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pecially those growing tobacco,
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Cleaning Ideas.

Idea may be gleaned from most
unexpected sources if a man is on
the watch for them. Probably the
man who will miss more ideas than
any other is the one who relies on
his own brain. Successful men
have learned—and that has helped
them to succeed—that ideas of the
most valuable character can be
picked up in the rough, from people
whom one would never expect to
have such a thing about them.
Your clerks, if you could draw
them out, would be able to suggest
many things which would prove of
real value. Endeavor to stand in
such relation to them, then, they
will feel free to approach you and
propose ideas which occur to them.
—Crockery and Glass Journal.

Both Legs Broken.

Down near Delaplane last Wed-
nesday, Sam Johnson's son, 9 years
old happened to the accident of
getting both legs broken, between
the knee and hip. The boy and his
little sister went to the woods to
get some wood. The boy cut down
a tree and in some way, in
falling, fell on or struck his thighs
and broke them both.
—Wilkesboro Chronicle.

Just Seventeen Years Ago.

The heavy fall of snow last week
has brought out many comments
about "spring snows." Mr. Peter
E. Smith says on the 13th of April
seventeen years ago there was a
considerable fall of snow. He re-
members that the late Mr. Norfield
Smith was planting cotton seed
during the snow, cotton seed and
snow were all turned into the
ground together, and the stand of
cotton was fine—Scotland Neck
Commonwealth.

Pretty Small.

Teacher—What is the smallest
State?
Little Francis—The state of a
person's feelings when your ma-
tries to have you go free by tell-
ing the conductor that you ain't six
years old yet! —Chicago News.

This item is from the Colliersville
Star: "The report that every hus-
band who kisses his wife must put
a revenue stamp on her is not true.
The government requires stamps to
be used where profit occurs and
stamps are only used where a man
kisses other men's wives and other
men find it out."

Merchandising business to day is
not conducted as it was a half cen-
tury since. Then the dealer se-
lected ways to meet the wants of
his customers. Now he buys wares
in enormous quantities and must
create the market to consume them.
—Pittsboro.

A traveler in the Klondike has
seen a mountain higher than Mt.
St. Elias, however, the highest
mountain in North America. But
we recall the statement that the
natives once see after drinking
Chilkat pass liquor are innumerable.

TO CURE A COLD IN A DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Ta-
blets. All druggists refund money
if it fails to cure. 25c. The
genuine has L. B. Q. on each Tablet.

A tombstone in Palo Pinto, Tex.,
bears this inscription: "He re-
mained to the last a decided friend
and supporter of Democratic prin-
ciples and measures. Blessed are
the dead who die in the Lord."

Secret of Beauty

Health. The secret of health is
the power to digest and assimilate
to a proper quantity of food
can never be done with-
out a liver that does not act as a
poison.

Many birds vary the composition of
the outer layer of the nest according to
the circumstances. If the nest is located
in a place where it will be easily
found, the birds use a soft lining
of grass, moss, etc. If the nest is in a
dark, hidden place, they use a lining
of feathers, hair, etc.

Weight of a Lion.

What does a lion weigh? Those who
know the look of the lion of beasts
and how small his little body really is
will probably come farthest from a
usual estimate. But a full grown lion
will tip the scales at no less than 500
pounds. Five hundred and forty pounds
is the record for an African lion. His
bone is solid and heavy as ivory.

The tiger runs the lion very close.

A Bengal tiger killed two years ago by
his English officer, called 325 pounds.
A tiger this size, however, could not
have been much stronger than the
lion.

Quite Clever.

Big game do you stand with your
cups and saucers? You never
forget to do so.

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TETTER ON THE HANDS.

For several years I was a sufferer
from tetter on my hands. It
would come in little watery pimples
and the itching was almost more
than I could stand. The skin was
tender and the itching would swell
so I could hardly bend my fingers.
Sometimes my hands would become
perfectly raw from scratching or
breaking of the pimples. When I
was in this condition I tried one
half dozen bottles of Mrs. Joe Per-
son's Remedy and some Waco in
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FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 1899.

PAY UP AND GET A BIG PRIZE.

By special arrangement with the publishers of the *Farm Journal* we are enabled to offer a 5-year subscription to that paper to every new subscriber who pays for two days, which delayed progress. The remainder of the passage was fine weather. The Raleigh, after being boarded by a health officer in the morning, will proceed to the anchorage of Tompkinsville, and await the arrival of the mayor and citizens' committee. The cruiser is still in her gray war paint. The officer of the deck says the voyage from Bermuda was without incident.

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Tennesseeans Shoot to Kill. A story told by a Manila correspondent of Harper's Weekly concerns two Tennessee volunteers serving as prison guards. A Filipino convict had climbed the prison wall and was running for dear life through the open. Two long-legged Tennesseeans knelt to fire.

"I don't guess it's more than three hundred yards," said one quietly. "I reckon it's most five hundred," said the other, as if he were discussing the weather. The prisoner was running like a deer, and rapidly approaching the undergrowth around innumerable little huts, where he would be safe. "Call it four hundred," suggested the first Tennesseean, in a conciliatory tone.

They adjusted their sights, aimed, and fired. The prisoner was hit, and fell. The two Tennesseeans went out to bring in what was left of him. "He's hit in the head. It's my shot," said one. "I aimed low, as you'd to a my regulations," drawled the other.

The convict was found with one bullet through the back of his head and another through the lower end of his spine. They know how to shoot in the mountains of Tennessee.

Base Ball Taxed. Base ball games are from this date to be taxed \$5. This was decided yesterday when the State treasurer informed the sheriff of Iredell county that such games were liable under section 15. The following is the text of the section: "On all companies or persons, whatever, who exhibits or give entertainment for amusement of the public, for reward or otherwise than is mentioned in the five preceding sections, five dollars for each exhibition or performance. Exhibitions or entertainments given for the sole benefit of religious, charitable or educational objects shall be exempt from taxation. Provided, no part or clause of this section shall be so construed as to exempt from taxation persons claiming to be spiritualists or mediums of communication between the material and immaterial worlds and giving public exhibitions: Provided, this section shall not apply to stationary bird shows."

OVER THE COUNTRY.

The Illinois Evangelical Association has petitioned Congress not to allow Mr. Roberts, of Utah to take his seat. By the will of Mrs. Kelly, widow of banker Eugene Kelly of New York, \$200,000 is left to Archbishop O'Connell. Mrs. Mary H. McKee, daughter of ex-President Harrison, has been appointed by Governor Roosevelt a commissioner from New York to the Paris exposition. Farmer George Sharkey, of Oswego county, Kansas, whose bride was being serenaded by a yelling crowd, shot at them, wounding Peter Anderson and Arthur Lake.

CRUISER RALEIGH ARRIVES AT NEW YORK.

A Gallant Welcome and High Honors Paid One of Dewey's Pets.

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Base Ball. Brooklyn 9, Boston 1. New York, April 15.—The opening game of the championship series in Brooklyn today brought out an attendance of over 20,000. It was a gala day in the base ball annals of Greater New York. The game was a battle royal of cleverness between two as perfectly balanced teams as could be brought together. The pitching of Kennedy and Nichols was superb, the hitting of course, being light in consequence. Both in fields were veritable stone walls. Neither side could score for ten innings, and then Boston made the winning run on a wild throw by Jennings that sent Benny to second and then came Benny's drive to deep center for three bases. Attendance 29,167.

Philadelphia 6, Washington 3. Philadelphia, April 15.—It took a bit of victory for Washington today until the seventh inning, when by opportune hitting Philadelphia overcame the Senators' lead, and won by a close margin. Attendance 5,814.

Baltimore 5, New York 3. Baltimore, April 15.—The rejuvenated Orioles defeated the New Yorks today in a close and interesting game by a score of 5 to 3. Attendance 3,942.

Ten Things a Baby Can Do.

A baby can beat any alarm clock ever invented for waking a family up in the morning. Give it a fair show, and it can smash more dishes than the most industrious servant girl in the country. It can fall down often and with less provocation than the most expert tumbler in the circus ring. It can make more genuine fuss over a simple blouse pin than its mother would over a broken back. It can keep a family in constant turmoil from morning till night, and night till morning without once varying its tunes. It can be relied upon to sleep peacefully all day when its father is down town, and cry its little heart out when he is particularly sleepy. It may be the naughtiest, dirtiest, ugliest, most fretful baby in all the world, but you can never make its mother believe it and you had better not try it. It can be a charming and model infant when no one is around; but when visitors are present it can exhibit more bad temper than both its parents together. It can brighten up a house better than all the furniture ever made, sweeter music than the finest orchestra organized, fill a larger place in its parents' hearts than they knew they had, and when it goes away it can cause a greater vacancy and leave a greater blank than all the rest of the world put together.

WINTERVILLE DEPARTMENT.

NEWSY HAPPENINGS AND BUSINESS NOTES.

WINTERVILLE, April 14th, '99. This rain is interfering with work on the brick yard. Miss Olivia Cox came in on the train last night. Highest market price paid for cotton seed by A. G. Cox for a few days. Mr. C. O. Brown has gone off with the rail road carpenter force, and it is likely that he has a permanent position. Mr. Ward the traveling man who sells Winterville Cigars, is here with orders for several thousand. Mr. H. P. Strouse stopped here on the freight one day last week to see about getting brick for his new building. B. F. Manning & Co. have a large line of straw hats, hard hats, soft hats, etc., but bear in mind that these are only plain hats, and if you want trimming on them you will have to go to Millinery Store next door. The A. G. Cox Mfg. Co. are putting in their third mill. There seems to be a special rush over there for last few days, and they are making daily shipments of Planers, Fertilizer Distributors, Tractors, Trucks, Back Bands, etc. You may talk about your first class fence, but you haven't seen any fence yet that will compare with G. W. Parker's new style picket fence, with iron posts, gates, etc. The best thing about it is that it will last a man his life time even if he lives to be a hundred years old.

The Raleigh hosted anchor at half past eight and made for the Tompkinsville anchorage. There she found waiting for her two tiny captured Spanish galleons, the Sandoval and the Alvarado. On the Sandoval was the wife of Captain Ogilvie. She had not seen her husband since he left the European station three years ago. She was taken aboard in one of the Raleigh's boats, and until the mayor's arrival was the center of a group of the cruiser's officers not actively on duty.

It began to drizzle soon after the Raleigh left quarantine, and those on board had very little idea there would be any reception or parade except that the mayor might possibly come aboard to extend a formal welcome. One after another police boats and chartered tugs came out of the drizzle from the north. The Glen Island, the Glen, the Mattawan and one or two other steamers followed. With whistles and baying bands and wild gesticulations of flags, the crews around the cruiser and backed and doled one another and the small crowd that came poking among them.

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Mrs. Hobson's View of Her Boy.

The mother of Richmond Pearson Hobson is now in New Orleans. In reply to a reporter who asked her opinion of her son, she said:

"What do I think of my boy? Why, I did not need the incident of the Merrimac to reveal Richmond to me. I always call him Richmond," she said, "and at home his sisters and brothers call him Rich, by way of affection. I always knew my boy; he has always been the truest hero, a noble son and a good brother; no brother ever had a better son. Richmond has been a tower of strength to me for years, and in every way a help and comfort. As a child, he was always his mother's boy. In the three years that he was abroad, he never failed to send something home to his mother, and he was always at her side. He never forgot the many demands of our large household, and it has always been his greatest happiness to share his salary with us. "The appreciation of the country is, of course, most gratifying to us, but it has told us nothing new of Richmond's worth."

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Our Cottonseed Oil for France.

France, or at least Marseilles has become an enormous customer of American cottonseed oil, not only the edible oil, which, it is presumed, is converted into "olive oil" for reimportation, but of the soap stock, used presumably in the manufacture of candle soap and other fancy brands. In 1898 there were imported into Marseilles 120,541 barrels of edible oil and 143,739 barrels of soap stock. The latter is a product of cottonseed oil caused by the refining process, the thick and fatty parts of the crude oil being precipitated and so treated as to be available for the purpose named.—Philadelphia Record.

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TO-DAY'S MARKETS.

NEW YORK COTTON FUTURES.			
Op'n'g.	High	Low	Close.
June	580	580	579 5/8
August	585	586	584 3/8
October	589	589	588 3/8
Receipts	12,000		
LIVERPOOL.			
April and May.			
Op'n'g.	Close.	Tone.	
3 20	3 19	Quiet & Steady	
CHICAGO.			
Op'n'g.	High	Low	Close.
Wheat.			
May	731	741	731 7/4
Ribs.			
May	470	477 1/2	470 3/4
STOCKS.			
Op'n'g.	High	Low	Close.
A. S. R.	1651	1671	165 1/2
C. R. & Q.	1441	146	1441 1/4
P. G. Gas	1281	1281	1271 1/2
B. R. T.	1331	1341	1331 1/2
Manhattan	124	1261	121 1/2
C. & G. W.	154	181	151 1/2

NOTICE.

The undersigned have opened an UNDERTAKERS ESTABLISHMENT fully equipped in every particular on Fourth street, opposite the post office, where we can be found at any time.

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The above feature tells a remarkable story that reports clearly the percentage of cures made by the wonderful new constitutional cure for RHEUMATISM. It is the only two-cent cure, which is not a local treatment, but a general one. It is the only cure that is not a local treatment, but a general one. It is the only cure that is not a local treatment, but a general one.

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We have just received our Spring :-: CLOTHING.

Spring SHOES

Spring :-: NOTIONS.

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And will take great pleasure in showing you our stock.

FRANK WILSON.

LOCAL REFLECTIONS. Cotton planting is going on rapidly. There is a large run of herrings in the river. The river is almost low enough for hook and line fishing. Noisy negligence shivers will soon put in their appearance. The ice man will shortly be carrying around his load of hard brick. Straws show which way the wind blows, and so do hats occasionally. Spring lamb that capers on the grass will soon be served with capers "ssss."

Good Police Work. There was a record breaking case in police circles yesterday. A negro, John Massey, stole two cows from his uncle, Jackson Douglas, on Mr. Pink Elliot's place. He was arrested by Officer Irvine, tried by the mayor, bound over to court, tried by the court, and sentenced to three years, in less than an hour.—Greensboro Record.

Why He Did Not Hang On. A workman repairing the roof of one of the highest buildings in Dublin lost his footing and fell. Striking a telegraph line in his fall, he managed to grasp it. "Hang on for your life!" shouted a fellow workman. Some of the spectators rushed off to get a mattress on which he could drop. But the workman, after holding on for a few seconds longer, suddenly cried out, "Shand from under!" dropped and lay senseless in the street. He was brought to the hospital, and on recovery was asked why he did not hang on longer. "Shure, I was afraid the wire was broke," he feebly replied.—New York Tribune.

Base Ball. Philadelphia 6, Washington 3. Philadelphia, April 15.—The ball season opened here today with over 10,000 people in attendance and proved to be an auspicious occasion for the home team. Philadelphia won, but it was not an easy victory, as Washington played a fine fielding game, and had the home team not solved Killeen's delivery in the fifth, sixth and seventh innings, a different story might be told. Attendance 10,768. Louisville 1, Chicago 15. The Colons were virtually slaughtered by the Orphans in the opening game of the National League season here today. The all-round playing of the Chicagoans, and Ryan's phenomenal one-hand catch against the left field fence were the features. Attendance 9,000.

Crusade Against Cigarettes. The News learns that a number of good ladies of Charlotte will, in the near future, begin a crusade against cigarette smoking. There is already a law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to boys under the age of 18, but it is not enforced. The crusade will be mainly for the purpose of bringing this law to the attention of the authorities and if possible to curtail the consumption of the cigarette.

Be Prepared! The bearing of children is not such a fearful matter as it is represented to be. The critical hour will be relieved of much pain and labor will be relieved of much anxiety, and all after the manner of a woman who is prepared. If you are not prepared, you will be a sufferer. Mother's Friend.

It is generally the case that when we have an exceedingly wet spring rain is needed in the summer to make the crops, but if the prognosticators are to be believed, it will not follow this year, for all of them predict an abundance.

THE PASSERS.

Catch a Glimpse as They Come and Go.

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 1899. Rev. N. M. Watson returned to Raleigh this morning. Mrs. L. A. Cobb, of Grifton, is visiting Mrs. O. A. Forbes. Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Morton left for their home in Tarboro this morning.

Bishop Haid, of the Catholic church will conduct services every night this week, commencing at 7:30 o'clock. Tuesday, April 18, 1899. Aug. M. Moore returned this morning.

Dr. W. E. Warren, of Stokes, was in town today. J. J. Smith, railroad agent at Ayles, spent the day here. Vernon Haskett has accepted a position at Bryan's Drug Store. J. T. Young, who formerly held cases on the REBELTONE, spent last night here.

Miss Lucy Ballard and Maria Pannell, who were here in attendance at the Hughes-Picklen wedding, left this morning for Wilson. Wednesday, April 19, 1899. W. G. Lamb, of Williamson, is in town. W. O. Shelburn, of Richmond, is in town. W. P. Kline, of Richmond, spent today here. H. B. Harris went to Bethel this morning. Col. L. A. Sugg left this morning for Atlanta. Dr. C. J. O'Hagan went to Scotland Neck this morning.

The editor returned Tuesday evening from Lumberton. H. P. Strouse returned Tuesday evening from a trip to Henderson. Mrs. J. W. Gardner, of Wilson, arrived Tuesday evening to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. A. A. Peebles. W. G. Lane, of Farmville, came in Tuesday evening from Washington. His daughter, Mrs. W. E. Mewborn, and children accompanied him and will go out to Farmville for a visit.

Why He Did Not Hang On. A workman repairing the roof of one of the highest buildings in Dublin lost his footing and fell. Striking a telegraph line in his fall, he managed to grasp it. "Hang on for your life!" shouted a fellow workman. Some of the spectators rushed off to get a mattress on which he could drop. But the workman, after holding on for a few seconds longer, suddenly cried out, "Shand from under!" dropped and lay senseless in the street. He was brought to the hospital, and on recovery was asked why he did not hang on longer. "Shure, I was afraid the wire was broke," he feebly replied.—New York Tribune.

Base Ball. Philadelphia 6, Washington 3. Philadelphia, April 15.—The ball season opened here today with over 10,000 people in attendance and proved to be an auspicious occasion for the home team. Philadelphia won, but it was not an easy victory, as Washington played a fine fielding game, and had the home team not solved Killeen's delivery in the fifth, sixth and seventh innings, a different story might be told. Attendance 10,768. Louisville 1, Chicago 15. The Colons were virtually slaughtered by the Orphans in the opening game of the National League season here today. The all-round playing of the Chicagoans, and Ryan's phenomenal one-hand catch against the left field fence were the features. Attendance 9,000.

Crusade Against Cigarettes. The News learns that a number of good ladies of Charlotte will, in the near future, begin a crusade against cigarette smoking. There is already a law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to boys under the age of 18, but it is not enforced. The crusade will be mainly for the purpose of bringing this law to the attention of the authorities and if possible to curtail the consumption of the cigarette.

DOWN ON THE BORDER.

Some Notes of Interest Around Lumberton.

The editor spent Sunday and Monday in the town of Lumberton, and was somewhat surprised to find so much enterprise in a town of its size. It is the county seat of Robeson, the largest in area of any county in the State, and while the town itself has a population of less than 1,500 it shows traits of enterprise that would do credit to a place many times as large. To afford good drinking water eight artesian wells have been sunk at convenient points and Lumberton is now supplied with having the purest and best water of any town in North Carolina. Besides this they have a fine system of water works for protection against fire, and a system of sewerage is also being put in.

The business houses of the town are modern in architecture and equipment and present an attractive appearance. They are occupied by substantial business men, and the schools are excellent, as good as can be found anywhere.

Being there on a court day that drew a large number of people in from the country districts we had the opportunity of seeing a great many of the Croatan, a race that is an exclusive feature of Robeson county. "These people claim to be the direct descendants of the first settlement on this island. It was interesting to study these people. For years past these Croatan have been placed at a disadvantage by being classed with the colored people in matters of public recognition. On the last list they were put down as colored, in the issuing of marriage licenses they were mentioned as colored, their children had to attend the colored public school, if they went to any of the unfortunate issue among them were sent to the colored asylum at Goldsboro. The Croatan are a much superior race to the Negro, and being thus classed with a lower race was a stigma that they felt keenly and from which they long sought deliverance. The last Legislature was considerate enough to change this condition, and the Croatan can now have their own public schools, there is distinction given their race on the tax lists and marriage records, and their issue will be provided for on a special ward in the asylum at Raleigh. The complexion and features of the Croatan resemble the Indian, but now and then one is seen who is as white as the Anglo-Saxon. They are nearly all engaged in farming and there are many industries and prosperous ones among them.

For a few years some of the Robeson farmers have been cultivating tobacco and this year the average is being largely increased. A few of them whom we met, upon learning that we were from a great tobacco market, wanted to know something about Greenville. They got the information, and showed their interest further by saying they were going to ship some tobacco to Greenville next season. Prof. John Duckett, who some years ago was principal of Greenville Institute, has charge of a very fine school in Lumberton, the enrollment for the present term numbering above 150.

Rev. George J. Dowell, also known to a number of Greenville people, is pastor of the Lumberton Baptist church, and is held in high esteem on his field. It was our pleasure to hear him preach twice while there.

Mr. Z. F. Highsmith, a Pitt county boy, is a jeweler in Lumberton and we were glad to learn that he was doing well there. Judge Dorsey Battle, one of the newly elected judges of criminal court, was holding a term in Robeson county. Every where that he has held a court so far has impressed the people with his ability and knowledge of the law. His selection to this important position was a wise one.

Mr. W. F. Carlisle, who spent some time around Greenville, is at Lumberton engaged with a corps of engineers in surveying the route of a new railroad from Lumberton to Marion, S. C.

Mr. J. R. Whitehead is publishing The Robesonian and we were glad to hear that many of its patrons say he is giving them the best paper

DIED AT THE COUNTY HOME.

COUNTY HOME, April 16th '99. EDWARD REIDELTONE.

DEAR SIR:—Lanie Phillips an inmate of this home died suddenly today at 12:30. Lanie was a remarkable woman having been here 18 years and her health has been so perfect that it is said she has never missed a meal in that time. She was one of the best families in this county, the lamented ex-commissioner, Mr. Jesse Smith being her uncle, and Rev. J. T. Phillips her cousin.

Although infirm she had the respect of all who knew her, was peaceable and harmonious and will be greatly missed in this home. My family are sorely shocked at her untimely death. The funeral will take place tomorrow at this place. Rev. T. N. Manning will be requested to hold services.

J. W. SMITH, Supt. STATE NEWS. Wilmington has commenced shipping strawberries to the north. Rocky Mount has had several new cases of snailpox in the last few days.

The cruiser Raleigh

