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SOUTHERN ILLUSTRATED AGE, is the title of a new literary candidate for public favor, published at Raleigh by R. T. Fulghum, Esq., formerly of the *State Agricultural Journal*.

We have received the first number of the paper and are pleased with its well written and tastily arranged matter. It contains a picture of the late Governor Graham which is a very good and faithful likeness; one of Gov. Brogden not quite so good, unless His Excellency has improved in personal pulchritude since we last saw him, and a cut of Scott Partin, the wife murderer, of which, not knowing the man, we cannot judge.

We hope the "Age" will succeed—it ought to; but when we remember that we send North for our ax-helves, clothes-pins, shoe-pegs and almost everything else we use, including school books, newspapers and magazines, we fear it will not meet with the full success it deserves.

The price is \$2.00 a year; 10 cents for a single copy.

We call attention to the advertisement of the "Torch Light" to be found in another column.

FIRST.—We had our first bake of sweet potatoes, of this year's growth, for dinner on the 15th inst. We don't know whether any body about here is ahead of us or not, in the potato line; but we will compare sizes with any one who will bring in a sample bagful.

FOR THE BOYS.—If three cats can catch three rats in three days, how many cats can catch one hundred rats in one hundred days? An exchange says it took a merchant, while going all the way from his store to the depot, to answer it and then he answered it wrong.

Can you answer it, boys?

Parents and guardians, having girls to educate, are interested in the advertisement of Chowan Baptist Female Institute, Murfreesboro, N. C., to which attention is called.

A TERRIBLE AFFAIR.

Rescuing a Child from an Alligator.

Handsboro (Miss.) Democrat, July 31.

Last Saturday about sundown, four miles east of this place, on Biloxi Bay occurred a scene calculated to send a thrill of horror through every human heart, and to make even the boldest tremble with fear. Two little girls, daughters of Mr. Elam R. Blackwell, living back of bay of Biloxi, while bathing in the bay, immediately in front of his dwelling, were attacked by an enormous alligator. The eldest, a girl of about seven years of age, was holding the youngest an infant of two years, in her hands, and was quietly enjoying her bath when suddenly her little sister was snatched from her and borne swiftly from the shore. Terrified beyond measure, and un-

able to render any assistance to her unfortunate sister, the eldest girl

UTTERED A SCREAM, which was quickly caught by the ear of the father, who happened, accidentally, to be passing within thirty or forty yards of the spot where his daughters were bathing. Realizing instantly, from the tone of the voice, that his children were in some peril, but unable to conjecture its exact nature, Mr. Blackwell, who is an active and athletic man, rushed rapidly to their assistance, and arrived at the spot just in time to discover his little daughter being borne out into the bay by an alligator. Comprehending the scene at once, and moved to almost superhuman effort by the desperate situation of his child, the agonized father leaped madly into the water in pursuit of the would-be destroyer of his daughter, which was then some twenty-five or thirty yards from shore. The water, for a distance of forty or fifty yards out into the bay from the point where the children were bathing, ranges in depth from one and a half to two feet, and then suddenly attains a depth of forty or fifty feet, and both the animal (which had by this time discovered the pursuit) and the father seemed to realize that the deep water immediately in front of them once reached,

PURSUIT AND RECOVERY would be alike impossible: both therefore redoubled their efforts, the one to reach the point, the other to prevent it. In this struggle, although sinking to his waist in the soft mud at the bottom at each bound, the father was successful. He succeeded in grasping his child by the arm about ten feet from deep water the alligator, which all the while held the child's foot in its mouth, perceiving itself overtaken, and alarmed and confused by the boldness of the assault, released its hold and made its way rapidly into the deep water in front of it. The father, completely exhausted, raised his child out of the water, and perceiving that it still lived, by a desperate effort succeeded in regaining the shore and depositing the child safely in the arms of its mother. The little girl is unhurt with the exception of a couple of bruises on its foot, made by the teeth of the monster.

"JESUS ONLY."

O thou, dear Lord, who stayest
When all the guests are gone,
When in their silent chambers
The soul sits down alone.

Our garlands all are withered,
Our sweetest songs are sung,
The lamps which lit our feasting,
Have gone out one by one.

The gladness and the beauty,
Have vanished from our sight,
The footsteps of our dear ones
Have died away in night.

Yet thanks to Thee that ever
Thou comest at our will,
Thy voice is heard the clearer
When all the house is still.

As on the Mount of Vision,
Amid the shining Three,
The overawed disciples
Looked up—and saw but Thee.

So we, our brightness faded,
Our sweet companions flown,
Lift up our troubled faces
To find Thou art not gone.

Thanks to Thy name that ever
In grief Thou dost appear,
That by each deep-biting shadow,
We know Thy sunshine near.

Be Ruler of our feasting,
Thou Love of love alone;
O Thou, dear Lord, who stayest
When all the guests are gone!

MARY G. BRAINARD.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ORPHAN ASYLUM FROM AUGUST 17th TO AUGUST 23rd INCLUSIVE.

- IN CASH.
Paid \$20.00 each, Centre Hill Lodge No 260 and Orphans' Friend.
" 15.00, White Stone Lodge, No 155.
" 10.00, Unknown friend through Grandy & Bro.
" 5.00, John Armstrong.
" 3.00, Fannington Lodge, No 235.
" 3.00, Collected at Hay's Christian Ch.
" 2.25, Collection at Bethel Ch., Wake Co.
" 1.30, Collection in White Stone Lodge 155.
" 75 cts each, Anderson White, Eli Elliott.
" 50 cts, a young lady of Edenton.
" 25 cts, S S Williams.
" 10 cts, W T Williams.

- IN KIND.
Rafus Bobbitt 1 fine milk coat.
R W Lassiter Jr., 1 load watermelons.
Through R D Simpson, Centre Hill, Viz:
J A Ward, 1 ham 25 lbs.
Andrew A Parrish, 1 ham, 64 lbs.
Wm H Elliott, 1 ham, 10 lbs 1 Bu meal, 25 lb flour.
Isaac Byram, 1 Bu meal.
Mrs Harriet P. r. 4 bars soap, 2 skirt.
Miss Nancy Parrish, 1 pr socks.
N L Brown, Lot pickles, fruit &c.
J P Galley, 1 Bu coal.
Pescod, Lee & Co Bottle Medicine.
J P Mize, 1 Bu meal.
Through Wm E Peet, from Mill Creek Sunday School, Hertford county, Viz:
Mrs Georgia A Huggard, 1 pr pants.
Mrs Josephine R White, 1 Dress.
Miss Lavenia C Matthews, 2 aprons.
Miss Caroline Perry, 1 pr socks.
Miss Mallice Francis, 1 apron.
Miss Elizabeth Valkentine, 2 dresses.
Miss Mallice Evans, 2 prs socks.
Miss Laura Evans, 2 dresses 1 apron.
Mr Caroline Mitchell, 1 apron.
Wm E Peet, 1 pr drawers, 8 yds calico.
A Landis Jr., Lot Oil cloths.
Fred Warren, Wilmington 12 boys' shirts, 12 neckties, 23 collars.
C J Boscowitz, 1 Bolt bleaching.

The following persons have paid for THE ORPHANS' FRIEND for one year from this date:
Alex Copeland, Mary E Ward Caddie S McClain, Thos Moody, P M Warren, W J Webb, H L Creecy, Thos J Sutton, Richard Hedrick, S E Koomer, 3 copies, H D Lee, Mrs Hattie Jenkins, Miss Corda Headen, Capt Gidney, Dr Gardner, J C McArthur, Robt Lee Birkhead, Miss Mary Hudson.
For six months, Walter Vann.

A correspondent sends us the following: "Old Uncle Jimmie" was a colored man, over seventy years of age, who attended school, and was trying to learn to read. His efforts and the patience of his teachers were at last rewarded by his mastery of the alphabet. Then he was introduced to the mysteries of orthography, and the little word "it" was under examination. After naming the letters many times, and pronouncing the word after his teacher, he still seemed puzzled. "Do you understand it, now?" said the teacher. "Well," he replied, "I see the 'i' and the 't,' but I can't see the 'it'."

Economy is a good thing; but economy in the right direction is a better. In the midst of hard times the tendency is to economise in the matter of subscriptions to religious newspapers, and church and missions funds, instead of in the direction of the luxuries of life where all economy ought to begin. This is like closing the faucet, while you keep the bung hole open.

From the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

"The design of the orphan Asylum shall be to protect, train and educate indigent and promising orphan children, to be received between the age of six and twelve, who have no parents, nor property nor near relatives able to assist them. They shall not be received for a shorter time than two years. In extraordinary cases the Superintendent may receive children outside the ages specified.

Resolutions of the Grand Lodge.

Adopted Dec 3d, 1872.
Resolved, 1. That St. John's College shall be made an asylum for the protection, training and education of indigent orphan children.
2. That this Grand Lodge will appropriate \$—annually for the support of the institution; but

will not assume any additional pecuniary responsibility.

3. That this Grand Lodge elect a Superintendent who shall control the institution and solicit contributions for its support from all classes of our people.

4. That orphan children in the said Asylum shall be fed and clothed, and shall receive such preparatory training and education as will prepare them for useful occupations and for the usual business transactions of life.

Adopted Dec 5th 1872:
Resolved, That the Superintendent of the said Orphan Asylum shall report each at Annual Communication an account of his official acts, receipts, disbursements, number of pupils, &c., together with such suggestions as he may see fit to offer.

Resolved, That the Master of each subordinate Lodge appoint a Standing Committee upon raising funds for the Orphan Asylum, and require said committee to report in writing each month, and that said reports and the funds received be forwarded monthly to the Superintendent of the Asylum and that the support of the Orphan Asylum be a regular order of business in each subordinate Lodge at each Communication.

4. All churches and benevolent organizations are requested to cooperate with us in the orphan work and to collect and forward contributions through their own proper officers. Here are the resolutions:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to many benevolent ladies and gentlemen, to the ministers of the gospel, to churches of various denominations, to Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Good Templars, Friends of Temperance, and other benevolent societies, whose hearty cooperation and liberal contributions have rendered timely and valuable assistance in the great work of ameliorating the condition of the orphan children of the State.

Resolved, That all benevolent societies and individuals are hereby cordially invited and requested to cooperate with us in providing funds and supplies for feeding clothing, and educating indigent and promising orphan children, at the Asylum in Oxford.

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[From Dr. W. M. Wingate.]

In the most beautiful part of this city, in the choicest spot of this most charming portion, is our Baptist Female Seminary. I am glad to see that some of our brethren, in their recent visit to Raleigh are telling some of the good things that occur to their minds about it. The wonder is that more has not been said. It is on high ground, with good water, good air, and delightful surroundings. It has good buildings, with airy and spacious rooms for dormitories and recitations, and with large, tastefully arranged front grounds for walks and amusements. It has a cabinet of minerals, an excellent apparatus, new and large pianos, and the beginning of a gymnasium for health giving exercises. And Prof. Hobbins, the Principal, is hale, vigorous and energetic, with an able body of teachers and professors. With its genial management, its stable fare, and the attention given to the comforts of the pupils, I can see nothing to hinder the largest success, and a constantly widening influence upon the daughters of our State.

[From T. H. Prichard, D. D.]

I am intimately acquainted with the Faculty of the Raleigh Female Seminary, and take pleasure in expressing my high appreciation of the excellence of the instruction they are accustomed to impart. Indeed I am persuaded that in accuracy and careful painstaking faithfulness their work possesses unusual merit, and do most heartily commend this institution to the patronage of all who wish their daughters thoroughly educated.
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