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CONVICTION OF WESTERVELT.

Westervelt, who was indicted in a Philadelphia Court in five counts for complicity in the celebrated Ross abduction case, has been found guilty on three counts of the indictment.

VANCE IN DEMAND.

We learn from the Charlotte Observer that ex-Gov. Vance has received an invitation from the chairman of the Executive Committee of the Democratic party in Ohio.

JOE MORRIS ARRESTED.

Joe Morris, the leader of the late negro conspiracy in Georgia, has been arrested. A reward had been offered for his apprehension.

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WESTERN POLITION.

Ex-Congressman Beck, of Kentucky, is confident, as are all the Democratic politicians in Ohio, that Gov. Allen will be re-elected by a tremendous majority.

LIBERAL LINE.

Respecting the nominations made by the Democrats in the States of New York and Massachusetts, the Tribune observes that the renomination of Gov. Gaston was, of course, expected, and the unanimity and enthusiasm with which it was effected were quite natural under the circumstances.

Gen. W. F. Bartlett, a Republican, for the office of Lieutenant-Governor, though it would doubtless be set down by the Republicans as a mere party dodge, a bid for Republican votes, is nevertheless something more than that.

At another point on the property, somewhat lower than those mentioned above, a hole has been bored with a post-auger, in which, at a depth of two feet, the auger went into a bed of coarse white gravel, such as is found in some places on the sea coast.

TO THE PUBLIC.

C. F. AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION, WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 25, 1875. The Seventh Annual Fair, (old series) or Second of the new series will be held at Wilmington by this Association on the 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th days of November.

Those who have nothing else to bring but themselves and families, bring them, and come and see what a collection of manufactured articles and agricultural productions our Cape Fear, and contiguous regions can produce.

It has been decided to offer the following prizes for competition by the different brass bands and military companies which will be present at our approaching Fair.

We are informed that responses have been received from several military companies and brass bands, stating their intention to be present at the Fair.

THE MARL BEDS.

We are informed that Messrs. Cronly & Morris returned on Thursday with a sharpened auger to the scene of the boring operations at their marl beds in Brunswick county, intending to go through the hard stratum which had been struck at the time of our last account, if that was a possible thing.

The auger, indeed, is constructed only with a view to boring wells through a deep soil, and is not calculated to penetrate beds of hard rock. An effort to drill the rock with a steel-pointed drill was alike unsuccessful, owing to the great length and weight of the drill and shafting attached.

The auger was taken to another part of the property and set to work on a new bore. After going down ten feet through soil, sand and some marl, a bed of whitish stone was struck and some specimens brought up.

The fishermen at Fort Caswell, under the direction of Capt. Asa Doster, have met with very encouraging success, thus far. A few days ago some twenty barrels of the largest, handsomest and fattest mullets were captured.

The Wilmington Cornet Concert Club, of this city, which left here on Wednesday evening for the purpose of being present at a grand Grangers' picnic at New Baltimore, near Marion, S. C., on Thursday, returned yesterday morning.

The picnic, which was given by New Baltimore Grange, was a most complete and decided success, commencing at 11 o'clock in the morning and continuing until 7 o'clock in the evening.

Probably six hundred or more of those present at the picnic had never heard music from a brass band before, and to such in particular our friends of the Club were of course the centre of attraction throughout the day.

WILMINGTON RETAIL MARKS.

The following prices, which yesterday, Apples (dried) 12 1/2 cents per pound; dried peaches 25 per pound; walnuts, 25 cents per pound; pickles, 20 cents per dozen; lard, 18 cents per pound; butter, 30@40 cents per pound; cheese, 25 cents per pound; green corn 75@80 a pair; eggs \$1.50 per pair; beef 10@11 1/2 cents per pound; corn 12@13 1/2 cents per bushel; real 12@13 cents per pound; mutton, 12@13 cents per pound; ham, 18@20 cents per pound; shoulders, 12@14 cents per pound; tripe, 20 cents per bunch; clams, 25 cents a peck; open clams, 20@25 cents a quart; 50th bunch, 5 cents; eggs, 25@30 cents a dozen; stringed, 25 cents a dozen; potatoes, new Irish, 40c a peck; new sweet 25 cents a peck; fish-trout 25c. per bunch; mullets 10@25 cents per bunch; turkeys, 10 cents a bunch; onions, 50 cents a peck; cabbage, 10@25 cents a head; cauliflower, 20 cents a head; pumpkins, 10@20 cents a head; radishes, 10 cents a bunch; cucumbers, 50 cents a dozen; carrots, 5 cents a pound; peas, 12c. a quart; green beans 20c a peck; squashes, 20 cents a dozen; corn 10@15 cents a dozen; green corn 20c a dozen; tomatoes 10c a quart; okra, 5 cents a dozen; watermelon, 10@30c a piece; 20c a quart; cabbages 10c a dozen; grapes 20c per peck; water melons 10c per quart; green peas 10c per quart; apples 50 to 60c per bushel.

We learn from a friend at Dawson's Landing, Bladen county, that a horse ran away with a cart at Mr. Joseph Gillespie's place, near there, on Wednesday, and when in making a sudden turn he fell, killing himself instantly.

We learn that the holes for the telegraph poles between this city and Smithville are dug, that work having been completed yesterday and it now remains to be seen whether the poles will be put up before the close of the present week.

THE ODD FELLOWS.

M. J. Durham, of Kentucky, Grand Sire of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of the United States, lately in session at Indianapolis, delivered an address to the representatives of the order, assembled from all parts of the Union, on the opening day, September 20, a portion of which is annexed.

"Nothing tends so much to retard our progress as hasty and careless legislation; and I therefore ask of you great care and study in your deliberations, so that the laws passed in accordance with your constitution and in harmony with the spirit and genius of our ritual. I am glad to be able to announce to you the continued increase and prosperity of our order at home and abroad, and to a kind Providence we should render hearty thanks for all its mercies to us individually and collectively.

The reports of the grand corresponding and recording secretary, Mr. J. L. Ridgely, and of Hon. Joshua Vanusot, grand treasurer, were then read, showing that during the year 1874 the number of subordinate lodges increased 501; Rebekah Degree lodges, 120; grand encampments, 2; subordinate encampments, 118; lodge members, 29,888; encampment members, 3,314; relief by lodges, \$38,805 21; relief by encampments, \$7,921 30; relief by Rebekah lodges, \$998 18; revenue of lodges, \$66,537 64; and the revenue of Rebekah lodges, \$22,925 82. On December 31st, 1874, the order was made up as follows: Grand lodges, 46; grand encampments, 88; subordinate lodges, 5,987; subordinate encampments, 1,630; lodge members, 498,701; encampment members, 68,445. From 1830 to December 31st, 1874, there have been 924,428 initiations; 685,968 members relieved; 91,095 families relieved; 60,776 have died; \$55,338,423 82 have been received, and \$20,542,494 71 have been expended for the relief of families of members of the order.

The grand Grangers' Picnic near Marion, S. C.—The Wilmington Cornet Concert Club Present—The Speeches and the Beautiful Past.

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The repeat provided for the occasion was simply immense, in both quantity and quality, and did great credit to the ladies, as well as to Mr. E. J. Moody, of Marion, and other members of the Committee charged with looking after this important part of the proceedings.

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The following are the chairmen of the standing committees appointed by Grand Sire Durham:—States of the Order—White, of New York; Judiciary—Lamberton, of Pennsylvania; Legislative—Garey, of Maryland; Finance—Leech, of Iowa; Appeals—Porter, of California; Foreign Relations—Fitzhugh, of Virginia.

Degree of Rebekah—Thompson, of Missouri; Correspondence—Barney, of Tennessee; Mileage and Per Diem—Tyeon, of Georgia; Constitution—Latham, of Virginia; Petitions—Alexander, of Illinois; History of Odd Fellowship—Harmon, of California; Returns—Busbee, of North Carolina.

Grand Bodies Unrepresented—Livernore, of Massachusetts; Unfinished Business—Shannon, of Kansas; Miscellaneous Business—Burrows, of Mississippi.

At the session of the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. to-day, several resolutions and propositions pertaining to the Rebekah degree, were presented and referred to appropriate committees. The following resolution was referred:—That when a member of a subordinate lodge renounces Odd Fellowship, the lodge of which he was a member shall not be required to give him any further attention, nor shall he be entitled to dues or to benefits of any kind.

Before the adjournment yesterday, the work at this Fair, in connection with the work of Messrs. Bangs & Cobly, mentioned in our last, as having been commenced, will not really close New Year's, but will form the basis for the accomplishment of that undertaking. The exact debt of the county our correspondent is unable to exactly determine, but he says from the appearance of the books it cannot exceed \$4,000.

INDIANapolis, Sept. 22.

At the third day's session of the Grand Lodge Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the United States, Past Grand Sire Nicholson, from the committee on the next session of the supreme body, submitted an elaborate report recommending that the session be held in Philadelphia in September, 1876. Laid over.

Representative Given, of the District of Columbia, submitted a communication from the secretary of the Washington National Monument Society. Past Grand Sire Stuart offered a document embodying a resolution providing for an additional appropriation from the Grand Lodge in aid of the completion of the Washington monument. Referred to the committee on finance.

The report of the committee on mileage and per diem recommending pay of ten cents per mile and \$6 per day was adopted. It was resolved that obituaries on deceased members of the grand body be made the special order for Friday morning. After which adjournment was taken until to-morrow morning.

The street parade this afternoon was the grandest public demonstration ever witnessed in this city. Fully 10,000 Odd-Fellows in regalia were in procession. The uniformed patriots from St. Louis, Cincinnati and Louisville attracted special attention. After passing through the principal streets, the procession halted at the State House Square, where addresses were made by Grand Sire Durham and others. A banquet was given to-night by the Grand Lodge of Indiana to the representatives of the United States and visiting past grand officers from other States.

Through the courtesy of the gentlemanly Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, a friend at Smithville has been enabled to present the following statement of the receipts and disbursements of the public monies of the county for the year ending September 1st, 1875.

Table with columns for item and amount. Items include: Total receipts of the county, as reported for the last year, excluding the school and railroad tax, \$6,596 76; Disbursement of the above amount in an aggregate form for each department of the county government, as follows: For the services of the Board of County Commissioners, including per diem, mileage and extra committee work, \$378 75; Clerk of the Board, computing and copying Tax List and extra services, 339 02; Support of the poor, 688 00; Repairing Bridges, 458 00; Jury, witness tickets, officers of Court, extra to Sheriff, 1,531 56; Arresting, guarding and feeding of prisoners, 757 51; Medical services, 140 00; Coroner's, 143 80; Attorney's, 155 00; Surveying County line, Columbus and Brunswick, 256 00; Stationery and sundries, 238 50; Principal and interest on the funded debt, 943 36; Total, \$4,002 50.

Balance in the hands of the Treasurer to pay commissions to the Sheriff, and the Treasurer for collecting and disbursing, \$204 26.

No report is made in respect to the school monies, consequently our correspondent can make no statement in reference to them.

From an investigation of the books, the amount of the funded debt, principal and interest, appears to be \$3,200. To meet this the Treasurer has in hand \$1,739 49, leaving a balance of \$460 51 to be provided for from this year's taxes. The present Board, in order to keep good the credit and preserve the good name of old Brunswick, levied a tax which will aggregate \$2,800, exclusive of Railroad tax.

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On land not deficient in potash there is always a good clover catch with wheat after potatoes. If the clover fails on potato ground the probability is that potash is wanting, and hard wood ashes should be sown. If these cannot be obtained the German potash salts are a good substitute, and may be profitably used on such land.

Spirits Turpentine.

The Waldon Episcopal Church will soon be completed. Salisbury Fair commences on the 19th of October and closes on the 22nd. Mr. S. K. Bowden, of Warsaw, is dead.

The old Orange Guards have been reorganized. Mr. J. W. Cheek, of Durham, aged 55, committed suicide Wednesday morning, says the News.

Dr. S. P. Wright, formerly of the Humphrey House, has taken charge of the Estabrook House at Newbern. Henry Mordecai, Esq., a prominent citizen of Raleigh, died on the afternoon of Wednesday, at his residence.

Concord Register: Miss Margaret Jane Leffer, daughter of Jacob Leffer, in the vicinity of Eldorado, Montgomery county, killed and captured a rattlesnake five feet four inches long, eight inches in circumference, and had thirteen rattles and a button. Miss Leffer is just entering sweet sixteen.

Newbern Times: The schooner Elizabeth A., from New York and Patuxent, bound to Hollywood, Carter county, was totally lost on Core Bank of Sunday morning the 19th inst. The vessel and cargo belonged to Appleton Oakesmith, of Hollywood, and were valued at about five thousand dollars, on which there was no insurance.

We learn by the News that the Executive Committee of the State Agricultural Society have unanimously tendered an invitation to Hon. Jefferson Davis to deliver an address at the Fair to commence on the 12th proximo. The presence of Mr. Davis on that occasion would add greatly to the interest of the week, and would give universal satisfaction.

Robesonian: We learn that the turpentine distillery of Messrs. A. & W. McQueen, of Ashland, near Red Banks, in this county, was destroyed by fire last Monday. It seems the distiller turned out a charge of rosin while boiling hot, which when exposed to the air, ignited, destroying both the still and many barrels of rosin which were standing near by.

Asheville needs an express line, or rather there is one needed between Salisbury and Old Fort. The Pioneer says an energetic business man of Asheville is considering the undertaking. That paper well says: Asheville does a heavy business in the Eastern market, and the want of speedy transportation to and from this point is severely felt. By all means let us have the express line.

The following gentlemen have been appointed on the part of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce to represent the commercial and manufacturing interests of Richmond at the next State Fair of North Carolina, to be held at Raleigh: H. E. Blackenship, Thomas Branch, George S. Palmer, E. O. Noling, Andrew L. Ellett, James H. Dooley, Walter K. Martin, P. H. Starks, Jr., H. H. Prayser, Joseph Hill, Peyton Wise, John B. Farrell, Charles U. Williams, James W. Allison, Robert S. Archer, George Lee.

Raleigh News: We learn that the races at the Fair will be the finest we have ever had. There will be horses here that have won \$30,000 prizes. One of the few opportunities our people will have to see such horses. The stock will be unusually fair, of the best blood in the land. The display of poultry will be ahead of anything of the kind ever exhibited at our Fair. Ladies from all parts of the State have accepted the invitation of the committee to be present and assist.

The Charlotte Observer understands that a few days ago, while men were engaged in blasting at the quarry in Rowan county, some workmen were taking for the government building in Raleigh, one of the blasts did not explode as soon as it was thought it should, when two or three negroes approached it to investigate the cause. As they neared it a sudden explosion, seriously and perhaps dangerously injuring two of the negroes.

Tom Evans tells how Bro. Ramsey, the enthusiastic young temperance lecturer, of Raleigh, got even with a Canada audience recently, who were financially unappreciative. It was at the village of Naples, and the collection planned by Bro. Ramsey, not at all set back, received the amount, and exclaimed to the audience: "Gentlemen, I am somewhat surprised that an assembly of so much sense should only contribute forty-two cents. This is the result of an immediate expansion of the currency."

WHEAT AFTER POTATOES.

Where potatoes are grown extensively it has become a common and very good practice to have a few acres of early potatoes ready to clear off and sow to wheat. This can readily be done with Early Rose, and sometimes with early planted later varieties. It is best, however, not to try to get out a large field of potatoes in time for wheat, as the labor is so great that it is apt to delay wheat sowing till late in the season. Wherever ground can be fitted for sowing by the 25th of September, a potato crop makes an excellent preparation for wheat. The ground is in the best possible mechanical condition from previous cultivation, and if the soil is rich enough a good crop is apt to result.

With the complete pulverization of the soil, as hoeing, cultivating and digging, little after preparation is necessary to fit it for wheat. The old-fashioned way, both on corn and potato ground, was to lightly cultivate, and sometimes only to drag the surface, sowing the wheat broadcast and covering with the drag. This was reckoned a slipshod and lazy practice, and therefore very well that some extra large crops were grown in this way, and it is quite certain that the deeper cultivation which has become fashionable has not been so generally successful. Wherein is the advantage of plowing potato ground for wheat? If properly cultivated during the summer there will be few or no weeds in potatoes at digging time, and a light cultivation, or even dragging to level the surface, is all that is needed—much better, we suspect, than a deeper plowing, which turns the finely pulverized surface soil to the bottom of the furrow.

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