

The Progress



LINCOLN, N. C.

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THIRD VOLUME.

With last week's issue the Progress began its third year as a public journal, and we are happy to state that its success is established beyond peradventure.

THE DIFFICULTIES OF AN EDITOR.

An editor cannot step without treading on some body's toes. If he expresses his opinions fearlessly and frankly, he is arrogant and presumptuous.

The Petersburg Index Appeal, speaking of the sad news of Gen. John C. Breckinridge's slow but steady decline in health, thus concludes a beautiful and deserved tribute to that high-souled citizen:

"Since the war, as the country knows, Gen. Breckinridge has been living on strict retirement, refusing to take any part in public life, and even refraining from any concern or conversation on political events.

Poverty is very terrible to you, and kills the soul in you sometimes; but it is the north wind that lashed men into vikings; it is the soft, luscious south wind that lulls to lotus dreams.

General R. E. Lee. In an address before the Lee Memorial Association in Baltimore, on Saturday evening last, Mr. S. Teackle Wallace read the following heretofore unpublished letter of Gen. Robert E. Lee:

And here I am permitted, by the kindness of a friend, to read some extracts from a letter of the illustrious soldier, which have never seen the light before, and which will show through what sad struggles, of both heart and mind, he passed to what he felt to be his duty.

I think of the occupants of both very often, and hope some day to see them again. I may have the opportunity soon; for if the Union is dissolved I shall return to Virginia to share the fortune of my people.

Worth Knowing.

On last Friday we saw in town John Satterwhite Esq., a worthy farmer of Granville, in the enjoyment of vigorous health—as good as he has ever had.

Mr. Satterwhite is worthy of credit and the writer has known him for many years.—Torch Light.

Warning to the Girls.

A Canadian newspaper records the recent sudden death of a young woman at Tilsonbury, which conveys warning against a very pernicious habit.

We hear of a remarkable instance of a cat nursing a young rat. Mr. J. A. Merryman, of Marlboro, was so reliably informed, several weeks ago, that he caught four young rats, eyes not then open, and gave them to a cat to eat.

A policeman met a negro at night carrying a trunk along the street, and collared him. The negro explained: "De family what was boarding me has been axing for money, and as dey was gone out to-night I thought I would get into some family whar dey respected de panie."

The Mecklenburg Declaration of 1775.

Resolved, That whosoever directly or indirectly abetted, or in any way, form or manner countenanced the uncharacterized and dangerous invasion of our rights as claimed by Great Britain, is an enemy to this country.

Resolved, That we, the citizens of Mecklenburg county, do hereby dissolve the political bonds which have connected us with the mother country, and hereby absolve ourselves from all allegiance to the British Crown, and abjure all political connection, contract or association with that nation.

Resolved, That we do hereby declare ourselves a free and independent people; and, of right ought to be, a sovereign and self-governing association, under the control of no power other than that of our God and the General Government of the Congress.

Resolved, That as we acknowledge the existence and control of no law, nor legal office, civil or military, within this county, we do hereby ordain and adopt as a rule of life, all, each, and every of our former laws; where, nevertheless, the Crown of Great Britain never can be considered as holding rights, privileges, immunities, or authority therein.

Resolved, That it is further decreed that all, each and every military officer in his former command and authority he acting conformably to these regulations; and that every member present of this delegation shall henceforth be a civilized officer, viz: a justice of the peace, in the character of a committee-man, to issue process, hear and determine all matters of controversy, according to said adopted laws, and to preserve peace, union and harmony in said county, and to use every exertion to spread the love of country and fire of freedom throughout America, until a general organized government be established in this province.

Commutation Bill for Lost and Disable Limbs.

The Raleigh Capital says, we understand that, owing to a publication by a city contemporary during the recent Legislature to the effect that that body had passed a bill giving commutation to State soldiers of the late Confederacy for the loss of their arms, a large number are preparing to visit the city in order to take advantage of the supposed act.

Capture of Whales.

On Thursday last the hardy "bankers" living on the Bogue Banks, opposite Morehead City, espying one of the monsters of the deep, soon gave chase. The whale was soon overtaken, the harpoon thrown, and the whalemen and their boat was instantly following the wake of a fish, measuring about forty-five feet in length, in his rapid course through the water.

On the same day another whale was captured and killed on Shankleford Banks, about eight miles from Beaufort and ten miles from Morehead. This was a cow and a much larger animal than the other, measuring more than seventy feet in length and 2,000 gallons of oil. She was despatched in much the same manner as the other, a harpoon, bomb and lance being the weapons used.

A large excursion party from this city went down on an extra train yesterday, for the purpose of viewing the great fishes.—Newberg Journal of Commerce.

Of spontaneous combustion in the human body we have heard little lately. Many readers will remember the hot discussions which took place over Dickens' horrible description in "Bleak House" of the French Society of Chirurgeons have taken up the matter of human spontaneous combustion, and have decided in the negative.

A rustic youngster, being asked out to take tea with a friend, was admonished to praise the catables. Presently the butter was passed to him, when he remarked, "Very nice butter what there is of it," and observing a smile, he added, "and plenty of it—such as it is."

ANOTHER CYCLONE.

Great Damage at Columbia.

AUGUSTA, May 3.—The storm struck the up-passenger train on the Georgia Railroad as it was leaving Rutledge. Many trees are across the track. Dr. Montgomery's house near Rutledge was blown down and his son four years old was blown away.

The Augusta Constitutionalist says: "Georgia and South Carolina have again been visited by a cyclone nearly equal in intensity, fury and destructiveness to the one of the 20th of March. At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon a brief dispatch was received from Rutledge, a village of 300 inhabitants on the Georgia Railroad, 115 miles from Augusta, that every house in the town except the railroad depot, had just been blown down by a cyclone, and a great many people were supposed to be killed and wounded along its track.

COLUMBIA, May 1.—A hurricane of fearful intensity passed over this city at about 5 p. m., doing an immense amount of destruction to property, houses, trees and fences. The steeple of the Presbyterian Church was the first to come down with a crash. Squier's furniture store has been entirely demolished, and the sheds and offices of the Charleston and Greenville Railroad have been blown down.

A youth, who desired to know how to become rich, sent a quarter in answer to an advertisement, and received the following valuable recipe: "Increase your receipts and decrease your expenditures. Work eighteen hours a day, and live on hash and oatmeal gruel."

"I should think you would be ashamed to pitch into that little boy as a pedestrian, as he caught a big bootblack curing a small newsboy. 'Ye would he?' sneered the lad, as he gave his nose a wipe. 'Dye think I'd go for a big boy and get all pounded up?'"

"Why is it?" asks an exchange, "that nearly every Senator's wife in Washington is a handsome woman?" It is simply because nearly every Senator's wife who is not a handsome woman is left at home.

A Rome Tragedy.

In her last letter from Rome, Anne Brewster tells a strange story regarding the recent murder there of the Italian Sonzognio. Twenty-one persons have been arrested to await trial and are in solitary confinement, without books, pen and ink, or even light at night. The explanation of the mysterious murder reads like a romance.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT.

Lincoln County. Wm. Taylor and others vs. Nancy Hull and others. Special Proceeding.

IT APPEARING TO THE SATISFACTION of the Court that Lather Hull, one of the defendants in the above stated Special Proceeding is a non-resident of this State: It is therefore ordered that publication be made for six successive weeks in the Lincoln Progress notifying said Lather Hull to be appear before the undersigned on the 20th day of May, 1875, and answer or demurer to the complaint therein filed.

Piedmont and Arlington Life Insurance Company of Virginia.

With a view of bringing this well known and deservedly popular Company nearer home to our people, and of lending our aid toward removing the apparent difficulties which, hitherto, have deterred so many persons from availing themselves of the advantages of Life Insurance, we, the undersigned Policy Holders and friends of the Company, have consented to act as a local Advisory Board of said Company in the town of Lincolnton, N. C., for the purpose of giving, free of charge, any desirable assistance in the way of facilitating the Company's investments in our midst, forwarding Peniums of Policy Holders, and collecting death claims for widows and orphans.

This Company has passed the rigid inspection of the Northern and Western Insurance Departments has a deposit in Raleigh for the protection of N. C. Policy Holders, and we feel prepared to commend it to the citizens of Lincoln county as eminently worthy of their confidence and support.

W. H. MOTZ, Pres't. J. D. SHAW, Sec'y.

Female Pickpocket.

An English lady pickpocket—Miss Clay alias Spencer, alias Wilson—was some little time ago sentenced in Paris to three years imprisonment. In the female Penitentiary of St. Lazare her conduct is described as exemplary. She knelt down devoutly at mass, very frequently communicated, and so gained the confidence of the Sisters of Charity in charge that, after an unusually short period of probation, she was allowed the run of the prison without being watched.

At the junction of Green and Bear rivers is what is called Echo Park, taking its name from the very singular echoes that are heard there. One writer who noted the remarkable re-verbations, says that when a gun is discharged total silence follows the report for a moment, then, with startling suddenness, the echo is heard, seemingly at a great distance—say five miles to the south—whence it comes back in separate and distinct re-verbations, as if leaping from glen to glen. Louder and quicker grew the sound, until apparently directly opposite, when a full volume of sound is returned; then once more the echo is heard, like the snapping of a cap, far to the eastward.

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COMMERCIAL.

LINCOLN MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY M. I. EDDY. FRIDAY MAY 7, 1875.

Table listing market prices for various commodities like Cotton, Flour, Corn, etc.

CHARLOTTE MARKETS.

FROM THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER. May 7 1875.

Table listing market prices for various commodities like Cotton, Inferior, Ordinary, Good ordinary, etc.

Professional Cards.

HOKE & SHAW,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

Solicitors in Bankruptcy.

LINCOLN, N. C.

Sept. 19-ly

B. C. COBB,

ATTORNEY AT LAW

LINCOLN, N. C.

sept 19-ly

R. J. SHIPP,

Attorney at Law,

AND

Real Estate Broker.

Lincolnton, N. C.

Sept. 19-ly

1874. FALL STOCK. 1874.

New Goods!

GOOD QUALITY AND LOW PRICES

AT

E. CHILDS' STORE.

I INFORM my customers and the public generally, that I have just returned from the Northern markets where I purchased a

NEW STOCK OF FALL

WINTER DRY GOODS,

Really-Made Clothing,

Finey Goods,

Boots, Shoes,

Hats and Caps,

Shawls, Blankets,

HOISERY, NOTIONS, &c.

My large and carefully selected stock for the Fall and Winter is now in store, and I respectfully invite all in search of good goods and low prices to call and examine for themselves.

PRINTS! PRINTS!! PRINTS!!

A large stock of the latest patterns, at prices that cannot be excelled.

Respectfully,

E. CHILDS.

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JOHNSON'S HOTEL.

LINCOLN, N. C.

THIS HOUSE HAS CLOSED OUT AS A public inn, but has re-opened as a Private Boarding House, where the weary may find rest and lunger aloved.

Transportation to surrounding country, on reasonable terms.

At this House is the original and genuine Allum Well.

B. S. JOHNSON, Proprietor.

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Western Division

Carolina Central Railway.

OFFICE ASST. Supt., LINCOLN, Nov. 14,

ON and after Monday, Nov. 16th, the following schedule will be run over the Western Division of this Road:

GOING WEST.

Leave Charlotte, 8 a. m.

" Lincolnton, 10-43 "

Arrive Buffalo, 12 M.

GOING EAST.

Leave Buffalo Depot, 12-20 p. m.

" Lincolnton, 5-57 "

Arrive Charlotte, V. Q. JOHNSON,

Assistant Superintendent.

Nov. 14, 74.

J. A. Stockton,

FASHIONABLE

TAILOR,

RESPECTFULLY INFORMS THE CITIZENS of Lincoln and surrounding country that he has opened a shop in Lincoln, and is prepared to do all work in his line in the neatest and latest style.

Satisfaction guaranteed in all cases.

Profess to take in exchange for work.

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