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TERMS OF ADVERTISING.

One Dollar a square for the first week, and Twenty-five Cents for every week thereafter...

Poetry.

Faded Flowers. Gentle creatures—with ring, drooping. Ere those fragile buds are blown...

He succeeded in getting the knife from Sleath, and then secured him. The murderer had upon his person at the time of his arrest several other knives and a revolver.

Miscellaneous.

In No. 1, I discussed "the immortal eleven" resolution of the Democracy on ad valorem, and incidentally alluded to the resolution on the same subject passed at the late Whig Convention.

present? The Constitution says the poll tax must be the same on all persons subject to it. Who are subject to it? Negroes between 12 and 50 years of age, and white men between 21 and 45.

The Whigs, then, propose to tax the rich man according to his riches and the poor man according to his poverty.

North Carolina. In the first place, every man who has a knowledge of our Constitution as it now stands, knows that the Legislature can now, if it saw proper, and without any alteration of the Constitution, tax every horse, cow, pig, and sheep, and every other species of property in the State, except negroes, according to their real value.

Let the poor men of the country, who only own a few horses and cows, hogs and sheep, with a little household furniture, and who live on rented land, and who now pay no tax, consider a few things.

this, unless you alter the Constitution, and bring in the negroes—that an ad valorem tax as proposed by Gov. Reid, and the Democracy, would bear too heavily on the property of the poor men—their horses and cows—and too lightly on the property of the rich—their slaves.

How distressing is the lamentation which is exhibited by the Democratic leaders and press, on account of the rupture which took place between the antagonistic elements of the Convention.

Mind Your Business. We like greatly the device on an ancient Rhode Island penny: "Mind your business." That is it. A man of business must mind his business, or his business will not mind him.

A False Alarm. How distressing is the lamentation which is exhibited by the Democratic leaders and press, on account of the rupture which took place between the antagonistic elements of the Convention.

Not another man's business! Not another man's business! Not another man's business! Not another man's business!

Every one of you—kindly, actively, perseveringly—and you will thus be an agent in carrying out a portion of the plans of a benevolent Providence, who would have men to be "diligent in business" as well as "fervent in spirit."

Correspondence.

La Prairie, Ill., June 24, 1860. The prospect for a crop of small grain, has been cut off entirely by the drought that has prevailed in this country...

The Chicago convention as you know, nominated Abe Lincoln for the Presidency, and some people presume to think that Abe will be elected; but I am not of the number.

I notice there is a strong probability for Mr. Pool to be elected Governor of the old North State, and ordering things to the right about...

Terrible Tragedy. A man named B. L. Sleath, a passenger on board the steamer Hodge on Red River, in a fit of derangement attempted to cut the throat of Mr. F. G. Jerjering, inflicting several serious wounds.

Whereas, Great inequality exists in the present mode of taxation, and it is just and right that all property should contribute its proportion towards the burdens of the State:

Resolved, That we recommend that a Convention of the people of the State be called on the Federal basis, as early as practicable, for the purpose of so modifying the Constitution that every species of property may be taxed according to its value, with power to discriminate only in favour of the native products of our State and the industrial pursuits of its citizens.

These are only a few of the many subjects of taxation, and the table exhibits "great inequality." Should this inequality continue to exist? Can any man give a good reason why land should be taxed by the State \$2 and a negro boy of equal value be taxed only 80 cents?

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M'LEAN HOUSE,

Statesville, N. C. THE SUBSCRIBER TAKES PLEASURE in announcing to his friends and the public, that he has received a liberal share of patronage for the last two years, and respectfully solicits a continuance.

VALUABLE DWELLING HOUSE AND LOT IN STATESVILLE, FOR SALE.

THE SUBSCRIBER OFFERS his DWELLING HOUSE and LOT, in the town of Statesville. They are located near to and west of the Female College, and is the most desirable property in the place.

Wanted. 5,000 lb. Deswax. 10,000 lb. Dried Fruit. T. H. McRorie.