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### CONTRIBUTIONS

TO THE ORPHAN ASYLUM FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 30TH.

#### IN CASH.

Hon. S. S. Cox's lecture in Raleigh, 78 64  
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### SPECIAL MENTION.

The quarterly examinations of the different forms in the Asylum have closed, but the teachers have not yet made their reports. We hope to publish the result in our next issue.

Strong tar-water is used on the young plants at the Asylum to prevent the ravages of insects, and is said to answer a good purpose. Our tobacco farmers would do well to try it on their plant beds.

Mr. Whit. Myers, of Hertford, has forwarded us a club of subscribers, for which he will please accept our thanks. We commend his example to others.

We have been shown a sample of linseys, as handsome as we ever saw, manufactured by Messrs. Kramer & Jacobsen, at All Healing Springs, Gaston county. We understand that the same firm is making an excellent quality of carpeting, also. Good for this North Carolina enterprise.

Some of the papers are telling about the new enterprise of mining barytes in Western North Carolina. We presume it is not generally known that barytes is a kind of soft rock, and that it is used largely for the adulteration of sugar; in fact, no other use for it is known to us.

Thanks to our friends who rendered assistance to Miss Smith, our canvassing agent, while at Harrellsville during the meeting of the Chowan Association. She sends a good list of subscribers, and pleasant words for the kind friends she met.

Our young friend, Walter P. Stradley, has been a pupil of the Horner School for three years, and during that period has not been absent from a recitation or received a demerit. A good record, truly.

See advertisement of the New No. 8 Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine in this issue. It is a standard machine, and those wishing to purchase would do well to examine its merits.

Next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock there will be a public installation of the officers of Tuscarora Lodge for the current term. The ceremony of installation will be conducted in the Hall of the Lodge.

From Washington City we have intelligence of the death of Capt. Hosea Ballou, on the 28th inst., aged 90 years. He was made a Mason in Rising Sun Lodge, at Woonsocket, R. I., in 1818, and was Master of his Lodge in 1821. He was the oldest Mason in continuous membership in the United States.

As a matter of interest to the colored people who were depositors in the Freedman's Bank we will state that the last dividend is now being paid, and those having pass books should forward them on and get what has been recovered from the debris of mismanagement.

We are gratified to see the commendatory notices of Dr. W. R. Wilson, an eminent physician of Vance county, with reference to his able address before the Medical Convention at Tarboro. While the doctor is a gentleman of modest mien and retiring disposition, he is an eminent and successful practitioner. We are therefore the more pleased at the new laurels he has gathered on the field of oratory.

The convict, Robert Henderson, is to be hanged to day. We commend the course of the authorities in deciding upon a private execution. Whenever it is necessary, for the public good, that a criminal be put to death, let it be done, but let it be done privately, so that it may not minister to a depraved taste or subject the public to the hardening influences of such a revolting scene.

### Horner School Commencement.

The occasion of the week in Oxford has been the closing exercises of the Horner School. Monday night was set apart for the annual literary address by Col. Walter Clark, of Raleigh. Much to the regret of all parties the speaker was detained at home by family affliction. Tuesday was devoted to an examination of the various classes in the presence of invited spectators. The editor regrets that he could not be present. On Tuesday night a brilliant audience assembled to enjoy the exercises by the young gentlemen of the school, which were conducted according to the following PROGRAMME:

Speech on the affirmative side of the query, "Which has the greater influence over man, woman or money?" by the winner of Debater's medal in the Franklin Society, H. H. Ransom, of New Bern.

Oration—"Southern Heroes and their Cause," by the winner of Orator's medal in the Franklin Society, W. A. Phillips, of Kingston.

Essay—"A Voyage to Another Planet," by the winner of Essayist's medal in the Franklin Society, W. A. Reade, of Raleigh.

Declaration—"The Color Bearer," by Willie L. Pittman, of Scotland Neck.

Declaration—"The September Gale," by Willie Biggs, of Oxford.

Declaration—"The World Transitory," by B. F. Tyson, of Greenville.

Declaration—"Spartacus to the Roman Emperors," by E. E. Thompson, of Wilmington.

Declaration—"The Fireman's Prayer," by W. P. Stradley, of Oxford.

Declaration—"Carl, the Martyr," by W. A. Reade, of Raleigh.

All did well. Some evinced decided oratorical talent. The medals were bestowed as follows: Essayist's medal, W. A. Reade; Orator's medal, V. A. Phillips; Debater's medal, H. H. Ransom. These were delivered in fitting and graceful terms by the following gentlemen, respectively: Prof. F. P. Hobbins, Rev. J. S. Hardaway and Rev. I. W. Priorese. Mr. J. C. Horner then read the following report:

On the roll of punctuality the following young gentlemen have not been absent from school during the present session: Alanson Capcharr, Clifton Cohen, Walter G. Cooper, Willie Guibek, Henry A. Joyner, Willie Pittman, Willie Reade, W. W. Simms, Walter Stradley, Eugene Thompson, B. F. Tyson and Robert W. Winborne.

In this connection it might be mentioned that for the session just ended the average number of days lost by boys who board at the school has been nearly two, while the average number lost by day scholars has been nearly six each, or three times the average lost by boarders.

Willie Biggs, Archie Braswell, Alanson Capcharr, Henry Hunt, Walter Stradley and B. F. Tyson received no demerits.

Richard Saunders, Second Distinction in Greek and Latin, Robert W. Winborne, Lemuel Wetmore, Alanson Capcharr, J. M. Garrett, Willie Guibek, B. F. Tyson and Charlie Bryan. Willie Biggs, who took only a partial course, is entitled to First Distinction in all his studies. H. C. Braswell and Clifton Cohen are first in Mathematics. F. B. Satterthwaite is first in Geography and History.

After the reading of the foregoing the veteran Principal, Mr. J. H. Horner, announced that the next session would begin on the last Monday in July; that the next annual commencement would witness a re-union of the old pupils of the institution, and that the hall would be enlarged to accommodate the large crowds that attend the public exercises. The exercises were interspersed with music by the Siderio Italian band from Raleigh, and it was altogether an occasion of great enjoyment.

Two leading features in the work of this school are thoroughness in instruction and firmness in discipline. It is doing good work, and we feel that we can with safety commend it to public patronage. May it have enlarged success.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

Work on the railroad from Richmond to Ridgeway is to begin at once.

Rev. J. B. Boon, of Salisbury, has been elected to the Presidency of Hudson College, located at Hendersonville, N. C.

C. I. Edmund Richardson, who has been elected President of the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition is a native of Caswell county, North Carolina.

Alexander, autocrat of all the Russias, was invested with the insignia of royalty at Moscow, on the 27th inst., with great pomp, amid the rejoicings of the populace. No dynamite, no disaster.

There was quite a fire in Raleigh on Sunday night last. Several wooden buildings on Salisbury street were burned. Loss \$8,700, Insurance \$3,725. The largest fire that has occurred at our capital city for years.

Talk of "higher civilization" and the elevating effects of educating the head, when twelve thousand people, Roscoe Conkling and Chas. A. Dana among them, pay \$2 each to see two disreputable bruisers mangle each other. Whew!—Wil. Star.

At the recent commencement at Rutherford College the honorary degree of D. D. was conferred upon Rev. W. M. Robey, of Goldsboro, and Rev. J. T. Bagwell, of Charlotte. President Abernethy announces that the College had never been more prosperous, 278 students having matriculated during the year.

Wake Forest Commencement will take place June 12th—14th. Rev. A. C. Dixon will deliver the Alumni address; Rev. Dr. McDonald, of Georgia, the address before the Literary Societies; and Rev. Dr. Lorimer, of Chicago, the Baccalaureate sermon. The session has been prosperous. Professor Taylor hopes to secure the one hundred thousand dollars endowment by the meeting of the Convention in November.

At the trial of a keeper of a private lunatic asylum the judge was much struck with the high intelligence with which a lunatic gave evidence.

"You seem well," said the judge. "Yes, some days better than others. To-day I am perfectly well."

"What were you before you came to an asylum?"

"A banker's coachman, my lord."

"And what was the name of your employer?"

"The devil, my lord."

"Ah," said the judge, conscious that he had "spotted the weak point," "I advise you never to return to him; they say he is bad pay."

was freely and fully discussed, and the Convention determined to divide by a line formed of the Eastern boundaries of Northampton, Edgecombe, Wilson, Johnston, Harnett, Moore and Richmond counties. The following were elected delegates to the General Convention: Rev. Dr. Watson, Rev. Dr. Huske, Rev. Dr. Marshall, Rev. W. C. Hughes, Maj. Jno. Hughes, Dr. DeBesset, John C. Henderson, Esq., and Col. J. W. Atkinson.

### THOUGHTS.

A single grateful thought toward heaven is the most effective prayer.

There are some people whose whole wisdom consists in hiding their want of it.

True friends visit us in prosperity only when invited, but in adversity they come without invitation.

When you give alms there are two that know all about it—the Master of the treasury, and the giver.

A devout Arab woman was asked in her last illness how she endured such suffering, and replied, "They who look upon God's face do not feel his hand."

No man can force the harp of his own individuality into the people's heart; but every man may play upon the chords of the people's heart who draws his inspiration from the people's instincts.

Nothing is surer than that the soul will win what it wants. If it desires God, it will gain him. The principle of constancy in heavenly as in earthly affairs is greater than the greatest mood.

The warm sunshine and the gentle zephyr may melt the glacier which has bid defiance to the howling tempest; so the voice of kindness will touch the heart which no severity could subdue.

Tender words and loving deeds which we scatter for the hearts which are nearest to us are immortal seed, that will spring up in everlasting beauty, not only in our own lives, but in the lives of those born after us.

He that will not permit his wealth to do any good to others while he is alive, prevents it from doing any good to himself when he is dead; and by an egotism that is suicidal and has a double edge, cuts himself off from the true pleasure, and the highest happiness hereafter.

### FIRST LITERARY VENTURE.

Some entered upon the work which gave them their fame under great discouragement. Carlyle speaks of an article he had forwarded to a magazine editor, which vanished without sign, and another from which he received no answer, and no notice of any kind, "a form of catastrophe more complete than he had anticipated." Then he says, "it must be owned my first entrances into glorious 'literature' were abundantly stinted and pitiful; but a man does enter it, even with a small gift, he persists; and perhaps it is no disadvantage if the door be several times slammed in his face, as a preliminary."

Victor Hugo fared a little better in his early efforts, for his manuscript was returned, but with the remark that "poetry was a drug in the market." Not in the least discouraged by the announcement of an overstocked market, he replied to the publisher, "I am sorry for your sake. I was about to propose to you a contract by which I would have assured to you the right to all the future productions of my pen. It was a fortune that I was about to offer you; but you refuse, and no more need be said."

A distinguished living authoress said of her first productions, "my first story brought five dollars, the second ten dollars, with a request for more." When she saw the publisher's announcement of her story she was delighted, and said to herself, "this is fame."

The experience of that gifted woman, Harriet Martineau is set forth in the following words, "there is certainly something entirely peculiar in the sensation of seeing one's self in print for the first time. The lines burn themselves in upon the brain in a way of which black ink is incapable in any other mode."

Longfellow speaks of his first venture in the following language: "I don't think any other literary success in my life has made me quite so happy since."—Rev. Robert H. Williams in New York Obs.

### FAST RICHES WITHOUT HAPPINESS.

The recent death by his own hand of Hon. Amasa Stone, at his residence in Cleveland, Ohio, is cited to prove that riches do not insure happiness. Mr. Stone is said to have been rendered temporarily insane by illness and recent financial losses. He had still remaining, however, all of \$6,000,000, enough to have saved a man past middle life from want the remainder of his days. Despite such vast wealth he deliberately concealed a pistol about his person, retired to his bath room, locked himself in, and there terminated his existence. Besides building several local institutions for the poor in Cleveland, he founded Adelbert College in memory of his only son, who was drowned at Yale College in 1865. It is stated that he did not brood to any great extent over his financial losses, but they wounded his pride. Mr. Stone considered himself one of the ablest financiers in the country, and his recent losses unnerved him.—Baltimorean.

### QUARRELING.

If anything in the world will make a man feel badly, except pinching his fingers in the crack of a door, it is a quarrel. No man fails to think less of himself after than he did before, it degrades him in the eyes of others, and what is worse, tends to blunt his sensibilities, and increase his irritability. The truth is, that the more peaceably and quietly we get on the better for our neighbors. In nine cases out of ten the better course is, if the man cheats you, to quit dealing with him; if he slanders you take care to live down his slanders. Let such persons alone, for there is nothing better than this way of dealing with those who injure us.

### CONSISTENCY.

"What is that to thee, follow thou me."—Some men look at religion as they look at the sun—when it is undergoing an eclipse. And even then they make their examination through a well-smutted glass. We stumble upon men daily who keep by them a sort of museum of mediums through which they invariably gaze when they assume to make up an opinion, or pass a judgment, respecting any doctrine or truth pertaining to the gospel. If there is a very crooked or, a highly inconsistent professor within the range of either his acquaintance, or his hear-say, then, rely upon it, that inconsistent professor is sure to be laid by, in very

precious store, for convenient use upon every occasion when the matter of religion is to undergo any consideration.

Gen. Zachary Taylor's remains have rested in an unmarked grave at Louisville, Kentucky, for thirty-three years. On Wednesday last a fine monument to his memory was to be unveiled, with appropriate ceremonies and an address by Major Jacob of Louisville.

Queen Victoria is in a very precarious state of health. Her illness is of a nervous type and is beyond the reach of ordinary remedies, and even her physicians and personal attendants are somewhat alarmed.

In Grand Rapids, Mich., one night not long ago, an owl flew along Monroe Street, and perched on a lamp-post at the corner of Monroe and Ottawa Streets. The officer on duty at that corner saw the bird, and was seized with a desire to catch the creature. He did not like to use his revolver, for he might kill the owl, and his wish was to capture it alive. So he picked up a big stone, stood off a few paces, and cast the stone at the owl. The owl did not so much as blink, but the policeman did, for the stone struck a large plate-glass window in a store-front, and smashed the glass into bits. Now the bad boys of that town all ask the officer to show them "how to hit an owl."

### The Youth's Companion.

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