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OUR MAN ABOUT TOWN!

WHAT HE SEES AND HEARS DURING THE WEEK.

Our "Man About Town," in taking his accustomed stroll through the popular thoroughfares of our attractive town, finds the people actively engaged in renovating and improving preparatory for the cold weather and, in some instances, specially for Fair week when, most every family, as well as every hotel and private boarding house, will be overrun with guests. Edenton never failed in doing the "full thing" in times when the hospitality of her people was called in exercise or, when the nature of any service demanded its zeal. Her people cannot be surpassed in generous entertainment of invited or, visiting friends, nor in the earnestness of their efforts for all proper promotion of human enjoyment. If the weather should be favorable, large numbers of people will be expected from the trans-Albemarle section also from the Roanoke and Chowan River section. We earnestly hope for good weather that our people may not be disappointed in any expectation.

Our Man takes a glimpse at the various stores along the pathways of this weeks ramble and finds them almost running over with most excellent stocks of well selected goods suited to the demands of all classes of our people. The dealers tell us they are selling cheap, too, even cheaper than usual. We hope this is so for the sake of the buyers, most of whom, in this community, need to pay less for what they consume and receive more for what they do and dispose of in order to be on equal footing, in the race of life and business with the rest of the busy world.

On going up to the Fair grounds Our Man notices on the left hand side of Main street a large and very handsome new residence, the property of Mr. W. H. Coffield one of Chowan's boys who lives that others may enjoy the fruit of his life and labors. He is a most successful farmer and has a most comfortable home three miles from town but, proposes to become a citizen of the town that his children may have the benefits of the church and school which here exist. This is right for to be at the school or church is better than riding several miles, in all sorts of weather, to get to either. Speaking of school reminds us that we should inform the people that the Academy, under the presidency of Prof. Williams, is in a flourishing condition. A goodly number of pupils have matriculated and others are expected as soon as the winter season begins. The graded school, taught by Mrs. R. F. Cheshire, is almost overrun with children and is in a fine state of active progress. The High school, taught by H. M. Shaw Esq., is proceeding with a prospect flattering and certain. These three schools make Edenton a favored town, in point of educational facilities, and should continue in the special favor of all the people. Our colored people are not without most excellent educational advantages either. They have a large public school, run about four or five months in the year, which cannot be surpassed. Rev. Herritage, assisted by three female teachers whose certificates are first grade, is in charge of the institution and he conducts it in a manner worthy the praise of the learned and best experienced. Schools and churches go hand in hand towards perfecting the civilization of any people and we are happy to know that, with both these two, Edenton is, as always, most signally favored.

Come To The EDENTON FAIR.

First Exhibition



HELD OCTOBER 28, 29, 30, 31, and November 1st.

A Visit to The EDENTON FAIR This Year will Never be Regretted. Let Everybody Turn Out DAILY.

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FAIR NOTES.

Every day a banner day. Special attractions every day. Large premiums are offered by the stock holders. The exhibition promises to possess a high order of merit. A mammoth crowd of sight seeing people is expected. Every day there will be running trotting and pacing races. A large show will exhibit, during the Fair upon the grounds, having rented the privilege from the directors. Low rates have been advertised on all railroads and steamboats during the continuance of the exhibition. There will be no end to the means of accommodation. The grounds are ample and conveniently located for every possible purpose. Who is that who said he was'n't coming to the fair? "A stranger—a man from Cherokee county." That accounts for it. Plenty of house room and stable room shelters, cribs, pens &c. at the fair grounds to supply all who may desire to make entries. A brass band will be on the grounds each day to enliven the occasion. On Wednesday, we are informed, that three brass and one string band will furnish music. Among the amusements will be a Bag race; a Barrel race; Greecy pole climbing; a walking match; Field games and many other attractions. Something new and novel will be witnessed during the whole time. Every farmer in Chowan will be expected at the Fair and not only every farmer but, his entire household. Let all come who will. There will be plenty room for the accommodation of all even to the number of ten thousand. An extensive display of machinery, implements, needle work, fine arts, fruits, flowers vegetables, grains, boats, seines, netting, fish and fishing material and every thing else adjunctive or germane to agriculture, domestic and mechanic arts and the fishing interest. The late heavy rains have helped the condition of things at the Fair grounds. The track will be scraped and rolled this week by an improved instrument, made for such purpose, and will present by the time of the fair, a condition equal to every possible need or requirement. During the Fair there will special days devoted as follows:—Monday, the 28th, will be children's day; Tuesday will be Farmer's day, when Gov. Jarvis will address the hard handed sons of toil; Wednesday, will be reunion day when Hon. G. W. Saadeltm will speak to the old soldiers of the late war. Thursday will be a day of special amusements and Friday the day of general award.

THE FAIR PROGRAMME.

MONDAY OCT. 28th. At 10 a. m. the grounds will be open for reception of articles. Proper persons will be present to receive and locate stock and articles for exhibition. This will be known as childrens day. Donkey, Goat, Bag and other races, with many sports and games especially designed to entertain the little ones, will be the order of the day. TUESDAY 29th. At 11 a. m. Fair will be opened by Hon. W. D. Pruden, Dr. Capehart, President, the Vice Presidents and other distinguished persons assisting. Followed at 12 m. by the speaker of the occasion, Hon. Thos. J. Jarvis. At 2 p. m. Parade of Cattle under the management of the Directors of this department. Followed by trial of speed, beginning at 3 p. m. Trotting race for "Hotel" purse of \$100, mile heats best 3 in 5, followed by Running race at 4 p. m., half mile heats best 2 in 3. WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30th: At 11 o'clock there will be a grand parade of horses under management of the Directors of this department. At 12 m. Reunion of old Soldiers. Speech from Hon. G. W. Sanderlin. Trial of speed at 2 p. m.—Running race, 2 in 3—"Merchants" stake \$80 Trotting race at 3 p. m., mile heat 3 in 5. Two-fifty class Mule running race at 4 p. m., 1/2 mile heat. THURSDAY, OCT. 31st: At 12 o'clock there will be a grand parade of horses and cattle, with ribbons attached to bridles or halters, under the management of the Directors of these two departments. Trial of speed at 2 p. m. Trotting race, free to all horses raised in Chowan and adjoining counties, followed by Running race at 3 p. m. for horses that have plowed a cotton crop in 1889. Trotting race at 3:30 p. m., free to all, purse \$200. FRIDAY, NOV. 1st: At 11 o'clock, "Tornado's Cup" to be given by Dr. Capehart to the fastest Tornado colt, mile heats 3 in 5. At 12 m. Parade of Tornado colts, the finest specimen to receive a silver cup, given by Dr. Capehart. Judges chosen from among the spectators at 1 o'clock. Running race of "Banker" ponies—dash of 450 yards—followed by Running race at 2 p. m., terms and distance to be arranged the day before, and at 2:30 a very interesting feature, and extremely exciting to the boys, being a Goat Race to sulkies, boys to drive, distance 250 yards—go-as-you-please—premium, handsome goat sulky.

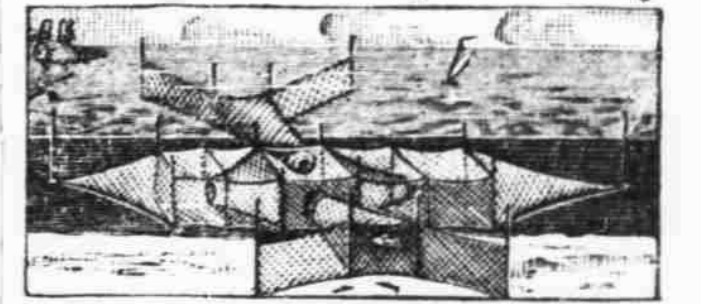
Every Day a Banner Day.

The programme for the coming fair will be unusually elaborate and interesting. Each day we aim to produce multiplied attractions fresh, bright, dazzling, and engage as many elevating and instructive exhibitions, games and amusements, as can be secured, and all of the rare and striking novelties that the genius of the times has been able to invite to enliven and enrich these occasions, and have power to educate, amuse and enlighten the people, so far as they are available and consistent with the character of the fair, will be exhibited, thus assuring an unusually attractive and elaborate programme of everything that can lend a charm of fascination to THE GREAT FAIR, or that will appear conspicuously grand, attractive, instructive and amusing. The ambitious aim of the managers is to strive to make every day a banner day with special ceremonies and attractions peculiar to itself, and on the whole to make the fair the most noteworthy and successful of the many brilliant exhibitions that any society has held heretofore. To this end no meritorious feature, act or specialty found elsewhere, will be spared an attempted engagement or duplication and our patrons may regard, without apprehension, that our fair will be superior and unsurpassed in every respect.

Ladies Department.

The Floral Hall will be the cynosure of all eyes. There will be a surfeit of the best and most beautiful specimen of woman's industry and skill textile fabrics, knitting and fancy work. The richest, the most laborious and costly, the handsomest and choicest masterpiece of skill and art in needlework, thus making it a place to linger, study and admire the beautiful productions of woman's handiwork. Extra inducements will be offered to secure an enlarged exhibit of the varied and valuable drawings, etchings, paintings and engravings, sculpture and carving. As well as a multitude of other exquisite gems of creative and decorative fine art, antiquities, and old and valuable keepsakes and curiosities. There will be a generous profusion of rare and costly flowers and plants, fragrant bouquets, floral ornaments and designs. To these will be added musical instruments, sewing machines, elegant and costly merchant's displays, &c. The sum total of all which will be an exhibition replete with every thing agreeable to the eye of taste the hall will be trimmed and decorated with unusual artistic skill, and embellished with uncommonly rich and beautifying adornments, thus adding to the natural elegance and splendor of such an exhibition, a polished, refined and fascinating superiority.

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