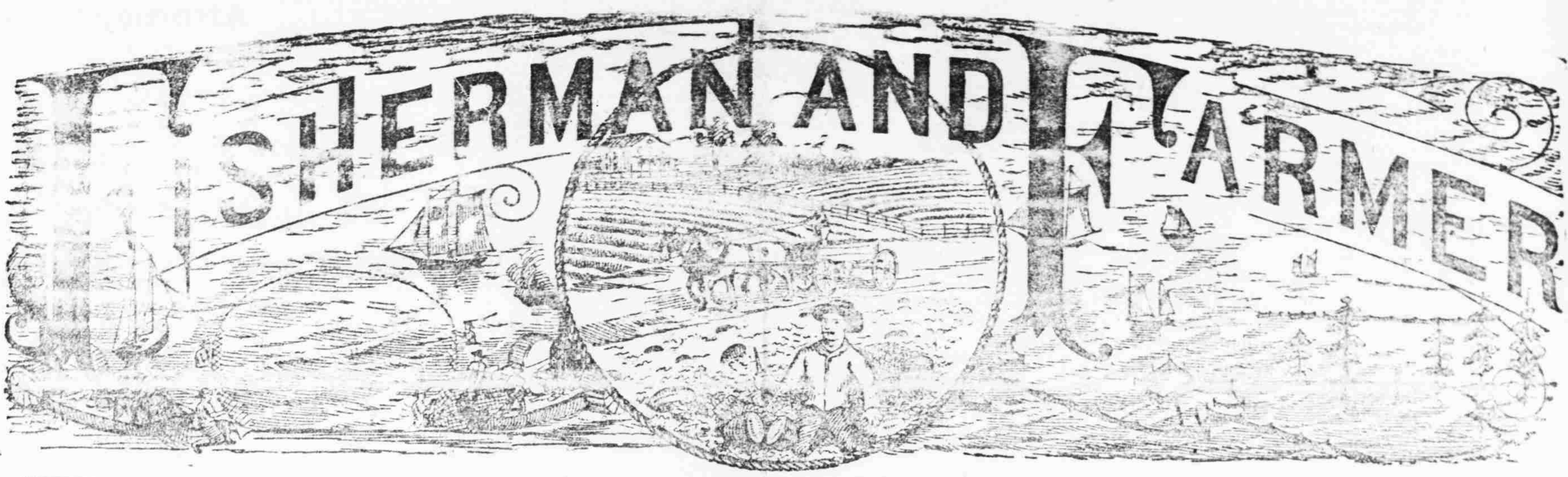


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WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Hon. James G. Blaine died at 11 o'clock this morning. Shortly after 9 o'clock a change for the worse occurred, and both his physicians were summoned and remained at his bedside until he died. His death was quiet and peaceful and he retained consciousness until a few minutes before death. His entire family, Miss Dodge and the trained nurses were at his bedside. The news of Mr. Blaine's death spread like wildfire and crowds gathered on the corner and visitors flocked to the house. His death has been looked for through several weeks. He has been in declining health for many years, and in fact has not been a fairly sound man for a decade or more. The President has issued a proclamation announcing the death of Mr. Blaine and directing that on the day of the funeral all Executive Departments at Washington be closed; that on all public buildings throughout the United States the national flag be displayed at half staff and for thirty days the Department of State be draped in mourning.

From an exchange we clip the following: "Mr. Blaine was a man of brilliant and strong intellect, when in his prime was a gladiator in debate, was a man of remarkable resources—daring, aggressive, plausible, dashing, the most popular man in the Republican party and possibly the ablest. He was a fine off-hand speaker, and a very entertaining and strong writer, and his book about Congress is particularly interesting it is said. He was ambitious and very magnetic and had a strong following in his party. He was at bottom not as vindictive and hostile to the South as the other leaders of the Republican party. He even voted against the persecuting laws that made Randall so popular with the South at one time for opposing them. Perhaps in the last fifteen years there has been no Republican politician who has such devoted followers, and had of such a combination of gifts for leadership as Mr. Blaine. He was of an inconsistent, but a much broader, wiser, greater man than any of the Harrison tribe. He sought four times to be nominated for the Presidency and was successful but once, and then was defeated by Mr. Cleveland by a very small majority. He served long as a member of the U. S. House, was Senator, and was twice Secretary of State. A very able, imposing political figure disappears from the field of American politics and will have a prominent place in its history. He enjoyed the highest honors of his country possible to one who misses being President.

COLDEST WINTER OF THE CENTURY

There have been three excessively cold spells within the last century. One is an authentic well established tradition, the others are living memories. The first cold spell occurred in 1792. In that year Albemarle sound was frozen over and it is a fact of tradition as well as record, that during the freeze, Rev. Charles Pettigrew, the first Bishop-elect of the Protestant Episcopal Church of North Carolina, walked across the sound on the ice from his residence in Tyrrell county to Edenton. He was accompanied by two servants drawing a light boat after them for safety in case of accident. The boat was never used.

The most noted of the excessive cold spells which are remembered by some of our oldest people, occurred in January 1835, and reached its climax on the night long remembered as the cold Saturday night. It was our last vacation from school before leaving the University. Slept, ten and snow blockaded every highway and we were delayed on our return to school.

The next cold spell in living memory was the great snow in 1857, which destroyed nearly all the wood fowl, and the cherry whistle of Bob White was heard no more for several years. But the snow and cold snap which is now with us will be long remembered as the cold time of December and January, 1892 and 93 in severity, suffering and duration it has never been surpassed within living memory.—Elizabeth City Falcon Economist.

Maybe, if we did not have so many good North Carolinians building up other States, the fields here would blossom as the rose; maybe if the "dispersed abroad" had been more patient to utilize the advantages of their own State it would be further on in progress and process of material development. Certain it is that efforts, expended at home, when they have bravely put forth to build themselves up in a new and untried country would have accomplished much in placing North Carolina in the van of the Commonwealths of the Union—where she belongs. In the diversity of soil and its adaptability to the growth of all kinds of products, in the salubrity of climate and in its fortunate geographic position, this State is no whit inferior to the most favored portion of the West or the Golden Coast.—Charlotte Observer.

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If we omit them, we have no enterprise or suppress them for political effect.
If we write many editorials they say we are conceited and want to air our opinions.
If we give way to other writers and news items, we are ignorant and can't run a paper.
If we have a few jokes, folks say we are nothing but rattle heads.
If we omit jokes, folks say we are nothing but fools.
If we publish original matter, they damn us for not giving selections.
If we give selections, people say we are lazy for not writing more and giving them what they have not read in some other paper.
If we give a complimentary notice, we are censured for being partial.
If we don't both hands say we are a great hog.
If we insert an article which pleases the ladies the men become jealous, and vice versa.
If we attend church, they say it is for effect.
If we remain in our office attending to our business, folks say we are proud to mingle with other folks.
If we go out they say we do not attend to our business.
If we ask for dues they get mad and say stop our paper.

PROTECTING THE BIRDS.

A number of our citizens who engage in hunting have interested themselves in behalf of the birds and are doing all they can to save them from extermination. Others, who have their land pasted, positively forbid hunting upon their premises, and are buying up all the live birds that are brought to town and are stocking their fields, in order to save the partridges next Spring.—Durham Sun.

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