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AS TO THANKSGIVING.

An instance of the ease with which the origin of things passes out of knowledge is furnished by the various conjectures as to the origin of the great American festival, Thanksgiving Day. By some it is supposed to be the legitimate outgrowth of a custom instituted by the Pilgrim Fathers and of equal age with the colonization of New England. Others attribute to a colonial governor of Massachusetts the honor of instituting what has now grown to be a custom of national observance. There are yet others who trace it beyond sea and find in the observance of the harvest festival by European people the germ of what is now a great American institution.

Here are three good and sufficient theories as to its origin. You pay your money and you take your choice. But however much doubt there may be as to the origin of the Thanksgiving festival, there is none as to the propriety of setting apart one day in which to express our gratitude to the beneficent Ruler of the Universe. It has been said by them of old time, "it is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord," and personal observation corroborates the testimony of the ancients in this matter. Neither is there a reasonable doubt as to the best manner of expressing our thankfulness to Almighty God for his goodness to us, for all are wisely agreed that to do good unto those who are in need is not only the best service we can pay humanity but also the purest worship we can render to God.

While we celebrate the day in the public assembly and at the festive board let us remember with substantial gifts the poor whom we have always with us and in the language (slightly modified) of a former chief magistrate of the United States "let no hungry man escape."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Rowland's majority over Lockey is over 5,000, so the papers say.

The New York Herald certainly has no love for the South since the election.

Judge Fowle's majority, according to the Raleigh News & Observer, is 12,937.

The second session of the Fifty-first Congress convenes one week from next Monday.

Henry Ward Beecher's country house, for which he paid $300,000, is for sale at $80,000.

The richest gold mine in the world is not worked, because it lies under Philadelphia.

S. B. Alexander, the great Alliance man, and A. M. Waddell are spoken of as Senatorial candidates.

The latest cause of Cleveland's defeat: "indiscreet haste." Principles and truths will yet prevail. The issue is not dead.

His great-grandaughter is lawing for the homestead of John C. Calhoun, of South Carolina. It is worth $100,000.

President Cleveland is writing his annual message to the Congress that soon meets. It will be filled with Tariff-reduction, mind you if it don't.

Harrison did not carry his own county, notwithstanding the fact it is Republican and went for Blaine in 1884. The reason—the voters know Harrison.

There are 38,800 pensioners in Illinois who receive annually $4,244,164, What about the poor Confederate soldier in North Carolina? What does he get from the National treasury?

Lots of disappointed Democrats in the United States—about 6,000,000. There will be about that many disappointed Republicans after the 4th of March, 1889. Not enough offices.

Oliver H. Dockery will be the Republican candidate before the next legislature of North Carolina for U. S. Senator. "He'll get there" as he did in his recent aspirations.

There are 700 men in the world worth over $5,000,000 each. 200 live in Great Britain, 100 in the United States, 100 in Germany and Austria. Jay Gould is put down for $275,000,000. North Carolina has none, but she has got some mighty happy men and women.

The Trusts are booming since Harrison's election.

The horny-handed farmer is charged with the defeat of Tariff Reform. Southern farmers don't do that way—they know better.

In this day of club organizations, why not start an anti-chewing gum club for the girls, an an anti-cigarette club for the boys? These are awful habits.

The Raleigh News & Observer has cut down four columns and is using better paper. The News-Observer made itself heard in the recent campaign. It's a "mighty" good paper.

The next Congress looks very much like Republican throughout, so far as majorities go, but then quality was always a consideration in making up the Democratic representation.

The average age of all the people of France is given as 32.2 years, while in the United States it is only 24.9. The reason of this is: the French send all their health and life destroying fashions and customs over here and the American people flourish but a little while and then die.

Col. Means in State Chronicle.

From the last State Chronicle we copy the following:

A few days ago we addressed a letter to prominent Democrats, Republicans and Third Party men and asked them:

FIRST.—Why did the Democrats in North Carolina make gains over 1886?

SECOND.—Why was Cleveland defeated?

The following are their answers:

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Col. Paul B. Means, Senator-elect from Cabarrus and Stanly, says:

The Democrats in North Carolina were asleep in a deep sense of security in 1886 and that too being improperly called an "off year," there wasn't the same insentive to action as in a Presidential year. Our party voters had become accustomed to the cry of dangar and had enjoyed Democratic good rule so long that they failed, in 1886, to heed the warning and then forgot, in some places, that "ETERNAL vigilence is the price of liberty." Our losses in '86 aroused them and this year they rallied to Fowle as both the MAN and the STANDARD OF PRINCIPLES he bore deserved, except that we lost in the West on account of Internal Revenue.

To answer why Cleveland was defeated is more difficult only because the field is wider and more APPARENT reasons for the cause of Cleveland's defeat are given and accepted too without study.

The best way to solve any problem is to test the value of each SUPPOSED factor, eliminate the worthless and take what is left as the true one, which is thus proven to be the right and efficient factor both by its own worth and by the others being discarded.

1st. It was not the tariff because Connecticut and New Jersey, two of the greatest manufacturing States, voted for Cleveland, New Jersey by a LARGELY INCREASED majority. New York City, our GREATEST manufacturing centre, increased its vote for Cleveland, in 1888, 29,895 over the Cleveland vote of 1884; while the increase, in New York City, for Harrison over Blaine's vote is only 15,657. The five New England States, ALL HIGH PROTECTION STATES, which went Republican, in the aggregate gave Harrison 6,273 LESS majority than they gave Blaine; and of these States Maine ALONE increased its majority. And Maine gave an increase of 3,069 to this DIMINISHED majority. I take my figures from the New York Daily Tribune, as being the strongest authority against the Democrats. And this seems to eliminate the tariff as a cause of Cleveland's defeat.

2nd. It was not Civil Service. For, in the South, where Civil Service was SAID to be most obnoxious, Cleveland's popular vote increased largely over that of '84 with the exception of three States. In New York City, where Democrats most denounced Civil Service, on account of the appointment of Pearson, a straightout and avowed Republican, as Postmaster, Cleveland's increase almost DOUBLED that of Harrison, and was only 4,238 less than that of the great and popular Governor Hill, backed by his celebrated Brooklyn expression—"I AM A DEMOCRAT." In King's county, New York, where this now National utterance was made and cheered to the echo, Hill's vote was only 93 more votes than Cleveland's. And the increase of Hill's vote over Cleveland is well known to be largely due to certain local causes arising under the present splendid administration of Governor Hill. And here in Cabarrus, where Civil Service was said to be "exceedingly unpopular," Cleveland received just 14 votes MORE than our glorious leader Daniel G. Fowle. This all seems to exclude Civil Service from the causes of Cleveland's defeat.

3rd. It was not money, in my opinion. For, all political parties generally use legitimately all the money they can get; and I have too much confidence in the integrity of American voters to believe that enough of them can be bought to change the result in a Presidential election.

This appears to discard "money" and all alleged causes worth considering.

What then was the cause?

It was that Abram S. Hewitt ran as an Independent candidate for Mayor of New York City.

It is true that Hewitt was endorsed by the "County Democracy" and was called the "people's candidate." This is the plausible name assumed by ALL Independents.

The vote of Grant, the regular Democratic nominee for Mayor, in the city of New York was	113,534
Independen Hewitt's vote was	71,113
Total Democratic vote for Mayor	184,647
Cleveland vote in New York City	162,963
Democratic vote for Mayor in excess of Cleveland	21,684
Harrison's plurality over Cleveland in the State of New York	12,110
	9,574

But for Independent Hewitt causing a split and disorganization in the Democratic party in New York city, Cleveland's plurality over Harrison in the State of New York would have been about 9,574 and he would now be our President-elect. For, Harrison has 233 electoral votes. The 36 of New York taken from 233 would leave Harrison only 197 and give Cleveland 204; three more than enough to elect.

That pestilence and plague of Democracy, INDEPENDENTISM, is what caused Cleveland's defeat. But, quoting from the last State Chronicle's editorial, "We honor him more in defeat than we would in victory won at a sacrifice of principle,"

Wise Sayings.

The boughs that bear most hang lowest.

One hour to-day is worth two tomorrow.

Proud looks make foul work in fair faces.

Zeal without knowledge is fire without light.

Not to hear conscience is the way to silence it.

Small faults indulged are little thieves that let in greater.

Commit a sin twice and it will not seem to thee a crime.

Do not to others what you would not have others do to you.

The camel desired horns and his ears were taken from him.

A simple light answers as well for a hundred men as for one.

The government of one's self is the only true freedom of the individual.

Cleverness is a sort of genius for instrumentality. It is the brain of the land.

Newspaper Obituary.

The following is an extract from the obituary notice of a Kansas newspaper published in another paper of the same town:

"The pen is silent; the office scissors have been laid away to rust. The stillness of death pervades the very atmosphere where once the devil yelling 'copy!' or "whatinthehellisthisword?' was wont to resound. The paste-pot has soured on the what-not; the cockroach is eating the composition off the roller, and the blue-bottle fly is dying in the rich fields of the printers' towel!"

A fall of slate at the Willow Grove coal mines, near McDonalds, Pennsylvania, killed a man named Jules Leese and an unknown boy.

In Stamford, Connecticut, four men were thrown to the ground by the fall of a scaffold in the Wood building. Two were killed and two badly injured.

A freight collision occurred on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad near Zanesville, Ohio. An engineer named Dennison was killed, and two other train hands were severely injured.

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NORTH CAROLINA.

Mr. W. S. Hemby, the founder and former owner of the Charlotte Chronicle, is now connected with one of the largest publishing houses in Chicago.

As two young men in Beaufort county were hunting wild cattle, some days since, a gun in the hands of one of them was accidently discharged, killing the other instantly.

The papers sap that Rev. J. T. Bagwell, formerly of the North Carolina Conference, has joined the Northern Conference, and will be appointed to a charge in the West.

Chas. T. Balsley, a Thomasville merchant, employed a little girl at the Baptist Orphanage there to count the seeds in a tobacco pod. It took her two days to count them. The number was 3,12J.

The official vote is Catawba is, for Fowle 2,360, for Dockery 756—majority for Fowle 1,604; in Cleveland, for Fowle 2,259, for Dockery 764—majority for Fowle 1,505. This gives Catawba the banner by 99 majority.

Statesville, Charlotte and Asheville got their public buildings in the nick of time. No public buildings for Southern towns and cities need be looked for from a Republican Congress and a Republican President.

The Ada Mills, one of the three new cotton factories erected in Charlotte this year, commenced business last week. The Ada is one of the most finely equipped mills in all its appointments to be found in the South, possessing all the improvements now known.

R. E. Little, Esq., who will represent the 27th Senatorial district, composed of the counties of Anson and Union, in the next General Assembly, will be the best elected Senator in that body. His majority in Anson is 1,353, and he beats in Union 1,259, making his majority 2,612.

Thomas B. Crump, of the Anson Guards, who lost his arm from the effects of wounds received at Sharpsburg in September 1862, died in Texas on October 17th. He was a true soldier and a dutiful citizen, and will be remembered by his comrades in arms as a brave man.

The report made to the synod of the Presbyterian church of North Carolina, in session at Goldsboro last week, shows that there are 122 ordained ministers, (99 of these are actively engaged in the work of the ministry) and 22,553 members, and 261 churches in the bounds of the synod.

A little boy about four years old, the son of Mr. W. H. Holt, got his right hand caught in the machinery at Sidney Cotton Mills last Friday morning. His fingers passed between two cog wheels which nearly cut off all four of the fingers just below the knuckle joints, leaving them hanging only by a bit of skin. Drs. Long and Ragland dressed the wound and sewed the fingers back. The little fellow bore it bravely.

Governor Scales has issued his death warrant for the execution on January 24th, of Howard, alias Bud Anderson, the man who last July murdered W. H. Porter at Goldsboro. Anderson was convicted in September, but appealed to the Supreme Court, which has affirmed the decision of the lower court. The execution devolves upon James H. Grant, the newly elected Sheriff, who was a school boy with Anderson in the same township.

Last Thursday night while the Democrats of Ansonville were celebrating the victory of their party in the County and State, some fiend applied the torch to the house of Mr. B. M. Eason, which was occupied by Mr. C. A. Smith and his mother. As the fire was discovered in a portion of the building in which there had been no fire for some time it was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary.

The fifty-eighth annual session of the Baptist Convention met in the city of Greensboro last week. Its contributions to the various objects it has in charge amounted to about $28,000.

It has ninety-five missionaries and thirteen colporters in the field. Among the important matters, were initiatory steps for establishing a North Carolina Baptist Female College. The convention will meet in Henderson next year. W. H. Pace was re-elected President.

Mr. W. A. Crowder, in calling to pay for his Aurora, remarked to us that he has a wife and six children, yet he never bought in his life any supplies for his family, makes his own hog and hominy. He stated that he still retains the first little coat that he wore when a little boy, thirty-six years ago, has his wedding coat which he wore seventeen years ago, keeps as a souvenir the first gold dollar he ever had as it was given to him by his father for catching moles at five cents a head. —Shelby Aurora.

TEACHERS' COLUMN.

Geography.

This is one of the most important studies in the school curriculum; it should therefore receive the undivided attention of both pupil and teacher. Alas! how few of our teachers do we find who give this subject the attention and study it requires.

What is Geography? A description of the earth's surface. If this be true, can geography be taught from "geographies?" I think not. The only true way to teach this subject is to take nature for your book. Take your children out of doors and there teach them about the hills, mountains, rivers, river systems, plains, &c of the globe. All of these things are to be found in miniature in every school yard.

Have little flower beds in the school yard, if possible. Let the children prepare the soil, plant the seed, pull out the weeds, water the plants and take the general care of the plants. If there is no opportunity for flower beds out of doors, a few boxes of soil or sand may be used in the school room. In this way the children are led to discover the relation between soil, moisture and heat that regulate the distribution of vegetation.

Teaching geography in this way the child will have a clearer conception of the continents, oceans, atmosphere, winds and rain-fall of the globe than if taught simply from a book.

No wonder children become disgusted with geography and call it "dry" when they are told to study the dry, dead facts in a book instead of being allowed to study from the best of all books, "Nature."

Inculcate a love of nature in your children and instead of hating, they will become fascinated with this most beautiful of studies.

The highest test of good teaching will be the love your children have for nature.

Name the outlet of the Mediterranean Sea.

When will the next century begin?

Give an explanation.

In what direction does the water in the Strait of Gibraltar flow?

A farmer exchanges sheep worth $5.75 per head with a neighbor for pigs worth $7.25 per head, without gain or loss to either party. Find the least number of animals that exchanged hands.

We are glad to publish in this column a good article on Geography, contributed by a lady of Rutherfordton, N. C., who has considerable experience in teaching.

The Legislature meets this winter, and of course there will be many new laws passed, and many changes, suggested by experience, will be made in existing laws. Is our School Law complete and satisfactory? Are there not many changes that live, experienced teachers and friends of education could suggest? Now is the time to make these suggestions, that they may be discussed freely. Our law makers should be fully acquainted with the wants of this great cause. The Teacher's Column is open for any such discussions.

Teacher to Latin class.—Do we get any English word from cremo, to burn?

One pupil—Yes sir, criminal.

Teacher.—Oh, no. We get cremation, cremate, etc.

Pupil.—What does that mean?

Teacher.—It is customary now in some places to burn the bodies of the dead, instead of burying them.

Pupil.—What, burn the bodies?

Teacher.—Yes.

Pupil.—Well, I reckon some folks get burnt twice then, don't they?

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