

PRESIDENT Cleveland will not attend our State Fair, as was hoped. He has written very pleasant letters to Gov. Scales and to the mayor of Raleigh, expressing his regrets that he will not be able to attend. In these regrets all our citizens, regardless of party politics, will join, and to many it will be quite a disappointment, for they had hoped to meet him on that occasion and shake hands with a "live President." Such a visit from Mr. Cleveland would have aroused much enthusiasm for him in this State during the next political campaign, and would have been worth many votes to the democratic party.

While of course the presence of the President at the Fair would have attracted many visitors, who otherwise would not have attended, yet the attendance at the next Fair will, notwithstanding his absence, be larger than at any previous Fair. There is no political campaign this year to disturb our people, nor as yet have we heard of any crisis coming to this section, as is customary every fall, to carry off the loose change of our people. Then again the crops are much better this year than usual, which will cause better exhibits to be made and will enable more farmers to attend than heretofore.

A GRAND Celebration begins at Philadelphia today, and will continue three days, in honor of the centennial of the adoption of the Federal Constitution. The President of the United States will be present, and the Governors of all the original thirteen States are expected. Gov. Scales is in attendance and is accompanied by several distinguished North Carolinians and by the veteran Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry. Today there will be a grand industrial professional display, which is intended to show the progress this country has made in a hundred years under the government created by the constitution. On Friday there will be a military parade of several thousand volunteer soldiers, and on Saturday the real celebration jubilee occurs. A memorial oration will take place, to be delivered by the senior Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

It is to be hoped that this celebration of the centennial of the adoption of our constitution will cause our republican friends in the future to obey its mandates better than they have in the past.

OUR NORTHERN brothers, who raised such a howl at the idea of retaining the captured Confederate flags, ought to feel their cheeks tingle with shame when they hear of the recent magnanimous action of some of the hated "rebels" in Alabama. One day last week Col. Thos. G. Jones, Colonel of the Second Alabama Regiment, forwarded by express to the Governor of Connecticut the battle flag of a Connecticut regiment, which had been captured by his troops at Plymouth, N. C., in April, 1864. In his letter to the Governor, Col. Jones said that the flag was returned because of his unwillingness to retain a memento of the triumph of brethren over brethren. We commend such chivalrous feelings to the consideration of such creatures as Fairchild, Foraker & Co!

DURHAM voted on last Saturday a subscription of one hundred thousand dollars for the construction of a railroad to Henderson. The majority given for the subscription is another proof of not only the energy and liberal public spirit of its citizens, but also of their harmony of action in everything that promotes their town's prosperity. While we predicted that this subscription would be estrided with little opposition, we had no idea that the vote would be almost unanimous, and yet it was 736 to 1. Don't you reckon that one man felt rather lonesome? We hope that this road, when constructed to Durham, will be destined south through Chatham to Monroe and thus make the shortest line of railway between Richmond and Atlanta.

THE MARRIAGE laws of the State of New York are rather curious for a civilized people. For that State's woman may have two lawful husbands living at the same time, from neither of whom can she get a divorce. It may happen, and it often does, that a woman's lawful husband has died, and she has actually happened, in this way. A woman's lawful husband has died her eight years ago, and she has not heard anything of him since. The law allows her to marry again, under these circumstances, and if her first husband returns she is the lawful wife of both men, each of whom can be compelled to support her or go to jail. Rather, strange, is it not?

Our Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9th, 1887.

The event of the season is the meeting of the International Medical Congress, which convened on Monday last with impressive ceremonies and still continues in session. At the Opera House was the place of meeting, and the Congress was formally opened by President Cleveland in person, whose appearance on the stage was the sign of loud and continued applause. In fact, such a demonstration was accorded him as has rarely been witnessed in Washington. By the President's side sat Secretary Bayard and Speaker Carlisle, and the excellent address of the former was another pleasing feature of the occasion. It was really unique when several foreign physicians arose, and in their native language, eloquently responded to these addresses and to that of the President of the Congress. Next, a business meeting, followed at night by a ball and banquet at the Pension Office, which it is estimated was attended by at least six thousand persons. Then, on the next night, the President gave the doctors a grand reception, the pleasure of which was enhanced by delightful music from the celebrated Marine Band. The Congress meets daily, and each meeting is edified by able discussions on some disease, or in the learned discussion of abstract subjects of medical science. Great and lasting benefits from this interchange of experience and knowledge on the part of the most skillful and talented physicians of the world—a hope that I doubt not will bear full fruition to thousands of sufferers throughout the broad borders of civilization. This is the ninth meeting of the Medical Congress—the first, in the United States—and it may now be regarded as established on a permanent basis.

The tariff conference is still in progress at Oak View,—being participated in by President Cleveland, Speaker Carlisle, and Congressmen Mills and Scott; also by Secretary Fairchild, who was summoned by telegraph from his leave of absence in New York, for this special purpose.—The latter circumstance confirming beyond any doubt the report of the important consultation in question. It is said that the tariff bill to be framed by the Administration will be presented to all Democratic Congressmen as a party measure, and that its support by them next session will be required as a test of partisan fidelity. Mr. Randall is also in the city, but he disclaims any intention to discuss politics or the tariff on this visit, though he says he will probably call on the President while here. It is believed that the tariff scheme in process of incubation will be of such a conservative character that it will secure the adhesion of protection Democrats.

Your correspondent is gratified to be able to state that a few of the rascals are being turned out and replaced by the brave boys in the service. Edgar L. Vincent, publisher of the Advocate in Tioga County, New York, who is a special pension Examiner, stationed at the home of Senator Sherman, was bounced for abusing an Administration that was good enough to keep him in office two years; another is a prominent clerk in the Indian Office, who having been there twenty years or more has outlived his usefulness, and I hear of several others who have gone or will have to go from the Pension Office. There are more clerks on leave of absence now than ever before, perhaps—the number from the latter bureau being eight hundred. Such a great number wished to go from the Post Office Department, that in order to transact the routine business, leaves of absence had to be restricted.

It is considered here that Mrs. Cleveland's letter, declining the invitation of the Mayor of New York to present flags to the city firemen, was in fine form, and merited rebuke to the authorities of the metropolis for not including the President in the proposed ceremony. The surprising resignation of Hon. Jas. D. Porter, of Tennessee, Assistant Secretary of State, causes almost general regret at the Capital, as he is one of the most accomplished and popular statesmen in public life.

**Killed by a Bull.**  
HINSDALE, Ill., Sept. 9.—Farmer Lyman, a resident of the southern part of Downer's Grove township, was gored to death by a bull on Wednesday. Mr. Lyman and another man went into the pasture to look at some cattle, and the bull attacked Mr. Lyman. His companion escaped to a barn, and he and another man mounted horses, armed themselves with pitchforks and galloped back to the rescue. They found Mr. Lyman dead.

The bull stood near the mutilated body, following angrily. His eyes rolling, blood was dripping from his mouth, and his tail was lashing the air. The excited horsemen charged fiercely upon him with the pitchforks, and after a stubborn fight he ran away. Returning to the body of Mr. Lyman, the men found it terribly mutilated and disfigured. One ear was torn off and he was nearly disemboweled. Mr. Lyman's companion says that when the infuriated bull first knocked his victim down Mr. Lyman lay still, and the animals simply walked around his prostrate form, pawing and following. It was then that the eye-witness ran for a horse, thinking that Mr. Lyman would lie still until he should arrive armed. It is supposed that Mr. Lyman got up, and that the animal then renewed the attack, which resulted in Mr. Lyman's death.

Fifteen thousand mail-makers are on strike at St. Louis, Mo. England.

Weather and Crops.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The following is the weather and crop bulletin of the Signal Office for the week ending September 10th:

**RAINFALL.**—During the week the rainfall has been slightly in excess of normal in northeastern New York, southern Michigan and portions of Kansas, Nebraska, Dakota and Colorado; otherwise there has been a slight deficiency, amounting to one inch or more, along the South Atlantic and Gulf Coasts. A deficiency for the season exists from the upper lakes to the lower Missouri Valley, the Gulf States and the South Atlantic States; and continues greatly, a little above ten inches, in Iowa, the southern portion of Illinois and the lower Mississippi Valley. During the past month over one hundred per cent. of the usual amount of rain has fallen in the northern portions of New England, New York, central North Carolina, southern Michigan, northern Illinois and from the southern portions of Dakota and Minnesota southward to eastern Texas. Less than 40 per cent. of the usual amount of rain has fallen along the South Atlantic Coast in the eastern Gulf States, the lower Mississippi Valley, southern Ohio, central Illinois, eastern Missouri and the northern portion of lower Michigan.

**GENERAL REMARKS.**—During the past week the weather has been reported as favorable to the growing crops in Massachusetts and North Carolina, and unfavorable in Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama and South Carolina. In the corn-growing region the crop is reported to have been harvested, and below the average in Nebraska, as out of danger from frost in Minnesota, and more rain needed for late corn in central and western Kansas. Cutting is in progress in Michigan. The weather is reported to have been too dry in cotton region of South Carolina, Alabama, and Mississippi. In the tobacco region, Tennessee, Kentucky and Ohio, a deficiency in rainfall is reported to have been injurious, while in North Carolina the weather has been favorable. Pastures are reported good from Nebraska, and improved in Minnesota, Michigan and northern Illinois, and as dried up in southern Illinois. A light frost is reported to have injured sweet potatoes in northwestern North Carolina on the 2nd, and the same occurred in northern Illinois on the 8th. Killing frosts were reported on the 10th from central Minnesota and upper Michigan; and on the morning of the 11th from northern Vermont.

Lucky Legatees.

Yesterday the astounding and pleasing information was received by Mr. George W. Dillard, a lawyer now resident of Asheville but a native of South Carolina, that the uncle of his two children had died recently in California and left them the magnificent sum of \$1,600,000 to be divided equally between them. The verity of the fact is established by the receipt by Mr. Dillard of a certified copy of the will.

The testator and his circumstances are personally known to one gentleman, at least, in this city.

The testator is James McCurry, late of Placer, Cal. He was a native of South Carolina, a resident of Laurens, Mr. Dillard married his sister. A number of years ago Mr. McCurry went to California, apparently with limited means. We infer so, since shortly after his arrival he wrote back to some of his old friends for a loan of one hundred dollars to aid him in his struggles to fortune. Mr. Dillard was the only one who responded. He borrowed the needed amount and forwarded it to Mr. McCurry. Afterwards it was returned, and with it came a valuable diamond ring to Mrs. Dillard, his sister. This kindness of Mr. Dillard without doubt influenced the magnitude of the bequest.

Mr. McCurry contrived in time to purchase a body of land. It proved to contain rich gold deposits, and he sold it to a Boston syndicate for \$300,000, which became the foundation of a fortune estimated at from six to eight million dollars. Mr. McCurry was said to be the second largest wheat grower in the world.

He was a bachelor. He made legacies embracing other members of his family in South Carolina.—[If any of our readers have a kinsman out West, who has better than some money, you had better look it quickly, and see if your children will not become millionaires!—Ed. Record.]

School Committeemen Indicted.

Two men, J. H. Hedrick and Wm. Swiegood, members of the school committee of school district No. 11, Davidson county, were indicted for obtaining money under false pretenses. The facts proven were about these: Mr. Swiegood, who, by the way, is a prominent republican politician and an influential man, took the census of the school and made his return to the Board of Education. The number of children returned as living in that school district was 117, twenty-three more than resided in the district. By this means about \$20 more than school district No. 11 was entitled to were appropriated to that district. The State charged that Swiegood and Hedrick prepared their list with the intent to defraud the school fund and to secure for their own district more money than it was entitled to.

The jury convicted Swiegood and found Hedrick not guilty. The school committeemen in the State had better be warned in time and go to work and prepare accurate lists. Mr. Swiegood's carelessness got him into trouble and tonight the penitentiary doesn't seem so far away from him. It is very probable that he will visit Raleigh in a few days.

An Organ on its Travels.

From the Wilmington Review.

Two years ago last May the organ used in Mt. Williams Presbyterian Church, near Bannerman's Bridge, was stolen from the church. It was not known at the time who took it but it was afterwards ascertained that it was stolen by one Obed Meredith, a white man and a horse thief who is now serving a term in the Penitentiary. The church was locked at the time but Meredith gained entrance through one of the windows and, once inside, opened the back door, which was secured by bolts from within. The organ was then carried out and carted off.

The loss of their musical instrument was felt as a sad loss by the members of the church and of the Sunday school and all attempts to trace it and recover it were useless. Time passed on and recently Mr. John R. Bannerman heard something which induced him to write to parties in Beaufort county in regard to it. Considerable correspondence followed, the trace was followed up, the organ located and described and finally it was fully identified and recovered, and last Thursday it was once more placed in its old position in the church. But it was found to have been badly abused and some important repairs will be necessary to it.

Obed Meredith was found to be the man who had committed the bold and sacrilegious theft. He at that time lived in Duplin and carried the organ there. He afterwards removed to Pamlico and from thence to Beaufort county, the organ accompanying him in all of his migrations. Some time since he was wanted in Beaufort for horse stealing and the sheriff of that county (and him in Beaufort and carried him to Robeson where he was tried for the crime, found guilty and sent to the Penitentiary. It was only lately however, that the clue to the organ was discovered, resulting in its return to the church last week.

\$10,000 Horse Killed.

From the Raleigh News and Observer.

Last week the stable of W. S. Smith, at Flemingsburg, N. J., was struck by lightning. Two fine horses were killed, several badly hurt and the stable was destroyed; the other horses being gotten out. One of the horses killed was the fine trotting stallion Cal, owned by Mr. Geo. T. Leach, of Chatham county, who is well known in this city, being a brother of Messrs. M. T. and G. E. Leach, and who now resides in New York. The turf, field and farm, in giving an account of the occurrence, says: The loss falls most heavily on Mr. Geo. T. Leach, owner of Cal, a fine yearling. He was a horse of rare beauty, both in shape and coloring; a rich chestnut with silver mane and tail, and in motion the ideal trotter. His record, 2:27 1/2, was a measure of his speed. Last week at Waverly Park he proved himself as game and reliable a colt as ever wore harness, and at that time his owner refused \$8,000 for him, having sold him to a Western gentleman for \$10,000, conditioned upon his showing a mile in 2:25 over Pleasant Park next month. On Tuesday last the gentleman in question called on Mr. Leach and arranged to take the colt next day, and to pay the price agreed, \$10,000, at the same time. That night when Mr. Leach returned to his home, he was met by the news of the accident.

Claiming Chicago.

CHICAGO, Sept. 9.—A bill was filed in the United States Circuit Court here today by the heirs of John Beaubien, a French Canadian, who in 1812 squatted on the ground now forming the eastern side of the business portion of Chicago. He held undisputed possession until 1840, when the Federal War Department ousted him. Beaubien, by law, had the right to purchase the tract of the Government at \$1 25 an acre, and it is asserted that he elected to do so, but the War Department summarily ejected him. The value of the land is now far up in the millions, being occupied by many of the largest wholesale houses and retail stores in the city, not to mention scores of wharves and a vast network of railroad track.

The bill is to compel the Government to grant Reaubien's heirs a patent to the land. They claim all the property between Madison street and the Chicago river and State street and Lake Michigan, excepting the four acres once occupied by Fort Dearborn. It has been claimed that Beaubien received other land in lieu of his claim, but this is denied by the heirs.

Cured by a Madstone.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 8.—Charles A. Collins, a wealthy young man of Sioux City, Iowa, was bitten four days ago by a dog supposed to be mad, and was brought here today to have a madstone applied to his wounds. He was almost crazy with fear, and was taken to a room and a boy left in charge of him while his friends went to Major Dickson to get the madstone. As soon as the friends left, Collins, in his own mind, drove the boy from the room, locked the door and threw the key over the transom. He then pushed the bureau against the door, took the slats off the bed and mailed them across the door and transom, in preparation for the anticipated attack of hydrophobia. When his friends returned he refused to let them in, saying he was mad, but Major Dickson broke the transom open, entered the room and applied the madstone. This evening Collins went home apparently cured.

A number of musicians belonging to the Knights of Labor have been indicted in Washington, D. C., for "boycotting." This is the first case of the character in that city.

Reunion of Old Soldiers.

Correspondence of Raleigh News Observer.

LITTLETON, Sept. 10, 1887.—The old soldiers' reunion held here yesterday, was a grand success. Two hundred and sixty-two ladies and over one thousand men were present. Six hundred pounds of meats and bushels of Brunswick stew were served. The grove surrounding Shaw's celebrated mineral springs, one of the most romantic and delightful spots in the State, was selected for the camp. The dense shade, health-giving waters, charming music rendered by Shell's string band, the perfect system and order and above all the smiles of nearly three hundred of the proudest women in the State contributed largely to the success of the occasion, but the main features of the day were the interesting addresses and funny experiences related.—[The old soldiers of Chatham ought to have such a reunion every year. What say you ex-Confederates?—Ed. Record.]

How to Flirt With Gloves.

From the Pall Mall Gazette.

For "yes" drop one glove from the right hand into the left hand. "No" is said by rolling both gloves in the right hand. If you want to express that you are indifferent to partner take the right-hand glove partly off. If you wish a man to follow you into the next room strike your left arm with both gloves. "I love you still" is indicated by slowly and carefully smoothing both gloves. If the fair one desires to know whether her affection is reciprocated, she is to put on half the left-hand glove, one finger at a time. "Be on your guard against the governor," or "my mother-in-law," as the case may be, is a message often sent, and is given by delicately twisting the finger round the thumb. If the damsel is in a quarrelsome mood she simply makes a cross with both her gloves and proceeds to lay them on her lap in this position. These are the principal and most simple rules.

Peculiar Names.

The Raleigh correspondent of the Wilmington Messenger mentions a peculiarity in the names of the Royster family, of Raleigh. One of the family is in the candy business. His father, who is still living, took a fancy to give his children the names of the States. So Mr. A. D. Royster (now dead) was Arkansas Delaware, another is Oregon Minnesota, and another son, Iowa Michigan, graduated at Chapel Hill, and was killed at the battle of Gettysburg, etc. There were about enough children, male and female, to secure the names of all the States, by thus doubling them. The family is talented; remarkably so, in fact. Dr. Wisconsin Illinois Royster is one of the ablest physicians in the State. Perhaps the whole country does not afford so great a peculiarity of names.

Married a Colored Coachman.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 12.—Miss Mary Tucker, a girl of nineteen, daughter of John S. Tucker, former State Representative, has married John W. Hanchett, her father's colored coachman, and disappeared with him. Miss Tucker was allowed as much liberty as any other girl living in the city, but her parents never dreaming of her intimacy with Hanchett. Hanchett persuaded her to colt herself with a liquid. The village minister performed the ceremony and the couple fled. They are being pursued by the girl's father and some of his friends. Tucker threatens to shoot Hanchett on the first sight.

A Defaulter Returned.

STANTON, Va., Sept. 12.—John M. Carroll, who two years ago disappeared from Stanton has returned. At the time of his departure he was city treasurer. An examination of his papers showed that he owed the city and State between ten and fourteen thousand dollars. His property, however, realized sufficient to pay the indebtedness. Carroll was supposed by some to have been foully dealt with, and not long ago an old well was dug out in Richmond, in the expectation of recovering his remains. For the past two years he has been engaged in business somewhere in the North, and returned of his own accord.

A Tremendous Flood.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—Advices from Tucson, Arizona, are to the effect that a tremendous flood has swept away fully twenty miles of track of the Southern Pacific Railway, between Tucson and Benson. Full details of the disaster are not yet known, but officials of the Southern Pacific declare that it will cause an entire cessation of traffic over the Southern route for at least two weeks. The disaster is one of the most serious in the history of the road.

Prohibition in Missouri.

ST LOUIS, Sept. 8.—Elections on the question of local option were held in nine counties of this State yesterday; seven of which voted in favor of it. This makes thirty prohibition counties in the State, and eighteen others will vote on local option soon.

A boiler exploded in Anderson county.

South Carolina, killing two men and injuring two.

Three laborers were buried alive by the caving of the Aqueduct tunnel in New York.

A celebrated artist in town has just finished a new sign, it reads: Use Laxador, the golden remedy for all liver diseases. Price only 25 cents. An infallible sign of physical decay is sleeplessness; if this is dangerous in an adult, it is deadly in early childhood. Dr. Ball's Baby Syrup will always exist in comforting the baby. Price 25 cents.

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