

# DAILY ARGUS.

"Tell the Truth."

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THE ARGUS seeks to be a reliable paper for the people and the family—Democratic, but entirely independent of party, fearing to discuss no issue where the people's rights are at stake. Progressive in its views, we shall always keep our editorial and local columns up to the day and hour. Our news is not immense, but it is timely, and the outlook for the future grows brighter as the year progresses, and our hopes grow stronger in proportion.

### WHAT THE PEOPLE SAY.

Letters for publication should be written on little sheets (note paper), and written only on one side. We cannot undertake to return rejected communications. Anonymous letters, the writers of which are unknown to the Editor, will not be published. Correspondents must write with ink, not with pencil, and their pages should be of uniform size and as few as possible. Long letters stand a poor chance of publication in the crowded columns of the ARGUS.—EDITOR.

GOLDSBORO, N. C., April 19, 1885.

WITH this issue we close the second week of our existence. Our circulation is rapidly increasing, and we confidently look to close our second year without having missed a single publishing day. This is no idle talk, either.

AND the Richmond & Danville, too, is willing to assume control of the A. & N. C.—nay, more, is wooing the Governor with such wily supplication as would out-Richard Richard in the prime of his williness, to grant unto it just one trial at reclaiming this lost "child of the State," this A. & N. C. Railroad. "What is the Governor going to do?" This is the question that is asked on all sides. We hope the Governor will not answer hastily, but that he will seek to inform himself by means of every avenue by which information can be obtained, and that his action in this matter will be governed by a sense of the great duty that is incumbent upon him to so cast the vote of the State on this question that the greatest possible good to the greatest number of her citizens will be the result.

YES, Mr. POPE essayed to defend the position of the W. & W. Company in regard to its effort to lease the A. & N. C. in 1877. "A just cause needs no defense," the truth of which old maxim was once more attested when Mr. POPE ignominiously failed in his vain effort to bolster up the selfish motives that gave birth to the deep designs of the W. & W. against the A. & N. C. Justice was on the side of the people in that instance, and the people prevailed. The designs of the W. & W. against the A. & N. C. are even deeper now than they were then; its motives even more selfish—if such a thing were possible—and its appetite for the "mullet" more voracious than it is possible for us to describe. And, oh, that "Wilson & Florence Short Cut!"

It is the intention of the editor to every Sunday have a column in this paper devoted to subjects suitable for Sunday reading; and if the perusal of anything that we shall select for this column shall ever prompt anyone to act a nobler part in life than is their wont, or even cause one to feel a desire that may ultimately develop into an in-

fluence for good, our gratification will indeed be great. People are generally more susceptible to good influences on Sunday than on any other day; and especially so on Sunday mornings. Beautifully does George Eliot express these morning impressions:

"All knowledge which alters our lives penetrates us more when it comes in the early morning: the day that has to be traveled with something new and perhaps forever sad in its light, is an image of the life that spreads beyond. But at night the time of rest is near."

### TOO MUCH COTTON.

There is a lesson for the South to learn from the Anglo-Russian difficulties that are now going on; and we hope our farmers will learn it well, and, while putting it into active operation themselves, studiously teach it to their sons, so that they in their day and generation may follow in the footsteps of their fathers, and thus in good time redeem the South from her present deplorable condition as regards her farming interests. That lesson is this:

Yes, every year we hear of farmers who have worked hard and long, in sun and rain and storm, to pay out, but who have been unable to do so; their cotton crop was a failure, bad seasons cut it short, and a low market for the miserably small residuum hastens on the inevitable hour when the mortgagee shall write *finis* to the sad history of months and years of hard, constant, but ineffectual labor in the cotton fields. Every year there are "mortgaged farms" advertised for sale all over the land, and when you enquire the cause you are told that the owners mortgaged them for "supplies" to "run" them while they raised a cotton crop.

Well, see how within the past week breadstuffs have steadily and sharply advanced, and cotton has as rapidly declined. The required event to produce this sudden, antithetical result was the news that the Russians and Afghans had had a little fight, and that England and Russia are preparing for war; in consequence of which the South trembles and looks sad, while the North and West thrill and throb with the extraordinary stimulus that an at-all-times-prosperous business has received from the same news. They in a country cold and barren by nature, but made prolific by the science of husbandry, rejoice at the news of war, because it brings their large crops of grain, feed, breadstuffs, pork, etc., with which they supply us, into greater demand and at increased prices; while we in a climate soft as a mother's smile, on a soil fruitful as the love of the Infinite, mourn over our scanty crust at the news that "supplies" have advanced and cotton retrograded in price.

Is not the lesson a patent one? Let our farmers, now on the very eve of another planting season, learn it ere it be too late.

# SUNDAY COLUMN.

## MADE UP OF DIVERS CLIPPINGS.

Seek the Best Things.

What we need to learn first of all is loyalty to supreme things. There are in human life low, lower and lowest things; there are high, higher and highest things. Food, raiment, art, architecture, the pursuit of the material and beautiful, must be subordinate to goodness and truth. "The life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment." Righteousness is more than riches; charity is above esthetics; truth is higher than the temple, and not to be like Christ a weightier problem than the pattern of a dodo.

### The Time of Beauty.

Says a recent writer: "Woman joins in an insurrection against the universe when she acts as though her life were all involved in those few years covered by her personal beauty. Physical beauty is only one of the gifts of Heaven to the daughters of earth. That form of worth may fade away into beauty of mind and heart, but it should be as dawn passes up into morning, and not as evening passes down into night. Woman is fully authorized by nature to make her fiftieth year as noble as her sixteenth, her learning, her conversation, her taste, her matchless purity, her infinite friendship which has not enough worlds to conquer being more than able to atone for the tints that may have faded from the cheek. When physical beauty is made the aim of being, life is limited to about twenty years. Thus are fifty years left without an adequate reason of being; except that a part of the period was the approach to beauty, the other part retreat, full of humiliation."

### The Red Rose.

Some author—we remember not his name—tells us how we became indebted for the red rose. They were all pure and spotless white when in Eden they first spread out their leaves to the glowing morning sunlight of creation. Eve, as she gazed upon the tintless gem, could not suppress her admiration of its beauty, but stooped down and imprinted a warm kiss upon its snowy bosom. The rose stole the scarlet tinge from her lips, and yet wears it

"I'm an old man now, but I have thanked God over and over again in all the years that have passed since that hour, that those last words were, 'You've always been a good boy to me.'"

"No human being ever yet was sorry for love or kindness shown to others. But there is no pang of remorse so keen as the bitterness with which we remember neglect or coldness, which we have shown to loved ones who are dead.

Do not begrudge loving deeds and kind words, especially to those who gather with you about the same hearth. In many families a habit of nagging, crossness, or ill-natured gibing, gradually covers the real feeling of love that lies deep beneath.

And after all, it is such a little way that we can go together!

Born in a land of liberty; having early learned its value; having engaged in the perilous conflict to defend it; having, in a word, devoted the best years of my life to secure its permanent establishment in my own count; my anxious recollections, my sympathetic feelings, and my best wishes are irresistibly attracted, whenever in any country I see an oppressed nation unfurl the banners of freedom.—Washington.

How easy is it for one benevolent being to infuse pleasure around him; and how truly is a kind heart a fountain of gladness, making everything in its vicinity to freshen into smiles!—W. Irving.

With one parting sigh he began the world. Not this world,—O not this! but the world which sets this right.—Dickens.

Prayer is the key which opens the day; the bolt which shuts in the night.—Jeremy Taylor.

# NEWS OF THE STATE.

—Col. Walter Clark has been appointed Superior Court Judge of the 4th district.

—New Berne Journal: The first shipment of asparagus from this city this season was made yesterday by Mr. Wm. Dunn.

—Wilmington Review: The religious meetings at the Second Presbyterian Church are well attended and quite an interest is being manifested. Services are held daily at 4 o'clock p. m., and will be continued until Sunday and probably longer.

—Clinton Caucasian: Sharp frosts Saturday, Monday and Tuesday mornings, with variations of cold north winds. The damage to the bean crop in Sampson and Duplin reaches away into the thousands of dollars. One man in Clinton estimated his loss at \$500.

—Tarboro Southerner: The longest cotton row in the county and probably in the world is on the Shiloh farm of Messrs. Staton & Jeffries. The row begins in the centre of a hundred acre field and goes round and round, spiral like, until the entire field is gone over. To side up the cotton on the side requires only five and a half days.

—Chatham Record: The incorporators of the Pittsboro Railroad Company held an adjourned meeting at this place on last Saturday, to receive the reports of the persons appointed to solicit subscriptions to the capital stock of the company, and we are pleased to announce that the amount subscribed lacked only two or three hundred dollars of making the sum required by the charter before an organization can be effected.

## FINEST BEEF IN THE STATE!

From the Mountain to the Sea, may be found daily at the old City Market. Also, Fine Fresh Pork and Sausage. SAM COHEN & CO. Proprietors. Ap-11-3m

## JOSEPH ISAACS,

93 East Centre Street. In stock and arriving daily, a full line of fresh Groceries, which I will sell at prices that cannot be competed with. Also a complete stock of CROCKERY, CIGARS and TOBACCO.

### German Delicacies A Specialty.

Give me a call before placing your orders and I will guarantee you satisfaction. I am prepared to fill any order, Wholesale or Retail in my line. Goods delivered promptly in any part of the city free of charge. Highest cash price paid for all kinds of country produce. Ap.7.1m

## GRIFFIN BROS.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN CIGARS, TOBACCO, Pipes, STUFF, SMOKERS' ARTICLES &c. &c., Confectioneries, FRUITS, NUTS &c.



### Proprietors Rail Road Brick Yards

We desire to call the attention of the public to our large Stock of Tobacco and Snuff. We carry the largest Stock of any house in the city at wholesale and retail. Agents for the sale of Lorillard, Gail & Ax, R. R. Mills and Ralph's Snuffs.

Our retail department is supplied with everything pertaining to a first-class Cigar and Confectionery Store. Our 5 cent cigars are the best in the city. The "Capadura," the "Navy Five" and La Cherita, the best that can be procured for the money, and our stock of 10 cent cigars is complete.

Always on hand a full line of Fine French Candies, Fruit, Nuts &c. Give us a call. Our stand is under the Gregory House, Corner of Walnut Street. Respectfully, GRIFFIN BROS. Ap.7-1f

### New Advertisements.

## DISTRIBUTION!

At the distribution to smokers of Tansill's Punch Cigars at 8 o'clock Saturday last, the prizes were awarded as follows:

- 1st prize Hon. W. T. Faircloth.
- 2d " M. S. Witherington.
- 3d " C. G. Smith.
- 4th " J. M. Hollowell.
- 5th " W. K. Stanley.

We will in a short time offer something real nice as a prize to our Tansill's Punch customers.

Respectfully,  
FONVIELLE & SAULS.  
April 14th, 1885.

"One by one the roses fall" but "Tansill's Punch" 5 cent cigar outlives them all.

FONVIELLE & SAULS.  
They disappear like hot cakes before a St. Louis tramp. "Tansill's Punch" 5 cent cigar. At FONVIELLE & SAULS.

## WANTING,

To reduce stock before moving into our new quarters, we will until then, offer special inducements to cash buyers. If you want bargains, remember that an opportunity is now offered you. Respectfully,  
FONVIELLE & SAULS.

## R. A. WATTS.

SILVERWARE, WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY, SPECTACLES, Etc. DIAMONDS A SPECIALTY. Having an overstock of the above goods on hand, I will sell for the next 60 days at 20 percent, below my usual low prices. R. A. WATTS, West Centre Street, GOLDSBORO, N. C. 3 m. 1 door South of H. Weil & Bros.

## MILLINERY.

I beg leave to call the attention of the trade to my well selected stock of Millinery, consisting of the very latest styles of RIBBONS, SILKS, VELVETS, FRENCH FLOWERS, ORTRICH AND FANCY FEATHERS,

Millinery Ornaments and Trimmings FRENCH, ENGLISH and AMERICAN STRAW GOODS, WHITE DRESS GOODS, Etc., Etc.

CHILDREN AND INFANTS' CAPS A SPECIALTY. Soliciting the favor of an early inspection of my stock, and assuring you of a pleasant welcome and a prompt attention to your wants, I am, Sincerely,  
Mrs. E. W. MOORE.  
Orders by mail carefully and promptly filled.

## APRIL 7th, 1885.

We wish to call the attention of the wholesale and retail trade, to the fact that we keep on hand a full line of fresh family Groceries, such as,

- Flour (all grades) N. C. and Sugar
- Cured Meats, Lard, Meal
- Rice, Hommony, Oatmeal, Pierces' Soda
- Crackers, Molasses and Syrups

## Canned Goods,

Such as Meats and Vegetables.

Hay, Corn, Oats, &c. ALSO, DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, SHOES, GLASSWARE, TINWARE, CROCKERY, &c., &c.

Goods fully guaranteed as to quality and price, and delivered promptly free of charge in any part of the city.

## Edgerton & Finlayson.

JUST RECEIVED, a car load of 4 inch gauge shingles. [Ap.7.1f]