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The First Snow.

[For the PATRON AND GLEANER.]

Here they all go on a hunt in the snow! As happy as happy can be, They look ev'ry where for track of the hare. Or larks on the old 'simmon tree.

The sheen of the snow may blind as they go No matter to the boys for that, They go trudging along, hardy and strong, The head stuck deep in the hat.

There! one has shot, and what has he got? A sparrow, perhaps, it may be. Says that he "hit it but he can't git it," And is tracking the shot, as you see.

Fast sweeping, on high, the doves go by, Bang-bang! go the guns altogether: They watch them in flight to see where they light, But falls not a bird or a feather.

On the boys go 'till the sun gets low, Then homeward their steps they now take: How they tell "dad" what a good time they had, But poor show of game they can make.

Well, we had such joys when we, too, were boys, We had such sporting you know; How with delight we woke in the night, And found that we had the first snow.

BILL DRAKE.

Public ommon Schools and make alive." There will always the Editors.

TO THE EDITOR:—Every friend Brick Mason and Plasterer, of education will be glad to see that you endorse the sentiments Prices reasonable and work of the article you republished from the Biblical Recorder on Thursday last in regard to the ard which their respective comneed for better public common WHAT THEY DO. schools. It would be very encouraging if every newspaper in the State would take up this question and keep it before the people until the incoming Assembly either gave us four months schools or adjourned without it. It would be difficult to name any honest ctizen whose business, and social interest would not be benefitted by better popular education, but of all people the editors would be especially helped

It may be a matter of more or less difficulty to convince a farm er that his work will be done better by intelligent labor, or a mill We pay highest prices for owner that his operatives will ountry produce, cash or in ex- turn out better products by being educated; but it ought not to be We want several car loads the task of a moment to show an atton Seed for which we pay editor that he will be vastly bet ter off in a business way by rea son of an increase in the intelli gence of his community. An ed-Seaboard, N. C. ucated man demands literature. One of his first needs is a news paper. It is either a very pedan tic or a very ignorant man who does not read a newspaper. Now if we extend the popular intelligence does it not follow that we extend the number of newspa per readers? Would it be too much to say that to give us nine month's school would more than double the subscription list of evhicles. Give me a call at my old ery paper in the State in less than and known as Harris' Shop or at ten years? In merely a business way, then, this question is of most vital interest to every man connected with newspaper work, from the editor-in-chief of the city daily to the colored man who turns the hand press in the office

of the country weekly. Not only would this reform increase subscription lists, but it would give us better newspapers I have no desire to speak harshly of the North Carolina press. From a short period of labor in connection with it I have learned its difficulties and its limitations. The uninspiring surroundings of the county office, the continued burden of trying to make the advertising pay what subscriptions will not pay, the unresponsive attitude, in many cases of the publie towards good work when it is months. That would require \$1, done-all these things burden our journalism. I know it. have sympathy for the editors. Still we must know that our press is not a strong one. There are A Car Load of Salt that I am sell- many country weeklies and some town dailies that are worth lit- should be unwilling to raise that accused directly with extrava-

The reason for this is not far to seek. There is nothing, except a press to do real constructive thought than a newspaper. There are, it is true, a few men in journalism of exceptional ability, and about to enter a new era of our these become leaders of opinion. life. We can never enter it as is carrying on a business largely Of them we are accustomed to long as we are fourth from the supported by farmers; helives in say that they make public opin- bottom among all the States in house, the distance and the condition ion. Of this class was at one time W. W. Holden, who is said to have Rich Square, N. C. declared that he could "kill and

be some editors like these, but they will be few. They hold, and will always hold, exceptional plac-The mass of newspapers are edited by men whose attainments are but little ahead of the standmunities have set for themselves. The thought demand on them fixes the thought supply they furnish. This is a perfectly natural law and for nine-tenths of the papers will always be found opera tive. An increase in popular in telligence would, consequently demand better papers. It would make some men bstter editors or it would in time cast them into their own waste-buskets, and more competent men would take their places. Both better incomes and better journalism

would grow from better schools. Now, it seems, is the best time to take up this matter. A great religious denomination has most patriotically thrown itself into the struggle for better schools. In this they are doing the work of the Master. How can one vanquish sin so surely as by cutting off his right hand, which is ignorance? To win the fight for the schools is a task of philantrophy Nothing but the love of Christ will be able to prompt a man or a set of men to take it up and carry it through. Is it too much to urge that the press as well as every enlightened factor sf our society rally to the aid of those who have begun this work as well. Can wenot have a move all together.

One word more. An adequate school system is going to cost some money. Lengthening the term of four months would be an excellent thing and to accomplish it just now may be all that it is wise to ask of the people; but a four months' term is not the end. A great State can never be built on that amount of popular mental training. North Caroliea will not be a great State until she has eight or nine months schools. This must come. The sooner we realize it the better. It means the raising of money, and the money will be raised. The people are always willing to pay for the things they want. Convince them that schools are the wisest things to have and they will have them. Nine months' schools would not be a very great burden after all. There are 7.171 schools in North Carolina. \$270 would run each of these schools for nine 936,170 for the whole State. The population of the State may now be safely estimated at about 1,-900,000. One dollar expended for each inhabitant would solve the problem. We certainly would be

regard to intelligence. JOHN S. BASSETT, Trinity College, Durham, N. C. | servants; gives parties and re lameter."

agree on as the greatest need.

Here is the opportunity for the

with a population of 2,000,000. We

things for ourselves. We are

BIG CROPS.

RICH SQUARE, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, N. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1896.

We Are Told is the Cause of the Farmers Being Poor.

THEN WHY INCREASE THE FERTH ITY OF THE SOIL-WHY NOT PUT MONEY IN BANKS RATHER THAN IN PHOSPHATES.

(Mary Sidney in Farm Journal). Of late there has been an in creased number of mendicants going from house to house asking for cast-off clothing, for coffee and food, for shoes and shelter, and the tender-hearted housekeeper is almost in despair sometimes among all of these appeals, not wishing to turn anyone away empty handed who is hungry and cold, and yet not having the means or the strength to feed the great numbers who apply, or the clothing to give them that they seem to need. In my young housekeeping days a beggar at the door was a very unusual thing, two or three of a season would perhaps be all we should see, and maybe not one for months in succession; while now two or three of a morning is not unusual Very young men, some of them almost boys, and healthy looking middle-aged men are among the numbers. They do not have the vicious, frightful appearance that tramps used to have almost invariably, and are farmer, to whom they appeal for help. Out of employment is their ery, and seeking for work but cannot find it. We cannot believe all of these are brought to their present straight by unwillingness to work, or by evil habits

this country is terrible to contemplate. We have heard a great deal of late about supply and demand. and overproduction as a cause for the depression in agriculture, All the hungry wanderers in the land, and poverty stricken homes should at once silence the overproduction theory as a cause of distress. The farmers know that it is not overproduction that makes them poor, or else instead of trying to increase the fertility of their farms, and spending large sums in fertilizers in efforts to get still greater yields, they would put the money in bank ples. rather than in phosphates, and cultivate fewer acres, and thus cut down the supply of wheat, corn and potatoes, and thus become thrifty again. He gives the lie to his words who says over production is hurting his business, while he strains every nerve to raise more snd more.

alone. If so the human family

must be rapidly deteriorating,

and what the result will be for

The Head of the Sidneys says -"Ask 'em where all the stuff is stored that they say has been produced over and above what the people need? Ask 'em where we would go for our grub next year if drought or blight or anything should overtake us and we had no crops? Ask 'em what we would do in such a case, and make 'em tell, or stop the overproduction racket?" I hope some of the wise ones who must know about the evils of having too much produce or they would not talk so much about it, will answer these questions. I cannot, for I have never heard of any great storage of surplus grain.

One thing that raises the farm ers ire more perhaps than any other, is to be told that it is extravagance that makes him poor. I met a young farmer a few days ago who was about at a bursting point from having been told that farmers spend too much money in vanities is the reason they cannot get on better. The very narrow as a people if we young farmer himself was not amount for what we are ready to gance, but he felt himself included in the sweeping assertion, for he was living and spending about politician, that more exactly re- work for society. May it not fail like his neighbors, except a rare flects the condition of public us! The next census will find us few who had heired money from ancestors who had farmed in betare getting where we can do great

> The man who made this charge thus: a fine house; dresses himself and family in "purple and fine linen;"

ceptions, and takes long trips abroad-to Niagra, to Florida, to California, etc. The one who listened to him lives in an old farm house without any modern improvements, the whole family dress in cheap, and often shabby ident of Northampton county but clothing, only aiming to have one good suit for church or visiting; Houston, Tex., still administers of new things in drives out in a carriage that would to the needs of the destitute as hardly bring ten dollars at a pub- will be seen from the following lic sale, and uses such horses only article which we copy from a ashis farming operations require; Houston daily paper: his wife cares for the little children, and does the entire work of dies'Parish Association, held No- A neat Sailor Hat only 10c., a betthe household, gives no parties, vember 23, a resolution was ter 20c., and so on. A pleasure to takes no trips abroad, the only moved and unanimously passed show them. outing being the church picnic or tendering a vote of thanks of this the family reunion.

the farmers' labor, enjoying all Dr. V. S. McNider of Houston in the luxuries that are going, and connection with their charitable J. W. TRUITT. yet would grind the farmers work in the following letter to the down to the pinching poverty of Houston Post: the foreign serf, is not a patriotic To the Houston Post: citizen of this "land of the free and the home of the brave." He if he has no time to take his hard- kind hearted and charitable phya day in some park or grove, he to respond cheerfully and promptliked better if he does not. What successful treatment. right has he to be so much better off than the farmer? If he would come down a little in his prices, the farmer might go up, and

things be equalized somewhat. a blow at them, strikes a blow at was far advanced and the cold the public weal. Crush the Amer- rain falling would have deterred ican agriculturist, make of him a one with a disposition of less selfmere hower of wood and drawer denial from pursuing the unwelof water, and our boasted institu- coming road that directed him to tions will soon shatter and fall. A the bedside of a poor and helpless government "of the people, by woman with no other companions the people, and for the people," than four little children. Dr. cannot prosper on any other than McNider did not hesitate to lend intelligent and equitable princi- his timely medical aid throughout

himself of all enjoyments and that poorly sheltered her and has pleasures for the sake of making | since called daily until the mother both ends meet, so let it be; but he is now fast recovering. should do his level best to change enrich themselves.

CARELESS PHRASES.

AMUSING ARRANGEMENT OF WORDS IN SPEAKING AND WRITING.

The following are some specimens of curious and amusing thick. phrases arranged by careless writers and speakers:

An old French lawyer writing of an estate he had just bought, added: 'There is a chapel upon it in which my wife and I wish to be buried, if God spares our liv-

On a tombstone in Indiana is the following inscription: "This monument was erected to the memory of John Jinkins, acci- things for bee stings and spider dentally shotasa mark of affection bites. by his brother."

A Michigan editor received stains from discolored teacups. some verses not long ago with the following note of explanation: to clean willoware and matting. "These lines were written years time slept in his grave merely for stain. pastime."

demning the government for its bottom. policy concerning the income tax, keep cutting the wool off the sheep moving the spot. that lays the golden eggs until they pump it dry."

An Oklahoma editor expresses | vent slipping. his thanks for a basket of oranges

"We have received a basket of fine oranges from onr friend, Gus Bradley, for which he will please accept our compliments, some of in News & Observer. keeps horses and carriages and which are nearly six inches in diDR. V. S. McNIDER.

EVOLENT ASSOCIATION FOR HIS CHARITABLE WORK.

Dr. V. S. MacNider, long a resnow a successful physician of

At a regular meeting of the Laassociation for the kindly offices That man who is thriving on in his professional capacity, of

Through the columns of your paper the Ladies' Association is a tyrant, and among the heart- Christ Episcopal church desire to less Turks is where he would return their earnest thanks to find the most congenial sphere. Dr. V. S. McNider for his valu- co, &c. It is all right for the farmer to be able services in attending upon economical. If he cannot afford the needy sick of the Parish. Ma- for all kinds of Country Produce. good clothes, he must do without; ny times have we called on this Wholesale Grocery: Commission House: working wife and babies out for sician, and he has never failed must let them stay home; if he ly. Through the skill of this good cannot afford anything but his man the limb of a young girl who cart or farm wagon to ride in, had suffered from a troublesome my Gallery on Seminary Avenue, then such it must be. To keep and growing sore for two years Murfreesboro, N. C. often better dressed than the within one's income is the only and had been so disabled that she During the next 40 days I will safe road to travel-but the man was helpless almost in her efforts give a double plated Gold Name who is fattening off of him, who is to assist her mother with five pin, or a scarf pin with each lot getting exorbitant profits from small children, was entirely re- of pictures. the wares he deals out to the stored. This family will never farmers, had best not say much cease in giving him their praise about economy to him. He will be and gratitude for his patience and A few nights ago he was called

upon at the solicitation of a member of this association to attend a sick woman who was in a most critical condition, and beseeching | Child's Brelts. any name or plain 25 This country was constructed medical aid, without which, per- carf Pins, any letter, on an agricultural basis. Its great haps, she would never have lived prosperity in the past is largely to teach her little ones to return attributable to its noble tillers of their prayers of gratitude to so and Initial Pins will wear ten the soil, and anything that strikes | timely a benefacter. The night | years. the remainder of that dreary If the farmer must deprive night in the comfortless hovel

We merely instanced these cas this order as soon as possible, and es to emphasize our evidence of he might begin by declining to his benevolence and in this feeble a full and complete line of Xmas buy or deal with those who would way to make manifest our apprecheerfully make a slave of him to ciation of the man and the doc- SILVER-WARE, BISQUE FIG-

> We thank him most sincerely and he surely has the best wish-

es of this association. LADIES' PARISH ASSOCIATION.

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cold in the head. Salt as a gargle will cure soreness of the throat.

Salt thrown on a coal fire which is slow will revive it. Salt and soda are excellent board where I keep a full line

Salt and vinegar will remove

Salt in water is the best thing Salt thrown on soot which has tronage. ago by one who has for a long fallen on the carpet will prevent

Salt in the oven under baking A certain politician, lately con- tins will prevent scorching in the name you prices that will con-

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> Salt on the fingers when cleaning fowls, meat and fish will pre-

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