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Editorial

A WORD PERSONAL

We recently sent blanks to a number of our subscribers requesting each person to whom one was sent to fill it out and return to us by November 1st.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Bro. Parker tells us that the business of the State Alliance Business Agency was twice as heavy during October, 1900, as it was in October of last year.

The Agricultural Experiment Station has issued another "Warning in Regard to Compost Peddlers" that ought to be heeded by the farmers of the State.

The stockmen of Tennessee are called to meet in the office of the Commissioner of Agriculture, tomorrow, 14th, to organize a Tennessee Stock Breeders' Association.

The only election bet of which we have heard that resulted satisfactorily to both parties was that of a Manhattan, Kansas, young lady with a young man of that city.

We are indebted to the Secretary for an invitation to attend the 14th Fair and Race Meet of the East Carolina Fish, Oyster, Game and Industrial Association to be held in New Bern this week, November 12th-17th, 1900.

HERE'S WOKER FOR US

Last week we published statistics showing that the per centage of white illiteracy in North Carolina is greater than in any other State in the Union...

TWO LIVE STOCK NOTES

Charentus, a horse bred on the Tucker farm a few miles from Raleigh, was sold by its Raleigh owner recently for a few hundred dollars.

The Secretary of Agriculture has just issued a statement showing the total increase of farm animals in the United States January 1, 1897, to January 1, 1900.

SHREDDING CORN

Last summer The Progressive Farmer printed a number of articles, editorial and contributed, urging our corn growing readers to purchase shredders and shred their corn.

Although introduced into this county only a few years ago by Messrs T. B. McClain and B. D. Springs, corn shredding is now growing into general favor in all quarters.

"In some neighborhood nearly all of the farmers are having their corn shredded. Some say that their experience last year was convincing in view of the small crops, had they not resorted to the shredding expedient, they would have been greatly embarrassed for roughness.

"The saving occasioned" by corn shredders, as compared with the old fodder pulling plan, is difficult to estimate. The shredder makes available every particle of nutritious food afforded by corn stalks...

TWO POINTS OF VIEW

In a speech delivered a few weeks ago, Col. Wm. J. Bryan, Democratic candidate for the Presidency, said:

"I want to emphasize the importance of independence of opinion and action in a county like ours. I believe with Senator Wellington that the claims of the country are infinitely greater than the claims of any party."

Quite a different doctrine is that preached by the News and Observer in an editorial on the results of the election. It says that the worst man in its party is politically better than the best man in the opposition party.

Here we have set forth the two points of view. One that the voter must think and act for himself; the other that he must swallow whatever mixture is offered in the party name.

ALLIANCE WORK IN WASHINGTON AND MECKLENBURG

Bro. T. B. Parker called to see us Friday en route to Washington county, where he will try to re-organize some defunct Subs.

Beginning on the 22nd inst., Bro. Parker will fill fourteen appointments in Mecklenburg county, and two perhaps in Cabarrus.

Very soon State Lecturer Bain is expected to take the war path in the southeastern counties. Let every Allianceman bestir himself now.

THE PARAMONT ISSUE

"Line upon line, precept upon precept." If we talk a great deal about the need for better public schools, we at least talk no more than the seriousness of the problem demands.

Other political questions are but as the dust in the balance compared with the weighty problem of bringing the advantages of a good education within the reach of the children of North Carolina.

"Twenty-three white people in North Carolina in each hundred beyond nine years of age are illiterate—cannot read and write. Governor-elect Aycock has let it be understood that the prime aim of his administration will be to give North Carolina an adequate public school system."

Meditation leads to conversation. It would be easier for us to "talk of His doings" if we thought more about them.—G. B. F. Hallock.

LIKE AN INSANE ASYLUM

The Washington Post reports a sharp saying by a "newspaper woman" of that city.

On the night of the National election she was out in search of news, and started to enter a small hall, in which, as it appears, the Congressional Committee of one of the great parties had its quarters.

Even from the vestibule she could hear a deal of loud and excited conversation, but as she was about entering the hall door, an attendant bustled up to her and said:

"You can't go in there, miss." "Oh, pardon me," said she. "I didn't know that was the violent ward." And with that she withdrew.

The Edgecombe County Cotton Growers' Association has been organized. At the recent meeting, a permanent organization was effected by electing J. W. B. Battle, President; Dr. R. H. Speight, Vice-President; and W. O. Howard, Secretary and Treasurer.

RECENT MEETING OF GEORGIA DAIRYMEN NEAR EXPERIMENT, GA.

The Georgia Dairymen's Association is in its eighth year. It is a vigorous organization. The meetings are the best attended we have seen in the South...

The attendance is for business. Meetings are called promptly at the appointed time and the interest seems never to flag. At this session ex-Gov. W. D. Hoard, of Wisconsin, has been here imparting of his knowledge and enthusiasm to the interest of the occasion.

The Georgia Experiment Station, at Experiment, Ga., two miles away, was open to visitors and many persons took advantage of this opportunity to see the Station buildings and stock and to learn what they could of the working of this fine institution for Georgia farmers.

The Association adjourned to visit the Station in a body, but the rain on Thursday, 1st inst., interfered with this visit materially.

The election of officers occurred just before final adjournment. Ex-Gov. Northen and Mr. Walker were nominated for President, but after discussion, and before a vote was taken, a move was made to reelect Director Redding by acclamation.

DAIRY CLASS

- 1st. Crystal Lake Dairy, Cuthbert, Ga., 91 points. 2nd. Mrs. J. G. Graham, Talbotton, Ga., 87 points. 3rd. L. M. Orr, Greensboro, Ga., 86 points. 4th. Leslie Bros., White Plains, Ga., 85 points.

CREAMERY CLASS

- 1st. Dixie Creamery Co., Griffin, Ga., 92 points. 2nd. Harmony Grove Creamery, Harmony Grove, Ga., 91 1/2 points. 3rd. La Grange Creamery Co., La Grange, Ga., 91 points.

A feature of this part of the meeting was the return of the cash premiums and the passage of resolves to make the award a ribbon or medal the only prize to be competed for in future.

The scale of points on which the awards were made was: Flavor, 50; grain, 20; color, 10; salt, 10; style and finish, 10. Total, 100.

The next meeting will be located by the Executive Council.

F. E. E.

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THIS WEEK'S PAPER

Of our agricultural matter, we specially urge a careful reading of "Good Bacon—How to Have It." A series of articles that ought to be carefully studied by every thinking farmer is Harry Farmer's.

An article of special timeliness is "The Law of Presidential Chances," which we are enabled to give our readers by special arrangement with the World's Work.

The New York Outlook's editorial on "Manufacturing Aristocracy" deserves the consideration of all good citizens, as does the Biblical Recorder's article "For the Uppbuilding of our Commonwealth."

WM. MCKINLEY OUR NEXT PRESIDENT

The best brief summary of election results that has come to our notice is that of the New York Outlook of Nov. 10th, as follows:

In 1896 President McKinley received 271 electoral votes and Mr. Bryan 176. In 1900 the vote stands 292 to 155, as follows:

Table with 2 columns: FOR MCKINLEY and FOR BRYAN. Lists electoral votes for various states like California, Connecticut, Delaware, etc.

Mr. McKinley is thus re-elected, not only by a larger electoral vote than in 1896, but probably by the largest electoral vote ever given to a Presidential candidate.

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one-fifth of that in 1896. Finally, as to Congress, the Republicans have increased their majorities in both Senate and House.

F. M. SIMMONS OUR NEXT SENATOR

The Democratic Senatorial primary last week resulted in a veritable landslide for F. M. Simmons and an overwhelming defeat for Col. Julian S. Carr.

The following table, giving the returns received from eighty-seven counties, shows that Simmons received a majority over Carr of 45,000.

Table with 2 columns: Majorities for— Simmons, Carr. Lists names like Alamance, Alexander, Anson, Ashe, Beaufort, Bertie, Bladen, Buncombe, Burke, Cabarrus, Caldwell, Camden, Carteret, Caswell, Catawba, Chatham, Cherokee, Chowan, Clay, Cleveland, Craven, Cumberland, Currituck, Davidson, Davie, Duplin, Durham, Edgecombe, Forsyth, Franklin, Gaston, Gates, Graham, Granville, Greene, Guilford, Halifax, Harnett, Haywood, Henderson, Hertford, Iredell, Jackson, Johnston, Jones, Lenoir, Lincoln, Macon, Madison, Martin, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Nash, New Hanover, Northampton, Onslow, Orange, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Person, Pitt, Polk, Randolph, Richmond, Robeson, Rockingham, Rutherford, Sampson, Scotland, Stanly, Surry, Swain, Transylvania, Tyrrell, Union, Vance, Wake, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Wilkes, Wilson, Yadkin, Yancey.

Table with 2 columns: ESTIMATED. Simmons, Carr. Lists names like Alleghany, Brunswick, Columbus, Dare, Hyde, Moore, Mitchell, Perquimans, Stokes, Watauga.

Estimated majorities. 4,850 100. Other vocations are very desirable for many people, but the farmer is the most independent man in the world.