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We assure the public that they need not hesitate to patronize the paper either in subscriptions or advertising, for it shall not be allowed to suspend to the disadvantage of subscribers and advertisers.

The politics of the paper is outlined in another column, concerning which we all agree. We again ask the public to aid us in establishing in our midst a first-class paper, and we confidently believe that they will do so.

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Taxes.

We have carefully noticed, in a recent editorial of the Wilmington Star on "How to Levy Taxes," the plans suggested by it.

"Every citizen should be required by law to list his property at what he claims it is worth. This is important as it strikes us. Deduct therefrom his debts and the value of a homestead, and also such property in real estate, stocks, &c., as is otherwise taxed."

The DEMOCRAT earnestly agrees with the editorial on taxes in the issue of the same paper of the 17th inst. The DEMOCRAT now agrees with the above in all parts save that "homestead" clause. Deduct his debts of course, but pray, why should the Star even think of deducting the value of a homestead?

Compulsory Attendance upon Free Schools. A bill has been introduced into the legislature, whose object is to compel parents or guardians to make children between 6 and 12 years of age attend the free schools at least two months in a year.

acted the honest and just part of a man. A good motto for one, who loves independence in its true meaning, is the one which in the school-room we used to hear often—"Let each tub stand on its own bottom."

Dogs.

We think that we favor sheep-raising as highly as any one. We would encourage wool-growing. We have no special love for the dog, though he is the most faithful animal we have ever considered.

We reckon that it is about as good a bill on the subject as can be obtained. We have not a very vivid imagination but still we seem to see, as if on canvas at every X roads throughout this coming sheep-raising country, scenes, a fair sample of which is this: Tom Jones, the coon hunter, and his faithful Tige, and in the background there stands two animals emblematic of prosperity, one is a wild ram, the other is his mate.

Have you any right, either legal or moral, to tell a man what he shall possess and what he shall not? Give the faithful dog an equal chance with the innocent lamb. Let them live in peace. Oh, that our fellow-citizens would imagine the value of a sheep, and we hope that, if this thing of sheep raising is what we have seen it represented to be, soon every county in this State will have mutton and wool enough, and to spare.

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be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than twenty dollars.

Can that bill find shelter under the Constitution? Would not that bill come in conflict with the great, must-be-respected personal and individual rights of man? Do not bother too much with the natural rights of a free man.

Two months in a year, well a little fellow would get to "baker" the first year, next year he would have to start at the alphabet; why was not the time six months instead of two, then perhaps it would have one good trait. We do not believe in the State's compelling any of her citizens to do anything, unless they are infringing upon the rights of others.

Washington Monument.

Thirty seven years ago the cornerstone of that just completed monument was laid. Hon. Robert C. Winthrop delivered the oration when it was laid, and he was designated to deliver the oration at the dedication of the monument but was unable to attend, and his prepared oration was read.

No Fence Law.

Two weeks ago we cautioned our Representatives to proceed slowly in respect to the stock-law of this county. Since then we have been fully impressed that great dissatisfaction exists between the voters of this county in regard to that law.

The University.

Much has been said and I written of late about the University and free tuition. Far more, perhaps, and in a different spirit than should have been spoken or promulgated.

an equitable adjustment of its administration utterly impracticable. It is therefore a dead letter—a useless remnant of Constitutional law. In the administration of this constitutional mandate you restrict it to one youth from each county by taking it away from thousands of others, who are unable to pay their board and clothe themselves away from home.

Young men known to be struggling with poverty, ambitious of advancement, who are endeavoring earnestly and nobly to work their way up in life should be recognized. To such along the doors of the University should be thrown open. This would be legitimate, and what every great institution of learning should grant to meritorious youth in adversity.

The friends of the different denominational colleges in the State, seem very much exercised over this question of free tuition at the University, and to some extent justly so, but neither the injury nor danger of their schools is so great as they imagine or suppose. The remedy lies safely within reach of themselves and other friends and well wishers of the University.

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which for years it has been subjected to, and also retain within the State a large amount of capital which is annually being sent away for the purpose of acquiring higher attainments than can now be had at our own University.

As a great many people of our State are and have been for some time clamoring for higher education, these suggestions may not altogether be thrown away. At all events as a progressive North Carolinian I beg of them not to be frightened at the picture drawn.

This is no time for our people to be childishly wrangling over so great a subject. They must forget the antiquities and antipathies of Antebellum days, and awake to the realization that the North Carolina of today, is not the Rip Van Winkle of the past.

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