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Editorial.

Asheville did the handsome thing for the North Carolina and Virginia editors. It was our misfortune that we were not there to partake of the pleasures of hospitality so lavishly bestowed upon the quill drivers.

North Carolina at the Head.

North Carolina has the best, the freest from graft, and the most economical State and county government in the United States.

Mr. Vanderbilt's Compliment to the Editors.

It is time to prepare for another year, and those interested will therefore write the Department of Agriculture at Raleigh, after August 1st of this year, for blanks on which to make formal application for the person or persons needed.

Peace Commissioners Will Go Northeast.

Washington, July 10.—Assistant Secretary Peirce announces that the plenipotentiaries of Russia and Japan have agreed upon Portsmouth, New Hampshire, as the meeting place for the sessions of the peace conference to be held outside of Washington.

Somebody Talked About Him.

Gossip is a humming bird with eagle wings and a voice like a foghorn. It can be heard from Dan to Berebeba, and has caused more trouble than all the bedbugs, ticks, fleas, mosquitoes, coyotes, grasshoppers, chinchings, rattlesnakes, sore toes, sharks, cyclones, earthquakes, blizzards, smallpox, yellow fever, gout and indigestion that this great United States has known or will know when the universe shuts up shop and begins the final invoice.

Improvement and Care of School Houses.

The address of Miss Moore to the teachers last Friday evening was of a matter that ought to be given more attention than is usually bestowed upon such matters. It is a fact that the school houses of our section are not only neglected, but in many instances abused and injured by pupils attending the schools.

Farm Help—Immigration.

On Saturday 8th inst., several back loads, composed of Highlanders and Summer visitors, rode out over the new Sealey road to the Flats, for a picnic; and to give the strong and willing hands of the workmen, a good dinner.

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A Poem for Today

THE COLD WATER MAN

By John Godfrey Saxe

I was an honest fisherman. I know him passing well. When suddenly, he felt a bite, And jerking—caught a duck!

HIGHLANDS.

The Fourth of July was ushered in with the ringing of the village bells and the firing of cannon. The Stars and Stripes, in all of its beauty, and with all the glory attached to its origin and history, fluttered in the gentle breeze and sparkled in the warm July sunshine.

NEWS BRIEFS.

We are informed that Murphy is to have another State bank in the near future. The prime movers are J. R. McLelland, M. L. Manney and A. B. Dickey. — Cherokee Scout.

An Asheville lawyer has received a prize of \$25 from a New York paper for the best description of a jay bird.

On the 18th inst. there were thirteen deaths and a score of other persons overcome by heat in New York City.

J. Rowan Rogers and L. P. Sorrell last Thursday, in court in Raleigh, plead guilty to embezzlement with which they were charged in connection with the Gatti-Kilgo case.

Troy, the county seat of Montgomery county, has voted a school tax, and will establish a modern graded school.

B. F. Leek, of Concord, Ky., says: "For 20 years I suffered agonies, with a sore on my upper lip, so painful, sometimes, that I could not eat. After vainly trying everything else, I cured it, with Bucklen's Arnica Salve." It's great for burns, cuts and wounds. At Smith's drug store; Only 25c.

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Twenty Four Are Hanged.

Olema, July 13.—Twenty-four leaders of the recent disturbances here were hanged today in various prisons. Another batch of seventeen will be publicly executed upon the arrival here of Gen. Ignatieff, president of the special conference for the revision of the exceptional law, designed for safeguarding public order.

Gen. Lec Addresses the Georgia Solo's.

Athens, Ga., July 12.—Gen. Stephen D. Lee, commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, delivered an address to the general assembly of Georgia in joint session in the hall of the house of representatives here today.

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OUTDOING EXPECTATIONS.

We are always glad to print in the Franklin Press a story about a remarkable success achieved by advertising, and especially so when the article advertised is one of superior merit.

Not so very long ago Dr. F. T. Smith, one of Franklin's most enterprising druggists, succeeded in getting the Dr. Howard Co. to allow him to sell their Specific for the cure of constipation and dyspepsia at half price, as an introductory offer.

The results of this advertising have been phenomenal, and there has been hardly a week without Dr. Smith being obliged to order fresh supplies.

Such was his confidence in the remedy that he personally guaranteed every package of the Specific that he has sold, and agreed to refund the money if it did not cure. His faith was well founded, for out of the hundreds of packages he has sold, only one has been returned.

Dr. F. T. Smith, in commenting upon the great success that followed the adoption of his suggestion, not only in Franklin but in other places, showed the Pass a letter from D. F. Davis, of Barre, Vermont. Mr. Davis wrote: "The success of Dr. Howard's Specific in our city is wonderful. I received my first consignment the last of July, and since then have sold hundreds of packages, and cannot get it fast enough to keep my customers supplied. I have not had a single bottle returned, although I have guaranteed every one, and have heard nothing but praise of its merits. This is a record unsurpassed by any remedy that I have sold in the twenty-five years I have been in the drug business."

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Push It Along.

That was a good suggestion made by some of the members of the joint press association of Virginia and North Carolina at Asheville that a southern press association should be organized. It is a trite observation that in union there is strength. The co-operation of the press and direct public opinion. The southern states have many interesting matters that might be promoted by a concerted effort of the press.—Lynchburg (Va.) News

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