

STANDARDISMS.

Considering the fact that there was a little difference of 239,000-000 in the calculations of astronomers as to the whereabouts of the comet, it is not surprising that it failed to put in an appearance here on schedule time, as laid down by some of the star gazers.

Thomas A Edison, who sleeps but a few hours himself, says that the men of the future may do with out sleep entirely.

The Chicago girl will have to yield the palm to that 16-year old French girl who landed in New York last week, and brought with her two feet each one of which is sixteen inches long. She is built on the broad gauge plan, measuring 7 feet 10 inches in height, and still growing. The doctors say she is good for another foot, but in height. The man who foils with her had better be careful, for her hands measure twelve inches in length by six in breadth, big enough to cover an ordinary sloop, and weighs 210 pounds.

Jerry Simpson, of Kansas, is none of your ordinary one-horse financiers. He is a whole team, and a spike at that with a yellow dow under the wagon. He don't want a gold dollar, nor a silver dollar, nor a paper dollar, but a dollar based on the value of goods. That's what he would probably call a "flexible currency," which would expand or contract in value according to the flexibility of the "goods." When there was a whopping big crop of wheat, for instance, Jerry would want a silver dollar in proportion, about as pig as a cart wheel.—Wilmington Star.

The Republicans of Kansas at the last election nominated a negro for Auditor. The ticket was beaten, but the negro was the worst beaten of all, running 7,000 behind his ticket. [So much for the Kansas freedom shriekers]

The Legislature of South Carolina is tackling a dog law. Nearly every Legislature tackles a dog law, but somehow the dog always manages to come out on top

Senator Kyle, of South Dakota, Third party man, says he will vote with the Democratic Senators on all judicious measures of tariff reform. Senator Peffer of Kansas, says about the same thing, and thus the Senatorial branch of the Third party is solid on the tariff reform question.

New Jersey appears to have got nearer to the comet than any other part of mother earth. A man in Woodbury picked up a four pound red-hot chunk in his back yard.

The question as to whether women would take advantage of the right to vote if granted them is being answered in Boston, where 10,000 women have registered for the approaching municipal election. There will be beauty as well as ballots at the polls there.

Highwaymen are reported to be infesting Chicago. The hotel keepers are probably getting their hands in for the World's Fair

The comet fiasco goes far to prove that if there is any class of wild-eyed theorists and dreaming cranks who know less about sidereal disturbances than a Third party, politician does about steamship, it is the coterie of much learned gentlemen who get their names into the papers as professors of astronomical erudition.—Shelby Review.

How Little Can a Man Live On?

A very eminent authority on diet says that the average man in a state of absolute rest can live on sixteen ounces of food a day; a man doing ordinary light work can live on twenty three ounces, and a man doing laborious work needs from twenty-six and three-quarter ounces to thirty ounces. This is supposed to be food free from water, and as everything we eat contains more or less water, from forty-eight to sixty ounces of ordinary food may be regarded as necessary to healthy existence, according to the work in which a man is engaged. Lord Playfair, a man who generally knows what he is talking about, estimates that at the following will give a healthy man sufficient sustenance for a whole week: Three pounds of meat with one pound of fat, two ordinary loaves of bread, one ounce of salt and five pints of milk, or for meat, five six pounds of oatmeal may be substituted.

A Missouri paper charges 6 cents a line for publishing lists of wedding presents.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Ben Duke Will Donate \$10,000 Yearly to Trinity College.

Winston, N. C., Dec. 3.—The Methodist conference now in session here had a field day of it today. Dr. Crowell, of Trinity College, presented his annual report which was ably discussed by him.

The report on home missions was presented and provoked a lively discussion, participated by J G Staples, Rev. C W Byrd, Dr. Atkins, Rev. R S Webb, and Rev. J D Arnold. The amount paid by the conference for home missions the past year was nearly \$5,000.

Dr. Lambuth, a former missionary to Japan and now missionary secretary of the Southern Methodist Church, made a strong speech on missions.

Bishop Hendrix supplemented the address of Dr. Lambuth with some excellent remarks.

The board of education reported. The conference resolved to raise five thousand dollars for Trinity College during the year to help pay its current expenses. Mr. Ben Duke agrees to give the college a thousand dollars a year if the two conferences of the State will raise five thousand dollars each. The conference accepted the offer with hearty enthusiasm and thank.

The conference passed a resolution highly recommending the Christian Advocate, of Raleigh, N. C., and the Western Carolina Advocate, of Asheville, N. C.

The conference also resolved to put an agent for missions in the field.

Settle and Not Williams.

The State board of canvassers resumed its session Friday. The Williams-Settle congressional contest was taken up as a special order. Both sides showed affidavits by the dozen. There was plenty of argument by counsel—John W Graham, Platt D Walker and W P Bynum, Jr., for Settle, and F H Busbee, N B Canny and A M Stack for Williams. The first points was as to whether the board should hear any evidence outside of the fact of the returns from Stokes county. It was decided that it would hear all affidavits. This matter out of the way, two other questions were discussed: first, what is intimidation sufficient to invalidate the election or a canvass of votes; second, do the facts in this case prove that there was such intimidation. At 2 o'clock a recess was taken until 4 o'clock. It is claimed by affidavits of 6 of the 11 members of the county returning board that there was intimidation at various precincts, and also such intimidation of the returning board itself that it did not properly canvass the vote. Settle in his affidavits shows that the canvassers voted 9 to 1 to send up the returns, and that at that time only one member objected and offered to enter protest. He further showed the signatures of two members of the board (who had signed the Williams affidavits, that there was intimidation) on affidavits that there was no intimidation.

When the board resumed its session Settle wrote an affidavit that that there was no intimidation. As soon as he did this A M Stack made a counter affidavit that all affidavits read for Settle were made by men who themselves participated in the intimidation of the canvassing board; that Settle led the intimidation in person at the meeting of the county canvassers, and that the latter were as overawed that they declined to hear him (Stack) or allow him to produce witnesses. At 5 o'clock the formal argument began, T B Womack opening for Williams. He was to-day added to the counsel. After hearing a long and able argument the board decided to admit the returns from Stokes.

The next matter taken up was as to whether 73 votes cast in Guilford county for Thomas A Settle should be counted for Thomas Settle. Platt D Walker spoke ably in support of Settle's side. The board decided to count the votes as they stood. This ended the contest, and Thomas Settle wins and gets the certificate. The principle which guided the board was to support every return in due form, except where the evidence was sufficient to overthrow the presumption of its integrity. The official vote was announced as follows: Thomas Settle, 14,075; A H A Williams, 13,746; W R Lindsay, (Populist) 4,858; Love, (Prohibition) 424, Thos. A Settle, 73.

Dropped Dead.

Remus Ford, a colored man employed at the shops of the W. C. N. road here, dropped dead about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon while on his way to work from dinner at his home on Buxton Hill. Dr. R H Bryant who was called in, pronounced Ford's death due to heart disease. The dead man was 35 years old and leaves a wife, who is teaching school in Johnson City, Tenn. She was expected here this afternoon to attend the funeral and burial to morrow.—Asheville Citizen, December 2.

Remus Ford

Remus Ford was a native of Concord and belonged in slave days to Maj. Robt. Ford.

THIS IS TUFF.

The New York Morning Advertiser, the brightest paper in New York, and by all odds the most bitter when it talks about Democrats, goes a few feet deeper in manhood than ever, when it gives utterance to the following falsehood: "The people of the South have demonstrated themselves to be a cross, bitter, ignorant and revengeful class of consciencesless, unpatriotic freebooters. So long as they remain as they are they will deserve the hostility of all genuine Americans."

The New York Morning Advertiser knows better than this. If it does not the Globe will give it some honest information. The South is not ignorant. The South is not revengeful. The South is not consciencesless. The South is not unpatriotic. And before God millions of Southern gentlemen will swear that they are not freebooters.

It was the Solid South that elected Grover Cleveland. It was the Solid South that placed itself in the position to meet the half-breed of Northern lead; yet the Solid South did what it did, not because it was patriotic and fought for home, fought for honesty, fought for virtue and for the fireside.

When the great Lee met the greater Grant and to him gave his ambition and his country, the world supposed that the civil conflict had ended.

Then what did the South do? It turned its back upon the fearful desolation of war; it saw the charred ruins; it saw the empty sleeve—and it saw the vacant chairs.

And while it saw there were not only mothers' tears but there were country's tears as well.

But might makes right, the bully boys in blue did cry, and to the Southland it was the end.

A horde of Greedy, Rapacious, Plundering, Scoundrelly and avaricious Scamps, Scoundrelled, Looted.

And picked the pocket of the universal treasury, claiming that the private diseases they had contracted in the North had something to do with their damnable, heaving expedition at the South.

And when a Northern Republican paper yells that there is ignorance at the South, the Globe proposes to publicly proclaim the bare and boneless facts, which are: the ignorance is in the black man's Republican party, and the "meanness" is in the yellow negro which the Northern army left for us to support.

The Georgia Contest Muddle.

New York, Nov. 30.—The Georgia Central directors met this afternoon when the financial committee appointed to make a thorough examination of the affairs of the road, presented its report. The report was exhaustive and covered thoroughly and finally all of the questions which are vexing the stockholders. Great secrecy was observed in reference to the meeting. When it adjourned, each and every person present refused absolutely any further information than that the financial committee had presented an exhaustive report. No action was taken at this meeting in reference to the report, but it was said the directors would hold a meeting by themselves to consider it. This meeting will probably take place tonight. Mr. Hollins and the Georgia Central directors are taking extraordinary precautions to prevent their plans becoming public. It is said that the Hollins syndicate will undertake the reorganization of the company if they can get control of the big block of Central stock owned by the Richmond Terminal company. It was expected that today's meeting would authorize an offer for the Richmond Terminal stock, but Secretary Wharton assured the reporter that that absolutely nothing was done at the meeting except to hear the reading of the report of the financial committee. The report, he admitted offering a solution to all the road's difficulties, but it must be acted upon by the directors before it will be made public.

It is again reported that Louis Kossuth, the Hungarian patriot, is dying at his residence in Turin. Only a short time ago he celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his birth.

Married Five Times.

Augusta, Ga., December 3.—Quite a romantic marriage was solemnized in Sheriff O'Connor's office in the court house at 10 o'clock this morning.

Mrs. Sarah Frederick, who is about sixty years old, married her fifth husband, and in the future will be known as Mrs. John S Evans.

The man she has accepted for her new betterhalf is the foreman of the glass works, who recently came here from Pennsylvania. Her first three husbands are dead, her fourth, J Johansson was legally divorced from her last July upon the ground that she exerted undue influence upon him to make him marry her as he was a man of means.

Mrs. Frederick's marriage today was quite a surprise, and it is believed to have been consummated only to relieve them of embarrassment which they were threatened with, as the bride's son by her first husband, A Hogan, was about to institute criminal proceedings against his mother and her present husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans and her son Mr. Hogan were up before the recorder this morning for raising a racket night before last.

Mrs. Evans would not allow her son to enter the house because Evans was inside and she apprehended he would kill him. Judge Pierce dismissed the case upon learning the trouble would be settled by marriage.

A Baptist Dog.

A prominent Baptist of Winston claims the honor of owning one of the most intellectual and useful dogs to be found in this part of the Piedmont section.

Yesterday he went over to a neighbor's house and captured two fine plump ducks which he carried home in his mouth.

The owner of the animal is entertaining two members of the Western North Carolina Conference, hence he excuses his pet canine for bringing in food for his guests.

The good Baptist says that his dog was slightly mistaken in bringing in ducks, from the fact that chickens would have been more applicable and in keeping with Methodist Conference fame. The dog evidently was of the opinion that it was a Baptist gathering, as the members of that faith are known to be fond of duck meat than Methodists.

No Longer a Debatable Question.

Congress is the best tariff commission. The men who know most about the subject are there, and they need no commissioners to tell them what to do. The evidence in the case has been very fully laid before the country since the first of December, 1887, and the people have rendered two decisive verdicts on that evidence. The function of Congress is to carry out the people's verdicts. To create a commission and call for further evidence would be to assume that tariff revision is still a debatable question. The debate is over. The time for action has come.—Buffalo Courier.

New York, Dec. 1.—Chauncey Morlan and Annie Bell were married this morning in a Fourteenth street museum in the presence of a large crowd. The groom is twenty-one years old and weighs 442 pounds. The bride is a year younger, and tips the scales at 550. Both are fairly good-looking, notwithstanding their excessive avoidpoids.

STATE NEWS.

The season has opened and Phillip Hanes, of Davie, has started the ball by killing a hog that weighed 803 1-2 pounds.

The Times says that Capt. Frank Brown, mayor of Mocksville, has been appointed inspector of government work on the North Carolina coast with headquarters at Wilmington.

The Durham Sun says that Mr. Lee S Overman, of Salisbury has been elected a member of the board of trustees of Trinity College, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of late John W Manney.

The Yabkin Valley News says that last Thursday week young Frank Croft, of Yadkin county, was getting on a wagon in front of Mr. John Cressy's residence, two miles west of Mount Airy, when the horses started off, throwing him under the wagon, the wheels passing over his stomach. He died in fifteen minutes.

The Standard is a paper that reports big hogs, when hogs are big hogs. But we must insist on a sample of the hog hereafter. Mr. Martin L Best, of Best's Mills, killed on Monday the hog that is a hog. After weighed of superfluous matter, he weighed 634 pounds and his years were only two.

THE APPOINTMENTS.

The Charges Which the Preachers Will Serve Next Year.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J R BROOKS, PRESIDING ELDER.

Greensboro, West Market Street, S H Hilliard.

Centenary, W M Bagby.

Greensboro circuit, J M Lumly.

Reidsville station, W R Ware.

Ruffin circuit, L M Brower.

Wentworth circuit, W W Womble.

Summerfield circuit, J P Craven.

Jamestown circuit, S T Barber.

Pleasant Garden circuit, J B Tabor.

High Point station, J W Jones.

Randleman station, N R Richardson. (J D Carpenter, supply.)

Asheboro station, Parker Holmes.

Rameur circuit, R S Abernethy.

Randolph circuit, J E Woodley.

Trinity High School, J P Heitman, headmaster.

Uwharrie circuit, J W Striler.

East Uwharrie circuit, W H Nelson.

Trinity College, J F Crowell, president; L W Crawford, professor.

WINSTON DISTRICT—J J CARRAWAY, PRESIDING ELDER.

Winston, Centenary, S B Turrentine.

Burkhead, J R Moore.

Grace, W M Curtis.

Forsyth circuit, J F Gibson.

Kernersville circuit, J A Poe.

Madison circuit, H F Wiley.

Danbury circuit, J C Mock.

Stokes circuit, M H Vestal and S H Helsebeck, supply.

Thomasville station, W S Hales.

Zion and Prospect circuit, J H Totten.

Lexington station, T A Boone.

Davidson circuit, G W Harenum.

Linwood circuit, T H Pogram.

Yadkinville circuit, W C Field.

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—R M HOYLE, P. E.

Mt Airy station, H M Blair.

Mt Airy circuit, H L Atkins.

Dobson circuit, supplied by J B Tucker.

Elkin and Jonesville station, J C Hartsell.

Wilkes circuit, A E Wiley.

North Wilkesboro circuit, T R Fulton and E J Endally, supply.

Sparta circuit, W H Perry.

Jefferson circuit, J A Cook.

Watauga circuit, A J Burrus.

Creston circuit, J M Rice.

Boone circuit, W S C Cherry.

MONROE DISTRICT—W R BARNETT, PRESIDING ELDER.

Monroe station, W R Barnett.

Monroe circuit, J C Postell.

Wadesboro station, F L Townsend.

Morven circuit, J S Nelson.

Ansonville circuit, J H Moore.

Lilesville circuit, B A York.

SHELBY DISTRICT—C W BYRD, P. E.

Shelby station, J E Thompson.

Shelby circuit, A S Gantt.

King's Mountain circuit, J W Bowman.

Gastonia station, C M Campbell.

McAdenville circuit, J M Price.

Stanly Creek circuit, L A Falls.

Mt. Holly circuit, E W Dixon.

Mt. Island Station, T J Rogers.

Lincoln circuit, M T Steele and J J Havener.

South Fork circuit, M V Sherrill.

Fallston circuit, D P Tate.

Polkville circuit, S S Gosque.

Forest City circuit, Wilbur Legett.

Henrietta circuit, S Stamey.

Principal Bellwood Academy, J P Rodgers.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT—J C ROWE, P. E.

Franklin station, D H Coman.

Franklin circuit, T B Johnson.

Macon circuit, W G Malonee.

Waynesville station, J E Gray.

Canton circuit, G B McLee.

Haywood circuit, D F Carver.

West Haywood circuit supplied by R H Penland and J R Long.

Webster circuit, T B McCardy.

Glennville mission, C M Curtis.

Bryson City station, T F Marr.

Bryson City circuit, R B Shelton.

Hayesville circuit, A W Jacobs.

H P Bailey.

Murphy station, L I Cordell.

Andrews circuit, supplied by Z B Cordell.

Hiwassee mission supplied by J J Gray.

Robbinsville mission, J C Wilson.

MORGANTON DISTRICT—F H WOOD, P. E.

Morganton station, J H Page.

Morganton circuit, T S Ellington.

Table Rock circuit, J D Buie.

Mavrin station, G W Callaban.

McDowell circuit, T H Edwards.

Old Fort circuit, Albert Sherrill.

Rutherford circuit, M H Hoyle.

Broad River circuit, J A Belk.

Saluda and Tryon City, W B Lyda.

Green River, J J Edes.

Burysville circuit, S D Gillespie.

Bakersville station, L T Mains.

Elk Park circuit, to be supplied.

Bald Creek circuit, S E Weaver.

North Grove circuit, J D Gibson.

Transferred, T W Guthrie and S P Douglass to N C Conference, and H W Bays to S C Conference, and stationed at Asheville.

MILITARY GOODS.

The stock of military goods of Benson, Fisher & Co. have been moved to the Racket. They will be old at and below cost. Don't fail to call early.

Jurors for the Next Term of Court.

The following good and lawful citizens were drawn as jurors to serve at the January Term of Superior court.

Alfred Litaker, J L Reed, J M Coley, C R White, W C Kluttz, C M Petrea, D M Isenhour, Geo. M Eagle, Geo. W Brown, W E Castor, H G Faggart, P B Fetzer, Jacob I Cruse, P R Mottley, J A Earnhardt, Samuel W Pharr, W D Ritchie, D J Boston.

All About Adam

Adam missed a great many vexatious of spirit that are common to man of this day.

Adam never had to try and maintain a \$5,000 appearance on a \$700 income.

Adam never had to wear a collar with saw teeth all around the obtrusive edge of it.

Adam never lived next door to a man who was trying to learn to play on an accordion.

Adam never had to fasten one of his suspenders with a shingle nail and the other with a hair pin.

Adam never fell over a rocking chair while groping around in the dark after the bottle of paragon.

Adam never had to rock the cradle while Eve ran across the street to borrow a cup of sugar from a neighbor.

Adam never had his only pair of gum boots eaten up by a dog while he was spending an evening with a friend.

Adam never had to keep the baby while Eve went out with a determined cast of countenance to reform the world.

Adam never sat up till 5 o'clock in the morning to get returns from Ohio and to last learn that the other fellows had carried it.

Adam never got to the depot just in time to see the rear car disappear around the water tank.

Adam never came home at an very late hour from the lodge to discover that he had left his latch key in a pocket of his other pants.

Mr. J E Best, of Furr's Store, requests us to announce that on Nov. 23 he threw, by mistake, a side of harness leather into another man's wagon. The party who has it will please leave at Mr. Geo. Brown's store.

Senator Ransom is not in favor of an extra session of Congress.

NEW FALL AND WINTER GOODS

HOOVER & LORE'S.

It is a duty you owe yourself and family to get the best value for your money. Buy your SHOES from Hoover & Lore. None better. BAY STATE, for men, \$2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00 and 5.00. For boys, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 2.00. For ladies there is nothing to compare with STURLEY for wear and comfort, \$2.00, 2.50 and 3.00. For misses \$1.75 and 2.00. A full line of dry goods, dress goods, and trimmings of the latest and newest styles can always be found at Hoover & Lore's. Call on us from 5 to 7 1/2. Fall Gingham 6c per yard. Sheeting 5c per yard. FULL LINE OF CARPETS. Sample carpets a specialty, from 25 to 40 cents per yard. Come to see. We are here to sell these goods, if neither of the four candidates are elected.

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