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Sweet as distant bells at sunset, Sweet as songs of joyous May Are the footsteps of subscribers, When they come their dues to pay.

Everybody says "money is very tight." That probably accounts for its getting into this office so slowly—it can't climb our steps.

Judging from the quantity of fertilizers that the farmers are purchasing, a big crop of cotton will be planted. If cotton were to get down to three cents per pound the acreage would be increased.

When a negro happens to get an office, the greater the salary the greater the howl. —Durham Herald.

Truth, brother. And it shows that its the hoodle and not the merely holding of office that hurts. Truth, like murder, will sometimes creep out. —Hickory Mercury.

Queen Victoria thinks the outlook in this country is quite gloomy. She must have been reading Populist literature with a serious mind. —Ex.

Or maybe she read the Democratic papers in this State during the campaign last Fall. They sounded very much like Populist literature. —Hickory Mercury.

If the Populists who left the Democratic party a few years ago will only return to the fold, everything will be forgiven and no questions asked. —Durham Herald.

Now we think a party that would take such a mean (?) set back without asking questions, becomes equally guilty with them. This seems like a child's bargain. The Pops have done away with childish things. —Hickory Mercury.

The Concord Standard and the Salisbury World call all men who change their politics, or views on politics, "turn coats," and say "such men or parties are 'not to be trusted.'" While this was a ball aimed at the Populists, yet it rebounds and gives these papers the full force of the blow. If changing from Cleveland to Bryan does not constitute a change sufficient to be termed a "turn coat," then we don't know what would. Nothing else, save a copperhead in dog-days is so cruel and foolish as to thus bite itself. But the sting of the ad- verser has lost its position. —Hickory Mercury.

ELEVATE AGRICULTURE.

No one will dispute the assertion that agriculture is an essential element to the continued existence of mankind. It is more; it is the basis upon which all industries must rest. Agriculture is the nourisher of civilization and promoter of commerce among nations. Its importance as an industry is therefore greater than any avocation followed by men. Its very importance should elevate it to the highest plane of human life. The reason it is looked down upon by a great many is to be found in the agriculturists, who do nothing to elevate themselves or their calling. Life without labor is like unto a book without words or characters.

Labor of itself is not degrading. To labor—agricultural labor—was the first recorded command given to man. Those who labor execute a supernal law as immutable as creation itself. But to simply work with the hands is to bury the most valuable talents. Man is triune by nature, consisting of mind, soul and body, and that man's work is most complete who labors with his whole soul, body and mind.

Too many farmers consider duty performed when they have put forth a certain amount of muscular effort. Their minds are not in the work; they are yearning for better conditions in life. Their soul is not in the work; the energy given to the body is but a fractional part, and exerted merely by virtue of necessity. The body does all it can, performing its functions as directed by the mind and soul. No man should engage in agriculture who is not in love with his work, and who is unwilling to bring all his talents to work for the accomplishments of certain ends. That civilization is highest which is furthest removed from the brutish instincts or elements of animal life, consequently we witness the various grades in our social system. That class is highest, which evidences greatest mental developments, regardless of the energy that surrounds it or the frame that encases; thus mere muscular labor is lowest in the scale, being nearest the brute. Agricultural classes are more generally noted for longevity, strength of body and force of character, yet lacking in acuteness of perception, which is a faculty of mind. Money has purchasing powers and may buy social position; but much money seldom accumulates through muscular efforts alone; therefore those classes who neglect mental culture cannot reasonably expect to attain to exalted positions.

Whom does the Lenoir Topic represent in its recent cry for a "straight fight"? Doubtless its editor and the gold wing of its party, headed by the Charlotte Observer. It does not represent the silver Democrats of Caldwell county. Something has certainly come over the editor of the Topic. What is it? Last year, if we are rightly informed, he went away over to Morganton to make a big speech in nominating a Populist for senator in his district. The gold men in the convention tried to cry him down, but the silver men stood to him, and he nominated his man. Now he wants no "bastard politics."

The Charlotte Observer had better fumigate him before it takes him into its bosom as one of the pure and unadulterated lambs of the fold. —Hickory Mercury.

MOTHERS. We have a book... Frey's Vermifuge... has been successfully used for a half century.

COMMUNICATIONS.

BREEZY BITS BAILED UP FOR BUSY BEINGS.

From The Watchman's Able Corps of News Gatherers. Interesting to Everybody. Read and See.

Eli and Rockwell Items. It has been sometime since you have heard from our side and it is worthy of representation as well as taxation.

We are having some sickness and a few deaths but this vicinity is generally healthy.

J. W. Linker and family, with J. A. Brown and wife, visited G. H. Peeler Saturday night.

David Lyerly holds his own very well and will hold some one else a light in the near future.

Old Aunt Annie Lyerly is very ill at this writing.

Miss Emma Ridenhour who has been very ill for the past six months is improving very fast.

Misses Ellie and Cora Trexler visited Miss Daisy Brown Sunday.

Rock News. The golden, brown and ruddy tint, on the woodland leaf indicate the near approach of chilly November.

The families of W. C. Troutman and Jno. Clarke are still in bad conditions, several members of each family being quite sick yet.

Quite an excitement was created in this neighborhood Wednesday morning by a dog with all signs of hydrophobia, having bitten several dogs, hogs and cattle.

Conference will be held at Organ Church, beginning Thursday before the 3rd Sunday in November.

Cotton picking and corn-shuckings are in order.

David Lentz is erecting a new house which, when completed, will be the most handsome and complicated dwelling in the community.

We are told that J. W. Friecks has sold part interest in his machinery and will move it to Crescent in December.

Oak Grove News. Miss Mattie Fisher will teach the winter school at Oak Grove Academy.

Sidney C. Klutz is now employed in the wood shop at Mt. Pleasant. Mr. Klutz is boarding with John Miller.

Thomas Fisher will enter school at Crescent Academy in a few weeks.

Messrs. L. W. Lentz and L. M. Slough, who have been attending school at Crescent, are at home for a few weeks sowing wheat and gathering their crops. After they are through with their work they intend to board near the academy.

JUST ABOUT FOLKS.

Rufus Beaver and daughter, Miss Annie, of China Grove, were in town Friday. They called in and Mr. Beaver left his renewal, and the WATCHMAN will continue to visit his home.

Miss Mattie Anthony, of Lincoln ton, will spend the winter season in this city with her uncle, Mr. F. H. Cushing. She will attend school.

M. A. File, of Cleveland, called at our office Saturday and ordered the WATCHMAN, "the best paper in Rowan county," sent to Jas. H. Carriek, a former resident of this county, but now of Cedar Gape, Mo. This is not the only subscription Mr. File has given us for parties living in other States. We appreciate all such efforts to help swell the circulation of the WATCHMAN. "We are coming, Father Abraham!"

Mrs. Prof. Henry Fisher and Miss Dora Best, of Mt. Pleasant, spent Saturday in Salisbury shopping. On their return they spent Saturday night with Miss Best's parents in Organ Church neighborhood.

Prof. Luther Brown, of Crescent Academy, was in town Saturday. The young professor is filling both his and Rev. Prof. Lyerly's chair during the absence of the latter, who has been off attending Synod in Maryland the past three days. Prof. Lyerly is expected home Thursday.

B. A. Knox, of Cleveland, was in the city Saturday.

W. M. Livengood has accepted a position with Klutz & Rendleman as salesman.

Mr. Pleasant Wise, of Manning, called Saturday, and we enjoyed a friendly chat with him upon the delicate but the all-absorbing question of —

L. E. Heilig is now in Mt. Pleasant. He will be away ten days or more. Mr. F. D. Barnes is clerking at Mr. Heilig's store during his absence.

J. L. Sloan, of Mill Bridge, was in town Tuesday. Squire Sloan is always welcomed here by his many city friends.

Evangelist Lee passed through the city Monday on his way to Nashville. He will not hold a meeting here before next spring, if then.

Miss Hattie Bringle has given out a contract for the erection of a pretty residence on East Inniss street.

Miss Minnie Goodman, of near Cleveland, is visiting friends near Verble this week.

Mr. Tom Hall and his sisters entertained a number of their friends at their home, near Verble, Wednesday night.

G. S. Williams, who has been in the employ of the Southern here for some time, left last week for Selma, Ala., for work.

Miss Tassie Beaver, of Eli, is spending this week with her cousin, Miss Annie Beaver, near China Grove. There will be an entertainment at Miss Beaver's home Saturday night, at which the local editor has been asked to be present and participate in the pleasures of the evening. We hope to be there.

600 Pair. The Rowan Knitting Mill Company received an order Monday from a Baltimore house for a shipment of 1,200 dozen socks, which was to be shipped to a Cincinnati house.

Yellow Jack Killed. Cascarets' Candy Cathartic kills Yellow Jack wherever they find him. No one who takes Cascarets regularly and systematically is in danger from the dreadful disease. Cascarets kill yellow fever germs in the bowels and prevent new ones from breeding. 10c, 25c, 50c, all druggists.

One Mill's Work. Mr. Rufus Beaver, with the assistance of Jason H. Litzker, manufacturer 1,000 gallons of "surgum" this season at Mr. Beaver's factory near China Grove. They began September 10th and finished October 20th, and were hindered from work only one-half day during this time.

Roanoke on a Big Boom. In a letter from G. L. Hampton, a Rowan boy, who is in his junior year at this noted school, he says: "The old college is on a 'big boom' this year. We have 170 students now, an increase of 6 over last enrollment, and just the first month gone by. We have 22 in our class, the largest, save possibly one, in the history of the college."

Mr. Davis a Fine Salesman. The Whittle & Snyder Company, wholesale grocers, of Richmond, Va., have a hustling salesman in this State in the person of J. Rowan Davis, of this city. This Richmond company offered a premium for the man selling the most goods the first half of the season. The company has three men in this State, but Mr. Davis got the premium of \$25 Monday.

Street Parade Saturday. The street parade of Prof. Gentry's dog and pony show will be given Saturday at noon and all the little folks should be on hand to see it. There will be a band and 67 or one hundred dogs, ponies and monkeys in the parade. The show will exhibit here under a tent Saturday afternoon and night of this week. Prof. Gentry's show is too well known in this city to need much praise, for nearly every one in the city is familiar with his wonderful animals. The price of admission is children 15c; adults 25c.

FAITH ITEMS.

Mrs. Margaret Frick, widow of the late Daniel Frick, died at her home Saturday morning October 23, 1897. She was the mother of John W. Frick and was eighty years, ten months and two days old. She was married in 1856, had six children, two now living. She was the grand-mother of fourteen grand-children, 12 of whom are now living. Her great-grand-children numbered twenty-two, twenty are living. The burial took place at Christiansa, where her funeral was preached Sunday by Rev. C. A. Brown to a large number of relatives and friends.

Pate Klutz and Miss Francis Frick were married Sunday, Rev. R. L. Brown officiating. We wish them a long and happy life.

The weather-boarding is being put on Mr. Farmer's residence.

ORPHAN. A True Story of a Co-Operative Village.

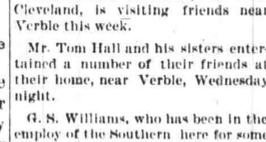
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CITY MARKET REPORTS.

SALISBURY, N. C., Oct. 28, 1897. These reports are collected weekly, by L. E. Heilig.

COTTON MARKET. Good Middling... Middling... Low Middling...

PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat... Flour... Corn... Meal... Bacon...

Table with market prices for various goods like turkeys, butter, eggs, etc.

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