

# THE ERA.

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## Local and State.

In making up the fourth page two pieces accidentally got mixed up together. They are placed on the inside all right.

A horrible thing—the breath of a young man after taking a drink of corn whisky and eating raw onions and scotch herrings.

The epizootic still rages, and people cough and talk politics, and talk politics and cough. No case has as yet proved fatal.

Get your fifty cent notes ready, gentlemen. The honest men at the door won't receive anything less than this or make any change for you at the Centennial?

These are the days that Coleridge told about:  
Old winter slept upon the snowy earth,  
And on his smiling face a dream of spring.

ONE-EYED JUSTICE.—Judge Henry, who is now holding this term of Wake Superior Court, comes one-eye nearer representing blind justice than any Judge we have ever seen. And yet J. Turner says the rings have bought out the Judiciary of North Carolina.

The Centennial hen has caroled her last lay, and gone where many better, but no more aged chickens go. We purchased a pair of an ignorant countryman Monday morning, who has not heard of the Centennial, and does not know the value of relics of past ages, or he would never have taken 30 cents for her. She has sat on the fence and eyed with suspicion many a Methodist brother as they halted at the gate, and then skulked away in the bushes to escape. Peace to her bones!

SUPERIOR COURT.—This court met on Monday, Judge Henry presiding. A good many farmers present. No cases of importance came up Monday. Injunction mandamus to day.  
Judge Henry gives general satisfaction in his administration of justice, and can do more business in one day than some Judges would do in a week. He keeps the Solicitor, crier and members of the bar busy.

NEW PAPER.—Mr. Johnstone Jones, of our city, who is well known in North Carolina as a publisher, will commence the publication of a weekly paper, to be called the *North Carolina Farmer's Journal*, about the first of August. It is to be purely a farmers' journal and devoted to their interests, independent of all sects, parties, factions or rings. He promises to make it as large as any paper in the State, subscription \$2.00 per year. For further information address Mr. Jones, this city. The *Journal* has no connection with the late *State Agricultural Journal*.

How Now?—We learn from one side that the city authorities will not regard the injunction issued by Judge Watts last week, and from the other that they will get into trouble if they don't. To-day in the Superior Court counsel for the plaintiffs moved that the defendants be required to answer the complaint by Wednesday at 10 o'clock, and that the case be set for trial at 10 o'clock Thursday, which motion was argued on one side by Messrs. Tourgee and Badger, and on the other by Messrs. Fowle, Busbee and Fuller. Judge Henry took the papers, saying he would give his decision this evening. Well, we'll see what we do see.

OH, THE TIMES!—Everybody is stealing money in some way or other who has a chance, and those who haven't are committing suicide or starving—hardly honest men enough left to try the rogues; there are 53 Sundays in this year; and a child born on the 29th of February will never know when it's a year old. We are having earthquakes and tornados and showers of flesh; injunctions and mandamuses and libel suits by the score; and now it is that we don't even know when Easter comes. Dr. Craven says it was last Sunday, and the Episcopal Prayer Book, which was adopted by a council of wise men at Nice years ago, says it is next. Old people, who know nothing about the Prayer Book or the lenten season, say it occurs after the first full moon in April. One man read Turner's Almanac and dug his worms to go fishing Monday, but a neighbor came in with Ayer's Almanac, and he placed them again under the cold sod to wait further orders. What a glorious Centennial year!

None of the fruit is injured around Newbern.

PERSONAL.—Col. W. H. Tucker, with his brother's three daughters, left our city yesterday morning for a six months' European tour. Nice thing, but how many of us can afford it?

Our young townsman, Marx Schloss, who has been in New York for some months under medical treatment, has returned, greatly improved in health.

Major W. A. Hearne is again down with remittent fever and has been ordered by Dr. E. B. Hayward, as soon as able, to go immediately to the Hot Springs.

Mr. Bohemme, the French gentleman who proposes to introduce the silk culture in this State, reached this city yesterday.

Col. P. Donan is in the city.

Mr. John H. Baker has returned from Franklin where he has been on a visit to relatives.

Mr. Parham, of Rogers & Parham, is visiting relatives in Granville.

Rev. Mr. Taylor, of this city, leaves this week for Ridgeway, where he will engage in agricultural pursuits.

ANOTHER BAPTIZING.—Rev. Mr. Epps, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, assisted by Rev. Alexander Turner, on Sunday, baptized 93 new converts in Mordecai's pond. It was witnessed by an immense crowd of people—estimated at between three and four thousand—of all colors, sexes, sizes, sects and classes. There was the white man and the black man, the christian and the infidel, the merchant and the mendicant, the city belle and the country dame, married folks and courting characters, boys and girls, the mechanic and the kid-gloved gentry, all mingled together in this vast throng. Up in the trees, under the bridge, in the edge of the water, and on the hillside, in vehicles and on horseback, sitting and standing—did this eager multitude witness the event. There was some singing and some praying, some laughing and some crying, a good deal of shouting and splashing water, considerable "ducking," and all was over. Some went away happy, some rude and boisterous, some calm and thoughtful.

THE CHURCHES.—Rev. Mr. Norman, assisted by Rev. F. L. Reid, at Person Street Methodist Church, still continues his meeting with increased interest. Last night Mr. R. preached an excellent sermon to a large congregation. He will preach again to-night.

At Swain street Baptist church, at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, six persons were baptized. At eight Mr. Dixon preached his closing sermon from 1 Cor. 11: 26. It was a remarkably able and lucid presentation of the views of the Baptists on the vexed subject of communion. While the preacher was very bold and candid in giving his own views he was courteous towards those who differed with him. At the close of the sermon a number of persons rose for prayer, showing that the religious interest among the unconverted portion of the congregation had not abated. Several persons received the right hand of fellowship, and the Lord's supper was administered to the church. Mr. Dixon left this morning for Wake Forest College, where he will rest for a few days and go thence to Durham, where he has agreed to conduct a meeting. He has greatly endeared himself to the congregation of the Swain street church. He justly takes rank among the first preachers of his age in the State.

At Christ Church (Episcopal) the services of Lent are still continued, notwithstanding the opinion of Dr. Craven.

At the African M. E. Church the meeting still continues with unabated interest. This meeting is doing an immense amount of good. Two hundred and sixty-five have professed faith already, of whom 93 have been baptized by immersion and 35 by sprinkling.

CURE FOR CONSUMPTION.—Mr. John Satterwhite, of Granville county, aged 64 years, cured himself effectually of consumption, after the doctors gave him up to die, by using the following recipe. He had lost many of his relatives by consumption, and came near "pegging out" himself. He is now hale and hearty, and says the recipe has cured several other consumptives in that county who stood upon the very brink of the grave.

THE REMEDY: One pint of liquor and four tablespoonfuls of old fat lightwood knot sawdust. Dose, one tablespoonful three times a day. Cut mullein leaves in July or August, dry them, and make a tea, not too strong, and use night and morning in place of coffee. Mix with sugar and milk to suit taste. Drink one cup full. It is not well to take too much.

Mr. Satterwhite still continues the use of the mullein tea, and has great faith in it.

A man named Bill Ingram was shot in Wadesboro on the 4th inst., while trying to get away with a piece of cloth stolen from S. J. McLendon's store. He refused to halt. His leg was broken and had to be amputated.

WHAT EACH WANTS.—The cry in Charleston is "water! water!"—*Exchange*.  
The great cry in Columbia is, "whisky! whisky! whisky!"—*Union Herald*.  
The cry in Winnsboro is, "whisky and water! whisky and water!"—*News*.  
The great cry in Charlotte is "whisky and water and sugar and a spoon!"—*Observer*.  
The cry in Danville is "whisky straight and I'll take the same!"—*News*.  
The cry in Milton is "whisky, any way I can get it!"—*Chronicle*.  
The cry in Raleigh is "gib me subthig—anything to help by epizootic!"

SOLD.—He was a dark, swarthy faced man with a heavy, black moustache. Saturday evening he rode past the market, on Wilmington street, carrying a flag with some strange device inscribed thereon. When at the corner of Exchange Place he wheeled and rode up Wilmington nearly to Hargett street, when he screamed at the top of his voice:  
"Sixty-two dollars! sixty-two dollars! sixty-two dollars!"  
Just then a lame man hobbled out of Jim Forrest's to get the money, and T. T. tumbled from Tim Lee's when he heard money mentioned.

"Sixty-two dollars! sixty-two dollars!" said the man.  
By that time quite a crowd had congregated, but the man, still waving his flag aloft, continued to cry out:  
"Sixty-two dollars!"  
"Crazy!" said one man.  
"Seize him! he's mad!" said another to a policeman, standing by.  
"Do you think it's Scott Parton, or little Charlie Ross, or Boss Tweed?" asked the policeman.  
"No, it's some victim of financial embarrassment who is raving mad! Seize him before he hurts some one!" said T. T., from Tim's.

"Sixty-two dollars is all I am offered for this horse!" said the man, and then the policeman arrested a small boy who was standing by.  
The crowd skulked off, one by one, and looked as if they had been standing in a gale with their mouths open to satisfy their hunger, and Watts, the auctioneer, "knocked off" the horse on the lame man, who couldn't get out of the way.

ON Monday afternoon about 2 o'clock, a portion of the shaft of the King's Mountain Gold Mine caved in while a number of laborers were at work in the shaft. Two of the men—Herndon and Froneberger—were killed, and three others were wounded. The killed and wounded are all colored.—*Charlotte Observer*.

The revival at the Methodist Church in this city still continues. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Caraway, has been assisted principally by Rev. W. W. Duncan, President of Wofford College, of Spartanburg, S. C., and also by Rev. Wm. H. Bobbitt, Presiding Elder of this District. The congregations are large, and much interest seems to be manifested by the people of this community generally.—*Charlotte Democrat*.

We regret to learn that the office of the Danbury Reporter, together with the large brick residence of the proprietors was totally destroyed by fire on last Friday morning. The cause of the fire unknown. It will be seen from a card of the proprietors of the Reporter that the publication of the paper will be resumed as soon as new material can be received.—*Winston Sentinel*.

The famous Colt's pistol is a North Carolina invention. The Gatlin gun, so famous in Europe as the "mitrailleuse," is a North Carolina invention. The Edwards battery, patented during the war by a resident and a native of Orange county, is a North Carolina invention. One of the latest useful inventions is a sewing machine, made in Cleveland county, which comes in competition with the famous machines of Howe, Singer and others.—*Argus*.

Dr. Howerton has sent us a two or three column editorial taken from the *Era*, with a request that we publish it. Can't do it—too infernal long. Doctor! We've already published your denial of overcharging, and the fact that you show the New York stationers made the charges, and not you. We have never intimated that you and the stationers "went halves" in these overcharges, and we're not going to do it.—*Milton Chronicle*.

A gentleman accidentally dropped his umbrella overboard at the wharf, foot of Princess street, Wednesday morning, when it sank to the bottom. A colored man volunteered to recover it for a quarter of a dollar and his offer was accepted. Upon coming to the surface it was found that he had not only succeeded in getting the umbrella, but had also brought up a bag, which, upon being unfastened, was found to contain a journal, ledger and blotter. At last accounts we learned that one of the books had been left at the First National Bank. They were recognized as belonging to a firm in business here some years ago.—*Wilmington Star*.

A friend of Henry's, the Western terminus of the Western North Carolina Railroad, writes us under date of the 24, that on Friday evening late, when the convict cooks were being turned into their cell, three of the convicts made a break and passing the guard, escaped. After at least two dozen shots, one of the party was killed, the shot passing through his heart and producing instant death. The other two are yet at large, with prospects good for their early apprehension.—*Charlotte Observer*.

J. Randal Brown, the mind-reader, failed to draw a house on Thursday and Saturday evenings, but performed for those present some interesting experiments.—*Greensboro Patriot*.

Martin Armfield, an old man, living near East Bend, Yadkin county, dropped dead last week while attempting to get down his gun to shoot a colored man who had offended him.

Owing to the physical disability of the pastor, Mr. Brown, the revival at the Baptist church at Fayetteville has been discontinued. Fifteen new converts joined the church.

Mr. Mills realized \$75.10 from a collection at his entertainment in Durham last week for the Orphan Asylum. The house was overflowing with spectators, and many turned away for want of room.

Eloped on the night of the 6th inst., Dr. J. A. Crisp and Miss Amanda Dean, of Stecoah Township, Graham county, N. C. Dr. Crisp leaves a wife and seven children and Miss Amanda leaves five illegitimate children on the charity of the community.—*Murphy Herald*.

C. T. Harden, of Windsor, has on hand a lot of walking canes, made from the wreck of the illustrious iron clad steamer Merrimack, which he will dispose of as relics. Each cane contains a written certificate on its side, on silver, of respectable gentlemen, as to its being genuine and no humbug.

A number of our young men are organizing a Centennial Walking Club. The object of this organization is to visit the Centennial at Philadelphia during the Summer, and make the trip on foot. They will start during the month of May, and calculate that the trip can be made in the space of six weeks.—*Durham Tobacco Plant*.

A heavy storm of rain, wind and lightning prevailed Monday morning, at Iron Station, on the Western Division of the Carolina Central Railroad. During this storm, Mr. Albert Dellinger was standing under a shed, about 125 yards from the railroad depot, holding a horse. Under the shed was a cow, and between Mr. Dellinger and the horse which he held and the cow, was a buggy. Presently there was a loud clap of thunder and then a vivid lightning flash, and the horse and cow fell dead. Mr. Dellinger was knocked down and stunned, but soon recovered. The buggy which stood between the horse and cow which were killed, was not touched anywhere. Passengers report that at Lincoln, also, a heavy storm, accompanied by thunder and lightning, prevailed on the same morning.—*Charlotte Observer*.

Thirty-four Governments will be represented at Philadelphia.

Yellow fever is piling up saffron-colored corpse at Rio Janeiro.

The witnesses in the Spencer investigation will cost over \$10,000.

A bill has passed Congress providing for the redemption of unused stamps.

George W. Hews, a prominent broker of Philadelphia, hung himself on the 8th.

A. T. Stewart, the merchant prince of New York, died of inflammation of the bowels on Saturday evening.

It is stated that Clapp supposed there were \$50,000 in the safe of the public printer, but count showed but \$10,000.

Christopher Ward, of Toronto, Canada, burned his own house, with his wife shut up in a room, on the 10th inst.

Mrs. B. F. Butler died on April 8th, in the Massachusetts General Hospital, where she was taken for an operation on cancer of the throat. She was 55 years old.

The Senate passed a bill on the 10th, appropriating \$10,000 to defray the expenses of the special committee appointed to investigate the election in Mississippi.

The city editor of the Philadelphia Star had an overcoat stolen from him six years ago, and identified it on the street the other day. He recognized it by the patches on the tails.

A Cuban lady left \$31,000 in her will to be invested in lottery tickets. The prizes were to go to build a big church, but there wasn't enough in amount to build one side of a pine pulpit.

Mrs. Morgan, sister of Gen. John Morgan, of Tenn., niece of P. T. Barnum, took laudanum while at a card party and died from its effects. Grief at the death of her daughter was the cause.

David J. Van Meter, city editor of the Rock Island Argus, killed John Starnack with a pocket knife on the 10th inst., about an offensive article which Van Meter published.

Four thousand men at work on the canal basin, in New York, having struck on the 4th inst., for \$1 a day, the contractors paid them off. A dollar a day from the first of May was offered those who would continue to work in the meantime.

The suit against James Watson Webb, late Minister to Brazil, to recover \$15,000, has commenced. The defendants claim that money was paid by him to influential Brazilians to secure payment of a claim for an American citizen.

A local wit of Lafayette, Ark., undertook to fool Dr. Westbrook one dusky evening last week into the belief that a ping of twist tobacco that he pointed at the doctor's head was a pistol. He succeeded admirably, and was shot dead before he could explain that it was all a joke.

The war in Mexico still rages. A dispatch from Brownville, Texas, April 10th, says Diaz has possession of the entire border. Only a few Federal troops are nearer than Monterey. Diaz maintains strict order. He had three soldiers shot for insubordination. He is strengthening his position and accumulating arms and ammunition.

Congressional printer Clapp states that on account of printing the *Congressional Record* the appropriation is insufficient. He had availed himself of the legal privilege to draw from the treasury to the amount of two-thirds of bond, and following the practice of his predecessors, had used the proceeds of the sales to supply the deficiency as the only means to prevent a stoppage. It is said that great looseness is manifest in the management of the government printing office.

A meeting of the Boston Light Infantry was held on the night of the 8th inst., to perfect arrangements for attending the Fort Moultrie Centennial at Charleston, S. C. The plan is for the command to leave Boston with thirty guns for New York, where they will join the

Old Guard with thirty guns, and proceed to Charleston by steamer. After the celebration, these companies, with two companies from Charleston, will return to New York and rendezvous at the Hippodrome. There the Boston Light Infantry will be joined by thirty more guns and with full ranks the seven companies, including the two South Carolina companies, will on the third day of July take a special train to join the Centennial Legion. The New England Division of the Legion will be under the command of Gen. Burnside. It is calculated that it will take 15 days to carry out the programme.

The Silver Bill was returned in Congress on the 10th inst., and Mr. Sherman, by unanimous consent, withdrew the third and fourth sections of the bill. It was then passed. It provides that there be and hereby is appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$163,000 to provide for engraving, printing and other expenses of making and issuing United States notes, and the further sum of \$48,000 to provide for engraving and printing National Bank notes, to be disbursed under the Secretary of the Treasury. The second section provides that the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to issue silver coin of the United States of the denominations of ten, twenty, twenty-five and fifty cents, of standard value, in redemption of an equal amount of fractional currency, whether the same now in the Treasury awaiting redemption or whenever it may be received for redemption, and the Secretary of the Treasury may, under the regulations of the Treasury Department, provide for such redemption and issue by substitution at the regular sub-treasuries and public depositories of the United States until the whole amount of fractional currency outstanding shall be redeemed, and the fractional currency redeemed under this act shall be held to be a part of the sinking fund provided for by existing law, the interest to be computed thereon as in the acts of bonds redeemed under the acts relating to the sinking fund.

**\$200 REWARD.**  
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR.  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
State of North Carolina,  
RALEIGH, MARCH 29th, 1876.

WHEREAS, OFFICIAL NOTICE has been given by the Department that one WILLIAM LOCKE, late of Rowan county, stands charged with the murder of P. R. Barringer in said county, and whereas, it further appears that the said William Locke has fled the State, or so conceals himself that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him.

Now, therefore, I, CURTIS H. BROGREN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, by virtue of authority in me vested by law, do issue this my Proclamation offering a reward of TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS for the apprehension and delivery of the said William Locke to the Sheriff of Rowan county, at the Court House, in the town of Salisbury, and I certify all officers of law and all good citizens to aid in bringing said accused to justice.

Done at our city of Raleigh, the 20th day of March, A. D. 1876, and in 100th year of American Independence.  
C. H. BROGREN,  
By the Governor:  
J. B. NEATHERY,  
Private Secretary.

DESCRIPTION.  
William Locke is a dark mulatto, about 29 years old, about six feet high, blind in right eye, and turns his toes in when walking being what is commonly called "pigeon-toed."  
March 20th, 1876. 40-41  
Statesville American and Asheville Pioneer copy four weeks and send bills to Executive office.

PROPOSALS FOR FUEL FOR AGE AND STIAW.  
OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMAS-TER,  
DEPARTMENT OF THE SOUTH,  
LOUISVILLE, March 28, 1876.

SEALED PROPOSALS, in triplicate, under the usual conditions, will be received at this office, and also at the offices of the U. S. Quartermasters at the several Post named below, until 12 o'clock, m., on Wednesday, the 10th day of May, 1876, at which time and place they will be opened in presence of bidders for the delivery of Military Supplies during the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1876, and ending June 30, 1877, as follows:  
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JAMES A. EKIN,  
Lt. Col., D. M. Gen.  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a general meeting of the creditors of the Bank of N. C., bankrupt, will be held at the Begole's, Raleigh, N. C., before A. W. Shaffer, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy, on the 19th day of April, 1876, at 10 o'clock, A. M. for the purposes named in the 27th and 28th sections of the Bankrupt Act of March 2, 1867.  
By order of the court.  
A. W. SHAFFER,  
Register in Bankruptcy,  
Raleigh, March 29th, 1876. 41-42

IN THE MATTER OF LEONIDAS M. GIBBS, Bankrupt.  
This is to give notice, that on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1876, a warrant in Bankruptcy was issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina, against the estate of Leonidas M. Gibbs, of Raleigh, in the County of Wake, and State of North Carolina, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt on his own Petition: That the payment of any debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer any property, by him, are forbidden by law: That a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at Raleigh, N. C., before A. W. Shaffer, Register, on the 29th day of April, A. D. 1876, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

JOSHUA B. HILL,  
Marshal as Messenger.  
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