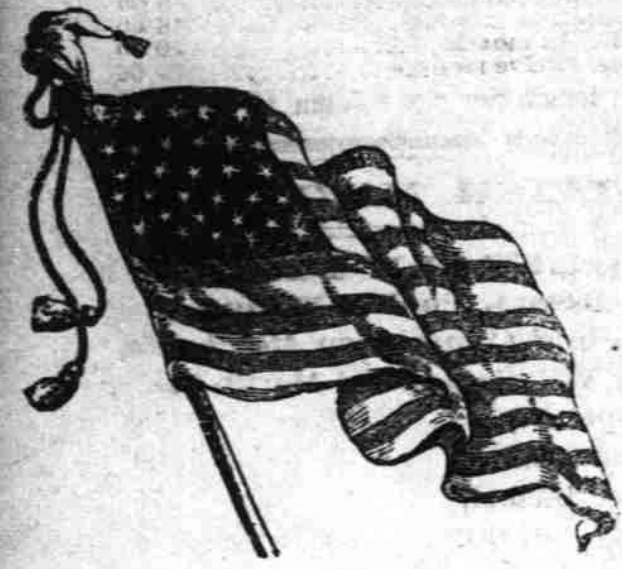


THE DAILY ERA.

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There was in the City one Soles, infamous for his insolence and villainy, who thought the perfection of Liberty was licentiousness of Speech.—PLUTARCH.

MONDAY, JAN. 27th, 1873.

A Guarantee Wanted.

Some persons favorable to the sale of the Western North Carolina Railroad to the Southern Security Railway Company demand a guarantee from that Company that the Road shall be completed to the Tennessee line.

Such guarantee will doubtless be given, if required, and as the most practicable way of obtaining that guarantee let a new charter be made to take the place of the old one, and looking to proper restrictions and guarantees to suit the times and the contemplated changes.

Another advantage to the State would result from a new charter—that of taxing the Road as any other property in the State. According to the present charter the Western North Carolina Railroad is exempt from taxation by the State.

The Senator from Wake on the Senator from Guilford.

Senator Morehead of Guilford got in the way of Senator Harris of Wake, during the discussion on the Ku Klux amnesty in the Senate on Thursday last, and came out with no more-head to his argument than with which he went in.

Mr. Harris challenged any Senator to show wherein a member of the Ku Klux Klan had ever been convicted in any State Court of North Carolina. Whereupon Senator Morehead did "rise to explain" that he knew of three negro Ku Klux men of his county, who were convicted, and were now serving their term in the Penitentiary.

To this Senator Harris replied that the explanation but strengthened his position, and only the more confirmed his opinion that the Ku Klux amnesty ought not to pass in that shape, since of all the Ku Kluxing in North Carolina the State Courts had only been able to apprehend and convict two or three colored men who had been induced through persuasion, intimidation or violence to join the Ku Klux Klan and participate in its outrages, and were only convicted to shield some guilty white leader who had the position and influence to involve ignorant colored men, but was withal too cowardly and unprincipled to stand the consequences of his participation in crime.

The Senator from Guilford, after a moment's reflection, looked as though he "never said it."

Not Ostracizing.

Messrs. Abbott, Dudley and Fletcher, colored, of the House, desire the Era to correct the statement made in the Sentinel that they are or have been opposed to Professors DeWitter and Mitchell, colored, on account of their Liberal proclivities or support of Greeley. As for Professor Mitchell, they have heard and do believe that he was an ardent supporter of Grant; and as to Professor DeWitter, the colored men in and out of the Legislature conceive that Professor DeWitter and all other colored men have the right to attach themselves to any party they please to and vote for and support whomsoever they choose.

There were substantial reasons, other than political, which induced Mr. Dudley and others to object to Professor Mitchell having the use of the Hall of the House "to address the General Assembly on the subject of education," not the least of which was the fact that the Professor had insulted the House by making a political harangue on one occasion when allowed to open a morning session with prayer.

As to Professor DeWitter, the colored men of the House fail to see what he had to do with the objection to, or expulsion of Professor Mitchell, or why he should have felt himself called upon to assail members of the House at a time when he was enjoying extra courtesies in the House, an extra table

and seat having been provided for him from the beginning of the session.

The Western North Carolina Railroad.

It is understood that the Legislative investigation into the affairs and financial condition of this Road is about completed, and the Committee will probably report at an early day.

Some of those most violently opposed to the sale of the Road under the late decree of the Federal Court at Asheville are understood to have come to the conclusion that nothing better can be done, and as the only hope of getting a Railroad through our State for years lies in the Southern Security Railway Company, much of the opposition hitherto manifest against that Company and their acquisition of the Road has been abandoned.

It is now said by parties hitherto opposing the sale of the Road that if a litigation and consequent delay of a year or two is the result of present complications that the Western North Carolina Railroad will become impassable; that it is even now in a dangerous condition from Statesville to Salisbury.

Persons competent to judge, say, in fact it is the assertion of a skilled engineer, that one hundred and fifty thousand dollars must immediately be spent on the Road-bed and track; while the net annual earnings of the Road are about one-fifth of this sum.

Much has been said of the cost of this work to the State of North Carolina; and the State's interest has been set down at six millions of dollars. The State has no such interest in the Western North Carolina Railroad; first, because the Road does not begin to be worth that money; and, second, no such amount has been invested therein by the State.

Mr. President Tate states in one of his Reports that the State's investment was \$2,452,509.97, being the cash proceeds of North Carolina Bonds, which can certainly be compromised now as low as fifty cents in the dollar, and lower, making the actual payment by the State about one million.

But no matter what the Road has cost the State or individuals, it is only worth what it will bring, and in its present incomplete and worn-out condition it cannot be expected to bring much in any market, either a public or private sale.

Five thousand dollars a mile may be considered a high price for a worn-out Railroad, with a terminus in the wild-woods, a limited business, insufficient to sustain it, and conflicting interests hedging it at the point of its only connection with the Railroad system of the country.

The rolling-stock is estimated to be worth a hundred thousand dollars in all, which with the present value of the iron and road-bed will not aggregate a million of dollars; and since this is so, and three millions are required to complete, repair and equip it, there is little doubt that the State can do nothing else than allow the Road to pass into other hands, and the sooner the better, provided, always, that there is no apparent trick or fraud on the part of those who propose to take the Road and complete it to the Tennessee line.

(COMMUNICATED.) The Duty of the Hour.

Allow one, who desires to see the law enforced, and, through that means, order maintained in North Carolina, to make a suggestion through your columns. It is to the President of the Senate.

There are certain "laws of the land" that are even superior in force to the Constitution of North Carolina, and in subordination to which the Constitution—it being a mere contract, according to the doctrine of publicists—is made. These laws are the fundamental and essential principles upon which all organic association or society is founded. Whatever, therefore, of this independent, necessary natural code is not positively embodied into the Constitution of the State, is necessarily implied; and whatever in the Constitution conflicts with it, is itself unconstitutional. Principal among these rules of natural law, is the obligation to preserve the security of human life. This principle, prohibits not only the enactment of any law which would authorize the wanton sacrifice of life, but also the passage of any act which would encourage it, or promise, indirectly even, exemption from punishment for such an offense. This will not be denied.

Does not any bill which reasonably justifies the belief that murder, arson, rape, to say nothing of inferior offenses, will be excused, if

only the perpetrators be members of political organizations, promise impunity? Does not such a bill make such membership a plea of not guilty, and such plea equivalent to a verdict of not guilty?

Does not the bill now pending in the Senate, and known as the Ku Klux Amnesty bill, authorize such a plea, and justify the expectation of such a verdict?

In fact, does it not, in a measure, license murder and any other crime, by the removal of the restraint which the fear of punishment imposes?

If it do these things, which cannot with reason be gainsayed, it is not only violative of the constitution of things, but of the Constitution of North Carolina. It is, therefore, a duty to withstand its passage into a law; and every supporter of the law will be expected to do so. Should the Legislature be so inconsiderate of their duty, or ignorant of their obligations as to pass it through both houses, then the good people of North Carolina call upon GOVERNOR BROGDEN, as the last defense between them and this enormous and alarming exposure of their liberties, to stand as a "STONEWALL"—TO REFUSE TO RATIFY, BY HIS SIGNATURE, THIS ACT TO LEGALIZE MURDER! He will be sustained by his obligations to the Constitution; he will be sustained by the law; he will be sustained by the people of North Carolina.

AMICUS JURIS.

Valuable Railroad Property FOR SALE.

PURSUANT TO A DECREE OF THE Circuit Court of the United States, for the Western District of North Carolina, at the November Term, 1872, thereof, at Asheville, in a proceeding, there pending in Equity, to foreclose a mortgage mentioned in the pleadings between Henry Clews and Hiram Sibley plaintiffs against the Western North Carolina Railroad Company and others defendants, the undersigned, Commissioners, appointed by the Court, at the said above mentioned November term thereof, will sell, at the Railroad depot, of the Western North Carolina Railroad Company, at Salisbury, on Saturday 22d day of February, 1873, next, at public auction for cash, all the franchise, road, road bed, rolling stock and property of every kind and description belonging to the Western North Carolina Railroad Company.

Creditors may bid for the property, and such bidders, after paying a sufficient amount of the purchase money in cash to pay the costs and expenses incurred, in the proceeding in Equity above mentioned, and for the execution of the trust &c., may be credited with their debts in payment, if the amount for which the property shall sell is sufficient to pay the debts, otherwise *pro rata*.

When the Western connections of this road are completed it will be one of the richest properties in the South.

The length of the road from Salisbury to Asheville, N. C., is one hundred and forty-two miles—of which one hundred and fifteen is completed and running to Old Fort, McDowell county, at the Eastern base of the Blue Ridge. The remainder of the road, twenty-seven miles, is mostly graded.

The cash cost and valuation of the property is about \$4,000,000. The floating debt is \$500,000. Upon the road is a first mortgage of \$1,400,000 the only lien on the property.

For further information address the Commissioners,
B. S. GAITHER, at Morganton, N. C.
MARCUS ERWIN, at Asheville, N. C. 153-61

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

RALEIGH & AUGUSTA AIR LINE, Superintendent's Office, Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 25, 1872.

On and after Saturday, Nov. 9th, 1872, trains on the R. & A. Road will run as follows: (Sunday excepted), as follows:

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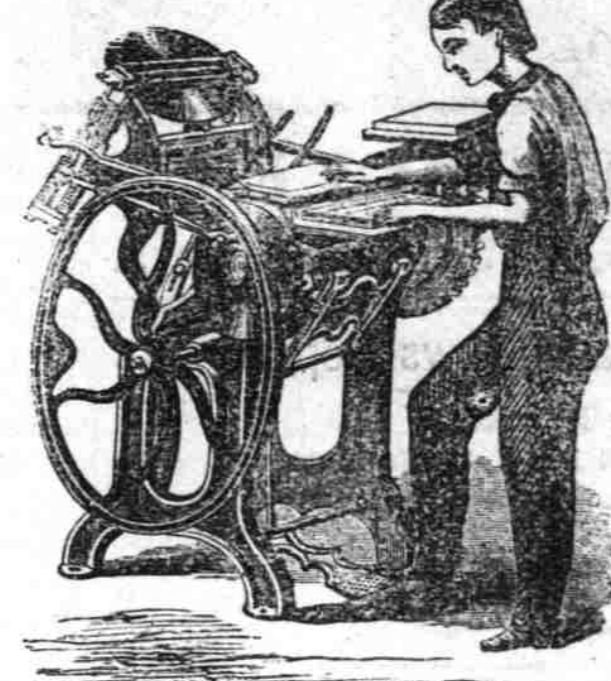
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NOTICE! In the matter of RUSSELL II KINGSBURY, In Bankruptcy. Eastern District of North Carolina.

This is to give Notice, That on the 20th day of January, A. D. 1873, 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 Russell H. Kingsbury in the county of Granville in said District of N. C., who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition. That the Payment of Debts and the Delivery of any Property belonging to such Bankrupt to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; and 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 held at the Registers office in Raleigh, N. C., before A. W. Shaffer, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy for said District, on the 3rd day of February, A. D. 1873, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

S. T. CARROW, U. S. Marshal. Per J. R. ONEILL, Dep. and Mes. in Bankruptcy. 132-1aw3v JAN 21.

NOTICE!

In the matter of NATHAN B. TOLER, Bankrupt. In Bankruptcy Eastern District of North Carolina.

This is to give Notice, That on the 1st day of January, A. D. 1873, 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 Nathan B. Toler, in the county of Johnston, in said District of North Carolina, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition. That the payment of debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law. And 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 held at the Registers office in Raleigh, N. C., before A. W. Shaffer, Esq., Register in bankruptcy for said District, on the 3rd day of February, at 10 o'clock A. M.

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BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of Montraville Bizzell, of Smithfield, in the county of Johnston, and State of North Carolina, within said District who has been adjudged a Bankrupt upon his own Petition by the District Court of said District.

THOMAS HAMPSON, Assignee, P. O., Raleigh, N. C.

To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of William E. Crusenberry, of Newton Grove, in the county of Sampson, and State of North Carolina within said District, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt upon his own Petition by the District Court of said District.

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