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The Grangers have a big meeting in Alamance county to-day.

Spring chickens are reaching the size that housekeepers have been heaving sighs for.

We understand that three hundred people will come down on the special train from Salem to the Centennial.

We learn from the Danville News that Geo. Arnold, colored, who figured around here some time ago extensively as a politician, has received the appointment of postal route agent between Lynchburg and Norfolk.

Farrar, the Jeweller, has brought the first ripe strawberries to town and he's going to the Centennial on the strength of it.

The Rescue Fire engine and hose carriage from Raleigh passed through Monday night to Charlotte.

A correspondent of the Raleigh Editorial Recorder very highly compliments the devoted aid of Mrs. Payne and Mrs. Dixon, to whom the Baptist church of this place is much indebted.

A large delegation of Good Templars in town Tuesday to attend district convention in session here.

There is a screw loose somewhere in the weather machinery. In this fair climate such little doings are decidedly out of place. Frost and hail and such cool spells are out of season.

The Confederation Cemetery has been put in repair, the graves nicely trimmed and everything put in proper condition for the Memorial exercises next Saturday.

We acknowledge the receipt of invitations to commencements at Yadin College on June 17th, and at Davidson High School May 20th and Wake Forest College, June 8, 9 and 10.

Our merchants will regret to learn that Mr. Young, connected with the freight department at the Depot, has been assigned to Danville. He made himself very popular with our business men while here.

A number of juvenile ladies and gents picniced at Albright's pond, last Saturday, and had a delightful time, as good girls and boys always ought to have.

We learn from the Fayetteville Gazette that railroad contractors have been viewing the country between Egypt and Ore Hill, preparatory to making bids on the work, and that there is every prospect of an early completion of the work between those points.

**SPECIAL TRAIN FROM RICHMOND.**—A special train will be run from Richmond on 15th carrying the Military companies and visitors to the Centennial, arriving here at 10:20 p. m., and leaving at 10:30. Coaches will be attached for the accommodation of the public who may wish to avail themselves of this train.

**Mr. S. K. Allen, General Ticket Agent of the R. & D. R. R.** has shown a commendable desire to secure special train for the accommodation of our people who wish to visit the Centennial, and also the commencement exercises at Salem on the 26th. That's what it is to have a live man in such positions.

**Death of Chas. F. Harris.**—We announce with sincere sorrow the sudden death of Chas. F. Harris, the general editor of the Concord News, at Wilmington last Saturday. He had been in attendance at the Centennial Convention, and participated in the proceedings. On Saturday night he was attacked with congestion of the lungs and died in a little while. His genial traits made him a favorite with all, and sincere will be the sorrow at the announcement of his sudden death. He was in his 43rd year and leaves a wife and family to mourn.

**BENNETT SEMINARY.**—The closing exercises of this school for the present school year will take place on the 19th and 20th of the present month, and will be as follows:

Wednesday night, 19th inst. Address, by the Principal, after which brief addresses will be made by Judge Settle and other citizens of the place. Hours 8 o'clock. Thursday, examinations. Thursday, 8 P. M. exercises by the students, which will consist of dialogues, singing, and recitations. The public are cordially invited.

W. J. PARKER, Principal.

P. S. All these exercises will be had in the Warramsville Church, colored.)

**CENTENNIAL TRAIN.**—A special train will be run to Charlotte on the North Carolina road on the 19th, on the following schedule:

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## FARMER'S COLUMN.

### A Comparison of Sheep.

In a recent letter from an intelligent sheep-breeder he says: "All farmers should know the most profitable breed of sheep, and they will never know except as I have learned—by experience. The Merino is a small breed and makes a small turnout of wool, but a large quantity of grease and dirt, which is bad for the buyer. If exposed to the weather, the sheep generally are, they are short-lived; their lambs are delicate and much trouble to raise. The Southdown is a much harder sheep and better for wool or mutton than the merino; it will shear more wool and not so much grease and dirt; has a heavy carcass, and is superior as mutton. The Cotswold is acknowledged by all knowing stock men to be the heaviest breed known, and sometimes weighing three or four hundred pounds. Their wool is from three to five times as long as the Southdown or Merino, and is called combing or delaine, and is more sought after than any other kind. They are very prolific, sometimes giving birth to three or four lambs, and most always two. I have weighed lambs three weeks old which weighed 30 to 40 pounds. The Southdown is thought to be inferior as a mutton sheep, but I have never been able to discover the difference when brought to the table. The carcass of the two makes the Shropshire down, a very fine sheep for all purposes.

### Planting a Strawberry Bed.

No farm garden should be without an ample strawberry bed, since it is much cheaper to cultivate them than to depend upon the wild fruit for the table. One of the great mistakes in this culture is in planting the vines in beds, and too closely together. Three feet apart between the rows, and twelve inches apart in the rows, is near enough together. If the runners are carefully cut, the stools of plants will entirely fill the rows, and nearly the spaces between the rows, by the autumn of the first season.

The plants should be planted as early in the spring as the soil will permit working, leaving only the leaves and central bud exposed. Five hundred plants will give an ample supply of fruit for a large family if kept clean and covered with mulch during winter. In the spring let the beds retain the mulch as long as possible, at least until the plants show signs of growing beneath. Then remove from the plants, leaving the mulch intact between the rows—Western Rural.

### To Raise Onions.

To raise onions the ground should be thoroughly plowed, made very mellow, and rolled. It should be made rich with well-rotted, fine barn manure, and wood ashes make a good additional fertilizer. Thirty two-horse loads per acre would not be too much manure for a good crop. Five pounds of seed per acre may be drilled in rows nine inches apart with a light hand seed sower. The ground must be kept very clean from weeds, and mellow with the hoe. A hoe with a pranged blade is made especially for this work. The onions may be grown as close in the row as they will stand. They may be grown year after year upon the same ground, if plenty manure is given them, with increasing profit. We would rather sell at a fair price at a home market than risk the chance of a distant one.

**Goats.**—Lady Burdett Coutts has been suggested, through the *Echo*, that more use might be made of goats than is now done in England for the supply of milk. Goats are among the hardiest of creatures, and their milk, if used fresh, is almost indistinguishable from that of the cow. Every morning and afternoon flocks heavy with milk are driven into Naples, and day after day one may see goats mounting the stairs in high houses of the city, followed by their driver, the milkman, who will stop on the door of the "flat" of each customer, and there then milk the goat "into his own jug." In Greece all the people from the Turkish frontier to the south of the Mærea live in great part from cheese made from goats' milk, and goats provide the sustenance, both of meat as well as of milk, of hundreds of thousands of people in Southern Europe and Northern Africa.

**Hogs Eating Dirt.**—A correspondent of the *Indiana Farmer* says: "Last fall I knew a man who had two lots of hogs bought, that he had to feed fourteen days before they went off. The first lot weighed two hundred and fifty pounds; the second, three hundred and six. The first lot ate dirt considerably; the second did not. The result was, the first lot gained nothing, while the second gained thirty-one pounds. Now the remedy is to supply them with plenty of fine, broken stone coal. This they will eat as if it were hickory nuts or walnuts. I know a man that goes to the coal mine and gets a load of fine coal and throws it in his hog lot whenever he is feeding a lot of hogs for market.

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