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The appointment of Prof. Goode as fish commissioner is commended on all sides, even by republican papers.

A bull movement in coffee is announced. The bull movement occurs when the article is tossed off, we presume.

There is going to be a railroad into the rich region of Onslow county, Wilmington and New Bern.

It appears that Atlanta is not only to be painted red during the exposition but white and blue as well.

The Charlotte Chronicle has reduced the freezing point to 30—in view of the approaching winter, we presume.

There was a white frost at Blowing Rock Sunday. The thermometer in the hotel indicated a temperature of but thirty-six degrees.

The schools of the State are all opening with fine attendance of pupils, the proportions of new scholars being generally much in excess of those of previous years.

The Goldsboro Argus suggests that Chairman Battle call a meeting of representing democrats in Raleigh during fair week to reason together with respect to the political situation.

There is a renewal of the pocket pistol agitation or rather the no-pocket pistol agitation in the southern press and the general opinion is that both the pocket and the pistol must go.

The Carthage road is "coming," we are told, and we hope it will be followed by many other branch roads like it throughout the State.

Who realizes ordinarily that we have the largest cigarette factory in the world in North Carolina—in Durham? Yet the fact is even so.

There are some papers so absorbed in admiration of themselves that they can see nothing to admire in other folks and so have no temptation to "puff" anybody.

It is now time that we should know definitely whether or not the President is going to visit us. If he is coming we should be informed of the fact so that we may prepare such a welcome for him as we desire to give.

The seven condemned Chicago anarchists are to hang, it appears. There is a report of information to the effect that the Supreme Court will affirm the death verdict against them.

Mr. Davis' review of the Life of Calhoun in the North American Review will attract wide attention. He endeavors to show that Calhoun was national in his views and purposes.

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OUR PENITENTIARY SYSTEM.

Elsewhere we print a communication on the penitentiary system of the State. In it certain questions are asked which we will answer as we are able to do after some inquiry and examination.

In the first place we supposed it was generally known that it is not the settled policy to return the railway bonds received for convict labor.

As to the matter of the wives of overseers being permitted to stay with their husbands, we understand that they are permitted to do so at times and during the periods of their stay they eat in the "messes" established by the men.

We do not suppose was seriously put. We did not, at any rate, think to ask for information on the subject. It is probable, however, that the convicts have some sort of garment to sleep in other than the clothes they wear and work in during the day, for the sake of health.

We must not be understood, however, as apologists for any irregularity or laxity in the management of penitentiary affairs. We have had occasion to criticize that management in terms other than complimentary more than once.

We all know that the question of convict labor is one which is perplexing every State. In Georgia they have tried to make the prison system pay and so have adopted the lease plan in full with the result of the many outrages upon the convicts which we hear of every day.

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WEDDING RING ROMANCES.

Married With a Red Curtain Ring—A Circle of Kid—The Death's Head. Jewelry News.

In speaking of wedding rings, we learn that these important symbols have not always been manufactured from the precious metal gold.

We are told that in lieu of a ring the church key has often been used; and Walpole tells of an instance where a curtain ring was employed.

The Duke of Hamilton fell so violently in love with the younger of the celebrated Misses Gunning at a party in Lord Chesterfield's house that two days after he sent for a parson to perform the marriage ceremony; but as the duke had neither license nor ring the clergyman refused to act.

Nothing daunted, Hamilton declared "he would send for the archbishop." At last they were married with a ring of the bed curtain at 12:30 o'clock at night, at Mayfair Chapel.

Forgetful bridegrooms have been reduced to greater straits than this even; in one instance a leather ring had, on the spur of the moment, to be cut out of a piece of kid from the bride's glove.

A tragic story of a forgotten wedding ring is told in the "Lives of the Lindseys." When he should have been at church, Colin Lindsay, the young Earl of Balaarros, was quietly eating his breakfast in nightgown and slippers; when reminded that Maucitia was waiting for him at the altar, he hurried to church but forgot the ring.

A friend present gave him one which he without looking at, placed on the bride's finger. After the ceremony was over the Countess glanced at her hand and beheld a grinning death's head on her ring. She fainted away, and the omen made such an impression on her that on her recovery she declared she was destined to die within a year; a presentiment that probably brought about its own fulfillment, for in a few months the careless Colin was a widower.

Wouldn't Marry Among the Heathen. Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.

SALISBURY, Md., August 31.—An amusing scene occurred at the Maryland Steamboat Company's wharf here today. About fourteen months ago Mrs. Cordelia Geare, of 1220 Light street, Baltimore, advertised in the Heart and Hand, published at Chicago, for a husband.

Mr. George W. Fooks, a gentleman living near Salisbury, saw the advertisement and answered it, and from that time a correspondence has been kept up, resulting finally in an engagement to marry.

The marriage was arranged to take place in Salisbury. A short while ago Mrs. Geare wrote to Mr. Fooks that she might be expected here today. She was taken sick in the meantime and informed her affianced that she could not come.

Today however, she arrived here on the steamer Pratt. Mr. Fooks was not at the wharf to meet her. She was interviewed by several parties, and after it was learned in what difficulty she found herself a courier was dispatched for Mr. Fooks, who soon arrived in his matrimonial garb.

By this time over a hundred people were on the wharf, and everybody who knew the would-be groom congratulated him and received hearty thanks in return. In the saloon the lovers met for the first time. After a short talk Mrs. Geare said that there were so many people on the wharf who acted so much like heathens that she would not live in Salisbury for any consideration; but if Mr. Fooks would go to Baltimore and live she would marry him.

Mr. Fooks then came out and announced to his friends that the marriage was off for the present. Mrs. Geare returned to Baltimore on the boat. She is about 35 years old, and a widow. Mr. Fooks is about 45 years old, and a widower.

Spirit of the State Press. No subscriber to any newspaper can, or rather ought to expect its editor's opinions to agree with his in everything.

Neither editors nor subscribers are infallible, and both are liable to err; but let each remember that it is human to err, it is divine to forgive. Let each ascribe to the other the same honesty of purpose that he claims for himself.

It certainly does seem very childish for any subscriber to a paper to stop his subscription simply because he does not agree with the editor in his opinion upon some one subject, when they agree on all other subjects.

It is the duty of a public journalist to uphold the right and condemn the wrong, and all good citizens should sustain him in fearlessly discharging his duty, even if some of them happen now and then to differ with his opinion on some particular subject.

Attempted Suicides. Shelby New Era. Mr. J. Devinney Putnam, a farmer living on the Spangler place near Shelby, attempted to commit suicide last Thursday by hanging. Mr. Putnam had tied a rope around his neck and was putting it over a joint in a room in his dwelling, when some

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