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NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

CLIPPINGS FROM EXCHANGES

Of Items That Will Interest North Carolinians. Some News, Some Politics—All Of Some Interest to True "Tar Heels."

J. T. B. Hoover has been appointed a census supervisor for North Carolina. He was a Populist senator four years ago.

A suit for \$5,000 damages has been brought by A. P. Fuquay, of Wake county, against ex-Sheriff H. T. Jones and his bondsmen.

Durham Herald: Every vote cast in Marion for a bond issue for water works and electric lights was favorable. The people of that town will never fully appreciate what a good day's work was done, having never had the pleasant experience of being at the mercy of a foreign water or light company.

Mr. Luther Marshall attempted to commit suicide Tuesday at Anfield by shooting himself in the right breast with a .38 calibre, self-acting pistol. The ball struck a rib and passed around to and lodged under the shoulder blade, paralyzing the right arm. His recovery is doubtful. He had been on a spree for a day or so.

At a recent meeting of the crop pest commission, at Raleigh, Prof. W. A. Withers resigned as chairman, and J. M. Fox resigned as secretary. Commissioner S. L. Patterson was elected chairman and Mr. T. K. Bruner was chosen secretary. The chairman of the commission was authorized to employ such entomologists as he may deem necessary for the work in North Carolina. It is learned that the United States government will send two of its entomologists to the State to aid in the work if their expenses while here are paid. The chairman was directed to take advantage of this offer.

Raleigh Cor. Messenger: Judge Brown, of the superior court, grants an order returnable at Morehead City, July 6th, requiring the Hygienic Ice Co. (H. Bayer & Son, of Charleston) to show cause why the Seaboard Air Line should not be allowed further time to file its appeal from the decision of the superior court giving the ice company \$20,000 damages for the alleged burning of an ice factory here. J. M. Turner, of the Seaboard Air Line, made the application, on the ground that the company's attorneys neglected to file the appeal papers in time, but that neglect of its attorneys ought not to fall upon the railway company.

FOUNTAIN HILL ITEMS.

June 29, 1899.

Mr. John Hooten put in a barn of tobacco Wednesday.

Mr. R. A. Bewlin went over in Pitt last Sunday to see his best girl.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Geddie spent last Sunday at Mr. Ed Beeton's.

Mr. Sherman Odham is visiting friends and relatives at Grifton this week.

Mr. J. A. Brooks, of Grifton, spent Saturday night at his uncle's, Mr. Henry Brooks'.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Gardner, of Grifton, were visiting at Mr. Henry Brooks' last Sunday.

Little Misses Eb and Rosa Hooten, of near Snow Hill, were visiting their father, Mr. J. C. Hooten, the past week.

Little Miss Ola Casey, who had been spending the last few weeks with her grandmother, returned home Sunday.

Misses Ada Dupree and Loula Suggs, of Kinston, were visiting at Mr. J. C. Hooten's Saturday night and Sunday.

WHY DON'T YOU KEEP QUIET, MR. BRYAN?

By J. V. WILLIAMS, of New York.

"Why don't you keep quiet, Mr. Bryan?" As the Philadelphia papers suggest, McKinley's got the white house; Hanna's got all the rest.

They're running this country to suit themselves. They are playing a high-handed game, singing their own praises from day to day

And want others to do the same.

"Why don't you keep quiet, Mr. Bryan?" You know they said you were dead,

But now they are terribly frightened, And it is all about what you have said.

They are thinking again of "the dear people"

And planning their votes to get, But after the election is over

They'll desert them again, you bet.

"Why don't you keep quiet, Mr. Bryan?" And let them form more trusts.

"It's all for the good of the country" They will tell that old lie or bust.

They believe in an "honest dollar," That is what we are told.

From Maine to Manila the cry goes up. They all say it aloud—"more gold."

"Why don't you keep quiet, Mr. Bryan?" Protection you must not touch.

Let them tax the poor laboring man To protect combines and such.

Wall street is all against you, Millionaires are not on your side;

Free silver or no free silver They'd have you forever hide.

"Why don't you keep quiet, Mr. Bryan?" And let our country expand.

We are wiping out the Filipino; Will you not be a man,

And shout "Rah for Kinley," While our boys are standing shot

Taking more and more territory To add to what we've got.

No, don't "keep quiet," dear William; The people won't stand it long.

We're coming in nineteen hundred With many hundred thousand strong.

From east to west, from north to south, I hear the battle-cry,

The working people are shouting We'll elect William Bryan or die!

LAGRANGE NEWS.

THE FREE PRESS BUREAU, LAGRANGE, N. C., June 29, 1899.

Miss Croom, of Magnolia, who had been visiting Miss Naya Croom, returned home today.

Miss Lewis, of Milton, spent Wednesday night with Mrs. J. M. Murchison, and returned today.

Miss Grace Smallbones, who had been visiting Miss Mabel Wooten, left today for her home in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kornegay, of Mt. Olive, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Wooten, near here.

Inclement weather last night made the attendance at the M. P. entertainment rather slim, and consequently receipts were correspondingly short.

Our baseball team redeemed itself at Goldsboro last week by defeating that splendid team 30 to 15. The Goldsboro and LaGrange teams will cross bats at Seven Springs on July 4th.

It has been my pleasure to hear "The Blind Man Eloquent" and "Blind Tom," and each one is a genius in his respective calling—eloquence and music. But for soul-stirring music and eloquent diction, Prof. M. J. Massey (blind since he was 11 years old) excels anyone I have had the pleasure of hearing. He played, sang and recited to a large house Tuesday night, and his audience was glad when he quit, only that their tired sides might have a rest. He will play again tonight, and render a new program. He is talented, cheerful, charitable and consecrated. He gives a first-class entertainment at a price within the reach of all.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Missionary Institute Closed Last Night. Several Interesting Addresses. Conference Met This Morning. Reports of Several Churches. Rev. N. M. Watson Will Preach Tonight.

THURSDAY, 3 P. M.

"Missionary Literature" was discussed by Dr. J. T. Bagwell. He read a very able and interesting paper, and was followed by Dr. Swindell in a short, earnest talk as to the best methods for circulating missionary literature.

"The layman's obligation to the missionary work" was discussed by Dr. J. F. Miller, of Goldsboro. This was one of the very best addresses that has been delivered before the Institute, and that is saying much. It was full of thoughtful advice to the laymen, and admonished them to hold up the hands of the preachers, without which their work must be very incomplete.

Rev. A. D. Betts and Rev. J. W. Williams followed in earnest, zealous talks.

This completed the program for the evening, but Rev. R. B. John by request talked about "How to take collections." Revs. T. H. Sutton and D. H. Tuttle gave their experience in taking collections.

The plan of Mr. Tuttle, the dividing of his congregation into twelve tribes, over each of which was a leader, is a very unique one.

The Institute adjourned at 5 o'clock p. m.

THURSDAY EVENING, 8:30 P. M.

The exercises this evening were conducted under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of Kinston. It is usually conceded that what the ladies do they do well. The exercises this evening were another illustration of this fact. Probably it would not be saying too much to say they were the most interesting and profitable of all that have yet been held. Those who heard the address of Dr. Swindell Wednesday night and the addresses yesterday will realize that this is saying a great deal.

The exercises were opened with a voluntary by the choir, and prayer by Rev. A. D. Betts.

Mrs. Swindell being absent, a paper prepared by her, giving the history of the Ladies' Missionary society in Kinston, was read by Dr. Swindell.

Before reading the paper Dr. Swindell gave a brief history of the society in the State, which showed that the society in Kinston is one of the oldest in the State. The paper was full of interest and showed how faithful the ladies have been in keeping alive, all these years, the Kinston auxiliary, and they all must have experienced a feeling of pride and satisfaction, as their names were called and it was seen who had been the active workers during these years. Some have gone up to receive their reward, others have gone away, but the greater part are still here carrying on the work. May they receive new inspiration and be encouraged by the past to do greater things in the future.

Mrs. W. B. Lee, from Brazil, talked of the work in Brazil. She and her husband have been in that field for about three years and she knows from experience the difficulties of the work.

Brazil is under the influence of the Roman Catholic church, which she says is the church of the devil and reeking with vice and corruption. They have no Sabbath or bible and profane the name of God at the end of almost every sentence; even the priests are profane. They are full of superstition and idolatry. A great many of the people have lost faith in the religion of the church and curse the priests but practice its ordinances because it is custom and they have not the manhood to oppose and resist. The Virgin is dressed in a silk gown and this gown covers a multitude of the donor's sins. She exhibited a good many of their holy relics. It was a very interesting and instructive talk.

Dr. Swindell, in well chosen language,

introduced Mrs. Kendall, from Georgia, who is the assistant organizer for home and domestic missions for Georgia, North Carolina and Tennessee. She is a fluent speaker and full of love and zeal for her work. She captivated her audience in the very beginning of her address. She said that the domestic and foreign missions are so interwoven that they are dependent the one on the other, that there could be no success of the one without the other.

It is impossible for me to give a just synopsis of her address. To have been appreciated it should have been heard. It stirred the audience, and on all sides could be heard: "A magnificent address." She is intensely interested and in earnest in her work, and must create enthusiasm. It was much regretted that the lateness of the hour prevented Rev. D. H. Tuttle from delivering his address. An opportunity will be given him later during the week.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The conference convened this morning at 9 o'clock.

Mr. George Pritchard was elected secretary.

Roll call showed 42 present.

The following were appointed as committee on public worship: Revs. W. S. Rone, J. A. Lee and Mr. J. Q. Jackson.

The hours for meeting of conference were fixed at 9 a. m. to 12:30; evening session from 8 o'clock, to adjourn at will.

Committee on Epworth League: Revs. F. D. Swindell, D. H. Tuttle and J. W. Wooten.

Prohibition committee: Revs. J. T. Bagwell, J. H. Lowder and S. R. Ball.

Reports from the charges were called. Rev. R. B. John reported for Centenary church, at Newbern, that the spiritual state of the church was not good by scriptural standard. Most of the large congregation are faithful.

Dr. Swindell, P. C., reported for St. Paul, at Goldsboro. He reported the spiritual state of the church as fair, could be improved. Its material growth satisfactory. Sunday school has outgrown the church and is now arranging to build a Sunday school room.

Considerable discussion was occasioned upon the question of dancing, Sabbath breaking and kneeling in prayer.

Rev. S. T. Moyle, P. C., reported for St. John, Goldsboro. Spiritual state of the church good. Most of his members kneel in prayer and with a few exceptions observe the sabbath.

Rev. Jackson, P. C., reported for Goldsboro circuit. Spiritual condition not what is desired, but improving.

Dr. J. T. Bagwell, P. C., reported for Mt. Olive circuit. Spiritual state of church fair. Finances not up. Attendance upon church services good. One Woman's Foreign Missionary society.

Rev. N. M. Jurney, agent for the Braxton Craven memorial hall at Trinity College, addressed the conference upon his work, and upon the work of Trinity College. He paid a glowing tribute to the memory of Dr. Craven. The hall that has been completed is the most magnificent one in North Carolina and in the south of its kind.

Mrs. Kendall was introduced to the conference and talked more of her work, giving statistics of amounts of money collected and how expended.

Rev. R. B. John will preach tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m. Rev. N. M. Watson was introduced and spoke to the conference about the Raleigh Advocate.

"Christian Holiness," by Dr. John R. Brooks, was commended by Revs. D. H. Tuttle, N. M. Jurney and Dr. Swindell.

The hour for Mrs. Kendall meeting the ladies at the Presbyterian church has been changed to 4:30 p. m.

Rev. N. M. Watson will preach tonight at 8:30 o'clock.

Conference adjourned for dinner at 12 o'clock.

Old papers for sale at this office.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

A LITTLE ABOUT MANY THINGS

The Pith of the World's News That Might Interest Our Readers. Some is Fresh, Some May Be "Salty," But Not Spoilt.

Tom Ryan has agreed to fight Kid McCoy, and will post a forfeit.

A cigarette trust has been formed in Mexico with a capital of \$15,000,000.

Negotiations are said to be pending to send 10,000 Cuban soldiers to help whip the Filipinos.

There is talk that a new emperor of China is to be proclaimed. That empire appears to be about on its last legs.

Fourteen new cases of yellow fever were reported at Santiago Tuesday and Wednesday. Since the outbreak there have been fifty cases and twelve deaths.

Last year there were in this country 808 cases of suicide, of which 621 were males and 187 females. In addition to this there were 164 unsuccessful attempts.

It is announced that Gov. Tyler, of Virginia, will enter the senatorial race against Senator Martin, and will make the anti-trust issue prominent in his canvass.

Reports from South Georgia say that the boll worms are ruining the cotton crop, a large territory being infested with the pests. The farmers are at a loss to understand how to get rid of them.

The South Dakota state Republican convention passed resolutions strongly endorsing President McKinley's foreign policy and reiterating fealty to the money plank of the St. Louis convention. H. L. Loucks, apostle of Populism, was present as a delegate from Deuel, his home county.

The Kentucky Democratic state convention completed its ticket and adjourned Wednesday night. J. C. Beckham was nominated for lieutenant governor, R. J. Breckenridge for attorney general, G. C. Coulter for auditor, F. W. Hager for treasurer, Breckenridge Hill for secretary of state, H. V. Mocheaney for superintendent of public instruction, L. B. Hall for commissioner of agriculture.

Gov. Roosevelt was given an ovation at Milwaukee, Wis., Wednesday. "He won with our boys in blue, and he will be our president, too." Thus ran one of the banner inscriptions displayed in Milwaukee's flower parade, of which Gov. Roosevelt was the center of attraction. But this, apparently, did not interest the governor half as much as did that other, displayed everywhere and on every lip: "Our Teddy."

COVE ITEMS.

June 29, 1899.

Miss Anna Pigford, of Goldsboro, came last week to spend some time with her uncle, Mr. Jarrette White.

Capt. and Mrs. D. S. Lancaster, of Vanceboro, came Wednesday. Capt. Lancaster returned the same day. Mrs. Lancaster will spend some time visiting relatives.

The dry weather is causing tobacco to ripen earlier than expected and the tobacco farmers are having to hustle to get their barns ready. Curing will begin next week.

Sam Harris, colored, had the misfortune to lose his mule yesterday. Sam was plowing near a ditch and a small rattlesnake bit the mule on the leg, causing the mule to die in less than an hour.