

IMPORTANT DECISIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES CONCERNING HOMESTEADS.

This court which determines in the last resort all questions connected with the constitution of the United States, has recently decided in a case which went up from the State of Georgia, that homestead exemptions of property from execution under State laws or constitutions are not valid as to any debts contracted before the time when such constitutions were adopted, or such laws were passed. As to antecedent debts the Court holds that the homestead exemptions create that provision in the constitution of the United States which forbids any State from passing a law that impairs the obligation of contracts. The Supreme Court of North Carolina had decided (Judge Pearson dissenting) to the contrary; but of course its decision can be of no force against that of the highest court in the Union. The question must hereafter be regarded as settled. Many persons will now have reason to turn to the Bankrupt Laws of the United States, and especially to some of the late enactments of Congress in order to find out what relief they afford the unfortunate debtor. They certainly do afford very great relief in many cases, far greater than could be expected from State legislation. The power of Congress on the subject of bankruptcy is plenary, under the Constitution, and that power has been recently exercised to a very broad extent, particularly in reference to Exemptions. The act of Congress passed on the 3rd of June 1872, exempts such property as the State exemption laws in force in 1871 give to insolvents, which in North Carolina is a homestead of the value of one thousand dollars, and personal property of the value of five hundred dollars. Property of the value of five hundred dollars is exempt under the laws of the United States. The total exemptions therefore allowed to Bankrupts amount to two thousand dollars, and they must be allowed as to all debts no matter when contracted.

Persons concerned must however, bear in mind that the assets which may come to the hands of the assignee must amount to at least fifty per cent of the debts proved against the estate on which the Bankrupt is liable as principal debtor, and which were contracted since the 1st January, 1869. If the assets shall be insufficient for that purpose then the Bankrupt can only be discharged from all debts contracted prior to January 1st 1869 and surety debts contracted since that time.

Brigham Young, Brigham Young, the President and Prophet of the Mormons, has resigned his position to make room for a younger leader. Brigham was born in Vermont in 1801, and when about thirty five united himself with the Latter Day Saints, and was made an elder and then one of the twelve apostles of the Mormon Church. At that time the Mormon Church, under Joseph Smith, was flourishing in the Eastern States. Soon afterwards the sect got into disrepute and were forced to leave. They located in Missouri, there they were hunted like wild beasts, and were compelled to go to Illinois, where they built a flourishing town. At the latter place, Smith their leader, was accused of immorality, licentiousness &c, and was killed in jail, and in June 1844, was taken outside a mob and shot. After Smith's death they went to Council Bluffs, carried a short while and crossed the plains to Utah, where they founded Salt Lake City. Young being their leader, Missionaries were sent to all parts of the world and many converts were made. In 1849 President Fillmore appointed Brigham Governor of Utah Territory. Although not formally invested with absolute power, his authority among his people, was practically without limit. He alone, could here more than the regular number of wives—seven—and claimed the privilege of a thousand. In 1850 the first difficulty between the General Government and the Mormons occurred at which time the Federal Judges were driven from the Territory. In 1857, President Buchanan sent 2500 troops to Salt Lake. The Territory was declared in a state of rebellion, and in

1858 submitted to Federal authority. The arrest and trial of Brigham not long since are known to our people. The "Saints" are now quiet and seem to be prosperous. Brigham during his rule, proved himself to be a man of great will, nerve and brains, and has lived to see the few followers which, twenty-nine years ago, he led across the plains, increase in number to a considerable colony.

The Modocs, a small band of half starved Indians, have for the last several months been at war with the U. S. Troops. The difficulty originated at first, it seems, because of the mutual enmity, treachery and meanness of the opposing parties. The Indians got mad because Gen. Grant's "Peace Commissioners," Army Agents &c, could surpass them in Stealing and the whites became enraged because the Indians would not allow them to steal *at all*, so "to amuse they flew" the whites manning of course, to throw the blame on the Modocs. The whites, ever generous, brave and honest, wished to dispossess the Indians of their lands and hunting grounds, and send them to a distant reservation. The Indians were told to go, and they did, for the whites' scalps, Capt. Jack the leader of the Modocs, after being hunted down, fortified himself and band, two or three hundred in number, in a lava bed, and for the last several months has openly defied the U. S. Army. Last week Capt. Jack asked for a conference, Gen. Canby, commanding Federal forces, and a half dozen others, met Capt. Jack's party on neutral ground. After exchanging compliments, Capt. Jack deliberately cast a bullet of death at Gen. Canby, which made a perforation under the eye—came out at the back of the head and the Gen. was dead. Only one or two of the party escaped. A couple of the Indians were killed. So the whites got the worse of it. Capt. Jack still retains possession of his cave, and the Federal troops stand around at a respectful distance, as they knew so well how to do, during the late four years' "confederacy." Surely that Capt. Jack must be an old tar heel Confederate.

Emil Katzenstein Esq, went North in March last. There he remained several weeks. He took all that time to buy his goods. He is back now. So are the beautiful goods he bought. These goods must be sold. Sell them he will; if not at a big profit, a small one. These goods are beautiful goods, the goods are good goods, they are durable goods, the goods are cheap goods. But the new advertisement, which you are requested to read, will tell more about it than we can. Mr. Katzenstein occupies Montgomery's old Store. Call to see him.

The Hon. Geo. E. Badger, of North Carolina, said "I do not hesitate to recommend Beckwith's Anti-Dyspeptic Pills as a safe and efficacious remedy in dyspeptic affections, and believe them myself to be the best anti-Dyspeptic medicine ever offered to the public."

In future my business will be conducted positively for cash. No goods delivered until paid for.

C. A. Thomas, M. D. Druggist.

New Advertisements.

NOTICE. I having located at Macon, I am prepared to receive work. I want my trade under that of a veteran workman, J. R. Johnson, and can make as good a shoe or boot as he makes, and for about half the money. Work solicited. Give me trial. ap-13-73. NAT KIMBALL.

TAX GATHERING.

Nubush Township. At Enterprise, 15th, 16th, 17th April. Hawtice Township. At the School House near Jno. Hick's 22nd, and 3rd, April. Six Pound. Coleman & Gardener's Store, 21th, and 25th April. River Township. At Turner's Store 26th, April. Hickory Grove 28th, April. Eaton's Mill, (on the N. or N. side of Runke) 29th April. Smith rock Township. Halls School House, 2nd & 2nd May. Judkins' Township. Turner's store 26th April. Fleming's 3th. G. B. Alston's Store 1st May. Fishing Creek. Grove Hill, 2nd May. Alston's Store 2nd May. Sandy Creek. Old Shatter, 5th May. Joyner's Mill 6th.

NOTICE.

I have received the most beautiful, durable, costly and stylish ladies' DRESS GOODS ever sold in Warrenton since 1869. These goods are out from the Loom, and are of an entirely new and striking design. Their like was never before seen in this market. THE LADIES ARE RESPECTFULLY INVITED TO EXAMINE.

It is always a pleasure to show goods, whether I sell or not.

At present received and for sale on accommodating terms, a new style of gentleman's hats, beautiful vests, all colors, a full supply of Ready-Made Clothing, and a desirable stock of

CLOTHS AND CASSIMERES

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Coates Thread 75 cents per dozen.

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Sugars, all grades 10 to 14 cents.

Sides 10, Shoulders 7 1/2.

Lard, 12 1/2.

Early Rose Potatoes \$3.50 per barrel.

Coffey 23 to 30 cents.

Flour \$8 to \$13 per barrel.

All goods charged, will be at a material advance on cash prices.

JNO. WHITE & SON.

March 23rd.

CAMP & WOODWARD,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,

AND DEALERS IN Chemicals, Paints, Oils, Dye-Subs &c, &c.

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General Agents for the Farmer's Friend Plow.

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A full supply of castings always on hand. March 15th.

NORTH CAROLINA Superior Court.

Warren County, N. C. Feb'y. Term 1873

Angustus Holley vs. Charles J. Holden and John G. Yancey.

Action for the sale of land for the payment of plaintiffs debt.

A summons having been issued to the Sheriff of said County against the defendants, and returned not found as to the said Charles J. Holden, and it appearing to the Court that the said Charles J. Holden has removed beyond the limits of this State, and that the plaintiff has a good cause of action against him as to property therein, it is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Warrenton Gazette, once a week for six successive weeks, summoning him to appear at the next term of said Court, to be held at the Court House in Warrenton, on the second Monday after the second Monday of August, 1873, then and there to answer the complaint which will be filed within the first three days of the term, and giving him notice that if he fail to answer the complaint during the time aforesaid, the plaintiff will apply for the relief demanded in the complaint.

WILLIAM A. WHITE, Clerk.

ap-19-73.

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New Advertisements.

GEO. R. SLEDGE'S, COLUMN.

1873. NEW GOODS 1873.

At this old stand, corner of Main and Franklin street, is now receiving his Spring Stock of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods.

Ladies and Gents Hats

Eastern Boots and Shoes, of Various GRADES.

Tin Ware, Hollow Ware, Crockery Ware, Wooden Ware, Hardware &c.

Medicines, Hair Dye, Hair Vigor

Confectionaries, (a specialty)

Fine Tobacco & Cigars.

Dry Goods.

Clothing.

And many other articles too numerous to mention, all of which I am offering at the

LOWEST MARKET RATES.

and which were purchased by me in person in Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, and I think I am prepared to sell on as liberal terms as any house in

WARREN COUNTY.

Purchasers will find it to their interest to examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere.

My motto is small profits and quick sales.

Country produce taken in exchange for goods.

Special arrangements made with persons wanting goods and supplies on time.

thankful for the liberal patronage extended to me during the past thirty years, I hope by untiring energy and strict attention to business, to receive a continuance of the same. G. R. SLEDGE.

April 16th 1873.

CORN MEAL.

If you are fond of good Corn Bread send your Corn to Sledge's Mill and be convinced that it makes the best meal you ever used.

My wagon will take Corn to and from the Mill free of charge, or I will exchange 46 lbs. of meal for 56 lbs. of Corn.

G. R. SLEDGE.

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GREATEST INDUCEMENTS.

Ever Offered in Warrenton,

Come One Come All

EMIL KATZENSTEIN,

wholesale & retail dealer in

DRY GOODS,

READY-MADE CLOTHING

Largest stock of BOOTS, & SHOES

ever offered before in Warrenton,

from \$1 to \$2.75 for the best make,

HATS, CAPS,

AND GENTS FURNISHING GOODS,

ALSO GROCERIES.

WARRENTON, N. C.

MONTGOMERY'S OLD STAND.

THE HIGHEST PRICE

Paid for

SHIPPING FURS.

SUCH AS

Others, Minks, Raccoons, Opossums, Rabbits, Fox, Cats, &c, &c.

Highest Cash Price paid for

BRESWAN, WOOL, BAGS, &c.

Nov-2-6m.

FERTILIZERS! FERTILIZERS!

For Sale.

NO. 1. PERUVIAN GUANO,

GUANAPE PERUVIAN GUANO,

WHANN'S PHOSPHATE,

SOLUBLE PACIFIC GUANO.

(See our pamphlet.)

Excelsa Cotton Fertilizer,

(See analysis in pamphlet.)

Pure Flour of Bone and Meal.

FRESH GROUND PLASTER,

Agricultural Salt and Lime,

Responsible parties can buy on the faith of their crop, by making satisfactory arrangements.

Give us a call and we will do our best to make the terms agreeable.

NORWOOD DAVIS & CO.

Feb'y. 22th 1872. 2m.

SOLUBLE SEA ISLAND GUANO.

Having accepted the agency for the Superior Guano, I am prepared to furnish farmers, any quantity they may want at manufacturers prices. G. R. SLEDGE.

March-8-73.

Norfolk Advertisements.

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Wholesale Grocers

90 Water St. & 41 Commerce St.

NORFOLK, VA.

G. W. WOODARD, salesman.

Agents of the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Co.

Capital \$20,000,000, Gold.

Aug 24th.

HYMAN & DANCY,

COTTON FACTORS.

AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

No. 1 PERUVIAN GUANO,

Wholesale Dealers in

HARDWARE,

Corner Main St. and Market Square.

NORFOLK, VA.

All Goods at the New York prices.

S. A. STEVENS & CO.,

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Opposite Custom House Norfolk Va.

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

FURNITURE AND CARPENTRY,

MATTINGS,

Win Low Shades and Paper Hangings.

Children's Carriages.

GILT CORNICES & PAPERHANGING.

Nov 2nd.

PHOENIX ST. TOY & CO.

Successors to KING & TOY

WHOLESALE FURNITURE,

A. D. FURNITURE,

112 Main Street, Norfolk, Va.

Nov 2nd.

1872 Winter Trade 1-72

BIRRELLY MILLAR & GRANDY,

Wholesale Dealers in

DRY GOODS, FANCY GOODS AND NOTIONS,

112 Main and Gray Street

NORFOLK VA.

We have been selected the principal agents of Norfolk County, and the surrounding counties, for the sale of our Special Stock this season, well selected in all lines, which we offer to MERCHANTS ONLY, at a low price, and on easy terms, as they can be bought in any Northern stock.

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Established 1831.

ARTHUR C. FREEMAN.

(Successors to J. M. Freeman)

WATCHES, DIAMONDS, JEWELRY,

Solid silver-Ware, &c.

150 Main Street, Sign of the Big Watch, NORFOLK, VA.

Jan 16m.

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