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This issue begins the fifth volume of the LINCOLN COURIER. Through four years we have fought the battles and enjoyed the pleasures common to editors of the country newspapers.

We return our many thanks to all friends of the COURIER for their past kindnesses and trust the future will furnish ample prosperity to us all.

To Every N. C. Teacher.

An event of special importance to the teachers of North Carolina will be the eighth annual session of THE NORTH CAROLINA TEACHER'S ASSEMBLY at Morehead City, June 16 30, 1891.

Men and women of the highest reputation and success in our State, representing every department of education, will be present to meet you and give you their thoughts and views in professional work.

The meeting will be one of unusual educational value, such as ambitious and progressive teachers cannot afford to lose. It will be a time to make most pleasant and valuable acquaintances, renew and strengthen old friendships, exchange professional experiences with those who are working in lines like your own, and to get broader, deeper and more practical conceptions of popular education.

The results of such a delightful meeting of our teachers as has been planned for the coming session of the Assembly are certain to increase the interest of all our people in education; and to establish our schools on a more prosperous basis than ever before.

The will be full and free presentation and discussion of such methods of teaching as are adapted to the peculiar conditions of our educational systems, public and private.

Teachers cannot be too strongly urged to be present who desire to become more efficient in their work; to know why the most successful members of the profession succeed; to secure a good school position or a change of location for the fall term; to gain a new educational inspiration, or to recover from the fatigue of a school term by the refreshing sea breeze and the exhilaration of an ocean bath.

The expenses of your trip will be exceedingly light—a two weeks' visit to the Assembly, including round-trip railroad fare from the most distant portion of the State and first-class board at the famous Atlantic Hotel, need not cost over \$25. The total average expense of attendance for the entire session, including railroad fare and board, will not exceed \$18. The professional and social value of the meeting to a teacher will be many times greater than the slight expense of attendance.

The annual fees for membership in the Teachers Assembly are \$2 for males and \$1 for females. Upon payment of the fee, to the Secretary or Treasurer, a "Certificate of Mem-

bership" will be furnished, which will entitle the holder to all special railway and hotel rates and every privilege of the Assembly session. Friends of education, upon recommendation of County Superintendents, are permitted to attend the Assembly on same terms as teachers.

The various railroads of the State have made, specially for the Assembly, a very liberal rate of about one and a half cents a mile each way. Tickets are good to return any time within six weeks, and permit stopping over on the return trip. The great Atlantic Hotel gives first-class accommodations to all who hold certificates of membership at a uniform rate of only \$1 per day. The boatmen make reductions for sailing and fishing parties so that these delights may be constantly participated in by all.

The popular and eloquent Rev. T. DeWitt Taimege has been engaged for a lecture on Friday evening, June 19th, at the Assembly.

It will be necessary to show your certificate of membership to the railroad agent at your station when purchasing the teachers' ticket to Morehead City. Be sure that your baggage is checked through to Morehead City.

A cordial invitation is extended to teachers and friends of education of other States to visit the Assembly and enjoy with us the privileges of the session and the delights of the sojourn at our "Educational Capital by the Sea."

CHAS. D. McIVER, Pres., EUGENE G. HARRILL, Sec.

Diseases of the Horse.

The North Carolina Experiment Station will, in a few days, at its own expense, distribute several hundred copies of that complete and valuable work on the "Diseases of the Horse," issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. The work is eminently practical, has nearly 600 pages, and is illustrated with forty-four lithographic cuts, many of them in color. The best veterinarians of America have contributed to its pages. The book should be consulted by all horse and mule owners. It will be free of charge, for the use of sub-Alliance or Granges, upon application from secretaries, as long as the supply lasts. See that your secretary makes an application at once. If any copies are left, they will be sent to individual names in the order in which they are received. Address Dr. H. B. Battle, Director, Raleigh, N. C.

Hested by Caterpillars.

The Carolina Central trainmen have been having a peculiar experience with caterpillars for four or five days past, and it is something unheard of in the railroad history of this State. Just east of Lumberton is what is known as the "Big Swamp" and the railroad goes through it on trestle work, broken here and there in the more solid portions of the swamp by solid embankments of earth.

Last Tuesday an army of caterpillars began moving out of the swamp and when they reached the rails, they massed on the railroad and proceeded to cross on the trestles. The rails and ties were covered inches deep with the moving mass, and the first train that encountered them was brought to a dead standstill, the driving wheels of the engine slipping around as if the rails had been thoroughly oiled. The engineer exhausted the contents of his sandbox before he got through the swamp and reached a clear stretch of track. It was thought that trip would be the end of the caterpillar trouble, but the very next day a train encountered another army of caterpillars crossing the trestle, and had the same difficulty. The Charlotte bound passenger train yesterday had a similar experience, and a passenger says the scene was something truly wonderful. The rail and cross-ties of the trestle were actually obscured from sight by the masses of caterpillars, and the ground and swamps on each side of the track were littered with the matted fragments of millions of the caterpillars from the wheels of preceding trains, and from this mass an unendurable stench arose. Where the caterpillars came from is not known. The farmer on this side of the swamp express no uneasiness for the safety of their crops, so long as the advancing army persists in using the trestle as its means of getting across the stream, for none of them have got more than half way

across before a train would come along and convert them into fertilizer. It is very trying, although, on the railroads.

Orleans Items.

We all wished for quite awhile it would quit raining, now we are all wishing it would begin again. It is so dry the cotton will not come up and much of the land is entirely too hard to plow.

Mr. William Wise who has been very sick with typhoid fever is well again.

The five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Burton McClard who live near Keeverville was buried at Bess' Obapel last Tuesday. Meningitis is said to have been the cause of death.

The nine year old son of Mr. Hildebrand for several weeks has been almost hopelessly ill. His physicians say he has had cerebro-spinal meningitis (the so called "Spotted fever.") For the past three weeks he has been recovering and is able to walk about. There has been no other case in the community and it is supposed that the trouble was contracted at Clifton S. C., from which place he came shortly before his sickness. We learn that some have died at that place with symptoms of this disease. This case was a very severe and a typical one.

Mr. Robert Hull and Miss Eaker both of this county were married yesterday morning at the residence of Esq. T. E. Foster.

Mr. Gideon Anthony had the misfortune to lose his horse a few days ago. S. A. M. Orleans, N. C. May, 4th 91.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, RALEIGH.

In accordance with the expressed desire of the Southern Inter-State Immigration Convention held in the city of Asheville, N. C., in December last, and in compliance with the will of a large number of leading citizens from each section of the State, I hereby call a convention of all those interested in the upbuilding of North Carolina to assemble in the city of Raleigh on the 15th day of May, at 5 P. M., in the Commons Hall of the State. The object of the convention is to secure a United effort on the part of the citizens of North Carolina to cooperate with the Southern Inter-State Immigration Bureau in developing the natural advantages and making known the great opportunities offered to capitalists, manufacturers and to honest, law-abiding people who desire to secure homes in a genial climate among a hospitable, moral and Christian people.

Signed, THOS. M. HOLT, Governor.

County Matters.

The Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County met in regular session. T. H. Hoke Ch'm, presiding. All the members of the Board were present. The following business came before them: Ordered that P F Baxter be paid \$93 65, keeper of the "Home for the Aged and Infirm," and \$47.16 for lumber and building house; J B Luckey, Sheriff, \$65.15, jail fees, &c, for April; J C Bess, \$27.00 for provisions furnished Bill Wise, a pauper; C E Childs, C S C, \$9.29 for blanks, etc.; H A Shrum, \$4.09 for lumber for public road; J H Tutshrow, \$1.33 for winding clock 1 mo; Monroe Taylor, \$2.50 for support of daughter; Bill Buck, \$2.50 for support of wife; B E Hamrick, D S, \$6.55 for delivery of Jackson Sisk; W L Crouse, M D, \$15.50, professional services at Home for the Aged and Infirm; W L Crouse & Co, \$6.25 medicine for Aged and Infirm; A L Cherry, services as Com., \$10.80; J E Reinhardt, \$8.10; T H Hoke, \$6; P A Reep, \$7.95; W M Hall, \$9.60; B C Wood, \$10.86, services as clerk, &c, for April; J C King, \$16.20, taking Wm Huss, insane, to Asylum.

Ordered that Mary Bartlette be sent to the Home for the Aged and Infirm.

County lables, Spring Term, 1891, was received from USC and ordered to be paid.

A petition asking that the order passed at the April meeting, granting a new road from the 5 mile post on the Dallas road to the Paper Mill church on the Lincolnton and Paper Mill road, was filed and continued.

Bishop Galloway said in his sermon last Sunday at Laurinburg that nothing made him so sick at heart as to see preachers all over this country trying to imitate Sam Jones—Rockingham Rocket.

An Able Speech by a Colored Statesman.

The negroes and a large number of white citizens of Lincolnton were treated Thursday night of last week, to an able and highly entertaining discourse by Jno. H. Williamson, of Raleigh, one of the most intelligent colored men of the State.

He began his speech by saying that this was the third time he had been to Lincolnton. He addressed his people here 10 years ago on the subject of Prohibition. 33 years ago he said he went through here a slave. His mission here Thursday night was to address the people in the interest of the State Industrial Fair for the colored race to be held at Raleigh. He was loud in his praises of his native State and of the South and said the South was the place for the negro. Go where the negro may and he would find opposition. There is more opposition to the race at the North than here. They at the North would not hesitate to tell them, when they go up there, to go back to the South that is the place for them. He said there was too much dabbling in politics. He gave numerous anecdotes and witticisms that elicited loud applause both from the whites and the colored. He gave his people wholesome advice as to politics and morality. His speech touching moral questions was forcible and eloquent. He said religion did not consist in hollering and shouting but was in honesty and right doing. He dwelt upon this subject at some length and his remarks along this line were especially pointed and manly.

He contended that the negro ought to accumulate property, because it would greatly elevate him above his present condition.

His speech in full would be interesting reading, and would be especially instructive and valuable to the colored citizens if they would study it and act accordingly; but we cannot reproduce it.

Williamson said truly when he complimented the negroes of Lincolnton. We have heard white men say that upon the whole the colored people of this community are commendable. Of course there are some exceptions, but the exceptions are comparatively small.

Such negroes as Williamson and such speeches as he delivered here Thursday night will greatly aid in building up the colored race in honesty, morality and intelligence.

Popular Everywhere.

Judge Hoke is a very pleasant judge, and has made a favorable impression on our people. His decisions are prompt and fair. Although a comparatively young man, he is well established in the law, and has no trouble in arriving at decisions.—Watauga Democrat.

An Heir to a War Relic.

The following from the Baltimore Sun was sent to the COURIER in an envelope:

In the latter part of 1865, at the close of the war, when the federal troops were passing by through Baltimore to their Northern homes, Mr. John Worick found a knapsack on a vacant lot in East Baltimore. In it was found a well-worn copy of the New Testament, upon the fly leaf of which was written in a neat hand "B. Taylor Jetton, Co. I, 11th Regiment, Lincolnton, N. C. From Lt. L. J. Hoyle." Mr. Worick carried the book home and guarded it sacredly. Last Christmas his daughter, Mrs. Chas. Beeler, of 1905 Bank street, persuaded Mr. Worick to present it to her, which he reluctantly did. Mrs. Beeler, early in January, wrote to the postmaster of Lincolnton, N. C., an explanation of the incident, and asked his assistance in finding the owner of the book or his relatives. Mrs. Beeler had given up hopes of getting an answer to her inquiry, but on Thursday the sequel came from Boston. It was written by Mrs. Fannie D. Britton, No. 1 Circuit Square, Boston Highlands. Mrs. Britton wrote under date of April 27: "I have just received a letter from you through the post-master at Lincolnton, N. C., which was my former home, Boston being the home of my adoption. The Testament of which you speak belonged to my brother, who was killed at Gettysburg, July 3, 1863. We never recovered his body nor anything belonging to him. He must have had on his person when killed a silver watch, a ring and a set of shirt studs which he always wore even after he went to war. The Testament, being of the least value was no doubt thrown away. I thank you very kindly for taking the trouble to find his relatives and shall feel truly grateful if you will forward the Testament to me. Just to think after twenty-five years to find something belonging to my noble brother!" Mrs. Beeler will forward the precious relic today.

Resolutions of Respect.

HOWARD'S CREEK ALLIANCE, No. 1671, May 2nd 1891

Whereas it has pleased God in his allwise Providence to remove, by death, from our order, Mrs. Geo. R. Rhodes, and in her death we have lost a member, and the husband a faithful wife.

Resolved Therefore that we bow in humble submission to the will of Him that doeth all things well.

Resolved further that this Alliance extends its heart-felt sympathy to our Brother in his sad bereavement; and that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to Brother Rhodes, and also to the LINCOLN COURIER for publication.

D. H. WARLUCK, P. A. BOLLINGER, J. R. WARLUCK, Committee.

The Dentists' Narrow Escape.

Last Sunday morning Dr. A. W. Alexander, of Lincolnton, and his son, Dr. Charlie Alexander of Charlotte, hired a turnout, at this place, and hid them to Luckassee and proceeded to ford the Catawba river. The horse (so Dock says) refused to obey the bit and got into deep water. It was trying times for a while. Dr. A. W. finally decided to get on the horse and ride him out, and, handing the reins to Dr. Charlie, he proceeded to put his plans into execution but in some way slipped into the shafts with the horse. The water ran into the buggy and washed the cushion away. All finally anchored near a shoal and some parties went to their assistance and rescued them from their perilous position.—Mt. Holly News.

2d Weekly Weather Crop Bulletin.

CENTRAL OFFICE, RALEIGH, N. C.

The weather during the week ending Friday, May 1st, 1891, has been bright and fair and farmers have not lost the opportunity of pushing forward their work as rapidly as possible. The early part of the week was rather cool, with a slight frost reported in the Northern counties of the Central District, and the growth of vegetation has been retarded in consequence, especially strawberries and truck crops. No rain fell during the week and all crops are suffering for lack of moisture, and the ground is becoming hard and dry. A warm rain is greatly needed as another week of such dry weather would cause the drought to be serious. A slight shower fell Friday night, but there seems no immediate prospect for a generous rain. Cotton and corn where they are up are doing well. Tobacco plants are plentiful and farmers are preparing to transplant. Wheat and oats very promising and the fruit crop will turn out much better than expected.

WESTERN DISTRICT. Weather has been favorable for farm work but all crops need rain. Wheat and oats very promising, and an excellent crop of fruit expected. The excess in temperature for the week was 14 degrees, the deficiency in rain-fall about .80 inch.

The large advance in the price of wheat, corn, oats, etc., is commonly regarded as a source of immense profit to our farmers; but the farmers realize only the smallest fraction of the increased price. The last year's crops of the farmers are, as a rule, sold to speculators long since, and it is the speculative combines that have advanced the price of all agricultural products excepting potatoes.—Phila. Times Ind.

—A man who was afraid of thunder crawled into a hollow log as a place of safety during a thunderstorm. The thunder rolled and the rain poured down in torrents, and the old log began to swell up till the poor fellow was wedged in so tight he could not get out. All his past sins began passing before him. Suddenly he remembered he had not paid his newspaper subscription, and he felt so small he was able to back right out.—Ec.

Sixty thousand immigrants arrived in the month of April. How is that for the immigration business?—Wl. Star.

Mamma to her little boy, "Now, Bennie, if you'll be good and go to sleep, mamma'll give you one of Dr. Ayer's nice sugar coated Cathartic Pills, next time you need medicine." Bennie, smiled sweetly, dropped off to sleep at once.

HORSES and MULES FOR SALE!

We have just received from the west a fine lot of horses and mules. Parties wanting anything in the horse line will do well to call and see our stock before buying elsewhere. HENKEL CRAIG & CO., LENOIR, N. C. May 1, 1891

DON'T GIVE UP

The use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. One bottle may not cure "right off" a complaint of years; persist until a cure is effected. As a general rule, improvement follows shortly after beginning the use of this medicine. With many people, the effect is immediately noticeable; but some constitutions are less susceptible to medicinal influences than others, and the curative process may, therefore, in such cases, be less prompt. Persistence in using this remedy is sure of its reward at last. Sooner or later, the most stubborn blood diseases yield to

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

"For several years, in the spring months, I used to be troubled with a drowsy, tired feeling, and a dull pain in the small of my back, so bad, at times, as to prevent my being able to walk, the least sudden motion causing me severe distress. Frequently, boils and rashes would break out on various parts of the body. By the advice of friends and my family physician, I tried various remedies, and while some of them gave me temporary relief, none of them did any permanent good. At last I began to take Ayer's Sarsaparilla, continuing it exclusively for a considerable time, and am pleased to say that it completely

Cured Me.

I presume my liver was very much out of order, and the blood impure in consequence. I feel that I cannot too highly recommend Ayer's Sarsaparilla to any one afflicted as I was.—Mrs. N. A. Smith, Glover, Vt. For years I suffered from scrofula and blood diseases. The doctors' prescriptions and several so-called blood-purifiers being of no avail, I was at last advised by a friend to try Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I did so, and now feel like a new man, being fully restored to health.—C. N. Frink, Decorah, Iowa.

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JOB PRINTING.

The Job Printing Offices of J. M. Roberts and Thos. C. Wetmore have been consolidated and the present firm, ROBERTS & WETMORE, respectfully solicits a share of the public patronage. If you need to have Job Printing of any kind done, it will pay you to send your orders to us. We have a completely equipped office, and will be sure to please you. We do not wish you to give us your patronage simply because this is a home enterprise, but also because we will do your work as well and as cheaply as it can be done, and we use good material, too. Try us and you will see that this is true. All orders promptly executed. Below we give a few of our prices. Estimate of all other work furnished promptly on application.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price List. Includes Note Heads, Letter Heads, Envelopes, Bill Heads, Handbills, and various sizes and quantities.

STOVES.

We are in a position now to suit everybody wanting a STOVE. We have just bought direct from the manufacturer a CAR LOAD of Stoves.

There is no one between us and the manufacturer to make a profit. By having a solid car shipped at one time our freight are greatly reduced, and by buying a car load at one time, we get the price reduced. So it is very easy to see that we have bought our STOVES cheap. Therefore we can and intend to sell Stoves as low if not lower than they can be bought in Charlotte or any of the surrounding towns. In a few days we will have in stock eleven different styles or about 100 Stoves, from which our friends and customers can make a satisfactory selection. Our stoves are all of the

Best Quality.

Owing to the way we have bought, we can sell a GOOD No. 7 COOKING STOVE, WARE and PIPE for Only 9.00.

This \$9.00 stove is a good size for a small family. Larger stoves and Ranges will be sold proportionately low. In this lot we will have a stove with warming closet and porcelain lined reservoir.

We still make Harness and have a nice stock of Hand-made harness, saddles, collars, bridles, &c.

Remember we carry the most complete stock of

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in the county. Always have on hand extra stove pipe, pots, kettles, hollow ware, &c.

We have a few carts, buggies, and spring wagons which we will sell regardless of cost, as we have no suitable house to store them. Will sell a GOOD OPEN BUGGY for \$35.00. A TWO-SEATED SURRY for \$50.00.

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