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The Abuse of Immigrants.

Many weeks ago an investigation was made into the charges of gross abuses of immigrants arriving at Ellis Island. It has leaked out that the inspectors had collected evidence that immigrants had been robbed in many ways, that they were compelled to suffer indignities and violence, and that the outrages committed upon women were indescribable. Every effort is said to have been made by the Government to hush up the scandal because of its possible effects on the elections. It has even been intimated that, in order to prevent publicity, the brutes who were guilty of criminal assaults and robbery are to be retained until after the polls have been closed.

It is from an English source that we have received confirmation of these charges. A reputable London journal sent a representative over as a steamer passenger to learn the truth about the matter. He describes Ellis Island as a prison "where immigrants are beaten and abused worse than cattle by the dirtiest ruffians in New York." The correspondent gives specific information, with names; and, following the information that has leaked out of the Treasury Department, his statements can hardly be open to doubt. If it be true that a foul-mouthed Bowery tough, in authority on the island, drags feeble old men along by their beards and kicks immigrants in the head with his heavy boots the Administration cannot hope to escape a public scandal.—Philadelphia Record.

To one who can but vaguely comprehend figures the statement that the exports of our country in the fiscal year 1899-1900 amounted to \$1,394,479,000, being an excess over imports on \$544,765,000, conveys at least an impressive notion of the tremendous international interests of our country. And when he perceives that our excess of exports for four years exceeds that of all the balance of our history, he will understand how magnificent has been the commercial expansion of our country. In view of these figures we well may begin to provide ample means to uphold our rights in the great world. We are no longer sufficient into ourselves. We make more than we can consume. We must have markets. We must have open doors. It is progress or death. We need not only strategic positions, not only a great navy; but we need a stronger diplomatic and consular service, since this department of government has everything to do with our international relations and our foreign commerce. And we ought to have a great fleet of merchant vessels.—Biblical Recorder.

Governor Beckham, of Kentucky, has decided to call an extra session of the Legislature at some date between August 15th and September 1st to amend the Goebel election law.

Too Frequent Elections.

For six years the Commonwealth has been convinced that our elections in North Carolina are too frequent. And more than once on the very eve of an important election we have written our opinion on the subject. Again we write on the eve of the greatest and most significant contest our people have engaged in for a generation; and we declare once more that our elections are too frequent. There are many good reasons for such a position, and any one can find them if he will but think a little.

Once in every two years we have the renewal of strife, bitterness and ill-feeling, which are engendered by a hot political contest; and before these feelings are forgotten and quiet is restored another campaign opens and the strife is all renewed. The farmers of the State, the business men and the professional men scarcely have time to turn their minds to their vocation before they are called upon to take a stand again on this side or that.

Besides the bad feeling that such frequent contests engender, there is incalculable expense attached to it. To be sure, no white man or patriot in North Carolina can for a moment begrudge a single day or hour or week or month that has been spent in this present campaign in the interest of the Amendment; for the blessings that will come to the State through the Amendment will repay for all the expenses of time and money.

But we speak of elections generally. They are so frequent that nothing seems settled for even a year's time. Let us have our elections not oftener than once in four years. With such a change there would come a peaceful result to the State that would greatly aid the people in the pursuits which mean fortunes for some and bread for all.

We write before we know the result of to-day's election; but we plead for elections to be less frequent.—Scotland Neck Commonwealth.

Good Farming in Catawba.

Mr. Forney Wilson, who has year bought Mr. Geo. A. Warlick's farm on the Lincolnton road, three miles south of Newton, is a farmer who is making money fast at farming. He has just had 1,000 bushels of wheat threshed on his new place and the only money paid out in raising the crop was \$45 for fertilizer. He has saved 50 bushels of this crop for seed and sold balance for \$700. He will also raise \$300 worth of cotton on the place and enough corn, potatoes and other crops to support his family. He and his children do all the work, and he does not pay out a cent except for fertilizer. On his old place he will also have about 300 bushels of wheat and a good lot of cotton.—Newton Enterprise.

Remembered His Pets.

The will of William C. Royal of 6811 Germantown avenue, which was admitted to probate yesterday, disposes of an estate valued at over \$50,000. Mr. Royal devises to his widow, Emily L. Royal, his "horses, dogs and other animals I may possess; but should my wife be so situated at any time as to make the care of said animals inconvenient or burdensome, then, and in that case, it is my wish that upon her request the care and custody of said animals shall devolve upon the Woman's Branch of the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and I bespeak for my said wife and from the said society the same kind treatment for said animals as they have received from myself. They have been my faithful servants and amply repaid by their companionship and affection all the attention that they have received at my hands, and I desire, therefore, to make due provision for their comfort and support after I am gone. I am sure the society will carry out my wishes in this respect."

In codicil the testator directs that this shall only apply to his driving horses, to "Dick" and "Norman," two horses on his Maryland farm, and to his dog, "Ben."

He directs that the sum of \$200 a month shall be paid to his widow during her life, the surplus to revert to the Woman's Branch of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Upon the death of the widow the principal of the entire estate is to go to the same society.—Philadelphia Ledger

Novel Wager on Bryan.

Charles W. Bridges & Co., real estate dealers of this city, have posted a novel proposition of the sale of farm and city property, which is practically a wager on Bryan's election. The firm announced that a farm of 240 acres a cottage and five lots in this city, and twenty lots in the gas belt towns have been placed with them to be sold upon the following conditions.

The farm property is priced at \$5,000 for 240 acres, the gas belt town lots at \$125 each, the Indianapolis lots at \$300 each and the cottage at \$2,200. The deeds to all the property are to be made out and deposited by the owners with the cash paid for them. If Bryan is elected the ownership of the property passes to the parties putting up the cash and the money goes to the owners of the property. If McKinley is elected both the deeds and the cash are passed over to the person or persons who put up the money. Thus the property is sold at what is claimed to be its fair cash value if Bryan is elected, and given away if McKinley wins. The real estate firm is a responsible one and declares that the offer is made in absolute good faith. The owners of the property are Bryan men, who are willing to back their judgment with their property.—Indianapolis Dispatch.

His Watch Melted in His Pocket.

Lightning this evening struck the home of William H. White, colored, and instantly killed White, who was closing a second story window. The house was set on fire, but the blaze was extinguished before serious damage was done. White's clothes were torn from his body and a silver watch was melted in his pocket.—Hagerstown, Md., Dispatch.

Now let the man who was a traitor to his race be marked and ostracised. His own act deserves it.

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When you come to market you will not do yourself justice if you do not see our immense stock before buying elsewhere. Remember us and the following lines of general merchandise.

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Hats and Caps, Silks and Satins, Dress Trimmings, Ladies' Jackets and Capes, Carpets, Mattings and Oil Cloths.

Shoes.

Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes. Saddlery and Harness, Horse Blankets and Dusters.

Groceries.

Flour, Meat, Sugar, Coffee, Molasses, Lard, Seeds.

Hardware,

Plows, Castings and Plow Fixtures, Nails and Rope.

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Headquarters for Furniture and everything in that line. We buy strictly for Cash, but sell for Either Cash or on Approved Credit. Our motto is Honesty, Merit and Square Dealing. Your Friends,

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Advertising the Bible in Japan.

The American Bible Society has received from its agent in Japan, the Rev. Henry Loomis, his annual report, in which he states that an experiment was made in the early part of the year to increase the circulation of the Bible by inserting advertisements in the leading papers. It was found to be a means of arousing attention and interest in the Bible throughout the whole country. Letters of inquiry were received from more than five hundred persons in different parts of the land, and many orders followed. In every important city in Japan, where any Christian work is carried on, the Scriptures are on sale in the most prominent places.—Christian Intelligence.

Some Backwoods Philosophy.

Charity kivers a multitude er sinners, but dey all kicks at de kiver.

Ef you is disappointed in de end, you got de consolation er know you had a good time hopin'.

De worl' tu'n's roum' once in a day; but de bes' way fer folks ter do is ter keep right on en never tu'n roum'.

Ef heaven wuz any closer dan what it is some people would complain dat de singin' er de angels wuz a nuisance.

De rich man can't git ter heaven thro' de needle eye; but he never has no trouble in gittin' a lift over de fence.

I don't want ter be po' en I don't want ter be rich. I des wants ter keep ten mile ahead er de vigilance committee.

You can't go ter glory in a chariot er fire dese days; but mos' folks'll strike de fire after dey gits dar all right enough.

De worl' fergits a man so quick after he dead, dat ef he could come back he'd rise up en swear dat he never wuz bo'n!

North Carolina's gain.

If the census now being prepared for publication proves correct North Carolina will certainly gain one and probably two representatives in Congress and one or two votes in the electoral college, says the Washington correspondent of the Raleigh News Observer. The State has been entitled to ten representatives in Congress for ten years. It had 1,750,000 people in stead of 1,618,000, as reported in 1890, and a continuation of the gain would give 2,187,500 at the present time. Even with an apportionment requiring 200,000 people to the representative this would give eleven representatives, a gain of two. If McKinley and a Republican House are elected, the danger is that our present representation will be cut down, instead of increased as it should be.

Public education is claiming the attention of the people of North Carolina now as perhaps never before. All over the State the subject has been vigorously discussed during the present campaign, and the people are thinking more about it. There is general belief that the passing of the amendment will wonderfully quicken the interest and both races will be greatly benefited by it.—Scotland Neck Commonwealth.

Mr. S. M. Thomas, a farmer of Scotland county, tells the Charlotte Observer that an insect has made its appearance on the cotton in the Scotland section—a small red spider, active and destructive in its work. These insects settle under the bottom of a leaf and eat it entirely up, and the plant stops growing, being dead to all purposes.

\$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 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.

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The records of the Postoffice Department for the past year show a total stamp issue of 3,963,374,410 pieces, aggregating in value \$76,276,804. This is an increase over 1800 of 467,117,460 pieces, and an increase in value of \$9,174,415. The new stamp books issued by the department are in great demand, and there have been over 2,500,000 sold, value \$830,618.

The exposure by the police of a series of thefts by a band of little boys of Raleigh calls for serious and practical thought on the part of the Christian people of the whole State. We need a Reformatory, and we are going to have one. Would it not be a great plan for all Christian people to unite in the support of one and relieve the State of the obligation?—Biblical Recorder.

THE BEST PRESCRIPTION FOR CHILLS and fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply Iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price 50c.

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\$500 REWARD We will pay the above reward for any case of Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Sick Headache, Indigestion, Constipation or Colic, if you can not cure with Laver's, the Lpto-Lite Little Liver Pills, when the directions are strictly complied with. They are purely vegetable and never fail to give satisfaction. 25c boxes contain 10 pills, 50c boxes contain 40 pills. Be honest and buy the Lpto-Lite. Beware of imitations and imitations. Sent by mail, stamps taken. SERRA MEDICAL CO., Cor. Clinton and Jackson Streets, Chicago, Ill. For sale by J. L. WOOTEN, Druggist, Greenville, N. C.

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Your old friends,

FORBES, JOYNER & COMPANY.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Notice is hereby given that the books of registration for precinct No. 20, of Greenville Township will open from 9 o'clock A. M. to sunset of each day from Thursday June 25th, to Saturday, July 21st, 1900, in the office of the Registrar, at the residence of the undersigned, at the following place: at Five Points in the town of Greenville, June 16th 1900.

LAND SALE.

The virtue of the authority contained in a decree made in the case of W. H. Metz & Company and other creditors of Marcellus Metz, deceased, is hereby given to the undersigned, who on Monday, the 4th day of August 1900, expose to public sale before the Court House door in the town of Greenville, N. C., to the highest bidder for cash the following described tract of land to wit: that tract of land situated in Clinch township, adjoining the lands of Blount Adams, James Elks, Jesse Haddock and others, containing one hundred acres more or less.

NOTICE.

NORTH CAROLINA In Superior Court, Pitt County. Victoria Meye vs. George Meye. The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court, Pitt County, to obtain a divorce from the bonds of matrimony; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the second Monday after the first Monday in September, it being the 17th day of Sept., 1900, at the Court House in Greenville, N. C., in answer or denial to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

The Clerk of the Superior Court of Pitt County, having issued Letters of Administration to me, the undersigned, on the 7th day of May, 1900, on the estate of Thomas J. Sheppard, deceased, Notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to the estate to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and to all creditors of said estate or present their claims, properly authenticated, to the undersigned, within twelve months after the date of this notice, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Having duly qualified before the Superior Court of Pitt County as Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Nancy Wallace, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same for payment on or before the 29th day of April, 1901, or this notice will be placed in bar of recovery.

POSTED.

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SOLD BY MCG. ERNUL.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Having this day qualified before the clerk of the Superior court of Pitt county as executor to the last Will and Testament of W. R. McGowan, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of said W. R. McGowan to present them to me for payment on or before the 29th day of July, 1901, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to me. This the 24th day of July 1900.

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For Vice President: ADLAI E. STEVENSON, of Illinois.
For Presidential Elector, 1st Dist.: CHARLES L. ABERNETHY, of Carteret.
For Congress, 1st Dist.: JOHN H. SMALL, of Beaufort.

Cotton Strings in Tobacco.

Complaints have been received by local tobacco exporters from their foreign correspondents, for some time past, of cotton strings being found in leaf and stripshipped to them. These complaints have become so frequent late that some of the larger export firms on several markets have decided not to bid on tobaccos which are mixed with cotton strings. In the new bright sections of North and South Carolina, where the tobacco is cured mostly off the stalk, the leaves are gathered and hung in the curing barns. In many cases the tobacco is taken down without grading, and sent to market strings and all. It is a very difficult matter to separate the tobacco from the strings after they become well tangled up, and complaints are made that they are found in tobacco after it has been cut up in strips, and even in some cases where tobacco has been manufactured the cotton twine is a prominent evidence, as will be shown by the following letter on the subject from one of the largest leaf tobacco commission houses in England:

Notification Program.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 21.—The local committee in charge of the arrangements for the Bryan and Stevenson notification meeting here were advised today that two candidates will reach Chicago Tuesday next, and that Chairman Jones, members of the notification committee and two hundred Chicago Democrats, including Mayor Harrison, will reach here that evening. Mr. Bryan and Mr. Stevenson will be met here by the committee of reception and will be taken to the Grand Hotel. Where an informal reception will be held at 8:30 p. m.

The Cleveland German-American and Tammany clubs, each with a brass band, will meet the candidates at the union station and form a part of the escort to the hotel.

The two candidates and the members of the notification committee will be driven about the city in carriages Wednesday morning and at 2:30 p. m. will be taken to Military Park, where the exercises are to be held. The carriages will be followed by the local clubs, the Marching Club of Chicago and the Duck-Work Club of Cincinnati.

In the evening there will be a mass-meeting at Tomlinson Hall, and it is understood that Bryan and Stevenson will both address it briefly.

Mayor Taggart said today that there would be a meeting of the National Democratic Committee here Thursday to decide three contests for membership on the committee.

According to The Kansas City Journal one recent day's rainfall was worth \$25,000,000 to the Sunflower State. Says the newspaper referred to: "The rainfall was general over the corn belt, and was sufficient to break the price over 1 cent a bushel on the Chicago market. Speculation as to Kansas corn prospects changed materially within a few hours, and there were yesterday plenty of men who said there would be 80 or 75 per cent of a crop of corn in Kansas, while Sunday the man who predicted half a crop was regarded as an enthusiast. This means nearly 100,000,000 more bushels, or probably \$35,000,000, to Kansas."

It seems strange that even a writer should sometimes be wrong.

Superiority of Girl Babies.

An Omaha woman bought for \$10 a guarantee from the spirit world that her next child would be a boy. When the child arrived it proved to be twins and girls. Instead of congratulating herself in the superior good sense and generosity of the spirits the woman had the intermediary in the transaction thrown into jail.

There are many women who have this prejudice against girl babies, and an amazing prejudice it is, whether the matter be looked at from the sentimental or the practical standpoint.

After the first few years of helplessness and drooping infancy a boy is as a rule no use to his mother, no companion for her and a source of increasing anxiety. Just as he attains to years of discretion he marries and therefor belongs to his wife's family. The girl, on the other hand, is a pleasure to her mother in infancy, a companion in girlhood and a comfort and support in old age.

A woman who has a boy baby makes an investment for the benefit of some other woman's old age. A woman who has a girl baby makes an investment for herself. For when the daughter marries, the mother has secured a home and a bread-winner.

The more girl babies a woman has the larger is her insurance against loneliness and poverty in the evening of her life.

Eastern mechanics need the facilities of the Chicago market; but they cannot be as effectively used through private means of communication as through those which insure the broadest publicity. It is the belief of experienced grain merchants that the Chicago speculative market will so promptly divert surplus business to New York, Kansas City, St. Louis and other markets and so endanger the primary of the Chicago market in the grain trade as to cause an abandonment of the present effort to cripple the business of the "bucket shops" by the suspension of the quotation service of the Western head center of the grain business.

The situation is an interesting one from a moral as well as from a financial viewpoint; but in the end it will probably be found that the "bucket shops" can do with out Chicago better than Chicago can do without the publicity which insures her supremacy in the Western grain trade.—Philadelphia Record.

There was considerable excitement at Anson, a precinct in Bladen county, on the night before the election. A populist who received from one township to another and who failed to get a transfer for reelection of registration proposed to vote at Anson. He was told that he could not vote.

The populists became wrathful and swore he should vote. They made threats and went so far as to buy all the cartridges they could obtain in the country stores.

The Democrats got ready for trouble and concealed 50 stands of arms in the house where the polls were located. The guns were kept under a guard of ten men and yesterday there were at least 30 demonstrators at the polls all day, expecting to make it warm for the populists had they stirred up strife.

Luckily, a conflict was avoided, as the populist was allowed to vote.—Wilmington Messenger.

How strange is human nature! People will often tell you how dejected they are to see you, when they are really wishing you were off at her request.

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Lessons From History.

Our II one, of Beaver Dam, begins an editorial in its issue of this week with these words: "The integration of the Farmers' Alliance in this State means a setback to the classes of at least ten years. It is doubtful if another organization as strong as the Alliance can be established in the next ten years. This is quite true. There were elements of the utmost usefulness in the Farmers' Alliance. Its written principles were great and noble, and if they had been lived up to, the agricultural interests of the country would have been greatly promoted. But the order had scarcely been organized before it fell into the hands of the politicians, and this was the beginning of the end. Next after it was the Populist party, and then amalgamation. It was a good deal the same way with the Grange—office seekers and self-seekers captured it and it went to pieces. There is a warning in these cases. 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