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### Fayetteville or Old Ferry—Which?

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE OBSERVER.  
MR. EDITOR:—I attach below the leading editorial of the Wilmington Post, of June 8th:

It strikes your correspondent that there is a lesson here for Fayetteville people. Shall we presume that this "short cut" from Wilson to Florence must necessarily come through Fayetteville; and, trusting to our own presumptions, finally discover that Fayetteville, like with Wilmington, is flanked? It is a well-known fact that a route seven miles below Fayetteville is the shortest by several miles, and that by engineers estimates it will cost, besides the perpetual running expenses for the longer distance, about one hundred thousand dollars for extra and additional grades and bridges over Rockfish and other streams to come to our town. The "cut off" if it comes through Fayetteville, will be several miles longer and on a more expensive grade. I am informed that the estimates of the whole additional cost would be in the neighborhood of \$150,000.

It is an open secret that through the earnest advice of Hon. R. R. Bridges, President of the Coast Line system, his people will agree to encounter all these extra natural costs, provided our people will bear the superficial costs, and really desire that the road shall come through the town instead of passing below it. Col. Bridges has said more than once that if his company were given the right of way through the town and an eligible site for a depot, he had no doubt of the location of the road through the place.

His company, at the General Stockholders' meeting called for the 21st inst., will certainly build this "cut off," and they will also decide to come to Fayetteville, if right of way and a depot site is tendered them; but if, with the additional expense of longer distances, grades and bridges, they must treat Fayetteville as into the town, they will treat Fayetteville as the go-by.

If our C. F. & Y. V. R. R., is going to Bennettville and around and across the country for freight and trade, I see no reason why a place for a direct through line north and south should not be given to the Wilson & Florence road. We want not only competing lines but feeders for the grand trunk routes north and south, all touching our market. This grand through route should be welcomed to Fayetteville, and with no time lost about it.

O. H. B.

The Bourbon papers of the state are profusely furnished with correspondence giving the views of their prominent men as to the prospects for 1884. Senator Ransom and Representative Yates have become somewhat notorious as "prophectic luminaries," and their notions are heralded for the consolation of the heretofore terrified.

The latest onslaught upon the conservative and Republican lines, is an attempt to create the impression that Republicans who neglected to vote in last year's campaign will persist in the same course, and therefore the salvation of bourbonism is secured. This far-fetched crumb of comfort is tendered in a recent correspondence to the Goldsboro Messenger, from Washington City. How delightfully delicious are the delusions which find root in Bourbonism! "Man never is, but always to be blest."—North State.

**President Arthur.**  
The following candid expression from the Brooklyn Union will be read with interest, especially by those who know that it was probably written by the man who was for years the editor of the New York Times, and who did more to make it a great metropolitan journal than any other man ever connected with it:

There have been but few presidents whose blunders could be packed into such small compass. There has been none who has so successfully avoided the mistakes that friends and foes alike expected from him.

His accession to the chief of President Garfield was associated not only with a great national misfortune and a deep and lasting manifestation of a people's grief, but with the bitter disappointment of one party faction and the exultant expectation of another.

President Arthur has justified neither the apprehensions of the friends of his predecessors nor the expectations of his own. He has met the demands of a position of exceptional difficulty with remarkable success, and has given no one cause to assume that either the gratification of ambition or the satisfaction of any feeling of wrong has affected his discharge of the duties of his high office. The standard of ability which he has maintained in his appointments to administrative and judicial positions have been, on the whole, higher than that of either Mr. Hayes or Gen. Grant; his proved fidelity to the cause of civil service reform is all the more creditable in view of the blundering trustfulness of those charged with its promotion; his resolute opposition to congressional jobbery, such as was embodied in the river and harbor bill of 1882, has been emphatically approved and practically applied by the people at the ballot box.

If President Arthur's administration rests its claim to public admiration as much on what it has left undone as on what it has performed, let it be remembered that the world suffers from nothing so much as being too much governed, and that of all prominent positions that of President of the United States is the one least suited for the display of restless activity. For the dignity with which Gen. Arthur has borne himself in the white house, for the firmness which he has brought to the disposal of all questionable demands made on him, at home or directed at him from abroad, for his graceful discharge of all the social responsibilities of his position, and his scrupulous respect for its proprieties, he deserves the warmest acknowledgments of every American citizen. There has been no opportunity publicly to convey to him an expression of the feeling with which his official career is regarded among a community which numbers so many of personal friends. But the appreciative and intelligent people of Brooklyn may be trusted to make a fitting use of the present one, and to employ it to manifest alike their approval of the President and their respect for the man.—National Republican.

### The Reason Why.

A Democratic editor innocently inquires why the Republicans give so much time to the position of the Democracy on the tariff question and say nothing about their own views on the subject. The reason should be obvious to any one, it seems. There is no "fun" in discussing the Republican position on the tariff. The party passed the bill through Congress last spring embodying its views on the subject and feels reasonably well satisfied with its work. But there is endless amusement in standing outside the ring where the hair-pulling is going on among the free-trade and protection Democrats and cheering on the fight. It is a free it is to come to an end right away.—Carolinian.

### A Bond of Union.

It is altogether an error to suppose that the Republican and Liberal party are not in full accord and harmony not only in this state but others. There is no earthly reason why they should be otherwise. Both stand on the same platform, both advocate the equal political rights of all the people, and a free ballot—the essential principles of liberty. This carries all other cognate measures: Education, greatest good to the greatest number, material prosperity of all, and pursuit of happiness by all. What more is wanted, or can be, to secure the co-operation and endorsement of the people? Nothing!

The party that saved the government and secured a restored Union—that spilled blood and expended vast treasures in the cause which should be dear to all men—that preferred peace, but shrunk not from war to perpetuate the only free government upon earth—for the future admiration of the world—such a party cannot be rejected by those who desire to hold and maintain their personal rights.—American.

PITTSBURG, PA., June 13. The Post's Uniontown special says: James Nutt, son of the late state treasurer, A. C. Nutt, shot and killed N. L. Dukes, his father's murderer, this evening at 7:30. He shot four times, all the balls taking effect: Dukes died instantly. Dukes had been frequently warned of his danger in remaining in Uniontown, and he lately said that he would either stay there or in the cemetery. It is said that he had expressed fear of Capt. Nutt's son. To-day James Nutt was seen practicing with a revolver at his home, and this evening he was standing near the postoffice when Dukes came along. As Dukes was passing he turned his head and noticed young Nutt just as he stepped from the doorway and fired, the shot taking effect in Dukes' side. Dukes started to run, when Nutt followed and shot again. By this time Dukes was on the postoffice steps, when he received another shot and fell inside the door. Nutt followed and fired two more shots into his prostrate body, one taking effect in the neck. Dukes was dead before anyone could get to him. The revolver that did the work of the

same that Capt. Nutt carried on the morning of his death. Young Nutt gave himself up and is now in jail. He was calm, but very pale. A coroner's jury is now sitting. Excitement is running high.

### City Items.

Good weather for ducks.

This is the excursion season.

Pay your subscription to the Post.

Advertise in the Post if you want to sell goods.

Gen. Manning says fish are plentiful at the rocks.

See R. H. Grant & Co's. ad. This firm is prepared to do the best work on the shortest notice.

Wilmington has been greatly blessed the past week, most of the lawyers have been in Pender.

See ad. of Thos. J. Southerland's wagonette for Wrightsville Sound, every evening at 6 o'clock.

If you desire recreation, visit Hotel Brunswick at Smithville, and you will be successful in retaining it.

See ad. of McIntire's, the ladies furnishing establishment, he always has the best assortment on hand.

See ad. of N. Jacob's fine plantation for sale. We know the place and we take pleasure in recommending it.

Pender Court was in session the past week, the lawyers say Burgas is the warmest place this side of "Hades."

Josh T. James, Esq., has returned from his visit north, he only got as far as Richmond—home sick brought him back.

Rev. Dr. Wilson, of the First Presbyterian Church, will occupy the pulpit of the Lutheran Church on Sunday night next.

Don't fail to visit the new establishment of H. M. Bowden & Co., harness and carriage store on front street, before buying elsewhere.

Rev. G. D. Bernheim, formerly pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in this city, has been called to Grace Church, Philadelphia, N. J.

The board of audit and finance declined to concur in proposition of the board of aldermen, at their last meeting to open dock at foot of Chesnut street.

If you are not visit the Seaside Park Hotel and get some of those fine pig-toy work feeling a "sawyer" percent better.

Rev. Mr. Peschau of the Lutheran Church of this city, will go to Newberry, S. C., to deliver the annual address, next Sunday night, to the students of Newberry College.

Sheriff Manning is spending a week at the Inlet, with his family on his water palace. We understand that he will leave for his usual northern visit about the 1st of August.

Rev. C. M. Payne, of the Second Presbyterian Church, left Monday for Lexington, N. C., where he will spend a portion of his summer vacation, probably being absent a month.

**Death of Congressman Green's Wife.**  
The wife of Wharton J. Green died at the family residence, near Fayetteville, Saturday last. She had been an invalid for a long time, and a great sufferer.

Hon. A. A. McKoy will not get back to this his home circuit again to hold courts for four years, as he will have to ride the whole circuit of the state before holding courts in this district. We hope he will enjoy the trip.

**Colored Masons.**  
At a meeting of Gilead Lodge No. 2, the following named officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. M.—John Holloway.  
S. W.—Samuel E. Rash.  
J. W.—George W. Murry.

Treasurer—James A. Lowery.  
Secretary—Thomas M. Simpson.

Tiler—James D. Dry.  
S. D.—Lewis Hollinsworth.  
J. D.—Caleb Hardy.

S. S.—John A. Sheridan.  
J. S.—Henry Turner.

Chaplain—John D. Nixon.  
Marshal—James P. Green.

These officers, together with those elected by Mt. Nebo Lodge No. 14, will be installed at the Opera House on the 25th inst. On the same day the colored Masonic fraternity will have a grand parade and an excursion to Smithville, the whole to conclude with a festival at night in the City Hall.

**Death at the Hospital.**  
A colored man by the name of John Smith was picked up on the streets in a helpless condition; he was taken to the city hospital where he died on last Tuesday.

The camp meeting at Pine Grove, above this city, was largely attended on Sunday. Monday the meeting came to an end and the visitors returned to the city. There were a few white persons on the grounds Sunday.

Capt. A. D. Casner, has gone to Europe for the purpose of securing a line of steamers to run between this city and Liverpool. Capt. Casner is a gentleman of energy and judgment, therefore, if any man can accomplish it, he can. We wish him every success and a pleasant trip.

Services at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, corner Sixth and Mulberry Streets are as follows: On Sundays, morning prayer at 11 A. M., evening prayer at 5:30 P. M., Sunday school at St. Barnabas School House at 4 P. M. Services on Saints days, morning prayer at 9 A. M., evening prayer at 5:30. Seats free.

We call attention to the advertisement of Mr. Samuel G. Hall, practical book and job printer; we know that he is just what he represents himself to be, "a practical book and job printer," doing all kinds of printing, from a mammoth poster to a neat visiting card. Mr. Hall does not run a "cheap job" printing office, yet his charges are so moderate that a miser could find no cause to grumble at them.

Capt. Eric Gabrielsen, the popular and courteous commander of the Revenue Cutter Colfax, for the past three years, has been ordered to Newport. Capt. G. has been here the full time allowed by the regulations, and everybody is sorry to see him leave; but our loss is his gain. He goes to the best station in the service, and while we hate to see him go yet if he must go, what is the case, we congratulate him on obtaining a station so exceedingly delightful. Capt. L. N. Stodder, who relieves Capt. Gabrielsen is a gentleman whom all of our people will like, and as we must lose Capt. G. we are very much pleased with the gentleman who will take his place.

Mayor Hall had some boys before him Monday afternoon for going in bathing at the foot of Chesnut street, thus violating a city ordinance. After giving them a good lecture, and warning them as to what they might expect in future, if they should persist in violating the ordinance against bathing within certain limits.

Cross street between sundown and dark, and anywhere south of Red Cross and north of Princess after dark. He cautioned them particularly against swimming across the river in the day time.

**Bicycle Riding at the State Fair.**  
The Western Toy Company, of Chicago, Ill., will offer through the N. C. State Agricultural Society at the state fair this fall, a fine forty-two inch bicycle of the most modern construction, with hollow roller Bessemer steel wheels and genuine rubber tires, for the best bicycle riding by any resident of North Carolina, speed and grace to be considered. Bicycle riding is very popular in Europe and is rapidly becoming very much so in this country. This is a fine chance to get a good machine on easy terms.

**The Fire Monday Morning.**  
About half past 1 o'clock the alarm of fire was sounded and it was ascertained to be located on Eighth between Bladen and Hargett, in the first district. The fire originated at the residence of Mr. W. H. Strickland, it is supposed from a lamp which was left burning on a table in one of the rooms; the flames spread so rapidly that it was with much difficulty that Mrs. Strickland and her child was saved from the burning building, the furniture and clothing being all destroyed. The fire next communicated to the house occupied by Henry Neil and A. J. Walker, and to the house on the south, owned by Mr. Geo. L. Schutte and occupied by a colored man named Lucas, all which were destroyed. A fifth building, owned and occupied by Deuster Sneed, was partially destroyed, the loss being covered by insurance.

Mr. Strickland's house was insured for \$400 in the Wilmington Mutual, represented by Mr. J. Kent Brown, and G. H. Schutte's house for \$300 in the Phoenix of Hartford, represented by DeRosier & Madgen. The house occupied by Neil was owned by J. Kent Brown.

The Phoenix Engine Company of Brooklyn soon had two streams upon the fire from an adjacent hydrant and prevented the further spread of the flames, and the remainder of the fire department was quickly on hand.

**Important Ruling of the State Treasurer.**  
The State Treasurer, in response to an inquiry, has sent the following to the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of a neighboring county, and the same may be of equal interest here:

"You communicate the desire of the commissioners to know what remedy they have in the case where assessors have been appointed and notified and have failed to perform their duty or to make a report by the second Monday in June."

"The assessors having failed to perform their duty, an emergency has arisen requiring the action of the commissioners. Section 1 of the Machinery Act provides that 'the assessment when made shall be in force until altered as may be provided by law.' This is applicable to an assessment of a former or present year; as this provision of law enacted in 1879 has been continued in the act of 1883. It is, therefore, that the board of commissioners on revising and correcting the new assessments can take the former assessments of townships from which no return has been returned for the present year, as a basis of uniform valuation as prescribed in sections 18 and 57 of the Machinery Act, and this course is recommended to the board. In revising and correcting the assessments the board should not lose sight of their right to consider the enhanced value of improved property in a township and increase the valuation accordingly. I think the whole practical management of this question rests with the board of commissioners, who must see that all tax-payers in the county shall equally and uniformly share the burden of taxation. It is not practicable for the board to appoint new assessors. The list-takers are now engaged in receiving the lists of tax-payers, and the performance of their duty is confined to twenty days after the second Monday in June."

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**  
**DRY GOODS,**  
**CARPETS, MATTINGS.**  
ATTENTION IS CALLED TO A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF  
**Jersey Jackets,**  
In Black and Colors, "all the go."

**DRESS GOODS,**  
**SILKS and SATINS.**  
A complete assortment at all seasons.

No House in this City can show such a variety of Black and Colored Silks.

**Mattings, Mattings.**  
At 25, 30, 35, 37 1-2, 40 and 45 Cents

**R. M. McIntire.**  
CITY OF WILMINGTON, N. C.,  
MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
June 12, 1883.

WHEREAS INFORMATION has been lodged with the undersigned, as Mayor of the City of Wilmington, that certain persons, who are liable for taxation on solvent credit income, stock in trade, and money on hand or deposit, have wilfully failed and refused to render a proper return of their

Taxables to the Tax Master, appointed by law to receive the same, assuming for themselves the right to construe the law, and wilfully evading the plain requirement thereof, therefore, notice is hereby given that in all cases where the failure is wilful and glaring, the said parties will and shall be proceeded to the full extent of the law.

"K. D. HALL, Mayor."

**Valuable Plantation and Rice Lands for Sale.**  
A VALUABLE PLANTATION WITHIN six miles of Wilmington containing about two thousand five hundred acres. There are about 100 acres of cleared Rice Land, of which 75 acres are under cultivation with good banks, trunks, &c. and about 700 acres of uncleared Rice Land covered with valuable timber. It is accessible from the Cape Fear River by a Canal over a mile long to the uplands, and from 17 to 15 feet wide. There are from 20 to 40 acres of the Upland improved and under cultivation, being Rice, cotton and corn land, and has all necessary houses for laborers, Rice Barns and necessary outbuildings; the balance of the tract about 1,000 acres of timber Rice Land. The Plantation offers for cattle a range encompassed both in winter and summer. For terms and further information apply to J. M. SPENCER & CO., Lock Box 32, Wilmington, N. C.

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**  
**EXCURSIONS!**  
SOCIETIES, CLUBS, &c., GIVING EXCURSIONS, CONCERTS, FESTIVALS, &c., can get their

**Posters and Tickets** printed in the BEST STYLES and at the LOWEST PRICES at

**SAM'L G. HALL'S**  
**Job Printing Office.**  
CALL AND GET MY PRICES.  
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**PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS,**  
**NORTH FRONT STREET.**  
A FULL SUPPLY OF THE VERY BEST

**GAS FIXTURES**  
Always on hand.  
**CHANDALIERES,**  
**BATH TUBS,**  
**WASH STANDS,**  
And every article necessary for

**Plumbing a Residence,**  
Ready for the occupant.  
**FOUNTAINS,**  
**SPRINKLERS,**  
**PUMPS, HOES,**  
And special attention paid to driving

**WELL PUMPS.**  
Satisfaction guaranteed, as we employ the best workmen. Give us a call.  
R. H. GRANT & CO.  
Je 22-1f

**For Wrightsville Sound**  
ON AND AFTER JUNE 18TH THE WAGONETTE will leave for WRIGHTSVILLE SOUND, Every Day, from corner Second and Princess Sts., at 6 o'clock P. M. Returning, will leave Sound at 7 A. M. For further information apply to

June 22-1m J. T. SOUTHERLAND.  
OFFICE CLERK & TREASURER,  
CITY OF WILMINGTON, N. C.,  
June 20th, 1883.

**Bonds and Coupons**  
CALLING DUE THE 1ST DAY OF JULY, 1883, will be paid on presentation at the First National Bank in this city.

JOHN D. TAYLOR,  
June 22-1f  
Treasurer.

**GRAND EXCURSION**  
WHICH BE GIVEN ON THE 18TH OF July, 1883, on which date we will open a Boarding House at New's Head for the accommodation of colored people. Our charges will be moderate and satisfactory arrangements for transportation will be made with the railroad and all steamers touching at this point. This will be the first Boarding House of the kind ever opened in this and the adjoining States. We will give

**A FREE DINNER**  
on the occasion of the opening on the date above set forth, and invite all our friends to be present. The following distinguished gentlemen have been invited to make addresses on the occasion:

Rev. J. C. Price, Rev. G. W. Lee, Rev. R. A. Fisher, Rev. J. H. Farley, Hon. Geo. A. McKoy, Rev. J. R. Fank, Prof. Wiley Lane of Washington City, and others. These gentlemen are too well known to require introduction or commendation at our hands.

The excursion bids fair to be a grand and unprecedented success. To accommodate the people we have chartered the Palace Steamer Shenandoah and Newberry.

**Round Trip Only \$1.00.**  
DINNER FREE!

The Steamer will leave Elizabeth City at 8 o'clock A. M. and will return the same day. A fine Band of Music will be secured for the occasion. For further particulars apply to

JAMES WHITE & CO.  
June 22-3f

**CAROL-NA CENTRAL RAILROAD.**  
GENERAL PASSENGER DEPT.  
Wilmington, N. C. June 10th, 1883

**The Most Comfortable Route to the MOUNTAINS.**

**EXCURSION TICKETS ARE NOW ON** sale at the Office of this Company for all points in WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

**LULLMAN SLEEPING CARS** run through from Charlotte to Old Fort and thence to Asheville. Passengers have a fine view of the Mountain scenery from an OBSERVATION CAR, leaving OLD FORT at 7:15 A. M., arriving at Asheville 7:30 A. M., and Warm Springs 12:30 P. M.

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**COTTON PRESSES.**  
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BEST GOODS OF THE KIND MADE.

**QUALITY AND PRICES GUARANTEED IN EVERY RESPECT.**  
W. M. E. SPENCER & CO.  
Successors to J. M. Brown.

June 24-1f

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**  
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**VASTLY BETTER!!**  
THAN AN

**AUCTION.**

**THE PRICE I AM SELLING GOODS AT**  
Gives you advantages ten fold over an Auction Sale, for the reason you can take your time and select that which suits you, and get just the quality and quantity that you wish.

**I AM SELLING**  
Wide Percales at 6 cents per yard, worth 12.

Handsome Black and Colored Bantings at 10 cent per yard, worth 20.

Pretty Lawns, fast colors, at 7 cents.

White Scotch Plaid Lawn at 12 1/2c, worth 25.

Pretty Cotton Plaid Dress Goods, at 10 cts per yard, better than 15 cents Gingham.

The very best 10 cents Bleached Cotton ever sold in this or any other city.

6,000 yards Hamburg Trimmings, excellent quality, and very cheap, from 5 cents up.

Bordered Handkerchiefs at 3 cents each, with the largest stock in that line in the city.

Good 200 yards Spool Cotton, at two Spools for 5 cents.

**COME AND LOOK AT MY STOCK DRESS GOODS.**  
I deal for cash, and cater to those who get their money by hard ticks, and propose to give you good value for your money.

You can buy a DRESS from me for a low price that will make a young lady

**LOOK LIKE A PRINCESS**  
Great Bargains

GLOVES, HOSIERY, CORSETS, PANTS GOODS, SHEETINGS, TOWELING, &c.

In short, everything to be had in a

**FIRST CLASS DRY GOODS STORE**  
Cheap, Cheap, Cheap.

**GIVE ME A CALL.**  
**JOHN J. HEDRICK**  
No. 115 Market Street.  
June 2-1f