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A GREAT deal of time and money would be saved if our Superior Courts were furnished with stenographers. It was tried here in Durham and it worked admirably. A case that usually took four days to try was tried in two—just half the time, and it saves a considerable cost. This is a question the papers and people of the State should inquire into. It is worth it.

MR. L. TURNER has shown the SUN an interesting old paper—Raleigh Minerva, published May 27, 1812, by Lucas and A. H. Boylan. It is in a good state of preservation. It contains an interesting account of the meeting that recommended James Madison as a candidate for the Presidency. There is also an account of the horse Restless, owned by Henry Cotton, that in 1793 made a record of four miles 350 yards in 7 minutes 30 and a half seconds. It contains much that will give the reader an insight to the happenings of eighty-two years ago. Mr. Turner prizes the paper very highly.

THE New York Democratic Representatives who, under the leadership of Mr. Bourke Cochran, were making such a vigorous warfare last week against the proposition to annex the income tax bill prepared by the Ways and Means Committee to the tariff bill, have evidently been the second, sober thought, as the proceedings of the House yesterday were devoid of any exciting episodes, such as were witnessed when Mr. Cochran commended his filibustering tactics on Friday. Reflection has probably convinced them that this is not the only ax that has been gored by the effort that is being made to revise the tariff and that they could not command the support which would be necessary to insure success in their obstructive tactics. Whether or not the proposition to impose an income tax is a wise one from a Democratic standpoint, there can be no doubt of the fact that the sentiment in favor of it in the West and South is very strong.

WHEAT selling in the West at sixty cents per bushel and the best grades of family flour commanding but four dollars per barrel on the seaboard, we are not surprised that the farmers of the country are dissatisfied with the price they obtained for their wheat, but we do not see any remedy for them in the future, as the world's wheat-growing area is constantly being augmented. Twelve years ago the wheat fields of the Argentine Republic in South America occupied no place in supplying the world's demand. Up to five or six years ago the quantity exported from there was so small as to exercise no appreciable effect upon the market, but last year 25,000,000 bushels were sent to Europe from Argentine ports, and it is thought that the exports will be increased to 50,000,000 bushels the present year. New land, improved machinery, steam, steel and iron are producing a revolution in breadstuffs, and the farmers are finding out now.

Charles De Armand, a Frenchman, who came to the United States for the first time in the summer of 1862, and who lived in the States for the remainder of his life, has just died in the city of New York. He was one of the most prominent men of his time, and his death is a great loss to the world.

the condition of things there. Pursuant to recommendations made by De Armand, the Federal forces occupied Paducah, Ky., to the great advantage and benefit of the Union cause. In 1864 De Armand gave a receipt in full to the Government for his services upon payment of \$2,600. Twenty-four years later, in 1886, he demanded \$100,000 from the Secretary of the Treasury. He was referred to the Court of Claims, which rejected his petition on the ground laid down in the case of Totten, that the whole theory of the secret service would be destroyed if it was to be made the subject of open suits. The Supreme Court now affirms the judgment of the Court of Claims, for the reason that De Armand's receipt of 1862 was a full and satisfactory quittance to the Government, and that the statute of limitations operated to bar his claim.

**Temperate Habits.**  
Senator Kyle, at the request of some unknown genius, introduced a bill which stated in the preamble that "whereas the United States demand and require of every officer in the army, or civil service that he be at all times from voluntary intoxication or mental unsoundness," therefore, section 1 of the bill states "that for the purposes of this act a person with temperate habits is one who has not been intoxicated within twelve months." Section 2 provides "that it shall be unlawful for the President or any other officer or appointing power to appoint to any office in the army, navy or civil service any person of intemperate habits as defined by this act." Section 3 is to the effect "that any person holding any office in the army, navy or civil service who becomes intoxicated shall forfeit his office and the proper appointing power may fill the vacancy at once upon proof of such intoxication." According to the fourth section the President is to have power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of this remarkable act. It was referred to the committee on military affairs.

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Two clever men, a Populist and a Democrat, were discussing the condition of the country the other day. They agreed that the evils were national and could not be corrected by State legislation, and then the Democrat reasoned with his friend as to the necessity of united action in order to reach the goal. There is no room for doubt that if the Democrats at Washington do their duty Populism will not amount to anything in this section next fall. Less taxes and more money is the program that will win.—Webster's Weekly.

The reason why anything of a red color excites and infuriates animals of the ox family is because red is the complementary color of green, and the eyes of cattle are long fixed upon the green while feeding, when they see a red it impresses their eyes and greatly increases their appetite. Louis Republic.

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