



**SUMMARY.**

A strong delegation from St. Louis arrived in Washington yesterday to urge upon Congress the passage of the Cowles bill.—Professor Ralph H. Grayes, of the University, has had to take a vacation on account of ill health.—Two men died of suffocation from blowing out the gas in Chicago yesterday.—The President-elect and party left Indianapolis at 3:15 yesterday afternoon.—The consuls at Panama telegraphed that there is no trouble there, and none is anticipated.—A young man living near Shelby was fatally shot by some men near the State line Saturday. They accused him of stealing fodder and he fired on them. They returned the fire with fatal results.—It is reported that the Anarchist Neebe, now imprisoned at Joliet, Ill., is preparing a full confession of the workings and plans of the Anarchists.—Mr. Lusk has given notice that he will file a protest against the passage of the election law which passed the Senate Saturday.—Geo. Neal and Cal. Cobb were bound over to court at Reidsville yesterday on charge of wrecking the train near that place in January. They were denied bail.

**EDITORIAL BRIEFS.**

WE WELCOME the Durham *Daily Star*. Success to you, brother Robinson.

THE *Wilmington Star* wants one of the new war vessels named Hornets' Nest.

AN IRISH Catholic Priest has been arrested under the "crimes act" for unlawful language used in one of his sermons.

MR. McCOWN must be an exceptionally good-hearted man, or he would, ere this, have given the dog-catcher a "tip and a wink."

PRESIDENT HARRISON has leased a cottage at Deer Park, Md., for a summer residence. This is said to be one of the loveliest places in the South.

THE people of Nevada recently voted on a proposition to legalize lottery sales in that State. The proposition was defeated by about four hundred majority.

DO you hear that discussion on "Durham and her Railroads," which took place on Main street this morning? If you did not, you missed a rare and intellectual treat.

THE National Greenback party will hold a convention in Washington city, March 6th, for the purpose of reorganizing. We suppose this meeting will bring old Ben Butler to the front again.

THE lumber mills at seven different places in Washington Territory shut down last Friday at the command of the lumber trust to which they belong. This threw fifteen hundred men out of employment.

IT is said there is a deficit of over a million of dollars in the Ohio State Treasury. The farming lands of this State are said to be mortgaged to the amount of three hundred million dollars, mostly to Eastern capitalists. Ohio seems to be in a bad way financially.

THE telephone has been greatly improved of late as to its "carrying qualities." Words spoken in Philadelphia can be heard through this medium in Portland, Maine. The distance is not far distant when all the States of the Union will be in "speaking distance" of each other.

THE Travelers' Protective Association is becoming quite an important body. By the way, does it not seem absurd that the American drummers should think it necessary to form a union for their protection against the balance of mankind? We thought if there was one thing a drummer could do, that was to take care of number one.

THERE seems to be no doubt that the mystery surrounding the assassination of John M. Clayton will soon be dispelled. We hope all concerned in this dastardly deed will be made to suffer the full penalty of their offense.

AT a meeting of New England factory operatives the other day, there was read an advertisement in an English newspaper, signed by the owners of these factories, setting forth the fact that they wanted five thousand English operatives. These factory owners are the men who oppose low tariff on account of the injury it works to American labor.

THE Petersburg *Indec-Appel*, speaking of the "No Tax, No Vote" question now being agitated in this State, says: "It was the baldest sort of demagogism that abolished this very reasonable and just qualification in Virginia. The man who is not able to contribute a dollar to the Commonwealth ought not to complain if he is denied the right to manage the affairs of a government whose expenses are borne by others."

HERE is something new under the sun. A California paper says: "Peach stones will make as good a fire for household purposes as the best kind of coal in the market. The fruit-growers, instead of, as heretofore, throwing the pits away, dispose of the stones at the present time at the rate \$6 a ton. A sack of the stones will weigh about eighty pounds, and will last as long as an equal number of pounds of coal, and give a greater intensity of heat."

**TOWN TALK.**

—Cotton factory.

—Work for the cotton factory.

—They say there will be another marriage soon.

—Read about the cotton factory in to-day's PLANT.

—Regular meeting of Durham Lodge, A. F. & A. M., to-night.

—The D. L. I. has received four new applications for membership.

—See new advertisement of French's shoe store in this issue of THE PLANT.

—Whoop up the cotton factory. There's a chance to get a big one. Don't miss it.

—Water, water, all around, but not a drop to be taken away from the fountains.

—The Trustees of the University meet to-morrow, in the Governor's office, at Raleigh.

—THE PLANT gives you daily the indications of the weather for twenty-four hours ahead.

—Called meeting of Alma Lodge, No. 5, Daughters of Rebekah, to-night, at 7:30 o'clock.

—Another sale of land under execution is advertised in to-day's PLANT by Sheriff Markham. Read it.

—THE PLANT has the pluck to fight bucket-shops, bar-rooms and everything else harmful to Durham. Stick a pin here.

—Are you going to the inauguration? Only \$9.95 from Durham to Washington and return, via the Richmond and Danville road.

—Have you called at the First National Bank and paid the balance due on your subscription to the Lynchburg & Durham Railroad?

—The marriage of Mr. J. D. Pridgen and Miss Lavenia Blackwell will take place, at Blackwell Baptist Church, to-morrow morning, at 11 o'clock.

—THE PLANT has the largest bona fide circulation ever secured by any daily paper in Durham. Advertisers stick a pin here and put your announcements where the largest number of people will read them.

—We are sorry to have to announce that the Commonwealth Club failed to meet last night for the want of a quorum. This won't do, gentlemen. There's work for you to do. Pick your flint and try again.

**Twenty-Four.**

A party of twenty-four colored people, afflicted with the exodus fever, left on the early train this morning for the South.

**Hickstow or No Hickstow.**

The good people in the western portion of the town are having some trouble in having the charter of Hickstow repealed. Messrs. Blacknall, Green, Brooks, Swift, Lyon and Lee went down to Raleigh on the noon train to fight the matter before the Legislature. The charter ought to be repealed and the nuisance abated.

**Safety and Profit.**

If you are interested in the subject of Life Insurance—and you should be if you are not—be sure to read in this issue of THE PLANT the facts and figures presented concerning the wonderfully successful Equitable Life Assurance Society, which is represented in Durham by Mr. James Southgate, who will cheerfully furnish any information that may be desired.

**Street Railroad Extension.**

There is a move on foot to extend the street railroad. The idea is to begin at a point in North Durham, near Geer's, and run to the cemetery. This line would be of great benefit to the community and would prove highly beneficial to the present line. Show your faith in and love for Durham by handing your subscription for stock to the company to the efficient secretary, Mr. John L. Markham.

**All Bosh.**

Several ten hours have passed since Jordan Emerson, colored emigration agent, received that raw-head-and-bloody-bones letter, and Emerson is still here and has not experienced strangulation at the hands of anybody yet. White Caps! Bosh! Black Caps, we dare say, would have been more appropriate, for we venture to guess that the writer of the aforesaid epistle is as black as the ace of spades.

**Inspection and Drill.**

A number of ladies and gentlemen gathered at Parrish's warehouse, yesterday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, to witness the inspection and drill of the pride of the town, the Durham Light Infantry. There was a pretty full turn out of the Company, in command of Capt. W. A. Gattis. The inspection, by Col. E. J. Parrish, was very gratifying to him and very creditable to the Company, the arms and accoutrements being in first-class condition. The drilling was likewise creditable to the boys and was enjoyed by the spectators. Long live the D. L. I.

**Accident to One of Our Ministers**

Rev. Leroy L. Johnston, pastor of Carr M. E. Church and North Durham M. E. Church, has been quite unwell since he came to Durham. In fact, he got out of a bed of sickness that he might be on hand the first of the year. He has suffered a relapse, and while sitting before the fire, at the parsonage, a kettle of boiling water upset, spilling the contents on his feet, burning one of them to a blister. He was unable to fill his appointment at North Durham Church, Sunday morning, and Rev. Alex. Walker preached to that congregation Sunday night.

**Another Narrow Escape.**

Two men, partially intoxicated, came near being killed by the train, this morning, while walking on the track, a short distance west of the depot. It seems that the shifting engine was on one track and pulling cars on another track by means of a rope or chain. The men stepped from the track upon which was the engine to the track upon which the cars were being pulled towards them. The engineer put on breaks and blew the whistle and the fireman rang the bell and both hollered at the men, who took no notice of the warnings. Mr. S. M. Wilkerson happened to be coming towards the men and, at the risk of his own life, rushed upon them and pushed them off the track and down the embankment, just in time to save them from a horrible death. Moral: Keep sober and keep off the railroad track.

**Plant Photographs.**

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

Mr. J. W. Swift went down the road to-day.

Mr. J. R. Blacknall visited the Capital to-day.

Mr. J. H. Southgate went down to Raleigh to-day.

Mr. Nat. Lee went down the road on the noon train to-day.

Maj. W. A. Guthrie went down to Raleigh on the noon train.

Mr. John Greer left to-day on a visit to New Berne, his former home.

Hon. John Manning, of the University, was on the noon train to-day.

Rev. T. M. N. George left this morning to attend the Convocation at Oxford.

Rev. J. T. Harris passed through Durham yesterday evening, going to Chapel Hill.

Prof. T. J. Simmons has been called to Wake Forest by the illness of his father.

Mr. W. W. Fuller, who has been in Raleigh on business, is expected home this afternoon.

Major S. F. Tomlinson will make a trip throughout New England in the very near future.

Col. Geo. M. Harden, who has been "down East" with stock, has returned to Durham.

Dr. Jas. F. Cain, we are sorry to chronicle, carries his right hand wrapped in a red bandana.

Capt. J. M. Odell, President of the Durham Cotton Manufacturing Company, is in town to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Pugin returned to-day from a visit to their old home in the vicinity of the University of Virginia.

Mr. J. B. Whitaker, Jr., and family moved to-day into the Day residence on Main street, one door east of Capt. J. Y. Whitted.

Mr. Thos. Delano, editor of *Tobacco*, a sprightly tobacco journal published in New York, is in Durham interviewing our manufacturers.

Hon. Kemp P. Battle, President of the University, was on the east-bound train to-day en route for Raleigh to attend the meeting of the trustees on to-morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. W. Barham, Jr., after spending several days with the family of Mr. C. A. W. Barham, left this morning, via the Durham & Oxford road, for their home in West Point, Va.

Mr. A. B. Sites, mine host of the Claiborn, went last night to Danville, where Mrs. Sites is visiting. One of the children is sick, we are sorry to learn, but trust the illness is not of a serious nature.

Mr. J. W. Blackwood, shipping clerk of Blackwell's Durham Co-operative Tobacco Co., has sufficiently recovered from his recent spell of sickness to resume his duties, we are pleased to chronicle.

Mr. W. J. Exum and sister, Mrs. H. N. Snow, left for Goldsboro to-day to meet their new sister, Mrs. John B. Exum, nee Miss Gertrude Royall, of Clinton. The happy event occurred at the home of the bride to-day.

Mr. H. N. Snow is on the programme of the State Sunday School Convention, to be held at Charlotte, April 2d, 3d and 4th, for an address on the second day upon "How to Extend the Influence of the State Convention."

Major H. A. Edmondson, a leading tobaccoconist, of South Boston, arrived on the noon train to-day. The Major always receives a hearty welcome in Durham, where he has many friends. We are always glad to see you, Major.

Mr. S. T. Morgan left to-day on a trip to the eastern part of the State in the interest of the celebrated Durham Bull Fertilizer. A very clever gentleman, representing first class goods, and we wish Mr. Morgan a successful trip.

Mr. Logan Howell, of Goldsboro, a student of the University, was on the noon train to-day en route for Raleigh. He is a representative of one of the Societies upon the question that will come up before the Trustees to-morrow: "Shall Saturday recitations be abolished?" The Di's take the affirmative and the Phi's the negative of the question.

**FROM WASHINGTON.**

**Fight On the Cowles Bill Exp-ected To-Day.**  
Special to THE PLANT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—Representative Cowles spent last evening in visiting the gentlemen who are interested with him in passing the repeal bill, which has been such a bone of contention at this session.

The agreement reached, after considerable consultation, is that the friends of the bill shall to-day use their united efforts to aid the Appropriations Committee to get the pending appropriations bills through as rapidly as possible, in order that the fight may be made to get the Cowles bill under consideration.

They expect to pass the two remaining appropriation bills, the Deficiency and the Indian, during to-day and then call up the report of the Committee on Appropriations on the Cowles bill.

**Mr. William Boylan, Jr.**

This gentleman has sold his interest in the grocery and grain store of W. J. Wyatt & Co., to Mr. Magruder Wyatt and has purchased an interest in the old, reliable and popular dry goods establishment of W. H. & R. S. Tucker & Co., of Raleigh, which firm is now composed of Mr. Wm. Boylan, Jr., Mr. T. W. Dobbin and Mr. James Boylan.

Mr. Boylan has made many friends during his residence in Durham, who learn with regret that he and his estimable family will leave us, but who will join heartily with THE PLANT in wishing them a large measure of happiness in their new home. Mr. Boylan is now in Raleigh, but his family will remain in Durham awhile. Mr. Boylan recognizes the superiority of THE PLANT as an advertising medium and as soon as the spring opens his firm will let our readers know something about its new, nobby and beautiful goods.

**The Cotton Factory.**

THE PLANT mentioned some days ago that a party in Pennsylvania was willing to remove his factory to Durham provided 25 per cent. of the stock would be taken by citizens of Durham. The factory is a large one—as large or larger than any in the State. The machinery is represented as being first-class.

The mill makes gingham, linseys and pant goods, such as cottonades.

The gentleman owning the mill supposes that the machinery is worth about \$160,000, but the value of the plant he is willing to leave to experts entirely disinterested. If the proper encouragement is extended the parties owning the property are ready to open negotiations.

What will Durham do in the matter? The question is an important one—the answer still more important. Reidsville by some similar management secured the removal of a cotton factory from Wilmington, Delaware. We would suggest that Mr. Robert I. Rogers, the energetic and efficient Secretary of the Durham Land & Security Co., take the matter in hand at once, and canvass the town for subscriptions to the capital stock of the company, and ascertain what can be done. We say at once in view of the following letter:

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19, 1889.  
"If you feel any interest in this matter would be pleased to hear from you, and have you send experts to examine machinery. We have propositions from three different points in the South, but would like to hear from you before we decide."

Three other points bidding and the parties apparently prefer to come to Durham. Won't our people wake up and secure the prize?

**Found Dead.**

Mr. George Markham, brother of Mr. Jno. W. Markham, was found dead between 3 and 4 o'clock, this afternoon, on a cot in the rear part of Wm. Overby's restaurant, on Mangum street. The deceased was thirty-eight years of age.

**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.

**Invite Him to Durham.**

We clip the following from the *Raleigh News and Observer*, of recent date, and we would suggest that Mr. Lewis be invited to visit Durham during his trip to North Carolina. Such a visit might redound in a large measure of advantage to our town, and we hope that immediate steps will be taken to extend the invitation. It would be well for the Commonwealth Club and the Board of Trade and the town authorities to unite in requesting Mr. Lewis to come to see us. The *News & Observer* says:

"Mr. C. B. Lewis, the 'M. Quad' of the *Detroit Free Press*, writes us further as follows: 'I expect to be in Raleigh by the 4th or 5th of March, and shall begin my work by writing up Raleigh, Wilmington, New Berne, Charlotte, Salisbury and perhaps other towns. If your people can be aroused to organize and put forth an effort this spring their work will be rewarded. There is going to be a movement southwards, and scores of people have come to me within a week to ask me to look into this and that for them while in your State. They want new homes or desire to find business openings. The California boom has 'petered out' and the tide is certain to turn southwards this spring.'

**Take It in Time.**

"For want of a nail, a shoe was lost; for want of a shoe, a horse was lost; for want of a horse, a rider was lost; for want of a rider, a battle was lost; for want of a battle, a kingdom was lost. So little things often lead to great things. The first signs of pneumonia and consumption can positively be checked by Dr. Acker's English Remedy for Consumption. R. Blacknall & Son.

**BUSINESS NOTICES.**

**Fish!**  
For fresh fish at lowest prices, call at Stall No. 5, at the Market House.  
W. T. SAUNDERS.

**Only 25 Cents**  
For Edward P. Roe's "Barriers Burned Away," and "An Original Belle," paper covers, at the Durham Bookstore of J. B. WHITAKER, JR., & CO.

**School Books**  
For Public Schools, for Graded Schools, for Private Schools, at the Durham bookstore of J. B. WHITAKER, JR., & CO.

**For the Boys.**  
Tops, Marbles, Balls, at the Durham Bookstore of J. B. WHITAKER, JR., & CO.

**Triumphant Songs**  
Just received. Sold at publishers' prices: 35 cents each; \$3.00 per dozen. At the Durham bookstore of J. B. WHITAKER, JR., & CO.

**In Selecting a Life Assurance Company, the Considerations of Chief Importance are**

**Safety and Profit.**

1. SAFETY (or permanent protection).—This is measured by Surplus and the ratio of Surplus to Liabilities.  
2. PROFIT (or the largest present and future advantage).—This is measured not by increase in Surplus alone, nor by Dividends Paid alone, but by both combined; that is, by "Surplus Earned." And of the leading Companies of the world, the Equitable shows the largest Surplus Earnings.

No Policies show such profitable returns as those issued on the TONTINE PLAN, a system devised and introduced by the Equitable Society.

These Policies become ABSOLUTELY INCONTINGENT two (or three) years from their date of issue, and are made PAYABLE IMMEDIATELY upon their maturity.

The Equitable Society, in 1888, exceeded all previous records. (For particulars, see Annual Statement.)

ASSETS	\$95,042,922.96
LIABILITIES	74,248,207.81
SURPLUS (4 per cent.)	\$20,794,715.15
Outstanding Assurance	\$49,216,126.16
New Assurance	153,939,535
Income	26,968,977
Surplus Earned in Five Years (1884-1888)	21,824,766
Surplus Earned in 1888	5,067,124
Increase in Income	3,718,128
Increase in Surplus (4 per cent.)	2,690,460
Increase in Assets	10,654,418

Of the Life Assurance Companies of the world, the Equitable has for nine years transacted the Largest Annual New Business and held the Largest 4 per cent. Surplus; for three years it has held the Largest Outstanding Business; while its superior financial strength is shown by its high ratio of Assets to Liabilities (128 per cent.).  
H. B. HYDE, President.  
JAS. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-Prest.  
JAMES SOUTHGATE, AGENT, DURHAM, N. C.

**Sale of Land Under Execution!**

By virtue of an execution in my hands, issued from the Superior Court of Durham County in the action entitled Alkin, Lambeth & Co. vs. S. F. Gardner, I will sell at public auction at the courthouse door in Durham, for cash, on Wednesday, the 27th day of March, 1889, at 12 o'clock, m. (it being the third day of the Superior Court of said county) the lot of land containing 30 acres more or less, lying in Durham county, adjoining the lands of T. E. Riggsbee, B. M. Jones and others, levied on as the property of said Gardner, in obedience to said execution to satisfy said judgment and cost.  
F. D. MARKHAM, Sheriff.  
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