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THE ALBEMARLE SECTION.

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MEMBER OF VOTING FOR PRESIDENT.

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The Nautical Gazette, copying this,

was pleased to add: "The day is not far distant when thousands of tons of steam and sailing vessels will find steady and lucrative employment...

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a perfect garden spot. Peas can be produced as early as in Florida; strawberries as early as in South Carolina...

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now being harvested in the vicinity of New Bern is estimated at six thousand bushels. Again, the pea crop is planted early in February and gathered in April...

Two years ago we were seated in the late Judge Heath's law office in Memphis, Tennessee. He was not a native North Carolinian, but he had spent his manhood in the Eden portion of the State...

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The matter should be considered in a purely non-partisan light. Sooner or later the Republican party is as apt to be damaged quite as much by the retention of the electoral system...

for good, and, as we have intimated, may have great power for evil. Originally it was intended to be a deliberative body, the electors being supposed to exercise a certain amount of discretion...

THE PUBLIC-SCHOOL IN NEW ENGLAND A FAILURE.

We make it a point to read nearly everything we see from the pen of Richard Grant White. As a critic of Shakespeare he ranks with the first. His fame is European. Mr. Rolfe, in his admirable edition of the great dramatist, says if he were to be restricted to one edition of Shakespeare he would prefer White's...

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"For the census returns show that crime, immorality, and insanity are great evils in the United States. Let us compare the statistics of population, of literacy and illiteracy, and of crime in these two classes of States, carefully eliminating from our calculation the influence of foreign immigration...

THE MAN WHO WRITES HIMSELF A POOL.

When the New York Sun gets hold of the rascality of an official it never forgets it or forgives it. It took after that chief of "Fools," one Albion W. Tourgee, whom a Judge in North Carolina, concerning certain revelations made before the Fraud Commission...

as the law partner of one Horsford, and his bribe-taking at the hands of Swepson through the corruptionist Littlefield, it would be all the same. They would not respect him any the less, or be less willing to credit every slander he circulates in books against the people he helped to rob in 1868 and 1869.

This Tourgee is very smart. He has ability with the pen, and he is acute and sharp. He knows how to feather his nest. He has always known how to do this. When he wrote those lying letters to the Northern papers giving monstrous accounts of the barbarities practiced by North Carolinians upon the poor negroes and the hapless Quakers...

The mistake in education, as it prevails in the North, it strikes us, is that it has been relied upon as the great and, almost, only instrument for elevating man. Give him education of mind, and the theory is, you will improve and purify the natural man...

Well said, Mr. Sun. In North Carolina there is a consentient opinion as to the bad character of Tourgee. That he is a corrupt, dangerous and smart fellow there is no doubt in the mind of any decent citizen of this State.

DID IT PASS?

The Insane Asylum, of South Carolina, has not sufficient accommodation, and the demand for places is increasing all the time. Gov. Hagood makes two recommendations, in his inaugural, concerning this State institution, that is not without interest...

He does not, however, propose that the tax-payers shall be required to support the institution, and then if they should be overtaken with insanity should have to pay in addition for any benefits to be derived from it. Gov. Hagood is not up to our North Carolina way of doing things.

But by the way, what became of that insane amendment that was so blindly voted for by so many tens of thousands? We suppose it became a law, but we have not seen the vote. The time may come yet, before the last chapter of the State's history is written, when it will be seen that the provisions of that amendment are not as wise precisely as was apprehended by its friends...

Bishop Doggett's Testimony.

Richmond Christian Advocate. Dying words of Bishop Doggett: "I claim to have lived above reproach as a preacher of the gospel. I never was ambitious for office in the church, but I have been ambitious, so to speak, to preach the gospel in the best possible manner in the compass of my ability. I have loved to preach the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ, and oh! how I have enjoyed it! The gospel which I have preached to others is my comfort and support now."

The English Laureate has published a small volume of poems containing several short poems, among others, that are already known to readers through the magazines, and were copied into the STAR. The most of them are fine and worthy of the great singer.

State vs. C. H. Grant, charged with resisting an officer. Motion by State upon affidavit filed for removal. Motion resisted by defendant upon affidavit filed. Motion granted and cause removed to Pottow county for trial, and set for 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning of the first term.

State vs. W. H. Goodman, charged with assault and battery in the arrest of J. T. Edgus, as heretofore stated. Defendant found guilty.

State vs. Nick DeBos, charged with assault and battery. Case on trial.

In the case of Mary Ann Davis, charged with a nuisance, in using profane and obscene language on the street, on trial Wednesday night, defendant was found guilty.

Some idea may be given of the speed attained by the trains connected with the fast mail via the Atlantic Coast Line by stating that, in coming South the time is as follows: From New York to Wilmington, 17 hours and 35 minutes; from Philadelphia to Wilmington, 15 hours and 5 minutes; from Baltimore to Wilmington, 12 hours and 30 minutes; from Washington to Wilmington, 11 hours and 10 minutes; and from Richmond to Wilmington, 7 hours and 35 minutes.

One of the first trains after the fast mail schedule went into effect, made the distance between Weldon and this city—162 miles—in precisely 4 hours, making an average of a fraction over 40 miles per hour. If that is not getting over the ground in a hurry we should like to know what is.

Mr. W. J. Hand, of Rocky Point, Pender county, who was in the city yesterday, had in his possession a potato, grown on his place, which "takes the rag off the bush," being somewhat in the shape of a still-worm, and straightened out would measure two feet in length.

DURHAM IN FLAMES.

Sixteen Stores and Factories Burned. Raleigh Visitor, Nov. 1. It is with deep regret that we learn of a terrible conflagration in our sister town of Durham, which commenced this morning about 1 o'clock.

From a private dispatch we get the following: "Conflagration commenced at 1 o'clock. Sixteen stores and factories burned. Loss over \$200,000."

From reliable sources we learn the following further intelligence: One half of the business part of the town is burned. About fourteen houses in all are totally destroyed.

The fire at 9:30 o'clock this morning was still burning, but under control. There is great excitement in the town, and it is hard to get the correct news or extent of damage.

The estimate and statement above given may be changed somewhat from further developments, but, in the main, are correct. No lives lost.

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Spirits Turpentine.

The "Kurnels" are beginning to put in their appearance at Raleigh. The "Honorable" will be along in a few weeks.

Dock McRae, colored, broke into a house near Laurinburg on Sunday; was arrested for his crime on Monday and brought to jail on Tuesday—then on Friday was tried, convicted and sentenced to the Penitentiary for four years. All in less than a week.

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