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EDITORIAL NOTES.

A HEAVY snow storm prevailed in Northern Michigan May 30th.

SENATOR BROWN, of Georgia, is dangerously ill at his home in Atlanta.

"IN this life God is with the believer; in the next the believer is with God."

THE June term of the United States Circuit Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina is now in session at Raleigh, His Honor, A. S. Seymour presiding.

DR. S. P. MOORE, who was Surgeon General of the Confederate States, died suddenly on the 31st of May at his home in Richmond, Va., of congestion of the lungs.

COL. JOHN C. HASKELL of Columbia, S. C., has been elected a member of the National Democratic Executive Committee in place of Captain Dawson, late of Charleston. This is an excellent selection.

IT has, within the last few days, been said that a British squadron is concentrating at Behring sea for the protection of Canadian sealers, but it was denied in the House of Commons on last Thursday.

THE Samoan Conference has taken a recess in order that the Governments represented may pass upon its action. As soon as the commissioners are further instructed the final formal sitting will be held.

"THE Texas 'Spring Palace,' at Fort Worth, has opened in grand style, and is sure to prove a great and creditable success. The exhibit of State products is exceptionable fine, and includes every thing but politics."

"A KALEIDOSCOPIC instrument containing twenty fragments of different forms and colors is capable of so many combinations that, at the rate of one turn of the instrument every second, it would take the incredible number of 75,000,000,000 years to exhaust them."

THE idea that Mr. Blaine is apt to involve this country in war is all wrong. He is ambitious, and whatever glory he can gain must be by diplomacy. In case of war the laurels won by Cabinet officers would belong to the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy.

THE News and Observer says: "Among the relics to be exhibited at the Loan Exhibit for the benefit of St. John's Hospital will be a single check for $1,000,000, drawn by the Treasurer of the Confederate States and payable to the State of North Carolina in part payment for supplies of clothing, etc., furnished Confederate troops."

"No, the soul is, in all its parts and powers, alive, alert, in the future State. Death, which does dissolve the body, cannot touch the soul. There is before the soul no horrible abyss of vacancy. The mastership of death, though it is so mighty, *fails* in the presence of my soul. Death cannot condemn my soul, even to slumber."

WE have before us the Fifth Biennial Report of the Director of the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station for the years 1887-'88. It is a valuable publication containing useful information in an attractive form. We note with pleasure the statement that "it is not hazardous to assert that in ten years one-half of the commercial fertilizers sold in North Carolina will be made in North Carolina."

AN independent negro party has been organized in Richmond, Va. No white men are admitted. When the whites "jine Radikals" it is always for pelf and grub. Some of the negroes are beginning to glimpse this important fact. Deprive the white allies in North Carolina of all chance for office and there will be no more training with Sambo, Pompey and Cuffee. —Wilmington Messenger.

THE Washington Post gives an account of many Federal memorial celebrations, and we are happy to say that nearly all of them evince the kindest sentiments towards the South. This is especially so of Gen. Burdette's speech at Fredericksburg. In the midst of his eloquent remarks he said, "he who puts his life in pawn for the cause he champions has closed discussion on the question of the sincerity of his purpose."

No better illustration of the death of rancor, of the irate manliness of Americans to whatever section native, is known to me than was the gracious act of those Confederate warriors who, one year ago today, seeing that too few of our comrades were present here to do full justice to the occasion generously led the way, and made complete the work of garnishing these graves with flowers.—Gen. Burdette at Fredericksburg.

THERE was a very old man from Meriwether in attendance at Pike Superior Court last week. He was feeble in appearance, and, indeed, some of his old acquaintances asked him his age. "Well," he said, "If I live to see Feb. 31, I will be 115 years old. Another remarkable fact connected with my construction is that I haven't a tooth in my head." Opening his mouth and pointing to his smooth, toothless gums, he continued, "I was born that way. Wonderful as it may appear, my youngest son and oldest daughter was born that way also."—Savannah News.

PROGRESS OF CHRISTIANITY

It is for the religious press to devote its energies to the inculcation of ethical truths, but it is hardly proper for the secular *Sunday* paper to exclude from its columns reflections and suggestions on religious subjects appropriate to this sacred day.

But a little while ago our nation all centennial was celebrated. The advance of the American Republic along the highway of nations was the theme of orators and poets all over this land, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific resounded the proud acclaim of exultant freemen.

Inasmuch as "righteousness exalted a nation while sin is a reproach to any people," it is not inappropriate, in the political jubilee, to remember the Christian's ground for rejoicing.

There are those who are constantly in the "slough of despond," to whom nothing is beautiful, attractive or encouraging, save the words that came to St. John on the island of Patmos, "these are they who have come up through great tribulations," but the hopeful, progressive Christian, joys in the assurance that "with the growth of the nation, even out stripping it, has gone on the growth of the church." We speak of no sect nor denomination, but of that blessed Christianity which having its beginning with the star of Bethlehem, shining in the east, has become the sun of righteousness, enlightening the whole world.

If civilization has advanced in arithmetical proportion, Christianity has increased in geometrical proportion.

However great its conquests in the past, the church is organizing, as never before, for greater victories over the combined forces of heathenism, infidelity and corrupt Christianity. Agencies are in operation whose full effectiveness eternity alone can reveal. Individual effort is accomplishing more than ever before. In walks where once the priest only trod hundreds of devout men and women make their daily rounds, giving the bread of life to millions of hungry, starving souls.

The efforts of Christian women make the present era the golden age of Christian endeavor, in which unbelieving men will thrill with the hope of immortality. Soon will dawn the day of perfect illumination, in which will go up the glad shout of all the people HALLELUJAH! THE LORD GOD OMNIPOTENT REIGNETH!

DEMOCRATIC SOCIETIES

A correspondent of the News and Observer "passed a few pleasant hours" on the 30th of May "at the home of Governor Chauncey F. Black, the President of the National Association of Democratic Clubs," and we call the attention of North Carolina Democrats, and especially the attention of the Hon. J. S. Carr, president of the North Carolina Association of Democratic Clubs, to the suggestions of the distinguished Pennsylvanian.

In response to a question Governor Black said:

"Yes; the men of conviction in the Democratic party look to the Democratic societies as the best enginery for carrying forward the work of industrial emancipation. They could not do otherwise, for there is no other Democratic agency in sight. The campaign committees have struck their tents and disappeared from the field, to reappear only when another furious and wasteful campaign is on, when men's minds are closed to argument, and the clangors and clamors of mere partisanship fill all ears to the exclusion of common sense, neighborly counsels, or sober reason of any sort. Until then the Democratic societies, as represented in the National Association of Democratic Clubs, are the only Democratic organization for the work of instructing and arousing the people. * * * *

"Our forefathers, at a time when the agricultural interest was the controlling one, made the Democratic society the great engine of resistence to aggressions of Federalism, similar in kind, though inferior in magnitude, to those which confront us today. Why not now? The Democratic society comes down to us with our free institutions. It saved those institutions in the first rude encounter of the people with Hamiltonian Federalism, and there is no reason why it should not be employed again. The 'very nurseries of sound Republican principles' as Mr. Jefferson declared, their simplicity and dignity, their grave purpose, their settled principles, not less than their historic associations, commends them to our farmers as assemblies in which they may decently engage for the defense of their rights and interests."

We concur in the opinions of Governor Black. The right time for the propagation of Democratic truth is the period of calm reflection. No general postpones the drill and equipment of his forces until the battle has begun. If we are to redeem this and other farmer states, we must be made prosperous through the influence of just and reform, he must himself be a potent factor in the revolution. The science of government is the most difficult of all sciences, and must be learned by diligent study and close observation. Every man has a right to vote, and the utter ignorance of the many appeals to political leaders for more light.

All classes need to be informed in the science of government. Learned lawyers, who have not made political philosophy a subject of study, blunder over it as badly as the unlettered rustic. It is nothing unusual to hear men of intelligence say there is no material difference in the principles of the two great parties in this country."

What says Mr. Carr? Will he bring the Association of which he is the worthy president into line, and have the different clubs, that form his Association, drilled for the impending combat? It is useless to bring new militia into the field against regular troops. Camps of instruction must be organized, and our soldiers perfectly drilled if we are to gain the victory.

PRAISE

A child sat on the door sill sobbing, when a shrill voice rang out, "Come in this minute you good for nothing thing." And the little one rose and murmured, "Always blaming me," and with reluctant steps entered the house. Just across the way a beautiful little girl was chasing the butterflies, when a charming woman appeared at the window, and in a voice as silvery as the rippling brook, said, "Come in, mother's darling."

O, what a world of difference in those homes! One the work house of unrequited toil; the other the blessed habitation of Praise!

Praise is the expression of the soul's beatitude. "Praise the Lord, ye heavens adore Him, praise Him all ye Sons of Light."

There is no land without its fens, its chasms and its precipices, but who thinks of presenting them in panorama, while silver lakes sleep unobserved, and landscapes flecked with golden grain, delicious fruits, and beauteous flowers, have no place in the picture?

Bring out the good, the beautiful and the true, and sound the loud tymbal. Praise our land; sing praises all ye people. Salute the morning with exultant song, and over night's dark sea send rippling waves of melody.

Let no man be content to live in State or city he cannot praise. There is no good there, and he, himself, breeds infections.

"You will spoil your child with praise." No, indeed. Not with judicious praise. You may inflate with vanity, and the pampered child will be the tyrant of the household, and then—strange transition—becomes the slave of apetite and passion. But, fear not to cheer virtuous action, or to reward the sunny smile of joyous childhood with an approving kiss.

Praise every thing, that admits of praise, from the small atom that floats in the sunbeam to the great Creator of the Universe.

WEATHER CROP BULLETIN

For the Week Ending Saturday, May 31st, 1889.

CENTRAL OFFICE, AGRICULTURAL BUILDING, RALEIGH, N. C.

The reports of correspondents of the Weekly Weather Crop Bulletin issued by the North Carolina Experiment Station and State Weather Service, co-operating with the United States Signal Service, show that there has been an excess of rain fall, about an average temperature and an average amount of sunshine in the State during the week ending Friday, May 31st. The effect upon crops has been generally favorable. Cotton has improved somewhat, although considerably damaged by hail and wind storms in Rowan and Edgecombe counties. In the tobacco sections the weather has been generally very favorable to transplanting. A very severe storm passed over the State on Thursday and Friday, attended by high winds and excessive rain falls, flooding bottom lands and doing much injury to the crops. The following especially heavy weekly rain-falls, reported: Morganton, Burke county—4.89 inches in three days. Dallas, Gaston county—3.50 inches in 19 hours. Iron Station, Lincoln county—3 inches on one day. Davidson College, Mecklenburg county—2.50 inches on three days. Raleigh, Wake county—3.30 inches on three days. Greensboro, Guilford county—2.20 inches on three days. Garysburg, Northampton county—2.25 inches on three days. Hertford, Perquimans county—3.75 on four days.

EASTERN DISTRICT. The temperature was lightly below the normal, the sunshine below the average amount and the rain-fall above the average. Crops appear to have been unfavorably affected. Hail and wind storms, together with heavy rains, were very injurious to cotton in the northern portion of the district.

CENTRAL DISTRICT. There was an excess of rain-fall, about an average temperature and an average amount of sunshine in this district with a decidedly favorable effect upon crops, as shown from the reports of 85 per cent. of the correspondents. The weather has been very seasonable for tobacco, and cotton has been doubtless improved. Freshets are reported in some localities with some injury to crops on bottom lands.

WESTERN DISTRICT. The rain fall was above the average, the temperature slightly below the average and the sunshine slightly above the average. Ninety-three per cent. of the correspondents report the weather has been favorable. In the tobacco sections of this district the weather has been especially favorable. The stand of cotton has been probably improved. Wheat doing fairly well. Oats rather poor.

H. B. BAKER, PH. D.,
Director.

H. M. P. BARNWIN,
Signal Corps, Assistant.

"BROMLEY, my serial story came back yesterday."

"What? After keeping it three years?"

"Yes, and it wasn't read, for I had purposely pasted some of the pages together. The editor kept my stamps and sent the MS. by express at my expense."

"And you're not hopping mad?"

"No. I am thankful he didn't charge me storage.

Good Advice, Showing Result.

Edward Silvey, Chicago, gives testimony "My wife had Catarrh twenty-five years, suffered severely for six years before she began to use your remedy. Unable to breathe except through the mouth, in a most critical condition. Tried everything without relief, when Dr. Streeter advised her to buy Clarke's Extract of Flax. Papillon Catarrh Cure. Relief followed immediately. She continued to use it until she is now entirely cured. Her health has not been so good in many years." Price $1.00. Wash the baby with Clarke's Flax Soap. 25 cents. F. S. Duffy, druggist, now has the Flax remedies on hand.

STORM AND SNOW.

Rain and Frost Devastating the Northwest.

CHICAGO, May 31.—Yesterday and last night a heavy gale raged over lakes Ontario and Erie and portions of lakes Huron and Michigan. All around the lakes vessels are reported wind bound and driven ashore. At Chicago the wind reached a velocity of forty miles an hour and a number of vessels were forced to anchor outside. At Port Huron, white caps were driven before a gale of forty-eight miles and across the river at Sarnia, a fleet of tug boats were bound up afraid to move. The storm is moving eastward and lake Michigan will probably be free from unusual wind today.

At 7 o'clock last night a north wind was blowing at the following ports, with the velocities given: Chicago, forty miles; Milwaukee, forty two miles; Green Bay, forty-eight; Port Huron, forty eight; Detroit, forty five; Toledo, thirty five; Sandusky, thirty three.

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., May 31. A tornado struck a section of country five miles east of here yesterday afternoon, and after demolishing a vast amount of property it passed down the Potomac river, uprooting trees, overturning small vessels, and playing havoc generally with the small buildings near the banks of the stream. The storm travelled over an area of ten miles and then passed out to sea. Very few trees were left standing along the water front, and those that escaped were twisted out of shape.

The house of Martin Borton, which stood directly in the tornado's path, was lifted from the ground. Two women, who were in a little frame kitchen, were hurled twenty feet and severely injured.

WABASH, Ind., May 31.—The heaviest rainfall in years has been prevailing throughout this region for two days. At Benton Harbor, Mich., snow fell to a depth of six inches. Snow is also reported at other places.

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., May 31.—A northeaster, the fiercest storm known here for years now prevails. Snow fell here yesterday to a depth of about an inch.

WINONA, Ind., May 31.—Rain has fallen without ceasing for forty-eight hours, and it changed to a snow storm yesterday afternoon. There has been nearly twenty-two inches of rainfall and much damage will be done by floods.

GALENA, Ills., May 31.—A heavy white frost visited this section yesterday morning. Corn on low ground was blasted to the sprout and all kinds of tender fruit killed. The damage is very serious.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., May 31.—A terrific storm passed over the Potomac river district of Washington county yesterday afternoon. It seemed to follow the course of the river, leaving destruction in its tracks, and blowing down buildings, trees and fences, and ruining the growing crops. Telegraph and telephone wires are down and it is impossible to obtain particulars.

STAUNTON, VA., May 31.—The storm of Tuesday in the Northwest reached here Thursday and continued till this morning. For fifteen consecutive hours rain fairly poured down accompanied by a strong wind, and much wheat has been blown down and damaged.

HARRISBURG, VA., May 31.—There was a great storm in this section last night. The wind blew a perfect hurricane. Wheat was blown down, trees uprooted, houses unroofed, and fences laid low. The damage is great.

WINCHESTER, VA., May 31.—There has been an incessant downpour of rain for the last thirty hours. At times the winds were very high. Many magnificent fields of wheat are laid flat and wheat is materially injured. All the water courses are beyond crossing.

PITTSBURG, May 31.—A special from Greensburg, Pa., says Johnstown is completely submerged and the loss of life is beyond estimate. Houses are going down the Conemaugh river by the dozen, and people can be seen clinging to the roofs.

At Coketown, a village of several hundred inhabitants, the houses are almost entirely covered and a great many dwellings at Blairsville are submerged. Scarcely a dwelling in the vicinity of Sang Hollow can be seen.

The people here who have friends in flooded districts are eagerly waiting for news at the telegraph office, and great uneasiness prevails. The river at Livermore is rising and great destruction will follow.

Jones County Items.

The joint board of magistrates and commissioners convened at Trenton today and levied the taxes. The poll tax, State and county, will be $2.71½; property, State and county and special 91½ cents. The old board of education was again re-elected. F. M. Dixon was elected commissioner in place of Mr. Frank Brown, resigned.

Trent river is booming higher than it has been since 1877. The rains during the past week in the upper portion of the county the citizens report were unprecedented, swelling the Trent and its tributaries, covering the farms with water in many places, and the losses will be severe to the farmers, many we learn will lose their whole crop. The heavy rains have drowned the mosquitoes, but the frogs are warning the huckleberry brigade, who are encircling the ponds viewing the luscious berries over the waters, that it is knee deep and deeper! knee deep and deeper!

We learn that the progressive citizens of the Piney Grove section have procured the services of Mr. G. E. Tunstall, who is now conducting a good private school at their school house. We know of no better place in Jones county than Piney Grove to build up a good school, as there is considerable wealth in that section and all her citizens have the vim and push to succeed in any enterprise that they may choose to carry out, as all their surroundings plainly show that they are a real live, progressive people.

A SAFE INVESTMENT

Every bottle of this guaranteed to give satisfactory results or a new one or money refunded on return of purchase price. On this safe plan you can buy from our advertised druggist a bottle of Dr. Kings New Discovery for Consumption. It is guaranteed to bring relief in every case, which need for any affection of Throat, Lungs or Chest such as Consumption, Inflammation of Lungs, Bronchitis, Asthma, Whooping Cough, Croup, etc., etc. It is pleasant and agreeable to taste, perfectly safe and can always be depended upon. Trial bottles free at R. N. Duffy's, wholesale and retail druggist. Price per dozen, $10.00.

Swansboro Items.

Schooner A. J. Marvin, Capt. Wm. Moores, is in Bear Inlet harbor, bound for New river.

Capt. Foster has nearly completed the "Ray" schooner here on the ways, W. W. Davis master.

Sol Gornto is the largest turpentine farmer we have, having, we believe, 12 crops of boxes on his premises.

Schooner Carrie Hall Lister, Capt. L. Howland, cleared for New York with 125,000 feet of lumber from Terry's mill today.

Capt. C. D. Westcott of the schooner Lotta, is in port now loaded with 1,700 bushels of corn, selling at 55 cents per bushel. He is bound for New river.

A. F. Farnell is one of our best farmers. He shipped last Saturday 130 bushels of peanuts to Wilmington, N. C., by schooner Stonewall, Capt. A. M. Moore.

The colored people have built a nice church on Queen's creek, completed last week, was dedicated yesterday by Rev. A. A. McKoy, their Elder. This beats our people here. We preach in an old storehouse—that is our preaching is done in this house.

Mr. John Smith, father-in-law of A. F. Farnell, sr., is in his 83 years old, and can walk four miles of a hot day better than we can, and can see without specks to read, is in good health, and bids fair to live until he dies, which from appearances, will be 20 years to come; he is a native of Raleigh.

Mrs. A. F. Farnell has a chicken with four distinct wings. One pair of these wings are low down on the sides of the leg of the chicken, but all seem separate from the other, which are in the regular place, but there are four distinct wings. Barnum ought to have that chicken.

Our railroad here is a dead certainty or uncertainty or e, and if we don't have either, what will become of us is hard to tell. G. W. Smith says he wants the railroad to go to his place, "Hammock," and offers the best inducements; also shows the whys and wherefores, etc., while the people of this place (Swansboro) say this is the place, but don't offer any inducements at all.

The Statesman's Return.

"Yes, the Legislatur' has adjourned, and the statesmen hev returned to their constituents," he said in answer to the question, "Our statesman—our particular tin-dandy statesman—returned with the rest. He was sent down to represent our neck o' the woods. He was supposed to be Dan'l Webster, Henry Clay and John C. Calhoun biled down and canned up. He was supposed to be sharper than razors and wiser than owls. He hollered for reform, bellered for improvements and shouted for glory. That cantankerous cuss was going to amend at least four hundred laws, reform every department of state, secure our county a hundred privileges, and knock the tar out of things in general. We were waiting for him when he returned. He was first struck by Old Pete Jackson, who observed:

"'Look a yere, Johnson, what's that law fur my mill dam?'

"'Killed in committee of the whole,' was the reply.

"'You blamed reptile! Didn't we send you down thar to boss the committee of the whole and everybody else? I want that ar mill dam or blood!'

"'And Hi Wood was next in line, and he said:

"'Look a yere, Johnson, where's that 'ere law to protect my fish pond?'

"'Crowded out by the bill on lighthouses.'

"'She was, eh! Durn your pictur', but do you stand thar and tell me that you let some ramshackle lighthouse way off on Lake Erie knock the stuffin' outer my fish pond up yere! What did we send ye down thar fur? What was ye doin' all this time?'

"'And the third man was Uncle Dave Baker, who led off with:

"'Look a yere, Johnson, what's that neu skule district fur my section?'

"'It was knocked out in trying to amend the title.'

"'She was, eh! Do you tell me that you got right thar and didn't have the title all right? That you let that 'ere House bust up that bill and never got up and uttered one yell? Johnson, I kin lick you with one hand tied to my foot, and I'll be durned if I don't do it!'

"There was twenty-seven of us between his house and the depot, all with a few remarks to make. About thirty waited on him next day, and on the next he broke for the woods and is at present located in a swamp about seven miles away. He may be in along toward corn planting, but if he is thar's about fifty more of our people waiting to interview him. We ar' bound to make him tired."—New York Sun.

An Interesting Analysis.

The following analysis of the Old and New Testaments will be interesting:

Books in the Old Testament, 39, chapters, 929; verses, 23,214; words, 592,439; letters, 2,728,100.

Books in the New Testament, 27; chapters, 200; verses, 7,959; words, 181,253; letters, 838,380.

The Apocrypha has 183 chapters, 6,081 verses, 152,185 words.

Whole number of words in the Bible, 3,718,055.

The middle chapter, and the least in the Bible, is Psalm 117.

The middle verse is the 8th of Psalm 117.

The word "and" occurs in the Old Testament 35,543 times.

The same in the New Testament also occurs 10,684 times.

The word "Jehovah" occurs 6,855 times.

The middle book of the Old Testament is Proverbs.

The middle chapter is Job, 29.

The middle verse is 2d Chronicles, chapter 20, 17th verse.

The least is 1st Chronicles, chapter 1, and 1st verse.

The middle book in the New Testament is 2d Thessalonians.

The middle chapters are Romans 13 and 14.

The middle verse is Acts 17, 17th verse.

The least verse is Acts 9, 35th verse.

The 21st verse, chapter 1, of Ezra, has all the letters of the alphabet.

The 19th chapter of 2d Kings and chapter 37 of Isaiah are both alike.

FALSEHOOD can make the best spurt, but truth can do the steadiest trotting.

Johnson's Mills Items.

Several cases of sickness, dysentery the principle trouble.

It is with sorrow we chronicle the death of Rev. Josephus Latham which occurred recently at the home of a friend in Beaufort county. He was taken sick while en route to one of his appointments.

Rain, rain. Everything is wet in these parts. All have been kept busy opening trenches to let the water run out of their fields. The wheat and oat crop which has been looking so well, is badly blown down. It is thought by some of our farmers that this wet spell will almost ruin them.

All are complaining that they do not get their mail regular. This condition of affairs is the result of having an ignorant postmaster. It is no surprise that the place should be given to Republicans, but that an interest of such vital importance to the business world should be put in the keeping of an ignorant negro. A letter postmarked Barnwell with six stamps was received at Grifton, N. C., last Friday, weighed half ounce. This is the way negro Harris registers a letter. This is an outrage not soon to be forgotten by the voters of North Carolina.

Last Saturday I rode two miles on horseback, two on a canoe down the river to Biddle's Landing, thence a short distance to Barnwell. The crops through this beautiful farming section are badly damaged by the hail and heavy rains. The surface is gently undulating and easily drained. The soil is very productive, but the products not so varied as they should be. The country is especially adapted to stock raising. Clover and grasses of all kinds would grow to perfection, and when the farmers turn their attention in this direction they certainly may expect an increased dawn of prosperity. Barnwell is situated on Neuse road, 21 miles from New Berne. There is no little town in Craven county more delightful for residences than Barnwell, or that has a cleverer set of people. While there I was the recipient of many hospitalities at the hands of Dr. and Mrs. Carr. Here they have the popular and accomplished Miss Mary Smith, of Pitt county, to direct the education of these children. As teacher she gives perfect satisfaction, and those people are to be congratulated on having secured her to continue to disseminate the rich, sweet truths into the minds of her scholars for another year. A premium being offered to the one making the greatest improvement in penmanship, Messrs. Joe Kinsey, Albert Wadsworth and W. S. Wooten being requested to act as judges, awarded the premium to Miss Ada Moore.

A Country Boy's Invitation

A BOY'S LETTER.

There is such a truth of character in the letter below—so much of that spirit of drollery, mixed with mischief, which often prevails in the young human being of the male sex—that we cannot help declaring it to be, in its own words "capital fun." The letter proceeds from a country boy, to what the polite letter-writer would call "his friend in town:"

"Now, Bob, I'll tell you what I want. I want you to come down here for a vacation. Don't be afraid. Ask your sister to ask your mother to ask your father to let you come. Its only ninety mile. If you're out of pocket money, you can walk, and beg a lift now and then. Put on corduroys, and don't care for the cut behind. The two 'prentices, George and Will, are here to be made farmers of; and brother Nick is took home from school, to help in agriculture. We like farming very much; its capital fun. Us four have got a gun and go out shooting; its a famous good 'un, and sure to go off if you don't full cock it. Tiger is to be our shooting dog as soon as he has left off killing the sheep. He's a real savage, and worries cats beautiful. Before father comes home we mean to bait our bull with him. There's plenty of rivers about, and we are going a-fishing as soon as we have mended our top joint. We've a pony, too, to ride upon, when we can catch him; but he's loose in the pasture, and has neither mane nor tail to lay hold of. Isn't it prime, Bob? You must come. If your mother won't give your father leave to allow you run away. There's a pond full of frogs, but we won't pelt them till you come; but let it be before Sunday, as there's our own orchard to rob, and the fruit's to be gathered on Monday. If you like sucking raw eggs, we know where the hens lay, and mother don't; and I'm bound there's lots of birds' nests. Do come, Bob, and I'll show you the wasp's nest, and everything that can make you comfortable. I dare say you could borrow your father's volunteer musket of him, without his knowing of it; but be sure, anyhow, to bring the ramrod, as we have mislaid ours by firing it off."

Stonewall Items.

We are having some good weather just at this time, and the farmers are much in need of it.

Died at her home near Bayboro on the 2d inst., Mrs. Martha Ann Ireland, wife of David Ireland.

Our grass and clover farmers have had a hard time to save their hay, which you ought to see and be convinced that nowhere can Pamlico be excelled in the production of the grasses and clover.

Corn is doing well, and so are oats, but the seasons have not been so favorable to cotton, but if the rains will hold up and give the farmers a chance to clean out the grass and put their crop in order, cotton will soon be O. K.

The Justices and commissioners met at the court house in Bayboro yesterday and transacted the business incumbent upon them. The amount of taxes assessed for all purposes, State, county and special, was 92 cents on the $100 valuation, and on the poll $2.75.

The shipping of Irish potatoes from our section will begin this week, and they are fine. No one has a Dunn & Willett quantity, but nearly all have a small quantity, and take the aggregate of the county and it will come up pretty well.

CAUTION TO MOTHERS

Every mother is cautioned against giving her child laudanum or paregoric. it creates an unnatural craving for stimulants which kills the mind or the child. Acker's Baby Soother is specially prepared to benefit children and cure their pains. It is harmless and contains no opium or morphine. Sold by R. Berry, Newbern, N. C.

WASHINGTON—LEE.

WASHINGTON.

"Turn to [illegible] rove, and see
'The Ruin' [illegible] with decay,
Where steps of dreaming students stray,
The log hewn 'Hall' has grown to be
Collegian in its state—the one
Foremost and first of all to hear
The name that since has filled the air,
That stirs the world's heart to its core,
As never name had done before.
The name that swells the Poet's song—
That makes humanity sublime.
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Of war's embattled pomp and power
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Of his imperial hand!

Ye watched him as his silvered head
Bowed meekly at the morning prayer
And marveled, as with martial tread
That brooked no swerve to left or right,
His hands of students firm he led
As legions to the fight!
Ye saw him in his peaceful rest;
Ye saw him in the evening's wane,
When unobscured by mist or stain,
His cloudless orb went down the west.
—Ah! scarce we dare beneath our breath,
To name him here—so pure, so brave!
Tread softly! for the sculptor's skill
Holds him in seeming slumber still;
Hush!—for that stirless sleep is death—
Peace!—for we stand too near his grave!

Oh! ye who tread these classic halls,
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