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## STATE NEWS AND VIEWS

### What North Carolina Editors Are Talking About.

Short Items of Interest to The Public Clipped and Culled From Our State Papers.

From all over Eastern North Carolina comes news that there is much anxiety among the farmers on account of the condition of the crops, caused by too much rain.

Buie's Creek Academy, Harnett county, opened August 21 with the best opening in its history by more than 15 per cent. Thirty counties and three States represented the first day.

The Executive Committee of the trustees of Wake Forest will meet in a few days to elect a Financial Agent to canvass the State to raise the \$112,500 toward the \$150,000 endowment.

Secretary T. K. Bruner and Curator H. H. Brimley, of the State Agricultural Department, expect to have the North Carolina "New England Exhibit" ready for shipment to Boston by September 10th, and it will be placed by October 1st.

At Wilkesboro, in the Superior Court on Wednesday Hiram Higgins, who killed his son, Silas Higgins, submitted to murder in the second degree and was sentenced to a term of ten years in the State prison. The old man is 73 years old and in feeble health.

At the meeting of the Raleigh township division of the Southern Cotton Association on Saturday at Raleigh, a resolution was adopted requesting the removal of Secretary Richard Cheatham, of the Southern Cotton Association, because he has been dabbling in Cotton futures.

A colored man by the name of Nathan Robertson was killed near Scott, Warren county, a few days ago. Robertson was beating his way on a freight and while the train was pulling up a grade near Scott he attempted to jump off and go to his home near by, but was struck by a cattle guard and knocked under the moving wheels and so badly mangled that he died in a few hours.

The pipe organ which was purchased last Spring by the Baptist University for Women, at Raleigh, is now being installed in the chapel. This organ is thought to be the largest and finest instrument in the State and is one of the largest in the South, having three manuals and forty-two stops. The opening recital on this magnificent instrument will be given Monday evening, September 19, by Mr. Wade R. Brown, assisted by several soloists and a large chorus.

The next State fair is going to be on a larger scale than any previous held, and the premiums cover a wider range. One of the new features will be the competition by counties for the special prizes. The best display by any county in the State gets \$100. The best individual display of agricultural products, garden vegetables, fruits and home industries \$75.00; second prize \$27.50. While the individual who makes a similar display from a two-horse farm on which he permanently lives gets \$37.50. There is a special prize of \$25 for a mountain farm, and \$37.50 is the prize which will go to the individual who makes the best show from a one-horse farm, on which he lives permanently. There are also the special premiums of \$25 first, \$15 second and \$10 third for the largest yield per acre of corn, cotton, wheat, oats, tobacco, peanuts, field peas, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, clover, rice, grasses, cabbages, watermelons, and \$25 is offered for the best display of trucking with \$15 as a second prize and \$10 for a third prize.—Raleigh correspondence Wilmington Messenger.

## NEWS FROM POLENTA SECTION.

Mr. S. B. Hardie, we regret to chronicle, is quite sick at his home.

Mr. W. M. Sanders' family is spending some days at their White Oak place.

At Oakland last Sunday Rev. Mr. Souders, the pastor, preached two instructive sermons.

A revival service is being held at Elizabeth this week, Rev. Mr. Williams, the pastor, doing the preaching.

Mr. W. T. Adams spent Sunday in this section with his wife, who is with her parents for the summer months.

At an early date two new public school houses will be built in this township. They will be built on the modern plan.

Mr. H. T. Garrard, doing business in Norfolk, Va., is at home for a short visit to relatives and friends, who are always glad to see him.

So far as this section is concerned, the fodder crop will necessarily be a short one. This is due to the fact that the rains of the past several weeks have prevented the farmers from saving it. What has been saved will be of an inferior grade. On account of the rains cotton has also considerably deteriorated. The cotton crop will fall short of expectations.

The revival services at Shiloh last week proved a great spiritual feast to those who attended. Rev. Mr. Hudson, the pastor, did the preaching, and did it well. Bro. Hudson's consecration, piety and persuasive powers, constitute him one of the best revivalists we ever heard. Besides he backs himself up with the teaching of the Holy Bible of which he is an apt student. Although not a graduate, he is even now a preacher of great power and is destined to do great good for his Master. As a result of the meeting ten souls professed to have found the better way, eight of whom joined Shiloh church and were baptised into fellowship of said church on Sunday evening. The church membership was greatly revived and it is believed the condition of the church is very much bettered. Typo.

## SELMA ITEMS.

Miss Carrie Long is visiting the Misses Etheridge.

Misses Lila and Lillie Anderson are visiting their brother, Mr. Davis Anderson.

Mr. M. C. Winston left last Sunday night for New York and Baltimore where he will buy his fall stock of goods.

Mr. Robert P. Noble and Mr. M. R. Glenn, of Asheville, who have been on a visit to Dr. R. J. Noble, will leave here for Raleigh next Monday to resume their studies in medicine.

The paraphernalia for Selma chapter R. A. M., arrived last Monday and was used at the regular convocation Tuesday night. The officers look well in their new uniforms and the lodge in its new dress is fine.

Tobacco is coming in right freely now. The farmers are beginning to realize the fact that the buyers for the American Tobacco Co., the Imperial Tobacco Co., and the independent companies are paying every cent that tobacco is worth and are bringing it here and going away satisfied. Aug. 30. SENE.

## Carolinian Attempts Suicide.

New York, Aug. 29.—A man giving the name of Macon Bacon, 26 years old and his home at Raleigh, N. C., made an attempt to commit suicide to-day by jumping from the Brooklyn bridge. He was prevented by two men who jumped from a passing trolley car and turned him over to the police. Later he was sent to the Psychopathic ward in Bellevue Hospital for observation.

## Around Sanders Chapel.

An ice cream supper at Sanders Chapel for church purposes is slated for Thursday night, the 30th. Now boys, ante up, don't let latitude nor longitude bar you.

Masters Millard and Will Sanders, of Caylipso, are rusticated in the ranch among relatives. If you want a bull-oxen broken they are the boys.

The sad news of the death of little Edwin Moore, the nine-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Moore, of Yuma, Arizona, on the 17th of August, has been received, grand-son of Mr. L. B. Holt. Our condolence is tendered.

Ex Sheriff Powell and sons, Ben and Daniel, and grand-son, Carl Sanders, attended the North Carolina division of Confederate Veterans meeting at Morehead on the 22-23. They report fine fishing, bathing, sailing and royal entertainment by the citizens. Mr. Powell says the mosquitoes nibbled the girls and boys, but the old veterans hides were immune. Morehead is a "dry" town with dewey frills. The railroad bridge across the sound to Beaufort is nearing completion. The United States dredge boat, Cape Fear, poked its nose among the piling and railroad track, damaging it about \$1,000. Aug. 29. X.

## Frenzied Finance.

The good old time fashion of earning an honest dollar by the sweat of an honest day's labor has become historical in the realms of modern finance. The glorious past of our forefathers is being lost in the maelstrom of commercialism. The quickened accumulation of enormous wealth through combinations and schemes that oppress the wealth-producing and laboring classes is a matter of which must in the near future receive the care and attention of the state and federal legislatures.

There is a constant growing sentiment in the minds of many people in favor of paternalism which is but the outgrowth of a fear that control of all leading industries is gradually being absorbed into the hands of a few millionaires. This country is slowly, but surely, following in footsteps of financial systems that have for ages been pursued in the old countries of Europe. We are yet young in growth and with tremendous possibilities for development lying ahead.

If the present absorption of the leading industries of this country is not checked in some way the time will yet come when the barons of finance in America will put to shame the power and wealth of feudal barons of old. We claim this to be a free country with an equal chance in the race for life to all men, yet there are already many leading industries wherein competition has been shut out and the hands of the people tied hard and fast.

The accumulation of millions of dollars in a few months or a few years by any man or set of men cannot be done except through the medium of oppression. The race along the road to great wealth has frenzied the people to the extent that thousands now believe that the means, whatever that may be, justify the end so that financial success is assured. It may take the people some time to wake up, but that they will is just as sure as that day follows night.

From just such awakening revolutions have been caused and empires made rotten and through human excesses and indulgences have been shaken from the face of the earth. Frenzied finance will yet meet its Waterloo at the hands of a people who will not always submit patiently. The wave of reform is already being felt from one end of the Union to the other, and as it gathers strength from the support of the people the nation will be saved and the rights of our Constitution enforced.—The Cotton Journal.

## AT THE CAPITAL OF BEULAH.

Miss Mary Hollowell, of Smithfield, is visiting relatives here this week.

We had one of the heaviest rain and thunder storms yesterday of the season.

Mr. H. F. Edgerton spent Sunday in Smithfield visiting his family and friends.

Miss Emma Matthews has returned from where she has been visiting friends near New Bern.

Rev. Dr. R. H. Whitaker, of Raleigh, filled his regular appointment here Sunday night.

The A. C. L. R. R. Co. are now doing some long needed repairing at the depot and ticket office here.

Miss Lola Griffin, of Spring Hope, returned home today after spending a few days with Mrs. W. T. Bailey.

One of our highly esteemed young ladies, Miss Eva High, returned home last Friday from a two weeks' visit in Wilson.

Mr. B. E. Dickinson spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents near Stanhope, and reports that he received a good washing from one of our regular summer showers on his way there.

We regret very deeply to announce the departure of Mr. Harper, formerly of Wakefield, N. C., who has been among us for the past seven months. During his stay among us we found him to be a man of valuable consideration. He will discontinue the insurance business and matriculate at Chapel Hill where he will pursue a course in various branches, and we bespeak for him a glowing success.

Misses Maude and Lillian Edgerton and Theo. Hassell took an afternoon drive and enjoyed same beyond measure. They observed the evening landscape during the tour, they witnessed the sun and she wrapped the shadows around her, and with a lullaby on her lips rocked the every world to rest, then saw her fill her dipper full of dew-drops and her basket full of dreams and slip back to the horizon of the morning and steal the stars. Then saw the gardens unfurl their flower-flags, and the meadows fell asleep, the songs of the deep woods melted into deep sighs, and the melancholy waters whispered a pensive good-night to the drowsy birds and sleepy hollows.

It gives us pleasure to have among us Miss Annie B. Strickland, of Louisburg. The capital city of Beulah always welcomes her favorites as a mother welcomes her baby to her throbbing heart. There cannot be found a community upon which the sun looks and smiles in its journey in the realms of states than Keely; it matters not where you may travel; for you may travel from where the turbid waters of the Atlantic lash the rock ribbed coast of Maine, to where the placid Pacific kisses California's golden strands, from where the rosy colors of the morn glorify the clouds nestling on our Northern mountains to where the spicy breezes of the gulf woo in molian strains our Southern pines, and the capital city of Beulah ever receives her favorites with a welcome as warm and as genial as our Southern clime, and with a hospitality as free and as boundless as our Northern skies. Aug. 29. MAX.

## The End of the World

of troubles that robbed E. H. Wolfe, of Bear Grove, Ia., of all usefulness, came when he began taking Electric Bitters. He writes: "Two years ago Kidney trouble caused me great suffering, which I would never have survived had I not taken Electric Bitters. They also cured me of General Debility." Sure cure for all Stomach, Liver and Kidney complaints, Blood diseases, Headache, Dizziness and Weakness or bodily decline. Price 50c. Guaranteed by Hood Bros' drug store.

## General News Items.

Fire caused a damage of \$250,000 in New York Friday.

One hundred and forty Chilean towns were destroyed by the earthquake August 16th.

Sheriff Limehouse, of Dorchester county, S. C., has been indicted for turning a negro over to lynchers last Thursday.

Vice-President Fairbanks and Booker T. Washington made addresses at the Ohio Colored Educational Exposition Saturday.

One man was drowned and seven others had narrow escapes while out in small boats during a storm near Atlantic City Friday.

A number of dredges are dredging for gold in Alaska, and some believe the total Alaskan gold production this year may reach \$20,000,000.

The price of seats on the New York stock exchange has suddenly bounded up from \$78,000 to \$93,000, at which latter figure one was sold Tuesday.

Owing to the washing away of a trestle over Moccasin river, in Virginia Friday a train plunged into the river, killing two men and seriously injuring another.

A shipment of 15,000 Remington rifles, 800,000 rounds of ammunition, and six rapid-fire Gatling guns were shipped from New York Saturday to the Cuban government to put down the insurrection.

In an attempt to assassinate the Russian Premier Saturday, a bomb killed 28 people and wounded 24, among the killed being Premier Stolypin's daughter, several notable persons and the three assassins.

Official statistics of the terrorism in Russia last week show that 101 officials, gendarmes, police and soldiers were killed, 92 were wounded, 291 private persons were killed or wounded, 34 spirit shops were plundered, private and individual institutions were robbed of \$180,015 and State institutions of \$84,891. Besides this there were over 100 armed attempts to rob banks, houses, etc.

## Failed for \$7,000,000.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 28.—The Real Estate Trust Company, organized in 1885, the depository for nearly \$1,000,000 of the funds of the Presbyterian church and holding \$300,000 of the money of the city of Philadelphia and \$175,000 of the State deposits, today closed its doors. The failure was caused by heavy loans made by the late president, Frank K. Hipple, to Adolph Segal, a promoter, on alleged insufficient security. A desperate effort was made to save the institution by the board of directors through an appeal to the Clearing House Association, but that body declined to subscribe a guarantee fund of \$7,000,000 because of insufficient security.

The liabilities are placed at \$10,000,000, with quick assets of \$3,500,000 and doubtful collateral amounting to \$8,000,000.

A fatal accident befell John McBridge a 12-year-old orphan boy, in Jonesville Tuesday afternoon. He had been hunting and put the gun on the grass. One of his companions, Charles Bengze, picked the weapon up and pointed it at him. John told him to put it down that it might be loaded. The boy then snapped it. There was a report and the charge tore a hole through John's left arm near the shoulder, shattering the bone. Physicians were called in and amputated it at the shoulder. The boy died Thursday night.

## A Mystery Solved.

"How to keep off periodic attacks of biliousness and habitual constipation was a mystery that Dr. King's New Discovery solved for me," writes John N. Pleasant, of Magnolia, Ind. The only pills that are guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction to everybody or money refunded. Only 25c. at Hood Bros' drug store.

## PRICE OF THE CROP.

President Moore Thinks This Year's Cotton will be Worth Eleven Cents.

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 29th.—President C. C. Moore, of the North Carolina division of the Southern Cotton Association, will leave Monday for Hot Springs, Ark., to attend the meeting of the central executive committee of that body, which is to be held there next Thursday, Friday and Saturday—the 5th, 6th and 7th of September. The prime object of the meeting is to hear the reports of the several sub-divisions, and to fix a minimum price at which the present crop shall be marketed.

That wide interest is being manifested in this meeting is evidenced by the number of letters which President Moore is receiving daily from all sections of this and other states. Every mail brings him a dozen or more communications, from farmers, merchants, and business men generally. The recent decline in prices has intensified the interest. A majority of those who have written President Moore advocate 11, 12 and 13 cents as a fair and equal price at which the present crop should be sold. One man only suggested that 10 cents would be enough. The great majority favor the first named figures.

When President Moore was asked his views on the matter he replied that the price decided upon would depend altogether on the reports received from the cotton belt relative to the condition and acreage of the present crop. "The government report last year placed it at 82.9 per cent," said Mr. Moore. "I believe that the condition this season is from 3 to 5 per cent. below that of last, hence the report will be approximately 78 per cent. I can assure you on that basis that the minimum price will be more than 10 cents." While not expressing himself, President Moore intimated that he would not agree to anything less than 11 cents.

## Reads Bible Through Every Year.

Frankfort, Ind., Aug. 25.—The Rev. David R. Love, "the grand old man" of Frankfort, who has just celebrated his seventy-fifth anniversary, is one of the remarkable men of the church in this state, and few men have devoted so many years to the Master. The Rev. Mr. Love comes from a family of Presbyterians. His youth was spent in Scotland, and all the safeguards of the church were thrown around him as a boy, the Bible being taught in the public schools. He was born near Glasgow, Scotland, May 15th, 1831.

On June 27th, 1846, when coming from Pictow to the United States, he was shipwrecked off the coast of Massachusetts, his mother, brother and sister, with twenty-seven of the passengers, being drowned. Twenty-seven of the passengers were rescued by a fishing vessel, among them being himself and a sister.

When Mr. Love decided to enter the ministry he made a resolution to give a half hour daily to religious meditation and prayer, and to read the Bible through once a year, and the resolution has been faithfully kept during all these years. He adopted as his motto, "Thou, God, seeest me," and this he framed and for over fifty years it has hung in his study. While in the seminary Mr. Love did considerable preaching, and one summer did missionary work on the Delaware and Raritan Canal.

## In Self Defense

Major Hamm, editor and manager of the Constitutionalist, Eminence, Ky., when he was fiercely attacked, four years ago, by Piles, bought a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, of which he says: "It cured me in ten days and no trouble since." Quickest healer of Burns, Sores, Cuts and Wounds. 25c. at Hood Bros' drug store.