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POLL TAX.

There should be more effectual means provided for compelling persons to list and pay their poll tax or this means of raising revenue might as well be abolished. When we remember that this fund is applied exclusively to educational purposes and for the support of the poor we do not think it advisable to abolish it. But that something ought to be done is clear from the following facts:

In Craven county there were polled in the last general election 1,338 votes for SCALLES and 2,525 for YORK, a total of 3,863. The present year there has been listed for taxation 2,127 polls. Now, is it possible that out of a voting population of 3,863 there are 1,736 of this number above the age of fifty? We hardly think so.

Now, let us see where the delinquents are. There were cast for YORK 2,525 votes. There were not more than 200 white voters in this number, thus leaving in round numbers 2,300 colored voters who list 1,002 polls. Out of the 1,238, who do not list, surely not more than half are over fifty years old, thus leaving 600 colored men in the county who do not even list for taxation! Is there any remedy for such willful disregard of the law? Let us see. Section 25, Chapter 777, of the Machinery act—laws of 1885, says:

"The board of commissioners shall insert in the tax list for each township the description and valuation of all property not given in, with the name of the person supposed to be liable for a poll tax who failed to give themselves in, and shall charge all such persons with double the tax which they would otherwise be rendered to the board of county commissioners on or before the first Monday in October, and all persons who are liable for a poll tax, and shall willfully fail to give themselves in, and all persons who own property and willfully fail to list it within the time allowed before the list taker or the board of commissioners, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be fined not more than fifty dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days."

It seems that there is plenty of law on the subject, but who is to enforce it? Who is to proceed against those who fail to list? It is true that the Machinery act of 1883 requires the chairman of the board of county commissioners to prosecute those who fail to pay their taxes; but does it include those who fail to list? It appears that it does. Then why don't the chairman proceed? Has he a right to set aside a plain and positive act of the General Assembly, thus virtually saying to the members thereof, "You did not know what you were doing when you passed that act requiring me to prosecute these delinquents; it is not what you want, I will wait till you get together again, maybe you will have a little more common sense and experience and will adopt my views of the matter?"

But suppose they were prosecuted, what would Craven county do with six or eight hundred delinquents, many of whom had rather spend thirty days in prison than pay a small tax?

Would it not be better to so frame the laws as to create some desire on the part of those to pay their poll tax? Ought not the right to

vote be denied those who, within the prescribed age, refuse to pay their poll tax. We would like to see this remedy tried in North Carolina.

THE COTTON MOVEMENT

From Bradstreet's.
A drop in future values took place this week which extended throughout the list and caused an average decline of 20 points upon the closing prices of last Friday. The same character of the Liverpool advices was charged with exerting some depressing influence, but it seems hardly wise to charge this with all the blame for the decline. The slow but steady weakening of the market from day to day throughout the week showed evidences of skillful handling by a large short interest. Heavy blocks of cotton were unloaded by prominent operators on Friday, causing the volume of sales on that day to be largely increased. In view of the short-crop reports lately current, and the fact that no really encouraging advices had as yet been received, the existence of the large short interest occasions some surprise. Spots ruled dull. A revision of quotations was made Thursday, showing the following: good middling and above, unchanged; middling to strict good ordinary, reduced 1-16c.; good ordinary and below, reduced 1-8c.; middling stained, reduced 1-16c.; other stained, reduced 1-8c.

The total future sales this week were 598,300 bales, against 500,300 bales last week. Spots sales amounted to 1,502 bales, against 4,326 bales last week. Deliveries on contract were 1,400 bales, against 200 bales last week. The receipts at port this week were 267,903 bales, against 261,214 bales last week, and 279,820 bales the same week last year. The receipts since September 1 were 1,386,327 bales, against 1,368,067 bales for the same time last year.

Messrs. Lyon & Co., of Bombay, under date of October 2, report the cotton crop prospects as excellent, except in the Branch and Dhollera districts, where rain is badly needed. The local mills are very hard up for cotton, and will buy freely when the new crops come in at better prices than exporters can afford.

The following is the week's movement at interior towns, with comparisons:

	This w'k.	Last w'k.	Last y'r.
Receipts.....	125,013	120,106	120,461
Shipments.....	96,422	92,817	103,057
Stock.....	185,251	140,223	140,512

The following comparative figures are given to October 30:

	1885.	1884.
Visible supply	1,696,093	1,878,856
Exp'd since Sept. 1	639,789	608,631
Six days' receipts	232,065	232,482
Exp'ts Gr't Britain	61,005	58,001
Exports continent	66,201	87,336
Exports France	9,730	1,556
Stock, New York	108,835	74,735
Consolidated stock	595,603	660,506

The following table shows the closing quotations for futures at New York Friday evening, with comparisons:

	Oct. 30, 1885.	Oct. 23, 1885.	Oct. 31, 1884.
October	9.41	9.64	9.98
November	9.38	9.61	9.98
December	9.43	9.63	9.98
January	9.53	9.71	10.05
February	9.63	9.82	10.19
March	9.74	9.94	10.32
April	9.86	10.05	10.46
May	9.97	10.16	10.59
June	10.08	10.26	10.72
July	10.17	10.36	10.84
August	10.25	10.44	10.94

Below will be found the sales for the week ending yesterday, and the closing quotations for middling uplands at seven leading ports, with comparisons:

	Oct. 30, 1885.	Oct. 31, 1884.
Sales of the week	39,000	68,000
Sales American	30,000	51,000
Sales for export	4,000	7,000
Sales for speculation	5,000	1,000
Actual export	6,000	9,000
Forwarded	9,000	20,000
Total at N. Y.	365,000	468,000
Of which is Amer.	244,000	258,000
Imp. for the week	63,000	84,000
Of which is Amer.	54,000	35,000
Amount afloat	205,000	171,000
Of which is Amer.	197,000	159,000

The Philadelphia market is dull and a shade lower at 10c. for time sales of middling uplands. The Providence cotton market is easier, and there is a good demand comparatively. Middling uplands are quoted at 10 1/2c., and middling gulf at 10 3/4c. The manufacturers of cotton yarns report a better demand for their product.

THE DISCIPLES.

Their Annual Convention at Roundtree's Church. Reported by Dr. H. D. Harper for Messenger.

The Annual Convention of the Disciples of North Carolina met at Roundtree's Church, Pitt county, on Thursday the 22d inst., and continued till Sunday. The weather was lovely as a blushing maiden and the very large attendance each day, all with their best clothes and sweetest faces on, made it one of the most interesting and enjoyable meetings of the kind we have ever attended.

The church being situated in one of the most fertile and prosperous sections of the county, every farm house was well supplied with the best things to eat and every home was becoming with radiant faces, smiling countenances, and cheerful hearts.

There was a large number of ministers present, and their discussions of the various subjects considered, and their sermons showed them to be men of marked ability. The business done was of unusual importance to them, as a religious people, and earnestness of purpose. The love of God, and the salvation of sinners, characterized their deliberations.

Among the things done we noticed that they abolished the "District Plan," which was adopted a few years ago, by which the churches in the State were divided into convenient evangelic districts, and ministers assigned to them. This system having proven unsatisfactory to preachers and churches, they decided to allow each church to call, or select its own minister, and make its own terms with him. They seem to recognize congregational independence.

An expression of the views of this body, on aggressive Christianity was brought out in a lively discussion by the introduction of a resolution to abandon the present plan of missionary operations. This to our mind was the most interesting period of the Convention. The house was crowded to its utmost capacity, all seeming anxious to know the final decision. The prominent speakers who championed the missionary cause, and exhibited the true missionary spirit, were Rev. J. J. Harper, Dr. J. T. Walsh, Rev. C. W. Howard, Prof. H. C. Bowen and Dr. H. D. Harper. All these speeches portrayed depth of feeling and power of expression, but the speech of Rev. J. J. Harper was the gem of the occasion; full of rhetorical beauty and logical precision. The vote being taken, the resolution was lost by over a two-thirds majority.

Pledges were then made and cash paid in. Two gentlemen pledging \$100 each, others \$25, \$10, \$5, &c., for missionary purposes for the ensuing year.

The Convention donated \$100 to assist in erecting a house of worship in New Berne.

Other donations were made out of the funds already on hand, one of which was to the General Christian Missionary Convention of the United States.

One minister was ordained Sunday morning. The Stockholders of the Watch Tower Publishing Company elected Professor I. L. Chestnut editor of the Watch Tower, (Rev. J. L. Winfield having resigned).

The following were elected officers of the Convention for the ensuing year: President, J. J. Harper; Vice President, E. A. Mox; Corresponding Secretary, C. W. Howard; Recording Secretary, L. J. Chapman; Treasurer, Noah Rouse.

The Sunday-school Convention held a session Saturday morning, transacted its business, and elected her officers.

This interesting occasion closed Sunday by preaching in the house by Dr. J. T. Walsh and at the stand by Rev. J. J. Harper.

The crowd was estimated at from ten to twelve thousand. Widows and widowers from every direction were out en masse, and it was amusing to see their extraordinary efforts to be young, good-looking and marriageable. VISITOR.

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