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### LETTERS FROM "AUNT BECKY."

A Ten Days' Trip to Relatives in South Carolina Which Was Much Enjoyed—Fine Crops, But Not Sufficient Labor to Harvest Property—Latta Academy Destroyed by Fire, School Being Continued in the Churches—Other Matters of Interest.

I have just returned from a ten days' trip to Marion county, South Carolina, to see my children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. John L. McLaughlin and family, whose home is distant from here twenty-five good Scotch miles through the country; a very fatiguing journey to an old lady, but "behold the Alps lie Italy," and I always start out with the determination of ignoring the physical discomfort in the glad anticipation of meeting my loved ones at the close of my pilgrimage; and I feel fully repaid when my destination is reached, and I hear the happy voices of the dear little ones, exclaiming "Grandma has come," as they run with swift footsteps to meet me, and I feel the clasp of soft arms, and the imprint of warm kisses upon my brow, cheek, and lips, while the mother waits to give me a real old-time "hog."

Now, some old pessimist, or disgruntled critic may want to know, what of the son-in-law? and I am so pleased to remark, that there is at least one mother-in-law in existence who is very fond of her daughter's husband, and who in return receives at his hands nothing but uniform kindness and affection.

Mr. McLaughlin owns a nice farm 5 miles below the thriving little town of Latta, lying in the fork of Buck Swamp and the little Pee Dee, a section of splendid farms and splendid people. Fine crops were everywhere in evidence especially the cotton crop, but the want of sufficient labor to harvest them was universal, and I saw hundreds of acres on my trip from which not a boll had been picked, and the farmers had failed signally to procure hands up to the time of my departure. This condition was accounted for in various ways, the principal opinion prevalent, I am sorry to say, being that the negroes were careless and indifferent, and not trying to get the cotton out, even where they had crops of their own. On my home-ward ride, I saw by the way side a quartette of bright little white children, three girls and a boy, ranging from 9 or 10 years down to a little tot with her cat; they had their little sacks on, and had just tackled the first rows of a large field of very thick cotton, and were the only pickers visible as I passed along.

Latta is a rapidly growing place, and has the reputation of being the best and most moral town in the State, but it has one peculiar feature, which is, I think injurious to the farmer. There is not a merchant in the town who will buy cotton, even from those whom they furnish, and the crop is marketed solely to cotton buyers; therefore I noticed considerable differences in the prices there and on our home markets.

I was pleased to find that The Robesonian was a welcome guest in several homes down there. I hear of no news in the Fork since my return. Found everybody in usual health, except my sister, Mrs. Fickie, who had been quite sick, but is now improving.

Mr. Dordridge McCallum and sister, Miss Alice, from the Affordville section, spent yesterday with us.

Mrs. Jennie Hamer returned from Sanford last week, and is preparing to move back to her home on the farm in this vicinity, which is pleasant news to her many friends hereabouts.

The hay crop is good throughout this section, and is being busily harvested.

I find that I am a poor reporter, having forgotten to mention in its proper connection the accidental burning of the Latta Academy on Friday afternoon last, with the loss of piano, school books, and other furnishings. The origin of the fire was a defective lamp. There was a graded school in operation, and the different grades will be taught in the three churches while the Academy is being rebuilt.

The Squire has just come in with a pen full of guinea eggs. He found a nest with forty in it on the same old ditch bank, and was more fortunate than I, for he did not fall into it.

The old gobbler gave me a warm welcome home, and has not finished his salutations yet, as every time I step into the yard

he makes for me, with the attitude which foretells war and "I treat it to the rear."

I have no additional news to write, except the recent death of Esq. Lawrence McCallum, a prominent citizen of Affordville township, and a dear friend of mine. He had been a great sufferer for several months from slow paralysis, and his death occurred on Monday afternoon the 9th ult. He was an old veteran, had been twice married, and leaves four children and several grandchildren, besides a large family connection to mourn his departure. He was a ruling Elder in Mid-way Presbyterian Church.

Maxton, N. C., R. F. D. Oct. 1. "Aunt Becky" knows and appreciates the reason why this letter was not published before this, so it only remains to assure our readers that we would not have deprived them so long of the pleasure of reading one of Aunt Becky's always interesting letters except for the fact that we were prevented, as William Mica's would say by "circumstances over which we had no control."—Editor.

### Entomologist Appointed for Agricultural College Experiment Station—A New Department for the Study of Injurious Insects.

Farmers, fruit growers, truck gardeners, and in fact all who are interested in agriculture in North Carolina should be interested to learn that the A. & M. College and Experiment Station has established a new Department for the teaching and Study of Insects. This is not a new line of work for the State, as the State Entomologist at the Department of Agriculture at Raleigh has for a number of years conducted the work of the inspection of orchards and nurseries, and undertaken investigation and control of certain injurious insect pests. There must be, however, many problems that the State Entomologist has not, and may not, be able to undertake.

The new Entomologist, R. I. Smith, at the A. & M. College and Experiment Station at West Raleigh, comes from Georgia, where he held the position of State Entomologist for a number of years. In that position he was enabled to gain a wide experience in the control of injurious insects of the Southern States.

In making up the work in North Carolina the Entomologist desires to obtain the co-operation of the farmers and fruit-growers of the State. Letters and correspondence are the best means to this important end, and it is his earnest desire that everyone will feel free to write for information. Specimens of insects, their eggs or cocoons, together with samples of the work of injurious forms should be sent with the letters. Insects should always be sent separately in a light wooden or tin box, plainly labeled with the name and address of the sender.

Experimental work looking toward the control of some important insect pests will be taken up by the entomologist and letters from farmers and others over the State about the principal insects will greatly aid him in selecting lines of work that will be of greatest benefit.

The State Experiment Station work in all its branches is for the benefit of the citizens of North Carolina. This is perhaps particularly true with investigations of injurious insects. Statistics show that insects destroy about 10 per cent of all agricultural products each year. Hence very little thought is needed to make one realize the importance of insect control.

Insects injuring household goods, stored products, such as corn and small grains, garden, field crop, and fruit tree pests, all help to cause the annual loss.

Most crops for this year are practically beyond damage from insects for this year, except perhaps cotton and some late garden crops. During the past summer, however, much injury has no doubt been caused by various insects of the farm and orchard. Letters concerning such damage will be welcomed by the entomologist. Furthermore in many cases he may be able to suggest methods for preventing the reappearance and damage from such insects next year.

All citizens of North Carolina should wrap this opportunity of getting information and assistance entirely free of cost. All packages should be addressed to:

R. I. Smith, Entomologist, Agricultural Experiment Station, West Raleigh, N. C. Oct. 10, 1907.

### BALLAD OF CYPRESS SWAMP.

A True Popular Ballad, Possessing Certain Merits Unshared in all North Carolina Poetry.

The Charlotte Observer is delighted with the ballad by Mr. W. F. Willoughby which appeared in The Robesonian last Thursday. After chanting the ballad The Observer records it the following high and deserved words of praise:

"Not since the days when angry dories would send a great bon or wild boar to lay waste whole districts until slain by some heaven-decended hero, or in any event since flame-breathed dragons tested the utmost prowess of medieval knights, has there been witnessed such a spectacle as Robesonian poetry now affords. For some time past the entire Cypress pond section has been terrorized by a mysterious monster whose tracks proclaim his immense size and who sends forth the most blood curdling cries from his lair in the depths of Cypress swamp. What manner of creature he may be is naturally the subject of speculations ranging from wildly excited in the immediate vicinity to calmly inquiring or even openly skeptical, farther away. Some long distance theorists go so far as to assert, with a sneer, that he is probably a tiger but of the native species; they also predict that if any one ever becomes bold enough to invade his fastness a moonshine outfit will be found. This problem The Observer is content to leave unsolved for the present. What concerns us now is not whether some modern Bellerophon or St. George will one day find awaiting him in Cypress swamp a foe worthy of his prowess—our purpose here is to do with a development already come about. The fact is, this Robesonian poem, in The Lumberton Robesonian appears a fine narrative poem, with the name of Mr. W. F. Willoughby subscribed as poet."

This, we being judge, does not rival the higher flights of Miss Peterson and other major North Carolina poets, but it possesses certain merits unshared in all North Carolina poetry. Here is a true popular ballad, or at least the nucleus of one. It belongs to the oldest form of literature, the folk-song, supremely exemplified in the collection of ballads making up Homer and in the Ballad of Chevy Chase. Like these illustrious predecessors, it will gradually lose the crudities inseparable from first versions of genuine ballads, and in the process of singing or recital by successive generations will take on irrepressible finish. We may safely assume that in later versions there will appear the story of some hero's battle with the monster. As popular traditions always grow in wonderfulness from generation to generation, it is even likely that the monster will be made to trail paths of blood through the streets of Lumberton before finally overthrown. Any one should be able to see that this Robesonian poem merits the most serious attention. It has a great future ahead."

We thank The Robesonian and beg that all who may find similar treasures in North Carolina should bring them forward as soon as found.

### CLEVELAND A VERY SICK MAN.

The Ex-President of the Nation but a shadow of his former self—Acute indigestion Sapping His Vitality—His Friends Anxious About His Condition. Jersey City, N. J., Special to the Charlotte Observer, Oct. 10.

Leaning on a cane and seemingly just able to limp, Grover Cleveland, accompanied by Mrs. Cleveland and a woman whose identity could not be learned, passed through Jersey City shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. Mr. Cleveland looked just the shadow of his former self and a very sick man.

The Cleveland train came in from Princeton over the Pennsylvania Railroad and arrived in Jersey City at 9:10 a. m. After the passengers had almost all left the train shed, Mr. Cleveland alighted from a forward coach and came up the train platform on the arm of Mrs. Cleveland. He leaned heavily on a stout cane, and was scarce able to limp along. For years Mr. Cleveland has used the Pennsylvania Railroad on his trips to New York, and the majority of the station masters know him. They were shocked at his altered appearance.

The former President, it is said, is suffering from acute indigestion and this, combined with his advanced age and disregard of his doctor's orders,

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Overdrafts, Secured and Unsecured	3,934.33
Expenses	435.47
Real Estate	510.00
Furniture and Fixtures	3,383.27
Cash on hand and in banks	98,036.58
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$286,481.73</b>

LIABILITIES:

Capital and Undivided Profits	\$57,816.17
Interest and Exchange	774.73
Bills Payable	5,000.00
Rediscouints	11,000.00
Deposits	211,890.83
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$286,481.73</b>

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