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THE BALLOON A FAILURE.

The cotton balloon was filled with 400,000 feet of gas on Friday last and bursted, nearly suffocating a crowd on the lee side. Thus ends the experiment with a cotton balloon. It is now suggested that the New York *Herald* try one of stronger material, and that its intellectual department go up with it. The supposition is that the exhibition money paid all the expenses and that the *Graphic* has made money by the fizzle.

VIRGINIA.

The remarkable campaign now being fought for the Governorship of Virginia is attracting but little of the attention which it should, as it is fraught with interest to all classes of citizens. On the one side the Conservatives are preaching of negro rule and supremacy, and invite all those who desire to avert that state of affairs to elect Kemper. On the other hand, the Republicans who believe in a government of and by the people, invite and urge the claims of Hughes, who is a true representative of the progressive man of the age who knows no difference between *citizens* on account of color or condition. The struggle is a desperate one, and the Conservatives by exciting the prejudice of race, have the easier task to perform, provided they can make the bugbear "social equality" appear sufficiently monstrous by fictitious showing. There are 30,000 more whites than blacks in Virginia, and the contest is unequal, the balance of power being in the favor of prejudice, not right and sense. We shall see if Virginians can rise superior to prejudice, and if so, shall hail with delight the dawn of a new era in the State which is rightly named the mother of statesmen.

Extracts from Our Washington Letter of September 11, 1873.

While the grangers are fighting the railroad monopolies and working up a great and important problem in civilization, it would be well for them to consider some important facts in regard to their own status of production. The census shows that one fifth of the population of the great corn and wheat region of the North-west are engaged in agriculture, yet their industry is mostly confined to those in cereals, and to the production of beef and pork. Therefore they are unburdened with food products, the money value of which depends upon the demands of a distant market. The railroad monopolies find both temptation and opportunity in the necessities of transportation. However, nature, according to its present principles, can scarcely be expected to withstand this temptation. Would it not be far better to engage a portion of the capital and labor employed in this great surplus cereal production in the production of other agricultural staples—sugar beets, for instance?

The revolution in the world's production and exchange is indicated by some significant facts lately transpiring. Among these is the order of a Liverpool firm upon a Pennsylvania iron establishment for one hundred tons of merchant bar-iron. We have hitherto been dependent upon England for our supplies of this metal, so important to our industrial and commercial interests. That dependence is now a thing of the past, and the case is being rapidly reversed. When once an iron interest is thoroughly organized we can dispense with a protective tariff, and that question will be at rest.

The payment of the Alabama Indemnity fund has given rise to a question as to how it shall be held in trust for the parties for whom it was paid. Shall it be invested in national securities of various denominations, or shall one large bond be executed for the whole amount —$15,500,000. It will then resemble the Navy Pension Fund, except that the latter bears interest at only three per cent. in currency, while the Alabama Fund draws six per cent. in gold.

The railroad war is waxing sharp. King Tom Scott, of the great Pennsylvania combination, has attempted to capture the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore line, and to interrupt its connection with the Baltimore and Ohio between Washington and New York. [illegible] prove successful, the latter will be thrown back upon the New Jersey Southern for its eastern connections—a new line which will be completed to Baltimore the middle of October. The completion of this new road has already cut down the fare from New York to Philadelphia from $3.25 to $2.25. The public, of course, are benefitted by this competition. Garret, the Baltimore and Ohio King, is in Europe, in ill health. It is intimated the management will soon devolve on a more healthy and vigorous man.

The Agricultural Department has received from Coffee county, Tennnessee, a specimen of the German millet, lately introduced in that locality. It produces from two to four tons per acre, and is much relished by all kinds of livestock. It produces an entire revolution in the grass culture of that region, and meets an especial want of the Southern States. It appears that the agricultural industry of those States is becoming more diversified each year, and that wealth and prosperity are proportionately on the increase.

(COMMUNICATED.)

Mr. Editor:

At a late meeting of the Board of Trustees of the New Berne Academy, the subject of education was pretty fully discussed, together with the ways and means of furnishing every child resident in New Berne with at least a common school education, and the Board resolved as a body, to use their best efforts towards providing a school for the education of the colored children of the place, the New Berne Academy furnishing ample facilities for the education of the whites.

It is a sin and shame, Mr. Editor, that the people of New Berne have not taken hold of this subject long ago. To think that we have such a large number of children between the ages of six and twenty-one years who do not attend school and to-day, because they have none. I repeat, it is a sin and a shame, that our people will permit those, so lately their slaves, to grow up in ignorance. One would think that the dictates of policy would be sufficient, let alone any better motive influencing our people, to determine them to at once educate rather than attempt to prevent violations of the criminal law by punishment, for it is a well established fact, that where schools abound jails and reformatory institutions are rarely tenanted. We see well organized societies in our midst, having for their object the relief of the destitute, but no attention paid to the subject of education among the poor, whether white or black. Graduates of some of the highest institutions of learning in the land, oppose most bitterly, any scheme, looking to the education of the poor children, and particularly those who are colored. They will admit in conversation, all the advantages of having an education, want their own boys and girls to graduate, speak with pride of *their* days at Chapel Hill, or Harvard, or Princeton, but say their taxes are high enough now without being taxed to educate these *niggers!* Oh! ha! that is at last the truth! *taxes and niggers.* Poor deluded souls, I pity you, sad it is, that men of intelligence will allow self interest, or what is worse, *prejudice* to so warp their judgment. I regard it as a duty that can not be put aside, that of educating those who so badly need instruction, to teach those who so eagerly seek information, to give where giving costs so little—a duty higher and holier than often occurs to the Anglo Saxon.

In both Wilmington and Raleigh, large and elegant structures have been erected for the sole use and occupancy of the colored people as school houses, and they are buildings that reflect credit upon those places, while New Berne once called the Athens of North Carolina makes no provision for the intellectual culture of a large majority of her population.

"Religion, morality and knowledge being necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged." So says the Constitution of the State, but what encouragement have "schools and the means of education" received? How very small a proportion of our children attend school? Out of a population of 20,516 in Craven County only 1,223 attend school, and why? *because schools and the means of education are not encouraged!*

Of that population of 20,516, nine thousand five hundred and sixty-seven over the age of 10 years, cannot read—how many there are below that age who cannot read, God only knows. Do not these figures show a terrible state of affairs? what are our people thinking of? Can we expect immigration and do we expect any sensible man will bring a family of boys and girls to Craven county, when he must either employ a private tutor, or allow them to grow up in ignorance? I tell you, sir, prosperity will never attend us until we put the spelling book in the hands of *every* child, build school houses, and have them so convenient that the little ones can attend whether the weather be good or bad, and here in New Berne, we should make extra efforts, and compete with our sister cities in this matter, and although our school structures may not be so pretentious as theirs, have the means of acquiring an education within the reach of every child in the city. W.

There is much dissatisfaction existing in New York regarding the transportation of the United States Mails by ocean steamers, and the P. M. General is called upon to make a change in the line. It is claimed by the New York *Times* that the Williams and Guion line of Philadelphia should be patronized if the mails are to be transported by an American line. It appears that their line is the fastest and most regular one to England.

MISCELLANEOUS.

There is a boys' gambling house at Long Branch.

The Fisk Jubilee Singers are meeting with great success in Scotland.

No amateur farmer can be said to have achieved success until he has lost $50,000.

The season being about over at Cape May, the authorities have closed the gambling saloons.

A modern philosopher says: "Show me a man's hat and I will tell you the size of his head."

The possessors of the Tichborne estate are already out of pocket about $800,000 by their fight with "the claimant."

Widows who have lost two husbands are the only ladies who have, as yet, evinced much interest in the "third term" question.

The Chief of Wudwan one of the Kattayawar States, India, offers a prize of 100 rupees for an essay on "the evil effects of intoxicating drugs."

The English Bookseller publishes an appeal to the book and associated trades to be well represented at our International Exhibition in 1876.

The new forts around Paris are to be begun this month. There will be twenty-two of them. It is said that when erected the siege of Paris will be impossible.

Minister Schenck has been making a tour of the English summer resorts with his three daughters, who are very much admired and courted in fashionable society abroad.

The Rev. Hermann Bokum, of Atlanta, Ga, has finished the translation of the "Evidences of Christianity," by the late Bishop McIlvaine, into the German language. It will be published at an early day.

The basement of the City Hall of Springfield, Mass., is full of liquors seized for violation of the law, and the authorities are obliged to hire cellars and unoccupied stores in which to keep the fast accumulating stock.

A man has told a reporter of the St. Louis Republican that, on a lonely island, he met Wilkes Booth, who sent a token that his brother Edwin would recognize. The reporter took nearly two columns to write up the story.

One hundred and forty girls, all under thirteen years of age, picking over rags in a New York warehouse, struck for higher wages the other day, made speeches, passed resolutions, and went back to work at the same old figure.

Not long since one of the light fingered gentry, dressed in letter carriers' uniform, picked the lock of a Postoffice pillar box in London, opened the door, and carried off the letters. The thing was done at 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

That exceedingly rare occurrence, a diamond wedding, took place in Canton Zurich, Switzerland, last month, and the pastor who married the couple sixty years ago was among the guests, all three being robust and in the best of health.

By a circular from the Egyptian Foreign Office the foreign consuls in Egypt have been informed that the sale of arms to the Abyssinians is henceforth forbidden in Egypt, and that all arms arriving in Egypt for Abyssinia will be confiscated.

The Lynchburg Republican says: "Owing to the extraordinary spell of wet weather, many of our tobacco manufacturers have, we learn, been forced to suspend operations for the present. This interruption will throw many needy laborers out of employment temporarily."

A Franklin street, boy found a pocket book belonging to a Mill Plain man, on Saturday, and restored it to the owner, who gave him a five cent piece. The boy looked at the coin an instant, and then handing it reluctantly back, audibly sighed as he said, "I can't change it."

A French countess seized a philosopher at the supper table, and, sinking her voice to a whisper, said, "While they are cutting up the fowls, and we have got five minutes to spare, do tell me the history of the world, for I want to know it so much."

Master Pratt, aged 11, of Lanesboro, Mass., died the other day from the effects of too much of this amateur indulgence. He spent a whole forenoon in somersaulting, in consequence of which his bowels became so twisted and tied into hard knots that in ten days the derangement proved fatal.

The greatest novelty of modern medical and chemical science is found in Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets, or Sugar-Coated, Concentrated Root and Herbal Juice, Anti-Bilious Granules—scarcely larger than mustard seed, yet possessing as much cathartic power as the old style of large, repulsive pills, while they are more easily taken and are pleasant in effect. 25 cents a vial, by Druggists.

STATE.

—The Wilmington jail now harbors thirty-five criminals.

—Raleigh is now luxuriating in oysters from Norfolk.

—The Raleigh Foxes are playing havoc with chickens in the Eastern Ward.

—A seven inch shrimp was on exhibition at the Wilmington Market on Monday.

—Mrs. Minnie Whitaker, the Editress of the *Friend of Temperance* is confined to her room by sickness.

—Maj. J. A. Engelhard of the Wilmington *Journal*, and family are registered at the Yarborough House Raleigh.

—A brilliant affair in the way of a hop came off at the National Hotel in Raleigh on Saturday night last.

—Two hundred and fifty hands and sixty mules and wagons are now employed on the State Fair Grounds and buildings.

—The Wilmington, City Clerk and Treasurer will advertise and sell all property in that city on which taxes remain unpaid on the 1st. of October.

—At the Superior Court of Bladen last week, Moses Purdie, was found guilty of stealing an umbrella, and sentenced to the penitentiary for two years.

—The State Fair Executive Committee intend planting one fourth acre of ground in cotton for the purpose of testing the two cotton choppers recently patented in this State.

—His Excellency, Governor Caldwell issued pardons on Monday last to Geo. McCall of Wake, and Noah Fox of Alexander County. The former was convicted of burglary in 1870, and the latter of Larceny in 1868.

—The different colored clubs, companies and associations of Wilmington now promptly expel any member who makes himself amenable to the laws by any action of a criminal character.

—A meeting of timber makers was held at Elizabethtown, Bladen County, on Monday last to devise means by which abuses in the measurement of timber in the port of Wilmington could be remedied.

—A sting from a spider came near resulting fatally to a young colored man of Wilmington a day or two since. A physician had to remain by his side during the entire night after the occurrence.

—The Newton Vindicator says: Dr. J. J. Mott's saw mill, on Mountain Creek, was entirely destroyed by fire last Tuesday night. A serious loss to the Doctor, also to that neighborhood, it being the only saw mill in that section. Loss $1 000.

—Says the Greensboro *Patriot*. We have in our office a couple stalks of cotton eight feet high raised by Col. Joseph A. Houston, near Ore Hill in Chatham county. This is pretty tall cotton for this up-country.

—The intelligence that James Dial, the alleged murderer of Floyd Oxendine, had surrendered himself, has been confirmed.—He is now in jail at Lumberton, and will stand his trial at the next term of the Superior Court for Robeson County.

—Says the *New North State:* There are a hundred and ten pupils in attendance at the Greensboro Female College. This is an encouraging start. The whole building will be complete in a few weeks, and there is little doubt that as many more young ladies will soon be entered.

—Says the Raleigh *News:* We are informed by Governor Caldwell that Revenue officer Deaver and party were fired upon on Saturday last in South Mountain, Burke county, by a party of men lying in ambush. None of the party fired on, we believe, were hurt, but were obliged to beat a retreat. Deaver has asked for assistance at the hands of the government to enforce the law in that section of the country.

—Says the Wilmington *Star:* We learn that while some persons were engaged in digging in a marl pit in the neighborhood of Holly Shelter, in this county, a few days since, an anchor was discovered about twenty feet below the surface of the ground, firmly imbedded in the marl. How long it had been there is a matter for conjecture only, but the article as described bears a great resemblance to those in use at the present day. The question is, how did it get there?

—The Goldsboro *Messenger* says: The sheriff of Pensacola, Florida, wishes information of a family named Page, living in this section. The sheriff adds: "A man died here who went by the name of B. B. Watson, and there is a man here by the name of Wm. Jones, col., who says that he knew him in your county; also says his father's name is Ephram Page. The deceased is Stephen Page, according to the darkie's story. Page died of Yellow Fever."

—Says the Wilmington *Star*. We understand that an application has reached this city and will be submitted to Col. Fremont, requesting on behalf of the survivors of the Mexican war at Raleigh the assembling of the State Convention at Raleigh on the 15th of October, that being the week of the State Fair, instead of Goldsboro, as at first suggested. We expect that this change will be made. It will certainly add an additional feature to the proceedings of that interesting occasion.

—The Enfield *Times* says: "We have to record a sad accident that occurred in this county a few miles from this place on last Tuesday morning. Mr. Lewis Sherrin, a young man about twenty years old, having gone to a neighbor's house for the purpose of going to hunt squirrels, set the breech of his gun on the step, when, as is supposed, the gun slipped, the hammers coming in contact with the step, fired the gun; the charge taking effect in Mr. Sherrin's month and killing him instantly."

—Says the Raleigh *News*. A Mr. Lashley living in the neighborhood of Lashley's X roads on the Raleigh & Augusta Air Line Railroad, in this county, while sinking a well on his premises a few days ago, at the distance of twenty feet from the surface, struck a large stratum of copper ore and on yesterday brought to the city specimens for scientific inspection. Every indication shows that the stratum is inexhaustible, and should the ore prove O. K., the neighborhood of Lashley's will be a good field for well diggers in search of a job.

TELEGRAPHIC.

FROM NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.

The *Times* says that Father O'Farrell, pastor of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, informed his parishioners on Sunday last that he wished to retract anything dictorial he may have said to them during his canvass of the Parish for the pupils of his new parochial school, and adds that this action on the part of the Rev. Father O'Farrell is said to have been the result of an intimation from the authorities of the Catholic Church that the extreme measures resorted to by him were not approved.

The first frost of the season made its appearance here this morning.

An Havana letter, says of the burning of the Tacon market, the actual loss of life is not known; thus far it is variously estimated at from 20 to 50. The loss of property has been roughly estimated, the lowest putting it at $3,000,000 and the highest at $8,000,000.

The Lutheran Church and several stores and stables, at Rondout, N. Y., have been burned—loss $50,000.

FROM LOUISIANA.

SHREVEPORT, Sept. 16.

There were 22 deaths here yesterday, and many more last night.

There were 15 interments yesterday.

The condition of the town is simply heart-rending, and the suffering is something fearful to contemplate.

FROM MASSACHUSETTS.

BOSTON, Sept. 16.

Ex-Mayor Gaston, in a letter, formally accepts the Democratic nomination for Governor.

FROM MICHIGAN.

GRAND HAVEN, Sept. 16.

The propeller Iron Sides, of the Engleman Line, connecting with the Detroit and Milwaukee railway, and one of the largest steamers on the Lakes, foundered and sunk seven miles off this port at noon to-day.

Thirty-two passengers are known to have been saved, and fourteen bodies are recovered. There were no Southerners.

FROM VIRGINIA.

RICHMOND, Sept. 16.

The twenty-first annual session of the American Pharmaceutical Association commenced in this city to-day.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.

Money easy at 6@7 per cent. Gold quiet and steady at 111⅛@111¼. Government securities—nothing doing.

Cotton steady for old—sales of 2,189 bales at 20¼ cents for Uplands and 20⅜ cents for Orleans. Southern flour dull and declining at $7@$8 30; common to fair extra, $8 35@$11; good to choice, $8 35@$11. Corn opened at ½@1 cent better, and closed with the advance lost—sales at 60@68 cents for steamer western mixed. Pork quiet and a shade firmer—new mess $17 95. Spirits turpentine lower at 42½@43 cents. Rosin quiet at $3 10.

FOREIGN NEWS.

LONDON, Sept. 16.

Fifty-eight buildings in Aukland, New Zealand, have been burned. The loss is estimated at $250,000.

The sawdust swindlers, since they have been excluded from the mails, inform their dupes that "the mails are very unsafe," and money must be sent to them by express.

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