TUESDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1902. A circular sent out by Theo-ore H. Price, the big Wall treet cotton broker, amounces that there is an increase of 31/2 per cent in the cotton acreage of the South this year. This increase is shown principally in Texas (7%), Indian Territory (28%), and Oklahoma Territory (30%), while the largest decrease (nearly 7%) is shown in North Carolina. At the same time kinds to the success of this unique occasion. Among the men from a distance who took part in these exercises were Scuator Clark, of Montana, Adjutant Gen. Nelson H. Henry, of New York City, Dr. Penniman, Dean of the Faculty of the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Wallace Buttrick, Chairman of the General Board of Education of New York there is a decrease of more than 6 per cent in the use of fertilizers. These figures were compiled from 1,961 replies received from 657 (out of a total of 762) cotton producing counties.

The school commencements are at hand and are acquiring the usual amount of space in the newspapers. The schools, the teachers, the pupils, and parents deserve all the helpful publicity given them. For our part we are happy to print the news of these pleasant events. The work our schools are doing is toward enlightenment, and enlightenment is the "sword and buckler of our civilization." The crop of graduates our colleges and seminaries are turning out is of a value to the State and the world that is not measurable in mere dollars and cents.

What of Cubs? Now that this island rich and fair is a republic administering its own affairs, what is the forecast for its future? What of its agricultural and industrial prosperity and its future government? The best answers we can give or suggest to these inquiries are found in some excerpts which we have printed elsewhere from the letters written by Mr. A. B. Williams to his paper, the Richmond News. Mr. Williams attended the launching ceremonies of Cuba Libre on the 20th of May, and the observations and conclusions which we have printed are all his own and were written some before and some after the formalities celebrating the birth of the new republic. We are sure that the more thoughtful among our readers will find these Cuban notes, and the style in which they are written, to be possessed of interest little short of fascinating.

ath at the Loray.

Mr. M. H. Galyan, aged 73 years and 9 months, died Sunday morning at the home of his son, who is an operative at the Loray. He is a native of North Carolina but came here from Whitney, S. C., on last Tuesday to spend his last days with his son, having been sick for several months with dropsy. He had been a member of the Raptist church for 35 years. Two children, a daughter at Asheville, and a son, Mr. P. A. Galyan, at ad a son, Mr. P. A. Galyan, at the Lassy, survive him. He was uried at 5 o'clock Suaday eveling in the Shiloh burying yound, there being no funeral r burial services.

Mr. R. C. McLean bedded 12 or 15 brashels of sweet potatoes, he has set out two acres and will set two more with the view of taising potatoes to seed to his togs. Mr. McLean says he has sever before known so big an exange of sweet potatoes as the armers are setting out this year. This, he says may be noticed therever one goes. Mr. John brank Jackson has about five creat in sweet potatoes and by the way, five more in water-selons. The sweet potato is a poed crop and it would be directly to make too large a supply, as Gaston county there are close as to 50,000 people (to say totaling of the hogs) who are stilling to help teep the potatoes com spoiling.

SALEM FEMALE ACADEMY.

Active Operation for a dred Years Centennial Collabrated Lost Week

gether to do her honor. In-

grammes have been rendered every day of the week. They comprised oratory, history and

the Commencement proper, music, vocal and instrumental. From the mountains to the sea,

from North and South have come contributions of various kinds to the success of this

of Education of New York City. State Educators, Dr. Kemp P. Battle, Supt. of Public Instruction, J. Y. Joyner, Dr. Chas. D. McIver, and others were present. Senator Matt

Ransom delivered an oration,

Gov. Chas. B. Aycock delivered

a great speech on Commencement Day. An immense rostrum was erected in the Salem Square as there was no building in the Twin City large enough to accomodate the vast multitudes who attended these

multitudes who attended these exercises. One evening of the week was devoted to the presentation of 16 historical tableaus, representing colonial life in the early days of Salem, showing with realistic effect the visits of Cornwallis, Gov. Tryon and Gen. George Washington as these men passed through Salem. Two tableaus

through Salem. Two tableaus also illustrated the scholars in

the Academy's early days, and yet another showing the priva-tions during the Civil War.

The music of the occasion

was an inspiration in itself. The Salem Orchestra which has

been well known for its pro-

ficiency ever since Salem has

been known was greatly strengthened and reached the

high mark of excellence under

the direction of Prof. Peterson.

A large Centennial Chorus choir

together these two organi-

zations made a profound impression upon the members

whose pleasure it was to hear

their inspiring music. The soloists, Madame Von Klenner, of New York City, and Miss Gertrude Robbins, of States-

ville, N. C., were especially fine. The eloquence of Mrs. Peirce, President of the Tribune

Sunshine Society of New York

City, was another marked feature. Mrs. Donald McLean,

the American Revolution made

a speech on Patriotism in Education which captivated the

audience who applauded her to

The social functions, the luncheon given in honor of Gov. Aycock and other distinguished guests in the Academy Chapel was one of the most brilliant affairs ever seen in the Old North State. The reception given to the Governor in Main Hall on Wednesday afternoon was attended by hundreds of neonly.

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been formed and

Hold Added to List of Lecturors. Most people are familiar either by personal contact or otherwise with the Salem Fe-male Academy, but there are The daily schedule for the Gaston County Teachers' Insti-tute, which will be in session at Dallas July 7-11, is as follows: FORENOON.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

male Academy, but there are doubtless large numbers who do not know of this venerable institution having been in active operation for a hundred years. This is the case thowever, and during this week Salem has been celebrating her Centennial. Senators, Governors, Bishops, great educators and distinguished men, as well as prominent women in social life with multitudes of citizens have come together to do her honor. In-9 to 9:20; Music—Prof. S. A. Wolff. 9:20 to 10; Geography—Prof. P. P. Hall.

Hall.
10 to 10:40; Arithmetic—Prof. S. W. Carwile.
10:40 to 11:20; Grammar and Language Lessons—Prof.R. H. Cline.
11:20 to 13: Physiology — Prof. F. B. Rankin.
APTERMOON.

2 to 2:40; Music—Prof. S. A. Wolff. 2:40 to 3:20; Pedagogy and History— Prof. J. S. Wray. 3:20 to 4; Drawing—Mrs. S. A. Wolff. At 8 o'clock each evening there will be a lecture by some prominent educator on a subject

of importance to teachers.

In addition to Prof. Henry
Smith, of Davidson College,
and Dr. Collier Cobb, of the University, whose names were in Friday's issue, Prof. J. I. Faust, of the State Normal, and Dr. Carlyle, of Wake Forest, have been secured to lecture. Prof. O. L. Stringfield, of the Baptist Female University, will also probably be on hand.

Proposed New Railroad.

There is a proposition on foot, with good prospects of success, to build a railroad from Camden, W. Va., to Statesville—and, in fact, to the Catawba river—provided the people of Lincoln county will vote a subscription to grade and crosstie the road from the river to Lincolnton. Will our people do it? If so, Spartanburg promises to build a line from that town to Lincoluton. This would give almost a straight line from Lincolnton to Pittsburg, Pa., and place us within four hundred miles of the latter city, shortening the distance about four hundred miles. Furthermore, if built, the line would be nearly straight from Savannah Ga., to Pittsburg,

As above stated, the part to be build would begin at Camden, W. Va., thence to Henton, W. Va.; to New River, Va.; to Stewart, Va.; to Mt. Airy, N. C.; to Statesville, to Denver and thence to Lincolnton. The whole distance of new road to be built north of Lincolnton is only 152 miles.

In the matter of coal, iron, farm machinery and travel, this road would prove a vast benefit to the people of Lincoln county.

Small Fire.

The reel companies were called out about 9 o'clock Friday night to extinguish a small blaze at Ex-Sheriff M. H. Shuford's residence on Franklin Avenue, but their services were not needed. The fire was caused by a defective flue leading from the kitchen. Prompt work on the part of those who arrived early on the scene prevented the spread of the fire and rendered the damage very slight.

Death of an Infant.

called on again to pass through the dark shadow of death in the loss of his only child, Mary Louise, aged six months. The summons came to the sweet little sufferer at 6 o'clock Saturday evening and the spirit of the litthe one went to join that of its mother. A funeral service was held at 2:30 Sunday afternoon and the body was taken to Ruth-erfordton where it was laid to rest beside the mother. The husband and father has the sympathy of the entire community in his very deep sorrow.

Prot. Wray, Bost. A delightful aftermath to the closing of the city schools was the informal reception tendered by the Superintendent, Prof. J. S. Wray, to the teachers and the members of the seventh, eighth, ninth, and tenth grades. The occasion, which took place at the Central School building on Oakland Avenue from 8:30 to 11 o'clock on that night, was one of merriment and joy and was highly appreciated by the fortunate guests. Indoor and outdoor games were indulged in to the heart's content and the climax of the svening was reached in the dainty serving of cream and cake by an honor committee of boys and girls. This committee was composed of those who had made the highest grades during the year and was made up as follows: Master Edgar Long, 10th grade; Miss Janie Boyd, 9th grade; Miss Cora Costner, Master Hugh Query, 9th grade; Misses Minnie Costner and Hattle Hanna and Masters Prank Costner and Harold Shields, of the 7th grade. Prof. Wray, Host.

The Springs Family. About fifty years ago Mr. Gratt Springs, who died in Charlotte recently possessed of great wealth, was a hired man going around over Gaston county with a thresher. It was owned by Messrs. Bill and Ton Little, who lived near Lincolnton. Mr. J. B. F. Riddle remembers the time and the incidents well. It was among the first machines of its kind in the first machines of its kind in the county and was what is now called a "hobtail thresher." Adam Springs was the father of Gratt and owned the lands now occupied by McAdenville, He sold to the late Col. Jasper Stowe, who, in turn, sold to the McAdens. Mr. Riddle tells an amusing story of the elder Springs and the Sheriff of Laucoin county. The officer (in the panicky years of the thirties) declined to receive paper money and demanded specie in payment of revenues. Mr. Springs didn't do a thing but send off and get a "keg of coppers"—more than the sheriff could curry home.

The Cow and Fig.

The pig says to the cow; "Think it way hard.

For they are using Palmetina is as and of hog land."

Cow assures the pig: "A truth-year do utter.

For Palmetina is better for cooking for invitations received last

GASTON COLLEGE.

Baily Schedule — Professors Preparations for Commence-Paust, Carlyle and Stringment Next Week-Program for the Occasion—Personal Items.

> The students of Gaston College are busy preparing for their commencement which will take place next week. The following

PROGRAM: PROGRAM:

Reccalaurente sermon by Rev. W.

A. Deaton Sunday, June 8th, 8 p. m.

Commencement exercises Wednesday, June 11th, 8 p. m. The Literary address will be delivered by Rev.

R. A. Yoder, D. D.

Annuel concert and art exhibit Thursday June 12th, 2. p. m. Music by the symphony club and college orchestra.

Annual entertainment Thursday, June 12th, p. m.

Messra Summey Cornwell and

Messrs. Summey Cornwell and Miles Hoffman, Jr., returned Thursday night from the A. &

M. College at Raleigh. Mr. Robert Lewis attended the commencement exercises of Wake Forest College.

McADENVILLE ITEMS.

pondence of the Gasette. Under present conditions news is scarce but the county quarantine was removed last Wednesday and we are glad to see that we have so many friends, for our country friends are coming in every day and even the neighboring towns, some of whom are still enforcing the quarantine, are represented on our streets by some of their leading citizens. This is a case of visiting but refusing to be visited.

Well, our town has demonstrated the fact that she is able to take care of herself and there are enough of us to keep from being lonesome. There has not been a case of the blues during the epidemic, but all are cheerful even with sore arms.

The houses that have cases of small-pox in them are guarded day and night both to keep the inmates in and others out. Quite a number have been released during the past week and only one new case has appeared and there will be several families let loose to-day. There was a second crop of sore arms last week but they looked lonesome compared with the first crop, and now nearly every one is able to work again so every thing is going on about as usual except that there are a few yellow flags and the guards on their beats. Mr. F. D. Phillips returned from a trip to Concord last week.

Mr. B. C. Reid, who has been on a visit here for several months during which time he had a very serious spell of sickness at the home of his brotherin-law, Mr. H. K. Roberts, returned to Texas last week and will make his home in Gonzales. Mr. Reid is a half-brother to J. C. and A. L. Walker, of this place and has many friends here.

A great many of our people are eating beans and other vegetables now out of their own gardens.

Our boys are spoiling for a game of ball since their arms are better. They played a game among themselves Saturday evening with a goodly number of the fair sex seated on the grand stand."

Mr. John H. Wilkins, whose THE GAZETTE are appreciated by our people, who are very eager to be on hand to get it when it is called out at the office every Tuesday and Friday morn-

STANLEY NOTES.

dence of the Gasette The people of Stanley are making preparations for the Quarterly Conference which will occur during the last days of the present month. The last Conference held at this place was during the year 1894. We expecting quite a large are

Miss Carrie Smith, of Wake county, who has been spending some two weeks with her brother, some two weeks with her brother, Davie Smith, at this place, returned home to Apex on Friday last. Miss Maggie Howell, of Stanley, went home with her and will remain a month in Wake County.

Mr. Noble Manney, the former superintendent at the Stanley Cotton Mills, will move his family to Charlotte this week.

Mr. Rd Jenkins is hard at

Mr. Ed Jenkins is hard at work these days beautifying our park for the summer encamp-

During the past week we were the man with the hoe with our brow and shoulders bent forward like the sturdy ox that feedeth on fodder and lettuce stalks. Yet we were not embittered, but rejoiced in our might as we left foot-prints in the sands of the cotton patch.

Rx-Governor Robt. L. Taylor, of Tennessee, will lecture in Charlotte next Saturday night.

A FACT **ABOUT THE "BLUES"**

What is known as the "Blues' is schloss occasioned by actual existing external conditions, but is the great majority of cases by a disorder of LIVER.

> THIS IS A PACT which may be demonstro ted by trying a course of

mind. They bring benith and clasticity to the body.

TAKE NO SUBSTITUTE.

Freg Wouldn't Stay Swallowed. Clarkton Express.

One of our young Clarkton friends reports having seen a very peculiar thing last week. An old cat, wandering around the yard just before supper time, found a nice fat frog. Deciding that she would like to have a variety occasionally, she pounced on Bro. Frog and hustled him down without much chewing. This not being the time of year when frogs like to stay in dark places all the time, he decided to come back, and so he did. Bro. Frog snapped his eyes and hopped as if nothing unusual happened, but from the antics that Sister Cat cut while Bro. Frog was on his way back to this world we don't think she will try any more frog for supper right soon.

Gastonia Markets. COTTON.

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Strict Middling	95
Good Middling	01
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Bulk Meat, sides	1
Country Hams	
Beeswax, per lb	
Hens per lb	83
Hens per lb	7 to
Fries, per lb	18 to 2
Fries, per lb	15 to 1
Corn	8
Rggs	12% to 1
Country Lard	
Corn Eggs Country Lard Flour	2.30 to \$2.9
Meal	80 to 8
Meal Peas, per bushel	\$1.4
Oats per bushel	60 to 7
Tallow	5 40
Sweet Potatoes	90 +0 \$1.0
Irish Potatoes	\$1.9
Salt. per sack	65 to 2
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR CONGRESS 9TH DISTRICT.

I desire to announce that I am a candidate for the congressional nomination in this district subject to the action of the Democratic convention of the district, and I solicit the support of the Democrats of Gaston county in their primary to be held July 5th.

Very Respectfully,
W. C. Down,
Charlotte, N. C.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Gaston County, subject to the decision of the Democratic primaries and county convention.

C. B. ARMSTRONG.

FOR CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Clerk of Superior Court of Gaston County, subject to the decision of the Democratic primaries and county conven-

C. C. CORNWELL.

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS. I hereby announce myself a andidate for re-election to the office of Register of Deeds of Gaston county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries and county convention.

M. A. CARPENTER.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

I hereby announce myself a office of Treasurer of Gaston County, subject to the action of county convention.

J. R. Lawis. the Democratic primaries and

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Gaston County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries and county convention. L. E. RANKIN.

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goods do not have time to get out 10000 of date. All the new things are here all the time. Buying here means buying right,

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