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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—U. S. Gov't Report, Aug. 17, 1889.

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NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator on the estate of Salie Scoggins...

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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Matters of Moment for the Consideration of the Legislature.

The governor's message was read to the general assembly on Thursday. The News and Observer found the document too lengthy for its columns...

STATE DEBT.

and in that connection mentioned that now all the litigation over State bonds had been settled in our favor...

The Funding act ceased to be operative on July 1, 1890, and the entire recognized debt of the State is now \$5,939,131...

He recommends that as the State receives \$180,000 a year from the N. C. R. R., after the payment of interest on the \$2,720,000 six per cent. bonds...

The Treasurer's receipts for 1889 were \$724,506.45, and expenditures were \$819,029.02.

He indicated that the legislature might find a way out of the difficulty, as the commissioners now levied the tax for county purposes first and left the school tax for the last...

EDUCATION.

On the subject of education, the Governor expressed very pronounced views. He cited the provision of the Constitution requiring the commissioners to keep the public schools open at least four months in each year...

The report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction showed that while the general tax in the United States was \$2.11 a head for each school child, in North Carolina it was only 40 cents.

He recommends that the legislature should compel the schools to be kept open the whole term of four months, and that a law be passed allowing any township to increase its own taxation and maintain its schools even for a longer period...

The average term is now but sixty days, being three days less than in 1888. The entire educational receipts for 1890 were \$718,225.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

After some general observations on the importance of agriculture to the people of this State, he referred to the Agricultural Department and the immense service it had been doing since its establishment...

year ending Nov. 30, 1891; and 20 cents for each year thereafter. He thought that tax might be laid.

THE AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE.

The Governor was warm in his praise of this new institution, and hopeful of its beneficial results to the State.

The pupils are so instructed that they can engage in teaching, mining, civil engineering, in managing mills, in farming, building and many lines of work.

He referred to the act of Congress of 1862 donating land grants to agricultural colleges, and the act of 1890 appropriating \$15,000 to such colleges...

The Governor is of opinion that there will be no necessity of an increase of taxation, if we can obtain a fair valuation of lands on a cash basis. There should be a uniform rule according to the true value in money.

THE PENITENTIARY.

The Governor was evidently happy at the good work done by the penitentiary authorities in making that institution self-sustaining, which has been achieved by the earnest efforts of the board of directors.

The convicts had heretofore found remunerative employment at railroad work, but that work was precarious and might be greatly diminished on wholly or in part.

The reason for this lies probably in the fact that the house, as originally built, contained three stories, but when the street was graded, two more stories were added, and the building is now used as a hotel.

Durham's Gain.

Mr. Junius Parker, who for more than a year past has been practicing law in Durham in partnership with Col. C. S. Winsield, left us last Thursday for Durham, where he will make his future home.

After all that we can see, there is a disposition, if not an intention, on the part of some of our educators to organize a guild or corporation of teachers, and to exclude from their profession all who do not conform to the standard.

To settle a bet a man in Van Wert county, Ohio, wheeled a wheelbarrow containing 150 cats for three miles over muddy country road.

The New South's Progress.

According to statistics collected by the Tradesman, which are stated to be reliable, the South in ten years has made almost as marvelous strides in development as many of the new Western communities.

Equally conspicuous is the increase of wealth and the decrease of indebtedness. With the exception of municipal obligations, which are usually incurred with a view to enhancing the property of the taxpayers, there has been a noteworthy decrease of public indebtedness all along the line.

The most remarkable exhibit, however, is in the production of minerals, which has run up from \$3,643,020 in value in 1880, to \$35,608,613 in 1890. In everything, indeed, the showing is gratifying, but in nothing more than in the greater interest manifested in education.

A Railroad Goes Under.

The Atlantic and Danville Railroad has gone into the hands of receivers. At the instance of Newberg & Co., bankers of London, an order was made by the United States circuit judge at Richmond, placing the road in the hands of receivers.

House Built by Washington.

It is a singular fact that the only house ever built in Washington City by the father of his country is still standing on north Capital street in that city, in comparative obscurity.

Preparation for Disappointment.

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Visionary Schemes.

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LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS.

U. A. Doughton Elected Speaker—Harry Skinner Raises a Breeze.

The Democratic House caucus, held the night previous to the opening of the legislature, was an occasion of more than ordinary interest, owing to an entirely unexpected incident that occurred pending the balloting for speaker.

There was intense suppressed excitement while the ballots were being taken; but there was not a ripple on the surface until after the seventh ballot.

Justice to the South. Because there is a heavy percentage of voters in the southern States who do not vote, it is assumed that the vote of the negro is suppressed.

Lexington Ledger: News reached here of a horrible murder at Coggins' mine, in Montgomery county. The particulars, as near as can be learned, are that Jefferson Strange, a boy about fourteen years of age, shot and killed his stepfather, Robert Tysinger, who lived in Silver-Hill township, Davidson county.

Two Encouraging Facts.

The fact that North Carolina was only surpassed last year by three States in the Union in railroad construction is noticeable. The fact that the State made such a striking contrast in its cotton crop of 1890 and 1889, is also another encouraging fact.

Captain Wallace, who was killed in the Indian fight, was one of those open-hearted and magnetic fellows whom his soldiers looked up to as a father, and to whose associate officers he was a brother.

Some time ago Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, the Standard Oil magnate, testified in court that he couldn't swear to his exact fortune by at least ten or twelve millions.

STATE NEWS.

The Forsyth county board of education has made an order prohibiting Mormon missionaries from preaching in school houses.

A contract has been awarded for a Y. M. C. A. building at Wilmington. It will be a handsome structure, and will cost \$31,000.

The Statesville Land Development and Manufacturing Company has been organized. It is expected to accomplish great things for Statesville.

The Pittsboro Record says that an effort will be made to have a new county formed out of the western part of Chatham during the present session of the legislature.

Salisbury Herald: A car load of machinery for the knitting mills has been received and is now being placed in position. Another car load is expected today, which will also be put up as fast as possible.

Greensboro North State: News has reached us of a distressing accident which occurred near Cheek's post office, in Randolph county.

Asheville Citizen: Rev. Dr. W. A. Nelson, pastor of the First Baptist church, will leave Thursday for a trip to the south, and perhaps to Cuba.

Matthew T. Johnson, made 100 bales of cotton on 70 acres this year. A colored man named Robert Clark, hailing from Beaufort county, is preaching to the colored people here on the coming Judgment Day.

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The Young Men's Christian Association of Chicago is to erect a building at LaSalle and Madison streets at a cost of \$1,400,000. The building will have fourteen stories, three of which will be devoted entirely to the work of the association.