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EDITORIAL NOTES.

A Cabinet crisis is imminent in Vienna. President Harrison is still in California. Henry George is at work on another book. The people of Hawaii are clamoring for a republic. President Balmaceda, of Chili, is in constant fear of poisoning. Glassboro, N. J., has a 2 year roller skater the son of B. F. Zane. A statue of Henry Bergh was unveiled in Milwaukee last week. There were two suicides last Wednesday in Central park, N. Y. John Hopkins University, Baltimore has received a gift of \$100,000. Professor John Le Conte, of the State University of California, is dead. San Salvador and Honduras have negotiated a treaty of neutrality. The American Theosophical society continues its deliberations at Boston. Dr. R. G. Mauss, one of Washington's leading physicians, took his own life. Lord Arlington's horse "Common" won \$10,000 at Newmarket, England. Twenty-five buildings were recently destroyed by fire at Forestport, N. Y. The White Squadron has arrived in Hampton Roads from Port au Prince. A Mount Holly, N. J., concern has an order from Japan for two water wheels. The Dominion Parliament has been formerly opened by the Governor General. Francis R. Fava, son of the Italian ex-minister, is seriously ill in Washington. "Old Hutch," the Chicago wheat speculator, has mysteriously disappeared. Malicious persons are demolishing machinery in mills and shops of Martinsville, Ind. Great fires are stepping over the pine and cedar lands of New Jersey doing great damage. Rumors are rife in Albany, N. Y., that the Evening Times and the Union will be consolidated. Earthquake shocks were felt on Wednesday last at Concord, Keene and Contocook, N. H. One thousand two hundred pounds of opium, valued at \$25,000 were seized in San Francisco. An Aerolite exactly the shape of a human foot is reported to have fallen from the sky near Macon, Ga. Samuel Lancaster Gerry, one of Boston's well known artists, died in the city on Sunday in his 78th year. More than 2,000 acres of valuable timber land on the Blue Mountain, N. Y., were burned over last week. A chewing gum concern in Brooklyn has become a stock company with a capital of one million dollars.

William R. Brown, the new warden of Sing-Sing prison, N. Y., has taken charge of the institution. General Armistead L. Long, who was Lee's chief of staff at the time of the surrender, died at Charlottesville, Va. A whale 40 feet long and 15 feet around the body was washed ashore the other day on the Florida coast, not far from Jacksonville. The whale was badly wounded with harpoons.

Byron Foley, who died in Brooklyn, N. Y., the other day, is said to have lacked but two weeks of 103 years.

The Rev. Phillip Brooks, of Trinity Church, Soeto, has been elected bishop of the diocese of Massachusetts.

J. B. Broadwell, of Alpharetta, Ga., owns a goose that walks about on wooden legs made from a piece of bamboo.

A proposition has been made to remove to the World's Fair the house at Amherst, N. H., in which Horace Greeley was born.

A number of mules and horses were killed at Cotton Plant, Monroe county, Ark., the other day, by "a cloud of Buffalo gnats."

The log cabin in St. Louis County which General Grant erected with his own hands, will be shipped to the World's Fair.

An cyclone passed through the southwestern party of Michigan, trees being torn up by the roots and telegraph lines blown down.

The famous sloop Volunteer, which beat the English cutter Thistle, is being altered into a schooner, and will have her name Phoenix.

Rev. J. Nelson Lewis, pastor of the Baptist Church of Walden, Mass., being charged with playing poker and other conduct unbecoming a minister has resigned.

Belford's Magazine for May shows quite interesting contents: A story, by Grace Ellery Canning; "The future of our Agriculture," by James K. Reeve; "The '13' Suffragettes among the fair sex, by J. R. Arbabanell; "What is money?" by Lyman J. Gage; "Editorials;" "Captain Poison," a novel complete by Pedro Antonio De Alarcón. The Magazine ought to be in every home that can possibly afford it. It is one of the strongest Democratic journals in the land. Belford Co., N. Y.

Some time ago I was trading in a village store, when one of the clerks came to the junior partner, who chanced to be waiting on me, and said: "Won't you please step to the desk a moment, Pat Flynn wants to settle his bill, and insists on having a receipt."

"Why, what does he want of a receipt?" he said, "we never give one. Simply cross his account off the book; that is receipt enough."

"So I told him," answered the clerk, "but he is not satisfied. You had better see him."

So the proprietor stepped to the desk, and greeting Pat with a "good morning," said: "You wished to settle your bill, did you?"

Pat replied in the affirmative. "Well," said the merchant, "there is no need of my giving you a receipt. See! I will cross your account off the book;" and putting the action to the word he drew his pencil diagonally across the account. "That is as good as a receipt."

"And do ye mane that that settles it?" exclaimed Pat. "That settles it," said the merchant.

"And ye're shure ye'll never be after askin' me for it again?" "We'll never ask you for it again," said the merchant, decidedly.

"Faith, this," said Pat, "and I'll be after askin' me money in me pocket, for I haven't paid it yet."

The merchant's face flushed angrily as he retorted: "Oh, well, I can rub that out?" "Faith now, and I thought the same," said Pat.

It is needless to add that Pat obtained his receipt.

Electric Bitters. This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters along the same long of years, and a purer medicine does not exist and it is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the liver and kidneys, will remove Pimples, Boils, Salt Rheum and other affections caused by impure blood. Will drive Malaria from the system and prevent as well as cure all Malarial fevers. For cure of Headaches, Consumption and Indigestion try Electric Bitters. Entire satisfaction guaranteed, or money refunded.—Price 50 cts. and \$1.00 per bottle at Jno. L. Wootens Drug Store.

Many Persons are broken down from overwork or household care. Brown's Iron Bitters restores the system, aids digestion, increases the flow of blood, and cures all ailments. Get a bottle.

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The Recorder's Remarks. The Biblical Recorder prints the act requiring the use of certain books on alcohol in our schools and says: The above bill is about the baldest piece of jobbery that ever passed a State Legislature.

"These books have been more or less prepared and wholly supervised by Mrs. Mary H. Hunt." So says the preface to the books.

2. Section 1 forces every teacher and every pupil to buy and study them in any school supported wholly or in part by public money—the State University and the A. and M. College, and Prof. McIver's training school, if it ever materializes.

3. These books prepared by Mrs. Hunt have as one-fourth of their contents Physiology and Hygiene, and the act says this limit shall control the Board of Education.

4. Section 3 requires that no one be granted a certificate as teacher in North Carolina who has not stood an examination on the subject specified.

5. Section four demises every teacher and school officer in North Carolina who refuses to use these books.

Why the Superintendent of Public Instruction ever allowed such a bill to be presented to the legislature for consideration, is past finding out. The publishers of these books very shrewdly sent a female agent to lobby this bill through the Assembly, and so well did she succeed that the act passed unanimously.

We protested against this legislation at the time, but our warnings all amounted to nothing, as the members of the legislature refused to believe that the "pious" agent was actuated by other than pure and disinterested motives.

Now that the law is on our books, she insists on its strictest enforcement.

We give our readers our reasons for objecting to the bill: There are in North Carolina 533,000 children, white and colored, within what is termed the "school age."

The act of assembly provides for one of these books to be put in the hands of each child in the public schools and colleges supported by the State. The publishers have four of these books—one for each grade in the schools, and one for the teachers. These books are furnished, according to grade, at thirty, fifty and sixty cents apiece, and the one for teacher is \$1.25.

It turns out that the books are compiled, in part at least, by the female agent who waited on the legislature, and who is in all probability, well paid by the astute publishers who hold a monopoly of the books described—a great and far-reaching trust.

In order that our readers may see this matter as we see it, we will suppose, for their benefit, that there are 300,000 children in our public schools. If each one should be compelled, as the act provides, to buy this book, they will pay out \$1.40 each for their Physiologies, or \$420,000. This is exclusive of the \$1.25 for the teacher, and in addition to the amounts for other books needed in the schools.

One of the astonishing things to us as, and still is, that a lot of men elected to the legislature pledged to economy, retrenchment and reform, should have been so easily persuaded to believe that the American Book Company and Mrs. Hunt, its agent, was wholly disinterested in urging them to put the people of North Carolina to this enormous and almost entirely useless expense. We sincerely hope that the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Board of Education will at least so far ignore the act of the General Assembly as to adopt only one of the four books, and thus save the poor people of the State a very large and needless expense.

We have noticed for years the great zeal, as well as the methods, of publishing companies in foisting their books upon the public schools.

We have seen fifteen or twenty lawyers and dozens of women employed by the agents of a publishing company to lobby the legislature and urge the Superintendent of Public Instruction to adopt their books.

Many thousands of dollars are thus spent every time the legislature meets or a new Superintendent of Public Instruction is elected.

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Much needed improvement. The improvements that are now being made by the Pennsylvania Railroad in this city and in Jersey City are on the most extensive scale. The new terminal station, which is being built in Jersey City, will be the largest in the United States. Its roof is arched with a single span of 250 feet.

An elevated roadbed has been built through Jersey City, and there, after all trains will run on this structure, so as to put an end to grade crossings which are so dangerous to life. In this city an elevated bridge has been constructed across West Street at the entrance to the Courtland street ferry to avoid the annoyance of trucks. There will be double-decked ferry boats running, so that passengers can pass from the bridge directly to the upper decks of the ferry boats. When once across there will be no necessity of descending, for the trains will be elevated also. These plans have many obvious advantages and will no doubt meet the approval of all travellers, together with thousands who are not travellers but who might some day get run over at the grade crossings.

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NEW YORK LETTER. An American Paper—Our Growing Museum—Extensive Railroad Improvements.

Regular Cor. of REFLECTOR. NEW YORK, May 11th, 1891. The sensation of the week has been the horrible butchery in "Cherry Hill" and the arrest of a villainous looking wretch whom the police are confident is the murderer. The crime bore so much similarity to the work of "Jack the Ripper," of London, that it caused intense excitement throughout the city, while the police were driven to the utmost to find the perpetrator. The whole force of detectives were put at work on the case, and nearly 150 arrests were made within a week. The most important of these was that of a man called "Frenchy" who on the night of the murder occupied a room on the floor where the murder was committed and against whom the detectives have many strong evidences of guilt. At this writing there are a few points to be cleared up before the police will rest satisfied that they have the right man. In the meantime more arrests are being made every day. The "finest police in the world" are on the warpath and it will be nothing short of a miracle if our young American "ripper" escapes.

THE ART MUSEUM'S RECEPTION. The 21st, semi-annual reception of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in Central Park, takes place this evening from 8 to 11 P. M. This is the first time a reception was ever held in the evening, and it is to be an experiment in order to give business men and others an opportunity to attend and see the museum by electric light. If it proves a success the plan will be followed in future receptions.

The work of erecting the North-ering wing to be added to the museum is under way and will be completed next year. The addition will contain sixty rooms the smallest being 23x41 feet. It will have sixteen galleries, and will be filled with treasures as soon as completed. Indeed it is anticipated that as soon as this building is finished there will be enough additional material for another. Our museums are growing magnificent.

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MAY MERRIMENT. Verses That Made Billie Laugh and Gave You a Chance Likewise.

All's fair in love and war and on street cars, said the conductor as he counted up his fares.

I love to sit before a blazing fire and watch the figures in the flame. Vell, said Isaacs, Dher pleasure ob dot depends largely on dher insurance.

THE PROPER FLOWER. The rose should not be the flower of love. What then? The tulip.

Boarder: Have you any boneless shad, ma'am? Landlady: No, sir. Boarder: Very well, madam; I don't care for any more of the shadless bone.

A BRILLIANT CALLER. Daughter: Father, Mr. Hendricks is a very bright young man. Father: Yes. When I see her at the parlor the nights he calls.

VERY UNINTERESTING. He: I can't bear that fellow Brown. He always converses upon such unimportant and uninteresting subjects. What was it he was talking to you about? She: You.

HER FATHER'S OWN. Bridges: Is your new baby good looking? Brooks: No; ugly as sin. Bridges: What does your wife say? Brooks: She's content; says it looks like me.

LIKE A MILLION. Jack: I tell you what, Maud makes quite a figure in society. Tom: Yes. When I see her at a party with her dude admirers she reminds me of a million.

Jack: !!! Tom: She is one followed by half a dozen nothings.

Best Man (to Chicago groom): Is everything ready? Groom: I think so. Get the ring! Yes.

All right. I have the license and application for divorce. Let the ceremony proceed.

CANDY GOES TO THE RIGHT SPOT. First Boy: I wish I had three wishes. Second Boy: What would you wish for? First Boy: All the candy I could eat, all the marbles I want, and—and—with effusion more candy.

LOVE IS BLIND. They say "love is blind," but there's a fellow in Edenton who can see a good deal more beauty in his sweetheart than we can.—Edenton Fisherman & Farmer. That fellow is in love with the girl and you are not, there's the difference. Your argument is all in his favor and helps to prove that love is blind.

Girls and Women. A New York journal lately offered a prize of \$20 for the best brief answer to the old, and yet ever new question, "What shall we do with our girls?"

Mme. Albani-Gye, whose good repute as a woman is as wide as her fame as a songstress, kindly consented to serve as judge. She awarded the prize to the writer of a short essay which proved to be from Ella Wheeler Wilcox, of which this is the essential part.

"The foundation of society rests on its homes. The success of our homes rests on the wives. Therefore, first of all, teach our girls how to be successful wives. Begin in their infancy to develop their characters. Teach them to look for the best quality in every one they meet, and to notice other people's faults only to avoid them. Train them to do small things well and to delight in helping others and instill constantly into their minds the necessity for sacrifice for others' pleasure as a means of soul development. Once given a firm foundation of character like this, which the poorest as well as the richest parents can give to their girls, and no matter what necessity arises they will be able to rise above it."—Montreal Witness.

For bracing up the nerves, purifying the blood and curing dyspepsia, there is nothing equal to Knight's Blood Cure.

"Life has been a burden to me for the past 50 years on account of great suffering from very severe and frequent headaches. Brandy-eroline has done wonders for me. I am now a new man and shall proclaim the merits of your medicine to all I can reach." George P. Fowler, Attorney at Law, Palatka, Florida.

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WHAT THE PAPERS SAY. Things Some of Our Exchanges Talk About in a General Way.

The Prince of Wales, being asked on one occasion who was the cleverest woman he ever met, promptly answered: "My sister, the Empress Frederick."—Ex.

A good deal of trouble in this life comes because men take too much time to make money and too little to pay what they owe. The trouble comes to the last named fellow, however. Goldsboro Argus.]

McKinley has been suffering from an acute attack of indigestion in Washington. He probably brought it on by attempting to digest that speech of his in which he claims that the foreign merchant pays the American tariff tax. He should have let that job to an ostrich. Smith-Herald Herald.]

Senator Reagan, of Texas, has resigned his seat in the United States Senate and the Governor has appointed Horace Clifton to fill the vacancy. Rather an uncommon occurrence for a United States Senator to resign his seat but occasionally we find one that gets as much official service as he desires. Tarboro Farmers' Advocate.]

It is not the aim of the Farmers' Alliance to destroy the rights of any individual. This would be unjust and unreasonable. But it does seek to prevent those individuals who have such enormous power from oppressing the majority of our citizens, thereby rendering their strength nugatory. Wilmington Star.]

The racket in the coke districts of Pennsylvania is no fun for that State, as it costs about two thousand dollars a day to keep the soldiers there to prevent the strikers from raising hell. That kind of cheap labor isn't so cheap after all when you come to figure on it. The companies that import it will probably come to this conclusion after awhile. Philadelphia Record.]

Lonely as we may boast of the rapid growth of our cities, as shown by the census returns, the strong tendency of population from the country to the town is by no means a healthy social symptom. By making farm life more attractive and farm labor more remunerative by the removal of unnecessary taxation this tendency would be arrested to the gain of both city and country. Raleigh Chronicle.]

"What will you GIVE for the church debt?" or "what will you GIVE to the cause of missions?" is a popular way of asking church members to do their duty. It ought to be abandoned. A church member does not GIVE anything to his church when he hands in any amount. He merely pays his own debt—discharges the obligation that rests upon him and which he cannot honorably evade. Greensboro Patriot.]

An old negro woman at Dalton, Ga., pushed her son forward to shake hands with the President; but the latter reached clear over him and shook hands with a white man. Then the woman said, "Come on home, John; taint no use. Harrison may be a 'poblesan,' but he ain't got no no' use for a nigger den a white man has. Come 'long home, an let him go to de debil-fo' dat's jes' whar he's er gwine!" Milton Advertiser.]

What does it mean! Wheat is worth \$1.35 and corn \$1.00 per bushel. How is that to be explained? Simple enough. The crop in the West last year was short and now the supply is not equal to the demand, and wheat and corn go up in spite of a "contracted currency."

What our farmers need is only markets for their products. Extend our markets and prices will advance. Overstock our market and corn will go down again to the burning point.

Four Good Items. Kinston Free Press.] In this age of progress the merchant who does not advertise stands but a poor show. He not only loses sales and business at home but is regarded as a slow coach and unsafe business man abroad by those whose interest it is to keep posted. Scotland Neck Democrat.]

There is now and then a man in the town who will say anything but a good word for his local paper, but he is generally the man who beats the editor out of his paper or borrows it from his neighbors. Such grumblers are seldom paid in advance subscribers. Painesville Democrat.]

There was a man in our town, And he was none too wise; He jumped on every man who said, "You ought to advertise." But when he saw his trade was gone, With all his blight and main He jumped into a column ad, And got it back again.

A man who was afraid of thunder crawled into a hollow log as a place of safety during a thunder storm. The thunder rolled and the rain poured down in torrents, and the old log began to swell up till the poor fellow was wedged in so tight he could not get out. All his past sins began passing before him. Suddenly he remembered he had not paid his newspaper subscription, and he felt so small he was able to back right out.—Ex.

OVER THE STATE. Happenings Here and There as Gathered From Our Exchanges.

Capt. E. K. Stamps, of Raleigh, died at the residence of Hon. George Howard, in Tarboro last week.

Rocky Mount Phoenix: The painters are at work on the new passenger depot. It will be a graceful and artistic building.

The Goldsboro Public Schools have sent out a handsome card announcing the Decennial celebration of the schools. It will take place May 22nd.

Southport Leader: The first terrapin ever canned south of Baltimore were put up last week by the Cape Fear Canning & Sea Food Company.

Wilmington Star: A class of forty children, from seven to fourteen years of age, were received into the membership of Grace M. E. Church last Sunday.

Scotland Neck Democrat: The town of Halifax was well satisfied with the town officers that were won at election held Monday. The old officers hold over for another year.

Beaufort Seaside: The ten year old boy of Mr. S. Brust engineer at Taylor's saw-mill on Clubfoot's creek shot himself in the abdomen while playing with a pistol last Thursday.

The Smithfield Herald recently closed its ninth year. May it live long to prosper and labor for its town and community. It discards the patent outside.

W. F. Korngay, of Goldsboro, has been elected President of the N. C. R. R. in place of Gen. Hoke, who declined to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Gov. Holt.

The saw mill of the Scranton and North Carolina Land & Improvement Company at Makeleville, Hyde county, was burned recently. The loss was \$15,000. It was insured for \$5,000.

Tarboro Farmers' Advocate: A negro man was drowned in the river at this place Saturday morning. He went in swimming at a point near Beaver Dam and there he lost his life. Search was made for his body and sometime thereafter it was found.

Greensboro Patriot: Harry Taylor, the young man who choked his grand-mother and robbed his grand-father of \$2,000 in Mr. Atry, a few months ago, had his trial at Dobson last week, was convicted and sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary at hard labor.

Morganton Herald: On Tuesday evening the steam mills of Mr. T. A. Seale at Bridgewater were completely destroyed by fire. About \$500 worth of shingles and blocks were destroyed, and the entire loss was, we understand, between \$1,500 and \$2,000. We have been unable to learn whether or not there was any insurance.

Charlotte News: Brabham murdered the Italian on April 11th. An attempt was made to lynch him on April 12. On April 13 he was arraigned before Judge Meares in the criminal court and pleaded guilty. His trial was set for April 20th. A verdict of guilty was rendered April 21; and on April 22 he was sentenced to be hanged on May 21st.

Raleigh News and Observer: The Rev. Thomas Straley died at his home at Beaver Dam, near Asheville, at midnight Saturday at the age of ninety-three. He came to this country from England when a young man and worked at the trade. He was the pioneer of the Baptists in Western North Carolina and for fifty years pastor of the First Baptist Church of Asheville.

Raleigh Chronicle: Young McDougald, formerly of the firm of McDougald and Phillips, of Laurinburg, N. C., turns out to be the murderer of his uncle, Mr. Sim Connelly, in Robeson county a few nights ago. He blacked himself up like a negro and killed his uncle to get five thousand dollars for which Connelly's life was insured. He is now in custody and will certainly be hanged if he gets justice.

Governor Holt has made a requisition on the President of the United States and also on the Governor of Ohio, for Green Johnston, alias George Gibbon, who in 1887 committed murder in Cabarrus county, this State. Johnston, since the murder, has been living in South Carolina until a short while since when he was sentenced to the penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio, for violating the postal laws. He has two years before he serves out his sentence in Columbus, at which time he will be brought back to Cabarrus county to be tried for his life.

Charlotte Democrat: Two strange young men staying at the Mansion House in this city under the names of G. C. Williams and C. W. Riley, were arrested Tuesday for making counterfeit money. In their rooms was found plaster moulds, a ladle and lot of Babbit metal. There were newly-made moulds of a five cent, a quarter and a dollar. The dollar and the five cent piece were sticking in the moulds. The prisoners were arraigned before United States Commissioner Maxwell upon the charge of counterfeiting and were bound over in the sum of \$200 each for their appearance at the Federal Court in June.

Poetry.

WHAT IS A GENTLEMAN? What is a gentleman? Is it a thing Decked with a scarf-pin, a chain and a ring.

Dressed in a suit of immaculate style, Sporting an eye-glass, a lip and a smile? Talking of races and concerts and balls, Evening assemblies and afternoon calls, Sunning himself "at home" and bazars, Whistling Mazurkas and smoking cigars?

What is a gentleman? Say, is it one Boasting of conquests and deeds he has done? One who unobtrusively glories to speak Things which should call up a flush to his cheek?

One who, while railing at actions unjust, Robs some young heart of its pureness and trust? Seems to steal money or jewels or wealth? Thinks it no harm to take honor by stealth?

What is a gentleman? Is it not one Knowing instinctively what he should do? Speaking no word that could injure or pain, Spreading no scandal and deepening no stain?

One who knows how to put each at his ease, Striving successfully always to please— One who can tell by a glance at a young When to be silent and when he should speak?

What is a gentleman? Is it not one Honestly eating the bread he has won, Walking in uprightness, fearing his God, Leaving no stain on the path he may tread; Caring neither whether his coat may be old, Prizing sincerely for above gold is had? Reckling not whether his hand may be hard— Stretching it boldly to grasp its reward?

What is a gentleman? Say, is it birth? Makes a man noble or adds to his worth? Is there a family tree to be had? Surely enough to conceal what is had? Seek out the man who has God for his guide, Nothing to tremble at, nothing to hide, Be he not a peer, be he in trade, He is a gentleman Nature has made.

A Young Man's Fancy Large allowance is to be made for the sweeping assertion of the poet that "In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love." It certainly is not true of the malarial young man, whose fancy, if he has any, is of the dull and heavy variety. The malarial young man marches around as the captive of General Debility. The readiest and most obvious means of escape are afforded by S. S. S., which, without any flourish, routs General Debility and his malarial allies. What is true of the young man is true of the young lady, and the whole host of sufferers. S. S. S. is a specific for malaria.

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ENTERED AT THE POST OFFICE AT GREENVILLE, N. C., AS SECOND-CLASS MAIL MATTER.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13th, 1891.

SOME THINGS TALKED ABOUT.

GREENVILLE, May 9, 1891.
MR. EDITOR.—Would you please answer the following questions through the columns of your paper:
(1) Was not this town gerrymandered so that the Democrats and white people would control it?
(2) Is it true that none of the present town officers, except the Mayor, were elected by a majority of the Democratic Councilmen?
(3) Is it true that the Democratic Mayor, when two negroes and one white Councilman had voted for a policeman and the other three white Councilmen had voted for another person that this same Democratic Mayor gave the casting vote in favor of the negroes' choice, instead of the choice of the Democrats?
(4) Is it true that one of the Democratic Councilmen took the two negro Councilmen aside and traded votes with them?
(5) If the negro Councilmen are virtually to decide who our town officers shall be, would it not be as well to nominate negroes in the 2d and 3d wards and let them have the same as well as the fact of control?
(6) Is it true that the trash, old leather, etc., placed on the street in the front of Dr. Mc. Ernot's residence was placed there by the authority of the town?
(7) Judging from well known sanitary laws, is not such garbage likely to produce sickness in that part of the town?
(8) In case an epidemic of typhoid fever should break out in that part of the town and the doctors were to say that the decayed animal matter, etc., placed in the street was the cause of this sickness, could the town be sued for damages, and made to pay the same?
(9) Is it true that already a farmer's mule stuck a nail in his foot at that pile of trash and is so lame that he can't be ploughed? And that the owner of the mule has threatened to sue the town for \$25 damages?
The writer hears these things talked on the streets and would like to know whether they are so or not.

A WHITE VOTER.
Who believes in Democratic rule, pure and unmixed, in the nation, State, county, township, city and this town.
In answering the above questions propounded by "A White Voter" the REFLECTOR will be as brief in each case as possible, to be clearly understood at the same time, and will answer them by number in the order in which they are asked.
(1) Yes.
(2) The Mayor is the only officer of much importance who was so elected. The Tax Collector, Night Police and Lamp Lighter received the votes of a majority of the Democratic Councilmen, but neither of those positions were considered of enough importance for any contest over it, only one man being voted for in each instance.
(3) The Democratic Mayor did so vote. And in another instance when a similar tie vote occurred he cast the deciding vote for the side of the question supported by the colored man.
(4) After three unsuccessful ballots had been taken to fill one of the offices, and while the fourth ballot was pending, one of the Democratic Councilmen called the two colored Councilmen aside and held a private consultation with them. Of course what passed between them is not known, but upon their return to the council the Democrat cast his vote for the candidate whom the colored men were supporting. We are not prepared to say what effect this had upon the future voting of the colored men, but they both voted later for the Democratic Councilman who was a candidate for one of the offices. Outsiders looked upon it as a trade.
(5) We do not concur in this question and would not like to see the town given over entirely to the colored people. But if every ward had been represented by colored men in the meeting Friday night we doubt if they had carried their points any more effectively than the two did on this occasion.
(6) Yes.
(7) Any physician will tell you that it is.
(8) This is a legal question we cannot decide, but in our opinion such action could be taken.
(9) We have heard of the injury to the mule and of the owner saying he would not had it done for \$25. Whether he has made any threats as to suing the town we cannot say positively.

A SYNDICATE OF ROANOKE, BALTIMORE, PHILADELPHIA, AND WINSTON capitalists has been formed at Madison, N. C. They have taken option on 24,000 acres of land. They purpose to build a city. The syndicate represents two millions dollars. This they propose to spend in various improvements and in building up manufacturing establishments. Look out for Madison becoming a great city.

From the accounts given of Mr. Harrison's speeches on his tour it looks as if he was taking the whole administration on his own shoulders, and was the originator of every good thing done. He ignores Mr. Blaine and takes upon himself the schemes of reciprocity. His object is plain to all. We have heard of men having the big head, but he has the big "I" body.

"Miss Columbia," a spectacular musical burlesque, was presented at the Academy of Music, New York last Saturday night, to a delightful audience, by eight students of the Mask and Wig Club of the University of Pennsylvania.

The report of the grand jury at New Orleans who investigated the Mafia murder seems to have given general satisfaction to the better class of citizens of New Orleans. They say the people were justifiable in the lynching. This report is just what might have been expected. It somewhat raised the ire of the Italian minister, who says he will report the whole matter to the Italian government, and that trouble may arise from it. Italy demanded that the lynchings should be punished. But this demand is not to be heeded as the grand jury presented no indictment.

The Railroad Commissioners are getting in their work. They have reduced passenger fare. This has heretofore been ranging from 3 1/2 to 5 cents per mile. On and after June 1, it will be 3 1/2 cents per mile for first class and 2 1/2 cents per mile for second class, making an average of 3 cents. Freight rates are also reduced in some cases, but they were found to be so low that they were not much reduced. Last week they took into consideration the telegraphic rates. Twenty-five cents per message of ten words will now be the price between all points in North Carolina, and 2 cents for each word extra.

It is not intended to work hard on any railroad, and is to be hoped that their work will be satisfactory to both railroads and people. Till May 20 is given the railroads to make any complaint against these measures. There are many things the commissioners have not yet done, but their work is progressing as fast as could be expected.

Frank Leslie Magazine has of late been praising Mr. Harrison's administration. But the secret of it is that Russell Harrison, the President's son, is having something to do with the editorship of that paper, hence the praise. Russell wants his papa nominated for a second term and is doing all he can to create a favorable impression for him in the Republican party. At the Chicago Convention in 1880 Fred Grant did all he could to get his father, Gen. Grant nominated for the third term. Of him it was said: "There was a chap at Chicago, Who always made his jaw go, And this was no rant, For who other than Fred Grant Would rather have his dear pa go?"

And now Russell Harrison is following Fred Grant's example. He is praising his father and thinks:
Alger makes a very big show,
And Blaine would like well to go,
Red is doing the best he can,
But pop is the biggest man.

HOW HE STANDS.
The question now arises, is Mayor James opposed to progress and reform?

At the meeting of the old Board of Councilmen, in April, for the purpose of making the tax levy for 1891, one of the Councilmen offered a motion that the property tax be increased from 25 cents to 40 cents on each \$100 valuation, the additional 15 cents to be applied to shelling the streets—or fixing them in some practical way—and making other needed improvements. When a vote was called on he question it resulted in a tie, three of the Board voting for it and three against it. The matter then went to the Mayor for decision and he cast his vote against any increase of taxes.

At the first meeting of the new Board of Councilmen, Friday night, one of the Board offered the motion that for the present only one policeman be elected. This, of course, was an experiment, and if at any time it was seen that one policeman was not sufficient another could be easily elected. This vote was taken resulting in a tie—three white property holders voting for it, one white man and two negroes voting against it. The question going to the Mayor he decided it by casting his vote against the motion.

From the above we infer that the question is to be answered affirmatively.

A thunder bolt from an apparently clear sky killed Redmond Dwyer, a farmer of Emporia, Kan., the other day. His brother was a witness of the affair.

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COMMISSIONERS' MEETING.
GREENVILLE, N. C., May 4, '91.
Board met at 9:30 A. M., present C. Dawson, chairman, G. M. Moorhead, Leondas Fleming, T. E. Keel and C. V. Newton.
The following pauper orders were issued:
John Stocks 4.50, Winifred Taylor 6.00, Margaret Bryan 3.00, James Masters 2.00, Patsy Elks 1.50, H. D. Smith 2.00, Nancy Moore 4.00, Alex Harris 12.00, Daniel Webster 2.00, Martha Nelson 2.00, Lydia Bryan 2.00, Jacob McLawhorn 1.50, Asa Knox 4.00, Julia Dunn 1.50, Susan Briles 1.50, Wm Simpkins 1.50, Susan Norris 1.50, John Baker 1.50, Lovoy Haddock 1.50.
The following general orders were issued:
C. P. Gaskins 4.40, James Bundy 1.13, E. S. Sheppard 2.17, B. S. Sheppard 4.53, B. R. Whitelaur 1.93, E. A. Moye 4.50, W. P. Buck 2.50, B. F. Manning 2.75, G. A. McGowan 1.20, J. T. Hodges 1.80, W. B. Albright 15.42, F. W. Newborn 2.75, L. B. Cox 10.00, Luke E. McGowan 2.17, D. S. Simmons 40.00, B. Hearne 15.00, D. H. James 26.83, G. M. Moorhead 6.30, Leondas Fleming 5.50, C. Dawson 7.00, T. E. Keel 11.00, C. V. Newton 10.40, D. J. Whitehead 1.00, J. C. Chestnut 10.00.
Stock Law territory:
J. C. Jenkins 10.34, Edward Jackson 9.00.
Ordered that C. Dawson be appointed to confer with the Commissioners of Lenoir county concerning the condition of the bridge at Bell's Ferry, and take necessary action in regard to the same.
J. D. Cox made petition in due form asking to be released from payment of tax of \$1.69 on a tract of land in Swift Creek township which had been listed twice for the year 1890, and the said tax having been once paid. Ordered that the petition be granted.
M. C. Cherry, for Arena Cherry made complaint that she is charged with \$2000 solvent credits on the tax list for 1890 which she does not own, and petitioned that the same be stricken from the list, which was ordered by the Board.
M. H. Davenport, Levy Latham and John Rogers were exempted from poll tax.
Ordered that the Clerk notify the Justices of the Peace to meet with the Board of Commissioners on the first Monday in June for the purpose of levying the taxes for the year 1891.
Ordered that R. L. Joyner and R. J. Lang be appointed list takers and assessors in Farmville township in place of W. E. Horne and Benj. Caraway who refused to serve.
Ex-Gov. Thos. J. Jarvis and Leondas Fleming were appointed as delegates to represent Pitt county at the Inter-State Immigration Convention which meets in Raleigh May 13th.
Ordered that the Sheriff be allowed one-half for monies collected of land in the insolvent lists for 1889 and 1890.
Ordered that Overseer of the Home for the Aged and Infirm be instructed to proceed to build a cook and dining room on the premises according to instructions of the Board.
T. E. Keel and C. V. Newton, committee appointed by the Board to assist in the settlement for taxes collected during the year 1890, reported that they had discharged that duty and the Sheriff had accounted for and paid over to him upon the tax list of 1890 with which he was charged. To their report the following statement was attached:
J. A. K. Tucker, Sheriff of Pitt county, in account with said county for taxes of 1890:

By tax on \$1000 reduced valuation of property by commissioners on list of 1890, 3.50
By insolvent tax list allowed by Co. Commissioners, 610.46
By 5 per cent. commissions on \$15,000.00 receipt, 750.03
By cash paid J. B. Cherry former County Treasurer, 13,071.23
\$16,287.20
J. A. K. Tucker, Sheriff of Pitt county, in account with Pitt county for stock law territory tax of 1890: 3.50
To amount of tax of list of Swift Creek township, \$217.15
To amount of change of list of Contentnea township, 102.80
\$319.95
By 5 per cent. commissions on \$10.00, \$ 1.00
By cash paid John Flanagan, Treasurer, 303.80
\$319.95
After filing the above statement J. A. K. Tucker, Sheriff, collected \$6.05 on the insolvent list filed and after deducting 30 cents for his commissions left him still in debt to the county in the sum of \$5.75 for which he produced before the Board a proper receipt signed by John Flanagan, Treasurer.
The following persons were allowed to list taxes for the year 1890: Beaver Dam—Jos. P. Elliott. Greenville—Caleb Tripp. Paotulus—John Nicholson.
The committee appointed at last meeting to build the fence and erect gates across the public roads in the stock law territory around Greenville came before the Board and reported that the fence and gates were erected and the committee was continued to superintend the same.

WASHINGTON LETTER.
(From our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, May 8, '91.
Well, well! can it be that after all of Mr. Blaine's jingoism as to our rights in Behring Sea that we are to humbly back down? That's the talk here now. According to my information, Mr. Blaine has discovered that we have nothing to arbitrate and that Russia never set up any such claims as he has done when she was the owner of Alaska, and does not now recognize that the United States has any such rights. As the story goes, as soon as the Blaine saw that we had not the slightest show under the proposed arbitration he began to search for a hole to crawl out of with as little loss of dignity as possible. He began then to lay wires for a triple international agreement between the United States, Russia and England, for the prevention of the indiscriminate killing of seals in Behring Sea, and now, it is said, that pending further negotiations no seals are to be taken at all this season. Officials at the State and Treasury departments refuse to either confirm or deny this story.
A whole week has gone by without a new and entirely different statement from the preceding one of the second condition of the Treasury having been given out. Last week there were three or four of them. Mum is the word now, while the Secretary and his expert accountants are preparing the figures for the pre-vesto-change statement, which if it meets with Mr. Harrison's approval, and of that there's little doubt, is to be given to the public on the first of June. The intention is to follow Republican precedent by manipulating the trust funds in the monthly statement of the national debt in such a way as to show a large available surplus where practically none exists.
The first mutterings of a storm in the ranks of the Republican party are being heard here. So far Mr. Harrison has apparently had it all his own way in his march towards a second nomination, and none of his party have seen fit to attempt to make any organized opposition to him. This week Representative Farquhar, of New York, has openly stated here his belief that Harrison could not possibly be elected, and an Indiana Republican of prominence has said that Harrison could not carry that State. These are straws showing the drift of Republican sentiment.
The Blaine men can not be kept down much longer; they hate Harrison, and every time that Russell Harrison's newspaper in its ally attempts to make glory for Harrison casts a slur upon Blaine that hatred is intensified. Those men would rather see a Democrat elected than have to stand Harrison for another four years, and mark the prediction, in six months they will be shouting that sentiment from the house tops. Mr. Blaine may be perfectly willing that Mr. Harrison



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THE EASTERN REFLECTOR, Greenville, N. C.

Local Sparks

The crops badly need rain. Last week cold, this week hot. Sample Notions at New York cost at C. T. Munford's. Another week of dry weather just passed.

Personal. Mr. M. R. Lang went to Wilson yesterday on business. Miss Jennie Vance returned home Monday from a visit to Greene county. Miss Sallie Brown, of Tarboro, was in town part of last week visiting Miss Etta Hines.

The Greater Work. All that nature glow with spring freshness and the beautiful flowers are blooming in all their tranquil glory, sending forth their sweet perfume to be caught up by the breezes and wafted here and there to remind us that God is gracious and loves all nature.

COUNCILMEN MEETING. The newly elected Board of Councilmen met at Mayor's office Friday night for the purpose of organizing and assuming charge of municipal affairs for the next year. They were sworn in by Mayor James, acting Chairman of the meeting, who administered the official oath requested each to subscribe his name to the same on the record book of the town. This was done by ward, viz: 1st—T. A. Wilks, colored, 2nd—S. T. Hooker, J. R. Moyer, 3rd—W. S. Rawls, J. J. Dancy, 4th—Abram Harris, colored. The latter could not write his name so made his mark.

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