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OUR MAN ABOUT TOWN!

WHAT HE SEES AND HEARS DURING THE WEEK.

Our Man has somewhat to say this week in the way of complaint. In the first place he desires to say that the people, here and hereabouts, are too speculative as to his identity. Some say it is one man and some say it must, of necessity, be another because, that other was the only one in Edenton who ever resorted to the style peculiar to Our Man's weekly reports. Now, he wishes to say to all those whom it may concern that he was born and raised in Edenton and with slight exception, has lived here the bulk of his days. He has not been outside the corporate limits of Edenton more than six times in ten years and then, never to stay more than three days at any one time. He is neither a fisherman, farmer, mechanic, salesman, merchant, preacher, doctor, officer, banker, tailor, house-keeper, teacher, loafer (except occasionally) or anything else of stupendous consequence either mental, physical or moral. He is a man like the common run of men who, ordinarily, can tell his right from his left hand and can carry a straight tale to the FISHERMAN AND FARMER which, in consequence, is published by that paper without reserve or amendment. He desires to say to this public that he will continue, from time to time, to make his rounds in Edenton and take note of passing events. He will speak plainly of men, things and occurrences and spare not, in comment, either folks, associations, combines or, individuals public or private. He will not always chide neither will he incessantly indulge in praise but, he will present all things truly as they come to his knowledge to the best of his ability &c. He will act a self constituted INQUIRIENDO for the body of the town of Edenton and such other precincts, as he may find it convenient to travel, within the geographical limits of Chowan Co., and will report the result of his inquiry for publication in these columns. It is entirely useless to declare his name because, if he did, every man, woman and child in Chowan county would know him and perhaps, some day, when he least expected it, some fellow would throw his hand in his collar for something too plainly underscored or italicized in one or, another of his weekly communications or, reports. He never intends to tell his name and therefore, does not intend to retract any statement heretofore or, hereafter made. In the event any offense shall be given, the party offended has "Our Man's" consent to call on Mr. A. H. Mitchell, the proprietor of this journal, for entire

satisfaction. He pays all the bills of the paper and receives all the money due the same. His receipt in the hands of any man will entitle him to the FISHERMAN AND FARMER for one year, or longer if the money holds out which is paid him. "Our Man" had a pleasant holiday season. He went to church on Xmas day heard a good sermon and some matchless music. After, he got a good dinner with friends at his own home where he has a standing invitation to go, when not invited anywhere else, which, generally, he accepts without a word or, the slightest hesitation. It's a good thing to have a place of your own to go to. If you don't, you are left and that too, in the street and in a terrible state of discomfort especially at this season of the year. In all his walks about the city, our man observed nothing, during the whole of the holiday, offensive to peace, dignity and good manners save, now and then a stray fellow who, loaded to the brim, was too heavy for any hurrah and, therefore, content to slumber the hours away. Ours is a peaceable people, drunk or sober, for when sober, they have no occasion for disturbance and, when drunk, they are generally so thoroughly so as to preclude the possibility of anything save, perhaps, a fall and a nap. There has been no "fighting whiskey" sold this Xmas. The drunkest man we saw, at any time, was in the best humor.

Our merchants all seem satisfied with the quantity of business done by them during the festal season and are now making ready for the Spring when fishing fills the folks with finance making them able and willing investors in things good and useful at any price. The smell of coal-tar is in all the air. Our fisherman are tarring their nets preparatory for an early setting. They tell us that the signs point to an early season and, unless old Irl R. Hicks predicts the contrary, they will begin operations at an early date. Success to them, say we, and, in this, we are seconded by all the people. They never had better weather for preparation than has blessed them this winter.

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SOME GOOD SUGGESTIONS.

Mr. Editor:—After thinking about the fair of 1890, and the premiums to be offered, it seems, in fairness to the farmers and, also, to any manufacturers of fertilizers who may offer premiums, that a premium list of some description ought to be issued as early as February; and in lieu of issuing the general premium list early in the year, as several fair associations think of doing, would it not be well for the Edenton Agricultural and Fish Fair association to issue, as early as possible, a calendar for 1890 with the premium lists for farm crops and pantry supplies upon the back, or else issue a circular letter to the farmers of this and adjoining counties, as early as February, giving a list of premiums offered for farm products, including, of course, the list of fertilizers offered as premiums by manufacturers or their agents.

This should be followed, in Janv. by a similar letter, to the ladies, setting forth the premiums offered for pantry supplies and such other articles as ladies usually contribute.

In September the general premium list should be issued, and thus the fair would be kept before the people. It is the experience of many that pamphlets, when first received, are of interest, soon they become monotonous and are finally lost or destroyed.

Fair premium lists are not exceptions to this rule and I fear that a premium list issued early in the year will find its way into the waste basket and be destroyed long before the fair and thus its mission would not be fulfilled.

Again it is doubtful whether the advertisers in the Fall premium list would place their cards in a pamphlet gotten out near the first of year, when it is most probable that in August or in September they would, and to gain the advertisements is a matter of importance.

J. E. D.

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Barn Burned.

A letter from Mr. John Maguire informs us that on the morning before Christmas his barn, containing a large lot of corn, fodder and other provender, was consumed by fire. All the indications, says he, pointed to the fact that it was the work of an incendiary. Mr. Maguire is a quiet, good citizen and we cannot conceive how any man could wish him the injury he has suffered from this burning. If he should turn out right in his apprehensions, we trust the guilty demon will be caught and dealt with according to the utmost severity of the law.

OUR EDITOR'S NOTES.

Richmond has a population of 108,000, with \$53,000,000, of assessed property

The jury in the Sullivan-Kilrain case has decided that it was only "a social combat."

First in peace, first in war and first in the hearts of his Southern Countrymen was Jefferson Davis.

Give me the liberty to know, to think, to believe and to utter freely, according to conscience, above all other liberties.—Milton.

The Tarboro Southerner has reached the 67th year of its age of usefulness. May it long continue to bless and guide the people

A short history of the Confederate States written by the lamented Jefferson Davis, will appear in Belford's Magazine at an early date.

Ex-Gov. Jarvis has been again promoted. He has been elected superintendent of the Methodist Sunday school at Greenville, Pitt county.

The January number of Belford's Magazine is on our table. It is replete with interesting reading matter written by distinguished persons.

Hon. Phil McKinney—Virginia's new year's gift. May his rule be strong and pleasant and may his people continue to prosper under his worthy guidance.

"A fish on dry ground when it jumps always jumps toward the water." And this is used as a figure for the fact that where choice is free we choose our associations according to our character.

Mr. Cleveland has positively denied the foolish rumor that he intended to move from New York to Connecticut to get out of Mr. Hill's bailiwick and thus improve his chances for a renomination

We have recently read that most excellent sermon entitled Ceasar's Centurion delivered by Rev. John J. Lafferty at the Piedmont Chautauqua of Georgia, which was listened to by the Hon. Henry W. Grady who was so thoroughly impressed by it, the minister afterwards published it dedicating it to the Orator Editor, Statesman. Christian. It is a perfect gem of the very rarest excellence.

Who Was Your Great Grandfather?

The Detroit Journal desires to receive, by postal card, the address of all living male and female descendants of Revolutionary officers and soldiers of 1776, and, when possible, the name and state of the ancestor. Wonder if W. H. Brearley, proprietor of the Detroit Journal, is contemplating a raid upon the national treasury?

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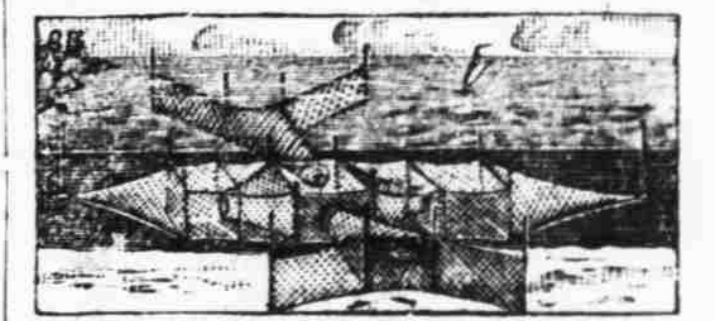
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