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Fourteen Desirable Lots to be Sold This Week.

- LOT NO. 1 consists of our \$1.00 line of Ladies' Kid Gloves in black and assorted tans, to be sold at 75 cents a pair.
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  - LOT NO. 4 consists of our 15c. line of Ladies' Black Vests, to be sold at 10c.
  - LOT NO. 5 consists of our 25c. line of Ladies' Vests, to be sold at 12c.
  - LOT NO. 6 consists of about 200 yards of our 75c. grade Black Brilliantine, to be sold at 40c. a yard.
  - LOT NO. 7 consists of about 300 yards of our 10c. grade of Coin Spot Swisses, in white, blue and yellow spots, at 11c. yard.
  - LOT NO. 8 consists of our 12c. Lawns to be sold at 8c. a yard.
  - LOT NO. 9 consists of our 95c. Shirt Waists, to be sold at 45c.
  - LOT NO. 10 consists of our \$1 line of Shirt Waists, to be sold at 75c.
  - LOT NO. 11 consists of our 95c. line of Gents' Figured Percale Bosom Shirts, with cuffs to match, at 65c. each.
  - LOT NO. 12 consists of our \$1 line of Fancy Puff Bosom Shirts, at 65c.
  - LOT NO. 13 consists of our 50c. line of Gents' Underwear at 25c. per garment.
  - LOT NO. 14 consists of our 60c. line of Gents' Soft Bosom Shirts, to be sold at 45c.
- We are offering special inducements in all other departments this week, and especially our Shoe Department. We cannot quote prices for lack of space.

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**ANNOUNCEMENT.**

The Albemarle Park Fair of 1897 shies its castor in the ring and bids defiance to hard times and gloomy forebodings. It proposes to ride in on the top crest of the wave of prosperity, whether caused by McKinley or good crops. It invites no contest save from those who compete for the valuable premiums offered in this year's list. It acknowledges no enemies, but recognizes all mankind in that universal brotherhood taught in the Holy Script. The managers invite the Albemarle district, the whole of North Carolina, and Virginia, and all the world to participate with them in the exhibition, and enjoyment of the entertainments that will be prepared with a lavish hand.

A permanent institution of great value to this district appeals to every man, woman and child for their hearty support and endorsement. No favoritism will be shown to any individual or class, but every possible consideration will be extended to those who have claims upon the management by virtue of superior merit in their exhibit, or whose connection with the Fair is of such importance as to demand it.

Come ye happy farmers. Come ye prosperous merchants. Come ye exhibitors from abroad and join in making the Park Fair of 1897 a glorious and gorgeous success.

**OUR FAIR.**

Whoop her up boys! She is going to be a howling success—this agricultural meet of '97. Waite in lemons and get your squeeze:

Tyrral, show your hand.  
 Hyde, come to your place.  
 Dare, put up, for we don't intend you shall shut up.

Currituck, give us a clean deal from Powell's Point to Virginia line! Camden shall have her space, and all men shall do her honor.

Perquimans, live forever, but live now for '97.

Gates will be received with open arms.

Chowan, dear old venerable Chowan, we love, cherish, and will obey you, come to our '97. Come with your hands full of your precious jewels.

All North Carolina will be here. Get up and shake yourself, boys.

**THE MARRIAGE.**

"Is the marriage a certainty?" "Who is the couple?"

These are two questions which have been frequently asked us since it was announced that there would be a marriage at our next fair. Yes, the marriage is a certainty, and as to the names of the couple, we have no objection to telling, but the couple are two of our popular young people, and they have requested that their names be withheld. We think that the occasion would be robbed of its interest were the names of the contracting parties known.

The marriage is to be on the second day of the Fair, October 20. Our lady manager tells us that the altar will present a rare scene of floral decorations, and that no pains will be spared to make the occasion a most pleasant one. The ceremony will be performed by one of our popular ministers, who will use the ritual of his church, such being the desire of the contracting parties.

Our lively men have kindly consented to furnish carriages to convey the bridal party to the grounds. Six of our popular young people will compose the party. We will announce the attendants in a later issue.

Special attention is called to the change in marking articles of exhibit with the name of the exhibitor. The old plan of prohibiting the name of the owner was never approved by this management. The claim that the Judges will not act impartially when names are attached is unjust, and we think unwarranted. The interest in the exhibit is greatly enhanced by the knowledge that the article belongs to a friend or acquaintance, while the exhibitor has a pride in letting his friends know what he has on exhibit.

It is the people's Fair, and our local pride should stimulate each and every one to aid in promoting its welfare and rejoicing in its success. A word of commendation, an expression of interest, a direct appeal to your neighbor or business associate will be of incalculable benefit. Will you do it? Help the Fair, not as an object of charity but as a worthy public enterprise.

With gratitude to a bountiful Providence, who has blessed us with rich crops, let all good people join in making the Park Fair of '97 an event long to be remembered for its pleasant associations, neighborly greeting and kindly interest in its success.

The Executive Committee have undertaken, by an early publication of its Rules and Regulations, to acquaint the public fully as to the general management of the Fair. We ask all to read them carefully and act in accordance with them, as it will greatly enhance the success of the enterprise, and it will also add to the pleasure of all concerned.

The premium list is in the hands of the Executive Committee and but for the unavoidable absence of certain members thereof would have been prepared for this first issue of our Fair Supplement. It is receiving careful attention from the committee, who are striving to make it more liberal than usual.

The committee assume that the patrons of the Fair will use their personal influence in behalf of the exhibit, and also of the attendance at the Fair, for without such effort on their part our ability to pay liberal premiums will not succeed.

A large number of exhibitors and a large attendance at the Fair will return money to those who exert themselves in promoting the success of '97.

**COST OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

Differences in Expenditures For Educational Purposes In Various Cities.

There are about 5,000 school-teachers in the city of New York, and the rate of pay varies from \$3,000 a year salary paid to the larger number of principals of the male grammar schools down to \$504 a year, the amount paid to teachers of the lowest grade in the primary schools. Roughly speaking, the average rate of pay of a school-teacher in New York is about \$675 a year.

By a recent inquiry into the cost of tuition in public schools in American cities it has been found that only St. Louis and Philadelphia paid more than New York, the maximum cost per capita being \$64.09 in Philadelphia and the minimum \$32.70 in Rochester. The differences are largely in the matter of salaries. In Philadelphia principals receive from \$3,000 to \$4,000 a year, professors in the boys' school \$2,500, teachers in the boys' school from \$800 to \$1,800 and teachers in the girls' school from \$800 to \$1,600. In St. Louis the maximum for principals is \$3,000, for assistant principals \$2,200 and for assistants \$1,500 to \$2,000, according to grade. At the other extreme are Indianapolis and Minneapolis, where high school teachers receive \$1,200 as the maximum, and Pittsburgh, where the salaries range from \$900 to \$1,700.

Philadelphia spends \$3,500,000 a year on her schools, Chicago's schools cost \$5,000,000, the schools of Boston \$3,500,000, the schools of Brooklyn \$3,500,000, the schools of Baltimore \$1,200,000, the schools of San Francisco \$1,150,000, the schools of Washington \$1,000,000, the schools of Buffalo \$950,000, the schools of Milwaukee \$700,000 and the schools of Louisville \$575,000. Among American cities which spend comparatively little in proportion to their size for school purposes New Orleans is perhaps the most conspicuous, and one probable explanation of the small expenditure of public money there is to be found in the fact that a considerable portion of the population is colored, and the item of expense for the rudimentary instruction of colored children is, it is well known, very small.

There are in the United States 492 colleges or universities having 7,000 male and 1,500 female instructors. There are 150 theological schools with 1,000 instructors and 9,000 students. There are 100 law schools, with 9,000 students, of whom 100 are girls. There are 200 medical colleges, with 25,000 students, of whom 1,800 are female. Of these medical schools, more than half are allopathic and only 25 are homeopathic. There are in the United States 5,000 high schools, with 7,000 male and 8,000 female teachers, and 2,500 private schools, with 4,000 male and 5,000 female teachers. About 10 per cent of the number of private schools in the United States are to be found in the city of New York. There are more medical colleges and law schools in this state than in any other, but Pennsylvania has a larger number of theological colleges than New York. In respect of the number of high schools Ohio stands first among the states of the Union, and in the number of so-called colleges and universities Virginia stands first.—New York Sun.

**Letter Fan.**

Grigson—It was great fun sitting there and passing remarks upon the people as they came in.

Sarton—Ah! But, talking of fun, you should have heard the remarks of some of the people after you went out.—Boston Transcript.

**When Armor Was Heavy.**

In the fourteenth century armor became so heavy that many soldiers only 30 years old were found or permanently disabled by its weight.

**HER COMPLEX ACCENT.**

A Chicago Girl Whose Way of Speaking English Must Be a Puzzle.

People who are under the impression that accent betrays not only the nationality but provincialism as well will perhaps be somewhat disillusioned by reading the following incident.

The experience is that of a Chicago woman who made a trip to New York a short while ago. Up to the time of her visit to the eastern metropolis she supposed that she spoke fairly good English. She read none but the best authors, and as her friends were all numbered among cultured people there really seemed no reason why she should not couch her sentiments in pure, substantial Anglo-Saxon. Neither did she affect an accent. At least she was not aware that she did. After arriving in New York, however, she learned that she not only had an accent, but that it was a many-sided affair that was truly perplexing.

She attended a reception one evening where literary and artistic people predominated. The first person she talked with was a man with a bushy red beard and gold eyeglasses. "I am so glad, madam," he said in the course of the conversation, "to know that you are from my town. That Boston accent is bound to betray the speaker wherever it may be heard."

The Chicago woman flashed him one keen glance; then, seeing that he was in earnest, she said:

"I fear you have made a mistake. I am from Chicago."

Soon after she began talking to an elderly woman. "You are from Georgia, of course," said the older woman. "I can always tell a Georgian anywhere. There is nobody on earth who pronounces a's and u's like a person born and bred in that state."

And again was the Chicago woman forced to proclaim the city of her nativity. Later a young man commented on her accent. "From Nova Scotia, of course," he said pleasantly. "I hail from there myself, and it's a pleasure to see some one who speaks as they do at home. The minute you pronounced my name I knew you were from my part of the country. Nobody else could say it with just that accent." Again she gasped out something about Chicago.

A half hour later another man claimed her for a kindred spirit.

"I've been lonesome and out of place tonight," he said. "Nobody here from my section of the globe. You're the first person I've met all evening that hails from west of the Rocky mountains. The minute I heard you speak I said, 'Here's a woman from the far-west.' We never lose our accent, it seems, wherever we may go."

Just before the reception ended the suave young man who stood at her side leaned forward and said:

"I'll drive over and see you some day if you don't mind."

"You'll do what?"

"Drive over and see you. I'll wager we don't live more than ten miles apart. My home is in Robinson, W. Va., and you cannot live far away. An accent such as yours and mine is never heard outside our immediate vicinity."

They were on their way home at last.

"You'll be apt to have a caller tomorrow," said her cousin. "That young doctor from Montreal is anxious to know you better. He feels confident that you belong to his city. He says he was attracted by your accent from the very first. He's homesick and would like to talk to some one from his native town. I didn't tell him any different."

But the young woman gasped "Chicago" and fainted.—Chicago Tribune.

**Teeth and Chewing Gum.**

A noted New England dentist is authority for the remarkable statement that the people who have the soundest, best preserved teeth are those who are inveterate chewers of gum. Another eminent dentist says that the texture of the teeth is improved and strengthened by constant chewing, just as the muscles of the arms are hardened and developed by constant exercise. He also says the finest set of teeth he ever saw were in the mouth of a man over 50 years old who had chewed gum incessantly from early childhood. There are theories and theories.—New York Tribune.

**The Perfect Apology.**

The famous Clyde pleasure steamer Iona was leaving Rothery pier when one of the sailors, pulling the casting rope on board, by accident struck a lady's lapdog, which yelled and caused its owner to exclaim, "You stupid fellow!" to which the sailor, a new hand and somewhat rough tongued, retorted rudely by desiring her to go to "a certain place."

The lady, much offended, complained to the captain, with the result that Donald was sent for and informed that he must apologize. The man accordingly returned to the scene of his rudeness and addressed the offended dame. "Was you the lady," he inquired, "that I told to go to h—l?" "I was," she replied. "Well," returned Donald, with conciliatory mildness, "you needn't go now."—Gentleman's Magazine.

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