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STOKES COUNTY.

While other State papers are heralding to the world the claims and advantages of their respective counties, we would be recreant to our trust not to advocate the claim of modest old Stokes to her share of the honors and emoluments to which she is entitled in consideration of the part she has borne in building up and improving other sections of the State.

We have already given our views as to the natural advantages possessed by Danbury the county seat, but will add in regard to Danbury, that it is probably as healthy as any place within the bounds of this nation, and it is believed that there has not been a case of typhoid or malarial fever contracted here within twenty years, if ever. Commencing with the South eastern and Southern part of the County, in regard to agriculture, the crops grown &c., there is probably no section in middle or western North Carolina superior to it; the lands on Dan river and Town Fork being especially adapted to the production of corn, wheat and fine tobacco, while under this productive soil inexhaustible beds of stone and coal are known to exist, and in several places heavy ledges of lime rock, overhang the fertile valley, and lime suitable for building and other purposes has been quarried at a number of places in this and other parts of the County, and just here; if we are not mistaken, the block of marble sent by the State to the capital at Washington, D. C., was taken from a quarry six miles north of Danbury, known as Martin's Lime Kiln, which was after an examination of samples from different sections adjudged to be the finest marble in the State. The section we have been speaking of is especially the region of fine tobacco in Stokes. Now in regard to that part of the County lying north of the mountain and Dan river, north and north-west of Danbury, the land is more the upland in any part of the County, and well adapted to the growth of corn, wheat, rye, the grasses and tobacco, though the tobacco grown on this land is equally heavy and large, yet, as a general thing the texture is not altogether as fine as that grown in other sections; this is the region of the iron ores, and other minerals, though iron has been mined at several places south of the mountain. The soil in this part of the County being more generally a red clay the timber is some what different, there being no pine in large sections, but white oak, Hickory and other valuable timbers are found in the greatest abundance. here too, is probably the finest mineral water region in the State, the celebrated Piedmont springs being only one of at least a dozen equally valuable mineral springs known to exist within a radius of four or five miles, and it is not one section or another but in almost every part of the County we find superior water power, with hundreds of sites for dams and machinery.

Yet, with the fertility of her soil, the immense quantities of valuable timber her coal beds, rich deposits of iron ore, lime and marble quarries, the magnificent water power, and last, but not least, her mild healthy climate and a population naturally as intelligent as any to be found on the face of the globe, with all these natural advantages, and while her people have been paying taxes for more than ninety years to build up and develop other parts of the State, not one dollar of the public funds have ever been spent within the borders of the County, unless within the last few months there may have been something spent on the C. F. & Y. V. Railroad.

CORRESPONDENCE.

FOR THE REPORTER.—As a New Year's greeting, I offer the following views to the public, and ask a careful study of the same. The Democrats of the South, and the Republicans of the North and South, have been in a political quarrel for a long number of years, without any good as the result. My experience in the past is—that whenever a Democrat proposes a measure in Congress or the Legislature as a purely Democratic measure, the Republicans oppose it solidly; and if they have not been able at all times to outvote the Democrats, they manage to have the President to interpose his veto and

thereby stifle the will of the people as expressed through their Representatives, as it has been in the past; so it will be in the future, and as the opposition of the Democrats of the South to extreme Radical measures has a tendency to keep the sectional feelings of the North stirred up against the South, we would advise:—Not to make any more quarrel with them, and why, for the very reason, that if you quarrel at them, they will quarrel back at you, and nothing is gained but a keeping up of sectional feeling that can never do any good to the one section or to the other; therefore, I think it best not to quarrel back at our enemies; for my experience is, that if you will not quarrel back at your enemy, he will soon cease to quarrel at you, and will go along about his business, and it would not be long before he might join you in a good cause and help you to carry it through. Passions blind the eyes of good men sometimes, and it is desirable to have all good men co-operate together. A quiet and firm discharge of duty at present is, in my opinion, the way to unite good, honest men all over the country. Let the malignants, like Boutwell & Co., write their bitter articles for the Northern press, and have them sent broadcast over our country; and let the fools with their errands have a piece in every household; and let the statesman haul in Congress, and through the country, venting from every stump, their bitter and vile Anathemas against the people of the South; and let the ex-President vent his spleen upon us. Yet my own opinion is that we should let them pass unnoticed, and in silence, by pursuing this course they will soon get tired and ashamed of their conduct, and would soon get out of material to work upon; not only their orators, but the newspaper men of the North, would get out of material, and then the little Republican papers of the South would have nothing to copy from, and they would go by the board, and big Hinglishmen who come over here to tell us, Southern people, that we deserve hanging, &c., would have to go to work at something else. Yes, sirs, I say, let them howl; but whilst they howl, let those at whom they direct their invectives, quietly confer together, and consult as to what is best for the whole country, and then cast your votes accordingly and without show of envy or Representatives in Congress are thus acting, let our public prints do likewise; let them not notice a single bitter invective from the North, or from a Republican, so called, South; and let the people become entirely absorbed in building up their own homes, building for themselves railroads and manufacturing establishments, and inviting emigration and capital to our country; let us mind our own business, and let the North, with their Southern allies, howl.

L. V. I.

A Title of Nobility for Gen. Grant.

If any person is disposed to doubt the tendency of the Republican leaders toward monarchical institutions, let him consider this passage in the message which Mr. Hayes has just sent to Congress:—

"I commend to the attention of Congress the great services of the commander and chief of our armies during the war for the Union, whose wise, firm, and patriotic conduct did so much to bring that momentous conflict to a close. The legislation of the United States contains many precedents for the recognition of distinguished military merit, authorizing rank and emoluments to be conferred for eminent services to the country. An act of Congress authorizing the appointment of a Captain General of the Army, with suitable provisions relating to compensation, retirement, and other details, would in my judgment, be altogether fitting and proper, and would be warmly approved by the country."

Examine this recommendation in view of the provision in the Constitution that no title of nobility shall be granted by the United States, and see whether the office of Captain-General, which it is thus proposed to confer upon Gen Grant is not, in fact, equivalent to a title of nobility.

Indeed, the proposition is not only to give him a title, but the income to sustain it with. Mr. Hayes omits all reference to the performance of any duties by the Captain-General, and with reason; for it is impossible that there should be any duties for such an officer to perform. With a General and Lieutenant-General of the Army already, what military functions can be assigned to a third officer, however exalted his title, which are not now equally well performed by two officers, and, of course, at less cost to the people?

No one is disposed to question the propriety of pensions when they are des-

towed upon soldiers or sailors who have become disabled in the public service. But to pension a man who is as able to work as he ever was in his life is a very different matter. We hold that the practice of bestowing pensions in such cases is totally wrong, and it certainly is without any warrant in the Constitution.

There is no reason why the Government should maintain any able bodied man in perpetual idleness. This is substantially what Congress is now asked to do in recognition of Gen. Grant's military services. According to Mr. Hayes the legislation of the United States contains many precedents for action similar to that which he recommends; but we think it would be difficult to cite a single case in which some real service was not required by reason of the rank conferred.

The very title of Captain-General is odious with suggestions of tyranny and contempt for the rights of the people. If conferred upon Gen. Grant under the circumstances we have considered, it will be essentially equivalent to a title of nobility. If he cared for the cause of freedom in America, rather than seek this ignominious sinecure he would go back to his old wood cart at St. Louis.—*New York Sun.*

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

New Orleans had a \$400,000 fire on the 1st inst.

1,750,000 persons are perishing from famine in two provinces in Russia.

The population of North Carolina, according to the census, is 1,400,000.

The tobacco crop in Virginia is a very important one, and the government derives a revenue of \$7,000,000 from it. On this account Virginia pays more revenue to the government by nearly \$2,000,000 than the whole of New England.

There are 30,000 newspapers printed in this number about one-half are in English. The United States contains nearly one-third, or 9,500. Great Britain and Ireland print 2,000. Germany publishes 5,000. Paris published 1,200 and France a total of 2,500.

The United States can now boast of one city with more than one million inhabitants; four with more than half a million, seven with more than three hundred thousand; ten with more than two hundred thousand; twenty with more than one hundred thousand.

THE VIRGINIA MIDLAND SOLD.—The Virginia Midland Railroad was sold in Alexandria, Va., on the 20th, by Hon. J. S. Barbour, to Messrs. R. T. Baldwin, for \$5,000,000. The purchasers represent a syndicate of creditors.

A member of the North Carolina Legislature, dining at a Raleigh hotel, saw a pod of red pepper on a dish near at hand. He thought it was a new kind of fruit, and took a bite. The tears streamed down his cheeks as he put the pod down, saying: "Lay there and cool."

BEAUTIFUL SENTIMENT.—When the Hindoo priest is about to baptize an infant he utters the following beautiful sentiment: "Little babe, thou enterest the world weeping, while all around thee smile; contrive to live that you may depart in smiles, while all around you weep."

The Legislature of South Carolina seems to be determined, earnest and aggressive in matters of reform. The anti-duelling act, the act against carrying concealed weapons, and the act on the sale of spirituous liquors, are all important measures, which, if faithfully enforced, will work some radical changes in that State.

FIRE IN DURHAM.—We received a notice on Saturday evening last, of a destructive fire, which occurred in Durham on the morning of that day which destroyed property amounting to upwards of \$25,000. The news did not come to hand in time for our Saturday's edition. It was supposed to be the work of an incendiary.—*Raleigh Visitor.*


Everything in Washington is taking the tint of a coming empire. All the employees of the Post-Office Department are recruited to be uniformed, this includes women as well as men. The chief clerk of the Registered Letter office refused and was forced to resign. Everything tends to indicate a nation—a strong government—a consolidation—a centralization—an empire.

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EGGS, per dozen,	10
BUTTER, per lb.,	10 a 15
BEEF, per lb.,	4 a 6
HIDES, green, per lb.,	5 a 8
HIDES, dry, per lb.,	10 a 12 1/2
TALLOW, per lb.,	6 a 8
CHESTNUTS, per bu.,	1 00 a 1 25
RAGS, per lb.,	1 1/2
PORE, per lb.,	8 a 10
FRUIT.	
APPLES, per lb.,	2 a 6
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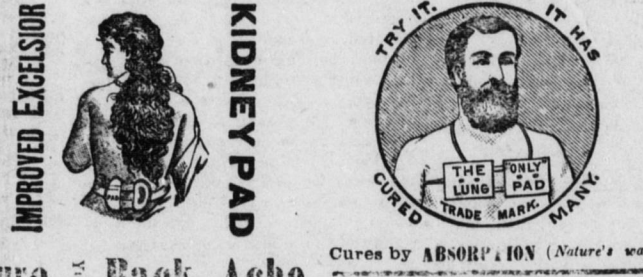
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