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KNIGHTS OF HONOR, No. 1,720 meets on second and fourth Wednesday's at 7.30 P. M. J. B. WEATHERLY, Dictator B. F. McLEAN, Reporter.
Y. M. C. A., meets every Sunday at 7.30 P. M. W. M. BLACK, President.
MAXTON GUARDS, W. M. BLACK, Captain, meets first Thursday nights of each month at 8 P. M.
CHOSEN FRIENDS meet on second and fourth Monday in each month. Argus Shaw, Chief Counselor; S. W. Parham, Secretary and Treasurer.
MAXTON LODGE, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIANS, meets every Friday night, except first in each month, at 8 o'clock.
ROBESON COUNTY BIBLE SOCIETY, Rev. J. A. Smith, President; E. K. Proctor, Jr., 1st Vice Pres.; Dr. J. D. Croom, 2nd Vice Pres.; A. D. Brown, Sec'y; Wm. Black, Treas. and Depository; Ex. Com. Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., L. S. Townsend, D. P. McEchtern, J. O. Gough, H. McEchern; Auditing Com., E. F. McRae, O. H. Blocker and B. D. Caldwell.
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AUDITING COMMITTEE.
J. P. Smith, D. H. McNeill, J. A. Humphrey. Place of next meeting—Lumberton, N. C. Time of next meeting—Thursday, May 30th, 1890, at 11:30 o'clock a. m.
Bibles and Testaments can be purchased of Wm. Black, Depository, Maxton, N. C., at cost.
All churches and Bible Societies in the county invited to send delegates.
Forward all collections to Wm. Black, Treasurer, Maxton, N. C.
CHURCHES.
PRESBYTERIAN, REV. DR. H. G. HILL, Pastor. Services each Sabbath at 4 P. M. Sunday School at 10 A. M. Prayer meeting every Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock.
METHODIST, REV. J. W. JONES, Pastor. Services each Sunday at 11 A. M. Sun-day School at 9:30 A. M.
MASONIC.
MAXTON LODGE A. F. & A. M. meets 1st Friday night in each month at 8 P. M.
GENERAL DIRECTORY OF ROBESON COUNTY.
Senator, J. F. Payne.
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Coroner & Supt. of Health, Dr. F. Lis. R.

The Empress of Russia, who, as the Princess Dagmar, was one of the royal beauties of Europe, is now so thin and haggard that the friends who have not seen her in half a dozen years do not recognize her. Since her accession she has lived in continued terror of assassination, either for herself or for her husband and son; or in still more grim companionship of the fear that his consciousness of perpetual danger would unsettle the Emperor's wits.
Next April the British census will be taken. So far as possible the work of enumeration will cover the British Empire, and the effort will be to make the census the most comprehensive yet taken. To this end the schedules will be simplified. No inquiries will be made as to religious faith or creed, and those bearing on occupation will be condensed. The census will be stripped of everything that could make enumeration cumbersome, and the great end and aim will be to ascertain the number of subjects of Queen Victoria. There are sections of her dominions where only approximations are possible. In British Zambesia or the Niger Protectorate the work of the enumerator would encounter peculiar obstacles, not only in the unwillingness of the inhabitants to be enumerated, but their willingness to reduce totals by slaughtering census attaches. But making all these allowances, the forthcoming census will doubtless be satisfactory. It will at all events show that the British Empire has somewhat more than 330,000,000 enumerable inhabitants. The current calculation is that at the opening of the year 1890 the population of the British Empire was very nearly 328,000,000, of whom 38,125,000 were dwellers in the United Kingdom, 271,180,000 in India and the remaining 19,000,000 in other possessions. Two years ago the Indian Government estimated the population of British India at 208,793,350, and that of the native States at 60,684,878.

SPECIAL PREMIUM LIST

Of the Border Exposition of the Carolinas.

CLASS "A,"
H. C. McNair, farmer, \$5.00 for the best watermelon.
2. Milton McRae, merchant, Maxton, \$2.50 for the prettiest bale of cotton.
Hector McBryde, Wakulla, \$2.50 for the best yield of corn grown on one acre. Affidavit of party and two witnesses to be the proof.
A. J. McKinnon, merchant, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best sack of water ground domestic meal; \$1.00 for the best sack of home made flour, \$1.00 for the best bale of hay, \$1.00 for the best bushel of oats, \$1.00 for the best bushel of sweet potatoes.
L. S. Townsend, dealer in general merchandise, Lumberton, \$2.50 for 1 gallon of the best syrup made by the Chattanooga Mill and Evaporator.
D. A. Patterson, cotton planter, \$1.00 for 1 gallon best sorghum, \$1.00 for best half dozen stalks of corn.
M. McNair, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best stalk of cotton.
Fine & Blechman, merchants, Maxton, one pair \$7.00 pants, imported goods, for the largest yield of cotton on one acre gathered before Oct. 20.
W. E. Croom, merchant, Maxton, \$1.00 for the largest pumpkin.
Jas. Davis, Little Rock, S. C., \$10.00 for the stalk of cotton showing the largest number of bolls.
CLASS "B."
Jas. McBryde, Floral College, \$2.50 for the best grade Jersey calf under 1 year old.
H. C. Alford, Floral College, \$5.00 for the best grade heifer not over 2 years old.
E. McRae, Maxton, \$2.50 for the best trio of sheep, \$2.50 for the best mule colt under 2 years old.
M. McNair, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best pair of ducks.
Maxton Drug Company, 1 box Kendal Club cigars for the best stock hog.
O. E. Crowson, \$2.50 for the slowest mule.
D. A. Patterson \$1.00 for the best pair of pigs under six months old, \$1.00 for the best pair of turkeys \$1.00 for the best trio of game chickens.
H. C. Boylin, jeweler, Maxton one stem winding open face watch for the largest fat hog.
D. C. Sinclair, Druggist, Lumberton, \$2.50 for the best pig under seven months old.
W. I. Linkhaw, stock dealer, Lumberton, \$5.00 for the best harness horse under seven years old.
J. S. Oliver, farmer, Affinity, \$2.50 for the best harness mule.
Dr. J. P. Brown, Ashpole, \$2.50 for the best pair of horses driven in tandem.
Dr. R. F. Lewis, druggist, Lumberton, 100 Partidos cigars for the best sow and pigs, not less than six.
N. A. Brown, Lumberton, \$2.50 for the best milch cow.
J. M. Burke, dealer in stock, Maxton, \$5.00 for the fastest native Robeson county horse.
Carter & Weatherly, Maxton 5.00 for the best colt under 1 year old.
W. I. Thompson, Maxton, \$5.00 for the best pair of mules under 7 years old.
W. G. Hall, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best pair of chickens.
W. A. Sossaman, with Hargrave & Co., Liberty, Va. 1 Box Dark Horse tobacco for the best exhibit of live stock.
CLASS "C."
Dr. H. W. McNatt, Maxton \$2.50 for the best exhibit of sweet and sour pickles, \$2.50 for the best exhibit of jellies and preserves.
J. C. McCaskill, Maxton, \$1.00

for the best pound cake,
O. S. Hayes, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best spiced grapes and grape preserves and jelly by a single lady.
J. D. Jowers, Maxton, \$2.50 for the best jelly cake, by a girl under 20 years old.
R. W. Livermore, merchant, Pates, N. C., \$1.00 for the best pumpkin pie, the pie to be his.
H. B. Hill, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best rolls by a girl under 19 years old.
M. McNair, Maxton, \$2.50 for the handsomest trimmed cake.
K. H. Cole, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best fruit cake.
CLASS "D."
J. J. Freeland, jeweler, Maxton, a fine gold set ring for the prettiest needle work by a young lady.
J. C. McCaskill \$2.00 for the best quilt, \$1.00 for the prettiest artificial flowers, \$1.00 for the best tidbit.
W. G. Hall, Deputy Collector, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best crocheted infants hood.
A. J. Burns, carriage dealer, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best hand made rug.
Frank Gouch, for A. C. Melk, dealer in Davis improved sewing machines \$1.00 for the prettiest lambrquin, \$1.00 for the best pair of crochet slippers, \$1.00 for the prettiest table scarf, \$1.00 for the best piece of embroidery, \$1.00 for the prettiest work in crayon.
W. E. Shaw & Co., dealers in harness and saddles, Charlotte, N. C., 1 set of harness for the largest and best exhibit of agricultural products.
Dr. J. D. Croom, druggist, one pint Farnicia cologne for the best loaf of corn bread with or without yeast. One box D. S. Brown & Co's best Arabian soap for the best loaf of light bread.
M. McNair, Maxton, \$2.50 for the best oil painting, \$2.50 for the best lady driver, 50 cents for the best pair of home knit socks.
John Leach, cotton buyer, Maxton, \$2.50 for the best collection of minerals, iron ore, marble, etc. \$2.50 for the best collection of native woods.
Burwell & Dunn, wholesale druggists, Charlotte, \$5.00 for the largest and best exhibit of fancy needle work by a young lady.
Mrs. Wm. Black, \$1.00 for the best exhibit of oil paintings.
MESCCELLANEOUS.
W. W. McDiarmid, editor of the Robesonian, \$2.50 for the best bell made from garden or field products.
O. S. Hayes, fancy grocer, Maxton, 5 lbs French candy for the best exhibit of natural flowers.
J. L. Hines, Alma, \$5.00 for the best exhibit of shingles.
J. A. McAllister, Principal of Lumberton High School, and County Superintendent of Education, \$2.50 to the boy or girl under 15 years old who will stand the best examination in N. C. History. Dr. H. G. Hill, Messrs. A. A. McMillan and J. S. Queen, Committee.
T. McBryde, merchant and farmer, Ryan, N. C., 1 gold headed cane to the Confederate soldier who participated in the greatest number of battles during the late war. Competitors to register in a book at the secretary's desk, giving name of regiment, company and name and date of battle and skirmish.
J. H. Morrison, Register of Deeds of Robeson county, \$2.50 for the best hand writing by a boy or girl under 15 years.
McK McKinnon President of Rocky Ford Alliance, \$1.00 to the best man at the Fair.
Col. P. P. Smith, Wakulla, \$1.00 for the best model of farm gate.
N. Baxley, \$2.50 in gold for the prettiest motto made by a lady.
The Association \$10.00 for the fastest bicycle rider.
H. E. Strudwick, Richmond, Va., one silver cup for the second best bicycle rider, 5 cloth bound books for the prettiest girl between the

ages of four and ten.
R. W. Livermore, Pates, \$10.00 to be awarded by the committee.
Lucius McRae, Wakulla, two copies of the UNION one year to be awarded by the committee.
E. S. Lathrop, Maxton, N. C. \$10 to be awarded by the committee.
R. E. Blakey, stationer, Charlotte, 1,000 packet note heads for the month of Sept.
Max Giechuer, salesman for Hamburger Bros., Norfolk, Va., one box of "little me" cigars for the best buggy made in N. C.
Capt. Wm. Black, attorney \$1.00 for the best exhibit of chrysanthemums.

A NEGRO'S PROMINENCE.

Montgomery Proves Himself the Leader of His Race.
Jackson, Miss., Sept. 22.—Montgomery, a negro delegate, addressed the convention in support of the committee report.
He proved himself by far the ablest man of his race who has achieved prominence in this state for years, being easily equal to John R. Lynch and B. K. Bruce.
He said in part: "Before the trust of becoming a member of this honorable body was conferred upon me by my constituents I fully stated to them my earnest conviction that the work of this convention in order to be successful must restrict the franchise by prescribing such qualifications for voters as would reduce the negro vote of the State.
"I entertained the same opinion then that I hold now that the Federal Congress will interpose no objections provided such restrictions are honestly imposed for the purpose of bringing about a fair solution of the great problem now confronting the people of this State."
The speaker went on to say how much of the wealth and civilization of the South was due to the labor of the colored man. He referred to the loyalty of the negro race to the Southern people throughout the war, and concluded that branch of his subject by saying:
"It is but justice to my race that I should recall these affecting memories upon this floor. My mission here is to bridge the chasm that has been widening and deepening for a generation; to divert the maelstrom that threatens destruction to you and yours, while it promises no enduring prosperity to me and mine.
The fortunes of the war to be under our relations as they had existed in a greater or lesser degree for centuries. The master and slave of yesterday meet today upon the plane of equality, possessed of the rights and privileges under the common law of the land. Your proud nature rebelled and you turned from the scene in disgust.
At this juncture an alien appeared and claimed the confidence which the people of our condition at that time must need to place in some superior guiding hand. The alien sought and obtained our confidence but not our affections.
That Mr. President, would remain with you and yours till the memories and traditions of former generations shall become obliterated. We are all well aware that our race has not yet attained the high plane of moral, intellectual and political excellence common to yours, but it is our privilege to press onward and upward.
It is lack of confidence in any adjustment of our political economy proposed by you that keeps up the race solidarity. Without the restoration of confidence, I can see no solution of this great problem.
The speaker then declared his belief that the report of the franchise committee is the safest measure for the convention to adopt. A wail comes from thousands of hearts in mute appeal to the convention.
This bill was to restrict 124,334 negro voters and 110,889 white, giving a net white majority of 40,451. Such, I believe, to be the virtual effect of the measure reported by the committee.
Mr. President, it is a fearful sacrifice laid upon the altar of liberty. Many of those men you seek to disfranchise I know personally. Their hearts are as true as steel. Many are soldiers who have stood amidst the smoke of battle on bloody fields in defence of the flag which every American proudly hails as the ensign of freedom and his talisman of protection in all civilized lands. I wish to say to my people we have not taken away your high privilege, but only lifted it to the higher plane and the exalted station of the great American birth-right.
It is due to us, he continued, that there should be some expression on the part of this great body indicating that the price is correct, that the contract is ratified and accepted; that the problems shall become a thing of the past and not to vex and alarm the public; that the two great races shall peacefully travel side by side, each mutually assisting the other to mount higher and higher in the scale of human progress.
The South is going to boom, asserts the Stockholder. Its cotton crop will be worth, approximately \$500,000,000. It will be the biggest yield on record.
The fashion for young New Yorkers is to go to London to have the wedding ceremony, where, explains the Chicago Herald, it will be convenient for dukes and countesses to run in and honor them.

FARMERS' ALLIANCE.

Meeting Of The Texas Alliancemen, Who Refute Certain Charges.

A Proposition by Foreign Capitalists To Advance Thirty-two Dollars Per Bale On Our Cotton Crop, In Order to Make Better Prices For The Staple.

Pinehurst, Dooly county, Ga., has an Alliance warehouse.
West Virginia has 250 Alliances and about 1,500 members.
The Alliance Co-operative Association, at Cameron, is erecting a new building adjoining their present one.—Rockdale (Tex.) Messenger.
An Alliance exchange has been organized at Asheville, N. C., for the purpose of facilitating the purchase and sale of all articles used by farmers at reduced prices.
The Alliance exchange office has been moved to the depot, where members of the Alliance in future will find the Trade Agent, Mr. Crosland.—Marlboro, (S. C.) Democrat.
The Alliance men, of Jackson, Banks, Madison and Franklin counties will establish an oil mill and guano factory at Harmony Grove, Ga. Capital stock \$50,000.
The Georgia State Alliance has determined to continue the use of cotton bagging for cotton. Our brethren across the Savannah are a hard team to beat when they set their heads.—Cotton Plant (South Carolina.)
The Alliance bank will be opened in Quitman, October 1st, with a capital stock of \$25,000 subscribed. Her compress is in operation, and expects that 30,000 bales will be compressed this fall.—Southern Alliance Farmer.
The Alliance store at Mineral Bluff, Ga., which supplies that part of Fannin county, has increased its stock fifty per cent., and Manager J. F. McNelly called a meeting of the directors on Saturday last to arrange for some changes in the business of the store.
It seems that there has been some misunderstanding in regard to the action of the State Alliance as to covering for baled cotton. Some of the delegates understood that Sub-Alliances could use jute or any other bagging, and so reported when they went home. Each Sub-Alliance was authorized to select any kind of bagging except jute. In other words, they are not confined to the use of bagging made of cotton, unless they see proper to do so. The language of the resolution was not sufficiently clear and the mistake of several of the delegates was natural. Anything except jute is the watchword.—Raleigh, N. C., Progressive Farmer.
The Merchants' and Farmers' Bank, of Marion, S. C., have leased its large iron warehouse to the County Alliance.
Last year the cotton seed oil mills paid out for seed alone \$13,762,450. This sum was almost a clear gain to the farmers of the south.

TEXAS STATE ALLIANCE.

The meeting of the mother State Alliance in Dallas was harmonious and fully representative of the great organization in Lone Star State. The brotherhood is fully united and rapidly recovering territory lost through misunderstanding and dissension. The Sub-Treasury, together with the St. Louis platform, was indorsed, and the following resolutions passed, the publication is pertinent by reason of falsehoods spread broadcast:
WHEREAS, Reports have been from time to time circulated through the press and otherwise derogatory of our brethren in charge of the Farmers' Alliance Exchange of Texas, and whereas, such reports have done the brethren and our Order great injustice and injury, whereas the books of said Exchange have recently been again examined by an expert accountant and no fraud found; therefore be it
Resolved, By the Farmers' State Alliance that we declare all such reports false and unworthy to be believed; and further, that any one cognizant of any fraud in the Exchange management is requested to make known unequivocally to the end that all guilty parties may be properly dealt with.
The following is the report of the expert who examined into the exchange system, by authority of the judiciary committee:
I find that the exchange did business about twenty months and failed, and the cause of the failure shall be the basis of my report, that begin the main object in view.
1. You had about \$85,000 paid in stock, which amount was inadequate to conduct the business proposed by the Exchange in the State of Texas. It would have required a paid up capital of \$500,000 judiciously managed to have successfully carried on the volume of business proposed by the Exchange.
2. Your expenses were necessarily large to conduct such a volume of business, which expense we estimate to be about \$2,000 per month.
3. We were informed by one of your committee that you sold your goods at a profit of 10 per cent. above cash laid in house, which would barely pay unavoidable losses and incidental expenses, leaving no profit to pay general expenses, thereby drawing on original investment for about \$3,000 per month.
4. When the mortgages were foreclosed on the building and goods in hand, they sold at a sacrifice of \$20,000 to \$30,000.
5. You were paying interest on money borrowed to build your business house; also on goods bought and money borrowed to meet your mercantile paper, and not receiving interest from your outstandings, made in this item a considerable loss.
6. Any one acquainted with the necessary expenses of carrying on a voluminous business like that begun by the F. S. A.

of Texas will readily concur with me in the reasonableness of failure without the least reflection on the part of its managers.
Resolved, That the Farmers' State Alliance tend Brother C. W. Macune a resolution of thanks for his presence and able speech made to-night and his explanation of the Farmers' Newspaper Alliance; that wherever he may go our best wishes and brotherly feelings shall ever be with him; and that this resolution be furnished the press for publication.
The following are the officers elected: President, Evans Jones; Vice-President, T. A. Anderson; Secretary and Treasurer, S. O. Daws; Lecturer, J. M. Perdue; Executive Committee, J. T. Crawford, S. G. Granberry, and T. A. High. The delegates selected to attend the National Alliance convention in December are J. M. Perdue, Sam. H. Dixon, C. L. Clark, and James D. Fields.

MORE MONEY FOR COTTON.
Rev. S. M. Adams, president of the Alabama State Farmers' Alliance, was in Montgomery and had a long conference with prominent Alliance leaders at the Alliance Exchange. It is understood that the purpose of the conference was to discuss the proposition of foreign capitalists to advance \$32 per bale on 2,000,000 bales of the present crop, and to call a meeting at once of the different Alliances to be held in that city, to take immediate and definite action with reference to negotiations now pending. President Adams is heartily in favor of the proposition of the foreign capitalists, and predicts it would result in a great revolution of the south.
"Give us the privilege of holding our cotton one year, with the right to sell at any time during the period, and we would ask nothing more," one of the gentlemen present is quoted as saying.
Continuing, he declared that cotton ought to bring 12 cents, and would if this arrangement could be properly consummated. It is expected that the proposed meeting of the Alliance leaders in Montgomery will be largely attended by members from this and adjoining state, Georgia, Tennessee, Florida, Mississippi and Louisiana.

FIRST FRUITS.

A Schooner Load of Bananas and Cocoanuts.—A Chat About the Fruit Trade.

The first cargo of fruit for this season was received in Charleston Wednesday. The arrival was about three weeks earlier than usual, and the fruit was in remarkably fine condition, having made the trip from Baracoa, Cuba, in six days. The schooner was consigned to H. Bayer & Son, and brought 105,000 cocoanuts and 2,000 bunches of bananas. The cargo was transported from the quarantine station to the city in lighters. Over three-fourths of the entire receipts were shipped to the interior by Thursday evening, at least half of the goods being shipped as far west as St. Louis.

Mr. Henry Bayer, of the firm of H. Bayer & Son, said: "The consignment of fruit we have just received I can safely say is as fine as any that has ever been received here. There will be a good crop of the bananas. But the buyers can look out for a scarcity of potatoes and apples, and a consequent advance in price. Potatoes and apples will be higher this year, I think, than they have been for years. Both foreign and domestic grapes are plentiful this year at low prices. Pears are rather high and not many are offered. There has been a very short crop of most kinds of fruit. We propose to run a regular line of vessels this season for our banana, nut, and tropical fruit trade, and expect to keep the market well supplied."

A DOUBLE BIGAMIST.

Married in North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia.

The history of J. W. Hawley, a double bigamist, begins with his marriage to a respectable family in North Carolina. Hawley lived with this wife about one year, then skipped.
The next chapter concerns his marriage to a very estimable young lady in South Carolina. He lived with this wife about a year then skipped again.
His next marriage was in Decatur county, Ga. This wife died suddenly and Hawley was suspected of having poisoned her. The evidence was not sufficient to convict him. The investigation brought out the fact, though, that Hawley had a living wife in South Carolina, and this in turn brought out the fact that he had a living wife in North Carolina. He was tried in Georgia and sentenced to four years for bigamy.
His time was up a few days ago, and as soon as he was released he was arrested upon a warrant from South Carolina.
The queerest part of the whole thing is that Hawley, anticipating no further trouble for his past misdeeds, had made his preparations for correspondence for another courtship and marriage. Just how the correspondence began does not appear. Hawley was taken by an officer to Darlington, S. C., where he will be tried.

Traffic in Slaves Resumed.

ZANBAR Cablegram.—The slavery proclamation has been signed by the German commanders of the respective States. Broker's houses are now full of slaves, having been established under German license. Permits to recover will lead to much kidnapping of free natives. News of the proclamation has spread over the whole coast, and the traffic has revived to an extent unknown in thirty years.

Central Strikers Surrender.

ALBANY, N. Y., September 19.—The order declaring the New York Central strike off was read in every local assembly between New York and Buffalo. It emanated from the headquarters of District Assembly No. 246.