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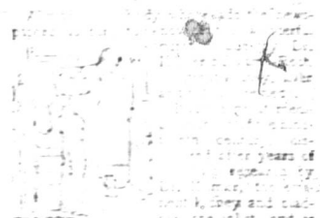

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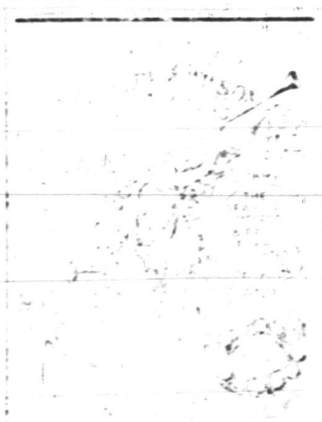

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Of course the successful candidates forget best to make some return for this gratuitous service by giving to the county paper that backs this successful county ticket standing all through the campaign as much public printing as the law authorizes, but that necessarily fall far short of value received. The unspeakable ingratitude and meanness of giving any portion of the public printing to papers that do not support the ticket was not averted to by the Charlotte Observer, no doubt because it could not imagine that such a base thing could occur.

The subject is one to which the newspaper fraternity is giving more and more attention, as the money value of advertising is more and more realized. The Baltimore Sun makes the contending politicians in its bailiwick pay for their communications, and it is probable that it receives a hundred thousand dollars per annum from that source alone, and hence is able to make a better paper for the general public.

Plant for 12,000,000 Bales

The Atlanta Constitution has challenged the farmers of the South to plant for a 12,000,000 bale crop next season. It says that planting 12,000,000 bales however is a different thing from gathering that crop, but insists that the market will take that amount next season at highly remunerative prices to the farmer. Mr. R. Harris, of Pineville, N. C., replies to the Constitution, brought its own editorial [illegible] Editor Constitution I see you call upon the cotton planters of the South to plant for 12,000,000 bales of cotton on the this next crop. I for one double the wisdom of this advice. If 12,000,000 bales bring more money than twelve or fifteen million bales, is the sense of trying to make the larger crop when it means less provisions and more money paid out? If your wise counsel can convince the world that the next crop will be 12,000,000 bales, if cotton does not go down to 7 or 8 cents it will not be the fault of the bear speculators. If the farmers of the South are wise they will not increase their acreage but rather decrease it and endeavor to make more to the acre. The question is will the labor they have be all they could do to gather the present crop, and leave 12 or 13 million bales. And notwithstanding the fact that the acreage has been increased for the last few years the crop has decreased instead of being increased. What is the cause of this? One writer lays it to the deterioration of the seed, but this is manifestly absurd for if this has been and is being improved the cause is the natural one, the want of the labor. The cause is the want of the labor. The cause is the want of the labor. The cause is the want of the labor. The cause is the want of the labor.

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Williamston—Geo. W. Hoard, C. W. Keith, John H. Mizell, J. M. Griffin, [illegible]

SECOND WEEK.

Jamesville—L. W. Davis, T. [illegible]
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Williams—W. E. Daniel.
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Over Drafts	[illegible]	Surplus	4,000.00
Banking House and Lots,	1,500.00	Undivided Profits	2,134.49
Furniture & Fixtures,	1,250.00	Certificates of Deposit,	6,522.00
Cash Items	[illegible]	Deposits subject to Check	70,960.13
Due from Banks and Bankers	[illegible]		
Cash on Hand	[illegible]		
TOTAL,	$ [illegible]	TOTAL,	$ 95,851.13

J. G. Goulard, Cashier of Bank of Martin County, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that the above Statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. J. G. GODARD, Cashier.

State of North Carolina—County of Martin

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