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OFFICE OF N. C. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Raleigh, N. C., May 1st, 1870.

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina Agricultural Society offer the following Premiums, to be awarded at the next Fair, or as soon after as practicable. The other premiums will be published in a few days:

Best Crop of Wheat, not less than four acres, nor less than 40 bushels per acre, \$50

Best Crop of Indian Corn, not less than four acres, to be shelled and weighed between the 15th of Nov. and the 15th of Dec., not less than 100 bushels per acre, \$50

Best Crop of Rye, not less than one acre, nor less than 40 bushels per acre, \$25

Best Crop of Oats, not less than one acre, nor less than 40 bushels per acre, \$25

Best Crop of Buckwheat, not less than one acre, nor less than 30 bushels per acre, \$25

Best Crop of Rice, not less than four acres, nor less than 75 bushels per acre, \$50

Best Crop of Beans or Peas, not less than one acre, nor less than 25 bushels per acre, \$25

Best Crop of Ground Peas, not less than four acres, nor less than 70 bushels to an acre, \$35

Best Crop of Cotton on not less than four acres, nor less than 500 lbs. lint to the acre, \$50

Best Crop of Tobacco, not less than four acres; sample of not less than 100 lbs. to be forwarded, \$50

Best Crop of Sweet Potatoes, on not less than one acre, \$25

STATE OR WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS.

1. On enriching and improving poor lands—whether naturally poor, or naturally rich, or good, and subsequently exhausted by several crops, \$10

2. On the preparation and value of the Southern peas (or "crawfish peas" of any variety) and the culture thereof, whether for saving the peas ripened, or for planting under the soil, green or dry, for manure, and as a preparation for wheat or other grain crops, \$10

3. Best essay on the advantages of Red Clover as a hay, and as a fertilizer, \$10

MEETING IN SWIFT CREEK TOWN-SHIP.

A meeting of the Conservatives of Swift Creek Township, was held at Franklin's on Saturday, April 30th.

The meeting was organized by calling C. E. McCullars to the chair and appointing J. M. Galloway as secretary.

Dr. J. M. Galloway, Geo. Atkinson, Gaston Brumfield, Calvin Branch, Carlos Yates and W. E. Pierce.

STATEMENTS TO BE MADE BY COMPETITORS ON FIELD CROPS.

1. The land must be measured by some competent person, who shall make affidavit of the accuracy of the measurement and the quantity of ground.

2. The applicant shall make affidavit, according to the forms annexed, to the quantity of grain raised on the ground, and on the premium line, which affidavit must accompany the application for premium, together with a sample of the grain.

3. A detailed certified account of expense of cultivation must be made; the expense of labor and manure stated; and the kind of manure used.

4. The kind and condition of soil; the quantity and kind of seed used; the time of planting or sowing stated. Samples of grain and vegetables produced, to be exhibited at the State Fair, where practicable, and also to be sent to the Executive Committee at Raleigh, prior to the meeting of the Committee in December.

5. The grain must be either weighed or measured in a legal half bushel, corn to be measured in the ear, and an average specimen of not less than 20 bushels of ears, shelled, cleaned, and weighed or measured, as above, after the 15th of November, and the number of bushels thus estimated in the affidavit.

The premiums in the above will be awarded by the Executive Committee, at a meeting to be held in December, 1870, but for grass and other crops housed by the 1st of October, the awards will be made during the next Fair.

FORMS OF AFFIDAVITS.

Accurately measured the land upon which C. D. raised a crop of ——— the past season, and the quantity of land is ——— acres not more.

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MEETING IN ORANGE.

At a meeting of the people of Orange County, assembled in the Court House at Hillsboro, on Saturday the 7th of May, the following proceedings were had:

On motion of A. M. Leathers, Esq., W. W. Guess was called to the chair, who explained the purpose of the meeting in an appropriate and well chosen speech.

A. M. Leathers and James Alexander were appointed Secretaries.

The delegates to nominate candidates for county and State offices were called, consisting of three from each school district. There were 33 school districts, many of which were not represented; this gave rise to difficulties which prevented nominations being made; and the Convention adjourned without accomplishing its object.

On motion of Thomas Oldham, Esq., the following gentlemen were appointed a delegation and consideration of the meeting, to wit: Charles W. Johnston, Thomas Oldham, N. P. Hall, Addison Mangum, Thomas Oldham and George Tate.

The court room being occupied by the nominating committee, the convention adjourned to a stand in front of Paucet's store. The members, through their chairman, Mr. Oldham reported the following resolutions:

The people of Orange county, in public meeting assembled to make known their sentiments on the present state of the country, do

Resolved, 1st. That in common with our fellow-citizens generally, we rejoice in the prospect of a new election to be held on the first Thursday of August next. The right to such an election being guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States, we deem it our duty to support it.

Resolved, 2nd. That the right of suffrage of the colored race having been established by the Constitution of the State, and made uniform throughout the Union by the amendment of the Constitution of the United States, it is no longer a subject of controversy, there is no power or disposition on our part to disturb it, and we invite them to co-operate with us in upholding the interests and promoting the prosperity of the State.

Resolved, 3rd. That the Legislative, Executive, and most of the Judicial offices, chosen at the last election, held in April 1868, under military authority, upon brief notice, and the confusion and excitement that attended it, do not reflect the sentiments or duty take care of the interest of the people.

Resolved, 4th. That the reckless issue of \$20,000,000 of bonds at a rate of interest of fourteen millions, for which no provision was made, although it was enjoined in the constitution; and although it was proclaimed in advance that simple means would be provided, all this on the 4th day, when the Legislature assembled, to the humiliating standard they are now quoted at.

Resolved, 5th. That five millions of this amount was furnished by the constitution, and retained from being issued by the Supreme Court, showing the utter incompetency of the Legislature for the duties they had undertaken; and for the relief thus obtained their demerit is made not the less apparent.

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Resolved, 7th. That the prodigal waste of these bonds by the perversion of them to his private ends, by the President last alluded to, and his refusing and fleeing from investigation into that important state affair, and the illegal use to which they were applied by others, as shown by a commission on the subject, and the remissness or concurrence of the Executive, calls for the most emphatic condemnation of an impervious and tax burdened people.

Resolved, 8th. That the investigation by the commission aforesaid, exhibits a negligence in our Legislature, by which, in addition to the sums required to build our extended public works, it is necessary to make additional levies and appropriations to compensate for the loss of the same, and for the expense of the investigation, and to pay the cost of the same.

Resolved, 9th. That we will support the candidates for the County and State offices, who will vote for any independent candidates.

The following nominations were made for Township officers, and endorsed by the meeting:

For Clerks, Allen Adams, Wm. Pope.

For Magistrate, J. J. Whitaker.

For School Committee, P. Yates, Geo. W. Woodall, Watkins Rame, (col.)

For Constable, Anderson Gooden.

On motion of Geo. W. Atkinson, the Chair appointed the following delegates to the approaching County Convention at Hillsboro, W. P. Pierce, Wm. Pope, J. D. Simpson, Anderson Gooden, Sam. B. Smith, Wm. H. Booth, Thos. Harris, Geo. W. Atkinson, Carlos Yates, A. K. Kish.

On motion the Chairman was added to the list of delegates.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

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Resolved, 9th. That we will support the candidates for the County and State offices, who will vote for any independent candidates.

The following nominations were made for Township officers, and endorsed by the meeting:

For Clerks, Allen Adams, Wm. Pope.

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On motion the meeting adjourned.

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A. M. Leathers and James Alexander were appointed Secretaries.

The delegates to nominate candidates for county and State offices were called, consisting of three from each school district. There were 33 school districts, many of which were not represented; this gave rise to difficulties which prevented nominations being made; and the Convention adjourned without accomplishing its object.

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The court room being occupied by the nominating committee, the convention adjourned to a stand in front of Paucet's store. The members, through their chairman, Mr. Oldham reported the following resolutions:

The people of Orange county, in public meeting assembled to make known their sentiments on the present state of the country, do

Resolved, 1st. That in common with our fellow-citizens generally, we rejoice in the prospect of a new election to be held on the first Thursday of August next. The right to such an election being guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States, we deem it our duty to support it.

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