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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Points and Paragraphs of Things Present, Past and Future.

North Carolina is the birth-place of many old people. Among the most noted for age is Noah Raby who lives at Piscataway, N. J. He was born in Gates county, N. C., April 1, 1772; so he celebrated his 127th birthday April 1st.

"Eastern Carolina will be a garden some day," remarked a Virginia gentleman to the editor of this paper a few days ago. He has traveled much and is a man of many and extensive affairs, and his observations count for something.

The sixteenth annual session of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly will be held at Morehead City, June 13th to 18th. This is the only meeting that brings together the entire educational body of the State, and it is important that all teachers who can do so arrange to attend.

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PRESENT DAY THOUGHTS

About the Campaign of 1900.

THE PHILIPPINES TO BE CONSIDERED.

BY G. GROSVENOR DAWE.

Written for The Commonwealth.

Who Said "Slaves?"—A friendly editor writes me: "What have you to say as to the legal right of the United States to purchase 7,760,000 persons and to govern them without the consent of the governed?"

It seems now to be thoroughly understood that the question of expansion will be a very vital element in the next presidential campaign, and very fittingly so, because it represents a policy that while not new in the history of the United States is new in this particular, that the expansion takes in territory that is separated by vast stretches of water from the Union itself.

The opposing notes prior to a great national election in this country remind one strangely of the discords that characterize the few minutes prior to the beginning of a concert.

Thus will it be in 1900, no matter how fierce the feeling that may be aroused. But as I remarked last week, it is essential in order that this country may understand the full merits of the question and in order to act intelligently, that certain details dragged in by writers as if part of the main question should be clearly understood as having no connection with it at all.

Our esteemed contemporary, the Norfolk Landmark, places us under obligations for its good opinion in calling THE COMMONWEALTH one of the most progressive weekly newspapers of the Old North State; but we are equally grateful for its good opinion of Eastern Carolina.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought

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How He Thries Here.

MAKES THINGS TURN UP ANYHOW.

The Cornucopia.

We ran onto one the other day—the genuine sort. Passing down the streets of Elizabeth City recently in search of agricultural items we met a horse and cart manipulated by a colored driver, and when we saw manipulate we mean it.

Criticising The Pastor.

BY REV. O. C. PEYTON.

You make a sad, pitiful and fatal mistake when you criticize your pastor before your children. By doing so you mar and destroy the influence of your pastor over your children.

I am sure your pastor's earnest desire and purpose is to do you good. You can hinder his doing so. Let me briefly mention some of the ways: (1) By withholding your confidence and sympathy. If you do not place confidence in your pastor as a man and a minister, he cannot help you.

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Table with columns: DATED, No. of Trains, Daily, No. of Days, Daily, No. of Days, Daily, No. of Days, Daily.

Table with columns: Leave Florence, Arr. Fayetteville, Leave Fayetteville, Arr. Weldon, Leave Weldon, Arr. Rocky Mt., Leave Rocky Mt., Arr. Tarboro, Leave Tarboro, Arr. Weldon.

Daily except Monday. Daily except Sunday.

Train on the Scotland Neck Branch (Road leaves Weldon 3:35 p. m., Halifax 1:45 p. m., arrives Scotland Neck at 5:08 p. m., Greenville 6:57 p. m., Kingston 7:55 p. m., returning leaves Kingston 7:50 a. m., Greenville 8:52 a. m., arriving Halifax at 11:48 a. m., Weldon 11:33 a. m., daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8:20 a. m. and 2:30 p. m., arrive Farmelo 9:10 a. m. and 4:50 p. m., returning leave Farmelo 9:35 a. m. and 6:30 p. m., arrive Washington 11:00 a. m. and 7:20 p. m., daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday 5:30 p. m., Sunday, 4:15 p. m., arrives Plymouth 7:40 p. m., 6:10 p. m., returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7:50 a. m., and Sunday 9:00 a. m., arrives Tarboro 10:05 a. m., 11:00 a. m.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro daily, except Sunday, 7:05 a. m., arriving Smithfield 8:10 a. m., returning 8:55 a. m.; Goldsboro 10:25 a. m., n. m.

Trains on Nashville Branch leave Rocky Mount at 9:30 a. m., 3:40 p. m., arrive Nashville 10:10 a. m., 4:03 p. m., Spring Hope 10:40 a. m., 4:25 p. m., returning leave Spring Hope 11:00 a. m., 4:55 p. m., Nashville 11:22 a. m., 5:25 p. m., arrive at Rocky Mount 11:45 a. m., 6:00 p. m., daily except Sunday.

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