsel, as we were anticipated. The first case was called vs. —, for fraudulently obtaining goods; being a new thing with us, it elicited great and general interest. The evidence both for the State and defendant having been heard, the counsel for the defendant, Mr. Fennell, arose and spoke for some half hour, exhibiting an ingenuity, skill and power, which commanded the respect and attention of all present. Indeed it was a speech of such power, so fortified at every point, with obstacles and difficulties so numerous, so well assigned, and apparently so efficient, that we all felt that we could very reasonably conclude, that the defendant would be discharged. All looked for, expected this result, but we had not heard from the counsel for the State, Mr. Frayser. He followed with a speech of about thirty minutes, as diversified as is his custom, but dealing with evil-doers in a tone spirit and style which drew sympathy from even the most reluctant heart. Met fully the positions of the opposing counsel, argued the case boldly, squarely and generally. The case closed the opposing counsel in a style and manner so disinterestedly, so nobly and magnanimously as to excite the admiration and respect of all who heard him. The court then after summing up all the evidence decided against the defendant. A case of similar character was next heard with the same result, the counsel on both sides declining to say more. Others were continued, until Saturday next, when we expect to hear again from these gentlemen who so highly edified us on this occasion.

Last, but not least, Mr. Post, I must say something of this place. It is the very spot above all others, between this and Wilmington for poor, wearied, worn out man, to spend a few days, and if the hospitality, kind attention and good treatment of Howe and Smith can afford him no relief, his case will be one for the Doctors to pronounce hopeless and beyond the reach of science.

Shameful Abuse. WILMINGTON, Nov. 23d, 1869. MR. EDITOR:—The Sentinel of this morning contained one of those shameful abuses of the public press so common among the "high-toned" conservative "gentlemen" of this State. A Mr. Turner was invited to an agricultural fair at Wilmington. He went there and was treated—as he states—with civility, and even extreme courtesy. To repay the people inviting him; he denounces them for extending polite treatment to other strangers he called "carpet baggers." Now among gentlemen this conduct of Turner would deserve but one name—namely, "isothermal." Is so dismal! Train owns five thousand tons in Omaha, and terms that "city" "isothermal." Is so dismal! President Cospedes and wife have sold their jewelry, the proceeds to assist the Cuban cause. Richmond is making great preparations for the coming meeting of the National Board of Trade. Rose Eyttinge the brilliant New York actress has married Geo. Butler the critic of "Wilkes' Spirit."

Petticoats with flounces are "suitty," and petticoats with — Ah! we don't like to tell! We blush! The Albany Evening Times says "several of our citizens are making preparations to remove to the South." Mark Twain illustrates his "cannibal" lectures, by attempting to claw up the babies in the audience.

The Sultan protests against the proclamation of the Viceroy, declaring the neutrality of the Suez Canal. The Five Points House of Industry N. Y., furnishes four hundred thousand meals annually to the little wanderers. Senator's Morton, Buckingham, Sherman, Ramsey, Schurz, Williams, Drake and ex-Senator Wade are in Washington.

The President has received a protest from the Spanish Minister against the detention of the Spanish gunboats; and the President say he will hold them at all hazards! Hurrah! We Republicans should be pleased with the conduct and language of Turner as a representative man, for the reason that his very extravagance of folly rebounds against him and his party and thus when he denounces all who fought for the Union as "invaders" and calls upon the party he represents to ostracize all liberal democrats who may choose to associate with Republicans or those friendly to the government—he benefits our party by disgusting all sensible men who may still be so unfortunate as to associate with traitors. VINDEX.