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CONTRIBUTIONS

TO THE ORPHAN ASYLUM FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 5TH.

IN CASH.

Fall Creek church, Chatham county,	3 55
Farmer's picnic, White Oak, Bladen county,	7 00
Farmington Lodge, No. 265, Frank Taylor,	2 05
Atlantic Lodge,	1 50
J. H. Morris, Oxford,	5 00
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IN KIND.

Miss Emma Hobgood, one dress.	
W. J. Badgett, half bushel corn, half bushel wheat.	
J. C. Curran, one bushel corn.	
Henry Hobgood, one bushel wheat.	
R. W. Hobgood, one bushel wheat.	

SPECIAL MENTION.

Hon. Walter F. Pool, Representative in Congress from the first district, died last week.

An addition has recently been built to the Episcopal church of this town, in which the elegant organ of that congregation has been placed.

We learn that money has been raised for re-covering the Oxford Baptist Church. Other improvements are contemplated.

Wilson has secured Rev. C. A. Jenkins as pastor. He will immediately move his family there. — *Bib. Recorder.*

An interesting revival of religion is now in progress at Hester's Baptist church, near this town, under the pastorate of Rev. R. H. Marsh.

Last week at Old Grassy Creek church, Rev. R. I. Devin, pastor, there was a protracted meeting. A large number of persons made a profession of faith in Christ.

A new paper is soon to be issued at Raleigh under the management of Messrs. Walter Page and Ed. A. Oldham.

The first of the new postal notes was received at this office last Tuesday. It was for two dollars, sent by Mr. James Sloan, of Greensboro, to pay for two copies of the ORPHANS' FRIEND one year. Thanks.

Four persons have died leaving property to the Orphan Asylum. Yet, so far as is known, the Orphan Asylum will not receive a cent from either source during the present year.

North Carolina has a new Governor in the person of Hon. Jas. L. Robinson who is holding the helm of State, in the absence of Gov. Jarvis, who has gone to Boston to participate in the opening exercises of the great Exposition.

The new post office money order system has gone into effect. Under this system money orders for sums under five dollars can

be purchased for three cents. It will doubtless prove a great convenience.

Rev Brantley York D. D. author of York's Grammars, and a life long teacher in North Carolina, who has been blind for thirty years, is slowly recovering his eyesight.

Rev John Mayo Pleasant Atkinson D. D. died at Hampden Sydney, Va. Aug. 26th. He was for years President of Hampden Sydney College.

Although the FRIEND is not designed to be a local paper we take peculiar interest in the growth of this town. Hence we note with pleasure evidences of prosperity, such as new buildings, full schools, increasing trade and an influx of population; may it increase proportionately in morals and religion.

In my late article from the sea-coast, I said the sand-hill boys say "I have been a crabbin'," and the mountain boys say "I have been a sangin'." The former mean catching crabs; the latter mean, gathering ginseng. Your printer made me say—well, the word is too ugly to repeat. TRAVELER.

Local option laws have worked wonders in Canada. The Canadian Finance Minister, Sir Leonard Tilley, says that since the enactment of the laws the consumption of intoxicating liquor in the Dominion has fallen from 5,000,000 gallons annually to 1,250,000 gallons.

We have received the Programme of the Tenth Annual National Conference of Charities and Correction. It is to assemble at Louisville, Ky., at 8 o'clock, p. m., on Monday, September 24, 1884, and to adjourn *sine die* on Saturday, the 29th. The session is to be opened in the Polytechnic Hall, where addresses of welcome will be delivered by the Governor of Kentucky and the Mayor of Louisville, and responses made by members of the Conference designated for that purpose.

Reports of Standing Committees on the following subjects will be read: Work of State Boards of Public Charities; Organization of Charities in Cities; Crimes and Penalties; Preventive Work Among Children; Provision for the Chronic Insane; Education of the Deaf and Dumb; Preventive Medical Charities; Building Plans for Public Institutions. Papers will be read by members of the Conference in connection with these reports, and the subjects will be discussed. The Conference will visit the Mammoth Cave, where the closing speeches will be made. Delegates will receive the benefit of the special rates to the Southern Cotton Exposition.

Superintendent Mills and Mr. E. R. Stamps have been commissioned by Gov. Jarvis as official delegates from North Carolina. Mr. Mills is one of the Corresponding Secretaries.

A gentlemen of the Perfectionist school of thought called in the other day to see an old Christian of this neighborhood, and began enlarging upon that interesting topic, "Can you point to a single perfect man or woman in the Bible?" inquired the aged saint. "Yes," readily answered the other, "turn to Luke 1: 6, you will there read of two—Elizabeth and Zacharias walked in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord, blameless." "Then you consider yourself a believer like Zacharias?" "Certainly, I do," said the visitor. "Ah," replied the old man, "I thought you might be, and we read a few verses further on that he was struck dumb for his unbelief."

A MISTAKE

The friends of the Orphans are liable to be misled by announcements of money left to the Orphan Asylum. Take an example: Mr. Powell, of Halifax, died, leaving, as he supposed, several thousand dollars, free of debt, to the Orphan Asylum. Two executors qualified, as they say, with the hope of using his money for two years. One year has elapsed. Unexpected and clamorous claimants have arisen, and threaten to gobble up the entire estate.

It is not at all certain that the Orphan Asylum will ever realize one cent from the Powell estate. Better give the orphans ten dollars while you are alive, than leave them a hundred dollars when you die. J. H. MILLS

EDUCATIONAL.

Boys ought never to elect a special course. They are not the best judges of what constitutes an education. Nor can they so early determine what their profession will be. A full course is far preferable, whatever the calling of after life. The grammar-school and college are for discipline rather than technical preparation. If all the facts of text-books are soon forgotten, and the habit and power of thought has been acquired, a college career is a benediction.

There is a great deal of nonsense written about an education unfitting a man to earn a living. If a man has a good education, he may be unfitted to dig ditches or carry a hod, but he is better fitted by this education to earn money, and more of it, than he could possibly have done without it. We believe in practical education, but that does not necessarily mean teaching a man how to lay bricks. A practical education begins in the lowest grades, when the faithful teacher, little by little, teaches pupils the value of good and thorough work. — *Practical Teacher.*

Judge Laughlin, of St. Louis, in recently honorably discharging a school-principal, against whom a charge of assault and battery had been entered for punishing a refractory boy, aged ten years, said: "Whipping hurts bad boys only a short while. The sentiment against this is productive of positive injury. Four years of experience in the administration of criminal law convinced me that the boys who become criminals are boys who don't get whipped, and when it is remembered that a large percentage of the bolder crimes known to the law is committed by youths ranging in age from fourteen to twenty years, the question arises, Is it better to whip first, or imprisonment afterward? Boys who from infancy are allowed to follow the road of their own vicious inclinations go from bad to worse, and, unrestrained, to their almost certain and ultimate ruin."

ODDS AND ENDS.

A Montana Indian who was recently convicted of murder expressed his opinion of the lawyer who defended him with delicious frankness: "Lawyer too much talk, heap fool."

"I am a skeptic," said an immature person of the masculine gender, in a vainglorious strain. "An epileptic" asked an old lady, somewhat hard of hearing. "Poor boy! you look like it, so you do." While the smile went round, the youth went out.

"I have no patience with a man who can't remember a thing no longer than it's being told him," exclaimed Jones, impatiently. "Now I can carry a thing in my mind a month, if need be." "You're a lucky dog, Jones," remarked Prendergast, quietly; "it isn't everybody who has so much room in his mind as you have, you know."

A Rochester, N. Y., robin has built its nest on the main frame of Engine No. 340 of the New York Central Railroad, between the left

forward, driving spring hanger and a cross brace. The engine runs daily between Rochester and De Witt. The bird kept faithfully at work, as circumstances permitted, and, having completed the nest, she now occupies it, even when the engine is running.

In Maryland, before the Revolution, we find an advertisement in the *Maryland Gazette* of a servant who offers himself "to wait on table, curry horses, clean knives, boots, and shoes, lay a table, shave, and dress wigs, carry a lantern, and talk French; is as honest as the times will admit, and as sober as can be." From this standard of a servant's accomplishments we can easily infer the mode of life among the masters.

An editor in Chicago recently ordered a pair of trousers from the tailor. On trying them on they proved to be several inches too long. It being late on Saturday night the tailor's shop was closed, and the editor took the trousers to his wife and asked her to cut them off and hem them over. The good lady, whose dinner had perhaps disagreed with her, brusquely refused. The same results followed an application to the wife's sister and the eldest daughter. But before bedtime the wife relunctingly took the pants, and cutting off six inches from the legs, hemmed them up nicely and restored them to the closet. Half an hour later the daughter, taken with compunction for her unfilial conduct, took the pants and cut off six inches, hemmed and replaced them. Finally, the sister-in-law felt the pangs of conscience, and she, too, performed an additional surgical operation on the garment. When the editor appeared at breakfast on Sunday the family thought a Highland chief had arrived.

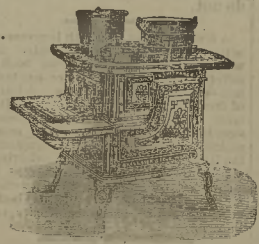
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