

negro preachers to whittensations and orisons. But the negro will be practically excluded all the same. He will no more be admitted upon terms of genuine equality to all of the rights and privileges that the whites enjoy than he is now admitted.

There is not a Bishop in that large body who would fellowship at heart with the colored brother. Like Bishop Gil Haven rather than bunk with a colored brother he would feign toothache and sit up all night groaning in a chair. The North does not send negroes to the Congress, and the Northern white Methodists will not call negroes into their pulpits. The resolution adopted was a tub thrown to the whale.

ANOTHER STRETCH OF POWER-CONGRESS AS A DOG-KILLER.

Our readers should know that the Congress has passed a bill establishing a Bureau of Animal Industry. This calls for \$150,000 annually. Commissioner Loring has charge. He is to extirpate all manner of diseases among cattle, hogs, fowls, horses, &c. This bill empowers the Commissioner to take charge of all of the slaughter pens in all of the States and his will is to govern.

THE THIRD HOUSE.

We do not often see utterances from Senator Logan that commend themselves to our judgment or taste. But we found one sentiment in his speech in the Senate on Tuesday that is so unexpectedly correct and self-respecting that we are now disposed to give Logan credit for being perhaps a better man than we had supposed. Because a man can judge in pure and ennobling sentiments it is no positive evidence that his character and his sentiments agree. A bad man can reason of righteousness, and even a traitor to country or party may talk in burning words of fidelity to conscience, devotion to principle, and an exalted sense of duty. It is well known to all men who have closely observed character or who have studied the contradictions in human life between theory and practice that there is not necessarily a close and faithful connection between the reflections of the mind and the impulses of the heart—between the theoretical expressions of the brain and the outward acts of the individual.

But we give Senator Logan credit for honest indignation when he spoke of the man who had been so insistent in lobbying him about a certain Railroad Company that he decided certain favors and that had so influenced upon the rights of the Yellowstone Park, &c. The lobbyist and the lobbied had been long time friends, but Logan was disgusted and declared with emphasis that he had lost his respect for any man who would lobby for a corporation.

The Lobby under Republican rule for the past twenty years has been a Third House in Washington. It has done more to debauch the Government and to corrupt the people than any other cause. It has laid insidiously hands upon Senators and upon Representatives and upon the officers of the Government, and it may be even upon the Cabinet and the Chief Magistrate and sent the taint of corruption throughout their veins. It is more than probable that Grant was engaged in more than one respectable speculation while violating the Constitution and breaking up the Legislatures of Sovereign Commonwealths after the true Cromwellian way. There are plenty of men of sense all through the North who are ready to believe that Grant's connection with the Black Friday of 1874 was quite as close and disreputable as is his connection with the Blue Wednesday of 1884. It ought not to be forgotten how closely the President was connected with Babcock's rascalities in Missouri and the dispatches of "Slyph."

But it was not to refresh the memories of men concerning Grant that we began this article. It was to express our gratification that a Northern Senator was so plain spoken in condemnation of the degrading and corrupting Lobby. No Congressman who regards his own character and who has high conceptions of duty ought to listen patiently to any private schemes that come to him through the invincible and unsatisfying Lobby. The course of Judge Fowle, of Raleigh, when the Liberals desired to interview him, is precisely the course that a well meaning, high-toned member of the Federal Congress should pursue when the instruments of the Lobby seek to draw him into the meshes of wrong doing. Decline any interview whatever and decline it peremptorily.

A FLASH FOR BUNCOMB.

The Northern Methodists in their General Conference are moving along the line of the Sacred Scriptures in their efforts to suppress the crying sin and reproach of divorce in their general session. They propose to return to the Divine law and to allow no divorces except upon the conditions laid down therein. Another noticeable thing done by this body was the adoption of a social equality clause as to churches. The negro is to have free access to all church buildings and institutions of learning. This looks well. You would think that after this there would be no obstructions in the way of electing negro Bishops and the appointing of

led to the slaughter, and he can not say that, and even the Governor of the State can not say nay. And when all is done there is not one cent of compensation to be given. All this is done under the clause to regulate commerce among the several States.

Was there ever so great an abuse of power? Was there ever such an absurd system of interpretation? It was very hard to teach young Sumbo how to read under the "general welfare" clause. It is perhaps even worse for Congress to go into the cattle slaughtering and dog killing business under the clause to regulate commerce among the States.

DECORATION DAY.

Federal Memorial Day in Wilmington.—The Procession—Ceremonies at the National Cemetery, &c.

Yesterday (May 30th) being the day set apart for observance as National Memorial Day, was celebrated in Wilmington with more than usual spirit. The procession was larger than for several years past, and consisted of a host of the Grand Army of the Republic, the various colored fire organizations of the city, in uniform, the members of a drymen's association, the children of the various colored schools of the city, people in carriages and on foot, etc., while two brass bands discoursed music appropriate to the occasion. We noticed but very few white people in the procession. Conspicuous among them, however, was Gen. S. H. Manning, in full regiments, the same worn by him in the closing scenes of the late war, twenty years ago.

Half hour guns were fired during the day by the Revenue cutter *Caduz*, at her wharf opposite the Custom House, and shook the city up considerably.

The flags on the various public buildings were at half-mast, and some of them were decorated with flags. The residences of Gen. Manning and Col. Foster were also almost literally covered with bunting.

The exercises at the National Cemetery were of a very interesting character, consisting of vocal and instrumental music appropriate to the solemn occasion, prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. D. J. Sanders, of the Church Street Church, Frederick C. Church, an address by the Rev. D. D. Dodge, of the Congregationalist Church, and the decoration with flowers of the large number of Federal soldiers who lie buried in the beautiful grounds. A large number of those in the procession bore wreaths to be placed on the graves, and flowers were provided in profusion.

After the ceremonies at the Cemetery the procession, with the exception of the children, etc., marched through some of the principal streets of the city.

HONORS TO OUR MEDICAL MEN.

The recent Medical Convention held at Raleigh seems to have been liberal to this section of the State, particularly to Wilmington, in distributing its honors and offices. As we understand it these things are decided upon by recommendations of the Nominating Committee. Dr. S. S. Satchwell, of Pender, was a member of that committee from the Cape Fear section of the State. The following honors were conferred by the Convention: For State Board of Censors—Dr. Thomas F. Wood, William J. Love and W. W. Lane, of Wilmington; Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy, of Wilmington, was elected a member of the State Board of Medical Examiners. Dr. G. T. Thomas, of this city, was elected a delegate to the International Medical Congress that meets in June at Copenhagen. Dr. George F. Jones, of Pender, was elected a delegate to the next meeting of the Virginia Medical Association. Dr. W. C. Murphy, of Pender, was elected a delegate to the State Society. Dr. W. T. Ennett, of Pender, was elected a delegate to the American Medical Association. Well done for Wilmington and Pender county.

ROYAL ARCH MEASONS.

The following are the Grand Officers for the ensuing Masonic year of the Royal Arch Chapter, which closed its 4th Annual Convocation in Elizabeth City on Thursday last. Dr. Eugene Grissom, who presided as Grand High Priest, declined a reelection: George W. Blount, of Wilson, Grand High Priest; Isaac Patterson, of New Berne, Deputy Grand High Priest; James C. Munds, of Wilmington, Grand King; J. W. Albertson, of Elizabeth City, Grand Scribe; William Simpson, of Raleigh, Grand Treasurer; D. W. Bain, of Raleigh, Grand Secretary; Rev. O. F. Gregory, of Charlotte, Grand Chaplain; Augustus Strouse, of Goldsboro, Grand Captain of the Host; H. C. Prempert, of Wilmington, Grand Principal Scribe; B. F. Briggs, of Wilson, Grand Royal Arch Captain; Mod. French, of Wilmington; J. S. Dinger, Jr., of Goldsboro, and W. M. Davis, of Windsor, Grand Masters of Valis; R. H. Bradley, of Raleigh, Grand Tyler.

The next annual Convocation will be held in Tarboro in May, 1885.

THE PROPOSED ONTARIO RAILROAD—Meeting Called.

By an announcement in this issue it will be seen that a meeting of all parties interested in the proposed railroad to Onslow county, is called to be held at the Produce Exchange June 12th, at 12 M., to hear the report of the committee on Survey and to take immediate steps for building said road; and also to hear the report of the same committee as to the cost of a survey of a different view of the necessity of the case his decision is to prevail over the State authorities, and upon his certificate the President can arrest an important share of the State's commerce.

In case of any suspected contagious disease the Commissioner of Agriculture is empowered to invade the State with his squad of killers and slaughter the infected cattle. If the State authorities co-operate in the slaughter, all rights; but if not, the Commissioner's billers are to proceed without them.

Mark you, farmers and others, under the provisions of the bill there is no indemnity to the losers. The agent of the Congress slaughters will and there shall be none to molest or make him afraid. The farmer can go out to his cowpen and behold the entire cattle of the farm

Closing Exercises of Tilston Normal School.

The closing exercises of Miss Bradley's (Tilston) Normal School took place last night. The Upper Room or audience hall was lastly decorated, especially upon the platform, where beautiful plants were wonderfully well arranged, so as to produce a happy effect and make one feel that they were in fairy-land—immense clusters of flowers sending forth their sweet aroma, and the hall filled with happy faces.

The exercises opened with a duet upon the organ, Prof. VanLaeer, and piano, Mattie Aldrich and Miss Ella Adrian. To say that this rendering was splendid would be but a faint expression of our appreciation, and that which was awarded by the vast audience.

After this the salutatory, by Harry Bacon, Jr., which was well conceived and happily delivered. Clear in his enunciation, easy in his manners; a young man that we may expect to hear well of in the future.

Next was an essay by Miss Maria McLaughlin, "Spring." Her theme, and especially she told us of them.

Next in the programme, a solo and quartet—Allen Hallett, Benj. F. Mitchell, Joseph R. Wilson, Jr., Harry Bacon, Jr.,—who took the audience in song over the bounding billows, much to their pleasure; so much so, that they were loudly encouraged, but their modesty prevented them from responding.

Next was an essay by Miss Kate S. Gause, "Sowing and Reaping," which was earnestly and well spoken, the subject made instructive, and was full of thought.

Next was a duet by Miss Higgins, (piano) and Joseph R. Wilson, (violin). Sweet were the notes to which the audience listened. They were loudly encouraged, but, enquiring at Tilston "don't work worth a cent."

Next, an essay by Miss Mary A. Bernard, subject "Genius." In this she cleverly told the difference between genius and talent, and right forcibly she presented the power of genius. A fine essay.

Next, was a song by the Tilston Glee Club—"No Merrily Over the Spray"—charming, and lifted us up several degrees in appreciation of the sweet "little ones" power of capturing by their sweetness of song.

Next was the Valedictory, by Miss Mollie J. Hawes. Her theme was "History of Poetry." Miss Hawes, in delivering this essay, was calm, collected and impressive, showing that she was fully conversant with her subject. One seldom listens to a valedictory that stamps more literary character upon the speaker than this. At the conclusion flowers in profusion were presented to the valedictorian.

Next was a duet by Prof. VanLaeer and Miss Ella Adrian. It is needless to speak of them, for those who ever heard them together know it was well done.

Miss Bradley then awarded the diplomas to the graduating class, five in number, viz: Mary A. Bernard, Mary J. Hawes, Kate S. Gause, Sarah A. McLaughlin, Harry Bacon, Jr. In the presentation of the diplomas Miss Bradley gave the class some excellent advice in her usual feeling manner.

The graduating class then sang a parting song to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne"—and thus closed the exercises of Tilston School for 1884.

We have spoken of the graduate class individually, and now, taking them collectively, we would say that all acquitted themselves in a way that will compare favorably with any college graduating class who we have ever seen. They showed conclusively the thorough training they had had by Miss Bradley and her very efficient corps of teachers.

The evening's entertainment was one long to be remembered. To Miss Bradley this city owes a deep debt of gratitude for the vast amount of good being accomplished by her. The course of study in thorough and those who graduate from Tilston are sure to be soundly and well instructed.

The following comprise the corps of teachers; viz: Miss Mary A. Bradley principal; Mrs. M. E. Russell, Misses A. L. Nutter, Josephine Folger, Helen A. Higgins, Mary L. Alderman, Kate L. Alderman, Alice Thornburn, and Minnie Bogart, assistants.

The total number of scholars during the scholastic year was 240, and average attendance 225.

THE CROPS IN PENDER.

Dr. E. Porter, of Pender, who was in the city yesterday, says the cotton, corn and peanut crops in that county are all looking fine, and the prospect now is that the yield will be better than for ten years past. One great advantage is that labor is more attainable and reliable than for a number of years past. In fact, the short crops of last year, with other drawbacks, have made it a necessity for many to put forth their best energies in order to keep the wolf from their doors.

DO IT AT ONCE.

Those contemplating the putting up of strawberries for the State Exposition or the Fruit Fair should do so at once, or it will be late. For fear of a failure on the part of others Mr. J. M. Forbese, of the firm of Keenan & Forbese, Chairman of the Exposition Committee for this county, has sent for some strawberries to put up by the new plan lately discovered and alluded to in our last issue. Call on Mr. Forbese at once and get the "do's."

FROM CUMBERLAND.

From a private letter received from Fayetteville we learn that the Cumberland County Democratic Convention instructed its delegates to the Congressional Convention to support Hon. W. J. Green for re-nomination. The delegates to the State Convention were not instructed, but they favor Major Stedman for Lieutenant-Governor. Their preference for Governor was not stated.

ANNIVERSARY.

Mr. Samuel P. Hand, of Burgaw, requests us to state that Company K, 3rd N. C. Regiment Infantry, will celebrate their twenty-fourth anniversary at Lenoirburg on the 10th of June. Mr. Edwin Kerr, of Clinton, will address them on the occasion. The old 3rd and families are invited to attend.

THE HIGH TENT OF THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF RECHABLES OF NORTH AMERICA, which has just closed its session at Utica, N. Y., adjourned to meet in this city on the 4th Tuesday in May, 1885. Mr. Thomas E. Skipper was a delegate from this place.

Original Court—Marriage in High Life (Up stairs in the Court House).

Court met yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock, and the following cases were disposed of:

State vs. Jos. Ellison and Alex. Lane, charged with burglary. Verdict, "Not guilty of the felony and burglary, but guilty of an assault with intent to kill. Deafens sentenced to twelve months in the State penitentiary."

State vs. Alex. Lane, assault and battery. Defendant submitted and judgment was suspended.

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State vs. Jos. Ellison, forcible trespass. Defendant submitted and judgment was suspended.

State vs. Lazarus Howard and Harriet Jefferson, charged with F. and A. In this case Solicitor Moore, upon the submission of the defendants, announced that he would not crave judgment provided the parties would agree to marry each other at once and pay the costs. This arrangement being agreed to, the case was closed.

The court adjourned (there being no further business ready for it at the time) until 9:30 o'clock this morning, but no jury cases will be disposed of, and only a few matters relating to costs, etc., considered, to be, being a legal holiday. There will be a regular session again on Saturday.

The Graded School.

At the joint meeting of the school committees of this city on Wednesday the following courses were elected for next session: M. C. S. Noble, Superintendent.

Hemenway Graded School—M. O. Wallace, principal; M. L. McLeod, Mary E. Duguid, Alice Yarborough, Josie W. Myers.

Peabody Graded School (colored)—J. B. Dudley, principal; S. B. Dudley, Annie H. Mallett, Lucille Smith.

Union Graded School—Nellie Cook, principal; Maggie Jones, Adelaide Meares, Williston Graded School (colored)—Mary Howe, principal; I. L. Howe, G. Nixon, E. F. Hooper, A. L. Davis, Maggie White-man.

During the past year the schools have increased much both in members and efficiency. The Superintendent has conducted 38 teachers' meetings, 18 for the white and 18 for the colored teachers. The advantages of these meetings are shown by the increased excellence of the work done.

The schools have grown steadily in the confidence of our citizens, as is shown by the greater number of pupils enrolled and by the greatly increased number of visits paid to them by parents and by others interested in the cause of education. This growing interest that the public takes in the schools is a sure index of their excellence. Their reputation is not confined to our city limits, for some of the teachers, both white and colored, have received calls to teach as experts at Normal schools during the summer; some of these calls, too, come from outside of North Carolina. The Superintendent has received calls to conduct summer Normal schools for both white and colored teachers in this State and out of it. This should be a matter of pride to the citizens, and should assure them that their city stands second to none in the matter of education. Our schools have been recently visited by Maj. R. Blighman, Hon. R. J. Scarborough and Gen. John Eaton, all of whom were well pleased with the work done. Mr. Scarborough was so well pleased that by his influence \$600 was secured from the Peabody Fund, and the committee are thereby enabled to increase the efficiency of the schools. The next term begins Wednesday, Oct. 1st.

The committee have done their best to make the schools eminently successful and the public should be thankful for the gratifying results their efforts have obtained. The enrollment for the year was 1,414.

The Mexican Pension Bill.

In the discussion on the Mexican pension bill in the Senate on Wednesday Mr. Beck, of Kentucky, returned to the strongest point of the bill, which was now 62 years of age. Mr. Logan was opposed to giving any pensions to soldiers of the Mexican war who afterwards fought in the Confederate army. Now we have down here a man by the name of John L. Cantwell, who will not be 66 until his next birthday, who carried a flint-and-steel musketkin in the Mexican war and a rifle and sword in the Confederate war, and he wants Beck to let Logan that he is not sorry that he did either. He didn't even take the oath of allegiance voluntarily, but having once taken it he has kept it so far, and intends to keep it to the end of the chapter.

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