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THE PASSING OF THE OLD DEPOT

HAS BEEN AN ANTIQUATED EYE SORE FOR 21 YEARS.

OLDEST INHABITANT TALKS

The Old Structure Was Moved South Once, And Raised High, The Steps Being The Delight Of Loafers--The New Depot.

Written for the Democrat by Dr. R. Wood Brown.

We live in the past. The instant a thought is verbally expressed or an act performed, it becomes a memory; the future is problematical, the present instantaneous. This being axiomatic, it necessarily follows that those things most cherished happened so long ago, that it requires remembering by association to make them almost real again, and to many of us they are so realistic that we are many times controlled by the same emotions which we thought could not be duplicated and bring back to us poignant grief or ecstatic joy.

The Fool's Revenge

As Presented by Edwin Booth.

Hickory is offered a rare treat in the presentation of "The Fool's Revenge" at Lenoir College, Monday night Dec. 2, the tragedy of the Fool's Revenge. One of the best works of the English dramatist and poet, Tom Taylor--was first acted in 1859 at Sadlers Well's Theatre in London. Samuel Phelps--a tragedian much admired on the English stage, equally as a scholar and an artist represented Bertuccio.

In April, 1864, Edwin Booth brought out this tragedy at Niblos Theatre, New York. Then under the management of William Wheatly. His choice of the text, his stage direction, and certain alteration of the piece, made by him, are seen in the present production.

"The Fool's Revenge" is to be considered as almost exclusively, a work of imagination. It is the combined story of Victor Hugo's "Le Roi S'Amuse" and the Opera Rigoletto. History enters but slightly into its texture. The depravity and the gaily profligate manners of the corrupt luxurious little Italian Courts of the fifteenth century are, however, shadowed forth in its incidents and test. Bentivoglio is an historic name. The death of Galleotto, Manfredie at the hands of his wife is historical. The action of this piece was assigned to 1483, Venice had then passed the meridian of her greatness, and all Italy was broken into petty states, the middle ages were coming to an end. Bertuccio, The Fool, an impossibility now, does not seem out of place in that age of cruelty, splendour, romance, passion, change, and general upheaval and strife. The character is in some of its aspects, repulsive; but it is redeemed from the category of utterly abhorrent dramatic creations by its vein of tenderness, and by the pathos of the experience which is left to have distorted its virtue; and turned its gentleness into insane fury.

During the past month the characters of the play as will be presented at Lenoir College have been under the careful training of the coach--Miss Esther Shultz, of Kings School of Oratory, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. She has been under the personal direction of Dr. King and his able faculty preparatory for presenting this play in the most striking artistic manner. She is unusually well equipped for dramatic work and has carefully selected characters to powerfully portray the wonderful emotions which are constantly set forth in the lines of the poet.

Great efforts are being made to have the scenery for each act new and something unique. The swords as well as all costumes will be procured from King's School--Pittsburg. The dress will be the style worn in Venice 1598. All lovers of the drama will be more than pleased with the performance as the lines although Shakespearean in style are very explicit and yet pregnant with sound philosophy.

Bertuccio or the Court Fool is one of the greatest characters ever presented, equals any Shylock, Hamlet, or Othello. This masterpiece will be presented at Lenoir College Monday night, December 2.

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COMMENT

POE FOR GOVERNOR.

Mr. Clarence H. Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, mentioned for secretary of agriculture under Wilson. But a Editor Josephus Daniels seems to be slated for a job in the cabinet. Mr. Poe probably does not stand much of a chance, as it would not do to put two Tar Heels in the cabinet, as other states would be jealous of the double honor. Meantime in this connection we want to name Mr. Poe for Governor next time. There is no abler material in sight.

FOR A BIGGER, BETTER FAIR IN 1913.

The Fair for 1912, is over and it is not too early to begin to plan for 1913.

In the first place, the Fair has outgrown the streets, and it is absolutely essential that we have our own grounds for 1913.

Permanent buildings should be located, and grounds close in should be secured. The Poultry Department was not up to former years in quantity, but the quality was good. Possibly the entrance fee was a little high for the farmer.

The Dairy Department was not up to the standard; and there should have been five times as many entries as there were.

Horses and colts were missing, and we must make a stronger effort to get the colts out.

The Dairy cattle were up to other years, but the beef cattle men did not exhibit.

The Field Crop displays were extremely poor for Catawba County. One local union made a good display; and another year, we hope 15 or 20 locals will take part.

The Women's Department was good, and they deserve credit for their fine displays.

The Girl's Tomato Club was well represented, and Miss Maude Eckard deserves the thanks of the Association for her splendid work. She is a very valuable worker for the betterment of Agriculture in Catawba County. May she have more funds and be able to do more to get more girls interested another year.

More and better hogs, and bet-qualities should be our aim another year.

No more carnivals and fakirs. Ever since the first Fair, we have been able to keep out the fakir, but this year in an unguarded moment he crept in; in the future he should be made to give Hickory a wide berth during Fair week.

Now, let all pull together for a better, for a bigger Fair, more exhibits, better premiums, own our own grounds, all for 1913.

SOME OBSERVATIONS ON THE ELECTION IN CATAWBA COUNTY

Four years ago, the Democratic party lost the County; the Republicans won every County officer but the treasurer and Register of Deeds, and this was a tie vote. Two years ago, we carried the County again. The people have entrusted the affairs of the County into Democratic hands, surrounding counties have gone Republican or divided the ticket. The good County of Cabarrus, composed mainly of the same class of people as Catawba, joined the ranks of the Republicans.

How did we hold Catawba Democratic in a Presidential year? It was done by hard work on the part of the County Chairman and the various precinct chairmen and workers in the Democratic party, by a thorough canvass of the County by the County candidates, by putting up men of ability for the various County offices, by appealing to the independent vote of whom there are legion in Catawba County; by the hearty cooperation and hard work of the Democratic press last (but not least)

READING MATTER FOR PROGRESSIVES.

The editor of the Democrat first learned the worth of some of the choicest men of North Carolina from the late J. P. Caldwell, when serving under him on the staff of the Charlotte Observer. One of these was Mr. R. F. Beasley, editor of the Monroe Journal. For the ability, versatility, democracy, political orthodoxy and courage of conviction of this man, Mr. Caldwell had a genuine admiration. The files of the Observer in those old days that have fled will show many a paragraph commending "Beasley." So in rapport were these two that when the Observer needed a new man, Mr. Caldwell called us into his office one day to ask our judgment upon the question of securing Mr. Beasley as an addition to the Observer's staff. It was with keen regret that he learned that the Monroe man did not feel warranted in leaving his home town. We mention these things because it will give our readers some idea of our appreciation following letter quoted in part from Mr. Beasley. Dear Brother Banks--

I was much interested in your reference to your letter from Mr. Norman Hagood, and thought that you might not object to having a word from me on the subject. I do not know whether you are familiar with The Public or not, but I am writing this to say that if you are not I hope you will subscribe for it. I enclose a little booklet. I subscribe for and read The Public, the Commoner, LaFollette's, Colliers, Everybody's and the Saturday Evening Post, the Outlook and Literary Digest besides occasional magazines like The American, World's Work, etc. I would surrender any of them rather than than The Public, modest little sheet that it is.

I enclose copy of editorial from the Carolina Democrat of this week. I want you to get in line with those of us who want to do something in North Carolina and help us out. It is time for the people of this state to begin to think something of endeavor along ethical lines and not surrender to the gross injustice and unsatisfying influence of ignorant commercialism.

You are a college bred man of culture, sympathy and high purpose. We are getting more of that class in journalism in the state. It is time for us to begin to give tone and leadership before the thinking of the state has forever surrendered to the gross philosophy of the mere fatbellies. Come on in with us where you belong.

Very truly,  
R. F. Beasley.

Thanks, Beasley, We are all ready in, and the water's fine!

Carnegie Corporation to Pension Ex-Presidents.

Future ex-President of the United States are to be pensioned in the sum of \$25,000 each annually by action of the Carnegie Corporation of New York today. The grant is provided for with the idea of enabling former Executives of the Nation to devote their unique knowledge gained in public affairs to the public good, free from pecuniary care. A similar part is to be paid widows of ex-Presidents as long as they remain unmarried.

The pensions are to be promptly offered to the ex-Presidents or their widows so that no application will be required from them. Payment is to be continued so long as the recipients remain-unprovided for by the Government.

"There could be no better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. My children were all sick with whooping cough. One of them was in bed had a high fever and was coughing up blood. Our doctor gave them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the first dose eased them, and three bottles cured them," says Mrs. R. A. Donaldson of Lexington, Miss. For sale by all dealers.

Dr. Russell Restores Sight Lost For 29 Years.

Dr. E. R. Russell, of Asheville, one of the South's most brilliant specialists, who got his start in Hickory, and married a Hickory girl, (Miss Fannie Medler), has performed an operation, the story of which reads like a miracle. The Asheville correspondent of the Charlotte Observer tells it as follows: After groping her way through darkness for 29 years, Miss Lella Cameron, a young woman of Marion is able to see for the first time in her life, thanks to an operation performed on her today by Dr. E. Reid Russell, a former Charlotte physician. Miss Cameron came to Asheville yesterday, and the first operation, on her left eye, was performed then. She was able to see at the conclusion of that operation, and today she had the second operation on the right eye, completely giving her sight. The cause of Miss Cameron's blindness was an opaque substance, which filled the pupils of her eyes and did not allow the transmission of light to the inner eye. The operation consisted in cutting through this substance, making a "window" through which the rays of light could reach the inner eye, and virtually furnishing an artificial pupil for the eye. For a few minutes after gaining her sight, it was again endangered by the emotions to which Miss Cameron gave way when she found she could really see. She is a very fine musician, and despite her troubles, had been teaching music at Marion. All her relatives, with the exception of one, opposed to her consulting a specialist and this one brought her to Asheville, where the operation was successfully performed.

Albert Corpening.

Albert Corpening was born in the Fatherland in 1749. He came to Pennsylvania with his father in 1751. He met Barbara Propst in Pennsylvania. She was born in 1754. The two were married in Pennsylvania in 1774 and emigrated to North Carolina, making their home in what is now Caldwell county, locating on a good farm on Lower Creek. Here they raised a family, all their children being born in North Carolina. About the year 1803, Corpening deeded his land to some of his children and removed to Burke county where he purchased a farm from Gen. Joseph McDowell. It was located in the beautiful and fertile John's river valley. Here he and his wife ended their pilgrimage in peace and contentment. They both departed this life nearly about the same time in the year 1827. One of the daughters of Albert Corpening was Elizabeth, who was married to George Summey in 1808. They made their home in what is now Catawba county. They owned the Wolf House farm where James Wilkoff now lives. Albert T. Summey and D. F. Summey were two sons of this union, and made their homes in Asheville, N. C. Albert married a Miss Morrison and was the father of Rev. George Summey, now a leading minister in the Southern Presbyterian church, D. F. Summey practiced medicine in Asheville for many years, and died at Leicester, Buncombe county about a year ago. Both were men of fine abilities, who served well their day and generation, and left large families. J. H. SHUFORD

Newton Boy Escapes from State Prison.

Newton Correspondence Observer, 22nd Pat Thorneburg, son of George Thorneburg of this place, sentenced to a year in the State prison, escaped from the State farm October 10, and arrived here last night on the Carolina & North-Western mixed train; was reported and arrested this morning at 4 o'clock by chief B. S. Owens, who lodged him in the county jail. The boy is in his middle teens, and prior to his sentence had engaged in numerous escapades. His last was larceny of some athletic goods from the graded school building. Efforts were made to get him in the reformatory but it was full, so the court last July sent him down to Raleigh. He has been kept on the farms ever since. It is been reported that he threw in the emergency brake on the train last night, at the point about two miles south of town, and brought the train to a sudden stop, made his landing and went to the home of his uncle, Charles Davidson, where the police chief found him. A movement was on foot to get the lad pardoned.

Home Mission Week.

The first week in January, beginning with New Year's Eve, the churches of the town will unite in several services of prayer and study of the different classes of people in America who need our interest and prayers. These include our frontiers, the Indians, Negroes, Immigrants, City Social conditions, and settlement work and our mountain people. Speakers have been selected to deliver addresses on these topics. The exercises will be held in several of the churches. In connection with the above three interesting events are being arranged for. One is a missionary baseball match between two teams of boys and girls, who are studying a book called "Winning the Oregon Country." These teams will have a contest and score on a series of questions on the book mentioned. Another feature is a dramatization of "Winning the Oregon Country" in a play entitled "Two Thousand Miles For A Book." This will be an Indian play, and will describe how the Indians sent from Oregon to St. Louis in 1894 to obtain the White Man's Book of Heaven, and now at last the missionaries arrived in Oregon with the Book. An Indian love story of Hiouts-tohan and Katequa is woven through the play. This play is in charge of Miss Ruth Abernethy who has made a cast of the play among the young people. It will be given about a month. The third is the indictment of Christian America for her neglect of the people in her borders who are her natural or providential charges. There will be a judge, attorneys, jury, witnesses, etc, and the trial will proceed according to law.

Four Gunmen Must Die.

Gyp, The Blood, "Lefty Louie," "Dago Frank" and "White Lewis" killed Herman R.enthal the gambler, at the instigation of Police Lieutenant Chas. Becker, and must pay the penalty of death in the electric chair. The jury which has been hearing the evidence against the four gunmen, so decided Tuesday when they returned a verdict of murder in the first degree after but twenty minutes' deliberation. The gunmen heard the verdict pronounced against them without showing any emotion. They stood at the bar looking straight ahead as the foreman of the jury made known the result of their deliberations and they continued to stare stolidly in front of them until the formalities of the proceedings were concluded.

More Warehouses

Henderson Gold Leaf. President H. Q. Alexander of the Farmers Union is agitating the building of a more extensive system of warehouses in North Carolina to enable the farmers to hold their cotton off the market during periods of depression and have a safe and well-conducted place wherein to store the staple. President Alexander has been in conference recently with other officials of the organization looking into this proposition, but no decision has been announced as to their determination to take it up within the immediate future.

Mr. Wade Run Down

Down at Hasty, N. C., lives a well known planter. Mr. J. D. Wade. Says he: "I was run down almost to the point of giving up. I took two bottles of King's Iron Tonic Bitters and now am as good as ever. I took other tonics but found nothing to compare with King's." Sold and guaranteed by all medicine dealers.

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STATE NEWS

The meeting of the North Carolina Press Association will be held at Salisbury Dec. 11 and 12. Trips to the Whitley power plant, and to the Spencer railroad shops are on the program. The Salisbury Industrial Club, which Mr. Jas. H. Warburton, is the efficient manager, is putting the big kettle in the little one to give the editors a good time. Fredell is to have a county commissioner of agriculture like Catawba, the place has been offered to My John A. Avery but he will probably not be able to accept. John H. Thompson died of heart failure at his home five miles from Lenoir Nov. 20. The Lenoir News is urging a commission form of government for its town. Mr. W. P. Ingram, after a long and lingering illness, died at his home, in East Taylorsville on that Sunday morning, aged 61 years.--Taylorsville Scout. The Morrison Grocery and Produce Company has shipped about 300,000 pounds of dried fruit, from Alexander, this season. This means near \$15,000 for the farmers of the county. Miss Adeline Rountree was married with a beautiful and elaborate ceremony in the Morganton Methodist Church Nov. 20 to Mr. Sterling Ruffin Collett, Rev. H. H. Jordan performing the ceremony. The best man was Mr. A. M. Ingold. They went to New York on their honeymoon. Miss Mabel Sides, of Connelly Springs, gave a party in honor of her guests, Miss Mamie Sue Johnson, of Hickory, and Miss Claudia Kale, of Newton. Excellent music was rendered by Miss Lucile Goode. Mr. G. Frazier Brittain has made the best record so far reported as an Irish potato raiser. He planted two bushels of "Bay State" and gathered 55 bushels. The ground was about one-fourth acre.--Morganton News Herald. Avery county officials lodged in Boone jail last Saturday evening a negro by the name of Bridges, of Banner Flk., who "touched" the cash drawer in the depot at Elk Park on Friday for the sum of \$39.00. The negro was arrested purely on suspicion but made a full confession of his guilt, returning all of the money save one dollar, which he had appropriated.--Democrat. On account of the lingering illness of his wife, our popular and much-beloved pastor, Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, will be unable to attend Annual Conference at High Point this week. It is taken for granted that the pastor will be returned to this work, for, barring the time he has lost on account of the illness of Mrs. Holloway, he has succeeded well in every branch of his work. He, in the opinion of his members, is needed here for another year at least.--Boone Democrat. The Hickory Nut Sanford Express. The hickory nut crop this Fall is said to be the largest in many years. The accepted belief among the older inhabitants who live by tradition and give precedence to old sayings is that this means a hard Winter. At any rate the hickory trees are laden with the fruit and many a youngster spends much time these beautiful Autumn days gathering in the nuts. The squirrels are also busy and many a nut will be stored away by them for Winter use. A Profitable Apple Tree Elkin Tribune. Mr. C. A. Smith showed us a picture this week of an apple tree from which he gathered 40 bushels of as fine apples as any section of country can produce. The apples were of the York Imperial variety. Mr. Smith told us that the gentleman he sold his apples to received \$95 for the lot, and it being in October when the market was glutted with fruit. Porto Rico's New Wonder From far away Porto Rico come reports of a wonderful new discovery that is believed will vastly benefit the people. Ramon T. Marchan, of Barceloneta, writes "Dr. King's New Discovery is doing splendid work here. It cured me about five times of terrible coughs and colds, also my brother of a severe cold in his chest and more than 20 others, who used it on my advice. We hope this great medicine will yet be sold in every drug store in Porto Rico." For throat and lung troubles it has no equal. A trial will convince you of its merit. 50c and \$1.00 trial bottle free. Guaranteed by C. M. Shuford, Moser & Lutz and Grimes, by all medicine dealers.

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