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OUR UNPLEASANTNESS WITH MEXICO.

A short time ago a man named Cutting was arrested within the boundary of Texas, and is now being tried by the Mexican authorities, and it is believed he will be convicted and sent to the penitentiary.

Another outrage by Mexicans has been committed on the north side of the Rio Grande. A man named Resures was arrested by a deputy sheriff at Eagle Pass, hand-cuffed, taken across the river and killed by the Mexicans There were no papers from Mexico for his arrest except a letter from Capt. of Mexican Rangers, making a general charge of horse stealing. These occurrences have excited the indignation of Texans. Gov. Ireland has telegraphed to Secretary Lamar stating their grievances. The Gov. also says "If this State and people must depend on themselves for protection, the necessary redress can and will be obtained." Secretary Bayard submitted the papers in the case of Cutting to Congress and the House requested President Cleveland "to renew the demand for the release of A. K. Cutting. The Mexican government claims to be trying Cutting for a violation of the federal statutes, which provide, among other things, for the punishment of a foreigner, who in a foreign country committed an offense against a Mexican citizen. To this Bayard replied that our government could not tolerate the application of such a law to American citizens and renewed his demand for Cutting' release, which has not been complied with. Secretary Bayard is aroused to the importance of the principle involved in the Cutting case, and is determined to protect American citizens to the full extent of his power from the enforcement against them of the Mexican law above mentioned. Under its provisions scarcely one journalist out of a thousand in the United States would escape punishment if caught in Mexico, for the charge against Cutting is that he published in Texas a libel upon a Mexican citizen resident in Mexico.

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 10.—The only news in the Cutting case is the fact that Cutting was brought before the court again on yesterday and informed that the young lawyer assigned to him by the court, but whom he refuses to recognize, has taken an appeal to the supreme court, and the appeal has been allowed. Cutting merely repeated his statement that he did not recognize any proceeding of court. The feelings between the Americans and Mexicans has led to several private brawls along the border, and the situation is not very safe.

The city council held a secret meeting yesterday and resolved to ask the State to help the city in case of any attack by Mexicans.

The jailer at El Paso del Norte brought Cutting a telegram yesterday from Chihauhau stating that the order to take him to that place had been countermanded for one day.

Cutting handed a reporter the following and requested that it be published as an act of justice to him; that it was only a mud slinging match between two rival editors. No such thing. I was only trying to protect my legitimate business against a fraud.

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 10.—There is hardly so much excitement visible to-day as for some days past. This seems to be due to the fact that the local authorities of the two cities El Paso and Paso del Norte have had a meeting and agreed upon concert measures to prevent any uncalled for disorder or outbreak by designing or irresponsible persons on either side of the river. Still there is much anxiety as to the result of the dispute as viewed from a national standpiont. Cutting has not yet been transferred to the interior and matters are substantially in *status quo*.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—It is stated at the war and navy departments to day, that while the fighting branches at the government are in their customary condition of readiness for action of offensive or defiensive, the present difficulties with Mexico are as yet the exclusive concern of the diplomatic branch, and that no movements of troops or vessels have yet been ordered with view to possible warfare. At the State department it is said that there is nothing new which it would be proper to make public at present, but that there is still no reason to doubt the amicable adjustment of the Cutting affair. It is unofficially learned that the correspondence now in progress is expected to bring about definite results of some kind within a few days, and that the direct objects sought to be accomplished by this government are, first, the release of Cutting, and second, renunciation of claim by Mexico of extra territorial jurisdiction.

OUR CIVILIZATION LOSING ITS HATRED OF ROBUST RASCALITY.

Beginning with Grover Cleveland, every Governor, Judge and prosecuting officer in this broad land of ours should hear what the Richmond *Christian Advocate* says of "What Makes Rascals?" He very sensibly starts out by asking the question, has not the pendulum swung too far towards an unhealthy humaneness? Is not a diseased sympathy working injury to the body poltic? Is there not a sentimentalism abroad that condones crime because of a mawkish tenderness towards the "victim of the law?" Does not the vicious class count on a certain pity from the public? Is not our civilization losing its hatred of robust rascals? Our ancestors were merciless to a scoundrel. They believed in a gallows. They had no patience with dilitary courts. The full measure of punishment was meted out. * *

There is a morbid and abnormal dread of hurt criminals. The assassin excites compassion. Flowers perfume his cell. The vicious anarchist—the mad dog of civiliation—caught murdering the brave guardians of society, with dynamite bomb, finds the law lax, the magistrate "leaning towards mercy," and willing forgetfulness of his hidious crime. The smooth and artful expert in vice plays the martyr of misfortune behind the bars, and finds gushing reporters to tell his woes and hysterical women to weep over the story. The whipping-post for pick pockets is abolished as a relic of barbarism.

This diseased condition of public opinion crops out in various directions. The savage roaming our plains hunts human prey with the pitiless heart of a cinnamon bear, and with keener cunning than the trained detective. He tortures the frontier man with a devilish ingenuity. He outrages with beastly lust the mother; he enslaves the captured children. The cowboy and kinsman of the settler pursues with avenging rifle. A pulling philanthrophy has melted into mush the corded muscle of national manhood. The Indian Department at Washington rebukes the wild justice of the ranges and sends sweet messages by Quakers to the red brutes spotted with innocent blood.

If we turn our eyes to political life we see marked examples of infirm purposes in the presence of undeserving appeals for pity and money. A quarter of a century after a war a man self up a claim to a part of the taxes wrung from the groaning people on the plea that he had a diarrhœa twenty-five years ago while in the military service, and now has sore eyes from that distant disorder of his *ilia*. He however, is an active politician, and a member of the Missouri Senate. Congress confiscates for his benefit a part of the public revenue to quiet his pusillanimous whine. We mention this infamous medicant and the ignoble yielding to his unworthy solicitations as a sign of the decay of stamina in our high places. It remains to say that a wild horror seizes upon a million and more of watery and weeping fanatics at the cruelty of Cleveland in scourging with his Veto this fraudulent Lazarus from the Treasury Vaults.

The history of human affairs warns us against the outcome of distempered "enthusiasm for humanity." * * * The chief advocate for a vegetable diet, to avoid the suffering of pig, calf or rabbit in the shambles, led the cry of "On to Richmond" along the road soon soaked with fraternal blood. The people who have an annual swap of wives (a divorce in every six marriages) fell into excess of anguish because the African peasantry of the South, by occasal and rare immigration from one State to another, was subjected to the hardship of a civilization of leaving an old and getting a younger mate.

Unmerited mercy to the criminal class is cruelty to the good citizens. Severity is security. Philanthropy in the wrong place is public injustice. Fanaticism for humanity Invented the guillotine.

The Signal Service observer reports the maximum temperature in Wilmington yesterday at 91 degrees, between twelve and one o'clock. At other places in this cotton belt the maximum was higher, being 98 degrees at Wadesboro, 96 at Weldon and Cheraw, 95 at Lumberton and Florence, 93 at Newbern and Raleigh, 92 at Charlotte, 91 at Goldsboro, and 98 at Salisbury.

The Rittaboro *Home* wants foreign immigration checked. It says;

"We had a bad attack of colic from an oversupply of German and Russian communistic citizens in Chicago the other day. The negro is still an undigested article and the Chinaman refuses absolutely to be assimilated. The greatest problem of our age is how to deal with the foreign element. Until it is settled, would it not be best for the government to put a stop to immigration?

"As for North Carolina, let her people always remain as they are; unpretending, honest, contented and hard-working. May the good old State never be cursed with wealth, cities and *isms*."

The people of this "good old State" are too well set in their aspirations to be affected by our esteemed contemporary wishes that it may never be cursed with wealth, cities and *isms*,"—judging from their penchant for calling outskirts of villages towns, and for speaking of towns of a few thousand inhabitants as cities. If the people of the old North State expect to keep pace with her sisters of the union they must build cities and accumulate wealth, but have a care to avoid letting *isms* have a foothold on its soil. As the Wilmington *Star* remarks in an article on this subject:

"North Carolina has not desired and does not desire men who are of Chicago Anarchist type—men whose gospel is blood and murder and arson and dynamite; who despise the laws that govern society, who spit upon the Ten Commandments, and reject Jehovah. It is a cause for sincere gratulation and thanksgiving that thus far North Carolina has escaped the visitation of such fellows.

North Carolina has a vast scope of country without population. There are vast stretches of country uncultivated The time will come when all this will be built up. Our people need not get excited over an immigration fever. North Carolina will not be really better off when she has three million people than now with her million and a half and more, unless her people should become more moral, more truth-loving, more industrious, and law abiding."

"It is true as the *Star* farthrob serves: Mere *Material* wealth is no sign of happiness and no evidence of true excellence. In the richest, most prosperous States in the North crime prevails to a far greater extent than in North Carolina, or in any State in the South, among the whites."

"So the immigration that North Carolina needs and desires is not of the poorer sort. It is immigration that brings *character* with it—that brings habits of thrift and industry and sobriety and a regard for human and Divine law. While the State offers many and great attractions to immigrants and capitalists, it is but fair that immigrants should offer something in turn to the State. North Carolina will always welcome settlers of the right sort."

THE NEW BRITISH CABINET.

LONDON, July 28. The new cabinet has been announced, as follows:

Secretary for War. Rt. Hon. Wm. Henry Smith.

First Lord of the Admiralty Lord George Hamilton.

Lord High Chancellor Dord Salisbury.

Secretary for India Rt. Hon. Frederick Arthur Stanley.

Lord President of the Council Viscount Cranbrook.

President of the Local Government Boad Rt. Hon. Henry Chaplin.

President of the Board of Trade Right Hon. Edward Stanhope.

Postmaster-General Lord John Manners.

First Commissioner of Works Right Hon David Plunkett.

Attorney-General Sir R. E. Webster.

Lord Chancellor of Ireland Lord Ashbourne.

War between Russia and England can not be possibly postponed many years. Recent advices show that Russia is scheming and tears up at will the Treaty of Berlin just as it tore up the Treaty of Paris in 1870. When the Bear and the Lion begin to tear each other in Asia then comes Ireland's opportunity. But, as we have intimated more than once, we are prepared to see the Tories granting to Ireland no little of the demands they now refuse. Perhaps when Parliament meets Salisbury will imitate Peel in 1844 and out-Herod Herod in the sweeping character of a bill pacifying Ireland. The Tories are quite capable of that.—Wilmington *Star*.

Mr. Kingsbury of the Wilmington *Star* alluded recently to his failing health which we much regret.

STATE NEWS.

Some of the alleged "Mound Builders" curiosities, on exhibition at Asheville, as from Jackon county, were made by a man near Mount Pisgah, the Asheville *Advance* says.—[We should no longer speak of the wooden nutmegs of Connecticut.—REPORTER-POST.]

The board of aldermen of Wilmington have killed the proposition to extend the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley R R to Wilmington. The board voted against taxing the city to secure the extension of the road from Fayetteville to their city. The mayor gave the casting vote.

Wilson *Mirror*: Crops are rapidly improving and the farmers are becoming more hopeful.——A gentleman from the Sapponi section in Nash brings the news that the crops are very good. A man from Manning's township reports them perfectly splendid, while an old farmer from Johnson informs us that the crops in that county are much better than they have been in ten years.

Danville *Register*: It is stated on good authority that the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley people are very desirous of making a connection with the Virginia and Kentucky road, and if this is done Danville will be left in the cold. If the Virginia and Kentucky should be built, and should connect with the Danville and New River at Stuart, and the Atlantic and Danville should be built and connect with the Danville and New River at Danville, what a fine line we could have. But it wouldn't be so fine if the Virginia and Kentucky should leave Danville out and connect with the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley. This is a hint.

Town Fork *News*: The sister Towns Walnut Cove and Stokesburg is the coming place in the Dan valley. Nature has fixed up the place and surroundings. --The boom has struck Walnut Cove in earnest. There is to be a boot and shoe house started soon. The hotel is nearing completion.——Mr. Bert Harris, who has been engaged here since the starting of the *News*, has returned to his home in Danbury to help drink Piedmont water.

Wilmington *Star*: We learn from our esteemed contemporary, the Asheville *Citizen*, that there is now one Savings Bank in North Carolina. While the larger towns were talking and doing nothing Asheville has gone to work and started one. The name of the new institution is the French Broad Savings Bank. We wish it great success and we hope that before 1887 ends every important town in the State will have one. The *Citizen* says:

"Its features are new with us, and are much as commend them to the mechanic and laboring man. Thrift and frugality are the foundations of fortune; and the small savings periodically laid away in hands prepared to nourish them grow apace by acoretion and the accumulation of interest into surprisingly large sums. This is the principle upon which the New England people have so wonderfully prospered. The careful and the thoughtful man has a place in which to deposit his small savings; the little surplus of the day's, the month's or the year's earnings, instead of because he has no encouragement to save, to spend as he goes, and is content if at the end of the year he has made both ends meet.

Sale of Land.

By virture of a decree of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Stokes county I will sell upon the premises on the 15th day of September 1886 a valuable tract of land known as the old HENRY PELL homestead place. Said tract of land containing about one hundred and seventy acres in Stokes county lying directly on Big Creek adjoining the lands of John Lowe, John J. Frances, I. E. Short, and others. This is a valuable farm contains several acres of first class creek and branch bottom land. It has fine timber on it, a good orchard and fair improvements in the way of buildings, is well watered, and produces fine corn, wheat, and tobacco. The land will be surveyed before the day of sale and plots made out showing the number of acres and particular location. The purchasers will be required to pay down one third of the purchase money, and secure the other two thirds by giving bond with approved security. Title withhold until all the purchase money is paid.

August 9th 1886.

R. I. DALTON,
Commissioner.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of Jas. Frazier, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said deceased to present them to me duly authenticated as required by law on or before the 15th of June 1887, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate are notified to pay the same at once.

A. H. FRAZIER, Adm'r.
Glenn, Glenn & Stack, attorneys.

Land Sale.

By virtue of a mortgage deed executed by Jacob Pearce to M. W. Norfleet & Co., on the 27 day of November 1882, registered in Stokes county Book 25 pages 467, 468, and 469. I will sell at public auction for cash on the premises on Saturday the 4th day of September 1886 at 12 o'clock M., 80 acres of land more or less, in Quaker Gap township on the waters of Pinch Gut creek, it being the west end of the William Pearce tract and willed by him to Jacob Pearce. The lands are good for fine tobacco, grain, and grasses well watered and timbered. This the 19th day of July 1886.

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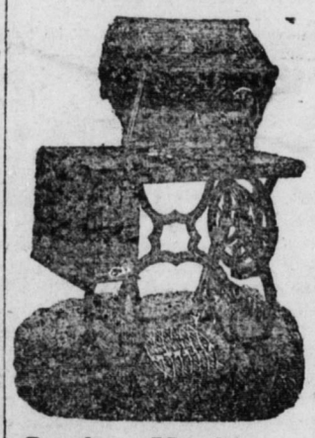

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