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MONDAY, JAN. 20th, 1873.

Local and News Department.

See Legislative proceedings on fourth page.

Cotton Market.

Up to 4 P. M., to-day there had been 14 bales of cotton brought to this city. Ordinary, 17 Good ordinary, 17 Low middling, 18 Price in New York 20 1/2. Gold at 121.

Railroad Changes.

Mr. Walker, North Carolina r. r. agent at Greensboro, we learn has been removed, and Mr. Vernon, the clever clerk there for many years, will take his place and act as agent for the two divisions, the North Carolina and Richmond and Danville. Also the agent at Salisbury, Mr. Terrell, has been removed, and Mr. Newlan, has been appointed at High Point will take his place. Who will take Mr. Newlan's place we are not certain, but have heard it rumored that a well known and clever citizen of this city who has had extensive experience in that kind of business, will be the man.

Things About Chapel Hill.

Craig Watson of Chapel Hill takes charge of the Durham Hotel to-day. The Chapel Hillians have another railroad sensation. Gen. Hoke is there and had the route surveyed last Thursday. It is said two Northern Railroad Companies are in competition for the privilege of building the road. Our correspondent says: Taking all things into consideration I think there is a reasonable hope that a railroad will be built from, to, or through this place. Sandy Hunter has taken "French" leave of Chapel Hill. He had been doing business on John King's capital and has left King an empty money drawer to hold. It is thought he has sloped for Tennessee.

Orange County.

There is plenty of the good old English stock in Orange county, now. But la! Miss Bettie Stephung would laugh at the very idea of that old wizenup fellow who drives his two steers into town being descended from royal blood. The McCaulay family now in Orange county came from the top of the pot.—William McCaulay was the first that came from England into that county.—He was very popular in Orange, so much so, that he once ran for the Legislature and got every vote in the county save one, and that one he advertised to give ten pounds for, if the man would just come to him and show him his face. William afterwards returned to England and brought back with him his brother Matthew. He got him on board the ship that brought them over in a hoghead marked "Rum." And after he got the hoghead on the ship, he knocked the head in, and let his brother out. And Matthew was afterwards a gallant American officer in the old revolution. The Mr. McCaulays who now live in Orange are poor men, but you can see the stamp of worth and honesty in their faces, and though they are no polished scholars, they are men of excellent sense. But what matters blood! "Worth makes the man, want of it, the fellow &c."

Supreme Court.

C N Swann et al, Craven, vs L Barrington, Admin'r, report confirmed. Humphrey, Exec'r, Onslow, vs Ward Exec'r, et al, continued for issues.—John N Whitford and wife, Craven, vs Wm Foy, G'd'n and Adm'r, report filed.—Whitford and wife, Craven, vs Foy, G'd'n and Adm'r, report filed.—Foy, G'd'n and Adm'r, report filed.—Same vs same, report filed. John N Whitford, Admin'r, Craven, vs Foy, G'd'n and Adm'r, report filed.—Same vs same, report filed.—Henry King, Exec'r, Wilson, vs Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company, continued.—C L Wooten, Admin'r, Wayne, vs John N Sherard et al, argued.—Wm T Blackwell, Lenoir, vs Matilda Cummings et al, set for hearing at end of the District.—Doe on demise Exum Holland, Wayne, vs Probate B Scott, settled, terms to be filed.—John H Powell, Admin'r, Wayne, vs Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company, for end of District.—Daniel Perry, Lenoir, vs Edward Hill, argued.—J Henry Davis, Carteret, vs Wm J Smith, continued.—M S Cohen of Wayne, vs C G Holt, argued.—Boylson Insurance Company et al, Carteret, vs John D Davis, argued.—Lewis M Pollard, Jones, vs Thos Wilcox, Tuesday.—John Andrews, Admin'r, Jones, vs F McDaniel, argued.

Farm-Yard Scraps.

A Georgia woman is utilizing rabbit hair by weaving it into balmorals. Tomato plants grow eighteen feet high in California, and the fowls of the air lodge in the branches.

Our State.

BATTLEBORO has a ten pin alley. It snowed up West Saturday night.

STATESVILLE wants a wagon maker.

STATESVILLE is to have a steam grist mill.

The sign of a Milton bar room is a stuffed rattlesnake.

REV. John Mitchell has been called to the pastorate of the Baptist church in Murfreesboro.

CAPT. Walker carried off, sixty-five colored men from Statesville last week to work on a railroad in Georgia.

Four young brides recently met together in a parlor in Milton. They couldn't look at each other for laughing.

AN Enfield young lady while sewing broke off a needle in her finger and it's in there yet. The doctor thinks it will work out.

A BARBER of versatile talent has settled at Enfield. While not otherwise engaged he promises to do the fiddling for the country dances.

PROFESSOR Allen of Murfreesboro has brought home his young bride, the daughter of Rev. A. M. Saunders, Presiding Elder of the Danville (Va.) District.

THE Wilmington Journal says: A private letter received in this city tells of the death, at Pittsboro, on last Saturday, of Phillip Hill, colored, at the age of 108 years. He was formerly the property of the late Dr. F. J. Hill, of this city, and was an unusually faithful and attentive servant.

STOKES county has lost one of her smartest old females. The Danbury Reporter says: DIED—On last Friday, on Big Creek, Miss Ursula Riddle, she was between eighty and ninety years old. In native intellect, her and her old maiden sister were surpassed by no females in this section of country.

J. M. PAUL, the whiskey man of Person county, had his house, furniture and bedding, burnt to ashes by an incendiary. The Milton Chronicle says: Mr. Paul was down at his distillery when the fire occurred, and thinks that but for his eldest daughter all of his children would have been burnt up. He is perfectly well satisfied in his own mind that the torch was applied by a negro who had been working for him, named Tom Chambers, who was tracked in the snow by John A. Barnett, Fred. Furlines and "Dr." Barnett, (colored), from the seat of the fire to the door of his den near Roxborough. This scoundrel was arrested, and although everybody felt sure of his guilt, yet the evidence was not deemed sufficient for the law to break his neck.

Fists. Mrs. Paul Thebard is President of the Foundling Asylum in New York. They come seven baskets full per day. There are 500 wet nurses. "Sister Irene" says there are now present 300 babies in the house and 1,000 out at nurse. It costs eleven thousand dollars every week to keep up the asylum, but where the money comes from is a puzzle. If you want a baby you can send there and get any size or quality you wish. We call the attention of sister Irene to the advantage of advertising in the Era.

Stimulants did it. A correspondent writes a Virginia paper of how a Mrs. Richmond of Berryville in Clark county, that State, committed suicide.—He says: I must tell you of a terrible tragedy that occurred in our midst on Sunday, about 4 p. m.—the self-destruction of Mrs. Richmond, who lived in town. It has been told several times that she used a great many drugs as well as stimulants, but the druggist here would not sell them to her any longer. So her only resort was Winchester, and on Sunday it seems that she wanted to go to Winchester, but her husband would not permit her to go.—She tried very hard to get something at Dr. Holvestine's Sunday afternoon, but could not get in the store. So she returned home, and whilst her husband and children were at dinner she fastened her dress and placed a pistol above her heart and fired, killing herself instantly. Her husband heard her fall, and ran to her immediately. She was just breathing her last when he got to her. She leaves four little children, and it is an additional sad feature of the affair that she was likely in two or three months to have given birth to another. It is the general opinion that she was not in her right mind for some time past.

Musical and Theatrical. Newbern is having pantomimes. The Richmond Whig says: As we anticipated in our notice yesterday, Madam Januscheck dressed gorgeously as Lady Dedlock, and gave us a splendid representation of one of the strongest characters ever created by Charles Dickens. While courteously in manner in the society of her proud husband and his guests, she was the tender mother with all of a mother's affection when alone with Esther. She was, in fact, all through the play, a proud filled woman, looking fair and haughty to the world and to society, yet crushed in private with a terrible secret.

Interesting City Case—Judge Watts' Decision.

NORTH CAROLINA, Superior Court, Wake County. Fall Term, 1873. R. S. Pullen and others, Plaintiffs, against

The Board of Commissioners of the city of Raleigh, Defendants. Battle & Sons, Moore & Gatling, for Plaintiffs; J. C. L. Harris, City Attorney, and T. M. Argo, for City of Raleigh.

This case having been submitted by the parties upon the facts agreed without action, and having heard the arguments of Counsel for Plaintiffs and Defendants, I decide as follows:

The city of Raleigh being a municipal corporation organized and acting under a charter granted by the State, which is made part of the case agreed, claims the right under section 9 Art. VII. of the State constitution and its charter above referred to, to levy a tax upon all solvent credits and securities held by persons residing in said city. The Plaintiffs contend that the city authorities have no such power but can only tax property in the now limited sense, excluding from the meaning of the word property the choses in action and securities spoken of above.

The case does not contain the affidavits required by sec. 315, C. C. P. to show that the controversy is real and the proceedings in good faith to determine the rights of the parties, and is otherwise imperfectly stated. But as the controversy is no doubt real and involves questions of importance and interest to the parties, I will proceed to decide it according to my view of the law.

The case is: The plaintiffs are citizens and residents within the corporate limits of the city of Raleigh, over whom and their property the authorities of said city have legal power and authority under the constitution and laws of the State. These parties own certain solvent credits and securities upon which the city authorities have assessed a tax for city purposes. The amount and kind of this property and tax assessed are not stated. The question is therefore presented, have the authorities of the city a right to levy a tax for city purposes upon the solvent credits and securities owned by the plaintiffs and others in like conditions. Sec. 9, Art. 7 of the constitution provides that "All taxes levied by any county, city, town or township shall be uniform and ad valorem upon all property in the same except property exempt by this constitution. It is contended for the defendant that this is a constitutional provision for the taxation of all property by the city authorities and providing further in the way in which this tax shall be levied. For the plaintiffs it is contended the word property here used must be taken in its restricted sense and was not intended to embrace choses in action and securities of the kind mentioned or intended herein.

My Opinion is, that this section was intended to declare simply the manner in which municipal corporations should levy taxes, to wit: that they should be "uniform and ad valorem," and not to declare the subjects to be taxed by them. This was to be done by other parts of the Constitution where the general subject of taxation was treated of and provided for, and by general laws passed under the Constitution by the Legislature on this subject. And by Sec. 4, Art. 8, a general power is given to the Legislature to provide for the organization of cities, towns, &c., and to restrict their power of taxation, &c. This seems to give general control to the Legislature on the subject of municipal corporations, and the Legislature may under it restrict the power of taxation by these corporations as it may think proper, due regard being had to other parts of the Constitution. My Opinion, therefore, is, that the right of the defendants to levy this tax does not depend on, and is not controlled by the said 9th Section of 7th Article of the Constitution, but must depend on the Charter, granted by the Legislature to this corporation, or the general law of the State in relation to towns, &c.—upon the examination of the Charter and this general law. I am of the opinion that no such power as that now claimed by the defendants is granted by either.

My decision therefore is that the Plaintiffs have judgment, that the defendants have no right to tax solvent credits and securities, and that such tax is illegal. S. W. WATTS, J. S. C.

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I don't care for your politics if you can play the fiddle well, have got good muscle, ain't afraid to work, ain't ashamed of your poor relations and can squeeze water out of your eyes when you hear an affecting story.

Personal Intelligence.

July Carr of Durham spent Sunday in Greensboro.

J. H. Dillard Esq. of Greensboro is at the Yarbrow.

Leo Heatt jr. of this city spent Sunday in Hillsboro.

Calvin E. Parish, a popular young lawyer of Hillsboro, was taken suddenly sick Saturday night with a chill that lasted from 12 o'clock until three in the morning, and is still confined to his bed.

Twigs.

A reporter was disturbed one night by a noise, which proved to be occasioned by a man fallen at his door in a fit, when he cried to his better-half, "Mary, Mary, bring my note-book and a candle directly; here's a paragraph come to the door."

Miffin says the lawyers have got a new trick when "out of office." They now post on their doors, "At Washington, in the supreme court," and you can't tell which billiard room to look for them in a bit better than when they said "Back in five minutes." Boston Transcript.

The following we clip from Mr. Punch's Almanac for this year: Doctor—"I am pleased to say, Mrs Fitz-browne, that I shall be able to vaccinate your baby from a very healthy child of your neighbor, Mrs Jones—" Mrs Fitz-browne—"Ah, dear, doctor! I could not permit that. We do not care to be mixed up with the Joneses in any way."

The gentleman who does the Ananias and Sapphira business on the Terre Haute Express says that a city minister opened his front door suddenly, and surprised a guilty-looking man who was just in the act of depositing a neatly-covered basket on the door-step. The meeting was not rapturous. "Ah!" said the minister, rushing out and grasping the man by the collar, while he plied a heavy-soled boot vigorously under the coat-tail of his visitor, "what do you mean, you villain, by leaving a baby on my doorstep? Ah, I have you, scoundrel! I'll show you how to abandon an infant to the cold mercies of the world." And all these remarks were punctuated by kicks. "I ain't left any baby at your door," said the man taking up the basket and lifting the cover. "I brought a right fat turkey for you, but I'm damned if you shall have it now, if you were starving," and he walked away.

NOTICE.

RALEIGH, Jan. 14, 1873. Notice is hereby given to the subscribers to the Capital Stock of the North Carolina State Life Insurance Company, that a meeting for organization will be held at the Citizens' National Bank, Raleigh, N. C., on Friday, January 24th, 1873, at 12 o'clock.

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