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LATEST NEWS.

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Right, a relative of the Keitt who was a notorious anti-bellum member of Congress from South Carolina, in reference to the Empire under Grant, says: "To assert that any man of this generation can establish an empire upon the ruins of the great government of 50,000,000 of people, whose hearts are all aglow with liberty, is twaddling. It is unworthy of consideration, coming from the man it does."

FROM WASHINGTON.
Greenback at the Greenback-Sherman's Principle Sound—It is Republican Doctrine—Only a Question of Policy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12, 1879.
THE GREENBACK IS A SUCCESS.

Senator Logan is his authority for the statement. He visited the colony of the Greenbacks, where they had taken up the government land, and sold it to the families housed and almost self-supporting. Another year would find them with crops to sell. He says that of the 7,000 who entered the land last winter only about one hundred have now being supported by the crop. There is no doubt but that if these people, accustomed to the care of stock, can be made to succeed in the farming business, all through the south they are a warning that if they can once acquire government land in the west, all they have to do is to live on it to own it. It is, unless some inducement is made for them to stay, that in the hands of the negroes, possessed of little money, who will go to the west and steadily increase. Indeed, in one of the railroads carried into Kansas from northern Texas and Louisiana about 1,000 colored emigrants who will settle on government land under the homestead act.

IF I DON'T PAY TO LIVE.
The would-be organ of the Bourbon Democrats, the *Post* of this city, can tell more distressing in a given space of time than any being under God's heavens, except a Louisiana witness before a Congressional committee. The result is that it is without friends at home or credit abroad. Its editors have just been taught a notable lesson that it don't pay to slander and lie. For the last week it has vilified the late Secretary of War, McCrary, and loudly called upon all Democratic Senators to vote against confirming him as a United States Judge. It was especially numerous Tuesday morning in denouncing any Democratic Senator who would vote for him. When the vote was had not one Democrat voted "no," and Mr. Ramsey was on Wednesday unanimously confirmed as Secretary of War. This that Republicans in North Carolina may pay no attention to extracts from it printed in your Democratic papers. No one here is so poor as to do it the honor to believe a word it says of any public man or measure.

A FINE FIELD POLITICAL RUMOR.
It is current here, to the effect that Mr. Taylor will issue a sort of an address to the Democratic party, defending the course he has pursued and announcing that he is not and will not be a candidate for the Presidency. He will then declare his preference for Speaker Randall. It is claimed that Mr. Taylor can carry New York for Mr. Randall, and that the latter can carry Virginia out of the doubtful range. All one who will may believe as he pleases.

A CHANGE AT THE GREENBACK.
On the side ground of extreme necessity, and only as a war measure, the Republicans by a strict party vote passed acts during the war, providing for the issue of greenbacks which were to be a legal tender for all purposes except the payment of duties on imported goods. The Democrats in Congress and out opposed these acts on the ground that they were unconstitutional, and that this form of money was therefore illegal. When the war closed the Republican party, under the lead of Secretary McCulloch, passed acts providing for the gradual retirement of the greenbacks from circulation. The Democrats of a party opposed this measure on the ground that there was not gold and silver enough in the country to replace them, that it would cause a contraction of the currency, make money scarce and dearer, and thus play into the hands of the National banks and bondholders, and that it would oppress the labor class, which is the poorer class, but to the benefit of the creditor class, that is to say, the capitalists. By this act of some Republicans the act providing for the gradual retirement of the greenbacks was repealed and that road toward resumption blocked by the Democratic party.

RETIRED WANTS TO BECOME DEMOCRAT.
Almost every session of Congress saw some measure brought forward by the Republican majority to make a green-

back dollar worth a dollar in coin, and just as regularly the Democratic party opposed them. The panic came. Then, for the time the parties seemed to change front. The Democrats clamored for more currency. They wanted greenbacks. Greenbacks must take the place of the National bank currency. The printing presses must be set running. In short the greenback craze was upon us. It was in the dawn of this craze that Senator John Sherman brought forward his bill providing for resumption in 1879. How the Democrats laughed and jeered at that measure the whole country knows. Many Republicans doubted the wisdom of the measure. Senator Sherman persevered. Everywhere Republicans said, "We do not want to take the greenbacks out of circulation, but we do want to make a greenback dollar worth a dollar. The only way to do that is to provide gold and silver enough to the National Treasury to redeem on demand all the greenbacks that may be presented."

JOHN SHERMAN RESUMES.
Senator John Sherman became Secretary of the Treasury and carried out the law which he had framed and passed amid so much violent opposition from the Democratic party, and doubt within his own. What does resumption really mean? Simply that any person holding greenbacks can now present them at some National Treasury and get gold or silver, on demand. That is all. The Republicans alone have made a greenback dollar worth a dollar in gold or silver.

THE PRESENT GREENBACK QUESTION.
There are now over \$200,000,000 in gold and silver coin stored in the treasury vaults. It was expected that a large portion of this great coin reserve would be drawn out to redeem greenbacks. That is what this coin reserve is held for. But, now, when the greenback is just as good as a dollar in gold people prefer them to gold, and keep them. Gold is flowing in from abroad. We are daily coming silver. The great reserve of coin is constantly growing larger. Now the greenbacks or legal tenders, about \$300,000,000 in all, form part of the war debt of the country. But a portion of the debt can only be paid by having the greenbacks or legal tenders presented for redemption in coin. The pit and point of the President's and Secretary Sherman's recommendation to Congress is simply that the greenbacks may be called in and paid off in coin, and thus have that much gold and silver go out of the treasury where it is now idle, into circulation among the people. It is not a proposition to contract the currency, but simply a proposal to substitute gold and silver for paper, and at the same time pay so much of the national debt.

IT IS SOUND PRINCIPLE.
No one will for a moment deny that the only question is, "Is it good policy to disturb the country at this moment by opening up the whole vexed question of national finance?" The Republicans, as a party, say "no!" It is true that the legal tender forms a portion of the war debt. But it bears no interest, and it is held by the people. They know the coin is in the treasury. They simply say, "Let it stay there." They find the greenback more convenient to use than coin. So long as the legal tenders do not materially inflate the volume of currency, and so long as everybody has confidence, why make trouble, unsettle business and disturb confidence?

SENATOR BAYARD ADOPTS THE DEMOCRATIC POLICY.
The Republicans have decided upon the policy of "letting well enough alone." Senator Bayard, however, steps forward and formally adopts the President's plan of retiring the legal tenders, by presenting a bill which provides that they shall be called in and paid off. His first motive is to "add up" Senator Thurman's political grave, so to speak, and at the same time strengthen himself with the hard money element of his party in the east and south. At the same time he desires to win the party from the greenback craze over again to the old Democratic idea of opposition to the legal tenders, and into the Jacksonian principle of hard money. While most of the Democratic Senators side with him, he meets with bitter opposition in the House. In a word, it has become a Democratic fight which will not tend to harmony in their party during the coming Presidential campaign.

A Boston woman receives \$10,000 a year in royalties from the sewing machine companies for a simple improvement, or attachment, which she happened to think of one day.

The railroad companies in this city have been losing axle boxes or brasses. William McNeill and Calvin Saw were arrested and the brasses recovered on Friday last.

When Mr. David Cashwell is talking so glibly about corruptionists he had better say something about the offer he made to a certain person who was a magistrate. He offered the person one half of the proceeds of the office if he would resign in his (Cashwell's) favor. Will Mr. Cashwell explain such questionable conduct? This has the appearance of attempted bribery.

It seems quite evident that nothing material in relation to the finances will be done at the present session. It is reported that the caucus Republican Committee of the Senate, consisting of Messrs. Morrill, Conkling, Hamlin, McMillan, Booth, Kirkwood, Logan and Carpenter, have agreed to do nothing. Mr. Ford of Illinois, a Republican who has been a member since the 43rd Congress, and who favors legislation, had an interview with the President, who says he adheres to his recommendations on his own responsibility, but would not feel aggrieved if the Republicans disagreed with him. Many Republicans admit that the greenbacks ought to be retired, but are averse to touching the finances at present. In the meantime Gen. B. F. Butler is in Washington ready to make his argument to the Supreme Court to advance it upon the calendar, so as to get an early decision. This is the case which involves the legal-tender validity of the government notes.

A representative of the Wilmington *Post* was in Shelby last week. He made himself very obnoxious to some of our citizens, and the treatment he received was not such as was calculated to cause him to remember Shelby as a land of milk and honey for the agent of a dirty racket.

We clip the above from a miserable, lying sheet published in Shelby, N. C. The editor and his paper are too contemptible for any gentleman to notice, and we only notice him for the purpose of showing the people of this country how much liberty there is allowed to Republicans and Republican papers in a place which is under the entire control of a miserable pack of lukewarm murderers. We know this fellow is lying when he says Lind, our canvassing agent, acted otherwise than polite to the people of Shelby—but the offense was in canvassing for a Republican paper. Though A. B. Lind is a colored man he is far better than the editor of the *Shelby Aurora*, in every sense of the word. We do not propose to make the dog a hero in his own party by giving him further notice. We humbly apologize to our readers for referring to the miserable fellow at all.

We certainly apologize to the friends of Col. Blocker for publishing the following official vindication, but we do so to let the enemies of Col. Blocker see how he stands at the Department:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF INTERNAL REVENUE,
WASHINGTON, December 5, 1879.
O. H. Blocker, Insp. Revenue Agent,
Raleigh, N. C.

SIR:—I have received a report from Revenue Agent Kellogg, who was directed to investigate the charges against you as originally published in the *Military Chronicle* and copied in the *Raleigh Observer*. You are informed that from the report of Revenue Agent Kellogg I am well satisfied that all the charges made against you were without foundation in fact.

You possess the entire confidence and regard of this office, and I trust that you will continue to discharge your duties in the same faithful and impartial manner which has characterized your work heretofore.

Respectfully,
GEO. B. RAUM,
Commissioner.

CITY ITEMS.
Clew Jackson's Best Sweet Navy Tobacco.

\$20 IN GOLD.
We will pay TWENTY DOLLARS IN GOLD to any person who sends us the LARGEST NUMBER of PAYING SUBSCRIBERS up to the 15th day of January, 1880.

EDITOR POST.
Rev. R. R. Hall has left for his new field of labor at Statesville.

A flogging was left at Mr. John G. Oldenbott's door Friday morning. The little thing is white and was only about four hours old when found. No clue.

Some rascals broke open the penning house of Capt. S. W. Nobles, about two miles from this city on Thursday night last. A quantity of peanuts were taken.

ATTEMPTED STRIKE—Fanny Hayes, colored, became jealous and resolved to put her jealous nature out of existence. She took laudanum, but the dose was not large enough, and Fanny is now out of danger.

THE DEATH OF DR. J. FRANCIS KING.—The intelligence reached here last Monday that Dr. King had died the day before in New York. The news of his death filled the hearts of his many friends in this city with sadness. He was born in Beaufort town, and was in his 48th year. He received his degree as a Medical Practitioner at one of the schools of New York City, settled at first in Washington in Beaufort county, and in 1865 in this city, where he has practiced ever since. He was distinguished in his profession as a careful physician and a skillful surgeon, and his easy manners and close attention to patients had endeared him to many people here. His funeral took place on Wednesday from his late residence and from the St. John's Church, and his remains were deposited in Oakland Cemetery.

POLITICAL SPEECH BEFORE THE HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY, ON THE 22D OF NOV. 1879.—To the very great surprise of every one who knows the man, the Society known by the name of the "Historical and Scientific Society" invited David Cashwell of this city to deliver an address concerning the causes of the panic of 1873.

Well, the little man accepted, to the utter astonishment of the members of the invitation. He was on time and delivered a political speech, in which he arraigned the administration during and since the war for the panic of 1873. He outrageously abused the officials of the government including the judiciary. He spoke in the most bitter terms of the Electoral Commission which declared that Hayes and Wheeler were elected President and Vice President. Now this man is holding an office under the judicial branch of the government. Every particle of bread he has eaten since 1868 he has got from the government. Now, can Hon. Geo. W. Brooks, the presiding Judge of this District, allow the administration of President Hayes to be insulted by one of his officials? We ask this question knowing that Judge Brooks is a friend of President Hayes, and we believe he will take proper steps to vindicate, in the proper manner, a slander published by one of his subordinates. If this Clerk of the U. S. Superior Court desires to enter politics he should leave his present position. A few words about the Historical and Scientific Society: If they propose to turn their Society into a political debating society we desire fair play, and the reply to Mr. Cashwell, not particularly ourselves, but for a Republican. Will our application be granted? If so, we will be able to show that the primary cause of the panic was the war, brought on by the southern secessionists. But Mr. Cashwell never did himself the honor to fight for what he advocates.

Rev. J. B. Taylor, of the First Baptist Church, has received an acknowledgment from Mr. J. H. Mills, Superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, of \$116.50 being the proceeds of the collection taken up on the occasion of the joint services at the Baptist Church on Thanksgiving Day, which was participated in by the two Methodist, the two Presbyterian, the Baptist and the Lutheran Churches of this city.

SOCIAL CLUB.—The Metropolitan Social Club, composed of the young colored men of this city, was organized on Monday night last, with the following officers: Thos. E. Scott, President; John Howard, Vice President; M. H. Hill, Secretary; Joseph Hankins, Assistant Secretary; Joshua Westry, Treasurer; Chas. W. Norwood, Chairman.

LOST HIS LASSES.—Thursday night a roundsmen discovered a hollow rolling off a barrel of molasses. As soon as the police wanted to take about it with him he left his sargum but made "long lick" for parts unknown. The stolen barrel was claimed by Messrs. Hall & Pearsall.

During the late term of the Superior Court, which closed its labors on Saturday evening last, 170 civil cases were called, in 53 of which judgments were rendered in, 8 appeals were taken to the Supreme Court, and 107 were continued over until the next term.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—At a meeting of Section No. 221 of the Endowment Rank of the Order of Knights of Pythias, held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President—F. W. Ottman; Vice President—H. G. Plummer; Chaplain—H. C. Proutner; Secretary and Treasurer—John L. Dudley; Guide—John Haar, Jr.; Guard—Jos. Sternberger; Sentinel—W. H. Yopp; Medical Examiner—Geo. S. Thomas, M. D.

LETTER FROM PENDER.
BURGAW, PENDER CO., N. C.,
December 6, 1879.

EDITOR POST:—Since my last, the time for the renewal of "Bonds" for county officials has come and gone, all except the Register of Deeds renewed, I am informed, with their old sureties. Another month was allowed the Register of Deeds, a Republican (so called, whose office as I spoke of in my *Met* is run by the Probate Judge, a Democrat,) to present his bond. The "Boom" still continues and judging from the many improvements, one of which, the most noticeable, an elegant brick chimney has been erected to the building by the county, belonging to the Probate Judge and rented by him to the county for offices. Stoves had been provided for the building by the county. Why this expense of a chimney? is the county out of debt? It must be or a useless expenditure of this kind would not have been countenanced by the Chairman of County Commissioners. Some attribute it to a personal benefit. One thing, I do know, that the Chairman's son-in-law teaches school in the upper story of this building that is rented, or supposed to be, by the county. What we contend for, is, that the landlord should bear the expense of improvement to his own property to make it as per contract—comfortable.

I am not prepared to say what rent, if any, is paid to the county for the use of a part of the building for purposes other than those pertaining to county affairs. If not then we are paying taxes to support personal gain. These questions are growing deep into the minds of those that think for themselves. With all of these facts, which will, with many more, be explained to the people before the next election. You will please advance my figures, quoted in *Met* at 200. The most sanguine Democrats concede the county to the Republicans by figures nearly reaching those named by me. Let their opinions be as they may, place Pender at the head of 1880's calendar, Republican majority 700 and two precincts to hear from. In my next I will give you something of the feelings as to your State and National tickets.

Yours,
EPITAPH.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
REASONS WHY
PERRY DAVIS'
PAIN-KILLER
IS THE
Best Family Medicine of the Age.

And why it should be kept always near at hand.

DR. PAIN-KILLER is the most certain and reliable cure that medical science has produced.

DR. PAIN-KILLER, as a Harrow and Dysentery remedy, seldom if ever fails.

DR. PAIN-KILLER will cure Cramps or Pains in the part of the system. A single dose usually affords a cure.

DR. PAIN-KILLER will cure Fever and Ague, and Chills. It has cured the most obstinate cases.

DR. PAIN-KILLER as a Remedy is unequalled for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headache, Toothache, Sprain, &c.

DR. PAIN-KILLER has proved a safe and reliable cure for the most painful cases of Stomachic and Dysentery after years of standing.

DR. PAIN-KILLER will relieve Indigestion, Flatulency, and other ailments giving relief from pain after the first application.

DR. PAIN-KILLER cures Headache, and Toothache.

DR. PAIN-KILLER will save you days of sickness and many a dollar in time and doctor's bills.

DR. PAIN-KILLER has been before the public over thirty years and is a purely vegetable preparation, safe to keep and use in every family. The simplicity attending its use, together with the great variety of diseases that may be entirely eradicated by it, and the great amount of pain and suffering that can be alleviated through its use, make it imperative upon every person to supply themselves with this valuable remedy and to keep it always near at hand.

The Pain-Killer is now in use and approved in every quarter of the globe. Physicians recommend it in their practice, and almost every country where the cure and buy the genuine. Every drug store and every country store throughout the land keep it for sale.

READ.
SATURDAY NEXT

We stood at an open window
Leaning far over the sill,
And if something hadn't happened
We might have stood there still;
But we reached for a banging shutter
In a blinding northeast breeze,
So our friends will have to be witted
To join in the obsequies.

IF WE COULD ONLY HAVE KNOWN
what a storm was brewing (in a teapot)
and how far off that shutter was, we should
never have ventured our heads outside of
that window; but it is too late for regrets
now, we are nonplussed, completely
squashed, have been set upon, and our
friends and the public generally are respectfully
invited to attend the obsequies on

As the slips he slides, and every time a
slide he slips up most woefully. We look
our "kind friends" to find out the meaning
of the above, and what they are doing to
we will ask the following questions:

Haven't we the neatest and dirtiest store in
the State?

Haven't we the poorest stock of goods in
Wilmington?

Haven't we made prices much higher than
we commenced?

Haven't we been very unaccommodating
and impolite to you?

Haven't we charged you for all the goods
delivered?

Haven't we made a great many mistakes
and refused to correct them when our attention
was called thereto?

All of our friends who answer "yes" to
the above questions will please not only bring
us any more. Respectfully and truly,
P. L. BRIDGERS & CO.

In glancing over last Sunday's paper we
noticed to notice the fact acknowledged
we had taken away part of their trade, and
making an appeal to the others to follow
them. We regret this exceedingly, especially
as they were so kind and considerate
about our coming to this city, but as we
we have determined to do it.

LARGEST RETAIL GROCERY
BUSINESS

ever done in Wilmington, we will in the
future have to keep from being so tender
hearted, and CUT DOWN PRICES within
more.

THE BLOODY CHASM HAS BEEN
BRIDGED OVER.

THE LITTLE JOKERS are not quite
gone.

A fine line of TOILET SOAPS received to-day, very low down.

THE OLD CAPE FEAR is flourishing
and MARTELLE swimming.

We have been over and under at
"Clear of Peace," as the saying is, and
will think it would be best policy to stop
publishing the papers with our fine literary
productions, as they have the tendency to
keep prices very low, which we, of course,
with all other good grocers, desire, only
want enough left to pay for clerk's three
store rent and taxes.

NOT PURITANICAL.

Although opposed to the drinking of
liquors, P. L. BRIDGERS & CO. are not
puritanical enough to refuse to sell them,
as they think no FINEST QUALITY of
STOUT can afford to be without; but they
promise the ladies that they would never
find out there was any on the premises, as
it must be taken elsewhere to be drunk.

BUMGARDNER,
STUART'S DEW and
DURHAM OLD RYE
received this week.

TRY OUR BUTTER AND LARD
The purest, oldest, and best CORN
WHISKEY in the State, to be
bought only at
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