

PRESS EXCURSION.

The members of the North Carolina Press Association have been invited by the South Carolina State Press Association to attend the annual meeting of that body, to be held at Charleston, on the 15th of this month, and we doubt not that a goodly number will avail themselves of so pleasant an opportunity of visiting that historic city. Indeed it was doubtless the pleasantest of the many excursions enjoyed by our association, and we pity those who cannot go. Our South Carolina brethren attended the meeting of our association last year, and they wish to reciprocate the courtesies then shown them. It is eminently proper that the editors of the two Carolinas should cultivate one another's acquaintance and work together for their common interests.

The plan is for the North Carolina editors to leave Charlotte on the 14th of May, and arrive that night at Columbia where they will be met by a committee of the South Carolina editors and be escorted to Charleston. All editors who desire to go are requested at once to notify Mr. Stone, our secretary, at Asheville.

EXPLORATIONS FOR COAL.

We are much pleased to learn that, at their last meeting, our State Board of Agriculture decided to employ Prof. Chance, an eminent Northern scientist, to make surveys and explorations of the coal and iron deposits in this State. He will at once enter upon the discharge of his duties, making his headquarters at Greensboro, so as to be convenient to the coalfields both of Deep and Dan river. While this work will doubtless be of much benefit to the whole State, yet it will be of especial benefit to the county of Chatham, wherein are situated some of the most valuable coal and iron mines to be found anywhere in the United States. We doubt not that more coal has been taken from the Egypt mines in this county, than from all the other coal-mines in the State combined, having been worked to a depth of four hundred and fifty feet. There are other coal deposits in this county equally valuable that have not been worked to any extent. The recent completion of the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. to Greensboro will afford ample facilities for the transportation of the products of these mines, and we hope they may soon be profitably worked on a large scale. The Board of Agriculture is to be commended for trying in every way to develop the resources of our State, and thereby promote the prosperity of our people.

Showing their Gratitude.

All sensible colored men have long since realized the fact that their white democratic neighbors, as their best friends in time of trouble, and we are glad to learn that at last some of them are beginning to express their due appreciation of this fact. We copy the following from the Newton Enterprise:

"According to advertisement the Republican party of Catawba county held a convention in Newton last Saturday. We did not have a reporter present, but have been informed that the convention was composed of fifteen white men and one gentleman of color. About fifteen members of the crowd were revenue officers, and distillers. The meeting lasted about three hours, but all we heard of their doing was the appointment of N. B. England and Henry Baringer delegates to the State Convention, which meets in Raleigh, May 1st.

The apathy of the town negroes is attributed to the treatment they have received from the white Republicans since the recent cyclone. The majority of the negroes of Newton were sufferers by the storm, many of them having their houses and everything in them swept away, and had no means with which to make a new start. In this time of trial, they naturally looked for aid to the white Republicans, who in every political campaign have made such strong appeals of friendship; who have told them that the Democrats were their enemies; who have instructed them as to the way they should vote; and on election-day have given them tickets and led them along the row of boxes, pointing where each ticket should be deposited. But they say that not a cent did they receive from the professed friends. But the white Democrats whose will and interest they have always opposed on election day, at once rebuilt their houses, replenished their worn bags, refurbished their houses with beds, dishes, &c., and in a word put them on a living footing again. Of course all this was done in a perfectly charitable and humane spirit. It was just what should have been done and no one attached any political significance to it. But the negroes themselves have talked very freely and feelingly about it. They say their eyes have been opened; that the men who are their friends at the time of such visitations are their true friends; that Baringer and others need not try to honey them up again when the voting time comes round."

Collections for the Exposition.

The president and secretary of the State exposition have issued a pamphlet containing suggestions as to how the exhibits of the several counties should be gotten up. For the information of our readers we copy the following:

"The collection should be made to contain:

1. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.  
a. Cotton, tobacco, corn, wheat, rice, oats, peanuts, &c.  
b. Vegetables, potatoes, cabbage, peas, &c.  
c. Fruits, apples, pears, peaches, grapes, berries, &c.  
d. The various methods by which the products of field and garden are dried or preserved for shipment or family use.

2. PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRUCK FARMS, rice, corn and wheat fields would be interesting.
3. SHEAF GRAIN, ear corn, &c., with growing plants, will add greatly to the effect of the exhibit. It will be best to exhibit as much as half bushel of each kind of grain.

4. FOREST GROWTH.  
a. Every variety of wood, giving some idea as to size of tree, and in what quantity it could be procured. Specimens should be of uniform length of 24 or 3 feet, showing bark and grain.

5. ALL TREES AND SHRUBS that are not known by name, so that their value can be found out, particularly those that from their leaves or bark furnish medicine or coloring matter. Show also samples of cloth or yarn colored.

6. THE FRUITS OF TREES AND SHRUBS, as walnuts, hickory nuts, hazelnuts, chestnuts, &c.

7. THE FRUITS FROM TREES NOT NATIVE, as English walnuts, almonds, peaches, &c., grown in North Carolina.

8. FINE TREES, showing various specimens with implements used, and tar, pitch, turpentine, resin, &c.

9. TREES OF DIFFERENT SIZES, showing the rapidity of their growth from year to year. Botanical specimens, indigenous to North Carolina, such as insectivorous plants, mosses, ferns and ornamental grasses, fresh, dried or prepared in herbariums.

10. PLANTS OF THE STATES, MISSISSIPPI AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

11. IRON, GOLD, SILVER, COPPER, TIN and other ores, which, if not out in number of at least 6 inches, should be of four or six and cut on two sides showing an edge.

12. COAL, GRAPHITE, SANDSTONE, MARBLE, &c., with maps showing location and extent of deposit.

13. ALL STONES OF SMALL OR GREAT VALUE, that can be used as ornaments both in rough and polished state.

14. ALL VARIETIES OF CLAY USED IN MAKING BRICK, POTTERY OR STONE WARE.

15. ALL MARLS, PHOSPHATES, &c., possessing any fertilizing properties.

16. FISHING.  
a. All kinds of fish, stuffed, in alcohol, smoked, dried and pickled.  
b. All kinds of sea fowl, mounted or simple skins.  
c. All sea weeds, shells, aquatic plants furnishing food for fish, fowl or ponies, and that might possibly be utilized for other purposes.

17. DIFFERENT MODELS OR PHOTOGRAPHS OF BOATS, NETS AND TACKLE USED IN NORTH CAROLINA AND IN OTHER STATES.

18. LEAVE STAYS.  
a. Native grasses, &c., furnishing food for stock taken with roots and the time of going to seed.  
b. Cultivated grasses, clover, &c., with hay made from the same and price of hay per 100 lbs., with seed from the same.  
c. All varieties of wild fruits, berries and roots affording food for hogs, as acorns, &c.  
d. Native wood, in blocks and balks, blood-wood, red wood, and balks, Cross-bark, white oak and balks.

19. COUNTRY CURED HAMS, SHOULDERS, &c.

20. FERROUS AND SMOKED BEEF, &c.

21. MEATS FROM GEORGE.

22. PLANTS, SHOOTS, YARNS, TWINE, &c.

23. JEANS, CASSIMERES, BLANKETS, &c.

24. HOME-MADE CARPETS, BED SPREADS, &c.

25. KNIT GOODS BY MACHINE OR HAND.

26. TOBACCO, CHewing, smoking and snuff.

27. PAPER, BOTH PLAIN AND COLORED.

28. LEATHER, BELTS, SHOES, HARNESS and dressed skins of all kinds, with hair, fur or wool on or off.

29. WOODEN DISHES, FURNITURE, CARRIAGE OR PLAIN CHAIRS, SADDLES, BINKS, SPOKES, RIMS, &c. Baskets for fancy work, shopping, cotton and tobacco.

30. STRAW MATTRESSES, FOOT MATS, &c.

31. WINES OF ALL KINDS, HOME STRAINED and in casks.

32. FLOUR, MEAL, RICE, FEED, &c.

33. AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

34. GRIND MILLS, SAW MILLS, &c., &c.

35. WAGONS, BURGIES, &c., &c.

36. EARthen and STONEWARE, &c.

37. PLAIN and FANCY CANDIES and TRICKERS.

38. CLOTHING (machine made), hats (felt and straw).

39. MARBLE TABLE TOPS, MANTELS, MONUMENTS, &c.

40. CANNED GOODS OF ALL KINDS put up in North Carolina, such as fruits, oysters, shrimps, &c., &c.

41. PRODUCTS OF THE SILK WORM INDUSTRY, such as cocoons, raw silk, &c.

42. FOR HEALTH AND PLEASURE SEEKERS.  
a. Maps of the county, locating medicinal springs, if any, and if possible by photograph, give some idea of the surroundings.  
b. Medicinal waters with analyses.  
c. Railroad and telegraph facilities.  
d. Quantity and quality of game.  
e. Accommodations at hotels or boarding houses, stating board per month, horse hire, &c., &c.  
f. All articles and items of historical value and curiosities of various kinds, such as Indian and other relics, &c."

At the present time, over 6,500 lbs have been introduced into the flour.

The State Exposition.

From the News and Observer.  
The main building will, as has been stated, have a court yard in the interior, one a 3 ch angle. The court, each 100 feet 6 inches square. Two will be utilized, one for the display of machinery other than saw mills, the other for agricultural implements. A high distance from the main building will stand the boiler house, 40x100. A shed, 100x150 feet, will be erected at a little distance, for the special display of saw mills.

Great numbers of applications for special displays of machinery are being made. A lithographic press will be shown in operation.

Numbers of applications for "privileges" at the grounds are coming in. One came yesterday from a Long Island man.

Lithographs of the main building are being prepared, giving a birds eye view, showing the perspective, the arrangements of the courts, &c. These will soon be put upon posters and circulated in all parts of the State. An application has been received from Mrs. Frank Leslie for photographs of the building and also of president Primrose, and these will soon be sent for publication in the "Illustrated Weekly."

Krueger & Co., of Baltimore, propose to make an elaborate display of pianos, the finest ever seen in the State.

Specie has been given the State Agricultural department for its distinctive display. The southeast section of the building is thus given, containing 12,848 feet of clear space. In this the superb collection of products, etc., of the State will be shown to great advantage. It will be larger than the two famous collections shown at Boston. All the articles shown at first as well as all the department of agriculture, will gather from this time until the opening day of the exposition, will be shown in the most attractive style. Commissioner McGee and Secretary Wilson will spend no pains in their endeavor to make this part of the exposition a miracle of completeness.

The factories and manufacturing establishments of the State will be well represented. Cotton spinning and weaving, hosiery making, shoe-making, tobacco and cigar manufacturing, furniture, will be understood, will be illustrated in operation.

To some extent, however, the State has attempted to make such a display and the result is, more and more of this one did far more than capital its novelty.

A Curious Struggle.

From the New York Sun.  
The Dakota Territorial Convention was the scene of a rather curious struggle between two clergymen for priority of prayer. Both the North Dakotans and the South Dakotans tried to control the temporary organization of the Convention, and the Chairman turned by each faction was declared elected. Both Chairmen took the chair, and both promptly called upon a congregation and their adherents to open the Convention with prayer. The South Dakota clergyman had the greater gift of readiness, began his prayer first, and was permitted to finish it. After reciting his oration more effectively, the temporary Chairmanship was finally given to South Dakota.

State News.

Staten Island. At the recent election on the stock law in a section of Staten Island township, the proposition was carried there being but one vote against it. — A. C. McIntosh, Esq., of Alexander, the foreman of the grand jury of the Federal Court this week through two Terms old and always a very prompt man, is just now serving his first term on a jury, grand or petit.

Edison Engineer. On the Wisconsin line, in Berne county, on Thursday last, Henry H. Kerkell, colored, was struck and killed by lightning while passing from one house to another. — The boiler of the Hamilton Heating Company at Wilmington exploded on Wednesday last, and killed the fireman and wounded two others. The explosion is said to have been caused by low water and high water key.

Salisbury Watchman. The most successful business in this county, measuring the amount of property, and cannot help but do so. One day last week 80 mortgages were recorded in the Register office. — Mr. John Braght, well and favorably known by a large portion of this county, fell dead on the floor of his home Friday morning last, just after getting out of bed. He was highly respected by his neighbors and others as an upright and honorable man and useful citizen.

Ashboro Courier. Our factory men are becoming alarmed over the scarcity of cotton. The country has been about closed and the prospect is that in an early day our enterprising manufacturers will have to look to New York for cotton or shut down. — The Franklinville Manufacturing Co. met with a loss of \$1,500 last Friday night by fire. The old red store house was burned about 11 p. m. Cause unknown. No damage to the store and factory, though both were in imminent danger. The building burned was used as a depository for some of the factory goods.

Greensboro Bugle. Travel is good over the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. this week. Every train brings some of our Fayetteville friends to see us and takes some Greensboro folks down to Fayetteville. — Mr. A. L. Jones, of Sandy Creek, blew out the gas in his room last night, at the Beiden House, and when found was unconscious. The smell of gas attracted attention to his room, but he was too much under its influence to be aroused and the door was forced open. — Bellevue Hotel, High Point, was sold at auction on Thursday for \$4,500. Mr. George T. Leach becoming the purchaser.

Salem Democrat. In Guilford county, in Hugh R. Little's yard, stands a white oak tree, which measures 20 feet in circumference, from which there have been known to have been gathered ten bushels of acorns in one season. From the end of one side limb to the other, by several, is supposed to measure 70 feet.

Dorham Reporter. Last night, just before Capt. N. A. Ramsey retired to bed, he went into the room where his little daughter was sleeping, and to his amazement discovered the bed upon which she was lying to be on fire. They had been reading the Bible by a candle place. Every near the bed and falling asleep it was extinguished by accident. The Captain is positive, but for his lonely entrance into the room, the children would have been burnt to death and possibly the house destroyed. This should be a warning.

News and Observer. A serious accident occurred this morning on the Henderson & Oxford railroad, by which an engine and three cars were wrecked, and the engineer and fireman badly injured. — The Crofters in Robeson county are doing exceedingly well, falling rapidly into the American ways, and easily accommodating themselves to the changed conditions of life. Some of them express a feeling of enjoyment and a sense of freedom at being in a country where they can shoot and kill game without having the law taken upon them. They are to be joined by twenty-five more families, who are expected to arrive at Norfolk about May. They have already been located between Cameron and Currituck.

— Mrs. Patsey Rossiter, a widow some 73 years old, living about five miles from town, was burned to death at her home Friday night. She had been unwell for some time and was alone at the time of her death. Her daughter, who was nearby, having left her at midnight, thinking she would be comfortable all morning. It is supposed that she got up and went to the fire place, and being subject to epileptic attacks, fell while under the influence of one of the fits into the fire. Her burning consciousness, and finding her clothing alight, she tried to escape and fell again, setting fire to the house, which was burned to the ground. Her remains were found on the same distance either from the fireplace of the place where she had died.

The Treasury Department has begun the payment of the claims for relief of the country. The collectors of internal revenue will send to the claimants warrants on the treasury for the amounts due them.

Thomas McDaniel, white, and two negroes were bitten by a mad dog at Mooreville. McDaniel is being treated with antiseptics. The negroes have been sent to the Lunatic Asylum for treatment and safe-keeping.

The House committee on Appropriations have agreed to favorably report the necessary appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1884, to the Wood, Iron and Cottons, National Exposition to be held at New Orleans.

Representative Rogers, of Texas, chairman of the House committee on Commerce, is seriously ill from a long and protracted illness. Appropriate sympathy is being expressed and is being returned by his friends.

More than 100,000 of human hair are now being brought to the market. Four months is an average supply from a human head, so that 100,000 represent the product of from 200,000 to 400,000 heads. In Europe the hairdressers' combs are made of human hair, and supply a very market, but in our country they are made of horse hair, and are not so highly valued. It takes the hair of 10,000 men to grow about seven tons of hair.

The Board of Medical Examiners of the State of North Carolina who met at Raleigh, N. C., on Monday, May 1, 1884, and from that day to the 15th, after making appointments for the coming year, adjourned on Friday, May 15, 1884, at 11 o'clock. — Applicants for examination must bring satisfactory evidence of good character, and of their having attained the age of twenty-one years.

The "constantly tired out" feeling so often experienced is the result of impoverished blood, and consequent enfeebled vitality. Ayer's Sarsaparilla feeds and enriches the blood, increases the appetite, and promotes digestion of the food, and the assimilation of its strengthening qualities. The system being thus invigorated, the feeling rapidly changes to a grateful sense of strength and energy.

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