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HOME FOLKS. Rev. Dr. Andrews, president of the great Baptist University in New England, Brown, and in Rhode Island, has been asked to deliver the commencement oration at Wake Forest College next May. It is said that he should deliver his oration on the great Lee.

You will see that "watering" on a big scale is planned. The \$2,000,000 of capital recently employed to watered to the extent of \$10,000,000. There are business men who can stand such a robbery by "watering" but the fishing business and it is all of the water.

The talk is of forming a huge cotton trust among the southern planters. There is more of talk than reality. It would be very unwise for a gambler to bet that the cotton production of 1898 is less than that of last year. For two or three decades, to our knowledge, there has been almost every year a clamor for less production, and when the talk was loud and most prolonged it was apt to be followed by a larger crop of cotton. We believe that in nine out of ten years too much cotton is grown for the welfare of southern planters. We have held since 1871, that it was possible to keep cotton up to 12 cents a pound by regulating production. A correspondent of the Charleston News and Courier writes recently: "It is more reasonable than it seems to believe that much less, if any, cotton, will be planted this year. Things look bullish."

WILMINGTON, N. C. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1897. THE NORTHERN METHODISTS ON THE WAR PATH. The Messenger expressed a hope that between the northern and southern Methodist churches there would be no organic union. Some reasons were given for not desiring such a consummation. Since the two representative committees met and fixed up a "Conference" highest, 65 degrees, lowest, 67 degrees, the house of representatives passed a resolution appropriating \$288,000 to pay the war claim of the Southern M. E. Church. The debt was created by northern vandalism and is a just debt. Great property was destroyed, and after thirty-three years of peace it is sought to have indemnity for this barbaric destruction.

Good farming in spots in North Carolina is reported from time to time. The Messenger likes to give good examples and to encourage others to copy them. The Concord Journal reported recently that Mr. John Piott and brother, with seven ploughs, worked "fifty acres of cotton and gathered thirty-eight bales. Besides this they had sixty acres in corn, and made one of the biggest piles of the crop being vivified to the mind of that grain to be found anywhere. In the cotton crop there were twenty-one acres, from which they gathered nineteen bales of cotton." Very good. We suppose, at even very low prices for corn and cotton, they could sell their two crops for at least \$1,600. Nineteen bales on twenty-one acres is very far above the average—quite double.

The Surprise of All. Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with a severe cold, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Puma could do nothing for her. It was at this time that she saw a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery in store and selling lots of bottles. She bought a bottle and she took it every morning. To her surprise all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do good. R. R. Bellamy, Drug Store.

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North Carolina Monthlies. The Wake Forest student for February has a better magazine look than any previous number. It has 108 pages and the variety is considerable. It has fifteen contributions and in addition five editorial departments. Among the contributors are "Phosphorus," "Nanon's Polar Expedition and its Value to Science," "Denominationalism and Education," "Washington's Statesmanship," Matamoros, Mexico, &c. Other rival schools will have to wake up indeed to keep up with Wake Forest. It is clearly in the lead now. Price \$1.50 a year or 16 cents a copy. Published at Wake Forest, N. C. North Carolina Journal of Education for February is an excellent number of a capital monthly. It is by odds the best publication of its kind ever issued in North Carolina. Published at Greensboro, N. C. Southland is "A Journal of Patriotism, devoted to History and the Cause of Confederate Veterans." Published at Greenville, N. C., at 50 cents a year. Contains one single copy. North Carolina University Magazine look very neat in his white cover and striking type. This is number two of the new series. Its frontispiece is a finely executed picture of the "Alumni Building" which will prove to be a fine ornament to the noble campus. It is to be hoped that no young vandals will deface it as has been the case with the beautiful new building over the beat of wells. Among the articles are "Job and Sartor Resaurum," "The Physicians in the Convention of 1861," and "Alfred Lord Tennyson." Price \$1 a year or 25 cents a copy. Published at Chapel Hill.

Why Don't You Take Brown's Iron Bitters? It is a conversation a few days since with Colonel T. G. Walton, who by the way, talks intelligently on any subject, we learned that he was a believer in the use of a certain medicine in his fields of corn. The purpose of the corn is not to destroy corn, but to keep it from being destroyed. He says if crops were really destructive to corn they would be worse than an army with banners, for they would waste every corn field in the land. The retirement of President Hancock of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad, which is a matter of public interest, is a matter of public interest. The argument of some of the directors, it is stated, was that when the railroad was guilty of the serious charges preferred by Miss Allard, the New York Times, and other papers, the people of the state believed him to be guilty, and hence it would jeopardize the future of the railroad. Whether he is guilty or not, the matter is not to be determined by the newspaper. Those who have been permitted to read any of the state's newspapers already know of the corrupt, how to control the state's affairs, and the present crop have clearly shown the result. The state's affairs are in the hands of a few men, and one of these characters is to be vile and corrupted. There is a bill now pending in the state which would give the state a more competent officer, and for twenty years have our people a more efficient and reliable state government—Milton Ham.

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