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CONTRIBUTIONS

TO THE ORPHAN ASYLUM FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 7TH.

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SPECIAL MENTION.

Rev. Mr. Austin preached to the orphans last Sunday afternoon. We shall be glad to have him come again.

The cadets of the Horner School paraded on our streets Tuesday evening. They have gone to Weldon to attend the fair.

Rev. Dr. Baird who preached so acceptably to the Prot. start Episcopal congregation during the month of October has received a call to become the rector, and is expected soon to take charge.

This is the way the Grand Jury puts it with regard to the condition of the Granville jail. "We did not find all the appliances used in a modern first class hotel for the use and comfort of its guests, but in the facilities for escaping from it, it is far ahead of them."

A riot occurred in Danville, Va., last Saturday between the white and colored people. A number of persons were killed and wounded. Great excitement was produced, business was suspended and there was no service in the churches on the Sabbath. We deeply deplore the sad affair and trust that quiet and peace will soon assume their wonted sway in the city.

"Blessed is he that considereth the poor; the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble. The Lord will preserve him and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth; and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. The Lord will strengthen him on the bed of languishing; thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness." (Psa. xli 1)

We surrender much space this week to the report of Mr. Wines to the Illinois Board of State Charities respecting the National Conference of Charities and Correction lately held in Louisville. We have waited patiently for the report of the North Carolina delegation but it is still delayed, for what reason we do not know.

Office of Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, Bingham School, Nov 5th 1883.

A special communication of the Grand Lodge of A.F. and A.M. of North Carolina, is hereby called to be held in the hall of St John's Lodge, No 3 Newbern, N. C., on Wednesday, November 14th, 1883, at 10 o'clock, a. m., for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new court-house of Craven county.

ROBERT BINGHAM, Grand Master. D. W. BAIN, Grand Secretary.

At a meeting of citizens in Raleigh last week Gen. Cox offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we request the people of each and every county of North Carolina to join us in assisting the State Agricultural Society and the Department of Agriculture in making a grand exposition in the city of Raleigh next fall, and that a committee of 21 be appointed to take all the steps necessary to secure a magnificent display of the products of the State, and that this committee report to an adjourned meeting of the citizens.

In accordance with this the chairman, Mr. W. H. Crow, announces the following as the committee of twenty-one: J. M. Heck, chairman, W. R. Cox, W. S. Primrose, Oct. Coke, Dr. Peter E. Hines, R. S. Tucker, A. Creech, Dr. James McKee, Colin Hawkins, W. G. Upchurch, Julius Lewis, E. B. Stamps, A. B. Andrews, T. H. Briggs, A. W. Slaughter, J. C. Winder, F. Hoke, G. Rosenthal, J. J. Thomas, C. M. Busbee, N. B. Broughton.

We are indebted to the courtesy of Secretary J. H. Williams, for a complimentary ticket to the Fair of the N. C. Industrial Association at Raleigh, November 12-17.

Rev. Mr. Hutson, the evangelist from Virginia, has been preaching to the edification of the large audiences who have waited upon his ministry, since he has been in our midst. Much interest has been awakened on the subject of religion and a large number of persons—about sixty—have given their hands to the preacher in token of their determination to lead a Christian life. May the good impressions made be deepened until all shall have been brought under religious influences. The meeting is to close on Friday night, when Mr. Hutson will go to Kittrell where he will begin a meeting next Sunday.

FOR THE ORPHANS' FRIEND. THANKSGIVING DAY.

The 29th of November has been set apart by President Arthur as a day of thanksgiving.

For what, kind friend, is this day specially appointed? First, "that God covered the heavens with clouds, prepared the rain for the earth and made the grass grow upon the mountains." Second, "that He gave the beast his food and the young ravens which cry." Third, "That he has given peace in our borders and filled the land with the finest of wheat." Fourth, "that we may praise the Lord O Jerusalem." "Praise thy God, O Zion," for these and innumerable blessings vouchsafed to us during the past year. It is not the simple gathering together to raise our voices in devotional exercises in the different churches, but it is to "honor the Lord with thy substance and first fruits of all thine increase" for which we are to assemble. "By His command the heavens dropped down dew," and now that seed time and harvest has again come around, who has set apart the tenth of their crops in gathering in the fruit thereof, or of their gain; for the poor and needy. Must the widow's cry still be heard in this land of plenty, must the orphans, poor, dear little destitute orphans, shiver with cold and hunger, must the stranger within our gates be refused the simple bite to appease hunger? No, North Carolina, dear old good State, cannot afford to withhold her portion. Freely she has received and freely she must give.

1883 has been a year long to be remembered in her history, even by her children in other States. Her fame has spread through foreign lands, for her cereals, her woods and timbers, her minerals, her cotton and tobacco, North, South, East and West, are publishing her triumph in Boston, and her brave sons are again to the front, in her sister State, bearing off the prize in Military Tactics. Those hearts, like Gaston's, does not swell with pride from Black Mountain's heights to the pebbly sea shore. Let them swell for she is a faithful old mother. Look at the corn, the wheat, the cotton, the tobacco that enrich her sons outside of her borders; but for these, where would be their gain. The cotton compress would cease its thundering tone in border cities if Carolina's fields did not feed it. "Is true her own are benefited, but are her poor little orphans? Few, but very few think of them. Oh, how sad in that great day we hear "You knew your duty and did it not." Without shoes, without warm clothing, without the common necessities of life the poor little orphans must pine away and die for the care that would be bestowed upon them in the Oxford Orphan Asylum if you, kind reader, could do your duty to your mother State. Think of it, and let not the sun go down without sending your mite for the poor orphans' thanksgiving. In and out of the State, send in your gifts in the act of need, and for every kind act may 1884 find "Thy barns filled with plenty and thy presses bursting out with new wine."

S. A. E. Oxford, N. C.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Raleigh Light Infantry went to the Richmond Fair and won the \$1,000 prize for the best drilled company. Hurrah for the Raleigh boys!

The "Educational Journal" has been removed from Chapel Hill to Trinity College. Subscription price, 50 cents a year.

It looks now as if England might step in between Franco and China and call a halt. She will not permit a blockade of the Chinese ports by the French squadrons in any event.

It is now promised that the comet "Brooks" shall become visible to the naked eye by the night of the 21st inst., and that its intensity will continue to increase until about the middle of January, but at its best it will not be a very brilliant object in the heavens.

Tourgee, who has lost the bulk of his fortune to publish a magazine in Philadelphia, proposes to get even by writing a novel on Philadelphia life. One of the newspapers of the derided city suggests it as a title, "The Fool and his Money are Soon Parted."

A farmer in Stokes county was paralyzed recently under very startling circumstances. The weather had been unfavorable, and his crop fell far beneath what he anticipated. In his disappointment he cursed heaven and earth, and was fearfully profane. While rioting in his blasphemy, he was paralyzed.—Leader.

That was a very sad sight on the streets last Saturday afternoon. We refer to the young man who was drunk, riding a horse and cursing. The young man looked to be only 15 or 16 years of age. Fathers and mothers, something must be done to save the young men of the land! What are you doing?—Ex.

The Chronicle begs leave to remind the clergy of the State of the custom which has prevailed for several years of taking up a collection for the benefit of the Oxford Orphan Asylum on Thanksgiving Day; and it is hoped that people will keep this worthy charity in mind.—State Chronicle.

The papers report burglaries in several communities in the State. Tramps, in unusual numbers, are abroad. Look out.

The shock of an earthquake was felt at Cove Creek, Utah, last Sunday.

A terrific cyclone visited Springfield, Mo., last Monday. Seven persons were killed and many injured. About \$200,000 worth of property was destroyed. There are many sufferers who need help.

Elections were held in several of the States on Tuesday last. It seems that the Democrats have carried Virginia. In Massachusetts Gen. Butler is defeated in the gubernatorial contest. In New York the result is uncertain.

The State of North Carolina has sold 20,000 acres of land, known as the Big Swamp, and situated in Robeson county, on the Carolina Central Railroad, to O. H. Blocker, of North Carolina, and Geo. S. White and W. N. Jennings, of Pennsylvania, for 2 1/2 cents per acre. The buyers intend to clear it at one for agricultural purposes.

The authorities of Princeton College are now fully convinced that some check must be put upon athletic sports, and a faculty committee is to be appointed every year to supervise them. In a good many of our institutions of learning the whole athletic business has degenerated into a vice, and it will require no little courage to bring about a reformation.

SALE of Personal Property.

On Friday the 9th day of November, 1883, at the late residence of Abram Slaughter, deceased, I will sell to the highest bidder, for cash, twenty-five barrels of corn, a lot of fodder and shucks, one good horse, a good cow, tobacco pipes, potatoes, wagon and harness, &c., and about 2,000 sticks of flue-cured tobacco. Will also rent, for money, 105 acres of fine tobacco land. B. D. HOWARD, Ex. of Abram Slaughter dec'd. R. W. WINSTON, Atty.

KINDNESS TO CHILDREN.

It is always to the credit of a man to show kindness to a child. If you see a man on the street or in a railway car, taking pains to help or gratify a child it gives you at once a better estimate of him. A man with a somewhat coarse expression of the face, and of unprepossessing appearance generally, was walking along the street in Philadelphia. He was noticed by two persons approaching him, and his unattractive manner and bearing were commented on as he drew near. But, just before he reached these passers, the man stopped and turned aside to help a poor street boy struggling under a heavy load of refuse firewood. The man lifted the load from the boy's head balanced it anew, steadied it until the boy was fairly started with it, and then spoke a cheery word to the little fellow. In that simple, kind act the man himself was transfigured.—There was now a winsome look about him. He had shown himself another person from his outer appearance. Nor was this an overestimate of the meaning of such an action, as viewed by these chance passers. Four thousand years ago at least, in the funeral ritual of the ancient Egyptians one of the tests of the soul before the final judge was the treatment of little children. The soul that would pass unscathed must be able to sa, it has never refused help to a helpless child. And our Lord and Master Himself as He set a little child before His disciples as their example and their charge, said emphatically: "Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name receiveth me. But whosoever shall offend one of these little ones that believe in me, it is better for him that a mill-stone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast in the sea." It makes a good deal of difference whether a church or an individual is faithful or not in loving ministry to children. It makes some difference to the children, but not so much as to those who care for or neglect them.—Sunday School Times.

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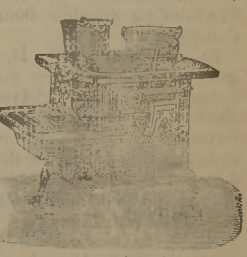
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