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GENTS' FURNISHINGS.

LOCAL BRIEFS

"Spring greens" are now plentiful and cheap.

The ladies are beginning to talk about Easter and—bonnets.

We are glad to know that Mr. M. S. Witherington is recovering from his recent severe illness.

Mrs. J. J. Gay, of Wilson, is on a visit to her parents Capt. and Mrs. T. W. Slocomb, in this city.

EGGS have been unusually cheap for the past few weeks. They are worth 12 cents per dozen in New York.

We learn that within the next few days the blood-hounds will be removed from Fremont and brought to Goldsboro. This is as it should be.

Mr. Jas. H. Robinson has gone down to Wilmington to make up the Receiver's quarterly report for the failed First National Bank of that city.

The next term of our Superior Court will be held April 13th. We are glad that Judge McIVER will preside. He is one of the best judges on the bench.

The Populists say they are going to have the governor, and the Republicans say they are going to have the governor. Well, we shall see what we shall see.

SHERIFF SCOTT says the number of prisoners in jail is much smaller than usual at this season of the year. Perhaps the evil doers keep in mind the blood hounds.

We regret to learn of the death of the wife of Rev. Matlocks, of the colored Methodist church, which occurred Wednesday night in this city. She was highly respected by all who knew her.

The local delegation to the meeting of the Republican State Executive Committee at Raleigh Wednesday, returned to the city today. They seem cheerful and are all "whooping up" Russell for Governor. But the Pops are yet to be heard from.

SOME of our truckers "want to see it turn warm so that gardens will grow," others "want it to keep cold so that the fruit trees will not bloom too early." Such is life. It is well that a more skillful hand than the hand of man forms the weather.

EDITOR Roscover, of the Headlight, has purchased of Mr. M. J. Best that desirable lot adjoining his present residence, and contemplates to combine both vacant lots and erect a handsome two-story residence for himself. We go forward.

HON. F. A. WOODARD has secured for the Goldsboro Rifles' Armory library a complete set of the Records of the war of the rebellion. This is indeed a valuable collection. The Rifles are loud in their praise of the many acts of kindness rendered them by Mr. Woodard.

We were shown Thursday an improved tobacco flue, invented by Mr. J. H. Suggs, of Lenoir county, which is indeed unique in design and bids fair to become very popular among our farmers who are raising tobacco. He claims that for curing tobacco it is unexcelled. Mr. Suggs has applied for a patent.

We exceedingly regret to learn of the death of the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Aycock, of Fremont, of scarlet fever. This only remaining child, a little boy is also expected to die with the same disease. This is indeed very sad, and our people deeply sympathize with these good people in their sad bereavement.

SOME gentlemen on the street were talking about the number of old people in the community—the number of people seventy five years old. How many can you name? Very few. Three score years, ten and five knocks at the door of only a few. If a man has lived for good, if the world has been better and happier for his presence, it is grand to grow old.

THE 1st day of May has been set apart by the United Confederate Veterans' Association to raise funds throughout the South towards complying with the requirements of Mr. C. B. Rouse, of New York, who has contributed one hundred thousand dollars to establishing a Battle Abbey, provided a like sum be raised. The Goldsboro Rifles, with their customary devotion to the Confederate cause, will look after the matter in Goldsboro and to that end they propose to have a grand musical concert, at which all the old familiar war songs will be sung.

MANY Democrats favor the nomination of Lieutenant-Governor Doughton for Governor. Mr. Doughton served eight years in succession as member of the Legislature. He was elected Speaker of the House, and two years later was elected Lieutenant-Governor, which position he now holds. All of these positions he has filled with ability and faithfulness.

The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows will meet here in May. At that time, the corner-stone of the new building at the Orphans' Home will be laid. The building will cost ten thousand dollars. The ceremonies of laying the corner-stone will be peculiarly interesting, and a very large crowd is expected. Excursions will be run from Wilmington, Raleigh, Fayetteville, Tarboro and other places.

EVERYBODY has a kind word for the Emergency Hospital. The good it has already done for suffering humanity has repaid a hundred fold for all the labor bestowed. The very existence of it is itself an educator. Everything that tends to push aside selfishness, that reaches out a helping hand to them in need, has more influence over a community than the shaft of bronze which commemorates some heroic deed.

The shipping of asparagus is not far away. The "grass" usually brings fine prices, and we hope our truckers will realize handsomely. After all, asparagus with city people is perhaps the most popular vegetable. Asparagus was perhaps among the first of the vegetables used for food in the history of the plant shows that it was used in very remote ages. In some parts of England and Russia it grows wild and is so abundant that cattle feed on it.

WHILE two gentlemen were walking through Willow Dale Cemetery, one remarked to the other, as he passed a tomb stone: "I knew well the man who is buried there, and every time I was in his presence I felt that I had been benefited by his conversation." The plain white marble slab at the head of the grave bore no title, nor did it relate any deeds of heroism enacted by him who rested there; but that man by purity of life has left an influence for good that is working, working, working all the time.

A GENTLEMAN well acquainted with the county for many years, remarked that there is more meat and bread in Wayne county than ever before at this time of the year. From present outlook, however, we fear that our farmers are going to make the great mistake of planting too much cotton. Just as certain as the night follows the day, a big crop of cotton will result in a very low price; perhaps, a price below the cost of production. The farmer who makes cotton a surplus crop is on the safe side.

At a special meeting of the board of aldermen, held Thursday night, Col. J. A. Washington, Messrs. B. H. Griffin, and John F. Southerland were duly elected members of the Board of Aldermen to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of Messrs. Henry Lee, W. T. Hollowell and Nathan O'Berry. The retiring members having composed the Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen, they submitted a report showing that on the first day of May the city owed \$7,393.67. This debt has been reduced to \$2,630.28, leaving a balance in the hands of the treasurer of \$450.00. This statement does not include the old bank building, which has been disposed of by them. This is indeed an excellent showing and shows the wise financial management of the Finance Committee.

It is noticeable that a good many farmers are paying more attention to the raising of forage crops. Last year quantities of pea vane hay was raised. One reason of the increase is that farmers have learned better how to cure it. But there is, we think, a still stronger reason. Many farmers have found that it does not pay to pull fodder. If there are any who have doubts about this let them experiment this year, and they will be easily convinced. Take two rows of corn, side by side, pull the fodder from one row, let the fodder dry up on the other; weigh the cured fodder; at gathering time gather and weigh the corn from each of the rows. If the weather has been auspicious for curing the fodder, at the ordinary price of labor it will not pay. Take one year with another, on account of unfavorable weather much fodder is lost and damaged; when this is the case, of course there is a great loss. We know an intelligent farmer to make careful experiments, and we base our remarks on the result of his experiments, as well as from our own observation.

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UNITED STATES SENATORS.

We have heretofore stated that the Committee on Privileges and Elections of the United States Senate has made a report in favor of changing the Federal Constitution so as to provide that senators shall be chosen by a direct vote of the people, instead of by the legislature of the several States. But there is still a long road to travel before the proposed change can become the law of the land. Senator Hoar is opposed to the change in question, and made a year or two ago a powerful speech in opposition to the proposed constitutional amendment. The United States Constitution, as it stands now, provides that the Congress, whenever two thirds of both houses shall deem it necessary, shall propose amendments to the Constitution, or, on the application of the legislatures of two thirds of the several States, shall call a convention for proposing amendments, which in either case, shall be valid to all intents and purposes, as part of the Constitution, when ratified by the legislatures of three fourths of the several States, or by conventions in three fourths thereof, as the one or the other mode of ratification may be proposed by Congress.

It will be seen that the shortest way to amend the Constitution is by proposing amendments to be ratified by the legislatures of three fourths of the several States. That is to say, the amendment under consideration must be ratified by the legislatures of thirty-four States before it can be incorporated into the Constitution. When will there be found thirty-four State legislatures in favor of electing United States Senators by a vote of the people? The small States may be expected always to look with a jealous eye upon any changes which may be proposed to be made in the Constitution, seeing that these small States have each as much strength in the United States Senate as each large State.

We recall these facts, not because we are opposed to electing United States Senators by popular vote, but, rather, to remind our readers that it may be a long time before the Constitution can be changed so as to put this power into the hands of the people.

'RISP AND SMITH.

Two Senatorial Candidates in Georgia to Talk on the Financial Question.

Atlanta, Ga., March 19. Congressman Crisp and Secretary Hoke Smith are going to indulge in a series of joint debates in Georgia on the financial question. This was decided in Washington to-day. Several days ago it was announced on Judge Crisp's authority that he was going to make a series of speeches in Georgia and inviting any other candidate for Senator to meet him. Secretary Smith expressed his willingness, but said nothing of his candidacy for the Senate.

In the letters which passed to-day Judge Crisp asked the direct question as preliminary to negotiations for joint debate. The Secretary replied by saying that in seven months before the Senator is to be elected, that he is not now a candidate and does not desire to become one. Judge Crisp replied by pointing out that in three months the people of Georgia would be expressing their views on this matter in the primaries, but the Secretary would be no more explicit about his candidacy. Crisp accepted his invitation for a joint meeting at Augusta on March 31, and at Atlanta April 4, and said he wanted five or six others.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists, price 75c per bottle.

How the Seeds Will be Distributed.

Congress has determined that the several States must have seeds at the public expense, and the Secretary of Agriculture is making strenuous efforts to carry out the requirements of the joint resolution directing him to distribute seeds in season for the spring planting. He has advertised for three hundred tons of seeds to be put up into 450 allotments, or one for each Senator and Representative, each allotment, to contain 15,000 packages of seeds, and to be put in strong grain sacks. In plain terms Secretary Morton will furnish each Senator and Congressman with his seeds for distribution all ready to be directed to his admiring agricultural constituents. We doubt whether Senators and Congressmen will be quite happy over the alacrity of Secretary Morton to prepare seeds by the hundreds of tons ready for distribution. In the old days the political plan from the purchase of the seeds all through the process of putting them up and mailing them to the farmers. The purchases were made in bulk of seed dealers with a pull; the seed was put up in the Seed Bureau by women and other employees appointed through the influence of Congressmen, and the work of directing and mailing the packets was largely done at the public expense by those who owed their positions to the several Congressmen in whose districts they were to be distributed.

Secretary Morton being a business rather than a political Secretary of Agriculture, has determined to purchase and distribute seeds on the business plan. He has advertised for bids for certain specified kinds of seeds, put up in the kind of packages wanted, delivered at Washington in allotments ready to be turned over to each Congressman and Senator. The seed will cost no more than the market price, the labor of packing will be done for just what it will cost the successful bidders to pack seeds for their private customers, and each Congressman and Senator will be required to direct and mail his 15,000 packets of seeds at his own expense.

Under this business-like arrangement the chances are that better seeds will be secured at a less cost to the government than ever before, but whether the seeds will benefit the farmers will depend a good deal upon the political influence of the particular farmer in any given district. The distribution of 15,000 packets of seed in each Congressional district will involve a good deal of cost and labor to the Congressional distributors if furnished to farmers promiscuously, and there will be a strong temptation to send seeds by the wholesale to the few farmers in each district. Let us, my countrymen, my great masses of the farmers to get their seeds by purchase or by growing them. The new method of distribution is no more likely to prove a general public benefit than the old, but it possesses this merit that it will cost the tax-payers less money.

Churford Standard: Mrs. Margaret Fink, of Mt. Pleasant, an aged lady and widow of the late Wilson Fink, died suddenly Wednesday. The burial took place (Thursday) evening at 4 o'clock at St. John's burying ground.

Raleigh News and Observer: Mrs. Dora M. Canfield died last evening at her home on McDowell street, at 10 o'clock. She was the wife of Rev. J. A. Canfield who for some months past has been the assistant minister of Christ church with especial order during the mission chapel of St. Saviour. Mrs. Canfield has been a sufferer many months with the dread malady, consumption, and while her death was not unexpected the end came rather suddenly.

Greensboro Record: Rev. Samuel Purdy, who left North Carolina in 1871 and spent fourteen years as a missionary in Mexico, was here last night and took the 7:40 train south, his destination being San Salvador, Central America. Mr. Purdy is a native of Randolph county and is a most devout man, and a hard worker. He will open a mission in his new home and may spend the remainder of his days there. He is a member of the Society of Friends.

DAVIS' LAST PROCLAMATION

A Correspondent Resurrects the Historic Document From a Herald File

In an old issue of the New York Herald, under date of Saturday, April 15, 1865, among other interesting items is the last proclamation of Jefferson Davis. It is written in faultless English and breathes a spirit of undying loyalty to the "lost cause." Believing that many of your readers would enjoy reading it, I herewith send it.

W. R. BRANHAM

"Danville, Va., April 5, 1865.—The general-in-chief found it necessary to make such movements of his troops as to uncover the capital. It would be unwise to conceal the moral and material injury to our cause resulting from the occupation of our capital by the enemy. It is equally unwise and unworthy of us to allow our own energies to falter and our efforts to become relaxed under adverse, however calamitous they may be. For many months the largest and finest army of the Confederacy, under command of a leader whose presence inspires equal confidence in the troops and the people, has been greatly trampled by the necessity of keeping constant watch over the approaches to the capital, and has been thus forced to forego more than one opportunity for promising enterprise. It is for us, my countrymen, to show by our bearing under reverses how wretched has been the self-deception of those who have believed us less able to endure misfortune with fortitude, than to encounter dangers with courage. We have now entered upon a new phase of the struggle. Relieved from the necessity of guarding particular points, our army will be free to move from point to point, to strike the enemy in detail far from his base. Let us but will it, and we are free. Animated by that confidence in spirit and fortitude which never yet failed me, I announce to you, fellow countrymen, that it is my purpose to maintain your cause with my whole heart and soul; that I will never consent to abandon to the enemy one foot of the soil of any one of the states of the Confederacy, and that Virginia—noble State—whose ancient renown has been eclipsed by her still more glorious recent history; whose people has been heard to receive the main shock of this war; whose sons and daughters have exhibited heroism so sublime as to render her illustrious in all time to come—that Virginia with the help of the people and by the blessing of Providence—shall be held and defended and no peace ever be made with the infamous invader of her territory.

"If by the stress of numbers we shall ever be compelled to a temporary withdrawal from her limits—or those from any other border State, again and again will we return until the baffled and exhausted enemy shall abandon in despair his endless and impossible task of making slaves of a people resolved to be free. Let us then not despond, my countrymen; but relying upon God, meet the foe with fresh defiance and with unconquered and unconquerable hearts.

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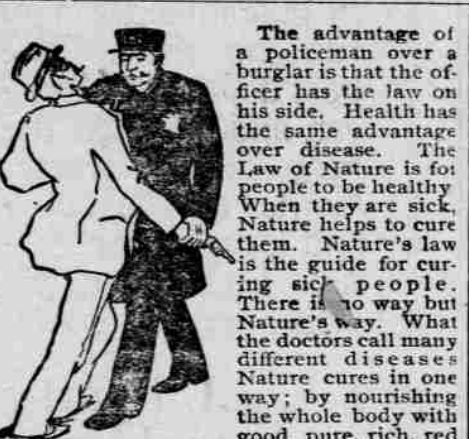
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"I would like to tell the whole world what your 'Golden Medical Discovery' has done for me. The doctor, who is considered an expert on lung troubles, told me I had consumption. He said both my lungs were diseased and I could not live long. I felt down-hearted for I have dear little children to live for. I just went to him to get his opinion. I am glad I did for now I know what your medicine will do. When I took the first bottle I was better in every way and was able to take a walk every day. I could get my sleep, my appetite was good, and by the time I had finished the second bottle I began to feel like a new woman. I still have not had a cough, a third bottle, and by the time it was half gone I was completely cured."

James Gattfield

77 Mary St., Hamilton, Ont., Can.

WASHINGTON—JEFFERSON.

Joint Debate Between Davis Military School Literary Societies.

The Washington and Jefferson Literary Societies of the Davis Military School held a joint debate in the chapel of the Salem Academy Monday evening.

The Washingtonians wore their colors, blue and white, while the Jeffersonians were dressed in red and black. The Academy girls chose their respective societies and wore colors to match.

Here is the program carried out:

MUSIC. DECLAMATIONS. Serg't. Maj. C. E. Ellis, J. L. S. —Supposed Speech of Adams. Cadet R. L. Derrick, W. L. S. —Surrey's Dream.

MUSIC. Cadet S. L. Sinnott, J. L. S. —South Pathfall to Her Duties. Cadet S. C. Modlin, W. L. S. —Uncle Redden's Baptism.

MUSIC. DEBATE.

QUESTION—Resolved that the United States Government should own and control all the Railroads operated within its confines.

Cadet C. T. Smith, J. L. S. —Affirmative. Quartermaster S. B. Cameron: W. L. S. —Negative. Bugler R. S. Dulin, J. L. S. —Affirmative. Cadet G. C. Oates, W. L. S. —Negative.

MUSIC. OFFICERS.

Capt. R. G. A. Love, J. L. S., President. Adjt. E. P. Boon, W. L. S., Scribe. Lieut. T. H. Nevin, J. L. S., Censor.

The debate was both lively and creditable, reflecting honor upon the cadets and the school Messrs. John Blair, E. A. Ebert and Miss Lehman were the Judges. Their verdict was in favor of the affirmative.—Winston Sentinel.

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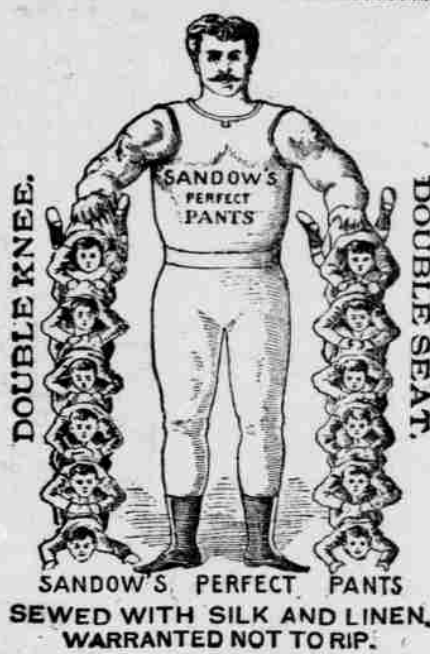
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