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"Our Aim will be, the People's Right Maintain,  
Unawed by Power, and Unbribed by Gain."

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## A DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

### TERRIBLE MURDER SPEEDILY AVENGED.

A Desperate Character Biddled by Lynchers' Bullets—Crime Makes Widows and Orphans.

Again has our community been shocked by another terrible tragedy. Like a thunder clap the startling announcement came that Mr. Joshua A. Cox, a peaceable and useful citizen and successful lumberman of Blount's Creek, 16 miles from Washington had been murdered by Thomas Frazier, an employee of Mr. H. MacCox, deceased's brother. Bad blood for Cox had boiled in the veins of Frazier for some time past, and on Saturday afternoon, accompanied by two friends, Newton and Adams, he entered Cox's store and demanded liquor, which Cox refused, and then walked off towards his mill, a few yards distant. Frazier, who had been drinking, now boiling with rage, thought it "d—d strange others could buy when he could not," and seizing a gun which was in the hands of one of his friends standing near, emptied the contents of both barrels, which literally riddled Mr. Cox with buck shot, producing almost instant death. Frazier fled through the swamp near by to the house of Mr. H. MacCox, where his clothes were, thinking to secure them and escape believing his employer absent. Mr. Cox, however, had heard of the murder, but not having left the house, arrested Frazier, and with the aid of others, who came up, bound him and carried him to a small dwelling near the mill, where he was placed under strong guard, preparatory to bringing him to this city, following morning, for incarceration in the county jail. A magistrate, fearing attempted release by Frazier's friends, posted sentinels at different points around the premises, securing the murderer with heavy chains fastened to a post within the building. Toward morning a company of masked men, adroitly eluded the sentinels and gained admission to the temporary prison, and overpowering the guard, took possession of Frazier, knocking off the irons, and gagged and bound, dragged him near to the exact spot where he stood when he fired the shot at his innocent victim. Here a volley of gun and pistol shots were emptied into his body, instantly killing him and mutilating him almost beyond recognition, and then the lynchers dispersed, having done their work in much less time than it takes to tell the story.—Washington Progress.

### FARMERS IN COUNCIL.

Wise and Sober and Wholesome Reflections.

On Friday in the Court House Commissioner of Agriculture for North Carolina made a speech full of wise suggestions and useful hints to the farmers. Foremost among them was that they organize, talk together of plans of farming operations, and suggested that in their conferences they have questions for discussion by which to bring out the various views of farmers on the different subjects on which farmers are interested, chief of which he declared to be "What is the best method for raising manure?" He stated we could not successfully do that without stock, and we cannot have stock without forage; hence the best method of raising forage was the chief subject for the farmer's consideration. He was of the opinion that Ensilage culture was the best method by which to secure that end. He spoke of the construction of silos for the preservation of ensilage and of the value of that as a food for stock. He was corroborated in his statements by Mr. Walter Woodard, one of our most intelligent and progressive farmers. During the absence of a committee appointed on permanent organization of a Farmers' Institute for the county. The assemblage was entertained by Mr. Jas. S. Woodard, in which words of wisdom were uttered and from which much of benefit would be derived were they only heeded and acted on by the farmers. In a nutshell his speech is what the MIRROR has often urged upon the farmers, to plant more corn, "For" said he, "if we have plenty of corn we will have plenty of fodder and shucks, and as a consequence, plenty of bread and meat; fat hogs and good old North Carolina hams. This end cannot be attained by the mortgage-guano-all-cotton system of farming." We will not undertake to give even a synopsis of Mr. Woodard's speech, but say that it was in perfect harmony, with the views of all present and met hearty applause. On motion Walter Woodard was elected

Superintendent of the Experiment Farm with leave to select the situation of the farm. This is regarded as a very judicious selection, for Mr. Woodard is an educated intelligent practical farmer. And right here we would say we are glad to note the recognition of the worth of those of our young men who have pluck and back bone enough to become intelligent tillers of the soil, as tending to elevate and ennoble agricultural employments. The tendency has, to too great an extent, been for farmers' sons to give up the farm and become second class clerks in second class grocery stores, and in many instances upon failure in that line to descend still to lower grades of employment and finally to worthlessness. There is no business more independent, elevating and ennobling than that of the farmer, by that we mean, not the humdrum plowing and planting as of a century ago, but that intelligent study of the science of farming by which the capacity of soils the value and application of fertilizers, the utilizing of the means in the reach of every farmer, for making the most of the necessities and luxuries of life out of our own soil. Upon the product of the soil every other industry is supported. What our farmers want is to think talk and act out more the great and grand work they have in hand.

On recommendation of the committee appointed on permanent organization the following officers were elected:

OFFICERS OF THE FARMERS INSTITUTE.  
Wm. Woodard, Jr. .... President.  
W. F. Woodard ..... Secretary.  
C. W. Knight ..... Treasurer.

VICE PRESIDENTS.  
Jas. E. Farmer ..... Wilson.  
A. G. Brooks ..... Black Creek.  
B. A. Scott ..... Cross Roads.  
E. G. Barnes ..... Spring Hill.  
D. M. Stott ..... Old Fields.  
W. W. Farmer ..... Taylors.  
Jas. S. Woodard, Jr. .... Gardeners.  
T. R. Eagles ..... Saratoga.  
J. T. Graves ..... Stantonsburg.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.  
Nathan Bass, Jno. J. Hales, B. F. Lane,  
W. B. Simms and L. F. Lucas.

SUPT. OF EXPERIMENT FARM.  
W. F. Woodard.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE.  
F. W. Barnes, A. B. Deans and Joshua B. Farmer.

### THE GRAVE OF STEPHEN CABARRUS.

Judge Montgomery in the Concord Times.

Whilst holding Chowan court, as a citizen of Cabarrus I felt it to be a sacred duty to visit the grave of Stephen Cabarrus, for whom our good county was named. After a pleasant ride of half a mile in a sail boat across Edenton Bay, I came to the old homestead of Stephen Cabarrus, now called "Pembroke." Upon a gentle slope ascending from the bay, I found the burial ground of the Cabarrus family, in full view of the bay and of the town of Edenton. The graveyard is much neglected, grown up with briars and vines, but I found the grave with difficulty, enclosed with brick, covered with a large marble slab. After brushing the trash and dust off, "old mortality" like, I deciphered the following inscription: "In memory of Stephen Cabarrus, who departed this life 14th day of August, 1808. Aged 54 years." This inscription was all. The old mansion was burned a few years ago. It was a lovely place when well kept.

I went to the family burial ground of the Johnstons, and there within the space of twenty-five feet square are the graves of Samuel Johnston, member of Congress, Governor of the State, United States Senator and Judge of the Supreme Court of North Carolina; James Iredell, Sr., an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States; James Iredell, Jr., Judge of the Superior Courts and Governor of North Carolina, and Senator Wilson, a Northern Senator, who came to visit his friend, Senator Johnston, and died on the visit. Thus there are two United States Senators, two Governors and an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States gently sleeping so closely together. We doubt if in the United States so many graves of distinguished men can be found in so small a compass.

Henderson Walker, the first Governor of North Carolina, is buried on Albemarle Sound, about two miles from the others. The story of Senator Wilson's life is a sad one. After his term as Senator had expired he was imprisoned for debt in a Northern jail, and when released from prison, he came to visit his friend, Senator Johnston, and, as stated above, died here.

## A MIXTURE.

### EDITORIAL ETCHINGS EUPHONIOUSLY ELUCIDATED.

Numerous Newsy Notes and Many Merry Morsels Paragraphically Packed and Pithily Pointed.

—A pair of slippers—Two eels.  
—A last resort—The shoemaker's shop.  
—The purchase of a drama is mere buy play.  
—The longest reign in history—The deluge.  
—One of the bright spots in existence is spot cash.  
—A sailor generally feels tired after a day's port.  
—Sticks at nothing—The theatrical swordsman.  
—How to make a Maltese cross—By stepping on his tail.  
—Applause at the opera is cheap—to be obtained for a song.  
—It is necessary to chop down a tree before chopping it up?  
—The woman question—"What are you going to trim it with?"  
—Where there's a will there's a way. Yes, a way to break it.  
—Matthew Arnold is to have a memorial in Westminster Abbey.  
—Iowa is unanimous for Cleveland and tax reform. Roll on the column.  
—If a girl were to swear at all she would probably swear "By Gum."  
—What we call our despair is often only the painful eagerness of unfed hope.  
—Moderation is the silken string running through the pearl chain of all virtue.  
—Of "pictures in the fire" the poets tell; we only see them when the grate draws well.  
—When a poor girl marries a rich gull does she call him by the pet name of "Birdie?"  
—"Another Cuban outrage," said Col. Sozle, after vain efforts to make a 20-cent cigar draw.  
—The man who minds his own business and constantly attends to it has all his time employed.  
—An apartment house which does not yield any profit must be classed among the "flat failures."  
—Poverty often deprives a man of all spirit and virtue. It is hard for an empty bag to stand upright.  
—Never ask a crust of a crusty man. Ask him for meat, for he'll give you a cold shoulder with pleasure.  
—Truth is the most powerful thing in the world, since fiction can only please us by its resemblance to it.  
—Throw away idle hopes; come to thine own aid, if thou carest at all for thyself, while it is in thy power.  
—It is estimated that there was a decrease of \$8,000,000 in the public debt during the month of March.  
—"You're a man after my own heart," as the blushing maiden confessed when her lover proposed marriage.  
—Dogs are excluded from good society in warm weather because they insist in wearing such loud pants.  
—A lady advertises that she has "a fine, airy, well-furnished bedroom for a gentleman twelve foot square."  
—The wood cuts of the Chief Justice elect do not represent a brainy fellow. But phrenology may be a humbug.  
—While the astute Blaine writes his letters from over the sea the child like Dew wags his jaw over the land.  
—The man in the moon has one advantage over his terrestrial brothers; the fuller he gets the more brilliant he is.  
—The news from Washington is that the drift is towards Blaine. His followers are confident of his nomination. Good.  
—The Raleigh Signal's editor, Mr. Harriss, thinks that the North Carolina delegation will go for Blaine. It is not improbable.  
—The new Chief Justice is said to be an old school Democrat. We hope this is true. He will not favor consolidation or Federal school teaching in the States. That much is certain.  
—Ex-Minister Morton is back from Europe and, saw Blaine. He says that if Blaine is nominated he will accept. Of course, of course, who ever doubted it? No Blaine's "particulars."

—The exquisitely beautiful and charmingly refined daughters of Col. Bob Ingersol are said to be even stronger atheists than their father.

—There is an opinion in Chicago that Vilas stands a better chance than Gray for the second place. The strife in Indiana works against Gray.

—A mountain rat, ten inches high, and about a foot long, captured on the island Trinidad, has been added to the Central Park (N. Y.) menagerie.

—The Methodist General Conference at New York decided against the admission of the female delegates. The matter was referred to the annual conferences.

—It is in the highest degree improper and unjust to ridicule a man on account of his small stature. Because he happens to be little it isn't right to belittle him.

—It is expected that there will be another eruption of Mount Vesuvius this year, but as we are going to have another national campaign the Vesuvius side show won't be worth going to see.

Our new Chief Justice shows that he is a wise man in nothing perhaps more than in the fact that he seldom publishes the poetry he is moved to write now and then in his moments of relaxation.

—The introduction of Prof. Poteat's proposed articles on "Religion in Science" appears in the current number of the Biblical Recorder. The series will be interesting and valuable beyond a doubt.

—There seems to be a growing sentiment among the Democratic representatives at Washington that Hon. A. E. Stevenson, of Illinois, should be the Democratic nominee for the Vice-Presidency.

—The highest price brought by any painting at a recent sale of modern French and German works in New York was \$1,300, the work being one entitled "Calumny," by Vibert, the purchaser a Mr. Collins.

—Alexander McDonald, who was a Republican United States Senator from Arkansas from 1868 to 1871, has been seriously ill at the Hotel St. Marc, in New York, since last Friday, with congestion of the lungs.

—The Singer sewing machine was a money making arrangement. A daughter of the original Singer has an income of \$120,000 a year. A young French Duke has just married her. Her bridal dress only cost \$6,000.

—The Democratic party has always been the party of the people; the Republican, the party of the monopolists; and regarding this latter class the experience of the workingmen themselves should have taught them wisdom.

—The Republicans claim that taxation in excess of national expenses, to the tune of \$140,000,000 yearly, it is a fruitful source of national prosperity. The farmer who has to sell a cow to pay his part of it don't see it in that light.

—A pneumatic tube company that proposes to blow passengers under the ocean to Europe in eight hours has been incorporated in New York. The passenger cars will travel like a cannon ball, and will be quite safe and comfortable.

—Bishop Whittle has been twenty years the Bishop of the Episcopal church in Virginia. He was born in Mecklenburg county in 1823. He was educated in Virginia and has lived in that State all his life, including the part cut off by the Yankees.

—In 1884 Blaine received 182 electoral votes and Cleveland 219—37 majority. In 1888, with his good, honest, patriotic record, Cleveland ought to beat the badly "tattooed man" from Maine at least 100 votes. The popular vote was 4,848,334 for Blaine, and 4,911,087 for Cleveland—a majority of 62,683. It ought to be a half million this year. Mr. Tilden carried the country by 156,900 over all candidates and 250,707 over Hayes.

—It is now said that Blaine is in the hands of his friends. Truly his actions and his letters, which have been published, show him to be a real enigma. As we have said before, we believe he wants the nomination for the presidency. And we opine that his conduct has been deliberately planned with a view to securing the nomination. It looks very much like he thinks there is a powerful sentiment in his behalf in the country, and thinking this, he has thus maneuvered to get the nomination in such a way as to make the impression he didn't want it; and that in accepting it he would show his devotion by a great condescension. He thinks so much of himself.

## STATE NEWS.

### FROM THE DEEP BLUE SEA TO THE GRAND OLD MOUNTAINS.

An Hour Pleasantly Spent With Our Delightful Exchanges.

Lenoir county has a boiling well. Rev. Dr. Stutton, of Raleigh, has a Bible over 300 years old.

A canning factory has been incorporated at Tarboro with \$15,000 capital.

The New Bern Journal says the original F. F. Vs. were the Five Foolish Virgins.

October 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th, have been selected for holding the State Fair at Raleigh.

A Co-operative Industrial Canning Company was organized in Wilmington recently.

The commencement exercise of the Greensboro Female College takes place May 30th.

Hon. John Nichols has introduced a bill appropriating \$100,000 to erect a public building in Durham.

A great revival is in progress in the Baptist church at Fayetteville. There have been many converts.

The Winston post-office issued over \$12,000 in money orders and registered packages in one day last week.

A moonshiner in Stokes county manufactured recently forty gallons of whiskey from 4 bushels of corn and ten boxes of concentrated lye.

Wilmington has organized a street railway company. Mr. J. D. Bellamy, Jr., is president, and Maj. Chas. M. Steadman, vice-president of the company.

It is rather noticeable that the Democratic Convention of Cumberland county did not instruct its delegates as to the man they should support for Governor.

The pea crop in the Goldsboro section is about all picked. It has been quite remunerative. Next week the land now in peas will be planted in corn or cotton.

North Carolina is rather coming towards the front in the matter of lynching. There has not been a legal execution this year, yet there have been five persons lynched.

The Goldsboro Methodist Advance having been indefinitely suspended, it subscribers will be supplied with the Statesville Methodist Advocate for the unexpired terms.

—There will be established in Raleigh in a few weeks a commercial college for giving special instruction in type-writing, short-hand, telegraphy, book-keeping and penmanship.

The North Carolina Press Association will probably meet at Morehead city, the latter part of June, and at its close will take an excursion to Washington or some other Northern city.

The Cape-Fear and Yadkin-Valley railroad make a fine showing in the matter of net earnings for the year ended April 30th. They were \$31,188 in excess of those during the previous year.

Rev. C. F. Deems, D. D., will deliver the annual address at Livingston College, Salisbury, May 16th. The baccalaureate sermon will be by Rev. J. W. Borwn of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 13.

Mr. George A. Ramsey, of Pender county, has perfected arrangements to build a railroad from Burgaw, on the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad to Jacksonville, Onslow county. The road will be twenty-eight miles long, and will be built this summer.

The great celebration of the battle of Guilford Court House has come and gone. The only speech that was specially prepared for the occasion was that of Judge Shenck. It is represented to have been elaborate, learned, able and eloquent. We are gratified to learn that the distinguished speaker proved to the satisfaction of his auditors, that the stigma of cowardice, which in tradition and history has attached to the North Carolina militia on that crucial day of conflict, was wiped out by a careful and complete unfolding of hitherto neglected facts.

"How you brudder Ben?" "Me?" "Lor sister Charity, poorly sure's you born, I is wid de rheumatis a creeping all about same as a tame snake." "Chile, buy Salvation Oil dey cure sarten."

The shorter the tunnel the sweeter kiss, the older the cough the harder the cure. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup has broken many stubborn coughs.