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In the Supreme Court at Raleigh on Monday, causes from the Fourth District were called and disposed of as follows:

Duncan McFadden et al. vs. John T. Connel et al., from Bladen. Cause dismissed for want of due diligence.

W. D. & J. L. Pickett vs. D. J. Sutherland, Administrator, et al., from Duplin. Report continued. Order for James Smith & Strong for plaintiffs.

W. A. Wainwright et al. vs. James K. M. Smith et al., from Bladen. Papers filed up to Court. R. H. & C. C. Linn for plaintiffs. W. S. & D. J. Deane for defendants.

Oliver Herring vs. Julia E. Outlaw, Administratrix, et al., from Duplin. Award. Smith & Strong for plaintiffs. W. A. Allen for defendant.

B. J. Barden vs. James W. Powell, from Columbus. Cause dismissed for want of due diligence.

Martha Williams et al. vs. Alfred Hanston, from Duplin. Cause continued for want of counsel.

John Larkin vs. Daniel Sutherland, from Duplin. Award. Smith & Strong and W. A. Allen for plaintiffs. W. A. Allen for defendant.

The following cases from the 4th District were called and argued on Tuesday:

Oliver Herring vs. Julia E. Outlaw, Administratrix, et al., from Duplin. Cause continued for want of counsel.

State vs. Stephen Powell, from Bladen. Attorney-General for the State. Battle & Sons for defendant.

State vs. James Jones, from Bladen. Attorney-General for the State. Battle & Sons for defendant.

John Barden vs. Daniel Sutherland, from Duplin. W. A. Allen, Smith & Strong for plaintiffs. W. A. Allen for defendant.

Hanson Malpass vs. the Governor of North Carolina. R. M. Argo for plaintiff. Attorney-General for defendant.

Other cases from the 4th District were disposed of as follows:

Hanson Malpass vs. the Governor of North Carolina. R. M. Argo for plaintiff. Attorney-General for defendant.

W. D. & J. L. Pickett vs. D. J. Sutherland, Administrator, et al., from Duplin. Report continued. Order for James Smith & Strong for plaintiffs. W. A. Allen for defendant.

Henry Mavis et al. vs. R. H. Merrimon et al., from Bladen. Cause continued for want of due diligence.

P. T. Barden vs. John W. Powell, from Columbus. Cause continued for want of counsel.

Evans & Von Gien's Shoe Store Robbed—Capture of two of the robbers.

About 1 o'clock Tuesday morning the boot and shoe store of Messrs. Evans & Von Gien, opposite the office, was entered and robbed of about \$200 worth of goods.

The thieves succeeded in passing through the window shutter and removing the window bars. Their operations were conducted very skilfully and they succeeded in making off with their booty for escape.

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A boy of Cohoes, fifteen years of age, and another of Pittsburg, sixteen years of age, were married the other day, the bride of one being the son and that of the other a daughter.

Little "All Right," the Japanese child known so long to the people of this city, is spoken of as being now in New York city tending, at the age of fourteen, a bar in the evening for support.

The Omaha Herald says that in 1880 the entire population of the Territory of Nebraska, which was subdivided into 22,962 inhabitants, making for its 2,500 square miles of land one soul and five-eighths of a soul of population to the square mile, not a thickly settled country yet, when we consider that the increase in population had been such that it would have required a population of at least 200,000.

Catherine Harris, an insane woman, started from Chicago for San Francisco by her relatives, who had said they would have her confined, and she had a card requesting conductors to stop her on the night train. Her husband was successful in an Omaha, where she became so wild that it was necessary to send her home.

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Fashionable Christianity in London is growing to be amusing. People are now invited to prayer meetings precisely as they are invited to a social, or an evening party.

Among the anti-trinitarian disposed of at a sale last week at Gordonsville, Va., were a bedstead that had belonged to Marie Antoinette, a chair once owned by General Washington, a piano owned by the property of John C. Calhoun, and many articles which formerly belonged to President Madison.

A Green Bay woman, whose husband kills her own steers every second night, says she likes to look after her own stock and that she will "My heaven, during the little angel Miss Green alone knows the depth of my love for you."

At Christmas time, the rector of the American College in Rome handed the sum of \$7,000 to the Pope, which had been given by the Catholics of Philadelphia.

According to the Berlin journals, the Roman Western Powers are throwing every possible obstacle in the way of the teachers, who in accordance with recent instructions, combine themselves to the use of the German language in schools. Parents, it is stated, prohibit their children from speaking German, and endeavor to intimidate the teachers by anonymous threats, and throw the German school books into the fire.

O. O. Howard has been a special pet of the radicals, and here is evidence of the fact: He was Major-General in the United States Army, Commissioner Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, President of Howard University, Director of Building Block Company, Treasurer and Trustee of Bury Farm Fund, President of Young Men's Christian Association, Treasurer of First Congregational Church Building Fund, and Vice-President of Freedmen's Savings Bank. Let him be investigated from point to point!

The Democratic State Committee of Connecticut has issued a call for a State Convention to meet at New Haven on Tuesday, February 3, to nominate a State ticket. The address concludes with this liberal invitation: "We cordially invite all voters to act with us in organization and at the polls who are opposed to extravagance and corruption in official stations; who demand that if such shall be appointed to fill all public positions, and who desire that the Federal administration shall be conducted upon the principles of free government."

The testimony of the Polaris ship, which was taken by Secretary Robeson, is the most interesting fact as discovered by Dr. Paul Besant, that from a point near Cape Hatherton, in the waters of the west coast of Greenland, the ship was taken from the north, and it was accurately determined by careful observation that it proceeded from the waters of the Pacific ocean. At Newman Bay the tide rose earlier than at Polaris Bay while at the camp near Littleton Island the tide came from the south. It is this fact which creates the ice pack always to be found just at the entrance of Smith's Strait to Smith's sound, at which point the tides meet.

Madame Nilsson is quite as much of an artist in the domestic circle as she is upon the operatic stage. She has the most wonderful faculty of ingratiating herself with children. She will get down on the floor among them, enter into all their fun and in-fantile architecture, and then precipitate them into ecstasies by whisking to them, and she whistles like a fiddle, or a nightingale, or playing the violin. It is really wonderful to hear her whistle, nor could ever do it better. There is nothing she is tender of than a good song with a lot of lively children. She will make them all involuntarily with her in less than a minute, and looks up more contented than an eight-horse-power school-girl.

For Loss of Appetite, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Depression of Spirits and General Debility, in their various forms, FERRIS' PATENTED FERRO-FODDER, or "CURE FOR THE WEAK," is the best medicine. It is a stimulant tonic for patients recovering from fever or other sickness, it has no equal. If taken during the season it prevents fever and ague and other intermittent fevers.

Dr. E. C. Robinson's Patients.—The late Dr. Robinson's patients, who were cured of various diseases of the brain, spine, and nerves, by the use of his medicine, are now recovering from their various ailments, and are able to resume their ordinary occupations.

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WILMINGTON MARKETS.

WEEK ENDING THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1874.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME.

Business in all the leading branches of trade looking up and the markets generally exhibiting an increasing firmness. Indeed, the business outlook is in every way encouraging, the indications at present point to a speedy revival of business activity, and to a renewed season of prosperity in the commercial interests of the country.

At the North and West we have the encouraging fact to note that there is a general revival of business, but the question of inflation or contraction of the currency is still directing and attracting the attention of the commercial journals from the regions westward of the Atlantic and commercial interests, and until the gross settles this difficulty we may look for some restriction and perhaps inactivity in commercial circles.

The country is now beginning to receive some compensation for the prostration of business by the panic of last September, and its consequences. What its results to the trade were, are too well known to need rehearsal, but what is to come seems as yet to be only to vaguely appreciated. It has been remarked that the country would be able to pay either in money or produce, sustained the merchants, and thus the means for a general liquidation of debts was found, which prevented a greater or longer continued depression than actually occurred.

The fall in price of merchandise and securities had a similar effect, for it required less means to transact the same volume of business. These two items, the reduction in profits and the fall in prices, have the same effect as an inflation of the currency, and it only required that confidence should be restored to the holders of money to make apparent the working of the law of compensation. Now confidence is restored, and while there is a disposition on the part of business men everywhere to work upon a safe and conservative basis, it is becoming daily more apparent that there will be a full recovery in prices of nearly all kinds of merchandise and securities, and the probabilities, perhaps it would not be going too far to say the certain, is that the reaction from the extreme depression will be so great as to carry prices as much above their normal level as they have been below it.

There is an accumulation of money in all of the larger centers which must find employment, and the rates of discount have declined to so low a point that borrowers who have sustained their credit during the last few months, being urged to profit will employ it in their business when they see their way to do so profusely. Manufacturers are restarting their idle machinery all over the country, labor is obtaining employment, the tillers of the soil are enabled to sell their produce at increased prices, and soon the consumption of all articles will resume its wonted proportions. The inflation of the currency accelerates this movement, which however is sufficiently rapid for the best interests of the country, and there will only carry the matter too far for a sound and healthy development.

With the productive interests of the country in a sound condition generally, with the West in possession of large crops and the proceeds of them, with the South marketing a large crop of cotton at remunerative prices, with the mercantile class recovered or rapidly recovering from the shock of the panic, and with the banks possessed of the ability to furnish the necessary facilities for trade, we see no reason why the year which we have just entered upon should not be one of exceptional prosperity in a business point of view.

And now having given the opinions of the Northern press upon the commercial and business outlook, we turn ourselves to our home market to see how trade has suffered or increased since we last wrote of the market. The first thing which presents itself to our consideration is the naval store trade. This being our most important business we turn our attention to it first and in turn we bring up other articles of our produce trade.

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We notice with pleasure that the naval store trade shows a vast increase in the valuation of exports, say \$20,000. We find that the exports for the week have been 1,616 cases cotton, 5,343 bbls turpentine, and 1,823 bbls rosin, and of these the United Kingdom has received 4,373 cases spirits turpentine and 17,723 bbls rosin, against shipments last week of 16,833 bbls rosin, 1,000 cases spirits turpentine, and 688 bbls cotton.

The market for naval stores is very quiet but steady early in the week, but towards the close it has become firm and active, a stronger feeling being manifested. A firm market has been noted all the week. A slight reaction and decline in the middle of the week has been recovered, and at the close the market is firm. Cotton—The market for cotton is very quiet and steady, but towards the close it has become firm and active, a stronger feeling being manifested.

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No. 1 at \$2 35 per bbl. The market closing quiet at \$2 05 for strained. Saturday the heavy receipts by rail and rafts created a dullness, but sellers were unwilling to concede to any further concessions and the market was maintained. The sales were 1,200 bbls strained at \$2 05 per bbl.

Monday there was a better tone visible, but no advance was obtained, the sales which were confined to only 300 bbls strained at \$2 05 per bbl. Tuesday the market evinced a firmer tone and there was an advancing tendency, but buyers would not pay higher rates and the transactions were light. The sales were 500 bbls strained at \$2 05, 500 do good strained at \$2 10, 500 bbls extra No. 2 at \$2 15 per bbl.

Wednesday the market continued firm and strained advanced 2 cents, with sales of 800 bbls at \$2 05 and 500 bbls at \$2 07, also 500 bbls buyers option February delivery at \$2 15. To-day, Thursday, at the close the market is firm at \$2 07 per bbl.

No. 2.—There has been some enquiry for No. 2 during the week and a few lots were offered at figures a fair margin above strained. The stock is light.

No. 1 and Pale.—More enquiry has existed for these grades than we have noticed for some time past. There were liberal transactions during the week at unchanged prices. The receipts for the week 20,285 bbls, against 13,189 bbls for last week, show an increase of 7,096 bbls. The exports for the week 18,806 bbls, against 14,195 bbls for last week, show an increase of 4,611 bbls.

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changes of prices. The receipts for the week 11,926 bushels against 13,130 bushels for last week, shows a small decrease, and from all sources were as follows: From Philadelphia, 2,500 bushels; from Baltimore, 2,900 bushels; from New York, 3,200 bushels; and by Wil & Weldon R. R. 1,150 bushels.

Dealers are selling from store at 92 1/2 to 95 cents for yellow and mixed, and 95 to 97 cts for white. Receipts for the week being large and stock on hand fair, there has been some reduction of quotations. Corn is quoted dull at \$1 10 to \$1 15; Clay \$1 15 to \$1 20, and White \$1 25 to \$1 30 per bush.

CORN MEAL.—The market is steady and unchanged. The city mills are supplying the demands at \$1 7 bushel.

FRUIT.—The market for fruit is very quiet and steady, but towards the close it has become firm and active, a stronger feeling being manifested. A firm market has been noted all the week.

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trial of tonnage during the week has been equal to the demands for berths. For last rates paid see table below.

SALT.—The market is well stocked We quote American at \$1 20 to \$1 25 and Liverpool at \$1 25 per sack.

BUTTER.—Ohio sells at 40 to 45 cents, selections of fine bringing 50 cents to 60 cts, the latter rates, however, are obtained only for "gilt edge," that which is well made, solid, yellow and fine flavored.

WOOD.—The market is heavily stocked with all qualities of wood except pine, for which there seems to exist a good demand, and the receipts are readily disposed of. We quote, as selling by the quantity, as follows:

White Pine, 12 to 14 ft, 30 to 35; Yellow Pine, 12 to 14 ft, 25 to 30; Swamp Ash, 2 50 to 3 25; Split Ash, 3 00 to 3 50; Oak, 3 25 to 3 50; Blackjack, 3 50 to 3 75.

RATES OF FREIGHT.

Table with columns: ARTICLES, Per Steamer, Per Sailing Vessel. Lists various goods and their freight rates.

General Market Reports.

Financial. New York, Jan. 14.—Non—Stocks dull. Money—7 per cent. bid. Gold 111 1/2. Sterling Exchange—long \$4 83; short \$4 86 1/2. Government securities dull and nominal. State bonds dull.

Commercial. Cotton quiet; sales of 393 bales. Upland 16 1/2 cents; Orleans 17 cents. Corn quiet. Wheat dull. Corn quiet. Pork heavy—mess \$16 25. Lard heavy. Spirits turpentine steady at 43 to 44 cents. Rosin unchanged. Freight steady.

Financial. New York, Jan. 14.—6 P. M.—Money easy and offered at 5 per cent. Sterling Exchange quiet at \$4 82. Gold 111 1/2 to 111 3/4. Government Securities strong. Bonds Letter.

Commercial. Cotton quiet but firmer—sales of 1,533 bales, held at 16 1/2 to 17 cents. Southern flour less active and declining at \$7 10 to \$8 30 for common to fair extra; \$8 55 to \$11 for good to choice; \$8 94 to \$1 00, (inside price). Wheat 1 to 2 cents lower. Corn firm at 92 cents for old western mixed (in store). Pork heavy—mess \$16 25. Beef quiet at \$8 75 to \$11. Lard dull and lower at 9 cents. Tallow steady at 7 to 7 1/2 cents. Spirits turpentine firm at 43 cents; Rosin unchanged. Freight to Liverpool dull and unchanged.

Commercial. Cotton—net receipts 1,241 bales; gross 3,986 bales; futures closed weak; sales of 16,100 bales as follows: January, 15 1/2 to 16 1/2 cents; February, 16 1/2 to 17 cents; March, 16 1/2 cents; April, 17 1/2 to 18 cents; May, 17 1/2 to 18 1/2 cents; June 17 1/2 to 18 1/2 cents.

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