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## THE WAR IN THE PAST.

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## CITY ITEMS.

This is the time of year for the stirring up of Bell's lies.

Mr. Jno. W. Stratis lost three houses by fire, on Monday morning last.

Captain W. M. Parker has returned from a visit to his home in Connecticut, looking well.

The street force, under command of Chief of Police Brocky, is doing good service in keeping the streets clean and properly ditched.

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## MAIL ROBBERY.

We clip the following particulars from the *Sax*: "A suspicion had been aroused for some time past that a young man by the name of Charles Lawton, occupying the position of a clerk in the postoffice at Magnolia, Dugan county, had been tampering with the mails. Finally Col. E. E. Brink, our worthy Postmaster at this place, determined to try an experiment to see if he could find out if the young man was really guilty of the supposed dereliction. With this object in view he prepared a decoy letter, containing \$30.13 in greenbacks, one of the bills being of the denomination of \$20 and the others small bills, the number and description of each bill being taken down so that they could be easily detected. He then had the letter registered and mailed at Magnolia. This was done Saturday evening. The letter, which was addressed to come South, was taken out by Col. Brink at this office and examined on Sunday evening, when it was discovered that the twenty dollar bill had been taken out, leaving only \$10.13 in the letter. On Monday morning Col. Brink went to the office of U. S. Commissioner VanAmringe and procured a warrant for the arrest of young Lawton, which was placed in the hands of U. S. Deputy Marshal VanSoelen, who, accompanied by Col. Brink, took the early train for Magnolia. It happened that the train was considerably behind time, so that when they arrived at Magnolia they only had three minutes to spare in order to catch the return train. Lawton came out to the train the moment it stopped to get the mail, when Col. B., told the officer to take charge of the young man and put him on the other train at once. Lawton wanted to know what was to become of the mail, when Col. B., informed him that he would attend to that. The thing was done so quietly that very few if any of the persons in and about the train knew what had happened. Soon after the train had steamed out from the depot, Col. Brink remarked to young Lawton that before anything more was done about the matter he might as well deliver up the twenty dollar bill which he had abstracted from the letter, at the same time taking out the registered package which he (Lawton) had himself fixed up, upon seeing which he immediately took out his pocket book and handed over the identical note which had been taken from the letter, remarking that there was no use in trying to conceal the fact that he took it.

Arriving at Wilmington young Lawton was taken before U. S. Commissioner VanAmringe at half past 11 o'clock, when the young man submitted the case and was required to enter into a justified bond in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at the next term of the United States District Court, which convenes in this city on the 31st of October, in default of which he was committed to jail.

Charles Lawton, who resided with his father at Magnolia, is only about 21 years of age, and is a young man of very respectable appearance. He remarked to Col. Brink, as an excuse for what he had done, that he was getting a very small salary as a clerk in the postoffice and in consequence of this fact he could not resist the temptation, when he saw that the letter contained money, to appropriate a portion of it to his own use.

Col. Brink deserves much credit for his many and uniformly successful efforts in ferreting out such cases as the above.

"Panola," a Tale of Louisiana, is a Love Story from the pen of Mrs. Sarah A. Dorsey, an accomplished, talented, highly educated Southern lady. It deserves high praise from the fidelity of its gorgeous local coloring; the ease and naturalness of its dialogue, the graphic delineation of individual character, and an unusually well constructed plot. Southern life before and since the civil war, is presented in a manner equally original and accurate. The story is very peculiar, and strikingly original, in its philosophy, its individuality of characters, and the successive steps in the narrative by which the action culminates in a very striking and most unexpected, though highly satisfactory conclusion. "Panola" is published in a large duodecimo volume, beautifully bound in gold and black, by T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia, at the low price of \$1.50 a copy, and will be found for sale by all Booksellers, or copies of it will be sent to any address, free of postage, on remitting \$1.50 in a letter to the Publishers, for sale at P. Heinsberger's Live Book and Music Store.

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## THE QUEEN'S FAVORITE; OR, THE PRICE OF A CROWN, AN HISTORICAL ROMANCE OF THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY, PUBLISHED THIS DAY BY T. B. PETERSON & BROTHERS, PHILADELPHIA, AND MAKES THE SEVENTH VOLUME ISSUED OF "PETERSON'S POPULAR DOLLAR SERIES OF NEW AND GOOD NOVELS," WHICH ARE PROVED TO BE THE MOST POPULAR, AS THEY ARE THE CHEAPEST AND BEST SERIES OF BOOKS EVER ISSUED IN THIS COUNTRY, AS REGARDS SIZE, QUALITY, BINDING, AND PRICE. THE VOLUMES ALREADY ISSUED IN THIS "DOLLAR SERIES" ARE "THE MAN OF THE WORLD," "SELF-LOVE," "SARATOGA," "COUNTRY QUARTERS," "MY SON'S WIFE," "AND THE HAIRLESS IN THE FAMILY," AND "THE QUEEN'S FAVORITE," WILL BE FOUND TO BE FAR SUPERIOR TO THE AVERAGE OF NEW BOOKS OF THE PRESENT DAY, AS THE AUTHOR COMBINES IN IT A GRACEFUL AND ELEGANT STYLE, SPARKLING DIALOGUE, GENUINE DEPTH OF FEELING, HIGHLY CULTIVATED INTELLECT, AND OTHER IMPORTANT ESSENTIALS OF A GOOD NOVELIST. "THE QUEEN'S FAVORITE," AS WELL AS ALL OF THE OTHER VOLUMES IN THIS SERIES, ARE BUT ONE DOLLAR EACH, AND EACH ONE IS AS LARGE AND AS HANDSOME AS ANY BOOK PUBLISHED AT \$1.75 OR \$2.00 EACH, WHILE THEY ARE THE BEST, AS WELL AS THE CHEAPEST BOOKS EVER PRINTED AT THIS PRICE, AND THEY WILL BE FOUND FOR SALE BY ALL BOOKSELLERS, AND ON ALL RAIL ROAD TRAINS, OR COPIES OF ANY OR ALL OF THEM WILL BE SENT TO ANY ONE, TO ANY PLACE, POST-PAID, ON REMITTING ONE DOLLAR IN A LETTER, TO THE PUBLISHERS, T. B. PETERSON & BROTHERS, PHILADELPHIA, PA. FOR SALE AT P. HEINSBERGER'S LIVE BOOK AND MUSIC STORE, ON MARKET BETWEEN FRONT AND SECOND STREETS, WILMINGTON, N. C.

For the Post. MR. EDITOR: As the principal Secretary, Reiss Effendi, being too much engaged during the past week to give his personal attention to the different minor or ordinary daily courts, several dry irons and sledge hammer aggressions, or assaults, with murderous weapons, which were dismissed on payment of costs, cannot be fully explained. Suffice it to notice, that a peripatetic rumor is afloat in regard to our worthy Superior Court Clerk, whom we all know to be a good, sound Democrat, having refused to appoint a certain so-called Republican for the office of a magistrate, simply because it might injure one of the B. Select. May your correspondent be allowed a few questions and explanations through your columns, so that your readers may judge for themselves.

1. Should, or is, the doctrine of the Democracy to obey the mandates of a law, but only for a short time, high official of this state, to dictate, force or coerce the independent people of New Hanover county, to recommend such magistrates as are not qualified—entirely unfit, unintelligible, although, as an honorable judge remarked, endorsed by a Legislature of the State?

2. Why did not the wise men in Raleigh assembled, choose such men, if Republicans they had to choose, as were qualified, with an unblemished character, integrity, treating foes and friends alike, only looking and administering the law alike, knowing and adapted to the office he was called upon to fill? Was it done for a mercenary motive?

3. Why cannot our worthy S. C. C. J. of P. take this matter in consideration, that not only the sinew and bone of the Democratic party of the city alone, but even of the extreme of the county, demands the appointment of a certain well known citizen, in case of a vacancy, when the same courtesy has been extended to them on a simple request. Is this reconciliation and reform?

4. On a former well known anti-foreigner principle, the voice of foreigners (by a certain official called aliens) was not heeded, but when in a little place containing only about 500 foreign votes might not the gentleman who has the appointing power reconsider his prejudices, being a candidate for re-election, and waive party animosity, and set run the dangerous risk of risking his future re-election to family connection and their influence.

5. Allow me to add, that in a small community like this, a certain minority party attempts to coerce a majority and force them to submit to rules detrimental to their own interest, a combination of liberal minded men of both parties must arise, and either force both extremes to withdraw from the field, or by free deliberation, wise counsel and sympathy connect both factions, establish rules for the common good, or everlasting ruin will be the result. To sum up: all parties from the beginning of parties to this day, have ever claimed to be the friends of the people and advocates of policies for the public good. Each and all of them have prospered for a time and gone down, some to be known no more forever. What caused their downfall and destruction? Civil commotion rarely, but faithfulness to the people generally. The cause of Democratic longevity has been its wisdom in obeying the wishes and demands of "the people." Leaders and officers of the grand old Democratic party, remember that a jealous people are watching you! They made you what you are, and you are yet their servants. Obey them! N. N.

Late advice as to the effect that Russia will not allow the war to run into another campaign, and will in a short while strike a vigorous blow to end the contest and fetch Turkey to terms of peace and secure the object had in view when the war began, whatever that was. It is further stated that four of the leading Turkish States and commanders are inimical to and jealous of each other, damaging their success.

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BISHOP SAMUEL FALLOWS, D. D.

ASSOCIATE EDITORS.

THE APPEAL, published weekly, contains a full and complete account of the proceedings of the General Assembly of the Reformed Episcopal Church, and is a most interesting and valuable paper.

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ON AND AFTER MONDAY NEXT THE STREET CARS will commence running at 6 o'clock in the morning, and run every 15 minutes, each way from the Market House, until 10 o'clock, except Saturdays, when they will run until 10:30 o'clock.

There will be a sign on the rear of the car, and the fare board, containing the names of the places the car is going to, either the Market House or the City Hall.

Persons wishing to take the cars, should get on either of the three Boardwalks, and find the Street Cars the cheapest and most convenient way of reaching them. Persons arriving in the city will always find a car at the upper end of Front Street, near Union Street, which will take them to any of the Boardwalks, or to any other part of the Street Car Lines.

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ACCIDENT ON THE TURNPIKE.—An accident occurred to the team of Mr. Patrick Larkins, on Monday morning last, as it was being driven to the south, by which that gentleman lost a valuable horse. The point at which the accident happened is about three and a half miles from the city, on the turnpike, at a place known as Sour Grass Pond, the road at that particular spot being overflowed in consequence of the late heavy rains, while on each side of the road is a deep ditch. The horses got off the road into one of the ditches and before they could be cut loose from the harness one of them was drowned. Two little boys, son of Mr. Larkins, who were on the wagon, also made a narrow escape.

Since the accident we learn that the Superintendent has closed and barricaded the road at that point and constructed a new road at that point and so that there will be no danger in future of the occurrence of a similar accident.

PERSECUTION OF THE EDITOR OF THIS PAPER.—The Robeson Superior Court convenes next Monday, 24th instant, when the Editor of the Post will be tried for libeling the Commissioners of Robeson county concerning the outrage perpetrated upon the good people of that county in 1875, by giving certificates of election to the men who were not elected. We published the outrage, or in other words, thoroughly ventilated the whole matter, and the Commissioners had us indicted for libel. We attended the next Court and made affidavit that we could not get a fair trial in Robeson and the case was removed to Columbus county. Last Court acting Solicitor, believing as he did, that it was a persecution entered a *not. pros.* against the defendant, Canaday, whereupon the faithful, the Commissioners, become very indignant. They went immediately over to Robeson Court the next week and had another indictment found. And so it will be seen by our friends that we are being persecuted for partisan purposes. We are to be hauled up to every term of Robeson Court, for what? Because we are Republicans and have expressed Republican principles. We exposed the grossest outrage that ever was committed upon the good people of that or any other Republican county, and for this the County Commissioners, who have the selecting of the jurors who find those bills, are carrying on the persecution. We will give in our next a full statement of the trial, even if we have to write it behind the bars of Robeson county jail.

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