

Person County Courier.

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ROXBORO, N. C., DECEMBER 23, 1887.

Our Christmas Greeting.

The old year is almost gone and Christmas is here. With this issue of the COURIER we bid adieu to 1887.

We sincerely trust our past year's work has given satisfaction to our readers and promise to use our best endeavors to instruct and amuse them with our publications in the future.

Some who are under obligations to us have forgotten that newspaper men, like other people, wish to enjoy the festivities of the holidays and have not contributed to our happiness.

The "little ones" may expect Santa Claus to be heavily loaded with nice things for them; but there will be many children whom old Santa will not visit.

We would warn the Knights of the "Roman Candle" and "fire cracker" to be careful where they shoot and not jeopardize the safety of our houses.

Hon. John S. Barbour was, on last Tuesday, elected United States Senator by the Virginia Legislature.

Mr. Barbour will succeed Mr. Riddleberger. That was the place that Billy Mahone was after, but he didn't get there.

In speaking of the election of Mr. Barbour the Richmond Whig says: "The honor was fairly won and worthily bestowed."

Oh for stepping stones or a boat, so that we could get from one side of our streets to the other. Say, Messrs. Commissioners did it ever occur to you that if you would have some work done on the streets—in making sidewalks and street crossings that there would be less complaining about paying town taxes?

The Republican National Convention has been called to meet in Chicago on the 19th of June, 1888, to nominate candidates for the Presidency and Vice-Presidency.

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OUR EXCHANGES

THEIR OPINIONS EXPRESSED ON DIFFERENT SUBJECTS.

The people of North Carolina never complained at the tax on Whiskey, Tobacco &c. The manufacturer never objected to the Government simply adds the tax upon his manufactured article, which sell just as readily, and he gets his profits all the same.

INTERNAL taxation, with its excises and its inquisitions, and its official supervision of the people's business, has always been odious in free countries, and especially so in this.

WE COMMENT on the consideration of those Republicans who are continually crying out that elections are not honestly held in North Carolina.

A YOUNG North Carolinian of brilliant talents is in jail at Washington and is sentenced to be hanged for murder, the murder of his best friend he says, to which crime he was driven by whiskey.

WE GIVE space to the President's message because it deals almost exclusively with a matter that is of supreme importance to the farmers of the country—the reduction of taxation.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16th, 1887. Recognizing that tariff reduction is almost inevitable, both wings of the Democracy in the House are running a race, to see which can first frame a bill of this character, while the Republicans are warily regarding each side, prepared to take advantage of any legislative complication that may ensue.

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The Democratic party in North Carolina is making a great effort to defeat the confirmation of Mr. Lamar to Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

STATE NEWS.

The Supreme Court has decided that wine and beer can not be sold in a prohibition town.

Raleigh is taking steps to have an electric fire alarm. Mr. W. B. Potter, an expert, says that Durham has the best electric system in the State.

The value of taxable property in the State, during the year, has increased about \$6,000,000.

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Person County Exhibit.

Office Board Co. Com. Person Co., Dec. 1st, 1887.

Annual expense account of Person County for the year ending November 30th 1887, and published as required by the Code of North Carolina.

DECEMBER, 1886. To amt paid F Thompson blacksmith acct 3 05

H S Winstead repairing bridge 15 00 D D Long building bridge 300 00

R K Daniel repairing jail 19 25 W F Timberlake for c. f. fin &c 4 56

Frank Thompson work on jail 9 40 G A Rogers registration fee 2 19

S C Barnett 1 11 John A Baird provisions for paupers 7 50

S P Williams road notices 4 66 J C Pass Clerks fees 48 82

J A Long blacksmith acct 4 50 S P Williams sheriff fees 8 73

John O'Brian attention clock 10 50 W G Mitchell sheriff of Granville county 58 90

J A Crews sheriff of Granville county 3 60 A W Graham Solicitor's fee 1 00

S M Reagan witness fee 15 58 W A Malne registration fees 1 20

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J M Sneed three coffins 3 00

C A Daniel & Co mds 97 48 Buck Lop repairing platings 5 35

D A O'Brian serving road notices 60 30 John K Hughes Sheriff Orange fees 20 85

A W Breeze deputy sheriff 5 00 N L Wagstaff repairing Donoho bridge 69 58

H S Winstead repairing Donoho bridge 69 58 S H Cates conveying prisoner 6 00

Bedford Vaughan building bridge 65 00 Bedford Vaughan building bridge 65 00

Dr E A Speed 350 ft lumber 6 50 W T Neill services Co Com 27 04

D W K Richmond services as Co Com and for wheat 62 00 Dr C E Bradsher medical services 83 05

G A Rogers services Co Com 21 00 Jas Humphries for coffin 3 00

H C Sweeney witness fee 1 50 W F Timberlake J P's fee 55

R W Lassiter C S C Granville county 8 73 W G Mitchell sheriff of Granville county 58 90

J A Crews sheriff of Granville county 3 60 A W Graham Solicitor's fee 1 00

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Y N Broch for coffin 3 00

W T Neill services Co Com 15 00 E Edwards, Broughton & Co stationery 19 43

S P Satterfield clk B. C. C 40 15 Geo A Rogers assessor 14 90

Pass & Fuller provisions 12 42 J C Pass blanks 21 25

C W Brown work on jail 250 00 " " " 250 00

" " " 150 00 " " " 100 00

C H Woods witness fee 85 R I Featherstone witness fee 1 50

Joe Featherstone 85 Pauley Jail Building & Mfg Company 3,275 00

SEPTEMBER, 1887. S W Glenn services to grand jury 6 00

Hackney & Noell printing notices 4 50 John A. Baird provisions for pauper 7 50

C A Daniel & Co mds 6 15 J A Carver for provisions 3 02

Dr J C Bradsher medical services to J C Dickens 15 00 Dr J C Bradsher medical attention to the poor 32 73

Annual Statement.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW EXISTING IN VOL. I. OF THE REVISED CODE OF NORTH CAROLINA...