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WHAT HORACE GREELEY SAYS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

We clip the following from the *Wilmington Star*, and express the hope that North Carolina will, in a few years, through the aid of honest, and energetic immigration from the Northern States, be herself again.

"Mr. Hinton Rowan Helper fills up an entire page of the *New York Tribune* with a very able communication on the subject of immigration to North Carolina. It is entirely

too long for our column; but Mr. Greeley's *newspaper*, the whole thing follows:

"We publish herewith the fullest account ever given in a periodical of the State of North Carolina—its soil, climate, topography, timber, productions, &c., &c., for the information of all who may be asked Mr. Webster's question, 'Where am I to go?' North Carolina is a thoroughly reconstructed State. It is right side up to stay, is peaceful, loyal, unambitious, and truly conservative, as now, though the largest area of the Original Thirteen, has a delightfully mild and genial climate, fine navigable rivers and spacious sounds, with a fair allotment of railroads in progress. She promises every cheap land, her blacks are docile and glad to work for low wages, and colonies of from twenty to one hundred families can be cheaply located on good lands, good navigation or railroad transportation with an abundance of gold in the earth where the grape, the peach, the apple and the cherry, with all the grains, can be produced with a minimum of labor and little iteration. Her shores are nearly as good as the coast of Europe. We rejoice over the fact, and your communications have in

"We are glad to see that Mr. Greeley sometimes says a good thing of us, particularly at this time when we have such need of immigrants and capital."

There can be no doubt that all things considered, North Carolina presents greater inducements to the settler of capital and energy than any of her sister States of the South.

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CONDITION OF THE CROPS.

A few weeks ago everything looked fair for the planters. The crops of all kinds were a little late, but had come up finely and were growing off to the satisfaction of the business men. But says the *Wilmington Star*, the prospect is now less cheering. Unusual amount of rains with consequent floods in many portions of the South, and extraordinary cold spells, which were universal and continue up to the present time, have materially changed the aspect of affairs. The late frost did no material damage except to the early corn, which soon recovered from the blow, and to the very small amount of cotton that had then made its way above the surface, an amount hardly worthy of being taken into reckoning. The corn and wheat are still prospering, being hardy plants, but cotton is suffering universally. The high winds have blown it about and bruised it in many places, reducing it far below a reasonable "stand," so that it has become necessary to replant either cotton or corn, the latter being generally preferred. As an evidence of the extreme cold for this season, we may mention that we have before us a paper from as far South as Palatka, Florida, which says the mercury stood in doors a week ago at 55 degrees. This fact, taken in connection with the coldness of the earth, so imminent to the growth of cotton, gives warrant for the opinion that the prospect for a full crop the present year is anything but flattering.

A Chicago dispatch states that the crop accounts from all parts of the West were highly favorable. The *Illinois State Journal*, published at Springfield, says that for many years the crop prospects have been favorable to the extent that any one who chose to earn his bread by his labor could do so with great success. The same newspaper says that the weather has been unusually favorable for planting wheat. Crops were put in early, and, owing to the lateness of the season, the plants obtained a vigorous growth before cold weather set in. This saved the crop from the usual miseries of winter, and complaints of freezing out have consequently been few. The late spring has also been favorable, the cold, wet weather preventing a too rapid growth. Notwithstanding, the spring has been late, farmers have been able to make good progress in getting in grain, potatoes and corn.

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Local Affairs.

Agents for the Carolina Observer.

The following gentlemen are authorized Agents for the *Observer* in Charlotte:

Messrs. Tidby & Brothers, Book

Walker, Auctioneers.

New Advertisements.

We direct attention to the following New Advertisements:

W. C. & R. Railroad.

Annual Celebration of the Charlotte Fire Companies.

Thursday morning, while all the world of Charlotte was taking its morning nap, a "clang! clang! clang!" from a deep-toned bell, pulled by extra industrious hands, waked the sleepers and caused them to step up to the captain's office and start to start upon a day of employment. I do not know what the world thought that the public will suppose they can't write at all unless they have a school, but the boys in each question they made out to discuss whether they be a boykin or a railroad.

But experience will ultimately regulate this, it does not often

happen that a boykin does not

know what he is talking about.

CHILDREN AND NEWSPAPERS.—It

is a well-established fact that the

habits of children are much improved

by reading newspapers. Names and

things which are familiar and

serve to interest the little mind, attract the attention and we find

progress even when it is sometimes

astonishing. A newspaper is worth

months of schooling—it is indeed

a school in itself.

We had good company and a plenty of it,

for the members of the independent Com-

pany, a whole nest of hornets, the officers

of the North Carolina Railroad, a large num-

ber of the gentlemen of Charlotte, and last but

no means least, a great many ladies

formed the party of pleasure-seekers. If

their experience equalled ours, they found

the fun they sought and found it in a large

camp.

We can truly say that from 7:30

(not noon) to 11 o'clock, not a

single soul in town stopped

but the cars stopped at Charlotte on

their return, we had the pleasantest kind of a

pleasant time.

We started off under the able guidance

of Captain W. P. White and Engineer

Burke, and we, individually, were invited

by the latter to sit beside him

and 200 others along, gave the hand

and a hearty cheer.

After the inspection, we

were invited to a dinner at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. White.

When dinner was announced, the assembly

repaired to the hill and partook of the

best prepared meal it has been our good

fortune to eat since we left home.

The dinner was excellent, and the

company was greatly exercised with the apprehension that they may be surprised

by the arrival of the "Yankees."

Senator Sprague is at the Memphis Con-

vention.

The average assessed value of lands in

Missouri is