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Democratic Conventions in 1888.

The Township Primaries meet at their respective voting places May 12th.

The Cabarrus County Convention meets in Concord May 19th.

The State Convention meets in Raleigh, N. C., May 30th.

The National Convention meets in St. Louis, Mo., June 5th.

The Congressional Convention of the Sixth District meets in Wilmington June 27th.

THEY FEED THE WORLD.

It is a natural law that man shall live by the sweat of his brow, that from the bosom of the earth he shall draw his sustenance and gather around himself the many comforts of life. Whatever relates, then, to agriculture must be of primal interest to man; and, in truth, the history of agriculture from the earliest age down to this time would necessarily involve what has been most important and interesting to the race in all time.

Though agriculture is a time-honored pursuit, its progress and material advancement has not kept pace with other and later callings. The reasons for this are many, but whatever reasons can be assigned the honor, the importance and the greatness of the work remain among the highest, if not the highest.

The work of the farmer has been a hard one. He, for a long time, had no well-defined plan. He trusted to the fertility of mother earth; no agricultural literature aided him to any extent; the influences of organizations were not enjoyed. But these things are changing. In his "Boke of Husbandrie" Sir Anthony Fitzherbert tells the great agricultural secret of 1534: "A housebande cannot thrive by his corne without cattell, nor by his cattell without corne; shepe, in myne opinion, is the most profitable cattell that any man can have."

We see that man was more of a pastoral animal than an agriculturist proper. He lived more with and upon his flocks and upon the fruits of trees and vines and less upon the real products of the farm. The average man had somehow formed the opinion that there was something ludicrous and low in the efforts of men content with tilling the soil. Even the farmers themselves began to think that they were engaged in a low and insignificant work, and by their actions more than their words their children were about to think that any one had brains enough to be a farmer.

A new era is upon us. We welcome it. The great and potent power, the press, is beginning to lend its influence; legislation, at last, is being had in the interest of this almost wholly neglected industry, and the espouser of the cause himself has learned the lesson that if anything is to be done, that through him, by him and him only the efforts must have their birth. It will be a grand day when all the farmers learn this. It will be the advent of better and more prosperous times; it will be the world's grandest period when once the horny-fisted farmers come together in an organized condition to discuss, devise and grapple with the great questions that bear so much upon the final result of their labors.

Farmers, you are not the worst people in the world. Of all the world's honors you wear the purest and the best. So long as the city draws on the villages and the rural districts for the boys to make the preachers and merchants and bankers and railroad magnets you have no right to think yours a brainless and insignificant work.

WELL, give us a rest! What strange ideas are now at a premium in some sections. A correspondent of the Raleigh News-Observer urges the nomination of the Rev. G. W. Sanderlin for State Auditor. The Monroe Express has this to say about him, too: "Mr. S. is a talented minister of the Baptist church, a fluent speaker," &c. That's so; and let him stay where he is. He can, perhaps, do more good in preaching the gospel than if he were directly in the service of the State. We are opposed to two things: spoiling a good judge to make a governor and robbing the pulpit of a talented minister in order to make a State Auditor.

INNOCENT SUGGESTIONS.

Some one has said that humanity is quite a study; and it is. What is true and regular in one case proves to be otherwise in another. The whole thing is one peculiar, unsolved mixture of good, bad and indifferent. Men don't see alike; each one is a world within himself. It has always been so, and will thus continue. In the life and character of some one man a certain class sees the embodiment of the elements of honor, morality and greatness, all of which has failed to impress others accordingly. Here is a man whose very life is one continued chain of defects—fraud, corruption, vice, deception and the meanest and basest prejudice—lauded to the very skies, puffed in glowing terms, and can scarcely make a turn in public without some hair-brain writer, thinking the "latest and best has been done," hastens to publish it to the world. The rest of mankind is simply amazed. And why not? But it is only the way a fellow is built and how the drop falls.

Some men and their course in life are kept constantly before the public simply because they represent riches or are cut, moulded and shaped to suit some writer's pattern, or kin to him, or wields a great influence, or because their "daddies" belonged to the aristocracy in their days and wore the colors of honor, fame, &c.

Is all this according to the spirit of the age in which we live? Do not the history of the lives of those men now found foremost in the social, political and religious world clearly point us to the fact that the majority of the country's best men today started right at the ground, unaided by the lingering glory of a dead father? Where are the boys that wore home-made shoes, home-made shirts, home-made breeches with patch upon patch, unglowed and unadorned twenty-five years ago? Look into the stores, in the banks, in the factories, in the nation's halls, in the school room, in the pulpit, and last, but not least, upon the farms. Ninety-nine per cent. of them all once wore home-made breeches—"more holey than right-corns."

Let the world stop puffing the fool, the unworthy subject; in other words, set aside those whose lives have been made up of fizzes, and look to the men, the true and honest men, and let their records grace the columns of papers as examples to the poor, ragged boys of today, in whom lie the dormant sparks of usefulness and greatness. Away with the false lights, and let purer and brighter ones come to the front!

CAN'T THEY TELL THE TRUTH?

While the rank and sour Northern papers are making sport of the South; while they call up something mean done by some rebel; while they are manufacturing campaign literature, shot and powder; while they are reporting Justice Lamar as having said some discouraging and ugly things about his native land, we, the South, in our usual even tenor, honesty, truthfulness and energy, are making a greater advancement than at any time since the war.

It is a source of much pleasure to us to stand off and see some mean Northern editor paw and knock at the air to such an extent as to work himself up to "a high state" of perspiration. Yet in our pleasure we do not fail to have some compassion for the miserable creature and utter a prayer for the poor, vile sinner.

Say what they please, misrepresent the South as much as they choose, credit her representatives with all that is not good, the North can not fail to see, even in her spite, that here in the South the cold, hard facts tell of a most marvellous increase in the industrial enterprises, and that the conditions which have given them birth are of a healthy and permanent nature.

BLOOD IN HIS EYE.

The editor of the Statesville Mail is the champion fighter of the nineteenth century. He's mad; he's sour; he's made war on the bullies. Last week he accidentally, or otherwise, let fall a paper weight upon the head of Bill Stockton, whose cries for help saved him from the grave. The editor has in reach a number of paper weights which he proposes to use for the entertainment of visitors who make themselves disagreeable.

Could not Bro. Gillespie use some of his iron to advantage round about the "Zephyr" cotton-seed agents. Perhaps he's afraid of striking "ile." Truly the editor has blood in his eye.

THE WHITE-CROSS LIBERATED!

Just as the week was closing its books forever last Saturday night Raleigh's highly distinguished guests at the jail were released on \$15,000 bonds. It's a pity to rob the jailor of the fees that he ought to have! They went straight to their homes—homes where broken hearts and ruined hopes constitute the family circle. Let us pity the poor women and children!

"Good-night, gentlemen," said White, as he left the jail. He still has some starch left in him.

Already some of the papers are beginning to say "Mr." White and "Mr." Cross. God pity the ungrateful thieves!

It is to be hoped that the gentlemen attended Sunday School last Sunday—through the force of habit, of course! How things do change!

ANOTHER PROOF.

We learn from the Charlotte Chronicle that "Granny Rose," a colored woman, died recently at Davidson College at the good old age of one hundred and thirty-two years. It is said that she had cut during her lifetime several sets of teeth, and at her death she had just gotten an entirely new set. Of course this old woman was once a slave. It is but another proof that slavery, instead of taxing and burdening the slaves with heavy duties, gave to them the requisites of long life—muscles, strong backs and sheet-iron stomachs.

THE TABLES TURNED.

J. L. Stone, the dealer in musical instruments and "Zephyr" cotton seed, in the city of Raleigh, is seeing another side of the picture of life. On the strength of the Hearne case he had J. P. Caston imprisoned for damaging his cotton seed trade. He lost the Hearne suit and had to pay \$800 cost, &c. This virtually releases Caston, who now enters suit against Stone for damages. Give Stone justice if it takes everything he's got! Let's protect the farmers.

HON. JOHN L. SULLIVAN, the world's prize fighter, set foot on terra firma at New York last Tuesday from an extended trip to Europe. Wonder when Mr. James G. Blaine, the man who wants the presidency with such a longing desire that he can taste it, will return? Of this duo, Hon. John excited the more attention throughout his travels.

THE Observer, an evening paper published in Charlotte by Col. Chas. R. Jones, has again taken in its shingle. What's wrong with the gods?

The British Queen Visits Berlin. BERLIN, April 24.—Queen Victoria arrived at Charlottenburg at nine o'clock this morning. The Empress, the Crown Prince and Crown Princess, and the Prince and Princess of Saxe-Meiningen received her at the depot. Prince Henry and his sisters, the Princesses Victoria, Sophie and Margaret, Sir Edward Malet, British Ambassador at Berlin, the Duke of Rutland and the Burgomaster and municipal council of Berlin were also present.

The greetings between Queen Victoria and the royal family of Germany were warm. The Crown Prince conducted the Queen to an open four-horse carriage which she entered, and, with the Empress beside her, was driven to the castle. Great crowds of people lined the route and cheered enthusiastically as the carriage passed. The Queen paid a visit to the Emperor shortly after her arrival at the castle. The doctors feared the meeting would excite the Emperor and probably upset him, but their fears were groundless. The Emperor seemed rather brighter after the interview and his temperature was normal.

Terrible Earthquake in China.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 23.—The details of an earthquake in Yunnan are brought by steamer from China. The following has been reported to the Governor of Yunnan by the respect of Linan: "From the second day of the twelfth month of last year until the third day of this year there were over ten shocks of earthquake. In Ship Ping nineteenth of the houses in the South are falling down, and in the Northwest a thousand being cracked or bent out of perpendicular, two hundred people, men and women, old and young, being crushed to death; wounded and injured over three hundred. At Fung Heang over eight hundred men were crushed to death and about eight hundred wounded. At Nan Hiang there are over two hundred dead and five hundred injured. About one hundred were killed and the same number injured at Peh Hiang. (The four places just named are suburbs.) In the town and suburbs over four hundred people are either killed or wounded, eight or nine-tenths of the houses have fallen down and the rest cracked and leaning over.

STATE NEWS.

Oxford is to be illuminated by electric lights.

Mr. R. A. Starkey, a very popular young man of Greenville, died Thursday week.

The Democratic State Convention for North Carolina will meet in Raleigh on the 30th of May.

Wilmington is moving towards having a \$15,000 Young Men's Christian Association building.

Wake Forest College students have organized an athletic association with more than 100 members.

Memorial services of the late Rev. M. T. Yates, D. D., are being held in many of the Baptist churches of the State.

The annual meeting of the State Medical Association will be held in Fayetteville, beginning on the 8th of May.

The Wake County Cattle Club has decided to hold its next annual exhibition at Raleigh on Thursday, May 15th.

The Commissioners of Beaufort county have granted petitions for local option elections at Washington and Aurora.

An Asheville man is going into the raising of chickens on a large scale, and has fitted up a henery at a cost of \$2,000.

The Senate has passed the bill appropriating \$10,000 for a monument to Gen. Lee Davidson, who fell at Cowan's Ford in February, 1781.

The executive committee of the 3d Congressional District has selected Goldsboro as the place for the Congressional Convention, and May 23d as the time for its meeting.

The Winston Sentinel reports that a "moonshiner" in Stokes county recently made forty gallons of corn whiskey from four bushels of corn and ten boxes of concentrated lye.

During the past three months, we see from the Baltimore Manufacturers' Record, North Carolina has invested \$3,000,000 in new enterprises. Who says the State is not going ahead?

The Phoenix notes that there is a movement on foot in Rocky Mount to get up a military company. Also that a factory for the manufacture of all kinds of wood work will soon be started there.

Immigration Agent Patrick has received a letter from a Canadian manufacturing firm backed up by \$1,500,000. They wish to establish a factory in our State for every description of wood work.

The Comptroller of the Currency has appointed Clement Dowd, of Washington, a North Carolinian who formerly lived at Charlotte, to be receiver of the defunct State National Bank of Raleigh.

Jas. Russell, col. of James City, reports a chicken recently hatched out with four perfect legs, toes and all to each. It is a healthy chicken and doing well. Save him for the next fair.—New Berne Journal.

The Messenger says the membership of Fifth street Methodist church has become so large that they find it necessary to build a new house of worship, and have determined to build a brick church at a cost of \$12,000.

At the close of Mr. Pearson's meetings at Wilmington, resolutions were adopted to petition the daily papers of Wilmington not to print a Sunday paper. 1,285 people authorized their names to be signed to the petition.

There is such an immense amount of business done by W. & W. Railroad, and we understand a double track is being mooted. This would prevent the vexatious delays of the trains that we now have.—Rocky Mount Phoenix.

Some people maintain that prohibition does no good. Before Snow Hill had prohibition it was a very rare thing to see a sober man court week, but there was not a drunken man at Snow Hill last week. That is the difference.

The Sentinel says that last week \$26,000 of the capital stock of \$50,000 necessary to be paid in before work can be begun on the Roanoke & Southern Railroad, was raised in Winston-Salem. The other \$24,000 has been raised outside.

Rev. Dr. McKinnon insists, on account of his failing health, on the acceptance of his resignation as president of Davidson College, and a professor of Greek, will be elected by the trustees at the commencement in June.

Gilmore's celebrated band appeared at Wilmington last Thursday evening. The Star says that the arrangement of the music was such that everybody could enjoy it. The concert includes an anvil chorus and cannon firing. Wilmington is the only place in the State that Gilmore stopped at.

We have been shown a specimen of stone found in the corners of Durham, Person and Granville counties, which is indeed something new to us. It is free from grit, very hard and susceptible of a fine polish. We are at a loss to know under what head it comes. It has been suggested that it is fine material for lithographic engraving.—Durham Recorder.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Indiana State Normal School burned. Loss \$185,000.

The democrats made a clean sweep of Jersey City last Thursday. The Department of Agriculture reports unfavorably the condition of the wheat crop.

The deposed Gen. Boulanger has been elected to a seat in the French Chamber of Deputies.

The Democratic National Convention will meet in the city of St. Louis on the 5th of June.

Boston had a \$100,000 fire Friday. Nearly covered by insurance. Several firemen were injured by a falling wall.

1,500 or 2,000 union malsters and brewers are on strike in Chicago because the brewery proprietors refuse to recognize their union.

A mower and reaper manufactory was burned at Young's Town, Ohio. Loss \$250,000; insurance \$80,000. 500 men thrown out of employment.

During the past thirteen months we have had 1,000 strikes in the United States. The losses in wages and in other ways amount to the cost of a small war.

At Cumberland Gap, Tenn., a fight occurred between striking railroad men and men employed in their stead. Five men killed and over a dozen wounded.

President Cleveland has nominated Brigadier Gen. George Cook to be Major General, and Col. John R. Brooks, of the Third Infantry, to be Brigadier General.

Mr. Pulitzer, proprietor of the N. Y. World, has purchased a \$625,000 lot, with a hotel building on it, which will be torn down and a \$1,000,000 building for the World erected instead.

The Italian Cabinet has decided to stop military operations in Africa during the summer. A special colonial corps will remain at Massowah, and the rest of the troops will return to Italy.

Fighting has occurred between the Spanish garrison at Sooloo and the natives of the Sooloo Islands, in which the Spaniards lost ten killed and seventy wounded, and the natives 200 killed.

It is expected that a satisfactory settlement of difference between America and the Moorish Governments will be effected through the mediation of the British, French and Italian Ministers.

Gen. Q. A. Gilmore, who was a distinguished Union officer during the late war, died at his residence in Brooklyn. He was engaged in the siege of Charleston and the bombardment of Fort Sumpter.

A syndicate has secured the right for the Southern States of a process to manufacture paper out of cotton stalks, seed and hulls. It is claimed that good newspaper can be manufactured by them at three cents per pound.

A dispatch from Helena, Mon., says: "The Kootenai Indians are getting ugly, and threaten to avenge the hanging of three of their number, for murder by the white people. The Governor has been called on for troops."

Indian Agent Gregory, located with the Chippewas in Minnesota and Wisconsin, has resigned. Gregory's administration has been a subject of investigation by the special Senate committee to which Senator Chandler is chairman.

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R. L. HALTSSELL,
Adm'r of J. F. Green.
March 2nd, 1888.

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