

THE HICKORY DEMOCRAT.

Established 1899

HICKORY, N. C., THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 1908.

Democrat and Press, Consolidated 1905.

Extrats of Commencement Exercises Chapel Hill 1866.

From a copy of the Weekly Progress, Raleigh, N. C. June 16th, 1866, which is in possession of Misses Laura and Elva Powell we find many items of interest.

The following extracts from an account of the commencement at Chapel Hill will interest many of our readers. The exercises throughout were of a stirring and interesting character. On Tuesday evening the Freshman competitors declaimed in the following order:

Albert Sidney Johnson, P. D. Walker, Wilmington N. C.

Devotion of Lafayette to America, Willie Mavrick San Antonio Texas.

Earl of Chatham on the address to the throne, T. C. DeRosset, Wilmington, N. C.

The Conquered Banner, Blair Burwell, Louisburg N. C.

Stonewall Jackson, Paul B. Means, Cabarrus N. C.

Abolition of Slavery, Alfred T. Alston, Warren, N. C.

II

Richard to the Princes of the Crusade, Joseph C. Webb, Hillsboro, N. C.

Declaration of rights, Peter M. Wilson, Warrenton, N. C.

Spartacus to the Roman Envoy Edmund Jones Jr., Caldwell county N. C.

The men of the Ranks, Virginias McNider, Edenton N. G.

The Ruins of Time, Alonzo Phillips, Hillsboro N. C.

Political Conservatism, Geo. V. Cowper, Hertford, N. C.

Each student acquitted himself in such a manner as to show that care and thought had been expended in preparation for the occasion.

On Wednesday morning the Rev. Prof. Charles Phillips delivered the Valedictory address.

In the afternoon of the same day, those present were invited to the Dialectic hall to hear the address of Mr. Wm. C. Rencher, of Pittsboro. He was applauded throughout and won by this single effort a fine reputation for rhetorical elegance and finish.

Geo Swain occupied the chair as president of the proceedings there. Governors Graham, Worth and Vance, and several other prominent citizens had seats on the platform.

At night the sophomores contested in the following order.

Vallandigham on the great Civil war, Tabins H. Busbee, Raleigh N. C.

Emmett's Last Speech, Augustus W. Graham, Hillsboro, N. C.

Irish Aliens and English Victories Wm. D. Horner Granville, N. C.

Woman of the South, Grace R. Strayhorn, Hillsboro, N. C.

Memory of the Confederate Dead, Geo. G. Latta, Knoxville Tenn.

Eulogy on Lafayette, William S. Pearson, Morganton N. C.

III

The Bonnie Blue Flag, Edwin M. Fuller, Louisburg, N. C.

Address in behalf of the Greeks, Isaac H. Foust, Randolph N. C.

The Sublime and Beautiful, James W. Harper, Lenoir N. C.

The Ball at Brussels, Burgwyn McRae, Savannah, Ga.

The Crisis of Life, Wm. H. S. Burgwyn, Northampton N. C.

Right of a State to choose her Representatives, Paul B. Means, Cabarrus, N. C.

We do not feel inclined to draw discriminations where all performed so handsomely, but it was probably almost the unanimous sentiment that the laurel wreath was fairly won by Fabius H. Busbee of this city.

On Thursday at 10: a. m. Gov. Zebulon B. Vance delivered the annual address reviewing in a

very able and conservative style, the present situation of the country. He occupied an hour and a half, chiefly devoted to illustrating that the true policy of our people in obedience to the laws national and state and the vigorous pursuit of agricultural, mining and such other enterprises as are calculated to develop the wealth of our state and enrich her citizens.

He alluded to President Johnson in terms of high commendation.

In the afternoon the affair closed with the program below: Prayer and sacred music.

Salutatory Oration, Geo. Glover Newberne N. C.

Oration, Sine Quisque Fortunat Faberest, Abner H. Askew, Hertford N. C. Valedictory Oration, Wm. C. Rencher, Pittsboro N. C.

Annual Report to the Trustees. Conferring Degrees. Benediction.

MUST RENEW SUBSCRIPTION.

New Regulations of the Post Office Department Impose Heavy Burdens on Publishers.

You must renew your subscription to our newspaper or the publisher must pay higher rates of postage. Postmaster Willis G. Briggs yesterday notified the News and Observer that the law provides that papers cannot be sent to subscribers who have not renewed their subscriptions.

The Raleigh postmaster has been instructed to give a reasonable time—say three months—to obtain renewals from their subscribers to whom papers can be mailed at the second class rate only for the period which subscribers have been renewed, after which the charge will be computed under the rates for transient secondclass postage, or one cent for each four ounces or fraction thereof, prepaid by stamps affixed to the matter so mailed.

Under the new regulations the following time limit in which to obtain renewals has been fixed: For dailies, within three months; for semi-weeklies, within nine months, or weeklies, within one year; for semi-monthlies, within four months and for quarterlies within six months. The new regulations state that the right of a publisher to extend credit for subscriptions is not denied by these provisions, but his compliance with the regulations will be taken into consideration in determining whether the publication is entitled to transmission at the secondclass postage rates. Unless renewals are made within the period specified above, the subscriptions shall no longer be considered at the legitimate classification and copies so mailed will not be accepted at the secondclass postage rates.

The new regulations provide for a much stricter control of secondclass matter generally and the orders affecting the changes, which are published in the Daily Bulletin issued from the office of the Postmaster General in Washington cover three large pages of closely written matter.

It is intended that the subscription books of the various publications shall be open to the department for inspection, and that in this manner, if suspicion is aroused that the subscription lists are not bona fide, they may be examined and the publication removed from the secondclass rate of postage.—Raleigh News & Observer.

It Does the Business.

Mr. E. Chamberlain, of Clinton, Maine, says Bucklen's Arnica Salve. "It does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. Used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind."—C. M. Shuford; W. S. Martin and Menzies drug stores.

That Cruel Folly of Switching Correspondent Hickory Democrat.

The Democrat of Jan. 9 gives an interesting article under the caption, "The mother tiger cuffs her cubs." The writer of it says some good things. He favors civilization; he favors good schools; he condemns cruelty in dealing with children. He holds that every useful competent teacher is able to interest pupils and inspire them with a desire to learn. All this, and it is much I approve, as will forty-nine of every fifty teachers now at work in the state.

Some other things asserted by the writer referred to, I cannot endorse. He not only condemns cruelty and coarse clubbing and beating children; but he condemns all corporal punishment of them, even when designed by parents and teachers for necessary correction. He brands it all as barbarous savage, brutal.

This matter needs discussion, and the public press is the best means of airing it. The railroads and the liquor question are better understood by most people than the school question, especially school management.

The writer who so frankly favors us with his views, thinks that only a few teachers hold that whipping is necessary, only a small majority of them favor corporal punishment. Has he noticed that New York, after trying the beautiful theory of no corporal punishment in her public schools, is restoring it, for some children and for most of them at times, did not begin in "the dark age," and it will not pass away in the light of any possible civilization.

Every type of civilization passes away with the nation that has it. Ours will pass as all others have done.

The writer tells us that the tigress provokes cruelty in her young by cruel treatment of them. This I doubt, and humbly ask for evidence of the fact. I know of nothing of that kind in the animal kingdom.

Nearly fifty years ago, an old lady told us of seeing when she was a child, a mother bear spanking her cubs to teach them to climb a tree. The little ones cried with pain, but mother bear knew it was necessary for their education, to fit them for a higher and safer life.

The best principles of civilization, and the best rules for training and correcting children are stated in a certain old book. These principles have been tried in many nations and uniformly bring good results. One of the statements is:

"Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him." Another: "He that spareth his rod hateth his son, but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes, or diligently."

These truths will live, when all theories that reject them shall be forgotten.

J. S. KOINER.

Rank Foolishness.

"When attacked by a cold or a cough, or when your throat is sore, it is rank foolishness to take any other medicine than Dr. King's New Discovery," says C. O. Eldridge, of Empire, Ga. "I have used New Discovery seven years and I know it is the best remedy on earth for coughs and colds, croup and all throat and lung troubles. My children are subject to croup, but New Discovery quickly cures every attack." Known the world over as the King of throat and lung remedies. Sold under guarantee at C. M. Shuford; W. S. Martin and Menzies drug stores.

Waste in Lumbering Southern Appalachian Forests.

The forests of the Southern Appalachian Mountains have been cut so eagerly for the valuable hardwood they contain that very little virgin timber is left and about 85 per cent of the area is second growth.

The drain on these forests by many industries is immense. The lumbermen are going over the land for the third time. First they took only the prime oak and poplar saw timber. Next they took the oaks that were suited for barrel staves. Now they are after whatever merchantable trees are left, such as birch, chestnut, and gum.

Moreover, these forests have been, and still are, logged very wastefully. Nearly three-quarters of the timber cut for ties is wasted. Double or even treble the number of ties now cut could readily be secured from the same area without injury to the forest. By simply taking all the suitable trees, 125 ties could be cut from an acre which now yields only 60, and if all of the wood in them were fully utilized 170 additional ties per acre could be secured.

With mine timbers the story is the same. Fully 40 per cent of the timber handled in procuring them is entirely wasted.

Finally, fires are injuring the productiveness of the Appalachian forests by running over the ground and killing young growth.

Circular 118, just published by the Forest Service, discusses the whole question of managing to better advantage the second growth forests of the Appalachian region. The publication can be obtained of the Forester at Washington.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of
Wm. D. Hooper

A Cheap Job.

In one of the Middle States a man worth \$500,000 fell into a river from a rowboat, and he was sinking for the last time when a lad, 15 years old, jumped off a bridge, got him under the arms and held him up until assistance came. Next day the young life-saver was sent for and when he had come into the presence of the man whose life was saved, he was addressed with:

"Young man, you are a hero, and to show you how grateful I am, here is 50 cents for you!"

The boy took the money, but left it on the doorsteps as he went out. He thought the rich man would need it to buy potatoes with.

A Higher Health Level.

"I have reached a higher health level since I began using Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Jacob Springer, of West Franklin, Maine. "They keep my stomach, liver and bowels working just right." If these pills disappoint you on trial, money will be refunded at C. M. Shuford; W. S. Martin and Menzies drug stores, 25c.

Cone After a Thief.

High Point, N. C., Jan. 20—Officer J. P. Myers left this morning for Newton to bring back A. W. Boyd, wanted here for alleged stealing of a pair of pants and a pair of shoes belonging to two of the men where he boarded while at work here. He also skipped without paying his landlady a board bill of \$12.50. The young man will have to pay off the board bill and all and all costs in going after him and put up a cash bond at least \$50 or accompany the officer back here today.

Who pays the freight for this extra session of the Legislature? It is given out that the railroads will cough up \$17,500 of the cash.—Watauga Democrat.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, in the death of W. R. Gwaltney, D. D., Hickory Baptist Church has lost a faithful, efficient, and devoted pastor, who for nearly ten years went in and out before us, breaking into us the bread of life and giving to every one his portion in due season; and Whereas, for nearly half a century he was a tried and true minister of the Gospel, and the life he lived in the sight of all men was a shining example of Christian piety and service; and Whereas, he was obedient to the great command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," seeking not his own but the Master's will, and laboring so earnestly to build up the waste places that he was instrumental in the erection of many church buildings:

Therefore be it resolved: First, That we are grateful to God for such a man, and for such a life, and for such an example of faithfulness to duty.

Second, That this church has been greatly strengthened by his ministrations, its membership has been increased two fold, its contributions to the various objects have been more than doubled, a new and commodious building has been erected, and the branch churches in West Hickory and Brookford have been established.

Third, That the Baptist denomination has lost one of its soundest preachers, one of its most zealous workers, and one of its safest and wisest leaders, one who was prominently identified with every department of our denominational work.

Fourth, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the faithful and devoted wife, the children, and other members of his family.

Fifth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Church, and published in the Biblical Recorder and the city papers.

B. F. WHITESIDE
J. F. CLICK
T. M. HUFHAM

Pork and Cotton.

We think the price for pork should keep along with the price of cotton as it cost as much or more to raise a pound of pork than a pound of cotton. Before January 1st pork brought this season nine to eleven cents which was none too much considering the trouble and expense in raising it. These prices look a little high to the buyer who does not have to prepare the feed for the hogs but the seller does not find himself getting rich any too fast. We remember when time merchants furnished farmers meat for cotton pound and it was thought to be about right. The Southern farmer has an advantage in selling pork over the Western farmer as he usually gets much more per pound for it. Pork at 5 and 6 cents per pound in the South is no better than cotton at these prices and we hope prices will never go so low again. If pork can be sold at an average of 10 cents there is money in it to the man who is prepared to keep hogs and knows how to manage them.—Farmer.

Chief of Police Shot Down.

Reidsville, Jan. 19—Chief of Police A. E. Pettigrew was shot by Ed Penn, a negro of desperate character, near Reidsville late this afternoon. Penn yesterday shot at a negro at the rock quarry, but the loads did not take effect. A posse of officers from Reidsville went to arrest him. Penn had barricaded his house and as the posse was going up to it he opened fire with a gun. He then escaped to the woods. A half hundred Reidsville citizens went to the scene to make the arrest.

In Memoriam of W. J. Southerland.

In the Advent Season that is set apart to prepare us primarily for the first coming of our Lord, the Ancient church was careful to select such words as would carry on our minds to the thought of another Advent of our Lord. "Watch ye, therefore for ye know not when the Master of the house cometh, at eve or at midnight, or at the cock crowing or in the morning, lest coming suddenly He find you sleeping. St. Mark 13 35 36. The Advent days had indeed hidden us "Watch" and when those echoes had died away, with the coming of the New Year, came the Master of the house to fulfill His gracious words. At midday Jan 2nd 1908 with the prayer of the church commending his soul to the hands of his God, as into the hands of a faithful Creator and most merciful Savior, the call of his master came to William J. Southerland. From 1867, now 40 years, he had gone in and out among us, a quiet, peaceable man. Among the first to hear and answer the call to arms for his native state and beloved South, he also heard and answered the call of a Higher Master to enter his service and serve in His ranks. So he became an continued a life-long unostentatious member of the Holy church, planted here among men, to shelter, to teach, to train them for the Kingdom that is invisible for the life that is free and full of glory. It is something to live here nearly three score years and leave no dark, nor painful memory behind. And so we leave him! May light perpetual shine upon him and his soul find rest and peace! J. S. M.

"They are all gone into the world of light I see them walking in an air of glory where light doth trample on my days. My days which are at best but dull and heavy, mere glemmerings and decays."

The Woven Web.

The Buronion Literary Society of Lenoir college which produced in December last the play, "The Woven Web" has decided to reproduce the same on the night of Jan. 27. The play this time is to be given in the Academy of Music instead of in the college Auditorium. Many who wished to see the play in December were prevented from doing so by the inclement weather. It is to be hoped this time that there will be fair weather and that all who wish may have an opportunity of seeing the play. The play itself is an excellent one and was well produced, as was attested by all those fortunate enough to attend the first performance.

The Hen, She Flew.

In the town of Ionia, Mich., a big speckled hen was pecking for food on the main street. A boy saw her and, of course, he hunted for a stone and took "peg" at her. The hen was struck and frightened and away she flew. In her flight she dashed against and shattered a plate glass worth \$40. in a store window, and the crash frightened a farmer's team into running away, and one of the horses was killed. The boy's father has been sued for damages, and we shall learn whether a boy has a legal right to stir up any old hen he happens to come across. It's too bad the hen has no lawyer. What he could say would be interesting.

Don't fail to go to W. O. Player's furniture store when you want a picture framed in the best of style.

What Evening Times Thinks Ribald Attack on Governor and Legislature.

"We had almost written it, The Triangular Whip, and we hasten to explain that we're right glad the error introduced itself to our notice so promptly.

For there is not, and under existing conditions there hardly could be, a triangular whip—not in the Legislature that has been called into extraordinary session for tomorrow.

But there is a triangle of whips, and for aught we know there may be a fourth and fifth one held in reserve.

And, stranger still, not one of them is a legitimate legislative 'whip' as gentlemen of each party in Congress and in some legislatures understand and recognize them. But all three are political bastards grasped by self-constituted party bosses who think or try to make others think they can kill and make make alive.

In the present instance they have the distinction of claiming the power to make 170 free North Carolinians, selected because they are believed to have brains and minds and courage of their own, do their bidding—whatever the private and individual, thinking of these legislators may be.

They have the distinction of claiming the power to dictate the nomination of the next Democratic candidates for high offices, from United States Senator and Governor and Attorney General on down the list.

And, moreover, they are going to crack their whips in your ears, Mr. Lawmakers and tell you what you must and shall do in the matter of legislation at this special session.

And so we are wondering this evening, just on the eve of the assembling of this extraordinary Legislature, whether it will bear the lashing and how much.

And when the lashing begins whose whip will crack the loudest and most effectively—the prohibition-pickled rod of the old unreliarable, the vaulting cracker of ambition, directly under the speaker, down stairs, or that of the legislative train-wrecker (politely yelped Edward Jingo) as he gathers about his footstools the alleged 'devoted little band' of drivers.

Hark! Hark! To the chase! The lock up is in sight—and God save us all, gentlemen!"

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of
Wm. D. Hooper

Boy's Idea of Baby.

"Pop!"
"Yes, my son."
"Did the stork bring that baby of ours?"
"Yes my boy."
"Guess he was mighty glad to get rid of it, it cries so much!"

A Word to Subscribers.

The Post Office Department at Washington City has made a ruling that publishers of weekly news papers cannot send their papers to subscribers who are more than one year behind without paying extra postage on same. This ruling means much to publishers. It was to be put in effect January 1st, but upon the earnest pleas of publishers for more time the Department has granted an extension of time to April 1st, 1908. We are soon going to begin sending out statements to all our subscribers who are behind as much as one year. We are not doing this to displease or offend, but since the Post Office Department has made its recent ruling, we are compelled to do this as a matter of business.

Subscribe for the Democrat.