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Our companions please us less from the charms we find in their conversation than from those they find in ours. -Greville.

How to Build Up a City.

Several of our contemporaries have recently reproduced and commented on an article recently appearing in The Times-Dispatch on the modern method in vogue in some of the cities of land of offering pecuniary inducements to manufacturing enterprises to remove from one locality to another.

The Inventory of 1905.

The year 1905 will be noted in history as a year of investigations and disclosures. We had been taking too much for granted; we had let things go along in a happy-go-lucky sort of fashion, thinking that all was well, but by and by we came to ourselves and began to take an inventory, so to speak.

Do Women Gamble?

A gambling house in New York was recently raided, and when the police

are many persons who make it a point to send to the northern cities for all their choice goods and take a sort of pride in telling their friends that they do not patronize the home merchants. Nothing made at home or sold at home is good enough for them.

How Long Will Prosperity Last?

In the current issue of Harper's Weekly Mr. F. W. Howes asks and answers the question: "How long will the present prosperity continue?" He recalls that five times since the nation was born has the great tide of disaster swept over its industries, carrying desolation into the homes of the poor and discomfort and alarm into the homes of the rich.

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So Tired

It may be from overwork, but the chances are its from an inactive LIVER. With a well conducted LIVER one can do mountains of labor without fatigue. It adds a hundred per cent to ones earning capacity. It can be kept in healthful action, by and only by

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The Passing of the Pass. The agent of the railroad was a very kindly gent, and a relative of mine; hence, no matter where I went, He always gave me passes by the hand, and the dozen-- For, you see, my uncle's stepson was his nephew's second cousin.

It was very inexpensive in those simple, pleasant days, To do a lot of traveling in every-which-way; In fact, all through the kindness of that open-handed gent, It was cheaper for me to travel than to stay and pay my rent.

I would simply drop a postal, saying: "Honored Mr. Smith-- I am your loving kinsman, and indeed your loving kith; Hence, kindly send me passes which will ride me quite a piece-- P. S.--My uncle's stepson is a cousin of your niece."

Ah, happy days--now ever gone! How pleasing life was then! But now the letter word is spoke--I'll miss again.

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EDUCATORS END SESSION HERE. Presidents of A. & M. Colleges Conclude Their Work and Adjourn.

ALL ARE MUCH ENCOURAGED. Speakers Express Themselves As Delighted at Evident Friendly Relations of Races.

"A college exchanges culture for labor," declared Prof. George A. Towns, in addressing the negro educators yesterday morning in the True Reformers' Hall, "and a cultured man should take hold of anything honorable, which is for the betterment of all the people. I have no faith in a man who is cultured away from the masses. We are to take hold and help to make the world better by our having lived in it."

The hall was crowded yesterday morning when Major Richard R. Wright called the National Association of Agricultural and Mechanical College presidents and workers to order, and in his address said that he was highly gratified to see the interest being manifested by his people in all parts of the country. His address brought forth an outburst of applause. He urged that the men continue to do all in their power to have the negro aspire for the higher things in life and to give to the world the best practical service.

Prof. Diggs, of the Union University, Richmond, delivered a practical address, and Rev. W. P. Burrell, secretary of the Grand Fountain of True Reformers, delivered an address in which he assured the delegates that the members of the order were pleased to extend them the use of the hall free of charge, because of the good they were doing, and it was his desire that much yet be done for the whole race. He said that for twenty-six years the order had been trying to hold up to the negro the brighter side of life and to show to the world that the negro could do for himself.

"We discovered that there are many opportunities in this country waiting for some one to pick them up, and we have fully decided to pick them up," "Commercial training in colleges, was discussed by Professor G. W. Cook, of Howard University, Washington, D. C., and during his address he said that his race was sadly in need of commercial training, or needed to be taught how to do business. This address was applauded by length by other speakers, and Rev. A. E. Edwards, D. D., pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist Church, pronounced the benediction.

Mission of Normal Schools. Dr. J. H. N. Waring, of Baltimore, Md., discussed the "Mission of Normal Schools," in the session yesterday afternoon. He said that teaching was about to take place among the learned professions of the age, and for that reason thought it length by other speakers, and Rev. A. E. Edwards, D. D., pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist Church, pronounced the benediction.

Officers Are Elected. The following officers were elected after the address of Dr. Waring: Major R. R. Wright, of Georgia, president; J. H. Hathaway, of Kentucky; Frank Triggs, of Maryland; G. N. Grisham, of Missouri, vice-presidents; W. T. B. Williams, of Virginia, secretary; N. B. Young, of Florida, treasurer; J. H. N. Waring, D. D., of Maryland, chairman of the Executive Committee; J. H. Bluford, of North Carolina, director of agriculture; P. W. Moore, of North Carolina, director of stock associations.

Professor T. S. Imboden, president of Brick Agricultural Industrial and Normal College, Enfield, N. C., delivered a practical address, showing how to reach the people in the community and get them to aspire for making a living.

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The Night Session. The closing session was held last night. There was a large number of Richmond negroes present and took part in the opening session, conducted by President Wright. Professor T. S. Imboden made an address, and he was followed by Professor N. B. Young, of Florida, who offered resolutions of thanks to the citizens for courtesies extended, and the press for publishing the proceedings of the meeting. A number of resolutions were adopted, and the session was adjourned.

Addresses were also made by Professor G. N. Grisham, of Missouri; Professor P. W. Moore, of North Carolina; D. R. Lewis, of Virginia; R. R. Wright, Jr., Pennsylvania, and J. E. Owens, of the Richmond Negro Business College.

Major Wright made the closing address. Mr. Hundley does not know what became of property. John F. Hundley, a liverman, who keeps a stable at No. 413 North Fifth street, is looking for a horse and buggy which has mysteriously disappeared.

Mr. Hundley does not know whether a thief is responsible for the disappearance or whether the horse walked off of his own accord.

Mr. Lewis Grant, a patron of the Hundley stables, hired the horse and buggy at 5:30 o'clock on yesterday afternoon, and drove to his residence, No. 1447 Park avenue. He tied the horse in front of his door and went inside to get an overcoat.

When he came out ten minutes later, the horse and buggy were not to be seen. Mr. Hundley spent several hours in driving about the city searching for his lost property, but up to midnight, despite his zeal and the assistance of the police, his property had not been recovered.

The horse is a black gelding about fifteen hands high, and was hitched to a

WEDDED IN GEORGIA. Termination of the Life Romance of Mr. Allen K. Fawcett. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BUCKINGHAM, Va., December 28.—Mr. Allen K. Fawcett, cashier of the Buckingham Bank at this place, was married at Carrollton, Ga., the 27th, to Miss Bessie Stone, of Carrollton, and will reach this place with his bride on the 30th, where a brilliant reception will be tendered the newly wedded couple at the Mayville hotel.

There is a bit of romance connected with their marriage. Mr. Fawcett, the groom, when a lad of thirteen summers, entered into a correspondence with a lady in Georgia, who became interested in the boy and when she married some years later, she introduced the then young man to a young lady friend, and this was no other than Miss Stone, the bride.

The wedding was attended by some of the most prominent people of Carrollton, and the young people will come here among a retinue of about twenty friends, who are so fortunate as to count as friends.

AMELIA COURT. Two Negroes Heavily Fined for Selling Liquor Without License. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

AMELIA, Va., December 28.—Judge Walter A. Watson is holding court and the attendance of people is larger than usual, here on the holidays.

Charles Pritchard (colored), indicted several months ago for selling liquor without license at Jeterville, and who left before he could be apprehended, surrendered himself, paid guilty five dollars and was discharged.

Richard Wiley (colored) found guilty of selling whiskey without license, was fined one hundred and ten dollars and ordered to pay costs.

The Presbyterian Sunday-school gave a beautiful Christmas tree entertainment, with refreshments, at the home of Mrs. W. W. Carter, in the place of Santa Claus. The features of the Christmas crowd, and while an occasional drunken man is seen on such days, the behavior of the crowd is always genteel and respectable.

JILTED SWEETHEART CHARGES BETRAYAL. Recently Married Edward Giles Under Arrest—Killed By Train. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, Va., December 28.—Edward Giles, a one-eyed free delivery letter carrier, has been arrested on the charge of betraying his wife, Janie Bradley, daughter of a well known citizen. Giles had been paying attention to Miss Bradley until a few weeks ago, when it is alleged that he abandoned her, and became infatuated with Miss Pearl Wall, of Pelham, N. C., whom he married Christmas Day. As soon as Miss Bradley learned of the marriage she immediately had Giles arrested.

When the warrant was read to Giles, he told the officers: "O, I have fixed that; I am a married man." He, however, in court to-day protested that he was innocent, and that his relations with the fair plaintiff were entirely proper.

James Lee, an aged negro, was struck by Southern train No. 37 here to-day, and instantly killed. Lee was about eighty-five years of age, and it is supposed his deafness prevented him hearing the engineer when he blew the whistle. The body was badly mangled, both arms and legs having been broken.

Henry King, a free John Keen, who shot and fatally wounded Charles Brown, an escaped prisoner, was given a preliminary hearing to-day on the charge of murder, and remanded to jail to await the action of the grand jury.

In Fluvanna. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) SHORES, FLUVANNA CO., Va., Dec. 28.—Mrs. B. E. McNamee, Mrs. C. W. T. Robertson, of South Pitt street, Richmond, are spending some time here. They expect to visit Nelson and Lynchburg before they return to Richmond.

C. I. Glenn, of Richmond; Alonzo Glenn, of Kentucky; J. F. Gentry and daughter, of Westham, are spending the week at the home of "Mack" Gregory, hunting.

Miss Lucy Proffit has returned home, after a lengthy visit to Clifton Forge. Mr. Proffit has returned home after a short stay in Roanoke.

Miss Anna Lee Johnson, of Elk Hill, is visiting Miss Eva Proffit. Lee Buser, of Roanoke, is visiting his home here.

Bertie County Elopers. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 28.—A hasty marriage last night at Hotel Nevada, between Miss Seasons and Miss Tinsie P. Holloman, both of Bertie county, N. C., was a love match. There were objections among the home folks to the marriage, and the couple fled before the wedding ceremony.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. B. Hays, of the First Baptist Church, S. C. and Mrs. Seasons went north on a wedding trip before returning to their home.

Masonic Banquet. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WILLIAMSBURG, Va., Dec. 28.—Williamson Masonic Lodge, No. 117, gave their annual St. John's day banquet Wednesday evening and elected officers as follows: Dr. L. F. Fawcett, president; W. F. Luck, junior warder; George A. O. B. Luck, senior warder; P. S. H. Luck, treasurer; T. G. Luck, secretary; M. L. Luck, junior deacon; A. Brooks, junior deacon; and H. M. Luck, senior deacon.

After a feast of reason and a flow of soul the members adjourned to the Hotel Williamsburg, where the banquet was served.

Family Reunion. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LEXINGTON, Va., Dec. 28.—A family reunion of the Dunbar family of Rockbridge, was held Tuesday at the home of Mrs. W. W. Carter, in the place of Santa Claus. The decorations were grand and red, consisting of American Beauty roses, carnations and ribbons. Favors were distributed to the guests.

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BLEW DOWN CHIMNEY AND LAMP EXPLODED. Mrs. Langford Burned to a Crisp While Her Body Blocked the Door. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ROANOKE, Va., December 28.—Mrs. Elizabeth Langford, wife of William Langford, was terribly burned in the explosion of a lamp early this morning and died a few hours later. She had early breakfast for her husband, and hanging over the dining table, exploded, throwing the burning oil over her head and body to the wall.

She fell with her feet blocking the door, and before she could be removed she was burned to a crisp. There were no men in the house at the time, but a neighbor ran in and brought with him a rug, which he threw over her.

She was Miss Board, of Franklin county, about thirty-five years of age, and was survived by her husband.

ANGER DUKE SHOT WHILE HUNTING. Special Train Takes Him to Raleigh and Then to Durham. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DURHAM, N. C., December 28.—Angier Duke, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Duke, was this evening accidentally shot in the hand while hunting with a party at Carter's Lodge, near Newport, N. C. The shooting will prove serious to him; his hand will probably have to be amputated at the wrist.

The shooting was purely accidental, and the party he was with did not know how he was shot, or in what way he was holding the gun at the time.

After the shooting he was carried to Newport, where he was treated at the Lodge, where a special train was ordered. They went from this place to Raleigh, N. C., where they arrived at 9:15.

Dr. Royator, of that city, was summoned, and met them at that place. He was then brought to Durham, and is resting very well at last accounts.

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS. State Treasurer Lacy Continues Extremely Ill. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

RALEIGH, N. C., December 28.—The North Carolina Association of High School Principals, convened in annual session in the Hall of Representatives, in the State Capitol, this evening, the first feature of the session being the annual address by the president, Professor Martin Holt, of Oak Ridge, and the address by John G. Gamm, of Warrenton High School, read a paper on "The Best Means of Discipline," W. H. Rhodes, of the Kingston Military School, a paper on "Dormitory Regulations," and W. H. Whitsett, of Whitsett Institute, discussed "Special Classes in High Schools." The association will continue in session through Saturday.

State Treasurer B. R. Lacy spent another restless night, getting practically no sleep until early morning, and the best attending physician, Dr. J. B. Gamm, says that he would feel confident of pulling him through of the attack of pneumonia if it were not for his chronic asthma trouble, which has already gotten him into a very weakened condition.

The Eagle Furniture and Carpet Company of Lumberton, is chartered this morning, with \$25,000, to manufacture and sell at wholesale and retail furniture and carpets at Lumberton, Robeson county, W. P. Baker, D. C. McInrye and J. F. Townsend are the principal incorporators.

Other charterers are the Brooks Mercantile Company, Nashville, Nash county, \$50,000 capital, by R. A. Brooks, H. T. Baker and others, and the Carolina Drug Company, Washington, N. C., \$50,000 capital, by Ira M. Hardy and others.

ATTEMPTS HIS LIFE, BUT MAY RECOVER. William Shepherd, An Invalid, With Mind Unbalanced, Shoots Himself. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, December 28.—William Shepherd, an invalid, whose mind has recently become unbalanced, attempted suicide here last night by shooting himself. He is sixty years old, and may survive, his condition is critical.

Other charitable children were invited and given candy, fruits and toys. A musical programme was rendered and the proceeds of the poor children of this city. The children of the city and many of the citizens contributed to the good cause, and a number of school children sent toys from their own homes.

Miss Mary Embury gave an elegant entertainment at "Fair View," the residence of her parents, last night. Many guests were present and a program of eight by Mrs. Embury was played, and the first ladies' prize was won by Miss Susie Yates, the second ladies' prize by Miss Ellen Wallace, first gentleman's prize by Mr. Stanhope McClellan, of Texas, the second prize by Mr. C. C. Rowlett.

Another handsome entertainment was given Wednesday night by Mrs. J. L. Hable, formerly of this city, now of Baltimore. An elegant supper was served. The decorations were grand and red, consisting of American Beauty roses, carnations and ribbons. Favors were distributed to the guests.

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