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VIEWS ON THE MARKET SALE

Communications Both Pro and Con on This Important Question To be Voted on by the Citizens of Raleigh Next Monday

The Times-Visitor gives space this afternoon, tomorrow and Saturday to those who wish to express their views on the Market House question. It is a subject that should be carefully considered.

THE MARKET QUESTION.

The reasons given for the sale of the market house are:

- First—Raleigh must have an auditorium.
- Second—The present site and house are unsuitable for market purposes.

I have heard that the city owns a number of feet on each side of the market house, and that the proposition to sell is the carry all the frontage on Fayetteville and Wilmington streets that is the property of the city.

Is this true? If so, how many feet wide will the streets be on each side.

We are invited to vote for the sale, for the reason that the present site is not an eligible one, and the present house is unsuitable for its purposes.

Where do the aldermen propose to locate the new site, and what is the style of market house they propose to build, and what is the price to be paid for the new lot, and what the price for the new house?

We must have an auditorium. The purpose in selling is to get an auditorium. Do the aldermen intend to build that auditorium over the market stalls, or do they intend to buy two lots and put the market house on one and the auditorium on the other? If so, will they please inform the voters where these two lots are to be located, what prices will be paid for them, and what will be the cost of the two buildings.

What power and from what source will a poll-holder derive any authority to administer an oath or to question an elector?

What will prevent one from voting in every ward of the city, or prevent an elector from outside the city limits from voting?

Will the result be by a majority of votes cast or will it require a majority of the qualified voters of the city?

Whose election is this and what is it for anyway?

Will the Board of Aldermen hire carriers to ride voters to the polls?

How are the city employees instructed to vote?

Will it be unlawful to sell or give away intoxicating liquors within one mile of the polling places for this election?

Who employed counsel to employ one of the poll-holders to get a list of the voters within the city limits and mail each a circular enclosing a ticket for the selling of the market house?

How, when, where, from whom and by what means can I ascertain how to vote, what I am to vote for, what the result of the election can accomplish either way, and why any citizen should vote at all?

Can any one show any legal authority for the conducting a public election wherein all the legal restrictions do not apply and wherein all legal requirements must not be fully complied with?

REASONS FOR NOT SELLING.

I don't know how you stand about the primary, but as far as I am able to see and learn I think most of our people are in favor of selling the old market house. I am in favor of it for several reasons.

1st. Because I believe it is necessary in order that we may have a new market and auditorium.

2nd. Because I do not believe we can get a new market and an auditorium without selling the old market.

3rd. Because the old market was built over thirty years ago when Raleigh had a population of about 5,000, and now it is said that Raleigh has a population four times as great and the old market is not large enough as can be readily seen by visiting other places on Fayetteville and Main streets where private markets are kept.

4th. Because the present market is no protection for man or beast in winter or summer when attending the market with produce for sale.

5th. Because we have no place large enough to hold the conventions and other large meetings and it is probable that if these conditions remain Raleigh may lose its conventions and gatherings.

6th. Because a sale of the market will put upon the tax list property that in the near future be valued at nearly \$100,000.

7th. Because the old market place fronts only six feet upon Fayetteville street and runs back two hundred and ten feet and if it can be sold for its value the money will be sufficient to build a new market and an auditorium.

8th. Because, the streets on both sides of the market cannot be sold and no person fronting on these streets can be hurt.

9th. Because, if the old market is sold in my opinion a large fine house will be erected in its place and it will be an ornament to Fayetteville street.

there any jobbery going on? It looks as if "something's up."

The truth is, there is no better location in town for a market than the present one. It is convenient to every section of the city. All kinds of businesses (dry goods, hardware, groceries, drugstores, clothing, etc.), are grouped around the present market as a convenience to marketing people. The article by Citizen in yesterday's paper is a very timely one, and ought to be read and thought over by every voter before he goes to the box.

As for myself, I shall vote against this senseless proposition, and believe four-fifths of the voters will do so.

The proposition of some one to extend the width and increase the height of the hall over the market is a good one. It could be so enlarged in this way as to give shelter to our country sellers during cold or hot weather, without interfering with travel. Put the matter in the hands of some good architect, and get his opinion as to this.

Yours truly,
J. D. CARROLL.

IRREGULAR IRREGULARITIES

Editors Times-Visitor: Allow me to ask for information in regard to this market house election:

By whom and what authority will poll-holders be paid?

Why have registration books not been opened, and who and by what authority will any one challenge one who desires to vote?

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THE AUDITORIUM

To the Editor: I notice in your issue of March 14th you say: "Market house must be sold. This is the only way to get an auditorium."

I must differ with you as to the necessity of selling the present site of the market house in order to secure an auditorium. I am in favor of building an auditorium, and think the only way to get it is for the city to build it.

I believe a majority of our citizens are of the same opinion. Why not ask the Legislature, which meets in June, to submit to the voters a twenty-five thousand dollar bond issue for the purchase of a site and the building of an auditorium. I know some will say we have had enough of bonds now; you expect this, but this is the only practical way of getting an auditorium.

Mr. A. who has a small amount of property will contribute \$100 towards an auditorium. Mr. B. who has ten times as much property and who will be benefited ten times as much as Mr. A. will not give a cent. I say, therefore, let it come out of all our citizens pro rata. This is fair and just and the only practical way to issue bonds and build the auditorium. "It must be done." I agree with you there, but don't let's rush in without taking time to consider it and sell our valuable site where the market now is for over \$50,000, when probably in the next few years it will be worth \$100,000.

Why only a short time ago Mr. Dewey discovered that the city owned 487 shares of Raleigh and Augusta Railroad stock, and as the pump department was in need of funds he recommended the sale of this stock as it had been lying idle so long, and had brought the city in no income. Well it was sold—\$6,000 was added to the pump fund and it was soon all gone. Today this stock is worth \$23,000 more than it was sold for—enough to build an auditorium. This is a lesson for us; go slow on such important matters.

The company of which Mr. Dewey is president has made a bid for the market of \$100,000—they may come to the limit of \$50,000. Is not the city of Raleigh as able to own this property as any other individual or corporation? Can't they make the improvements?

I am not so much opposed to the moving of the market, but I am opposed to the selling of the valuable site. If the city wants to buy a site and build a modern market I am in favor of it.

I am also opposed to the city's buying the present city lot for \$10,000, as \$5,000 would be a big price for it. It is only listed for \$5,000 for taxation. If it is even cut up into lots it would not bring more than \$5,000. The city only pays \$200 rent for it now; if we were to buy it at \$10,000 the interest on our money at 8 per cent would be \$800 more in addition to the rent we are now paying. There is not more than 2 1/2 or 3 1/2 acres in the city lot.

I say an auditorium can be built if half the energy and influence is used, that will be done in an effort to sell the market house.

Let's build an auditorium!
Let's keep the city hall!
Very respectfully,
C. C. McDONALD.

BRITISH INTO THE FREE STATE

Will Follow Steyn's Remaining Twelve Thousand

BOERS WILL FIGHT TO THE BITTER END

Wild Excitement an Effort by Salisbury's Refusal of an Offer to Secure Peace—But the Boers Will Fight.

London, March 15.—A Durban dispatch of yesterday says that in view of developments in the Free State that the intention of withdrawing General Warren and a large part of the troops from Natal has been abandoned. The forces, instead of being sent back from coast, an attempt will be made by them, to storm the passes from Drakensburg into the Free State. All the British heavy artillery is being moved from Ladysmith in the direction of Van Reenen's Pass. It is not believed that the Free Staters, however strong the position they hold at Drakensburg, have sufficient fighting "energy" left to resist the invasion from Natal.

STEYN AND HIS FORCES.

London, March 15.—President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, having gone to Kronstadt with twelve thousand troops, it is believed that the British army will closely follow. Continental opinion is that the Free Staters have practically thrown up the sponge. It is thought likely that the rear guard will be brought into action and will be fought by the ir-reconcilable Free Staters and Transvaalers, at Kronstadt, then a retirement will be made at the line Vaal, where it is likely there will be severe fighting.

LADY ROBERTS'S HEROIC DEED.

London, March 15.—At precisely one-thirty o'clock Tuesday afternoon the Union Jack made for the purpose by Lady Roberts was hoisted over the Presidency of Bloemfontein amid the acclamations of the battalions, many Free Staters being present. The hoisting of the Union Jack was insignificant. A few shells drove them away. During the progress through the town General Roberts ordered the instant replacement of the goods that were being looted by the Kaffirs.

PEACE APPROVED.

Victoria, Monday, Lorenzo Marques, Tuesday.—The reply of Lord Salisbury was received here today. The publication of the despatch of the two Presidents caused a great sensation here. It is the general opinion that the two Presidents selected the right moment to make the suggestions for the conclusion of peace.

QUERE

The Federal forces are contesting every inch of the British advance toward Bloemfontein with excellent results. The British have suffered tremendous losses.

FIVE BLOCKS DESTROYED.

Hopkinton, Mass., March 15.—Five blocks in the business portion of the town were totally destroyed by fire today. The fire started at two o'clock this morning.

FIGHT TO THE DEATH.

London, March 15.—Victoria's despatches say that the Boers and 19,000 soldiers are wild with resentment at Lord Salisbury's plainly expressed intention to wipe out the two republics. All classes say they will fight to the bitter end.

SNOW IN NORTH CAROLINA

But Rain Here Tonight—Clear Weather Tomorrow Afternoon.

For Raleigh and vicinity: Rain tonight and Friday, clearing Friday afternoon or night.

Forecast for North Carolina for 26 hours, to 8 p. m. to-morrow:

Rain southeastern, snow or rain in northwestern half tonight; colder tonight, with freezing temperatures in central and western portions; Friday, clearing, with colder in eastern portion; increasing north to east winds, becoming northwest Friday.

The storm yesterday over Texas has developed in force rapidly and moved eastward to the mouth of the Mississippi river, where the pressure is below 29.70 inches. At the same time an extensive area of high barometer with very cold weather occupies the northern section of the country. This arrangement is typical of the worst weather which the Southern States may experience. Rain is falling throughout the South and snow at many points, including Memphis, Knoxville, Washington and nearly all the Lake and north Atlantic stations. The amount of precipitation so far is small. The temperature is below zero again in the extreme northwest.

HEAVY SNOW TONIGHT.

Washington, March 15.—The Weather Bureau issued the following today: Heavy snow, increasing northeast winds are indicated for tonight from Ohio and the lake regions, in West Virginia, New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia and Virginia.

SHAW COMMENCEMENT.

Graduating Exercises of the Professional Schools This Morning.

The graduating exercises of the classes of 1900 of the schools of medicine, pharmacy and law took place in the college chapel today at 12 o'clock noon. The address to the graduates was given by Rev. A. E. Winslow, D. D., of Boston, editor of the New England Journal of Education. The diplomas were awarded and the degrees conferred by Dr. MacVicar, of New York.

CLASH WILL COME WHEN COURT ACTS

Forces of Beckham and Taylor May Fight

TAYLOR TO RESIST DECISION OF COURT

Adjutant Generals Castleman and Collier Both say They Mean Business—Warrants Issued for Thirty-Four Prominent Men.

Frankfort, March 15.—In order to prevent a fight between the Beckham and Taylor armies of State militia, Democratic Adjutant General Castleman and Republican Adjutant General Collier today signed a truce.

The truce holds until the State court of appeals acts on the agreed gubernatorial suit and seats Governor Beckham.

The moment that the court makes the decision the truce ends and the forces of Governor Beckham will attempt to unseat Governor Taylor by force, while Adjutant General Collier's militia will resist the attempt, as Governor Taylor will not recognize the decision of the State court, but will carry the case to the United States Supreme Court.

A clash is considered sure to come when the Court of Appeals acts.

Both Adjutant General Castleman and Adjutant General Collier say they mean business.

It is learned that warrants have actually been issued for thirty of the most prominent Republicans in Kentucky and also four Brown Democrats, charging them as accessories before the fact of the murder of Governor Goebel. Only twelve of those warrants have been given to detectives, and but four have been served.

TO RESIST GOEBELITES

Associations Being Formed in all Parts of Kentucky for Protection.

Louisville, March 15.—Arrangements were completed today of the formation of an organization of the best citizens of Kentucky to investigate the charges against Powers, Cotton, Davis, Hazel, Shipp and to raise money to defend them. The promoters of this scheme have employed ex-Governor Bradley as leading counsel. The members of the organization are accused by force if necessary. The organization will act in conjunction with the central body to be formed all over the State, and any overt acts of the Goebelites will be met with force if there is a conspiracy to arrest Goebelites generally, if carried further, Taylor will surrender neither the militia nor the office.

MAY TIE IN THE SENATE.

Washington, March 15.—There are ten Republican Senators who favor free trade with Puerto Rico. The Republican majority in the Senate is only seven. Three Democratic Senators will vote for the tariff for Puerto Rico. This leaves a tie, and the consequent defeat of the bill is expected.

OPEN DOOR POLICY IN CHINA

An Effort to Upset it—American Association Asks for Prompt Action.

Shanghai, March 15.—The American association telegraphed the United States Government today the attitude of the Empress Dowager towards the reformers who will upset the open door policy. It also says that rebellion and anarchy are expected and to the detriment of foreign interests, and the association advocates prompt and concerted action of the powers. The China association will appeal to British Minister on the same subject.

CZAR CRUSHES FINNS.

Berlin, March 15.—The Cologne Gazette says the Czar has abolished the rule which provided that district governors in Finland should take a special oath upon entering the Russian State service. This oath was framed on the basis of Finland's status as a grand duchy, and the abolition has crushingly impressed the Finns. At the same time notice was given that the powers of the local governors and Senate will be considerably curtailed. Hereafter no high Finnish officer will directly represent the interests of Finland at court at St. Petersburg.

London has 6,191 physicians.

At Berlin 10,000 carpenters struck. There are 1,100 explosive compounds. At Cape Nome an egg costs 25 cents. Siberia homes possess incandescent lights.

One-third of Russia in Europe is forest. Copenhagen has a servant girls' union. Elwood, Ind., is to have a labor temple. Wheeling printers struck for 33 1/2 cents per hour.

Some New York Press feeders struck for \$14 a week.

Houston, Tex., plumbers struck for \$4 for eight hours.

Tampa cigar manufacturers will establish a box factory.

After April 15th Richmond (N. Y.) painters will receive \$2.50 for eight hours.

PUBLIC DOUBLE HANGING

Robert Fortune and John Taylor Two Negro Murderers Pay the Death Penalty at Nashville Today 10,000 People Witnessed the Execution.

Norfolk, Va., March 15.—Robert Fortune and John Taylor, both negroes, were hanged this morning at Nashville, N. C., for the murder of Robert Hester. So great was the desire to see the hanging that the Nash County Board of Commissioners made the hanging public. It is estimated that there were ten thousand witnesses to the double execution.

It is remembered that Robert Fortune and John Taylor were brought to Raleigh December 21st for safe-keeping as there was great danger of their being lynched if an effort was made to keep them at Rocky Mount or Nashville. They were returned to Nash county on the fourth of last month, tried, condemned and sentenced to be hanged this day.

Having obtained his money the negroes deliberately shot him three times and left him to die, as they supposed, in the road. He was found by Mr. Cad Griffin.

SCENES ABOUT TOWN

"Morning Gen'men" is Out Again—The School Girls, Babes and Others.

(By Ike Donkey)

Welcome once again, gentle Spring! Yesterday was an ideal day, bringing the sweet fragrance of budding trees and flowers, giving us inspiration and new life. Many amusing scenes, happy thoughts and pathetic feelings were present to me while on my round. I was early in getting out as well as a good many others, who needed the refreshing air of a spring morning.

One thing which attracted my attention as I passed a palatial residence was the hired man who came out just in advance of me, placing a sugar barrel on the gutter. My curiosity was aroused and on inspection I found it contained many bottles, the labels of which each and every one suggested some cure for that tired feeling. "Look here," says I, "is this a drug store you have here?" "No, sir, boss; but mighty near it. You see dees here big folks they recreate and disspate all summer and den dey gets tired, you know, and has to lie on dat tired feeling stuff all winter. Do you know 'fore I gits here dis morning," says he, "all dem folks was up and stirring 'round here most outrageous and old Missus, and her gals done and thrown out all dees bottles, and a setting out dar on dat back porch inhaling dis morning visitor and 'daring to me dat all dem tired feelings hab gone."

What a picture it was in the afternoon to view the campus and hallways of our female colleges. The lovely girls with sparkling eyes, rosy cheeks and flaxen curls promenading the walks, and indulging in outdoor exercises and games. Even the old bachelors would occasionally be caught peeping around the corners of one of these institutions with a solemn look signifying demoralization over years gone by.

In the public parks were a throng of gay carriages. It was a scene of joll and push between the black and tan dandies, and occasionally you would witness a pugilistic encounter, resulting over the rivalry existing between two coons, each trying to win the affections of black Mariah, while she frightened through excitement would neglect poor baby and a runaway carriage would be the result.

As I gazed into the faces of those amiable babes, I could easily recognize the features of many of my old friends, and I began to think I would soon be all alone. I thought, "My, a business our register of deeds must have done."

As I strolled into the Capitol that old familiar expression, "Morning, gentlemen, give me five cents," greeted me. Deep down into my spring pants which I had donned for the first time this season, I found one lonely nickel, having been left over, when the supply of nickels gave out last season.

Being a close inspector of wearing apparel, I recognized many things worn last season. All thoughts of Easter seemed to have vanished, and it was easily perceptible that winter clothing had been discarded.

How dear to their bodies were the clothes of last season.

When necessity demanded they be brought into view.

Many an old sport came out from his hazy attire in last year's spring suits filling the air with the obnoxious fumes of gasoline and benzine, while the crease in his pants showed plainly the morning exercise he had taken with the flat iron.

The flowing curls of the old maids humbly gazed into the show windows which served them as a looking glass.

The cat bird chirped to the tune of "I want my Lu Lu," while the English sparrow spread its wings as they flew from roof to roof, carrying the fragments of last year's nest to some newly constructed building to erect its home under a more modern painted roof.

Our business streets presented a scene one might expect to witness in a country village. The proprietors were discussing a trip to the seashore to inhale the atmosphere of salt water and catch the fluky tribe of blue fish and mackerel, while the clerks and porters sat whittling on a cork stopper preparatory to making short life of Crak Tree Creek's cat-fishing and minnows. One old dusky specimen of the African type sat scratching his head and on being questioned he said, "Aye, dar, boss, 'I is gittin' in practice for scaling."

The house flies came in pairs, and as noon lunch was being served, one would don his bath suit and promptly plunged in the milk, while another would hoist the flag of possession on a soft cake of butter. The bed bug came out with the morning sun, promising to return at bedtime, and interest us with some blood

ROBERT FORTUNE AND JOHN TAYLOR TWO NEGRO MURDERERS PAY THE DEATH PENALTY AT NASHVILLE TODAY 10,000 PEOPLE WITNESSED THE EXECUTION.

Robert Hester, a prominent farmer living two and a half miles from Rocky Mount, was waylaid, shot and robbed by the two negroes at 2 o'clock in the day of the 20th of December, near the bridge at the falls of Tar River.

Hester had sold his tobacco and was returning home. The negroes were evidently aware he had money, as they were seen waiting near the spot, and when he came up they covered him with their pistols and ordered him to stand and deliver. He gave them what he had, in the meantime begging them not to shoot.

Having obtained his money the negroes deliberately shot him three times and left him to die, as they supposed, in the road. He was found by Mr. Cad Griffin.

The winter months have now run their race. With gentle spring next in place. Under the magnolia its fragrance to inhale. We'll enjoy the pleasures of life's great sail.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. Henry Mordecai, who has been spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Turk, at Washington, D. C., has returned to the city.

Col. W. A. Turk, General Passenger Agent of the Southern Railway, and his private secretary, Mr. McCants, are in the city.

The last attraction in the Popular Entertainment Course is announced for March 24th. It will be The Olanwa Male Quartette, and Miss Jesse Klineham, fiddler. Box seats open March 21st.

Miss Mary Obit, daughter of Major General Obit, U. S. A., is in Raleigh as the guest of Miss Jane Andrews, on North Blount street.

Arrangements have been completed under which the Boston baseball team will play Yale College here on April 14th. The Bostonians will train at Durham, N. C. Between April 9th and 13th they will play each of the six Virginia league teams successively.

The Keenness Book Club will meet Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Miss Sadie Root.

Messrs. Joseph G. Brown and R. H. Battle left this morning for Washington to examine the job model from which the statue of Vance is to be cast. Dr. R. H. Spaight will join Messrs. Brown and Battle at Walden and Mr. J. D. Boushall is already at Washington.

The water test on yesterday will be the occasion of an official report from Assistant Chief of the Fire Department, Walter Woolf, and also a report from the committee. There are many questions about the test that must be dealt with by experts.

Watson, the photographer, has just completed one handsome group pictures of the president and medical faculty of Shaw University, who are Dr. Charles Messervy, president, and Dr. A. W. Goodwin, A. W. Knox, W. L. Rowser, James McKee, K. P. Battle, R. H. Lewis, Mr. William Simpson and Prof. Pickel.

GOLF CLUB'S NEW HOME

The Golf Club has purchased the Cameron store of Mr. Robert Simpson on Hillsboro street, and will have it moved to the links on the Cameron property, where it will be made into a new home for the club. During the past few days the links have been used a good deal, Miss Lillian King, of New Jersey, who is stopping at Mrs. E. H. Roberts, has broken the local link record for ladies' singles. The contest for the cup will come off in April.

MAYOR'S COURT

In the Mayor's Court today Mack Freeman—not the popular barber—was arraigned for assaulting his "beated" Paanite Hinton. Fannie came to court saying that when she swore out the warrant she was angry with Mack, but she no longer wished to prosecute. However, the evidence was such that Mack is the loser to the tune of \$1.25.

BRISH DON'T LIKE WAR

New York, March 15.—The S. S. Oceanic, which arrived today, brings fifteen hundred passengers, among them are one thousand young Irishmen who fled from Ireland in order to escape going to war.

COLONEL JOHN

(By author of "Uncle Aud," "A Poem of The Linotype," Etc., Etc.)

The job is just your size.
Col. John,
You can safely land the prize.
Col. John,
We are with you every time.
For you will fight in prose and rhyme,
And in your praise delight to chime,
Col. John.

We have wanted you before
Col. John,
We want you more and more,
Col. John,
You're a son of our best blood,
All true Tar-Heels think you should
Adorn the State House for our good,
Col. John.