

TO MY BROTHER.

GEO. T. WASSOM.

My side, brother,
I soon be gone away;
Has been my earnest prayer,
I cannot with me stay.

LOCALS.

Lawberries.
We are a city at last.
Truckers are rejoicing.
be to the STAR.
being shipped North.
one thousand subscribers.
prospectus, it will interest
the singing of birds is
art this week. Judge
It will con-
reign.
Hon. O.
oro on the
mond, Va.
In what book and
is found when and
the hour, and Elijah con-
her at Elijah's death?
H. L. Stevens, Jr., late of
is now the city of Indianap-
visiting his. Mr. Stevens
y young and we wish him
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Wed. Methodist Sabat
Conv'n will convene
day, 8th inst. Let
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d in your subscrip-
year. Subscribe!
taking advantage of
plant cotton, corn,
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ONNANIS

An old lady from the rural districts
was seen recently with both hands work-
ing the "Centennial" pump from which
the water flowed freely. Having neither
pitcher nor bucket, her continual pump-
ing excited considerable interest. At last,
with consternation depicted upon her
face, she said to a bystander, "Mister,
please, sir, show me how to stop this wa-
ter from running out!"

Col. L. W. Humphrey has just re-
turned from New York where we learn he
has been engaged with Jay Gould, the
great rail road and telegraph mogul of the
East, consulting the possibility of build-
ing the N. C. Midland route. We hope
the colonel will succeed in inducing north-
ern capitalists to take hold of the road
for two reasons: 1st, It would give em-
ployment to several thousand colored la-
borers. 2d, It would give a competing
line of through freights and result in
much good to the people.

ANOTHER DEBRIS.—At half past eleven
o'clock on Monday night we were
aroused by the alarm of fire in the neigh-
borhood of the old fair ground. On look-
ing out we saw that it was the house of
our near neighbor, Mr. Jno. R. Smith,
in full flame. There was only twenty-five
hundred dollars insurance on the prop-
erty—loss about five thousand dollars. We
sincerely sympathize with Mr. Smith and
family.

A "gentleman" from the country
called at Griffin Bros., and bought a ci-
gar. He stepped out in front of the hot-
el anticipating a fine smoke. He was
not gone long before he was back again
in a towering rage and thus to Messrs.
G.:
"This 'ere seegar a'int no count!
You've cheated me! Gimme a nother
one or gimme ten cents!"
"Ah!" said the polite Mr. G. "Let
me see it. My friend, the cigar is all
right, but—I forgot to tell you which end
to light!"

At about one o'clock Wednesday
night, the 11th inst., the vicinity of
"Little Washington" was aroused from
slumber by the startling cry of "fire!
fire!" and in a few minutes a large crowd
collected to witness the burning of Mr.
Stanton Howell's house and store. Noth-
ing was saved—nothing! and the family
barely escaped with their lives.

Our esteemed young townsman, lawyer
J. C. Stevens, was obliged to "stand
out," though we believe he lost nothing
save a silver watch and that was returned
to him by his friend A. B. Smith. The
sufferers have our heart-felt sympathy.
Where is the fire engine? Answer ye
city fathers.

Court convened here on Monday
morning, Judge Graves presiding. The
charge of the Judge is considered unusu-
ally able and will be beneficial to others
as well as to the Grand Jury. But little
business was transacted the first day fur-
ther than a call of the cases and setting
them for trial. Witnesses and defendants
were conspicuously absent and seemed to
re-assert that old Anglo-Saxon spirit which
Blackstone tells us forbade a free man
ever to do a thing exactly at the time
commanded. The Judge thought this
spirit inconsistent with the due adminis-
tration of justice and proceeded to fine
the recalcitrants without regard to race,
color, or blood.

On Tuesday there was no court, as this
day, (May 10,) was made a legal holiday
by the last Legislature.

Wednesday morning the court resumed
business starting with the case of the
State vs William Gurganus for assault
with intent to kill, removed from Greene
county. The State is represented by Mr.
Solicitor Galloway and Messrs. H. F.
Grainger, ex-Judge Strong, and John F.
Wooten; the defence is sustained by
Messrs. Dortch, McRae, Faircloth, and
Clarke & Son. As we go to press we no-
tice that the State has exhausted its force
in the case and has no hope of conviction.

In addition to the resident bar we no-
tice in attendance Col. D. McRae of Wil-
mington; Messrs. Wooten & Loftin, of
Kinston; Judge Strong, of Raleigh; F.
A. Woodard, of Wilson, and Mr. Solici-
tor Galloway, of Snow Hill.
The court will occupy the entire two
weeks.

THE COLORED ORPHAN HOME

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ization was then made with the following
officers, viz: President, Geo. T. Wassom
of Goldboro; Vice President, Geo. W.
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C. Price, Geo. H. White and Geo. T.
Wassom.

A CARD.

I see my name is posted up with several
other gentlemen's, calling a County
Mass Prohibition Convention on May
21st, inst., and as I have just commenced
the publication of a local newspaper de-
pending upon all classes for support,
I propose to take no part for the pres-
ent—but will take pleasure in publish-
ing anything as news, notices, &c.—Ed.

A pointed letter from Prof. W.
R. Harris accepting the position of
Corresponding Editor of the STAR
in which he said:

ST. AUGUSTINE NORMAL SCHOOL,
Raleigh, N. C., May 5th, '81.

Dear Sir:—I am extremely glad to
learn that you will on the 14th inst.
launch the Goldboro STAR forth upon
the journalistic sea. I trust that it will
poove a STAR of the first magnitude,
whose flood of light shall irradiate through-
out and beyond the State, and serve as a
true beacon to lead the negro on to a
high and glorious destiny—you have my
sympathy in your undertaking, and I as-
sure you of my hearty co-operation. You
may, if you like, nail my name to your
masthead as corresponding editor. I shall
try to contribute regularly and shall pre-
pare something for your first issue.
Respectfully,

W. R. HARRIS.

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The State Board of Education met in
Raleigh on Monday, and resumed con-
sideration of the selection and recom-
mendation of books for use in the publc
schools. The session was a long by one
and a decision was not reached until
nightfall. We learn from the
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torial Children's First History, Holmes'
History for Intermediate; A. H. Ste-
pheas' History for Higher Classes;
Mitchell's Map Drawing; Worcester's
Dictionary. The following copy books
were chosen: Reynolds, Payson, Dutton
& Scribner's, Eclectic, Appleton's and
Ellsworth's.

The board transacted no further busi-
ness. Another meeting will probably
soon be had, when matters connected
with the swamp lands will be considered,
it is understood.

PROHIBITION!

There will be a Mass Meeting of the
friends of Prohibition at the Court
House in Goldboro on

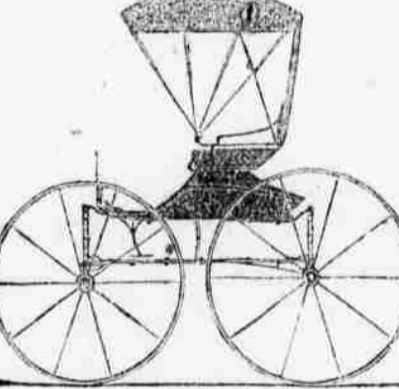
Saturday May 21.

at 12 o'clock, for the purpose of or-
ganizing for the approaching cam-
paign. Interesting speeches on the
subject of Prohibition may be expect-
ed.

All friends of Prohibition, irrespec-
tive of party affiliation, are urged to
be present, and assist in the organiza-
tion. The public generally are in-
vited.

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