

The Western Democrat. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

A TRIP TO THE MOUNTAINS--THE TABLE ROCK.

Mr. Editor: Having left my low-land home on an errand of duty to the town of Morganton, I concluded to spend a few days of recreation in the mountainous regions.

Table Rock is about 16 miles from Morganton. Selecting Piedmont Springs as a point from which to make a visit to this great natural curiosity, I set out from Morganton and passed by a number of fine farms on the fertile banks of the Catawba.

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FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

The Times Paris correspondent says that the Emperor is very anxious to satisfy the European powers of his pacific intentions, and before many days the European powers will be invited to unite in a Congress where the solution of the Italian difficulty will be proposed, which will deserve support for its liberal character.

Gen. Garibaldi has issued a proclamation, dated July 19, to the following effect: However political affairs may tend, in present circumstances, it is the duty of Italians not only not to lay down their arms in manifest discouragement, but to swell their ranks, and to show Europe that, guided by the heroic Victor Emmanuel, they are ready again to confront the vicissitudes of war.

The correspondent of the London Times says that great dissatisfaction exists at Rome. The French soldiers alone keep down a general outbreak.

The Bologna Gazette publishes a declaration that the Romagna Gazette province has shaken off the Papal yoke, never to return again, and that they desire an annexation to Sardeina.

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FEMALE NORMAL SCHOOL, at High Point, 15 miles west of Greensboro, on the N.C. Railroad.

ATTENTION, FARMERS!

The Magic Flour, (patented by J. P. Harris of Mississippi), possesses the advantage of combining FLOUR and LIME. It can be laid five times, and harrowed twelve times without the aid of a Blacksmith.

NEW CROP. Turnip Seed! Turnip Seed! A large supply of superior Turnip Seed—Red Top, Flat Dutch, Ruta Biga, Large Globe.

THRESHING MACHINES AND HORSE POWERS. These celebrated Machines, manufactured by J. H. THOMPSON, at Tyro, Davidson county, N. C., can be seen by calling on the Agent of the N. C. Railroad at the Charlotte Depot.

ETNA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. CASH ASSETS, \$1,750,000. For sale in Charlotte by E. N. YU HUTCHISON & CO., August 2, 1859.

POWER OF IMAGINATION. Dr. Noble, in a very able and analytic lecture, at Manchester, "On the Dynamic Influence of Ideas," told a good anecdote of Mr. Bouthouse, a French savant, in illustration of the power of imagination.

SCENES AT THE WATERING PLACES. A correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger writes as follows: "But the hour for bathing has come, and such a scene! Squads of bathers dressed in a Highland style are moving to the beach."

SAVING YOUR GARDENS.—Mr. E. Lyon, a French Chemist, discovered an Asiatic plant, the powdered leaves of which is a deadly poison to garden worms, ants, roaches, bed-bugs, ticks, bees, and all species of insects, while it is perfectly harmless to mankind and all domestic animals.

PATENTS.—Among the list of Patents issued from the United States Patent Office for the week ending August 16, 1859, we find the following: To John W. Huntley, of Lane's Creek, N. C., for improvement in cotton seed planters.

SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION FROM RUSTY IRON.—Mr. Marsh, an able chemist, found that Iron long under water, when reduced to powder, invariably becomes red-hot and ignites anything it touches.

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