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They are talking some of Palmer, of Illinois, for the democratic nomination in 1892. Well, were it not for his age, Palmer would run like a quarter horse, and maybe he would anyway.

Mr. Mull's could not do anything else but refuse second place on the ways and means committee. He was right in that, and perhaps Speaker Crisp was right in what he did; but that remains to be proven.

By a vote of 39 to 17 the English holders of Virginia debt bonds decided to accept the agreement effected between the Virginia state debt commission and the Olcott committee for a settlement of the Virginia state debt.

Virginia is once more free to hold up her head in good society.

It were not for the silly jealousy of some of the newspaper of the state, North Carolina could go to Chicago well represented. Will the boys fall and have the exhibition of the state?

The Globe has printed the above some dozens of times now, and it is time to call it in. The first sentence was not accurate when it received its initial appearance and it has never taken on accuracy.

Is the last Michigan campaign the republicans put up a candidate for governor whose character was notoriously not first-class, and he was exposed. The republicans did not withdraw him, however, and a democratic governor was elected. The other day the democratic secretary of state for Michigan was found to have been indulging in some petty stealing, and the democratic governor yanked him out of office on one day's notice. If he had been a republican he would have held on, and, thank-like, called for a "vindication."

LIBERIA doesn't colonize worth a cent. About a month ago a party of fifty negroes from Gainesville, Fla., were each offered a farm of twenty acres of land in Liberia, and they accepted the offer.

But nearly every thing was deferred there from what had been expected from the glowing promises made, and last Wednesday eleven of the fifty in the party came back without their money, and with reports that the remainder would come if only they had the fare home.

The twenty acres of land was found to be unfit for cultivation, and, as a member of the party said, there was nothing fit to eat but snakes.

NORTH CAROLINA FOLKS:

The people of Oxford have given to the drummer evangelist, Bill Fife, \$1,000.

Rev. J. A. Benn, of Person county, is to take charge January 4th of the Female Seminary at Oxford.

Cards are out to the marriage of young Mr. Needham B. Cobb, stenographer to Maj. John C. Winder, and Miss Dot Atkins, of Freeport, Ill. The bride elect is the grand-daughter of the late Gov. David L. Swain. Gen. Atkins, her father, commanded a brigade of Illinois troops at the surrender in 1865, and Chapel Hill met Miss Swain, whom he married in the summer of that year.

A little bird whispers to the lusting Raleigh correspondent of the Wilmington Messenger that Mr. Elias Carr is talked of as a possible candidate for the nomination of state treasurer.

Dr. Gatling, the celebrated North Carolina inventor and genius, has a new gun he calls "The Police." It is intended for the use of the city police, will fire twenty shots a second, is small and light, and is carried in a light wagon with four men to handle it.

Bishop Watson, of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina, is so sick that he has been forced to cancel his appointments for his Episcopal visitations.

Marion Butler, the president of the state alliance, is out in an attack on the address which the democratic special committee of ten issued early this month. He characterizes it as a harmless and superficial nonentity and declares that the meeting of the democrats which ordered it prepared was unnecessary. He goes on to say that the people will act when the time comes and if any compromises are to be made they will avail themselves of them. He asserts that the committee was not authorized to speak for the people.

CONTRACTION OF CREDIT.

Contraction of Currency Nothing to It—Exemptious.

From the Chatham Record.

A very great deal is said nowadays about the "contraction of the currency," and much complaint is made about it. Many schemes are suggested for stopping this contraction. But while so much is said about the contraction of the currency, very little is said about the contraction of credit, and yet the latter is a far greater evil than the former. This is readily perceived when we state that 92 per cent. of all the business of the country is done on credit, and only 8 per cent. with actual currency. Therefore, it is a forcible illustration of the old saying, "Saving at the spigot and losing at the bung," when so many schemes are being suggested to stop the contraction of the currency and nothing is being done to stop the contraction of credit! To man can deny that there would be more credit among our people in their daily business had there been less need of actual currency if our excessive exemptions were abolished or reduced, and a man's property be made liable for his contracts. Why then not remove this chief cause for the contraction of credit in North Carolina?

The New Secretary of War.

From the New York World. Mr. Elkins is a conspicuous type of the politician for revenue only; the man who makes of public office and of political connections the means of promoting private business undertakings. He is of the kind that sees in legislative and administrative work only an opportunity to make himself rich; whose associations are with those who regard gain as the highest object of human endeavor, and who look upon the government as a legitimate patron of his enterprises.

Dedicated to the "Directors."

From the Raleigh Chronicle. "Poor Jones! I feel sorry for him. One year ago he was worth \$10,000, and now he isn't worth a cent." "How did he lose it?" "Thought he was an editor and started a newspaper."

PENITENTIARY REPORT.

—Governor Holt has received from Col. Paison, president of the board of directors of the penitentiary the quarterly statement showing the earnings and expenses of that institution. The earnings were: September, \$23,971.49; October, \$18,585.57; November, \$15,977.44; total, \$58,534.54. The expenses were: September, \$19,236.58; October, \$16,376.14; November, \$12,943.26; total, \$48,555.98. The excess of earnings over expenses is \$9,978.52. The report for the fiscal year ending November 30 shows total earnings \$213,188.63, and total expenses, \$196,331.88. The excess of the earnings over expenses for the year is thus shown to be \$16,856.75.

—Fayetteville Observer: A suit has been brought to test the question as to whether a majority of the qualified voters of Cross Creek township voted in favor of issuing \$20,000 in bonds as a subscription to the capital stock of the Fayetteville and Albermarle railroad. Mr. B. N. Taylor sues in behalf of himself and other tax payers against the board of county commissioners to restrain them from issuing the bonds. The case will be submitted on an agreed statement of facts and will be speedily settled. The road will be built, however.

—Business is practically suspended in the town of Hibernia owing to a conflagration there Thursday night. Fire destroyed the storerooms of Gus Beard & Co., L. W. Fulton & Co., and Mrs. M. A. Bondhammer, while the stores of the Messrs. Scupper, were badly damaged. The goods were partially saved from each store, though greatly damaged. It is not known how the conflagration originated. The insurance in each case is light.

—Richmond Dispatch: Our correspondent learns, on good authority, that Mr. Slate, the large merchant (Stokes county, N. C.) merchant who failed a few months ago for several thousand dollars, has left the county, and has been issued against his effects in the past day or two.

—Since the school officials at Durham passed an order to the effect that unruly boys could be whipped, there has, the globe says, "been a wholesome and material change. The board found that any kid big enough to make a fool of himself should be spanked and the teachers have been spanking them."

—High Point, fifteen miles from Greensboro, was visited by a destructive fire Thursday, which consumed two residences belonging to Messrs. L. I. Ingram and S. Perry. Mr. Ingram was insured to the amount of \$1,200. Mr. Perry had little insurance.

—The total valuation of all property in the state, including railways, is \$257,052,000. This shows an increase of no less than thirty-one millions over last year. The increase in the valuation of railways alone this year over last year is one month.

—The alliance will establish a daily paper at Raleigh as early in June as possible. Many circulars in regard to it are being sent out. It will be the only daily organ of the order in the country. The members of the alliance will be urged to support this new venture.

—Sheriff H. S. Sellers, of Gaston county, has taken to the state penitentiary Ella Lawrence, the negro woman who was convicted of murder in Gaston county, but whose sentence was commuted. Her term is made ten years.

—Winston-Salem: Ten thousand carp and peck were turned loose in the river, at Settle's bridge, last night. They were received by the commissioners of Rockingham county from the United States fish commission.

—Charlotte is to have no bar-rooms after January 1st. It has now thirteen, each paying \$1,000 a year license-tax, this all going to the maintenance of the public schools.

—N. H. Jones, for twenty years a leading merchant of Lumberton, has assigned. His liabilities are about \$8,000, and will be covered by his fine property. Losses by fire caused trouble.

—Waynesville Courier: Mr. J. Wiley Shook, of Clyde, has bought the Waynesville News outfit, and will likely begin soon to publish the Clyde Register.

—The first paper made at the extensive Falls of Neuse Paper mills, in Wake county, from wood pulp manufactured there was turned out Thursday.

—The Durham Farmers' Alliance Tobacco company has declared a dividend of 10 per cent.

HAD MAN ARRESTED.

Rev. Blankenship, Who Ran Away With Mrs. Walters.

Winston, Dec. 17.—News reached here today of the arrest on the Blue Ridge mountains, Wilkes county, of Rev. Harrison Blankenship. He was turned over to the authorities in Ashe county, by whom he was wanted for deserting his family last summer and skipping, taking with him the wife of his neighbor, Ham Walters, she leaving a number of small children at home.

Blankenship was a Baptist preacher, and at the time of his sudden departure was pastor of several small churches in the upper part of Wilkes and Ashe counties. Although his education was limited, he was gaining considerable popularity as a minister.

Besides his pastoral charges he left a wife and seven or eight small children, four of whom have since died, and it is said that the neighborhood physician attributes the deaths in part to the inability of the mother to properly provide and care for them, as the unmarried husband and father was their sole dependence for support.

Blankenship came back to his father's, where he was arrested, claiming that he had secured a divorce from his wife and had married the "partner of his flight."—Richmond Dispatch.

IS ABERNATHY DEAD?

It Would Appear Not, Though the Contrary is Stated.

The Rev. J. T. Abernathy, who was badly wounded at Snow Hill a few days ago by Grimsley, died last yesterday afternoon from the effect of his wounds. Grimsley is still at large, having thus far evaded the officers of the law.—Winston Sentinel, Saturday.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

A cream of tartar baking powder. High est of all in leavening strength.—Latest U. S. Government Food Report. From the Raleigh Chronicle. "Poor Jones! I feel sorry for him. One year ago he was worth \$10,000, and now he isn't worth a cent." "How did he lose it?" "Thought he was an editor and started a newspaper."

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