

MAY DAY IN KENTUCKY.

Profr Custom in the Blue Grass State - A Day of Fun and Good Cheer.

It was, and may be yet, an English custom to celebrate the first day of May every year. The custom was handed down from Sirs to sons and from dams to daughters until it eventually reached the New World, and in time Kentucky, where, as far as I know, this anniversary is still celebrated.

The young men of a town go a short distance in the country and disguise themselves and represent well known characters. For the disguise is complete and each is assigned a character to represent they mount fancy decked horses and ride into town commanded by a captain, who, like the rest, is disguised. When the company reaches the most public place they are halted and drawn up into line. The captain then calls the name of a well known citizen and one of the disguised men representing the same rides to the front so all can see. The captain then asks him pointed humorous questions and the disguised representative replies in a like humorous strain.

The same performance is continued until a dozen or more citizens are represented. Permit me to give one illustration. Take yourself for instance, Mr. Barber. You are known to be an editor. Your name would be called and your representative would ride to the front dressed, say in cotton cloth of the National colors—red, white and blue—with an immense quill behind his ear, ink on his hands and clothes, and what not. Appropriate questions and answers would be given local matters, etc., which are most amusing and appropriate, and all given and taken just as intended—for fun. After this performance was concluded all would adjourn to a nearby Kentucky blue grass woodland pasture where a crowd of young ladies awaited. One of these young ladies would be crowned "Queen of May," with appropriate speeches. After this ceremony the young men and maidens would adjourn to another part of the ground where the May Pole had been planted. At the top of this pole, before it was put into the ground, was fastened by tacks, many ribbons of different color. Each of the young men and maidens would take an end of the ribbon in their hand, and to the sound of sweet music dance around this pole, going in and out, in and out, and in this way would wind the ribbons around the May Pole, when at the conclusion of the dance it would be a "thing of beauty" to look at.

How well I remember the May Days of my own happy youth, with no care on my mind, no thought of the future, but only of the days when "The sun shone bright on my old Kentucky home In the summer when the daisies were gay. When the corn tops were ripe and the meadows were in bloom And the birds made sweet music all the day."

It has been said that "Life is Only a Dream at the Best," but then, Mr. Editor, ah! then my "May Days" were so sweet, so happy that I at least asked for no more.

Trusting that this may find a place in The Standard and that "May Day" may be celebrated in Concord in the future I am Yours very truly, JNO F. BEATTY.

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MEETING OF SYNOD.

N. C. E. Lutherans Meet in 99th Annual Session at St. James Church.

The further proceeding of the afternoon session on Wednesday fixed the hours of meeting at 9 to 12 a. m. and 2 to 5 p. m. with preaching at 8 o'clock at night.

The following were chosen as delegates to the United Synod, which convenes in Charleston May 7th: Clerical delegates—A G Voight, D. D., R C Holland, D. D., Chas. B King, G D Bernheim, D. D., C B Miller, Geo. H Cox, L E Busby, J Q Wertz, V R Sticklely, Alternates—V Y Boozer, C L T Fisher, J A Linn, C A Brown, H A Trexler, J P Miller, A M Brown, C W Kegley.

Lay delegates—Jno. A Cline, A D Wessell, J D Heilig, C H Kizer, B E Umberger, Prof. R G Duls, A C Mitchell, L H Rothrock, J A Thom Alternates—J C Lingle, M G M Fisher, Prof. Edgar Bowers, C G Heilig, J H Rieder, J L Miller, A C Workman, G W Dry, J C Deaton.

The executive committee made its report, which is very gratifying. The obligations of the past year for the theological students and for home missions has been met in full save \$25 for the latter. The sum obligated for beneficiary education was \$500 and that for home missions \$675, total \$1,175.

The president of the board of N. C. College made his annual report. The Synod desired a financial report in connection with this and the members of that board present, in called meeting, requested the treasurer by phone to present a complete statement of all the finances bearing on the interests of the institution. The Synod will await this report before taking action on the College.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

Synod resumed its labors at 9 a. m. this morning after the usual devotional services conducted by Rev. W W J Ritchie. The History of the North Carolina E. L. Synod by Rev. G D Bernheim, D. D., and Rev. G H Cox, D. D., was further discussed from the previous day's consideration and the books, 500 in number, were placed in the hands of Rev. V Y Boozer for sale at \$1.00 per copy and he was authorized to have 500 more copies bound if it was found necessary to supply the demand.

The Synod voted \$550 toward purchasing a lot in Lexington for a Lutheran church. Again Dr. and Mrs. G D Bernheim came to the aid of the Synod and gave \$100 of this sum. By resolution adopted they were most gratefully thanked for the timely act.

The president was authorized to call an extra session of Synod at such time and place as he found suited for the consideration of the committee's report on a revision of the constitution of Synod.

The Synod endorsed the action of the United Synod in appropriating \$4,500 for foreign missions and \$8,000 for home missions which pledges the Synod for its pro rata part.

The condition of Rev. R H Helms, so sorely afflicted, being presented, the Synod authorized the Rev. V R Sticklely to accompany him to his home in Virginia next week at the expense of Synod and that special prayer be made for him tonight to be led by Rev. V R Sticklely.

The report of Rev. B V Cronk, superintendent of the Orphan Home, was read. It shows an increase of 20 per cent in the number of children, the average number being 38 during the year. The health of the children has been good and the moral, industrial and religious conditions have been gratifying. The contributions have also increased.

The report of committee on letters and petitions was read, showing a petition from St. Martin's church, in Stanly county, now a part of the Tennessee Synod, to be received into the Synod, also a petition from Wintonville congregation, Woodside, N. C., to be received into the Synod.

The committee on the president's report was read and received and considered by items. The committee deprecates the fact that there are eight resignations of ministers in the Synod and as many a ant congregations.

President Fritz, of Lenoir College being present, was received on the floor of Synod and invited to participate in the deliberations of Synod.

The report of North Carolina College came up and was referred to a committee composed of Dr. A G Voight, Rev. V R Sticklely, Rev. C B Miller, Mr. John Waggoner, Mr. A J Goodman, etc., to

report Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

Synod will meet in Salisbury next year.

SAURDAY MORNING SESSION.

Synod was opened with devotional exercises by the president, Dr. R C Holland. The minutes were read and corrected. The first important business was the great college question.

Dr. Voight, as chairman of the committee, reported a recommendation to close the college. Dr. Cox offered an amendment that the college be let to an individual without incurring any expense to the Synod.

Dr. Voight and Rev. B S Brown spoke on the question of closing the college. Esq. H C McAllister spoke in opposition to the idea of closing.

Dr. Voight read the financial statement from the treasurer, which is not assuring for successful continuance.

Pending the discussion Synod adjourned till the afternoon session with prayer by Prof. Fritz. At the afternoon session the discussion was continued and the recommendation to close all operations of the college for a year was adopted. As we go to press consideration of the propositions from Lenoir college are before the Synod.

TROUBLE AT CLEMSON COLLEGE.

Sophomores Leave in a Body Espousing the Cause of Cadet Thornwell—Juniors Take a Hand.

Clemson College is having a very unfortunate disturbance. It seems to have arisen from the removal by Cadet Thornwell of some chemical appliances which had been forbidden. It does not seem to have been done with criminal intent, but in the parsuance of his studies and the same was frequently done though it was an evil that it was desired to correct. The young man was suspended and the whole sophomore class held for his restoration and, being denied, withdrew in a body. The Junior class now has taken a hand and have demanded of the board the removal of several professors.

PANIC CAUSES DEATH.

Eight Lose Their Lives in Mad Rush From Supposed Danger in Philadelphia.

A most unfortunate panic occurred in Philadelphia on the 30th ult. From some accident that called for help the operatives in a tobacco factory got excited and rushed out of the building. For want of anything to cause fright the cry of fire was given and a terrible panic followed and eight girls and young women were crushed to death or were lost in falling. Many others were hurt.

It is a five-story building and 1200 hands were employed, nearly all being girls and women. There was not the least cause for the alarm.

Mr. Neal Alexander Dead.

Mr. Neal Alexander died at the home of his mother on Mill street this morning, of consumption, at the age of 22 years. Mr. Alexander was a young man who commanded the esteem of those with whom he came in contact and we are sorry that a noble young life should be cut off and a widowed mother deprived of a stay and a comfort by his death.

The remains will be buried in the city cemetery on Friday. -Daily of May 1st.

Great Educational Speeches.

Notable educational addresses were made in Charlotte yesterday and last night, and great good to the cause must result from them and from the conference of county superintendents. Charlotte had a warm welcome for the distinguished visitors and their audiences heard them gladly. It was an especial pleasure to have here and to hear Dr. Walter H Page, that intellectual North Carolinian in whose fame and achievement every well regulated North Carolinian has a just pride.—Charlotte Observer of 3rd.

THE LIBERTY BELL.

Sketch of the Historic Bells—Tolled Last for Chief Justice Marshall.

The thing of most intense historic interest at the Charleston Exposition is the old Liberty Bell. It is silent and will ever remain so as to its address to the ear but its power to call together about it those who take due pride in the nation's history and are ambitious to perpetuate that in man on which a free republic rests, will ever be undiminished, will grow stronger and its tone will ever ring clear and telling to the American heart.

It was in the year 1751 that the bell was ordered from the agent of the Province in London. American independence was hardly thought of at that early period yet the following inscription was cast upon it:

"By order of the Assembly of the Province of Pennsylvania for the State House in Philadelphia, 1752," and underneath this "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof."—Lev. 25 v 10.

The bell arrived in Philadelphia in August but in September it cracked by a stroke of the clapper and had to be recast. This was done in Philadelphia. The job was not satisfactory and the firm gave it a second recasting. This was done in May, 1753.

The bell was raised to its position in the State House or Independence Hall during June, 1753, and has been taken down and removed five times, namely—in 1777 to prevent it from falling into the hands of the British, in 1865 to the exposition at New Orleans, in 1893 to the Chicago Exposition, in 1895 to the exposition at Atlanta, and now to the exposition at Charleston.

But every one who ever stops to look even at a picture of the bell sees the crack, which is now an essential part of the relic.

An error has crept into the minds of some that the bell got its fatal stroke at the joyful ringing that announced the adoption of the declaration of independence. The last clear sound that it gave out was a toll as the dead body of the great John Marshall, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, was being borne away for burial in Virginia.

The bell had been rung to call together the General Assembly, announce the anniversary of independence, the visits of celebrated characters and in honor of the noble dead. On July 4, 1827, it rang to announce the 50th anniversary and in connection with this semi-centennial occasion it tolled the deaths of Thomas Jefferson and John Adams.

It rang for the visit of Lafayette in 1824 and for his death in 1834.

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The New K. of P. Building.

The committee of Knights of Pythias has accepted the plan presented by Hook and Sawyer for their new building on the Castor lot. It is a magnificent looking front of stone and the interior is beautifully laid out. The entrance will be in the front with plate glass recess, giving double view to the show windows in the stores on the two sides. These stores, too, can be thrown into one if desired.

The second story is well arranged for club rooms and halls and there will be neat rooms in the front of the third story under the slope of the roof.

This splendid edifice will be a grace to our town.

Congressman Cummings Dead.

Congressman Amos J Cummings, of New York, passed away in death at the hospital at Baltimore on the 2nd.

SUITS FOR BREACH OF PROMISE OF MARRIAGE.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox Has No Sympathy or Respect for the Woman Who Accepts Money for Unrequited Love.

A young woman recently obtained several thousand dollars' damage to her affections from a faithless English lord.

Another woman is suing an American millionaire for having made some sort of promise he has not kept.

Neither the English lord nor the American millionaire interests me, and they do not need my sympathy.

But I feel the degradation to my own sex when women descend to this sort of infamy to obtain money.

No woman possessed of an atom of refinement, self-respect or pride ever brought herself to face the ordeal of a suit for breach of promise unless she had a fatherless child to support through the failure of a lover to keep a promise of marriage.

But just why so many injurers are ready to assist the adventuress in blackmailing a brother man is a mystery to me.

There is one more despicable human being on earth—that is the man who sues a faithless sweetheart for breach of promise. Yet nine times out of ten such women receive the consideration of our courts of so-called "justice."

Perhaps it may be due to the lurking jealousy in man's nature—he likes to punish the other man who has received a little more favor from the fair than he has and to make him pay for being a greater favorite.

Since woman is so loud in her declarations of "equality," it is time our courts regarded her from a less sentimental standpoint.

If a man has deceived her and wasted her time holding out promises which he has not fulfilled, let her right about face and make a new future for herself, as hundreds of men have done under similar conditions, and let keep her self-respect and pride.

The woman who will even accept money from a faithless lover (much less demand it) is the woman he is quite justified in leaving before he attaches himself for life to a mercenary leech.

Real love—the love which endures the stress and strain of everyday life and the vicissitudes of advancing years—never on earth could contemplate a monetary settlement of its losses. The woman who takes her heartaches into the courts insults all good, loving worthwhile women, and is not worthy of the sympathy of good men.

However greatly she may have been deceived, the moment she puts a price upon her grief she ranks herself with the adventuress and the blackmail.

Real love and real sorrow are not merchandise.—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

YOUNG WOMAN DISAPPEARS.

Miss Childers, of Lenoir, is Missing—Seems Like a Nellie Cropsey Case.

A Lenoir special of the first to the Charlotte Observer says: "A sensation suddenly developed here today which, if not soon solved, may rival the famous Cropsey case at Elizabeth City, and which in some respects is not unlike that sad affair.

Miss Cordie Childers, a woman of perhaps 23 or 24, living at the home of her uncle, about one mile out of town, on the Blowing Rock road, has mysteriously disappeared. She attended a church near her home last night and was accompanied home by Will Fulwood, a young widower and neighbor, who has paid her some attention.

Young Fulwood says she asked him in the course of their conversation if he was not engaged to another girl and he told her he was, and that nothing else unusual took place, except when he left her at the door she was crying. She has not been seen since nor has the whole day's search in all directions revealed any suggestion as to her whereabouts. The family did not become alarmed until this morning, thinking that she was spending the night with a neighbor. No one has been heard to connect young Fulwood's name with Miss Childers' disappearance, both on account of the excellent reputation of both parties and of the young woman's previous melancholy disposition and her recent intimations that all was not happy in her home life, but that it would not continue long, etc.

The two theories are, first, suicide, or that she has been helped away to other parts.

Mayor Newland says the large pond of the Caldwell Land & Lumber Company, near the Childers home and covering some five or six acres, will be dragged or drained tomorrow morning unless there is previous news of the missing young woman.

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Corset Caused Her Death.

Lorain, O., April 28.—Frankie Friend, aged 27, of Norwalk, died here last night under peculiar circumstances. She got off a car from Cleveland and became faint and weak. She was assisted to the waiting room by two men and later sent to a physician's office. She was dead when placed on a couch.

A post mortem examination today showed her heart to be entirely out of place on account of her corset, which was ten sizes too small.

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FOUND DEAD BY THE WAYSIDE.

The End of a Worthless Character Near King's Mountain—A Man Who Passed a Counterfeit Bill Caught.

King's Mountain, May 2.—About 4 o'clock last Wednesday morning, Smith Price, a worthless, drinking character who lived near the cemetery, left home and nothing was seen of him until this morning about 5 o'clock, when his dead body was found, by Wm. Renfrow, about three miles from town, near the gold mine. He had evidently been dead some time, but there were no signs of foul play. He was seen by Peter Hoke about 50 yards from where his body was found Wednesday morning early. He was then complaining of a pain in his stomach. He had been a constant drinker for some time and was not far from a still house when found.

A \$2 bill that had been raised to \$20 passed on Thomasson, Correll & Co. last night. As Mr. Thomasson was making ready to close, a young man, unknown to him, came in and wanted a suit. The trade was made and the purchaser gave him \$20 in payment and received a suit of clothes and \$12 in change. The fraud was detected this morning, and Mr. McAllister, one of the firm, went off on the search. A phone message from Backsburg about 4 o'clock stated that he had the man, money and clothes.

The work on the bill was anything else than clever, and could not possibly have escaped detection except at night. At this hour the name of the thief cannot be obtained.—Special to The Observer.

Concord High School Wins Over Davidson.

The diamond contest Friday afternoon between the Davidson College base ball team and the Concord High School nine resulted in victory to the latter by a score of 16 to 11.

Double Effort at Suicide.

Mr. Jacob Hutchinson, of near Cartersville, Va., a tenant farmer of considerable success and respectability is lying near the point of death from an attempt at suicide. He took off his coat and cut his throat terribly, then jumped into water hoping to drown himself. He, however, struggled out and bled almost to death before he was found. A loss of some of his mental powers seems the only explanation.

A Halo Cabarrus Man.

Mr. John A. Troutman, of Stanly, and formerly of Cabarrus is in attendance on Synod. He was 81 years old on last January. More than 40 years ago physicians pronounced his days to be few and that he would fill a consumptive's grave. He is well preserved in body and mind. Physically he enjoys a rare degree of freedom from impairment. He is a good man and is being crowned with ripe years. May he live while life is enjoyable.

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