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WILMINGTON POST ADVERTISING RATES.

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BANK OF NEW HANOVER.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

[illegible]

DAWSON HANS.

[illegible]

THAT QUADROON BALL.

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The Legislature of North Carolina on the passage of the Electoral Commission bill hurried forward to congratulate Congress upon the event, and Senator Merrimon was duly instructed to present to the body of which he is a member the preamble and resolutions which had been forwarded to him for that purpose. This he did on the 8th inst., in a very neat and pretty speech. Now that the Commission have decided that Hayes and Wheeler have been duly elected. We hope that our Legislature will not "go back" on what they then "resolved," which was to the effect that the bill was "wise and patriotic."

A Washington says: "If Donald Morrison, of the Illinois Legislature, had not elected David Davis to the Senate of the United States, the vote would have been 7 to 8, instead of 8 to 7, and the army of Democratic office seekers would have, ere this, been marching on Washington." Not correct; Judge Davis would have voted with the Republicans every time.

It takes Comin's nose and the people's eyes, the eyes will have it.

It is reported that the United States troops at Smithville, under the command of Col. Pennington, are soon to proceed to Washington, to which place they have been ordered. We tender our sincerest sympathies to the young ladies of Smithville, at the loss they will sustain when Lieut. Mast leaves them. The outline of a Mast is he, and wherever he goes we know his flag will float the mastiest.

Douglass in the exceedingly weak and wishy washy style of editorials of the Post recently, and the mean, stupid and lying things that it has at the Republican members of the Electoral Commission, one might suppose that he was either editor had gone back "to the rear" movement, or that he had not received his pass of the *Journal* [illegible] service at reduced rates.

Mr. Thos. H. Pope has issued the first two numbers of his new [illegible] *Mail Bag*, and everybody is raising to get copies, expecting to find an exclusive editorial on the subject of "Education and how to apply Educational Funds." We don't get serve any to get letters written by Dr. Scott to the [illegible].

We fear our rash boys of Raleigh are losing their true Democratic instincts and are amusing themselves at the refined and gentlemanly employment of sneaking around residences at night, and watching to catch glimpses of young ladies as they are preparing to retire. Brave and chivalrous young gentlemen!

The Democrats thought that they could make people believe that 7 was more than 8, and now they are as mad as hornets because 8 honest men will not consent to allow 7 dishonest men to name a dishonest man for President.—We believe in 8 to 7 each time.

The muse, full of fire and vim, yet mellowed down with gentle harmony, has settled down upon the head of a western poet with the following result:

Hayes, crushed to earth, again has risen—
The Presidential chair is his;
While Tilden, wounded, wriggles medly,
And died because he hadn't Bradley.

The Republican party, fairly victorious at the polls in November, is again on the eve of another triumph, and the indications are that R. B. Hayes will be inaugurated President of the United States on the 5th day of next month.

We publish in another column to-day the bill to establish a system of county government as it passed the House of Representatives. This is the most important bill which the General Assembly has acted on.

And now woe-begone Democrats are busily engaged in wiping their weeping eyes.

A $5,000 Diamond Found in a Tarrapin's Craw.

Judge Dibble of the Second Comptroller's office, Treasury Department, is exceedingly partial to good eating, and knows when he has a meal fit for the gods. A friend knowing his fondness for good things, sent a present of a few diamond-backs. The servant, in dressing them, came across something in the craw of the tarripin, hard and solid, that bothered her considerable. It resembled both stone and glass, and she could not make out what it might be. The family were referred to, and finally the substance was taken to the jewelry store of Messrs. Galt Bro. & Co. where, after examination, it was pronounced to be a diamond, and valued at $5,000. Mrs. Dibble was rejoiced at the discovery, and the tarrapin was further investigated, but no more precious gems were secreted in the craw. The diamond-back verified its name truly, but it will probably be a long time before another yields up so much wealth.

CITY ITEMS.

WANTED.

I will take a pair of [illegible] and treat them well, in fact, take the best care of them for their work during the winter to work in the city.

A. [illegible]

Capt. [illegible] has returned from New York.

Judge French [illegible] good health again.

The clay [illegible] completed.

The Electric [illegible] on the Oregon question.

We saw a pair of [illegible] yesterday in full [illegible].

The Legislature will adjourn about the 4th of July, provided the Treasury gives out.

Mr. R. [illegible] very nicely [illegible] Red Cross [illegible].

Mr. W. A. Wright, of the [illegible] law firm of Wright & [illegible], of this city, is in Raleigh.

We [illegible] are having [illegible] drive [illegible].

Now [illegible] get more [illegible] they can come [illegible] cerde.

The [illegible] landscape [illegible] Williams [illegible] fellows [illegible].

Dr. Chris[illegible] street, will [illegible] a large [illegible] work [illegible].

Mr. R. [illegible] Paddy's H[illegible] nice [illegible].

Can't [illegible] down [illegible] and P[illegible] Ha[illegible].

Capt. [illegible] Eastern [illegible] days ago. He [illegible] married man.

Real estate, we understand, is improving in prices, and the demands are much [illegible] a few weeks. We have heard of several important sales in the past week.

Mr. James Wilson has offered himself for the governorship of the [illegible] Wilmington. We don't know [illegible] about its condition. We were [illegible] we would be able to lay it before our readers, but failed to obtain a copy of it.

George Myers says the [illegible] any circus man [illegible] he can't rule three of them [illegible] his store. The best [illegible] in America.

The Adrian Engine Company [illegible] their anniversary ball at the City Hall on Tuesday night last. We understand it was one of the finest that has been given in the city during the past winter, and the way the Adrian boys enjoyed it was high.

Godey's Lady's Book for March is received, and we can only say that it is fully as good as usual. Now is the time to subscribe and secure this beautiful [illegible] entitled "The Mother's Joy," price [illegible] Address L. A. Godey, No. [illegible] Sixth and Chestnut streets, Philadelphia, Pa. Terms, $3 00 in advance.

Col. John Wilder Atkinson, of the firm of Atkinson & Manning, says in his opinion, all persons who don't insure with Atkinson and Manning don't rightly study their own interest. We certainly can recommend this firm as polite gentlemen, and they represent some of the very best fire insurance companies in America. They do business on business principles.

T. B. Peterson & Brothers, No. 306 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa., Has published a book on rules and practice of the Game of Euchre, as adopted by the Euchre Club, of Washington, D. C., by a Professor, one of the oldest and most noted Euchre Players in the United States, and a member of the Washington, Euchre Club. To which is added the laws and rules for playing draw poker. Every person should have the book, it is complete and interesting, bound in morocco cloth—price $1.00. For sale at Heinsberger's Live Book Store.

The other day on the Central Railway a Democrat was reading in a morning paper, the decision of the Electoral Commission in regard to Louisiana; He threw down the paper and exclaimed "I'll be d—d if Abbott isn't going to hold his office another four years!" This is certainly a comprehensive view of a great public event. This chap is a specimen Southern Democratic statesman.

W. H. Fishblate, Esq. This distinguished gentlemen, one of the best looking men in North Carolina, is still a candidate for high honors, and he can convince every man in the city that he is the right man in the right place. He is now advocating women suffrage, and says that all ladies who come to his store, shall vote for just such goods as they want, and as cheap as they can be purchased in the United States.

Capt. Steward Johnson, the humble representative from Washington county, arrived in our city a few days ago. He is looking well, and evidently imagining the chagrin looks of the Democratic office seekers, over the down-fall of Tilden. Capt. Johnson thinks the faces of the Democrats have doubled in length since the Tilden explosion. We wish Capt. Johnson *many* years of health and prosperity.

Superior Court of Brunswick county, convenes on Monday next, Judge A. S. Seymour, of Craven County, will preside. Judge Seymour is one of the very best Judges in North Carolina, he stands higher as a jurist, as a scholar, and as a gentleman. The Bar wherever he goes, speaks flattering of him, the people all like the polite manner in which he treats every one, we hope the Judge will be well received by our people.

The Democratic press is very much out with Governor Vance for appointing Kirk's Sergeant, as State's proxy on the A. & N. C. Railroad. Way, if he wanted to appoint him Arundell would have been a "Conservative, Liberal, Whig, Democrat, Jeffersonian or Republican" before this. He has changed at least ten different parties, and if either one of them get in power, Arundell expects a change.

Give the Democrats only a war and we will soon be hearing from scenes of brutal tyranny and hellish malignity, unknown since the so called "dark ages" of the world; witness the treatment bestowed on Governor Wells of Louisiana, by the Democratic House of Representatives.

The Democrats feel very sick and are looking very far, for a little bit of comfort to the cold Oregon Star.

If the stubborn Republicans would only change their tactics and go for Tilden they would immediately become patriotic statesmen of the first water and never more be called partizans.

Ladies should purchase visiting cards with their names engraved thereon, in small quantities, where the husband is in ill health they should study economy and probabilities.

The committee appointed by the Legislature, consisting of Messrs. Stanford, of Duplin, of the Senate, and [illegible], of Washington, and Shackelford, of Onslow, to visit Tarboro, Weldon, Goldsboro and Wilmington, and select a suitable place to establish an asylum for the colored insane of the State, arrived in our city on Wednesday last. We hope the committee will see proper to recommend Wilmington, as we certainly can offer in buildings and location very superior advantages to any that can be offered elsewhere. An asylum in or near Wilmington can be made self-sustaining by working the insane on a truck garden, as all the vegetables can be sold in this market for three times as much as they would bring in any other market in the State, besides, we have the finest soil in North Carolina for truck farming. The county of New Hanover pays one twelfth of all the taxes of the State, and her citizens are entitled to some consideration. We hope the Legislature will conclude to establish the asylum at Wilmington, the healthiest place in North Carolina.

"The Fatal Secret," by Mrs. Emma D. E. N. Southworth, printed from Mrs Southworth's Manuscript, written expressly for publication in book form, and never before issued in any form whatever, has just been published by T. B. Peterson & Brothers Philadelphia, Pa. It would be small praise to assert that "The Fatal Secret" is one of the best stories that has ever fallen from the pen of the gifted Mrs. Southworth. Not lacking one whit in the thrilling interest which characterizes all of her romances, "The Fatal Secret" will no doubt prove to be one of the most popular volumes ever issued by this author. No words from us are necessary to commend this book to Mrs. Southworth's many admirers; for they will find in it no falling off of the power that has made her "Ishmael," "Self-Raised," and other previous books so attractive to them, for the style is spirited, and the intense interest is sustained to the end, which is admirably supplemented by a collection of brief and interesting stories by Mrs. Baden, a sister of Mrs. Southworth. These brief narratives are each charming—all perfect gems of prose fiction—orient pearls at random strung. All of Mrs. Southworth's forty-two books are put up in a neat box, and are bound in cloth, with full gilt backs, price $1.75 each or $73,50 for the complete set, and copies of any one or more of the volumes, or a complete set, will be sent to any address, free of postage, or freight prepaid, on remitting the price to the Publishers. For sale at Heinsberger's Live Book Store, Wilmington, N. C.

The New Excitement

In another column we have given an account of the wonderful theory of General Pleasanton concerning the curative effects of blue glass as a medium for sunlight for invalids. The mania has taken deep hold on our town, and everybody is experimenting with blue glass. Some of these experiments are ludicrous and very amusing, and, as might be expected, some quaint attempts are made to test the truth of it. A few days ago a well-known citizen went hurrying into the store of Geo. Myers and demanded a bottle of "Blue Grass," saying he had read in the papers that it was a cure for weak eyes, and he intended to try the experiment, even if it required a bottle every day in the week. George looked benignantly over his spectacles and produced the desired article, although, as he told the Post's reporter, that he was under the impression that some little mistake had been made in spelling and pronouncing a part of the name. But those boys are quick to catch an idea, and now they have exported a quantity of blue glass principally to the chronic sufferers, and every fellow who has sore eyes, erysipelas, fantods or any other of the ills that flesh is heir to, doesn't go to the drug stores any more, but rushes off to George Myers' and calls for Blue glass, backed with blue grass, sweet mash, old mortality, old rye, gem, plug or anything else, and they are [illegible] from the [illegible] money of their wives there, and the [illegible] operations on blue glass that they take away with them, the curative effects must be as astonishing as they are hilarious.

Blue glass is superseding the use of blue mass, and the druggists are not happy, howbeit, some of them are emptying all of their big green bottles in their windows that alone exhibit the proper color, and are refilling them with liquid of the cerulean hue.

One druggist on Market street is contemplating making application to the Legislature to change his name, as he does not wish to be considered verdant, and wants to be equal to the demands of the day.

A glass blower recently died in a very advanced age, another proof of the blue glass theory.

An [illegible] ever had a "blue glass" [illegible] ach.

An [illegible] glass [illegible] to cure [illegible].

An editor of a Democratic paper of this city, who has sore blue dark eyes, and keeps the skin in mourning by carbet face trimmings, has taken to wearing blue glass goggles and looks that way when he writes his editorials.

We [illegible] who wish to preserve their health that our rooms surrounded by blue frames [illegible] quite as well as blue glass window and reflects quite as well.

The *Review* man told us confidentially that all the cheap drinking saloons have blue glass tumblers from which topers drink their drams, and that the cerulean hue on the end of his nose was in consequence of his having poked it so often into the end of blue glass tumblers and elevating them both so that the sunlight might strike it obliquely. He is getting now to be quite a tumbler himself.

An experimenter living on Market street, having afflicted with an excess of mother-in-law, put blue glass in her chamber windows, having a southern exposure, and closed her in, and in four days the beloved creature emerged like a butterfly from [illegible] and is now on the rampage for a new husband.

In a fashionable Third street church whose windows are embellished with the famous color, there was a rush made last Sunday by ladies, with wary noses and freckled faces, to obtain seats so that the coveted blue sunlight might fall upon them during service. It has resulted in that portion of the congregation getting into the sanctuary at least fifteen minutes earlier than usual.

The Post makes the suggestion that all school teachers be required to wear blue glass spectacles, and that a room for the reformation of refractory pupils be glazed with blue glass, and that theory be acted on instead of the strap and birch. What say the boys to the proposition?

It is now understood that one of the great reasons why the Confederacy did not succeed in the rebellion was because the boys in blue wore the favorite color of heaven.

Keepers of Bar rooms and other places of entertainment, as well as those persons visiting, is called to Chapter 32, Section 78 and 79 of Battle's Revisal published below.

Sec. 78. If any person shall bet money, property or anything of value, whether the same be in stake or not, at any game of cards which shall be played in any ordinary tavern, or house of entertainment, or in any house wherein spirituous liquors are retailed, or any part of the premises, occupied with such ordinary, tavern, house of entertainment, or house wherein spirituous liquors are sold as aforesaid, or shall play at such game of cards; the person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and any fine imposed on the offence shall not be less than ten dollars.

Sec 79. If any keeper of an ordinary, or house of entertainment, or of a house wherein spirituous liquors are retailed, shall knowingly suffer any game of cards, at which money or property, or anything of value is bet, whether the same be in stake or not, to be played in any such house, or any part of the premises occupied therewith; or shall furnish persons so playing or betting with drink or anything for their comfort or subsistance during the time of play, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined not less than ten dollars, and be imprisoned not more than thirty days.

A Bill to be Entitled an Act to Establish County Governments

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. Every county is a body politic and corporate, and shall have the powers prescribed by statute, and those necessarily implied by law and no other.

Sec. 2. In each county there shall be elected biennially by the qualified voters thereof, as provided for by the members of the General Assembly, a register of deeds and surveyor, and in such counties as the majority of the justices shall so direct, a treasurer.

Sec. 3. The townships heretofore created or hereafter established shall be distinguished by well defined boundaries, and may be altered, and additional townships created by the board of county commissioners; but no township shall have or exercise any corporate powers whatever, unless allowed by act of the General Assembly to be exercised under the supervision of the board of county commissioners.

Sec. 4. The justices of the peace shall be elected by the General Assembly. The General Assembly at its present session, shall elect three justices of the peace for each township in the several counties of the State, who shall be divided into three classes, and hold their offices for the terms of two, four and six years respectively, but the successors of each class, as its term expires, shall be elected by the General Assembly for the term of six years. In addition to the justices of the peace above provided for, there shall be elected by the General Assembly for each township in which any city of incorporated town is situated, one justice of the peace, and also one for every one thousand inhabitants in such city or town, who shall hold their terms of office for six years. The Governor shall certify to the clerks of the Superior Courts of the several counties in this State a list of all justices of the peace elected for their several counties with the terms for which they shall have been appointed and this shall be their commission, and the clerk of the Superior Court shall notify said justices of their appointment who shall thereupon be entitled to enter upon the duties of their office upon taking before the said clerk the oath of office now prescribed by law for justices of the peace. For the terms of those elected at the present session of the General Assembly shall begin at the expiration of the terms for which the justices of the peace now in office shall have been elected, and not before.

Sec. 5. The justices of the peace for each county, on the first Monday in August, 1877, and on the first Monday in August every two years thereafter, shall assemble at the court house of their respective counties, and a majority being present, shall proceed to the election of not less than three nor more than five persons, to be chosen from the body of the county, including the justices of the peace, who shall be styled the board of commissioners for the county of [illegible], and shall hold their offices for two years, from the date of their qualification, and until their successors shall be elected and qualified. But those elected on the first Monday in August, 1878, shall enter upon the duties of their office immediately upon the expiration of the terms of those of the board of county commissioners now in office, have been elected, and not before. They shall be qualified by taking the oath of office before the clerk of the Superior Court, or some judge, or justice of the peace, as now prescribed by law, and the register of deeds shall be ex officio clerk of the board of commissioners. Provided, however, That the board of commissioners shall not have power to levy taxes to purchase real property, to remove or designate new sites for county buildings to contract or repair bridges, the cost whereof may exceed five hundred dollars, or to borrow money for the county, nor alter or make additional townships, without the concurrence of a majority of the justices of the peace sitting with them; and for the purposes embraced in this proviso the justices of the peace of the county shall meet with the board of commissioners on the first Monday in August, 1878, and annually thereafter, unless oftener convened by the board of commissioners who are hereby empowered to call together the justices of the peace when necessary; not oftener than once in three months. But for such services the justices of the peace shall receive no compensation.

Sec. 6. The board of commissioners so elected shall have and exercise the jurisdiction and powers vested in the board of commissioners now existing, and also those vested in and exercised by the board of trustees of the several townships, except as may hereafter be prescribed by law; and they shall hold their sessions as may be prescribed by law.

Sec. 7. All the provisions of article 7 of the constitution inconsistent with this act, except those contained in sections 7, 9 and 13, are hereby abrogated, and the provisions of this act substituted in their place: *Subject, however,* to the power of the General Assembly to alter, amend or abrogate the provisions of this act and to substitute others in their stead, as provided for in section 14 of article VII of the Constitution.

Sec. 8. This act shall take effect from and after its ratification.

VARIETIES.

Beautiful weather.

Josh has the Tilden gripes.

The streets are getting dusty.

Kingsbury is still throwing dice.

Cronin's nose didn't elect Tilden.

Bernard is very sick with the Tilden fever.

Bob Kennedy is swearing. He [illegible] a fight.

Six prisoners in the guard house and at work on the streets.

Willis is looking at the Hayes side of the picture.

Muse is on the war path, looking up the history of Cronin's nose.

Harriss has not broke his [illegible] yet—his friends are expecting it every day.

City offices will be [illegible] being the anniversary of Washington's birth.

The next Democratic [illegible] for Congress will make a hard struggle [illegible] it Stanford.

It is very probable that we will have two sets of magistrates [illegible] August next. The Legislature will appoint a lot and the Clerk of the Superior Court will appoint others, as the Constitution authorizes the Clerk to make as many appointments, and does not authorize the Legislature to appoint.

The late George Dawson, of Raleigh, said he hated theology and [illegible] loved religion and flowers.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED.

COUNTY BONDS.

DESIRING TO INVEST THE COUNTY SINKING FUND IN COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER BONDS, we invite [illegible] proposals from holders of said bonds [illegible] amount they desire to sell, [illegible] dress "Finance Committee [illegible] for Bonds." Lowest bids will be [illegible]. Proposals received by the [illegible] signed up to the 26th inst.

JOHN G. WALKER,
JOHN WOLFF,
E. B. WRIGHT,
Finance Committee.

Feb 16—tf.

Statement of Condition of Bank of New Hanover, Including Branches, on February 1, 1877.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	[illegible]
Real estate	[illegible]
Office furniture and safes	[illegible]
Bonds and stocks	[illegible]
Cash in other Banks subject to check	[illegible]
Cash on hand	[illegible]
	[illegible]

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	[illegible]
Undivided profits	[illegible]
Bills payable	[illegible]
Due depositors	[illegible]
	[illegible]

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF BANK AT WILMINGTON, FEB. 1, 1877.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	[illegible]
Real estate	[illegible]
Office furniture and safes	[illegible]
Bonds and stocks	[illegible]
Cash in other Banks subject to check	[illegible]
Cash on hand	[illegible]
	[illegible]

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	[illegible]
Undivided profit	[illegible]
Bills Payable	[illegible]
Due branches	[illegible]
Due depositors	[illegible]
	[illegible]

I, S. D. WALLACE, Cashier of the Bank of New Hanover do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. D. WALLACE, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of February, 1877.

J. HATEN, Notary Public.

Feb 9—tf.

Mr. Grant gave her last reception at the White House last Friday week.