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CONTRIBUTIONS

TO THE ORPHAN ASYLUM FROM JANUARY 1ST TO 5 JANUARY 8TH, 1883.

IN CASH.

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| Seaton Gales Lodge, No. 64, I. O. O. F. | \$20 00 |
| Hiram Lodge, No. 4, | 42 00 |
| Red Hill Bap. Sunday School, | 3 00 |
| Jonesboro Sunday School, | 13 42 |
| Landon Jones' collection, | 2 33 |
| Watson & Gunter, | 1 50 |
| Capt. Thomas Thomas, | 5 00 |
| Oakdale Academy, | 4 50 |
| Yanceyville Baptist Church, | 7 51 |
| Farmington Lodge No. 263, | 2 00 |
| Roman Eagle Lodge, No. 122, | 50 00 |
| Collected by Annie and Charlie Ward, of Wake, | 2 00 |
| Centre Presbyterian Church, Robeson county, Rev. Roger Martin, pastor, | 17 15 |
| Miss Ang. Sperling, Newbern, | 2 00 |

IN KIND.

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| From Cool Spring, Iredell county, by Dr. Rockwell, Dr. Adams, Mrs. Montgomery, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Houpe, Mrs. Archibald, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. Abernethy, Mrs. Kestler, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Colobert, Mr. Shepherd and others, one box containing calico, domestics, socks, stockings, sugar, coffee, rice, candy, and underclothing. | |
| Tate & Trollinger, Mebaneville, one barrel flour. | |
| Kenan & Forshee, Wilmington, one sack coffee, one barrel molasses. | |
| Norwood, Giles & Co., one barrel rice. | |
| R. L. Hunt, one load straw. | |

SOME EXPLANATIONS.

We receive our mail at bedtime, and the mail closes early in the morning. Hence not many letters can be answered "by return mail." Sometimes, also, questions must be considered and information obtained.

Applications for girls to nurse babies are very numerous. I shall never cease to admire the wisdom of that model gentleman, Boaz, in hiring the widow Naomi to nurse the infant Obed. I still advise the employment of widows as nurses. I advise girls to follow some business more improving to themselves.

Mr. L. Thomas is responsible for the mailing of the ORPHANS' FRIEND. So you may stop scolding the Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum for the irregularities of mail carriers.

One poor orphan from Currituck received a box—freight, \$1.20, value of contents, 50 cents, loss 70 cents. A boy and girl from Monroe received a box—freight 50 cents, contents, eight apples, one quart peanuts, &c., value, 30 cents, loss 20 cents. When the freight will exceed the value of the contents, better sell and send the money.

Persons writing for orphans should first read our catalogue, and follow the directions given. This course will prevent much annoyance. When you write for an orphan and receive a catalogue, you should read it, and send a definite proposition.

The O. & H. R. R. connects with Northern trains; not with Southern. So travellers coming by Raleigh stay in Henderson till night. Those

coming and going by Weldon are not detained. When our orphans lie over in Henderson, Mr. J. H. Lassiter usually takes care of them. Both hotels have also been very kind to them. An old Granville man said the Raleigh people were the most hospitable people he ever saw, because, when he went to Raleigh, they met him at the depot with all sorts and sizes of carriages, and insisted on carrying him to any house in the city. No such hospitality in Oxford. If you want conveyance, give previous notice. Those sending orphans, should write in advance, that they may be met at the depot. A raw orphan is in a sorry fix when the train stops in a dark, muddy bottom, and he is informed that the Orphan Asylum is a mile off.

J. H. M.

SPECIAL MENTION.

None of the children at the Asylum are sick.

Mr. A. R. Wortham, commissioner, advertises some valuable land for sale in Vance county.

The following Orphans have gone to visit friends: Missouri and Mattie Piland, Walter and Fanny Woodard, Ransom and Ednoy Hare, Katie Johnson.

The following have recently arrived at the Asylum: Nellie Parish, Guilford county; Daisy and Lily Olmstead, Forsythe; Iola and Lily Fowler, Wake; Harriet and Alice Erwin, Buncombe.

The Spring Term of the Oxford Home School begins next Monday. It is a good school and merits success. For circular address the Principal, Mrs. J. W. Hays.

Mr. H. A. Gudger, so long the faithful Superintendent of the Deaf and Dumb and Blind Institution, Raleigh, has resigned that position, and Prof. W. J. Young has been elected as his successor.

Bro. Gudger is a young man of fine ability, great energy and a warm supporter of the Orphan Asylum and the FRIEND. May Heaven's choicest blessings attend him through life.

Mr. James I. Moore, of Granville, has formally given notice to the House of Representatives that he will contest the right of Capt. A. H. A. Williams to a seat in that body. Capt. Williams denies the allegations of Mr. Moore, and asks an immediate investigation of the matter.

Let us have better roads. Much is said about defective or insufficient road laws. We suspect that the real reason for our bad roads is the inefficient operation of the laws we already have. If the laws need amending, let it be done, but at all events, give us good roads.

Capt A Landis is the first of the Oxford merchants to avail himself of the FRIEND as an advertising medium. The Captain is a level headed man, and seldom makes a bad investment. We advise others to follow his example.

Mayor Goodwyn, at a late meeting of the town commissioners, recommended the enactment of ordinances for preventing or abating nuisances, for preserving the health of the citizens, for putting in good condition the streets and sidewalks, for lighting up the principal thorough-fares, and for thoroughly policing the town. All these suggestions are good, and we trust that the much needed work will be speedily done.

"The Orphans' Friend, published at Oxford, N. C., comes to us weekly, and we find it a bright, attractive paper, which we look over with a great deal of interest. That the orphans are well cared for in the sunny South we are confident."

We clip the above from our bright and cheery namesake, The Orphans' Friend, published at Auburn, N. Y. We are grateful for its kind words, and trust that it will receive the patronage that its merit deserves. We copy the pretty story on our first page from its interesting columns.

Rev. Dr. Hepburn, President of Davidson College, will preach the sermon at the next commencement at Chapel Hill, and Hon. Thos. C. Manning will deliver the address.

We send out this week a number of specimen copies. If you like the paper send us your dollar and receive it for one year. Show it to your neighbor and induce him to subscribe. You will thus aid the orphan cause, and supply yourself with much good reading at a small cost.

"Mrs. E. Grant, principal of Simonton Female College, is dead. Mrs. Grant had been declining rapidly for several months. She was a daughter of the late Rev. Elisha Mitchell, D. D., who was for years a professor in the University of North Carolina. She herself took a regular course at the University. She was distinguished for rare benevolence and many other christian graces adorned her character."—Statesville Landmark.

"Mrs. Grant was at one time a resident of Oxford, and principal of the Female Seminary here. Intelligence of her death is received with profound sorrow. She was a lady of deep piety, rare intelligence, and great benevolence. She was a warm friend of the orphans, and a regular and liberal contributor to the Asylum."

NEWS CLIPPINGS.

Col. D. G. Worth, of Wilmington, has offered an annual prize to the student of the University who shall take the highest stand in the department of Moral Science and Christ an evidences. A son of Col. Worth took the highest stand in this department in June, 1882.

Eighteen convict laborers on the Western North Carolina Rail Road were drowned in the Tuckaseegee River opposite the Cowee Tunnel a few days since. The accident occurred while the convicts were being ferried across the river.

The venerable Edward J. Hale, so long a prominent journalist in North Carolina, but since the war a resident of New York, died in that city on the 2d inst. His many friends in this State will read this announcement with profound sorrow.

Preparations for moving large bodies of troops from Germany to strengthen the garrisons on the Russian frontier and for double-tracking the government rail roads in the eastern portion of the Empire, as announced in cable dispatches, do not look as if the new year is to be without its war's alarms.

Rev. Dr. Morgan Calloway, of Emory College, has been elected President of Paine College, Augusta, Ga. This is the training school for the colored Methodist Church provided for by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Dr. Calloway accepts.

Rufus Mallory, of Portland, Oregon, has just completed a trip around the world from San Francisco; his actual travelling time, including necessary time spent to make connections on schedule time, was less than eighty days. He thinks he can do it in seventy days.

The grain production in this country for the year which closed with the month of November is as follows: Corn, 1,635,000,000 bushels; wheat, 510,000,000; oats, 470,000,000; barley, 45,000,000; rye, 20,000,000; buck wheat, 19,000,000; total, 2,699,000,000.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

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DEAR CHILDREN:—Christmas has passed and the New Year dawned with bright prospects for the future. It is to be hoped that bright rays, brilliant with true goodness, may ever shine upon your home and the friends that support it, and to all I wish a happy and prosperous year. I am sure you had a happy Christmas, the most enjoyable of all holidays, the advent of Him whose mission was good-will to men. I say sure, for I know the good Superintendent, Miss Anna and other good teachers did all they could to contribute to that end, and shared your pleasures, for Christmas is not only for children, but for all who believe in the Divine founder of Christianity. It is a joyous time now as when the babe was found in the manger. This story is familiar in your Bible lessons. The anniversary of Christ's coming to lighten the burdens and make happy the hearts of the sons of men. Christmas, dear children, cheers the aged, both rich and poor, it knits together the hearts of the orphan, as in the family circle and weaves memories that time will brighten. It makes all hearts aglow with kindness and fills many cups to overflowing with the happiness it brings; yes many hearts respond to the merry, merry sound of the Christmas bells as the impulse of the Christian heart develops in all that is good, noble and beautiful for the widow and the orphan. From Black Mountain's peak to the arid sea shore may this feeling ever exist in North Carolina, and those who sent gifts to Oxford Orphan Asylum enjoy the blessing it brings to the fullest extent.

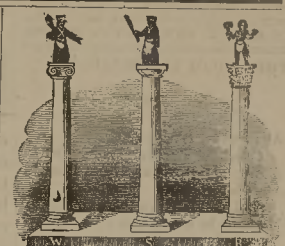
For this a prayer went up on Christmas morn, with true sincerity. The privilege of enjoying the day was denied and in place of bon-bons, the awful bitter of quinine to arrest chills and fevers. Still the heart was not dark, for rays of love for you and others penetrated it, filled with the warm touch of sympathy that Christmas always brings. You know the Wise Men came to the Babe of Bethlehem bearing gifts, and it is in memory of that day that gifts are given to those we love. Mine, dear children, has always been cheered by this pleasant custom. In fact, Christmas is so full of friendship and tenderness, so fragrant with the incense and perfume of love and true affection, that it must have made the orphans' friends feel, when sending gifts to cheer them, that they were nearing Bethlehem. Your happy faces can be easily imagined as each child received a gift. And to all that prepared them, may every return of Christmas be as a cloudless sky with a sun serene in the Heavens making it a perfect day.

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By reference to the proceedings of the Grand Lodge it will be found to be the duty of each subordinate lodge to appoint a standing committee to raise and report funds for the Asylum monthly. It is further made the duty of every Secretary of a Lodge to send the names of such committees to the ORPHANS' FRIEND for publication, in order that persons wishing to employ orphans may know the steps to be taken.

- We give the committees below, so far as the Secretaries have reported:
 - Mt. Vernon Lodge, No. 359—H. M. Lane, F. L. McCles, W. W. Richardson.
 - St. John's Lodge, No. 3—J. W. Hancock, chairman.
 - Watanga Lodge, No. 273—W. C. Coffey.
 - Roanoke Lodge, No. 203—Z. P. Evans, Wm. Moody, J. B. Mottley.
 - St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Wilmington—W. M. Poisson, W. W. Allen, J. W. Perdue.
 - Cleaveland Lodge, No. 202—H. McBrayer, J. W. Rudasill, J. L. Webb.
 - Joseph Warren Lodge, No. 82—H. J. Sauls, J. K. Peacock, F. M. Moyer.
 - Wilmington Lodge, No. 319—W. P. Oldham, John H. Hanby, John Cantwell.
 - Mt. Pleasant Lodge, No. 157—W. A. Jones, T. B. Rarely, J. T. Nichols, B. L. Lawrence, L. Woodlief.
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