

THE STANDARD.

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Another year has been numbered with the irrevocable past. Another page in the history of each one of us...

While our harvests have not been as abundant as in some former years, and our barns and storehouses are not over-loaded with those things which indicate plenty for man and beast...

As the new year opens to us, let each one, without making any unnecessary resolutions—for some one has said that "hell is paved with good resolutions"—put forth his best efforts...

Let the goal of our ambition be not simply to further our own interests, but to aid in the advancement of civilization, and the elevation of mankind.

STANDARD NOTES.

He's a nice fellow! That man who tries to win popularity for popularity's sake.

The cork-dodger, which so many of us dislike, will be quite a pet if flour continues to advance in price.

With the holidays, the news of deaths, murders, accidents and blood curdling acts is plentiful.

Beware of the New-Year-turn-over-a-new-leaf-fellow. He's in the land, and has done the same thing before.

The Panama Canal Company, operating where mosquitoes grow to the size of black birds, has collapsed.

Dakota, that ward of the Republican party, while small in population, is put down in point of wealth at \$320,000,000.

It's no little thing—that Blackwell's Durham Co-Operative Tobacco Co. The shipments in four days amounted to 274,125 pounds of smoking tobacco.

Hon. La Falletta, State Supt., of Indiana, has declared for a compulsory school law. He backs his course with strong figures as culled from his reports.

The Red-Headed daily, Tobacco Plant, is able to stand alone, has cut its teeth and is crying as loud as any full grown daily. May it live and succeed.

Mr. Reilly, a gentleman for a short while connected with the Charlotte Chronicle, has written a letter to a northern paper which is very uncomplimentary to Charlotte and the surrounding country. The News is on its car about it. Why not?

The Wilmington Messenger, one of the brightest, liveliest, most enterprising dailies in the State, has just closed another volume. It's doing a great work for the Cape Fear section and the entire State. It does all that it undertakes with firmness, boldness and honesty of purpose. "Let her go Gallagher."

There is much talk of the annexation of Canada to the United States. We can't see a better way to

have our moneyed men returned to the care and protection of this country than by annexing their new home. Canada is said to be a great asylum for the oppressed and troubled soul. Give us a balm.

The last issue of The Standard contained W. W. Holden's letter to the next Legislature of North Carolina. We commented on it as we felt. As requested, we mailed the gentleman a paper. We return thanks to him for a pamphlet containing the famous "Proclamations of W. W. Holden" the Governor of those dark, stormy days.

Now this is simply awful! Is it not strange that the gods and goddesses of Reform, Civilization and Decency could endure such a thing. A birch rod used by the first teacher in a Vermont school house, over one hundred years ago, is said to be mailed over the present teacher's desk. But then these angels of Reform leave so much to do that time has permitted them to remove the "relic of barbarism."

FROM DIFFERENT TOWNSHIPS.

Prof. Kirk is teaching at Bethel Academy, and is giving genuine satisfaction.

Communion meeting at Bethel (Stanly Co.) Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 5 and 6.

John H. Ritchie, W. Ritchie and Tom Ridenhour, spent Xmas with friends in Stanly.

Robt. Ritchie and Brown Cox, spent Xmas at home—are now back at their books at N. C. College.

Married in No. 7, Dec. 27, Mr. Mathias Barringer, and Miss Martha Isehour, daughter of Henry W. Isehour, Rev. Geo. H. Cox officiating.

Rev. Geo. H. Cox held Christmas services at Mt. Olive, Sunday 23rd. The S. S. had a beautiful tree Monday; services were held at Bethel on Christmas morning, tree at night.

Cupid has been at work again, which has resulted in the marriage of Capt. Moore and Mrs. M. L. H. Poyer, at Reuben Ritchie's, Dec. 18. The road was "cut shut" but Caleb was too sharp for them, came in the back way. They belted him "all the same."

Little Bathing Items. There was a Xmas tree at St. Stephen's church on Saturday morning of Xmas.

Miss Owen has charge of a music school here, also a singing school which began Saturday, Dec. 21.

The school in District 36, is still progressing under the supervision of Miss M. Owen—thirty-eight students enrolled.

Mr. Crawford Byger and Miss S. J. Earnhardt took the nuptial vows Dec. 7. We offer our congratulations to the happy couple.

Mr. H. Barringer and Miss Margaret Earnhardt, together, vowed matrimonial allegiance before the hymenial altar Dec. 10. We wish them a happy life.

W. B. Small took a fish from his fish pond that made several meals.

Relatives from Stanley are visiting the family of Mr. J. C. Kluttis.

One of our school boys saw a large black snake while in the woods hunting Christmas day.

Rev. J. W. Brower, the new preacher for this circuit, has arrived at headquarters for Clear Creek circuit.

Mr. Ed Burnett married Miss Alice Ferguson, daughter of Quince Ferguson, Esq., the 23rd Dec., at the home of her Pa.

Mr. R. M. Cook, who is going to school at Wake Forest, is spending Christmas among friends and relatives.

Our people are buying roughings for their horses and mules, as they did not get to save much on account of big rains and freshets last fall.

Mr. Henry Dunn who is "Wielding the Birch" in the vicinity of Matthews, paid his father a brief visit. We learn that he has endeared himself to the good patrons of his school.

Weddings and pound parties, are prevailing with us. All the old muskets and shot-guns in the country have been treated to a good scrubbing and oiling, and "old Captain Hare is running 'cross the old field as hard as he can tear."

GUARD AGAINST THE STRIKE. And always have a bottle of Acke's Eucalypti Remedy in the house. You can't tell how soon Croup may strike you little one, or a cold or cough; may fasten itself upon you. One dose is a preventive and a few doses a positive cure. All Throat and Lung trouble yield to its treatment. A sample bottle is given you free and the Remedy guaranteed by N. D. Felzer.

The Durham Tobacco Plant has bought out the Recorder. The next session of the State Grange will be held in Newton, Catawba county.

Major C. Dowd and Mr. Willis B. Dowd will practice law in Charlotte under the firm name of C. Dowd & Son.

Statesville is soon to be lighted by electricity. The plant is being put in. So march on in the line of progress all our North Carolina towns.

Hon. Thomas J. Jarvis has arrived in the United States from Brazil, as he was registered at the Fifth Avenue Hotel in New York, Thursday.

Rev. R. H. Morrison is in very feeble health, at his home, near Lowesville, Lincoln county. This venerable divine is now in his 91st year.

New Bern is making telephonic connection through Jones, Carteret and Onslow counties, having already extended the line to Maysville on the border of Onslow.

Mr. W. C. Maxwell, a popular member of the Charlotte bar, left today for Montgomery Ala., where he is to be married next Wednesday to a charming young lady of that place.—Charlotte News, Dec. 31.

The next examination before the Supreme Court of applicants for license to practice law, will be held on the Friday and Saturday preceding the first Monday in February, 1899. Six applications have already been filed.

Sanford introduces its advantages and future prospects to the world in a neatly printed and conveniently arranged pamphlet. It thus sets an admirable example, which other like towns in the State should follow.

The first through train from Charleston to Shelby and Rutherfordton passed over the Charleston, Cincinnati & Chicago road Dec. 21st. A distinguished party was on board the train and were greatly pleased with the country.

News reached the city this morning of the death of Gen. W. H. Neel. He died at 8 a. m., at his home in Steel Creek township, after a long sickness. He was 90 years old, and one of the best men that ever lived in Mecklenburg.—Charlotte News, Dec. 27.

Adj. Gen. Jones has received an invitation from the military authorities at Washington City to act as a member of the committee on the military in connection with the inaugural ceremonies on the 4th of March, and he has accepted.—Asheville Citizen.

Gen. Clingman has just returned from New York, from a long visit connected with his electric light patent. The General has patents for two systems, the incandescent and the arc. He is confident from experiments made with them that they are superior to the systems now in use.—Asheville Citizen.

Speaking of the means of diminishing the number of lynchings the Governor says "there ought to be some means as soon as a great crime is committed to have the grand jury sit at once and let the case be tried. There is no defect in the law save that there may be some delay and consequent chance to escape."

The establishment of a Railroad Commission by the Legislature of 1889 is a foregone conclusion. Some one has already nominated Col. L. L. Polk, Ex-Governor Jarvis and Capt. S. B. Alexander for Railroad Commissioners. These gentlemen would undoubtedly make a strong team in every respect.—Bladen Beacon.

L. A. Blackwelder, the veteran policeman of Charlotte, has resigned his position as sexton of the First Presbyterian church, to take effect after to-day. Mr. Blackwelder has been the sexton of this church for over 30 years, and he is well known to the citizens of Charlotte as a conscientious and hard working man. The loss of his services will long be felt by the congregation.

United States Engineer Bixby and Capt. Schuster are at Weldon, making preparations to clean out Roanoke river from that point to its mouth. They have a steam tug, several barges and a dredging machine. They propose cleaning out the rafts first, using for that part \$15,000 of the \$40,000 appropriation. Then the remaining money, \$25,000, will be used for removing the sand bars. Work will be begun at an early day.

There are a number of problems which have appeared from time to time in this column, and as no answers have been sent in, we suppose it devolves upon us to answer them, lest we get up the reputation for suggesting questions we cannot solve. "Name the outlet of the Mediterranean sea." There are two: the Strait of Gibraltar, and the atmosphere. The Mediterranean is such a vast area of water, having only one connection with any other body of water, and that the narrow Strait mentioned, being only about 10 miles wide, that the evaporation exceeds the supply brought in by the rivers that flow into it and its tributary seas. The deficiency is supplied by a surface current through the Strait from the Atlantic. With this excessive evaporation, the water of this sea would in time become very salt and brackish, like that of the Caspian and other inland seas, were it not for the fact that as the water becomes more salty, it becomes heavier, and escapes to the Atlantic as an under current through the Strait of Gibraltar. This also answers the question as to the direction of the current through the Strait of Gibraltar.

"When will the next century begin?" Jan. 1st, 1901. Because the 1900th year will be required to finish the 19th century, just as the 100th year would be required to make up the first century; if it were not, then there would be only 99 years in the first century. As to the number of sheep worth \$5.75 that would be exchanged for hogs worth \$7.25 without loss to either party, the answer is 52—23 hogs, 29 sheep.

The answer to the problem of our last issue is 101 and 1.01: Their product and sum are the same—102.01.

In the discussion of education and its ultimate consequences we feel that it is a theme paramount to any other consideration as regards human attainments. What is the proper thing for us to do with our children is a question that should arrest the attention and inspire every heart with a zeal akin to desperation. We would like to say why these things are true, but want of time and space forbids. The very idea of saying all that could be said in defense of the foregoing assertion overwhelms us with ten thousand reasons as they rush upon us. Well, says one, if education involves such stupendous results and carries with it such possibilities, I might as well awake out of my lethargy and look more to the interest of my children, by facilitating their means for education. And so the world thinks, and so the majority of men try to act, but there is a serious impediment to the progress of children at school, which many of our good parents invariably overlook, and what is it? Why, my dear friends, gladden the hearts of the children by visiting them and their teacher oftener. Show them that you are interested and that it is a matter of fact and reality that their usefulness, success and enjoyment depends largely upon their education. Don't give the teacher "Hail Columbia" in the presence of your child then next morning drive him off to school with a hobbie rod. It may be an untrue version of the matter, but you had better make the child think his teacher is all right; just the fellow you've been looking for.

There ought to be more home reading provided for children; something suited to their tastes and years. It is not to be expected that children will be interested in the newspapers and books of older people any more than it is to be expected that they will successfully carry on the business that is suited to older minds. There are many books of travel, history, and biography, also some books of healthful fiction, written especially for children that would help them to cultivate a taste for reading, and inspire in them an eagerness for knowledge that will surely lead to better things. There are also many little papers, and periodicals for children that ought to be more widely used. Great care should be used in the selections of these, for unfortunately there are a great many books, etc., that would only poison the minds of young readers, and their very cheapness adds to their power to do evil.

No man ever did a designed injury to another without doing a greater to himself.—Henry Home.

The passionate are like men standing on their heads; they see things the wrong way.—Plato.

The manner of giving shows the character of the giver more than the gift itself.—E. P. Chapin.

The greatest scholars are not the wisest men.—Rabelais.

When a new book comes out, I read an old one.—Rogers.

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