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NOTICE.—We will be pleased to publish any communications from any person relative to the good of the people; but any communication relative to personal matters or tending to bring about a controversy will not be tolerated.—Ed's.

THE N. C. Conference of the M. E. Church, South, will convene in Tryon Street Church, Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 27, 10 o'clock, a. m.

The State Sunday School Convention which assembled in Raleigh last week, adjourned on Sunday last. We hope the annual gatherings of this body will result in much good to the Sunday School cause.

The election of Congressmen in this State on Tuesday last, passed off quietly. No papers were received on Thursday from Raleigh, therefore we cannot state, officially, who is elected. The present indications are that North Carolina has elected a solid Democratic delegation. The election in other States, North and South, also passed off quietly. The vote polled in some of the States was small.

DR. THOMAS W. HARRIS. A correspondent of the Raleigh Observer, "L. C. V.," writing from Chapel Hill, has this to say of Dr. Harris, and we heartily approve of every word that is said of him: "The medical class at the University this year is quite small owing to the short time of its organization. Dr. Harris, the instructor in this department, is a thorough scholar and a master of his profession. His instruction is on the order of that of the University of Virginia. Thorough theoretical instruction is given the first year. The student has no advantages of a clinical department, which is unnecessary for the first year student; his advantages for explanations in anatomy are splendid; the lectures are well delivered and will leave lasting impressions on the student."

PROF. REDD. This distinguished and learned gentleman of the University of the State, has gained a reputation as a toxicologist that will do credit to that noble old institution. Wherever the Professor goes he never fails to speak a good word for the University. We learn that in Johnston county during his last visit he secured four or five young men for the University. In speaking of the murder trial which has been going on in Johnston county for several days, a correspondent of the Raleigh Observer writes: "Prof. Redd was next introduced, who underwent a most rigid examination by the able counsel for the defense touching his competency to testify as an expert. The Court ruled that he was fully competent to testify. He testified that he took from the stomach and abdomen nearly one-half a grain of strychnine and one sixty-fifth (1-65) of a grain from a portion of the liver. He described the color tests, physical tests, &c. On the last named he was examined at some length by Mr. Badger, but his answers showed that he was no ordinary toxicologist, or, as some of the old ladies call him, pizen doctor. Just at this stage a good old farmer suggested to your correspondent that doctors were sharper than lawyers, to which he assented, of course. He exhibited some of the strychnia to the court and jury."

STATE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION.

Fourth Congressional District.

Returns from Wake, official, give the county to Turner by a majority of 100. Jones, Republican, received eight or nine hundred votes in the county.

JOHNSTON COUNTY. Selma, N. C. Nov. 5, 11:45 P. M.—Nine townships give Davis 1,015, Turner 473, and Jones 303. Davis' majority not less than 700 in the county.

Princeton, Nov. 5.—A small vote. Clayton—Davis 66, Turner 21, Jones 2.

Wilson's Mills—Turner 50, Davis 26, Jones none.

Princeton(Boon Hill)—Davis and Jones tie, Turner only 7 votes.

Later—The vote as far as heard from is:

Table with 4 columns: Name, Davis, Turner, Jones. Rows include Selma, Clayton, Boon Hill, Beulah, O'Neill's, Wilson's Mills.

CHATHAM COUNTY.

Moncure, Nov. 5.—Davis gains eighteen votes over both candidates, and forty-three votes over Turner as compared with the vote of 1876 at Lockville. Official.

GRANVILLE COUNTY.

Henderson, Nov. 5.—3:45 P. M.—Vote light. White as full as negroes. Jones twenty votes. Davis got more Radicals than Turner Democrats.

The vote at Henderson is Davis 300, Turner 343, Jones 4.

ORANGE COUNTY.

Hillsboro, Nov. 5.—The vote was small. Republicans went solid for Turner. Turner losing on the August vote.

Hillsboro, Nov. 5.—8:30 P. M.—Hillsboro gives Davis 212, Turner 260, Jones 20; Cole's Store, Davis 33, Turner 11; Jackson's store, Davis 35, Turner 35. Vote was small everywhere.

Chapel Hill, Nov. 5.—9:20 P. M.—Chapel Hill, Davis 194, Turner 163, Jones 17; White Cross, Davis 59, Turner 13, Jones 2; Patterson's Mill, Turner 81, Davis 38.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Franklinton, Nov. 6.—12 M.—Davis' majority in Franklin over Turner, will be between 12 and 1300. Franklinton, Nov. 6.—12:10 A. M. Seven townships heard from. Louisville township gave Turner nothing with the will attached.

Second Congressional District.

WAYNE COUNTY.

Goldsboro, Nov. 5.—Wayne exceeds the Democratic vote of August for Kitchin. Goldsboro precinct gives Kitchin 37 majority. We gain in all the precincts heard from.

Goldsboro, Nov. 5.—4 P. M.—The election is progressing slowly. Very little interest is manifested by either party, notably by the white Republicans, who show a disposition to abstain from voting. At the country precincts some white Republicans have voted for Kitchin. The negroes in this county seem to be well under the discipline of their white leaders and as a result the negro vote goes for Harris. O'Hara may get five hundred votes in the county, but it is doubtful. Here at Goldsboro precinct the negro vote is solid for Harris, O'Hara having received but three votes so far. The country precincts are more or less divided. It is thought that the vote will fall short of the August vote, especially the negro vote. Present indications lead us to hope that Capt. Kitchin will have a majority of about 1,600 in Wayne over O'Hara. The white Republicans here concede Kitchin's election, but all depends upon the strength Harris will develop in Craven, Warren, Halifax, Wilson and Northampton. Greene, Lenoir and Jones are almost solid for O'Hara at Bulkhead box, in Greene county; Harris had received only three votes up to 12 o'clock. Goldsboro, Nov. 5.—10:30 P. M.—Wayne 1,900 majority for Kitchin.

Third Congressional District.

NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

Wilmington, Nov. 5.—Complete returns of this city show Waddell, Democrat, 1,001, Russell, Greenbacker, 1,924. Russell's majority, 923, against 1,066 majority for Canaday, Republican, in 1876.

Wilmington, Nov. 5.—Russell loses 134 in the city, 49 in Harnett and Cape Fear townships. Waddell carries Duplin by over 500.

MOORE COUNTY.

Cameron, Nov. 5.—The vote of Greenwood township No. 7, is, Waddell 138, Russell 48, Canaday 4. The general impression is that Waddell gains in the county.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Fayetteville, Nov. 5.—11:40 P. M.—Cumberland has gone for Russell by 250 to 255, a gain of 315 to 320 for the Republicans.

Fifth Congressional District.

GUILFORD, RANDOLPH, DAVIDSON.

Greensboro, Nov. 5.—Democratic gains in Guilford in five townships heard from, 108. Morehead township, Scales 228, Tourgee 282. Gilmer township, Scales 304, Tourgee 245. Friendship township, Scales 97, Tourgee 45. Deep River township, Scales 40, Tourgee 35. Fenestress township, Scales 111, Tourgee 32. Guilford will, from indications, give Scales 500 majority. Two townships in Rockingham. Reidsville, Scales 225, Tourgee 180. Simpsonville, Scales 135, Tourgee 73. Scales will carry Rockingham by 500 majority. Wentworth, Madison and New Bethel in Rockingham county, give Scales 290 majority. One fourth falling off in vote. Thomasville, Davidson county, gives Scales 247, Tourgee 45. High Point, Scales 108, Tourgee 103.

SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

FORSYTH COUNTY.

Winston, Nov. 5.—8:41 P. M.—Armfield carries Winston box by 88 majority. A Democratic gain of 125 over last election. Very light vote.

TREDELL COUNTY.

Statesville, Nov. 5.—Armfield 192, Brower 40. A year ago the vote at this box was 570, Dala beating Robbins 3 votes. The vote to-day was light; few Republicans voting; but little interest manifested.

A WILD MAN.

A veritable wild man, captured in the mountains of Tennessee, is on exhibition at Louisville. His whole body is covered with a layer of scales, which drop off at regular periods in the spring and fall, like the skin of a rattlesnake. He has a heavy growth of hair on his head, and a dark, reddish beard about six inches long. His eyes present a frightful appearance, being at least twice the size of the average sized eye. His height, when standing perfectly erect, is about six feet five inches. His entire body must be wet at intervals; should this be neglected, he immediately begins to manifest great uneasiness, his flesh becomes feverish, and his sufferings cannot be alleviated until the water is applied. He ran away when but five years of age, and since that time has lived in the mountains of Tennessee.

Why is it?

Why is it that women always read the marriages in newspapers first? That some people would rather lie than tell the truth? That every man is anxious to get the half cent in a shilling? That the average railroad conductor cannot answer a question civilly? That many would rather borrow a newspaper than subscribe for one? That men who never pay any tax grumble loudest about taxes being high? That men of wealth have to be sued before they will pay their honest debts? The people who are bravest in time of peace are the biggest cowards in time of war? That some people always stop their teams on a street crossing, particularly on a muddy day?

HE RALEIGH CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

This excellent religious journal has changed hands. It has for a long while held an exalted place in the affections of the Methodists of the State, and has occupied an enviable position in the field of journalism. The Rev. Dr. Babbitt, after a service extending over the best decade of his life, retires from its editorial management and leaves it in the able hands of Rev. W. S. Black and the Rev. F. L. Reid.

The Rev. W. S. Black is the pastor of Edenton Street Methodist Church and has already established a State reputation for ability, usefulness and a deep Christian piety. He has had no experience as an editor, but he has an aptitude for doing everything well, and we expect to see him at no distant period as distinguished an editor as he is a preacher.

The Rev. F. L. Reid has an experience as a correspondent which will be very useful in making him an accomplished editor. He has been engaged in literary work for a number of years past, and is in every way capable of filling with credit to himself and his readers, the responsible position to which he has been called. The paper under the management of Dr. Babbitt has been eminently successful, and he retires from its editorial staff on account of impaired health, and a desire to remain to the active ministry. Rev. Dr. Black will retain the pastorate of his church. We wish the Advocate, under the new control, the same measure of prosperity that it has secured in the past, and much more.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

Monday night last about 9 o'clock, Anna Mariah Bryant, aged 16 years, and Hettie Bryant, 10 years of age, daughters of Asa Bryant, a worthy colored man living on the corner of German and South Front streets were sitting near the fire in their father's house, the former looking the head of the latter, when Hettie fell asleep and dropped a lighted lamp, which she had been holding, on the hearth. The lamp broke and the burning oil ignited the clothing of the two girls, who rushed out into the street screaming for help. A colored man, Arthur Jones, who was passing at the time, went to their aid and smothered the flames, but not in time to avert any great loss. Some parts of their bodies and limbs were then burned to a crisp, and their cries and groans, as they writhed in mortal agony, were indeed pitiable. It was thought Hettie could live but a short time and there was scarcely any hope for Mariah. The father of the two girls is in very straightened circumstances.

The University of North Carolina stands out in splendid contrast in point of gentlemanly conduct and obedience to the law to the shining lights of Northern refinements. Cornell University a year or two ago under guise of the elegant amusement of hazing disposed of young Leggett by a violent, cruel and ignominious death. Now Cornell has added to its laurels by the personal degradation of a son of Congressman Ingersoll. He was bound and gagged, hung from a stone wall head down, his moustache scraped off, his face painted, his clothes ruined, and other indignities inflicted. When such is the contrast, long may the University of North Carolina glory in adhering to those "relies of Southern barbarism" which at least secure good order, and maintain the defenses of personal respect.—Hillsboro Recorder

DEATH OF EDWARD HARTMAN.

The Lumberton tragedy has culminated in the death of E. D. Hartman, and an additional fact of interest is the report that the young lady at whose hands he came to his end is very ill from excitement superinduced by the tragedy and from the subsequent event of which mention has already been made in these columns. Hartman died protesting that he suffered for the sins of another, and asserting to the last to the attending ministers and friends that the paternity of the child was wrongfully imputed to him. Robeson county, though the scene of all the noted achievements of the Lowery band, has scarcely ever been so thoroughly stirred up as it is over this tragic and highly sensational shooting affair.—Charlotte Observer.

We learn that Charles Foy, col., who a short time since, was engaged as carrier at the telegraph office in this place, was murdered in Halifax last week by another negro by the name of Spears. The murderer made his escape but was subsequently arrested in Wilmington last Friday night, and committed to jail to await the requisition of the authorities of Halifax.—Wilson Advance.

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UNIVERSITY ITEMS.

The semi-annual examinations will soon commence.

At the suggestion of the LEDGER the supper hour has been changed to 5:30, p. m.

Mr. W. A. Betts spent several days of last week in Raleigh in attendance upon the Sunday School Convention. We welcome him back again.

The improvements in Physics Hall are about completed. Prof. Redd is entirely satisfied by the new arrangement. The new Laboratory in this Hall cannot be beaten in the world for convenience and ventilation.

President Battle delivered several interesting and instructive lectures last week to his class in Political Economy upon the subject of "The value, composition and weight of different coins," also upon the system of measurement.

The Senior Class has met and selected some one to deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon next commencement. It is not yet known whom they have selected, as his acceptance or refusal must be received before it can be made known.

The Di. Library is open on Saturdays from 11, a. m. to 1, p. m.; on Wednesdays from 4 to 4:30, p. m. The Phi. Library is open on Saturdays from 2, p. m. to 4, p. m.; on Wednesdays from 3 to 4, p. m. The University Library opens every Friday evening and remains open during the greater part of the evening.

DEATH OF MRS. VANCE.

After a most painful and lengthy illness, the beloved wife of Gov. Vance passed from earth on Sunday afternoon, at his residence on Fayetteville street at about 5 o'clock. Though not entirely unexpected, yet her death was in some sense a surprise, as she had but recently rallied sufficiently to permit her being brought here to her new home. The sad fact of her demise was not generally known, and numbers of persons here were even on yesterday unaware of it. Immediately after her death, preparations were made for the removal of the body to Asheville, at which point it is to be interred. During the day, yesterday, many of the kind-hearted ladies of the city brought or sent quantities of beautiful flowers, while many friends offered their services. Arrangements were made for special cars to convey the remains and attendants to Asheville.

At 5, p. m., yesterday, the funeral procession took up its way from the mansion. In front was a carriage containing Revs. R. Barwell and J. M. Atkinson, D. D. After this came the hearse, which bore the casket. This was almost hidden by many flowers contributed and made into beautiful shape by tender hands. The casket was placed in the hearse by the following pall bearers: Chief Justice W. N. H. Smith, Maj. W. H. Bagley, R. H. Battle, Esq., E. R. Stamps, Esq., Mr. A. M. McPheeters, Mr. H. A. Gudger, Maj. Tucker and Col. L. L. Polk. On arrival at the Central Depot the casket was placed in a special car, in which Gov. Vance, Miss Baird, of Asheville, Capt. C. N. Vance and cadet Robert Vance, of the family, and Misses Lavine Haywood and Placide and Rosabelle Englehard, lady attendants, took seats. These were accompanied by Rev. J. M. Atkinson, D. D., Mr. H. A. Gudger, Maj. R. S. Tucker and Col. L. L. Polk.

The train left soon after 5 o'clock, and reaches Salisbury at 7 o'clock this morning. From this point a special train is taken for Asheville, which place will be reached at 3 o'clock this evening. The funeral services will be performed by Rev. Arnold W. Miller, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Charlotte, assisted by Dr. Atkinson.

In this connection a brief sketch of the beloved and estimable lady who has departed, may with propriety be given. Harriet Newell Epsy Vance was the daughter of Rev. Thomas Epsy, pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Salisbury, and was born in that town July 11th, 1832. She was married to Gov. Z. B. Vance, at Morganton, August 3rd, 1853, and died in Raleigh, November 3rd, 1878. The life of Mrs. Vance was ever one of piety and she was a faithful and earnest member of the Presbyterian church, in which she did a multitude of good works.

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