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THE FERTILIZER DRAIN

It is well enough to preach economy, but the practice of it is also productive of results.

The report of the State Commissioner on the sale of fertilizers to the farmers of North Carolina is one which demands not merely a passing glance, but ought to be given careful consideration by every tiller of the soil in this State.

According to the latest report it is said that the farmers will this season use three million five hundred thousand dollars worth of fertilizer, and the report adds, that most of this money will go out of the State.

Of course these immense purchases of fertilizers indicate that North Carolina farmers are full of business and expect to go to work and raise crops, perhaps more largely make their own home supplies.

But then look at the economic side of these fertilizer purchases.

Three million and a half of dollars spent in one season by the farmers for fertilizers in a State that boasts such soil and such agricultural advantages, with everything at hand by which these advantages can be made available? It looks very bad.

With how many farmers is it necessary to buy the amount of fertilizer that they do?

Is it too much to say that an average of one half might be saved by the farmers, that they make their own manure with the means at hand?

The farmer declares that cotton does not pay, yet he goes on buying guano each year in order to cultivate it. Agriculture has been declared out of date by the stump speaker, yet the farmers in one season spend \$3,500,000 to continue the business.

There is something wrong about all this talk of farming not paying, that cotton does not pay to raise at present prices, and that farmers are quitting their farms, for the fertilizer sales do not indicate anything but great prosperity among the farming community in North Carolina.

And it might also be argued that the future outlook for farm produce was going to be good, or the farmer would not go into such an outlay for guano, alone, for besides this fertilizing, there must be seed and labor added, before a crop can be produced.

There can be little question but that the agricultural interest in North Carolina is in a prosperous condition, but that it might be very much more so, if it stopped the drain it is now subjected to by this immense annual expenditure for fertilizers, by the farmers making their own manures as far as practicable, will not be denied.

What benefit is it to North Carolina to raise abundant crops and be compelled to devote the proceeds of their sales to outside parties? What is going to make up for the cart, coil, labor and the varying disappointments which every farmer has to endure while cultivating his crop?

This immense purchase of fertilizers by the farmers of North Carolina does not indicate thrift, and it ought to be materially reduced, for it can be, and hundreds of thousands of dollars kept within our boundaries which now go to enrich outsiders.

These fertilizer sales are too large to have a healthy or businesslike look. The drain is too great, and it is really not warranted.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address:

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She was personally Christian Leslie daughter of the Duke of Rutland, and wife of the third Marquis of Montrose, and later of Sir John Bruce of Kinross. According to custom, having been a pederest she retained her maiden name. Thus it came about that Sir John Bruce lived with the Countess of Montrose with all propriety. But this was what she wrote:

Madam—I send you a thousand thanks for your play, which is very good, and I have returned it with the leaves, and if your ladyship have either any more good plays or novels which you have read, and will be pleased to loan them to me, I shall be very thankful in return, and to be a great favor, for they are very diverting in the evening. Your lord did me the honor to day yesterday, and was very well received, and you would have been well to, dear madam, your ladyship's most humble servant.

For the right honorable the Countess of Arundell, at her house in Netherlands, near Edinburgh.

If you wish to see the original, I will try to get it for you, and then you will see the spelling, and then you will see the handwriting, and then you will see the handwriting, and then you will see the handwriting.

THE SLIDING POLE. Very Handy to Use Going Down, but it is a little awkward when going up.

Firemen use the sliding poles in their engine houses when descending from their dormitory floors to the street floor as they attend to their ordinary affairs just as they do when hustling down for a fire. It is the quickest and easiest way to go, and naturally they get that way always.

So many men are not firemen, however, and so accustomed to it, the commonplace use of the sliding pole seems at first strange. He has seen it usually, perhaps only from below, and the use of it is associated in his mind with the sound of the clanging, the popping of the horses' hoofs, the snapping of harness and the general hubbub of preparation. To see the fireman come dropping down the sliding pole into this scene of activity seems a sight.

It seems like a part of the general scheme. But if one who has been accustomed only to seeing them come down the poles in this way should happen to see a fireman descend from an upper floor, and instead of seeing him shoot into view should see him suddenly and silently disappear, the sight probably would at first be surprising to him.

At first it seems strange to see a man, fireman or not, slide down a pole to start for his dinner, for instance, but that is what the fireman does, and it is just the same if he is going below for any duty in the house. He goes down the pole habitually because that is the simplest and easiest way to go. But it doesn't go back that way. Easy as it is to slide down the pole, it would be mighty hard work to shin up it. When the fireman goes up, then, like every body else he climbs the stairs.—New York Sun.

Certain American Editions. The American editions of many English authors were of prime importance in the careers of the writers, and to ignore them is to ignore most potent factors in their lives. The publication of the "Yellowish Correspondence" in Philadelphia was followed by the "Comic Tales and Sketches," and the success of the American book was the influence that induced the London publisher to assume the risk. In the same way the miscellanies collected from original sources and published in 12 volumes by the Appletons in New York in 1852 and 1853 induced the publication of the miscellanies in London in 1855 to 1857. Theackeray carried home a set of these Appleton volumes to aid him in selecting the papers for the London issue, and yet, would the bibliographer tell us that the London edition of 1855-7 was the "first," and that the New York edition exists not at all?—Book Buyer.

Classical and Romanticism in Music. Classical composers are those of the first rank who have developed music to its formal side, and in obedience to generally accepted laws, preferring aesthetic beauty, pure and simple, over emotional content, refusing to sacrifice form to characteristic expression. Romantic composers are those who have sought their ideals in other regions and striven to give expression to them, irrespective of the restrictions and limitations of form and the conventions of law—composers with whom, in brief, content outweighs manner.—"How to Listen to Music," Krehbiel.

The First Blankets. In the reign of Edward III there were at Bristol three brothers who were eminent clothiers and woolen weavers, and whose family name was Blanket. They were the first persons who manufactured that comfortable material, which has ever since been called by their name and which was then used for peasants' clothing.

John Bunyan fought on the Roundhead side during the civil war in England. This has been definitely settled by the discovery of his name in several places on the muster rolls of the parliamentary garrison of Newport Pagnell. Some people, it seems, thought John fought for King Charles.

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Arbitration the only Solution of the Fiscal Problem, Allen Tiptop Foote. Retrogression—or Rain? Hon. J. Steuart Norton, Ex-Secretary of Agriculture. The United States and Cuba, Herr Rochefort.

The Fur Seal as an Animal, David Stoddard, Chief of the Bearing Sea Commission for 1896, and George Archibald Clark, Secretary of the Commission. Such Nevada be deprived of her Statehood? William H. Smythe.

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Incorporation Notice. STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, In Office Clerk Superior Court. Notice is hereby given of the incorporation of the New Berne Tobacco Warehouse Company, that the names of the incorporators are N. H. Street, B. S. Guion, T. T. Watson, J. H. Hackburn, H. L. Duffy, E. K. Bishop and J. R. Parker, Jr. and such others as they may associate with them; that the principal place of business shall be in New Berne, N. C., and its general purpose and business is to the leasing, purchase, building and maintenance of tobacco warehouse or warehouses and such other necessary offices, buildings and machinery in or near the City of New Berne, State of North Carolina, and in such other places in said State or elsewhere as they may desire and the conducting of a general sales tobacco warehouse business of both, and the doing and performing of every act and thing that it may be necessary thereto, with power to make such contracts with any and all persons as may be deemed necessary and expedient for the successful conduct of said business; that the duration of the corporation shall be fifty years, the capital value of the same (\$5,000) dollars with privilege to increase to one hundred thousand dollars, divided in one thousand shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each.

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Mortgage Sale.

Pursuant to a power of sale contained in that certain Mortgage Deed executed by the State of North Carolina, in favor of Guardian Bond, in default of the conditions therein named I was duly authorized to sell the land therein described, said mortgage being executed on the 31st day of August 1893 and recorded in the office of Register of Deeds of Craven County, in Book 111, pages 413, 418 and 414; to which reference is hereby made; I will sell for cash, at the Court House for in Craven County on Friday, April 30th, 1897, at 12 o'clock m., all the following land described in said mortgage deed, as follows to wit: All that certain tract or parcel of land lying in the county of Craven, on the South side of Neuse river and West side of Clubfoot creek, beginning at the mouth of a small gut called the Meeting branch and running up said branch or gut N. 80 degrees West 85 1/2 poles to a spring, then N. 88 1/2 West, 85 1/2 poles to a stake in a pond, then N. 68 degrees W. 198 p. to Rutin Bell's back line, then S. 45 1/2 W. 100 p. to a marked short leaf Pine on the West side of a small branch and in Harty's S. Jones line, then down and with said branch southwardly course 72 poles to two marked black gums centered by a dead oak stump in said branch then S. 82 degrees E. 422 poles to a marked black gum in the head of the westernmost branch of a branch or gut that makes out a Clubfoot creek above the boat landing, then on and with said branch S. 89 degrees E. 14 p. to fork of said branch then down the gut or branch to the mouth thereof, then down the Clubfoot creek to the beginning, containing 351 acres more or less.

W. M. WATSON, Clerk Superior Court Craven County, this March 29th 1897.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, Craven County, Superior Court, Spring Term, A. D. 1897. Patsy Hicks, vs. Edward Hicks, Plaintiff and Defendant. You are hereby notified that it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that a good cause of action for divorce on the ground of abandonment exists in favor of the plaintiff, Patsy Hicks, and that you are a non-resident of the State of North Carolina. You are hereby notified to appear at the Spring Term, A. D. 1897, of the Superior Court of Craven County, N. C., to be held in the court house in New Berne, in said county, on the 3rd day of May, A. D. 1897, and answer or demur the complaint filed in my office; otherwise the plaintiff will apply to the court for divorce on the ground of abandonment.

Dated this 16th day of Feb'y, 1897. W. M. WATSON, Clerk Superior Court, Craven Co., N. C.

NORTH CAROLINA, Superior Court, Craven County, Court. Thomas F. McCarthy, Administrator of John Lewis, deceased, vs. Thomas Williams, Jane Williams, Shadrack Allen, and Katie Lewis. Publication.

To Katie Lewis:—It appearing to the satisfaction of the court that you are a non-resident of the State of North Carolina and a necessary party to the above action to sell land for assets to pay debt of John Lewis, deceased; you are hereby notified, that a petition to sell the real estate of said John Lewis has been filed and said administrator and summons duly issued, returnable on the 12th day of April, 1897, before the Superior Court Clerk of Craven County, N. C., at his office in New Berne, N. C., when you are to appear and answer or demur to said petition, otherwise the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said petition.

Given under my hand and seal this 18th day of February, 1897. W. M. WATSON, C. S. C. W. E. CLARKE, Atty.

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