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DON'T BLAME THE WORLD.

Don't blame the world because the thorns are found among the roses; the day that breaks in storms may be all sunshine when it closes.

We cannot always hope to meet with fortune's fond caressing, and that which seems most hard to bear will bring with it blessing.

So man to gain development, must struggle with life's crosses, and view with calm philosophy his trials and his losses.

Original Observations. He who lendeth joy seldom borroweth trouble.

The crowd is the great American coram remover. We get the cream of experience from spilled milk.

A smile is the telephone message of friendship. He who makes the best of life loses the worst of death.

The small boy's new pants are always for a night. Its mighty poor male that won't work both ways.

Stolen kisses smack of vice—their naughty flavor makes them nice. A note for the garden: Cabbage and boils should be allowed to head.

The proud business man allows nothing to go to waist—except his right arm. Some men use religion as an umbrella to keep the rain of brimstone off their Sunday clothes.

How Wasteful we Are.

People in this country are better fed, clothed and housed than in Europe; they live on a higher plane physically and intellectually.

The cost of food is the principal item of the living expenses of the large majority of the people.

Matters of News. A Kentucky murderer has been granted a new trial because the sheriff permitted the jury to drink six quarts of whiskey and two bottles of beer during the trial.

There is a general understanding that the Venezuelan commission will make its report the 1st of next December. By that time we will all have forgotten what the trouble was about.

A cyclone at Salem, Va., last week blew down two houses. A colored woman and child were killed and four others badly injured.

A special of the 25th from Latta, S. C., to the Columbia State says: Yesterday evening during the wind and rain storm that passed through this section, the residence of Mrs. Jos. Allen near Mallory, was struck by lightning and considerable damage done to the building.

The United States speech crop will be very extensive this summer. The busy crop will also be extensive in the fall.

There was a fight in congress between Messrs. Hall and Money; the latter was demoralized, which wasn't very funny.

The Fair Basis of Co-operation. The weakest apology that has yet been offered for favoring Democratic-Unionism is that it is necessary to save the State from "negro domination."

A TALE OF HARD TIMES.

Two gay young frogs from inland bogs, Had spent the night in drinking; As morning broke and they awoke, While yet their eyes were blinking.

They soon are started off to town, The luckless frogs begin to quake, And sobber up on cold milk shake.

When times are hard—no trade in town— Don't get discouraged and go down, But struggle still—no morrow utter— A few more kicks may bring the butter.

Keep Your Eyes Open. The country is full of people who are going about with all sorts of schemes—many of them fakes, pure and simple.

How the States Will Stand. The Washington Post publishes the following table showing, so far as could be predicted at present, how the different states will stand on the money question at the Democratic National Convention:

Table with 5 columns: States, Delegates, Gold, Silver, Doubtful. Lists states from Alabama to Alaska with corresponding delegate counts and preferences.

BRACE UP AND HUSTLE.

The whole world seems against you? Brace up, man, and hustle! Joys come but to the few?

While life holds out keep steady; Brace up, man, and hustle! For every chance by ready;

It's for TAT. "Hullo, little girl! Will you tell me the news? For I haven't had time to examine the papers,

Has anything happened that's funny or queer? Do you favor the party they claim is elected?

Oh, ess, I will tell on the news," she exclaimed, And thus from the paper inverted she read:

An' 'er dis is the reason poor duggie got none? "Old Towser," she read, "was the victim of theft,

The large plantations of the Old South are doomed. Of course rich men who can afford to farm on a large scale will still hold large tracts of land,

And these are the men who seek to govern and "reform" our "good old State."—Pittsboro Record.

Weekly Crop Bulletin.

The reports of correspondents of the Weekly Crop Bulletin, issued by the North Carolina Section, for the week ending Saturday, May 24, 1896, indicate very favorable conditions, both for work and growth of crops.

Reports are nearly all quite favorable for this District; very few places did not share in the beneficial showers of May 1st and 2d, and the conditions have been fine, both for farm work and for growing crops.

Quite heavy rains occurred in a few central counties, washing lands to some extent; in others the weather continues too dry.

Showers which occurred throughout the District on the last three days of the week were just what was needed and came in time to prevent any serious damage which had been threatened by drought.

The utter incompetency of the Republicans to govern this State is being demonstrated every week. The disorderly and disgraceful scenes that are being enacted at so many of their conventions conclusively proves that the Republicans are not fit to be entrusted with the control of our State.

At the Republican district convention, held last week at Maxton for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Congress, there were most disgraceful scenes and many of fights.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U.S. Gov't Report



Here is a good item from the Athens Banner: "The lark was out to meet the sun, and carol for his lay; the farmer's son took down his gun and at him blazed away."

The late P. T. Barnum, whose ability as a financier is well known, in one of his addresses made this challenge: "I will undertake, and give bonds for the fulfillment of the contract, that if the city of Philadelphia will stop selling liquor and give me as much as was expended here for liquor last year, I will pay all the city expenses; no person living within her borders shall pay taxes; there shall be no insurance on property; a good dress and suit shall be given to every poor boy, girl, man and woman; all the educational expenses shall be paid; a barrel of flour given to every needy and worthy person and I will clear a half million dollars by the operation."

Dr. Crothers, of Hartford, Conn., who has had long experience in the management of institutions for the imbricate and insane says that "incontinence is the active cause of from fifteen to fifty per cent. of all insanity; from thirty to eighty per cent. of all pauperism; from fifty to eighty-five per cent. of all crime," and then asks the question, "Who can estimate the relief of the tax payers by the removal of the perils to both property and life from drunkennes?"

Chaplain McCabe tells the story of a drinking man who being in a saloon late at night, heard the wife of the saloon keeper say to her husband, "Send that fellow home; it is late." "No, never mind," replied her husband, "he is shingling our house for us."

The industrial aspect of the temperance reform is embodied in this illustration.—Temperance Advocate.

Destroy the whiskey habit or it will destroy you. I oppose drink because it opposes me. The work I try to do, undoes.—Bishop C. D. Fox.

The great cause of social crime is drink. The great cause of poverty is drink.—Bishop John Ireland.

Here's a good one from the Monroe Enquirer: "We heard a story some time ago which struck us as being an exceedingly good one illustrating the readiness of being a true Democrat. The story raneth thus: A good man died and all his neighbors turned out to the funeral. As there was no minister present, an old friend of the deceased was asked to say something after the coffin had been lowered in the grave. The old fellow walked slowly to the foot of the open grave and delivered the following oration over the dead body of his friend: "My friends, these lays as good a Democrat as water ever wet or sun ever dried!" He then turned slowly away with the consciousness that he had done his full duty and had helped the highest praise upon his fellow being."





