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In Bladen county the cotton has been slightly damaged by the frost.

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

Col. Dockery spoke at Lumberton, yesterday, to a large and appreciative audience.

We see that Mr. Jas. Cumming is building a fine house on Nun, near Front street.

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

Messrs. Cassidy state that fully four thousand people attended the camp meeting Sunday last.

There are about twelve new residences going up at present, but the carpenters complain of no work.

Mr. F. J. Lord has his mill in full blast on Water near Ann street. Business is good and he hopes to do better.

FOR THE CAMPAIGN!—Until the August election the POST will be furnished to all sending FIFTY CENTS!!

Why does not some energetic person get up a skating rink here? The exercise is pleasant and healthy, and the art is easily acquired.

NEW TACTICS.—The new infantry tactics (Upton's) are now being introduced into the army, and the soldiers at Smithville show great proficiency in the drill.

Superior Court at Rockingham adjourned Wednesday. One W. H. Hamilton, who was sentenced to the penitentiary for five years will be sent to Raleigh to-day.

RAIL ROAD RECEIPTS for sale at the POST PRINTING OFFICE.

The camp meeting seems to have quite a sobering effect upon our citizens. Report has it that jolly Jack Griff has been brought to a "realizing sense of his iniquity."

The shoals in the river about fourteen miles below Fayetteville are only covered with about five feet of water. The steamers find some difficulty in passing them.

New styles of Bill Heads at the Post Printing Office.

The business of the port seems on the increase; judging from the number of vessel loading at our wharves. Last week we counted four vessels taking in lumber at Mr. Kidder's mills.

Henderson alley, between Front and Water and Market and Dock streets, is in a deplorable condition; it is enough to give a person the cholera to walk through it once. Why do not our City Fathers see to it?

Merchants call and examine our new Receipts and Business Cards.

STRANGE.—In a paved walk at Fort Caswell, can be seen the patent brick, supposed by many to be a recent invention. The appearance of the article we mention would lead one to suppose it had been laid many years.

WATER, WATER.—What has become of the water carts for laying the dust? We see Col. Davis, of the Purcell House, does his level best to keep down the dust about his place. Why can't some other public spirited citizen do likewise?

There is no truer saying than that "Sweet are the uses of advertisements!"

WANTED five thousand new subscribers to the Post? REMEMBER the Post is the CHEAPEST PAPER IN THE STATE.

ON THEIR MUSCLE.—We understand that two females residing in the southern portion of the city had a rough and tumble fight concerning who should possess a certain pot. It appears that one of the parties had the pot for six months, when the question was raised as to whom it belonged; when it ended in a fight—the possessor still retaining the pot.

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

The broken places in the side walks of the city are certainly disagreeable and their early repair is anxiously looked for. Loose brick scattered around are inconvenient things for pedestrians, whose stumped toes or twisted ankles often make them say things not favorable of the city authorities; and if there is to be no repairs of the broken side walks, for the comfort of all, let the bricks be removed.

Since the first of August last, there has been 202,145 feet of new timber, and about as much old, put on the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, within thirteen miles of this city, by only five hands. The connection at the new "Union Passenger Station" would have been made yesterday but for the delay of the train containing the ties. The connection, it is supposed, will be made to-day.

Buy our new Blanks. 75 cents a quire.

RATHER ROUGH.—A short time since a young woman clad in black and calling herself the widow of Mr. —, asked for board at the house of Miss —, an ancient maiden lady. Filled with feeling and nothing loth to "increase her store" by board money; the sympathetic spinster gave bed and board to the interesting relic of the departed. A few weeks after obtaining rooms; the interesting widow was taken sick and to the horror of Miss — "a fine boy" was born into the world. Nursed carefully, the mother and child did well, and so well indeed that after a few more weeks the widow went out for a walk and — has not yet returned. Miss — is minus her board, but she has "a fine boy," and plaintively remarks: "I suppose widows will have children, but why not keep them after they have got 'em."

N. B.—Miss — intends calling upon our worthy Mayor for assistance in maintaining the child! Will he adopt it or give it to the Marshal. Probably the Star will take him for a compositor.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD for the conviction of any one stealing the Post from the doorsteps of our subscribers.

EXCELSIOR PLANTATION.—HON. GEORGE Z. FRENCH'S ENTERPRISE—FORTY THOUSAND QUARTS OF STRAWBERRIES!—The purchase of the old Lane place by Hon. George Z. French, some three years since, and his announcement that a large fruit farm would be started was received with sneers by many and uncharitable remarks by all the old fogies who were so wedded to their idols that nothing new or saving of improvement would or could seem practicable or desirable.

With patient courage; indicative of the man, Mr. French has progressed until at the end of the third year he shows as the fruit of his labors forty thousand quarts of strawberries shipped to New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, and enough green peas to supply all our markets south of the Roanoke.

Ten thousand peach trees will bear this year, and apples, pears and Concord grapes will keep his two hundred tenants engaged late into the season.

The evident success of Mr. French's experiment opens up new inducements to new settlers, and we hope that others will be tempted to invest capital and brains in developing our too long neglected country. It is the opinion of Mr. Aull, the superintendent of Excelsior that no part of the country or the world is so adapted to the culture of fruit as the county of New Hanover and the lower Cape Fear. Mr. Aull has been a practical gardener in New York, New Jersey, Mobile and the West Indies, and he declares he "never beheld such quantities of fruit or averaging so large" as on the Excelsior plantation!

The case with which ordinary field hands and their children can be taught the cultivation of fruit and the higher branches of agriculture is testified to by Messrs. Aull and Gamberger; the latter a German gentleman of many years experience in the management of farm laborers. This gain knocks on the head the theories of those who prate about the "want of proper labor." Only let the drones put their shoulders to the wheel and display half of Mr. French's energy and all their difficulties will disappear and the very garden of the earth will grow right on the Cape Fear.

A remarkable and rather Providential fact appears in the escape of the Excelsior fruit from the hail storm of last week, that swept over and almost destroyed the vines and fruits on the Castle Hayne place; thus

it would seem that patient toil and faith in the future is bound to be rewarded even when these virtues are exhibited by a "carpet bagger." So be it. Let it be recorded!

BOOKS, MAGAZINES, &c.

The cheapest paper in the United States is the "Post" published Thursday and Sunday and sent any where at \$2 00 paid in advance.

The spring monthlies and periodicals are unusually fresh and brilliant in tone and finish. The heavy quarterlies seem less heavy, and the lighter weeklies even more festive than before. Thus *Frank Leslie* outdoes himself in extravagant illustrations, and even *Punch* is more exquisitely humorous than ever—if that be possible.

Heath and Home offers to the appreciative a delightful series of home sketches with enough of fruit and flowers and models of pretty cottages to make the bachelor heart ache.

The Scientific American comes to us more fearfully scientific than ever, and practical men will find abundant to interest and admire, by sending to Munn & Co., for a copy.

The Printer's Circular contains "lots" of interesting matter to the "craft," and the *Independent* furnishes such a monstrous quantity of reading matter—secular and religious that we become weekly in seeing it once a week.

Die Modenschule,—Published in Berlin, Prussia. The "illustrated magazine for fashions," impresses the male mind with respect for the caprices that can demand such endless variety of "style" to please the "ragrom" fancy. Think of a magazine published twice a month in English, French and German, and appearing at all the great capitals simultaneously.

The Edinburgh Review, for April, contains the following articles: "The Viceregalty of Lord Lawrence," "Juana la Loca," "M. de Parcau on Taxation," "Eastlake and Gibson," "Non-restraint in the treatment of the Insane," "Smith's Tour in Portugal," "Ragnar's St. Paul," "The Epic of Arthur," "Ballot not Secret Voting," "Earl Russell's Speech."

American edition published by Leonard Scott, 140 Fulton street, New York.

The Radical for June contains, among select articles a remarkable article on the "Poet of Nature," Walter Whitman. The claims of Mr. Whitman to be considered a great genius are fully considered, and certainly from the stand point of the writer we must conclude "we have a Bourbon among us." *The Radical* is published in Boston.

Putnam's Monthly for June is with us, and like an oasis in the desert of Trashy literature the good old *Putnam* cheers our weary eyes. With all the cosmopolitan tone of the great metropolis; this magazine of monthlies has a culture and refinement that ever rebukes the garish display of weaker and less ably conducted periodicals.

Ballow's Dollar Magazine for June is on our table and we must confess its cheapness and adaptability to the average mass of readers.

The *St. Louis Weekly Mail* has in the present number, the following original articles: "Come unto me, Primary Elections, Radical Prospects in Kentucky, Dryden Springs, Current Topics, Pittsburg Correspondence, Baptist National Educational Convention, Divine Institution of the Family, Going Back, poem; Polytechnic Public School Building, Illustrated; Book Notices," and a vast amount of interesting selected matter. The *Mail* is conducted with marked ability, discusses live themes, and has some of the best correspondents in the country. It is outspoken for Temperance, the Public Schools and all moral and social reforms.

The price is three dollars a year; but it is sent for six months on trial for one dollar. Specimen copies sent free on application Address A. P. George, 705 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo.

"Spring work in the field, orchard, garden lawn, flower plot, and in the household, is now pressing upon us. The systematic, profitable doing of this work will be materially aided by *Calendar of Work* to be done, and many hints as to the time and manner of doing it, that will be found in a copy of which has come to hand. This paper contains, as usual, a great variety of suggestions prepared by practical men, with numerous pleasing and instructive engravings. Among these, perhaps those of most general interest are "Household Conveniences," showing the method of introducing water from the roof, and supplying it to the different rooms in the house, to the great saving of woman's work. This is a subject not generally understood or appreciated, but which may well be investigated by all householders and builders of houses. A copy of the paper can be obtained, postpaid, for 15 cents, or it is supplied by the year for \$1 50. A 50 cent copy of the *Agricultural or Horticultural Annuals*, which are choice beautiful volumes, is offered to

each person now subscribing. Orange Judd & Co., Publishers, 245 Broadway, New York.

The Engineering and Mining Journal furnishes proof—if any were needed—of the monstrous growth of the two branches of art to which this periodical is devoted. Practical engineering as applied to mining has grown to be an immensely important part of our national life. We commend to all interested in mines or mining to purchase a copy of the *Journal*. Published by Western & Co., 37 Park Row, New York.

Punch—As bright and gay as a poor little American bantling of the great *Punch* can be.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

The Duty of the Hour.

LILLINGTON, N. C., May 13, 1870.

This is not a moment for doubt as to what we ought to do! It is not a moment even to be counting the chances of the struggle to which we are advancing!

I call upon Republicans of this county to attend the primary meetings as faithfully as they do the polls at the general election, and by that means secure honest and capable nominees.

There is much significance to be attached to the universal outcry against our Legislature in particular. It is no mere senseless fault-finding; it is something deeper, more deliberate and determined. The character of the State, and the most vital interests of the people are involved.

Clearly then the remedy for the wrong we have suffered lies in the selection of our Representatives. It is by reason of our own default that we have been represented by men with whom a large portion of the better class of society would not associate. But then it is useless and it is not very many in us to complain of and abuse the weak and incompetent men whom we have heretofore sent to Raleigh and invested with the most sacred trust committed to our care.

Did we all do our personal duty the government of this State would reflect credit on every citizen of it, would cost little or nothing and would in a short time, by the judicious development of our resources, bring wealth and prosperity to all.

No man would commit his private business to the management of the class of men to whom we habitually commit the management of our public affairs. When we think calmly of this fact we see how grossly culpable has been our own conduct.

There is a single rule which, if observed, would secure us all that any system of government can accomplish. Let every voter resolve, both at the primary and delegate elections, to vote for no man whom he would not be willing to make his own executor.

GLAUCUS.

STATE.

Turner still blackguards Holden.

E. Hubbs & Co. have taken charge of the *New Bern Times*.

Over 190,000 dollars was destroyed by fire at Henderson Monday night.

Lt. P. H. Ray is advertising large amounts of government stores for sale at Raleigh.

The *Engle* states that New York capitalists will rebuild the Fayetteville factories.

Stephen A. Douglas, Jr., has been appointed Brigadier General, by Gov. Holden.

Mr. French at Rocky Point, shipped 4000 quarts of strawberries last Monday for New York.

The *Ridgeway Press* concludes from the statements of the *Standard* and *Sentinel* that all politicians are drunkards.

The conservative (?) party hold a convention on the 29th inst., at Greensboro, to nominate a representative in Congress for the Fifth District.

The absurd statements of the democratic papers of Wilmington regarding "republican outrages" are denied by other democratic papers in the State.

The Rev. editor of the *Robesonian* and the Rev. James Sinclair, member of the Legislature, both politicians, and of course Christians, are quarrelling. Sinclair calls the editor of the *Robesonian* a "self convicted liar and slanderer." Will they fight?—*Press*.

The editor of the *Standard* thus defines the kuklux:

As to the fact of publishing the public conservative drunkards in this State, the task is indeed a tedious one, but as to any fear of them, or of their weapons, that is folly.

For once and all we say that a more inglorious and debauched set of men, never before egged on so scurrilous a poltroon as Jo Turner. We defy them. They belong to a platoon of fools and knaves, and their commander is worthy of his command.

The *Wilmington Post*, (Radical) is alluding to and copying a "wonderful editorial" from the *Tarboro Carolinian*, calls

that paper strongly "Conservative." Oh, no; Hearn has no Conservatism about him. He is "Democratic" dyed, nothing more, and to that plank he intends swinging even if he should succeed in pulling every one down with him into that vortex of ruin which awaits such as him. No, no! Hearn cannot be tainted with Conservatism; although we think we know one or two as strong Democrats as himself—bury a name when it no longer has any virtue in it.—*Roanoke News*!

Col. Clarke made the following remarks in the Republican State Convention:

I know not by what name to call the party that opposes us. I cannot call them "Democrats." Many of them would prefer to be called *royals*. I cannot call them "Conservatives," for all their words and actions are in direct opposition to conservatism. I have but one name for them, they are the *Opposition*; and they are the same, to a great extent, who hung like a millstone on the necks of those who, during the war, loved and fought for the Union.

I admire the Republican party because they have a policy which they boldly dare to avow, and principles which they are brave enough to declare and defend. Such is not the case with the so called "Democratic" party.

In the past I was a military commander—opposed to the Union. I am not so now. When I was a military commander I thought I was doing the best I could for the State, and I always said, "Boys, fight as if the result of the whole matter depended upon you individually."

Let us go forth, and victory will perch upon our banner. Let us go forth. We have nothing to fear from the fullest discussion. We are a party of reform. We have banished whiskey from the polls, thereby doing immense good. Let us go still further. Let us banish from the minds of our countrymen all hatred and malice. Let each man's motto be "My country, my God, and truth."

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, OFFICE SUP'T PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, RALEIGH, May 9th, 1870.

To County Commissioners County Treasurers and Township School Committees:

GENTLEMEN:—Your attention is respectfully called to section 23, chapter 184, public laws of 1868-'69, page 464, which enacts that in case any township shall fail to provide whatever shall be necessary for the Public Schools in said township for four months annually, the County Commissioners shall proceed to assess upon the township a tax for school purposes, said tax to be levied at the same time that the county taxes are levied.

Your attention is invited to the following provisions and suggestions:

1. The amount of the tax must be equal to the estimate of the School Committee of the township. See section 25 as aforesaid.

2. The proceeds of the tax must be paid to the County Treasurer. [Section 11, chapter 184, laws 1868-'69, page 460.]

3. The County Treasurer will open an account with each township in the county, and will credit the amount of money collected on the tax for Public School purposes, to the township within which it was collected. Section 11, (3) chapter 184 laws 1868-'69, page 460.

4. The estimate submitted by the township committee to the Board of County Commissioners must be first presented to the Trustees of the township, and the action of the Trustees thereon should be officially certified to the County Commissioners by the School Committee making the same. There should be no delay in giving notice of the action or non-action of the Township Trustees to the Board of County Commissioners.

5. In Counties not having legal townships, the County Commissioners are required, [section 22, chapter 185, laws 1868-'69], to designate their present election precincts as townships for school purposes. The Board of Commissioners can appoint a school committee for each precinct, or they can themselves assume and discharge the duties of school committees; i. e., do all that the "school purposes" of the precincts require to be done. They are to take the annual census, lay taxes for all necessary school purposes, hire and pay teachers, and make such reports as are by law required of school officers.

6. School committees will take notice that there should be no delay in giving notice to the Board of County Commissioners of the action or non-action of Township Trustees.

7. The annual school census must be taken in the month of June. [Section 32 chapter 184, laws 1868-'69.] Any township or county neglecting to take the said census must be excepted from the annual appointment of the distributable school funds for 1870-'71. Blanks for census returns will be furnished from this office.

8. In those counties where the township organizations will not be effected until August, 1870, the County Commissioners should proceed forthwith to provide for taking the school census, and for laying the tax necessary for school purposes.

9. It is the duty of the township school committees to take the annual school census. In case of failure on the part of any committee to perform census duty, County Commissioners are requested to forward notice of such failure to this office that the penalty of the law may be enforced. [See section 73, chapter 184, laws of 1868-'69.]

10. County Commissioners are requested to forthwith fill all vacancies existing in the Township School Committee Boards.

11. The establishment of free public schools in the respective counties and townships now devolves entirely upon the County Commissioners and township committees.

12. School officers are cautioned to establish no more schools in their respective jurisdictions than the money apportioned will well maintain.

13. Section 52 of the school law requires seventy-five per cent. of the county capitation tax to be "paid into the State Treasury as a revenue for the support of public schools."

POSTINGS.

Gold 114 1/2.
Rave the streets.
Mexico has a Senate.
Sunset Cox says he is not a pismire!
Strawberries twenty-five cents a quart.
The female brokers are to start a paper.
Leading Republican organs still fire at Fish.

The *Chronicle* praises "the old North State."

Vienna will celebrate the hundredth birthday of Beethoven.

Sir John McDonald, Premier of the Dominion, is dying of mania a potu.

Admiral Porter favors Cyrus Field's cable telegraph from Callifornia to Japan.

A floral fair of the Cotton States was inaugurated yesterday at Augusta, Ga.

Fifty thousand dollars is wanted for the survey of Alaska and Allentyn Islands.

Gen. Jordan advocates the cause of Cuba before a congressional committee this week.

A Presbyterian home for aged and indigent females was dedicated in New York.

John W. Gerard declines the anti-Tammany nomination for Judge of Common Pleas.

An absurd buyer of "old masters" got damages from a seller of the same in Philadelphia.

The Senate yesterday appropriated \$500,000 for the enlargement of the Capitol Grounds.

The Methodist Church is sending missionaries to Salt Lake City to convert the erring Mormons.

The officers who commanded the colored troops in the late war propose forming an exclusive society.

The *Eric Republican* is now a morning paper. We fear there will be mourning in the *Dispatch* office.

The second race between the American yacht Sappho and the English yacht Cambria has been sailed.

Queen Victoria, in state dedicated the new building of the University of London in Burlington Gardens.

A reduction of \$9,000 per month will be made in the clerical force in the War department after June 1st.

The latest intelligence from the Indians in Arizona states that they are committing numerous outrages and murders.

The New York Republicans have nominated a straight ticket and resolved not to join with the Young Democracy.

The strikers at the Patterson (N. J.) Thread Works have resumed work at two per cent less than before the strike.

Twenty families of the Joe Smith persuasion left Salt Lake city the other day to return to their old homes in the States.

In New South Wales a police magistrate has been arrested for taking the law into his own hands and killing a drunken prisoner.

A habitual drunkard differs from a man about to be hanged in this respect: One must take a drop to live—the other takes it to die.

Miss Rye is now devoting her philanthropic energies to finding homes for English paper children in Canada, and is very successful.

Railway carriages in Sweden are warmed by means of hot sand placed in cases along the side of the car and heated and renewed at each terminus.

The same builders who built the roof that fell in recently at the Chicago Court House have obtained the contract for providing a new roof.

The New Dominion Government intends to exclude correspondents of United States newspapers from accompanying the Red River expedition.

The railway fever has broken out on the Island of Java, and the scream of the iron horse will soon make the native infidels stare and tremble.

James Mace, after fighting twenty-six battles in the prize ring without a conqueror—and the last one for the championship of the world near New Orleans has sworn never to enter the prize ring again.

The Argument of Facts. With the consent of the parties concerned, the following facts are made public: On the 23d of October last, Levi M. Phillips, civil engineer, residing in Hartford, was suffering from an obstinate and severe bilious affection, accompanied by great bodily weakness and utter loss of appetite. In compliance with the wish of a friend, (Mr. J. S. Latrobe, of 49 Amity Place, New York,) Mr. Phillips commenced taking *PLANTAGENET BIRTHS*. He had no faith, he said, but would "make the experiment." We give the result, as related by Mr. P. himself, at 58 Park Place, on the 30th of November. "I met Latrobe the other day in a restaurant," said he, "and told him that the preparation saved my life. I say so now. I weigh fourteen pounds more than I did five weeks ago, am quite well, and as to eating—well, eat me to dinner and roast me." Facts like these are worth a thousand assertions, and Mr. Phillips and his friend are at all times ready to endorse them.

"There is but one opinion in regard to *SNA MOSS FERRIS*. All speak in its praise, and all like it. It is found to be a great favorite with all classes of our people, and will prove a great blessing to the poor. It is very cheap, and will go a long way."

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