

# DAILY REFLECTOR.

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The Populists are trying to deny that they refused to honor Lee and Washington and did honor Fred Douglas, but the record is against them and they must take the consequences. They added further infamy to their former conduct by refusing Saturday to lend ten thousand dollars to the Ladies' Memorial Association to complete the monument to our Confederate dead. May the time hasten when they will be known no more.

Senator M. W. Ransom on last Saturday was appointed Minister to Mexico. His salary is seventeen thousand five hundred dollars which in Mexico is equal to about thirty thousand dollars. As soon as the nomination was sent to the Senate, it went into executive session and the nomination was confirmed in ten minutes, every Senator, regardless of party, voting for the confirmation. Senator Ransom is one of the first men of the Senate. He has been Senator for over twenty two years and no man who has ever filled the place from North Carolina has been more deservedly popular than Senator Ransom. He is a born diplomat and this country will be better represented nowhere than in Mexico. We are glad that North Carolina has been thus honored by the appointment of her most distinguished son.

## AWAY DOWN SOUTH IN TEXAS.

FORT WORTH TEX., Feb. 14th '95.  
Editor Reflector:

If you will allow me a little space in your columns, I'll try and tell your readers something about

the weather we are having way down here in the Sunny South.

This has been a remarkable winter in Texas. Usually we have balmy days and green grass almost the year round but this winter has been quite different.

Something over two weeks ago we had a fall of snow, and cold weather following kept some of the snow even up to yesterday, when the heavens became overcast with dull, leaden clouds and about noon snow again began to fall and continued until night.

About 3 o'clock the street cars stuck and school children and people living along the line had to "hoof" it under difficulties, and in a little while afterwards the merry jingle of sleigh bells could be heard all over the city.

The fall of snow was about four inches and the sight this morning was a beautiful one. Sleigh riding and snow balling has been the order of the day. This is a novel scene for Texas, and the effects of the storm while it may be heard on range cattle, will be beneficial to the country in the long run. Nearly all the moisture will be absorbed by the earth and add to the good plowing season in the spring.

The oldest inhabitant always comes to the front in times like this and people who have lived in this country for the Lord knows how long, say that this is the coldest weather that he has ever seen.

It must indeed surprise visitors from the land of ice and snow longing for the land of flowers and sunshine—Texas—to find a snow like this and the thermometer registering  $2\frac{1}{2}$  below zero.

This has been a jolly day here, even the rejected lovers try to get even by sending his sweet heart a five cent valentine.

Emigration still continues and home seekers are drifting westward to grow up with the country, and two cases of small pox believed to be in the city.

Yes, North Carolina has attractions to. It is a lovely State and Oh! how I love it and the grand old county of Pict.

W. H. FLEMING.

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## Monument Bill Fails.

The Confederate Monument Bill has failed, notwithstanding the noble efforts of the ladies and their friends. It was useless for the ladies to ask the Douglass Legislature for anything to further the honor of North Carolina, for in our opinion they are not made of that material necessary for such acts.

The monument must be completed, and it remains for the ladies to appeal to the patriotic sons of North Carolina. Mrs. Jones and the energetic vice-presidents of the association we are sure will complete the monument as projected notwithstanding the indifference, of the Legislature. — *Raleigh Press.*

## He Was Absent-Minded.

Coming out in the 5:30 train, a few days ago, I took the seat directly in front of Mr. Suburban. He had been to a fair in which Mrs. Suburban has been actively interested. The space between him and the window was filled by an enormous bundle, almost as large as Mrs. Suburban herself.

When the conductor came along, Mr. Suburban handed out two tickets.

"What's this for?" asked the man of the punch.

Mr. Suburban turned with a start toward the bundle that was pressing against him. Then he looked up and said in the utmost consternation:

"T—t—thought that I was traveling with my wife!"

## Population of British India.

According to the census of 1891, the population of British India and the native states was 287,223,431, an increase of 34,000,000 in ten years. Of these, according to religion, there were 207,731,727 Hindoos, 57,321,164 Mohammedans, 9,820,467 aboriginals, 7,131,361 Buddhists, 2,284,380 Christians, 1,907,833 Sikhs, 1,416,638 Jains, 89,904 Parsis, 17,194 Hebrews and 42,763 of all other religions. Of the Christian population, 1,315,263 were certified to be Roman Catholics, and the remainder, 969,117, with the exception of a few hundred Syrians, etc., Protestants.