

THE TORCH-LIGHT.

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EDITORIAL SPLINTERS.

"Why is the comet like a cat? Because its fur to the end of its tail." That's fur fetched, Mr. Enquirer!

One of our compositors has lost a tooth. It is false—the tooth we mean. A man named Whiskey fell into a Wisconsin pond and was drowned. Water didn't improve him.

To make a trip around the world would cost about \$1,000. A Mr. Love was married to a Miss Darling in Union, N. J., last week. Once a little Darling, but now a little Love! No cards.

A petition having 18,000 signatures of women has lately been presented to the English Premier, asking the right of suffrage.

Kentucky toppers are signing a petition to have whiskey put down—to five cents a drink.

Our senior devil undertook to steal a kiss from his sweetheart the other night to which she replied, "You cant come it (count) over me that way."

Beaufort is now crowded with visitors. When this campaign is through—somebody's face will look sad and blue.

The wise man commands his tongue, but the fool's tongue commands him.

Murders and sudden deaths are the order of the day.

Of all things in the world that are "better late than never," going to bed certainly ranks first.

"Is sweet to think, when struggling The goal of life to win, That just beyond the bounds of time, The better years begin."

If you wish to ascertain "the height of impudence," measure the man who wants to borrow your umbrella during a heavy shower.

The Piedmont Press doesn't like the way we expressed our opinion on that scriptural conundrum. Who is the "funny" man of the Press?

The Henderson Register has changed to the Tribune again.

There is not a Jew in Oxford.

Every politician's heart is anxiously throbbing for the evening of the 4th of August.

Money and time are the heaviest burdens of life, and the unhappiest of all human beings are those who have more of either than they know how to use or take care of.

Gov. Brogden has consented to an exchange of Circuit this Fall between Judge Watts, of this District, and Judge Henry, of the 11th District, so that this District, will, this Fall, be judicially ruled by the latter official.

Professor Sylvano performed in Raleigh last week. The fire last Thursday night, (full particulars of which appear in another column), occurred in the same block whereon is Tucker Hall, and the scare was so great that the crowd ransomed, and left the Professor alone in his glory ere he had finished.

During the past week there has been several disastrous storms in different parts of the country. Nevada has been visited with a water spout. Indiana, Wisconsin and Canada with storms; Pittsburg, Pa., with a terrible flood, causing the death of from one to two hundred people, and doing immense damage to property.

That lost child, Charley Brewster Ross, of Philadelphia, has not yet been found. Indeed there are those who now begin to doubt whether Mr. Ross has any child stolen or lost. It is certainly a new and strange method adopted to make money, this system of stealing children, hiding them and demanding a big reward for their return. We know of no punishment severe enough to inflict on a child thief.

The Beecher Scandal.

When will this flood of filth, says the Richmond Enquirer, which rushes through the columns of the daily press like the refuse of a great city though its sewers cease? We have had it ad nauseum, and cry out in our agony to be spared a further infliction. Whole columns appear each day in the New York papers, and yet there is no indication that it is drawing to a close; and even after this irregular investigation by the church we are threatened with a constant rehash of the whole scandal by suits innumerable in court, both civil and criminal—and where will it end? The demoralizing effects it has already had upon the public mind will be fearfully increased, and fain would we, for the sake of decency, if not religion, morality and charity, see it forever buried from the public sight.

The above suits our idea exactly about the matter, and we think it would be well for decency's sake if the Southern press would suppress all details of the Beecher Tilton affair.

A bottle was recently picked up on the east coast of Florida containing the following note:

"STEAMSHIP CITY OF BOSTON.—To all whom this message may come: That I the undersigned, a passenger on this ship, write the following statement: On Sunday night a heavy storm arose; 12:30, increasing; 1:30, all hopes lost; 2 o'clock, going down.—JOHN CASWELL, London Eng." It will be remembered that the "City of Boston" sailed from New York, Jan, 25th 1870 and her fate has been unknown until now, and is still, for the above note really tells nothing except that the ship was in danger.

It is now generally conceded, says the Central Protestant, and is one of the most shameful facts in history, that Whiskey is at the bottom of the Indian troubles. Gen. Pope, in a letter to the Governor of Kansas, speaks in no doubtful terms of the miserable creatures who make money on the suffering alike of Indians and white people, and by their enormous profits in trade "replenish the coffers of the Indian King."

The people are determined that politics, as an end toward which unscrupulous ambition tends, shall soon be as much an unknown disgrace politics, as a means through which an independent, honest people can speak, shall be known and honored. The people are determined that a righteous indignation press and nation shall eventually put rascal against rascal, until all go down, and every honest man shall be proud to be a politician in the true and noble sense.—Milwaukee Wisconsin.

Young Pomeroy, the boy murderer of Boston, could find a boon companion if he were allowed to go to Topeka, Kansas, where another lad, Fred. Olds by name, has confessed that he murdered his employer "on account of a quarrel over a game of checkers." He first shot him with a carbine, and then, in the laconic language of a Western reporter, "finished with a cheese-knife." Young America!

A New York chap, who calls himself a "banker," offers to send free to any address a pamphlet giving directions how to operate in Wall street on small sums of money. The less the owners of money have to do with this fellow and his pamphlet the better it will be for them.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for views taken by correspondents.

Almost A Disastrous Fire

Last Thursday night, at 9:30 o'clock, the alarm of fire was sounded, caused by the issuing of smoke from the roof of the building over the printing office of Messrs. Nichols & Gorman, on the corner of Fayetteville and Hargett streets, and it was discovered that the garret room of the building was on fire, the fire having burned through the roof of the building and threatening to destroy the whole building, if not the wholesquare. The fire, hook and ladder and bucket companies were soon upon the grounds and active efforts at once made to suppress the flames. The Bucket Company (col.) were the first to get water to the flames, and the Victor Engine Company (col.) obtained the first stream. The Rescue Steam Engine Company were promptly on the spot, but owing to a serious defect in their hose, were unable to give any material relief until they placed their hose upon the top of the house.

By superhuman efforts, the fire was extinguished before effecting any material damage, other than by flooding the printing rooms and material of Messrs. Nichols & Gorman, who occupy the third floor; these gentlemen were damaged to the extent of some \$500. The floors were flooded with water, necessitating the removal of goods in the second story to prevent damage.—Ral. News.

Mr. Torch Light:

I see in your last issue, the report of R. W. Harris and J. K. Wood Esqs, who were appointed by the board of County Commissioners to examine into the financial matters of the county of Granville. I confess, I do not understand that report. They say they find the County owing the school fund \$2,165.17. Does the Treasurer's book show that the school fund was deficient that year, \$2,165.17? If his books do not show these facts, I would like to know how the fact was arrived at. If the Treasurers books were correctly kept and the thing is true, then, as a matter of course the books show it; but if the books do not show this state of facts to exist, then I say, it is uncertain who owes the \$2,165.17. The other item of \$407.94, as an indebtedness of the Treasurer is also unexplained. The committee, call this matter of \$2,165.17 a misapplication. While they were on the subject of mis-applications, I wonder they had not noticed some mis-applications made by the Commissioners. I understand they allowed Dr. Taylor \$700, and M. B. Jones, \$1200, per year, for receiving and disbursing the County and school funds. If this is true they paid Dr Taylor \$500, and M. B. Jones \$1000—more than a large compensation for their services.

One other matter with regard to the misapplication of the \$2,165.17. I understand the school fund has to be paid in money—County funds are paid in County Orders—the difference between cash and County Orders, I understand is about one third, now one third of \$2,165.17 is \$721.62. I accuse no man. From this committee report we learn, that, with the largest Tax ever levied on the people of Granville, for six years not one dollar of the county debt has been paid, or so trifling an amount that it is not worth our notice.

I can tell the people of Granville there is but one remedy for all this confusion in our financial matters and that is, to elect five honest, firm, intelligent men, as county commissioners—men having substantial interest in the county. Until this is done, times will be no better.

Mrs. Jane Love, of New York, has a lovely way of doing things. She broke three panels out of her landlord's front door, and when his agent demanded payment of damages she bit his thumb off. She armed herself with an axe against further incursions, and it took a skirinish line of policemen to capture her.

Have you registered?

In the death of Miss Rosa Poe it is believed that the last of the family, and, indeed, of the immediate relatives of the gifted young poet, Edgar Allen Poe, has passed away.

Dr. Stribling, the eminent Superintendent of the western Lunatic Asylum at Staunton, Va., died in that city on the 23d inst in the 65th year of his age.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

North Carolina, GRANVILLE COUNTY, Superior Court, July 30, 1874. Lunsford A. Paschall adm'r of William Suit,

AGAINST Thomas Clymer and wife, Eadie, Kenthen Halthcock and wife, Polly, Tinsley Oakley and wife, Susan, Samuel Usry and wife, Adelina, Charles W. Bennett and wife, Lucia, James K. Suit, Muke H. Suit, Edmond F. Suit, Robert Suit and Henry L. Nance.

Special proceeding to make real estate assets. This cause coming on to be heard and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that Henry D. Nance resides beyond the limits of the State, and supposed to reside in the State of Kentucky, on motion of John W. Hays, attorney for the plaintiff, it is ordered; that publication be made for six weeks in the TORCH LIGHT, a newspaper published in the town of Oxford, N. C., notifying the said Henry L. Nance of the filing of this petition in this proceeding, that the same is for sale of real estate to pay debts and that he make appearance at the office of the clerk of the Superior court for Granville county, in Oxford, on or before the 13th day of September next and answer, plead, or demur, as he may see fit, and that upon failure to appear the plaintiff will apply for judgment for the relief demanded in the petition. Witness Benjamin H. Cozart, clerk of said court at Oxford the 30th day July 1874. aug46w B. H. COZART, C. S. C.

Mecklenburg Female College, BOYDTON, VA. THIS institution located some 34 miles from Oxford, N. C., and 22 from Ridgeway, N. C., has been in successful operation for two and a half years. Next session begins Sept. 8th 1874. It offers every facility for female education of the highest grade. The President would especially invite the attention of his old friends and patrons in N. C., to the terms, &c., now offered.

From \$84 to \$94 paid half in advance, will be the entire charge for tuition in all English branches and board for 5 months. If all be paid in advance a deduction will be made. Music and other extra branches at reduced rates. For circulars &c., address J. E. BLANKENSHIP, Pres't. aug44f. Boydton, Va.

Big Tobacco Sale AT THE HENDERSON WAREHOUSE Henderson, N. C., Friday, August 14th, 1874.

WE offer for sale on the above named day about one hundred and fifty thousand pounds of good manufacturing Tobacco as ever was offered on any market. Farmers bring your tobacco, that we may have it well arranged before day of sale. We will have liberal buyers to buy all grades at full prices. Buyers, one and all! You are most respectfully invited to attend the above sale. Respectfully, MEADOWS, CURRIN & CLEMENT. aug42w.

STOLEN!

ON 26th of July 1874, while at Salem church, the house of W. O. Bobbitt was broken into and a pocket book owned by B. W. Bennett was stolen, containing \$10 in greenbacks, also a second class tobacco peddlers license and other valuable papers. B. W. BENNETT, aug41t. Near Oxford, N. C.

Grange Notice. The County Grange will meet on the 3d Wednesday in August, at the Grange Hall, over T. D. Crawford & Co's Drug store. All subordinate Granges are expected to be represented. E. J. RAGSDALE, secretary pro tem. aug42w

WORK SHOP.

Persons wishing their wagons, buggies, in fact vehicles of all kinds, repaired will do well to bring them to me. I always keep on hand a good seasoned stock of timber and guarantee satisfaction. C. L. EASTWARD, Shoo Fly, N. C. July 283m

T. D. CRAWFORD & CO., Main Street, OXFORD, N. C.,

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AT COST FOR CASH. ALL MY STOCK OF SUMMER DRESS GOODS.

And a large stock of Ladies TRIMMED AND UNTRIMMED HATS. CALL AND GET BARGAINS!

Above Goods purchased and selected by resident buyers in New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, who are instructed to purchase for me only at bottom prices. TERMS—Cash or 60 days only to prompt and responsible parties. April 21ly. A. LANDIS JR.

To the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Granville, State of North Carolina.

We, R. W. Harris, J. K. Wood and W. H. Young, the Committee appointed by your Board May 5th, 1874, to examine into the financial matters of the County of Granville, and report to your Board the indebtedness of the County, make the following report:

We find the whole amount of County orders issued and approved from 4th August, 1868, up to the 1st day of July, 1874, amount to the sum of \$98,548.42, of which about \$14,000 is for indebtedness prior to 1st of August, 1868. Amount of County Orders taken in and cancelled up to 1st day July, 1874, \$88,142.18, leaving the amount of outstanding Order on the 1st day of July, 1874, \$10,204.24.

If the unpaid Orders carry interest, the indebtedness will be increased to the amount of the interest.

We also find the County is owing the School Fund the sum of \$2,165.17, which amount was misapplied to county purposes.

We also find that the Treasurer whose term expired when M. B. Jones, the present Treasurer, came in office, is indebted to the county in the sum of \$407.94.

We also find the county indebted to the sheriff in the sum of \$28.20, amount overpaid by him.

All of which will more fully appear by reference to the papers marked 'A', 'B', 'C', and 'D'. R. W. HARRIS, Ch'mn } Com. J. K. WOOD. } July 4th 1874. July 14th

This house has exceeded any in the State for quantity, and we are willing to compare prices with any in or out of the State according to quality. There is a special demand at this time for the highest quality of tobacco in large quantities for which the highest market prices will be paid. We have the pleasure of stating that we have obtained from the highest prices obtained in any market during the season. The time has been when we advised those having things to put for our market, for reason the demand was not sufficient, but old things have passed away, and many new factories have opened and the time has come when we can assure tobacco smokers and dealers that we believe we can realize as high prices for the bright wrappers, bright smokers and fine fillers, in fact all grades, as can be obtained in any market. Bright grades a specialty. Wanted in large quantities and good order. Respectfully, HEADS & WALKER. Durham Warehouse for the Sale of Leaf Tobacco, DURHAM, N. C. Remus & Walker, Proprietors.

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A handsome illustrated paper, containing the Homestead Law. A new number just published, mailed free to all parts of the world. Address O. F. DAVIS, Land Commissioner U. P. R. R., Omaha, Neb.

HAVE YOU TRIED JURUBEBA ARE YOU Weak, Nervous, or debilitated? Are you so languid that any exertion requires more of an effort than you feel capable of making?

The Jurubeba, the wonderful tonic and invigorator, which acts so beneficially on the secretive organs as to impart vigor to all the vital forces. It is an alcoholic appetizer, which stimulates for a short time, only to let the sufferer fall to a lower depth of misery, but it is a vegetable tonic acting directly on the liver and spleen. It regulates the bowels, quiets the nerves, and gives such a healthy tone to the whole system as to soon make the invalid feel like a new person. Its operations is not violent, but is characterized by great gentleness, the patient experiences no sudden change, no marked results, but gradually his troubles "fold their tents, like the Arabs, And silently steal away."

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, RALEIGH, N. C. Founded 1842.

THE sixty fifth term of this school will commence on Thursday, Sept. 3d, 1874, and will continue twenty weeks. The following term will commence Jan. 15th, 1875, and end June 10th. In beauty, accessibility, and healthfulness of situation; social, literary, moral, and religious advantages; and moderation in charges, this school is not surpassed by any similar institution in the country. For circular containing full particulars, apply to the Rector. Rev. ALBERT SMEDES, D. D. Raleigh, N. C. July 2d.

TICK! TICK! TICK!!! T. M. LYNCH, Has just received a select assortment of jewelry, consisting of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware, Wedding Rings, Bridal presents, Fancy Goods, &c., &c., which he is selling at reduced prices to suit hard times and the closest buyer. He solicits you to call and examine his stock before purchasing elsewhere. He takes this method of thanking his many customers for their liberal patronage, and by close attention to business, hopes to merit a continuance of the same. Sign "Big Watch," Main st. June 203m. Oxford, N. C.

DROP IN!! A LARGE stock of Fancy Goods just opened at Mitchell & Sons Drug Store. The ladies are politely requested to call and examine our assortment which we imagine is very pretty and nice. Toys, from a spinning Top to a dancing Nigger. July 23d.

Turnip seed. RUTABAGA, Large Globe, Large Norfolk, Flat Dutch and 7 top, just received at T. D. CRAWFORD & CO, July 21.1m

JOB WORK of every description done at this office