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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

To the Voters of Henderson County: I take this method of announcing myself as a candidate to represent this county in the lower branch of the next Legislature of North Carolina.

To the Voters of Henderson County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate to represent the County of Henderson in the next General Assembly.

The amendment introduced by Gen. Vance, and passed by the House, prohibiting United States revenue officers from transferring their cases from the State to the Federal Court has been stricken out by the Senate.

In the pleasant little paragraph now going on between the COURIER and the Quarter-Master's organ, we may fall. If we do, let our epitaph be,

SLAIN WITH THE JAW-BONE OF AN ASS.

Elsewhere we publish the card of Mr. W. M. Cocke, Jr. Mr. Cocke has never been anything else but a democrat, but a moderate one, and always hostile to convulsions and caucuses.

Prohibitory liquor laws seem unpopular everywhere. The New Jersey Supreme Court has just decided the prohibitory clause of the act of 1871 unconstitutional, and over sixty dealers convicted and fined by Justice Davis have been discharged from custody.

Unreconstructed and unrepentant ku-klux rebels abound in this section. Judge Schenk was a ku-klux, so was Maj. A. C. Avery, so was the lamented Plato Durham, so was Randolph Shotwell, so were twenty thousand of the "pick and flower" of the old North State in the same organization.

The Hon. Alex. Stephens is showing unmistakable signs of independence in his old age. He coolly announces to the chairman of the District Congressional Committee of his District that if not nominated, he will leave it to the voters of his district to say who shall be the next representative.

AGUSTA, GA., June 14. Hon. A. H. Stephens: In your race for the Eighth District of Georgia, I am with you to the last extremity.

During the late war Yankee Quarter-Masters were generally an inoffensive class, devoting more of their time to speculating in coffee and sugar than in warlike exercises. There are exceptions, however, to all rules, and that of our New Era Quarter-Master was a notable one.

At a political discussion in Asheville on Saturday last, Capt. M. E. Carter denounced certain statements made against him as slanderous and false. T. D. Carter, who was present, inquired if the speaker referred to him. The plucky Captain promptly replied that he did. Thereupon the infuriated T. D. threw his bludgeon at the head

of the Captain. Whereupon the Captain descended from the rostrum and would probably have "put out the light" of the bloody minded Thomas, when the crowd interfered and prevented a collision.

In the Potter investigation of the Presidential fraud, Gen. Ben. F. Butler is taking a prominent part. Neither the Republican or Democratic members of the committee, however, know where he will land, and both keep a sharp eye on him.

Below we give a wood cut of the new candidate for judicial honors. He is an independent looking Cocke, and evidently means business.



Judge Schenk has been defeated for the Associate Justiceship of the Supreme Court of the State of North Carolina. The COURIER is not surprised at the action of the convention.

Some two months since, A. W. Shaffer, a carpet-bag register in bankruptcy, in Raleigh, preferred serious charges against Collector Ike Young, of the same city. Ike, who is a shrewd fellow, was too much for Carpet-bagger Shaffer, and after a thorough investigation Ike was fully vindicated.

Our readers have long since observed that whenever the Ero man loses his temper, we quietly drop him. Just now, in his half-way apology to certain democratic gentlemen for dabbling with "honswagglers," he reminds us of the following pen picture:



HONSWAGGLER OR SWASHBUCKLER?—UNDER WHICH BANNER? SPEAK, OR DIE!

Our jovial and fleshy cotemporary divides the Henderson county democracy into two brigades, i. e., Honswagglers and Patriots. The Honswagglers are commanded by Capt. Cannon, with Lieutenants, Toms, Edney and Allen. The Patriot hosts are marshaled by Quarter-Master Allison, who has one of the bloodiest records in existence, having slain with the jaw-bone of an ass over 16,000 "unreconstructed, unrepentant rebels" on the blood-streaked plains of Gettysburg.

THE SUPREME COURT TICKET. The Hon. W. N. H. Smith has been nominated for the position of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina by the State Democratic Convention.

nominated as Associate Justices of the Supreme Court. Mr. Ashe was a Senator of the Confederate Congress, and in 1856 was defeated for the governorship of the State. Mr. Dillard is a lawyer of eminent ability. At present he is associated with Judge Dick in a law school at Greensboro. Altogether it is a strong ticket, and we predict for it the largest majority ever polled for any political ticket in the State of North Carolina.

A CARD.

To the people of North Carolina: Having been importuned by friends in various parts of the 9th Judicial District to offer myself as the people's candidate for Judge of this District, I have at last consented to make the race.

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I am very respectfully Your obedient servant, W. M. COCKE, JR.

FRIGHTFUL LOSS OF LIFE.

Ten Thousand Persons Killed by a Tornado in the Streets of Canton China

The Consul at Canton reports to the Department of the State that a terrible tornado passed over that city on the 11th of April last, causing great destruction of life and property.

Although many houses were destroyed in this foreign settlement, no life was lost there, and the cases of miraculous escape from death were numerous.

The Senate passed the House bill making appropriations for the payment of claims reported allowed by the Commissioners of Claims, under the act of Congress of March 3rd, 1871, together with the amendments extending the time for taking evidence and submitting claims, in cases now pending, until March 10th, 1873; and also extending the term of office of the Commissioners of Claims until March 10th, 1880.

Hon. Alexander H. Stephens has written a letter to the Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of the Eighth Congressional district of Georgia, in which he says he shall neither seek nor decline a nomination at the hands of the convention soon to meet, "but if," he says, "the convention shall repudiate me as an unrepentant and retrograde Democratic principle, and shall attempt to rule me out of the Democratic party because of anything connected with my recent public acts or sentiments, then I say to you and to them plainly and distinctly that I shall regard their edict as but a brilliant fulmen issued by an irresponsible faction of tricksters, and the question whether I or they are sound in the

faith of the latter, shall be left to the true Democracy of the country to settle at the polls. I, this day, pledge myself to no division or disunion, and I pledge to the responsibility for the consequences must rest upon those who have so assailed and so grossly misrepresented me."

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