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TO ADVERTISERS. Advertisers should bear in mind that the Wilson Ledger has the largest circulation...

THE TWO ISSUES. During the past week there has been a decided rivalry of opinion in the political world...

AN INTERESTING CHAT WITH LIET T. HALL. A Washington correspondent writes: I have had an interesting conversation today with Liet T. Hall...

Sale of Cotton in Wilson. Mr. Tucker, an Agent for a large Manufacturing firm in Massachusetts...

MILITARY MOVEMENTS IN MASSACHUSETTS. The Legislature has unanimously passed resolutions regarding the military spirit of Kentucky...

MILITARY EXERCISES IN LOUISVILLE. The Louisville Journal says the military spirit of Kentucky is being fully aroused by the warlike aspect of the times...

NEW YORK LEGISLATURE. Albany, N. Y., Jan. 19, 1861. The Committee on Federal Relations in the Assembly reported in favor of the Union...

It is only honest opinion that Howard Paul is a very sensible man, and evidently does not like being bored. Gov. Howard Paul, just before he left...

Bachelors take courage! Read the following: 'It's all very pretty to talk about the superior comforts of married life.'

THE BEAUTIFUL. Who shall expect upon paper the attributes of the lowly 'maid'? A Chinese lady considers her self irresistibly charming with her soft features...

THE PRESENT YEAR.

The year 1861 is the first of the 60th Olympiad. It will be an annual eclipse of the sun on the 13th of January, another on the 7th of July and a total eclipse on the 21st day of December...

THE AD VALOREM BANNER. We have received the Forerunner, in the shape of an extra, of the Ad Valorem Banner to be issued daily and weekly...

It will be a grand sheet in politics. Its editor professes to be a Democrat, but as its name indicates, it will advocate the ad valorem system of taxation in this State...

CITING UP WITH A SHILLING. The practice of cutting up with a shilling was introduced to reduce the presumption of a client when with a shilling...

Mr. Tucker, an Agent for a large Manufacturing firm in Massachusetts, recently purchased in Wilson a considerable quantity of bales of Cotton at 12c per lb. on ninety days...

A temporary think is a good job that Mr. Dimes, of Charleston, should inform the President that he holds himself responsible for the Postal Revenue...

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GRAND GATHERING.

Messrs Editors: As I noticed that you were too deeply interested in the immediate proceedings of the 'Grand Gathering' the other night in the basement story of the Court House...

Mr. H. L. Winton was called to the chair. He stated that the object of the meeting was to call out a new correspondence. He said that he had not as yet taken any very active part in the present movement...

Mr. C. L. Parker then addressed the Chair. He said that he was ready at any time to back on his knapsack and tin in harness. He did not want to undertake any excuses for the South...

Dr. Howard next arose and spoke to the following effect. He thought that the doctrine of Abolitionism was too bitter a pill to be swallowed; and was sick of so much talk, and wanted action...

Mr. Malone immediately arose and said that he was 'sounded on the go,' but still considered himself pressed by force of circumstances to say something...

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VISIT TO CASWELL CHRISTMAS-MERRY TIMES-POLITICS-BUSINESS DULL.

WILMINGTON, N. C. Jan. 14, 1861. Dear Ledger: Having paid a trip to one of our Western counties, which borders close on the line of the Old Dominion...

We had the pleasure of attending a large party the night before Christmas, where the beauty and chivalry of Caswell were well displayed. The beautiful Miss A., with dashing step, charming eyes, waving curls and nightingale voice...

The great topic of conversation was secession. Secession is gaining rapidly in Caswell, notwithstanding the old war horse Bedford Brown, Senator from that county...

Mr. B. H. Bardin thought that the North would pay dearly for giving such unnecessary offence to the South. He thought that the Legislature had made a very small appropriation for military purposes...

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INTERESTING LETTER FROM CHARLESTON.

The Slaves at War in earnest—Amusing Conversation with the Negroes—Edmund Ruffin of Virginia Leads a Whirlwind—Separation of Husband and Wife—Deeply Affecting Scene!

A correspondent of the Baltimore American, who visited all the fortifications about Charleston Harbor, on Sunday, the 12th instant, furnishes a lengthy and interesting account of what he saw...

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SHE NEVER LEAVES HIM.

Look at the career of a man as he passes through the world; at man visited by misfortunes! How often is he left by his fellow men to sink under the weight of his afflictions, bereaved and alone...

In conclusion, I would suggest that, should the said T. Brown ever again show himself in Wilson, he would confine himself a little more to facts; otherwise he might leave this village preceded by a band of music.

We would say that we are not personally acquainted with Mr. T. Brown, but that we saw him in our walks about town, and thought that his gait was anything but military.

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A DOUBLE ELOPEMENT—TWO MEN RUN AWAY WITH EACH OTHER'S WIVES.

The Holmes County (Ohio) Farmer tells this story of a curious elopement and its consequences: On Tuesday last week, while standing on the platform of the depot building at Crestone, we saw a train arrive from the East...

The woman instantly recognized each other, and without uttering a word 'spiked into' one of the liveliest free fights that we have ever been called upon to witness...

A great many persons were gathered around, but no one caring much which of the parties was right and laughed at the sport. Constable Smith took the parties before the Mayor, and his Honor indicted each of them \$5 and costs.

Scott and Mrs. Johnson had planned an elopement, and Johnson and Mrs. Scott had also planned an elopement, to be carried out on the same day with the other parties...

After paying their fines, which satisfied them that fighting was an unprofitable way of settling the difficulty, they indulged in the application of a goodly number of hard words and unkind remarks, and finally separated...

Question—Were you ever on the sea or on rough water before? Answer—Oh, yes, massa!—De Santee some time run so high dat 'coonoo (canoes) swamp.

Question—How would you like to cross this harbor in a canoe? Answer—(With two short, indelible grunts)—'Coonoo sink, sah.

Question—Where are you going now? Answer—To Watry (Montrie), sah.

Question—What do you do there? Answer—To fight, sah, and to build up forts on de island, sah.

Question—Who are you going to fight? Answer—De dat Yankee, sah, and Abolitionists. [Laughter.]

Question—You don't dislike Yankees? Answer—'No, 'specially sah; massa do; and 'sides, dey come here to steal us; and young massa John come up to de people's quarters day fore yesterday, and when he call all of us together he state de case to us, and tell us dat 'suffin was goin' down to de city...