
 OUR LOCAL OPTIC.

The marriage of Capt. J. J.
Powers to Mrs. Sadie Griswold Hall occurred on Taesday nigbt at the residence of the bride in this city, Rev. M. Bradsbaw, the
pattor of S. Paul church, officiat ug. The groom bolds the position of district engineer on the Seq-
Doard Air Line with headquarter thamlet. Be was at one time
ogineer on the A. \& N. C. R. R and is known to a numbar on
riends in this city, all of whom ogetber with the many sidmiripg
acquaintances of the bride, wiut or them both long life and bap THE SCHOOL BOOK CRIME

The abgus is on record as to the public achool boor orime in
North Carolina. Ever since it was erperratod by the filst fusion egislature up on the peop'e of th State uoder the pull-or puy, rather-of the combined Boo rrust, enmposed of a it persistently, in season and bstween ligielatares, until now right up agaicst the present legislature, and a new con ther adopted by the prop'e upon the ruling priaceple of more edu-
cation; and the way to get this accomplished, on 1 what the peope demand as the mud sill of th Cheapeq books for their ohildren. olds an (ducational qualifi ation for the exercise of the elective promises made by the Democratic party, through its candida'es io
he campaga loadiag ap to ths dugust election, that the people of this State shotl! have eveier facilities for ed colting their children: yet the fundamentul law the constitution-bas to ordinsry legislation, for ation to ordinary legistation,
the Legislatare is sovereiga es to al things not nomid in the wrile ten instrument, and the ehnter
and simpler that iostrument is th and Bimpliry hatiostrument wear. Few other c.untries indulge i written enn-titutions, chelly be
cau e they lack elasticity. They do not crinform to changing ciroum-
stances, and the conatitution of the United States, or of the iadividual States of this union, is not an exception to the rule,
But the Legisiature is the ot the question at issue, and it has berein the opportunity to
show whether it prefers the people or will stick to monopoly.
But when North But when North Carolina parents
are asked to pay 50 per cent. anore for school books than Ten-
aessee parents pay an ugly aessee parents pay an ugly
problem arises, aud the members of the Lagislature cannot fin
rocks bigb enough to bide b per cent. above just and far
stituents.
The Legislature can put Nortb Carolina on a level with Indiana
and Tennesses and other advanced States, or it can let the
brok truat rob the people of the state mercilessly. It must choose
set oetween the two policies-fair
pri ees or robnery prices, The "i ice even of the teachers or of ocunty superintendents should not be heeded. Such a voice was
neard in Tennessee and in South neard in Tennessee and in South
Carolina and in Texas, but the Legislatures of those States saw
ou reason why the people should or taxed 50 per cent in or Jor ro
gratify teachers and county auperintendents or attorneys in the em
Trust.
in OLDEN TIMES
Poople overlioked the import 4 noa of
permanenuly benefictal effoct and were
antidfed with tranalent action, but now that 11 la generastly known that syrup
of Figs will permaneanly overcome of Fitg will permanenuly overcome
habitual cousupatlon. well--ntormed people will not buy other luxatives
which aol for a lime, but finally injure the system. Buy the genuine Do not suffer from Neur Do not suffer from Neuralg:
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