## THE WILMINGTON POST.

### W. P. CANADAY, Proprietor.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY MORNING, SEPT. 12, 1883.

#### THE FIRST DISTRICT FRAUD AGAIN.

Col. William H. Day, one of the leading lawyers of Halifax county, N C., being in the city on Thursday last, our reporter called on him and requested his yiews as to the question now agitating the North Carolina public concerning the 1st district. We asked him if he had considered the question as to whether the election should be held in the old or new district, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Pool. Col. Day said-I have carefully read the interview of Judge Russell as published in your last issue, and I agree with him in every particular there can be no question of his opinion being entirely correct, therefore, I endorse it toto. The election should be held in the same territory which elected Mr. Pool. We requested Col. Day's views on other political matters, but he did not wish to be interviewed; but he said however, that there was no question in his mind of the state electing the coalition ticket in 1884, if good men were put at the head of it.

#### THE ELECTION IN THE FIRST DISTRICT.

More than once we have had occa sion to observe that the power of conclusively expounding the law is practically equivalent to the power of making it, but never have we seen a more striking exemplification of this thought than has recently been afforded the public by the action of his excellency, Goy, Jarvis, in relation to the forthcoming election in "the First District" to fill the vacancy in our congressional delegation made by the demiset of Mr. Pool. Such exposition of the law as his excellency designs to vouchsafe is final as to the rights of the electors in that district to be represented in the Federal councils. True, a partial remedy exists in the power of congress to reject a member improperly chosen, but that does not give representation to the portion of the old-and, in this case true-district disfranchised by the Governor, it only results in denying a representative to those who are clearly entitled to one. Possibly the duty of calling an election in all respects regular is one of that ministerial character that political interest, combined possi- and that he too, would not object to which might be enforced by a mandamus, but the proverbial delays of the laws and the "sacred" system of appeals in furtherance thereof, have made such remedy of scarcely any real value where the office in controversy last two years only. The official term has expired, and the contest degenerates into a personal squabble over the salary. But even if there were a remedy adequate. speedy and complete that would not in the slightest degree excuse the action of the Governor in necessitating a resort to such redress. It really seems to . ..., mar gammer or populat right should be determined rather on principles of general equity and justice which an enlightened conscience approves than by the narrow cannons of an arbitrary and technical jurisprudence. One of the oldest and ablest lawyers of our acquaintance has often said in our hearing that when a new and difficult question was suggested to him, the first inquiry he always made of his understanding was how ought this matter, in conscience, be decided? No better starting point can be taken by any statesman, when resolving those high questions which his station calls upon him to determine. If the reigning Executive would but consult such a principle we should be more hopeful of the political future. New, here are two constructions which may be put upon an act of assembly; one, which will give a vote, and a voice in congress, to every elector in our state; another, which will disfranchise thousands, which construction ought to prevail? Even by the technical rules of interpretation, to such statutes are ascribed the meaning which will best advance and extend popular rights, and without controlling words of a contrary import, they are held to be prospective in their operation, and especially so when an opposite construction would-derogate from the constitutional rights of freemen. If we apply these rules to the case in hand, we have the act of assembly justly and equally acting upon all the people and districts in those future elections in which the new districts are to choose representatives, and not here where the people of the old district are to re-do their former work, undone by death. Let it be remembered that it is not districts, but the people in them who elect. The constitution of the Union clearly makes a distinction as to the Senate and House in the choice of representatives. The former represents the states, as such, and hence the mode of their choice is left to the states; but the House, "the popular branch of the government." represents the people of the United States, and hence all those provisions of the constitution in its first article which prescribe the qualifications of

polls. Districts are no corporations or BURGAW, N. C., Sept. 17, 1883. EDITOR BOST:-As you are perhaps political entities, except in the disoraware, our Democratic friends in this dered imagination of our Governor; they are only prescribed for convencounty have been considerably stirred ience of voting; and to give the district. up of late. First, over building a court house; second, over fronting it, and as such, the choice of a representative is to make an actor out of a mere in- third, over the misappropriation of the strumentality. The analogy as to the funds of the county, special tax and rights and liabilities of a new county other funds. Now, to us Republicans formed out of old ones is by no who under the operation of the county means in point, for a county is a corpo- government act, are ostracised from all ration, a political person with its own participation in county affairs, this will and preferences, but even in the squabble is highly entertaining, and as case of a county we have it from the it is none of our fight we can sit off and highest authority, Judge Cooley, that enjoy it immensely, more especially as no such change is allowable as it is one step in the way of abolishing will even temporarily deprive any por- the present system of county governtion of the people of the electoral ment. This whole movement is under

privilege, and he cites cases of newly the leadership of Dr. E. Porter, one of formed townships left partially in such the old bourbons, but who has been an unorganized condition as to deprive laid on the shelf for some time past by certain citizens of their votes, where it his political brethren; but from present was held by the ablest courts that such indications it would seem that he wants corporate changes were, in consequence, them to know that he still lives. The of no validity. How much more people generally are not taking much strongly would this doctrine apply to stock in the agitation, but the Doctor the case of districts which are mere has succeeded in securing a few followmeans and have no political life or ers, and he and his supporters met here functions of their own ! It is not the to-day for the purpose of investigating first district, even as constituted at last the affairs of the officials and the county generally. election, that has lost a member to rep-

resent it in congress, but the people It was a curious crowd for such a thereof, that formerly chose Mr. Poolbusiness; some of them seem to have a he being, after election, the construc- singular aptitude for smelling, espetive choice of all the voters then and cially under the leadership of the Docthere entitled to the franchise. The tor. In fact some people are so uncase of a vacancy is sui generis. Rules | charitable as to say that if the Doctor applicable in other cases fail here. The were to tell them that the moon was first question is, who has lost a repre- made of green cheese they would swear sentative? Not that more ideal agency, to it. On this point, however, I express a district, but the people. What peo- no opinion. ple? Why, of course those whose for-But let us see about this committee

mer work was frustrated by death. To There was John H. Murphy, he has us, this is so plain that a wayfaring been thinking for a long time that the man, though a bourbon in office, can- people might and ought to show their not err therein. His excellency is all wisdom by electing him to Alf. Lloyd' lawyer. Does he not know that statutes seat in the legislature. No doubt he is working for the dear people in this are to have a prospective operation, unless otherwise expressed ; that they are matter, and expects his reward. The J. N. Heary, another committeeman never to be expounded in derogation of common right and constitutional privihe too, it seems to me, is particularly lege; that an act attempting to deprive anxious to serve the dear people, and w any portion of the electors of the state believe did get five votes for the nomi of their votes for any length of time nation for clerk of the court lawould be void, and that it is the peoyear. Then W. W. Larkins, Esq. The ple, and not states or districts, that are clothed by the first article of the fedwant of office has been a chronic com eral constitution with the power of plaint with him for lo, these many years sending members to the house of rep-Then the Hon, (or at least that is what resentatives? If he knows not these it ought to be) George E. Sheppard; be things, he should cease to take upon himself the character of a Ruler in too is anxious to serve, with his emi-Israel. But while the broadest charity | nent abilities, the dear people. Then on the score of ignorance could scarceit has been whispered that the Doctor ly be too ample to find justification, yet in this instance we are driven to fear himself has the came flea, in his ear,

Resolved, That the secre ture of the surface and soil, location the county commissioners with a copy of these resolutions. W. C. MURPHY, Chairman. ares, etc. On page 6, is given a tabulated statement of newspapers in each of the D. G. MCMILLAN, Secretary. various sections of the country, giving August 25, 1883. the number of each issue in each state,

Railroad Meeting of the Colored People of Caburrus Co. N.C. A large number of citizens assembled at the court house in Concord, on the 11th inst. to hear the discussion of the Wilmington, Wrightsville & Onslow Railroad. The meeting was organized by the election of W. C. Coleman as

chairman, and E. G. Montgomery secretary. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. D. J. Koonce. Mr. E. F. Martin, superintendent of said road, addressed the meeting and explained

within our knowledge which contains the plan by which said road is to be information of such varied use and built. He was followed by E. G. value for general business purposes Montgomery and J. H. White, of Con-Complete in all its departments, thorcord. After hearing the above adough in its details, giving just the indresses, it was formation needed, and only that, sim-Resolved, That we, the citizeus of ply arranged, easily referred to, care-Concord, will do all in our power to

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of counties and towns in which papers

are published, and the number of towns

which are county-seats; and on page 7

a summary of the above and a com-

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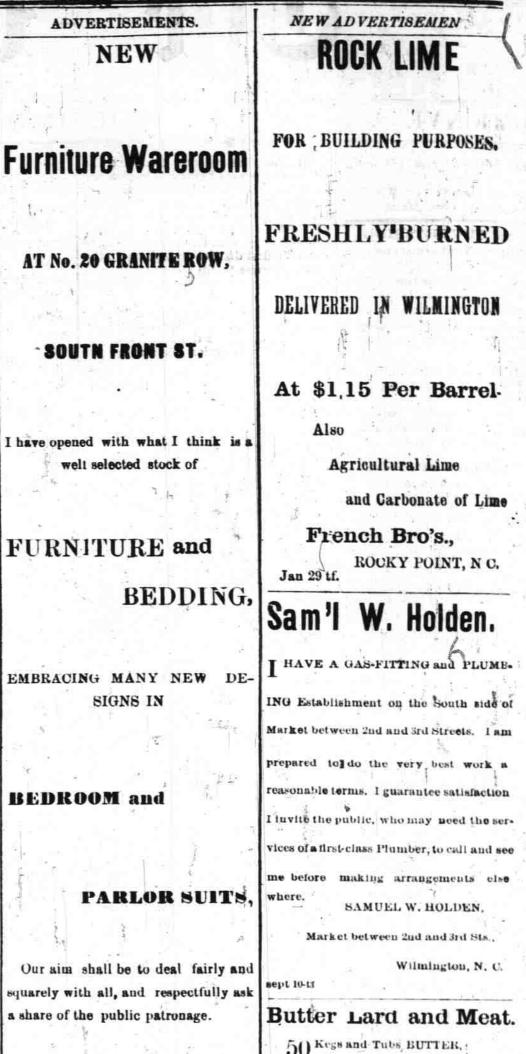
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## BALTIMORE DAY.

Some friend has sent us a marked copy of the Baltimore Day, a Democratic paper published in Baltimore, Md., and the leading Democratic paper of the south. We publish extracts from the marked editorial to show to our colored friends what they may depend on by going to the Democratic in its editorials, it says, they, the colored people, cannot join the Democratic party with self respect. We hope all our colored friends who are being deceived by leading Democratic politicians, will read the article below and consider well what it says.

We present elsewhere in our columns a letter from Mr. Joseph E. Briscoe, president of the colored advisory coun cil, which is, doubtless, sent to the Day simply because no Republican paper will give admission to a clear statement of the grievances of which the colored Republicans complain. II. have no disposition to attempt to improve the opportunity offered by this fact to ad vise these people to come to our own party and seek the rights that with which the have always been allied denies them. It is true that the Democratic party opposed their enfranchisement, and did it on the ground that the white Republicans really had no greater admiration or regard for the colored race than we had, but simply sought to give them the suffrage in order to add to the number of Republican votes, and thus confirm that party's hold on power.

But there is, despite this, one insuperable objection to asking the colored voters to unite with the Democratic party, and that is that as an organization it is committed to the opinion that the negro race is unfit for the duties and responsibilities of citizenship, and lacks not only the intelligence but the manly courage to fit it for aught else than servile following of some set of masters. This being the case the Dan connot, as an honest paper, say to the colored people that they would improve their claims to the respect of our own or any party by joining our ranks. They might depend upon it that if they did so, after what we had seen of their servile obedience to Republican bosses they would secure no better treatment at the hands of our politiciaus than property; and whereas a majority of that they are receiving at the hands of the board of county commissioners did the Republicans. We will be even refuse to correct these wrongs after more frank with them and say that the Day, while acknowledging their wrongs! shares, in the main, the prejudice or opinion of its party in the matter, and has seen but little in the conduct of the negro voters to lead it to consider declare that the interest of our county which a paper is published, from the them other than the dangerous tools of would be promoted by the resignation the most corrupt class of men to be found in our politics, and likely to lower the ideals and debase the standard

of action of any party to which they belong, simply because they assist its worst men to override the protests unwavering support of an ignorant

depacity to which the dear people might call him. I would be inclined to doubt this, however, as the Doctor says nimself that he has abundant means and needs no office. But I know that man who is so extremly auxious to serve his dear people in private station could not resist them were they to insist on his putting on the official har-DUNE.

serving the dear, dear people in any

Well, I have made this letter too long already so will defer a good deal the former of the man first much and the The Doctor and his men did nothing to-day. I believel but will come again the first Monday in next month .-Meantime, let all good Republicans rejoice, and extend the right hand to the Doctor and his fellow laborars in the cause so dear to every Republicannamely, the abolishing of the present

system of county government.

MORE ASON. # P. S. I failed to mention another mean ber of the committee, who has until recently filled an official position, to wit, a justice of the peace, but who recently resigned this honorable and important position for the purpose, rumor says, of taking a place on the board of commissioners. But I tear he will find that a bird in the hand is worth a dozea in the bush, unless, indeed, he can succeed in getting the public to place the saulle estimate on his worth and abilities that he does himself. I refer to ex-squire R. W. Collins. M. A. The following resolutions, requesting

the board of commissioners of Pender county to resign, were passed at a recent Democratic meeting of county. WHEREAS the commissioners of our county have violated the laws of 1876 and 77 by designating the site of our court house, now being built, without the concurrence of a majority of the board of justices of the peace sitting with them, and by purchasing real property without the concurrence o said justices; and whereas the said commissioners did violate and disre gard the constitution of our state far ticle 5, section 7] by using a fund co lected by authority of the General As sembly, chapter 257, laws of 1881, for the special purpose of building a court house and jail, in payment of said real their attention was called to them, and after being petitioned to do so by hundreds of tax payers; therefore

Resolved, That we, the people Union township, believe and hereby and towns, and of nearly every place in of those of our present board of county commissioners who have thus violated. the constitution and laws of our state and who refuse to hear the petitions of our citizens. Resolved, That the chairman of this

of its best members, sustained by the meeting appoint a committee of two to confer with similar committees of other 1880. mass of voters sure to do their bidding | townships to inquire into the finances and mean enough to submit to any and irregulatilies of our county govtreatment whatever at the hands of croment, and to take such steps as may

esting leatures. W. C. Coleman, director; E. G. Mont-The September number has a plan, omery, secretary; J. M. Connell and with illustrations, for building a model i. R. Roane, finance committee. On motion, it was resolved that those tion to the paper. The Jersey, horse, roceedings be sent to the Wilmington hog and poultry departments are full 'ost for publication.' In addition to this, allow me to say there has been a religious meeting in tion, which amount is exceedingly this place, conducted by Elder J. M

Fotal amount subscribed for, \$1,200.

Organization for Cabarrus county-

Hill, pastor of the A. M. E. Zion Church. The meeting proved a great success and there were many conver-

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ol-ted a parsonage which cost \$450, and he debt is injurdated. Elder Hill is loing a great work here. New cotton is coming in rapidly, but ve will not make over half a crop of sither corn or cotton.

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> Yours respectfully, W. C. COLEMAN.

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