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TO THE ORPHAN ASYLUM FROM JANUARY 8TH TO JANUARY 15TH, 1883.

IN CASH.

Bea Creek Sunday School, Chatham county,	\$ 4 00
Hickory Lodge, No. 343,	8 00
New Hope, Iredell,	2 00
Sunday School at Carr's School House,	36 20
Sawyer's Creek Church,	39 46
Additional from Students at the University,	5 00
Morganton Presbyterian Church,	3 45
Wadesboro Lodge No. 1791, K. of H.	20 35
Unknown friend in Goldsboro,	2 25
Prof. W. C. Kerr,	5 00
Mr. Stevens,	1 50
Dr. F. M. Garrett, All Healing Springs,	5 00

SPECIAL MENTION.

A bill has passed its third reading, authorizing the commissioners of Granville to levy a special tax.

Rev. J. S. Hardaway, of Virginia, has accepted the call as pastor of the Baptist church at Oxford, and preached his first sermon last Sunday night.

Read the announcement of Messrs Edwards & Rogers, in another column. The FRIEND has superior merits as advertising medium.

In the death of E. J. Hale, North Carolina loses a son who was universally beloved, a man whose history is linked with that of his State.

The North Carolina Tobacco Fair Association, to be held at Durham next May, is regarded as a success. \$7,000 has been subscribed for building purposes, and the erection of the buildings will be begun at once.

In the House last Saturday, a bill passed its second reading, authorizing our representatives in Congress to endeavor to have the surplus money now in the United States Treasury distributed among the States for educational purposes.

A Widows' and Orphans' Home has recently been established at Louisville, Ky., by the Louisville and Kentucky Conferences (Methodist), and Mrs. Sallie Burton, of Glasgow, Ky., is Superintendent. We wish the enterprise success.

Last Saturday, while the editor of the FRIEND was conducting the funeral services of Mrs. Sears, a very aged lady, near Salem church, about four miles from Oxford, he received a telegram announcing the death of his sister, and requesting his immediate presence. This accounts for the scarcity of original matter this week.

Mr. Patrick H. Winston delivered an address at the Opera House in Winston, N. C., December 27th, by invitation of the Masonic Lodge, of that place. Subject: "Humanity." The Winston people speak in high terms of Mr. W.'s effort. A voluntary collection was taken up, amounting to \$58.00, for the Orphan Asylum. Thanks.

Gen. Albert Pike takes ten copies of the ORPHANS' FRIEND. In this he displays both liberality and wisdom. Not only is the orphan cause bene-

fitted, but ten homes may receive the blessings of a weekly visit from a paper filled with edifying and instructive literature. We commend his example to others.

Mr. W. T. Blackwell has closed out his entire interest in the Durham bull brand of smoking tobacco, in the factory and factory brands. Mr. Julian S. Carr is the purchaser at \$250,000. Mr. B. retains a royalty upon the brand.—*News and Observer.*

It is an incalculable blessing to the young to have access to good books. The library at the Orphan Asylum has many school books and a few good books of a general character. In the libraries of many of our readers there are books of little value to them, which might do much good at the Asylum, and would be acceptable as donations to our library. Who will respond?

Rev. Dr. C. B. Riddick, formerly of North Carolina, and at one time a resident of Oxford, has for years had charge of a church at Denver, Colorado, where he took high rank as a preacher. He has recently been appointed Presiding Elder of the Los Angeles District.

Mr. R. D. Wilson, of McDowell county, committed suicide in Raleigh last Saturday by shooting a pistol ball through his brains. He was a great sufferer from neuralgia, and was in Raleigh under medical treatment. His suffering had been so intense as to cause one of his eyes to burst from his head. Despairing of relief, he took his own life. He was a lawyer, and much respected.

Capt. Williams, representative from Granville, has introduced a bill in the House allowing the Sheriffs of tobacco growing counties till the 1st of May to settle with the State Treasurer. This is intended as a relief to the farmer, who often finds it difficult to market his tobacco by the first of the year.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Greensboro is soon to have a Business College.

Prof. Kerr has tendered his resignation as State Geologist.

The number of students at the University has reached two hundred.

William and Mary College, Va., has entirely gone down. Last year there was only one student—this year none.

Prof. Kerr's map of North Carolina is out and is said to be much more accurate than any map previously published.

Three burials from one church in Greensboro in twenty-four hours. On one occasion as one procession went out of the church another went in.

The announcement is made in the last issue of the College Herald, published at Trinity, that it will hereafter appear in magazine form once a month throughout the collegiate year.

The present endowment of Wake Forest College is \$54,000. Prof. Taylor is in the field laboring to increase it to \$100,000. In a letter to the Biblical Recorder he states that more than half the amount necessary has been pledged on condition that the whole be raised.

The now famous Johns Hopkins University has forty-three professors and but one hundred and seventy-five students. North Carolina is entitled, under the will of the munificent founder, to a share in the scholarships.—*Ex.*

Gen. Butler, in his inaugural address as Governor of Massachusetts, says that there is too much "physiology, physics, botany, zoology, geology, astronomy, chemistry and psychology" taught in the schools and not enough of the spelling book. About right.

The original manuscript of "Home Sweet Home," as written by John Howard Payne, is the property of an old lady in Atlanta, Ga., and no money will induce her to part with it.

Mayor Grace, who has just retired from the mayoralty of New York, refused to permit the Passion Play inacted in that city. Mr. Grace is a Catholic. Mayor Edson, a Protestant, takes the same position.

Mrs. John Jacob Aster has sent West to good homes in all more than a thousand boys and girls picked up in the New York streets. The last instalment, thus far, left the city last week.

Bishop Asbury's watch is in possession of Mr. H. M. Asbury, a prominent merchant of Marion, who received it from his grandfather, to whom it had been given by the Bishop. It is a heavy silver watch and has faithfully kept the time for one hundred years.—*Cor. Ral. Chris. Adv.*

The First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, raised for all purposes last year \$6,045.25. The total amount raised by the Second Presbyterian Church in the same city is \$3,064.00. In this congregation some of the members conscientiously devote one-tenth or over of their income to the Lord's service.—*Presbyterian.*

The decadence of old time Southern chivalric courtesy is exhibited by the fact that young ladies have been heard to express surprise that a strange gentleman should raise his hat to them, in meeting them on a narrow footpath. They did not seem to even be aware of the fact that a Southern gentleman is polite to women whether he knows them or not.—*Mechanic.*

Two sad cases of crime have recently appeared in the papers—that of Col. Polk, Treasurer of the State of Tennessee, a nephew of the late President Polk, who is said to be a defaulter to the amount of \$400,000; and that of the son of Gen. Kavanagh, the hero of Lucknow, who was arrested the other day in Quebec for robbery. How earnestly ought men to pray to be delivered from temptations!—*Charlotte Journal.*

"The coming metal," as aluminum is called, would almost drive iron out of the market could it be produced at the same cost. The greatest interest is felt in the cable report of a discovery of a new way to separate it from the mass of common clay, in which it exists in unlimited quantity, and if its production is made comparatively inexpensive, its introduction will effect marvelous industrial changes. Its lightness and freedom from rust make it vastly superior to iron for many purposes. Attention has recently been called to the fact that it is a much better conductor of electricity than iron, and were it to replace the present telegraph wires the battery power could be reduced to one seventh of that now required. Its value in conducting electric currents for purposes of illumination has not been suggested, we think. It will aid in the solution of the problem of electric light.

When Bertali, the caricaturist, whose death was recently announced, was engaged in the work of illustrating Balzac's novels, he once upon a time came upon a difficult and involved passage, so abstruse that he took it to the author, with the humble remark, "I don't exactly catch the sense of this." "Let's see it," said the novelist. "Oh, there's no meaning to it at all! That's why I put it in." "Why you put it in?" "Exactly. You see, it's the average reader all that is clear seems easy; and if from time to time I didn't give him a complicated and empty sentence, he would think that he knew as much as I did. Consequently every now and then I tip him something heart-breaking, and he puzzles over it and re-reads it, and takes his head between his hands and glares at it; and then, when he can make neither head nor tail of it he is perfectly happy, and says, "Great man, that Balzac, he knows more than I do!"

WHICH IS THE WEAKER SEX?

Females are called the weaker sex, but why? If they are not strong, who is? When men must wrap themselves in thick garments, and increase the whole in a stout overcoat to shut out the cold, women, in thin silk dresses, with neck and shoulders bare, or nearly so, say they are perfectly comfortable! When men wear water-proof boots over woollen hose, and increase the whole in India-rubber to keep them from freezing, women wear thin silk hose and cloth shoes, and pretend not to feel the cold! When men cover their heads with furs, and then complain of the severity of the weather, women half cover their heads with straw bonnets, and ride twenty miles in an open sleigh, facing a cold north-wester, and pretend not to suffer at all! They can sit, too, by men who smell of rum and tobacco-smoke sufficient to poison the whole house, and not appear more annoyed than though they were a bundle of roses. Year after year they can bear abuses of all kinds from drunken husbands, as though their strength was made of iron. And then is not woman's mental strength greater than man's? Can she not endure suffering that would bow the stoutest man to the earth? Call not woman the weaker vessel; for had she not been stronger than man, the race would have long since been extinct. Hers is a state of endurance that man could never bear.

THEIR REWARD.

In Matthew they are promised thrones of judgment over the tribes of Israel, as in Samuel's time. The promise here refers to that broadening and enriching of the soul which redeems life from barrenness, and sees freshness, beauty and fullness of joy everywhere. Life is as the heart recons it, and with but this day's bread it may be rich and copious. Planted in a hostile world (with persecutions), the believer lives under the patronage of a king. The finality, where there are pleasures forevermore, eye hath not seen nor ear heard. Only some gleaming fore-splendors have come to the heart of man, revealed by the Holy Ghost.

This planet would be a strange world without noise. Life owes much of its variety to the babblings of science, the vaporings of politicians, the shouts of the rabble-roust, the roaring of the 'loom of time,' the hum of industry. Fancy a house going up like Solomon's temple with no sound of the rasp of the saw, the whistling of the plane and the rap of the hammer! Imagine people walking about on tip toe in stocking-feet and conversing by signs and and in whispers! In the higher latitudes, it is said, such an awful stillness prevails for days at a time that one doubts his identity and is petrified as if by the stony star of a Medusa. We would not abolish noise if we could, or impose a fine upon people for talking. Yet we could dispense with a great deal of noise—with the gabble of gossips, the driv of idiots and bores, the rant of atheists, the tawdry rhetoric of stump-speaches, the oaths and coarse wit of stables and bar-rooms.

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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:
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 - St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Wilmington—W. M. Poisson, W. W. Allen, J. W. Perdue.
 - Cleveland Lodge, No. 202—J. McBrayer, J. W. Rudasill, J. L. Webb.
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 - Wayne Lodge, No. 112—L. A. Wright, Augustus Edwards, B. W. Cox.

Sale OF A VALUABLE VANCE COUNTY PLANTATION.

As Commissioner of the Superior Court of Vance County, I will sell to the highest bidder on Monday, February 5th, 1883, at 12 o'clock, m., in front of the Superior Court Clerk's office, in Henderson, that valuable tract of land, of the estate of Mrs. Lucy E. Love, deceased, on the waters of Nut Bush Creek, in Vance county, adjoining the lands of W. H. Boyd, R. B. Hester and others, and is the tract upon which the late Richard Owen lived, containing four hundred and forty-two (442) acres. Said tract contains, among other improvements, a large dwelling house, and all necessary out-houses—all in splendid repair. The land is in good condition, and produces well corn, wheat, fine tobacco and all the grasses. Terms made known on day of sale. A. R. WORTMAN, Commissioner.

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