Poetry.

From the Mercury.

SUNSET MUSINGS.

BY VIOLA.

Love of mine, the day is done,
All the long bright summer day—
In the West the golden sun,
Sinks in purple clouds away,
Nature rests in calm repose,
Not a zephyr rocks the rose,—
Not a ripple on the tide,
And the little boats that glide
Lazily across its stream,
Flit like shadows in a dream,
Not one quivering leaf is stirr'—
Bee and butterfly and bird,
Silence keep. Above, around,
Hangs a stillness so profound
That the spirit awe-struck shrinks,
As of Eden days it thinks,
Half expectant here to see,
The descending Deity.

Love of mine, when life's fierce sun,
To its setting slowly goes,
Its long, weary journey run,
Varied course of joys and woes,
May we fall as fall calms come,
Bringing on its wings, a balm
To our hearts, which aching feel—
"Here each grief has set its seal!"
May a stillness soft as this,
Wrap our souls in perfect bliss,
Till the worry and the strife,
Of this fever, we call life,
With its pain and passion cease,
And we rest in perfect peace!
Love of mine, may we behold,
Eden's visitant of old,
As our last breath dies away
By us, in the "cool of day!"

June 17, 1872.

For the entinel.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL CONVENTION.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 11, A. D. 1872.

TEMPORARY ORGANIZATION.

(CONTINUED.)

METROPOLITAN HALL,
Friday Morning, 10 1 2 o'clock.

The convention met pursuant to adjournment. Hon. D. M. Barringer in the chair.

Mr. Norwood renewed his argument in favor of the resolutions introduced by him last night.

A discussion arose which was participated in by Messrs. Heck, Woodfin, J. B. Smith, W. A. Sampson and Prof. Kerr, when Col. Heck offered the following as a substitute for Mr. Norwood's resolutions, which was adopted:

SUBSTITUTE FOR MR. NORWOOD'S RESOLUTIONS BY COL. HECK.

Resolved, That the Legislature of North Carolina be requested to instruct the State Geologist to organize a department of agriculture in connection with his present office, and that the resolution which refers to teaching agriculture in the schools be referred to a committee of three to report to the next meeting of this convention.

GEN. W. R. COX'S RESOLUTIONS.

Gen. W. R. Cox introduced the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That we have witnessed with profound satisfaction the efforts of Prof. Maury to secure the establishment by international co-operation of "a general and systematic plan of Telegraphic Meteorological observation and crop reports" in order to enable the agriculturist to obtain the full benefit of his labor, and that we trust the General Government will give such co-operation in the matter as may secure the object which is sought.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to our representatives in Congress with the request that it be brought to the notice of the proper departments of the government.

GEN. BARRINGER'S RESOLUTION OF THANKS TO THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS AND TO W. A. SAMPSON.

Gen. Barringer offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due and are tendered to the "Society of Friends" in Baltimore for "the model farm" so successfully established under their auspices, in Guilford county in this State, that we desire to express our grateful acknowledgments to W. A. Sampson, their intelligent superintendent, for the practical information he has communicated to this Convention, on the all important subject of Agricultural improvement in North Carolina.

Prof. Kerr, for the committee on Railroad transportation made report which was read and received.

N. W. Woodfin, chairman for committee on sheep and dogs, submitted a report which was read and received.

REPORT ON FENCES—RE-COMMITTED.

Capt. Thigpen for the committee on Fences submitted a revised report, which, after some discussion, was referred back to the committee to report at the next meeting of the Convention.

On motion, the President was instructed to appoint two delegates to attend the Agricultural Congress at Washington, D. C., also two alternates.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 3 o'clock, p. m.

3 o'clock, p. m.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The President in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Burnett, the debates were limited to five minutes on first, and three minutes on second speeches.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST.

Capt. Thigpen offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That the convention has learned with great pleasure in view of the vital importance of (that office) that the Legislature has refused to abolish the office of State Geologist.

PROF. MOLVER'S RESOLUTION—EDUCATION.

Prof. Molver offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That this convention recognizes the necessity of an efficient and judicious system of Free Schools as the chief foundation of permanent improvement and prosperity in the agricultural interests of the State.

REPORT ON FERTILIZERS—RE-COMMITTED.

The report of the Committee on Fertilizers was taken up, and, on motion, it was re-committed to the committee to repal at the next meeting of the convention.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

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Disbursements	356,642 29
Increase in Net Cash Assets during the year	$ 385,218 23

ASSETS.

Cash in Bank and Trust Companies	$ 126,892 08
Government, State and Municipal Bonds	646,000 00
Loans secured by First Mortgage on R. Estate	287,302 46
Loans on Collaterals	706,664 96
Deferred and Unpaid Premiums	111,219 41
Accrued Interest	25,160 37
Total Assets January 1, 1872	$2,103,240 34

LIABILITES.

Total amount required to safely insure all outstanding risks	$ 1,028,017 00
Losses reported but not due	65,689 52
Total Liabilities Jan. 1, 1872	$ 1,093,703 52
Surplus (Security additional to Reinsurance Fund,)	$1,041,536 82

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YOUNG MEN

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MARRIAGE,

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E. J. WARREN,
President of the Senate.

AN ACT to alter the Constitution of North Carolina.

SECTION 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact (three-fifths of all the members of each House concurring.)

That the Constitution of this State be altered as follows, to wit:

Amend section six, of the first article, by striking out the first clause thereof, down to and including the word "but:" this being the clause relating to the State debt.

Amend section two of the second article by striking out the word "annually," and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "biennially" being in reference to the sessions of the General Assembly.

Amend section five of the second article, by striking out all that precedes the words "the said Senate districts," and by striking out the phrase "as aforesaid or" in said section; the parts so stricken out having reference to the State census.

Add a new section to the second article to be styled "section 30," and to read as follows: "The members of the General Assembly shall each receive three hundred dollars as a compensation for their services during their term, subject to such regulations in regard to time of payment and reduction for non-attendance as may be prescribed by law; but, they may have an additional allowance when they are called together in special session, and mileage shall be ten cents per mile for each session."

Amend section one of the third article by striking out the words "four years," where they occur first in said section, and inserting, in lieu thereof, the words "two years," being in reference to the terms of executive officers.

Strike out the words "Superintendent of Public Works," wherever they occur in the Constitution, thus abolishing that office.

Amend section six of the third article, by striking out the word "annually," and inserting, in lieu thereof, the word "biennially," so as to conform to the provision respecting the sessions of the General Assembly.

Strike out sections two and three of the fourth article, being the provisions which refer to the appointment and duties of the Code Commissioners.

Alter section four of the fourth article, so that said section shall read as follows: "The judicial power of the State shall be vested in a Court for the trial of impeachments, a Supreme Court, Superior Courts, such inferior Courts as may be established by law, and Courts of Justices of the Peace."

Alter section eight of the fourth article, so that said section shall read as follows: "The Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice and two Associate Justices; *Provided*, That this shall not apply to the justices during their present term of office, unless by death, resignation or otherwise, the number of Associate Justices shall be reduced to two.

Alter section twelve of the fourth article so that said section shall read as follows: "The State shall be divided into nine judicial districts, for each of which a judge shall be chosen; and in each district a Superior Court shall be held at least twice in each year, to continue for such time in each county respectively as may be prescribed by law. The General Assembly shall lay off said districts in due time, so that the said nine judges may be chosen and begin their official term at the first general election for members of the General Assembly which shall occur after the ratification of this section. The General Assembly may reduce or increase the number of districts to take effect at the end of each judicial term."

Strike out section thirteen of the fourth article, which fixes the present judicial districts,

Amend section fourteen of the fourth article by striking out all after the word "office," and inserting, in lieu of the part so stricken out, the following: "The General Assembly shall prescribe a proper system of rotation for the judges of the Superior Courts, so that no judge may ride the same district twice in succession, and the judges may also exchange districts with each other, as may be provided by law."

Strike out section fifteen of the fourth article, and insert in lieu thereof, the following: "The General Assembly shall have no power to deprive the judicial department of any power or jurisdiction which rightfully pertains to it as a co-ordinate department; but the General Assembly shall allot and distribute that portion of this power and jurisdiction, which does not pertain to the Supreme Court, among the other courts prescribed in this constitution or which may be established by law, in such manner as it may deem best, provide also a proper system of appeals, and regulate by law when necessary the methods of proceeding, in the exercise of their powers, of all the courts below the Supreme Court, so far as the same may be done without conflict with other provisions of this constitution."

Strike out sections sixteen, seventeen, nineteen, twenty-five and thirty-three of the fourth article.

Amend section twent six of the fourth article by striking out all that part which begins with, and follows the word "but" in said section, and, in lieu of the part so stricken out, inserting the following: "The judicial officers and the clerks of any courts which may be established by law, shall be chosen by the vote of the qualified electors, and for such term as may be prescribed by law. The voters of each precinct, established as is elsewhere provided for in this constitution, shall select two justices of the peace for such term as may be fixed by law, whose jurisdiction shall extend throughout their respective counties. The General Assembly may provide for the election of more than two justices of the peace in those precincts which contain cities or towns, or in which other special reasons render it expedient. The chief magistrates of cities and incorporated towns at all have the judicial powers of justices of the peace."

Amend section thirty of the fourth article by striking out the word "townships" and inserting, in lieu thereof, the word "precincts," also in the last sentence of the same section, strike out the words "the commissioners of the county may appoint to such office for the unexpired term," and in lieu thereof insert "an appointment to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term shall be made as may be prescribed by law."

Amend sections one and seven of the fifth article, by striking out the words "commissioners of the several counties" where they occur in said sections, and in lieu thereof inserting the words "county authorities established and authorized by law."

Strike out section four of the fifth article, relating to taxation to pay the State debt and interest.

Amend section six of the fifth article by inserting after the word "instrument" in said section the words "or any other personal property."

Insert the word "and" before the word "surveyor" in section one of the seventh article, and strike out the words "and five commissioners" in said section; also add to said section the following: "The General Assembly shall provide for a system of county government for the several counties of the State."

Amend section two of the seventh article, by striking out the word "commissioners" and in lieu thereof inserting the words "county authorities established and authorized by law," and in the same section strike out the "words, "the register of deeds shall be ex officio clerk of the board of commissioners."

Strike out section three of the seventh article, and in lieu thereof insert the following: "The county authorities established and authorized by law shall see that the respective counties are divided into a suitable number of sub-divisions, as convenient and compact in shape as possible, and marked out by definite boundaries, which may be altered when necessary. Said subdivisions shall be known by the name of precincts. They shall have no corporate powers. The township governments are abolished. The boundaries of the precincts shall be the same as those which heretofore defined the townships until they shall be altered."

Strike out sections four, five, six, ten and eleven of the 7th article, which relates to the township system.

Amend sections eight and nine of the seventh article, by striking out the words "or townships" where they occur in said sections.

Strike out section three of the ninth article, and in lieu thereof insert the following: "The General Assembly shall make suitable provision by law for the management and regulation of the public schools, and for perfecting the system of free public instruction."

Strike out section five of the ninth article, and in lieu thereof, insert the following: "The General Assembly shall have power to provide for the election of Trustees of the University of North Carolina, in whom, when chosen, shall be vested all the privileges, rights, franchises and endowments heretofore in any wise granted to, or conferred upon the Board of Trustees of said University; and the General Assembly may make such provisions, laws and regulations from time to time, as may be necessary and expedient, for the maintenance and management of said University."

Strike out sections thirteen, fourteen and fifteen of the ninth article, relating to the University of North Carolina. Amend section ten of the eleventh article by striking out the words "at the charge of the State," and in lieu thereof, insert the words "by the State; and those who do not own property over and above the homestead and personal property prescribed by this Constitution, or being minors, whose parents do not own property over and above the same, shall be cared for at the charge of the State."

After section seven of the fourteenth article so that said section shall read as follows: "No person who shall hold any office or place of trust or profit under the United States, or any department thereof, or under this State, or under any other State or government, shall hold or exercise any other office or place of trust or profit under the authority of this State, or be eligible to a seat in either house of the General Assembly; *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall extend to officers in the militia, justices of the peace, commissioners of public charities, or commissioners for special purposes."

Add another section to the fourteenth article, to be styled "section 8," and to read as follows: "County officers, justices of the peace and other officers whose offices are abolished or changed in any way by the alteration of the constitution, shall continue to exercise their functions until any provisions necessary to be made by law in order to give full effect to the alterations, so far as relates to said officers shall have been made."

Re number the sections in those articles from which any section has been stricken, without the insertion of another in its stead; and give to any new section that number which by this method would have been given to the section for which it is substituted, and the alterations shall be embodied into the constitution, and the sections numbered consecutively.

Ratified the 19th day January, A. D.

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