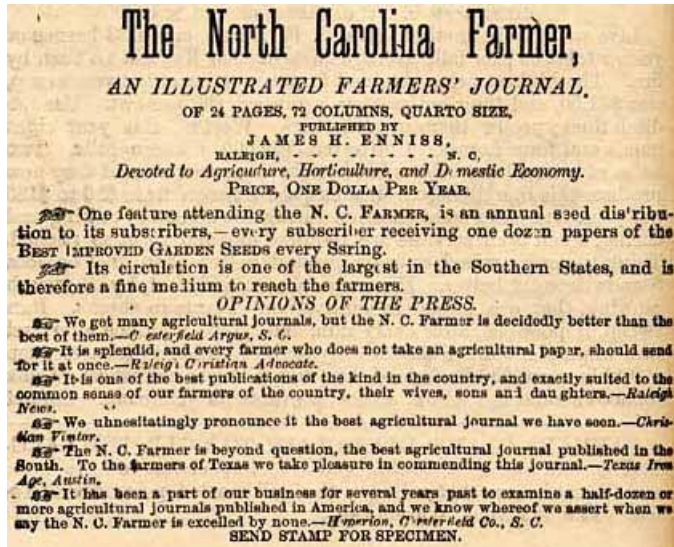


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^[2]The *North Carolina Farmer*, a [publication](#) ^[3]that referred to itself as a "journal of Agriculture ^[4], Horticulture and Domestic Economy," was established in June 1876 in [Raleigh](#) ^[5]. Published monthly by James H. Ennis & Company, the journal cost one dollar per year or 10 cents per issue. In a three-column, 8 1/2" by 11 1/2" format on newsprint, the first issues had 14 pages. Regular departments included Soils and Fertilizers, [Grasses](#) ^[6] and Grains, Rules and Tables, Cotton and Tobacco, Birds and Insects, and a Farm Calendar detailing chores for each month. Over the years, the *North Carolina Farmer* became a more general farm family publication, introducing departments including Family Fun, Hygiene, [Poetry](#) ^[7], Popular Science, and Housewifery. Contents also expanded to include short stories and market information.

In 1878 the masthead changed to include an illustration of the [state capitol building](#) ^[8], and the publication referred to itself as the "Organ of the Farmers of North Carolina." Also that year, front-page news was eliminated in favor of an illustration department, with drawings each month of a different crop, animal, or bird along with descriptive material. [Advertising](#) ^[9] included [insurance](#) ^[10], farm supplies, Bibles, and home remedies.

By February 1882 the *North Carolina Farmer* had expanded to 24 pages. It is not known exactly when the *Farmer* ceased publication. The last issue available is dated May 1888.

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