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 Those desiring a private boarding place at reasonable rates well to stop with  
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Here is an exceptionally liberal offer on the part of our favorite seedmen, George Tait & Sons, of Norfolk, Va. They give four bushels of "Tait's Extra Early Nonpareil Peas," valued at thirteen dollars, as a special premium for exhibits as follows: Three pecks for the best two dozen cabbages; one peck for the second best two dozen cabbages; two pecks for the best bushel of turnips; one peck for the second best bushel of turnips; two pecks for the best bushel of rutabagas; one peck for the second best bushel of rutabagas; two pecks for the best half bushel of onions; one peck for the second best half bushel of onions; two pecks for the best bushel of peanuts. This pea is a great favorite with our farmers, and one upon which this reliable firm has built a good business throughout our vicinity. Let us show our appreciation of this generous offer by a large exhibit of agricultural products.

Hiram Toad, manager of the Leaksville Woolen Mills, will give a pair of their finest blankets, valued at five dollars, for the best native ram exhibit. Our many farmers, who have done business with the reliable firm, know of the extra good quality of these blankets, and we shall therefore expect a good exhibit in the sheep department.

One of the most unique and attractive features of the next Fair will be the exhibit of C. W. Stevens & Co., our leading tobacconists. Their exhibit, aside from a large display of various manufactured tobaccos, will consist of tobacco in the natural state. There will be the potted tobacco plant in various stages of growth, and the cured leaf ready to be manufactured. They will also have a man to make cigars on the ground, thus showing everybody this great luxury in the actual process of manufacture.

**THE OLD ZION CHURCH.**  
 Oh, the old Zion church, on the big country road  
 Where the old wagons halted to empty the load  
 Of the farmers who came when the calm Sabbath day  
 Put the plow and the planter and reaper away!  
 I can hear "Coronation" flow out from the choir,  
 Bubbling over the building and up to the spire,  
 Where one pair of bluebirds on Sunday did perch  
 To join in the hymns of the old Zion church.  
 Oh, the old Zion church! Down its homely old aisle  
 The river of song broke in ripples of smiles  
 As the bride drew her robes from altar to door  
 Through the sunshine that sweetened the old oak floor.  
 And our tears often flowed when the whole village wept  
 Where the bonny wee babe in its white coffin slept,  
 While the old parson told how death in his search  
 For the jewels of God came to old Zion church.  
 Oh, the old Zion church! I can see it in spring  
 When orchards unfold in it sweet blossoming,  
 And all the long summer it looks in the best  
 Where swift swallows swim through billows of wheat,  
 And the tone of its bell on the still autumn morn  
 Weeds the quail's mellow alto, far off in the corn,  
 And in winter the snow wraps the cedar and birch  
 That keep watch o'er the graves by the old Zion church.  
 Oh, the old Zion church, where the tall cedar waves  
 Its mantle of gloom o'er my ancestors' graves,  
 Where my father and mother were long ago laid,  
 And the whippoorwill mourns in the murmurous shade!  
 When my time comes to say farewell to the earth  
 I would like to return to the scenes of my birth,  
 Shake off the old husk, leave the world in my lurch,  
 For heaven must be nigh to the old Zion church.  
 -Rev. Robert McIntyre in Chicago Times-Herald.

**A Samoan Bathing Party.**  
 By and by the visitors one by one retired to their houses, and at about 10 o'clock, the rain by this time having ceased and the moon coming out in all her splendor, the girls suggested a bath. So off we started, singing, laughing and chattering like children just released from school, till down by the beach we came to a miniature fresh water lagoon. Each girl as she reached the water's edge untwisted the lava lava, or linen waistcloth, that formed her only garment, and, as it fell to her feet, dived into the pool. Having improvised a bathing suit with a towel, I followed, and there in the moonlight we splashed about and dived and swam, the girls with their lithe, graceful figures and dripping, gleaming locks looking like a band of dusky water nymphs from some old pagan paradise. After the bath the girls ran races, and I was initiated into the mysteries of a game that was the Samoan equivalent of the old English kiss in the ring. All went merrily till the shouting and laughter brought an angry old gentleman on the scene, who informed us that it was quite time that all decent people, Samoan or otherwise, were asleep. Not altogether sorry to take the hint, I retired under my mosquito nets, while the girls stretched themselves out on the mats around the house, and soon we were all asleep.—John Harrison Wagner in Harper's Magazine

Nothing can work me damage except myself. The harm I sustain I carry about with me and never am a real sufferer but by my own faults.  
 -St. Bernard.  
 Arabic coins have a sentence from the Koran and generally the caliph's name, but never an image.

**SPECIAL PREMIUMS**  
 OFFERED BY OUR ENTERPRISING CITIZENS FOR SPECIAL EXHIBITS.

The following is a list of special premiums, offered for Exhibits at the Fair to be held October 19, 20, 21, 22, at the Albemarle Park:

Our enterprising merchant, Mr. M. Weisel, heads the list with an offer of \$5.00 in gold to the lady having on exhibition the handsomest dress made of goods purchased at his store. We bespeak this to be an interesting feature of the ladies department, as Mr. Weisel has long since made ladies fine dress goods a specialty. Mr. Weisel generously offers another premium, which is a year's subscription to the Standard Designer, for the best dress on exhibition made from Standard Patterns, for which Mr. Weisel is sole agent.

Our mammoth store, The Fair, offers a handsome Marseilles quilt for the best embroidered counterpane.  
 Mr. T. C. Allen will give a 2 pound box of French Candy for the handsomest dressed doll by any girl under 12 years of age. Now girls do your best. Now girls here is another one. Dawson Bros., our Main street confectioners, offer a 5 pound box of crystallized fruit to the one exhibiting the best display of home made candy.

Our leading tobacconists, C. W. Stevens & Co., will give 1 pound of Yale Mixture smoking tobacco for the best hand made tobacco pouch. Now girls this is the best grade of smoking tobacco manufactured, and if your beau smokes, be industrious and make him a present of this.

One of the attractive features of the fair will be a baby show. These baby shows have been attended by marked interest and attraction elsewhere, and doubtless will be at our next fair. Mr. N. R. Parker will donate a handsome self-adjusting crib to the mother of the handsomest baby. As pretty babies is the boast of Elizabeth City we all await a treat in the baby show.

A. B. Seely & Son will give a barrel of G. S. Bruce & Co's Finest Fancy Patent Flour to the lady exhibiting the nicest loaf of bread, made of it, and purchased from them.  
 Mr. T. J. Jordan will give a 5 pound can of King's One Spoon Baking Powder to the lady exhibiting the best bread in which she used this powder. Mr. Jordan has recently made a successful run on this popular powder, which is manufactured by the W. C. King Coffee Co., of Norfolk, Va.

Now here we have a handsome and most valuable present. It is an Excelsior stove, donated by our enterprising hardware dealers, Sawyer & Aydlett, for the best display of bread cooked in the Excelsior stove. This stove is manufactured by I. A. Sheppard & Co., of Philadelphia, and has long since been recognized as the leading cook stove on the market.

Our none less enterprising hardware merchants, Sharber & White, come up with a Boss Plow, complete with attachments, for the best display of farm products. This plow is a great favorite with our farmers, and therefore we expect an extensive display of farm products.  
 Mr. F. F. Cohoon will give a modern rat proof chicken coop for the best brood of fall hatched chickens.

Etheridge Bros. will give one-half dozen cakes of extra quality buttermilk toilet soap for best splasher exhibited.

Our leading millers, Raper & White, will give one bushel of fine grade bolted meal for the best pone bread made from their meal.  
 Mr. J. Walter Brothers offers two bushels sweet potatoes to the lady who exhibits the best potato biscuit.

Mr. W. H. Zoeller will give a life size crayon portrait for the best fruit cake exhibited, cake to be his after the fair.  
 Mr. W. J. Woodley, our popular grocer, will give 30 gallons of pure apple vinegar for the best display of pickles put up with his favorite vinegar.

The Ice Factory will give a coupon book of 1,000 pounds of ice for the best home made ice-box or refrigerator.  
 Mr. N. D. Pendleton will give one pound of Gravely's superior tobacco for the best display of peas. This is the best chewing tobacco on the market and one upon which Mr. Pendleton has built up a good tobacco trade.

The Fowler Net and Twine Co. will give a ham-mock for the best display of hand work made from their seine twine.  
 Mr. E. F. Lamb, who is besides a prominent lawyer, one of our most enterprising farmers, offers a premium of 500 pounds of the best hay raised on his excellent farm, for the best milk cow on exhibition. The milk is to be tested at the fair.

Messrs. M. D. Gregory & Son will give five dollars for the best calf on exhibition, sired by their Holstein bull.  
 Mr. Willis Ferebee offers the services of his fine Jersey bull for the best calf on exhibition, sired by his bull.

Mr. Ferebee also offers the services of his famous stud Cannonade, for the best colt on exhibition sired by his stud.  
 Mr. N. G. Grandy will donate a barrel of Early Rose seed potatoes for the best display of this variety.  
 Mr. J. A. Bray will give a life size crayon portrait for the best pound cake exhibited, cake to be his after the fair. One dozen cabinets may be substituted if so desired.

There must be two or more contestants for all of the above special premiums. These premiums, together with many others which are yet to be added, will appear in each issue. Never before in the history of Elizabeth City fairs, have there been offered so many special premiums as will be offered at our next fair. Go to work immediately on your exhibits, and show your appreciation of the marked liberality of our merchants and enterprising citizens.

Fowler & Co. will give one shad net for best display of fish.  
 Elizabeth City Brick Works will give 500 best brick for best and greatest variety of vegetables.  
 M. R. White, general nursery agent throughout this section, representing the Mosley Nurseries of Richmond, Va., makes the following liberal offer: Half dozen pear trees, assorted varieties, for best exhibit of pears. Half dozen peach trees, assorted varieties, for best exhibit of peaches. Half dozen grape vines, assorted varieties, for best display of nuts. Also half dozen apple, plum and cherry trees. Special to the ladies—three rose plants, assorted varieties, for best exhibit of shrubs and roses. Also half dozen evergreens.

**THE MARRIAGE.**

It is creating interest. Everybody is guessing the happy couple who will be the recipients of many valuable and handsome presents.  
 The following are some of the presents which have already been donated, with many others to follow:  
 Our popular Register of Deeds, Mr. M. B. Culpepper, will donate the marriage license. Mr. Culpepper, by the way, has the reputation of having performed more marriage ceremonies than any other man in the county, the number of which is upward of five hundred. A license blank, handsomely gilded, has been obtained especially for the occasion.  
 Our tonsorial artist, Mr. J. B. Ferebee, will shave, hair-cut and shampoo the groom.  
 A. H. Mitchell gives one year's subscription to the Fisherman and Farmer.  
 Mrs. J. R. Banks will give one of the prettiest hats in her well equipped millinery store to the bride.  
 Mrs. M. Hill, our popular Main St milliner, will give a handsome lace collar to the bride.  
 H. C. Godfrey & Co., our leading brokers, will give a ham.  
 Caleb Walker will generously donate the best beef roast in his market.  
 M. Weisel will give a handsome pair of blankets.  
 Next comes Josh Davis, the leading huckster, with a pair of chickens.  
 C. W. Overman will give a set of bed springs. Mr. Overman gave a set to the former bride party, and the gentleman tells us they have been excellent ones.  
 McCabe & Grice will give a handsome worsted dress. Joe tells us that it will be the handsomest piece of goods in his store. Now you may know what that means.

Now comes our up-to-date merchants, Sawyer & Jones. They give a pair of the finest make of Ziegler Bros.' shoes to the bride. To the groom they will give a pair of their best Keimer, Bettman & Co.'s shoes.  
 J. F. Spear, the general manager of the New York Racket Store, will give one dozen knives and forks.  
 James Spivars gives an extra quality copper baled cedar bucket.  
 Our popular jeweler, Louis Selig, gives a handsome solid silver butter knife.  
 Louis Hayman, our Fearing street merchant, gives five pounds Armour's extra lard.

Now this is only the beginning of a long list of presents which will appear in each issue.  
 A twin squash, emblematic of indissoluble conjugal happiness, offered to the bridal couple by Col. J. B. Creech.  
 Mr. W. S. Stafford, one of our prosperous farmers, will give two gallons of fine home-made molasses.

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