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THE LEGAL TENDER TEST CASE. The correspondence between Mr. S. B. Chittenden and Gen. Butler relating to a case to be submitted to the Supreme Court, to test the constiutionality of legal tenders issued since the close of the war, is attracting a great deal of attention, not only in business circles, but among the legal profession - and naturally. The question has been argued at great length in the press, in Congress, and by political speakers. It has never been authoritatively settled, and it lies at the very root of all the financial issues of the day. It relates not only to future legislation, but to laws actually time of peace, then the Nationals and last. the Ewing Democrats must adopt some other form of inflation than the one to which they have hitherto, for the mest part, given their attention. And not only this, but the act of last May, directing the reissue and the maintenance in circulation of all legal tenders which may be presented for redemption, cannot be carried out, for the reissue of a redeemed note must stand upon the same ground as its original issue. To issue a note is essentially to borrow money on an evidence of indebtedness. The note being paid, the transaction is closed, and if money be again borrowed on the same note, it is a new transactions creating a new indebtedness, and requiring original and distinct authority. That this simple truth is not recognized as readily in the case of the Government as in that of a private citizen is due to the confusion of a legal tender note, daused by its citizen. legal-tender quality. People have come to regard these notes as in themselves money and therefore to think that they can be paid out, received, and paid out again, as gold could be. But, whatever semblance of money there may be in a United States note in the hands of

a person who is permitted by law to

pay his debts with it, there can be no

likeness to money in this note in the

hands of the Government, of whose

test case proposed by Messrs. Chitten-

den and Butler should dissipate the

illusion which has longed prevailed on

this cardinal point, it would be of im-

mense value. No country on the globe, unless it be our own, improves so rapidly and steadily as Japan. Within a very short time it has had a new birth; has revos lutionized itself in nearly every department of commerce and trade. Its postal bu iness, which is usually reckoued as a mark of growing civilization, did not substantiate the charge, so the has vastly increased within a few years. The system was established only in April, 1871, and yet it embraces all our facilities except the assertment of tors from New Hanover, caused the ceived from the Auditor of the state letters in cars in transition, which is defeat of the bill taxing the poor man impossible from the absence of rail- \$4 on his poll. The County Commisways. To compensate for this lack, sioners desired to levy a special tax. postal savings banks were established and applied to the General Assembly paid to the County Treasurer. months of that year only 19 banks were | congratulation. founded, and the amount deposited counting the yeh as equivalent to the dollar, was \$6,108. For the fiscal year ending last June, there were 292 such banks, with \$208,944 deposits. In 1873, the letters, postal-cards, newspapers, books, &c., transmitted through the mails, numbered some 10,300,000; during last year they numbered nearly 36,000,000. Postal-cards, first used in 1875, increased from 2,000,000 that year, to over 10,000,000 last year. The

#### CITY ITEMS.

Fine rain yesterday which was very much needed.

Taxes is the next order of the day a the City Hall.

S. G. Hall is one of the best job printers in the city.

Col. Waddell received three votes for Secretary of the Senate

Don't forget to buy a residence before summer of W. P. Canaday.

Every man in Wilmington should assist in building the railroad to the

The health officers are hard at work. The citizens should do all they can to

aid them. Officer Nelson arrested George Anderson and Handy Willia ns on the 19th. for fighting.

The congregation of St. Luke's Church are having a handsome steeple placed on the building.

Mr. O. G. Parsley has resigned as one of the Commissioners of the colored Insane Asylum of the state.

FIRE.-A house belonging to Mr. F. W. Heyer was destroyed by fire on Wednesday night last. Loss small.

Rt. Reverent Bishop Atkinson contion does not permit the issue of legal- firmed cleven persons at St. Mark's tender notes by the Government in Church, in this city, on Sunday night

> Miss Maria Henderson died of heart disease at the residence of Mr. J. M. Henderson, in this city on Monday

> I. W. Murrill was sent to jail on Tuesday last by Justice Gardner. Mr. Gardner is a very great enemy to evil

Two colored boys had nothing else to cut on Monday last, so they tried each other, when the claret flowed very

Mayor S. H. Fishblate has returned home looking much improved. Fish usually has a good time when traveling. We welcome him back to the city.

Capt. May died at his residence on Market street of heart disease on yesterday morning, at 6 o'clock. He which exists as to the real character was a very old and highly respected

> A thief effected an entrance in the house of a Mr. Elwell, on Mulberry street, on Wednesday night last. The thief was discovered before he accomplished much.

Our friend Frank Darby seems to be in luck. He is now Vice President of the Hibernian Association. See what it is to be good looking. Take warning, Macks, or your pard will go ahead in obtedness it is the evidence. If the

Our very excellent members of the legislature returned home on Monday last looking splendid. Messrs. Scott and Waddell have done their duty well, and the people have cause to feel proud

U.S. Commissioner McQuigg had a very interesting question up before him on Wednesday last. Mr. John W. Rhodes was up on a charge of destroys ing his steam tug by beaching her and then setting her on fire. The evidence defendant was dismissed.

Dr. H. E. Scott, one of the legislain 1875, and they have been received for authority to do so, but Dr. Scott with great favor. During the last six defeated the bill, another cause for

> Onethe bedrooms in of Mr. John A. Barnes residence in this city took fire on Tuesday last before his children were up, which came very near destroying the building and the sleeping immates of the family. Damage was very slight, owing to the presence of mind of Mrs. Barnes, who ran in and extinguish the flames with a blanket.

Col. Frank D. Koonce, attorney at law, at Richlands, in Onslow county, charged from the House of Correction foreign mail matter augmented in the a distinguished and able politician, was on approval by His Honor, Judge same years, from 44,185 to 158,203, in our city on Thursday last. Many Meares. which is very remarkable considering of Mr. Koonce's friends are speaking Japanese exclusiveness. The Japanese of running him as an independent mitted to the Poor House for one income last year was 59 per cent. in | candidate for Governor in 1880. He is | month. excess of the outlay, thus paying \$45,- a rattling good speaker, and opposed 283 into the national Treasury. The to rings and nominations. He believes Government generally is administered in every candidate appealing to the fortunate woman who has suffered the with an honesty which we enlightened people on his own merits, in other loss of a leg. Republicans can hardly realize. Last words, he is an advocate of every tub year, only 62 letters were absolutely standing on its own bottom. Such a which was referred to the Conuty Ats lost by theft, and but 19 of these con man, with such a record, with the bull- torney, was, on the advice of the Attained money-\$132-which was made dozing tenacity that Col. Koonce torney, ordered rejected. good by the steamer carrying the mails. possesses, would give the two old parties | On motion the Board then adjourn-Japan is, indeed, an extraordinary land. | considerable trouble.

Messrs. Boatwright and McKoy are constantly receiving fresh goods at Wilmington.

The North American Review for April has been received. As usual it is a very interesting paper. The leading contributors for this issue are Gov. Thos. A. Hendricks of Indianna, Thos. Hughes, Henry James, and others. The Review is published in New York city, at 549 and 557 Broadway, by D. Appleton and Co. Subscription price only \$5 per year.

The legislature saw proper to cut down the very meagre salary which the Judges of the state were receiving, but did not say a word about their own pay. How a Judge can travel over the state, pay his expenses and support his family on \$2,000 per annum, we know not. We believe in paying the Judiciary of the state well, but the legislature seems to believe in starving them.

EXCEEDINGLY BRIGHT.—The last legislature passed a law prohibiting the political speaking. This law will cause | depth very fast, immediately. great hardships during the next campaign to the liquor dealers in our city, as there are political speakings every night in this city for at least a month previous to an election. The result will be, every bar-room in the city will have to remain closed for the whole of a political campaign.

HOTEL AT THE SOUND .- We understand that our friends, the Cobb Bros., proprietors of the Purcell House, in this city are contemplating the erection of a hotel at the sound. We hope they may do so, for the necessity of a good hotel at the sca shore has been long felt, and there is no doubt that a firstclass house would pay. All who know these young gentlemen are satisfied that they would conduct no other kind than a first-class hotel in every par-

Sr. PATRICK'S DAY in this city SEA observed by our Irish fellow-citizens in a very quiet manner. The Hibenian Benevolent Association assembled at Temperance Hall and were formed into line by the Chief Marshal, Mr. John McEvoy, and his assistants, Messrs. James Corbett and Jno. W. Reily, and marched to the Catholic Church, on Dock street, where services were held. Rev. Father Gross delivered the address, taking for his subject St. Patrick and Ireland. He delivered a very interesting and eloquent discourse. At the conclusion the Association reformed and marched back to their Hall, when the annual election of officers was de-

clared in order. The following gentlemen were elected: John Barry, President. Frank H. Darby, Vice-President.

L. Brown, Treasurer. D. O'Connor, Secretary. M. O'Brian, Assistant Secretary. Resolutions of condolence on ac

count of the death of Capt, Isaac B. Grainger were numerously adopted. In the afternoon a very large number of the Society, headed by Mr. D.

O'Connor, went to Oakdale Cemetery, and the graves of Capt. Grainger, Mr. James Darby and William Dowling were handsomely decorated with flow-

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. - The Board were in session yesterday afternoon, present : Col. W. L. Smith Chairman, Commissioners Grady, Worth, Mongomery and Bagg.

The Chairman reported having rebalance due for keeping the insane of this county to 1st January, 1879, amounting to \$66,64, which has been

Ordered that the claim be presented to the State Treasurer for keeping the insane from the 1st of January, 1879, the date of the repeal of the law authorizing this payment.

Communication from Dr. W. W. Lane, concerning hospital, was ordered received, and subsequently, on motion of Commissioner Cagg, was ordered referred to a committee of three, which committee was made to consist of the Chairman and Commissioners Bagg

and Grady. Ordered that George Sullivan be dis-

Ordered that Mary Murrell be ad-

Admittance to this institution was also granted to Joanna Homes, an un-The claim of Mecklenburg county,

Wade Hampton has expressed the opinion that Congress ought to force their place of business on Front street, the repeal of the supervisor law if it has to hold out against the President till the crack of doom.—Philadelphia. Bulletin.

Where is that mule? Give him one more chance.

The editor returns thanks for an invitation to attend the coalation of the Little Giant boys, given at their engine house on Friday night last. From the conflicting statements made by the locals of the Sun and Star we are rather of the opinion that we made something by not attending. They evidently had a good time, but they lost their memory immediately afterwards.

The dredge boat Woodbury will commence dredging the river next week on the outer bar or Bald Head shoal. We may expect great results from the work. The work will be under the management of Mr. Henry Bacon, Ergineer; the boat will be commanded by Capt. J. T. Harper. Mr. Bacon says that New Inlet bar will be closed during the summer and fall, and sale of liquor within two miles of any in his opinion, the bar will increase in

BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY OF THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY.-Mr. Edouard Peschau, the Imperial Consul, representing the interests of the German Empire at this port, received a large number of national state and city digni- that it sticks slightly. If the space be taries, and many of the prominent merchants and citizens of of Wilmington at the Consulate yesterday, who called on him as a mark of respect to the government he represents, and to express their esteem for him as an official, citizen and friend.

Mr. Peschau has been respectively Vice-Consul and Consul at this port for many years and his official acts have been characterized by zealous endeavor to subserve the interests he repre

In business pursuits and in private life Mr. Peschau is a trusted and respected citizen, and as a genial wholesouled gentleman and host his large circle of friends do not alone remember his courtesies of yesterday.

MR. EDITOR:—In your paper of the 9th inst, I notice a communication from 'A Cape Fear Pilot," in which he affirms that there is less water in the Cape Fear river now than at any time during the last twenty years, and gives nis opinion of the cause.

Now, instead of the above, the fact that the available depth of water om Wilmington to the sea, has not been as good as at the present time for many years. There is a wide straight channel across the Bald Head bar. where the available depth is over feet at average or sixteen feet at high spring tides In the Horse Shoe channel there is an available depth of 101 feet at average low water, or 16 feet at high spring tides. These are the shoalest portions of the course to the sea, and the above facts are verified by the present practise of navigation and pilots in carrying vessels of deep drafts compared with former practice.

If some of the "Cape Fear Pilots" would spend more time in making care. ful soundings and examinations they would be better qualified to give facts, and their opinions might be more valu-

#### PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT. The following is the annual ratio of

deaths from all causes in various parts of the United States and foreign countries, compiled from the Bulletin of the Public Health, issued by the Surgeon-General U. S. Hospital Service under the National Quarantine Act of 1878. FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH, 15, 1879.

Pittsburgh Baltimore 'hicago'... incinnati Iudson County, N. J. Buffalo. hiladelphi San Francisco New Orleans GREAT BRITAIN.

Smallpox caused 22 deaths in London, 1 in Manchester and 19 in Dublin. GERMAN EMPIRE. Hamburg.

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Strasburg Leipzic.... AUSTRIA. RUSSIA. St. Petersbhrg. CUBA.

Havana: Yellow fever caused 1 death, The Bark Sleepner arrived at Port Eads, below New Orleans on March 14th from Rio de Janerio. During the 61 days passage all of the crew suffered from vellow fever: 3 died and one is still sick. The vessel was immediately towed to the Quarantine Station.

The conditions of what may be called perfect mechanical work have been realized in the mammoth testing machine erected at the Watertown Arsenal. Among the astonishing experiments reported of this machine is one where a forged link of hard wroughtiron five inches in diameter was slowly strained and finally broken at a tension of 722,800 pounds, while, to show that the weighing parts of the machine were not disturbed by the recoil, a horsehair was tested immediately afterward It stretched 30 per cent., and broke at one pound. Such a machine is an engine of power and precision in which lies the possibilities of a revolution in the manufacture of iron and steel and bronze, and in the proportioning and adaptation of structures. Perhaps the only equal to this wonderful invention is Sir Joseph Whitworth's millionth measuring machine. Now, it is absolutely impossible for the naked eye to judge the millionth part of an inch, and such minute divisions are wholly beyond the resolving power of the most elaborate of modern microscopic appliances. Nor can the mind grasp a quantity so minute. The thickness of a page of ordinary French writing paper is about equal to 4,000 of these particles of measurement, or the two hundred and fiftieth part of an inch. But what the eye cannot see the nerves can feel, and that quite readily. One

racy of Workmanship. The expenses of our state Government for the last year were five hundred and thirty thousand four hundred and sixty-two dollars and seventy-nine cents.

can take a cylinder and pass it through

a space left vacant in one of these

Whitworth machines. It passes easily,

but reduce the aperture by the mil-

lionth part of an inch, and one feels

reduced another millionth, the cylinder

sticks fast, thus proving perfect accu-

Diocese of North Carolina-Bishop Atkinsons Appointments. Wednesday, March 19P M., Thursday, March 20, A M.,

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### A SURE CURE FOR PILES.

A sure cure for the blind, bleeding, itching and ulcerated piles has been discovered by Dr. William (an Indian remedy), called Dr. William's Indian Ointment, A single box has cured the worst old chronic cases of twenty-five and thirty years' standing. No one need suffer five minutes after applying this wonderful soothing medicine. Lotions, instruments and electuaries do more harm than good. William's Ointtching (particularly at night after getting warm in bed), acts as a poultice, gives instant and painless, relief and is prepared only for Piles, itching of the private parts

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JOSEPH M. RYDER, Cleaveland, O. "Has done me more good than all the nd ulcerated piles, having used every remedy that came to my notice without benefit until I used Indian Ointment and received

JAMES CARROLL, (an old miner), Tecoma, No Pile Remedy ever gained such rapid favor and extensive sale. Sold by all wholesale and retail druggists. For sale by T. S. BURBANK. March 23-1y.

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please state at the same time whether mar-ried or single. The A. A. M. Co., only possess a limited number of Boxes, so it is calculated that some will have to be refused. To insure safe package, free carriage, and to pay expenses of advertising, etc., a sum of One Dollar must be forwarded with the bond by P. O. O., or otherwise.

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