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THOSE INFAMOUS CONTRACTS.

Secretary Richardson if anything is a know-nothing. When examined before the Ways and Means Committee in regard to the Sanborn contracts he professed an almost entire ignorance of the subject, asserting that the original contract having been made with his predecessor he had treated the matter as routine business, and he referred everything to the solicitor without examination, and in like manner signed the papers presented to him. He had recollection of signing the circulars ordering revenue officers to assist Sanborn in the orders for the distribution of the money recovered; did not recollect the conversation in Boston testified to by ex-Supervisor Simmons. He was asked if he signed orders for the refunding of duties in the same way without examination, and said that he did, but if a new question arose the subordinate would come to him for consultation. If he did not he would probably sign the order without examination. He required a check to be endorsed. The subordinate was held responsible for checks brought to him to sign. In reply to an inquiry he said he did not know that any legislation was necessary to make the Department more efficient.

Now could Sanborn and his associates have desired anything better? Here is a Secretary of the Treasury as innocent of a knowledge of his official responsibility as one of the babes slaughtered by Herod was of sin. What a pity so great and good a man should have fallen among the Philistines! A conspiracy of cunning and corruptible subordinates against a grand financier too much absorbed in vast schemes for the national glory to care for small routine business like the expenditure of three hundred thousand dollars—verily it is pitiful, and we wish we had those subordinates by the ears. So ignorant was the Secretary on the examination, Mr. Beck remarked in the committee that he was ashamed to ask any more questions.

Mr. Douglass, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, was then examined, and claimed that a large proportion of the taxes collected by Sanborn would have been collected by the regular revenue officers without commissions. He produced a legacy and succession-book, which all assessors

were required to keep, and said that if they had done their duty, and he believed they did, there would be no estates not on record in their offices. He was asked and replied that he knew no law that authorizes the compounding or compromise of a claim for back taxes by any other officer than the Commissioner; knew of no law to confer the authority given to District Attorney Bliss by the Secretary's letter of instructions.

This Sanborn investigation places the Administration in the worst possible attitude before the country. The Treasury affairs are either managed with child like imbecility or they are conducted all the time with reference to the increase of the private fortunes of its heads and favorite retainers. It is dangerous for Mr. Grant to accept either horn of the dilemma, and one or the other he must take.

THE SPIRIT OF THE STATE PRESS.

The political papers of North Carolina are nearly always on the qui vive. For several years we have noticed that they are early in each campaign on the field, and that they do not flag during the preparatory skirmishing nor during the thick of the battle. Particularly is this remark just when applied to the Conservative press. This year forms no exception. Indeed the great majority of our party journals were earlier in sounding to arms than usual.

In this State the press has always done good party service. In most of the movements intended for the public good the Democratic Conservative newspapers have been in advance of the politicians. And we believe the press will continue to speak with patriotic boldness in behalf of the people's rights and for the best interests of the old Commonwealth it is proud to claim as its mother.

SENATOR GORDON'S PROPOSITION.

The proposition of General John B. Gordon, Senator from Georgia, offered in the Senate Tuesday, provides for free banking and a distribution of banking circulation to each State on the basis of the circulation in Maine. Maine has \$3,029,253, or three millions in excess of its proportion under the existing law. The proposition of Senator Gordon would authorize the addition of two hundred and fifty millions banking circulation.

The free banking section in the bill of the Finance Committee proposes to take the circulation of the State of New York as the basis. The excess of circulation in New York is a little over \$2,500,000 in a total circulation of \$60,970,000. Maine has nearly double the amount of circulation to which she was entitled, that is nearly one hundred per cent. more, while New York has only a little over four per cent. more than she was entitled to.

NOT YET.

Hancock and Gordon as a possible Presidential ticket for 1876 has been suggested. It would be a splendid ticket. Both gentlemen have something besides military reputation. And they could probably bridge the "bloody chasm" more effectually than any other soldiers of the late war. But it is too early to talk of running a Southern man by several years.

THE FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

The Raleigh people always speak of their Congressional district as the Metropolitan district of North Carolina. This is incorrect. It might with propriety be called the Central or the Capital district. The Third or Cape Fear district includes the Metropolis of the State, and is therefore the Metropolitan district.

But we did not intend to discuss the matter of right to names, our purpose being only to name the prominent gentlemen who have been suggested for the Conservative nomination in the Fourth district. Among these are Gen. W. R. Cox, of Wake; Hon. Josiah Turner, of Orange; Samuel T. Williams, of Nash; Joseph J. Davis, of Franklin; Hon. John A. Manning, of Chatham; Col. James S. Amis, of Granville. Out of this solid array a good man can surely be found to defeat Collector Young, or whoever the Radicals may nominate to succeed Major Smith. Smith, it seems, is disgusted with his associations at the National Capital and proposes to retire to the classic shades of Princeton, otherwise known as Boon Hill.

THE CENTENNIAL.

The Centennial as a domestic institution we have advocated—the Centennial at Philadelphia not at Boston, New York, Washington, Cincinnati or Chicago—the Centennial for all the sections and all the States. The Baltimore Gazette of Thursday says editorially: "Information of a reliable character has reached us that the original International idea of the Centennial celebration will be strictly adhered to, and that there is every reason to believe that Congress will aid in the great work by making such an appropriation as will certainly assure its complete success." We do not agree with the Gazette when it adds: "If celebrated at all, it should be in such a way as to attract the attention of the civilized world, and this can only be done by the International plan so wisely agreed upon. In fact the National faith has already been pledged to this step, and many foreign Governments have accepted invitations to participate in the celebration. Under such circumstances, failure would be humiliation. Better, far, abandon the whole project, and admit to the nations of the globe that a hundred years of national life have destroyed all national pride, and made us utterly insensible to national greatness." The celebration of American Independence is an event that should chiefly concern ourselves. True, if we could celebrate it in grand style without violating those traditions of the past that speak so powerfully for the true dignity and worth of the work done by our forefathers, it would be well to invite foreign nations to participate. But a world's show costs a vast sum, and the time for preparation, if we had the means, is too short. The international feature should be given up. There can be a great show without that.

Wilmington Retail Market.

The following prices ruled yesterday afternoon: Onions, 15 cents per quart; cabbage, 10@25 cents per head; carrots, 60 cents a peck; apples 75c. @ \$1 per cask; apples, (dried) 10@12 1/2 cts. per lb; dried peaches 25c per pound; walnuts, 50c per peck; pickles, 30 cents per dozen; lard, 12 1/2 cents per pound; butter, 50@55 cents per pound; cheese, 25 cents per pound; grown fowls 80@1.10 a pair; spring chickens 50 cents per pair; eggs \$2 per pair; beef 10@12 1/2 cts. per pound; beef, (corned) 12 1/2@15 cts. per pound; veal, 12 1/2@15 cts. per pound; mutton, 12@14 cts. per pound; ham, 16@18 cts. per pound; shoulders, 10@12 cents per pound; tripe, 30c per bunch; oysters, New River \$2@3 1/2 per bushel or \$1 00@1 25 per gallon. (Sound) 80 cents a gallon; clams, 25 cents a bushel; open clams, 20@25 cents a quart; soup bunch, 5 cents; eggs, 15@16 cts. a dozen; sturgeon, 25 cts. a chunk (5 lbs); potatoes, Irish, 60 cents a peck; sweet, 30 cents; sausages, 10@20 cts per lb; fish—shad 75 cts. per pair, trout 25@50 cts. per bunch, mullets, 10@25 cts. per bunch.

REVENUE QUESTION.

Important to Registers of Deeds and Merchants and Tradesmen. The new revenue act, says the Raleigh News, having changed the times for listing amount of receipts, and as some difficulty existed in the mind of the Register of Deeds as to when the change should take place, Capt. W. W. White addressed a letter to the Treasury Department, asking an official opinion in regard to the matter. The Treasurer on Friday forwarded to Capt. White the following opinion:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Raleigh, April 9d, 1874.

W. W. White, Esq., Register of Deeds, &c., Raleigh, N. C.: Sir:—Yours of the 31st ult. received. Your case as follows: "By section 29 of the act to raise revenue it is the duty of all persons carrying on licensed trades to list the amount of receipts, &c., on the 1st of January and July, &c. By the last act the person trading had to take out a license on the 1st of April, which they did, but have only paid to last January. The license expires the 1st of April. I desire to know if such persons must wait until the 1st of July to take out their license, paying the back taxes from 1st of January, or must the parties continue to take out license as heretofore on the 1st of April."

I am of opinion that, as the law requires merchants to pay a tax on purchases for preceding six months they can list the amount of their purchases to the Register of Deeds the first time under the present law, on the 1st of July. By so doing their license will not be entered with, as it was not necessary to have an annual, but a quarterly license, and their last quarterly license was given on the 1st of January, 1874. I do not consider, therefore, that the act to raise revenue is in any way violated by the act to raise revenue, and that the parties without license from the 1st of April to the 1st of July.

The same rule that applies to merchants, as indicated in the foregoing opinion, applies also to other classes of traders that are required to list their receipts or sales. The Sheriff's receipt for the tax serves as a license to do business. The only form of license to be used by the Sheriff is prescribed in Section 28, Schedule B, and the Sheriff should always use that form in substance. I have answered your inquiry more fully, perhaps, than was contemplated, but more so than the importance of the subject suggested. Very respectfully, D. A. JENNINGS, State Treasurer. Col. Mayo Adjudged a Lunatic. RICHMOND, Va., April 3, 1874. A commission of lunacy, consisting of Police Justice White and Justices W. K. Watts and Maxwell T. Clark, to-day adjudged Col. Joseph Mayo, State Treasurer, a lunatic, and ordered him to be sent to the nearest asylum as soon as practicable.

City of Wilmington.

Under this head the Raleigh Evening Crescent has the following cheering and encouraging remarks in reference to our city: "It is a pleasant duty for us to chronicle that our neighboring city—Wilmington—seems to have met with fortunate breezes since the termination of the late unpleasantness, and is now entered on a course of prosperity that we trust will be permanent. The various railroads centering at that point are reported as doing an immense and profitable business. The Carolina Central is being rapidly completed to Charlotte, and a new road is now projected that will land its passengers on the very banks of old ocean. The shipping in the harbor is fast increasing, and is more largely composed of foreign vessels than ever before. Indeed, on the completion of the work now in progress, at the mouth of the river, it is expected that vessels of the greatest burthen will be enabled to enter the port, and thus add much to the importance of the place as a commercial entrepot. The value of her real estate has rapidly risen from three to six millions of dollars, and the various enterprises recently undertaken by the citizens attest that thrift, energy and successful business have accumulated an abundant supply of capital in her midst. The latest sensation engaging the attention of her capitalists is, we believe, a cotton factory, with a paid-up capital of \$100,000. This, we hope, will prove a paying investment to its projectors. But even if it should not be highly remunerative to the stockholders, it will doubtless greatly benefit the community by diversifying the labor of the town, and affording additional employment for the laboring classes. Germain in this matter, we make the following extract from the Census Report of 1870: 'The cotton factories of North Carolina employ 453 hands; have a capital of \$1,031,000; pay out annually \$183,000 in wages; use \$964,000 of raw material; produce \$1,345,000 worth of goods, and pay a profit of 20 per cent.' We may well hope that this Wilmington factory, under skillful management, may yield a greater return than the average here shown. Our best wishes are with it, as in deed they are with everything else connected with the interest or advantage of our sister city. Long may she prosper!"

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The Small Pay of our Rural Clergy.

On last Friday evening an interesting subject was under consideration by the Wilmington Presbytery; it was the inadequate compensation received by the ministers of the Church, in the country. The Revs. S. H. Isler and B. F. Marable stated what many must have been humiliating information—that an esteemed minister of the Gospel received, on an average, but six hundred dollars per year. On this he must feed and clothe his family and educate his children, if possible. Mr. Marable, as Chairman of the Systematic Committee, appointed by a former Presbytery, in eloquent and pathetic language, spoke of the mental deterioration of the minister, obliged to eke out a subsistence by engaging in some secular pursuit; of the wear and tear of mind and body, of the gradual absorption of the spiritual by the material; that the great cause of the Master had to give way before the imperative necessity of properly attending to the culture of corn, cotton, tobacco or turnips, that the wife and little ones might not want; called from the potato patch over-heated and heart-weary to the side of the death-bed where, perchance, a dying sinner gaspingly implores him to help him make his peace with God, while the poor minister, feeling that he himself stands in need of consolation, is in no condition of mind to point to the cross.

Mr. Marable is especially commissioned to call the attention of the Church to the cause of sustentation, and to endeavor to increase the compensation of the country clergy to an average at least of eight hundred dollars. It is to be hoped that the appeal will meet with the response which its importance merits. We received a large club of subscribers from Johnston county yesterday. New subscribers are coming in from many different counties. We shall have no campaign rates this year, all our editions being now supplied at as low prices as can well be afforded. Besides, old subscribers complain, very justly, that they are discriminated against when special inducements are offered new subscribers.

Memorial Address.

We learn that Col. A. A. McKay, of Sampson, has been selected by the Ladies' Memorial Association of this city to deliver the address on Memorial Day, the 10th of May.

WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

Second Days' Proceedings. The Presbytery met according to adjournment and spent a half hour in devotional exercises; after which the minutes of last night's session were read, corrected and approved. The Moderator then announced the following Minutes:

On Devotional Exercises—Rev. D. B. Black and Ruling Elder Jas. C. Smith. To Prepare a Narrative to the General Assembly—Rev. N. Z. Graves, A. M. [McFadyen, and Ruling Elder Jas. H. Murphy. Bills and Overtures—Rev. B. F. Marable and R. Eld. E. W. Kerr. Judicial Committee—Rev. Colin Shaw and R. Eld. A. Southerland. Sessional Records—Rev. Alex. Kirkland and R. Eld. L. W. Robinson. On Systematic Benevolence—Rev. A. M. McFadyen, and R. Eld. P. W. Wooley. Rev. H. A. Monroe appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

On motion, the reception of Sessional Records was made the first order for to-day. A communication from Rev. S. C. Alexander was read and, on motion, referred to a Committee, consisting of Rova Colin Shaw, N. Z. Graves and R. Elds. D. McMillan and Alex. Sprunt. The Rev. A. F. Dickson, at his own request, was dismissed to connect himself with the Presbytery of Bethel.

The time and place of the next meeting of Presbytery was made the second order for to-day. The report of the Sustentance Committee was made the special order of the day for to-day at 4 o'clock. The report of the Agent of Sabbath Schools was made the third order for to-day. The report of the Evangelist, Rev. A. Kirkland, was made the order for 9 o'clock P. M. to-day.

The report of the Treasurer was made the fourth order for to-day. Rev. B. F. Marable was appointed to report on Evangelical Labor to the General Assembly in case the Rev. Jas. Kelley failed to do so. The Presbytery then went into an election of delegates to the General Assembly, with the following result: Ministers—Principal, F. C. Johnson; Alternate, S. H. Isler. Ruling Elders—Chas. H. Robinson, Principal, and George Chadbourne, Alternate.

Communications relative to Davidson College, from Rev. C. Phillips, D. D., J. Rumble and Jacob Doll, were read and, on motion, referred to the Trustees and Ruling Elders E. W. Kerr and L. W. Robinson. The Agent of Education, Rev. B. F. Marable, made his report, which was accepted and approved. The Agent then offered his resignation and Presbytery, after considering the matter, declined to accept it.

Rev. H. A. Monroe was appointed a special Committee on Foreign Missions, to report should the Agent fail to arrive in time to do so. The Rev. N. Z. Graves, Agent of Publication, made his report, and, after some discussion, the report was recommitted and the Agent instructed to report at his earliest convenience.

Rev. B. F. Marable offered a series of resolutions expressive of the views of this Presbytery in regard to "The Law of the Title." The resolutions were received and, pending the consideration of the adoption of them, Presbytery took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

Presbytery met and resumed business at the hour appointed. Presbytery resumed the consideration of the resolutions relative to the Title, and after discussion the resolutions were amended and adopted. Messrs. B. G. Worth and John McLaurin were appointed a Standing Committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts. Presbytery directed the Treasurer to pay to Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, of the North Carolina Presbytery, \$89.59 for printing.

Ruling Elder P. W. Wooley was granted leave of absence after last night's session. A communication was received from Licentiate W. H. Grove, now in Union Theological Seminary, asking for a special meeting of the Presbytery to ordain him to the Gospel. After considering the matter Presbytery refused, for sufficient reasons, to grant the request.

Presbytery adopted the following resolution: Resolved, That this Presbytery, feeling the great importance of developing the character and influence of the Eldership and Deacons, recommend and advise that they hold at least two conventions during the year for discussing their respective official duties and other collateral subjects. Presbytery, after prayer, adjourned to meet to-day at 9 A. M.

At night Rev. Alexander Kirkland, Evangelist for the Eastern counties, preached at the First Church a pleasant sermon based on Judges viii chap. 2nd verse. Third Days' Proceedings. Presbytery met at 9 A. M. and spent half an hour in devotional exercises, after which the minutes of Thursday were read, corrected and approved. Ruling Elders W. H. G. Beatty, South River Chapel, Jas. H. Alderman, Rockfish and Pike Church, and R. T. Sanders, Hopewell, appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness. The Treasurer made his report, which was received and approved.

On motion, the Treasurer was directed to write to all the churches that are in arrears to the Contingent Fund prior to Nov. 1873, and urge them to settle up immediately. Rev. S. H. Isler appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to revise the assessment of the churches for Contingent Fund. Revs. D. B. Black, B. F. Marable and Ruling Elder H. W. Beatty constitute that Committee. Rev. A. J. Willard, of the Congregational Church, was invited to sit as corresponding member. Clinton was selected as the place and Wednesday before the first Sabbath in October as the time for the next meeting of Presbytery.

The communications in reference to Davidson College were presented by the Committee to whom they were referred, and the preamble and resolutions contained in them were adopted. The Report on the Minutes of Synod was received, amended and adopted. The Committee on Sessional Records reported and recommended their approval, with several exceptions. The Report was received and adopted.

The Agent of Sabbath Schools, Rev. A. Kirkland, made his report, which was received and pending this Sessional Presbytery took a recess until 4 P. M.

At 3 P. M. Presbytery met and resumed the discussion relative to Sabbath Schools, after which the report of the Agent was adopted. The Report on Evangelization to the General Assembly was ordered to be forwarded to that body. The Report of the Committee to organize a church at Newport was received and enrolled.

The Report of the Evangelist, Rev. Alex. Kirkland, was accepted and ordered to be spread upon the minutes. Rev. H. A. Monroe made a verbal report of his Evangelistic work, which was accepted. The Report of the Agent on Education, Rev. N. Z. Graves, was accepted and ordered spread upon the minutes.

The Committee on Narrative to the General Assembly made a report, which was adopted and ordered forwarded to that body. Report of Committee on Letter from Rev. S. C. Alexander recommends that no reply be made and that the letter be handed to the 1st Church of Wilmington.

The Report of the Committee on Sustentation was received and accepted. The Stated Clerk, Rev. J. M. Sprunt, made a report to the General Assembly, which was accepted and ordered forwarded to that body. The Committee on Systematic Benevolence made a report, which was accepted, adopted and ordered forwarded to the General Assembly.

Leave of absence was granted to Rev. A. M. McFadyen, Rev. Colin Shaw, Dr. Robinson, J. H. Murphy, Samuel Player, A. Southerland and Robert Moore. Adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer and singing. The Committee on Sustentation made its report and offered some resolutions. Presbytery adjourned to meet this morning at 9 o'clock.

Very interesting addresses were delivered last night by Revs. Messrs. Marable and Isler on the subject of Sustentation. Fourth Days' Proceedings. Presbytery met according to adjournment, at 9 o'clock, the first half hour being spent in devotional exercises.

Rev. James Kelley appeared in Presbytery and rendered excuse for tardiness. The report of Committee on Sustentation was received and adopted. The Statistical Report was adopted. Rev. Geo. W. McMillan, Licentiate, asked to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery. Request granted.

Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, of Fayetteville Presbytery, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member. The Committee on Sessional Records made a report, which was received, adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes. Leave of absence was granted to Ruling Elder, W. H. G. Beatty.

A resolution was introduced calling the attention of Orange Presbytery to a former request made by this Presbytery, asking for a portion of their territory. The Agent of Foreign Missions made a report, which was received and adopted. The Committee to raise funds to erect a monument to the memory of Rev. Robert Tate reported progress. The same committee was continued and required to report at the next meeting of Presbytery.

The Committee to prepare a historical sketch of Brown Marsh Church was continued, to report at next meeting of Presbytery. Rev. Mr. Blake being present, asked permission to address a few words to the Presbytery. After the remarks the Presbytery voted a resolution of thanks for the same. The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported nothing as coming before them. The Committee was then discharged.

The Treasurer made a supplemental report, which was adopted. The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a report and was discharged. It was ordered that five hundred copies of the minutes of the Presbytery be printed and that the Stated Clerk of Presbytery prepare an abstract as soon as possible for the N. C. Presbyterian. Presbytery then adjourned to meet in Clinton on Wednesday evening before the second Sabbath in October, at 7 1/2 o'clock.

Spirits' Uprights.

Heavy frost in Weldon sec. Thursday night. Clinton is establishing a mattress factory. The Radicals of Raleigh had a noisy meeting Thursday night. Granville Conservative county convention meets on 21st inst. A petition is in circulation to get a postoffice at Boggan's Cut. Chatham is becoming a cotton county, and lands are enhancing in value. Nelson Henderson, a noted colored fiddler of Fayetteville, aged 83, is dead. The Argus says the small grain crops are promising in Montgomery county. Orange Presbytery will meet on the 22nd at Greensboro. The Crescent says the recent frost played havoc with the peaches in Alamance county. M. W. Grand Master Bagley issued a dispensation for a new lodge of Odd Fellows at Teachey's. The Raleigh Crescent nominates Hon. W. N. H. Smith for President of the University. The colored man killed by the train near Salisbury last Sunday was named Sandy McCann. Prof. Hassell of that institution will lecture on Astronomy next Thursday at the Weldon Collegiate Institute. The Advance says an elegant silver service was presented to the Wilson Methodist Church by Messrs Young of Petersburg. Maj. W. A. Hearne has been appointed Supervising Architect of the post office building in Raleigh, see S. T. Carrow, resigned. Chatham at Mecklenburg and South Carolina continued Tuesday at Davidson College on the cotton-factory subject. They hope to build it. The Raleigh Crescent deprecates a supposed movement to throw overboard Hon. Thomas S. Ashe for Congress in the Sixth District. The aspirants in the 4th Congressional District are Revenue Collector T. Young, Willie Jones, Sheriff Lee, T. M. Argo and others. Weldon News: Many farmers had begun to plant corn but the recent rainy weather has checked operations temporarily. The Weldon News reports the sudden death, it is supposed of heart disease, of Capt. J. M. S. Rogers, of Northampton, formerly a member of the Legislature. Gov. Caldwell has appointed Chas. N. Vance, Esq., a son of Hon. Z. B. Vance a notary public at Charlotte. Mr. Vance is teller of the new Commercial Bank of that city. La Grange Baptist Review: The wheat crop in this section of the State is unusually promising, and as there was a very large percentage sowed last fall it is hoped that an abundant crop will be reaped. Hon. J. D. Hastings, of Wisconsin, and Hon. J. J. Hickman, of Kentucky, lectured in Greensboro to a large audience Tuesday night. Hon. Thos. Settle was initiated into the Lodge of Good Templars. Raleigh News: Maj. Wm. A. Smith, the present incumbent, has positively refused to allow his name to be used as a candidate for re-nomination by his party for Congressional honors in the Fourth District. The Gazette acknowledges the generosity of Messrs. Hays of New York, in assisting the Library of Perseverance Council, Friends of Temperance, Fayetteville. Some corn and meal were stolen from Mr. Joseph T. Hays's mill near Fayetteville, last Thursday. Bill Arden, colored, and Herring Newell, white, were arrested and jailed. A reliable business man, of good character, can form a favorable connection with Capt. Biggs on the Carolina Herald. One who understands printing preferred. There will be a meeting of the members of the Conservative Executive Committee of the 5th Judicial District, in Rockingham, Richmond county, on Tuesday the 23rd day of April. Newbern Republic-Courier: We learn that confederate small-pox has made its appearance on the east side of the Neuse, between Broad and Beard's creeks, some eight miles from the river. Asheville Expositor: Near Sugar Hill, McDowell county, one day last week, a white boy in attempting to shoot a rabbit, shot and killed a black boy who happened to be coming over a hill on the trail of the rabbit. Wilson Advance: Gen. Joshua Barnes has returned from his trip to the National Surgical Institute, Atlanta, Ga., where he has been under treatment for his health. We are glad to learn he is much improved. Fayetteville Eagle: Just now there is an effort and excitement for a railroad from near Haywood by Pittsboro to Cane Creek, on the Albemarle line. A vote is to be taken on the 21st of May whether the county shall subscribe \$75,000 or not. Jim Harris, the colored politician made a speech at the Temperance reform meeting Wednesday night. He was interrupted by Magnin, Jones and others, when much recrimination ensued. It almost amounted to a fight. The Sentinel learns that Mr. Martin Heath, who lives near Siler's Post-Office in Surry county, lost his dwelling house and nearly all his household and kitchen furniture by fire—together with some \$800 in specie, 2,000 pounds bacon and about 500 bushels of corn. The Newbern Journal of Commerce is pleased to know that there is a movement on foot looking to the establishment of a new daily paper in that city, and if the arrangement to that end can be consummated the enterprise will be inaugurated some time this week. Seth M. Carpenter, Esq., is to be editor and proprietor. A News correspondent from Henderson says as follows: During a revival of religion in the Shiloh Baptist Church at this place, for the last four weeks, conducted by Rev. F. R. Stewart, seventy-eight souls were converted to God. On the 5th Sabbath in March, 51 of these were baptised and added to the church. Greensboro Star: On Monday evening a scaffolding in the Opera House gave way and precipitated three employes, Mr. Gilliam, Mr. Tate and Mr. Lemley, about twenty feet to the floor. Mr. Tate was badly injured, internally, receiving one or two broken ribs. Mr. Gilliam was badly cut on the leg, and Mr. Lemley received a bruised ankle. Fayetteville Eagle: A cotton factory has just been started on Haw River, at Bynum's mill, and a few miles above Pittsboro. The mines of iron and copper along Deep River are being worked, but nothing is doing in the coal mines. Country stores are thick and thrifty, and farming and general business are improving.