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A North Carolina Farmer.

The Raleigh News and Observer says: "There is a farmer in North Carolina who has a reasonable prospect of gathering on his crop for 1892, 225,000 pounds of lint cotton, 25,000 bushels of corn. It required over 500 bags of fertilizer to plant this tobacco crop. The cotton, being on rich, fresh land, requires no fertilizer. To have this crop produced is not very difficult. To have it produce so as to leave a clear profit to the principal producer. 'Hic labor, hoc opus est.' This farmer made his first cotton in the year 1867. There was a severe panic in the fall of 1867. Cotton fell to 7 cents per pound and many farmers were ruined. This man had slept on a bank and patched his own clothes during the year and owed nothing on his crop. He sold in the the spring and had money. At that time he did not own one acre of land. He now owns very many acres, and some very valuable acres, made principally by farming with close economy. Any young man with good health, plenty of energy and close economy can accomplish as much or more than he has."

THE NEWS.

News of the Week from All Parts of the World as Cleaned from the Press.

The Norfolk Fire.

NORFOLK, Va., Oct. 10.—The extensive fire at the wharf of the Seaboard Air Line last night destroyed property valued at about $200,000, on which there was insurance of about $75,000. W. W. Hall, who had been in the employ of the Old Dominion Steamship Company for about 25 years, was forced overboard by the heat and drowned. His body was recovered this morning and showed the effects of the heat upon it. Whether or not others were drowned in attempting to escape the flames by jumping overboard is not known and will not be until the men are paid off to-morrow. The fire spread so rapidly that a number of men, mostly colored, were compelled to jump into the river.

A Circus Attache Killed.

Hunting's circus, which exhibited here last Friday, wound up with a tragedy. While the main tent was being taken down late in the afternoon, George Wallace, a young man of about twenty years of age, was instantly killed by being struck on the head by the main pole as it fell to the ground. Wallace was working near the pole and as it began falling he was warned to get out of the way, but he ran directly under the pole instead of from it. He was from Society Hill, S. C., and had only joined the circus the day before the accident, in Cheraw.—Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligencer, Oct. 10.

Epidemic of Typhoid Fever.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—The health officer of Washington says that an epidemic of typhoid fever exists in this city and that unless sanitary precautions are observed by the inhabitants generally a serious condition of affairs may shortly be expected.

North Carolina Day at the Atlanta Exposition.

Next Tuesday is North Carolina day at the Atlanta Exposition, and on that day it is expected that the North Carolina Press Association and a large number of North Carolinians will be there.

To Study Ashe's Book.

The class in political economy at Wake Forest College have decided to read Capt. S. A. Ashe's new book on the silver question, "Familiar Chats on Finance: The Professor and His Friends"

There is a high compliment to Capt. Ashe, who has acquired a reputation as an authority on the questions of finance, which Wake Forest College recognizes.

HANGED BY TRACE CHAINS.

Suicide of a Wife and Mother Near Asheville Sunday.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Oct. 14.—Mrs. Martha Miller, wife of John J. Miller, living five miles below Asheville, committed suicide by hanging herself with two trace chains fastened to a rafter of the stable Sunday morning. She had a husband and four children. Mrs. Miller, for several months, had shown signs of insanity.

SEVENTY-SIX PERSONS INJURED.

Passenger Train on the Norfolk and Western Railroad Wrecked.

ELKHORN, W. Va., Oct. 14—A passenger train on the Norfolk and Western Railroad was wrecked by a broken frog between Bluefield and Kenova to-day. The baggage and mail car and the second class coach were thrown from the track and ditched. Seventy-six passengers were in the car and all were more or less injured. P. P. Dillon, mayor of Poachontas, Va., was badly hurt, also R. L Coney, of the Greenbrier Coal Co., and F. L. Shaffer, baggage master. All the wounded passengers were taken to Pocanontas for medical attention.

We should be as courteous to to a man as we are to a picture which we are willing to give the advantage of the best light.—Emerson.

STATE NEWS ITEMS.

Evangelist W. P. Fife will commence a two weeks series of meetings in Winston, October 30th.

A coffin is on exhibition at Charlotte made of allumnium which was gotten near Leaksville.

It is rumored that a $300,000 cotton factory will soon be built within a mile of Fayetteville.

A white tramp was run over and crushed to death by a train on the Southern near Salisbury on Monday night.

The Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr, will deliver his lecture, "The New Woman," in Raleigh on November 1st.

Sanford Express: St. Thomas is the name of the new Episcopal church of Sanford. The foundation of the church has been laid.

Nearly 3,000 gallons of whiskey seized from blockaders in the eastern district has been sold to the South Carolina Dispensary.

Mr. James Patrick, of Swift Creek township, in Wake county, got his arm and hand badly lacerated in a cotton gin last Saturday.

A man named Cochran has been sent from Macon county to the penitentiary for twenty years for murder in the second degree.

Fayetteville Observer: Amidst the applause of a large number of Cumberland's fair women, the old court house site was knoked down to Mrs. C. W. Broadfoot for $25 Saturday evening and was presented by her to the Monument Association.

The Wilkesboro Chronicle says: "R. M. Stanly got a half bushel of apples from Sharp Davis, of the Brushes, last week. He said they all averaged one and a half pounds and nine ounces.

Superintendent Leazier, of the State penitentiary has made the following statement of the crop on the State farms: "We planted an area of twenty per cent. more cotton this year on the penitentiary farms, and from present appearances we will gather about the same number of bales that we sold last year. If this expectation is realized, at present prices we will get in the neighborhood of $25,000 more for the crop than last year. If the price goes to ten cents, the increase will be over $30,000.

An Appropriation of $500.

For Colored Agricultural Association at Newbern.

The following clipping from the News and Observer under the the caption of "Who Got the Money?" indicates that there was a job put up for some one at the expense of the tax payers of the State. If there has been any colored fair at Newbern we have not heard of it. The News and Observer says:

"During the session of the Legislature, a bill was passed, appropriating $500, to the Oriental Industrial, Stock, Fruit and Agricultural Fair Association of Newbern. This is an annual appropriation and runs for eight years. The charter members are W. W. Lawrence, M. P. Holly, R. G. Mosely, Sr., E. R. Dudley, M. T. Bryan, J. P Stanly, S. A. Vail, Peter Fisher, Jr., I. H. Smith, H. H. Simmons, H J. Green. The place of business is at Newbern, and the money presumably for an agricultural fair. A warrant was drawn and paid last August for the $500, and, of course, there must have been a fair in Newbern and $500 worth of premiums; for the $500 by the bill is to be expended only in premiums.

If this is all right, it is at least exceptional. Appropriations of this kind are made for State fairs, for instance $500, for the colored State fair at Raleigh, but there is no appropriation for a fair similar to this one at Newbern.

The bill was ratified on that eventful 13th day of March. Perhaps the files of the Newbern papers may have some gorgeous accounts of this fair, for the premiums at which $500 have thus been appropriated for the next eight years."

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

WIT AND HUMOR.

Eastern Stranger—What are they lynching him for?

Quick Drop Dan—Attempting suicide.

Eastern Stranger—They might just as well have let him kill himself.

Quick Drop Dan—No, sirree. The boys out here don't believe in a feller being so selfish.

WHAT SHE COULD DO.

"Listen Charlotte, I am going to give a supper and a dance Now, you will have to show what you can do, so as to keep up the reputation of my establishment."

Cook—With pleasure, ma'am; but I can only dance the waltz and polka. You will have to excuse me from the quadrilles.—Boston Home Journal.

"So the rosebud of your family ran off with your manservant, eh?"

"Yes. She was the rosebud. Now she's a lily of the valley, as it were.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"Here," said the ancient inhabtant, "is the place where the murder wuz committed."

"Killed in cold blood, was he?"

"No; in Pine Thicket."

"Shot right down?"

"No; he wuz all shot up."—Atlanta Constitution.

Let Cuba be Free.

The time has come for the United States to cease helping Spain indirectly to tyranize over Cuba or to prevent her effort to free herself from the Spanish oppression in such manner as does not conflict with the provisions of international law.

The Spanish oppressor was driven out of Mexico and the Central and South American States by successful revolutions many years ago, but has managed to keep her fetters on Cuba By her fleet she keeps away ammunition, arms, medicine, volunteers an other assistance from the patriots in their struggle for liberty. Spain has a navy while Cuba has not a catboat, and that navy has been kept there, almost within gunshot of Southern Florida, protecting the Spanish tyrants while they plundered the Cubans, both to their and our disadvantage. And the American navy is employed intercepting all re-enforcements, arms and powder for the Cubans

From time immemorial Spain has been tyrant, butcher and plunderer in Cuba. She has exterminated the original Indian race; she has mercilessly butchered the Cuban people whenever they protested against her tyranny. She has imposed upon them an enormous civil list of tax eaters. She has not allowed them to trade with Americans upon satisfactory terms. We have furnnished the money and market for her vast sugar, tobacco, and fruit crops, and Spain has taken it by compelling the Cubans to buy from her at her exhorbitant prices, and thus Cuba has been stripped for years by doubling and trebling import, export, and excise duties. The Cuban orange has been squeezed dry. If Cuba were free she would pass under American trade influences; she would buy from her customers; she would have better railroads and highways. Her remarkable resources would be developed by American capital and her business would rapidly increase if she had the moral protection of the country and were freed from Spanish exactions and absorptions.—Chicago Tribune.

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Ten gas companies had, in 1865, a monopoly of the lighting of Paris.

VOICE OF THE PRESS.

HUMBOLDT'S IDEA OF LIFE.

Von Humboldt was great but not a true believer. He viewed life after reaching old age and here is the sum of the whole matter:

"I despise humanity in all its strata. I foresee that our posterity will be far more unhappy than we are. * * The whole of life is insanity."

Blot the Bible out and the dark picture would indeed be real.—Ex.

CHANGE IN PARTIES.

That there is discontent in the parties and more or less distegration going on is apparent to those who watch closely the political corks. The splendid victory for the Democrats in Indianapolis is a great surprise A change of 6,500 votes in a year is remarkable, but is counted for. Some 1,400 Republicans voted with the Democrats, and some thousands refused to vote. It was a local issue mainly that caused the Democratic triumph. There are many surprises ahead. Some strange fellowships will be seen and many changes in party affiliation will occur before 1896 ends.—Ex.

BARBARITIES CONTINUE IN TURKEY.

The Turkish police have closed the Armenian churches, in the effort to compel the people who have taken shelter in the buildings to return to their homes Additional reports of the massacre of Christians at various points in Asia Minor have been received in Constantinople.

THE KIND OF A DEMOCRAT HE IS.

Senator John W. Daniel made a speech in Roanoke the other night and is reported as saying that some people call him a crank, and he confessed that the charge contained much truth, but no matter, he said, "what a Democrats views were on the silver question, the Democratic party was very much nearer to him than the Republican." There are those in Virginia who differ with Senator Daniel on the monetary question, among them some of his warmest and best of friends. It is something new to hear him called a crank. He is one of the most cultured men in public life to-day, as well as one of the ablest He justly stands high with his people, Virginians honor him and differ as they may with him, they know him to be true, and honest, and sincere, and outspoken in his convictions —Ex.

MARVELOUS RESULTS.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rivers Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interuption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at Hood Bros., Smithfield, Edgerton & Hare, Selma, N. C. Regular size 50c. and $1.00.

What Constitutes Beauty.

I have seen numberless women of unclassical form, irregular features and complexion other than that of the "milk white doe" who who were beautiful, charming and lovely. I have known such women whose physical appearance entered not the minds of any in their presence. Again, I have seen women with the face and figure of the Milonian Venus who were unlovely or even repellant by reason of their vanity, selfishness, flippancy, venality or other vile traits. The soul, the visible soul is beauty and divinity! How few of the Supreme women of the earth have borne any resemblance at any time of their life to feminine models in Greek sculpture!—John Swinton in Philadelphia Times.

Grand, swelling sentiments of liberty I am sure I do not despise. They warm the heart, they enlarge and liberalize our minds; they animate our courage in a time of conflict.—Burke.

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Selections and Quotations.

WOMAN.

The world was sad! the garden was a wild!
The man, the hermit, sighed—'till woman smiled. —Campbell.

Rev. Dr. P. H. Hoge, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in this city, has a poem in the last North Carolina Presbyterian that begins with these impressive lines:

"Beyond the stars I know not what may be
Unfathomable depths, abyses vast
Wherein no light of sun or star is seen,
Or any creature's voice doth ever break
The silences profound. But this I know
(And knowing this need know naught else beside),
That God is there—beyond the stars."

Repentance hath a purifying power, and every tear is of a cleansing virture.—South.

He who reforms himself, has done more towards reforming the public, than a crowd of noisy, impotent patriots.—Levaten.

What is the worst woes that await on age?
What stamps the wrinkle deeper on the brow?
To view each loved one blotted from life's page,
And be alone on earth, as I am now. —Byron.

OUR DEAD.

Nothing is our own. We hold our pleasures
Just a little while ere they are fled.
One by one life robs us of our treasures.
Nothing is our own except our dead.

They are ours, and hold in faithful keeping
Safe forever all they took away.
Cruel life can never stir that sleeping;
Cruel time can never seize that prey.

HONESTY.

Because I cannot flatter, and speak fair,
Smile in mens' faces, smooth, deceive and cog,
Duck with French nods and apish courtesy,
I must be held a rancorous enemy.
Cannot a plain man live and think no harm?
But thus his simple trust must be abused
By silken, sly, insinuating jacks. —Shakespeare.

DEATH.

Mount, mount, my soul! thy seat is up on high;
Whilst my gross flesh sinks downward here to die. —Shakespeare.

HEALTH.

Thou chiefest good! Bestowed by Heaven, but seldom understood.—Lucan.

LOVE.

The rose is fairest when 'tis budding new,
And hope is brightest when it dawns from fears.
The rose is swetest washed with morning dew,
And love is lovlier when embalmed in tears. —Scott.

Love and Marriage.

That matrimony is a happier state than celibacy when it means a union of hearts as well as of fortunes there is little doubt, but, though many people marry for love, or something they mistake for it, very few of these unions lead to lasting happiness. Why is this?

The great reason seems to be that in most lives the ruling passion is self, and upon this rock everything which comes in contact with it is shattered sooner or later. A man will often fancy himself very much in love with a pretty and sprightly girl, and all the more so if she has some means of her own. Now, the real fact of the case very likely is simply that the girl amuses him, and he pictures a little home with her as its mistress as a pleasant change from bachelor "diggings." In fact, what he calls love is only another name for pure, unadulterated selfishness. He thinks of himself and not of her, and when he discovers, as he soon will, after marriage, that she has rights, claims and wishes to be satisfied as well as himself, he will probably at first feel very much surprised, and then agrieved and indignant.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

The damage by frost to the Kentucky tobacco crop was very great. That with the short crop there and the short crop in Virginia, it may be expected that the price of this popular weed will rise very considerably in the markets of the world. The upward turn has not come yet, but knowing ones expect it.

During his life time Jay Gould raised a row because the tax assessors made him pay tax on $500,000 worth of property It is now ascertained that he ought to have paid on $83,000,000. There ought to be some way to reach the tax now.

The great American sculptor, William Wetmore Story, who died in Valambrosa Monday, was a native of Massachusetts.

It has been announced that Senator Hill, of New York, is to take a hand in the Ohio campaign.

If your children are subject to croup watch for the first symptom of the disease—hoarseness. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse it will prevent the attack. Even after the croupy cough has appeared the attack can always be prevented by giving this remedy. It is also invaluable for colds and whooping cough. For sale by Hood Brothers, Smithfield, N. C., J. W. Benson, Benson N. C.

Seretary Morton on Horse Meat.

The Hon. J. Sterling Morton, Seretary of Agricutlture, gives utterance to the following, as his views in regard to growing horses for meat export:

"I believe more money can be made raising other kinds of meats, and I do not believe in these stories about the money which Americans can make in shipping horse sausage to Germany. The Germans have a tariff on horse meat of more than two cents per pound, and the the French have a similar tarifi It is true that horse meat is used more extensively every year in Europe than in the past. Betwen 1889 and 1893, more than 100,000 were killed there for human consumption, and in 1893 the total weight of dressed horseflesh used amounted to more than 48,000,000 pounds. They use every part of the horse and have horse steaks and horse roasts, and there are horse meat restaurants, where you can buy horse soup. I would not like to eat it. I feel very much concerning it like my wife did about one of a herd of deer which we had on our place in Nebraska, and which was accidentally shot. It was a pretty little doe, and when it was brought home, it still had a blue ribbon fastened about its neck which we had fastened to it. 'Well, there is one thing about it, you can give us some fresh meat.' My wife replied: 'Why, my dear, I would just as soon think of eating a slice of one of the children.' It is the same with the horse. It is too close to us. We love it too much to ever want to eat it, and it will be a long time before there will ever be a market for horse meat in America."

DELIGHTFUL SUMMER HOMES AND RESORTS ON THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

The passenger department of the Southern railway has just issued a large folder especially for the information of those who are seeking desirable homes and resorts for the present summer. It is gotten up in the best style of the printer's art and contains a complete description of the most desirable locations for summering, and is copiously and beautifully illustrated with scenery along the entire Southern Railway system, but gives the names, terms of good boarding houses, hotels and country homes, from $3 per week to $5 per day.

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