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LOCAL DEPARTMENT

POST OFFICE, NEWBERN, N. C.,
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The mail will close DAILY as follows:
New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore,
Washington, D. C., and all points
west and east at 8.00 A. M.
Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays,
Raleigh, Wilmington and all points
south at 8.00 A. M.
Every Friday at 12.00 M.
Philadelphia, every Wednesday and
Saturday at 6.00 A. M.
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THE PRIMEVAL BALE—KING COTTON ON A VISIT TO NEWBERN—N. C. IN THE FIELD—N. C.'S OUTLOOK IN THE FIELD.—The following report explains it. It will be seen that our predictions in relation to the final success of our city in the competition for the first bale of the new cotton crop in this State, have been realized. This is mainly owing to the liberal and energetic spirit manifested by our townsmen of the firms mentioned in the report. These enterprising firms, to whose arrangements we are indebted for the success which has given us this success, seem determined to give our farmers and planters the assurance that this is the best and most common market in the State for their cotton and produce, as well as to evince a proper energy and liberality in carrying on their business.

The Southern Express also deserves credit for the generous spirit manifested by it in bringing the aforesaid bale from Kingston free of charge. This is not the first indication of liberality upon the part of that company, and it exhibits a laudable interest in the prosperity of our city.
NEWBERN, August 27, 1866.

Messrs. S. T. JONES & Co., Messrs. MITCHELL, ALLEN & Co.

GENTLEMEN: At your request we have examined the "first bale of new cotton" brought to this market.

We report that it was raised by Major W. J. BARRETT, of Lenoir County, N. C., and it weighs one hundred and twenty-five pounds, and there are three bales of it.

The bale, offered by MITCHELL, ALLEN & Co. Twenty dollars (gold) by - - S. T. JONES & Co. thirty-six cents per pound, do.

We thank you, in the name of the business men of the city, for your efforts to convince the planters and farmers of the State, that the merchants of Newbern feel an interest in their prosperity, and are determined to deal with them in the most liberal manner.

J. D. FLANNERY,
SAML. BLIGHT,
Wm. C. WHITFORD.

This bale of cotton, which turns out to be an excellent article, came consigned to the new firm of ROBT. ROUNTREE & Co., Bankers, Middle st., and when mounted upon the Southern Express wagon, drawn by four splendid horses, under the guidance of that model teamster, LIMBER LEWIS, whose whip never cracks without moving the horse, it matters not how much weight is upon it, and surrounded by the Star Band, it created quite a sensation. The wagon was labeled in large letters, "First Bale of Cotton," and a flag was displayed, bearing this inscription, "Cotton is King, the First Bale, Major BARRETT, of Lenoir County, N. C." After perambulating the streets for an hour or more, the band playing Dixie and other appropriate airs, followed by about fifty little negroes, dancing and skipping like so many young spaniels, the train brought up in the rear of Mr. W. H. OLIVER'S brick store, near the Goodspeed Shipping Dock, where the Old Cid now lies, ready to transport the prize to the great American Metropolis.

It was expected that speeches would be made on the shipyard, but the speakers failing to come on time, Mr. OLIVER invited the crowd in to take a smoke, and the curtain fell.

P. S. After the above was closed, we received the following dispatch:
"We understand King Alcohol drank a toast to King Cotton, during which a certain jovial friend of ours added the word 'Good Speed.' This seemed talismanic, and CHARLIE carried off the King Cotton, so completely overcome that he lay on his back. But we guess CHARLIE didn't take much, as he carried him to New York City."

P. E. We forgot to mention in its proper place that the procession did us the honor to stop in front of our Office, and give the TIMES a stirring salute. Long live the Star Band and LIMBER LEWIS.

A NEW ERA.—MESSRS. MITCHELL, ALLEN & Co. have opened up a new era in agricultural enterprise, by the award of a prize for the first bale of cotton, which we trust will be followed up by others, and result in awakening the farming interest of our country. Why not extend the prizes to embrace every staple product? We hope next year to hear of some one receiving a fifty dollar prize for the first barrel of wine from new grapes, &c. on.

A SHARP UT.—Dr. RICH'S span of blacks, while passing the corner of East Front and Craven streets, took fright and dashed with such fury as to effectually baffle the skill of the driver.

The first spring "brought them up standing" against the entrance to Mrs. TAYLOR'S residence, springing from which they next collided with the harness rack and a cart in front of Mr. J. E. BARRETT'S store, where the buggy proved a total wreck, in which one of the horse's legs came a total wreck. Mr. BARRETT manifested some disposition to do damage to the rack, &c., but we thought the driver was wholly uninjured, so far as we heard, except in reputation.

A Card.

On the 20th inst., a small portion of the colored population of Newbern, assembled in what was called "a mass meeting," for the purpose—"not to endorse" any particular favorite—but to make arrangements for and to call a County Convention to appoint delegates to a State Convention, to be held in Raleigh in October.

I was appointed on the Committee to publish said call. Upon my name being called, I arose and declined to serve, and requested that my name should not be attached to the call.

I see handbills floating around in profusion with my name attached. I wish to say to all whom it may concern, that since I witnessed the proceedings of another meeting, on the same subject, last night (the 27th) at Andrew Chapel, that the use of my name was against my expressed will and wish.

As many of my colored brethren as will, may be led by the nose into any pastoral-political-money making enterprises, at the expense of their own pockets and well-being, but I will not.

J. RANDOLPH, JR.

DULL TIMES.—It is and has been prodigiously dull for some length of time, but on Thursday afternoon, our attention was called to the rapid movement in goods as one person after another, merged from one of the principal stores on Pollock street, loaded with goods of various descriptions, and one would have thought that a new impetus had given rise to great activity in sales, especially from that particular store, when to our surprise we ascertained that our friend, who was in charge of said store was taking advantage of the aforesaid "dull times," and was indulging himself in a snooze, and the exit of goods from his store was the playful work of his neighbors (for the want of something else to do) in carrying off what they felt disposed to they encircled the proprietor by piling up goods all around him, and then retired, and closed up the store, door and windows, and put mourning at the door and the following well known Scripture language, in the form of a playcard:

"NOT DEAD
BUT
SLEEPETH!"

After the lapse of some considerable time, the sleeping one, through some influence or by some unforeseen cause aroused from his slumbers looking quite bewildered at the change which had been wrought since he fell into the arms of morpheus.

There was quite a number of persons standing round waiting to see the awaking of the sleeper, and when he made his appearance at the door, he was told that "the crowd in waiting was suffering on account of their long abstinence," but they were coolly told by him—who had again revived and felt that he had to deal with mortals, and to combat with the world, the flesh and the devil, for yet a little while—that "he would wait until he ascertained whether any of his goods were missing."

The goods were returned and all seemed to enjoy the fun, but it is our opinion that our sleeping friend will hear from this capital joke often in days to come, and doubtless (though nary luger could be obtained on yesterday) many a stamp will be drawn from his pocket on account of the nap taken on the 30th day of August, A. D. 1866.

A NEW BRASS BAND.—The young men of our city have succeeded in raising the necessary funds with which to purchase the instruments for a new Brass Band. This is enterprising, and speaks well for their energy these hard times. We may therefore expect, as soon as the money can be forwarded and the instruments returned, to see a band in our midst that will do honor to our old borough.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.—A fearful explosion took place on Friday afternoon, about three o'clock, at the steam-saw mill of Jones & Whitcomb, on the Trent shore, which was caused by the bursting of the boiler.

When we arrived on the premises everything was in wild confusion; the mill building was for the most part blown into splinters. We wended our way through the dense crowd which had assembled, and tried our best to ascertain the facts in regard to the accident, and the damage done thereby, but found great difficulty in gathering the information sought. Every one we inquired of gave us different reports.

We give our readers the extent of the injury done as best we can, from the conflicting reports received:
Mr. C. H. Alexander, of Little Falls, N. Y., was killed almost instantly.

Asa Whitcomb and Geo. Taylor, slightly injured.

Christopher Hawkins, colored, slightly injured.

—Pailings, colored, dangerously wounded, but little hopes of his recovery.

Plato, colored, badly injured, but may recover.

A. J. Arnett and L. J. Nichols, and two colored men, were in the mill, but escaped uninjured.

The affair, so sudden and terrible, has cast a gloom upon the whole community.

P. S.—Since writing the above, we saw Mr. Jones, of the firm of Jones & Whitcomb, from whom we learned that their loss will reach fully ten thousand dollars. No insurance. These gentlemen intend to rebuild their works, and being energetic, stirring men, deserve, and no doubt will, receive the sympathy and co-operation of the community.

A RASCALLY TRICK.—We publish the following letter from Mr. FRED. PERRY, of Beaufort, N. C., giving the lie in the most positive and unmistakable way that such a falsehood could be contradicted, to statements recently published to the effect that he had died from gun-shot wounds.

A man must be very low in the scale of human degradation who will condescend to impose upon

the public in that way. We shall enclose the letter that conveyed this falsehood to us to Mr. PERRY, hoping he may be able to detect the rascal, that the public room may rest upon him for the mean, cowardly act. The letter is written in a plain, business hand, and signed WILLIAM LEE, with a note at the bottom, requesting the editor to please put this in the TIMES.
BEAUFORT, N. C., Aug. 30, 1866.

MR. EDITOR:
My attention has been called to a paragraph in your issue of the 29th, which states on the authority of a private letter from this place that I had died on the 7th inst., from wounds received while walking from church with some ladies on the Sunday night preceding.

There is no truth whatever in this statement, nor any portion of it, and it was doubtless gotten up by your correspondent for the purpose of hoaxing you, as its falsehood must have been known to him if he is a resident of Beaufort.

Respectfully,
FRED. PERRY.

THE OCTOBER ELECTION.—A large and enthusiastic meeting of citizens was held last evening, at Firemen's Hall, to consider the propriety of electing delegates to a State Convention to convene at the city of Raleigh. The meeting was organized by the election of Mr. C. R. Thomas as Chairman, and Mr. E. R. Stanley as Secretary. Mr. Thomas stated the object of the meeting to be the organization of the unmistakably loyal men of the State. On motion the Chair appointed Messrs. H. J. Menninger, R. F. Lehman and D. W. Wardrop, a Committee to draft resolutions expressive of the views of the meeting. The assemblage was then addressed by Messrs. E. W. Carpenter, R. F. Lehman and others, after which the Committee on Resolutions reported the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, It has been suggested by a portion of the people of North Carolina, in public meeting assembled, that in view of the approaching election for Governor and members of the General Assembly, in October next, a State Convention should be early held in the city of Raleigh; and

Whereas, Organization is important to the unmistakable loyal citizens of the State and interchange of political views may prove useful in the present state of the country; therefore,

Resolved, That we approve and recommend the holding of a State Convention on the 17th day of September next in the city of Raleigh; that the Chairman of this meeting appoint twenty delegates, and that the people of other counties of the State are requested to assemble and appoint also other delegates to meet in said proposed Convention;

Resolved, That the delegates who would attend the said proposed Convention, should be citizens who are now unmistakably loyal to the National Government—men who sincerely and honestly desire the restoration of the Government of the State of North Carolina in harmony with that of the National Government—who expect hereafter to live and die reconciled and re-united American citizens, under the Constitution of the United States as it is, or as it may be amended in the manner prescribed therein, who know and revere but one flag—the flag of the Union, and who expect to live and die with national pride and national honor, who after the manner of Washington, "Keep steadily in view the Constitution of our Union, as the greatest interest of every true American, and regard the continuance of the Union as a primary object of patriotic desire."

The reading of these resolutions was frequently interrupted by applause. The resolutions were unanimously adopted, after which the meeting adjourned.

BURIAL HONORS.—"In the midst of life we are in death." The passage from earth to eternity requires but a second of time, and that second often comes without a warning. Never was this more forcibly illustrated than in that terrible crash which deprived us of a fellow-citizen day before yesterday. C. H. ALEXANDER was known to every resident in Newbern during the plague of 1864, as one of the most active and fearless members of the celebrated "Dead Corps." During that fatal summer, when the city was almost depopulated by the ravages of the yellow fever, this noble-hearted gentleman, in company with W. P. MOORE, JR., W. L. FOALK, JOHN JONES, W. P. KETCHAM, G. G. MANNING, and one or two others, formed themselves into an association for the relief of the sick and the friendless; and the decent interment of the dead. How nobly they performed their work is known by every one who witnessed the effects of the plague. But, though daily and hourly exposed to insidious attacks of the fell destroyer, he came not then. The transition from life to eternity came in an hour of health—came unexpectedly—came in an instant. Earth to earth, dust to dust—the clods rattle on the coffin—the friends disperse—the career of a life is at an end. The warning is a sad one—the sequel is our common doom. Who will regard it?

The burial services were attended by a large and respectful concourse of friends. The funeral cortege was formed with the Newbern Steam Engine Company at its head, with the Holden Truck next in line. These Companies presented a fair appearance and gained great credit for their deportment. The Star band marched immediately in rear of the hearse performing solemn airs befitting the occasion. The coffin was wrapped in the United States flag and decorated with flowers. Rev. E. M. FAYES conducted the services.

The engine house of the Newbern Company was appropriately draped in mourning, and its flag flung at half-mast.

We are pleased to witness this display of fraternal and Masonic feeling on the part of the Company. There is no truer criterion by which to judge the morals of a community than the respect it pays its dead. Mr. ALEXANDER leaves a wife and two children in Little Falls, N. Y.

SUICIDE.—We learned Tuesday last through a dispatch from Kingston, that the Postmaster at that place, Mr. WEST, has taken his own life. It was not stated how he did it or for what cause.

THE CONTROVERSY ENDED.—The controversy as to who shall be Collector of this port has at last been decided in favor of B. W. KIM, having received notification from Washington City of his appointment, with a request to forward his bonds. The bonds properly endorsed and vouched for, have gone forward, and it is expected that he will be regularly installed during the coming week.

HAVING occasion a few days since to visit one of the principal drug stores of this city, I noticed with surprise several cases of Dr. Larrookah's Sarsaparilla Compound, a remedy well known in New England and highly appreciated by many who have tested its virtues. I learn that there where so large a proportion of the people are hereditarily scrofulous, it is considered a sovereign remedy for all impurities of the blood, and has an immense sale.—*Para Correspondent of the Boston Atlas.*

PERRY DAVIS' VEGETABLE PAIN KILLER—THE UNIVERSAL REMEDY FOR INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL COMPLAINTS.—At this period there are but few of the human race unacquainted with the merits of the Pain Killer: but while some extol it as a liniment, they know but little of its power in easing pain when taken internally, while others use it internally with great success but are equally ignorant of its healing virtues when applied externally. We therefore wish to say to all that it is equally successful whether used internally or externally, and it stands alone, unrivalled by all the great catalogue of Family Medicines, and its sale is universal and immense. The demand for it from India and other foreign countries is equal to the demand at home, and it has become known in those far-off places by its merits. The proprietors have never advertised it or been at any expense in its introduction into foreign lands.
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THE OFFICIAL VOTE.—The full returns have been received at Raleigh and compared, and the following is the result:
For Ratification, 19,570
Against Ratification, 21,552
Majority against Ratification, 1,982

TELEGRAPHIC.

[Reported for the Newbern Weekly Times.]

Foreign News.
St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—Mr. Grosden, who presented an address to Mr. Fox in behalf of the Russian peasantry, said in case of necessity Russia would unfurl her banners by the side of that of the great Republic.

The cholera is spreading in Russia.
LONDON, Aug. 31.—The 13th Hussars, and 53d and 51st Infantry are ordered to Canada, and possibly more troops will follow.

BERLIN, Aug. 31.—It is rumored that the Elector of Hesse will abdicate.

MUNICH, Aug. 31.—Both the Bavarian Chambers have approved the treaty of peace. In the House of Deputies Herr Mahone spoke, favoring a close union with Prussia.

RIO JANEIRO, Aug. 8.—The U. S. steamer *Nipisic*, at Bahia, saluted the flag of Brazil as an apology for the seizure of the Confederate vessel *Florida* in that port.

It is reported that a new ministry will be formed, who will favor a more vigorous prosecution of the war against Paraguay.

The Argentine army had repulsed an assault of the Paraguayans, inflicting severe loss.
LONDON, Aug. 31.—Evening.—The Times of to-day, in a lengthy editorial, congratulates President Johnson on the deliberations and action of the Philadelphia Convention, detailed accounts of which were received by the steamer yesterday.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 31, P. M.—The cotton market is without activity; prices steady; Middling Uplands 13½; Breadstuffs and Provision market quiet and unchanged; Tallow active; Consols and 5-20s unchanged.

[By Cable to the Associated Press.]
LONDON, Sept. 1.—The threatened raid by the Fenians into Canada has received serious notice on the part of the British Government, who are taking active precautionary measures. Three battalions of artillery have lately been sent to Quebec.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 1.—The steamship *China* sailed to-day for Halifax and Boston, with \$163,000 in Gold.

BREAST, Sept. 1.—The steamship *Percie* sailed to-day for New York. Among her passengers are Madam Ristori, "the great tragedienne," and a theatrical company of forty persons.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 1.—Noon.—The cotton market is dull, and prices have declined ¼d per pound. The sales are estimated at 7,000 bales of Middling Uplands at 13½; Breadstuff market dull and unchanged; Provision market unchanged.

LONDON, Sept. 1.—Noon.—The money market is unchanged; Consols are quoted at 89½ for money; market for American Securities steady; 5-20s, 73½.

The President at Rochester.
ROCHESTER, Sept. 1.—The President arrived here to-day. A great multitude met him, with demonstrations of honor, as has been the case at Auburn, Utica, Canandigua, Geneva and other points. The trip from Albany to this place may be briefly described as a succession of ovations. Yesterday at Auburn a little boy named Richardson rushed toward the carriage to shake hands with Gen. Grant, and fell under, and his leg was shattered. Last night he sent word to Secretary Seward that he was anxious to see him and Gen. Grant. The latter was much affected by the circumstance, and in company with Surgeon-General Barnes called to see the little sufferer, and consoled him, telling him in

parting to write to him when he recovered, and he would try and be of service to him.

At Seneca Falls, at the station where the party stopped a short time, the President was addressed by Judge Mills, in behalf of the citizens. He promised that Seneca county should give a larger vote this Fall in favor of his administration than any county of equal population in the State. The President responded briefly, as did also others of the party who were called out.

At Clifton Springs the sister of Stephen A. Douglas and his two sons joined the party. The President and Gen. Grant went to the platform and bowed to Mrs. Granger, the mother of the deceased Senator, who was sitting at the door of her residence, not far from the track.

At Schenectady they were welcomed by the Mayor and Council in an address, and the President was about to make a reply when the platform on which the party were standing gave way, and they were floored for a time. No one was hurt, however, and the President spoke as though no interruption had occurred.

He made short speeches also at Fonda, Herkimer, Utica, and other towns on the route.

At Auburn, the party were received by the Mayor, when the President spoke, and then an excursion was made to Willow Grove, on Onawasco Lake, where an elegant dinner was prepared. During the banquet, Gen. Grant proposed a toast to Senor Romero, the Minister of Mexico, and the success of the cause he represents.

Radical Mass Meeting.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Durant, of New Orleans, and Brownlow spoke at a mass meeting in Philadelphia, last night. The former said that Gov. Wells, under directions from Washington, filled every office with men who had given aid and comfort to the rebellion, either in the field or the Cabinet, and so well did he succeed, that in the following year no one was elected to the Legislature who would not have considered it an unpardonable insult to have been called a Union man. Immediately were seen the evil consequences; odious distinctions were made in every direction; emancipated slaves were oppressed, and justice or right in the case of a citizen of African descent or of Union principles, in most quarters, could not be obtained. And this was one reason why they thought of re-convoicing the Convention of 1864.

He declared that the President's interference in the affairs of New Orleans, produced the terrible results of July 30th, and that loyal men were fleeing to the North for protection and free speech. He asked for the enfranchisement of the negro, without whose aid he says the loyal white men of Louisiana cannot re-create a loyal government.

Hon. W. D. Kelly said he wished to introduce the great and valiant Gov. Brownlow. In the course of his brief remarks, he said that the present Congress was the most patriotic body in the world, and have never been excelled by any but the present legislature of Tennessee. He further said, "If another war comes, I want you to divide your army into three parties. Let the first and largest come armed with the weapons and do the killing; let the second come with live torches and do the burning; let the third come with surveyor's lines, and re-mark out and re-settle the country. These are my sentiments."

Fred. Douglas.
ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 1.—Fred. Douglas publishes a letter, accepting the position as delegate to the Philadelphia Convention from this city and says "If the Convention shall receive me, the event will certainly be somewhat significant progress. If they reject me, they will only identify themselves with another Convention, which from mean motives turned its back upon its true friends."

Another Bank Robbery, &c.
NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—Geo. H. Briggs, paying Teller for the Nassau Bank, was yesterday arrested on the charge of embezzling \$100,000 of the funds of the bank. Briggs had been in the habit of frequenting and losing heavily at various gambling houses throughout the city, and on being arrested made a full confession of his guilt.

Percy, the lawyer who was committed by Judge Barnard for contempt of court has commenced a suit against the Judge for false imprisonment. Damages are laid at fifty thousand dollars.

Arrivals.
NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—The steamers *El Cid*, from Newbern, and *Londona*, from Galveston, arrived here to-day.

Money Markets.
NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—Gold 46; Exchange very irregular.

[SECOND DISPATCH.]
NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—Gold 45½.

New York Markets.
NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—Cotton dull, with sales of 700 bales at 33a35; Flour dull at \$9.75a15.50 for Southern, sales amounting to 450 bbls.; Wheat 2a3 cents lower; Corn ¼ cent lower; Oats 1a2 cents better; Beef steady; Pork heavy, with sales of 6,550 bbls.; Mess \$32.87; Lard dull at 18½a20½, with sales of 350 bbls.; Sugar active, 1,500 hds. Muscovado at 11a12½.

New Orleans Markets.
NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 31.—Cotton sales to-day foot up 300 bales; price unchanged; stock on hand 103,000 bales; Gold \$1 45½.

The Mississippi Cotton Grower's Association estimate the coming crop of Mississippi at two hundred thousand bales, and throughout the country at twelve hundred thousand.

Mobile Markets.
MOBILE, Aug. 31.—Cotton—sales to-day of 500 bales of Middling at 30c; sales for week 1900; receipts for the week 1400 against 1500 last week. Exports during the week 3547; Stock 2900.

Boston
Hobbes
Philadelphia