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LARGE OAKS FROM LITTLE ACORNS.

The State Fair of North Carolina has been a product of slow development. Its organization, and resultant Agricultural Fair, had its origin in a meeting, called a convention, held in a small room on Fayetteville street, in Raleigh in 1854. It was composed of some fifteen or twenty earnest men, all of whom were farmers or interested in agriculture. We were in Raleigh at the time for a few days, in attendance upon the Episcopal Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina that elected Bishop Atkinson. We accidentally dropped in upon the Agricultural Convention, being engaged in agriculture and favorable to the cause that the convention had in hand, and personally acquainted with some of its members.

When we first attended the session of the body, Richard H. Smith and old dear friend, whose memory we still cherish with ardent affection, a college companion and quasi guardian, was on the floor. The same manner, the gesticulation, the honest, kindly, and sincere voice, the pose of the head that we were so familiar with at the University in the Phil. society, were the same as of old when we last parted in 1832. He was urging the organization of an Agricultural Society and State Fair.

The general tone of the convention was despondent. Some of the more timid members were not hopeful of success and thought the movement premature. Smith was courteous, gentle and conciliatory to those who opposed the movement, but he did not waver in his convictions, and he did not lose his even balance. Another and a different leader of the Convention was Dr. Tompkins of Edenton, a native, we think, of some of the upper counties of Eastern Carolina, who had recently settled in Edenton as a rival of Dr. Wm. C. Warren, of Edenton, that great master of men who won all hearts by the oil and myrrh and frankness of his nature and his sincere kindheartedness. Dr. Tompkins was not a farmer, but had identified himself with that most numerous class from political professional considerations, as was said.

He was a ready, fluent, impetuous and apparently bold speaker, and apparently thought that fear was a more potent motion of human conduct than reason and kindness. He went into the fight for a State Fair and Agricultural Society without gloves. He advocated it as a great boon to the farmers and eulogized them as the most deserving of all others. He denounced by name some of the prominent farmers then in the city, who had taken no interest in the deliberations of the Agricultural Convention, as re-

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creant to patriotic duty and to their own interest. Such was the genesis of one of the most valuable institutions of the state, which every good citizen of North Carolina should cherish, encourage and sustain.

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as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is far too great to be repaired. It is taken internally and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonial's free. Sold by all Druggists, price 75c. per bottle. Halls Family Pills are the best.

DEWEY'S HOME COMING.

Dr. Sam Johnson, the literary leviathan of English letters of the XVIII Century, once said of military and civic distinction—"If Socrates should ask me to come with him and hear a lecture on philosophy, and Charles XII of Sweden, striking his hand upon his sword, should say, follow me and dethrone the Czar, I would be ashamed to follow Socrates." All history attests the truth of the graphic illustration. The learned Doctor is another apt illustration. He was the bright Aurora Borealis of English literature of the Eighteenth Century but without its fitful lustre but the stars of Marlborough and Wellington will be shining with brilliancy when the star of Johnson, wrought for a life-time, to gather his fame, while the heroes of Bluebeem and Waterloo reared the monument of their glory in a day.

So with Dewey. The work that he did from sunrise to midday in the harbor of Manila has blazoned his name throughout the world, put buzzes in the months of millions of his own countrymen and made his name among them the synonyme of all that is lovely in virtue, exalted in patriotism and heroic in war. It is well. We would not pluck a leaf from his laurel crown. We mention it as a philosophical eccentricity that we will not censure or explain. Let him who toils through midday suns to midnight lamps to mold the thoughts of a nation and lead them in the quiet paths of virtue bide his time and wait. He may wear a brighter crown in a broader country in the great hereafter where every man reaps according as he has sown in his nursery of deeds.

Dewey returns to his home and lands first at its great emporium of business, and from all parts of the country men all flock to New York to greet the conquering hero who fills the trump of fame. True to his reputation Dewey arrived in New York on Thursday the greatest pageant of and ancient or modern times was accorded the conquering sailor.

New York was wild over him. Parades passed in review before him. Reporters bowed before him. Never has man, with all his infirmities, stood such an ordeal without coming out of the fiery furnace of homage and adulation without being the worse. It was a more trying and dangerous position than to be a target in the fore-front of battle. But Dewey came through it all, the same good man, calm, unmoved, modest, tasteful. Surely peace has its trials no less severe than war and Dewey has stood the test of both. He must be a man paragoned for every emergency.

Having run the gantlet of New York, and come out unscratched, he is now in Washington to stand uncovered in the presence of magnates and potentates and wait upon their homage. His journey from New York to Washington was one long continued ovation. Arrived in Washington, he first

bowed his respects to the Constitutional Commander of our Army and Navy. Whatever may have been the thoughts that then flitted through his cerebral convolutions, this is not the moment to enquire. Whether he was looked at stately officials and things though Democratic spectacle. Whether his ambition aspires to both civic and military positions we know not. But this we know, that he has sounded all the depths and shoals of military honor and has raised the name of an American citizen to the highest pinnacle of honor.

A LIFE AND DEATH FIGHT.

Mr. W. A. Hines of Manchester, In., Writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not be without it even if costs \$5.00 a bottle. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation and all say it never fails to cure That Chest and Lung troubles. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at Standard Pharmacy."

THE FIGHT BEGINS.

War reports from South Africa between Great Britain and the Boers have been numerous for some time, and they have been so often contradicted that the public mind had become incredulous and had got to believe that the skies would clear before the clash of arms was heard. But yesterday, news from South Africa is to the effect that the Boers have got tired of waiting and have taken the initial step to war. The Boers have captured with the strong arm 500,000,000 of gold by the Transvaal the property of the British Government which was on the way from Johannesburg to Capetown. The account of the capture has been confirmed from two sources and it is now uncontradicted that the Boers captured the gold and forwarded the treasure to the headquarters of the Transvaal Government.

President Kruger's speech at adjournment of the Transvaal Parliament, which they call their "Raas," his declarations were full of war and defiance. Altho, said he, we should be surrounded by enemies, the Lord is the final arbiter and he will decide. Meanwhile England is not idle. The Chancellor of the Exchequer has recommended the provisional expenditure of three million of pounds to be expended in war-like preparation, and it is expected that when Parliament assembles it will be increased to 8 millions. Kruger, President of the Transvaal Republic has proclaimed his ultimatum to Great Britain, that military forces shall be removed from the country and that its independence shall be recognized. Averse as is great Britain to war with its foreign possessions it is still more averse to the surrender of any of its territory. It is stated as a report that has some credence that Russia, France and Germany are exchanging notes relative to the situation in South Africa, and that their sympathies are with the Boers.

NEWS FROM THE COUNTIE

Waterlily.

The ducks and geese are returning to their winter haunts in Currituck sound and our boys are preparing to give them a long and loud welcome.

The Steamer Uadine has taken

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the place of the Comet while she is undergoing repairs. Miss Sue Tangleton of Little Island, Va., are visiting Misses Bessie and Maggie Shannon on Saturday and Sunday at Currituck Light House. B. P. A.

GLORIOUS NEWS.

Comes from Dr. D. B. Gargile, of Washita, L. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the blood purifier know. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Standard Pharmacy.

Weeksville.

Farmers are very busy picking cotton to get the advantage of the rise in price. We understand that the steamer Dauntless will make one trip a week to Newbegun Creek during the cotton season, and more if needed, in connection with the railroad. Capt. Jerrels will also run a schooner in connection with the Pettit Line.

Mr. C. C. Thompson has about completed his tram road running to Symon's Creek, which will tap a large tract of timber.

Dr. E. W. Lister reports the health of our community as fairly good.

G. W. Cartwright has started a cotton gin at Nixonton, and is paying the highest cash price for cotton.

Caleb Raper has started his rice threshing machine.

Robert Raper had some of his sheep killed on Monday night by prowling dogs. Out of twelve head they left him only four.

J. A. Scott's gin house caught on fire last Saturday, but was soon put out and very little damage done. X.

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Riverside.

Farmers are busy picking cotton. Mrs. George Sawyer is on the sick list this week.

Miss Jack Lane has returned home from a visit to friends north, and reports a pleasant trip. She has many friends who welcome her return.

Last Sunday Dr. C. W. Sawyer made an excellent talk to the Sunday School at Hall's Creek church, which was very much enjoyed by those present.

Last Sunday, at Olivet Church Rev. J. Y. Sentua, a Baptist minister of Wilmington, Del., preached a very able sermon, which was enjoyed by all.

Last Wednesday two colored men were in a woods, one grasping the other squirrelling. The later saw the former up a grape tree and says he thought it was a coon and shot him, filling his face full of shot. I suppose all coons look alike to him. X. Y. Z.

AT NO TIME IS MAN SECURE FROM ATTACKS of such disorders of the stomach as cholera morbus, cramps and diarrhoea; but these complaints are common during the heated term, when it is dangerous to neglect them. PAIN-KILLER is a remedy that has never failed and the severest attacks have been cured by it. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. 25c. and 50.

Columbia News.

Mr. D. D. Raper, of Edenton, N. C., took charge of the Branning Mill Co's. plant at this place on October 1st. We are glad to welcome him in our midst.

The new Transfer wharf which is being built by the N & S. R. R., is nearing completion.

Mr. Jeff Davis, is erecting a new store on the corner of Main and Mills streets.

Mrs. H. C. Walker is visiting friends and relatives in Richmond, Va.

Messrs. C. Bateman, A. L. Walker, and H. C. Walker, have returned from Philadelphia, where they have been attending the Commercial Exposition.

Mr. W. F. Cohoon expects to leave us in a few days for Georgetown, S. C. There is quite an attraction here for him and our regrets to see him leave are as great as his. We think he will return some day, for "Where your treasure is, there to your heart also."

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I have in my possession \$35.10, the same being amount received of I. B. Midgett, Wreck Commissioner for District No. 2, as net proceeds from sale of 1 spanker lot canvas, some old rope, 1 bag cloth, 1 lot lumber and 2 barrels beef, marked "Thomas Bradley" Sold September 9, 1899. Any person showing good title for above described property will receive the amount stated, less expenses of advertising, etc. This 26th day of Sept., 1899. THEO. S. MEEKINS, Clerk Superior Court of Dare Co.

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