

The Press entered its thirty-fifth volume on January 1st, 1857. Now is the time to subscribe. It will be our endeavor to make the Press more interesting and entertaining than ever.

With the end of the year the People's Press will close its thirty-fifth volume. We would urge our delinquent subscribers to settle up without delay as we need money to carry on the business.

Eleven criminals were publicly whipped in the New Castle jail yard at Wilmington, N. C., yesterday.

The predicted storm of Wiggins in the Lake region and north Atlantic coast, struck the Gulf coast between New Orleans and Galveston.

Goldsboro Argus: The fishing season at Morehead is opening very poorly, we are informed. The fish are said to be unusually small in size and quantity.

The State Pensioners have increased considerably since last year. This year the appropriation will not exceed \$8 to the individual, while last year it was \$14.

Trouble is expected with the negroes in Matagorda county, Tex., resulting from the supposed killing of a negro constable. Great excitement among the whites and blacks.

On Thursday last, the Wilmington Star completed its 20th year. It is not only the oldest daily in North Carolina, but it has attained to greater age than any other daily ever attained to in this State. It is bright, newsy and one of the best dailies in the South.

New towns and enterprises may need "booms" to push ahead their development, but the old reliable agricultural journal, THE SOUTHERN CULTIVATOR, of Atlanta, Ga., keeps on its steady, sure and permanent march at the head of all other publications of the kind in the South, where it has always been the standard authority in agricultural matters. No better evidence of its worth is seen than the fact that many of its subscribers have taken it ever since 1843, the year it commenced publication. Age, however, does not dim its brightness or lessen its vigor, for it is always growing in interest and power.

If you are not a subscriber now, send for a sample copy at once. It will be sent free to any person so desiring.

The Ohio Democrats, like the Massachusetts Democrats, are complaining that there are too many Republicans in office. Powell, the Democratic candidate for Governor of Ohio, is in Washington. He and the President have had a talk over the situation. A Washington special to the New York World, a Civil Service paper, says: "He told President frankly that he had been moving around among the people of Ohio and found an alarming amount of apathy in Democratic quarters. The reason for it, he told Mr. Cleveland, was that so many Republicans were still retained in office in Ohio and Washington. 'Our people are discouraged,' he added, 'and say that they see no incentive to work for their party's success.'"

SCRIBNER for October opens with a superbly illustrated article on the Paris School of Art. It is a worthy tribute to this high art institution. Seth's Brother's wife continues in interest. The sacred Flame of Toini is concluded. "Cavern's and Cyn Jr's Life" is one of the finest samples of descriptive writing accompanied with illustrations rarely, if ever equalled anywhere. It is a treat to examine the pictures. The Arkansas story is very characteristic. The Village of Vines, and the Dialect of the Plains, are all good of their kind. For beauty and variety SCRIBNER is hard to surpass. Price \$3 per year.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—The Supreme Court in general term affirmed the judgment of conviction in the case of Jacob Sharp, all four of the Judges concurring. The case can be appealed to the Court of Appeals, but Sharp will be sent to Sing Sing on Friday.

Brownsville, Texas, and the surrounding country were visited by a terribly destructive cyclone on Wednesday week. The damage in the country is incalculable. Countless cattle and sheep have been lost, and crops of cotton, corn and sugar cane are completely prostrated and destroyed. One ranchman on a small piece calculates his loss in cotton alone at \$20,000, and many others are equally heavy losers. The total of the losses will be far beyond one million dollars.

HARTFORD, Conn., September 15.—At about 1 o'clock this afternoon Mrs. Simoon Labonte, the wife of a saloon-keeper at No. 144 Front street left home and with her baby in her arms, walked to the foot of Morgan street and threw herself into the river. She was rescued in an unconscious condition, with the baby dead in her arms. A warrant to hold the woman for murder has been issued. She had lived unhappily with her husband.

State Fair Specialties.

Special and very attractive features for the approaching State fair are being added every day. Besides the regular grand display of agricultural and manufactured products, fancy work, machinery, stock, races, etc., the following attractions are already arranged on the programme: A grand Farmers' State Institute at which more leading farmers will assemble than have ever met together before in the history of the State.

A reunion of the survivors of Gen. Robert Ransom's famous and glorious regiment.

A great re-union of Tar Heels who now reside in other States—a general greeting, hand-shaking and joyous jollification of old friends and acquaintances met once again.

A special manufacturers' department which will cause the heart of every true North Carolinian to swell with pride.

A grand industrial parade on a scale of magnitude and magnificence never before attempted in the State, showing its many great and varied industries in actual operation on a large scale elegantly costumed and drawn by horses in a grand procession.

Rutherford county has as yet never been represented at a fair, but the secretary was advised that some extra fine exhibits would be entered from that county.

The Agricultural Department is working up a grand state exhibit in which every county in the State will be represented.

The Great Durham Tobacco Company, J. S. Carr, president, has sent in a notification of its intention to make one of its finest and best exhibits. The company is noted the world over for its magnificence in displays.

Thomas M. Holt, of the Granite Cotton Mills, Haver River, will shut down the mills for one day during fair week to give the operatives an opportunity of attending the fair. It is expected that all the factories of Alamance and Randolph counties will shut down for a day that all their operatives may come, and the fair authorities are taking steps toward running an excursion train for their special accommodation.

Something will be done to please and interest everybody, both large and small, and an interesting feature for the year ending August 31st, was 10 cents on the hundred dollars worth of property is all the tax for the present year and 75 cents on the \$100 valuation and 75 cents on the poll. This is an increase of 5 cents on the property tax. They failed to pass the ordinance taxing dogs.

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FOREIGN.

IRELAND.—William O'Brien, who is charged with sedition under the coercion act, was on the 22nd, conveyed from Cork jail to Mitchellstown, where the sedition language was used, stand trial; he was received with tremendous cheering by a large crowd who had assembled to welcome him, and a number of English ladies presented him with bouquets.

Mr. O'Brien has been convicted on three counts and sentenced to three months' imprisonment in each case. He appealed to the higher court and is out on bail.

O'Brien, when he emerged from the court room after the trial, was received with an ovation by a large crowd which had assembled to testify their approval of his course.

PARIS, Sept. 22.—The story is confirmed that after an execution of the murderer Franzoni, a certain police official obtained a portion of the murderer's skin from an attendant at the medical school and had it conveyed into a couple of purses, one of which he presented to M. Taylor and Goran, and the other to the police officials as souvenirs. The facts leaking out, the latter delivered the purses to the Procurator General, who dismissed all concerned in the matter.

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