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In our stock can be found all the novelties of the season in the way of shapes. In shapes we are displaying the new style Plaques, Stanchions, Novenne, Garland, Sunbeams &c.

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OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

WHAT THE PRESS OF OUR STATE HAS TO SAY ABOUT MEN AND MEASURES.

As it Appears to Our Brethren of the Quill in North Carolina—On Political and other Questions.

President Butler, of the State Alliance, who, with the assistance of a few other small-fry politicians, came so near wrecking that organization in this State, by forcing it into the Third party, has now stepped down and out. May we hope that the new administration will forsake partisan politics, weed out all politicians and regain its lost opportunities?—North Carolinian.

Senator Vance's letter has occasioned a great deal of comment, both favorable and unfavorable to his views on the silver question. Silver is unquestionably the money of the people—the masses—and they have always been very close to the great heart of Senator Vance. However faulty his judgment may be regarded by some no one will doubt the honesty of his opinions, and the manliness of his expressions.

Here is another opinion of a Georgia Democrat, the Jesup Sentinel, and it is for the benefit of members of the House we copy it:

"We are paying each of them \$14 per day to do what we demand of them, and if they cannot serve us according to our instructions, as set forth in the Chicago platform, let them resign and come home."

That is right.—Wilmington Messenger.

It may be some consolation to know that the scarcity of small bills reduces the number of bacteria, bacilli and other microscopic vermin that we have to pocket with the small bills. It isn't pleasant to reflect that when you have your pocket full of bills you are totting around an incubating shop for all that sort of critters. The average newspaper man, however, is not much interested in these microscopic developments.

Several counties in the State have adopted the plan of working the convicts of the county upon public roads. Wherever we have seen reports from the experiment the best of results have followed and improvements have been made that possibly would not have been obtained in any other way. The Reflector has been anxious to see the Commissioners of Pitt county adopt this plan and improve the roads of this county by working the convicts upon them. Taking the evidence from other counties they could take no better step for road improvement.—Greenville Reflector.

The Old Roman, ex-Senator Thurman, asks a very searching question when he wants to know if the Sherman act produced the financial stringency that led to the breaking of a mile but three banks in Australia, and if it produced the financial troubles that other countries have so recently experienced. The Old Roman is, we think, correct in saying the financial stringency here was caused largely by the panics in other countries. The panics in other countries were, we believe, caused by too small a volume of money. The wise thing for our country is to have a larger basis for currency than gold alone supplies.—Kinston Free Press.

While the House is battling over the report of the Sherman act, on the one side and the free coinage of silver on the other, in the Senate the discussion takes a wide range. Senator Voorhees' bill in regard to increasing National Bank circulation may be amended by incorporating a provision repealing the tax on State bank notes, and in that shape go over to the House of Representatives. We are under the impression that the sentiment expressed by the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce is apt to become the leading thought—first secure an increase of the currency, and after that dispose of the silver business.—News-Observer Chronicle.

The Raleigh Christian Advocate pays a high tribute to the Presbyterians in their observance of the Sabbath at the World's Fair. It says:

The Presbyterians are noted for their careful observance of the Sabbath. They declined to make an exhibit at the World's Fair when they found it was to be opened on Sunday. Part of their exhibits was on the grounds, but they would not unpack it until this question was decided, and when it was decided to open on Sunday they sent the exhibits all back and declined to make any exhibits at all. This shows a devotion to the Lord's Day that is commendable and is a fine example to other denominations.

THE STATE UNIVERSITY.

Is it Worthy of North Carolina and Her People?

The Committee of the Board of Trustees appointed by the Governor to inspect the University, made a full and detailed report at commencement. We print a few extracts which will inform the people of the condition and management of their chief institution of learning.

GENERAL CONDITION.

The general condition of the University is one of healthy, vigorous growth. The spirit that pervades it, from the president to the manager of the baseball team is pushing, hopeful and progressive. There is a determination to make it all that a reasonable public will demand.

MORAL AND RELIGIOUS TONE.

Your committee as a body, and individually, were very favorably impressed with the high moral and religious tone of the University, as it applies to both the faculty and the students. We were informed that the students regularly attended some of the church services of several christian denominations having churches in Chapel Hill. The orderly decorum, the gentlemanly bearing, and the quiet of the students at the chapel service and prayers were very marked, and the members of the committee were highly pleased and gratified. The young men listened attentively to the reading of the scriptures, and engaged heartily in the service of song. The morning prayers we attended impressed us as solemnly as would a family worship before the duties of the day begin. It was a company of joyous, hopeful, happy young men. Your chairman, by invitation of the young men, attended the worship of the Young Men's Christian Association, and by their request made a short talk after reading some selections from the Scriptures and prayers. He was encouraged and strengthened by the service, and went away grateful for the privilege, and with the prayer in his heart "God bless the young men in this institution, and turn the feet of many through their influence to obedience to His statutes. And God bless the University, and multiply its power for good."

QUALITY OF INSTRUCTION.

The quality of the instruction given is in keeping with the character and quality of the men in charge of the departments and their scholarship and ability. No one doubts this who knows the standard claimed for it by the management of the University. The standard of the work is best judged by the bright and aspiring young men of the high grade institution. These are the best measures of college class work.

Such young men desire the advantages of the best work. When it fails to come up to the standard of the best, they are the first to find its defects and to demand its improvement. Such young men are not easily deceived; and we beside the professor who fails to reach their standard of demand. From these, and their attitude towards the professors here largely, your committee conclude that the work is well and efficiently done.

HEALTH.

We inquired about the health of the students, and received the reply that not a member of the faculty nor of the student body was sick during our visit; that no professor had been sick during the year, and only one student had been seriously sick, and that he came in September, having contracted sickness elsewhere. He returned to his home and died there in October. The testimony was that the village was unusually healthy.

RELATIONS OF OFFICERS AND STUDENTS.

After careful inquiry we concluded that the relations of the faculty to each other, and to the President, were most cordial and kindly. Not a jar, but peace and the kindness of friendship pervaded the entire faculty. All were working together harmoniously for the common purpose of serving together the best interests of higher education; and all were striving in generous rivalry to serve the University and the State to the very best ability of each. The faculty were unitedly following the leadership of our worthy President and aiding him in every way possible in the administration of the affairs of the University. They united in testifying to his wisdom, prudence, firmness, zeal and high executive ability.

We found the very best state of feeling between students and faculty, the faculty striving to be helpful to the students, and the students rendering much aid to the faculty in general management of the University, and taking a great pride in making a good name for the institution.

The faculty bore warm testimony to this, and expressed grateful appreciation therefor to the committee.

NON-POLITICAL AND NON-DEMOCRATIC.

The management of the University, we fully believe, from our investigation, to be free from political and denominational bias. We have seen no evidence of any such bias in either direction. The students are from families of every shade of politics and religion. We heard not a word of discord or unpleasantness on either score. We do not believe anything of the kind has any existence here. There is a bias for religion, the religion of our own Bible, the Christian religion. Why should it not be so biased? Our civilization is a Christian civilization. Our school system is a Christian civilization. Our constitution, declares that "religion, morality and knowledge being necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged." Does any one suppose that any other religion than that of our own Bible, or that any morality except that of which our Bible is the best teacher, was in the minds of the men who framed this constitution? Under this constitution, and by its command, we have our public school system; under this constitution, and by its command, this University was founded.

Let it be religious! It must be religious. There is a common ground for the common good, broad enough for us all to stand on as Christian men and citizens of a Christian State. Denominational bias should have no place here, either in the faculty or in the board of trustees. We believe it has no place. It becomes us to see to it that it has no place.

THE STATE NEEDS THE UNIVERSITY AND THE UNIVERSITY IS WORTHY OF THE STATE.

We believe that the University is worthy of our highest efforts to maintain it and to broaden its influence, and send out its light to bless the State in blessing its young men and broadening them for service. The State needs the University. The University is worthy of the State. Let us keep it so. As our educational horizon expands with the advance of these wonderful times let us enlarge the center light that its rays may touch the remotest points and bring hope and joy to the men who are to come after us.

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH, Chairman.

The Penitentiary Farm.

The State convicts are putting in some good work on the State farms on the Roanoke, as we gather from the following statement of Superintendent Leazer, which we find in the Weldon News of this week:

"The crops are magnificent, the finest I ever saw in all my life. The grandest agricultural spectacle of which I have knowledge is presented by our corn field. We have an area in corn four miles long and a mile wide. This contains 3,000 acres. There is not a missing stalk and so luxuriant is the growth that it is nearly black. We had a good wheat crop. On fifty acres we harvested 3,000 bushels. Our whole crop was 3,000 bushels. We expect to make 100,000 bushels of corn unless a freshet in the river intererates. It is well worth going there to see, from anywhere in the State. We have 1,600 acres in cotton and this is fine, although the cold weather in the spring did it some damage, but not much. We have 1,000 acres in peas. We expect to get 1,000 bales of cotton this season. It should be borne in mind that we have not used a particle of fertilizer on corn, wheat, cotton or peas. You never saw a cleaner crop. I will undertake to say that in the 4,600 acres of corn and cotton there is not a wagon load of grass. We have sold in this section 8,000 bushels of last season's corn. We propose to put 40,000 bushels on the market in the State of the crop now growing, and to knock out Chicago in this section. We have 100 acres in sorghum cane, and there is no finer in Louisiana. As I rode through it on horseback it rose above my head. We expect to make 10,000 gallons of syrup from it."

Silver-Purchase Repeal.

WASHINGTON, August 15.—At a meeting called by the committee in charge of the bill for the unconditional repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act held to-night in the Arlington Hotel, Representative Rayner, of Maryland, presided. About forty members were present, representing every section of the country. They then compared notes and the meeting felt satisfied that there was a majority in the House of not less than thirty in favor of the Wilson bill. Various subcommittees were appointed to meet from time to time and report on the condition of the House on the subject of repeal until a vote has been taken.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

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SUNDAY READING.

God has three sorts of servants in the world. Some are slaves, and serve Him from a principle of fear; others are hirelings and serve Him for the sake of wages; and the last are sons, and serve Him under the influence of love.

It is said that the well-known song "The Sweet By and By," was purely accidental. Mr. Bennett the writer of the words, and Mr. Webster, the composer of the music, at that time residents of Chicago. One day as Mr. Bennett was at his place of business, Mr. Webster, who was of a sensitive nature and easily susceptible to depression, came in, in one of his melancholy moods. "What's the matter now?" asked Bennett. "It's no matter," he answered, "it will be all right by and by." The idea of the hymn came to me like a flash, says Bennett, and I replied: "The 'Sweet By and By'." Why would not that make a good hymn? "Maybe it would," said Mr. Webster, indifferently. Turning to the desk Bennett then wrote three verses of the hymn, "In the meantime, two friends, N. H. Carswell and S. E. Bright, had come in," says Bennett. "I handed the hymn to Mr. Webster. As he read it his eyes kindled and his whole demeanor changed. Stepping to the desk he began, in a moment, writing the notes. Presently he asked for his violin and played the melody. In a few moments more he had the four parts of the chorus gotten down. I think it was not over thirty minutes from the time I took my pen to write the words before the two gentlemen above named, myself and Mr. Webster, were singing the hymn, in the same form in which it afterward appeared. While singing, Mr. R. Crooby, now a resident of Richmond, Ill., came in, and after listening a while with tears in his eyes, uttered the prediction. "The hymn is immortal." It was sung in public shortly after, and in two weeks almost every child on the streets was singing it." It has been translated into several languages, and sung in every land under the sun.

Luther says, once upon a time the devil said to me, "Martin Luther, you are a great sinner, and will be damned!" Stop! stop! I said; "one thing at a time." I am a sinner, it is true, though you have no right to tell me of it, I confess it, what next? "Therefore you will be damned." "That is not good reasoning. It is true I am a great sinner, but it is written "Jesus Christ came to save sinners," therefore I shall be saved! Now go your way. So I cut the devil off with his own sword, and he went away mourning because he could not cast me down by calling me a sinner."

If you walk with Christ, keep out of all evil company, of all evil associations, keep from all evil places, from every place where you cannot go in the spirit of Christ, and that, if upon earth, you might not expect to meet him there. If you go out of the territory where He would go, you need not expect to find Him.

RUSTIC ROBIN.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Castle, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his Stomach was disordered, his Liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Specker, Catawba, O., had five large Fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle, Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by J. De Morris' Drug Store.

Yesterday United Sheriff McPhail was bringing a United States prisoner from Whiteville to Wilmington, the fellow, although handcuffed, jumped through the window of the car and made his escape. The train was stopped and the sheriff gave chase, but it was not learned whether he caught the man or not. The prisoner had been "a moonshiner" and was under sentence to pay a fine of \$500 and to be imprisoned for one year.—Wilmington Messenger.

A report is being circulated to the effect that an epidemic of typhoid fever is raging in Lenoir. We have had a few cases of fever here; but nothing like an epidemic.—Mr. J. W. Sudderth, who came over from Morganton Friday, tells us that the Dunavant and Reid cotton mill closed on that day, throwing 200 hands out of employment. He says it was reported that the property had gone into the hands of a receiver.—Lenoir Topic.

Blind Tigers For Rum Sucking.—South Carolinians.

They do tell us that since Governor Tillman's dispensary whiskey law has gone into effect in South Carolina, "blind tigers" innumerable have sprung up in Columbus county and other counties in North Carolina and other counties bordering on the Palmetto State. The fact that the South Carolina neighbors have "hot fires" to cool down and must have something to do it with besides dispensary whiskey, has ensured many "sympathizers" in North Carolina into an effort to supply the demand. The "blind tigers" are the result, and besides this, they tell us that since the dispensary law has gone into effect there is a great big boom in moonshine stills in Columbus and other bordering counties.—Wilmington Messenger.

Cotton Futures.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—The Sun says of cotton: August attracted considerable attention by an advance of fourteen points. It is supposed to have the support of leading Greek houses. The early business here was at some decline in most months owing to a fall in Liverpool, but later on there was a general advance, with less pressure to sell and a better financial situation. The close was at an advance of six points on September and three to four on other months, with the tone strong. The rainfall in Texas was small. The sales were 101,500 bales, Liverpool declined three to three and a half points, and closed easy with spot sales of 10,000 bales.

Large Decrease in Government Receipts.

WASHINGTON, August 15.—The continued business depression is felt by none more sensibly than by the government. Its revenues rise and fall in touch with business. So far this month its receipts are three million dollars less than last month, and during the last three days the falling off has been very heavy. Business men are taking out of bonded warehouses as few goods as possible, while imports have not only curtailed their imports, but are taking advantage of all delay possible in paying custom duties. At the present rate the Treasury receipts will not be over \$27,000,000 for the month, instead of \$35,000,000.

Fire at Boydton, Va.

RICHMOND, Va., August 15.—A special to the Dispatch from Boydton, Mecklenburg county, says: "About 2 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the engine room of Geo. M. Brown's wagon factory, which was entirely destroyed and before its progress could be stopped, consumed a number of business houses and residences and injured others, inflicting a total loss of more than \$20,000. Most of the houses and contents were partially insured. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin."

Now Try This.

It will cost you nothing and will surely do you good, if you have a Cough, Cold, or any trouble with Throat, Chest or Lungs. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to give relief, or money will be paid back. Sufferers from La Grippe found it just the thing and under its use had a speedy and perfect recovery. Try a sample bottle at our expense and learn for yourself just how good a thing it is. Trial bottles free at J. De Morris' Drug Store. Large size 50c. and \$1.

Mr. L. A. Beaver, a good farmer of Cool Spring township, put 36 loads of manure on 3½ acres of ground last fall and seeded 4½ bushels—"round measure"—of Winter Five wheat. The yield was 90 bushels. Mr. Beaver's entire crop of wheat amounted to 150 bushels. He also threshed 86 bushels of oats in addition to saving a large lot unthreshed for seed.—Statesville Landmark.

A special to the News says: The trial of Peter DeGraff, charged with the murder of his sweetheart, Ellen Smith, which has been in progress at Winston for three days past, was concluded to-day. DeGraff was found guilty.—Charlotte News.

There is considerable excitement in town over the supposed presence of a loose bear operating in South Concord. The animal has been seen has whipped several dogs, and has eaten up the wastings at Beck's slaughter house.—Concord Standard.

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The Mills are now in better condition than ever, and special arrangements have been made for the prompt and careful attention to all grain consigned, to be ground.

Persons living too far from the Mills to wagon their grain, can ship by the R. & D., and N. & W. railroads, and prompt return of

FLOUR, MEAL, ETC.

will be made. No charge for drayage to and from the Depots. Prepay freight one way when you ship. You can rely upon as good grade of flour, meal, etc., from these Mills as any in the State.

We will keep on hand, at all times, for the trade, the best Flour, Meal, Shipstuf, Bran, Etc., that can be found anywhere, at lowest prices.

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