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W. P. CANADAY, Proprietor.


## CITY ITEMS.

How about that steam ferry across Market Dock.

The telegraph wire is down between this city and Smithville, consequently there is no news from below by that line.

THE SUPERIOR COURT.—This tribunal is still in session, his Honor Judge A. A. McKoy, presiding. The Court is engaged this week in trying civil cases. The Solicitor is not making much out of the proceedings.

The City Marshal has ten men and nine women prisoners at work on the streets, and they are doing good service. That is right, if people will violate the law let them afterwards be made to work for the good of the city.

The National Republican Convention, to nominate the next President, the successor of U. S. Grant, will convene at Cincinnati, June the 14th, 1876. Any one who wishes to bet $5,000 against the nominee can get it.

We understand that the Commissioners of the Western N. C. Railroad are negotiating with the Western Union Telegraph Company for the purpose of erecting a telegraph line from Salisbury to Asheville. We are in hopes they will be able to make a satisfactory arrangement as we understand they probably will.

THE CITY HALL.—If the city is able the authorities should, by all means have the City Hall building repaired at once. It is going to destruction very fast, and should be put in, at least, a respactable condition. What say you, gentlemen of the Board of Aldermen.

The bridge across the railroad is badly needed, and we hope the railroad company will spur up, as they promised to have the work finished in ten days from the time they commenced, but the time is out and no bridge. A little more first class activity will do better.

THE BEATTY PIANO, and Beatty's Golden Tongue Organs, manufactured by Daniel F. Beatty, Washington, N. J., are highly endorsed by all who have tested them, as to the style of case durability, and sweetness of tone. They are said to excel any other instruments in perfect construction. See his advertisement in another column.

jan. 28-2w.

Fighting Allie has not killed or whipped a man for the last six days in Congress. We can tell those members of Congress who live north of Mason & Dixon's line that they had better be very polite to Allie, for he fights some times, when he don't have the "dry gripe," as one of his regiment says he used to have in the army, before he studied for the ministry in 1864. But Allie Waddles sometimes.

Are our Republican frends all over the State prepared for the coming fight? If they are not they should at once commence, for they have an enemy to fight who is not only well organized, but who are mean and sneaking; they will have to be fought with fire and brimstone. It is the only way to fight the d—l. Our Union friends must commence to buckle on their armor for the fray, for they have got to stand up for their rights this time, or they are forever lost; if they back an inch they will be driven to the wall.—So prepare and, it needs be, die for your rights, it is the only way, if the enemy see that you are determined they will respect you, but if you falter they will scorn and loathe you. Every lover of freedom and the Union must fight as men never fought before, and if they fight as true lovers of liberty and honor they will be successful. Organize at once; every township, county, district and State, let the enemy see you are ready for them, and are going to put them where they were in '68 and '72. Let equal rights, freedom for all, and purity at the ballot box be your watch word, and victory is yours.

CITY COURT.—The Mayor has tried 87 cases during the month of January, and the fines in the aggregate amounted to $1,162. About four-fifths of that was worked out on the streets, the balance was paid into the City Treasury. He has also tried for the past week 18 cases, the fines of which amounted in the aggregate to $320. This tribunal pays the city well.

DRUNKERNESS—Is there not some law that the Solicitor can have some of the habitual drunkards of this city arrested and punished for their crimes? If there is, we hope he will at the next term of the Superior Court, have a few of them brought up before his Honor Judge McKoy, and sent to the penitentiary for about two years, and that may check the evil.

A committee of the Wilmington Medical Association, waited upon the Mayor a few days ago for the purpose of recommending to that officer the great necessity for keeping a complete record of all the deaths in our city, and of the disease that is the cause of the death. They state that the neglect to do so, has been very injurious to our city. After hearing the committee, the Mayor requested Dr. Wood, the chairman, to consult with the city physician, and city attorney about the matter, and agreed further to lay the matter before the Board at their next meeting. We hope it will be carried out.

Swepson, the great Democratic thief of North Carolina, killed a man by the name of Moore in Alamance county last week. Now, if the good people of Alamance will only hang him they will do the State a service. Swepson is the Democratic scoundrel who stole all the bonds of North Carolina in 1869-'70. He, by some means, never known just how, got off. It is supposed by the good will of the democratic Solicitor up west, who did not want to see his brother Democrat go to the penitentiary. We hope the Solicitor of the district that Alamance county is in wont let Swepson's politics keep him, the Solicitor, from having Swepson hung

MILLER STREET.—There has been considerable said about the condition of the street to the Cemetery. We are informed that in the spring of 1875 a committee of the Cemetery Board waited upon the Mayor and stated to him that if he would have Miller street graded out to McRae street the Cemetery Board would have the street marled or a nice clay drive made in the centre, with a side walk and trees set out, and make a splendid street of it. The Mayor has graded the street in compliance with the understanding, but the Cemetery Board has not commenced to perform their part of the agreement. We hope they will not longer delay the matter. If they promised to do so, they can never do it in a better time, for labor is remarkably cheap at present.

THE RALEIGH ERA.—We publish the card of Mr. W. M. Brown, the Manager of that staunch, able, Union paper, known by the above name. We can recommend this paper to our readers, and all those who wish to subscribe for a paper that is always blowing the horn of liberty, and found fighting for the rights of the poor men of our State, both white and black, should by all means take the Era at once—now is the the time to subscribe for it. It is published at the capital of the State, and its managers know the many tricks of Democracy to defraud the people of their hard earned money, as well as of their liberty. The campaign is just about to open and this paper wil certainly keep our friends well informed on all public matters, for its managers certainly have the backbone to perform their duty, and will do it.

CAPT. J. E. ELDRIDGE.—This gentleman, we understand, has been relieved from duty as route agent on the C. C. Railroad for, as is charged, insubordination. We don't know anything about the facts in the case but Capt. Eldridge has as fine a letter from his immediate superiors, Col. Brink and the Superintendant Mr. Penny, as any one could wish. Capt. Eldridge, is an able an efficient officer, agreeable and pleasant companion, and one who has been a credit to the mail department. He has given entire satisfaction to the citizens and is honest and perfectly reliable.

A special telegram has just been received from Capt. Eldridge, stating that the Postoffice Department has ordered his reinstatement on the road as agent. We are greatly rejoiced at this, as Capt. E. justly deserves well of the government.

FALSE SWEARING.—It has got so now that it is almost impossible to punish a person for selling liquor, either on Sunday or without license. If you have the persons indicted who are in the habit of selling liquor without a license, they will get plenty of those loafers who frequent their places to swear that they did not sell it. We understand that there were eight indictments against one person, and she proved an alibi in each case.

If the officers of the law will give it their attention, and send a few of these swearing individuals to the penitentiary for five or ten years, we think it will have a very salutary affect. Let the magistrates, whenever they find persons swearing falsely, turn them over to the Superior Court, and it will put a quietus on it.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.—At the regular meeting held Wednesday night of Wilmington Lodge, No. 64, I. O. of G. T., the following officers were installed by N. B. Broughton, G. W. C. T., assisted by Wm. M. Hays, D. D. G. W. C. T.

Mrs. James Kendrick, W. C. T.
E. F. Scovill, R. H. S.
Richard Koskia, L. H. S.
Walter I. Riker, W. V. T.
John LeGwin, W. R. S.
Miss Julia Lockey, W. A. S.
W. E. N. Sellers, W. F. S.
Miss Sallie Gilbert, W. T.
Miss Mamie Skipper, W. C.
Wm. M. Hays, Jr., W. M.
Miss Lue Yopp, W. D. M.
Miss Anna [illegible], [illegible]
Wm. Barlow, W. O. G.
Jas. A. Alderman, P. W. C. T.

There was a Debating Society organized in this city on the 3d of January 1876, to be known and styled, the Young Men's Literary Debating Association, for the purpose of intellectual improvement.

The following named officers were duly elected;

President—A. A. Dudley.
Vice-President—P. W. Lawrence.
Secretary—Chas. H. Thomas.
Assistant Secretary—Scott B. Sanders.
Treasurer—E. A. Dudley.
Tellers—Chas. King and McLoften.
Editor—C. M. Epps.

The members are notified to meet on next Monday evening for important business. The list is still open for membership.

"Zeb Crummet" says.—"Now will the festive bed bug skirmish around the "ragged edge of the sheet seeking a "soft spot" upon the "tall form" of the "painfully modest" young lady who arises, and, "screaming" and "sleeping" strikes a light, goes in search of the intruder, murmuring, "I almost wish that I was head."

W. N. C. RAILROAD.—The track has been laid to Malone's store, and persons visiting the west need not fear having to pass any more over that miserably bad road, known as "Dark Hollow," it is only about 30 miles, over a very fine turnpike, from Malone's store to Asheville, one of the prettiest towns in North Carolina. We believe these additional three miles will increase the summer travel at least 50 per cent. over and beyond the Swananoa Gap. Our mountain friends may commence at once preparing to take care of their next summer visiters, for they certainly will need additional hotel accommodations. The east intends to shake hands with the west next July, across the beautiful Swananoa.

North Carolinians intend to be strangers to each other no longer, but close and intimate friends. Instead of the ten or twelve thousand persons of the east, seeking the mountain air of Virginia for their health and recreation, they will visit the rivers of life in western North Carolina and enjoy the fine scenery, ice cold water, and as fine a society as any country the coast of, and the prettiest girls—the only great drawback is the homely men, but they are wholesouled good fellows.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

WASHINTON, D. C., Jan. 29, 1876.

The Senate this week passed the law defining the rights of homestead settlers on lands granted to railroads. The point in the law is that lands granted shall not be considered withdrawn until the notice of withdrawal has been filed in the local land office, where the land is subject to entry. This is what the settlers demanded, and roads have claimed that land was withdrawn when notice was filed in the General Land Office. The roads will fight the bill in the House, but there is little doubt of its passage.

FALSE ECONOMY.

In their frantic efforts to go before the people on the platform of retrenchment, and show that they have effected a great saving in expenditures, the Democratic committee on Appropriation, under the lead of the Salary Grabber, Randall, are trying to cripple the diplomatic and consular service and the West Point Academy. When the Democratic party was in power, the system of consular service was so arranged that the consuls, at the ports where a large number of American ships traded, received immense salares, the ordinary revenue of the consuls at Liverpool and Havana, being over fifty dollars per annum, whilst many received almost nothing. This system was changed by the republicans, and the pay of consuls was limited and made more equal, while the service was rendered more effective. The effort is now being made to cripple the service.

It is notorious that our ministers and diplomatic agents abroad do not receive pay more than sufficient to enable them to live decently, and yet their salaries are to be reduced. The estimates for the expenses of West Point were $437,000, and this has been cut down to $231,000, a sum entirely insufficient to carry on the institution. Is it singular that the efforts of the confederate democracy through their servile tool, Randall, should be to cripple and discredit the nursery of our military officers, the guardians of our sailors when abroad, and the diplomatic corps whose efforts prevented their recognition when they were in arms? Those were three of the agencies that helped materially to crush the rebellion, and they are now made to feel the vengeance of the rebels. The pension list they did not dare to attack yet reserving that for another congress, when the democratic party may have greater power, when the crippled soldiers will be made to feel the power of the triumphant rebels.

THE WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS

are here in force demanding the right for women to vote in the District of Columbia. The arguments used are the old stereotyped ones about "taxation without representation," and "the power of protection the ballot gives." There is no question of the fact that the idea of woman suffrage is gradually gaining strength. It is the old story of the continual dropping of water wearing away the stone. Numbers of prominent men favor the experiment, but not enough to make it successful, and the women will have to wait a while longer.

THE REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

will be reorganized in caucus to-day—a committee having been appointed last week for that purpose. It is said Senator Howe will be chairman, and Mr. E. P. Brooks, editor of the National Republican, secretary. Whether this be so or not every step is being taken to make a complete and perfect canvass, and to secure that harmony and unanimity in the party that leads to certain success. The elections last year emboldened the democrats, and had they any fixed principles uniting the great body of the party, instead of being an incongruous mass, they might have some hope of success, as it is they have none, except the inertia of the republicans. They will be disappointed as to that, for the people are being thoroughly aroused by the confederates of the House, and do not intend to let the country pass under the rule of the late rebels. The northern democratic Senators became so thoroughly alarmed by the number of letters that were sent them in regard to such speeches as those of Ben Hill and Tucker, that they held a caucus, and have put a bridle upon the tongue of the ku klux Major General Gordon, and others who intended replying to Senator Morton's speech on Mississippi. The committee on Privileges and Elections have reported against the claim of Mr. Eustis to a seat in the Senate.

TARIFF TINKERING.

Mr. Morrison, from the committee of Ways and Means, will on Monday report a bill levying ten cents per pound on coffee and three cents per pound on tea, thus putting an odious tax on the poor man's luxuries. At the same time he proposes to re-establish the inquisitorial income tax, the most repulsive of the necessary war taxes and one that was repealed at the almost universal demand of the people.

GAGGING THE PRESS.

The committee on Post Offices and Post Roads made itself unpleasantly conspicuous by presenting a bill under the pretence of preventing the circulation of obscene literature which was intended to gag the press. Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, quickly exposed the character of legislation intended in the bill, and the democratic majority was forced to recommit it.

CHEAP TRANSPORTATION

is one of the grand problems before this Congress. From every section of the country, North, East, South and West, comes the cry from the consumers and producers, demanding that the Government shall inaugurate some measures which will cheapen the rates of freight. The railroad men are here in force to prevent, if money and work can accomplish it, any measure of relief. General Hurlburt's bill providing for the construction of a great freight route from St. Louis, Council Bluffs, and Chicago to New York, on the Belgian plan, meets with some favor. Tom Scott's proposal, as presented this year, in regard to building the Texas and Pacific road meets with almost universal favor, about the only opposition coming from Jay Gould's and the Central Pacific men.

THE FOREIGN NEWS

of most importance is that there is a good prospect of the settlement of the church troubles in Germany, the submission of the clergy to the "Falk law." By the Cologne Gazette of the 27th says: "Notwithstanding the reiterated denials of the ultramontane journals, we learn from Berlin that the Catholic clergy and laymen are using their influence with the Pope to obtain sanction for a formal submission to the Falk laws, in the confident hope that, though outwardly accepting, they will be able to deprive them of their efficiency against the church. A pamphlet is announced from the pen of Herr Reichensberger, one of the most prominent leaders of the party, which is understood to be intended to clear the way for the proposed compromise."

The interminable accounts of victories and defeats from Spain and Turkey continue to come over the wires. No reliance can be placed upon the reports on either side. The South American States, San Salvador and Guatemala, are about to commence war; and Porfirio Diaz is starting a revolution in Mexico.

MAXWELL.

From the Inter Ocean.

### Rebel Claims.

Although the impertinence of the Southern members of the House and their abuse of the government and the Northern people are exceedingly aggravating, the danger of their return to Congress does no lie in their bombast so much as in their votes. We know what their brag and bluster are worth, and we can afford to smile at them. But when it comes to legislative action the case is different. During the campaign of 1872 the Inter Ocean warned the north that if the rebels and their sympathizers obtained at that election, or any future election, control of the government, an attempt would be made to saddle millions upon millions of southern claims upon the country now barred by the laws of the land. Our prediction has been more than verified, because even with a partial success, and only one branch of the Legislature in their possession, when they know that claims of this character cannot succeed, they will not resist the temptation to begin the programme by introducing bills looking to the very result we foreshadowed. While the loud-talking Democratic leaders are announcing measures of economy, and putting forward propositions to disband the army, cripple the navy, and destroy the usefulness of the diplomatic corps, the workers behind the scenes are quietly introducing bills pay rebels for property destroyed during the war, and paving the way for a deluge of claims of every description. If the gate should be once opened—and will be if the men who now rule the House should ever succeed in obtaining possession of the other branches of the government—the flood would overwhelm the country and precipitate it into inevitable bankruptcy and ruin. Yet thousands of northern people, with this danger staring them in the face, continue to lend their aid to the success of a party governed and controlled by such men.

Our special dispatch from Washington this morning alludes to the matter of these claims, and gives the text of a few bills introduced in the House. One appropriates $58,000 to pay the representatives of Thomas Hord, of Tennessee, for supplies alleged to have been taken by the army of the United States. Another gives one Sarah A. Turner $12,000 for the alleged destruction of her property in the same State. Another still gives Andrew Duncan $39,000 for property said to have been taken from him, and so on. We haven't the slightest doubt that there are demands of this character in existence amounting to more than the entire national debt of the United States, to say nothing of the claims for slaves, for rebel pensions, and the vast sum known as the Confederate debt. The latter are barred by the Fourteenth Amendment, but we have heretofore shown how this could be overcome in case these men gain control of the government. Washington is full of claim agents The offices of these agents are filled with demands against the government, all prepared in due form and ready for presentation. The Southern Commission rejected last year claims amounting to millions of dollars, and these of the better class, too, having some show of equity. Of course it could not be otherwise than that a vast army passing through a country like the South, in the effort to subjugate it, should destroy great quantities of property. This is a part of war; but having rebelled against the authority of the government, and been conquered, the South now propose that the government shall pay for having reduced it to submission! To say this is impudent is only to say that it is Southern. To say that it is iniquitous is only to say that a criminal should not be paid for the very arms with which he has defended himself against the officers of justice. It is, perhaps well that the present House is constituted as it is. The designs of those against whom the Inter-Ocean has so often warned the country are likely to become so plain and palpable that the Northern people will be compelled to notice them and take measures to guard the nation against the threatened ruin. If they mark the signs, as we think they will, the present rule of the Confederate branch of Congress will be exceedingly brief.

Ben Hill claims that when his party went out of the Union they took the constitution of the United States with them. Floyd and company took the guns and the money.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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W. H. P. CANADAY,
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NOTICE.

UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE, DEPUTY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE. THIRD DISTRICT, NORTH CAROLINA.

WILMINGTON, January 22d, 1876.

United States
vs.
9 Boxes Manufactured Plug Tobacco.

Seized at Wilmington, N. C, on the 22d day of January, 1876, as the property of David Burchet, or unknown, Nine Boxes Manufactured Plug Tobacco: wherefore the said David Burchet and any other parties are notified that they must come forward within thirty days and show cause why the same should not be forfeited to the United States, otherwise forfeiture will result for violation of U. S. Internal Revenue Laws.

O. H. BLOCKER, Collector.
By T. M. SMITH, Deputy.

January 28—3t.

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AN ORDINANCE

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Be it ordained by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Wilmington, N. C., as follows:

That no Lumber, Brick, Wood, Coal, or Naval Stores shall be landed or piled on wharves at foot of Dock, Market or Princess streets.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That not more than one cord of wood shall be landed at any one time, by any person, on the wharves at the foot of Orange or Mulberry streets.

Any person violating the terms of this ordinance shall be subject to a

FINE OF TEN DOLLARS

for each and every offense.

The above ordinance was passed by the Board of Aldermen December 13th, 1875.

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