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Sam. Bradshaw, editor of the Ashboro Courier was dubbed Blue Jeans Williams, Jr., at the State Convention says an exchange.

The country is full of orphans. We are inclined to believe the statement of a sage philosopher who said "the population of the United States is 40,000,000 mostly fools."

A young lady in Brenham, Texas, was glad to find a handsome young man who had slandered her. Death is too good for any foul-mouthed fiend who will speak slanderously of a lady, and we commend the act of the Texan lady.

Two Georgia editors started out on the 4th of July to fight a duel, but one of them fell into the hands of the officers and the affair is indefinitely postponed.

The Greenville Reflector notes that the store of Mr. George M. Tucker, at Manly's Point, seven miles below Greenville, was lately destroyed by fire, caused by the explosion of a lamp, last Saturday night.

Mr. Kingsbury, of the Star, was in Weldon several days ago and on his return said, "Weldon shows decided improvement. There is no reason why this place shall not become in the future a great manufacturing center. It has water power sufficient to turn the wheels of a hundred factories."

THE WILSON ADVANCE.

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THE QUIET HOUR.

Selections for Sunday Reading. Aim. BY HENRY A. LAVLEY.

She came to me and asked for alms. In low and plaintive voice; I gave her from my humble store.

She came to me for alms; I gave Her from my yearning heart.

The cruse may fail, but nevertheless The full and loyal soul;

An every day religion—one that loves the duties of our common walk; one that makes an honest man; one that accomplishes an intellectual and moral growth in the subject.

A HOME PICTURE.—It is night now, and here is home. Gathered under the quiet roof, elders and children lie alike at rest.

The Washington correspondent of the Charlotte Observer tells of some startling and damaging developments before Vance's committee for investigating the Revenue frauds in the 6th collection District.

One of the most remarkable men of the hour is Rev. George O. James, the Kentucky evangelist, who is now laboring for the church in that State.

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John Randolph was right. It is the philosopher's stone.—Er.

Language Cannot Describe It. Mr. Robert Gould, book-keeper for Walker & Maxey, who are lumber dealers, recently said to our representative: "About one year ago I was taken with the genuine sciatica. I employed the best physicians, but they could only relieve me for the moment."

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NUMEROUS NEAR-BY NEWS.

The West wing of the colored Inmate Asylum at Goldsboro is nearing completion.

The Rocky Mount Graded School Committee will elect a superintendent to-morrow (Saturday).

Capt. Whitaker, of Goldsboro, expects to realize 200 bushels of tomatoes in his garden this season.

Mr. John Vivrette's rabbit in Nash county raised two sets of young in his garden this Spring.

Wm. A. Allen, Esq., has sent in his resignation as Presiding Justice of the Inferior Court of Wayne Co.

The Toisnot Sunny Home closed its second volume last week. We wish for it long continued prosperity.

The Times says that Louisburg is so pleasant that very few will visit the Springs or watering places this year.

Tarboro people revel in the anticipations of an excursion to be given by the Edgecombe Guards to Smithville August 1st.

The Ladies of Toisnot gave a festive Tuesday night for the benefit of the Methodist church. It was a most enjoyable affair.

The Rocky Mount Reporter records the marriage of R. A. Gardner to Miss Sarah Hedgpeth, June 29th, both of Nash county.

The Roanoke District Grange Agricultural Fair will be held at Woodland October 10th, 11th and 12th. We return thanks for a premium list.

Two colored men had a fight in a beer bottling establishment in Tarboro Thursday last week, in which one of them was badly cut by a beer bottle.

Mr. James T. Matthews, a good citizen of Black Creek, died Monday, June 3rd, of pneumonia, aged about 25 years.

Rufin Parker, a thrifty colored farmer of Nash county, threshed 904 bushels of oats from one acre. He also made 54 bushels of wheat from two bushels sown.

Mr. Iredd Strickland, of this county, it is said, has a cat that has furnished him with all the birds and young rabbits he could consume this Spring and Summer.

One by one the old landmarks are called to their last resting place. Mr. Tommy Joyner, one of the oldest citizens of Nash county died last week at the advanced age of 85.

The editor of the Sunny Home advertises for 500 bushels of Irish Potatoes, and adds "highest prices guaranteed."

The second session of the Johnson county Sunday School Society of the M. E. Church, South will be held at Holt's Mills July 29th.

A picnic will be given and H. F. Grainger, Esq., of Goldsboro will deliver a Sunday School address.

You are distinctly understand that the people of the "glorified old Nash" are not asleep, and you would have become fully satisfied of the fact had you been in Nashville on the 26th ult.

It is the months of all, we want Battle and Connor in the Senate. It is much to be regretted that the old war horse, Geo. N. Lewis can not enter the field on account of poor health, for all that, however, it will not be a "walk over" for the opposing party.

Every farmer is giving his neighbor advice to "raise more wheat and less cotton." The Agricultural Department forwarded to J. J. Blich, Esq., last fall about one pint of McElhree's red wheat which he raised his harvest from that quantity one bushel of the finest wheat in the whole section of country, weighing 67½ pounds, honest weight. It requires but a short experience for any sensible person to see that we should raise more wheat. It can be easily done, and we most confidently expect to see many of our farmers engaged in raising "this wheat by and by." He will be able to supply many next harvest.

Turner Battle, colored, lost a fine mule on the morning of the 26th ult. Nashville is unquestionably improving rapidly. The Masonic Lodge is paved in, and I see some enterprising individual has had a slab tacked to his wall. The

State Democratic Platform.

We congratulate the people of North Carolina on the era of peace, prosperity and good government, which has been unbroken since the incoming of a Democratic State administration; upon the pure and impartial administration of justice and the honest enforcement of the laws; upon the efficiency of our common school system and great advance made in education, and the general improvement and enterprise manifested in every part of the State; and we pledge ourselves to exert all efforts to advance the material interests of all sections of the State in the future as we have done in the past.

Resolved, That we regard a free and fair expression of the public will at the ballot box as the only sure means of preserving our free American institutions, and we denounce the republican party and the interference of its federal officials for their gross frauds upon the elective franchise, whereby whole districts, States and the Union have been deprived of their just political rights; and we believe the corrupt and corrupting use of federal patronage and of public money drawn by taxation from the people, in influencing and controlling elections, to be dangerous to the liberties of the State and the Union.

Resolved, That we are in favor of the entire and immediate abolition of the internal revenue system, with all its attendant demoralization, fraud and corruption, then we urge upon our Senators and Representatives in Congress the importance of so amending the law that the revenue officers, who now receive in salaries from North Carolina alone more than \$500,000, shall be elected by the people of the localities to which they are assigned.

Resolved, That the course of the Democratic party since its accession to power in North Carolina in furtherance of popular education is a sufficient guaranty that we earnestly favor the education of all classes of our people, and that we will advocate any legislation looking to an increase of the fund for that purpose that will not materially increase the present burdens of our people.

Resolved, That the question of prohibition is not now, and never has been, a party question in North Carolina, and never been endorsed by the Democratic party; and the people of the State at the general election, in the year 1881, having by an overwhelming majority voted against prohibition, and the Supreme Court having decided that the prohibition act is not and never has been a law, we regard the matter as finally settled, and any attempt to renew the agitation is merely a weak effort of designing persons to divert the minds of the people from the dangerous principles and corrupt practices of the republican party.

Resolved, That while we are not wedded to any particular form of county government, we recognize the fact that a large part of the taxes of the State are paid for the common benefit by the white people of our eastern counties, and that we consider it the bounden duty of the white men of the State to protect these people from the oppressive domination of ignorant blacks, and pledge ourselves to such legislation as will secure this end.

And, whereas it is seriously suggested that a vigorous effort will soon be made to compel the State, by judicial proceedings, to pay the fraudulent and unlawful special tax bonds, amounting to \$32,000,000, issued under legislation passed by the Republican Legislature in 1868 and 1867; therefore,

Resolved, further, That the Democratic party will resist such recovery and the payment of such bonds by every lawful means.

The above resolutions were read *seriatim*, and on motion were adopted as a whole as the platform of the Democratic party of North Carolina.

The benediction of the Bible upon the dead is based upon the blessedness of life. He may well dare to die who has dared to live right. The blessing of the dead bridges graves and opens to us the mysteries of the future. It answers most unequivocally the question, "Is life worth living?"—Dr. Armitage.

NOTES FROM THE FARM.

Joyous news comes from all parts of the country, but especially from the South. The promises of a bountiful harvest grow more and more flattering with each succeeding week. In some of the States the early grain crops have been gathered in and found to surpass all previous records. In spite of the cold spring weather the fruits will be abundant. There are some fears regarding cotton in certain sections, but even the great money crop looks better than it did a month ago. Besides, experience has taught us that the dark side of a crop gets an airing before the bright side—the reality is always a little better than the prognostication. In short, farmers have every reason to feel elated over the prospects and to anticipate an abundant and joyous harvest-home.—North and South.

FARMING A PROFESSION.—Tilling the soil should be classed among the learned professions. To know how to increase crops, save labor and utilize all the resources to be had at home and abroad requires mind, education, energy, application and a love for the employment. The arts of production and reproduction are among the most mysterious of God's laws and the agriculturalist should understand them, at least to the extent of a practical knowledge of them, their uses and results, and as the farmer has to deal with and live by the use of these laws he should be educated in early life so as to be enabled to study them in after years and give a reason for all his acts and be of the greatest service to mankind. When we remember that less than one-fourth of those who enter the learned professions ever attain a position of eminence in their professions it is strange they are still crowded. One-fifth only of those who enter the mercantile business ever succeed or remain at it, while speculation as an employment is generally very hazardous. Mechanics and tradesmen get rich but often at the risk of their health and lives; while farming conducted with care, diligence and a liberal expenditure of money will always secure for the multitude more comforts and happiness, better health a longer life than most if not all other employments. The night of our agriculture is rapidly passing away and the day of real prosperity is dawning upon the American people. The teeming millions of non-producers of the old and new world must be fed and clothed. The arts and sciences are demanding the gathering of herbs and minerals, the opening and improvement of water ways, the building of railroads, mills and factories—schools and colleges are multiplying, new discoveries being made, and continuous opening to commerce and enterprise, all of which will increase the demand for the productions of mother earth, and it becomes the duty of agriculturalist to increase his knowledge, enlarge his views, improve his means and utilize his resources to the greatest extent in order to keep pace with the world and enjoy the first and most noble occupation of man.

Reduce as far as you can the amount of fencing on your farm and put that which is necessary to keep up in good substantial order. Fences at best are dead capital, a great and constantly recurring expense.

In agriculture, giant growth is due to giant culture. Athens, Ga., is well supplied with water power for manufacturing purposes.

Jacksonville claims to have shipped last week 20,000,000 oranges this season.

Texas sugar planters say the outlook for a splendid cane crop was never better than this year.

New Orleans last year sent to Europe 6,000,000 gallons of "pure olive oil" made from cotton seeds.

The yield of wheat and oats in South Carolina and Georgia will be larger this year than any other since the war.

The colored people of Chattanooga, Tenn., are rapidly acquiring property. Several are erecting houses costing from two to five thousand dollars.

Debt Repudiation.

The broad position may be taken that no party that seeks to repudiate an honest debt ought to be given the control of a State. The disgraceful conduct of Mahone and his henchmen has illustrated this principle so clearly that it were futile to elaborate on it. We merely refer to it because Tennessee, North Carolina's loved, but erring daughter, threatens to follow the broad and destructive road taken by the Virginia readjusters. There was a split in the Democratic State convention last week a large majority called the "Low Tax Party" favored repudiating the debt and paying the creditors 50 cents on the dollar. A minority who call themselves the "State Credit" party, withdrew from the convention. A "split" in the party is the result and we greatly fear it will result in giving the State to the Republicans, who take the same position as the "State Credit" party hold. If it is not right for an individual to repudiate a debt, it is wrong for a State, especially when that State is abundantly able to pay its debts, and is enjoying great prosperity.

How Girls Marry. THE MATRIMONIAL PEEKS OF THE GIRL OF THE PRESENT AGE.

Nearly every girl gets married some time or other. That is what she exists for. Half of her early life is spent in fixing the points of the wedding, and the young man in the case is of but secondary importance.

After the girl has decided that she will sometime be married, and has picked out at the wedding of every other girl she ever knew, and has informed everybody just how she will have matters arranged when her turn comes, she is ready for the young man to appear. She has a variety of tastes, but there is no accounting for some of them.

Now and then she is apparently contented to go to the church and have the minister tie the knot. But a proceeding like that is too tame by half, and frequently she goes up in balloons, or down into caves, or ascends high mountains or gets marvellous by telegraph. Sometimes, however, she isn't allowed to get married in just the way she wants. Then she runs away.

Down in Chattanooga, Tennessee the other night, there was a wedding right in the public street just as the clock struck 12. It was on a Sunday night, Miss Katie Morgan had fallen so completely in love with a young man that she had planned an elopement. But she couldn't keep the news to herself, and it became common property to a pair of stern parents and a pair of stern brothers, who determined to prevent anything of the sort. They kept their eyes on Miss Katie Morgan, and when on the eventful night she made half-minute trips to the window to catch the footstep of her gallant swain they began to prepare for emergencies. Just a few minutes before midnight, they caught a glimpse of the young man coming up the walk. Katie recognized the form of her lover just about the same time and rushed out of her room to the staircase. Just then the stern parents and the stern brothers were waiting for her. But she never for an instant minded a little thing like that. She eluded their grasp, missed her footing and pitched headlong down the entire flight of steps. Of course she wasn't hurt, especially as her lover was at that moment on the veranda ready to pick her up and bear her off. But she had despised her pursuers, who didn't propose to undertake any such feat as that even to prevent a wedding, and before they had recovered from their astonishment, the pair had reached the pavement where a minister and a policeman or two and a few stragglers awaited them. Under the light of a street lamp they joined hands, and when the stern parents and the stern brothers reached the spot Miss Katie Morgan had become Mrs. Lee Hall. This wasn't half as exciting a time as that enjoyed by the two young Cincinnati lovers who fled to Indianapolis and then to Chicago and finally to Denver before they were safe. Still it was something to boast of, and the girl who had planned it was doubtless satisfied.

But it isn't always safe to rely upon runaway matches. Now and then the girl isn't as successful as was Miss Katie Morgan. Some times she gets captured and brought back and locked up in her room and fed on bread and water, and that isn't near as romantic even as getting married in church. On the whole it is best to discard balloons and caves and high mountains and marriages by telegraph, and have the weddings in the customary way. It can't be improved upon very much, not even by an elopement.

The Greenville Express has seen some oats raised by Mr. J. S. Smith near Ballard's X Roads, the stalk being 6 feet high, some of the heads 24 inches long and containing as high as 250 grains to the head. Mr. Smith says that he sowed one-half bushel of oats, the same kind as the sample we saw, and will harvest 25 bushels.

THE CRUSADE FOR SPOILS.

The following editorial which we clip from the Kinston Free Press, so fully expresses our sentiments in regard to the coalition that we give it place in the columns of the ADVANCE and our hearty endorsement to the honest, straightforward ideas advanced: "The Free Press desires to put itself on record as being in favor of independence. It has no sort of objection to ideas nor to the expression of ideas. It has a special fondness for men who think profoundly and act conscientiously. It regards freedom and independence in political thought as the highest and most sacred privilege of the citizen, and it could not by any utterance, however slight, strike in any way to curtail such thought. It deprecates, as one of the great evils of the day, that we have hid and still have, too little of independent thought by men desirous of thinking correctly and voting honestly. The day has come, and it came too before the bastard liberal party had its conception, when the truest and best Democrats encouraged individual thought in political questions because they realized that the great sum of Democratic votes were men who could think, and not mere machines to be worked without volition because they believed in leading a virtuous, thinking and intelligent party rather than driving a band of slaves to the polls and lengthening a lease of power by means of the corruption and ignorance of Democratic voters. The Democratic party is and will be the party of true independence in North Carolina, and while this makes it much more difficult to carry elections it gives us a great moral advantage over our only opponent, the Republican party which has only to crack its lash and the entire force marches out in solid phalanx and votes for the devil (his satanic majesty happens, as is frequently the case, to have a representative on the ticket). The Democratic party has to nominate good men. If it does not it cannot expect to elect them and this consideration of itself would be sufficient, to secure such nominations because the honest and thoughtful democrat will not give his support to unworthy candidates. But we are very earnestly invited, just at this time, to leave the Democratic party and enlist ourselves under the banner of the so-called Liberal, Anti-Prohibition, Anti Bourgeois party. What that is nobody exactly understands, but as nearly as we have been able to learn it consists of a small number of disappointed Democratic office-seekers, quite a number of revenue collectors and store keepers all sitting astride a whiskey barrel and waiting for the breath of popular support to blow them into office. Aye, that the question, office! A snug place in the revenue department, a post office, a U. S. Senatorship, the same old role of Mahone in his hunt for loves and fishes. It is a retrograde movement from principle in the interest of that species of political philosophy whose leading tenet is that the human stomach is the court of last resort on all questions involving political principles. If any Democrat, dissatisfied with the principles of the Democratic party, is honestly convinced that Democratic rule is not the best rule for North Carolina let him say so candidly. Nobody will construe him, and then let him go and join the only other political party in this country—the Republican, but let him not think to deceive a single man, a single one of his neighbors into thinking that he is doing anything else than making a dash for the commissary department when he joins in this contemptible crusade for the loves and fishes. Let every man remember that this abortive attempt to form a party out of ruffians and the refuse of the two great political parties is a quixotic undertaking which will make its projectors ridiculous in the eyes of the whole country, and this great farce will at length pass off the stage amid laughter long and loud.

Disgranted Republicans. The coalition with the Anti-Prohibitionists and Liberals may not prove such a blessing to the Republican party as has been thought. It may be that there are some men who vote the Republican ticket because they believe they are doing right. This class of men will very readily vote for men like Folk, for whom they entertain a life-long hatred. The Winston Republican a paper that has always been a stalwart organ, is very much disgruntled and in a recent editorial gives vent to the sentiments entertained by the better class of Republicans. It says: "Many good Republicans in this section of the State have already expressed their determination to have nothing to do with the unsavory mess presented by the State Convention. They say they will not vote for Democrats; that they have been sold out, and they use many other embittered words to express their discontent." It would seem from this that there is not so much harmony in the Republican ranks as Republican organs had proclaimed.

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Dr. S. P. Nash, of Neshoba county, Minn., has a cow whose milk is so rich that when a glass of it is set aside there arises on it, in a few hours, pure butter one-fourth of an inch thick, which is as firm and yellow as churned butter.

Mr. Richard H. Smith, of Scotland Neck, has issued a pamphlet entitled, "Organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Confederate States A. D. 1861, and its reunion with the P. E. Church in the United States A. D. 1865. Price 25 cents a copy.

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