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Subscribers will please notice that all papers bearing the BLACK CROSS will be stopped unless payment is made.

Ettinger's Goods beat A. T. Stewart's prices, 3c.

Eggs-ample in market.

The Shad season is over.

New Potatoes in market.

Arrests for the week, 11.

Lent bows itself out to day.

We have received no notes!

The El Cid arrived yesterday.

City Court opens to-morrow.

Munson & Co., duty competition.

The powder is being removed from the Cuba.

Get your Business Cards at the Post Printing Office.

Moonlight excursion to the sound to-morrow evening.

The railing has been placed around the Baptist Church.

Look out for compromise fighting Insurance Companies.

New styles of Bill Heads at the Post Printing Office.

Eliza White was escorted to the Poor House yesterday.

RAIL ROAD RECEIPTS for sale at the POST PRINTING OFFICE.

Why is Ettinger like a philosopher? Because he studies how to sell cheap goods.

The mercury went up and down yesterday from 61 to 80; taking a stand of 63 at dusk.

"All the flowers of spring" are visible in our girls' cheeks as they walk about enjoying the balmy air of April.

The cheapest paper in the United States is the "Post" published Thursday and Sunday and sent any where at \$3.00 paid in advance.

HERE WE GO AGAIN.—Ettinger reduces his Dress Goods 5 cents on a yard from this date. Come and price the same goods and satisfy yourself and carry off your bargains in glory.

This number of *Every Saturday* has a continuation of Dickens' new story, "The Mystery of Edwin Drood," which has already excited great popular interest. Fields, Osgood & Co., Publishers, Boston.

New styles of VISITING CARDS, only TWO DOLLARS a hundred! At the Post printing office.

The brightening skies of Spring seem to not only allure our Wilmington fair out in the sunshine, but our merchants open their hearts and *post* themselves to the Post printing office where our jolly job presses turn out the most artistic of Printing!

The Almanac man of the *Journal* is equal to the Arithmetic-man of the *World*. He makes the Jewish Passover occur on Friday evening. Easy neighbor! Last evening if you please. No *hutzpah!* *Shabbis* commences with the appearance of the stars. *For states!*

Country Clubs can get the "Post" at two dollars per annum! Clubs of five TEN DOLLARS!!!

AN! HA!—"He who smokes thinks like a philosopher," said Byron. Ah! but he who smokes the celebrated "Eureka" Durham tobacco, of which Henry Burkhalter is sole agent, is a philosopher, for his thoughts will never "end in smoke." Our advice is, to all that would offer up income to the adored god, to purchase thereof. We puff it, 'tis excellent.

SALE OF MULES.—At the sale of City Mules yesterday at the City Hall by Messrs. James and Mearns, one of the aforesaid "animals," brought \$140, and another \$110. Offer at \$20 and \$21 respectively.

Why is Ettinger's Store like a Fountain? Because it fills with customers in the morning and remains so all day.

And why so? Because he sells cheaper goods than any other merchant outside of New York. 3c.

At Barry Brothers' wharf we noticed a large alligator chained and ready for shipment to New York. It will be presented to the Central Park Commissioners, by Major Barry, as a slight appreciation of their efforts to establish a Zoological Garden. May the native "tar heel" "gater" stick to the Park so long as he gets his feed, and this he seemed to enjoy greatly at his present stopping place.

BELL OF THE BELLES.—At the wharf foot of Market street, yesterday, we noticed the long talked of bell, which will soon fright all Fayetteville.

It was manufactured by the "Troy Bell Foundry," of Messrs. Jones & Co., of Troy, N. Y. and will weigh no doubt, including frame, some 3,000 pounds. In raised letters are the following words: "Presented to the M. E. Church South, by the Ladies of the Congregation, Fayetteville, N. C. 1870."

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—The Constitution fixes the term of the Public Schools at four months in the year, but School Committees may arrange to have the term divided if in their judgment a majority of the children in the District will be accommodated thereby—that is the committee may contract to have the school opened two months in the winter or early spring, and two months after the crops are so far completed that children employed on farms may be spared therefrom.

So says the *Standard*.

I came from New York to Wilmington—

I came to stay;

I am selling Dry Goods,

And almost giving them away.

Receive New Goods

Every steamer day,

And if you pass Ettinger's,

Drop in, I say;

Should you buy any goods,

I send them where you stay—

No charge nor trouble,

For I have a two-legged dray.

Wm. Ettinger, 15 Market-street,

The cheap store—don't go astray.

GENERAL RUTHERFORD'S FAREWELL.—Quite a large and enthusiastic assemblage, greeted this soldier's farewell evening taking of our city, on last Friday evening at the City Hall. The speeches delivered were sober, earnest and teemed with affectionate allusions to the service of this officer, both in the army and in civil service. General Rutherford spoke feelingly of the regretful, and inexorable departure, and pictured the condition of the colored man from the period at which he arrived here, in charge of the Bureau, and their status at the present time. After the speech of the General, a pleasant surprise was effected by the presentation to him of a handsome ebony cane, gold mounted.

Considering that the farewell was completely impromptu and unannounced; it was a success. General Rutherford carries with him to his new position as Third Auditor of the Treasury, the affectionate remembrances of all our colored people; an unsullied record, and the hearts of legions of friends. May success attend him.

Independent in every thing is the "Post" at Two Dollars a year to clubs of five.

EASTER SUNDAY.—To-day wherever the Cross is recognizable as the emblem of our Saviour suffering; the day of resurrection is observed. 'Tis rather remarkable that this day and that of the feast of the Teutonic Goddess, *Ostern* should simultaneously be celebrated. The derivation of the word *Easter*, undoubtedly takes its origin from *Ostern*, the Teutonic for Easter, signifying of the Spring.

Hence the custom of Easter eggs, and the fantastic coloring of the same in London, Berlin and even the large cities of the Union. Among the Greeks and Romans it was made a day of unlimited feasting, while the English Church, and the Calvinists maintain a great solemnity.

The Greek and Roman Catholic churches did not celebrate it at precisely the same time, and while some Christians were mourning in commemoration of the passion, others were rejoicing in the resurrection of our Saviour. In the second century, the dispute became warm. The Eastern church would not discountenance the celebration of the feast at the same time with the Jews; whilst the Western church insisted upon celebrating it without the paschal lamb, and beginning it on Sunday, the day of

Christ's resurrection. It was finally settled by the Council of Nice, 325 that the feast should be held on the Sunday following the first full moon after the vernal equinox, and

GRAND CELEBRATION. The colored citizens of New Hanover county have resolved to have a grand "May day" celebration on the 2d of the coming month in honor of the adoption of the Fifteenth Amendment. Many speakers will address the gathering, and it is to be hoped that the sentiment of Representative Dockery loudly applauded in the Washington meeting will be repeated here. Let the colored citizens vote for "Liberty to all" as it has been so freely given them.

The following are the names of the Committee of Arrangements to celebrate the adoption of the Fifteenth Amendment, to be held in the city of Wilmington, on the 2d day of May, 1870:

City—John S. W. Eagles, G. M. Arnold, A. J. Denton, James Lowery, G. P. Rourke, Lewis Foye, J. R. Russ, Joseph G. Hill, Alfred Jordan, J. K. Cutler. Federal Point—Joseph Davis, Masonboro—Delaware Nixon, Holly—Geo. Page, Holden—Joseph Walker, Franklin—Dimas Devane, Cape Fear—Edmund Jones, Lincoln—Jno. Bell, Caswell—Alonzo Brown, Grant—Charles Foye, Harnett—Jason Loftin, Union—David Pigford, Columbia—Willis Morton.

THE HICKS POISONING CASE.—INVESTIGATION BY THE CORONER.—A "HEALTHY STOMACH"—THE VIRTUES OF CHEAP DOCTORS.—This case, which has elicited some excitement in our city as arrogating the practice of an Esculapius, was finally investigated yesterday by Special Coroner R. L. Sellers. The little enclosure, "cribbed and cabined" was filled to overflowing by a curious crowd.

Dr. A. R. McDonald was the first witness called. Testified to taking a *post mortem* examination of deceased; couldn't positively swear to finding any traces of poison; found a bone formation of the brain; do not suppose that would cause death; the stomach had a greenish hue; visited the deceased professionally for four days; deceased improved under my treatment.

Dr. D. M. Buie examined: Analyzed stomach of deceased; found oxalic acid, a mixture of turpentine and some vegetable extract, smelling like tobacco; also a substance corresponding to the test of arsenic; the poisons found in the stomach would produce death; examined the coatings of the vial and tumbler found in the room; they corresponded with that in the stomach.

Dr. W. J. Love was then sworn and examined. His testimony however corroborated, in the main, the evidence of the previous witness.

Ellen Williams, sworn and examined as follows: Was lawful wife of deceased, Jno. Hicks, alias Williams. Waited on my husband during his sickness; had no other doctor except McDonald; Jeff James examined my husband; Mr. James said my husband was poisoned; would cure him however if we would give him two dollars in advance; gave him the money; he placed the money in my husband's hand, and then took it out; before he left the house he took from his pocket two vials containing liquids, the one having a black liquid, the other green; emptied a portion of each in separate tumblers; about half an hour after gave him some from the dark bottle; rubbed my husband's back and chest with spirits of turpentine; was instructed to give from the green bottle every half hour; Mr. James left a little after dinner, and my husband died about 3 o'clock the same day.

Judy Paine, Mingo Kelly and Louisa, testified in substance to the sickness and death of Mr. Hicks; and after the admission of their testimony, the Coroner decided to hold the accused Jefferson James, M. D., (1) to await the action of the Grand Jury. Exit, Jefferson in limbo.

MAGAZINES, BOOKS, &c.—Scientific American.—The number for April 16th has out of several new improvements in mechanics, together with some very interesting articles on the industrial arts. Munn & Co., publishers, New York.

Printer's Circular.—Principally devoted to the "art preservative," it is very acceptable to all publishers. R. S. Menamin, publisher, Philadelphia. \$1 per year.

New York Weekly.—Pleasant and readable in every column. Its stories and sketches are chaste and always point a moral.

Peter's Musical Monthly.—This gem of music for April is received. It contains twelve pieces of music, vocal and instrumental, and for its cheapness we don't see why it is not in every family where there is a piano. Published monthly, at \$3 per annum, by J. L. Peters, 599 Broadway, N. Y. Single copies 30 cents each.

Every Saturday.—No. 17, for April 23, contains a pictorial supplement of remarkable attractiveness and great merit as a work of art. It represents Edwin Booth as *Hamlet*, and will be recognized by all who have ever seen the great tragedian in his favorite character, as a striking and admirable

likeness. The artistic excellence of the picture may be inferred from the fact that it was drawn by Mr. Hennessy and engraved by Mr. Liston. The next number of *Every Saturday*.

The Home Journal.—Outside of its "society" babble is acquiring a name among the more solid literary journals, and Paul H. Hayne with all his egotism writes the most readable sketches for the fashionable *readers*.

The elegant picture of Booth as *Hamlet* bestowed upon purchasers of *Every Saturday*, is in itself worth a "queens ransom"—i. e. ten cents! Buy *Every Saturday*!

American Stock Journal.—The number for April is by far the best edition of this magazine we have yet seen. Its contents present varied articles on the general care of stock: Horses, cows, sheep, hogs, calves, etc. N. P. Boyer & Co., Editors, Parkersburg, Chester County, Pa.

Engineering and Mining Journal.—The March number of this periodical has reached us. It is voluminous in interesting contents on the industrial arts; filling seventy-eight pages, 16x12, in that which will instruct all. It is published by Western & Co., the publishers of the *Manufacturer and Builder*, and all who are interested in engineering or mining should subscribe alone, Western & Co., publishers, New York. Only \$4 per annum.

Boys and Girls Weekly and Illustrated News, from Frank Leslie, publisher, New York.

PRINCE HI FA LUTIN—HIS PERAMBULATIONS THROUGH THE CITY—RECEIVED EVERYWHERE WITH MANIFESTATIONS OF RESPECT—HIS FAREWELL INSPECTION.—Precisely at twenty-two minutes sixteen and five-eighths seconds past ten o'clock yesterday morning, the royal scion of the House of *Chi*, arose from his couch after a night of calm and refreshing sleep. After performing his regular matutinal ablution, he breakfasted on spring lamb and Florida peas—a rare, and we must say unseasonable dish. He did not use either knife or fork, but skillfully manipulated the "chop sticks" of his native land.

Obedient to request we called on his Mightiness of ye "Flowers Kingdom," and although an "outside barbarian" we soon was ushered inside, where we were welcomed in the same bland manner as the day before. The atmosphere was quite warm, in the ante-room, as we passed through we saw the mighty son of Asia fanning himself with considerable vim. When we entered he rose immediately, proffered a chair, and was quite profuse in congratulations of the extended notice of his visit in the late issue of the *Post*. We courted to his Highness and avowed our readiness to make his stay both pleasant and profitable.

WE'RE OFF. Without any further delay a barouche was ordered and after driving around the city for some time, we halted in front of CHARLES R. BANKS CONFECTIONERY STORE. Our desire here was to allow the young Confucian to taste of the delicious soda water, peculiar to our climate, and witness the same in process of manufacture. The heir apparent smacked his royal lips as he quaffed the national beverage, and departed well satisfied.

Without joining our barouche, we sauntered down towards

MR. D. A. SMITH'S Matmoth furniture establishment, and under the guidance of the namesake of the Prophet, the royal eye feasted on the elegance of handsome divans, rocking chairs of cane, bedroom sets of high double polish, and the myriad things to be found in the furniture trade were all here. Before leaving here, Prince Hi expressed himself in no measured terms of Mr. Smith's stock of furniture and took with him as a token for the Emperor, a handsome card table of polished walnut.

HOBBS'S TUTION HOUSE Was the next visited, and "Big-he" or Higbee was all politeness and humility before the august visitor, who in return marvelled at the immense proportions and height of the "man of words." The Prince was presented with remembrances of his visit in the shape of some toys, as specimens of America's production.

HART & BALLEW'S Next engaged his attention, and the Imperial visitor found much here for mental revolution; as indeed any one can, be he stranger or resident. Prince Hi was particularly happy in his bestowal of praise on the furnace where the molten fire poured forth, and likened it unto one of the idols of the great Empire. The different agricultural implements displayed, made his broken English, "mucchee likee," fall from his lips very often.

J. H. NEFF. Being near our conveyance, we stepped in and took a drive to the establishment of the above named gentleman. The smiling face of George was here to greet us, and the Prince stated to us that the "God of Rain,"

one of the idols in the Temple at Pekin, resembled this gentleman "very mucchee." We did not inform George of this, and we hope he will not hear of it.

leading shipping houses, we were driven to turn the horses towards Barry Bros. office. Once here, Prince Hi witnessed with some gratification the long list of insurers in the Globe Insurance Company, of which these young merchants are the Agents. The quick trips of the steamers of the Lorillard line, and the staunch manner in which the vessels are built, we told to the Prince, and he stated in return that he hoped ere long, the Messrs. Barry would soon be agents for the coming Wilmington and China Steamship Company.

We stopped here, attracted by the splendid display of collars, shirts, socks, handkerchiefs, etc., etc., in the window. We passed in and occupied ourselves in examining the numerous articles for sale. On leaving, his Mightiness placed among his purchases a bottle of delicious perfume, sold only at this house.

ALEXANDER OLDHAM'S Flour Mill being in our route we stopped to show the royal guest one of the finest constructed flour mills in the South, and for particulars, we referred him to a late copy of the *Post*, containing an elaborate description of this place. Prince Hi gave vent to many eulogiums on the house, and seemed quite pleased at the revolutions of the "bolter." On this we "bolted," and soon were again in

OUR OFFICE. As usual he partook of his afternoon glass of wine and, bidding us good bye, he soon left for his quarters. In the evening we called on him and attended his departure, he shaking our hand very warmly and bestowing on us several presents of Oriental corn. He goes hence to New York.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. Editor *Post*:—Since my removal from office by Governor Holden, I have employed my time in visiting my friends in the several townships.

Wherever I have been I found the people awake to the importance of our approaching election in August. Though busily engaged in planting, they welcomed me as a politician and freely expressed themselves regarding our next Congressman, Legislators and Sheriff.

Undoubtedly the Republicans in the country portions of New Hanover are uniformly resolved to be heard in the June Convention; their power acknowledged; their claims admitted, and their demands granted. Ever since the success of the Republican party in North Carolina, Wilmington has reaped the entire patronage of the party in New Hanover. Without representation in the county, State, or national government, the country Republicans have worked faithfully for our cause. Nobly have they defended Republicanism on every election day, and in no contest have they displayed a lack of energy or earnest effort. As a distinctive branch of industry they claim representation in the State Legislature; as an agricultural people they desire one Representative in the General Assembly and gladly, they will support three others from the city. I mention this with authority, and earnestly beg my city friends to consider well this important claim on the part of their country friends.

I was proud to hear one common huzza for Col. Dockery, all the way from Federal Point to Black River. In truth I declare that Col. Dockery is the unanimous choice of the country Republicans in New Hanover, and I sincerely hope that our county will send to the District Convention an undivided Dockery delegation. Why not? No abler man graces our National Legislature; a Republican; a scholar; a patriot; a gentleman. Oliver H. Dockery stands unequalled in the District, and to deny him a re-nomination would be an act of cruel injustice, base ingratitude and a dangerous risk to the Republican party in the Third District.

Regarding our legislative and county officers, I deter writing. I only wish to say to friends that I am a strict party man, and under no circumstances can I become an independent candidate for the Legislature. Therefore let us join hands, and endeavor to nominate candidates acceptable to the people—politically true to our party; morally above suspicion, and with intellectual powers sufficient to defend our cause whenever and wherever assailed by Democratic brain.

Most respectfully,
S. V. LARKINS.

Wilmington, N. C., April 16, 1870.

SMITHVILLE AFFAIRS. SMITHVILLE, April 16th, 1870.

MR. EDITOR.—The quiet of Smithville is at present stirred, and excited by the throng of strangers coming in and with the business calling them here from their retired country farms and homes.

It is Court week, and advantage was taken of this circumstance for the colored

people to meet with their friends from the country, and delegates from all the townships were present. Speeches were delivered upon the political topics of the day, and a series of general resolutions were adopted, and J. T. Simpson, Secretary of the meeting, and some short remarks by others.

The meeting was harmonious and enthusiastic in spirit and sentiment, evincing a deep seated affection and loyalty toward the government, and the Republican party, at present controlling it.

Smithville is full of people from all parts of the country, everybody's house is full of visitors.

Great excitement and interest is felt in the proceedings of the Court, at present, which is engaged in trial of a white boy about sixteen years old for shooting a colored boy about the same age, named Julius Ballard, through the brain.

STATE. Goldsboro wants a bank. Heavy rains in Rutherford. Warrenton jail is boarder-less.

Greensboro wheat crop promises well. Tobacco crop of Forsyth will be great.

Hon. J. R. McLean of Greensboro is dead. Senator Shoffner has gone West to reside.

N. M. Lewis has been elected Mayor of Milton. The soil of the wooden man—Turner of the *Sentinel*.

The *Bulletin* (Charlotte) calls the *Sentinel's* article, "dictatorials." Nathaniel Thompson, aged 105 years, died in Cleveland county lately.

Wilson has organized her base ball club. Maj. J. W. Dunham is President. Teachers of public schools can draw their pay monthly if they desire it.

The Wilmington and Weldon Rail Road depot, at Battleboro, will not be removed to Rocky Mount.

The *Robesonian* publishes a three column account of the Hillsboro execution from the N. Y. *Harald* without giving credit to the latter paper.

The *Rutherford Star* says: We learn that a young man by the name of Hopper was killed in the lower part of this county last week. We have not learned the particulars of the matter, nor names.

The *Standard* learns that Green Watson, convicted at the last term of the court for attempting to commit rape, and sentenced to the penitentiary for five years; Jordan Warren and one Rogers made their escape on Sunday night last from the jail at Smithfield, Johnston county, and are still at large.

Under the present revenue law, says the *Standard*, the money arising from all fines, penalties and forfeitures on behalf of the State must be forwarded to the Clerk of the Superior Court of the County in which collected, and by him forwarded to Hon. D. A. Jenkins, Treasurer of the Board of Education, Raleigh, to be used for Public School purposes.

The Fayetteville *Presbyterian* says: A negro man named Mainer was shot dead in his own house, on Saturday night last, the murderer firing through an opening in the cabin occupied by Mainer. The affair occurred about three miles east of Fayetteville. A negro man by the name of Masual has been arrested, charged with having perpetrated the murder. When this paragraph was written the examination into the case was still going on.

The *Southern* says, in "a word to our colored citizens."

Many of you witnessed on Saturday last the earnest endeavors made by the Hook and Ladder Company, composed entirely of whites, to save the property of one of your own color. They could and would not have exerted themselves more earnestly had their own property been in danger. Under these circumstances, is it not time that the senseless cry of the "white man's indifference to the black man's interests" had ceased?

If that isn't getting votes "by hook and by crook," through "a fiery ordeal," then what is it!

The Wife, both before and after she has become a mother, will find PLAXTON BERRAS liberally a present help in time of trouble, and under no circumstances or condition, can it prove otherwise than beneficial. During nursing it may be taken as an invigorant, with great advantage both to mother and infant; and when maternal anxiety is awakened by the failing appetite, unnatural languor, and general indisposition of a delicate daughter, there is no tonic or alterative which will work such a rapid and healthful change in the condition of the fair invalid as PLAXTON BERRAS. For the morning sickness and depression of spirits, caused by late hours and what is called fashionable dissipation, there is nothing comparable to this famous vegetable restorative.

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