

# The Orphans' Friend.

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## CONTRIBUTIONS

TO THE ORPHAN ASYLUM FROM JANUARY 15TH TO JANUARY 22D, 1883.

IN CASH.	
R. B. Watson, Jonesboro,	\$ 2 00
Rocky Hook Baptist church, Rev. B. B. Williams, pastor,	18 00
Centre Presbyterian church, Rebe-son, additional,	27

**IN KIND.**  
Ladies of Scotland Neck—20 yards worsted, 70 yds. calico, 3 prs. half hose, 6 muffs, 11 h'k'fs, 1 box darning cotton, 7 boys' hats and caps, 4 prs. shoes, 5 prs. cuffs, 3 collars, 3 combs, 2 scarfs, 20 yds. plaids, 25 yds. domestic, 48 yds. dress lining, 1 shawl, 2 comforters, 4 doz. spoons cotton, 7 prs. stockings, 2 boxes buttons.  
Box from Greensboro containing contributions by Mrs. Judge Gilmer, Miss Judith Mendenhall and little Anna Leak  
Box from unknown friends containing 3 prs. stockings, 4 prs. socks, 5 aprons, 4 shirts, 1 handkerchief, 1 coat, 1 pr. pants, 1 dress, 2 papers meal, 1 cake soap, 4 yds. domestic.

In box from Raleigh—Heller Bros., 3 prs. shoes; J. P. Gully, 3 prs. shoes; M. D. & J. D. Edwards, 2 prs. stockings, 10 yds. calico, 6 hats; L. Rosenthal, 6 caps, 4 vests, 1 coat; D. S. Wait, 11 vests, 4 shawls, 1 coat; Mrs. M. A. Hardie, 6 hats, 6 prs. gloves, 3 muffs, &c.  
Unknown friend, one barrel of apples.  
R. J. Slem, one bushel wheat.  
R. Y. Wade, one bushel wheat, one bushel corn.  
L. Minor, two bushels wheat.  
C. Hobgood, one bushel meal.  
W. D. Kimball, 100 pounds flour.  
Dr. J. W. Booth, 100 pounds flour.

## SPECIAL MENTION.

Mr. Cozart, Senator, and Capt. Williams, of the House, spent the Sabbath in town.

Several of the Asylum children are at the hospital. None very sick. Bessie Miller, who has been quite ill, is now convalescent.

Superintendent Mills is on a trip to the Western part of the State, where he will meet a number of orphans who will return with him.

Hon. John W. Shackelford, the representative in Congress from the Cape Fear District, died in Washington on the 18th inst.

Gen. W. C. Pendleton, late Chief of Artillery Army of Northern Virginia, C. S. A., and rector of Grace church, Lexington, Va., died suddenly on Monday night, 15th inst.

Miss Addie C. Hester has opened a boarding school at the residence of her father, Rev. W. S. Hester, on the O. & H. Railroad. Success to the enterprise.

Col. L. C. Jones of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R., has been appointed Superintendent of the Carolina Central Railroad.

Sarah Lewis, an interesting girl at the Orphan Asylum, has been adopted by a worthy gentleman. She left last week, greatly delighted with her good fortune. We trust that the parties will be mutually pleased and benefitted by the arrangement.

The Marquis of Lorne, Governor-General of Canada, and his wife, Princess Louise, a daughter of Queen Victoria, passed through the State last week to spend the winter in Charleston. There are many noble men and royal women who stay in North Carolina all the time, and we see no mention of their names in the papers.

Certain Monarchist leaders in France are trying to improve the opportunity afforded by the death of Gambetta, to start a movement against the Republic.

Messrs. Williams & Furman have an important announcement in the FRIEND this week. It is short, but to the point. Read it.

Mud! Mud!! Mud!!! Mud on the streets, mud on the sidewalks, mud in the houses, mud in the newspapers! The subject is growing stale, and just to break the monotony, we are ready for somebody to "kick up a dust."

We thank Dr. Grissom for a copy of the Annual Report of the Board of Directors and the Superintendent of the North Carolina Insane Asylum. It is an interesting document.

We have received an interesting communication from "Uncle Setab" for our young readers. It will appear next week. Be sure to read the touching verses headed "The Orphan's Lament," in this issue of the FRIEND, selected by the same writer.

Rev. Dr. J. L. M. Curry, General Agent of the Peabody fund, has recently addressed the citizens of Raleigh, Goldsboro and Durham. We trust his visit to the State will beget additional interest in the important work of education.

Our friend, Mr. J. A. Leach, of Thomasville, came near being drowned a few days ago, while attempting to cross a stream in Davidson county. On reaching the middle of the stream his horse's feet were swept from under him, his sulky was overturned, and he was carried some distance down the stream where he crawled out on a raft and was rescued by a passer by.

The North American Review for February has been received. We always welcome this able monthly, and peruse it with pleasure. Contents: The Revision of the Creeds; The Experiment of Universal Suffrage; The Decay of Protestantism; The Political Situation; Physical Education in Colleges; The Standard Oil Company.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kyle, a highly respected lady, died at her residence in this town on Saturday morning, the 20th inst., in the eighty-eighth year of her age. Mrs. K. was a native of Ireland, but had lived in Oxford for upwards of sixty years, and was the oldest inhabitant of the place. She was a devout member of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Bush on Sunday evening, and her remains interred in the Episcopal church yard, by the side of her husband, the late Robert Kyle.

Rev. W. T. Brooks, D. D., died at his residence at Wake Forest on the 16th inst., at 10 o'clock, p. m. He was born in Chatham county, December 6th, 1809, professed faith in Christ in his twenty-fourth year, and was ordained to the ministry in 1836. He was among the first graduates of Wake Forest College, was afterwards a professor in the institution, and for many years chairman of its Board of Trustees. He received the degree of D. D., from his alma mater in 1874. He was a preacher of rare gifts, and a devoted pastor, greatly respected and tenderly beloved. Peace to his ashes.

LESS WHISKEY AND MORE EDUCATION.—North Carolina wants in the future less whiskey drinking and more education. North Carolinians must cease to "put an enemy into their mouth to steal away their brains." One-third of our citizens over ten years of age cannot read and write; 31 out of every 100 cannot read and write; with shame, we read it in a recent census bulletin. Our jails are full of ignorant, idle men. We paid last year \$110,000 for the penitentiary. Increase educational facilities, let a school house adorn every district, educate the masses, then will North Carolina prosper. It is much cheaper and more beneficial to pay taxes to educate the poor and illiterate than to pay court taxes, jail and penitentiary bills.—Shelby Aurora.

## MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Bro. Philip Cheatham is the oldest known English mason. He is ninety years of age and has been sixty-six years a member of the Craft. He is still secretary of the Lodge of Peace, No. 223.

The Fiji Islands can now boast a Masonic Lodge. On May 2d last a Lodge was constituted at Suva, Fiji, under the Grand Lodge of England. There are more than twenty Masons resident in Suva.

The Lutheran, discoursing on church pews, mentions twelve kinds: "Old family pew, pastor's pew, boss pew, sleepy pew, listening pew, now-and-then pew, empty pew, selfish pew, critical pew, curious pew, bad pew, make-believe pew."

Mrs. Lydia Maria Child and her husband lived for a quarter of a century without a servant in their pleasant home in Wayland, Mass. Once, when he said to her, "I wish, for your sake, dear, I was as rich as Croesus," she replied, "You are Croesus, for you are king of Lydia."

A noted philosopher had a wife who had outgrown the Scriptures. A gentleman, arguing with her one day in the presence of her husband, said to her: "Now, I suppose you will not believe what I am saying?" Her husband broke in and said: "Oh, yes, she will; she will believe anything that is not in the Bible." There are many women and more men whose credulity is on a par with that of the philosopher's wife.

We see the statement often repeated that the Mormons are making many converts in the South. We are sure there is not much truth in the statement. The only element among us to which these emissaries of organized and sacrilegious lust could find access is small, and their departure would be a happy riddance. The Bible and the spelling-book will, if we do our whole duty as a people, make the existence of any such class, a thing of the past.—Nash. Advocate.

Pending the bill to tax dogs, Mr. Morehead said: "Speaking of all the dogs of the State wearing collars and tags reminds me of an old gentleman who lived west of me. He had become tired of the turmoils and misfortunes of this life, so one evening he quietly took the blind bridle from his old mare and adjusted it about his neck, but about the time he was ready to swing off from a joist in the barn some of his friends detected his suicidal intentions and prevented him from doing further injury to himself. He complained very much that he was disturbed, and said that in a few minutes he would have been in the happy land. His friend replied: "Yes, you would have been a pretty looking thing waltzing up and down the streets of the New Jerusalem 'wearing a blind bridle.'"

## EDUCATIONAL ITEMS.

There are 300,000 teachers in the United States.

Mississippi has opened her State University to the girls as well as the boys of the State.

Five millions of the people of the United States cannot read, and six and a quarter millions cannot write.

Nearly fifty per cent of the people of North Carolina over ten years of age are unable to read or write. Consider this fact, and send the children to school.

Dr. S. Cox was professor in a theological seminary, when a student, not over modest of his own abilities, sought his advice as to the propriety of shortening his course, intimating that he might let drop a year without disadvantage. The Doctor, impatient of such nonsense, as he would call it, replied: "Young man, how much ignorance do you think it takes to make a minister of the gospel?"

About fifty women graduates of various colleges recently met at Boston to discuss the higher education of women. It was decided that physical culture is the great necessity for American women, and the establishment of a department of physical education in the schools was urged.

At the recent meeting of the Philadelphia School Board it was stated as a proof of the stupidity of the school system in that city that it took twenty minutes to read over the course of instruction authorized in primary schools for pupils in their first four months.

Each child in the public schools of Atlanta, Ga., is instructed at an annual cost of \$9. The white teachers receive from \$500 to \$1,200 a year, and the colored teachers from \$500 to \$750. The colored schools have been placed under the exclusive charge of the sixteen colored teachers, and the plan works admirably.

Prof. Sylvester Hassell, of the Wilson Collegiate Institute, has suspended the operations of his school, and will devote himself for the present to writing a history of the Primitive Baptist Church. He will re-open his school next September exclusively for girls.

Davenport Female College is without a President. Here is a fine opportunity for some energetic man to do a noble work. Earnest efforts have been made to restore the buildings which were burned several years ago, but the main building is still unfinished. The whole property is estimated to be worth \$10,000.

Among other things which tend to ennoble human nature, that of rigid intellectual education, seasoned with a pure, moral training, stands pre-eminent; and if the general press would throw its forces in this direction the battle would be half won. The people would soon fall into line, the politicians would follow the people with alacrity, and the means and appliances for the universal diffusion of knowledge would be furnished without needless delay.—N. C. Educational Journal.

The Greensboro Patriot says "Gov. Jarvis has waked up the old fogies. They are pitching into him for recommending an increase of taxation for educational purposes. It is either more education or more ignorance. God save the State from the latter alternative. Gov. Jarvis is right and we shake hands with him across the frightful chasm of ignorance and illiteracy, and will earnestly sustain him in his praiseworthy efforts to save the State further disgrace and humiliation. Submit the question to the people."

## BRIEF THOUGHTS.

It is very poor Christianity which seeks to be honest because it is the "best policy."

Most men call fretting a minor fault, a foible, and not a vice. There is no vice except drunkenness which can so utterly destroy the peace and the happiness of a home.

Herman T. Strauss, a Milwaukee fireman rescued a dozen helpless servant girls at the peril of his own life. But such heroes as Strauss generally go down to death unwept, unhonored and unsung, while imposing monuments are piled to the memory of the young Prince Imperial of France and similar ornamental figureheads.

"Pour in knowledge gently." Plato, one of the wisest men of ancient Greece, observed that the minds of children are like bottles with very narrow mouths. If you attempt to fill them too rapidly, much knowledge is wasted and little received; whereas, with a small stream they are easily filled. Those who would make prodigies of young children, act as wisely as if they would pour a pail of water in a pint measure.

Words spoken in unkindness are like a dagger which pierces the flesh. Penitence and forgiveness, like a poultice, heal the wound, but a scar-tice, which the tears of penitence will remain, will wash away. Penitence can never wash away the scars; that means that we are to be slow to impute evil motives to others. A man may disagree with you and me, and yet be true in his arms and honest in his convictions. Never impute cowardice or dishonesty until you are compelled to, and then hope that the dishonest and cowardly will soon be converted.

The Christian man who is comfortable and prosperous will not be listened to with much patience or profit by one who is not so, unless he accompany his advice or admonition with practical help. The helping hand with the feeling heart bridges the gulf between the extremes of society.

Our people pay more for the amusements than for the education of their children—and mostly a very low style of amusements at that. A single circus will carry away from a town money enough to build the academy it has so long needed, and leave nothing behind but a little fresh slang and a few stale jokes.—Nashville Advocate.

It is a proverbial saying that the great men whose biographies constitute the history of nations were men of few words, and, like Cato, began to speak when they had things to say "that deserved to be known." The smatterers do the talking. Empty heads make the most noise, like empty wagons. Most of the good work is done by reserved men. An eloquent speaker, who had observed much, and was weary of the sound of his own voice, said that if he could be transported back to childhood by a wizard's wand, and were asked what he would desire above all other gifts, he would say, "Let me be a reserved man."—N. Y. Obs.

Above all, the need of the Church and the State is a revival of truth, honesty, pure, undefiled religion: the power of God in politics and theology, pervading the consciences of men, and reigning supreme in the councils and the conduct of all who bear office and all who influence public opinion. We trust that the year on which we now enter will be illustrious for such a revival; and that the kingdom of grace may be greatly advanced in our country and through the world.—N. Y. Obs.

Parents should do all in their power to sustain and assist the teachers who are conducting their children's education. The teacher should be spoken of with respect, and treated uniformly as the honored friend of the family, whose notice confers distinction. There should never be at home an influence which subtly undermines what the teacher is endeavoring to do. Some sympathetic interest in the home study of boys and girls is very helpful, but parents should not be expected to lay aside their own occupations and do the work for the pupils.

BUSINESS INTEGRITY.—In Montreal, the firm of M. Fisher & Sons, which failed in 1875 and afterward resumed, only paying its English creditors 11s on the pound sterling at the time, paid up in full on January 1, at a cost to the firm of \$82,000. This is an example of uprightness to be recorded and commended, though these gentlemen did their duty only. No bankrupt law was necessary, for their creditors believed in them, and faith was rewarded by the payment in full of their claims.

Rev. W. P. Blake, of Weldon, N. C., has been appointed by the Baptist Home Mission Board, of Atlanta, Ga., the successor of Dr. H. F. Buckner as missionary to the Indians.