

**Journal:** The low prices that farmers received for their truck load, a gloomy state of affairs in market, had Irish potatoes sold in this district this year, for six and eight dollars per barrel as they did last year, instead of one and two, and other truck crop portions would have been almost as high as it was last December; but still our farmers are not discouraged; they are preparing their land and planting potatoes for a fall crop.—The truck factory is now running on full speed. A visit there on Thursday evening revealed to us the fact that they were making potatoes equal to any we have seen in this place.

and the necessities of the East. The Grand and Cahokia grow worse daily. The water comes from the whole of that section of the country. The railroads which have long since their tracks have abandoned the ferrage system between here and Alton and have arranged with the Vandalia road to run their passenger trains. The Indianapolis and St. Louis will send their trains to Effingham, thence to Mattoon. The Wash will use the Vandalia to Alton, where it will take its own track, and the Chicago and Alton, and Chicago, Burlington and Quincy will run to Smithboro, where they will connect with their own roads. All other Eastern lines are using their own tracks and all the Western roads are getting trains through with good success. The Vandalia track about which there has been some appre-

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were delivered to the following graduates with the degree of A. B.:

J. A. Baily, R. N. Brackett, T. P. Burgess, J. R. Consar, A. C. Dick, L. W. Dick, J. B. Douglass, Wm. Mack, South Carolina; R. W. Culbertson, J. F. Fowle, J. W. Rafferty, W. N. Mcbane, J. C. Oehler, L. L. Hyburn, J. K. Williams, C. C. Wilson, Wm. A. Withers, North Carolina; J. H. Lafferty, Louisiana; J. H. Lammington, Georgia.

Degree of B. S.—J. M. Faison, North Carolina.

Thus ended the most successful commencement ever held in Davidson College.

The great social event of the occasion took place in the Campus and Literary Halls last night. Many young people from Charlotte were present. To-morrow we will publish the presentation of regalia when the names of the lucky laureates will be given.

Louisville has done well so far in emulating the example of Cincinnati in the organization of her Expositions. However, when she introduces the bones of Guiteau as a feature of the affair, she should no longer call it an exposition. It is more on a level with the side show of

An iron chain is in course of construction at a foundry in Troy, N. Y., which is to be 6 miles long. The chain is made by order of the government, and will be cut in lengths for use of war ships.

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