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OUTLINES.

The Tigris has returned from her Arctic cruise. Yellow fever deaths have decreased considerably in both Memphis and St. Louis. Condition of the crop a mean between crops of '74 and '73. In Ohio Allen, Democrat, elected Governor with a Democratic Legislature; rest of State ticket Republican. California elects McKinstry, Independent party, Supreme Court Judge. Senator Buckalew endorses Morton's electoral college abolition plan. New York markets: Cotton, 16 1/2@17; spirits turpentine, 41 1/2@42; rosin, 37@37 1/2; gold 108 1/2.

STATE FAIR.

FOURTH DAY.

[Raleigh Papers, Condensed.] The skies were brilliant and cloudless—and the day one of Autumn's most beautiful. In the several halls hundreds of additional articles had been entered since the close of Wednesday. Were special mention made of the numerous attractive and deserving articles, the whole available space of the paper would be required. A full report of either of the halls would require a day of hard work. Floral Hall alone would absorb four columns and then hardly have justice done it. Farmer's Hall had a very handsome display, and it was thronged all day by crowds interested in the noble pursuit of agriculture. All of the cereals are to be seen—Corn stalks of stunning altitude, beets, turnips, potatoes of mammoth proportions, are scattered about in profusion. Two or three hours can very profitably be devoted to this department.

THE EXHIBITION.

of machinery is really magnificent, and a whole day would not be too much time to give to the inspection of this very important department. Indeed it seems that every species of machinery connected closely or remotely with the farm is to be seen. So full and large is this exhibition that enumeration is out of the question, and in leaving the subject allusion will only be made to the Diamond Cotton Chopper exhibited by Mr. Underwood, of Fayetteville, and the Cotton Chopper and Cultivator exhibited by C. F. Reams, of Raleigh. They were the recipients of much attention from the farmers. No rousalism was observed. The marshals, policemen, ushers, servants, &c., were attentive to their duties and polite to visitors and the pleasure of the day was marred by no unpleasant occurrences. The number of the crowd present is estimated, by good judges, at fifteen thousand.

The foregoing is from the News.

The Sentinel publishes a long list fine animals, for which we have no room, as indeed we have for special mention of no articles.

Weston walked five miles in 58 minutes and 57 seconds.

THE RACES.

We close with an account of the races:

The first race in the trials of speed was for a purse of \$350, mile heats, best three in five. The entries were: Harvey's Top, Haywood's Fannie, Purnell's Prince of Wales. Top cleverly won in three straight heats. Time, 2:54, 2:53 and 2:50. Fannie won the second place in the first two heats, and consequently the money. Prince of Wales was second in the last heat.

Second Race.

The second was a running race for a purse of \$200, one mile and repeat. The entries were: James' Bonnie Belle, Gant's Lady Washington, Emery's Piney Woods, Norwood's Jack Roulhac. The first heat resulted: Piney Woods, 1; Lady Washington, 2; Bonnie Belle, 3; Jack Roulhac, 4. Time, 1:55. Jack Roulhac was withdrawn after this heat, he being a little lame, caused by striking a hurdle in his trial for the hurdle race the previous day.

The second heat was won by Lady Washington, Piney Woods second, and Bonnie Belle third, in 1:56.

Bonnie Belle was now withdrawn, and the third heat resulted in Lady Washington winning in two seconds by a length. The contest between Lady Washington and Piney Woods was most exciting.

Third Race.

This was a trot for \$150 mile heats and repeat. The entries were: McCall's Orange Blossom, Hay's Mattgrass, Weatherington's Roushoke, Orange Blossom won in two straight heats in 3:01 and 2:59. Mattgrass won a fair second in both heats.

Fourth Race.

The fourth was a running dash of one mile for three year olds and for a purse of \$20. The entries were: Norwood's Captain Jack, Emery's Lightwood, Station' Emily Long. Lightwood won in 1:57. Emily Long second and Captain Jack third.

The police made a raid upon a novel sort of a gambling house in London, recently. It was frequented by boys from seven to sixteen years of age, who staked sums ranging from one cent upwards, against the bank, the latter institution paying the prizes in candy. The gambling was conducted by means of a "spinning jenny," and the juvenile gamblers played to win double or nothing.

The Danbury News man of North Carolina is Mr. Myrover of the Fayetteville Gazette.

FIRE AT KINSTON.

Episcopal Church and One Store Burned—Other Losses. From the Newbern Times of yesterday, we get some particulars of the severe conflagration in Kinston last Wednesday night:

About 11 o'clock Wednesday night the inhabitants of Kinston were awakened by the alarm of fire, for the particulars of which we acknowledged our indebtedness to Mr. George Henderson the gentlemanly agent of the Southern Express Company: The fire was first discovered in the store of Mr. Clay Parrott, not however until it had gained such headway, as to preclude the possibility of saving anything, and the occupants had to flee in their night clothes, the store adjoining Mr. Parrott occupied by Mr. Brock West next caught but by the timely arrival of assistance, a portion of the goods were saved, although in a damaged condition. The fire spread so rapidly that it was not long before the Episcopal Church caught, and was entirely destroyed. The flames were communicated to the Court House, and some flying sparks having dropped on the houses of R. W. King and N. W. Hunter, opposite, set fire to them. Fortunately the Court House and Mr. King's house were saved, sustaining but slight damage.

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STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

[Raleigh News.] At a meeting of the State Agricultural Society Thursday night, at Commons Hall, the annual election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Col. T. M. Holt was re-elected by acclamation.

Secretary—Capt. R. T. Fulghum re-elected by acclamation.

Treasurer—Mr. P. A. Wiley re-elected by acclamation.

Vice-President at Large—Gov. T. R. Caldwell, John W. Norwood, Esq., Wm. Battle, Esq., and Col. J. M. Heck.

The appointment of Vice-Presidents for the Congressional Districts was postponed until after the revision of the charter of the Society shall have been made by the Legislature this winter.

During the evening some valuable practical remarks were made by Col. Wm. Johnston, of Mecklenburg, and by Col. I. J. Young, of this city, the latter gentleman making a most capital hit which was heartily applauded by the audience.

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MURDER AT LUMBERTON.

Murder of Mr. B. F. Smith at Lumberton—Some of the Circus Men Accused of the Crime—Statement of One of the Managers, &c. Intelligence reached here yesterday that a white man by the name of Benjamin Franklin Smith, a resident of Abbottsburg, was murdered at Lumberton on Thursday night, during a difficulty which occurred on the grounds after the close of the performance of the Great Eastern Circus, which exhibited in that place that evening. It seems it was not generally known that any difficulty had occurred until yesterday morning, when the body of the unfortunate man was discovered on the grounds where the exhibition had taken place. From the appearance of the corpse it was evident that deceased had been killed by a blow on the left side of the head, and it is supposed that he was struck with a club, causing an effusion of blood from the brain, which proved fatal. A note from a friend informs us that the deed was perpetrated by some of the showmen. Beyond this we have been unable to gain any definite information. We would state, however, that in a conversation with Mr. Ed. Morgan, one of the Managers of the Great Eastern, he informs us that none of the Managers or Directors of the Circus knew anything of the difficulty and they were present during the packing up of the tents, &c. Mr. Morgan further states that the first intimation he had received of the terrible tragedy was when he arrived at Lumberton yesterday. He says that an employee of the circus, who was discharged on Thursday, went to the authorities yesterday and informed them that he could identify the man who did the deed. Mr. Morgan informed them that if this could be done the culprit would be surrendered and the managers would lend what assistance they could in pushing the investigation. With the present lights before us, we can form no intelligent opinion in regard to the matter, and simply give the versions of the sad affair as we have received them. It is to be hoped that the guilty party will be brought to speedy justice through the instrumentality of the authorities of Robeson, who should leave no stone unturned in the pursuit of their investigations.

Mr. Smith was about 35 or 30 years old, and was employed as a clerk in the store of Mr. Isaac Smith, his nephew, at Abbottsburg. The body of the unfortunate man was brought down on the train to Abbottsburg yesterday.

It was rumored on the streets yesterday afternoon that an attempt would be made by the authorities at Lumberton to arrest the whole circus company on their return to that place this evening, in which event there will probably be some serious trouble.

We learn that Mr. Nicholas N. Morris, formerly of this city, but now of Abbottsburg, was also struck by some one at Lumberton on Thursday night, and severely, though not seriously hurt.

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