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THE PLANT'S LETTER FROM THE OLD WORLD.

The Mountain Village of Schellenberg—The Glories of German Mountain Scenery.

The Zschopau is a small, babbling river that flows from the center of Erzgebirge, or Ore Mountain region, and at length loses itself in the beautiful Elbe. The valley of the Zschopau contains some of the most beautiful scenery in Saxony, all of which I had frequently enjoyed from the windows of the train which winds back and forth with the bends of the stream until it finds itself at Annaberg.

After spending a more or less comfortable night beneath the heavy feather beds of the Inn of the White Stag in the pretty little mountain village of Schellenberg, I was awakened by my comrade, who said that the sun was already high in the heavens. We had both forgotten to wind our watches, the previous evening, so we were obliged to be guided by an instinct that whispered to us that it was about breakfast time. We accordingly hurriedly dressed ourselves and descended to the public room of the inn in search of coffee. To our surprise, however, we found the shutters closed and the door barred. At length we succeeded in getting into the street by means of a back door. That I was not wrong in speaking of Schellenberg as a mountain village is evidenced by the fact that this back door was situated in what—on the front of the house—appears to be the second floor.

The morning air was delicious, as it usually is when one breathes the sixteen hundred feet above the sea. Above us lay the massive walls and white turrets of Augustusberg, framed in on the sides with a network of dense foliage; while overhead the soft blue sky seemed to touch the sharp gables of the old Schloss.

We started out for a visit to the Kummerstein, a precipitous cliff which overhangs the river and its attendant railway and affords an extensive view of the outlying hills and valleys of the Erzgebirge. After a brisk walk we reached this pretty outlook and found its beauty a hundred fold increased by the faint morning mists that gave a soft, poetic blue to the fields and meadows four hundred feet beneath us.

Having enjoyed the peaceful scene to our hearts' content, we were informed by the same vigorous instinct which we had felt before, that breakfast—should be ready by this time. We therefore hurried back to the White Stag and were called at once by a knock at the door to breakfast. A breakfast of ham and eggs, with coffee to wash it down. The dear reader may imagine that ham and eggs, with good black coffee, is not much of a meal. But if this same dear reader were to get up at 5 a. m., walk three miles up and down hill and breathe several hogheadsful of pure mountain air in the meanwhile he would be just poetical enough to appreciate the refined and aesthetic beauty of ham and eggs.

The scenery along the Zschopau, for the most part, proved to be pretty but not remarkable. From the brow of the hill which overhangs the town of Zschopau, however, we obtain a beautiful view. Beneath us lay the town with its quaint many-windowed roofs. On one side rose the high tower of the principal church, while to the left stood the castle of Wildreck, which is situated in the middle of the town.

Wandering through the narrow, ancient looking streets, we at length reached the main square of the town, on one side of which stood the *rath*, or council house, an interesting structure of great age.

Obtaining a guide we at once hastened to the Schloss Wildreck. The castle itself, like all the Saxon castles, is a combination of stuccoed ugliness and massive grandeur. But by far the most interesting feature of the Schloss Wildreck is its tower, which is much more ancient than the castle itself. The present castle was probably built in the sixteenth century, but the tower is said to date back to the year nine hundred.

Think of it! This tower was standing where it stands now six hundred years before the eyes of Columbus rested on the great new world. While it was being built the power of Rome had not been entirely forgotten, and Constantine had still to exist several centuries as a Christian city.

In fact, this old tower was probably a built before the days of the Saxons by some old Wendish or Sorbian noble whose very name is forgotten. For several minutes we stood at its base dreaming of the history which no doubt centers about it. It is situated on the main road which leads from Leipzig to Prag and was undoubtedly used largely as a watch tower. It was probably on account of its excellency for this purpose that a robber-knight in the middle ages built the castle which now adjoins it.

of a rickety ladder, up which we ascended one at a time. The small wooden door opened in a hallway ten feet long, which was nearly the actual thickness of the wall. I have seen a great many castles and plenty of magnificent stone-work, but I have never seen anything else which approached this in massiveness. At the end of the passage we came to a short flight of stone steps, and the rest of the way to the top was by boards resting on massive oak timbers that have been fastened into the walls for centuries. The whole interior of the tower is empty except for these bare timbers that span it from side to side. Hardly a ray of light makes its way through the few lookout holes in the walls, and consequently there is an exhilarating feeling of danger as one recognizes that a single false step may plunge him into the darkness below.

At length we reached the roof and, opening a trap-door, we took turns in protruding our heads and catching a glimpse of the land to the north and west. The tower is never visited by tourists—we were told that we were the first Americans that had ever been inside of it—and consequently it is full of the dust and dirt of ages.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Bishop Key for several weeks has been laboring in our State. He has done great good, and reports from places he has visited prove him to be a devout Christian.

Greensboro *Workman*: Rev. S. W. Coo, who has been assisting the pastor, Rev. W. F. Kennett, in a protracted meeting at Winston Methodist church, reports over twenty conversions, a large proportion young men, accessions over a dozen.

Washington *Progress*: The annual conference of the colored people of the M. E. Zion's Church met in this town at Farmers' chapel, on the 4th Wednesday in November next. Bishop J. P. Thompson will be present and preside during the session.

Wobles's *Weekly*: Rev. Mr. Stanley commenced a series of protracted meetings at the Methodist church and valleys of the Erzgebirge. After a brisk walk we reached this pretty outlook and found its beauty a hundred fold increased by the faint morning mists that gave a soft, poetic blue to the fields and meadows four hundred feet beneath us.

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WASHINGTON NEWS.

THE PLANT'S LETTER FROM THE CAPITAL.

The City Filling up—Mr. Garland Back from Hominy Hill—Personal Notes.

Washington is already beginning to fill up. By the time the President returns the appearance of things will have greatly changed. Politicians, lobbyists, pleasure-seekers and sight-seers are coming in rapidly. It is said this session of Congress will be one of the most important and one of the busiest that has marked the history of this country. The Democratic party will have to take definite action on the tariff bill, the educational bill and perhaps another dependent pension bill before they go into the campaign of 1888.

General Garland has returned to the city very much improved by his long rest at Hominy Hill. A member of the family gave the following brief sketch of Mr. Garland's country seat. It is about eighteen miles from Little Rock, is a large, roomy, old-fashioned house, and stands in the midst of high hills and primeval forests. Game of all sorts is abundant. A river, in which there are plenty of fish, skirts the plantation. Mr. Garland's favorite sports are hunting deer and fishing. He often has from twelve to eighteen friends at Hominy Hill to enjoy the hunting and fishing with him. The house is in charge of a trusted tenant who has been there for years. When Mr. Garland has a crowd of his friends staying with him they have breakfast before day-break, hunt all day, and keep the larder well supplied with venison steaks and fresh fish. I am promised a treat in the shape of fresh venison from Hominy Hill this fall, and the anticipation of it may have impressed the above outline on my mind more vividly.

The estimates for the expenditures in the various departments, which are due at the Treasury Department October the first, are coming in slowly this year. The only ones so far submitted are from the State Department, the Department of Justice and the Interstate Commerce Commission.

A statement prepared at the Treasury Department shows that during the month of September there was a net increase of \$2,350,375 in circulation and a net increase of \$7,264,136 in the cash in the Treasury.

There are only three more days during which offers can be made at the Treasury Department to take up the \$2,000,000 remaining of the \$14,000,000 bond call. There was a large offering of bonds to-day, and R. S. Platt has been appointed enrolling clerk of the Senate to succeed the late C. C. Synpson.

Mr. Charles M. Hendley, corresponding clerk at the White House, was married to Miss Robinson, of New York, on the 4th instant. Among some very handsome presents were a solid silver tete-a-tete tea service from President and Mrs. Cleveland, a set of silver coffee spoons from Mrs. Lamont and an oriental bowl from Mrs. Henry G. Pearson. Mrs. Rachel Strong, wife of Judge Strong, of the Supreme court bench, now on the retired list, died in this city this morning.

The Maryland Democratic club held an enthusiastic meeting last night. Col. Snowden, of Baltimore, delivered a stirring address. The Obery letter gave rise to a lengthy discussion. Mr. C. Lancaster, a son-in-law of the Hon. Sam Randall, offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted: "In view of the recent letter of Mr. Obery on the policy of the civil service law it is resolved that the Maryland Democratic club, composed of stalwart Democrats, is organized to attend to its own business."

The United States Supreme court convenes at noon next Tuesday for the October term. The number of cases on the docket to-day is 119. The most important case that will come up during the first two weeks of the term is the famous Myra Clark Gaines litigation with the city of New Orleans. Mrs. Gaines is dead, but one of the heirs is Mr. James Y. Christmas, whose wife, Rhoda Gaines, is a native of Warrenton, N. C. Mr. Christmas is executor of Mrs. Gaines' will.

Col. Wm. Elliott, member of Congress elect from the Seventh S. C. district, is in the city conferring with his attorney with regard to his contested election case. Robert Snalls, the well known colored Congressman, is the other contestant. Col. Elliott says that his majority is 584.

About half a dozen Congressmen have just arrived in town. Mr. Paul Clay and bride nee Miss Brodie, of Henderson, are in this city at the Ebbitt House en route to New York. Mr. Clay is a member of the firm of Clay Brothers, leaf tobacco dealers, Henderson, N. C.

The President's cordial reception in the West is very pleasing to his friends here. It will be of great service to him in 1888 to have known personally so considerable a portion of our great country.

Civil Service Commissioner Obery has got himself into hot water by the obnoxious letter he wrote denying the right of legal existence to the State Democratic Associations. He has been roundly denounced by the members of the Ohio, Illinois and Virginia Democratic Associations in formal convention. If his letter should prove to contain the law to boot, some very high officials would find themselves subject to legal prosecution. Assistant Secretary Maynard, Chief Clerk Youmans, and Public Printer Benedict are active members of the New York Democratic Association and pay their

ALL OVER THE STATE.

ITEMS OF NEWS SCISSORED FROM EXCHANGES.

Marriages, Deaths, Personal Paragraphs, and All Sorts Collected for the Readers of The Plant.

Fayetteville hopes for another cotton mill, and has reason for her hope. Hickory shipped thousands of pounds of blackberries. That's the way. Keep it up.

Wilmington *Star*: Six foreign steamships in port at one time will do. That looks like business.

Wilmington is trying to induce the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. to go to her. She will probably offer \$150,000.

New Bernie is taking steps towards extending the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. to connect with the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. The Grange is a live little town, and the *Free Press* thinks it is owing to the fine schools. 400 pupils are there.

Roanoke *News*: The sunnise season is about over. Several hundred thousand pounds have been shipped from Weldon.

Somebody attempted to burglariously enter the hand-saw store of Messrs Harris & Elippin, Greensboro, a few nights ago.

Wilmington *Message*: The first shipment of cotton to Finland was made Tuesday, 4th inst., by Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son.

Mr. D. R. Harry, of Charlotte, and Miss Fannie Neely, of Salisbury, were married in the Presbyterian church, Salisbury, last Wednesday.

New Bernie *Journal*: Hon. F. M. Simmons has re-appointed George G. Ransom, of Craven county, cadet to West Point, with Robert Dunn, of Lenoir, alternate.

News & Observer: A valued subscriber writes from Athens, Robeson county, that more sorghum is being made in that vicinity than can be consumed in two years.

Lenoir *Times*: We saw, last week, in the warehouse of Harper, Bernhardt & Co., a mammoth pumpkin, weighing 86 pounds, raised by a Mr. Bullinger in Watauga county.

Mr. Jefferson M. Lamar, of Jacksonville, Florida, and Miss Alberta C. Hawkins, of Raleigh, were married at the church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh, last Wednesday evening.

Dr. A. B. Chapin, of the Washington *Progress*, has been appointed by the Governor a delegate to the Southern Forestry Convention, which is to meet at Huntsville, Alabama, October 20th.

Reidsville *Democrat*: Gov. Seales has appointed Dr. W. A. Leach, of Walnut Cove, a delegate from the Fifth Congressional district to the National Convention of Farmers to be held in Chicago, November 11th, 12th and 13th.

N. C. *Teacher*: Prof. A. W. Mangum, of our State University, has been elected a member of the Victoria Institute or Philosophic Society of Great Britain; and also a member of the School of Christian Philosophy of New York.

Wilmington *Message*: Phineas Quinn, who was feeding a job press in the office of The Lutheran Publication Company, yesterday morning, mashed all five fingers of his right hand. The index finger was fractured in three places.

News & Observer: The saw mill of Messrs. J. H. Walker & Co., Reidsville, together with a large quantity of lumber, was destroyed by fire last week. Loss, \$20,000; insurance, \$10,000. Watchman asleep, the fire was beyond control when discovered.

STATE POLITICS.

The Greensboro *Parish* says either Gov. Seales or Col. J. T. Morehead will represent the Fifth district in the Fifth Congress.

Reidsville *Democrat*: Jarvis and Carr for Governor and Lieutenant Governor will make a strong team, and would carry the State by good majorities.

A Watauga correspondent of the Greensboro *North Star* favors Dockery and Furches as the Republican candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

Wobles's *Weekly*: The party which proposes in dead earnest to abolish the Internal Revenue, root and branch, will carry North Carolina next fall. We are willing to risk our reputation for prophesy on that prediction.

Chadburn *Times*: Many predictions are going the rounds of the papers as to the next Governor of North Carolina. Stedman, Jarvis, Holt, Gilmer, Clark, Dowd, Armfield, Saunders, Cook, Bryant, Carr, Polk, Bailly, Broughton, Graham, and others whose names we do not recall, are mentioned for the Governorship.

It is clearly the opinion that it is entirely too soon to predict who will be the next Governor.

Asheboro *Courier*: Gilmer, Clark, Jarvis, Stedman, Holt, Carr, Armfield, Coke, Creedy, Cox, Davis, Bryan—and still they come. But it is not yet settled who is to be Governor. As yet public opinion has made no choice. In a discussion of the subject the writer heard the other day between half a dozen or more intelligent gentlemen, no one of them had any settled conviction as to the right man for the place. However, there is no discounting the amount of good material.

"Fools Rush in, Where Angels Fear to Tread."
So impetuous youth is often given to folly and indiscretions; and, as a result, nervous, mental and organic debility follow, memory is impaired, self-confidence is lacking; at night bad dreams occur, premature old age seems setting in, ruin is in the track. In confidence, you can, and should write to Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., the author of a treatise for the benefit of that class of patients, and describe your symptoms and sufferings. He can cure you at your home, and will send you full particulars by mail.

Optical Illusion of Course.
[Statesville Landmark.]
The presence of Hon. John Sherman at the colored fair at Raleigh this fall will probably give quite a boost to the Sherman boom in North Carolina. Of course the managers of the fair have no idea in connection with it that it is not strictly agricultural and industrial, but the *Landmark* sees the lily white hand of Logan Harris in the selection of the principal orator, or else it is the victim of an optical illusion.

Democratic Doctrine.
[Augusta Gazette.]
The *Macon Telegraph* says that "the time is gone by when this government played badly carrying to infant industries. The mother of infant industries is capital and not monopoly." That is Democratic doctrine, without the smell of Republican brimstone on it.

And He Must Shoot After He Aims.
[New Orleans Picayune.]
If a young man wants to hit the bull's-eye in this world, and make a good record for himself, he must not aim too high. If he simply wants to make a noise he may aim at the clouds.

A Lesson in Engineering.
[Cincinnati Telegram.]
The way to boom a river is to dam it, and then break the dam. The way to dam a town is to boom it, and then break the boom.

Reason for Dethroning Reason.
[Wilmington Messenger.]
There are some statesmen whose minds would be improved if they could have a well developed case of insanity.

Two Great B's.
[Wilmington Star.]
Mary Anderson is high upon thirty years old and is still unmarried. She has beauty and booty.

State Fair will begin Tuesday, October 18th.

Supreme court of the State has passed on the Raleigh case.

Statesville *Mail*: Mr. Milus Brady has a curiosity in the way of a hog-pen. He calls it a portable hog-house. The advantages it has over old rail pens is it can be moved from persimmon tree to another, until all the persimmons are used up, and then it can be put under an oak tree to catch the acorns. When corn is scarce the utility of this invention will be appreciated by all.

There was a shooting affair near Mebane last Thursday. The Graham *Gleaner* gives the following particulars: "Yank Allen had a paragon named Ida Armstrong, whom he liked better than his wife, and to her he gave his pistol and told her to shoot his wife. She did as bidden, putting four balls into Yank's wife. She is in a precarious condition. Physicians are attending her."

Roanoke *News*: While superintending around his gin house, Mr. E. L. Summerell, of Northampton county, inadvertently approached too near the high platform, and missing his footing fell some distance to the ground. He was carried home in an insensible condition. Upon examination it was found that one of the bones of the leg was broken. We extend our sympathy and hope he will soon be well.

Christian Sun: The Governor has appointed the following gentlemen as representatives to the Southern Forestry convention, to be held at Huntsville, Alabama, October 20th: A. B. Chapin, Aurora; Dr. R. H. Lewis, Raleigh; Capt. Hugh Leach, Carthage; A. C. Dunn, Wake Forest; H. E. Fries, Salem; W. J. Yates, Charlotte; Theo. F. Klutz, Salisbury; J. M. Conroy, Connelly's Springs; Capt. Nat. Atkinson, Asheville.

Asheville *Citizen*: Diligent inquiry from the planters in regard to the damages to tobacco by the recent frost lead to the conclusion that about 15 per cent. of the standing crop was injured. About half, possibly not so much, had been cut before the frost. The action of the frost was capricious. In some neighborhoods no harm was done. In others, not far remote, whole fields were killed. Major Rollins, one of the largest planters, says along the French Broad the effect of the frost was not apparent.

A correspondent of the Goldsboro *Argus* says: Since gambling has been excluded from the grounds of the next fair to be held in this county, we trust that every one may have county pride and public spirit enough to contribute in some way to making it a grand success. But to attract a large number of people extensively, offering every inducement for the people to go out and put on exhibition the products of their farms and mechanism, and then turn upon them a band of gamblers, thieves and pickpockets to cheat and defraud them out of their money, was perfectly outrageous, and a disgrace to our civilization. We hope that every other county will follow the example of Wayne. [Right. Head level. Tell it again.]

Charlotte Chronicle: Mr. Wm. Hinson, an old gentleman aged 71 years, and who lives near Lincolnton, has been troubled for a year past by a very painful affection of one of his eyes. The sight of the afflicted eye was finally extinguished, and the pain continuing, Mr. Hinson decided to come to Charlotte and have it treated. He arrived here last Tuesday and applied to Dr. Geo. W. Graham, and after an examination was made the sufferer was informed that no relief could be given except by extracting the diseased eye-ball, that, in fact, being the treatment demanded by the case, to prevent the other eye from being affected. Mr. Hinson readily submitted to the operation and displayed an amount of grit and nerve quite wonderful for one of his age. The operation was entirely successful, and has resulted in great relief to the patient. He expects to return to his home to-day.

Elated Ashevilleians.
[Exchange.]
President Cleveland has promised to call a few hours at Asheville on his way home. He will take a drive over the town, but will not make a speech. Since this fact has been made known the average Asheville man goes with his head tilted in the air as though he was endeavoring to look clean over Beaucatcher into the valley beyond.

Brace Up.
You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor, you are bothered with headache, you are indigestive, nervous, and generally out of sorts, and want to *leave up*. Brace up, but not with stimulants, spring medicines, or bitters, which have for their basis very cheap lead whiskey, and which stimulate you for an hour, and then leave you in a worse condition than before. What you want is an alternative that will purify your blood, start healthy action of Liver and Kidneys, restore your vitality, and give renewed health and strength. Such a medicine you will find in Electric Bitters, and only 50 cents a bottle at R. Blackwell & Son's drug store.

Their Business Booming.
Probably no one thing has caused such a general revival of trade at R. Blackwell & Son's drug store as their giving away to their customers of so many free trial bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Their trade is simply enormous in this very valuable article from the fact that it always cures and never disappoints. Coughs, colds, Asthma, bronchitis, croup, and all throat and lung diseases quickly cured. You can test it before buying by getting a trial bottle free, large size \$1. Every bottle warranted.

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The Best Salve in the World for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by R. Blackwell & Son.

PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT.

There is another rumor that Blaine's health is not good. The widow of ex-President John Tyler is visiting New York. If he carry New York this fall Fred Grant's the man of destiny.

Miss Alice Fletcher has recently been appointed Indian Agent of Nebraska. E. B. Washburne's mental faculties were unimpaired by his recent stroke of paralysis. If Bob Lincoln isn't a candidate what is he doing with a literary bureau?—*St. Paul Globe*.

A great many people will be surprised to learn that Ruskin is not insane.—*Mason Telegraph*. Foraker positively refuses to tell who snubbed him. He prefers to be a martyr.—*Atlanta Constitution, Dem.* Massachusetts, too, For Governor—Oliver Ames. Platform—Give the son of his father a chance.—*Chicago News*.