



SUMMARY.

Star 20 bodies have been removed from the ruins of the hotel at Hartford.—The Durham river is again on a boom. It rose to a height of 33 feet at Augusta, day before yesterday, and portions of the city near the river are submerged.—Two fires occurred in Norfolk yesterday morning; both thought incendiary.—Kenna ran down to 25 yesterday. The highest he got was 33.—Hon. Jesse Calhoun, a wealthy planter of Pike county, Arkansas, committed suicide yesterday. The cause was mortification at news that his son had been arrested and held in Texas for murder.—Four Democratic members of the Arkansas Legislature resigned their seats. The election returns from several precincts in their counties were stolen, thereby putting them in. They went to meet the claws of their opponents.—A famine is prevalent in a portion of the interior of Russia. Many people have died of starvation.—Railroad line shops at Chicago were destroyed last Monday night. Loss \$150,000.—There is trouble at Castle Mining Camp in Montana. The miners have not been paid some time and the mines are closed. The horse saved the superintendent from being lynched the other night.—Philadelphia had a \$300,000 fire yesterday.—President Harrison's special train will leave Indianapolis at 12 m. next Monday.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS.

Mrs. CLEVELAND has given her public reception at the White House.—We are glad to see the New Berns are having good weather for their fair.—NUMBER of the princes of Europe are to put on court mourning for the death of the Crown Prince of Austria.—AN ENGINEER of repute has decided that he can give Beaufort harbor and bar a permanent depth of thirty feet.—It is said Mrs. Harrison receives a large number of letters daily begging her to intercede with her husband in behalf of the writers for office.

AT THE local option election in Adams county, Miss., in which the friends of Jackson is located, the prohibitionists were defeated by a small majority.—DR. DAVID F. HOUSTON, of Virginia, who died of hemorrhage at Beaufort, N. C., the other day, was president of the Roanoke & Southern Railroad.—Who wish Congress would do something with the Cowles bill one way or another. If it is not going to pass, let it say so and no more, stop fooling about the matter.—ROVER CLEVELAND believes in doing his duty no matter who fails to do theirs. He goes on making appointments to offices as they become vacant just as if he thought the Senate would act upon them.—THE Progressive Farmer learns that an unnamed European government is anxious to obtain the new United States cruiser Vesuvius, just captured at Philadelphia, in the event of her rejection by the Navy Department.—A NEWS-PAAPER man who has recently been looking over the files of the Pekin Gazette, of Pekin, China, reports that they run back eight hundred years. Now let those liars who are in their paper to be the oldest in the world shut up.—THE Norfolk Landmark says: "The thing that General Harrison is doing for the Southern country is to do it in all political respects. It is doing along as well as could be expected under the circumstances and cares nothing about Cabinet appointments."

He was a German, but she was French. It was a boy, and they named him Bismarck Boulanger Wolf. Now, if there isn't blood shed in that family, then a rose by any other name would smell as sweet.—New Berne Journal.

It is well for the Legislature to go slow, but this exceedingly slow progress during the first part of a session only increases the haste and confusion toward the end. We venture to say some of the members, after adjournment, will be surprised at some of the bills passed during the latter part of the session.

It is forty-eight years since a President, defeated for re-election, rode to the capitol with his successful rival and stood with him during the inaugural ceremonies. Grover Cleveland will perform for Benjamin Harrison, in 1889, the office of Martin Van Buren to William Henry Harrison, in 1841.—Messenger.

THE narrow escape of Mr. J. D. Wilborn at the depot the other day shows the importance of having a "look out" stationed on the tender of an engine moving up and down the track in the railroad yard here. The town commissioners ought to look after this as soon as our amended charter passes the Legislature.

WE HAVE received a copy of the minutes of the last Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, held at New Berne, December, 1888. From it we learn that the membership of the Church within the State, not including the territory embraced in the Virginia and Holston Conferences, is \$9,254. During the year 3,400 adults and 2,559 infants were baptized; and there are 59,027 scholars in Sunday School. Nearly \$7,000 were raised for superannuated preachers, widows and orphans; \$13,152 were raised for Foreign Missions, and \$7,182 for Domestic Missions. In addition to this, \$2,588 were raised for Church Extension, which is really missionary work. The value of church buildings is estimated at \$1,016,859, and parsonage property at \$152,648.

TOWN TALK.

—The tobacco market boometh.—Have you paid the tax on your dog?—Monthly Church Conference at Trinity, to-night.—The patronage of the Water Works Co. is increasing.—The A. O. U. W. had an interesting meeting last night.—It is reported that another lot of colored people will leave for the South in a few days.—There is a movement on foot to improve the D. L. I. band, which is already one of the best in the State.—If you have found a pocket blank book, with "Hall Book" marked on the cover, return it to Mr. J. T. Mallory.—Who said there isn't any tobacco in the country? Big breaks to-day, and lots of the leaf already in for to-morrow.—Subscriptions to THE PLANT continue to come. Thank you. There's room for all. Don't be afraid of crowding us. Come right along.—The dog catchers were at work this morning and created a little excitement by netting a country dog at the corner of Main and Corcoran streets.—The town commissioners held a special meeting last night. We don't know for what purpose. We are informed that no business of importance was transacted.—The Weekly Recorder of to-day announces that Durham is to have another daily, to be called the Morning News, and that it will be published under the guidance of Mr. J. A. Robinson, late of the Recorder.

—Washington's birthday on Friday. Will there will be public observance of the day in Durham? Why not have a parade of our military and fire companies?

—A fractious steer, attached to a cart, gettin' up and gettin' and kicking as he got, afforded a sensation for a little while near the Alliance warehouse this afternoon.

—Don't get off the new factory track. Hammer away and keep on hammering until something is done towards supplying Durham with that which it most needs—more factories.

—The County Sunday School Convention, which will meet in the Presbyterian Church on Friday, will elect delegates to the State Convention, which will be held in Charlotte, on the 2d, 3d and 4th of April.

—Little Miss Daisy Green had the misfortune yesterday evening to lose her watch. It is a small open face silver watch, with chain and a square charm. The finder will please leave it at THE PLANT office or deliver it to Mr. Lucius Green.

—The names of Messrs. W. P. Rollins and W. T. Speed were inadvertently omitted from the list of the donors of the beautiful gift presented to Mr. J. S. Carr on yesterday. The names were in the copy, but were overlooked by the printer.

—About the first of March, Mr. J. B. Whitaker, Jr., and family will occupy the dwelling on Main street recently vacated by Messrs. Q. E. Rawls and S. W. Holman. Mrs. R. Fuller and family will move into the residence at present occupied by Mr. Whitaker.

Church Conference.

The monthly church conference will be held at Trinity M. E. Church to-night, at 7:30 o'clock. By order of the pastor. H. N. Snow, Sec'y.

School Exercises.

The closing exercises of Chalk Level Public School, District No. 1, Durham county, Mr. R. B. Blalock, principal, will close on Friday, March 1st. C. B. Green, Esq., will deliver an address upon education. The County Superintendent of Public Instruction is cordially solicited to honor the occasion with his presence.

Talmage's Sermons.

THE PLANT, ever on the look out for the best interests of its patrons, has completed arrangements by which it will be able to publish every Monday the sermon preached the day before, at the Brooklyn Tabernacle, by Rev. Dr. Talmage. The sermon will also appear in our weekly issue of the current week. Send along your subscriptions. Daily, \$5.00 a year; Weekly, \$1.50.

Gum Chewing.

The following reflections upon the ugly habit of gum chewing are taken from Our Monthly. We commend them to the mature consideration of those who indulge the habit to the discomfort of those around them besides appearing ridiculous themselves.

"Girls are actually chewing gum again, and in public places, too! If they could look accidentally into a mirror, while tasking the lower part of the face so unmercifully, and see themselves for a moment with unrecognizing eyes, the vulgar habit would die on the spot, as will their beauty if they persist in it. I wonder, if the man exists who could connect romance with a gum-chewing girl? There is something intensely prosaic in everything that suggests eating, even if it be only muncing of candies at matinee, concerts and lectures.

"The vulgarity of the act, in any public place, whatever, is apparent at a glance—vulgarity of a bad taste, of appetite and of the display of eating, as well as the scattering of the redolence of the candies upon the atmosphere in many instances; the habit, also being one which has inspired the witty pencil of many among our eminent caricaturists. But gum-chewing is infinitely worse than candy-munching, and has not even the advantage of satisfying the appetite. Don't transgress in this way at all, girls; but if your mind insists upon being engrossed by some sort of chewing, at least draw the line at gum."

Durham Ahead.

Under this caption we find a communication in the Biblical Recorder of this week from the pen of Rev. C. Durham, from which we make the following extracts:

"Some things can be said of the First Baptist Church, Durham, N. C., that can be said, we think, of no other church in our State. These things, too, are commendable in the highest degree. There are in its membership old students and graduates of John Hopkins University, University of Virginia, Wake Forest, University of North Carolina, Trinity, Howard, Ala., Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Jefferson, Pa., Normal College, Tennessee, Thomasville, Salem, Oxford, Peace and others. Here the present pastor of the South Boston, Va., Baptist Church was discovered, and from its membership went the pastors of the Byrne Street Church, Petersburg, Va., Williamston Church, North Carolina, and the ex-pastor of the church at Lillington, with the wives of not less than three other Baptist preachers and a professor in John Hopkins University, Baltimore. It is not, however, to these things we wish now to call attention, but to the spirit of missions as illustrated in the work of this church.

"In the past ten years this church has willingly, in the best Christian spirit, divided her membership three times to form three new churches—mission churches—all of which are doing well. In each case a suitable location and house of worship was secured for the new organization. * * * "When a pastor of this church resigns there is really no break in the pastorate, or in the work and contributions of this church. The writer resigned and remained with the church till his successor was secured, and the same train that brought the new pastor took the old one away; and thus it is to be with the coming of pastor White and the departure of pastor Bostick. Nothing is more beautiful, when such changes come, to have them come after this order.

"The contributions of this church, not including pastor's salary and incidental expenses (these are always liberal), has for years (we think the figures will show) been larger than the contributions of any other Baptist church in the State. This has been the old Pauline (2 Cor. 8:1-24) dollar test of the mission spirit through all the ages and in all the churches. Here is a church that has borne this dollar test most nobly. It has its thousands in the endowment of Wake Forest College, and it is the only church in the State (some were paid for by individuals) that, as a church, paid for a house at Thomasville to shelter a family of orphan children.

"Durham gave Miss Lula Freeland to Rev. R. T. Bryan, and then to China. This church gave its first pastor to superintend the mission work of the Baptist host in our State, and its second pastor and wife to China; and now another pastor and wife living and holding membership there for years, offer themselves to our Foreign Board, and thence to a foreign field. Trinity Methodist Church, Durham, has a representative, a young man, in China. When we have six foreign missionaries going out from one town—five of them from our own people—in half that number of years, is it not time that some other churches, in some other towns in our State, begin at least to ask prayerfully: 'How is all this?'

"The best wine last is not only the order in Cana of Galilee, but in the hearts of the Baptists of Durham. Years ago in the pulpit of this dear people (Phil. 1: 2-11) we said more than once, as many of them well remember, that we longed to see the day, and believe it to be not far in the future, when individual Baptist churches in our State would assume the entire support of a missionary to the heathen.

"But now, how the thought fills and thrills me as I write and think of the pastor-loving people in Durham rising up in heart and faith, will and purse, and setting an example to one thousand churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, that would doubtless soon most gladly follow by saying to our Foreign Mission Board at Richmond: 'We will support Bostick in China.'"

Plant Photographs.

Mr. J. S. Manning went to Raleigh to-day.

Dr. J. L. Watkins went down to Raleigh to-day.

Mr. C. B. Green spent the afternoon in Raleigh.

Mr. R. T. Long will leave this evening for the South.

Mrs. S. W. Chamberlain is quite sick, we regret to learn.

Mr. J. W. Hamilton left for the New Berne Fair to-day.

Mr. John Watson, of Chapel Hill, is in town this afternoon.

Mr. J. R. Blacknall went down to Raleigh on the noon train.

Miss Alice Guess, of Cary, is visiting Miss Amma Atwater.

Mrs. Jno. A. Noel, of Roxboro, is visiting the family of Mr. G. M. Harden.

Miss Phoebe Whitaker is confined at home by sickness, we are sorry to state.

Miss Mary and Sadie Bingham, of Bingham, spent the day in Durham, returning home from a visit to Oxford.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Holder have a male heir to their worldly estate. The fine little fellow arrived about 6 o'clock yesterday evening.

Rev. R. H. Whitaker, of The Spirit of the Age, spent last night in Durham with his brother, Mr. D. W. Whitaker, and left for his home in Raleigh on the noon train to-day.

Capt. Geo. N. Waitt, one of the cleverest conductors to be found anywhere, is in attendance upon Forsyth court. His place on the road is temporarily filled by J. W. Smith, of the R. & D. main line.

Mr. T. Edgar Cheek and bride, nee Miss Mamie Garrason, of Fayetteville, will arrive on the 6 o'clock train this afternoon. The ceremony took place in the Presbyterian Church, at Fayetteville, at 8 o'clock this morning. We extend best wishes for a happy future and most cordially welcome Mrs. Cheek to Durham.

Mr. C. A. W. Barham, Jr., and bride, nee Miss Hannah Wilkerson, of West Point, Va., will arrive on the Durham & Oxford train to-night, on a visit to the groom's father, Mr. C. A. W. Barham. The happy couple were joined in wedlock, at West Point, this morning. We tender wishes for long life roseate with the bright and tender hues of felicity and trust they will have a most pleasant sojourn among us.

Ordered to Depart.

A very threatening letter, a regular white cap epistle, was received through the post-office this morning, by Jordan Emerson, colored, who is acting as agent in this section in securing hands for Messrs. Jno. P. Richardson & Bro., of Mississippi. Emerson was ordered to leave the county in ten hours, and was threatened with dire calamity, if he failed to heed the behest. This sort of thing will not do, and if any attempt is made to execute the threat, which we very much doubt, somebody will get into trouble. We don't want any white cap capers in these parts.

A Sad Story.

The child coughed. The mother ran. No remedy was near. Before morning the poor little sufferer was dead. Moral: Always keep Dr. Acker's English Remedy at hand. R. Blacknall & Son.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

Lost. On yesterday, a pocket blank book containing valuable memoranda and papers. Labeled on outside, "Hall Book." The finder will be liberally rewarded by returning it to J. T. MALLORY.

Durham's New Directory.

The New Durham Directory will contain many important features and promises to be of great value to our citizens. There will also be a country edition of the work and it will therefore prove to be a valuable advertising medium. The white and colored names will be separate in the work and a Commercial Directory added. The fact that many of our business men have already availed themselves of the advertising pages goes to show that Durham stands at the head of the list of the enterprising cities of the Old North State.

Rubber Stamps.

Orders taken for Rubber Stamps, of all kinds, Seal Presses, Ribbon and Seal Stamps, etc., at the Durham bookstore of J. B. WHITAKER, JR., & Co.

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