

TALMAGE delivered a lecture, one night last week, before the Teachers' Assembly at Morehead City, for which he was paid the sum of \$500. He is one of the most noted lecturers in the United States, and next to Sam Jones, is probably the most sensational preacher in America. It is said that his salary as a preacher is \$20,000 a year, and in addition to this he also receives several thousand dollars a year for delivering lectures. While \$500 was a large sum of money to be paid for one lecture, yet it was a big advertisement for the Teachers' Assembly, and of course that was the reason why Talmage was employed to deliver it. We have no idea that his lecture was really enjoyed any more by his audience than other lectures delivered there by some of our own North Carolina speakers, who never received or charged one cent for their services.

Referring to Talmage's big pay reminds us of the large sum of money recently paid Bill Fitt at Charlotte. During this month he held a revival in that city for thirteen days, for which he was paid \$1,000. This pay seems in striking contrast to that received by the average preacher in North Carolina. We doubt if the average annual salary paid to the preachers in all the churches in this State exceeds \$500 a year. These hard working and godly men, in their humble way, without any sensational schemes, quietly do their Master's work and like Him patiently devote their lives to the betterment of their fellow-men. They may not in this world receive the pay and applause that some others do, but in the next world will they not receive as great reward as Talmage, Sam Jones or Bill Fitt?

THE CHAIR of History recently established at our State University will, we hope, be productive of much benefit not merely to that institution and its students, but also to the State and its citizens generally. We hope that Hon. Kemp P. Battle, LL. D., who will so acceptably fill that chair, will not only instruct the students of the University but also write a full history of our State and thus instruct our people for all time to come. All who are acquainted with him are assured that he could write such a history of our State as would entitle him to the thanks of every North Carolinian and be the crowning glory of a life of such great usefulness and service to his State. Few persons are aware of the very great service rendered by Dr. Battle to our State during his presidency of the University, and we are pleased to note that the trustees at their meeting on the 21st inst., expressed their appreciation by adopting resolutions of a most complimentary character, in which they enumerated and acknowledged his invaluable services. And yet, while we think that Dr. Battle's services as president of the University were such as no other North Carolinian would or could have performed, we also think that he can perform a still greater service to the State by writing her history, and thus we hope he will now undertake, having re-established the University on a firm basis and greatly enlarged its usefulness, he has resigned its presidency with its cares and responsibilities, and now can devote his time and talents to a work which will entitle him still deeper in the hearts of all true North Carolinians.

HAYTI stands as a terrible warning to the white men of the Southern States to remain united and present a solid front to any attempt at negro supremacy in this fair land of ours. That unhappy country is again in a state of revolution and bloodshed. Reports are daily received of barbarous cruelties and brutal murders being perpetrated on that ill-fated island. Its present negro ruler, Hippolyte, seems to be a most inhuman monster and incarnate fiend. Without any pretense of a trial he is daily dragging men from their homes and families and having them shot down like dogs. No man's life seems safe from his lawless and a reign of terror prevails among the unfortunate people in that great negro republic. So much shocked are the civilized countries of Europe at the barbarism of Hayti's ruler, that they are seriously considering the propriety of interfering and forcibly stopping further bloodshed. The negroes in Hayti have plainly proved their inability for self-government, and humanity demands that they should be governed by some more civilized country. If the white men of the South

should allow dissensions and divisions to so disrupt their unity that the control of every Southern State should be placed in the hands of the negroes, how long would it be before the barbarism of Hayti would be brought to our doors?

ON LAST Saturday afternoon, ten thousand poor children in the city of New York were made supremely happy. That marvel of modern journalism, *The World*, conceived and successfully carried out the novel scheme that rendered them so happy. It was a feast or festival given to these thousands of poor children in Madison Square Garden, where the little hungry and happy guests feasted on ice cream, strawberries and cake, which to most of them was a rare taste and unusual diet. While they were eating, Gilmore's celebrated band of 100 pieces regaled them with delightful music. It was a grand occasion to these children and a gleam of sunshine to gladden their dreary young lives.

Opposed to the Sub-Treasury.
For the past seven months the *Progressive Farmer* has been ably edited by Rev. Baylis Cole, but in the last issue he announced his retirement and from his card we copy the following extract:

"With the present issue of the *Progressive Farmer* my connection with it as editor terminates. I retire from the paper of my own motion, and am led to this step by a sense of duty. It is right that I should give my readers of the paper, and to the general public my reasons for retiring. After a careful and patient study of the Sub-Treasury bill I am convinced that its enactment into law would be disastrous to the country, and especially to the agricultural interests of the country. Holding this view, I cannot write one word in favor of that bill. The dominant sentiment in the Alliance upon this measure is in irreconcilable conflict with my views and the only way and honorable course left open for me is to retire, and let another editor take charge of the paper whose views are in harmony with those of the friends of the Sub-Treasury bill."

A Rich Bank.
From the New York Herald.
The Fifth Avenue Bank was established in 1874 with a paid-up capital of \$10,000 and a surplus of \$100,000. It was in fact the first bank in the country to establish a surplus by subscription in addition to its capital. It has never paid a dividend, but instead has been steadily plugging up a surplus, until today it has to that amount accumulated \$750,000. As a result \$1,000 a share has been offered for its non-dividend paying stock, but not a share has been known to change hands in five years. It is considered too gutted to part with.

Fatal Railroad Accident.
NEW ORLEANS, June 20.—A collision on the Illinois Central Railroad last night near Natchez was caused by an open switch where the freight train was sidetracked and was run into by the south-bound fast express. Four men were killed and six severely wounded. The mail train was held up and running very fast when the accident occurred. The passengers were severely shaken up, but none were seriously injured. When the passenger train dashed into the open switch there was a mighty crash as the great bodies together, with grinding metal and hissing escaping steam and the pitiful shrieks of wounded men. The mail train consisted of the mail car, baggage car, ladies coach and two vestibuled sleepers. The mail car ran on top of the two engines, tearing out the flooring, summing in the sides.

When the engines met, the stack caused the freight train to break in two, and the rear end was shoved back several hundred yards. Six cars remained attached to the freight engine and were smashed to pieces. Three of them telegraphed one another, the nearest car being driven clear through the next two. There was nothing left of them but splinters.

A Vital Question.
From the Progressive Farmer.
It seems certain that the Alliance can get two of its measures—the free coinage of silver and the reform of the tariff—through the next Congress. It seems also certain that the securing of these two measures would give the order such prestige with the country by relieving the situation that it could demand any other just measure of reform with the certainty of success. The vital question just now is, will our brethren have enough of wise conservatism to undertake, with might and main, the things that are possible, or will they take the unwritten and unspoken risks of attempting the doubtful?

Dr. W. A. Lash, of Walnut Cove, has been elected president of the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. Co. to succeed the late Col. J. A. Gray.

Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, June 19, 1891.
Secretary Foster received a most unexpected setback this week. He had made all of his arrangements to attend the Ohio republican convention as the chief representative of the administration and manager of the Sherman Senatorial side show. It was on the cards for him to have secured the passage of a resolution endorsing the administration, so worded as to practically commit the convention to Harrison for '92, thus shutting off Ohio's "favorite son"—McKinley—who if he can be elected governor fully intends entering the lists against Harrison or any other candidate that may appear. In addition to that Senator Sherman expected his assistance in the passage of a resolution that would have placed Sherman astride the shoulders of McKinley.

But all plans are now off. Secretary Foster did not attend the Ohio convention. Why? Because Senator Sherman sent him word by a trusty personal messenger not to come, as his presence would only irritate the Foraker men who had obtained control of the convention. It was then suddenly discovered that the business of the department was so pressing that Secretary Foster would be compelled to defer his intended visit to Ohio to look after some private business until Thursday, and was so announced to the "star public" which is always assumed to be gullible enough to believe anything it is told, if the teller be an official, but at the Treasury department they know better, they know that Mr. Foster's grip sack was all packed and all arrangements made for his trip when he received a telegram telling him not to come and that an explanation had been sent to him by messenger and they know that when that messenger arrived the next day he was for two months hours closeted with Mr. Foster in his private office to the exclusion of everybody else in his private and confidential stenographer.

There are rumors here of a communication between McKinley and Foraker, the object of which is to induce Secretary Sherman's resignation in the Senate and McKinley the Presidential nominee of his party next year, provided of course that the republican nomination of McKinley and control of the legislature this year. It is believed here that it was this combination that forced the Representative Grosvener to resign his recent appointment as chairman of the Treasury commission which is to make a detailed summary of Europe for the alleged purpose of investigating immigration. There has been a long or less bitter feeling between Foraker and Grosvener ever since the Congressional investigation of the ballot box forgery last year.

Democratic prospects for next year are certainly very encouraging as seen through the eyes of visitors to Washington, and the man who predicts democratic success in such states as Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin is no longer regarded as a political "rainbow chaser" as he was not so very long ago, and republican men from other states have by the score recently admitted that they considered them doubtful.

Representative Oats of Alabama proposes, like Mr. Mills to run another and he is now here for the purpose of verifying latest statistics of one of our remaining cases which he has written the official records being all on file in the War department.

It was told today that Commissioner of Pensions Kamm, with the assistance of the pension attorneys, had made himself solid with the administration and that in consideration of it and the pension attorneys having agreed to swing the G. A. R. into line for Harrison that gentleman had agreed to forget all the amazing charges that had been brought against Kamm and allow him to continue in charge of the Pension Office. This deal gives Mr. Harrison the active support of the *National Tribune*, *Lantern* paper, and also of a new soldiers' paper which is to be started at Chicago by the pension ring. If true, it may in the end turn out to be a deadly blow to support.

Ex-Congressman Grosvener has been appointed a special World's Fair Commissioner in charge of foreign exhibits, as a salute for being forced off the immigration commission. As the salary is the same and both places include a trip to Europe at Uncle Sam's expense Grosvener isn't shedding many tears.

Floods in Illinois.
PEORIA, June 20.—Additional particulars of the flood which washed out Farm creek and Coopers' creek valleys Thursday night verify the first reports of heavy damages. People on the Fox du Lac were completely benumbed by the angry waters. But yesterday two men from there rowed to the bridge and reached this city. Farmers for five or six miles up the river and a mile and a half back to the hills have lost all their crops. In many places the water is yet standing nine feet deep over corn fields. Along the Toledo, Peoria & Western road there is a terrible scene of wreckage. The household furniture of people in Farmdale and Hilton was all washed away. China, baby carriages, wagons, dead cattle, pianos, tables and fences are piled ten feet high against the railroad trestle.

Weekly Weather Crop Bulletin

Of the N. C. Experiment Station and State Weather Service, co-operating with the U. S. Weather Bureau, for the week ending Friday June 19, 1891.

CENTRAL OREGON, BALCON, N. C.
The reports of correspondents of the *Weekly Weather Crop Bulletin* issued by the North Carolina Experiment Station and State Weather Service for the week ending Friday, June 19th, 1891, show that the weather during the entire week has been the most favorable experienced for a long time. The temperature has been considerably in excess, outside and inside, and towards the latter part of the week occasional showers have prevailed generally. In consequence crops have made marked improvement. Grass is getting under control somewhat, though still very abundant. The wheat harvest now progressing has prevented farmers from getting much time to the cultivation of crops. Corn labor is reported difficult to obtain. Of crop improvement it is not all that bright yet, and stand continues poor. Tobacco has made a fine start. The wheat harvest will probably be completed next week and yield will be a good average and excellent quality. Another favorable week will enable farmers to bring their work nearly up to date, and will give a better outlook to the crop prospects. The outlook of crops averages about the same now as last week.

H. B. BROWN, P. D.
Director.

Destructive Storms.

LEWISBURG, June 20.—News has reached here of a destructive storm in the eastern portion of Connecticut, some miles from Meriden. A large area of country was devastated, dwellings and farms were unroofed and blown down, fences, orchards and large patches of timber leveled. Mrs. Sarah Shadish was struck by a flying piece of timber and her neck broken. A cow was named Shady was crushed by a log, and two boys—sons of M. M. Hollingsworth—were injured and killed.

ST. LOUIS, June 20.—Heavy storms which swept through Kansas yesterday have done much damage to the crops and buildings. A large herd of about fifteen hundred head of cattle began to stampede and were completely flooded. Horses were swept away like straw and it is feared many lives were lost. The water in many places is high. The water in many places is high. The water in many places is high. The water in many places is high.

The Missouri River Rising.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., June 22.—The Missouri river is higher than for several years and is still rising. All Government work along the shore has been abandoned and the Government fleet is confined to a place of safety. The rapidity with which the surging waters are cutting away may be imagined. It is estimated that half acre lots of earth have been tumbling into the river ever since yesterday morning. The workers who came in from Belmont stated that the neck of land which separates the river north and south is less than one-quarter of a mile wide. At the rate the river is now cutting the land away it would require but a short time to place Belmont safely on an island and leave St. Joseph two miles from the river. This would also leave St. Joseph's million dollar bridge standing over a dry spot where the river once wound its way south. Several farmers have lost hundreds of dollars in wheat and corn which have been washed into the river by the falling banks.

Evil From a Balloon.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 12.—While a large balloon belonging to Count Appold was being inflated with gas yesterday it escaped from the attendants who were holding it to the ground and went upward. Four workmen were in the car when the balloon broke away. After it had ascended to a great height the on-lookers were hurried to see the balloon burst and the bodies of the unfortunate workmen dashed to the earth where they were smashed almost beyond recognition.

Gored to Death by a Bull.

WINSTON, Conn., June 18.—Charles Tallon, a wealthy farmer of this town, was gored to death by a vicious bull on his farm this morning. He was crossing a pasture but when the bull attacked him, and before he could escape he was so seriously injured that he died a few moments. His brother was kicked to death in the same way by a vicious horse a few years ago.

Taxes Killed Him.

UNDEVELOPED, Ind., June 22.—Harry Carpenter, a well-to-do farmer of this county, committed suicide by shooting himself Friday. The cause of his suicide was a violent quarrel with his wife caused by brooding over the increase in taxes under the new apportionment law of the county.

A Stepmother's Jealousy.

MORNING STAR, N. C., June 22.—Sunday morning Mrs. Sarah Arthur, wife of David Arthur, of North River, Carteret county, cut her ear and then cut the throat of her step-son, aged seventeen years. He was crazy. She was jealous because of her husband's love for his son. At last reports the boy was dying.

Large Shipments of Truck.

From the New York Journal.

The present truck season, which is now about to close has been an extraordinary one. The quantity of truck which has been produced has been enormous. In regard to the quantity, during the shipping season the railroad and two steamships have been taxed to the utmost of their capacity to move it. The railroad company has run from one to three trains daily, carrying from three to four thousand barrels and boxes each train. The steamer "Neuse" has made three trips per week carrying from four to four thousand five hundred barrels and boxes each trip, the steamer "Newberne" has made two trips each week carrying from two thousand to two thousand five hundred barrels and boxes each trip. The prices realized for the above have been extraordinary, and the amount realized from the sales of them has by the most conservative estimate reached the sum of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, which has realized after deducting freight and expenses over a half a million of dollars net to our farmers. This amount is larger than the sales of tobacco in any county in North Carolina save one—viz. "Granville" and it is just equal to that.

Attacked by a Mule.

SANDEWICH, Mich., June 19.—A terrible fight between a man and an infuriated mule occurred in Heyman's blacksmith shop Wednesday. The mule had an aversion to being shod and had to be thrown.

Boy with Hydrophobia.

LEWISBURG, Ark., June 21.—The 13 year old son of Jefferson T. Adams, a farmer living near Mellbourne, was bitten in four different places by a mad dog, which attacked the boy in a field. The father came to the child's assistance and killed the dog. The boy was put in a wagon and driven across the country fifty miles to a town in which there is a madhouse, which is said to have cured many persons, and which was taken from the stomach of a white bear killed in 1876. The stone assigned to the wounds seventy four cents and all danger from hydrophobia was then declared removed. Later, however, strong symptoms of the disease showed themselves, and at last yesterday the boy's life was about despaired of.

Climbing Steeples.

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 20.—Thousands of people stood on the sidewalks about St. Patrick's Catholic church watching the famous steeple climber as he scampered the cross on the steeple.

A Duck Hatches Furries.

From the Wilmington News-Journal.
Mr. S. Van Amringe, of this city, who has a residence on the Sound at Wrightsville, tells us a singular and interesting story that he, however, not a story as the world is popularly construed. About six weeks ago a turtle nest was found on the beach at Ocean View and Mr. Van Amringe conceived the idea of putting some of the turtle eggs under a duck which began setting about that time. About eight days ago the duck hatched out seven ducks and eight turtles and the incubation was a happy family as can be imagined. A pond was constructed in the yard for them and the little ducks and little turtles occupy it in congenial association and up to this writing follow the mother duck around together on the best of terms. Nothing is left to the little turtles but they are growing and thriving fast and some of these days they may take a notion to cut up the duck part of their family and then go back to their natural elements by crawling away to the sound sea by and thence, and their way to the ocean.

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