SING A SONG.

If you'll sing a song as you go along,
In the face of the cold or the frowning wrong,
In spite of the doubt of your fellow man,
And show a heart that is brave and true,
I am thinking the world would be better than
You'll have the very robustest chorus
That the world ever saw when it sings for us,
We'll go to the sun when we keep time,
And you'll win success with a little song—
If you'll sing the song as you go along.

If you'll sing a song as you plod along,
You'll find that the burr rushing strong
Will catch the strain of the glad refrain;
That the sun will follow the blinding rain;
That the clouds will fly from the blackened sky;
That the stars will come out by and by;
And you'll make new friends, till hope decends
From where the phalal rainbow bends.
And all because of a little song,
If you'll sing the song as you plod along!

If you'll sing a song as you trudge along,
You'll see that the singing will make you strong.
And the heavy load and the rugged road
And the sting and the stripe of the tortuous goad
Will vear with the note that you set afloat;
That the burn will change to a trilling note;
That the world is bad when you are sad,
And light and beautiful when glad;
That all you need is a little song—
If you'll sing the song as you trudge along!
—R. McClin Fields in Nashville American.

Constitutional Government in Japan.

Constitutional government was established in Japan in 1890. It was the direct result of the promise made by his majesty and was a spontaneous gift of some of the imperial powers and prerogatives to the people. Steps had been taken previously to pave the way for the adoption of parliamentary institutions by extending the rights and privileges of the people, most notably by the creation of the prefectural assemblies, which exercise a certain degree of control over local affairs. Whether or not such measures were of essential value it is not necessary to inquire in this place. In any case it can now be truthfully stated that parliamentary government in Japan has passed the experimental stage and is established among the permanent institutions of the land. Of course this has not been accomplished without friction between the executive and legislative branches of the government. Political storms rage in Japan just as in other countries, but the new institutions have stood the strain of all conflicts. Every such struggle has been carried on scrupulously within the limits defined by the constitution and every disputed question has been settled in accordance with its provisions. The constitution is revered by the people as the foundation of the self government practically conferred upon them by their sovereign, and its mandates are universally respected and obeyed. Its violation.—Tokio Rodai in Harper's Magazine.

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TROUBLES OF BALDER TWINS

Harold Asked Eugene to Take His Place and Thereby Is a Hero.

When the Balder twins had finished their supper the other night, Harold called Eugene into his room, and, closing the door, said:

"Mother wants to talk to me about something this evening, Gene, but I am engaged for a spin out to Lincoln park with another girl. Now, if you want to do me a good turn, you'll represent me on this occasion."

"Certainly, if the girl don't object," answered Eugene sweetly.

"None of your chaff. You know what I mean. Take my place with mother."

"Thanks, awfully! I like that kind of an engagement. While you are out on a tandem with your best girl I am to stay here and be roasted. Nice prospect for the wrong twin!"

"I have taken many a roasting for you from the gov'ner, Gene. Turn about is fair play."

"All right, Hal, but I wish it was the gov'ner instead of the mater. She is so awfully particular and keeps a fellow forever. However, I'll stand by you this time. Only suppose she finds out?"

"She won't," said Harold, and he hurried off, leaving Eugene as his proxy.

Mrs. Balder sat waiting for Harold, and when the wrong twin entered her presence with a silent step and subdued air she said:

"I am glad, Harold, that you remembered my wish to speak to you this evening, as I have something particular to say, and I want you to be interested."

"Yes-ma," mumbled Eugene, who almost lost his headat the start by trying to recall Harold's parental style.

"I give something to know how he acts when he has a private and particular talk with the mater," he thought. "Does he bump his feet over the back of the chair kind of easy or sit up prim and proper?" Then he cleared his throat and stared gravely at his mother.

"It is about your brother Eugene I wish to speak," she said, and the wrong twin shot into the air and sat down again.

"I do wish you would be more dignified," urged Mrs. Balder. "Now that you are engaged to be married you should cultivate more repose of manner. You act so flippant as your brother."

"Well, I like that!" said Eugene, forgetting for a moment his role of Harold, but his mother continued.

"I have enough frivolity to contend with in his character, and fear of that I wish to speak tonight. Eugene is much too giddy for his age, and I want you to help me improve him."

"Oh, Gene is all right!" said the wrong twin.

"I would be glad if he took more interest in the society of girls," said Mrs. Balder.

"Is there a society of that name?" asked Eugene innocently.

"When you are married," resumed his mother, ignoring the question, "I shall hope for a great deal of assistance from your wife's influence. Nothing steadies a young man down like having good woman friends."

Here it occurred to the wrong twin to put in a good word for himself.

"Why, a lot of them say I'm steady Gene down!" he added in Harold's best manner.

"Why, I am sure, son, you are always complaining of him," said Mrs. Balder, and Eugene announced to himself that he had in a for Harold. But he said in a conciliatory tone:

"Mere boyish pranks, mother. Eugene is a good fellow enough as boys go. I have yet to hear of his doing a dishonorable thing. How could he after such lessons as you have given! (I would like to wring Harold's neck) I really think you can trust him to come out all right. (Someday he'll prove another Cain) I will look after him myself and advise him if I see him going wrong."

"Spoken like my own Harold!" said the mother, with fervor. "I love you both, but I cannot close my eyes to Eugene's thoughtlessness, and I look to you to reform him."

Then she kissed the wrong twin for his brother and dismissed him, and Eugene fell over himself in getting out of the room, while he concocted dark schemes of vengeance against Harold, and as he revolved them in his mind he laughed and chuckled like a fiend.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Homophones.

In the ninth century they began to shoe horses, but, strange to say, only in time of frost. King William I introduced horseshoeing into England, and the horseshoes are on the coat of arms of the man to whom William gave vast estates for caring for his horses in this way.

Instruments.

Mrs. Duckeley—What business is your husband in?

Mrs. Fastleigh—He manufactures wind instruments.

Mrs. Duckeley—Oh, indeed! Now, that's a chance for my son George. He a will to get a flute. Do you think he could get one at your husband's factory at cost?

Mrs. Fastleigh—I really don't believe he could. You see, the wind instruments my husband makes are bicycle pumps.—Philadelphia Times.

WHAT THE WOOD FIRE SAID TO THE LITTLE BOY.

What said the wood in the fire
To the little boy that stood,
The little boy of the golden hair,
As he rocked himself in his rocking-chair
When the blaze was burning bright?

The wood said—"Dear
What they've
I wish you
And wished you
Back to the
In my heart of
Lost long ago,
In springtime over the chimney tops,
Then the little boy dozed
There the violet dwells
The violet dwells in their clustering bells
And rocked under my shadows sweet,
And the moss lay soft and over the clover and wheat
Told to all that they knew
Of the flowers that grew
In the fragrant meadows that dreamed at my feet.

And the willows sighed
Of vanished
But remembered not as a mother's lips pressed
On the brow of a child of her house, it had
In days on my knees, and I was not afraid,
And I loved and heard
The small heart of such
As lean in the twilight
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For they flow in my house
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"But how soon," said the wood,
"Take the memory of
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Forgotten
For have I not warmed you and cheered you
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It is said that the President is keen on railroading Hawaii into the United States.—Lexington Dispatch.

We would just like to see him try to put a railroad across the 2,000 miles of water between that country and this.

The Baptist State Convention reports 1,420 churches, 135,611 members, 8,400 baptized and $175,000 contributed to all objects during the past year. There are also 250 churches with 25,000 members in the Western Association, making a total of over 160,000 white Baptists in the State. Counting the negroes there is a grand total of over 300,000 Baptists in the State.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10 '97.

Secretary Gage is about the only member of the administration who would really like to see his recommendations for cinching the hold of the single gold standard on the country become laws. Mr. McKinley did not dare to endorse the recommendations of his Secretary of the Treasury, and he has no real desire for the financial legislation he half-heartedly suggested. He knows that his roundabout suggestion of getting rid of the greenbacks by turning them into gold certificates could not get through Congress, even if only the Republicans voted upon it. He was afraid that the recommendation for amending the National banking laws, so as to reduce taxation on National bank currency, to allow currency to be issued to the face value of the bonds deposited with the government, and to allow the establishment of National banks with $25,000 capital in small places, might get through, so he added a proviso that he knew would kill the whole—to make all National bank notes redeemable in gold. The administration is simply trying to bluff a portion of its own party and the country. It doesn't want any financial legislation. This has already been made plain in the House by the grab game engineered by Mr. Dingley by which his committee—Ways and Means—will take charge of all financial bills and another thing. Republicans have also plainly indicated by their talk that they had received intimations from the administration that no financial legislation was wanted. If public criticism of its attitude makes it necessary to strengthen its bluff, the administration will, through Mr. Dingley, fix up a bill and jam it through the House, knowing that the Senate would not act upon it. Of course, the people of this country are fools enough not to know the difference between this sort of thing and real statesmanship, and they will be so sorry that the administration won't able to get what it doesn't want—so sorry that they'll elect a Democratic Congress next year.

The administration doesn't wish the Nicaragua Canal question to be acted upon by this Congress, and when Mr. McKinley said in his message that he would have something further to say on the subject when he submitted the report of the Commission which has just started for Nicaragua to make a new survey and estimate of cost, under an act of Congress, he was fully aware that the commission was not likely to make a report before the death of the Fifty-fifth Congress. In fact, it is known that members of the commission were given a broad hint before their departure that their report was not expected before March 4, 1899.

One Nebraska Republican—Mr. Winfield S. Strawn, an Omaha lawyer—has turned up in Washington who is honest enough to publicly say that the Republicans have no chance to carry that State, either at the Congressional elections next year or the National election of 1900. Mr. Strawn says the Republicans have not been able to get back the farmer votes they lost on the silver question, and that they are not likely to get them back so long as the question is unsettled.

With the exception of Senators Morgan, of Alabama, and Gorman, of Maryland, every Democratic Senator is now lined up against the annexation of Hawaii, and the opposition among the Republicans already includes Senators Hoar, Morrill and Pettigrew. This makes it impossible to procure the two thirds vote needed to ratify the treaty providing for annexation, and the Republicans are already seriously thinking of abandoning the treaty and trying to secure annexation by majority legislation. It looks as though the annexation question was going to be used by the Republican machine to whack McKinley over the head. The Czar is understood to have privately announced himself to be opposed to annexation. In fact, present indications are before this session has grown very old the line between McKinley Republicans will be sharply drawn.

If Spain isn't entirely pleased with the situation at the Washington end of the line she must be hard to please. It was a new thing for a President of the United States to devote nearly half of his message to Congress to an argument in favor of allowing a foreign nation more time in which to try to uproot the life out of a people residing in sight of our coast, and the invocation was nauseous to many. A close equality rankles hollowly, when Secretary Gage presented several volumes of cold, matter manner, giving in detail the extraordinary efforts of this country to aid Spain by suppressing filibustering. Senator Allen offered a resolution in the Senate for the recognition of Cuban independence, but it is feared that the Committee on Foreign Relations, to which it was referred will sit upon hole it.

The first chirrups in the war on the civil service law was pulled off in the House this week, and it was livelyish while it lasted. A counter set of members of the House who desire change in this law is to be held, in order to arrange for an organized attack.

A Noble Life.

It is indeed interesting and profitable to read and study the lives of noble men and women, and parents cannot spend money more wisely than in supplying their children with good books of a character that will place standard prominently in the world's history, not only as wise leaders but humble Christians. It is also interesting to note how those excellent traits of character descend from sire to son through many generations. Recently we received from the Hearst Publishing Company, Richmond, Va., a new book with the title "Robert Edward Lee, Soldier, Citizen and Christian Patriot." One great advantage in connection with this book is that it gives in a brief but charming manner the history of the Lee family for several hundred years, showing that Richard Henry Lee, Robert E. Lee and other master minds sprang from a noble family whose history is as profitable as it is interesting. Besides an excellent biography of Gen. Lee and account of his great military campaigns, it tells how he won the hearts of his soldiers and still retains through all ages the affection of friend and foe. The work also contains a large number of interesting historical documents giving the organization of the various armies, together with brief biographical sketches of such men as Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston, Gen. G. T. Beauregard, Gen. Braxton Bragg, Gen. John B. Hood, Lieutenant General A. P. Hill, Admiral Raphael Semmes, Gen. John B. Gordon, Gen. James Longstreet and Gen. J. H. Reagan. This is the only biography of Gen. Lee ever published on this plan, and it is having a very large sale. The publishers advertise through our columns for active agents, as it is sold only by subscription. Those who distribute such a work as this will be exerting a blessed influence on the rising generation besides reaping a rich and profitable harvest financially.

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MR. B. T. BAILEY REPLIES.

GREENVILLE, N. C., Dec. 11, 1897.

EDITOR REFLECTOR.—In your issue of the 8th, I see the Masonic order has seen fit to publish me for bad treatment to my wife's little brother. You will please be so kind as to allow me space in your paper to make a short statement to my friends and the public, to show that I have not been as brutal as one or two of my neighbors have tried to make it appear. First, let me say to the Masons, I do not censure the course in the least, if they think their information justified them in so doing.

It's rumored that I have in many ways been brutal to the child. Should I attempt to explain all that we have undergone with the boy it would take one side of your paper to hold it, and if the public really knew it all, my wife and I would be the recipients of sympathy and not the boy.

One of the brutal acts that they say I am guilty of was letting him go up to about the first of Dec. with out any shoes on. Well, my reason for it was that he is subject to croup and in conversation with Dr. Travis Brown he gave me an inside at that he knew of in the city if New York or a gentleman of wealth that never put shoes on any of his children, who gave the same reason for not doing so that I have. I found the boy with at any, when I got him in March. I his mother thought best not to put shoes on him. I think I am equally justifiable in thinking so.

The next counts is my stripping him and taking him in the scalee and whipping him with a buggy whip. I denounce the author as liar and should a word start from his tongue the truth would survive in the saliva and fall from his lips. I do not deny whipping him on one occasion with a buggy whip. The evening before I whipped him I bought the whip and set it in the hall and he remarked to me it was a good thing to whip him with. That night I went into Dr. Wooten's drug store and I got into a conversation about the boy. Dr. Wooten said to me, "Bailey I reckon you have a hard time with that boy." I told him I did and no one except my wife and I knew what we had to go through with.

He then told me that some one told him that he scare like a deer. I set down and talked to him about it as I had done before and told him if I heard of it again I would whip him good. In less than three days I heard of it again and asked him if it was so. He said "yes, but if you don't whip me I won't do so any more." I then took the whip and his hat, I or S licks over his clothes, heavy flannel, jacket, and coat.

Another act of my so called brutality, was for bruising his ear. Well, for the satisfaction of some who have been curious to know, I will speak it. The last time or five times I have whipped the boy he has told me if I whipped him he would scream as loud as he could, and so he did. So I had to lay him down and put my hand over his mouth, to keep him from disturbing my kind neighbors. The last time I whipped him he grabbed the switch and broke it in three pieces, and screamed at the top of his voice. I laid him down and put my hand over his mouth and in twisting to get it off he rubbed his ear against the floor.

There are many other things I could explain that I would rather explain verbally, which I will do to any one wishing to know. Feeling assured that any fair minded man or woman who has boys to raise, and wishing to raise them right, will be sympathizers of mine, not only in what I have undergone with the boy, but in the slanderous rumors that are now being circulated.

I am very respectfully,

B. T. BAILEY.

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By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Pitt county, made in a certain special proceeding entitled W P Pittman, Priscilla I. Pittman and Hattie Pittman ex parte, I will, on Saturday, the 8th day January, 1898, sell to the highest bidder for cash the place or parcel of land in Swift Creek township, Pitt county, North Carolina, adjoining the land of Simon Kilpatrick, Thos G Rice, the heirs adding lands and others, containing nineteen and seven eighths acres. It being the lands on which W P Pittman now resides. Also one other pit col. of land in said county and State and in Swift Creek township, adjoining the lands of L B Cox, F M Kilpatrick and others, containing twenty-seven acres, more or less. The said lands being that owned by Jackson Pittman, as of record appears in a certain deed given by Fred Perkins Harding to Jackson Pittman and from L B Mewborne to Jackson Pittman.

Said sale will be on the last named tract of land at 12 o'clock M. January 8th, 1898.

This the 10th day of December, 1897.

F. C. HARDING,
Commissioner

State of North Carolina, } In the Superior
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The Greenville Electric Co.,
vs. } Notice.
The Greenville Land & Improvement Company.

By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior Court of Pitt County in the above entitled action, I will on Monday, the 10th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock M., at the Court House door of said County sell to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said execution all the right title and interest of said Greenville Land & Improvement Company, defendant, in the following described real estate, to wit: "A tract of land in Greenville township, Pitt county, known as the William Moore tract of land, adjoining the lands of R. F. Patrick, the Clark land, the Manning land and others, and being the tract of land conveyed by deed from D. E. House to said Greenville Land and Improvement Company, and upon which the mill plant of the Greenville Land and Improvement Company was situated.

This the 8th day of December, 1897.

W. H. HARRINGTON,
Sheriff Pitt County.

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Local Reflections

THURSDAY, DEC. 9

About this time of year Christmas tree talk has an increasing effect on Sunday school attendance.

Joe Evans is to the front again, this time with fresh radishes. And Wednesday he found a watermelon in his field which he says was fine.

My last lot of hats are the prettiest shapes and colors I've received this season and will be sold at reduced prices. Fashion Books to sell.

MRS. L. GRIFFIN.

My Christmas stock is in and it will pay you to call at my store before buying. A full line of Toys, Dolls, Confections, in fact everything for Santa Claus. Prices lower than anywhere else.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER, 10.

December wheat is above a dollar.

THE DAILY REFLECTOR is three years old.

The holes in South Greenville foot bridge ought to be patched.

The county authorities have ordered the town authorities to move the Market house by January 1st.

Mr. R. B. Bynum, of Farmville, was here today and says that a bale of cotton was stolen from him on Wednesday night.

Watch the REFLECTOR and you will learn which merchants have Christmas goods to sell.

Christmas two week off. The business men have but a short while to advertise holiday goods.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11.

Pick out your Christmas present.

Col. Santa Claus is the most talked of person just now.

The weather bureau did not put the heavy rain on the programme for last night.

"Uncle Hiram's Home" on Dickinson avenue is being given a new cross of paint.

The B. Y. P. U. is preparing for an entertainment during the week preceding Christmas.

Velocipedes, wagons, toys, doll babies, fire works, vases, figures, cups and saucers, at S. M. Schultz.

FRESH TODAY—Hominy Flakes small and large Hominy, white Beans shredded Cod Fish, Mountain Butter at

S. M. SCHULTZ.

Fine French candies, nuts, raisins, oranges, apples, bananas, cocoanuts, figs, dates, chocolate, gelatine, citron, at S. M. Schultz.

The ladies of the Christian church will give a Klondike social on Thursday evening, 16th. Something interesting is promised.

Ragged but hand Money.

A colored man who looked like no had just escaped from the rag picker, was the brunt of the shouts from the hangers on around the depot this morning. The old man pulled out a hand full of money and shook it at the boys who followed him to let them know he wasn't altogether so seedy as he looked.

They Say:

That the aggressive woman has few friends.

That the gracious woman is sure to be lovable.

That a cross woman in shop or home makes herself ridiculous.

That loud talking stamps one as not quite refined.

That joys and sorrows are about equally distributed—sometimes.

That words of cheer and sympathy should never be hard to speak.

That to lose your temper before a servant is to lose her respect.

That one can scarcely be too prodigal of the little words, "Thank you."

That a cheerful mien brings strength and that a melancholy face does not bring friends.

That to feel there is no trial like yours shows narrowness and ignorance; your next door neighbor's cross may be far heavier than yours.

NEW MONTH—NEW FACES.

But the Same Old Year, and You Have Seen These Names Before.

THURSDAY, DEC. 9.

Donnell Gilliam, of Tarboro, is here attending court.

Dr. J. N. Bynum and wife, of Farmville, spent today here.

Mr. W. C. Munn and Wednesday evening left on a visit to Sampson county.

Prof. F. F. Dawson, of Washington, is here looking after matters connected with the Christian church.

Congressman Harry Skinner returned from Washington Wednesday evening to look after his business at court

K. R. Tunstall returned today from Edwards, Beaufort county, where he had been to attend the marriage of Dr. L. E. Hicks, of Parmele, and Miss Fannie Edwards.

Benjamin Franklin Metzger, all the way from Norfolk, the erstwhile "kid" drummer who by now has grown an inch or two longer and three degrees uglier, dropped down today to rest his bare ankles on the editor's arm chair. He says that in keeping with the adage "tit is better to burn in this world than in the next," he has his usual fine line of tobacco and cigars along.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER, 10.

W. W. Shaw is in town.

W. W. Clark, of Newbern, is here attending court.

Olen E. Warren, wife and little son left this morning for Salisbury to spend the holidays with relatives.

A. A. Tugen, formerly of Person county, who has been living in this county for two years, left this morning with his family to return to his old home.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11.

Burwell Riddick went to Suffolk today.

W. A. Fleming, of Hassells, was in town today.

Glad to see George Billups of Norfolk, in town.

Luther Savage came in Friday evening from Conference.

Mrs. J. S. Congleton returned Friday evening from Raleigh.

Mrs. W. R. Smith and child left today for Hassells to visit relatives.

J. L. Bridgers, of Tarboro, who was here at court resumed home today.

Mrs. A. A. Anderson and daughter, Miss Carrie, left for Durham today to visit relatives.

Large Crop Estimate

Latham, Alexander & Co., of New York, in a circular dated 7th inst., estimate the cotton crop at 10,188,000 bales. They say this estimate is based on exhaustive correspondence with all the cotton growing counties in the Southern States. The estimate for North Carolina is 934,000 bales.

A Pleasant Evening

The ladies of the Presbyterian church gave our people a pleasant time at their supper, Wednesday evening, in the Taft building. The building was nicely arranged for the occasion, an elegant supper was served and the attendance was large. They made a nice sum to help pay for their church carpet.

New Cistern.

The town is having one of the new cisterns built near the branch on Sutton lane. This cistern will be of wood and hold about 20,000 gallons. From this cistern the steam fire engine can carry water to nearly any section of South Greenville or Dickinson avenue.

Tell them to Advertise.

The Southerner says the commissioners of Tarboro have passed an ordinance prohibiting a merchant from polling customers into his store. Down here the merchants use a good advertisement to pull customers with, and there is no danger of being fined for using that method.

Greenville Market.

Corrected by S. M. Schultz.

Butter, per lb	15 to 2
Western Sides	5½ to 6
Sugar cured Hams	10 to 12½
Corn	40 to 50
Corn Meal	50 to 60
Flour, Family	4.75 to 5.75
Lard	8½ to 10
Oats	35 to 40
Sugar	4½ to 6
Coffee	8½ to 20
Salt per sack	65 to 1 00
Chickens	12½ to 20
Eggs per doz	12½
Rosewater	20
Cotton Seed, per bushel	19 to

COMMISSIONERS MEETING.

Orders Issued—Tax List Corrections—Report of Superintendent of Health.

From December meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, held on the 6th and 7th, we take the following synopsis of business transacted:

Amount issued for paupers $122.50; for bridges, dam and lumber $100.51; Superintendent of Health, $32.33; Poor House $152.03; Register of Deeds $24.33; Commissioners $27.40; keeping prisoners and insane $33.15; sundries $63.82; total $552.12. In Greenville stock law territory $42.14.

Valuation of lands of Mrs. J. E. J. Joyner were reduced from $2,500 to $250, a mistake having been made on list taker.

N. W. Wright was refunded tax on $110 erroneously charged.

Valuation of lands of W. H. Wilkinson were reduced from $1,600 to $1,400.

W. F. Hart was released from taxes on a lot in Ayden incorrectly charged to him.

W. R. Johnson was released from taxes on land incorrectly charged to him.

W. J. H. Laughinghouse was refunded $2 09 erroneously charged to him.

J. S. Earbee was released from one poll tax, he being charged with same in two townships.

Lands of D. C. Smith were reduced in value from $2,000 to $1,500.

Lands of J. W. Sutton were released from $910 to 700.

Lands of Charley Willoughby were reduced from $600 to $250.

R. Greene was refunded $10 64 erroneously charged to him.

Lands of Reuben Moore reduced in value from $400 to $300.

Lands of Mrs. H. E. Daniel were reduced from $1,600 to $1,400.

W. M. Lang was refunded the tax on $3,400 erroneously charged to him.

Lands of Joseph Flanning were reduced in value from $1,600 to $800.

W. G. Little resigned as Constable of Falkland township and J. H. Parker was appointed to fill the vacancy.

F. F. Nelson, W. H. McGowan, Ashley Dupree, James H. Wilson, Noah Johnson, J. B. Bell, T. W. C. Moore, Ed Smith, H. J. Mills, Lawrence Barrett, J. J. Cox, sr., J. B. Smith, Americus Thigpen, J. B. Noble, Isaac Mayo, Virgie Jones, C. Barnhill, J. W. Hardee, and Malachi Ballard were exempted from Poll tax for 1897.

Eliza Scarboro, Mary Outerbridge, Polly Worthington and Grace Harris were placed on the pauper list with an allowance of $1 per month, each.

Seventy people listed their taxes before the Board.

Dick and Zeno Campbell, inmates of the County Home, were allowed $5 each to buy clothing.

The bonds of the county officers were examined and approved.

A contribution of $25 was made to Hope Fire Co., to assist in building an engine house.

W. M. King, chairman of the Board, made his report upon the sale of the Market House lot, and the Board postponed consideration of the confirmation of said sale until its January meeting.

A new road was ordered laid off in Greenville township, beginning near Noah Forbes school house on Kinston road and running to the old plank road at east corner of Smith place.

The following report was made by the Superintendent of Health:

GREENVILLE, N. C., Dec. 6th, 1897.

To the Board of Commissioners of Pitt Co:

I would respectfully submit the following report to your Honorable body:

I have visited and examined the county jail and the House for the Aged and Infirm, as required by law, and find them both in good condition. The health of the inmates is very good, and as a rule they are well fed and clothed. Some of the prisoners in the jail complain that they have no change of clothes, and I would suggest that your body empower the Sheriff to supply them with a change of clothes, as it will be impossible to preserve their health unless this is done.

Some of your body have doubtless been informed of the complaint about the feeding of the inmates of the County Home. I have examined into these reports and find that they all originated from a few of the inmates who labor under the delusion that the county is being honored by their remaining its charges. I have been present at one of their meals and found a plenty of wholesome food, much better indeed than a majority of the people who are taxed to support them can afford.

Respectfully submitted.

E. A. MOYE,
Supt. of Health.

THE OTHER SIDE

What the King's Daughters Find at the County Home

EDITOR REFLECTOR:

The King's Daughters visited the County Home for Aged and Infirm on Thanksgiving to take their usual treat to the unfortunate creatures who are in that WRETCHED place. We had heard nothing, and simply asked, how do you get on? The unbroken cry was "We don't get enough to eat". One feeble person said "I goes to bed hungry, I gits up hungry."

We have been visiting this place nine years and we have never had any cause to feel proud of it or of Pitt county's generosity to its helpless and afflicted poor.

Personally I think it a disgrace to our patriotism, to say nothing of our Christianity, that the Campbell family have to stay there. They are the helpless, afflicted children of a respectable Christian mother, and their father was a Confederate soldier and died for this South land. THEY DO NOTHING by being content to live in such a moral atmosphere one hour. Dick Sallie and Emily Campbell are virtuous, refined Christian girls.

No complaint was ever made to us when Mr. Joshua Smith had charge. The chief trouble with the Campbell family is that they are Democrats and don't hesitate to say so. The King's Daughters do not stop to inquire into a person's politics. They administer to suffering humanity whether it is black or white.

I would suggest that while Dr. Moye is recommending that criminals in jail be provided with a change of clothing, he also see to it that an afflicted colored woman out at that splendid Home be given some cover for her bed. She showed us the horrible affair and she had only one old dirty comfort.

These are plain truths, written in defense of the helpless and in the Name of Christ.

ONE OF THE KING'S DAUGHTERS.

Convicted Again.

In the summer of 1896 a colored man named Hatton Perry committed an outrage upon a white girl named Annie Smith, near Washington. Perry fled but a few weeks later was captured at Wilmington and taken back to Washington. In February of this year he was tried, convicted and sentenced to be hanged, but took an appeal to the Supreme Court and was granted a new trial on some slight technicality.

His second trial took place at the present term of Beaufort county Superior Court and he was again convicted, the jury returning a verdict in half an hour after the case was given to them. Judge Geo. H. Brown, who presided at this last trial, will pass sentence on Perry before court adjourns.

Marriage Licenses.

The Register of Deeds issued seven marriage licenses last week, six for white couples and one for colored. The whites were:

W. W. Whitehurst and Sarah Allen, Richard Tray and Lucy Edmunson, T. A. Nobles and Elizabeth Harris, J. F. Taylor and Henrietta Sugg, L. L. Brown and Vestia House, Austin Gore and Etta Taylor.

MANY THINK!

when the Creator said to woman, "In sorrow shalt thou bring forth children," that a curse was pronounced against the human race, but the joy felt by every Mother when she first presses to her heart her babe, proves the contrary.

Danger and suffering lurk in the pathway of the Expectant Mother, and should be avoided, that she may reach the hour when the hope of her heart is to be realized, in full vigor and strength.

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STATE NEWS.

The State labor commissioner says that Haywood county alone will this season ship 32,000 barrels of apples.

Col. John D. Cameron, one of the State's foremost men and for many years an able editor, died at Raleigh, Thursday morning. He was 76 years old.

A white man in Greensboro murdered his wife on last Saturday evening and in less than 48 hours after committing the crime the Court had sentenced him to be hanged. That kind of justice puts lynching in the fire.

OVER THE COUNTRY.

Judge Kenney, of the United States Court, Brooklyn, N. Y., is dangerously ill.

The Georgia Legislature has rejected three bills designed to reform the prison system of the State.

Gerge E. Smith leads the eight candidates for the Presidency of the Massachusetts Senate.

The United States steamer Yosemite reached Detroit, Mich., where she will be docked and overhauled.

Wyatt Leach was hanged at Clinton, Tenn., for slaying D. B. Hack because he married Leach's young wife.

A unknown individual at Boston Mass., is paying all overdue postage on Christmas mail received from abroad.

Fireman Benjamin Dennis was killed and several persons wounded by the explosion of a boiler at Portsmouth, Va.

Unconscious Sarcasm.

A clergyman famous for his begging abilities was once entertaining a Sunday school. When comparing himself—the pastor of the church—to a shepherd and his congregation to the sheep, he put the following question to the children:

"What does the shepherd do for the sheep?"

To the amusement of those present a small boy in the front row piped out:

"Shears them!"—Omaha Bee.

The amount of sugar consumed by the American people is increasing at the rate of 100,000 tons per year. To meet this great and growing demand the cultivation of the sugar beet is being undertaken in many States, and both the farmers of Ohio and Indiana are making practical experimental tests in growing the beet. A plant is to be established at Richmond to manufacture sugar from the beet.

There was a mobbie near Chapel Hill a few days ago. Miss Pauline Hogue, an aged maiden lady who lived with the family of Mr. Cia. Hogan, about two miles from town took her life by hanging herself to a peach tree upon strong. She was eighty or eighty five years old, and this act was doubtless due to mental derangement caused by her advanced years.—Durham Herald.

The Worth of a Man

It is a delusion that men do not get what they are worth writes John Wanamaker in the Ten Palladelphian. Why, it's the hardest thing in the world to find a clean, strong, earnest, upright young man—they're as scarce as hen's teeth. I had a boy working for me once at $3 a week, and one day the boy's father, who was loom boss in a factory, came to see me and said he guessed he'd take his boy out. He could make more money in the factory.

"How much?" I asked. "Four dollars a week" "Well, let him alone and he'll be getting five a week here after a while."

When the boy was getting $8 the father came again, and again I persuaded him to leave the boy with me. When the boy was getting $10 a week the father came again and said he was going to take the boy away. "What for?" "He isn't making money enough." "What will you do with him?" "Put him in the factory." "How much will he get?" "Twelve dollars first-fifteen afterwards" "Any more" "Yes, he may get to be loom boss" "What will he make then?" "Seventy five dollars a month." "Well then, let the boy alone; he can bet up a hundred a month here some day." I had the hardest work to get that man to leave his boy, and we are paying the boy now $1,000 a month.

Set a Thief to Catch a Thief.

President Diaz, of Mexico, is credited with the invention of an ingenious method of ridding the country of bandits, including highway robbery, which is working like a charm. A desperado of more than common intelligence was captured about two years ago, and the President interviewed him in prison several times. The bandit told him that the want of occupation was the root of the whole trouble. The President said: "I will test you. You shall be liberated, and I will appoint you chief of police in your district. You are to guard all trains and to protect passengers at the way stations. You can appoint your own subordinates from your followers. You will be rewarded for maintaining good order in our district, and held responsible for all lawless acts by whomsoever committed."

There has not been a robbery in that district (which was formerly a dangerous one for tourists to pass through) since the appointment was made. The system has been extended, and now the solitary uniformed policeman on the platform of nearly every small station in Mexico is an established institution. He is known and respected as a stupendous person by the peons and loafers, who know that he will permit no petty thieving. He, in turn, knows that he is closely watched by a superior officer, who is in the employ of the chief ex-bandit.—Philadelphia Record

Our Negroes Degeneration

The race problem in the South seems destined to be settled according to natural laws, much something is done, and done soon, to save the negro from the results of his own vices and neglect of elementary hygienic laws. The testimony of those who have studied this subject is all but unanimous, and it has received additional confirmation through the investigations of Dr. R. H. Johnson, of Brunswick, Ga., himself a colored physician. In figures which he has gathered from a study of the vital statistics of nearly 300 towns in the Southern States show that the death rate of negroes is double that of whites in the same communities, and not only this but the birth rate is also smaller among the colored than among the white population. Further more the day of the stalwart negro is passing, if not already gone, and the members of the younger generation of the race make a poor showing as regards their size and physical constitution when compared with their grandmothers and grandfathers.

Dr. Johnson attributes this degeneracy of his race—rightly, we believe—to the carelessness, want of foresthought and dissipation so unfortunately characteristic of a large portion of the colored population in the South since the civil war. "In antebellum days, says Dr. Johnson, "the negro was protected to be an immate to consumption and many great medical writers and teachers boast of never having seen such among the negroes. Enforced temperate living and sanitary precautions made the black man a physical giant, but the giants are disappearing, and in their places are coming on a race of smaller stature and decreased vitality."

That this is the true reason of the colored man's physical deterioration is further shown by what Surgeon-General Sternberg has to say in his recently issued annual report concerning the health of the colored soldiers. "Great improvement," he says, "has taken place in the past few years in the sanitary condition of the colored troops. The white troops have participated in the improvement, although their rates have not fallen so rapidly as those of the colored men. The colored soldier lost 9.42 days from disability during the year, the white soldier 12.71, and the average time of treatment of each case was, among the colored troops, 10.84 days; among the white, 11.22 days."

These figures contain much to encourage those who have the future of our colored brothers at heart and who have looked with sorrow upon their downward progress since the day of their emancipation. The figures show, indeed, that the race is capable of regeneration, since even now its members living under the sanitary and moral restraint of army discipline are found to be superior to their white comrades living under the same conditions. The proof exists that the colored race may yet be brought back to its former sanitary condition, but the problem remains how to lift it up from the abyss of misery and how avert its threatened extinction. Here is a task for colored members of our profession, which they can accomplish far better than their white confreres and which calls for their best thought and self sacrificing devotion.—Medical Record.

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A Populist Congressman Who Saved Nearly All His Salary.

The Populist paper at Lincoln gives some account of the prosperity which has come to Uncle Billy Bakes, the plain-out old fellow who for three terms represented the sixth district in Congress. He has two fine farms upon one of which he is feeding 250 head of cattle, and, besides, he owns and occupies a fine home in the town. Uncle Billy demonstrated the error of the belief that a Congressman could not live decently and save money on if his salary. His expenses in Washington were but little, if any, more than the excess sum allowed him for mileage and postage, and had it not been for the necessity of contributing liberally to the campaign fund in his district he might have saved nearly the whole of his salary of $5,000 a year. He was a poor man when he entered Congress and he is now worth about $17,000.—Kansas City Journal.

A Youth Who Won't Talk Away From Home.

Mr. Hector Hanes, who lives up on the Big Ekhin, was in town last Tuesday and with him was his son, Sanford Hanes, a boy of 18 years, well grown and intelligent, but with the peculiarity that he cannot be induced by his father or any other person to speak a word when he is away from home. While at home he talks as glibly as anybody. We tried to get him to speak but it was a failure. His father says that when the boy was quite small he was visiting a neighbor and a man kicked him. The boy got mad and from that time on he has steadily refused to speak a word while away from home.—Elkin Times.

The Demon Liquor.

Tonight it enters an humble home to strike the roses from a woman's cheek, and tomorrow it challenges this republic in the halls of Congress.

Tonight it strikes a crust from the lips of a starving child, and tomorrow levies tribute from the Government itself.

It defies the law when it cannot secure suffrage.

It is flexible to cajole, but merciless in victory.

It comes to ruin, and it profits mainly by the ruin of your son and mine.

It comes to change the wife's love into despair and her pride into shame.

It comes to still the laughter on lips of little children.

It comes to still the music of the home and fill it with silence and desolation.

It comes to ruin your body and mine, to wreck your home, and it knows it must measure its prosperity by the swiftness and certainty with which it wrecks this world.

It is the moral enemy of peace and order, the despoiler of men and terror of women, the cloud that shadows the face of children, the demon that has dug more graves and sent more souls unjustly into judgment than all the pestilence that have wasted life since God sent the plague to Egypt, and all the wars since Jo-hua stood beyond Jericho.—Henry Grady.

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Speaking on the above subject, F. W. Crooker, editor of the Bainbree, (Mass.) Observer, recently said:

The local papers are the mirrors of a town, and their editors are expected to rejoice with them that rejoice and to weep with them that weep."

They must sit in the bald-headed row at all entertainments, and every story must be told right side out.

They are in sympathy with every movement tending to benefit the public and with due respect to our churches and our schools I will say that the press possesses the greatest power for good of any institution in a community.

A minister preaches to an audience of from 100 to 400 and gets—what? $1,500 per year.

The editor prints his sermons, and columns of matter upon the topics of the day, reaching from 1,000 to 4,000 people every week and what does he get? He gets a living and perhaps a curse from the man whose name happens to be spelled wrong.

The doctor presides at a birth and charges $10. The minister performs marriage ceremony and gets anything from a blush of it means to a handsome fee. The undertaker provides a man with his last suit of clothes and charges a post mortem price; but the editor, who keeps a care of everything of all that happens from the cradle to the grave, and then writes a grand obituary, gets nothing. He does not even have a chance to kiss the bride.

It is not my province at this time to state what constitutes a good local paper, but the editor that understands his business finds it as hard to tell what to leave out as what to put in. His paper must be a faithful exponent of facts and he must, with great care, present the good and the evil. The paper that does this must have the hearty co-operation of the people, or die.

The people have much to do with the success of the home paper, and the community is known by the kind of paper it supports.

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The local papers are all working for good schools, good roads, honest government, high morals and low taxes.

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Butler Writhes in Vain.

Senator Butler has denied, or made pretence of denying, (for it isn't a denial in fact), the truth of the charges made against him as to certain slanderous utterances in his Rocky Mount speech. He is apparently very much shocked and quite indignant that such language should be attributed to him. It may be incidentally observed that his indignation was not aroused until he saw that extract from the Rocky Mount paper copied by other papers, with such comments as it suggested. But it wouldn't be such a remarkable utterance for Mr. Butler after all, for he had previously said substantially the same thing in his Caucasian, the difference being that what he wrote then was written with thought and deliberation, and what he said at Rocky Mount might have been uttered in warmth and without due deliberation. The editor of the Windsor Orient, who referred to the file of of the Caucasian, found the following in the issue of September 30th, about two weeks before the Rocky Mount speech was delivered:

"This awful crime of rape the condemnation of which should be prompted by sincere motives and honest purposes is used in a hypocritical manner * * * for base and partisan ends, and all the time they are condemning the nature of the crime they are secretly longing for more rapes that they may better play upon the prejudices of the people" Democrats, and consequently there is no need to insert "Democrats." But perhaps Senator Butler may wiggle out of this by saying that it wasn't "Senator" Butler who wrote that but "Editor" Butler, or it wasn't "Senator" Butler but "Editor" Butler who carried his pockets full of free passes on the railroads. Under the circumstances, in the presence of the above extract, that would be about as good a defense as any he has made.—Wilmington Star.

Cultivate Less and Cultivate it Better.

The intensive system of farming is the thing, and our farmers must come to it sooner or later. Cultivate fewer acres, manure the land more highly, cultivate better and thereby raise as much or more on half the quantity of land with less rest for labor. Here is an example, and others are not lacking. The Goldsboro Argus says:

A farmer told us the other day that instead of putting a twelve acre lot in cotton he took the same quantity of manure and applied it to six acres of the same land. From the twelve acres he has been in the habit of making twelve bales of cotton; this year he has picked six bales of cotton from the six acres. This is an object lesson for all who till the soil.

Dumas to Young Men

Dumas' advice to young men reads as follows: "Walk two hours every day; sleep seven hours every night; go to bed alone when you wish to sleep; work as soon as you rise; never eat unless you are hungry; never drink unless you are thirsty, and always slowly. Never speak unless it is necessary, and then say only half you think. Write only what you can sign. Do only what you can tell of. Never forget others count on you, but you must never count on them. Esteem money for neither more nor less than it is worth; it is a good servant, but a bad master. Keep away from women until you are 20 years old. Give them up when you are 40. Don't create without recognizing the responsibility, and destroy as little as possible. Forgive everybody in advance; it is more sure. Neither hate nor despise men, and do not laugh at them; pity them. Think of death every morning; you are the light, and every evening when you go into the shadow. When you suffer very much look your grief in the face; it alone can console you and it will teach you much. Learn silently, and how to be useful, and how to remain free, and wait to deny God until He has proven to the world He does not exist. Glory for glory is a shameful speculation. Men proud of their celebrity are ignorant. Men vain of their genius are fools."

Support the Local Industries

The real is fact the property owner is the most dependent citizen of a community. This of course applies strictly to the property owner who has property to sell or rent. The laboring man can leave a place without a day's notice, but the property owner cannot bundle up his effects and leave land and houses for people to rent. The laboring man can leave a place without a day's notice, but the property owner cannot bundle up his effects and leave land and houses behind. Therefore the greater the prosperity of a community, the greater is the independence of the property owner, and as the business welfare and the commercial interest of a community increases so must the property owner's independence. As the dependence upon the trade interests of a city are so vital to property values, the greater necessity is the property owner affected by it, direct support to everything which shall increase trade and build up his city.—Newbern Journal.

JUST FOR FUN.

Santa Claus has given up the reindeer and is arranging to make his next round on a bike.

Smith—"What makes Simpkins look so miserable? He's in good health, isn't he?" Bjones—"Yes; but he's engaged in writing a joyous Christmas carol."

Hobson—"Our new bookkeeper is no good." Dobson—"What's the matter with him?" Hobson—"He's such a lightweight he can't balance his own ledger."

This is the time of year when the wise Benedict swerves of smoking and quit chewing, so that his sweetie may won't make him a present of a box of cigars.

Indignant Advertiser—"Look here you've made a nice mess of our ad., and queered our big clearance sale," Foreman—"How's that?" Indignant Advertiser—"We heralded the furniture, bedding and rugs than we care to carry in stock." You've printed it "dugs."

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To be alone is a million-fold better than to be in bad company.

Most men are bad because they have not been taught to be good.

The successful man is the one who is always pursued by a pack of snapping dogs.

Ten grains of common sense are worth more for practical purposes than ten bushels of book learning.

Some men are born lucky, some work themselves into fortune, and some die as they live—no account to anybody.

A woman has more worry and trouble over getting one dress made to suit her than a man has over all his clothes in a lifetime.

He who brings of joy to the hearts of a sad being, performs an act that will count much in his favor in that final summing up.

No matter how good a thing is now, there is always some old patriarch who has a recollection of something a great deal better.

There would be a lot time in every old town if the newspapers would give all the facts they know—tell the truth and nothing but the truth.

Nature is the only true and universal school for all humanity. Her curriculum is as broad as the earth, and her pupils graduate with broadgauge diplomas.

Tis no may be a pleasure in showing up the faults of others, but we should remember that others are getting even with us by doing the same with our faults.

Fruit Dealers Killed by Tarantula and Scorpion Bites.

Within two weeks three men have died here from the effects of tarantula and scorpion bites.

Another was forced to have his arm amputated in order to escape death from one of these bites. All the victims are Sicilians, they were in the fruit business, and it is among the fruit houses on North Third street that the deadly insects which killed them are found. Bananas and other tropical fruits shipped here are picked in the tropics, and among them lurk the insects, which are terrified by cold weather. In the steam rooms of local fruit houses where the fruits are hung to ripen, these insects are revived by the warmth and they frequently attack the men at work in the establishments.—St. Louis Dispatch.

THE COMING WOMAN.

Who goes to the club while her husband tends the baby, as well as the good and fashioned woman who 'sets after her house, will both at times get run down in health They will be afflicted with loss of appetite headaches, sleeplessness, fainting or dizzy spells. The most wonderful remedy for the women is Electric Bitters Thousands of sufferers from Lame Back and Weak Kidneys rise up and call it blessed. It is the medicine for women Female complaints and Nervous troubles of all kinds are soon relieve by the use of Electric Bitters To decate women should keep this remedy on hand to build up the system Only 50 per bottle. For sale by Jno. L. Wooten.

Hard Lines.

You can't be merry—very—
When the Christmas season comes
Yes:
It's the first of January
Note
Falls
Due!
The boatman at the ferry
Cannot row where s'ies are blue
When the first of January
Makes the
Note
Fall
Due!
Oh, cold January Perry,
In the Arctic lands you view
Is there any January
Where to
Note
Falls
Due?

The tide of prosperity has not checked the inventive ingenuity of Yankeedom. In the number of applications for patents sent to the Patent Office the year 1896 surpassed all previous records and yet during the first six months of 1897 over 7 per cent. more applications were received than during the first half of 1896. From January 1, 1897, to June 30, 1897, there were filed 25,59 applications. During the same period the records of the office amounted to $722,897—an increase of $103,015 over the six months immediately preceeding. The Patent Office is one of the few department of the Government the receipts of which support the expenditure. From July 4, 1836 (the date of the establishment of the office), to June 30, 1897, the excess of receipts over expenditures was $5,093,514.

Charity of Speech.

This is beautifully said: Charity of speech is as divine a thing as charity of action. To judge no one harshly, to misconceive no man's motives, to believe things are as they seem to be until they are proved otherwise, to temper judgment with mercy—this is quite as good as to build up churches, establish asylums and found colleges. Unkind words do as much harm as unkind deeds. Many a heart has been wounded, many a reputation has been stabbed to death by a few little words. There is a charity which consists in withholding words, in keeping back hasty judgments, in abstaining from speech if to speak is to condemn. Such charity hears the tale of slander, but does not repeat it; listens in silence, but forbears comment; then locks the unpleasant secret up in the very depths of the heart. Silence can still rumor; it is speech that keeps a story alive. Silence is the vigor.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

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All Paris was stirred one day in August, 1869, by a duel of courage. Horatius and his two comrades hobbling Lars Porsena's army at bay until the bridge across the Tiber had been cut down.

At a performance in the Hippodrome Lucas, the lion tamer, entered the cage where were two lions and two lionesses. Scarcely had he closed the door when one of the lions sprang upon him and seized him by the back of the neck. The sight of blood maddened the other lion, and they, too, fell on their trainer.

Women screamed and fainted; men grew pale or shouted out imperious orders. The employees of the Hippodrome lost their heads, save Lucas' attendant, Jose Montoya, a Spaniard. Arming himself with an iron weapon, he entered the cage, smote the lions hip and thigh and nearly killed them all. Then he dragged out his mangled master, who was immediately bandaged by a doctor.—Youth's Companion.

Irresponsibility.

Occasionally one comes across persons who are to all intents and purposes utterly irresponsible. No matter what their acts, they have a plausible excuse, and when the excuses are exhausted they dismiss the whole affair with a little flutter or a wave of the hand and declare that "really they don't know anything about it, or that they have done all they can, and that's all there is to it." Personal responsibility and the habits of accuracy, reliability, truthfulness and well bred frankness are among the most important items in the education of a child—above all, a feeling of accountability and a disposition to accept whatever belongs to one's share of the responsibilities of life.—New York Ledger.

The Asterisk.

Teacher—Willie, that is not the way to spell "emperor." You should not end the word with an "er." Willie—Oh, I used just like "janitor."—Indianapolis Journal.

The cultivation of flowers for exportation for the perfumery factories at Grasse is an important industry on the Riviera. It is officially estimated that the value of flowers annually exported from Nice, Cannes, Beaulieu and Mentone is $600,000.

Eccentricities of a Cat.

A slender black cat in the Boston postoffice building has developed a number of traits that make her a most interesting study. She is fearless and independent, and yet quiet and tame as a lady's pet. The size or appearance of a dog has no terror for her, if she is disposed to attack him, and she walks among the people in the building and outside as unconcerned as if she knew them all.

More remarkable still is her way of getting round from one place to another. She has a number of places in the building to visit, and only on the third floor, where there is a young lady who she likes to call upon at frequent intervals, and instead of running up and down the stairs, as other cats naturally would do, she takes an elevator. With an air of imposing dignity she takes up a position among the rest of the passengers waiting for the elevator, and when she gets on board the elevator she looks earnestly through the door as the car ascends. Lacking means to signify where she intends to get off, she remains in the car until it stops at her desired destination, and even force, unless it is irresistable, cannot make her leave the elevator till it reaches the floor where she wants to go. The elevator men know her habits so well that if she happens to be the passenger going up they generally offer her the third floor first. As she returns from a visit, she again avails herself of the elevator service, whether she wishes to go up or down, for it is a matter of course with her to complete her round in the upper part of the building while she is up that way.—Boston Transcript.

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Telephone Charges.

The REFLECTOR says that "Greenville has as good a telephone exchange as any town in the State, and in addition to the local service gives its subscribers the benefit of communication with most of the neighboring towns, and the cost is only $2 per month for business houses and $1.50 per month for private residences;" while the Landmark, commenting upon the same paragraph that our Greenville contemporary comments on, says that "Statesville has a telephone system that furnishes first-class service for $24 per year for business houses and $12 and $18 per year for private residences." In Charlotte the charge of the Bell system are from $20 to $40 per year for business houses and $18 to $30 for private residences. If the Bell Telephone Company furnishes twice as good a service as other companies it is justified in making double the charge for it, but the Greenville REFLECTOR says its telephone system is as good as that of any town in the State, and the Landmark says the Statesville telephone system "furnishes first-class service." The matter may be straight and all right, but in view of the great disparity in charges it occurs to us that it might not be amiss for the railroad commission to look a little deeper into it unless it has already gone to the bottom of it.—Charlotte Observer.

Concord has a