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LOCAL NEWS.

Thermometer Record of Yesterday.

7 a. m. - 78°
3 p. m. - 82°
9 p. m. - 78°

Journal Miniature Almanac.

Sun rises, 4:56 } Length of day,
Sun sets, 7:15. } 14 hours and 19 min.

Pastors of the several churches will please hand in their church notices to-day.

Mr. J. L. Rham shipped 125 boxes of tomatoes by the *Shenandoah* yesterday. General Ransom shipped 16 barrels of onions by the same boat.

We notice on the Old Dominion wharf two hydraulic presses for A. W. Lewis. We learn they are to be used in pressing the oil out of the "flat backs."

Maj. A. R. Dennison and family left on the *Shenandoah* yesterday for the Blue mountains in Maine. The Major goes on a visit to his aged father—now in his 84th year—who is the only living one of five brothers, none of them having died under 72 years of age. One of them lived to be 95. The Major's father was a soldier in the war of 1812, and went on the Canada expedition in 1814 under the command of Gen. Brown.

Passengers on the Shenandoah.

Maj. Dennison and family accompanied by Miss Maude Moore for Maine; Wm. Cohen and family for New York; Capt. J. A. Richardson, J. W. Morris and B. F. Nunn for New York; Miss Carrie Waugh; Dr. Martin and wife for Elizabeth City; Miss Horton; Mike Jones for Elizabeth City; Nathan Stanly and Messrs. Dunbar & Oast for Norfolk.

Bouting the Rats.

Yesterday while Mayor Howard was off on the *Shenandoah*, Mr. G. M. F. Dall assumed the role of Mayor *pro tem* and ordered the work of tearing away the cabocoes on the side walk below W. F. Rountree's to begin, and before it was finished something less than 4,000 rats, that had been in quiet possession long enough to give them a lawful title—they certainly held it under color—had to be routed and they fled for other quarters.

Mayor's Court.

T. D. Wright came up with the excursions on Thursday evening and took on a little too much stimulants which cause him to get noisy and fire off his pistol on the public streets. For the offense he stood up before the Mayor yesterday evening and was fined \$5.00, and cost. Esq. James Campbell then had him up for carrying concealed weapons—pistol and steel knucks—and another fine of \$5.00, and costs was imposed. Mr. Wright paid the bills and went on.

The Building Outlook.

The prospect for the erection of new buildings in the city for the next year are very flattering. Mr. James Boyles, a contractor informs us that he has work enough ahead to last him twelve months, and he is now working eleven hands. Mr. J. A. Simpson, another contractor who employs about twenty hands, says he has turned off more work this summer than ever before. Mr. E. M. Pavie is also a contractor and builder and keeps several hands employed.

Your Name in Print.

Mr. F. L. Foscoe of Demopolis, Ala. bama, arrived on the steamer *Shenandoah* yesterday morning. He is a near relative of the Foscoes in Jones county, and is on his way from Philadelphia where he has been attending lectures in the medical college.

Messrs. B. F. Nunn of Kinston, J. W. Morris and Capt. Richardson of New Berne, all employees of the Midland company have been given two weeks leave of absence and free tickets to visit the Northern cities. They left on the *Shenandoah* Friday evening.

Capt. John A. Richardson of the Midland is off to Boston. Look out for another bank to be "busted."

Schedule "B" Returns.

The time for making purchase returns under schedule B has expired but there must be a considerable number yet to make returns or a good many have gone out of business. For the six months ending June 30th 1881, one hundred and fifty-four made returns while only one hundred and twelve appear on the book so far for 1882.

Comparing the returns of this year with those of 1880 and 81 we find a steady increase in the business, which we think is a good indication that the prosperity of the community has an upward tendency. In 1880 the returns for the six months ending June 30th, foot up \$310,546; in 1881 the total amount is \$376,189; it has reached this year \$408,960, which by the time the returns are all in will foot up at least \$425,000.

Of the one hundred and twelve who have made returns there are 86 merchants; 17 deal in liquor; 4 druggists; 3 own ferries; 2 boarding houses; 2 hotels; 1 auctioneer; 1 butcher; 2 milliners; 2 bakers; 1 marble dealer. The following are the purchases of some of the largest dealers: T. A. Green, \$87,558; C. H. Blank, \$71,063; J. J. Tolson & Co., \$19,379; G. M. F. Dall, \$17,296; Ferdinand Ulrich, \$16,845; Geo. Allen, \$16,040; Stephen G. Roberts, \$16,000; Geo. B. Guion, \$15,132; Asa Jones, \$15,000; A. M. Baker, \$13,000; C. E. Foy, \$12,500; Reel Bros. & Askins, \$11,350; J. H. Hackburn & Bro., \$11,000; Alex. Miller \$11,000; K. R. Jones, \$11,000; L. H. Cutler, \$10,514; Thos. Gates & Co., 10,500; S. H. Scott, \$7,471; James Redmond, \$7,143; Humphrey & Howard, \$6,416; Wm. Salter & Co., \$6,670; W. F. Rountree, \$5,701; C. E. Slover, \$5,330; W. E. Brown \$5,000; S. A. Churchill, \$4,468; Wm. Cleve, \$4,000; Wm. Sultan & Co., \$4,000.

An Appeal.

GOLDSBORO, July 7, 1882.
The surviving members of Company A (old Goldsboro Rifles), 27th Regiment N. C. Troops, have determined to have a reunion of all the survivors of the 27th regiment, as heretofore announced, in the city of Goldsboro, N. C., on Thursday, the 17th of August 1882, the undersigned have been appointed a committee to make an appeal to the citizens of Goldsboro and Wayne county to contribute, either in money or provisions, whatever they may feel disposed to give, for the purpose of providing a dinner, to be given under the auspices of Company A to the surviving members of said regiment, their wives, children, friends, widows and orphans of any of the members of said regiment who may have been killed or otherwise may have lost their lives, either during the late war or since, who may see proper to be present on the occasion of this reunion, and we hereby extend a cordial invitation to all such to be with us and participate in the pleasures of this occasion.

The following counties furnished companies to this regiment during the late war, viz.: Wayne, 2 companies, Lenoir 2, Pitt 2, Jones 1, Perquimans 1, Orange 1, Guilford 1, and there can hardly be a family in any of these counties which did not have a relative or a friend, near and dear to them, in one or the other of these companies, and perhaps the most of them may be "sleeping the sleep that knows no waking"—some without a grave and others in unmarked, though not unhonored graves, while but few can be counted among the living, and many of these are going down the "hill of life" with only one arm or one leg, or otherwise seriously maimed, and we feel confident that every patriotic heart in Goldsboro and Wayne county, to whom this appeal is made, will respond nobly thereto, in order that this reunion may be made, in all respects, a grand success, and that the invited guest from the other counties mentioned will come to Goldsboro in order to participate with us.

Aside from the heartfelt pleasure we anticipate in beholding once again the faces and grasping by the hands our old comrades of the war, one of our main objects in thus coming together will be to set ourselves right in history, and to this end we must bring our minds together in striving to refresh our memories in reference to many facts, perhaps forgotten by some, which may be of incalculable benefit to the future historian.

However, many among the living, who never felt the shock of battle, may view it, the men who offered their lives as sacrifices upon the blood-stained altar of their country, doubtless went down to death conscious of the righteousness of the cause for which they were fighting, and it is but proper that we, who still survive, should, in some appropriate manner, commemorate their heroic deeds.

We hope to have with us our old brigade commander, Gen. John R. Cook, of Virginia; our old regimental commander, Col. John A. Gilmer, of Guilford county, N. C.; and other officers of the regiment and brigade, as well as every surviving member of the old company and regiment.

In conclusion, we again say to all who have been invited, be sure and come, and bring your wives, children and friends.

Secretary, John B. Kennedy, John B. Baker, Mike Woods, N. W. Musgrave, W. G. Hollowell, H. C. Crawford, W. A. Thompson; B. F. Hooks, committee from old Goldsboro Rifles, Company A, 27th Regiment N. C. Troops.

Capt. J. E. Peterson, 1st Lieut. T. H. Bain, 2d Lieut. R. G. Powell, J. G. Bagwell, J. M. Powell, committee from the present Goldsboro Rifles.

A Discovery effecting Cotton.

It is said that a new kind of cotton has been discovered which bids fair to prove immensely valuable, when fully developed. The cotton plant that grows wild in Florida has been hybridized with common okra. It retains the okra stalk and the foliage of the cotton. It has an average height of two feet and each plant has only one bloom which is a large flower like the magnolia in fragrance. It is white for several days and gradually turns red and drops off. The boll grows to the size of a big cocoanut which produces two pounds of cotton without seed, the seed remaining at the bottom of the boll. It is said the staple is superior to Sea Island cotton and one man can pick eight hundred pounds a day. The worst part of this cotton is that the whole thing is doubtless a hoax gotten up by some one fond of practical jokes and sensational stories. Many of them are going the rounds of the papers and this story looks remarkably like one.—*Weldon News*.

The Clark Plan.

EDITORS JOURNAL:—As the county government question has been placed before the public, we can see but two plans, both emanating from Democratic sources, and therefore in this enquiry I confine myself to the two plans which for convenience I term the *Clark* plan and the *Present* plan; and in all candor I ask is there not a difference in the *Clark* plan of county government and the *Present* plan?

The *Clark* plan asks for three magistrates in each township, to be nominated by the Governor and approved by the Senate, one of each three to be of the political party differing from that of the Governor.

One of the three, to be selected by themselves, to constitute, with others so selected, a County Court.

Under this plan Craven county would have twenty-seven county commissioners—one-third of which would be Republicans—a County Court of nine justices, all probably Democrats.

Here, then, we see our Board of Commissioners in session, and will suppose a full Board; there are eighteen Democrats and nine Republicans. We see three men from each township, representing both political parties—in other words, the whole county and both parties represented.

The court, when in session, would represent each township and but one party—courts of justice should know no political parties—and again we find every portion of the county represented.

The *Present* plan—I have not the law before me, and shall write of it as I see it in its practical workings, which it is fair to presume is in accordance with the law: The Board of Magistrates appointed by the Legislature—one-third to be of a different political party from the majority of the Legislature.

This Board elects five persons to constitute the Board of County Commissioners, which they frequently if not generally take, in part or in whole, from their own number.

Here, then, we find the Board of Commissioners reduced from twenty-seven to five, reduced from both political parties to one, and only a portion of the townships represented instead of the whole. These five commissioners have a very near approach to absolute power in many matters immediately concerning the citizen; they elect their chairman, who is clothed with powers of great import, and whose action binds the county beyond the power of any other officer in it.

Thus we see the *Clark* plan of a broad base, resting upon a full and fair representation of the people, including all sections of the county, and all parties in the county, while the *Present* plan is compacted into one party, limited in its scope as to townships, and representing a limited portion of the citizens compared with the other, and hence much less representative in its character.

As to the jurisdiction of the court by the *Clark* plan, it is useless to say much, as we have no County Court under the present, but may say by way of parenthesis it could easily be an improvement on the present mode of administering justice by the magistrates as now practiced, if only half that is said about it be true.

As to the question of the appointment of the magistrates by the Governor or the Legislature, there is but little difference except such as were set forth in the western address in 1851, where it was charged that "the present mode of appointing justices of the peace is universally admitted to be worse than a farce," and it might be hoped that the Governor would at least elevate it to a "melodrama." If there is not, we would like to see wherein the dissimilarity exists.

A VOTER.

MR. EDITOR:—In your editorial of Friday morning there are certain expressions concerning the management of the funds of the Academy which might be the source of injustice to others. For the purpose of preventing any unfair imputation upon those who are in no way to blame, I address you this communication.

In the first place I will state that no officer of the Trustees is responsible for the mixed condition of the accounts except myself. In June 1881 I was elected Secretary and Treasurer, and qualified and entered upon the duties of the office with considerable reluctance. In the first place the duties were not of a very agreeable character, and

the compensation was inadequate. It was upon the assurance of a number of the Trustees that they would see that the compensation would be increased from five to ten per cent. on receipts that I concluded to undertake the office.

Mr. Roberts had just resigned as Secretary and Treasurer and soon after I received the books from him they were examined and pronounced correct.

Mr. Roberts is and at that time was an experienced accountant. When I undertook to keep the accounts of the Academy, I made my first attempt at practical book-keeping. In making my entries in the books formerly kept by Mr. Roberts, I endeavored to copy his Method. This was double entry and my imitation kept up for more than eighteen months proved such a failure as I never anticipated or imagined, and left me according to my own entries indebted to the Academy in a small sum.

I was re-elected last February 1882, and my books submitted to a committee of experts, who informed me upon examination that my knowledge as a practical accountant was scarcely elementary. Under the circumstances I concluded that I ought not to qualify and that considering the manner in which my accounts had been kept that I was fortunate to have no worse showing. Mr. A. T. Jenkins, a skilled book keeper, was then elected and reluctantly accepted the position. Soon after his election he found the duties so onerous that he did not care to serve without an increase of pay. Accordingly ten per cent. commission was voted him by the Trustees. I have been informed by members of the Board that in accordance with the promise made me by individual members at the beginning of my term a resolution was passed at that time allowing me ten per cent. commissions. This occurred at a special meeting when I was not present and the Secretary *pro tem* did not have it in the rough minutes handed me on a small slip of paper, and if such a resolution was passed it was not copied in the minute book by me and of course is not on the records. If it is true that I was voted ten per cent. commissions instead of five, and am entitled to it, I will not, as at present informed, owe the Academy anything. But whether I have any advantage from this overlooked resolution or not, the fund shall not long stand without the small sum which the discrepancies in my accounts show against me.

To further explain, I will say that until C. C. Clark was elected President there was little method in the management of the Academy affairs and for the twelve months prior to that time I was often engaged in acting as a general superintendent of everything, attending to repairs, construction of buildings, etc.

For the eighteen months my collections were made in an irregular manner, necessarily at no regular time and place and in sums varying from twenty-five cents upward—sometimes rents amounting to several dollars from one person were collected in sums ranging from twenty-five cents to two or three dollars at various times and places until a certain amount large enough was reached when a receipt would be given for the whole, often in the street or where most convenient, and a memorandum placed in my pocket. Money was paid out by me in the same manner, often taking a receipt in the street for that same, on any slip of paper that was convenient. Though I endeavored to keep all these receipts in a book for the purpose.

The practice, and as I conceived necessity of carrying these books about in my pocket while engaged in attending to my private business resulted finally in the loss of a receipt book and memorandum book which has embarrassed me a great deal. This might have been expected by one more accustomed to business of this character, and I must confess my carelessness and bungling in these unaccustomed duties, but I reiterate that neither Mr. Roberts nor any one else is to blame except myself.

H. C. WHITEHURST.

A Murderer Hanging Himself in Prison.

PHILADELPHIA, July 11.—John Davidson, a murderer confined in the county prison, committed suicide by hanging himself in his cell last night. Davidson was guilty of one of the most revolting crimes that has been committed in this city for many years, having in May last literally chopped his mother to pieces with a hatchet. The woman was about 60 years of age.

STATE NEWS.

Gleaned from our Exchanges.

The Greensboro Patriot: Hon. D. F. Caldwell is at Prescott, Ontario, Canada.—Randolph is in a "fix." Nobody wants to run for the county offices.—It is rumored that there will be changes in the faculty at Trinity before the next session opens—resignations and additions.

Kinston Free Press: It is reported that W. W. N. Hunter intends resigning the office as Clerk of the Superior Court at an early date.—The Kinston College is fast nearing completion. It has been weather-boarded and will be ready for the opening of the school in good time.

Raleigh News and Observer: Not a street lamp was lighted last night. Such a state of affairs deserves severe condemnation. It is an outrage.

Wil. Review: We are pleased to learn that our young townsman, Mr. Thos. Radcliffe, has been appointed Laboratory Assistant in the Department of Chemistry at the University at Chapel Hill. It gives us pleasure to chronicle the advancement of our young men, and with others, we say this is a compliment most worthily bestowed.

Raleigh Daily Visitor: Two little white children were brought to the city last night from the country, having been deserted by their mother and left to starve. They were taken to the poor house where they will be cared for.

Goldsboro Messenger: Peaches shipped from here at 9 o'clock p. m. are placed upon the market in New York the following evening.—Our truckers are realizing handsome profits on peaches shipped to the north. Mr. Thos. Swan has returns of \$4.50 per box holding three pecks, in New York.—E. B. Borden, Esq., has been elected President of the Goldsboro cotton seed oil mills.—The next session of the Graded School will open Monday, Sept. 4th. Prof. Moses will have ten teachers to assist him.

There will be a Democratic mass meeting of the citizens of the counties of Wayne, Lenoir, Duplin and Onslow, at Seven Springs, on Saturday, July 20th, commencing at 11 o'clock.—While threshing wheat at the residence of Mr. Mathew Jones, Sr. in this county, on Monday last, Mr. Jno. H. Edwards, a farmer county commissioner and esteemed citizen, got his right foot entangled in a wheel, which dislocated the ankle.

Roanoke News: Capt. Kitchen is getting his brick machine ready and will begin operations in a few days. He also has purchased a planing machine which will greatly expedite the building interest of our town. Capt. Kitchen is an indefatigable worker and is doing much to push our village up to greatness.

"Blue Jeans" Williams Jr., of Randolph "On The Wing."

Candidates here (Greensboro) for county positions are thick. The contest for the Senate will be between Gregory and Caldwell, (Uncle Frank) with the chances in favor of Gregory. Barringer, Forbis, Dr. McLean, Steele and a number of others will accept for the House if nominated. Judge Nelson and the irrepressible Steiner will be renominated with a yell. The contest for sheriff will be between sheriff Gilmer and Mr. Wheeler. It will be warm and tight. Bright prospects before the Democracy of Guilford with a strong ticket. The oldest and truest Republicans are displeased and disgusted over the Coalition mess and openly express their determination to repudiate it at the ballot-box.—*Greensboro Patriot*.

NEW BERNE MARKET.

COTTON—But little has been offered in the market during the last week. Prices have advanced about 1. We quote Middling, 11c.; Low Middling, 11c.; Good Ordinary, 10c.; Ordinary, 9c.

CORN—In bulk, 97c.; in sacks, \$1.00. Sales at quotations.

TURPENTINE—Dip \$2.50. This is the quality brought in now and even this is in very small lots.

TAR—Pine barrel \$1.25; pork barrel \$1.50. Very little offering.

RICE—\$1.10 to \$1.30. No sales.

WOOL—15c. to 20c. But little brought in during the week.

BEEFWAX—20c.; Honey 50 to 60c.

COUNTRY BACON—Hams 15c, sides 13c, shoulders 11c. Lard 14c.

Sweet potatoes 50c per bushel. Eggs 10c. per doz. Onions \$1.00 per bushel. Hides, dry, 9 to 11c; green, 4 to 5c. Chickens, grown, 55c. per pair, spring 40c. Apples, 50c. per bushel. Peaches, 50c. per peck. Oats 70c. per bushel. Fodder, none in market. Peas, \$1.10 to \$1.20. Ground peas, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per bushel. Beef 5 to 6c. on foot. Meal, bolted, \$1.10 per bushel.

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