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"And Postmaster-General Creswell is said to be willing to take anything that an ex-Senator and Cabinet member can take with propriety."

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We have no doubt of it. Mr. Cresswell, we feel sure, will take anything he can get. We rather think, however, that the best thing "he can take with propriety" would be the train for home.

THE Northern papers are full of praise of General Meade and of the pomp and magnificence of his funeral. A discreet silence, however, is maintained in reference to his conduct when in charge of the State of Georgia during Reconstruction days. No Federal officer commanded the respect and confidence of the Southern people in a higher degree than did General Meade prior to his assumption of authority in that State. His conduct then, however, showed that our confidence was misplaced.

We make these remarks with reluctance. It is not pleasant to speak thus of the dead; but a sense of duty to our own people makes it imperative on us to see that the records now being made for future historians shall speak the truth.

Colonel S. L. Fremont.

The refusal of Colonel Fremont to serve any longer as President of the Cape Fear Agricultural Society, will cause regret to all its friends. The marked success of our Fairs has been, in a very great measure, due to the untiring energy and the good judgment with which Colonel Fremont has devoted himself to their management. The Fairs have been of great benefit to us in bringing money and people to our city. Our merchants and the people generally understand this and duly appreciate the services of Colonel Fremont. They will not soon forget the efforts he has made to promote the prosperity of our city.

But while we regret the loss of the outgoing President, we most cordially and hopefully welcome the incoming one. Colonel Allmand McKoy needs no introduction at our hands to the people of the Cape Fear, no matter what their calling may be. Faithful and efficient in the discharge of every duty, the well known character of the man gives the amplest assurance that the affairs of the Association will not suffer in his hands.

THE Raleigh *News* makes the following comments upon the poisoning of the late Rev. Dr. J. Brinton Smith, and the subsequent arrest of his wife and daughter, therefore. We cheerfully unite with the *News* in the high testimony it bears to the character and standing of the late Dr. Smith. He was an able man, an effective preacher, a useful citizen, and one of the most eminently practical and sincere Christians we have ever known.

It has been our fortune, too, to know Dr. Smith's family, and we were inexpressibly shocked to learn that his wife and favorite daughter had been charged with his murder. We do not hesitate to express our belief in their perfect innocence. We presume there is no doubt that the poison was administered in the seidlitz powders. We presume also that it is true that Mrs. Smith kept the key of the closet in which a vial of strychnine was kept; but we presume also that it is the common practice for the mistress of the family to carry the keys of the house; and we presume again that it is the common practice for the wife or grown daughter to prepare the medicines in every house in the land. It seems to us that a great outrage has been committed upon two defenceless women—an outrage that we especially regret because they are strangers among us. The *News* says:

Dr. Smith was a Northern man, and had been a resident of Raleigh for four or five years. At the time of his death, he was President of St. Augustine College (colored), and an able and distinguished Episcopal minister. He was a gentleman of rare intellectual endowments, and of the finest conversational gifts, and had many friends and admirers in this city.

His wife and daughter, who are now charged with his murder, shared in the confidence and esteem which were felt for the deceased, and no breath of suspicion had ever been breathed against them. Their present situation has excited a deep feeling of pity and sympathy, and notwithstanding the circumstances of suspicion by which, under Providence, they have been surrounded, they have many friends who have the utmost confidence in their entire innocence and believe they will be triumphantly vindicated when all the evidence is brought out.

It is a maxim of our law that every man is presumed to be innocent until he is shown to be guilty, and when two helpless women, who have stood high in the community, whose characters are irreproachable, are charged with the heinous crime of poisoning their own father and husband, whatever may be the *prima facie* case against them, the voice of humanity bids us to beware of hasty conclusions of their guilt, but to await developments with the confident hope that the clouds of distrust and suspicion may disappear before the light of truth and justice.

The Boston Post—A Narrow Escape.

The appearance of the Boston *Post* among our exchanges, on yesterday, gave us the gratifying assurance that our old friend had escaped the destruction that at one time seemed inevitable.

The *Post* is one of the best papers published in the United States, and exhibits in a very marked degree, ability, integrity and dignity in its editorial conduct, as well as journalistic enterprise and judgment in its business management. It is a paper that people can read with confidence, no less than with profit and satisfaction and we tender our sincere congratulations on its fortunate escape to its editors, proprietors and readers.

The following article from its issue of Tuesday last, shows what a narrow escape it had. The *Post* says:

It is not with the purpose of parading our individual trials for commiseration in the midst of such great misfortunes on every hand, but as an apology due the public for the many shortcomings that appeared in our yesterday's issue, in to-day's, and that will possibly appear for some little time longer, that we allude to the experiences of the *Post* in the great fire. The flame that swept northward to Milk street, and thence made a detour of the new postoffice, to swoop upon the prey from which it was barred by the iron and granite of that building, crept up to our very walls. The *Post* Building alone stands on Water street, in the space from Devonshire eastward to the limit of the burnt district. That the building was saved at all is one of those occurrences we are accustomed to call miraculous. With the fire raging above, below, in the rear and on one side, with the flames leaping far over the roof and a more insidious danger lurking in a furnace-like cellar behind, all hope of long resisting the element was destroyed. To the efforts of those brave men who, after a contest of twelve hours with the conflagration, took their final stand at State and Devonshire streets and there beat it back, we owe our safety. They drenched the blazing cellar; they drove off the flames that attacked our roof and they steadily fought fire with a deluge.

But while we may with reason congratulate ourselves upon the immunity from greater misfortune, it is by no means unscathed that the *Post* Building stands as the barrier between desolation and safety. The flames that licked up granite and brick and iron close at hand, and that crumbled into sand the solid stone of the new Postoffice opposite, were not stayed from reaching past the dividing wall and eating a huge hole in the roof and the upper story of the *Post* Building. By prompt action the fire was restrained within close limits and extinguished; but the composing-room was left a ruin of shattered glass, plaster and *debris* of roof and walls, the editorial and other rooms on the next floor beneath, and, indeed, even down to the lowest story, were drenched with water, and the building was, during Sunday, not only useless as a publishing office, but well-nigh uninhabitable. Moreover, although the presses were safe and the type had been conveyed to a place of security, the disarrangement and the inevitable mixing, the loss, and the destruction through hasty handling, rendered the material nearly useless. It was only by strenuous exertion, while walls were falling and the fire yet crackling close at hand, that a portion of the type was transferred again to the building, and the half-sheet paper there set up and printed for yesterday's issue. It appeared, as does this, from within the guarded confines of the burnt district, with the smell of smoke upon it; and when our readers consider that our type foundries have gone, with so many other industries, and that the means of rehabilitation are made difficult in every direction, they will perhaps appreciate why, although the *Post* Building has falsified all the predictions of Sunday morning, and still stands, the paper is somewhat curtailed in proportions, though uncripled in spirit.

Political Vassalage—The North and the South.

As we remarked, shortly after Mr. Greeley began his speech-making tour, the weak point in his campaign was his bold, unequivocal advocacy of a generous, manly reconciliatory policy toward the people of the South. This patent fact we have never attempted to disguise from ourselves or our readers. We have never attempted to delude ourselves or our readers into the belief that the Northern people had ever come to regard us otherwise than as enemies, traitors and criminals, who deserved all the punishment and retribution that it was possible to heap upon individuals or upon a people. We have never been satisfied, nor have we attempted to convince others, that the passions of the Northern people had subsided, or that their angry feelings had been calmed down into a state of either Christian or political forgiveness. The armies of the Southern Confederacy had seen too many of its foes bite the dust in its front not to know that every village and hamlet on Northern soil mourned for dead and loved ones, whose step would never again make music upon their threshold. There were too many sisters mourning brothers, too many daughters mourning fathers, too many mothers mourning son too many wives mourning husbands, to permit the bloody chasm so soon to be bridged over. It was not, however, our part to stay the hand or hinder the step of him who would attempt it. Indeed, when HORACE GREELEY stepped forward and magnanimously sacrificed himself in the profitless attempt to heal the wounds inflicted by the war, it seemed to us that only the basest ingratitude could induce us to withhold our warmest support from him. We therefore supported Mr. Greeley with all the ability we could command; and for the same reason, the reason that we were satisfied of the potency of this feeling of hate towards the South, we never blinded our eyes to the danger of defeat that awaited us; nor have we sought to attribute the defeat, signal and unprecedented, that actually befell us to any other cause than the one that brought it about. The more Mr. Greeley talked about reconciliation with the South the less were his chances for election to the Presidency of the United States. The great popular heart of the North was at once fired, and the aspirations of Mr. Greeley rendered vain and idle. If there was need of any proof of the truth of these views, it is to be found in the following extract from an editorial of recent date of the New York *Evening Post*, entitled "The Dose of the War," in which it was said:

"The stupendous civil contest which was appealed to the arbitrament of the world ten years ago, may be said to have closed, for the first time and finally, in the recent election.

"For the suffering, misled South, the way is clear; it is to abandon the hopeless struggle for political control, and to devote its energies to the industrial and social development of its unrivalled resources and of its redeemed and spirited people. Never was a grander opportunity opened to any country, and it will be its own fault if it does not recognize labor as the law of universal life and progress. It has been made miserable through an industrial system founded in wrong, but it can redeem the past and lift itself to hitherto unreached heights of prosperity through an industrial system founded in right. Its working classes, degraded as they have been, yet contain elements of unusual strength, which need only to be generously guided and applied, to attain the richest rewards of free civilization."

In response to this, we say that we greatly mistake the temper and feeling of the Southern people if they are willing to abandon "the struggle for political control," and to subside into mere hewers of wood and drawers of water in the American Union. The time will never come when Southern men will consent to such a state of vassalage. So long as the iron hand of despotic power is able to make us feel our impotence, we may be compelled to submit to this state of things. The day is not far distant, however, when we will be able to regain our wonted "political control," as well as to promote "the industrial and social development" of our section. It is certainly as far from our purpose to be political vassals as ever it was.

LOCAL.

THE Cumberland Fair, to be held at Fayetteville, this week, is the next in order. It promises to be a very successful exhibition. Quite a number of persons will be in attendance from this city.

THE many friends in this city of Captain George B. Baker, formerly of Fayetteville, but more latterly of Raleigh, will regret to learn that he died in the latter city on Wednesday evening, of consumption, in the 37th year of his age. Captain Baker was at one time a resident of this city, where he was one of the firm of Robinson, Smith & Baker, in 1866–'67, editors and proprietors of the *Daily Dispatch*.

Duluth, in her infancy, takes a step which the comparatively hoary old municipalities might imitate with profit. She has elected a historian an official chronicler of events in the city's progress, who does his important work carefully from day to day, and to whose records the Duluth reporters can confidently go for reliable information.

THE SMITHVILLE MAIL.—The citizens of Smithville have suffered great inconvenience in the past several weeks, in being unable to obtain their mails. There is a contract in existence for a tri-weekly mail from this city, and we are positively assured that there has been no mail carried in two or three weeks. The contract has recently changed hands, but the new contractor is fully responsible and should perform his duty as required by law.

MEETING OF THE CAPE FEAR AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.—The Association met at 8 o'clock. The election of officers being in order the following were selected:

President—Col. A. A. McKoy, of Sampson; Vice-Presidents, Gov. H. T. Clark, Edgecombe; T. S. Memory, Columbus; T. C. McIlhenny, Brunswick; D. McMillan, New Hanover; O. R. Kenan, Duplin; B. F. Little, Richmond; T. B. McDowell, Bladen; R. T. Fulghum, Wayne; Wm. Alderman, Cumberland; W. A. Faison, Sampson; A. D. Farmer, Wilson; Dr. Richard Ward, Onslow; W. S. Mullins, Marion, S. C.; P. E. Smith, Halifax; Alex. McRae, Robeson; Treasurer, J. W. Atkinson, Wilmington; Recording Secretary, W. T. Ennett, New Hanover.

Col. McKoy being called upon, accepted the position to which he had been elected, in a speech of much force and filled with good advice to the agriculturalists.

Col. T. C. McIlhenny offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the members of the Cape Fear Agricultural Association have learned, with regret, of the determination of our President, Col. S. L. Fremont, to refuse to serve again as President; we not only recognize in him an efficient officer, but concede to him much of the credit for the inauguration of, and the present success of, the Association.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association are hereby tendered to him, and as a recognition of his valuable services, we elect him as a permanent Vice-President, with the privileges of the Association and the Grounds, for life, for himself and family.

Col. Atkinson seconded the resolutions in a few appropriate remarks.

Col. McKoy, being in the chair, in putting the motion, referred to Col. Fremont's long and efficient services. The resolutions were unanimously adopted. Col. Fremont returned thanks for the vote of the members and the kind words of the speakers.

Gov. Clark moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to have the Charter so amended that the proposition of Col. McKoy looking to giving the Association banking privileges may be adopted, which was carried.

On motion of Mr. G. Z. French, it was

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be instructed to appoint a sub-committee to confer with and ask the co-operation of the Retail Dealers and Merchants of the city of Wilmington so as to make our Fairs more successful.

Major Engelhard, on behalf of Mr. John Colville, presented a work on the cultivation of Jute, with the information that Mr. Colville had also ordered seed from India for distribution among the members. The book was accepted with the thanks of the Association.

The meeting then adjourned.

FOURTH ANNUAL FAIR OF THE CAPE FEAR AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

THIRD DAY.

Thursday, the third day of the Fair, was a very successful one for the Association. Notwithstanding the rain of the forenoon, there was a very large attendance and it has been estimated that there were at least 4,000 visitors to the Grounds during the day. The forenoon was passed in strolling through the Grounds and Halls and in viewing a scrub race which took place on the course. At noon it was announced that the Address would be delivered by Rev. R. S. Moran D. D., and the crowd flocked to the Grand Stand to hear it. This Address, although the time of preparation had necessarily been very short, is truly reckoned as one of the finest of Dr. Moran's many fine efforts. It was made from notes and we would have been very glad to furnish it here to-day, but for the fact that it was not written out. At some future time we may present it to our readers.

During the afternoon there was a trotting match between Macomber's bay gelding Wilmington, and Smith's bay horse Henry Clay, mile heats, best two in three, which attracted much attention. The race was won by Wilmington in 3:18 and 3:05.

The balloon ascension that had been announced, was necessarily postponed until to-day, because of the fact that the balloon was torn very much in its descent among a group of trees, on the previous day, and could not be repaired in time. The ascension, though, will certainly take place to-day.

We were pleased to see so many ladies present on the Grounds, and the interest taken by them in everything pertaining to the Fair. Among them were many strange and beautiful faces that we had never seen on the Grounds before, but that we will be glad to see there again for many years to come.

In our yesterday's report of the proceedings we were necessarily compelled to neglect much that was attractive in Floral Hall, which is, by the way, the most attractive place in the building. We continue here our notes taken on the previous day. Mrs. Dr. Anderson exhibited a zephyr worsted boquet; Mrs. A. D. Moore a large variety of embroidered articles; Miss Placide Engelhard, hand-made apron; Miss M. Norwood, infant's shirts, the work on which was worn at the inauguration of General Washington, an embroidered infant's sacque, and many other articles; Mrs. Roger Moore, beautifully embroidered white cashmere opera cloak; Miss E A. Purnell, very handsomely embroidered do.; Mrs. B. Gleaves, baby dress 150 years old; Mrs. F. H. Mitchell, elegant Japanese embroidered table cover; Mrs. C. G. Kennedy, beautiful pen and ink work; Mrs. F. W. Kerchner, large variety of embroidery; Mrs. A. M. Rowland, embroidered skirts and sacques; Newbern Juvenile Sewing Society, afghan, and a great variety of fancy work; Mrs. C. M. Wesson, tidies; Miss Laura P. Clark, embroideries; a lady 72 years of age, applique embroidery; Miss A. H. Barlow, knit work: mats and tidies by a little lady only 10 years old; Mrs. N. G. McNeeley, elegant afghan; Mrs. O. A. Wiggins, large carriage afghan; Mr. J. W. Atkinson, large afghan; a bed spread beautifully sewn by a child of 6 years; Mrs. J. R. Thigpen and Mrs. H. H. Shaw, rag carpets; Mrs. John Boddie, wove domestic carpets; Miss Nina A. Lloyd, 10 years old, patchwork quilt; Mrs. J. F. W., silk quilt made, and most of the colors dyed, in three weeks; Mrs. E. E. Spear, white counterpane; Miss Alice Pearson, silk quilt; Mrs. T. H. McKoy and Mrs. H. Webb, sofa cushions; Mrs. B. Gleaves, Miss Sue Collier, tidies; Miss Sophia Partridge, Mrs. F. W. Kerchner, mats; Miss F. T. Mebane, Mrs. E. F. Bibb, tattan collar; Miss Fannie Empie, Mrs. M. A. Charles, bead work; Miss E. McAlister, Miss Lulie Atkinson, Mrs. E. R. McGowan, wax work; Mrs. E. R. McGowan, cross of fern and plantation leaves (one of the most beautiful things on exhibition); Miss A. Green, vegetable flowers; Miss Martha Armstrong, hair work; Mrs. R. Shields, of Richmond, a silver elephant, given by Frederick William, of Prussia, to Blucher, and by him to his friend, Mrs. Shields' father; Mrs. O. R. Stanback, Mrs. F. W. Kerchner, Mrs. Sternberger, Mrs. F. B. McClenahan and others, quilts and counterpanes.

The department of pickles, preserves, jellies, etc., was well supplied, the principal competitors being Mrs. E. McLaurin, Mrs. H. Webb, Miss M. C. Latta, Mrs. J. W. Atkinson, Mrs. F. W. Kerchner, Mrs. W. H. Hanks, Mrs. L. N. Barlow and Mrs. T. D. Gay, the latter lady having on exhibition 40 different varieties.

On the tables for cakes, breads, pies, etc., the competition was very spirited, and the display reflects much credit on the lady contestants. These are Mrs. T. J. Southerland, Mrs. F. W. Kerchner, Mrs. J. M. Robinson, Miss Sue Watters, Mrs. J. W. Atkinson, Miss A. Green, Miss Ellen Grant, Mrs. W. H. Hanks, Miss Jeannette Falconer, Mrs. W. G. Thomas, Miss Mary Hall, Miss M. C. Latta, Miss Mason, Miss Mollie French, Miss Hattie McMillan, Miss H M Latta, Miss A. H. Barlow; Miss Julia F. Clowe, Mrs. H. C. Grant, Miss E. W. Meares, Miss M. J. Meares, Miss Mary E. Wilkinson.

We publish herewith the entries made since the close of our first report, thus completing the list:

DEPARTMENT A.

Class 1, Field Crops.—Wm Alderman, Cumberland, largest yield native grass on 1 acre, do, corn and cotton 4 acres; C W McClammy, New Hanover, largest amount domestic manure; D O'Hanlon, Bladen, largest yield hay 1 acre; T W Godbold, Marion, S C, largest yield cotton 4 acres; A F Shine, Duplin, do do do; J A Shine, Duplin, do do do; J R Beaman, Sampson, largest yield cotton on 1 and 4 acres use of Navassa guano: H B Ireland, Sampson, largest yield corn 4 acres with Navassa guano; A D McGowan, Duplin, largest yield cotton by use of Star Phosphate.

Class 2, Samples of Field Crops.—Dr W D McMillan, New Hanover, peanuts, turnips, potatoes, field peas, oats, rye, corn; D O'Hanlon, Bladen, bale hay; T W Godbold, Marion, S C, bale cotton; J A Shine, Duplin, bale cotton; J F Shine, Duplin, do; A R Beaman, Sampson, cotton; H B Ireland, do, corn; M Edgerton, Wayne, cotton; Dr S S Satchwell, New Hanover, peanuts; Jas Danforth, do do; Wm Rich, do do.

Class 3, Flour, Meal, Sugar, Tobacco.—DeRosset & Co, Wilmington, Durham tobacco; Webb & Roulhac, Orange, smoking tobacco; A Oldham, Wilmington, meal, pearl hominy, flour.

DEPARTMENT B.

Class 1, Cattle—Northrop & Cumming, Wilmington, Alderney cow; M J Faison, Sampson, Devon bull, cow and calf; W A Faison, do, Brahma bull, Devon bulls, cows and heifers, grade cow; Miss Adele Smith, heifer; Dr J E Winants, Wilmington, native bull.

Class 2, Horses.—Dr W D McMillan, New Hanover, brood mare and colt, 1 year old colt, stallion, lady's saddle mare; W A Cumming, Wilmington, thorough-bred brood mare, pacing mare; A M Faison, Duplin, stallion; W A Faison, Sampson, stallion, filly; Geo F Tilley, Wilmington, harness horse.

Class 3, Sheep, Goats, Swine.—H E Scott, Wilmington, sow and pigs, Chester boar; C W McClammy, New Hanover, Southdown buck, essex boar and sow; Jerry Faison, Sampson, goat; J T Shine, Duplin, buck, large hog, shoat; R P Paddison, New Hanover, native hog; J J Barden, Anson, white opossum, red eyes; W A Cumming, Wilmington, native sow and pigs.

Class 2, Poultry.—T C Lewis, Wilmington, Poland geese, game chicken; H E Scott, do, do; J G Arrington, Nash, game chickens; Miss Lou McMillan, New Hanover, largest variety of poultry; J M Cronly, Wilmington, Brahma chickens; Mrs C W McClammy, New Hanover, barn yard fowls, Brahma hen and chickens, J W Schenck, New Hanover, white Holland turkeys, bronze turkeys, dolly varden do, gobbler; Mrs T J Southerland, Wilmington, native ducks, Brahma chickens, game rooster; L N Barlow, Wayne, bronze muscovy ducks; S A Story, New Hanover, native turkeys, guinea fowls, muscovy ducks, native ducks, barn yard fowls, mongrel ducks, largest variety of poultry; Geo F Tilly, Wilmington: Virginia grey and Georgia dominica-cross fowls, black-stone fence do; S A Story, New Hanover, dominica fowl.

DEPARTMENT C.

Class 1, Household Products—Mrs M E Utley, Wilmington, 3 jars preserves; Miss Ella Grant, do, egg pie; potato pie, cinnamon cake, mince pies, corn bread; Mrs S D Wallace, do, loaf bread; Mrs E W Meares, do, cake; Miss M J Meares, do, biscuit; Miss Mary Fremont, do, peach preserves, rolls; Mrs E McLaurin, Marlboro, S C, apple jelly; Miss Mollie French, Wilmington, pound cake; Miss A Green, do, pastry, loaf bread, rolls, wafers; Sarah Avant (colored), do, loaf bread; Mrs J M Robinson, do, brandy peaches, grapes, pear preserves; Mrs T J Southerland, do, black marble cake, silver cake, fruit, pound cake, cocoanut cake, sweet wafers, tea cakes, plain biscuit, corn muffin; Mrs H C Grant, Goldsboro, fruit cake; Mrs T D Gay, Wilson, preserved watermelon, pickled beets, pepper mangoes, green tomato pickles, scuppernong hull preserves, pickled cabbage, brandy peaches, sweet pickled pears, cucumber mangoes, oil mangoes, muskmelon preserves, brandied scuppernong grapes, preserved cherries, green tomatoes, apple jelly, pickled damsons, tomato preserves, scuppernong pulp preserves, quince preserves, sweet pickle preserves, damson preserves, black grape jelly, peach preserves, peach marmalade, sweet pickled peaches, brandied black grapes, orange preserves, ambercitron, scuppernong marmalade, gherken preserves, green cucumber preserves, pine apple preserves, pear preserves, apple preserves, pear jelly, scuppernong jelly, apple marmalade; Mrs. L N Barlow, Wayne, pepper pickles, mixed pickles, soft soap, hard soap; miss A H Barlow, do, loaf wheat bread; miss Mary E Wilkinson, Wayne, sponge cake; mrs F W Kerchner, Wilmington, cream cake, jelly cake, preserved peaches, preserved tomatoes; miss Mason, do, loaf bread; miss Hattie McMillan, New Hanover, roll, cake; mrs T D Meares, Wilmington, loaf bread; miss Lizzie A Hall, do, loaf bread, pound cake; mrs J J Hall, do, candy; mrs W J Anderson, do, green tomatoe chow chow; miss Alice Larkins, do, loaf bread, sponge cake; miss Millie Cook, do, cake; mrs T H Bethea, Marlboro, S C, butter, light bread; mrs J G Burr, Wilmington, candy; mrs L N Barlow, Wayne, wheat bread, corn bread, butter.

Class 2, Needlework, Etc.—Mrs. David Anderson, Wilmington, zephyr worsted boquet: miss Ella McAllister, ditto, rose wax flowers, wax cross; Miss Julia Clowe, do, doughnuts, rolls, bread; Miss Mary Jackson, Cumberland, pair socks; Miss Willie A Carver, do, fancy card basket; Miss Alice Campbell, Fayetteville, lamp mat, dairy tidy, ring tidy, set table mats, shaded tidy; Miss Fannie Campbell, infant's skirt, French embroidery; Miss Alice Pearson, Salisbury, quilt; A O Bradley, Wilmington, brackets; Mrs Dr W G Thomas, do, biscuits, baskets; Armand J DeRosset, Jr, do, paper cross; Miss Kate Kennedy, do, fancy wood-work; Newbern Juvenile Sewing Society, affghans, 3 pair worsted mats, pin cushions and mats, fraggled mats, watch case, doll sacque, cotton tidy, worsted tidy, gent's slippers' child's do, baby skirt, rigoletta, bead do, ottoman cover, Miss Alice Pearson, Salisbury, toilet mat; Mrs O A Wiggins, Wilmington, affghans; Miss Vina Hinton, do, embroidery; Mrs J B Russell, do, handkerchiefs, pillow cases, sleeves and yoke, ladies underwear; Mrs T B Smith, do, flowers; Mrs C M Wesson, Tarboro, tidy; Miss L P Clark, do, embroidery; Mrs E McLaurin, Marlboro, S C, hand-made shirt: Mrs J M Robinson, Wilmington, hand and machine made shirts, night dress, chemise; Mrs T J Southerland, do, silk quilt; Mrs H L Grant, Goldsboro, afghan; Mrs J B Russell, Wilmington, embroidered handkerchiefs and undergarments: miss M A Gause, do, embroidery; mrs E Peschau, do cloak; mrs R C Dudley, do, tidy; mrs W G McNeeley, Rowan, afghan; mrs C M Rowland, Wilson, quilt, twenty-one pieces needle work: miss M B Peck, Wilmington, afghan; mrs Josh T James, do, embroidered yoke; mrs T H McKoy, do., sofa cushion: Mrs L N Barlow, Wayne, worsted tidy and lamp mats; Miss A H Barlow, worsted tidy and bed quilt; Miss Mary S Johnson, Wilmington, worsted tidy; mrs R M Houston, do., embroidery; miss Annie Hancock, Goldsboro, darned socks; mrs Frances Hancock, do., stockings, socks; mrs J C Yates, Anson, blankets; mrs T H Bethea, Marlboro, S C, ottoman pattern; miss M Nixon, Wilmington, embroidery; mrs F H Mitchell, do., Japanese needle work: Mrs. J B Russell, do., large variety of embroidery.

DEPARTMENT D.

Class 2, The Workshop.—H H Robinson, Bladen, bricks: F A Schutte, do, parlor set furniture, home made; Dawson, Teel & Henning, do, cotton gin: A R Moulton, Tennessee, victory bee hive; W H Northrop, Wilmington, baby house, of North Carolina wood, home made.

Class 4. Clothing, Leather, Paper, Bookbinding and Printing.—J S Topham & Co., Wilmington, coach harness, buggy harness, sole leather trunk, do valise, French trunk, wool mats, horse covers, traveling bags; P Heinsberger, do, lot books, novels, etc; Miss Mary Patterson, Cumberland, home made pants; Sol, Bear & Bros, Wilmington, lot clothing, etc.

DEPARTMENT E.

Class 1, Farm and Plantation Implements.—Peter E Smith, Halifax, sulky plow, cotton plow, double plow; D C Richardson, Weldon, cotton plow, plows; Farmer and Wainwright, Wilson, two-horse, one horse, sub-soil, cotton, and convertible plows, Graves' cotton planter: Geo Z French, New Hanover, Yankee horse hoe. DeRosset & Co, Taylor cotton gin.

Class 2, Machinery.—John L Kitchen, Fayetteville, pump.

DEPARTMENT F.

Class 1, Fine Arts.—Miss Jennie Dockery, Richmond, water color, crayon; Mrs R Shields, Richmond, Va, silver elephant; Miss Ida Norcom, Wilmington, crayon; Miss M Rankin, do, oil painting; Miss E D McIlhenny, do, oil paintings, water colors: Heinsberger, do, brackets, ships in cases, chromos, &c: Miss Katie Barlow, penciling; Mrs J M Robinson, do, oil paintings, portrait: Miss A Green, do, vegetable flowers; Sisters of Mercy, do, oil paintings, crayons; Miss S Spencer, Wilson, oil painting, penciling; Miss M G Robinson, Sampson, crayon.

DEPARTMENT G.

Class 5, Wines and Domestic Liquors.—Mrs M E Utley, Wilmington, wine; Adrian & Vollers, do, Zeb Vance whiskey.

DEPARTMENT H.

Class 1, Chemical Manufactures.—T W Brown & Sons, Wilmington, Fair prizes, jewelry; Dr D M Bize, do, chemicals: W C Green, do, drugs and fancy articles.

Class 3, Musical Instruments.—P Heinsberger, Wilmington, piano, organ, guitar, violin, banjo, sheet music, music books, metronometer.

FOURTH DAY.

Yesterday was the fourth and last day of the Cape Fear Agricultural Association. The attendance on the occasion was very large, between 3,000 and 4,000 persons having been present on the Grounds. Everything passed off very pleasantly and, so far as we could learn, all enjoyed themselves. The last train left after sundown, when the Grounds were all deserted and the Fair had closed.

There was quite a variety of amusements offered during the day, principal among which may be reckoned races of various kinds: horse races, a fox race, wheelbarrow race, a sack race, and, to crown all, a balloon ascension. This latter was a really fine affair. The aeronaut was the same fearless lad who made the first ascension. As the body of the balloon floated upwards, he seated himself on the trapeze bar, and in a few minutes was far above the earth. The height attained was variously estimated at between a half mile and a mile, and the balloon floated beautifully. The wind was almost due north, and the balloon fell at a spot about half a mile south of the Fair Grounds, descending very gradually to the earth.

Moore's mare, Fannie, was put on the course and trotted a mile in 3:17½, and much interest was excited by a trotting match between a bay mare and a cream mare, each 30 years old, and the property of Dr. W. D. McMillan. They both made good time, the heat being only half a mile. It was won by the bay mare in 1:46

On the whole, it may be said that the Fair was a very successful one, although the exhibition in several departments was not as good as the Association had reason to expect. This fact, however, was fully atoned for by the superior exhibitions made in some of the other departments, and which have had no parallel in this section, at least.

To the kind friends who have visited our city during the past week, we return thanks for their attendance and earnestly hope that we may all meet on the same Grounds again next November.

KIPPORHIMORRHEA.—As the horse disease is now upon us we give the following practical hints upon the treatment of the horse: "The three essentials of treatment are rest, warmth and care. The horse should be excused from work, the instant any symptoms manifest themselves, even if the load be left in the street. The stables, which should at all times be clean and well ventilated, should be kept so more than ever now and disinfectants—carbolic acids, bromo-cloralum or sulphate of iron—may be freely used. The patient should be carefully groomed, the nose and eyes frequently sponged and the legs, if cold, bandaged. The drink should have "the chill taken off it," and the diet should be light and laxative—short feed or scalded bran, with limited quantities of hay. The only medicines indicated are saline laxatives, with perhaps a little anodyne to relieve the cough. The nauseous doses, blood-letting and other depressing remedies still in favor with horse doctors will only aggravate the disease. The patient needs absolute rest, perfect cleanliness and careful nursing; with these he will recover and probably be little the worse for the attack; without these he will die."

RIVER LIGHTS.—We learn that a petition is about to be started in Smithville to have Bald Head light restored. The Light-house is still standing and in good condition. Its absence is seriously felt, as from its very position it was necessarily exceedingly important, not only as a sea beacon, but a river light. There is not a single light on the river now between this city and Smithville, and consequently navigation at night is almost next to impossible. We trust to see not only Bald Head, but Piver's Creek, Orton and Big Island lights all restored at an early day.

DEATH OF CAPT. J. S. GREEN.—Capt. John Summerfield Green, a native of Newbern, and closely related to several gentlemen in this city, died very suddenly in Mobile, Ala, last Monday. He served with much distinction throughout the war, and was with Walker in the ill-fated Nicarauga expedition. He had been for some time past on the editorial staff of the Mobile *Register*, and was with that paper at the time of his death, which occurred in the 39th year of his age. He leaves behind him a genuine and widespread sorrow both in this and in his adopted State.

We publish, on our first page, the remarks of the *Register* on the sad event, and the papers in this State are requested to notice his death.

RESOLUTIONS BY THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ON THE DEATH OF COLONEL COWAN.—The Chamber of Commerce met on Friday in special meeting, to receive the report of the Committee appointed to draft resolutions relative to the death of Col. Robert H. Cowan. Mr. Alfred Martin, Chairman of the Committee, made the following report, which was unanimously adopted!

"Death loves a shining mark." Again the great leveler has invaded our commercial circle, and laid his relentless grasp upon one of our most distinguished members; one who, not only our small circle, but the people of our whole loved commonwealth, admired, loved and delighted to honor. The personal friends and associates of Col. Robert H. Cowan, and the public, have left us little to say of his private character, public services and superior abilities. Yet we cannot permit one so much loved to pass away from among us without spreading upon our minutes a record of our gratitude for his able, zealous and oft successful advocacy of all measures designed to advance the commercial interest of our community, our admiration of the character, both public and private, of our friend and companion and our profound sense of the loss we have sustained by his death. Quick to perceive and to comprehend all things tending to the advancement of our commercial interest, he was ever their ready, able and vigorous advocate, as well before the public at large as in our legislative halls.

No man was ever more sincerely and earnestly devoted to the interest of his friends and the welfare and prosperity of his State and his native city, or sacrificed his means, his time and his talents to the advancement of great and important measures of public utility, more freely and more cheerfully. Appeals in such behalf were never made in vain to him. In this, as in his social virtues, and in all things that go to make up the life of the good and great man, Col. Cowan has left us a noble example.

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That by the death of Col. Robert H. Cowan this Chamber has lost a wise counsellor, an able and influential advocate and a zealous and faithful member.

Resolved, That we will ever hold in grateful remembrance his many valuable services as a member of this Chamber and a public representative of the interest of our community.

Resolved, That to his afflicted family we tender the assurance of our deep and earnest sympathy in their bereavement.

Resolved further, That a memorial page of our journal be duly inscribed to our deceased friend as a token of our high appreciation of his valuable services, and our love and admiration of his many social virtues, his distinguished abilities, and his life-long devotion to the interest of this, his native city.

Be it further resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be furnished to the city papers for publication, and also a copy to the family of the deceased.

For the Journal.

POINT CASWELL, NEW HANOVER CO., November 8th, 1872.

Perhaps no event connected with the history of Virginia is more sadly remembered than the burning of the Richmond Theatre! How could there be? When youth, manhood, beauty, genius, age—all became the victims of so dread a doom?

"That fatal night! never can the tear,
Cease o'er its dark events to flow;
Nor can time in its passage bear
From memory's seat, the scene of woe."

How important, then, to perpetuate correctly the date and all incidents connected with the history of this sore infliction! Instead of 1814, as is reported by some writer in the Lynchburg "Virginian," from which you copy, it occurred on Thursday night, 26th December, 1811. A new drama was presented for the benefit of Placide, a favorite actor, and it was to have been followed by the pantomime of "The Bleeding Nun." The wild legend on which this spectacle was founded had lost none of its power under the pen of Mond Lewis, and, even in pantomime, had awakened great interest. The regular piece had been played. The pantomime had commenced; already the curtain had risen upon its second act, when sparks of fire were seen to fall from the scenery on the back part of the stage. A moment after, Mr. Robertson, one of the actors, ran forward, and waving his hand towards the ceiling, called aloud, "The house is on fire!" His voice carried a thrill of horror through the assembly. All rose and pressed for the doors of the building, but alas! the warning came too late:

"There fell, in rosy childhood's day,
The doating parent's little pride,
And feeble age, with tresses gray,
Ahd there the lover, patriot died.

George Smith, the Governor of Virginia, persisted in his efforts to save his ward (a young lady whom he had under his protection at that moment.) Benjamin Botts and his wife (the parents of the late John Minor Botts) were lost in the flames, while Abram Venable, Lieutenant Gibbon, Miss Conyers, Miss Clay, Miss Gwathmey, Miss Gatewood and numbers of others, amounting to about sixty, and nearly all of them important and prominent citizens of the dear old State, perished in the flames.

"And hence Virginia long must weep
Her sons and daughters from her torn,
And doomed in gloomy death to sleep,
Till dawns the great eternal morn."

Very respectfully,
VERITAS.

Emigration toward Nebrassa is rushin', or will be when those 40,000 Muscovites settle down there.

A Connecticut man has invented a machine by which one man can make 4000 keys in a day, or double the number which can be made with any tool now in use.

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