

J. R. NEATHERY & CO., PROPRIETORS.

Raleigh, N. C., Wednesday, March 3, 1869.

Who Complains?

We hear daily complaints of poverty—the scarcity of money—of taxes. From whom do these murmurs come? Who are loudest in finding fault? It is seldom that the honest, the industrious, and those who are the friends of the Union, are heard to complain. No sane man expects that a country can pass through a civil war of unheard of proportions without being made to feel disastrous consequences. It was only an inevitable result that hard times should follow. All men of good sense, whether they were guilty or innocent of the cause of the calamity, know this, and in a manly spirit bear up cheerfully and are doing the best they can under it. Under the diligent hands of such men our country can be brought up rapidly, and if all were such, in a few short years the material traces of the rebellion would be effaced. But all are not such, and it is this large, and to the State worthless, class who, in a great measure, do the grumbling—who, as far as in them lies, discourage every one, and whose course would speedily run down the country to a level with Old Spain, Mexico and such dilapidated countries.

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For the Standard.

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SENATE.

SATURDAY, Feb. 27, 1869.

The Senate met according to adjournment. The President in the Chair. The Journal of yesterday was read and approved. Mr. COOK presented the petition of certain merchants of the city of Wilmington, protesting against the passage of the bill relating to the weighing of iron at that port. Referred to the committee on Agriculture and Mining.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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The House met at 10 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Mr. BLYTHE, of the Senate. The Journal of yesterday was approved. Leave of absence were granted to Messrs. Sibley, Robinson, and Moore, of Chowan; Mr. Malone, from the Judiciary Committee; reportedly to attend to business expenses in the vicinity of Washington.

Supreme Court.

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CITY AND STATE.

THE SPRING TERM OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.—The Superior Court for Halifax county will convene on the first Monday in May. The Court Clerk has been getting his books ready to come up before this Court, the civil docket containing some six hundred cases, while the criminal docket will embrace some hundred and fifty. A good feast for the lawyers will be found in those dockets, says the Roanoke News.

Married.

In Salem, on the 18th ult. by Rt. Rev. G. F. Babson, Mr. LEWIS B. WINKLER, of California, to Miss AUGUSTA C. SWINE, of Salem. On the 17th instant, by Rev. P. L. Herman, Capt. S. W. CARTER, of Yancey county, to Miss LAURA J., youngest daughter of James and Elizabeth Avery, of Burke county, N. C.

Died.

In Greensboro, on the 22d inst., MARY ELIZA, wife of Levi M. Scott. In the town of Halifax, N. C., February 19th, 1869, Mrs. JANE E. ARRINGTON, wife of Wm. H. Arrington, in the thirty-fourth year of her age. In Lake City, Florida, on the 6th of February, JAMES BANKS, Attorney at Law, aged 51 years and 3 months. The deceased was a native of Stevenson, Ayrshire, Scotland; he emigrated to this country in 1835, and was a citizen of Fayetteville, N. C. until he moved to Florida in 1858. He leaves a widow and four children to mourn his loss.

Markets.

WILMINGTON, February 27.—Sprits Turpentine dull. Rosin quiet at \$1.85. Spruce Turpentine unchanged. Tar declined 5 cents, \$2.75. Cotton flat. NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Cotton firm but not very active. Sales 1400 bales at 29 1/2. Flour dull and heavy; Superior State \$5.70 to \$6.25; Extra State \$6.30 to \$6.65. Choice State \$6.70 to \$6.80; Family \$6.85 to \$7.00. Wheat very dull and nominally lower; Red Ohio \$1.38, White Michigan \$1.38. Corn cent better. Light supply. Mixed Western new 65 to 65 1/2. Old \$1.10 to \$1.20. Whisky \$2.10 to \$2.15. Pork firm at \$23.25. Lard steady lower; lard 19 1/2 to 19 3/4. Turpentine 54 to 55. Greases quiet and 4 cents. Freight quiet. Money easy at 5 to 7, most of the day, closing at 4 to 6. Sterling 8 1/2 to 8 3/4. Georgia's Stocks Government's strong; 62 1/2, 17 1/2, 21 1/2 steady.

Death of a Minister.

Elder R. C. Leachman, of the Primitive Baptist Church, died at his residence at Manassas, Va., on Friday morning last. He was, for a time, a resident of Wilson county in this State.

Post-Office.

On railroad line, Richmond, Virginia, to Greensboro, N. C., George W. Forsyth is appointed route agent at \$800 per annum, vice Archer.

The Ant and the Cricket.

A silly young cricket accustomed to sing through the warm sunny months of summer and spring. Begun to complain, when he found that, at home, his cupboard was empty, and winter was coming.

Not a crumb to be found On the snow-covered ground; Not a flower could he see, Not a leaf on a tree; "Oh! what will become," says the cricket, "of me?"

At last, by starvation and famine made bold, All dripping with wet, and all trembling with cold, Away he set off to a miserly ant, To see if, to keep him alive, he would grant Him shelter from rain.

He wished only to borrow; He'd repay it to-morrow; If not he must die of starvation and sorrow;

Says the ant to the cricket, "I'm your acorn and friend, But we ants never borrow; we ants never lend. But I see, dear cricket, did you lay nothing by? When the weather was warm?" Quoth the cricket— "No!"

My heart was so light That I sang day and night, For all nature looked gay; You sang, ray, you sang, Go, then," says the ant, "and dance winter away."

Thus ending, he hastily lifted the cricket, And out of the door turned the poor little cricket. Folks call this a fable; 'T will warm it some; Some crickets have four legs, and some have but two.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Superior Court, Fall Term, 1868. George Bond, Guardian, vs. Wm. Warren and Edward Warren. APPEARING THAT WM. C. WARREN, AND Edward Warren, the Defendants, are indebted to the Plaintiff in the sum of one thousand, three hundred and eighty dollars, with interest to the people of North Carolina, on the 6th of October, 1868, and that it appearing further, that said Defendants are non-residents of this State.

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A TACHMENT.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, Chowan County. Publication for Defendants. Thomas Pratt, Defendant. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a warrant of attachment has been issued against the property of said defendant, who is bound by the limits of the State, in favor of the Plaintiff, and returnable before me, a Justice of the Peace, for the county of CHOWAN, at Education, on the 24th day of March next, for the sum of thirty dollars, with interest from the 24th of April, 1867. The said defendant is hereby notified, that he may, at said time and place, answer the writ, or he will be deemed to have admitted the debt. Witness Joseph Z. Pratt, a Justice of the Peace for the county of Chowan, this 24th day of February, 1869. JOSEPH Z. PRATT, J. P. Feb 9