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people.

Be Gentle With Your Children.

Be ever gentle with your children. Watch them constantly; reprove them earnestly, but not in anger. "Be not bitter against them." "Yes, they are good." I once heard a kind father say, "I talk to them pretty much, but I do not like to beat my children; the world will beat them." It was a beautiful thought, though not elegantly expressed. Yet, there is not one child in the circle round the table, healthy and happy as they look now, on whose head, if long spared, the storm will not beat. Adversity may wither them, sickness taint, a cold world frown on them; but, amid all, let memory carry them back to a home where a law of kindness reigned, where the mother's approving eye was moistened with a tear, and the father frowned more in sorrow than in anger.—Ex.

The State Treasurer says that the Weldon Bank reports the highest rate value of stock, \$150 thus leading the State Bank stock has to be reported at the actual value, not at the par value. The State Auditor says that a special provision in the new revenue law requires the cashier of every bank to furnish to the county commissioners the names of all stockholders and the number of shares, and that each cashier must also report to the State Auditor the names, post office addresses, and number of shares held by each stockholder. The same thing applies to the presidents of all corporations, who must make similar double returns.

Rev. Dr. Groome has recently been subjected to several trying annoyances. While on his way to Norfolk some miscreant shot through the car window at which he was sitting as the train pulled out of Guilfordville. On his return he found the workmen on his new building had displaced a portion of the roof over Mebane & Co's wholesale grocery, permitting the rain to damage several hundred dollars' worth of goods, for which he is liable. After having to suspend work on his building for a week or more while waiting for the last three brownstone tiles to arrive from the quarry, one of them was broken by a drayman, causing another delay. Then the foreman of his printing office left to engage in business for himself, delaying the publication of his paper. The good brother hardly knows what to expect next.—Greensboro Record.

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Tongue-Lashing is Not Cruelty or Ground For Divorce in Jersey.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 16.—Wife-tongue lashing, cannot be construed into cruelty nor made grounds for divorce, according to a decision rendered today by Vice Chancellor Martin P. Gray. The case which brought forth the decision was that of Edward S. Hewitt, of Camden, who sought to be divorced from Annie Hewitt, on the ground of extreme cruelty. The cruelly charged consisted of violent displays of temper on the part of Mrs. Hewitt on three or four occasions when her husband took sides against her in disputes which she had with children of his by a former wife.

"MRS. CAUDLE'S" LEGAL STATUS
In trying the application of the Vice Chancellor discusses the legal status of the certain nature with a philosophy worthy of a place in literature. He says: "It is perfectly apparent that this woman is a woman of violent temper and that she does not attempt to restrain herself to the language of modesty and good taste at times of excitement, and I think there were also occasions when she frequently permitted her tongue to use foul language. But this alone does not establish extreme cruelty; it may show that it was bad taste in the husband in selecting such a woman for his wife. When a woman marries a man she does not marry his children. When a man marries a woman he does not marry her children. He will prefer his wife before he will consider his children. This he undertakes by the mere act of marriage, and, even if they may be right and the wife wrong, the husband undertakes that he will stand by the wife and be her helpmeet and advisor to maintain her in her position. As her husband, he should not take sides with his children and condemn her for hasty or ill-considered speech or action. He should support her as the mistress of her household, even if he may err and be unduly energetic or even violent at times."

University Summer School.

The Summer School at the University of North Carolina opened with a large attendance on June 22d.

Chapel Hill with its many natural advantages, good water, large shady campus, is an ideal place for a Summer School.

The first lecture in the morning is a lecture by Dr. McMartry, on Pedagogy, then follows the regular classroom work.

Prof. Jackson, from Chicago Normal School, teaches Natural Study. Dr. Hume's giving interesting courses in English Literature, Anglo Saxon, and Literary Study of the Bible.

Prof. Moses' Primary Work is what every primary teacher in the State needs. The Science work the great need of so many teachers, is strong in all departments.

The Drawing and Manual Training taught by Miss Remis is a practical, good course.

The courses in Latin and French and German are well attended.

Geography, Psychology, Child Study, Civics, History, Music, Physical Training are all taught by the best instructors.

L. R. Milne of the New York Normal School, and Supt. Noble of Wilmington, are teaching Mathematics.

The study of Shakespeare, by Miss Bryant of Ogontz, is a very popular course. Mr. Webb gives a course in English Composition.

Precipitant men in the State will give evening lectures.

Teachers can make no better investment than to attend the University Summer School. They should correspond with the Superintendent, C. W. Toms, Chapel Hill, N. C.

Silk Mill's Coming South.

The Charlotte News notes the fact that Joseph Bramford, Jr., of Patterson, N. Y., is in that city. He is a silk manufacturer from the silk metropolis of New Jersey. He contemplates moving his silk factory South, and is inspecting different Southern cities with that end in view. His plant is said to employ a thousand operatives, and this would be a large acquisition to the industrial population of any city.

The Value of a Newspaper to a Business Community.

The value of a first-class, reliable newspaper, acting to the outside world as a reflection of a city cannot be adequately gauged. The writer recalls a remark made a few years ago by Dr. G. B. Crane, now a resident of St. Helena, Napa county, California. In conversation, the doctor said: "Pass me a newspaper of any place and I can determine its standing." It should be mentioned that Dr. Crane is a man who has passed some years above four score in life, and is very conservative in his expression. What he meant was, that in looking over the general make-up, advertising patronage, etc., he could fairly estimate the character of the business interests and general features. So it is everywhere! A newspaper with wide circulation is very closely scanned by outside parties. Merchants and others look to see who are advertising and sometimes determine whether or not to give orders or correspond with houses in a city, through the appearance of the paper. A newspaper is supposed to be a pretty good reflection of the town or city itself. It behooves every business man to remember this circumstance. When you extend patronage to a reliable journal you are not assisting yourself. Every business man is looking for support. Is there an interest in the city more deserving of unlimited patronage than a representative newspaper? And yet, some leading merchants and manufacturers are mighty chary about giving any patronage. Such will do well to remember, that when favors are dispensed, they should know that they are not entitled to the slightest recognition.—Press and Printer.

Children Die in a Trunk.

Laura and Jennie, aged seven and five years, daughters of Joseph and Lucy Melton, of Berler, Union county, Ky., were playing hide and seek Tuesday with three other children, and during the play the sisters entered the cellar.

Seeing a large, old-fashioned trunk in one corner they raised the lid and jumped inside. The top fell and closed with a tight spring lock. Two of their playmates had hidden beneath a bed in an upper room. The remaining two, who were acting as spies, soon found the bed room girls, but all search for Laura and Jennie proved fruitless, as they had completely overlooked the cellar trunk.

At the time both parents were visiting a neighbor and did not return for three hours. When they learned of the sudden disappearance of the children a search was instituted, but almost another hour elapsed before the father thought of the old trunk. The children were found dead, locked in each other's arms.

Rays of Truth.

It is always a good idea to recognize the strength of your enemy.

It is pretty hard to get people interested in what you say to be.

When you take a man's contentment away from him, you can't add it to your own.

If we talk without weighing our words, they will soon have no weight for good.

You can gauge a man's character pretty thoroughly by what he considers laughable.

It is better to have a little talent and a noble purpose, than much talent and no purpose.

There is something about a girl with money in her own right that is awfully hard to resist.

There are people who claim to be praying for the poor, who never do anything else for them.

A VALUABLE PRESCRIPTION.

Editor Morrison, of the Worthington, Ind. Sun writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters and I can heartily recommend it for constipation and sick headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Stehle, 2255 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had a headache which never left her and felt tired and weary. But six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cts and \$1 per bottle at J. L. Wooten's drug store.

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Our Nation's Wealth in Gold Dollars.

The wealthiest nation of the world is the United States. The census of 1890 shows the true valuation, or fair selling price, of the real and personal property of the country to be \$65,037,931,197. It is an increase of over forty-nine per cent on the valuation of the previous decade, and is about six times the value of the money of the entire world. The mind cannot grasp the meaning of such figures without graphic illustration. This amount in gold dollars would load 123,570 carts, each carrying a ton. 112,000 gold dollars were piled one on the other they would form a stack three feet high. Make similar piles close together till a wall of gold one mile long and worth \$230,400,000 is formed, increase this wall to twenty-eight and a quarter miles and the amount would represent our National wealth. Placed side by side the coins would form a carpet of gold covering five square miles.—William George Jordan, in July Ladies' Home Journal.

Sun Never Sets on Uncle Sam's Dominion.

"The Britons proudly boast that the sun never sets on the Queen's dominions, as if they were special subjects of solar favoritism," writes William George Jordan in "The Greatest Nation on Earth," in the July Ladies' Home Journal. "But it is equally true that there is always sunshine on some part of Uncle Sam's possessions. When it is 6 P. M. on Attou's Island, Alaska, it is 11:30 A. M. of the day following at Eastport, Maine. If we locate the centre of the United States, calculating it as midway between longitude sixty-seven of Eastport and longitude one hundred and ninety-three of Attou's Island, it will be found on the one hundred and twenty-sixth degree of longitude; about two hundred and eighty miles west of San Francisco, in the Pacific Ocean."

A well known diver was seen on the floor of the Stock exchange yesterday doing some plunging.

FUN.

"I thought that Miss Home's essay was much the best of all those read at the commencement. 'That's odd, I never knew that she had much literary ability. What was the subject of her essay?' 'How to make a Cherry Pie.'—Philadelphia Chronicle.

First Clergyman—As good Americans, I don't think we ought to pray for the queen today.

Second Clergyman—As good Americans, I think that's just what we ought to do, for we ought to believe that she needs praying for.—New York Tribune.

Mrs. Pneumony—I'll have two pounds of that sage cheese, and I'll have a pound of you, unity, too.

Grocer—Mama?

Mrs. Pneumony—One pound will be enough, I guess. Dr. Kiddle says that sage cheese can be eaten with impunity; but then, you know, I may not like impunity.—Boston Transcript.

"Mr. Speaker," the new member quavered. "I should like to rise to a question of privilege."

"The gentleman from Kansas has the floor."

"I want to know if I got a right to mention that I got a lot of pure Jersey heifers to sell in the speech I am going to have put in the record for circulation in my district!"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Shrewd Swindler.

One of the shrewdest swindlers that ever struck Richmond county, says the Rockingham Index, was here for a few days in May, got over \$1,100 out of the county, took his departure and has not been seen or heard of since that time. He is badly wanted by most of the school committees of the county and in case he can be found things will be made after him.

But J. D. Abbot, the man they're after, has got his money and it is hard to get him. He will want to renew his acquaintance in the county of Richmond. Abbot claimed to represent a first class shirt house and went to see the various school committees. He showed them a very good chart and sold some of them at \$37.50 and in payment therefor he took vouchers upon the county treasurer for the money. In other instances Abbot asked the committees to just sign their names to a piece of paper as an endorsement for the committees. By some sick means he worked some all the districts and it is suggested that he resorted to forgery in several instances. The sheriff did not want to pay Abbot the money but the vouchers were in proper shape and correctly signed and he could not do otherwise. Abbot has his \$1,100 but not charts have reached the deluded purchasers and it is not thought by many that he is anxious to deliver them. It has been several weeks since he took the orders and got his money but the present whereabouts of Abbot and the charts is an unsolved mystery.

Suggestions on the Question of Buying Tobacco at the Barn Door.

There is one practice that has become almost universal in this territory indulged in by the warehousemen in which it seems from sundry complaints we hear from many farmers reform is desirable. It is a practice which we suppose it would not be very difficult to correct. This needed reform is in the matter of warehousemen sending men direct to the barn door to buy the farmer's tobacco instead of waiting for it to come to market to be sold direct on its merits on the floor.

The Danger Side of Lightning-Rods.

The conventional lightning rods that one sees over houses and barns in the country and small towns afford but little protection to the buildings. Small as this security is, it is wholly lost if the so called conductors are improperly constructed, and not in perfect order, when they, in fact, become an absolute menace to the building they are reared to guard. It is essential, if the conventional rod is to be set up, that the work be entrusted to reliable and capable persons, otherwise it may become a shining invitation to danger. It is probable, therefore, all things considered, that a building is as well, if not better, protected without such conductors as are in general use as with them. It is safe to assert that the great majority of buildings damaged or destroyed by lightning were provided with lightning rods, and in the majority of these cases the conductors invited the thunderbolts and for some cause, probably improper construction, could not lead the lightning harmlessly to the earth.—Government Electrician J. E. Powell, in July Ladies' Home Journal.

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"How Now?"

L. T. MANN.

I simply rise to ask if anyone can tell me how it has come to pass that preachers conceive themselves at liberty to address a public assembly in a vein of low innuendo, illbred ribaldry, and positive, downright vulgarity.

It is a shameful fact, that public deliverances from both pulpits and platforms are frequently but the opening of the intellectual and moral charnel-house of the speaker's hidden life, and the reclamation and bringing to view of some carnal field of past character, out of which issues an awful stench, disgusting to refined sensibilities, and sickening to decent moral taste.

Of all men we think preachers ought to be purest. In the vast realm of truth apprehended by the human mind, that part of it regarded as peculiarly the field of the preacher is the purest and most ennobling of all its provinces. It is so, how then can he come from this field bearing to his hearers nothing but garbage, that reeks with its rottenness, repels with its stench, or attracts only to involve and develop all that is vile, and to perpetuate its hateful contagion of filth.

If preachers persist in thinking and talking as they please, regardless of every principle of propriety, then decent men, and especially decent women, will be compelled to say with Bishop Duncanson: "Thank God I am not called to hear you." Moreover, the good women of this land owe it to themselves as a matter of self-respect, to leave, in a body, any public assembly in which their modesty is affronted and their sex insulted by the low, coarse, language and illustrations, that frequently corrupt the sermon and mar the services of God's house.

For shame that such writing as the above should be called for. The time has come when something must be done to check this tendency of the time. I suggest that while philanthropists are endowing chairs of history, etc., some good woman, as an expression of her resentment, and as a means of her protection, select one of our church colleges, and in it, endow a chair of Gentility,—written with a big G. We need gentlemen in the ministry as well as scholars. We have some, but want more.

Suggestions on the Question of Buying Tobacco at the Barn Door.

This custom of buying in the country has been going on for several years, though at the outset of the warehouse business, and for many years thereafter, this was not the case, nor is it the case on some markets now for the warehousemen to purchase any tobacco in the country.

If all tobacco was sold by the producer on the warehouse floor more uniformity of price to the farmer would prevail and he would be the gainer, besides it would be more satisfactory to all interested in the aggregate. One reason that it is objectionable is that the same tobacco dealers buy of the farmer at the barn door is put on the floor and the price is pushed to a higher price by said buyer than the farmer who did not sell in the country and put his tobacco on the floor is able to get for his sold the same day, and this naturally creates dissatisfaction.

We think that much complaint would be hushed up if tobacco was again sold in every instance direct by the farmer on the warehouse floor. Such a course it strikes us would redound to the benefit of farmers and warehousemen, and indeed to the dealers generally. Of course concert of action on the part of all warehousemen in this territory would be required to accomplish the result suggested.

We throw out these suggestions for what they are worth, believing at the same time that it would be to the interest of all to bring about a reform in this matter.—Oxford Ledger.

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A BAD PRACTICE.
The Charlotte Observer of Sunday refers at length to a matter from which every paper in North Carolina suffers more or less, but which affects, probably, the daily newspapers most—the practice indulged in so extensively of borrowing subscribers' papers; of habitually using the property of another and frequently to the annoyance and inconvenience of the owner.

The practice sometimes works two ways against the paper. Some who borrow would subscribe if they couldn't borrow, and once in a while a paying subscriber, one who appreciates the paper and is really anxious to have it in his home, becomes so worn out and disgusted with the borrowing habit that he stops taking it himself in order to get rid of the borrower.

The Observer evidently thinks the confirmed borrower a hard nut, for it says it "despairs of its ability to say anything which will pierce the hide of the newspaper borrower and it has no appeal in the matter except to its subscribers," and adds:

"The good will of a person who will persistently beat upon you is hardly worth the having, and the man who subscribes and pays for a newspaper, like a man, ought not to hesitate to deny to anybody the right to read his paper before he and his family do, nor hesitate to tear it up when they have finished with it. We frankly avow a certain amount of personal feeling in this matter, being aware that those people who curse this paper must generously be persons who never subscribe for it nor buy a copy of it, but borrow it from one year's end to another from better men than themselves."

From our own experience, we are prepared to endorse as a shunk of solid truth the statement of our contemporary that "those people who curse this paper most generally are persons who never subscribe for it nor buy a copy." Fortunately, the animus of this class is frequently so apparent that the purpose to injure the paper falls flat or proves a boomerang and rebounds upon the source of abuse.

The Observer concludes its remarks upon the subject as follows:

"It is much the habit of supercilious deadbeats to turn up their noses at the State papers and wonder why North Carolina cannot have great papers such as other States have. We have no words to waste on the deadbeats, but to honest men who pay for this paper we wish to say that North Carolina will never have a great paper until subscribers cease lending such as we already have. This will bring the sponges to terms and they will perforce become newspaper subscribers; and this will help them, too, for they will then become more self-respecting and better citizens."—Winston Sentinel.

Is it "overwork" that has filled this country with nervous dyspepsia?—that takes the flesh off their bones, makes them feeble, emaciated and inefficient? No. It is bad cooking, overeating of indigestible stuff, and other health-destroying habits.

The remedy is an artificially dressed food such as the Shaker Digestive Cordial. Instead of irritating the already inflamed stomach the Cordial gives a chance to rest by nourishing the system itself and digesting other food taken with it. So flesh and strength return. Is not the idea rational? The cordial is palatable and relieves immediately. No money risked to decide on its value. A 10 cent trial bottle does that.

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There was a threatened race war in Key West, Fla., last week, and being so far removed from the mainland that State troops could not be sent there easily, the Governor telegraphed to the President for the assistance of United States soldiers. This leads the Philadelphia Record to pertinently ask: "If Florida cannot govern herself firmly enough to avert a race war without help from Washington, how would it be with the State of Hawaii?"

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, July 2nd, 1897.

There never was a clearer case of asking for bread and receiving more than the so-called anti-trust amendment to the tariff bill, prepared by the Republicans of the Senate Finance Committee. It was not their first intention to report any amendment on this subject, but they became satisfied that if they did not there was danger that the Pettigrew anti-trust amendment, which was recently tabled by a little parliamentary juggling, might be brought to a direct vote and adopted. Then they got their heads together and concocted the sham that will be just about as injurious to the trusts as the Sherman anti-trust law has been and they actually expect the voters of the country to accept their work as an earnest and real attempt to curb the power of trusts, instead of seeing it for what it really is; an attempt to bamboozle the voters who don't know any better than to look to Republicans for legislation adverse to trusts.

Senator Turpie gave the Republican tariff bill a raking fire and in a speech in favor of the amendment supported by the minority of the Finance Committee, to tax inheritances over \$5,000, 2 percent for the next five years. He told the Republicans that they had made the measure prohibitory and that to issue, no bill had ever been presented that made so large and unprovoked a spoliation of the world's commerce. He said there was "compounded felony" in nearly every schedule of it, and that the bill made it almost a penal offense to carry on trade with the people of South and Central America, while one-third of it was a declaration of war against France, Germany and the continent of Europe. He added that the rates in the bill were akin to bribery and rapine dictated by a "banditry of syndicates." He closed by referring to the silver question and expressing the opinion that the abandonment of the free coinage of silver by this government was a step in excess of the rightful authority of those who had ordered it done.

Skin games can no longer be played with impunity upon the credulous by unscrupulous men engaged in the business of soliciting patents. Commissioner Butterworth declares that nothing but straightforward honorable business methods are to be allowed in the practice before the Patent Office while he is at its head, and that the patent sharks must go, and to show that he means business he has within a short period disbarred eight attorneys from practice before the United States Patent Office for crooked business, and has cited John Wedderburn & Co. who are officially charged with specific instances of fraud and deception in their dealings with inventors to show cause why they should not also be disbarred.

The Republicans of the District of Columbia who contributed money and time to elect McKinley are inclined to a cynicism every time they glance over the list of seven juicy diplomatic places which have been given to residents of the district. With the exception of John Hay, who is more of a literary man than a politician and more of a club and society man than either and Louis A. Dent, who was the late Mr. Blaine's private secretary for a long time, the average Republican has never heard of these favored individuals until their names went to the Senate. It is probable that the other five gentlemen were credited to the District of Columbia for the convenience of their Congressional backers, but that doesn't make it please the local pie hunters any better.

Representative Doxery, of Mo., who has just returned from a visit to his home says: "There is but little activity in the business circles of Missouri at this time. Affairs are somewhat of an expectant attitude, awaiting the appearance of the belated 'prosperity' promised by the Republican party, which seems to have been sidetracked somewhere along the line of its journey. Money is idle and listless, because the opportunity of profitable investment is uninviting. Under existing conditions Missouri would probably double the majority she gave Bryan. The next House, in my opinion, will be overwhelmingly

Democratic, and the Republicans will also lose control of the Senate."

It looks to a man up a tree as though John Russell Young, the newspaper man, who is the new Librarian of Congress, had dropped into a \$5,000 a year sinecure, as A. R. Spofford, who has been Librarian for a number of years is made his first assistant and will probably continue to do all the hard work. It is given out that Mr. Spofford was made assistant instead of Librarian, at his own request, but, if course, nobody has to believe such an improbable story just because it has official backing. Spofford has many influential friends who might have made trouble, if so disposed; that accounts for the story.

Weekly Crop Bulletin.

The week ending June 28th was generally favorable, except along the northern section of North Carolina and over a few southeastern counties, where insufficient rain fell. The 22d, 23d and 27th were cool, but temperature above 90° occurred during the middle of the week. Very beneficial showers occurred throughout the week. Wheat is about all housed and threshing is under way. Cotton is still backward but progressing well; corn has improved and is being laid by; tobacco continues small. In some counties farmers are having difficulty in keeping down the grass.

EASTERN DISTRICT.

Over portions of this district, especially in Halifax, Gates, Nash, Wilson and Brunswick counties, the past week has been too dry, and crops are suffering from the drought; in others occasional showers occurred. Crops have been kept in good condition. Considerable of the corn has been laid by; it is small, but doing fairly well; corn is silking and tasseling. Cotton was retarded in growth some by cooler weather on 23d, 24d and 27th, but made progress during the middle of the week; blossoms are reported. Tobacco is doing well at many points; in some counties is buttoning out badly. Threshing wheat is in full blast. Rice crop is fine. Early table corn is ripe and tomatoes are ripening.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

One Member Declines—Vacancy Filled—Supervisor Elected.

On the first Monday in June a board of Education consisting of A. Ward, F. Ward and Allen Johnston was elected. These were to qualify and enter upon their duties the first Monday in July. Instead of appearing to qualify, one of the members elected, Allen Johnston, wrote a letter to the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners declining to accept the office. When the last Legislature was creating offices and making laws to govern the same, it did not seem to anticipate that anybody falling heir to one of the offices would do such a thing as decline it, and made no provision to meet such emergency. So this action of Mr. Johnston caused some confusion as to just what course to pursue. State Superintendent Mcbane was telegraphed to for instructions, but his office being closed on account of holiday no answer came from him.

Finally it was concluded to have a joint meeting of the County Commissioners, Clerk of Superior Court and Register of Deeds, and hold another election to fill the vacancy. This was done in the afternoon and when the ballot was taken three votes, all that were cast, were for Jesse Cannon, Commissioner Thompson and Register of Deeds Perkins declined to vote.

After this election the three members of the Board of Education qualified and held a joint session with the Register of Deeds and Clerk of Superior Court to elect a Supervisor. Thirty-three ballots were taken before any choice was reached. J. R. Tingle was finally elected.

BETHEL ITEMS.

BETHEL, N. C., July 5th, '97.

Leon Peal has taken a position as printer in the Southern office at Tarboro.

Rev. B. B. Culbreth, Mrs. N. M. Hammond, J. C. R. Davenport left last Tuesday evening to attend the Washington District Conference of the M. E. church at Aurora.

Marvin Culbreth, son of Rev. B. B. Culbreth, preached two excellent sermons in the Methodist church Sunday morning and night.

There was a Masonic funeral held over the late Thos. D. Carson Sunday at 2 o'clock, P. M. There was a very large crowd of there. There were fifty eight Masons in the procession.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Gainer died last Monday morning at 6 o'clock, age 3½ months old. It was buried Tuesday evening. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved parents.

Mrs. G. W. Blount spent last Tuesday here.

Hoax—"What are you doing now?"
Joax—"Sharpening knives and scissors."
Hoax—"How do you find?"
Joax—"Dull."

Rollington Nemo—"What kind of music do you like best?"
Thirby Thingumbob—"De kind wid the most bars in lots of rec."

OAKLEY ITEMS.

OAKLEY, N. C., July 5th, 1897.

Miss Mollie Williams and sister, Miss Matilda, who has been visiting relatives here, returned home Wednesday, Miss Mamie Belcher accompanied them home.

Bob Greene, of Greenville, was here Thursday and made sale of one of his elegant buggies.

Quite a number of our people attended the Masonic funeral of Thos. D. Carson yesterday.

Miss Verna Little is quite sick.

Crops are looking well, hay time is here.

Hat for the Chief.

Capt. A. J. Griffin, Chief of the Fire Department, received a package by express Saturday night. Nothing unusual for him to get a package, but this proved to be one that delighted Capt. Jack very much. It contained an elegant fireman's white helmet with the word "Chief" across the front. The hat was sent to our efficient Chief with the compliments of Elliott Bros., of Baltimore. Not only Capt. Griffin but every member of the department appreciates the compliment.

Great Numbers of Insects.

Saturday morning a party of gentlemen were sitting around trying to keep cool, when the subject of toads came up. One man said they were valuable to have around, when another man laughed at him, contending that they are a pest, but the other declared that they devoured an army of things, which, left alone, were injurious to vegetation. Only one or two men sided with him.

Running over some current literature, however, we find this. Read it and see who was right:

"It appears that Entomologist Kirkland, of the Massachusetts experiment station, has discovered that the toad is even more valuable than the crow as a destroyer of pests. Mr. Kirkland has given much attention to toads, as much as the Agricultural Department bestowed on crows. And he, too, has published a book. He states that 77 per cent of the toad's food is insects. He says he found in the stomach of a single toad fifty five army worms, in another sixty five gypsy moth caterpillars. He also instances an experiment where in three hours' time a toad had consumed between thirty and thirty five full-grown celery worms. He estimates from what he has observed that in the months of May, June, and July a toad would devour 3,312 ants, 2,208 cut worms, 1,840 myriapods, 2,208 sour bugs, 368 weevils, and 368 carabids. Of these 9,336 are injurious insects, and 368 are beneficial insects, the latter being the carabids. On the basis of gardeners figure one single toad is credited with saving approximately \$29 in that time."—Greensboro Record.

Seabirds in a Storm.

At the first sign of stormy weather the birds seek some harbor of safety, but they are not always warned in time to permit them to reach the shore. If the storm shuts them out of the coast they are forced to fly around in flocks, until accidents lead them to a retreat. Sea-fowl at such times flock together, and a lost company may number thousands, representing a heterogeneous collection of all the species of sea-birds. Such motley collections frequently dash against the beach, or some exposed point, where hundreds are killed by the collision; steamers serve as an allurement for them and they follow the light of a vessel as the moth does the candlelight. If not attracted by any light the birds fly around until exhausted by their exertions or until the storm abates. During the prolonged storms thousands of lost sea-fowl are destroyed upon the ocean though their inability to reach land is to outside the furrows gales. The waves offer no resting place for them, and they are forced to trust entirely to their wings for safety. They can make no headway against the gale, and are in time swept far out to sea. Floating spars and wrecks have been the means of saving the lives of many lost birds. They float on them until they have strength to resume their journey. Incoming vessels have brought solitary sea-fowl that would light upon the masts of the ships when completely exhausted.

An Appropriate Poem.

A poor collector was found puffing and blowing on Fayetteville street yesterday. He mopped his forehead and quoted the following poem:

"Backward, turn backward, O time in your flight,
Give us a snow storm just for to-night.
I am weary of weather so hot,
The sweat in my pores would fill a big pot.
Weary of working away for a wage,
Weary of collars that will like a rag.
A snow storm or blizzard would go very nice.
Put me on ice! mother, put me on ice."

The Greatest Text in the Bible.

Love is the highest experience of the human soul. Faith and hope, it is true, are gifts from God to man, but love is the very essence of God Himself. God is love. When God imparts love to us He imparts Himself. "Every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God."

There is no simpler truth in Scripture than this of God's love to man, and yet I know of no more difficult subject to present to the world. Could I but make the world understand and believe that "God is love" I should never preach from any other text. My last days would be devoted to proclaiming that one fact in every part of the world, and I know that every day would be a veritable Pentecost. For if the world were convinced that God was love, a God of mercy, and not of judgment, our prisons would be empty, and the Kingdom of God would be established in our midst. For love begets love; and if we can make men really believe that God loves them, they will love Him in return. We are apt to judge others by ourselves. If a man is covetous he thinks every one else is covetous; if he is base every one else is base. And so men would think of God as like themselves; and because they love those only who are lovable, they think of God as only loving those who are good and who are deserving of His love.—Dwight L. Moody in July Ladies' Home Journal.

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Butter, per lb	15 to 25
Western Sides	50 to 60
Sugar cured Hams	10 to 12 1/2
Corn	40 to 60
Corn Meal	45 to 60
Flour, Family	4 1/2 to 5 1/2
Lard	54 to 10
Oats	35 to 40
Sugar	4 to 5
Coffee	17 to 20
Salt per Sack	75 to 1 1/2
Chickens	10 to 15
Eggs per doz	7 to 10
Ice wax, per	1 1/2 to 2

Cotton and Peanuts.

Below are Norfolk prices of cotton, and peanuts for yesterday, as furnished by Cobb Bros. & Commission Merchants of Norfolk.

COTTON.	
Good Middling	7 1/2
Middling	7
Low Middling	6 1/2
Good Ordinary	6 1/2 to 7
Tone—quiet.	

PEANUTS.	
Prime	2
Extra Prime	2 1/2
"Candy"	2 1/2
"Crackling"	2 1/2
Tone—quiet.	

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Notice

Is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of Commissioners of Pitt County at their meeting on the first Monday in August, 1897, to alter the line between Carolina and Pictou townships in accordance with a petition this day filed with said Board.

G. M. MORRISON, of Carolina township.
M. A. WOODLAND, of Pictou township.
W. R. WHITCHARD, of Pictou township.
J. B. LITTLE, of Pictou township.
H. W. WHITCHARD, of Pictou township.

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HAVING BEEN APPOINTED and qualified as Receiver of the Greenville Lumber Company, for the purpose of settling the affairs of said Company, I hereby offer for sale the real estate in and adjoining the town of Greenville belonging to said Company. This property will be sold on reasonable terms in lots to suit purchasers.

For further information see or address

LOVIT HINES, Receiver, Kinston, N. C.

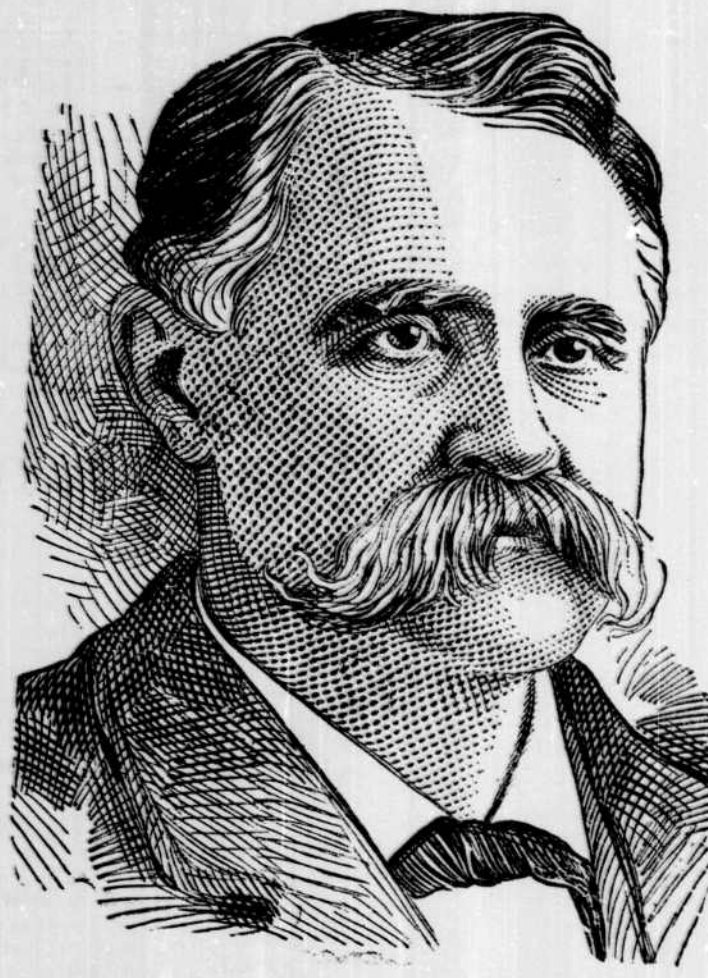
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WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—Congressman Peter J. Otey has distinguished himself by active and honorable service in the house of representatives, where he was sent from the Sixth district of Virginia. On the floor of the house and in the committee room he is a conspicuous advocate of measures for the advancement of good government. In what high honor Paine's Celery Compound is held in the family of this distinguished legislator appears from the following letter:

Dear Sirs:—For years I have been a great sufferer from neuralgia, and during the past winter was advised to try your Paine's Celery Compound, and I used two bottles of it with great benefit. I was so much pleased with it that I persuaded my brother, John Lloyd, to use it. He had been having a bad form of nervous dyspepsia, and now, after using the compound for two months, is so much improved that we feel sure a third bottle will complete his cure. Every one has spoken of the marked change for the better in her appearance. Respectfully,
MRS. MALLIE FLOYD OTEY.

This is one of some 15 or 20 letters from United States congressmen or members of their families, that have recently appeared in the newspapers here, heartily recommending Paine's Celery Compound.

One of the most eminent physicians in the city, being interviewed by one of the papers says:

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Any one who reads the heartfelt, emphatic letters that have appeared here from men and women who owe their health and often their lives to Paine's Celery Compound will be impressed by the sincerity in every line.

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THE REFLECTOR Local Reflections

July.
Seventh month.
Takes the palm—groves.
The woman lawyer is a fee male.
The June bride has been harvested.
The thirsty cyclist always carries his pump with him.
Tobacco curing is now in progress all over the county.
Speaking of preserves, cucumbers are not jarred by electricity.
Now for the green apple, the small boy and the collie wags.
The baggage smasher is reveling in his fishish occupation.
The man who is always short is usually looked down upon.
Pride goes before a fall, but the usually runs a close second.
This month will give five each of Thursday, Friday and Saturday.
"Blinds repaired" is the sign displayed by a Walnut street oculist.
The impetuous lumber dealer even has difficulty in paying his board bill.
The ball player who hits too many balls at night hits the least the next day.
It is usually the woman with the handsomest carriage who does the most walking.
Wiley Brown and J. A. Ricks are attending the District Conference at Aurora.
A good rain fell here early last night but it made little change in the temperature.
It was about as dull around the depot this morning as it generally gets out there.
Hines Bros. of Kinston, will establish a lumber yard here. It will be a great convenience.
There is talk of a Brower's Trust, and yet since the warm weather set in fear is going down.
J. W. Albertson, formerly of Elizabeth City, is now editor of the Tarboro Southern. Success to him.
Bobbie—"Why does Beeman call his board bills 'burlesk'?" Slobs—"He thinks they are only good to be jumped."
Shelburn has a way of treating people cool just because the weather is hot. He turns his soda fountain on them.
Bjorne—"I understand your father was lost at sea." Silas—"No; he was drowned, but they found him the same day."
Nell—"That's a nice pair of shoes you have on." Belle—"Yes; seven and a half." Nell—"I didn't ask you what size they were."
Pat—"Place, sor, O'd look to be a deuce ive. Have yez anything for me?" Chiel—"Well, I am might give you a ob spotting conch dogs."

The year is half gone.
Electric blue is a flashy color.
Low spits—five cent whisky.
Cotton blossoms plentiful now.
Nice showers again last night.
Lots of humidity in the weather.
Initiation subaru is on the market.
The parachute attraction is dropping off.
The man of letters usually has a long name.
If you haven't listed taxes it is your own fault.
Awning makers are having a shade the best of it.
The marine reporter says there is a drop in anchors.
Doctors are busy preparing medicines for the glorious Fourth.
Time and tide wait for a man, but the musical director beats time.
The Forbestown Kid wants to know if beech nuts are found in sea shells.
The man with the longest reach doesn't always grasp the most opportunities.
Bobbie—"Would you like an ash?" Slobs—"I'd rather have an ashtray."
No, Maude, dear, the fellow who pines in the bottom bunk is not necessarily a man of low birth.
The fellow who first said that talk is cheap must have lived before the day of the long distance telephone.
Prof. W. H. Ragsdale has been appointed by the Grand Master T. O. O. F. as District Deputy for this county.
Why is it that if a man is seen carrying a rod, everybody stops and asks him if he is going fishing?
It goes right on getting warmer notwithstanding the weather bureau prophesies that we are to have a cool summer.
Mrs. Mary Louisa Harding, widow of the late Mr. Fred Harding, died at her home near Centerville on Tuesday morning.
The man who refuses to pay a newspaper subscription is usually too mean to fail for the law to trifle with—Press and Printer.
One of the great troubles with most of us is that we purchase a trunk in which to store our troubles and a cigar box to hold our joys.
De Tarque—"Let us drown our sorrows in the flowing bowl." Guzzler—"Well, drowning men clutch at straws, I'll have a mint julep."
The Biblical Recorder, of Raleigh, has closed its sixty second year. It is rare that a paper reaches either the age or the excellence of the Recorder.
Proctor & Dawes are moving their stock to Wilmington. E. M. Checkup claims the building they formerly occupied and is having it remodeled.
The advertisement the business man intends to publish after awhile is not bringing him any trade today. The time to seek trade is right now, not next month, next season or next year.
If the fellows who consume so much time looking for the north pole would find it now they might put it to good use, that is if it is as cold as claimed to be.

MIDDLE OF THE ROADERS.

These Passed the Middle Mile Post of the Year.

H. B. Sledge, of Tarboro, is visiting L. H. Pender.
Rev. N. M. Watson returned from Aurora Friday.
A. B. Hart returned Friday evening from Boykins, Va.
J. B. Jarvis returned from Scotland Neck Thursday evening.
Henry Sheppard returned from Raleigh Thursday evening.
Miss Blanch Fleming, of Potosi, is visiting Miss Pat Skinner.
Miss Emma Howard, of Kinston, is visiting Miss Mary Alice Moye.
E. B. Ficklen returned Thursday evening from his trip to Virginia.
Miss Minnie Quinn has returned from a visit to relatives at Cricketsland.
Mrs. Fannie Hardee, of Greene county, is visiting her son, D. S. Smith.
Mrs. R. W. King and little Mattie Moye returned this morning from McRehob.
Mrs. L. H. Pender and little daughter, Nellie, returned from Tarboro Friday evening.
Miss Nannie Coffield, of Hamilton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. R. Smith in South Greenville.
Mrs. Henry Harding came home Wednesday from a visit to Beaufort and Pamlico county.
Misses B. L. Warren and Myrtie James returned Friday from a month's visit in Washington.
Raymond Tyler came home Tuesday evening from Baltimore where he has been attending school.
Mrs. Theresa Warren and daughters, of Wilson, arrived Friday evening to visit Mrs. C. T. Munford.
D. W. Andrews and family, of Durham, came down Wednesday to visit his father, A. A. Andrews.
Mrs. H. B. Raymond and children, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are visiting the family of her uncle, R. L. Hunter.
W. M. Bond, of Edenton, who has formed a law partnership with J. L. Fleming, came in Tuesday evening.
Mrs. Julian Timberlake, of Raleigh, came down Wednesday evening to visit her father, R. R. Cotten, at Cottontide.
Misses Winstead, Gordon and Phillips, of Rocky Mount, arrived Tuesday evening to visit Mrs. G. B. King, at Fairview, in West Greenville.
Miss D. L. Lamb, of Wilmington, is visiting Miss Sallie Cotten, at Cottontide. They both spent Wednesday night with friends in Greenville.
Miss Bettie Tyson returned Friday evening from a visit to Winston. She was accompanied home by Miss Oliver Joyner, of Baltimore, who will make her a visit.

Maj. H. Harding returned Wednesday evening from a week's visit to Beaufort and Pamlico counties. He delivered a Masonic address at Aurora on the 24th.

Rev. B. H. M. and Prof. F. E. Dawson, who have been holding a meeting at Wilmington, passed through Thursday evening going to Kinston.

Dog days soon.

A small half ripe watermelon found its way to town Friday.

A downtown cobbler advertises "Halt! sold shoes at a big reduction."

Can't use big words. It comes hard if you are ever compelled to eat them.

A good costume this kind of weather might be made of spun ice and mosquito netting.

It is comforting to look back over the newspaper files and read accounts of last winter's blizzards.

Quite a number of boys gave a lantern parade Friday night. There were some fancy illuminations in the line.

THE REFLECTOR has not made the count, but persons who have told us there are at present forty-eight bicycles in Greenville. And the number keeps right on increasing.

Mr. A. A. Andrews, who lives in West Greenville, tells us rats are about to make way with all his chickens. The rodents make a raid every night on his poultry house.

Bobbie—"What did you pay for your bicycle?" Slobs—"Seventy-five dollars." Bobbie—"Why I bought a rattling one for twenty-five." Slobs—"Yes, I've heard it."

Mrs. Wiggwag (A. M.)—"Where have you been until this hour of the morning?" Mr. Wiggwag—"My dear, I was at a meeting of the Watchmen's Association, and they didn't wind up until late."

Reporter—"That fellow who wanted his name kept out of the paper called in today. Oh, he was mad."

Editor—"What about?" Reporter—"It seems we kept it out, Tit Bits."

The ladies of the Episcopal church will give their monthly excursion on next Wednesday night, July 7th. They anticipate a large crowd and guarantee fine time of the season. Let every body go and have a nice time.

We learn from The Biblical Recorder that Rev. J. H. Lumberth, known and loved in Greenville, has recovered from a long and severe spell of sickness. He is now at Wake Forest College attending the Pastor's Institute.

The Old Dominion steamer Virinia Dare will make her first trip this season from Washington to Ocracoke on next Saturday night. The Fitt County Rides and quite a number of Greenville folks will go down then.

Oak Ridge Institute will open its 48th year August 15th. The school has been managed by Prof. Holt twenty-two years, and is the language of Dr. Winslow, recently president of the University, "has a very large share in the revival of the educational spirit of the State." It sends out the prettiest catalogue in the State. Write for one.

Off for Camp.

Company H. Pitt County Rifles left on steamer Myers this afternoon to spend a week in camp at Ocracoke. The following compose the roll of the camp.

Capt.—J. T. Smith.
Lieut.—J. C. Albritton, J. R. Corey, W. S. Bernard.

Sergeant.—H. C. Hooker, H. M. Snuggs, J. F. Evans, W. S. Briley, E. T. Forbes.

Corps.—J. V. Johnson, T. H. Tyson, C. B. Whitchard.

Privates.—J. L. Suggs, S. J. Nobles, C. D. Smith, J. F. Pollard, R. A. Forbes, A. F. Spann, F. A. Patrick, E. D. Tyson, J. A. Briley, W. J. Evans, W. E. Nichols, H. A. Allen, Ed Foley, A. L. Briley, C. T. Watson.

The boys left loaded for a good time and they are going to have it.

W. R. Parker and wife, Mrs. V. H. Whitchard, Misses Ella Tait, Minnie and Sarah Hooker, J. J. Cherry, O. A. Forbes, Burwell Kiddick, J. J. Evans, R. M. Meyer, Ashly Wilson, M. F. Turnage, Sola King, Gus Forbes, John White, Bruce Suggs, Rat Rountree, Louis and Charlie Skinner left on steamer Myers today for Ocracoke.

Officers Installed.
Friday night the following officers of Tar River Lodge No. 93, Knights of Pythias were installed by C. O'H. Laughlinhouse, District Grand Chancellor.

H. W. Whitchard, C. C. L. L. Moore, V. C. R. L. Carr, P. B. F. Suggs, M. A. A. A. B. Ellington, K. J. R. S. G. J. Woodward, M. of W. E. C. H. riding, M. of E. C. B. Whitchard, M. of F. C. O'H. Laughlinhouse, J. G. C. M. Blow, O. G.

The Library.
In a recent issue of the REFLECTOR there appeared a communication from Mrs. Ada Cherry, secretary of the circle of King's Daughters, in which she made known the purpose of that organization in reference to establishing and maintaining a library and reading room for Greenville. In concluding she referred also to those who are interested in such an organization, to me for information concerning the same.

For this reason I have thought best to submit whatever plans we have, together with such information we consider of value.

We are going to have the library and the reading rooms, provided the reading people want it. There will soon be an opportunity given to those who have said they were in sympathy with the movement, and to those who have not, to show what encouragement they are willing to give.

Messrs. E. J. H. Foss have proposed to contribute forty eight dollars per year. They have offered to rent quite a suitable room in the Plaza building to the library as a library at the rate of four dollars per month, pay by in advance, and immediately upon payment of the money they will return it to the association to pay for books, papers, etc.

The King's Daughters propose to contribute liberally to the maintenance of the reading room.

At an early date as practicable, say as soon as the people have returned from the various summer outings, there will be a meeting called for, of all who are interested in establishing a reading room and library, and at that time a permanent organization will be effected, committees will be appointed and empowered in the name of the association to act at once.

What is needed now, is encouragement and sympathy, later dollars and sense.

Speaking for myself, there is no movement to mind, which can have a healthier influence upon our society than that which would naturally emanate from such an institution. Indeed I think from a financial point of view it would prove a paying investment.

W. M. F. HARDING.

For Ocracoke.
In Saturday's issue we missed the names of several who went with the party to Ocracoke. Besides those already mentioned, there were Mrs. R. Green and children, Mrs. M. A. Bernard, Misses Shackelford, Lena Tait and Emma Harris, Will Hooker, M. B. Dawes and L. Hooker. Lunford Fleming and family and J. E. Fleming joined the party at Barber Landing.

A. & M. College.

We call attention to the advertisement of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts in our issue today. This College has steadily advanced to the front rank, and its work has received the highest commendation from Harper's Magazine, The New York Forum and other eminent educational authorities. It is admitted to be one of the best institutions of learning in the South, and is doing a great work for North Carolina.

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N. H. Whittell, of the Star Warehouse, made the first new tobacco purchase of the season. Thursday he bought a barn from John Lockamy, paying \$8 through for it.

June Marriages.
During the month of June the Register of Deeds issued twelve marriage licenses, seven for white and five for colored couples. This is three more than were issued in June of last year, and five more than in June, 1895.

A Real Bargain.
"It's a swindle," she said. "The idea of charging \$4 for that!" "Under the circumstances, madam," returned the floorwalker, who had been attracted to the spot, "we will make it \$3.99 to you."

"Ah," she said, producing her purse, "that's more like it."—Chicago Post

Jailed For Contempt.
A young white man named Eddie Smith, of Beaver Dam township, was brought Tuesday and put in jail. He was sent up for contempt by Justice of the Peace, R. A. Nichols, for disturbing the latter's court while in session.

W. G. Lamb, representing Daniel Miller, of Baltimore, is in town with his samples.

To Improve the Court House.
Chairman W. M. King, of the Board of County Commissioners, has let the contract for repainting the Court House to Kiddick & Barnes. The building will be thoroughly repainted inside and out and all the decayed woodwork will be repaired. The work is badly needed.

Bitten by a Snake.
A phone message from Whitchard tells us that Mr. S. M. Bailey, of Carolina township, went in his barn Tuesday to get some corn, and while reaching for the corn was bitten on the hand by a poplar leaf snake. The poison went all over him and his condition is serious.

Summer Schedule.
During the Ocracoke season the steamer Myers will leave here on Saturdays at 1 o'clock P. M., and the Virginia Dare will leave Washington at 10 P. M. Fare for the round trip from Greenville \$2.25. The Virginia Dare will also make a mid-week trip, leaving Washington at 7 o'clock Wednesday mornings.

Stole His Dog.
When Mr. E. B. Ficklen left a few weeks ago to take a trip through Virginia, he carried his pointer dog along with him. This particular dog was a very fine one and so attractive that many people wanted him. When Mr. Ficklen returned Thursday evening he did not have that dog, but brought along only a small pointer. Asked the cause of this change, he said somebody stole his fine dog from him while in Danville, Tuesday, and he could not find the animal any more, so brought another to raise.

Lang's
CASH HOUSE

Lang Sells Cheap.

IN THE SWIM.

If you want anything in

Gen'l Merchandise

call and see me. I can save you money on

FINES SHOES of the celebrated Eagle brand.

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NEW GROCERY STORE

Opened a Grocery store next to S. T. White's and have a full line of

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"I had pains in my head, neck and shoulders and all through my body but they were most severe in my left side. The doctor called it neuralgia and indigestion. I was confined to my bed for eight months. I was very nervous, had smothering spells and could not sleep. I read of cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla and of a case similar to mine. My husband procured a bottle, and I began taking it. After taking one bottle I felt better, and after taking two bottles I felt much better. I continued until my nervousness was cured and I was much better in every way. My husband has also been benefited by Hood's Sarsaparilla." MARY S. BROWN, Spotsylvania, Virginia.

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A GREAT UNDERTAKING.

Seaboard Air Line Sponsor for a Commemorative Enterprise.

Nearly one thousand miles of a country devoted almost to the cultivation of the ground is traversed by a system of south-bound railroad known as "The Seaboard Air Line." According to the progressive general manager of the road, Mr. Everett St. John, the management realizes this country must be built up and improved. To that end, it some time ago established under the direction of Mr. John T. Patrick for years well known as a prime mover in all plans for upbuilding the South and benefiting the Southern farmers, an industrial department with headquarters at Portsmouth.

Some time ago Mr. Patrick conceived the idea of having exhibitions throughout the South to show the best means of utilizing the great resources of this section. This plan is being carried out in an industrial train which has been especially constructed for the purpose for which it will be used. Nine first class cars have been utilized for the purpose. A combination passenger and sleeping car is also attached.

The sides of the cars are so arranged that they may be let down twelve feet on either side, resting on supports. An exhibition platform 100 feet or more in length is thus formed.

Aboard this train are talent and apparatus for exhibiting and explaining improved methods of preserving and evaporating fruits, handling dairy products making and improving roads and other things of interest to the people living along the line of the system.

The train left Portsmouth Saturday morning, and the first exhibition was given yesterday at Boykins, Va., under the personal supervision of Mr. Patrick. The exhibition attracted widespread attention throughout the adjacent country and hundreds of people were present to witness it.

Mr. Patrick is assisted by an able staff, composed of several ladies and gentlemen, all of whom are experts in their several lines. Their duty is to explain the workings of the various labor saving devices and to give practical demonstrations of what can be accomplished by them. This they did yesterday in a manner distinctly pleasing and instructive.

The train itself will attract attention, with its white cars, adorned with streamers bearing the legend: "Seaboard Air Line Industrial Training School." Its tour Southward will be in the nature of a triumphal progress of education and the enterprise of the Seaboard Air Line in this trying to build up and develop the vast country from which it draws its patronage is but another evidence of the road's policy of progress.

Can be Imprisoned for Taxes.

Can a man be imprisoned in North Carolina for debt? Not "except for fraud," says the constitution.

Is a tax due the State and unpaid a debt in the constitutional sense of the word?

If it is, then the last Legislature passed an unconstitutional law when it put sections 52 and 53 in the Revenue Act. These sections are as follows:

"Sec. 52. That it shall be and it is hereby the duty of the sheriff of each county in the State to make diligent inquiry and report to the judge at each term of the criminal court held in the county following the time when the license tax and taxes provided for in schedules A, B and C of this act should have been paid as to whether or not such license taxes and other taxes have been paid by all persons or corporations liable for the same, and to make out a list of delinquents. And it shall be the duty of the judge to submit the list of the delinquents to the solicitor to the end that such delinquents may be prosecuted for such default in the manner provided in the next section of this act.

"Sec. 53. That such persons or corporations who are liable to pay the license tax or taxes provided for in schedules A, B and C of this act and who fail to pay the same as provided by law shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or imprisoned not exceeding six months, and the sheriff shall be allowed for making such report as he may deem just and proper, to be paid by the county."

Auditor Ayer and Treasurer

Worth say that these sections apply to everything under schedules A, B and C of the Revenue Act and the Machinery Act, so that the owner of property the tax on which has not been paid, may be jailed for the debt.

In this view they are supported by the Attorney-General who yesterday rendered the following opinion: "It is my opinion that sections 52 and 53 of the Revenue Act apply to all taxes alike. At first I thought the provisions of the constitution which provides that there shall be no imprisonment in this State for debt, but after consideration I have concluded that they are valid."

This means that non-payment of taxes, opens the jail doors wide—and for this we have the recent fusion Legislature to thank.

There are others, however, who do not think the imprisonment part of the penalty will stand the test of the courts—that a tax is a debt like any other debt, voluntarily assumed when a man becomes a citizen of the State.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Going For the Doctors.

The Southern Illinois Press Association has adopted a rule to omit the title "Dr." in speaking of a physician. This is a retaliation upon the Southern Illinois Medical Association that expelled two members because they advertised. In Ohio the doctors are fighting proprietary medicines and some of the publishers threaten in every death notice to mention the name of the attending physician.

It is a principle of medical ethics that a physician shall not advertise himself; that is, that he shall not pay for advertising. In the view of the bigwigs in the profession, it is undignified for a doctor to buy newspaper space, but it is not improper for him to get all the free advertising that the papers are willing to give him. He may be mentioned "among those present" at a party. He may go into politics. He may be interviewed as to the condition of some distinguished patient. Operations may be described, and due credit given to the operator. These things are all severely ethical. A scalpel should pay for publicity.—National Adviser.

A Solar Eclipse.

On the 29th of July one of those phenomena will take place that from time immemorial have never failed to engage the attention and elicit the wonder of mankind—a solar eclipse. Even those that are quite familiar with the causes that produce it; and may even be capable of understanding the intricate calculations necessary for its prediction, cannot suppress a feeling of awe on beholding the most interesting of all the phenomena of nature. The eclipse will be an annual one, visible on this continent as a partial one. In our latitude, it will begin at half past 8 o'clock in the morning and end twelve minutes past 11 o'clock.

\$100 REWARD, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

F. J. CHERNEY & CO., Props.
Sold by druggist price 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Two years ago when Congress was in session nearly every man you came up with—especially if he was of some other politics than a Democrat—wanted to know "why in the world those confounded Congressmen didn't do something to relieve the country, or adjourn and go home?" Now it is quite different. Congress has been in session ever since last December and as yet, has done nothing to relieve the people, but we don't hear any complaints, even from our Populist friends. Why the difference? Can it be possible that the people are satisfied, or have they become disgusted and are only waiting to get another chance to change the present Congressmen?—Lansburg Times.

Corn

is a vigorous feeder and responds well to liberal fertilization. On corn lands the yield increases and the soil improves if properly treated with fertilizers containing not under 7% actual

Potash.

A trial of this plan costs but little and is sure to lead to profitable culture.

All about Potash—the merits of its use by actual experiment on the best farms in the United States—sold in a little book which is published and will gladly mail free to any farmer in America who will write for it.

GERMAN KALI WORKS, 33 Nassau St., New York.

The statistician has been at it again. The average man, he has discovered, has 20 square inches of beard on his face. Ergo, if a man with 20 square inches of facebeard every morning, he will scrape over 7,300 square inches in a year. Accordingly, if he shaves once a day, he will have shaved 355,000 square inches of beard.

Singers' Throats.

Some wise body has been discovering that public singers are freer from throat troubles than any other class of human beings. The reason assigned is the constant exercise of the voice, giving exercise to the muscles of the throat. At which a clever man suggests that the musical and medical profession join hands and substitute glee for gales, channettes for mustard plasters and choruses for croton oil. He continues that tenor songs may be prescribed for tonsillitis and ballads for bronchitis. In time, perhaps, a musical medicine hospital may be established, with special songs written to suit special cases. Of course this is all very pleasant sounding, but when the neighbors are taken into consideration it is doubtful if the old methods are not to be preferred.—Chicago Times-Herald.

A Man Did It.

Every woman will be glad to know that it was a man who did it—a man of wide experience in the world in general and in methods of travel in particular. He was a New York man, and it was his first visit to this western city. He had registered, more by chance than anything else, at a certain hotel, taken dinner there, and started out to take the first thing he did was to run across an acquaintance, who, by reason of his superior knowledge of the place, felt called upon to give some advice.

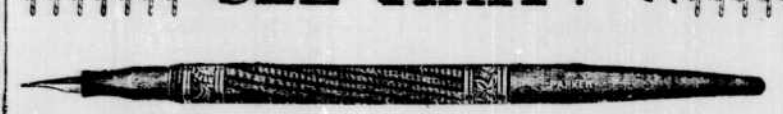
"What hotel are you stopping at, old man?" he asked. "The best hotel here is the Metropolitan. That is where I am stopping, and you had better come up there."

"I will," said the traveler, and a little later, returning to his hotel, he gave up his room and started out to find the Metropolitan. "Just around the corner," said the first man he asked. "I will show you," and turning he guided the traveler to the hotel he had just left, and the latter, as he registered for a second time in that hotel that day, thought things to himself of the man who could go to a hotel and not learn its name.—New York Times.

The Church of England. From the Year Book just issued by the church of England it appears that the income which comes to it from property owned, ancient endowments and regular government grants amounts annually to something over \$5,750,000, yet the expense of the church amounted last year to more than twice that sum, the difference having been made up by voluntary contributions. In commenting on this state of affairs, one of the London papers says: "Thus we see that even now the income which the church draws from her own property is only about half what she requires, while it is notorious that many of her clergy are still miserably underpaid and that in some large cities her resources are quite unequal to the demands made upon them. To say, one that in the case of disendowment another \$5,000,000 would be at once forthcoming from private contributions is little less than absurd. Much of what is given to the church now is given to her just because she is what she is, the established church of the nation, with the many recommendations and advantages which she would no longer possess if disestablished." Here is an argument that stands up strong and tall until one remembers that churches unaided by the state get along quite well in England as elsewhere, though their supporters are forced to contribute also to the revenues of the establishment.—New York Times.

The Fool and His Money. There is another old saying that "the gods give us everything for toil." Those who are outside of the class of fools ought to ponder this saying. There is no royal road to anything. We get everything by toil. We get it in no other way. The notion that you can drop \$100 in a slot and draw out \$25 a week profits is so utterly preposterous, so wildly absurd, that it is difficult to think of any man in his right senses being deceived by it. But many are deceived by it. To all to whom this warning may come, we say, "Don't." There is no operation of anything in civilization that can yield such profits. The suggestion that somebody has mysterious information by which he knows of deals and combinations that are making, and so shrewdly buys ahead and then turns around and buys back, and thus catches the market coming and going, is quite of a piece with the fantastic notion that profits of 25 per cent a week, or 5 per cent a week, or 300 per cent a year, or 30 per cent a year, can be paid on investment.—Indianapolis News.

SEE THAT?



What Is It?

It is a picture of the celebrated

PARKER FOUNTAIN PENS

Best in use The outfit of no business man is complete without one.

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You may never, But should you ever?

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The Daily Reflector.

Gives the home news every afternoon at the small price of 25 cents a month. Are you a subscriber? If not you ought to be.

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is only \$1 a year. I contains the news every week, and gives information to the farmers, especially those growing tobacco, that is worth many times more than the subscription price.

Used Most of Them.

There are 250,000 words in the English language, and most of them were used on Sunday by a woman who died, after coming out of church, that her new hat was adorned with a tag on which was written: "Reduced to 6s. 11 3-4d."

HER PHOTOGRAPH.

"Watch for the bird!" the artist cried. With lifted, waiting finger. But, lo! the bird was not there. Upon the camera's mystic lens. Her serious glances linger.

"Too grave!" Her mother takes the word. "Think, darling, for one minute, that can it be yours will say. Opening his letter far away. To find your picture in it?"

A look of love and rapture blent. The lady features put on. From period lips to round, cheek Swift smiles played at hide and seek. The artist touched the button.

Ah, sublime, how soon how slow! Would have the world so lonely. Thus holding fast in deathless grace The smile that on her cheek had been. Bloomed for her father only!

—Mary A. P. Stansbury in "North's Companion."

An Undertaker's Testimony.

"I have had many queer experiences in my business," said a pawnbroker whose three gilt balls hang in the vicinity of Twelfth street and Columbia avenue, "but I ran up against something the other day that simply took my breath away. A man very shabbily dressed in black and looking like a broken down minister came into the private office and asked to see the proprietor. I went out to him. 'I'm an undertaker,' said he, 'and I want you to help me out of a difficulty. You can do it without any risk to yourself if you want to. I may as well confess to you that business is pretty bad with me, but I've got a case now which will pay me well if I can only carry it through. I just need a little money to do so. You see, I've failed in my business several times, and it's pretty hard for me to get credit, but—' Well, well, hurry up!' I interrupted. 'What do you want me to do?' 'I'm coming to that now,' said he. 'I was going to say that I managed to prevail on the cabinet maker to give me a casket on time, and so I've got that all right. But the relatives of the deceased refuse to advance me any money until I've supplied the shroud. I haven't a cent, and the funeral is fixed for today. Now, I simply trimmings as a pledge and give me enough money to let me buy a shroud. Then, you see, I can get enough from the bereaved family to redeem the casket in time for the funeral. What do you say?' I told him after I had recovered my breath that I couldn't think of such a thing, and he went away very despondent. I don't know how he got out of his difficulty."—Philadelphia Record.

A SONG IN WINTER.

A robin sings on the leafless spray. Hey ho, winter will go! Sunlight shines on the desolate way. And under my feet I feel the heat Of the world's heart that never is still. Never is still, Whatever may stay.

Life out of death, as day out of night, Hey ho, winter will go! In the dark shall glimmer a light, A delicate gleam of budding green. Then, silent, the dawn of summer breaks, As morning breaks, O'er valley and height.

The tide ebbs out, and the tide flows back Hey ho, winter will go! Though heaven be screened by a stormy veil, It rains, and the blue Comes laughing through, And chattering winter goes from the earth. Goes from the earth, That flowers in his track.

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—A. St. John Adams in Chambers' Journal.

Poets are in general prone to melancholy, yet the most plaintive ditty hath imparted a fuller joy and of longer duration to its composer than the conquest of Persia to the Macedonian.—Lamior.

The more I live, the more I love this lovely world; feel more its Author in each little thing—in all that's great. But yet I feel my immortality the more.—Theodore Parker.

A man's full mental power is not reached before the age of 25, and the development of talent is most marked between the ages of 30 and 45 years.

You may depend upon it that he is a good man whose intimate friends are all good and whose enemies are decidedly bad.—Jaywater.

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