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The slate roof is going rapidly on Parr & Co's stone.

Eustis, democrat, from Louisiana, has been seated in the United States Senate.

370 bales of Cotton were sold in this market the past week, at prices ranging from \$10.00-100.00, cash.

See advertisements of Mr. Moses, Mrs. Chodair and Mr. Schoppau and go and buy your Christmas presents from them.

J. P. Mullinax has moved his Shoe Shop into the new building next to the Hotel, where he will be happy to hammer and peg for the better understanding of the people.

It is confidently reported that President Hayes has tendered the District Attorney of this State to Ku Klux D. T. Corbin. Will he have the face to accept?

Thos. Nelson has removed his Tailor shop into the new building next to the Hotel. Tom is subject to the Ku Klux, don't be scared, a man always feels a little better after getting one of his fits on him.

The Editor has been quite "under the weather" for two weeks, and almost unable to attend to his duties. He hopes to be well again for the holidays. Please excuse all deficiencies and neglects this week.

Plevna, the Turkish stronghold, has fallen. Forty thousand prisoners and four hundred guns were taken by the Russians. Cold, disease and famine had decimated the Turkish ranks and reduced the soldiers to living skeletons.

Maj. W. W. Sale, and the whole regular democratic ticket for Mayor and Aldermen of Charleston, were elected last Tuesday. Maj. Sale's majority was 3,300. Glory enough for one day. We are as greatly rejoiced over the deliverance of Charleston as any good citizen living in that city. The independents had a full ticket in the field but were badly beaten, as they should be everywhere.

The Carolina Farmer.

This excellent agricultural journal comes promptly to hand every month, and is always filled with the choicest and most practical information for the farmers of this section. It is truly a valuable work and should be found in every home in our section. Price \$1.00 per year, by W. H. Thompson, 100 Broad Street, low price, and fifty cents Cheaper.

The duty of every member of the convention to meet in this town on Monday next and nominate a candidate for the seat in the Legislature made vacant by the election of Speaker Wallace to the Circuit Bench; and it is equally the duty of every good democrat to support the nomination made by that convention, coming, as it does, from all sections of the County, and representing as it must the wishes of the people in their several townships. Let us keep our ranks closed up and well organized.

The Usury Law Passed.

The Usury Law passed its second reading in the House last Monday, by a vote of 70 yeas to 17 nays. The bill passed the Senate at its last session, but was not reached by the House then when the Legislature adjourned. It came up in the House at its present session as unfinished business, and the vote on its second reading gives no doubt of its final passage. We have not seen the bill, but the Columbia Register says: "The lawful rate of interest will henceforth be fixed at seven per cent. per annum.—Violation of this law will forfeit the interest, where courts are asked for judgment on contracts."

The Southern Cultivator.

This venerable Agricultural monthly has lost nothing of its vigor and usefulness by age, but rather, like old wine, improves as it grows in years. We have been intimately acquainted with it for thirty years and its monthly visits are to us like meeting an old and valued friend.

It is always well filled with most interesting and instructive matter for the information of every one who tills as much as an acre of ground.

The Farm, the Orchard, the Garden and the household are all treated of in the most attractive and useful style in every number, and no one can read a number without receiving very valuable and profitable information. It is published by W. L. Jones, Athens, Ga., at \$2 a year. One number worth the money.

The County Convention.

A call for the re-assembling of the County democratic convention, which nominated our county ticket in 1876, appears in another column of this paper. The Convention having provided for its own continued existence, to meet emergencies such as have now arisen, it seems that no other mode of presenting a nomination from the democratic party would be valid. Besides, it is manifestly impossible, within the time allowed, to re-assemble all the local clubs in the county, and to put into complete operation the machinery necessary for the organization of a new convention, embracing within its membership all parts of our county. We are pleased to know that the people are entirely willing to leave the matter to the old convention, the members of which were carefully selected at the full primary meeting held last year.

For Robberies.

On Saturday night last the raiders of smoke houses were out in force. Without having the fear of Judge Wallace in their hearts they broke into his store-house and stole a quantity of flour and a side of bacon. They also stole a horse from our friend P. M. Cohen, and maliciously cut up his saddle.

was hanging in the stable. The horse was discovered next day in the woods, with a negro on him, but as soon as the rascal found he was seen he jumped off and made his escape.

All this was done in one night. So long as Bill Sartor was in jail our community was pretty free from such outrages; but it seems that directly he gets free thieving is commenced.—We do not place the blame of all the rascality on him, for we think other rascals are operating upon his credit. It is easy enough to say it was Bill Sartor's gang that did it, and thereby direct suspicion in the wrong course. Bill is bad enough, and whether it is he who is doing the stealing or some one else upon his credit his arrest is very necessary to put a stop to it.

New Subscription Books.

A gentleman told us, a few days ago, that the reason he had not renewed his subscription to the Times was because we so often dunned our subscribers. A few hours afterwards we met a gentleman whose paper we had stopped because he was in arrears, and he told us we made him mad by stopping his paper.

To prevent these complaints hereafter we shall open a new set of subscription books for 1878, and no name will be entered in them unless the subscription has been paid. We know we shall make many angry, but then we shall obviate the necessity for dunning and please a great many who object to seeing duns in the paper. It is about as broad as it is long.

If any errors occur in transcribing, we shall be pleased to correct them.

The Supreme Court of the State of New York has decided that J. C. Ayer & Co., of Lowell, have the sole right to use the words CHERRY PECTORAL for a medicine, and has issued an injunction against F. V. Rushton, of New York City, for selling Rushton's Cherry Pectoral or cherry pectoral concoction, or any other use of the name to deceive the public. This decision of the high court includes all dealers who sell any similar article.—Post Jefferson (L. I.) Leader.

What Independent Candidates will Do.

Some of our restless republican leaders are anxious to see an independent ticket run in opposition to the democratic nomination. They will be disappointed. Whites and blacks alike agree in thinking that radicalism must never rule again in this State; and every man who can see his nose before his fine knows that independent democratic candidates will split the democratic party, and make the election of republicans easy.

For the Times.

In response to your inquiry, Mr. R. M. Stock, in the name of the Union, has written to the independent candidates in this community, and has received a most cordial compliment to one who has abundantly proven himself to be an able and faithful servant of the public.

This feeling among our people, perading as it does, all classes, parties and races, is pleasant to contemplate. It is a good omen when people unite in doing an act so creditable to themselves as to put the right man in the right place—not to elevate the man to the place, as is too often done, but to elevate the place with the man.

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Gone "a Hunting".

A few of our "choice spirits" have gone down to the Rice fields, on a Snipe and Duck hunt, and we should not be at all surprised if they visited the big Dog and Poultry Show at Charleston before they return. They are just the boys to enjoy such a trip. We hope they will bring our friend Sam. Jefferies a few snipe—it will remind him so much of life in New York.

For the Times.

To Those Who are in Arrears for Taxes.

I have received orders from the Comptroller General to redivide the Delinquent list.

The sales to commence December 31st 1877.

The necessities of the State Government will admit of no further delay in the collection of Taxes.

It would seem proper that I should give some explanation of the cases of certain names being on the list heretofore published that should not be there.

When I received the appointment of Auditor both the Auditor's and Treasurer's Duplicate had been completed, with the exception of putting on the Tax law, passed by the Legislature at its last session. This it became my duty to do.—With the assessment of property I had nothing whatever to do, and am in no manner responsible for; and no one can be more sensible of its injustice and inequality than myself. A thorough revision must be had before the burden of taxation can be fairly and properly distributed amongst our people.

In some instances property upon which the taxes had already been paid was included in the delinquent list. This has arisen from the fact the property is charged to two different parties (the present and the former owner) on the Auditor's books—no account being taken of the change of ownership, if indeed, any notice had been given him of such change.

Some persons have expressed considerable displeasure at no attention being paid to Abatements on their assessments and taxes, granted last year by T. C. Dunn, Comptroller General. I regret to have to inform all such that they must rest content with what they have already secured in return for the funds invested in that enterprise. From five hundred to a thousand per cent. was a reasonably good profit for the times, and gives no good ground of complaint. Both applicant and operators should be content—they have made fair profit. And besides, according to Gen'l Hagedorn, the proceeding was somewhat irregular—in fact without any authority of law whatever. What a pity to spoil the little game. But Hampton has cut short the five years and Honest John is among the people no longer.

D. JOHNSON, Auditor.

Gen. Wallace resigns. A Fitting Tribute to H.M.

At 12 M., Speaker Wallace

president of the House to order, General

House of REPRESENTA-

tion, selected to the office of pre-

dictor that I should vacate

this House with this

united.

His House were elected at a

time of agitation throughout the

country. His House was one of the results

of the struggle of the State to free itself from

the political power that was crushing out its

life. At a moment when men's

minds were divided by a degree of political ex-

citement in its character. Its

probable the circumstances attending

make an object of intense inter-

est. It was met at that door by

a minority of the United States, there to

undertake to judge of the

selection returns of its mem-

bers.

That responsibility rested upon

this House individual members.

A single pistol shot—the thrust of

a bayonet—where soldiers of the

United States crowded together, would have

convinced.

It would have been the

result of conflict the

result of which no human intelligence could

forecast.

But supressing passionate impulse, and gov-

erned by a sense of patriotic duty, this House,

with a full appreciation of its responsibilities,

deliberately defined the issue of violence, and

appealed to the courts of the State and the

enlightened judgment of the country. The results

have abundantly vindicated the wisdom of its

action.

This buildin now dedicated to peaceful uses,

no longer echo the measured tread of the sol-

ider. I have here unchallenged as Speaker.

Political excitement has subsided. Law reigns

supreme throughout the State. None are be-

neath its protecting care; none above its aveng-

ing power. The doors of its temples stand

invitingly open every citizen who has a right

to enforce or injury to redress. Vigor and

official integrity characterize the administration

of affairs. This interim Assembly is in the full

tide of reformary legislation. Our people,

now hopeful and content, cheerfully bend to

honest toil to bld up their own shattered for-

cestry and the wealth of the State.

These changes have been so rapid—we are so

near these great events—that we cannot fully

realize their magnitude. But as we move for-

ward, surrounded by benefits and advantages

that have been wrested from reluctant hands, and

the facts of the struggle drift away, they will be

shady defined in the past, and be considered by

the patriot with the pleasure that belongs to the

complaining of perils past, and satisfied by

the example of the present.

And while from the depths of my heart I

call upon you who were really conspiring in

these auspicious results, let us both thank you,

man as President of the United States, or

order to presiding officer, for that act of

statesmanship that when occasion demanded he

could save a party in the patriot, and