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FARMING ON CREDIT.

We have received some Bulletins from the N. C. Agricultural Station—two within ten days. No. 1 is a discussion of the fertilizer question, and the following is sufficiently starting to make the farmers pause and reflect.

"A little over 85,000 tons of fertilizers were sold in North Carolina last year. The returns are not all in, but it is evident that there was a considerable increase in the sale over the year before, in spite of the difficulties in transportation during the spring.

"The average cash price of the simple acid phosphate was \$30.80. The average cash price of the complete phosphate was \$43.30. The average cash price of all kinds was, therefore, \$35.55 per ton. Supposing cash had been paid for the 85,000 tons the total amount paid by our farmers for fertilizers would have been three million two hundred and fifty dollars.

"If these figures are approximately correct then we have an additional argument to urge for diversifying the crops. The cultivation of all cotton and all tobacco is bad enough, but when this is done at an interest of 25 per cent. per annum, as it is claimed by Mr. Dabney, then it is high time that a change was made in the farming in North Carolina.

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"Now, it is a maxim which none but a fool could venture to assail, that relief from taxation, to be just and wise, must be beneficial to the greatest number of taxpayers. The most universal tax is that levied at the custom houses, and the most universal relief would come from reducing the duties on imports.

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"There is a new witness in the Jennie Cramer case who, if not discredited, must prove very important. It is Asa Curtis, the fisherman who took the body of the ill-starred girl from the water at the West Haven shore. He says no one saw her, as some of the witnesses testified, on August 5th, at Savin Park Grove, but it was the day previous she was there.

"Thursday evening at 8 o'clock I was in front of the Beach House, and saw Dr. Barry place a young lady on the ground under a tree. The young man, Jimmie, and with her were Blanche Douglas and another young woman, tall and slim, whom I should know if I should ever see her again. James Malley stood off to one side. The German girls, who were stopping at the Beach House, came out and gave Jennie water. After she had been lifted into a beach wagon, I heard one of the German girls say: 'Jimmie, do you want any more water?' James was on the front seat and drove. The three young women were on the back seat; Jennie in the middle, supported by the others. They drove toward the Sea View House and went up Grove street.

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PENNER COUNCIL.

Organization of the Anglo Transway Company. At a meeting of the stockholders of the Anglo Transway Company, held on Saturday last, at which Mr. K. F. Powers presided and Mr. Gibson James acted as secretary, the object was explained in a forcible speech by the chairman, when all the stock being taken and represented in person, the company was permanently organized by the election of the following officers:

President—Gibson James. Superintendent—D. J. McMillan. Secretary and Treasurer—K. F. Powers. Directors—John W. James, D. J. McMillan, K. F. Powers, Gibson James, J. K. McMillan.

The road, we learn, is to run from Croom's Bridge, on Northeast River, through what is known as Angola Bay to Williamsburg (named in honor of our townsman, Mr. G. W. Williams), a distance of about nine miles, where the company owns immense tracts of the finest timbered lands in the State, and at which point they expect to have an early day to locate a lumber business. At this point, also, there are immense quantities of naval stores and other products. The company, we understand, propose at some future day to extend their road to Jacksonville and Richlands, in Union county, and also to build a branch from Wilmington to Chinquapin, and ship all of their freight down the Northeast river from Croom's Bridge, the head of navigation at low water, as steamboats and flats can come there at any time.

We are assured that under the energetic direction of the President, Mr. Gibson James, the road will be pressed to an early completion. The order for the rolling stock and machinery will soon be placed with Messrs. W. E. Turner & Co., of Richmond, Virginia, and it is expected that the road will be in operation by the first of September, 1882. The Superintendent, Mr. McMillan, is ordered to proceed at once to procure the right of way for the road, and it is understood that nearly all parties offer the same as a donation, together with all timber necessary for constructing the road.

CONFIDENCE GAME.

A Victim of Robbers and Swindlers. One Andrew Hill, colored, came here from Bladen county to look after his wife, who was in the city for the purpose of having a tumor extracted, and brought down a lot of naval stores and sold it for the purpose of getting money to pay the doctors. He received from the purchasers of his produce the sum of \$18, consisting of three five dollar gold pieces and the remainder in silver. Dick Boston and Nat. Hill, two young colored men, were close by and saw the money paid to Andrew Hill, and as soon as he came out of the office, foot of Chestnut street, they accosted him and asked if he wanted to know how to get ten bushels of meal by the expenditure of the small sum of fifty cents. The country colored man had no objection to being put in possession of such an important secret, and he was invited to an out of the way place on the wharf, where it was proposed to enlighten him. Nat. Hill then drew out of his pocket a pack of cards and showed the countryman one particular card with an ink spot on one corner of it, at the same time telling him that if after the pack was shuffled he could pick out that card he had been shown he would give him the desired information about the meal. Dick Boston spoke up and offered to bet the countryman ten dollars that he couldn't pick out the card as suggested. All this time—for only a few minutes had transpired—Andrew Hill had been holding the money, inclosed in an envelope, in his hand, but at this moment the envelope was either dropped or slipped from his hand (he was so bewildered he didn't know which), and fell upon the ground, the money falling out, when Dick Boston made a grab for the gold and silver, secured nearly the whole of it, and made off with his booty. As Boston ran off, with Andrew Hill in pursuit, Nat. Hill, Boston's confederate, disappeared in another direction.

WARRANTS FOR DICK BOSTON AND NAT. HILL.

Warrants for Dick Boston and Nat. Hill were subsequently issued by Justice McQuigg and placed in the hands of Officers Whitney and Statcher, who arrested them yesterday morning, but found none of the missing money in their possession. They were committed to jail, in default of security in the sum of \$100 each, for their appearance before Justice McQuigg this morning.

Boston and Hill are said to have been connected with the once famous (or infamous) "String Band," which used to swindle so many unsuspecting persons by their tricks.

COTTON RECEIPTS.

The receipts of cotton at this port for the month of January foot up 12,463 bales, as against 7,305 bales for the corresponding month last year, showing an increase in favor of January, 1882, of 5,158 bales. The receipts of the crop year to date foot up 118,281 bales, as against 101,532 for the same period last year, showing an increase in favor of the present crop year of 15,239 bales.

Death of Mr. Hanson H. Murphy. The many friends of Dr. Hanson H. Murphy, a prominent and esteemed citizen of Fender county, will regret to learn that he died at his residence in that county on Tuesday evening last, after a somewhat protracted illness. Dr. Murphy was a brother of Dr. C. T. Murphy, who died a few days ago at Clinton.

ABANDONED.

We understand that the sons of Messrs. E. A. Brewer and W. J. Johnson, of Rockfish (Township, Cumberland county, ran away from their homes on Sunday morning last, the 29th ult., and have not since been heard from. They are aged respectively 16 and 19 years. Any information as to their whereabouts would be doubt be thankfully received.

SUICIDE AND DYSPEPSIA.

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INCENDIARY ATTEMPTS.

Two Fires and Narrow Escapes. Sunday night about twenty minutes past 7 o'clock, John O'Brien discovered these holes of cotton in front of Messrs. Bunnell & Co.'s store, on Front between Market and Dock streets. Hose from one of the engine houses was procured as quickly as possible and attached to the nearest hydrant, when the flames were soon extinguished. It is a narrow escape whether the fire was accidental or the result of design.

About 11 o'clock Officer Henry Mills discovered the firing a large lot of cotton on Water street, immediately in front of the store of Messrs. Hall & Pearsall. Fortunately the fire was confined to one bale, and the officer, being a man of considerable strength, seized it and jerked it into the alley adjoining, placing it in a position where it could do no injury to other property, and then hurried to the Cape Fear engine house, where the necessary hose was procured and attached to a hydrant, when a stream was soon turned upon the fire which quickly and effectually extinguished it. The damaged bale was rolled through the alley to Front street, where an eye could be kept on it in case there should remain any smoldering particles of fire in the center of it.

No doubt seems to be entertained that this fire was the work of an incendiary. The bale which was on fire was one of an inside row and in close proximity to the store. But for the timely discovery of the policeman the fire would have been beyond control in a very few minutes, and as there was another lot of cotton on the opposite side of the street, and the whole in the midst of a mass of buildings and combustible material, there is no telling but what it might have resulted in a very disastrous conflagration.

There was, also, we learn, an attempt made Sunday night to fire the building in which Mr. F. A. Schutte's restaurant is located, in the same neighborhood where the other supposed incendiary attempts were made, batches of cotton saturated with some kind of inflammable material being found pressed in the ventilators and other openings in the wall, and some of them were burning at the time of being discovered.

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A dispatch of Secretary Blaine is published inviting a conference of North and South American Republics, to meet at Washington next year, for the purpose of promoting peace on the American continent by averting possible future wars and ending positive conflicts through pacific means. The various conditions of the part of the correspondence called for by a resolution in the Senate to-day, but it was published prematurely with many errors and an important omission in to-day's New York Herald and several Western papers.

FINANCIAL.

New York Stock Market—Sharp Advances in General. (By Telegraph to the Morning Star.) NEW YORK, February 1, 11 A. M.—The Stock market opened strong, being 3 per cent. higher than yesterday's closing prices for Chicago & New Orleans, 5 per cent. higher for Richmond & Danville, and 10 per cent. higher for the rest of the market, the latter for Northwest preferred; while Marietta preferred was 2 1/2 per cent. lower. In the early dealings the market sold up 1/8 per cent., the latter for St. Paul, while Northwest common advanced 3/4 per cent. to 133 1/2, and preferred 3/4 per cent. to 143. At 11 o'clock there was a fractional decline in the general list.

Moses How, Esq., of Haverhill, Mass., strongly indorses Dr. Jacobs Oil, for rheumatism, etc., from the observation of its effects in his family, as also in his own family. "We see from one of our Massachusetts exchanges.—Bridgeport, Ct., Standard.

Spirits Turpentine.

High Point Pioneer. It is rumored that a company from Atlanta are going to erect a saw-mill in this place, and that immediately upon the necessary machinery for sawing out stone of every shape.

Lumberton Robinson. Our community was shocked last Tuesday morning by the death of Mr. L. M. Robinson, which had even took place at Red Bank, Delaware, after a brief illness, last Monday evening.

Durham Paul. Almonce, Orange, Durham, Caswell, Granville, Durham and Person counties report the wheat crop as being remarkably promising. Large crops have been seen. With a good wheat crop, it is very probable that the failure in the tobacco crop.

Norfolk Gleason. A destructive fire occurred at Zion, in Montgomery county, on Saturday night last, resulting in the total loss of the stonehouse and stock of goods of W. K. Beucham & Co. The fire broke out at 9 o'clock in the night. Their books and some money which were in the safe were uninjured. The loss is about \$4,000, covered by an insurance of \$5,000. For some time the question of erecting a cotton factory at this place has been agitated by our people, and it is to be hoped will soon assume some tangible shape.

Greensboro Patriot. Four conductors and four engineers have recently been discharged from the Richmond & Fryingpan Railroad. There was a small smash-up between the Salem train and a freight train at the Salem junction Saturday. No serious damage was done. One man was slightly injured.