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Statistics of Public Schools in North Carolina.
The State Superintendent of Public Instruction has completed the statistical portion of the report for this year. It shows that the receipts were as follows:
State and county poll tax, \$303,313
General property special tax, 433,836
Special property tax, under local acts, 15,781
Poll tax, 9,751
Fines, forfeitures, etc., 14,413
Liquor licenses, 71,122
Other sources, 55,275
Total, \$896,531
The balance on hand last year was \$189,681.
The disbursements were:
For white school teachers, \$520,415
Negroes, 114,491
Croatan Indians, 1,426
White school houses, 42,237
Negro school houses, 15,061
County superintendents, 21,175
Commissions to county treasurers, 18,444
Teachers' institutes, 2,200
Boards of education, 6,471
City schools, 46,326
Other purposes, 40,744
Total disbursements, \$936,891
Balance on hand, \$165,652.
The apportionment to the white schools is \$575,441, and to negro schools is \$226,894. The assessed value of white property is \$246,723,000, and of negro property \$8,980,000. There are 181,548 white polls and 71,744 negro polls. The amount actually paid for the schools by whites is \$522,808, and by negroes \$71,183.
Of children of school age there are 408,787 whites, and of these there are enrolled 263,217, while the average attendance is 140,162. Of negro children there are 198,600, of whom 127,399 are enrolled, and the average attendance is 67,148.
The average salary of white teachers is males \$26.33 per month, females \$23.65; of negro teachers males \$22.53, females \$19.70. The average length of school terms is for whites a trifle over fourteen weeks, and for negroes a little under thirteen weeks. There yet remain 715 log school houses in the State. It thus appears that of the white children 7.20, or a very little over one third, attend school, while of the negroes almost precisely one third attend. Taking the polls as a basis the average wealth of a white man is \$1,359, and of a negro \$126. The negroes pay almost \$1 each for schools; again taking the polls as a basis the whites pay \$697,000 for schools, the negroes \$71,183. In other words the negroes pay about one-seventh, while they are in proportion to the whites, according to polls, as 7 is to 18; in other words a little over one-third in numbers.—Raleigh Correspondent vCharlotte Observer.

In Memoriam.
On Oct 24th 1899, Miss Rosa Lee Poe died at her home near Barney, Ga., surrounded by a large number of friends and loved ones.
In this dispensation of providence, the Church has sustained the loss of one of its best members; the family a devoted daughter; a kind and affectionate sister.
May they feel that this sad bereavement is from a loving, Heavenly Father who is too wise to err, and claim the promise that: "My grace is sufficient."
During her illness of a few weeks, she exemplified the patience of a true christian life, and passed away, leaving bright evidences of having entered into that rest which remaineth for the people of God. She was laid to rest in Mount Zion Cemetery October 25th, 1899.
Asleep in Jesus! blessed sleep,
To be for such a slumber meet;
A calm and undisturbed repose,
Unbroken by the last of foes,
Asleep in Jesus! Oh how sweet!
To be for such a slumber meet;
With holy confidence to slay
That death has lost its venom'd sting.
Asleep in Jesus, far from thee,
Thy kindred and thy graves may be,
But this is still a blessed sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep.
A FRIEND.
Barney, Brooks Co., Ga.

Republican Program as the Currency.
H. H. Hanna, the president of the Indianapolis Sound Money Convention, who is in Washington making preparations to further legislative action in reforming the currency, is reported to be confident that something will be done during the coming session of Congress.
The House of Representatives caucus committee on the currency, which met after the last session of Congress at Atlantic City, agreed upon a simple measure, the main features of which are reported to be as follows:
"The declaration of the gold dollar as the standard unit of value, in which all obligations of the United States shall be payable."
"Provision for the interchangeability of all forms of our money coined or issued by the government so as to maintain their parity."
"Greenbacks and Treasury notes once redeemed to be paid out again only in exchange for gold."
These are provisions which, while not looking to any comprehensive or elaborate reforms in the currency or banking systems, embody the essential features needed to remove the danger points which stand as a constant menace to the public treasury and the world of business. Sound money men are agreed that the moral effect of an explicit declaration for the gold standard would have a beneficial influence in setting at rest many mischievous notions about our financial system and in discouraging dangerous and disquieting agitation in behalf of Populistic heresies. The provision for redeeming the greenbacks and Treasury notes is absolutely vital in order to remove the "endless chain" which imperils the gold reserve.
The Republican caucus committee is said to have reached an agreement with the House committee on substantially the same measure, the Senate is at last in control of the Republicans, and nothing stands in the way of action. The business interests of the country demand that action shall be taken, the time is propitious, and it will be not only unwise but bad politics to neglect the duty which confronts Congress.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Untold Love.
"Can a man and woman love each other when their speech is different and they can't exchange a word?" said a loungee in the smoking room of one of the hotels last night. "Loti says they can. Most of his books are about the charming and poetical love that existed for a time between himself and a Japanese, or South Sea Islander, a Turkish girl, a Montenegrin, a Tartar, or a Chinese lady. Loti will never forget these loves, he says in the books; but the fact that he abandoned them makes him rather a poor pleader. Go out into Dakota, though, into the wheat section of the north-west, if you want to know whether a man and woman of alien speech can be lovers. Many of the wives there are Swedes, and they and their American husbands often can't understand a word the other says. Yet they seem contented, happy and more loving than the average couple. Women in the wheat section are the scarcest thing there is, you know; no women go there but Swedish girls, immigrants looking for places in kitchens. These girls are married in a short time after their arrival by the young farmers of the neighborhood. The husbands are often educated Eastern fellows, who at home would have counted on wedding the daughter of lawyers, physicians or clergymen. But out there, where the women are so scarce, they are less particular, and are happy.—Philadelphia Record."

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Vice-President Dead.
UNCONSCIOUS SEVERAL HOURS BEFORE DEATH CLAIMED HIM.
Patterson, N. J., Nov. 21.—The announcement of the death of Vice President Garret A. Hobart came close upon reports that he was growing stronger daily. Only his family was told the real condition of the patient, the public being kept in ignorance in order that no hint of the near approach of the end might come to the Vice President himself as he looked over the newspapers.
His death occurred at 8:30 o'clock this morning, the end being peaceful and painless. At midnight he had become unconscious, and at 7 o'clock this morning had an attack of angina pectoris, from which he never rallied. Mr. Hobart, Garret A. Hobart, Jr., Mrs. Newton, who is a cousin of Mrs. Hobart, and Miss Alice Waddell, the nurse were at the patient's bedside constantly from the time he became unconscious.
Mr. Hobart had a very weak spell late yesterday afternoon, from which he rallied at about 8:30 P. M., but he again grew weaker toward midnight. Later on there seemed to be a slight improvement, but soon after midnight he became unconscious, and remained in that condition until his death to-day. Before he had become unconscious he was able to converse with Mrs. Hobart about some private affairs. He was very patient and showed his remarkable will power up to the last.

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Ninety-Two Millions for War.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 22.—In an idle moment Examiner Preston, of the Mint, calculated the number of gold dollars it required to support the army during the past fiscal year, and the size and weight of this sum moulded into a gold brick. The \$92,000,000 that the army has cost would make a cubic block of solid gold 1 1/4 feet in each dimension, weighing about 169 tons.
Anyone who is interested in making more realistic the professional figures of the annual reports may discover that the total amount of money appropriated by Congress at its last session (aggregating about a billion dollars) would make a cubic block of gold 26 1/2 feet in each dimension. Its weight would be 1841 tons. If set in the middle of an ordinary street there would scarcely be room for teams to drive around it, and the top would reach to the middle of the third-story windows. After all a millionaire has not much gold. It would make a block with length, breadth and thickness of only about two and a half feet.—Philadelphia Record.

Jews in China.
The Juedische Tageblatt calls attention to the fact that Jews have lived in China for several thousand years, and the changes going on in China give hope that soon their history will become known. That descendants of Jewish tribes had found their way to China as early as the time of the first temple is mentioned by Isaiah, the prophet. Furthermore, it is known that in a Chinese book, published during the sixth century before Christ the history of Noah, the deluge, Abraham, Moses and Joseph is given. It is also certain that in 224 B. C. a number of Jews emigrated from Persia to China. But the first information about the existence of Jews in China was brought to Europe in 1617 by P. Gozzano, a missionary. In his report he said he became acquainted with a Chinese Jew who had been educated in a medical school. He was overjoyed to meet one who believed in a God. He had never before heard of Christ and the New Testament and because he had never heard of the new religion he thought Gozzano and his companions to be Jews. These Jews differ in appearance very little from the Chinese—who call them Hoi-Hoi. They have a synagogue at Kai-Fong Fa, built in 1183. It is said to be constructed after the style of the temple of Jerusalem, with inscriptions in Hebrew. In 1868 these Jews were visited by P. A. Martin, director of the school of foreign languages at Peking.—Baltimore Sun.

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