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WILSON NEWS.

Mrs. Edward Moore and Samuel N. Hill, two colored men of ability, have just started a paper at Wilson, N. C., called the Wilson News.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 4, '82.

A mass convention of the colored citizens of New Hanover will be held in the court house on Saturday, March 18th, at 12 o'clock, for the purpose of electing delegates to the state convention, which meets at Goldsboro on the 25th of March.

The Mayor had two cases before him on Thursday morning—Charles Slight for fast driving and Wm. Strain, charged with larceny. The former was fined \$2 and the latter was discharged.

FOR THE POST.

Delegates to the Goldsboro Convention, which meets March 25th, will be passed over the Railroads of this State at the following rates: Over the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley road, one fare; Wilmington & We'don road, three cts. per mile each way; Carolina Central road, three cents per mile; Central rail, three cents per mile; each way.

REV. JAMES PATERSON.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 9, '82.

Mr. Editor:—I am quite sure that you were not in possession of all the facts relative to the late visit of the above named gentlemen to our city. For your uniform fairness in the treatment of all questions would have prompted you to take some notice of the outrageous manner in which Mr. Paterson was treated while here, especially by some of our civil officers.

Mr. Paterson is a regular minister of the gospel, in good standing in the Free Church of Scotland. Besides serving as a pastor in his own country, he has traveled extensively as a missionary in various parts of the world, having spent many years in India and in other countries of the east.

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So a false charge is trumped up and a negro mean enough to make affidavit is found, (certain men can always find some low fellow to do a job like this who ought to be in the penitentiary,) and an innocent man is hauled before a magistrate. The accused is told that he has violated the law; that if the case is tried he may expect it to be decided against him, and that if it does go against him he will have to pay the tax (\$6 00) and the costs (\$3 45), or take an appeal, in which case he would be required to remain here in custody until the April term of the Criminal Court. But says the Justice, (?) before the hour for trial arrives, if you will pay me one penny and the costs I will suspend judgment. The poor man considers for a moment and concludes, as the Justice (?) knows he will, that it is best to allow this extortion and thus get rid of this bad lot, so he pays the \$3 45.

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So at night he preached at the Chestnut Street Presbyterian Church, (col.) of which Rev. D. J. Sanders is pastor, where he had preached in the forenoon with great acceptance.

On introducing his lecture in the afternoon, Mr. Paterson criticised some what severely several prominent white ministers and gentlemen, on account of the "discourteous and inhospitable manner in which they had received him, a minister and a stranger in a strange land."

I do not purpose to dwell upon this aspect of the case, but I wish to draw attention to

THE SEQUEL.

which to my mind was a most outrageous proceeding.

At the suggestion of the proprietor of Brooklyn Hall, who by the way, treated Mr. Paterson with great kindness and consideration, he arranged to lecture in that Hall on Thursday night and proposed to charge a small admission fee so as to meet the expenses.

Having been informed that Solicitor Moore, Justice Gardner, Tony Ashe, & Co., were contemplating a raid on him for lecturing for reward without paying taxes. Mr. P. declined to take any money at the door as he was advised to do, and relied upon a collection to raise money to meet the necessary expenses. The audience was small and Mr. P. was a dollar short on account of expenses.

The lecture over, Mr. P. went to his hotel and retired for the night, doubtless with a good conscience.

Persons usually dream of what occupies them most when awake, hence, it may be well supposed that the ideal being who was devoted his life to the intellectual and moral good of others.

But what must have been his astonishment when aroused from his slumbers 'ere the rays of the sun had scattered the grey dawn of the morning, by a constable and summoned to appear before Justice Gardner, to answer the charge of lecturing for reward without having paid taxes.

When the hour for the trial arrived, at the suggestion of Rev. Mr. Sanders, who met Mr. Paterson in Scotland years ago, the latter asked a continuance of the case until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. It was continued, and he was required to give a bond of \$50 for his appearance, which he did, Mrs. G. being surety.

In a half-hour afterwards, Justice Gardner informed Mr. Paterson that he would suspend judgment on the payment of one penny and costs, which amounted to \$3 45. Mr. P. being in no condition to contend for his rights in the circumstances, allowed this money to be extorted from him by this so-called Justice of the Peace, and left the city by the next train.

Now Mr. Editor, I have no personal interest in this matter, but I do think that such high-handed and outrageous proceedings as these cannot be condoned too severely.

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Very respectfully, ROSECOE.

All subscribers to the Post not receiving the same regularly, will please report the name to Mr. W. E. N. Sellers at this office.

CARPET NEWS.

BEAUFORT, N. C., March 9, '82.

EDITOR POST:—We miss the many vessels in our harbor since our last letter. We have now in port the American bark G. Reusens, of New York, from Cardiff, Wales, with steel rails for the Midland Railroad Company.

Her cargo is now being discharged and the rails are being placed in the bonded warehouse at Morehead City.

The Revenue Cutter Colfax is again in port, on her cruise north. A handsome steam yacht, the Brunette, stopped in our harbor for a day or two last week. She is a fine craft, and is on her way to Florida.

Our fisheries are doing a fine business at the Cape. With the extensive wires they put down a short time since 9000 trout were caught in one on the 6th instant, and some of our fishermen in small crafts were equally as fortunate.

On the 7th instant, they caught 3,000 trout near Fort Macon. We are informed that the survivors of companies G. and H. 10th Regiment N. C. Vol., C. S. A., have settled upon Captain G. W. Charlotte as chairman, and David S. Sanders as secretary, to make the necessary arrangements for the reunion of said companies at Beaufort, on the 25th day of April next.

All communication should be addressed as above.

There is quite an interesting revival of religion going on in the colored Methodist Church in this town, under the able ministrations of Rev. A. B. Smyer, who is a talented man, and is doing good service in the cause of his Master. Over 100 have made professions of religion. We had the best colored people in the south among us prior to the revival, and now they are far exceeding.

We wish the Post abundant success, and with the personal supervision of Col. W. P. Canada it must soon take rank as the leading weekly in the south.

Success to you, we say again, you have labored for the Republican party when there was no chance of success, but we now see the silver lining behind the cloud. Persevere, old Cartetel will delight to do you honor, and the good Old North State will yet place your name high up on the pinnacle of fame.

ONSLOW CO., MARCH 6, '82.

MR. EDITOR:—As one of the 700 white men of Onslow county who has been excluded from the jury box for seven or eight years, I write to thank you for myself, and the other 699, for taking up the cudgel in our behalf.

I thought you had forgotten your white fellow-citizens in this jury question; but your tardiness in the matter, I suppose, was due to your ignorance heretofore of the fact that 700 white men in Onslow county had been "treated like niggers," but such is the fact. Scores of them, of my acquaintance, say they have not served on a jury for a dozen years. Now, why is this so? The principal qualifications of a juror are that he is of a good moral character and of sufficient intelligence. Taking your figures, which are sufficiently low, and supposing the persons excluded are for lawful cause there are at least 1300 men in Onslow county disqualified to serve on juries, for lack of intelligence or dishonesty, or both; besides a possible hundred or two who are exempt or excluded for other causes.

Now, what a showing for old Onslow! Just think of it. Thirteen hundred rascals and persons without common sense, in a voting population of about 2000, and as many as 700 of that 1300 are white men. Does any one believe it? Have not these gentlemen, who have the make up of juries by their acts said so? Have not they said that 600 "niggers" in Onslow county were not qualified to serve on juries, and that 700 white men of the same county were no better qualified than those 600 negroes. They have certainly.

Now, Messrs. Jurymakers, do you think any sane man in the county, or out of it, believes such is the fact, that 1300 of our citizens ought to be excluded from serving on juries for lack of intelligence, or dishonesty? I suppose you think everybody believes it, for you would not like to be called ignorant or neglectful of your duty: Neither would you have us to say that you knew the law and disobeyed it, for that would be a kind of perjury. So please rise and explain. Let us know upon what ground to put it; whether it is a willful disregard of the law.

Keep it booming, Mr. Editor, until every man has his rights according to his merits. Fight your battles upon the broad level of American citizenship for every man, and you will be sustained by every one worthy to be called an American.

Yours truly, REMUS.

Thieves have been depriving upon the hot home of Mr. W. A. Whitehead, on Fifth between Nun and Church streets.

CITY ITEMS.

The Post will not be sent to subscribers who do not pay their subscriptions.

The officers of the Church Council of St. Paul's Lutheran Church will be installed to day.

Brinkley Jenkins was arrested on Friday last, charged with harboring a sailor, and was required to pay the cost of the search warrant.

James Hankins, colored, had his left leg broken on Monday last, while assisting in transferring water pipe from the steamer Gulf Stream to a flat.

An electric light of the natural kind was frolicking on the telegraphic wires near the foot of Market street Monday night, and attracted quite a crowd.

Geo. Murray, colored, had one of his legs badly injured on Monday last, by getting it caught between the hubs of two drays passing through a gateway.

Tony Ryan and Noah Batson were before a Magistrate Thursday on the charge of assault and battery, and had to fork over one penny and the costs.

The steamer Clinton, which had just resumed her trips to Bannerman's Bridge, after undergoing repairs, returned Thursday with some of her machinery damaged.

The woods east and south of the city are said to be full of traps and runaway sailors, rendering it dangerous for women and children to wander too far without protectors.

People residing on what is known as Kiddler's Hill, in the neighborhood of Dudley's Grove, are said to have lost about two hundred chickens during the past month from the depredation of thieves.

Tucker Townsend, colored, a notorious little thief, was arrested Friday morning for stealing a meat hook from Mr. J. H. Strauss, and was sent to jail on failure to give the necessary bond for his appearance at the Criminal Court.

Chicken stealing is becoming a favorite pastime again. Silmore Baker, Dicey Robinson and John Butler, all living on Tenth, between Nun and Church streets, were robbed Thursday night, losing between them thirty-seven chickens.

Mr. John D. Bellamy, jr., delivered a very interesting lecture before the Historical Society on Monday evening last on the life, character and public services of Gen. Robert Howe, a hero of the revolution, and a native of Brunswick county.

At Bannerman's Bridge, Pender county, on Saturday, the 4th inst., a son of Mr. Lewis Savage, aged 14 years, was riding on a timber wagon, when he accidentally fell off, one wheel of the wagon passing over his body and killing him almost instantly.

Capt. Morse, of the pilot boat Uriah Timmons, reports passing through the fragments of the wreck of a small steamer off the Fraying Pan Lightship on the 5th inst., and picking up a pair of steps, water gauge, and gong of engine room. Name of steamer unknown.

The funeral of the late J. W. Strauss was preached at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Sunday afternoon last, Rev. Mr. Payne, of the Second Presbyterian Church, assisting Rev. F. E. W. Peschau, the new pastor, in conducting the services. The funeral was one of the largest ever known in Wilmington.

The stockholders of the Express Steamboat Company met here on Thursday and elected as a Board of Directors Messrs. K. M. Murchison, G. W. Williams, A. B. Williams and H. C. McQueen. Mr. H. C. McQueen was afterwards elected President and Mr. M. Croby, Jr., Secretary.

DEATHS DURING THE WEEK.—Ester Klein, aged 70 years, paralysis; Rosa S. French, 60 years, paralysis; Robt. S. French, 22 years, cancer; Susan Dyer, 21 years, dropsy of heart; John T. Mitchell, 5 months, pneumonia; child of J. Lucas, 5 days, spasms.

Interments during the week.—Oakdale 2; Bellevue none; Catholic Cemetery none; Pine Forest 4.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The following marriage licenses were issued by the Register of Deeds during the past week:—Phillip James Wilson and Miss Candis Dussan, Jas. Orrington and Miss Maria Williams; Richard Benjamin and Miss Sarah Cooper; Thomas McWilliams and Miss Ella Augusta Green; Chas. Carroll and Miss Jane Dudley; John H. Davis and Miss Martha Johnston; G. S. Wells and Miss Maggie E. Carter, Jan. L. Lander and Miss Jennie Gaskin.

A young colored man, named Sam Smith, employed on the schr. American Eagle, was drowned on Thursday afternoon last, about 4 o'clock, while attempting to swim from the vessel to the shore, the schooner being at the time anchored in the stream opposite Skinner's shipyard. He was within about twenty-five yards of the shore when he sunk. Deceased was about 18 or 20 years of age, and came here from Norfolk.

ZERA SEMON.—This gentleman will make his first appearance in this city at the Opera House, on Monday night, March 13th, and we bespeak for him a crowded house. We have seen it stated by our exchanges in other cities, where he has performed, that his show is in every respect a first class one, and we have also been informed by parties who have witnessed his exhibitions that they are in every way worthy of patronage. Now that he is coming here let us all go and see for ourselves.

The Pastor of Mount Olive A. M. E. Church very respectfully invites the friends and members of said connection to unite with him in Divine Worship to-day (Sunday) March 13th. The day having been set apart to raise funds for the benefit of the church. The pulpit will be filled at 11 o'clock a. m. by Rev. H. White, of the Ebenezer Baptist Church; at 3 p. m. by Rev. J. F. Thomas, of St. Stephen's A. M. E. Church, and at 7 o'clock p. m. by Rev. J. H. Hooper of St. Luke's A. M. E. Zion Church.

DEEDS, MORTGAGES, &c.—The following deeds, mortgages, &c., were probated during the past week, by the proper authorities:

Deeds.—E. R. Moore, commissioner, to A. R. Black; F. M. King and wife to C. Wade; S. E. Anderson to Singer manufacturing company; Wm. Larkin, wife and others to Charlotte C. Fennell; E. F. Johnson and wife to Larry Hayes of Sampson county; G. W. Davis and wife and others to L. Johnson and others; Jno A. Duncan and wife to L. H. Outlar of Newbern; Watson Hall and wife to Matthew Hall.

Pled Graddy to J. H. Freeman; Alex. A. Bryan and wife to W. S. Warrock; Garrett Walker to H. H. Gerhardt; Jno W. James to G. W. Williams; John J. LeGwin and wife to R. S. Radcliffe; Peter Paul to B. G. Worth; James Bagley to Jas. H. Stewart.

Qualified.—G. W. Williams, as administrator of the estate of David R. Murchison.

ASSIGNMENT OF THE OLDEST MERCHANTS IN WILMINGTON.—DeRosset & Co., commission merchants on North Water street, failed on Saturday the 4th instant, and made an assignment. This firm, headed by Dr. A. J. DeRosset, the oldest merchant in Wilmington, having done business here for more than 45 years, was supposed to be one of the most substantial houses in the state. But the firm got in the naval store business, speculating extensively, so report says, and a bad run let them down for about \$30,000. They made an offer of compromise at 50 cents on the dollar, before making the assignment, but the First National Bank, being the chief creditor, refused the offer. Everybody in this city regrets the failure from the fact of the exceeding high standing of the firm, and particularly the senior member, who was one of the very best citizens of this city and state. It is sincerely wished that by all that he will be able to settle up his matters and continue the business. The assignment would have been published in last issue, but the officers suppressed it, so that we could not get it from the records.

DEATH OF JUDGE FRENCH.—Judge Robert Strange French, one of our oldest and most prominent citizens and members of the legal profession died on Monday last the 6th instant, after a lingering illness from paralysis, aged 67 years. He was born in Frenchtown, Dinwiddie county, Virginia, and received this collegiate course at William and Mary, after which he removed to Mississippi and commenced the practice of law. In 1846 he became a citizen of Robeson county in this state, where for several years he held the position of Clerk and Master in Equity. In 1860 he was appointed a Judge of the Superior Court, which he filled very acceptably until 1855, when the era of reconstruction commenced. Shortly after this period he became associated with the late Hon. S. J. Person in the practice of the law in this city and after the death of Judge Person, continued the business alone. In the death of Judge French the community loses a good citizen and bar an able and conscientious advocate. His funeral took place at St. James' Church on Tuesday morning.

The Post is only \$2 00 per annum.

SEVEN HUNDRED white men in Onslow county, whose names are not in the jury box, are satisfied at being denied the right to serve on the jury and getting their dollar and a half per day; so says a leading official of Onslow county. He says we are doing wrong in trying to agitate this question among the poor white men. He says the name of every white man, competent to serve as a juror, is in the jury box. This is certainly speaking very high for the intelligence of the white men of Onslow county. There are about 1300 white voters in the county, and this leading official says that 7 out of every 13 are incompetent. This is certainly complimentary to citizens of his own county. We call the good people's attention to it, and they can allow it to continue if they desire.

The Mayor had two cases before him on Thursday morning—Charles Slight for fast driving and Wm. Strain, charged with larceny. The former was fined \$2 and the latter was discharged.

Deputy sheriff Hand of Pender passed through here on Friday with one J. H. Blackburn, arrested in Fayetteville on a capias. It seems that Blackburn committed a homicide in Sampson county, and the case was removed to Pender for trial, where it was heard at the last term of the Superior Court, the defendant being let off on the promise of paying a fine of \$100 and the costs. It was for failing to meet this requirement of the court that he is arrested.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.—The Board met in regular session on Monday afternoon last. The Treasurer submitted his report for the month of February, as follows: General fund: Balance on hand, \$28,193.79. Educational fund: Balance on hand, 14,763.46. Special fund: Balance due, 162.75. Treasurer, 162.75. And exhibited twelve bonds of the denomination of \$500, with twelve coupons of the denomination of \$15 each, payable March 1st, 1882, attached, which said bonds and coupons were burned in the presence of the Board.

The Register submitted his monthly report for February, showing the amount of \$25.65 collected in fees, and exhibited his receipt from the Treasurer for the same.

A number of applications for assistance were referred to the proper committee.

It was ordered by the Board that the Treasurer of the county be authorized to transfer from the general to the special fund one thousand dollars as a loan from the general fund to the special fund.

It was ordered that the Finance Committee be authorized to settle with Col. B. R. Moore, Solicitor of the Criminal Court and County Attorney, under the old arrangement, and that the agreement made between him and the Board at the regular meeting in December be rescinded.

The following persons were drawn to serve as jurors at the approaching term of the Criminal Court. O. G. Parly, Jr., J. W. Robbins, Thomas C. McIlhenny, Aaron Kellogg, William Mosely, Geo. P. Lamb, B. A. Hallett, Allen Evans, J. H. Mallard, W. C. Orr, Jno M. Branch, J. T. Foreman, Geo. Honnett, Wm. E. Davis, J. H. Grojzen, J. H. Hewett, D. L. Gore, Jno A. Everett, S. W. Holden, J. G. Love, Benj. Hallis, E. T. Hancock, W. A. Eckel, Jno E. Lamb, Thos. Beck, C. W. Hudgins, Geo. Brooks, James Corbett, Paschal Agostini, Geo. F. Alderman.

A western congressman recently met in St. Louis a young man who was a class mate of Cadet Whittaker at West Point, but who is not now in the army. "Now," said the congressman, "you are no longer in the service, and have no interest in concealing the facts. I want you to answer me a question. Did Whittaker cut his own ear?" "No, he did not," was the reply; "but he had to be got rid of in some way that would prevent the sending of any more niggers to West Point."

NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE, J. D. SEE LIVES, PROPRIETOR, CORNER SECOND AND PRINCESS STREETS.

CHRISTMAS is at hand. THERE are many who are still in the habit of purchasing their Christmas cards from the cheap vendors who sell them for a few cents. These cards are of a very inferior quality, and do not do credit to the purchaser. We have a large stock of the most beautiful and artistic Christmas cards, and we invite you to visit our store and select from our stock. We have also a large stock of Christmas seals, and we invite you to visit our store and select from our stock. We have also a large stock of Christmas cards, and we invite you to visit our store and select from our stock. We have also a large stock of Christmas seals, and we invite you to visit our store and select from our stock.

New Jewelry Establishment. J. L. WINNER, NO. 3, S. FRONT Street, Wilmington, N. C.

STREET, WILMINGTON, N. C. GLOBE SALOON! 16 Market St.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AGENTS WANTED for the only fine large Steel Portrait of

GARFIELD. Engraved in Litho and Stipple from a photograph approved by Mrs. Garfield as a correct likeness. A beautiful work of art. No competition. Size 18x22. Send for circulars and extra terms. The Henry Hill Publishing Co., Norwich, Conn. No. 12-91

OPERA HOUSE. THREE NIGHTS. Commencing Monday, March 13.



ZERA SEMON, WONDER WORKER, LAUGH CREATOR, AND VENTRILOQUIST. With his Woolen-headed Family—Tia, Joe, Mary Brown and Comical Jacky Show. One Hundred Useful and Handsome Programs given away every night. Admission 50c, 60c and 75c. No extra charge for reserved seats. March 12-14

Agricultural Lime and Carbonate of Lime, BEST AND CHEAPEST FOR FERTILIZERS. Send for Circular and Price List.

FRENCH BROS., Jan. 29-1m. Rocky Point, N. C.

Greater Inducements TO PURCHASERS OF GROCERIES! MAY BE FOUND

At the Large Wholesale Establishment Adrian & Vollers, AT S. E. Corner Front and Dock Sts. Than can possibly be offered elsewhere.

AND IN THEIR STOCK! WILL BE FOUND Every Thing in the Grocery Line. That a Dealer or Consumer needs.

Selections for the Country Trade ample and superior. Jan 29-14.

CHAS. KLEIN Undertaker and Cabinet Maker. All Orders promptly attended to. The finest CASKETS, the best WORK and the most LIBERAL TERMS. Shop on Princess between Front and Second. Dec 2-1m

THE NEW FURNITURE STORE OF Behrends & Munroe, S. E. Cor. Market & Second Streets, WILMINGTON, N. C.

Wanted respectfully call the attention of Parents of Pupils in their schools of Music, Piano, Mandolin, Library and Drawing to our store, Warrenton Lane, 18. Our goods are best selected American-made and are sold at wholesale and retail prices. Cash in their shops. Dec 19-1m

CHARL. JEN. BROWNAN WILL FURNISH the best Whiskey for the Money in the City. Five Brands, Cognac, etc. Call and see him. Dec 2-1m