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NEW BERNE, N. C., AUG., 1895.

Both white and black grapes are now offered for sale here, and are quite good for early ones.

New Berne throws open her gates to visiting firemen. Gentlemen, we welcome you, the city is yours, take it.

Hotel Chattawka has a hundred and fifty guests now and the other hotels and boarding houses are pretty well filled also.

The protracted meeting at Brice's creek (Croatan N. C.) is in progress. There have been five confessions up to Aug. 6th, there are quite a number of penitants. Elders. Lewis and Frost are conducting it.

The Ocracoke Hotel has been having a very successful season. There are still about two hundred, and regular Saturday night steamer excursions from Washington carry large crowds. Last Sunday we are informed, the Hotel fed six hundred people.

Sixteen of the Kinston Naval Reserves passed through Saturday en route to Wilmington for the cruise. Ensign N. M. Moore was the only officer along. We are told that the Elizabeth City and Morehead division went to Wilmington by water.

In a pile of very fine watermelons at Mr. John Slade's yesterday we noticed three which laid together, would measure seven feet in length. Mr. Slade informed us they were raised at Bairds creek and said that some in the lot would weigh as high as 70 pounds.

The Trilby base ball club will go up to Kinston on the 14th of this month on which date they will play off the tie existing between them and the Kinston second nine. Capt. Williams of the Trilbys, says he will have his team in fine condition when they meet their competitors.

Mr. Frank Baldwin of Washington City is again at the Chattawka. He has got matters in shape to proceed at short notice on the quarantine station at Southport for which he has contracted and is now looking after the foundation work he has in charge for the New Berne public building.

The fine bunch of pears referred to in a recent issue of THE JOURNAL, was raised by Mr. Wm. N. Wayne of Olympia. Mr. Wayne informs us that they are very large now and are of the most perfect formation he has ever seen. They are not only a good pear for eating, but excellent for preserving.

Mr. Thos. O'Connor of the Eagle Hose Reel Company of Greensboro has a kodak along for the purpose of taking some snap views, of the races. He used it also at the train wreck at Haw river Tuesday, which happened as his company was coming down, which we mention more fully elsewhere.

Mr. Wm. G. Cummings of Portsmouth Secretary of the State Fireman's Association of Virginia, arrived on the steamer Neuse and is registered at the Chattawka. Mr. Cummings attends the convention and tournament upon a special invitation from Mr. J. W. Griffith, of Greensboro, Secretary of the N. C. Fireman's Association.

Rev. B. W. Spillman of Kinston was in the city Saturday. He reports five additions to the Baptist church at Spring Garden as a result of the meetings he and Rev. J. W. Rose of Core have been conducting. Week after next Mr. Spillman expects to be assisted by Rev. J. W. Fry in a meeting in Bay creek church, Music Postoffice.

Rabun French, infant son and only child of Mr. T. E. French, of Spring Garden died at Kinston of cholera infantum on the 20th, aged one year. The remains were taken to Spring Garden for interment, the funeral services being conducted at the grave by Rev. J. W. Rose. A large number of friends attested their sympathy by attendance.

Mr. Harper J. Elam, one of the editors and proprietors of the Greensboro Daily and Weekly Record and job office, is in the city attending the firemens' convention as a delegate from the Eagle Hose Company of that city, of which he is president. His friend, Mr. B. A. Boone is with him. He is a delegate from the Hook & Ladder Company of the same city.

A Firemen's Convention means more than fun; it means work, gathers information and improvement. Those of our citizens who keep their eyes open during the week will find that there are many things which they, as well as the firemen, will find interesting and well to know. The items which we have given on exhibits, &c., gives some insight into those things, but there is no reason why each one should not examine for himself.

Mr. Geo. G. Cumming, of the Virginia Firemen's Association, compliments Dr. Griffith, of Greensboro, Secretary of the North Carolina Association very highly, as doing his full duty not only by this State Association but by Virginia also. He informs us that it was through Dr. Griffith that his intimacy with our Association was established and that Dr. Griffith is held in esteem also by the 845 firemen who compose the Virginia Association.

Judge Ewart will meet with little favor from the masses of the people in his attempt to muzzle the press, an account of which is found on another page. Nor have we doubt that when the case reaches a higher court that such a position as Judge Ewart has taken will be found to be in no better favor in law than it is in the minds of the liberty loving people. When the act of any public official becomes above proper criticism our country would indeed be in peril.

The Presbyterian S. S. Convention.

At the meetings of the Sunday school convention of this Presbytery held last week, Prof. W. A. Withers was elected President and Mr C. L. Ives, of New Berne, Treasurer. There were addresses by Prof. Jas. Dinwiddie, President of Peace Institute, Prof Withers, Rev. C. G. Vardell, of New Berne, and others—special addresses. Prof. Dinwiddie spoke on the importance of child training, Mr. Withers on young people's societies and Mr. Vardell on General Assembly committee on Sunday school literature.

One important work was the organization of the Westminister Presbyterial League.

The place of next meeting will be decided later.

Peculiar Antics of a Cyclone.

One day last week there was a hard wind on the outskirts of Jacksonville which seemed to strike only in spots. A fish shed by the river was picked up and blown over another house and dropped down on top of some cars on the W N & N R R track, falling in a wreck on each side. Also a train near this house was broken off, but no farther damage done there.

On the other side of the river a small colored church was demolished and a house blown from its foundation.

The Beaufort Insurance Cases.

No new developments were made in the insurance trials of Beaufort people at Morehead City Friday. The testimony taken was simply a piling up of evidence along lines already told of.

Further examination was postponed until Wednesday in order to give the counsel opportunity to spend the Sabbath at home and also to attend to other legal business on the intervening days.

Berlin, Md., Burned Up.

A telegram to our townsman, Mr. W. J. Pitts, brings the news of the almost total destruction of Berlin, Md., his old home, by fire. It was a town of 1,000 to 1,800 inhabitants.

The telegram was from Mr. Pitts' father, Mr. W. D. Pitts. The latter's house and also that of Dr. John W. Pitts, his son, who still lives there, and that of Mr. Lewis C. Dillworth, we are glad to say, were saved.

OUR SCHOOL FACILITIES.

Their Scattered Condition, Divided Patronage and Consequent Weakness—Shall We Let This Condition Continue or by United Effort Make Such a School as Befits a City of New Berne's Size and Influence?

Is the Collegiate Institute, the High School of this city, up to a point of efficiency that our people are satisfied with as corresponding with the important position New Berne holds among the cities of the State? We do not believe that there is one in a dozen of our citizens who feels this is the case and rests satisfied with the condition and prominence of the school.

If the school does not hold the place in the eyes of the public it should whose fault is it? We are sorry to say that to a very large extent it is the fault of our own people. They do not unite and stay united on educational matters as they should.

Who, is there of our citizens that was here just prior to the change of the school in the old New Berne Academy to a graded school that does not remember the deplorable condition of our educational service at that time? How the whole city was dotted over with private schools, numbers of them, beyond question, presided over by able teachers but whose efforts by being thus divided were weakened so that there was not a school in the place that could command outside attention, respect and patronage of any consequence. Then it can be remembered also what a change was wrought when by strong efforts of the leaders of thought the schools were brought together and the Graded School, under the scholarly Prof. D. B. Johnson resulted. Who that was here then does not remember the excellence of that school, the fine service it rendered and the pride that our people felt in it?

But, alas! Gradually, and almost without public realization of it at first, there was a change back to the old order. The support of the school was picked away piece-meal by a little school here and a little school there until with all the effort that could be put forth, the question of advancement began to be a hard thing—even to keep the school up to the point already attained requiring vigorous effort on the part of the faculty and the thoughtful friends of the school. Division makes it almost, if not quite impossible to keep the school up to what a city of this size should have.

We ought to have a fine high school here that will attract patronage from all the surrounding country, but to have such a school takes then good buildings and grounds. It takes also more than good teachers. It takes the co-operation of the citizens in general, and their hearty co-operation at that.

The time for another scholastic year to open is at hand. Let our people go to thinking. Let them think quick and wisely and act accordingly. Come together and build up a school worthy in every way of the city we live in. It can be done and it should be done.

Coming and Going.

Hon. J. G. Shaw, of Fayetteville, our Congressman, one of the few who escaped the fusion landslide, is at the Chattawka.

Mr. George Allen came down from Raleigh to make a short stay in the city.

Mr. Chas. Jones, Capt. of the High Point Base Ball Team is in the city stopping at the Chattawka. He is counted one of the best all-round players in the State, if not the very best.

Mr. Fred Dixon of Durham, is visiting his brother, Mr. J. B. Dixon.

The family of Mr. W. B. Boyd returned from Seven Springs.

Miss Mamie Dawson, who has been visiting in Lenoir county, returned home.

Mr. H. Rishton returned home from a canvassing trip for the New Berne Knitting mills.

Rev. L. L. Nash, D. D., returned from Lee's chapel where he has been assisting the pastor, Rev. Mr. Lee. He reports a good meeting in progress

Senator J. R. Parsons is back from Pamlico county for a stay of a week or two in New Berne. He has been successfully delivering his series of lectures.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Taylor of Kinston are visiting Mrs. Isaah Wood, Mrs. Taylor's aunt.

Miss Gessie King left to visit relatives at Rocky Point.

Mr. Leon C. Richardson, a former Atlantic fireman of this city, now of Henderson, is in the city to visit his parents and take in the tournament. His wife nee Miss Julia Cuthbert accompanying him.

Mr. D. Creech, of Goldsboro, who has been visiting his relatives, the Messrs. Webb of Morehead City, passed through returning to his home.

Mr. Worth Hanks arrived from Raleigh last night to visit his parents and take in the Tournament.

Mr. W. L. Kennedy and wife, who have been summering at Morehead City, passed through yesterday en route to their homes.

Mrs. J. D. LaRoque left to visit relatives in Jones county.

Mr. L. J. Moore went down to Jacksonville on professional business.

Mrs. J. A. Paris returned from a visit to her old home at Moyeton, N. C.

Mr. L. J. Moore returned from Jacksonville were he has been on a professional business trip.

Mr. J. J. Howard left to spend Sunday at Morehead where his wife is stopping for awhile.

Mr. Thos. M. Arthur of Askins, was in the city yesterday and became a subscriber to THE JOURNAL while here.

Mr. Thos. Brogden of Trenton, is in the city visiting at Mr. G. H. Roberts.

Miss Bessie McNeil, daughter of Mr. Jas. D. McNeil, President of the State Firemens' Association, accompanies her father to the convention and tournament. They are at the Chattawka.

Mr. Will M. Hendren of Kinston is in the city visiting his relatives during Tournament week.

Mr. Carl H. Richardson is in the city attending the Tournament.

Mr. H. E. Royal who has been spending the season in business at Morehead, has returned to the city.

Mr. John Simmons of Polloksville is in the city en route to Blowing Rock.

Mr. Geo. H. Haigh of Fayetteville, former editor of the Observer of that city, is at the Chattawka enjoying the tournament festivities.

Mr. J. A. Lambert of Atlanta, who represents the Ball nozzle which is attracting such attention now and which we described at length a few days ago is at the Albert. Mr. Lambert also represents the Reverse Rubber Co. of New York and has a good exhibit in Stanly Hall, the convention headquarters.

Firemen's Convention Delegates.

The following delegates to the Firemen's Convention arrived last night:

HOTEL CHATTWKA.

Wilmington—Joe Newman, R. H. Northrop, H. B. Preschau, W. F. Ketchum, Thos. J. Gore, J. W. Dulls, T. Donlan, Martin Newman (colid.) W. C. Von Glahn, E. B. Burkhinter.

Greensboro.—J. W. Griffith, Secretary State Association; H. J. Elam, Joe J. Stone, chief, R. B. Beall, Banks Boone, J. R. Donnell.

Fayetteville—Jas. D. McNeil, President State Firemen's Association.

Wilson—J. D. Bullock, Ben T. Amerson.

Winston—J. M. Lenby, James D. Dunn, H. D. Shutt, R. M. Tuttle.

Salem—F. H. Vogler, chief.

HOTEL NEUSEE.

Greensboro—T. J. Abbott, N. J. Bluitt, W. H. Elliott, F. Keeth.

Salem—Dan Barton, C. F. Farley.

HOTEL ALBERT.

Wilmington—B. Hawkins.

Goldsboro—R. D. Holt, W. B. Pate, J. W. Nash.

Asheville—E. G. Carner.

Kinston—Jno. F. Stricklin.

Fayetteville—Wm. McKeithor and W. B. Johnson.

THE NEW OCRACOKE CHANNEL

Now Being Dredged Out by the U. S. Government.

Progress of the Work—Expected to be Made so that Hereafter it Will Take Vessels at Lowest Tide Drawing Nine Feet of Water.

Three months' work has now been put upon the new channel which the Government is digging off Portsmouth through a portion of Royal shoals, connecting the head of Wallace's channel with the nearest deep water of Pamlico sound.

The channel being made will shorten the distance of vessels coming in from the ocean by several miles, but that result, though desirable and likely to be appreciated, is only incidental, the prime object sought is to make it certain vessels of deeper draught than the regular channel will take can easily enter at all times; the old channel is only 6½ feet deep at low water; the new one is intended to be 9 feet deep at the lowest.

When the work was planned the question arose as to whether the old channel should be deepened or a new one made. After examining well into the matter it was decided to cut a new one by the route upon which work is now in progress. The portion to be cut is about a mile in length. The dimensions as given in the specifications for the work calls for it to be in feet—X,000 long and 500 wide. The estimates were that 160,000 cubic yards of dirt would have to be moved to accomplish this result. Up to date 30,000 have been removed, consequently the work is about one fifth done.

Only one dredge, with needful attendant boats has been at work thus far, but

Moreover the present force is better organized now than at the beginning so two things will operate to make the remaining portion of the work move more rapidly.

With this channel completed outside vessels will pass through Ocracoke Inlet and Wallace's channel into the new channel and then right on to their destination. The great object of this work, as we have said, was to get a deeper channel. Heretofore on low tide vessels drawing more than 6½ feet of water could not feel assurance of coming on without trouble—they would have to wait for a high tide to do so, and the most of the vessels that come to New Berne will draw seven to eight feet. The deeper channel will make a great difference in shipping conveniences.

The contractor for the work is Mr. Geo. T. Caler, of Norfolk, and the work is being done under the able supervision of our townsman, Mr. W. H. Chadbourne, Assistant U. S. Civil Engineer. There are two inspectors of the work on behalf of the Government present all the time, one during the day, the other at night. These are Mr. Owen B. Fulford of Wilmington, and Mr. Eugene J. Bell, formerly of Carteret county—he is residing on Ocracoke while this work is going on.

The law requiring only eight hours per day to make a working day on government work applies only to land—everything afloat is excepted, consequently the contractor is free to handle his force as he pleases and Mr. Caler is getting the greatest amount of work he can out of each 24 hours. There are two sets of hands and the work goes on day and night, and each set makes eleven hours as a days work.

It takes ten "cents," or widths that the machinery will cover at one time, to take in the width of the channel—each cut is 30 feet and the channel is 300 feet in width. The mud-scow, alongside the dredge receives what is taken out, and is then towed to a designated, out of the way place in the sound and there deposited.

FRAUD! FORGERY! CONSPIRACY!

The Three Counts in the Indictments Against the Defendants in the Beaufort Insurance Cases.

MOREHEAD CITY, N. C., Aug. 3.—Today the Board of County Supervisors met in Beaufort, and the magistrates in the insurance cases are members of the board and one of them is chairman. The case was not considered today, but it was more talked of than before. Public sentiment seems to me to be divided, with a large majority of the people neutral and saying nothing. Very naturally Beaufort people do not condemn well known citizens of grievous crimes until they are found guilty. But the sensational evidence that has been brought out in the trial this week has caused many people to change their minds.

The State attempts to prove three charges: 1. fraud; 2. forgery; 3. conspiracy. The first has been conclusively proved. The second is strongly evidenced to the cases of Silas Bland, Samuel Williams, William Fisher, and others.

But conspiracy as one of the most subtle crimes in the calendar. It must be proved almost entirely by circumstantial evidence. Men don't gather on the street corner like medicine venders and say "Come up, boys, we are going to have a conspiracy, now." It it exists it is secret, underground and it is hard to dig up these buried pipe lines. The State has introduced a large mass of circumstantial evidence, but whether this is strong enough to prove conspiracy remains to be seen.

The defence will, I understand, not introduce any large amount of evidence unless conspiracy is more particularly proved by the State's evidence.

The court room is the hall of the Teacher's Assembly. A crowd of interested listeners, "all sorts and conditions of men," from the summer tourist to the negro fisherman, gather each day and listen eagerly to the testimony. When some unusually sensational bit is brought out a murmur of surprise passes over the crowd. To most of them it is like reading the book of Revelations.

It is charged that Samuel Williams, who has not borne a good name, murdered his wife to obtain the insurance and this is where the charge of murder comes in, but I am informed by parties who know his wife that though there was doubtless neglect during her last illness, they do not believe he murdered her. It is not probable, that any charge of murder will grow out of these insurance trials.

One prominent gentleman said to me to day. "Everybody knew they were doing loose business but nobody had any idea it was so wide spread as it is." People here have changed their minds since the trial began. Leading citizens of Beaufort say that if fraud and forgery has been committed they want the thing probed to the bottom if the thirteen involved are innocent they want them released. It has been talked that dead men were insured and names put in insurance policies after they were carried to the graveyard, but this has not been brought out and may be only street talk. I have been informed that in the straits, the thickly settled country that stretches along the banks of Core Sound, there have been flagrant frauds on insurance companies. A confirmed invalid is said to have been insured not long before his death. I don't know whether the agents will investigate this or not.

Special by John Wilber Jenkins to the News and Observer.

Free Will Baptist Meetings.

Rev. W. H. Frost of Plymouth who recently conducted a successful revival in the Free Will Baptist church of New Berne, passed through outcote to Croatan to assist Elder W. W. Lewis in a meeting there.

Mr. Frost has just closed a meeting in Mt. Zion and Trent churches. In the former there were five accessions to the church and in the latter nine. The latter meeting is still being continued, conducted by Rev. V. G. Patton of Polloksville and Rev. Robert Dougherty of Core.

Inexhaustible Water Works Wells.

Another new well has been finished for the Water Works Company. The first one was 93 feet deep, the last 95.

Both wells were subjected to severe tests by the Sibley Steam Fire Engine, pumping on one with full power for an hour and on the other an hour and a half taking out hundreds of gallons every minute without affecting the supply at all. It means they are inexhaustible.

BETTER & GRANDER THAN EVER.

The Next Exhibition of the Carolina Fair—Preparations Made Earlier Than Before and an Exhibition Expected Unequalled by any Other Fair in the South.

The Charlotte Observer in a recent editorial note called attention to the fact that the South Carolina State Fair had been abandoned and that there was a series of failures in this line in North Carolina which gave little encouragement to the starting of new enterprises of the kind. In its list of present existing Fairs, the New Berne Fair was overlooked. This was given as compositor and not Fair and those at Morganton and Burlington.

Secretary Reizenstein called the omission to the attention of the Observer to it and correction was promptly made. The Observer says:

"We are admonished by Mr. Reizenstein, of the East Carolina Fair, Gaston and Industrial Association, New Berne, that we did it injustice on the 26th of July, in saying that the State Fair and those at Morganton and Burlington were the only fairs in North Carolina that have survived. Reizenstein says that the New Berne Fair was organized very much the same time and on the dates for the last one, February 24-29, 1895, and Reizenstein wants the Observer to know that the last was the best ever held in the South.

Yes, the New Berne Fair is ahead and though so good at its start is improving every year.

The last exhibition was held in that remarkably severe and long spell of bad weather last winter. Many would have the night work, the trains from Beaufort, Morehead City and the East Carolina Division, not made or metal which would go before difficulties and they were kept ahead. The result was, people went with zeal and appreciating the difficulties each seemingly destined to overcome the idea that he might have to make up the lack of somebody else and there was an exhibit that in its completeness had never been equalled before, and was a pretty good exhibit notwithstanding the unfavorable weather and expenses of the Fair and promoters, paid all its outstanding obligations were in full and arrangements set in motion to make the next Fair in every way grander than ever before. Let everybody bear this in mind and be ready to take their due part in the Fair next February.

INQUIRIES ANSWERED.

Upon Some Points of Local Colonial History Upon Which Information Was Sought—The Averitt Family—Onslow and Pender counties.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—Replying to the enquiry of Mr. Flournoy Rivers of Pulaski, Tenn., in your issue of June 25th, so far as it relates to the Avirett family, formerly of Onslow county, I have to say that a member of that family, Rev. James B. Avirett, a clergyman, is now a resident of Kittrell, Vance county, in this State. He doubtless can give Mr. Rivers all the information he seeks.

Rev. Mr. Avirett is a son of John A. Avirett, mentioned by Mr. Rivers, and was for many years a resident of New Berne, where he practised law in partnership with the late Hon. Wm. H. Washington in 1857-8-9.

Mr. Avirett had a brother, Captain John A., who was killed in battle in the late war. His sister, Miss Carrie, married and lived in Winchester, Va., where she was very active and prominent in the establishment of the "Stonewall" cemetery for our Confederate Dead, in which North Carolina has more soldiers buried than any other State. GRAHAM DAVIS.

Mr. Rivers also made inquiry about the history of Onslow and Pender counties. We do not know of any history of them having been written, but we copy the following brief sketch of them from the "Hand Book of North Carolina" compiled by the late Hon. J. L. Polk, ex-Commissioner of Agriculture:

"Onslow county was formed in 1734, from New Hanover county, and named in honor of Arthur Onslow who at that time was speaker of the British House of Commons. It belongs to the Lasley Division, is situated in the extreme east and bounded on the east by Core Sound and the Atlantic ocean.

Jacksonville, the county seat and formerly called Onslow is on New river, 145 miles from Raleigh.

"Pender county was formed in 1875 from New Hanover county, and named in honor of Maj. Gen. W. D. Pender of Edgecombe, who was a distinguished officer in the Confederate army.

"It belongs to the eastern division, is bounded on the east by the Atlantic ocean and west by Black river. Burgaw the county seat, is 112 miles from Raleigh."

EXTINGUISHES FIRE BY GAS.

Practical Tests That a Recent Invention Will be Put to This Week Near the Fair Grounds.

Mr. J. L. Hines of Wilmington, is in the city representing the Stemple Fire Extinguisher and while here will give practical tests of its good working by erecting a house of combustible material near the grand stand in front of the Fair ground, saturating it with kerosene, setting it on fire and then extinguishing it in five minutes after the flames have reached a height of thirty feet. The tests will be given at times when the crowd is specially filled to view the races but will be so timed as not to interfere with any of the contests. It will be an additional incident of interest.

The extinguisher puts out the fire by means of gas which it rapidly generates and expels forcibly by the quick generation through a small rubber tube to a distance of a hundred feet or more.

This gas is formed by the mixing of two liquids which are kept separate in the extinguisher until needed. The main body of the extinguisher holds simply water and soda. In the top there is a bottle containing chemicals, the composition of which is secret, which the extinguisher is to be put into use it is inverted bottom upwards, this causes a metal ball inside to break the bottle and the union of its contents with the soda and water generates the gas so rapidly that it is forcibly expelled and when turned upon a fire, wherever it touches the flames gives way before it.

A NORFOLK INVENTION.

Maxim and Hechts New Automatic Fire Alarm—A Meritorious Device That Will be Exhibited Here During the Firemen's Convention.

Mr Jacob Hecht, of Norfolk, is here for the purpose of bringing to the attention of the firemen of this State, and other visitors, a new automatic fire alarm, the invention of his partner, Mr. Maxim.

The Fireman's Herald of New York speaks of the Hecht and Maxim Fire alarm as a very simple device, but wonderfully efficient. The way it works is to cause an alarm to be sounded when a room becomes heated beyond the certain point at which it is set.

The alarm is worked by a thermostat or electric thermometer. Directly a room becomes heated above the temperature the instrument is set to the current is made and the bell rings out its alarm. It is stated that so delicate and exact is the working of the thermostat that it can be set to the best degree of heat that will make the connection and set the bell ringing.

The alarm was before the Firemen's State Convention of Virginia at Harrisonburg last month and the committee of exhibits after looking into and examining the merits of the device made a report commending it highly as being a benefit to the public as a great saver in saving lives and property.

Death of Mrs. E. C. Holland.

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Holland, wife of Mr. Stephen Holland died at her residence on George street at 9:30 p. m. Thursday after a protracted illness, in the 64th year of her age.

FIREMEN IN COUNCIL.

Second Annual Convention and Tournament

Opened Last Night Here Tuesday And Actively Is On. Opening Exercises, Delegates Present and Business Transacted.

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TO-DAY'S FIREMEN'S PARADE.

Will Form at Stanly Hall at Ten o'clock—A Grand Procession—Line of March.

The procession for the firemen's parade formed Wednesday morning at ten o'clock from the Firemen's headquarters, Stanly Hall on Craven street. The following was the formation and line of march:

Police of Bel. c.

Officers of North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

Mayor and visiting Mayors.

City Council and visiting Council.

Delegates of N C State Firemen's Association.

Visiting Firemen.

New Berne Silver Cornet Band.

1 Atlanta S F E Co, No 1, of Wilmington.

Atlanta S F E Co, No 1, of New Berne.

2 Winston Hook and Ladder Co.

3 Winston S F E Co.

4 Chicora Hose Reel Co, of Fayetteville.

5 North Wind Hook and Ladder Co, of Wilmington.

6 Howard Relief S F E Co, of Wilmington.

7 South Side Hose Reel Co, of Greensboro.

8 Lenoir Hook and Ladder Co.

10 Goldsboro S F E Co.

11 Eagle Hose Co, No 7, of Greensboro.

12 Greensboro S F E Co.

13 New Berne Hook and Ladder Co.

14 New Berne S F E Co, No 1.

LINE OF MARCH.

Up Craven to Broad, up Broad to Middle, down Middle to South Front, down South Front to East Front, up East to Pollock, up Pollock to George, up George to Queen, Counter march to Broad down Broad to East Front.

PROGRAMME OF RACES.

Today and Tomorrow—$450 in Prizes—Exciting Contests.

Steamer contests will take place this morning after the parade and a reel race this afternoon at 3 o'clock, the former at Neuse river, the latter on the macadamized road.

The following is the programme.

AUGUST 7TH.

9 a. m.—Street parade.

11 a. m.—Steamer contest.

3 p. m.—Hand reel contest.

AUGUST 8TH.

10 a. m.—Grab reel race.

10½ a. m.—Horse reel race.

11½ a. m.—Hand hook and ladder race.

2 p. m.—Horse hook and ladder race.

4 p. m.—Reel race for Championship belt.

There are 13 prizes ranging from $25 to $100 and aggregating $450 besides specials.

The quick steaming and distance throwing contest will take place at the Neuse river rock wall on East Front street, foot of Broad street after the parade this morning. The designated time is eleven o'clock. In the quick steaming contest the object to be obtained is to throw water 50 feet through not less than 48 feet of hose.

Five engines will be in the contests—two from Wilmington and one each from Greensboro, Winston and Goldsboro.

In the distance contest the aim is to throw the greatest distance, with not over 100 pounds of steam through not less than 48 feet of hose; the size and kind of nozzle is left optional.

In the reel race today there are four entries, one from New Berne, two from Greensboro and one from Fayetteville.

FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

The Special Firemen's Train Runs Into the Rear of a Freight Train at Haw River Station—Bad Damage to the Freight. Slight to the Other—One Man so Injured He Cannot Live

When the special train bringing the western firemen reached Haw river there was a freight train standing at the station on the main track. Before the train could be stopped it had run into the rear of the freight train. Eight or ten of the firemen received slight injuries—not serious. The Greensboro Co., fared worse than any of the others, and strange to say they were in the hindermost car, generally considered the safest place. There was and one who was bruised so he returned home. That was Mr. Frank V. Snell, of Greensboro.

The engineer of the train jumped before the collision came and escaped with out much harm.

The worst part of the accident was the result on the freight train. One passenger on that was so badly injured that was so badly injured that he could not live. He had both legs broken, his back injured and his skull fractured. His brother was also hurt severely but not fatally.

Three cars of the freight train were wrecked and the locomotive of the special was jumped so fast into the hindermost car, that it could not back itself out, and it was quite a time before it could be extricated.

The Atheus of North Carolina.

An Athens without a library is like bread without salt—like flesh without blood; the place is no Athens—it is a mere town where, mayhap, there be temples of business, but where there is no love for learning—no quiet, solemn chamber with open door that invites one to drink deep of the sparkling waters of man's crowning work—the product of the ages, the very essence of all that is good on earth—the richest inheritance of man—the book . . . . The Athens of North Carolina . . . . What a misnomer! . . . . That is—if it all depends on the library.

Now why should not New Berne have her public library? If impracticable to have one absolutely public, in the sense that all men may use it, why may she not have a library whose liberality is as broad at least as respectability? There could be no grander scheme undertaken by the philanthropic people of New Berne than one to erect and equip a library. The spirit of the hallowed past, the dry dust of her great sons, her dignity and good name and the necessities of the times demand a library. There are yet great and good men here, and they could accomplish the end. There is the will. Work is the way. Let New Berne wear her honor with becoming dignity. An Athens stripped of books is much like a head stripped of hair—its dignity is more laughable than impressive—oftimes.

The Young Men's Club will lend its energies to the work. There are one or two other organizations that would also work in the cause. Now is the time to begin the work. CLAS. L. GASKILL.

Death at Polloksville.

Miss Chloe Robinson, whose home was near Polloksville, died in that village Saturday night, supposibly of heart disease. She had been ailing for something over a week but nothing serious was thought of her illness until about the time of her death.

The deceased had been an operative in the New Berne Knitting Mills for some time and had stopped week before last to rest up on account of not feeling in her usual health. Still her death was unexpected as she had previously been very healthy.

She united with the Tabernacle Baptist church during the meetings held there two weeks ago, and Rev. C. S. Burgess, the pastor, conducted the funeral services, being telegraphed for for the purpose. She was buried at Polloksville. Mr. Burgess returned home that night.

Off to China.

Dr. Geo. Worth and bride nee Miss Emma Chadbourne, sister of our townsman, Mr. W. H. Chadbourne, left Wilmington, their old home, Friday for China where Dr. Worth becomes a medical missionary. They go by rail to San Francisco, then embark for Shanghai where the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions will soon meet and assign Dr. Worth his work.

Among the presents of Dr. and Mrs Worth were $750 in gold, a sewing machine and numerous others valuable, ornamental and useful.

A GOOD MOVEMENT.

Yacht Club Property Purchased by Kings Daughters for a Pleasant Public Retreat and Circulating Library—What will be Done There This Week.

The young ladies of the Mission Circle of the King's Daughters have purchased the "New Berne Yacht Club" property and have put it in thorough repair. They wish to make it a pleasant retreat for the people of the town and hope, in time to establish a good Circulating Library. They have now fifty volumes toward the Library and a friend has donated $5.00 toward it.

They have six nice row boats which they will rent for 25 cents for the first hour and 10 cents for each succeeding hour.

Silverdale Academy.

The Honor Roll of Silver Dale Academy, Miss Ida J. Hargett, teacher, for July 1895, is as follows:

Misses Nettie Fisher, Dixie Moore, and Barbara Slade, Masters Percy, Albert and George Mattocks, Johnnie Slade, Gilbert Hargett and Fred Mattocks.

ALONE.

I am a waif, a straggler from the camp;
A lonely, shattered twig upon the heath,
A stray, a leaf before the wind, a tramp
Without his pack; a rose without its wreath.

I am a lighthouse on a desert coast—
My light gone out, my keeper fled far hence;
The storms beat round me, angry storms that boast
Their potency and my poor impotence.

I am a boat, an aimless, mastless boat;
My pilot gone, my rudder snapped in twain,
O'er waves I ride with scarcely life to float,
Whose waters frown too soon in storm and rain.

I am a skein, a tangled skein of doubt,
Fine threads mayhap entwined among the coarse;
A flower blighted, all its life breathed out,
A song unsung, a wail, a deep remorse.

I am almost an angel, so they say,
But thrice, removed from God; an heir, joint-heir
With Him the thorns-crown weares; yet death's day
Seems all unwelcome, and my lot I bear.

Thou tender Shepherd, guide with gentle hands
Thy lamb, all shorn, far lost amid the night;
Teach me Thy narrow way, all Thy commands;
Place, Lord, within my path Thy beacon light.

Bud Wuntz.

Wholesale Market Country Produce.

Beef, 4a5c.
Beeswax, 25c.
Corn, 45c.
Chickens, — grown 40a45c pr; young, 20a35c.
Ducks, Eng. 35a40c; Muscovy 50a60c.
Eggs, 7½a8c.
Field peas, $1.50.
Geese, 80c. a 90c. per pair.
Hides—Dry flint, 6a7c; ash and dry salt 5c; green 4c, deer hides 15a20c.; otter $1a87.
Lambs, $1.00a$1.25.
Oats, 28c.
Old Sheep—unsheared $1.00 a $2.00; sheared, $1.00a$1.75.
Peanuts, 65 a 75c.
Sheep, $1.00a$2.00.
Turkeys, $1.25 a $1.75 per pair.

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Murder in New Berne, N. C.

Three years ago a jeweller located in New Berne. Everything went on very nicely until he began doing work, selling jewelry at a fair price, then there was terrible predictions and great profiting as to his ultimate success.

Just call in and see me now and you will think, "My! My! hasn't that fellow built a big trade?

I have done it by charging $20.00 for a 20 year James Boss Gents Gold filled Elgin watch where others charged you $35.00 or $40.00 for the same goods. A watch chain for $2 50 that you were accustomed to pay $5.00. All other jewelry and clocks in proportion.

Watch glasses 10c, watch hands 10c main-springs 75c, cleaning 15c. All work guaranteed 12 months. Any jewelry. I see that you do not find as I recommend I will gladly replace or return your money. The finest line of Eye Glasses in the State and properly fitted to the eyes.

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Office Clerk, Superior Court, CRAVEN COUNTY, N. C.

NEW BERNE, N. C. July 12, 1895.

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 427 of the Laws of 1891, and by consent of his Honor Henry R. Bryan, Judge of the Second Judicial District, I hereby give notice of my purpose to be absent from my office on the Third Monday of August next, said absence to extend from Tuesday the 13th to Saturday the 24th of said month inclusive. A competent Deputy will have charge of the office and the usual hours of business will be observed.

W. M. WATSON,
Clerk of Superior Court.

Notice!

I hereby notify all persons against trespassing on th lands of Charles H. Simmons, Jones Co., in the way of cutting or removing anything from said lands; anyone violating this notice will be prosecuted. G. H. SIMMONS,
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