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North Carolina Synod.

The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of North Carolina met in this town on Wednesday last, the 21st inst.

The opening sermon was preached by the Rev. Neill McKay, of Larnett county.

"Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one; and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labor."

After the sermon, the Synod was called to order, and the roll being called, it was ascertained that 20 Ministers were present from Orange Presbytery, 30 from the Concord Presbytery, and 20 from the Fayetteville Presbytery, besides Ruling elders from each of the above Presbyteries, numbering about 40.

Rev. W. W. Fuess was elected Moderator, and Rev. Jacob Doll and Rev. Martin McQueen were chosen Clerks.

On Thursday, after the appointment of the standing committees, Newbern was chosen as the place for the next meeting of Synod, on Wednesday before the third Sabbath in November, 1858.

On Friday resolutions were offered concerning the North Carolina Presbyterian paper, proposed to be published in this State. The resolutions endorse the paper and pledge the members of the Synod to exert themselves in sustaining the enterprise.

Short speeches were made by Rev. Messrs. C. H. Nash, Wilson, Mebane, Chambers, Geo. McNeill and Neill McKay, and by Hon. A. W. Venable, C. H. Wiley and Jas. W. Osborne, Esqrs., all in favor with one exception of publishing the paper.

The resolutions were adopted with but one dissenting voice, Rev. P. T. Penick.

Rev. James H. McNeill, Corresponding Secretary of the American Bible Society, addressed the Synod and a large audience, on Friday afternoon, with regard to the affairs of that Society.

The "N. C. Presbyterian."

The Presbyterian Synod resolved to commence the publication of a Church paper in this State as soon as the material can be procured.

On Friday night, after a short sermon, the Committee on Domestic Missions reported, and Hon. A. W. Venable spoke in behalf of the cause.

The various reports made to the Synod show the Church to be in a very prosperous condition.

Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherfordton Rail Road.

The annual meeting of the stockholders in this company was held in this place on the 21st instant, and was organized by appointing D. A. Covington, chairman, and B. S. Johnston, genl. secy.

The report of the President was read, and was received with much satisfaction on the part of those present.

Chicago Congregational Association.

At a late meeting of this association the following singularly denunciatory resolution was passed.

Bankrupt Law.

As the policy of a new Bankrupt Law is agitated in some quarters, the following statistics of the operation of the last one are offered.

English Mormons.

An English paper furnishes the following towards a history of human depravity in these our latter days of "saints" and "civilization."

"In spite of the absurdity and falsehood, and not a little depravity, by which it is overlaid; in spite of everything that faith, reason, and sentiment, can say against it, Mormonism is making more way at present, winning more proselytes than any sect in existence.

Of course, Mormonism is making way in England. Its apostles, going among the very worst people of the worst classes of the worst localities in the manufacturing and mining districts, irradiate the British ignorance or their hearers with such visions of sensual ease in the name of religion, that the wretched people will grasp at the change in their condition which promises such.

Half Year of the American Tract Society.

Statements at the meeting of the Executive Committee just held, showed that the receipts for six months had been \$151,526, or less by \$11,900 than in the same months last year.

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Resolved, That the recent circular of the Executive Committee of the American Tract Society, announcing their determination not to carry out the instructions of the Society with reference to publications on the subject of slavery, has filled us with disappointment, sorrow, and alarm.

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The Agricultural Exhibition.

(REPORTED FOR THE RALEIGH REGISTER. FIFTH ANNUAL FAIR OF THE N. C. STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.)

FIRST DAY—TUESDAY.

A large number of articles were entered on Tuesday, making the Exhibition a much better one than we anticipated on Monday evening.

The first, at 12 o'clock, was a trial of speed of horses under the saddle, three rounds, the best two in three, for a silver cup worth \$5.

At 3 o'clock, there was a trial of speed of horses in single harness, the best two in three, three rounds constituting a heat, for a silver cup worth \$10.

At 9 o'clock, the Chief Marshal assembled the judges appointed to award premiums, and gave them blanks for their reports, together with the necessary instructions as to the mode of proceeding.

At 11 o'clock, the 16-nougated horses were paraded on the ring for the examination of the judges.

At 3 o'clock there was a trotting match for horses in double harness, for a premium cup worth \$10, and during the day there were several other trotting matches for cups awarded by the marshals, but being engaged in the examination of the articles in Floral Hall, at the time, we were unable to obtain the result of these races.

Among a large number of articles in Floral Hall worthy of mention we have only time and space to allude to the following: One handsome, fine-toned piano, exhibited by Stirn & Roloffing of Baltimore.

At 12 o'clock, the weather being very much improved, the weather being just cool enough for overcoats.

At 12 o'clock, Mr. Geo. L. Bridgman, of Edgecombe, was introduced to the assembled multitude, and proceeded to deliver the Annual Address. We took brief

notes of the address but we are sorry to say that our space will not admit of their publication. The speech was a plain practical one, and such an one, in our opinion, as was suited to the occasion.

Mr. Bridges did not, as most persons would have done, say just a little about agriculture, and then branch off into a political speech, but very wisely confined himself to his subject—agriculture—and gave the farmer much valuable information which all who till the soil would do well to profit by.

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