

# THE TIMES.

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## "HARD TIMES."

North Carolina education is reaching well up to the top round of the ladder of "hard times" as schools are just now opening the fall session, all with bright prospects, and the students enter with high marks and their motto is, onward and upward till the top is reached.

The legislature of Alabama, have submitted a bill to the vote of the people for the taxes paid by the white race to be expended alone for the education of their children, and the colored race to spend the taxes they pay in educating their children. It is said the whites will get about 85 per cent, and the negro 15 per cent.

Today there are more good schools in operation, more students attending them, more nice churches, and all of them have a pastor, more people live in painted houses, drive good horses and ride in buzzies, more merchants, more bar-rooms, more factories, more politicians, more people doing nothing, more money issued, more surplus cotton more men want office, more gunblers, more farmers, more news papers, more people read them, more Steam-boats, more rail-roads, more people travel, more bank failures and more people know what's the financial trouble than the United States has ever seen or known, yet with more of everything, more people cry "hard-times" than ever before, why is this?

Congress has been debating silver now about four weeks and not any free silver been sent out, they have brought up any railroads, nor said a word about the sub-treasury bill, nor even repealed the Sherman act of 1890. But they have passed some fine long speeches of eloquence, and spent some silver that we poor fellows paid our taxes with, some time in the past. Now they ought to proceed to do something, give us free silver, if you don't we are not going to let that Extraordinary session of Congress go on much longer. We Populists never have seen Congress, but we know what it ought to do, and exactly what the people need. Now do as we say, and the good times will roll in on us and our land, like the waves of the ocean, on the floating ship, in time of storm.

### A Card From Col. Ehrrell.

Raleigh, N. C., Aug 24.

The violence and persistence of attacks made on me, by certain parties in the State, is my excuse for making this plain statement of facts, which I respectfully ask the press to copy.

There were two grounds of complaint in regard to my management of the Teacher's World's Fair trip.

1. Some of the members of the party failed to secure sleeping car and other accommodations on the route. This was due to the fact that a large number of persons joined the party on the day of departure, without previous notice, thus swelling its number beyond my power to provide necessary accommodations. It was perhaps an error to permit them to join without notice, and I frankly confess it.

2. I had received money in advance to pay bills in Chicago for members of the party, but on reaching Chicago, I was quite unable to pay these bills, because I had deposited the funds in banks in Raleigh and Newbern to be drawn, by certified checks, while in Chicago as needed. To my surprise neither my checks or those of others were accepted in Chicago, owing to the financial strain

generally, and I then asked the parties who had paid me to advance money for their bills until I could get currency from Raleigh in the shortest possible time, which they did. As fast as possible, I have refunded all these advances, and every member of the party is repaid, except a few whom I have not yet heard from. It has required time to ascertain the amounts due each one, and I have been very busy with a great variety of work connected with my official duties and my ordinary affairs.

This statement will, I hope, explain the matter to people who are willing to do justice. Like all men who serve the public, I have some enemies and rivals who have gladly seized this opportunity to distort my conduct, and slander my character. They are deriving evident satisfaction from their own malicious performance, and I assure them they are welcome to enjoy their dirty occupation.

E. G. Harrell.  
—News-Observer-Chronicle.

### The Storm Sunday Night and Monday.

During the night Sunday the storm struck here and our oldest citizens say they never knew such a steady hard wind before in this section it continued all day Monday until about 10 o'clock at night when the rain partially ceased and the wind subsided, no serious damage was done so far as we have heard more than the blowing down of fences, trees and crops of all kinds. In looking over the reports from other points we notice right much damage along the coast from Florida to Wilmington. In Wilmington two wood buildings were blown down and the wires very much damaged, near Southport a steamer has anchored in bad condition, but relief went to its rescue. The Wilmington Weather Bureau said the wind blew at a velocity of 72 miles an hour, and the waves were higher on the shores than ever seen before. It is reported that Charleston received heavy damages by high water, and the wind there was very hard.

### Accidentally Shot by Foolig With a Gun.

Last Saturday morning, at Avasboro, Henry Barnes and Milton Barnes, two boys 18 or 20 years old and cousins, were in front of F. A. Parker's store, when a man by the name of Gilliam Lucas came along going hunting. Milton Barnes took the gun from Lucas and was carelessly running on some foolishness to Henry, when he pointed the gun towards him and asked Lucas if the gun was loaded, but before any answer came the shot was fired and took effect in the right breast, and went through his lung. Dr. Sexton was at once sent for and the wound dressed. The ball was probed for but not found. He is still living and may get over it, but very little hopes for him. He is a son of Mr. Joe Barnes of Fayetteville, and was at Avasboro on a visit, both of the boys are considered wild and reckless. It is simply the recording of another serious accident, if not fatal, by the careless use of a gun. The sad affair was much regretted by the entire community.

### The Race Question.

The race problem is a question which often claims the attention of the Northerners and our own Southern people. The North on every occasion throws slurs at us, for the ways in which the negro of the South is managed and treated, simply be-

cause the people North are ignorant of the fact, they just rear back and draw on their imagination, until they believe the darkey is used down South like the domestic animals. But far from that, the negro here in

our section of North Carolina, and in all the Southern States have their schools, public and private, with at least 75 per cent, of their free school funds paid in and given them by the whites. They have their churches where they can worship God according to the dictates of their own, peculiar, conscience, and most of their churches are built with funds given them by the white people, and they as a class work less than we do, and when they do work they are always well paid for their labor. Yet not one out of every fifty ever has enough when death comes to bury him-self. In our own little village in the past six years something like ten or a dozen deaths have occurred and not one of them had laved away sufficient earnings to pay their burial expenses, their resort was to be buried by the county, or the white people pay their expenses, and yet the Northerners say the South gives them no showing. Why the negroes even go and vote against the very class of people that enacted the laws to give them schools of equal capacity with the whites. The question now is, should the white men, or is it their duty to educate, build churches, protect and bury a class of people that naturally hate and denounce us as oppressors, and oppose every interest that would be for the upbuilding of the Southern Whites and might be a benefit to the negro race. It occurs to the writer that they get too much, and our people treat them too well in proportion to their appreciation for it.

### The Purchase Clause voted on in the House.

The vote on the repeal of the purchase clause of the Sherman act of 1897 came up Monday in the House the vote stood 209 for and 109 against. This is one step in the right direction go on with the good work and confidence of the people will soon be restored every body will go down to work and business will be good. Let the senate carry out the example the House has set for them.

### NOTICE.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Harnett county, granted in a special proceeding, wherein B. F. Shaw, Adm'r, of J. S. Suggs was plaintiff and the heirs at law of J. S. Suggs were defendants, being a proceeding to subject the sale of real estate to sale to pay debts. I will, on Monday, the 2nd day of October, 1893, at the Court House door in Lillington expose to sale, to the highest bidder a certain piece or parcel of land, described as follows, 67 acres, adjoining the lands of J. K. Stewart, C. D. Stewart and Benjamin Johnson, it being the land upon which the said Suggs did live on in Grove Township, Harnett county, N. C. Terms of sale one half cash, and the balance payable in three months. Title reserved until all the purchase money is paid.

Aug. 31 1893.

B. F. Shaw, Consignee.  
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