

# Praise the Lord All Ye Hosts for this Blessed Ray of Sunshine

## THE TWICE-A-WEEK DISPATCH

PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICAN NEWSPAPER DEVOTED TO THE UPBUILDING OF AMERICAN HOMES AND AMERICAN INDUSTRIES.

BURLINGTON, ALAMANCE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1915.

### SMALL BATTLES IN ALL THE 'ARIOUS FIELDS THE WAR.

French Claim the Germans Have Lost 20,000 Men in Last Few Days—The Allies Lose Also—Turks Suffer Another Setback in the Caucasus According to Russian Statement.

### ALL POLITICAL OFFICES SHOULD BE PUT IN THE CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE ACCORDING TO MR. TAFT.

#### WEALTHY MAN IS SUSPECTED.

Prominent Cumberland Farmer Charged With Heading Band Of Robbers.

Fayetteville, Jan. 26.—A big catch is in possession of the offices as a result of an unusual raid by police and railroad detectives. The raid was to discover the perpetrators of car robberies on the Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk Southern which have been going on for more than a year. A most novel scheme of robbery was discovered and positive evidence found which have put the offices on the trail of one of the best known farmers of the county, as the head of a gang of car robbers. This is John L. Smith, who lives about five miles south of Fayetteville.

An A. C. L. detective was placed on a freight train leaving Fayetteville about 9 o'clock at night, the detective being convinced that the car robbing was being done in transit, while the police held themselves in readiness to go to the detective's assistance at a given signal. Before the train had left the city limits, while passing the coal chute in the southern end of town a car on the train was opened by a man on the inside and goods began to be thrown from the car, evidently to be picked up by some one else who should come along later. The railroad detective aboard telephoned to the men left behind in Fayetteville when he reached the first signal tower at Natal. A party of police, deputies and detectives hurried to the place designated. They took the wagon road running along the railroad. Coming to the overhead bridge about three miles from the city, they ran on a negro man loading goods into a wagon from beside the track. Leaving their automobile, with light out, they approached the man, who whipped up his horse and drove at a furious gait toward the officers, crashed into the dark car, leaped from the wagon and disappeared into the night, followed by a volley from the officers. The horse broke from the shafts and also made away. The wagon was loaded with goods stolen from the freight car. Following a trail of packages which had apparently been dropped along the road, the officers were led to the home of John Smith. Mr. Smith was not at home. But waiving all formalities, the men of the law went into his store house, where they found a quantity of the goods which had been missing from the cars of the railroad for some time. That, though, was not the only discovery of interest they made. On the premises was found a first-class whiskey still and a complete outfit for running, and 90 pounds of stuff done up in wholesale packages. An automobile load of the goods was brought into Fayetteville and wagons are still hauling in the booty.

#### MOST UNIQUE CHARACTER.

Smith is quite a character. He has before been indicted for selling whiskey but has never been convicted. He has a "wine house" at his place which looks exactly like a little wayside chapel. He is famous for his wine, which he makes himself. He

is well off and drives a big motor car, and appears to be a public-spirited man. Last year, at his own expense he built a good road on the public highway which runs past his home.

#### DEATH OF A GOOD WOMAN.

On January 22nd, 1915, as the darkness of the night was melting away into the light of day, the Spirit of Mrs. Betsy Ann Coble, widow of the late Austin C. Coble, left its tenement of clay to enter her home, the building of God, the House not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens. She died on her birth day at the ripe age of eighty two years. Mrs. Coble was born in Guilford County and after her marriage she spent her life in Alamance County, not more than two miles from the place of her birth. She was a daughter of William and Sallie Coble, who raised twelve children—six boys and six girls, of which number only two survive, three having died in the past eleven months. Mrs. Coble was the mother of four children, three surviving her. William with whom she lived, Robert A., of Burlington, and Agnes, wife of J. Fonville, near Graham. She was also the stepmother of Mrs. Henry Coble, of Hartshorn, Thomas F. Coble, of Burlington, and Mrs. Robert Ray, of Graham.

For some time she did not enjoy good health, suffering more or less with rheumatism. About eight days before her death she was taken with Pneumonia, which proved too much for her constitution and when informed that she could not recover replied: "I would like to remain with you, but if I cannot it is all right. Mrs. Coble had a quiet, genial and patient disposition, always manifesting a deep interest in the welfare of her family, a good wife, an affectionate mother, a kind neighbor and a friend to all. Early in life she made Christ her choice and united with the church of her parents and lived a true Christian life until summoned from the church "militant" to the church "Triumphant."

On day following her death her funeral service was held in Lows Church, in the presence of a large congregation, who came to show their esteem of this good woman. The service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. Mr. Troxler. The sermon was preached by Rev. V. B. Stickley, by special request. After the services the body was laid in the graveyard beside her husband to sleep until the sounding of the Last Trump, when the Lord, in Whom she trusted, comes bringing her with all who sleep in Him.

Dearest Mother thou has left us  
Here thy loss we deeply feel,  
But 'tis God which has bereft us,  
He can all our sorrows heal.  
—V. R. S.

You can't convince a surgeon that the vermiform appendix serves no useful purpose.

If the legislature finance committees can make the state's present finances cover the need they will deserve all the good things that have been said of them.

### Primary, Legal Interest Rate, Etc.

The first steps to be taken in North Carolina toward establishing a real democracy, should be the enactment of a primary election law, applicable to all officers from President to constables and to all political parties on the same date; and this to be backed up by a corrupt practices act that will absolutely guarantee an honest expression from the uncorrupted minds of all the people.

An attempt will probably be made to defeat the passage of a bill that is applicable to legislative and county officers. The argument will be that the Democratic state convention only indorsed a primary applicable to national, state and judicial officers, and therefore the legislature should not go beyond the action of the state convention.

The generally assembly should not be deterred from doing its duty to the whole people by any such argument. If we admit that the principle of the primary is right and we are willing to grant the electors the privilege of selecting national, state and judicial officers, why should that right (and it is a right) be denied them in the more important legislative and county officers?

The only argument made in the convention against the county primary was that it would jeopardize the Democratic party in the close counties but no speaker attempted to explain how the Democratic party would suffer more than the Republican party from a primary law applicable to both. Such an argument is tantamount to admitting that the Democratic party is not a party of the people, and no loyal Democrat will make that admission.

No, the Democratic party, nor any other party that deserves to live, need have any fears of imperiling its strength with the people by granting the people the machinery for choosing their candidates for all offices.

The legal rate of interest law is being violated every day. In my own county where we have several of the strongest banks in the State, I have reports showing that borrowers are being charged from 8 to 12 per cent. interest. A prominent professional man who is well known, went with a farmer to a bank to borrow a few hundred dollars, and on being told that they could get the money, he asked at what rate of interest. The banker replied: "We have to pay 6 per cent. for money, the reserve banks are discounting paper at 6 per cent.; it costs 2 per cent. to run a bank and we must make 2 per cent. profit." So if those men borrowed \$1,000 for 12 months, they got \$900 and paid \$100 for interest.

Another farmer went to see a lawyer about getting \$300 to pay off a mortgage on the home and farm of a widow. The lawyer told him that he would get the money if the widow would make the deed of trust for \$1,000, but not otherwise. The security was ample and good.

In another section of the State a farmer with gilt-edge security was refused a loan of \$500 by a bank. He went to see a lawyer and was made to pay a fee of \$50 and the money was furnished by the bank that had refused the farmer.

A well known banker has told me that a large property owner, was refused a loan of a few hundred dollars by the banks of our capital city, and had to pay a lawyer a fee of \$30 to get him the money.

A well known banker has told me that it is not an uncommon custom

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### MR. DAVIS HAS SOUNDED HORN.

Committee Will Meet to Draft Bill for Presentation Monday—On Liquor Question—An Attempt to Prevent The Shipment of Intoxicants Into the State.

Raleigh, Jan. 22.—Superintendent A. L. Davis, of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, has called the special legislative committee to meet here next Monday to draft the bill that is to be introduced in the legislature thereafter for the purpose of writing into the state prohibition regulations a statute that will put an end to the delivery of liquors in this State to be used for beverage purposes. Superintendent Davis says the bill to be prepared will also take a fling at regulating the sale of malt in this State and the amendment of the law so that records will be kept of all deliveries of malt to dealers and of sales to users. Mr. Davis says that he is confident that the legislature will enact the bill that is to be prepared. The legislative committee which was named at the recent annual meeting here is composed of W. H. Wither- spoon, Laurinburg; W. T. Shaw, Weldon; C. H. Ireland, Greensboro; J. A. Brown, Chadbourn; Dr. R. T. Vann, Raleigh, and R. L. Davis, Raleigh.

### HENRY FORD TALKED BEFORE COMMISSION.

Says His Company Can Make Men Out of the Convicts of Sing Sing—Was Wildly Cheered.

New York, Jan. 22.—The condition of a new order of treating men like men, in a man fashion, has brought out much of human salvage and proven that misunderstanding between employers and employes, thought to exist and which do often exist, can be largely removed.

Henry Ford, the Detroit motor manufacturer and philanthropist, thus summed up at today's session of the federal industrial relation commission the amazing, but successful, results of the first year of the Ford Motor Company's profit sharing plan.

"We will guarantee to take every man out of Sing Sing prison and make a man of him," Mr. Ford added, impressively.

A burst of applause swept through the chamber, in city hall, where the hearings are being held at this confident assertion.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, presented labor's own view of the obligation of capital and labor. His testimony attained sensational heights when he charged that the Rockefeller foundation has a group of its officials on the government payroll who are using the franking privilege of flooding the country with literature.

Mr. Ford first explained the nature of the scheme in which every employe was entitled to after being in the company's employ for six months, a minimum wage of \$5 is maintained for an eight hour day.

### THE TALK OF THE TOWN.

Wouldn't you like the name of your store to be on every one's lips?

Wouldn't you like people to think your business name, when they think of certain kinds of merchandise.

Then hitch your store to the current of public thought.

Make it the market place for the standard merchandise advertised in newspapers.

If you want your store the talk of the town, place an ad in The Dispatch.

While many of the members are making sacrifices in doing duty as legislators, it will be noticed that most of them are willing to make it complete.

### BILLY PREACHES TO 1,500 CONVICTS.

Tells Them That It Pays to Do Right and Makes Them Laugh Frequently.

"It was wrong thinking that took the prodigal son from his home to a hog pen and right thinking that took him from the hog pen to his home." Billy Sunday summarized his message to nearly 1,500 convicts in the Eastern State Penitentiary, in Philadelphia, last Friday morning, when he addressed them from a little wooden platform erected at the convergence of the cell corridors in the big prison. He had been invited to speak there by the warden, Robert McKenty.

The convicts laughed at his inimitable stories and at his proficient use of underworld slang. Many of them wept a little at his exhortation to right living and all of them, apparently joined with him in the Lord's Prayer after he had been presented with a wooden table, on which a convict had carved it. They joined in a mighty chorus in singing the hymn "Every cloud will wear a rainbow if your heart keeps light" and those who didn't know the words whistled the tune.

"Sing it from your hearts boys, and you'll feel real skittish, you will," cried Billy, and they did.

### IT PAYS TO DO RIGHT.

"Boys it pays to do right," he said after the singing had ended. "I guess you all realize that now." But if the gathered convicts thought he was going to deliver them a lecture they were agreeably surprised for he had them convulsed with laughter the next moment over his summary of a safe-cracking. "A little soup and a little soap and boom—ten years. Sure." He said he was glad that Pennsylvania is going to have an open air prison, where the "fellows now in jail can get a chance to make good under the open sky."

Then he launched upon his sermon based on the text, "In the path of righteousness there is life."

"Doing right is the most profitable thing in the world," he said. "Not only is it the one thing to do, but it gets you more. Doing wrong is the most unprofitable thing in the world because you lose out on it every time."

"We all know right from wrong. We all hate a lie and a liar instinctively. I'll bet there are some of you here today because someone lied about you on the witness stand. I'll bet my life that there are some men here that never did anything wrong. Yes, some lobster who ought to be serving the time himself lied about you and now he's walking the streets a free man."

"Listen, you know it's wrong to swear. If it were right we'd teach it in our public schools. No man will come to you and say, 'here's my young son. He's the best little cussier in Philadelphia.' Oh no.

"Every fellow here knows it's wrong to crack a safe. You know it's wrong to stick up a store, to pull a second-story job, to be a fence or a yegg. You know you'll get your time in the stir if you do these things. You know it's wrong to run away with another fellow's wife."

"Every man here knows the steps that led to this place. And he knows that he didn't get here by following the precepts of the Bible. All God wants is the right. All that the devil wants is wrong. A man's a fool to follow the devil when he does so much better on the side of God. In the path of righteousness there is life."

Some of those who believe in a state wide primary evidently do not believe in the referendum.

### CHILD LABOR BILL.

A Bill To Be Entitled "An Act to Regulate and Restrict the Employment of Children."

The General Assembly of North Carolina Do Enact:

Section 1. That no child under fourteen years of age shall be employed, permitted or suffered to work in, about or in connection with any mill, factory, manufacturing establishment, mine, workshop, laundry, garage or place of amusement.

Sec. 2 No child under fourteen years of age shall be employed, permitted or suffered to work for hire at any occupation during the hours when the public school of the district in which such child resides is in session.

Sec. 3. No child under sixteen years of age shall be employed, permitted or suffered to work in or in connection with any mill, factory, manufacturing establishment, mine, workshop, laundry, garage or place of amusement or in the transmission of telephone or telegraph messages.

1.—On Sunday, 2.—Nor for more than forty-eight hours in any one week, 3.—Nor for more than eight hours in any one day, 4.—Nor earlier than six A. M., nor later than seven P. M.

Sec. 4. The State Board of Health may, from time to time after a hearing duly had, determine whether or not any particular trade, process of manufacture or occupation is sufficiently dangerous to the lives or limbs, or injurious to the health, or morals of children under sixteen years of age, to justify their exclusion therefrom. No child under sixteen years of age shall be employed, permitted or suffered to work in any occupation thus determined to be dangerous or injurious to such children.

Sec. 5. No child under sixteen years of age shall be employed, permitted or suffered to work in, about or in connection with any mill, factory, manufacturing establishment, mine, workshop, laundry, garage or place of amusement, or in the transmission of messages, unless the person, firm or corporation employing such child, or permitting or suffering such child to work, shall have procured and shall keep on file and accessible to any inspector of factories, or other authorized officer charged with the enforcement of this act, an employment certificate, and shall keep a complete list of the names, together with the ages, of all children under sixteen years of age so employed, permitted or suffered to work. Such certificate shall set forth the name, age, sex, color, place of birth and date of birth, and place of residence of such child, together with such other facts as may be prescribed by the Commissioner of Labor and Printing for the purpose of the enforcement of this act. Such employment certificates shall be issued by the County Superintendent of Public Instruction, or by a person authorized by him in writing in the city, town or village where such child resides, or, in case the child resides outside the State of North Carolina, in the city or town or village in which the child is to be employed, upon application in person of the parent, guardian or person standing in parental relation to the child desiring such employment: Provided, that no person authorized as aforesaid, shall have authority to issue such certificate for any child then in or about to enter such person's employment, or the employment of the firm of which he is a member, or corporation of which he is an officer, director, or employe. The County Superintendent of Public Instruction, or the per-

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**AT THE UNIVERSITY.**

Chapel Hill, Jan. 25.—Counties, not unlike individuals, court for excellence or ranking degrees of distinction in particular fields of effort. Prof. L. A. Williams, of the University Department of Education, has compiled a table of "First in North Carolina" which is calculated to stimulate other counties not thus classified to acquire these distinctive qualities in educational efforts. The table follows:

Harnett, First to establish a moonlight school for illiterate adults—Leaflet School, Miss Bessie Knight.

McDowell, first to require all teachers to hold a certificate showing completion of a four-year accredited high school course in certain subjects—January, 1915.

Wake, First to have a Teachers' Mutual Aid Society within its borders—Raleigh Teachers, January, 1915.

Nash, First in the per cent. of vaccinated school children—98 per cent. Guilford, First in total number of students enrolled in public state-aided high school for 1913-14—310.

Burke, First in per cent of attendance on State-aided high schools for 1913-14—93.2 per cent.

Wake, first in total amount raised for the support of State-aided high schools for 1913-14—\$8,810.

Jackson, First in average expenditure per pupil in State-aided high schools for 1913-14—\$52.63.

Jackson ranked first in this respect in 1907-08, the first year these schools were established.

Guilford, First to have a whole-time health officer—February, 1911.

Sampson, First to have a county supervisor—Miss Lulu M. Cassidy.

Wayne, First to have a county commencement—1910.

Halifax, first to register a student in the Correspondence Study Courses at the University—1914.

The third annual contest of the North Carolina High School Debating Union will draw its membership from ninety counties. The counties unrepresented in the comprehensive forensic debate are: Bertie, Caswell, Hoke, Jones, Madison, Mitchell, Pamlico, Tyrrell, Washington, and Watauga. The enrollment has enlisted the active participation of 227 schools—137 rural and State high schools, and 90 private schools. The date for the preliminary debates throughout the State is March 26, and the date of April 9 has been named for the staging of the final contest in Chapel Hill for the Aycock Memorial Cup.

Is there anything that our rock-ribbed Democratic county of Alamance was first in? We fail to note it. This is referred to the next Democratic spell-binder that runs for office in this county.—Ed.)

**GREENSBORO ROUTE 1 ITEMS.**

We are always glad to read The Twice-A-Week Dispatch.

Mrs. Grover McAndles is critically ill at this time.

Mr. Edgar Morrow came home Thursday from Guilford College, where he has been in school.

Mrs. Elma Hodgins, who has been sick with chills, is now able to be out again. We are glad to say.

Mrs. Van Lamb is very sick at the present time.

Mr. Scott Hodgins is spending the winter with his parents.

Mr. E. A. Hodgins spent last Friday in Greensboro, selling produce and buying goods.

Mr. K. C. Hodgins and family are visiting at Mrs. Hodgins' father's, Mr. W. F. Kirkman.

Mr. J. Hocutt, our faithful mail carrier, has not failed to come out but one day amid the heavy rain-storms.

Miss Mamie Morrow is now in New Jersey visiting her sister, Mrs. Lillian McManus.

**OAKDALE DOTS.**

We are having plenty of rain and the roads are in bad condition.

Mr. W. H. Steel is right sick, but we hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Hurley Suits called to see his best girl last night.

The wedding bells are liable to ring most any old time, and if you want to know any more, ask Miss Edna.

There will be a Pie Party at Oakdale next Saturday night, (the 30th). Every body is invited to come. Girls

to bring pies and boys to bring their pockets full of money.

We had a very nice baseball game at Oakdale last Friday. Oakdale and the Old Reliable team crossed bats, the score being 10 to 18 in favor of Oakdale. Come again boys, we are little but we are loud.

Mr. Jim Spoon has purchased a new typewriter. Guess he can print his notices instead of writing them.

Mr. Willie Pogleman called to see the school teacher last Sunday—hope he enjoyed himself if it was a rainy day.

Mr. Roy Stuart was visiting at Mr. J. F. Bristowe's Sunday.

Miss Oppie Spoon has gone to Liberty to take music lessons. We hope she will succeed.

We are sorry to say there are several of the Oakdale scholars sick. Among the number are William Thompson, Lester Way, Lola Smyth, Joanna Kimrey and Mary McPherson. We hope they will soon be able to return to school.

**SOCIAL EVENTS IN MEBANE.**

Mebane, Jan. 22.—Mrs. W. S. Harris entertained the Literary Club Tuesday afternoon at her hospitable home north of town. Mrs. W. S. Crawford read a paper on "With Tenyson Through England." The sketch of current events was presented by Mrs. W. A. Murray. The discussions, consisting of criticisms, appreciations, questions and answers, following these not to say startling opinions, and comments. Ambrosia and cake were served. These present and taking part of the discussions were: Mesdames W. S. Crawford, W. A. Murray, W. W. Corbett, J. R. Singleton and J. S. White.

The Benefit Book Club met with Mrs. S. G. Morgan at her lovely home on Main street, Wednesday afternoon. After a historical contest, rock was played. There were present, as members, Mesdames J. S. White, H. E. Wilkinson, W. A. Murray, W. S. Crawford, J. R. Singleton, F. L. White, C. R. Grant, R. H. Tyson, T. M. Crutchfield, J. B. Weatherly, and Ralph Vincent, and Miss Leonorah Walker; as guests, Miss Della Wilson of Davidson, and Mesdames T. Frank Halt, W. R. Malorie, and Ben T. Warren. Delicious refreshments, consisting of ice cream and cake, coffee and wafers, were served.

The Embroidery Club was entertained Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Charles Dillard at her attractive home on Fifth street. Rock soon took the place of fancy work. After the games a salad course was served. Visitors present: Miss Sue Mebane and Lottie Watkins; Mesdames E. C. Durham, U. S. Ray, and C. R. Grant. Members in attendance: Misses Lois Ham and Lillie Fowler; Mesdames S. Arthur White, Charles Lasley, W. O. Warren and J. R. Vincent.

**WHY WOMEN ARE POPULAR.**

In the February Woman's Home Companion Ida M. Tarbell writes an article entitled "The Talkative Woman" in which she explains why women talk so much and what their talk is worth. In the course of her article she makes the point that women are naturally talkative because they spend so much time with little children, teaching them the language. On the natural inclination of women to talk she says in part: "It is as natural for the normal woman to talk as for the bird to sing. It is the spontaneous expression and giving of herself. It is this naturalness which gives to her talkativeness its perennial charm as well as its incalculable value in the scheme of things. The woman in the human group is much like the Monarch in Pierre Mille's delightful tale of that name. 'Why do people call me the Monarch? Why am I loved? Why always happy? Because,' he explains, 'I always have time to talk. Without me the people around here would be bored to death. I go and come, laugh and sing, I cost nothing but a glass of wine, and a bit of supper. What do I give? I give myself.' "The woman gives herself."

French soldiers when tired take off their shoes, stick their legs in the air and wiggle their toes, obtaining instant relief. But we wouldn't want to see this method used by all the tired people in Burlington.

**THE CROCHETING GIRL ON THE CAR.**

She sat by a window in a street car and a young man who stood in the aisle looked over her shoulder as if fascinated by the deftness of her fingers.

Long, slim, dainty fingers they were the nails shining with a pink freshness like the inside of a sea shell.

From where he stood in the crowded aisle of the early morning car all he could see of her face beyond her ears, which were shell-like and pink, too, was the profile of one rounded cheek.

The thumb and two forefingers of her right hand gripped a steel crocheting needle, its long handle describing circles, and ovals and dips and various intricate loop-the-loops of the barbed point searched in and out among the mazes of the filmy thing of lace she was knitting.

The skill and dexterity of her fingers amazed him as he watched the intricate pattern take form. It reminded him of a day last summer when he lay out under the grape arbor and watched a spider weaving its web. It would reach out a long tentacle and fasten a thread to a twig and then another, and then weave back and forth between them a web of silver strands. So her needle worked that morning now very slowly as she wove some complicated half-stitch, and then faster as she fashioned a string of tiny loops and then slowly again as she hooked the knitted strand to the main fabric, and so on and on, her mind only on her work, not knowing how near she was in her work to knitting a net to snare a young man's heart.

For when the opportunity came he moved up so as to look shyly into her face, and a fair face it was, too, and when she hastily dropped the web of lace and the needle into her reticule and alighted from the car his eyes followed her wistfully and he noted the street and the shop into which she went.

Many a young man's heart has been caught in the web woven by such dainty fingers. In the old days, when all the spinning, weaving, sewing and knitting was done by the women in the homes it was a common saying that a girl who was a good spinner and knitter was sure to make a good wife.

And in nearly all the old prints of courtships the young woman was at the spinning wheel.

There may be a hint in this for the many young women of today who are "just a wearily" for the right young man to come along and ask that old, old question that all girls hope to hear some day.

Maybe this is one solution of the problem that is bothering so many these days, the problem of "why young men don't marry."

Maybe they are waiting, as the young man in the car was watching, for the young woman who can sew and knit and mend, and do all other kinds of housework deftly and willingly for sheer love of it.—Kansas City Star.

**A PUZZLE.**

The lady of the house was explaining things to the new maid.

"An' what's this, missus?" asked the girl, indicating a metal bottle.

"This is a bottle which will keep things either hot or cold, whichever you desire," replied the mistress.

"Well, for the land sakes!" exclaimed the girl, "How's it gwine to know whether you want things hot or cold?"—Philadelphia Chronicle-Telegraph.

**THE DRAMA'S TREND.**

Tragedian—You tell me, sirrah, that I am behind the times?

Manager—Yes. You come with me. I'm going to produce a modern version of "Ben-Hur" with motorcycles for the principals in the chariot race.—Judge.

After a man has had a spell of sickness and gets our again he likes to go around bragging about how high his fever went.

To keep a secret woman has to have the assistance of all of her female friends and relatives.

The fates lead the willing and drag the unwilling.—Seneca.

**THE MODERN SUITOR.**

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Judge.

—O—

Oh, I shall not search for beauty, Nor for sympathetic eyes, Nor for what they call a "cutie," Nor for winners—otherwise.

For I'm simple—oh, so simple!— And it matters not to me If she have or not a dimple, Love is blind—I shall not see.

But, I pray, ye gods escort me (I am losing hope alone)

To a dame who can support me in a style I've never known!

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"I hear that Germany and Britain will divide Belgium."

"Germany and Bri—?"

"Yes. Germany will get the land and Britain the royal family."—Philadelphia Ledger.

**A SOLDIER'S TROUBLES.**

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Sergeant E. C. Kelly, Troop "L" 15th Cavalry.

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Down in dear old Naco, Many miles away,

There's a regiment of cavalry And three batteries, so they say.

There's a general officer down there Who arrived there the other day,

Intending to strike terror To the greasers 'cross the way.

The bullets keep a-spattering Into dear Naco town;

Some day they will wing the general, Then Bill Bryan'll flutter down.

He will bring an aviary, Of peace doves down that way,

And the Mexican General's dinner Will be squab on toast, Hoorah!

The people ask protection; They are getting it, alright—

A regiment of yellow legs, Who are not allowed to fight.

The batteries of artillery, A general officer, too,

What more protection could they ask? Is what I ask of you.

Of course they're not allowed to fight Just decorate the line,

And if a greaser pots one off, Why no one seems to mind.

The officers and men down there Are not to blame at all,

But if they could but have their way They'd open up the ball.

Of course we'd lose a man or two, We realize that, all right;

But any Yankee soldier is willing To cash in, in a fight.

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Some men are so fond of sympathy that they will fight for the privilege of being the under dog.

**NEGRO AFRAID OF BANKS LEFT \$4,285 IN A SAFE.**

Wilmington, Jan. 21.—When Sam Merrick, an old colored man, died last week he left behind securely locked in a safe \$4,285 in silver coins of one dollar denominations in addition to deeds for six houses and lots. The hoard was found this week when the safe was opened under the supervision of Clerk of the Superior Court Harris. There was little else in the safe except money—in fact there was little room for anything else. There was bundle after bundle of the coin—each bundle being an old sack. The weight of the silver hoard was 268 pounds, avoirdupois. An automobile was put into commission to carry it to a local bank where it was counted—this being no easy job.

Many years ago the old negro lost all the money he had when a local bank failed and never again did he trust any of his treasury in a financial institution. About ten years ago a negro who was living with Merrick stole \$1,600 and got away with it. After that Sam always kept two kerosene lanterns burning on his front porch and one on the rear end as an additional protection, he kept a pistol under his pillow and a Winchester rifle beside him when he was asleep. He was found dead in bed a week ago surrounded with weapons.

**WAR AND THE WOMAN.**

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Christian Herald.

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The life and drum, the banners flung, Spur on the wen in warring line Until the battle is lost or won; But out in lonely hamlets wait Those who can only guess the fate Of father, brother, lover, son.

The Red Cross nurses gladly go To ease the pain of those laid low

By murderous shell and gun and dart

But science has no surgery That for a moment can set free

A waiting woman's grief-torn heart.

The soldiers in the deadly fight Soon grow accustomed to the sight

Of wounded men and ghastly dead, But daily deeper grows the pain

That rends a mother's heart in twain When children cry in vain for bread.

O God of nations, grant, we pray, That there may be some speedy way

Of quieting this warring host; And meanwhile grant Thy special care

To war-robbed women everywhere For they it is who suffer most.

—O—

"Must tell children object of the war," says a headline. Who in the thunder can?

—O—

The man who said that there is more money in circulation than is needed is a—You Know.

—O—

He—"You understand what a margin in stocks is, don't you?"

She—"Oh, yes. That's the money you put up and lose."—Boston Transcript.

—O—

The price of a marriage license is not the only pre-matrimonial trouble.

A skirt that you can read through costs more than a heavy opaque one. The girls can't use economy as an excuse for wearing transparent drapery. Compared with the European now, a little disturbance more or less down in Mexico doesn't seem to be very important.

—O—

Well, anyhow, the residents of the City of Mexico are getting a look at all of the contending armies as they pass through.

—O—

A wise old owl lived in an oak, The more he saw the less he spoke,

The less he spoke the more he heard, Why can't we all be like that bird?

—O—

"Bluck wins! It always wins! Though days be slow,

And nights be dark 'twixt days that come and go,

Still Pluck will win; its average is sure.

He gains the prize who will the most endure;

Who faces issues; he who never shirks;

Who waits and watches, and who always WORKS."

—O—

A man will always admit that he is liable to make a mistake until he makes one.

—O—

Most children do. A coated, furred Tongue; Strong Breath; Stomach Pains; Circles under Eyes; Pale, Sallow Complexion; Nervous, Fretful; Grinding of Teeth; Tossing in Sleep; Peculiar Dreams—any one of these indicate Child has Worms. Get a box of Kickapoo Worm Killer at once. It kills the Worms—the cause of your child's condition. Is Laxative and aids Nature to expel the Worms. Supplied in candy form. Easy for child to take. 25c., at your Druggist.

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**SHE WENT TO THE CITY.**  
**My Dear Little Girl:**  
 It has been two days since I returned from Chicago and it seems in that time I have lived years. After seeing you in your new environment, I was not surprised when you told me you would never be satisfied to come back to this small "two by four" town again to live, and that you wanted all our dreams and hopes ended.  
 I only wish I could forget you as easily as you think I will. I know I would be lots happier, but you crawled into my heart and nestled down and I thought you had come to stay.  
 I could see I was different from the people you had met in the city, but girlie, I know they are not capable of loving you as I do, and, after all, isn't love what makes this life seem worth the living?  
 I ought not to blame you, dear, and I don't blame you, because I know it has hurt you, too, but promise me you will come to me if things don't go just right. Never feel that you are alone, because your heart nest always will be empty and waiting for you to return.  
 You say you want to be happy. I only wish you could tell me how. No, dear, the only happiness I look forward to is the tender memory of our days together.  
 Your broken-hearted CHARLIE.

**BEFORE HE WENT AWAY.**  
 Dear Margaret:  
 It would have meant so much to me to have one last pleasant visit with you, but perhaps you know what is best. I am sorry to have made you unhappy. It was because I didn't know. I went trouble you again. I leave tomorrow on the 6 o'clock train so don't worry any more.  
 How I wish I could be simply natural in your presence! I am sure you would like me better. And I so wanted you to help me. Why couldn't we, when I had come so far, have had at least a good horseback ride together?  
 Usually I am a light hearted fellow and a gay enough friend—don't take myself and those about me too seriously. But with you it seems different—the moment I come within sight or sound of you such a flood of feeling sweeps over me as to make it quite impossible to be myself. You can forgive me, though—it's because I love you, Margaret.  
 And you tell me, Margaret, that I must make up my mind not to love you. Why, that is as impossible for the sun to stop giving its light. I fought that out long, long ago. And how I can live without you, I don't know. You are everything to me. From the time I was a boy I have dreamed about you. All my ambitions have centered about you—for you—and now—O, Margaret, Margaret! Yes, throughout our relationship you have always been sweet and true, and further, I can say that whatever the future holds for us I will never regret my love for you. So far it has kept my life clean and decent and strong, and I trust it always will. You are so lovely, Margaret, God bless you and grant when the right man does come that you shall be very, very happy. Goodbye.  
 GEORGE.

**ON A JOURNEY.**  
**My Own Sweetheart:**  
 All the world and all that is in it worth while goes west tonight—my heart goes, too—to watch over, and care for, and comfort that little woman who is all the world. As you rest in your berth tonight, dearie, my thoughts will be surrounding you, taking watchful care of you, petting your hair, and your lips, and your eyes, whispering to every danger that looms up on the distance that you are guarded and must not be harmed.  
 As you rush along, sweet, send your thoughts back to me, your lonely sweetheart, and fill them with the love that your wonderful heart contains and gives to me—that makes me so rich and so happy, and so wonder-struck at my fortune. Send your heart back to speak to my heart and comfort it—your lips to caress my lips that will be so quickly starved for their mates.  
 Look ahead, my little lover. Look over and beyond the nights that must pass and see in your heart's mind the

day that brings your lover to visit you—look ahead to that day, dearest, and help to pull it toward us faster and faster. Keep the sunshine in your eyes, dear woman, for tears in your eyes are shafts of pain in my heart. I'm thinking of you every minute. May God and all the angels watch over you and speed you on your journeys and always carry you safely and free from harm, and keep you always and always safe for your LOVER.

The Host—It's beginning to rain; you'd better stay for dinner.  
 The Guest—Oh, thanks, very much; but it's not bad enough for that.—Yale Record.

**PROHIBITION IS OPPOSED.**  
 Martine Says Creator Planned Man Should Use Alcohol.  
 Washington, Jan. 15.—Prohibition was debated in the Senate nearly all day today without a vote being reached on Senator Sheppard's motion to suspend the rules to consider an amendment to the District of Columbia Appropriation Bill, which would prohibit the sale of liquor in the capital.  
 Senator Martine attacked the proposed legislation as in violation of the personal liberty of the residents of the District and declared the Creator must have planned that man should use alcohol when He made all the most nutritious fruits and grains rich in that stimulant.  
 He read statistics by which he showed that crime, lunacy and other evils were more prevalent in Kansas, a state-wide prohibition commonwealth, than in Nebraska, where local option prevails.

**CRIME AND NECESSITY.**  
 Editor Chicago American:  
 Dear Sir—Is it a crime to steal? If it has been proven that you have stolen you are adjudged guilty and punished according to the mandates of the law.  
 Who makes the laws that govern the multitude? Is it a set of men who are hungry and have the landlord at the door ready to evict them if the rent is not forthcoming? Emphatically, No.  
 They that make the laws have plenty to eat and don't have to worry about the landlord.  
 Picture a man with a wife and two children, who is an all-round mechanic, but is unable to procure a position for three months. By pawning everything of value that he possesses he has been able to meet the demands of the landlord up to the present time. Is that man guilty if he steals to feed his family and keep a roof over their heads, or must he calmly sit down and starve to death, or take the coward's course and commit suicide?  
 Trusting you will publish this in your columns, I am, yours truly,  
 A CONSTANT READER.

If this government does not want Mexico as a permanent liability it had better keep its soldiers on this side of the border.  
 We cannot understand how humane people can look upon the present or any other war as a blessing in disguise. It is too much for us.

**DOES NOT WANT TO MARRY.**  
 "Where did you work last and how long?" demanded the colonel. "Did you quit of your own accord or were you discharged, and—"  
 "Looky yuh, boss!" sourly returned Brother Bogus, "I isn't puhposin' marriage to yo'; I'se axin' for a job."—Puck.

Dancing Master—"You must mind your feet carefully if you want to learn the new dances."  
 Student—"Never mind the feet, professor; what I want to get is the holds."—Judge.

While it may be hard to establish the responsibility for the European war, no one of the nations engaged could prove a complete innocence.  
 She—I suppose the duke has landed estates.  
 He—Landed one every time he married; but he managed to run through 'em all.

**STAYING OUT OF DEBT.**  
**Getting Out of Debt Is Well, But the Average Farmer Should Be Very Careful About Getting In.**  
 Knowing how to get out of debt is indeed an important lesson to learn and telling how it has been done is interesting because it represents a struggle in which the human factor figures.  
 For the business man who trades and speculates on what others have produced debt isn't such a bad thing, and especially is this true with the "middleman" who passes his interest charge and other expenses on to the consumers. But the farmer is not in position to "pass it on" to others. Therefore debt and high interest charges mean slavery to the farmer, and he isn't free until he gets out of debt.  
 Getting out of debt, therefore, is a process of gaining freedom for the family and for the home. A farmer who has been struggling under the burden of debt is never quite so happy as on the day when he pays out and throws off the load. His face is brighter, he has a lighter heart and happier smile. Thousands of romantic narratives might be written on "How I got Out of Debt."

**"HOW I STAYED OUT OF DEBT."**  
 Wouldn't it be well to follow it with another series of prize letters on "How I Stayed Out of Debt?" If an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, wouldn't an experience meeting of this kind (in your local unions) make a practical and interesting subject to discuss? Telling how you stayed out of debt would necessarily touch upon habits of thrift and well-directed industry that underlie the very foundation of good agricultural economics and right living on the farm.  
 To me the most interesting stories that I ever hear personally related are those told me in private conversation with "live-at-home" farmers who have stayed out of debt. No railroad charges, no middlemen's tolls, no wages to pay for hired money, but everything that is consumed in the home produced at home as far as climatic and soil conditions will permit, with a surplus to sell, not under compulsion, but whenever markets are most favorable.  
 No writer on agricultural economics is as capable of giving first-hand information that carries quite so much force as the farmer's own story of how he stayed out of debt. It is true this class of farmers are usually modest, and it isn't as easy to get their experience as it is the experience of the "money-crop" speculative credit farmers who make money and stay financially "busted" all the time.

**SPECULATION AND EXTRAVAGANCE.**  
 I have never seen a live-at-home stay-out-of-debt farmer who had cultivated extravagant habits of living. When a farmer makes up his mind to stay on a live-at-home basis and refuses to speculate on a so-called "money crop" for his living, the right kind of habits of living seem to get hold of him and he avoids useless extravagances. On the other hand, the farmer who gambles on a "money crop" almost invariably drifts into extravagant habits of living and frequently raises his children as spend-thrifts.  
 When we hear from the stay-out-of-debt farmer we will hear from the kind of farming and economical habits of living that have been, and always will be, the basis of true agricultural prosperity. J. Z. G.

If we are to have six months school term we are afraid that the State rather than the counties will have to stand for the expense.  
 If the State needs more money in the way of taxes the corporations and the town folks had as well make up their minds to come across with it.

**UP TO THE MINUTE.**  
 Cranque—A wife is an expensive luxury.  
 Blanque—So is an automobile.  
 Cranque—Sure. But you can get a new model every year.—Judge.

**CRIME AND POVERTY.**  
 Editor Chicago American:  
 Dear Sir:—In reference to your recent editorial, "Sudden Deaths in the Streets of Chicago—What Are You Going to Do about It?" My case is like many others. I am out of work. I have tried to live a good honest life. My four children need shoes and clothes, and when they look at me it breaks my heart to think that I am strong and willing to work at anything and can't get it. I have not done any work for five months, so why shouldn't I become a thief to feed my children? The public is driving me to it.  
 There are a whole lot besides me, so if the Chicago American wants to know how to stop crime, ask all these good bishops, lawyers, professors, clergymen, criminology experts and great reformers to help a poor man in distress. J. B. R.

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**A BARGAIN.**  
 Mr. Citibred—Do your cows give you milk?  
 Mr. Tallgrass—No one ever gives me nothin'. I have to swap 'em fodder for it.—Chicago News.

**FUTILE GLOOM.**  
 The Washington Star.  
 The North Wind murmuring through the trees,  
 Whose foliage now is wrecked,  
 Seems to convey such words as these:  
 "Well, what did you expect?"  
 There's no use sighing o'er the day  
 Of sadness or neglect,  
 For all that Nature seems to say  
 Is, "What did you expect?"  
 She does her best to scatter gloom  
 And keep the world correct.  
 Sometimes she fails, like you and me—  
 It's what we must expect.

The English sergeant's patience had almost gone when, surveying the company he was instructing, he asked:  
 "Can you chaps sing?"  
 There was a unanimous reply in the affirmative.  
 "Can you sing, 'We've got a navy'?" he asked.  
 Yes; they could all sing "We've got a navy."  
 "Well" said the sergeant, with a world of sarcasm in his tone, "it's a dashed good thing for the country that you can!"—London Chronicle.

Before marriage he won't even let her carry a six-ounce parasol for fear she might grow fatigued. After marriage she can carry the baby, a suitcase, an umbrella and three bundles and go hang for all he cares.  
 A lap dog can't help it. He has to be a lap dog. But the man who wears sidewiskers hasn't even that excuse.

**SOME IMPROVEMENT.**  
 "How is young John getting on at college?" asked the friend of the family.  
 "Very well, indeed," answered John's proud mother. "The president has about decided to let him stay on for the rest of the term."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

**OR PRETENDS TO.**  
 Mrs. Eve—Is your husband still troubled with insomnia?  
 Mrs. Wye—Not so much. Whenever I hear him tossing around night I tell him I think I hear a burglar down stairs and he immediately dozes off.—Boston Transcript.

It behooves Georgia to get into the state of preparation for the invasion of the boll weevil.  
 We are always striving for things forbidden and coveting those denied us.—Ovid.  
 The plotter makes plans, but the plodder carries them out.

**INTERNAL CATARRH**

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Mrs. M. P. Curry, P. O. Box 615, Petersburg, Ill., writes: "I have been troubled with internal catarrh since my girlhood, and was sick in bed three months. When I was able to get up I was so weak and thin I could hardly walk. What I ate disagreed with me. I had stomach and liver trouble, and my feet and limbs were swollen so I could scarcely drag around. I took Peruna and it has done wonders for me. My cure was a surprise to my friends for they never expected to see me well again. I just took two bottles of Peruna after doctoring for five months and growing worse all the time."  
 Continuous Headache.  
 Mrs. Esther M. Milner, Box 191, De Graff, Ohio, writes: "I was a terrible sufferer from internal catarrh, and had the headache continuously. I was not able to do my housework for myself and husband. You recommended Peruna. I took four bottles and was completely cured. I think Peruna a wonderful medicine and have recommended it to my friends."

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### CHILD LABOR BILL

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son authorized by him, shall not issue such certificate until he has received, examined, and filed evidence that the child is more than fourteen years of age in the office of the County Superintendent of Public Instruction; except that, in the event that the certificate shall be issued, as provided in this act, by any person other than the County Superintendent of Public Instruction, the said evidence that the child is more than fourteen years of age shall be filed in the office of the County Superintendent of Public Instruction within one week after the issuance of the certificate.

Evidence that the child is more than fourteen years of age shall consist of one of the following proofs of age and shall be required in the order herein designated, as follows:

(a) A duly attested transcript of the birth certificate filed according to law with the officer charged with the duty of recording births, which certificate shall be prima facie evidence of the age of such child.

(b) A duly attested Church record, showing the date of the birth of such child.

(c) Any other documentary evidence such as the school census or enumeration record, duly attested, which appears to be satisfactory to the person issuing the certificate.

(d) In case no documentary evidence of age of any kind can be produced, the affidavit of the parent, or guardian, or person standing in parental relation to the child, shall be required. Such affidavit to contain the age, date and place of birth, and present residence of such child, which affidavit must be taken before the person issuing the employment certificate, who is hereby authorized and required to administer such oath, and who shall not demand or receive a fee therefor.

Upon compliance with the conditions herein set out, it shall be the duty of the County Superintendent of Public Instruction, or person duly authorized by him in writing, to issue the employment certificate as herein provided.

Sec. 6. The County Superintendent of Public Instruction, or other person authorized by him to issue employment certificates, shall transmit between the first and tenth days of each month to the office of the Commissioner of Labor and Printing upon blanks to be furnished by the Commissioner of Labor and Printing a list of the names of children to whom certificates have been issued during the month previous. Such list shall give the name and address of the prospective employer and the nature of the occupation the child is to engage in.

Sec. 7. Every person, firm or corporation employing, permitting or suffering any child under sixteen years of age to work under the provisions of this act shall, between the first and tenth of July, of October, of January and of April of each year, transmit to the office of the Commissioner of Labor and Printing on blanks to be furnished by the Commissioner of Labor and Printing, a list of the names of all children under sixteen years of age who have been received into the employment of such person, firm or corporation during the three months previous.

Sec. 8. That any person, firm or corporation, agent or manager of any

firm or corporation, who, whether for himself, or through agents, servants or foremen, employs, permits or suffers to work any child in violation of any of the provisions of this act, and whoever, having under his control as parent, guardian, or otherwise, any child, and permits or suffers such child to be employed or to work in violation of any of the provisions of this act, and whoever shall make or cause to be made, any false affidavit for the purpose of securing an employment certificate, and whoever shall issue or cause to be issued any false certificate shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined at the discretion of the court.

Sec. 9. In addition to the duties now imposed upon him by law, the Commissioner of Labor and Printing shall perform, carry out and enforce the provisions of this act.

Sec. 10. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Labor and Printing to inspect or have inspected as often as possible every place subject to the provisions of this act, to determine whether any of the provisions of this act are being violated. A report of every such inspection shall be made and filed in the office of the Commissioner of Labor and Printing, such report to include a statement of conditions as to ventilation, sanitation, safety and health.

Sec. 11. The Commissioner of Labor and Printing shall in his annual report show the number of children, male and female, under sixteen years of age to whom employment certificates have been issued during the year previous thereto, and also the number of children under sixteen years of age employed during the year under the provisions of this act. He shall keep a perpetual file of all reports and lists of names of children to whom employment certificates have been issued.

Sec. 12. The Commissioner of Labor and Printing, or any inspector of mills and factories, duly authorized by him, shall be the right to enter any mill, factory, manufacturing establishment, mine or other place subject to the provisions of this act, at any time when such mill, factory, manufacturing establishment, mine or other place subject to the provisions of this act, is in operation. He shall have the right to call for and examine the list of all children under sixteen years of age who have been employed or permitted to work in such mill, factory, manufacturing establishment, mine or other place subject to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 13. All blanks and forms necessary for carrying out the provisions of this act, shall be furnished by the Commissioner of Labor and Printing and he shall have the authority to make such regulation not in conflict with any provision of this act, as shall be found to be necessary for carrying out the provisions of this act.

Sec. 14. The Commissioner of Labor and Printing shall, on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, appoint two inspectors of mills and factories, one of whom shall be a woman. Each inspector shall receive a monthly salary of one hundred dollars, and necessary travelling expenses. Any inspector of mills and factories may be discharged by the Commissioner of Labor and Printing, and at any time. In case any inspector of mills and factories shall be discharged, or the place of inspector of mills and factories becomes vacant for any other reason, the Commissioner of Labor and Printing shall immediately appoint another, provided that one of the inspectors shall always be a woman. All inspectors of mills and factories shall be under the control and direction of the Commissioner of Labor and Printing.

Sec. 15. The Commissioner of Labor and Printing, or any inspector of mills and factories, shall report any violation of this act to the Solicitor of the Judicial District in which such violation has occurred, with the names of all witnesses.

Sec. 16. That there shall be and there is hereby appropriated, for the purposes above mentioned, out of any moneys in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand dollars per annum.

Sec. 17. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 18. That this act shall be in force from and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

### PRIMARY LEGAL INTEREST RATE, ETC.

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of some banks to use a lawyer as a "go-between" and thus "beat the devil around the stump" and evade the six per cent. interest law. A bank or lawyer guilty of such nefarious business methods ought to have their charter and license canceled.

Another bank that has cleared over 20 per cent. each year for several years, has forced the payment of notes on which 8 per cent. interest was being paid. The security was absolutely good. A business man on paying one of these notes, a small one, remarked: "Money is scarce, is it?" The banker answered "No, we have plenty of money but now is a good time to make something out of it."

A lawyer wrote me recently very strongly approving the movement to prevent violations of the law, and I doubt not that a great many who read this article can cite numerous instances wherein the law is disregarded.

This is not an arraignment of the business methods of all bankers but only of those who are guilty. These should be made to respect the law, just as the humble citizen must do or suffer the penalty.

One good remedy for the evils just described, and which would enable farmers and laborers to secure cheaper credits than that on which they are now dependent (time merchants credits), is a rural credits institution providing for short and long-time loans at a reasonable rate of interest. A committee comprising some of the best talent in the State is at work on a bill which will be introduced in the general assembly by the last of the week.

The great need of such an institution is too well known and generally admitted to call for any argument. We are hoping that Congress will pass a bill providing for long-time rural credits. The Hollis-Bulkeley bill is along the right line and should be passed during the present session.

Every voter in the state should write his congressman and senators and urge the passage of this bill at once.

But Congress is not considering the question of short-time rural credits, and this is by far a greater need of the farming and laboring people of North Carolina than that for long-time credits. This bill will be fully explained by competent men when it comes before the committees of the legislature.

Several of the best lawyers of the state are preparing a bill to provide for voluntary segregation of the races in land ownership and the bill will be presented to the legislature within a few days.

It would make this article too long to discuss fully the importance of this measure, as will be done before the committees of the assembly, but let me say that any man with an unprejudiced mind seeking to know and do the right, will be convinced of the justice of his bill when he fully understands its provisions and the conditions prompting it.

The national government is enforcing segregation in the treasury and postoffice departments. Our cities are enforcing segregation without legislative enactment. We have segregation in our churches and throughout our educational system; in our factories, commercial houses, trains and street cars. If all these regulations are right and make for the welfare, progress and peaceful relations of the races, how can any fair-minded man deny to the white rural community the benefits of segregation in the more permanent matter of land ownership. Put yourself in the position of your white brother, and be fair.

Segregation is not unfair to the negroes. Any man who ignores all of the forms of segregation already mentioned, and who voted for or indorses the last franchise amendment to our constitution, can hardly have the hardihood to argue that the proposed measure is unfair to the negro. Abraham Lincoln, whose friendship for the best interests of the negro has never been questioned, favored colonization of the negroes if I am not mistaken. Segregation is circumscribed colonization and a much safer policy.

Moreover, the negro will be amply protected under this bill, as the forces behind the measure are not prompted by animus against the negro, but only by an earnest desire to conserve the rural white community.

There are many communities in the State where the negroes own the greater part of the lands. I have heard from some of these communities, that they are in favor of segregation in land ownership.

The crop lien or crops mortgage law, intended to help the poor man, has proven his undoing. It is a snare and a delusion. It has been a curse to the poor man and the time merchant. It should be repealed, the act to take effect the first of January, 1916.

No man is a free man if all that he has or hopes to produce for the next 12 months is tied up in a mortgage to a merchant for supplies; and any time merchant who succeeds can hardly have a conscience free from guilt, because he must charge exorbitant prices to cover losses on accounts that are never collected. The mortgage is bad from both parties.

A bill providing for co-operative enterprises is being prepared. There can hardly be any opposition to it as it will be a modification of our present corporation law whereby enterprises can be established on the Rochdale system of co-operation. The purpose and operation of the measure will be fully explained before the committees.

I have not time to argue this question here, but hope to be present when the bill comes up before the committees. If our constitutions had not been framed by men alone, the lords of creation, women would not have been discriminated against as they are.

There are other measures which were indorsed by the last Farmers' union convention, which have been given to the public through the press, all of which will make for better government in North Carolina. In essentials, liberty; in all things, charity.

H. Q. ALEXANDER.

Charlotte, January 23, '15.

### FAITH AND COURAGE TWO GREAT FACTORS.

Following is the wording of a big ad which the Golden Rule Store of Sheridan carried in the January 1st edition of The Enterprise:

Optimism is a new name for an old virtue. In the old days of simple speech it was called courage. An optimist is a man without fear. The man who is not an optimist is a coward.

"Courage, brother," called the old soldier of the Netherlands, when the Hildanders were fighting the Spaniards. "Courage, brother, the devil is dead." And that call has gone ringing down the years as clear as the note of a bugle on the hillside on a Summer night.

"Courage, brother," it calls, "the devil of fear is dead. Valor killed him."

The devil of doubt is dead. Faith killed him.

The devil of uncertainty is dead. The spirit of confidence killed him.

The creator of despondency is dead. He was killed by the first rays of sunrise.

And kind friend, that bugle peals again, until it echoes around the world, "the devil who tells you to doubt the ultimate honor of mankind is dead. He was killed long and long ago by the kingdom of God that is within you."

And that's optimism.

Courage in yourself—in mankind—in the mercy and the wisdom of an everlasting God. In the world about you, which was made for the service of them that inhabit it. Courage to lift up your head above adversity, and smiling at your troubles, swing your forces yet once again to smash the

chains that bind you. Struggling, believing, working, lifting your shoulders under their burden and marching forward with a confident stride; that's optimism, and optimism is only a new way of spelling an old word.

### UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION.

Stenographer and Typewriter—Field Service.

Places of Examination in North Carolina: Asheville, Charlotte, Elizabeth City, Goldsboro, Greensboro, Newbern, Raleigh, Salisbury, Washington, Wilmington.

Date: February 20, 1915.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination at the places and on the date above named to provide a register of eligibles from which to make certification for filling vacancies as they may occur in positions requiring the qualifications of stenography, typewriting, or stenography and typewriting in the Federal Classified civil service in the vicinity of the places of examination.

Women will be admitted to this examination but will not be admitted to other stenographer and typewriter examinations for the Field Service in the Fourth Civil Service District until February, 1915, unless the needs of the service require otherwise.

Age: 18 years or over on the date of examination.

The examination is open to all persons who are citizens of or who owe allegiance to the United States and who meet the requirements.

The scope and character of the examinations, the limits of civil service districts, and the regulations governing certifications are shown in Form 1424, "Information for Applicants for Stenographer and Typewriter Examinations."

### PHOTOGRAPHS REQUIRED.

Each applicant for this examination will be required to submit to the examiner on the day he is examined a photograph of himself, taken within two years, which will be filed with his examination papers as a means of identification in case he receives appointment. A card will be sent to the applicant on which to mount the photograph and to furnish necessary information in connection therewith. An applicant for examination for the position of stenographer, typewriter, or stenographer and typewriter, who fails to present a photograph to the examiner will not be admitted to examination. Retypes will not be accepted.

Persons who wish to enter the examination should apply at once for Form 1424 and application Form 1371 to the secretary of the local board of civil service examiners at the post office in one of the cities named at the head of this announcement or to the district secretary at the address given below. Applications should be properly executed and filed without delay with the district secretary. Applications for this examination must be filed with the undersigned in time to arrange for the examination of the applicant.

Secretary, Fourth Civil Service District, Washington, D. C. Issued, January 19, 1915.

### THANKFULNESS.

The little I have seen of the world and know of the history of mankind teaches me to look upon the errors of others in sorrow, not in anger. When I take the history of one poor heart that has sinned and suffered, and represent to myself the struggles and temptations it has passed—the brief pulsations of joy—the feverish inquietude of hope and fear—the tears and regrets—the feebleness of purpose—the desertion of friends—the scorn of the world that has little charity—the desolation of the soul's sanctuary and the threatening voices from within—health and happiness gone—even hope, that stays longest with us, gone—I have a little heart for aught else than thankfulness that it is not so with me, and would fain leave the erring soul of my fellow-man with Him from whose hand it came.—Longfellow.

A fool and his talk are soon started.

### A CARB.

To the Public: SOME TIME AGO I offered a VALUABLE PREMIUM to the party that visited the NORTH OF BAY COUNTIES EXHIBIT CARS FROM CALIFORNIA and write up a description of their visit, one that the public could read and thoroughly understand, what a wonderful collection this is of the natural products of the land and sea. No one so far has done it. All fall down on the job, especially on the MONSTER SHARK, as all are not students of GEOLOGY. This specimen is so large it staggers them. Still we have hopes that tell of the Basking Shark which is twice as long as this one. We all speak of whales, sharks, devil fish, mammoth tortoises and sea turtles and other denizens of the deep, but OBJECT LESSONS like this go far beyond reading.

Please remember, ONLY TWO of these MONSTERS have been preserved for public exhibition, this one and one in the private museum of Prof. David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.

When we invite you to come and inspect this wonderful collection of curios we know that NONE OF YOU has ever seen such a collection brought right to your door for the small price of admission, 25 cents, and you will appreciate it.

Respectfully,  
M. LEAK,  
Manager North of Bay Counties Exhibit Cars.

### SAW BIG SHARK CAPTURED.

Henry Stillman Present When Big Feature of California Exhibit Was Taken.

The visit of the exhibition cars of the North-of-Bay counties, California, has provided Henry Stillman, of 87 Lewis street, with an opportunity to substantiate a big fish story that he and his family has often told. Mr. Stillman's father, J. W. Stillman, visited the exhibition last evening and identified the monster shark, which is one of the star attractions in the display, as a big shark which his son saw captured in Monterey Bay, California. This shark is 36 feet long, weighs 15,000 pounds and, according to the number of vertebrae in its spine, was 460 years old when taken. Mr. Stillman was much interested in the shark and told many of the visitors at the exhibition last evening about his son being present when the shark was captured.

The management of the exhibition train declare that Mr. Stillman is the first person that they have found in the East who was present at the capture of this unusual specimen.—Geneva (N. Y.) Times.

### WONDERFUL CAPTURE.

Exotic Time in Monterey Bay—Fast Sailing—Monster Shark Captured.

Yesterday as Captain Emanuel Ferris of the fishing smack Garibaldi was about to tack and sail for port he had an adventure with a monster shark that the crew will long remember. They had turned toward shore when a commotion commenced in the water, and instantly the ropes holding the net tightened and the smack started off at a rapid gait, the waves washing over the deck. The crew were thoroughly frightened and wanted to cut loose, but Captain Ferris kept cool and ordered them to stand ready for whatever it was that had hold of them, and for half an hour no one knew what was going to happen. They could see nothing, but they were going away, and some invisible power had hold of the boat. Then a big black object came suddenly to the top, jumping clear out of the water, trying to loosen himself, then started for the shore, and soon had run up the bar, and the tide left him high and dry, and they could then see what it was that had nearly scared the life out of them, a monster shark measuring 36 feet, the largest anyone on the coast had ever seen.

Thousands have visited it, and tomorrow morning a tug belonging to the American Fishing company, owners of the smack, will tow the monster to San Francisco, intending to have it neutralized and placed on exhibition.—Monterey Herald, April 20, 1905. Now with North Bay Counties Exhibit Cars.

### PAMPAS PLUMES.

All the early travelers to South America, especially Peru, never forget to mention in describing that country the luxuriant Pampas Plumage that grow wild on the Pampas or plains. Later visitors to California were enthusiastic over the flower gardens, California, a country famous for flowers, where the Pampas Plumage are cultivated, they grow many times larger than in their native country, resembling a beautiful Ostrich Plume. The manager of the California Cars that are to visit our city soon has been fortunate in securing a limited number of this beautiful product of nature, and will present one each to the first fifty married ladies who have paid admission tickets, each day during their stay here.

Will Show at Burlington, February 8, 9, 10.

Admission 25 cents for Adults, 15 cents for Children.

WANTED! CORN, Cotton Seed, and All Kinds of Hay. Will pay highest cash price. Will take Corn Shelled or Unshelled.

POOR P



# Why Did June Runaway?

Husband  
Money??  
Wife

THE GROTTO.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Mike Newlin spent several days recently in Raleigh.

Miss Ona Thurston will leave tonight for Richmond.

For Sale—One fresh milch cow, see S. E. Jeffreys.

Miss Mamie McBane returned Tuesday from Spaxahaw.

Mr. L. M. Squires spent some time recently in Kinston on business.

W. S. Oakley went to Slier City the middle of the week on business.

The Embroidery Club was entertained yesterday by Miss Lou Ola Tuttle.

Master Ernest Gross returned this week from a two weeks' visit at Kinston.

Messrs. W. H. and A. G. B. Cooper, of Graham, were in town Wednesday on business.

Don't forget to see Trey O. Hearts now at the Crystal, each episode is getting better.

Mr. W. D. Foster, who was stricken some weeks ago with paralysis is improving.

Miss Marguerette Nevilles returned Monday from a month's visit to relatives at Liberty.

Miss Georgia Garrison, of No. 2, spent Tuesday night with Misses Mary and Beulah Foster.

Miss Irene Patterson, of Liberty, is visiting Misses Lizzie and Julia Fogleman this week.

Mrs. John R. Foster will return this week from Concord, where she has been the guest of her sister for the past 10 days.

Dr. A. B. Kendall is expected home this week from Springfield, Ohio, where he has been attending a convention.

Joe Fogleman says he has the finest lot of stock coming to Burlington, real soon that he has ever bought. If you are in the market or will be in the market soon, it will pay you to see the lot that Fogleman Bros. will receive, February 1.

**THE RETORT DISCOURTEOUS.**  
"I have had only one idea since I met you, Miss Pert, a week ago."  
"Then I must give you credit for greater mental development than I suspected."—Philadelphia Ledger.

**HOW TO TREAT CROUP EXTERNALLY**  
Don't dose delicate little stomachs with nauseating drugs—rub **VICKS' SALVE** over throat and chest; in five minutes the breathing is easy and in fifteen minutes the worst cases are relieved. The heat of the body releases antiseptic vapors which are inhaled with each breath, loosening the tough mucus and cleaning the air passages. Absolutely harmless. Full instructions on wrapper. At all druggists, 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Liberal sample on request. Vicks Chemical Co., Greensboro, N. C.

**CHURCH NOTICE.**  
The Church of the Holy Comforter, Rev. J. B. Gibble, Rector.  
Services next Sunday: (Septagesima) as follows:  
Morning prayer and sermon at 11 o'clock; Litany and sermon, 7:30 P. M. Public cordially invited. All pews free.

This government should require vessels flying the flag to keep the strict letter of the law and then require Great Britain and all other nations to respect them.  
A man with a checkered career sometimes reaches the king-row.

Cards reading as follows have been received:

Why Did June Runaway?  
The Manager of The Grotto Theater desires the honor of your presence at the marriage of June Moore to Ned Warner (In the Movies) on Thursday, February, Fourth, Nineteen Hundred and Fifteen Why Did June Runaway?  
Admission: Matinee 5c & 10c Night 10c to All.

**RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.**  
The Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society of Burlington Reformed Church, desire to bow in humble submission to the dispensation of our Heavenly Father in removing by death our aged Grand Mother in Israel, Emily Jane Walker.

Resolved First: That while she was not an active member of our society, we valued her very highly for her advice, her gentle spirit, her daily walk before us and for the fact that she was the mother of our efficient president.  
Second: That in the consistent life of Grand Mother Walker, we have a fresh evidence of God's sustaining power, of His protecting and guiding hand through life, and that His promise to go with us down the pathway of life has been verified.  
Third: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Standard for publication and that they be read in our regular meeting.

**CARRIE HORNADAY, CARRIE COX, ANNA COX,** Committee.  
**MASS MEETING.**  
The citizens of Burlington are called to meet in a mass meeting at the Mayor's Hall Tuesday night, Feb. 2, to hear the report of the Charter Committee of 15, appointed to draw up a tentative charter. This mass meeting will decide what further action shall be taken concerning the proposed charter. Everybody who is interested should come.

**COULDS & LaGRIPPE**  
5 or 6 doses 666 will break any case of Chills & Fever, Colds & LaGrippe; it acts on the liver better than Calomel, and does not sicken. Price 25c.

**APPEALED TO PRESIDENT.**  
New York, Jan. 22.—Appeals have been sent to President Wilson and Governor Whitman on behalf of the unemployed by Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the committee on employment. Mr. Gary urged Mr. Wilson to add the emphasis of federal activity to the local market by having as much government work done as possible to offset the stagnation in private enterprise. The letter to Governor Whitman was similar in tone to that addressed to the President.

**GERMANY WILL WIN.**  
Berlin, January 22.—General von Moltke, former chief of the general staff, said today:  
"Nobody in Germany wanted this war. I did not want it and the German Emperor only reluctantly decided for it because of the feeling of enormous responsibility and because he understood that the life or death of the German people was at stake."  
"The world will recognize all this since history rejects lies."  
"Germany most certainly will be victorious but stubborn endurance is still needed and it may be still a long time before the war is ended."

**"FIRED TOO HASTILY."**  
From one of today's letters from the front:  
"The other day we noticed a German moving among our dead and he was searching their pockets. We opened fire and killed him. Some of us rushed forward to see what he had been stealing. It was only chocolate and cigarettes. Money and other valuable things had been left untouched. After that we were sorry we had fired so hastily."—Westminster Gazette.

**HEALTH IS WORTH SAVING, and Some Burlington People Know How to Save It.**  
Many Burlington people take their lives in their hands by neglecting the kidneys when they know these organs need help. Weak kidneys are responsible for a vast amount of suffering and ill health—the slightest delay is dangerous. Use Doan's Kidney Pills—a remedy that has helped thousands of kidney sufferers. Here is a Burlington citizen's recommendation.  
J. A. Harder, Davis, Street, Burlington, N. C., says: "I was troubled a great deal by backache and dull pains through my loins and sides. I often noticed that the kidney secretions were unnatural and passed entirely too frequently. Upon the advice of a friend, I decided to try Doan's Kidney Pills and produced a box at the Freeman Drug Co. I had used them but a short time before my kidneys were normal."  
Mr. Harder is only one of many Burlington people who have gratefully endorsed Doan's Kidney Pills. If your back aches—if your kidneys bother you, don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Kidney Pills, the same that Mr. Harder had—the remedy backed by home testimony. 50c. all stores. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. "When Your Back Is Lame—Remember the Name."

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Again we want to call your attention to the quality of rubbers that we are selling and to urge you to buy all of your rubbers from us. It means quite a saving to you. Our rubbers are strictly first quality, that is, none better made. So if you have been having any trouble in the wear or fitting of your rubber footwear, try us next time and see the difference in the fitting and wearing qualities of our rubbers with those you have been wearing.  
Our rubber footwear always fit the feet. New supply just received. Boots, Shoes, Arctics and storm styles. Prices right.

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## THE HEROES.

M. Forret, in the London Spectator.

In that Valhalla where the heroes go  
A careful sentinel paced to and fro  
Before the gate, burnt black with  
battle smoke,  
Whose echoes to the tread of armed  
men woke,  
And up the fiery stairs whose steps  
are spears  
Came the pale faces of the blood-  
stained years.

There were lean Caesars from the  
glory fields  
With hearts that only to asword-  
thrust yields;  
And there were generals decked in  
pride of rank  
Red scabbards swinging from the  
weary flank;  
And slender youth, who were the sons  
of kings,  
And barons with their sixteen quarter-  
ings.  
And while the noblest went with  
haughty air  
The courageous sentinel questioned:  
"Who goes there?"

And as each came, full lustily he cried  
His string of titles, ere he passed in-  
side.

And presently there was a little man,  
A silent mover in the regal van,  
His hands still grasped his rifle, and  
his eyes  
Seemed blinded by the light from Par-  
adise,  
His was an humble guise a modest  
air—  
The sentinel held him sharply, "Who  
goes there?"

There were no gauds tacked to that  
simple name.  
But every naked blade leapt out like  
flame,  
And every blue-blood warrior bowed  
his head—  
"I am a Belgian," this was all he said.  
Men's cheering echoed thro' the bat-  
tel's Hell,

"Pass in, mon brave," said that wise  
sentinel.

"So Jack is engaged, is he? And is  
Fanny the bride-to-be?"  
"No. She's the tried-to-be."—Bos-  
ton Transcript.

Even if the State proposed to assist  
in building railroads by furnish-  
ing convicts and taking its pay in  
stock, it should make certain that the  
road will be completed before it ren-  
ders assistance.

"Blinks always hits the nail on the  
head."  
"Yes, but usually he drives it into  
the wrong place."—Philadelphia Ledger.

WHEN THE HUSBAND DOES THE  
MARKETING.

F. C. Stoddard.

I stood on the stairway at midnight;  
My wife was snoring away.  
Methought I could hear in the silence  
Her dear little voice, sweetly say:

"A bushel, my dear, of potatoes;  
A jar full of strawberry jam;  
Some laundry soap, beans and bananas  
A pound and a quarter of ham.

"A yard of that muslin I showed you;  
A gallon or two of that oil,  
A spool of white thread for that mus-  
lin;  
A large piece of meat for to boil."

I fell down the stairs in the darkness;  
Went out the front door to the street  
Afraid I'd forgot what she told me,  
Methought the whole list I'd repeat.

"A gallon of muslin," I started.  
Not right, Well, "A yard of bananas;  
A pound and a quarter of spoils, and  
A bushel of thread for the hands."

"No, that wasn't quite as she said it.  
"A gallon of meat for to boil;  
A bushel of strawberry jam, with  
A spool of that kerosene oil.

"A peck and a quarter of muslin;  
A jar of bananas and ham;  
A spool of white thread for to boil and  
A yard of strawberry jam.

"Some laundry potatoes and muslin;  
A yard and a quarter of soap;  
A pound and a half of bananas."  
I cannot remember that dope.

"A pound and a quarter of muslin;  
A jar full of ham and or tread;  
A spool of bananas to boil, and  
A bushel of soap for the head.

"A gallon of ham and potatoes;  
A bar of white thread for a dress;  
A yard and a quarter of oil, and  
A spoon of that jam, more or less.

"A jar of that muslin to boil,  
A spoolfull of beans and of ham;  
A bushel of oil for the dress, and  
A gallon of strawberry jam."

Once more I will try to remember.  
I know what she wants to a "t"  
The quantities, though I've forgotten.  
As you can quite readily see.

"Potatoes, bananas, and muslin,  
Some strawberry jam and some  
thread.

A bushel of ham for to boil." Thump!  
I rolled to the floor from the bed.

"Your father and mother had an  
awful fuss last night, didn't they?"  
"Perfectly awful."

"Which side did you take?"  
"Papa has promised me a piano for  
Christmas and mamma has promised  
me a diamond, so I am strictly neu-  
tral."—Houston Post.

"What do you mean?" demanded  
the woman watcher at the polls.

"What's wrong?"  
"I hear you have been throwing out  
the ballots of women."

"We have not. We did throw out a  
recipe for sponge cake, a package of  
powder papers and a couple of love  
letters."—Judge.

## THE DIGNITY OF THE LAW.

Billy Baltimore.

The niggers in Mossasin Bottom were  
gay,  
A big crap game was on.  
An empty house was the scene of the  
play.  
And the time was close to dawn.  
Cocaine Bill was ahead of the game  
By a dollar and twenty cents  
When the stationed watcher was heard  
to exclaim:  
"There's a black cat on the fence!"

When the cops blew in, the lights  
were out  
And a rough-house right began;  
But with billies and blows and bust-  
ling about

They rounded them up to a man.  
Then the march of triumph to the  
jail ensued  
With the prisoners handcuffed tight.  
The cops erect and with pride im-  
bued  
Were an awe-inspiring sight.

For the dignity of the law was their's  
to preserve  
And they did their duty well;  
They were men of courage and mus-  
cle and nerve,  
And they did their duty well.

In a swell pool-room in the city's  
heart,  
A star-pool game was on;  
A dollar a cue it had been since the  
start.

And that was early morn.  
All day long they had been in the  
thrall

Of the fascinating game;  
Money'd changed hands—a thousand  
in all—  
But they stuck to it just the same.

Lawyers and doctors and business men  
Were there with loafers and bums;  
In their love for the game they were  
all akin—

The prince and the son of the slums.  
A cop dropped in to borrow a match;

## THE GAME WAS IN FULL SWAY.

"Look, Jim," cried one, "See that  
shot? Watch!"  
"I'd best not look that way."

And the cop winked his eye and shook  
his head  
And grinned a knowing grin.  
"What I don't see, you know," he said,  
"I don't have to turn in."  
And the game went on and the cop  
went out;  
And the gamblers knew no fear.  
But the negroes you have heard about  
Each one drew a year.

For the dignity of the law is theirs to  
to preserve,  
And they do their duty well;  
They are men of courage and muscle  
and nerve,  
And they do their duty well (?)

"I like this quaint little mountain  
village of yours, waiter. I suppose I  
can get plenty of oxygen here."  
"No, sir; we've got local option."—  
Sacred Heart Review.

"I'm afraid I haven't enough back-  
bone to be seen in a blouse like that."  
"Ah, madam, but this open work  
is in the front, not the back."—London  
Mail.

A Chicago man evolved the theory  
that all that hens needed to make  
them lay in winter was more daylight.  
He had his hen house equipped with  
electric lights and lengthened the day  
to fourteen hours. Result an egg ev-  
ery three days from every hen. Con-  
verting daylight into 40 cent eggs  
ought to be profitable.

## AN EASY LIVELIHOOD.

Knicker—Does Smith live by his  
wits?"

Bocker—"No; he lives by the lack  
of other people's wits."—New York  
Times.

## THE MOON IS BACK.

From the Baltimore Sun.

The moon is back from China  
On the other side the seas,  
And in our silver evenings now  
She plays her litanies.  
We missed her, oh, we missed her,  
But last night she came again,  
A silver apparition  
In a world of sordid men.

The moon is back from China  
With her sickle as of old,  
A scimitar of alandor  
Set with seven stars of gold;  
Her shadows cling around her  
And where her slippers glance  
The fairies lead the fiddlers  
To the cobweb dews of dance.

The moon is back from China  
And my river knows she's there,  
And, oh, the silver ripples,  
How they climb her silver stair!  
Up, up from vale and plane,  
And up from vale and plane,  
They swim in filmy circlets,  
As I watch them through the pane.

The moon is back from China  
"She has swum the silver seas,  
And, oh, my heart is happy  
In her vale of mysteries;  
My moon of magic people,  
And in her signet there  
The lips of the unlust goddess  
And her burning wind-blown hair!"

One day there was fish for dinner  
and little Margie said: "Mamma, do  
you know what a shad reminds me  
of?"

"No, dear," was the reply.  
"Well," said Margie, "it reminds  
me of a porcupine turned outside in."  
—Chicago News.

As a matter of fact, one woman is  
as eager to pay another woman's car-  
fare as one man is to pay nother's gas

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N. Y. FASHION LETTER.

Straw Hats in Midwinter—Military Styles Combine to Make Smart Head Gear—Moyen Age, and Jumper Styles.

New York, January.—The holiday over, people begin to think of the cold weather to come and prepare for the annual trip to the South or to California. For these migrators the shopkeepers display the first straw hats of the season.

The hats to be seen mostly at the present time are, of course, forerunners of what we "stay-at-home" will wear in the late Spring and Summer. The majority are of silk, with a unadorned straw, or silk trimmed with a band of straw. In many cases the crowns of the hats are of silk, while the brims may be of straw. They all-straw hats are mostly of a rough, coarse straw and trimmed with grosgrain ribbon.

Small hats, like the small sailors, Scotch kepis, miniature tricornes and turbans, are the order of the day. The torpedo turban is among the novelties, made long with a crease front and back. A striking model is made of barn-yard straw and shaped similarly to a four-cornered box. The top of the hat is slightly lifted, like the lid of a box, showing a bunch of ribbons protruding. A bow of ribbon on the lid ending in long streamers completes the model.

The latest hats show a strong preference for ribbon trimming, usually disposed of in bows and streamers, and again gathered and shirred. They are sometimes looped around the crown of a hat in loops the size of a cartridge, thus forming a cartridge belt around the crown.

The English, so-called "pill-box" hats are to be seen as well as others with a raised crown. These vie in popularity with some flat shapes, one ingeniously called in the trade the "fried egg" shape.

As a concession to the military spirit are hats similar to the Scotch kepi and others in imitation of the French infantry cap, made up in red silk with a small shield; the crown tapers and is dented in on one side, with gold braid embroidered on the top.

Another military hat, a cross between the French police beret and the Austrian infantry cap, is made with a peak in front, where the only trimming consists of a brass button.



The Fashionable Jumper Dress in a New Development.

put onto the yoke without a gather or a wrinkle. Other skirts are made with an upper and a lower section, the upper section close-fitting, while the lower section is made so that the flare at the lower edge is decided.

The dresses which are on the moyen age order still hold sway among the tall and lithesome figures to whom it is especially becoming.

The jumper models are both practical and smart, and are a method of developing a dress which will afford many changes in the way of various guimpes of silk, or net, or of chiffon. In many cases the suitability of this dress for simple or more elaborate occasions being supplied by the guimpe.

The model illustrated shows the latest mode in jumper dresses. The full, flaring skirt is of the new large check, which is so much seen among the new frocks which are the forerunners of the Spring styles in navy blue and white. The jumper is of plain material, matching the blue of the check, high on the skirt in front and low in the back. With this is worn a guimpe of buckskin-colored crepe de Chine.

Taffeta is a material which holds a strong place among the up-to-date materials. It is to be seen in various new effects, dimly watered like moire silk, changeable and in cross-bar and dotted effects. It is very queer, however, that more of the taffeta is used for evening dresses than for the afternoon frocks.

SOCIAL SERVICE CONFERENCE.

Raleigh, Jan. 21.—A great meeting indeed will be that of the North Carolina Conference for Social Service, which holds its third annual session in Raleigh, January 23-30. The conference discusses nearly all subjects looking to the upbuilding of North Carolina and her people, and everybody is invited to all meetings. You will probably wish to go to Raleigh sometime while the Legislature is in session. Make these the dates of your visit.

The presence of four eminent speakers of national reputation, will alone make the meeting historic.

William J. Bryan, famous the world over as an advocate of peace, temperance and moral movements; Thomas Mott Osborne, the great man of our time, who has given his life to prison reform; Mrs. Cora W. Stuart, who has achieved national reputation through the moonlight school movement in Kentucky; and Secretary Daniels whom North Carolina still claims.

And even without these four eminent speakers, any one of whom would make the meeting remarkable, the program would be compelling attractiveness simply for the North Carolina talent represented. President Clarence Poe and one of the afore mentioned speakers will speak Thursday night, the 28th. The other North Carolina speakers include Dr. E. K. Graham, Judge Walter Clark, Dr. W. S. Rankin, Dr. D. H. Hill, Prof. E. C. Branson, Dr. J. Y. Joyner, A. W. McAlister, W. H. Swift, Mrs. T. P. Harrison, Dr. L. B. McBrayer and others.

The meeting begins on Thursday night, Jan. 28th, and will end Saturday morning. Reduced railroad rates are expected.

Quips and Quiddities.

"Well, 'Rastus,'" said the colonel, "I understand your club has declined to admit Julius to membership."

"Dat's a fact, kuhuel," replied the old dandy. "Ah dunno what de objection to Julius was, but when dey come to vote dey done whiteballed him." Judge.

Boy—"Come quick, there's a man been fighting my father more'n half an hour."

Policeman—"Why didn't you tell me before?"

Boy—"Cause father was getting the best of it till a few minutes ago."

Minnesota minister lost his mind about a month ago and enlisted in the navy, and last week an army officer lost his mind and went to work. Men will do strange things when they lose their senses.

If it were understood that the farmers would market but half of their cotton crop they might not have to take seven cents for it.

HOW SHE GOT STARTED.

Berlin, via London.—A little Chinese girl, a pupil in a missionary school has the causes of the war "all doped out." The Deutsche Tageszeitung prints the following story:

"In one of the British missionary schools in China the pupils were asked to write an essay about the war. A little Chinese girl wrote the following:

"There's a big war in Europe just now. The war began because the Prince of Austria and his Princess took a trip to Serbia. A man in Serbia killed them. Austria got mad and started a war against Serbia."

"Germany wrote letters to Austria and said: 'I will help you.' Russia wrote a letter to Serbia: 'I will help you.'"

"France did not feel like fighting, but she got her soldiers ready. Then Germany wrote a letter to France: 'You shall not mobilize for if you do I will beat you in nine hours.'"

"Well, Germany began to fight France and marched through Belgium. Belgium said: 'I am a country, and not a country road for your soldiers.' And Belgium wrote a letter to England telling of what Germany had done. And so England came to help Belgium."

THIEVES FALL OUT.

For some months there has been carried on in Hillsboro a very systematic form of thievery. Mercantile establishments were the principal sufferers, but residences have not escaped altogether. Goods have been removed successfully from almost every store in town. The worst loss was probably sustained by Jordan Bros., who on Christmas Eve were relieved of about \$250 in cash.

The cat began to get out of the bag Wednesday afternoon when Will Jordan recognized a pair of trousers on the person of Walter Kimbro. Walter evidently lost his nerve under Jordan's peremptory cross-questioning (and for the further consideration of \$5 to him in hand paid by the said Jordan, party of the second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.) Officers Crawford, Cates and Sheriff Bain were called into the conference and Esq. Joh. A. Harris began writing papers. Andrew Evans, Bogie Ellison and Haywood Snipes were lodged in jail last night. Thursday morning the crowd was increased by the bringing in of Graham Long.

Andrew Evans, on trial, gave testimony which is calculated to bring in still other parties. Andrew confessed to having done most of the raiding but protested that he did not make his trips alone. Haywood Snipes denied very bitterly Andrew's charge that he had accompanied him on his midnight journeys.

The defendants were placed under bonds of \$200 each for their appearance at March court. It is thought that Graham Long is the less guilty of the defendants and his character as a working man will probably stand him in stead. The rest for the most part are without visible means of support. Walter Kimbro has not been arrested as yet.

"Kunnell" Bagley averred in open court that if he had "knowed" it was going on he'd have told it.

If Sulzer got nothing out of the election in New York, we suppose decent people should be satisfied with the result.

ABOLISH COUNTY TREASURER.

Wilson, Jan. 21.—Wilson citizens are circulating a petition to be sent to the Legislature asking for the passage of an act abolishing the office of county treasurer. In the petition the fact is set forth that under the present system of banking funds the expense of a treasurer is unnecessary. If the bill is enacted it will mean a saving of \$1,000 a year to the county.

ADVANTAGES.

"I tell you, sir, the great benefit of a college education lies in the friends you make."

"That's so. No matter how old you are, if you have been through college you can always find some one to play poker or bet on the races or go on a spree with."—Life.

BUY IT NOW.

N. M. in Topeka Daily Capital.

Say, Do you remember when you were a kid,

How they used to tell you About throwing a pebble into a pond And how it made a ripple That went on, and on, and on, and on, Until it reached the distant shore, Or something like that?

And when you got big enough You went to the minstrel show And saw the end man And the middleman Show how a quarter of a dollar Paid off ten dollars' worth of debt In about five minutes,

By passing from Tambo to Bones, And from Bones to Rastus, And from Rastus to Ephraim, And from Ephraim to Lijah, And so on around the half circle? And then, when you were sent up To college,

Tried to explain the same thing? You remember?

Well, This is no talk on political economy Or anything like that; It's just a gentle hint To the effect that RIGHT NOW Is a good time for you To start a little ripple of your own. A GOOD TIME

To start your dollars Moving round the circle. Pay off your debts, Buy what you need, And buy it now. Get things started. Put money in circulation.

That's good sense. And patriotism. And good business. Every ripple in the pond, No matter how small Helps break the stagnation, Get busy And make a splash, "Buy it now." And get your money back.

DAY AND NIGHT.

By Dr. Frank Crane.

Why not slide the day's program back about five hours.

This suggestion is based upon the superior life value of the early morning hours. The world can do more and better work from 5 to 12 in the morning than that from 5 in the afternoon to midnight.

Besides, daylight fun is more whole some than gaslight fun.

You cannot find anybody with whom to do business until 10 o'clock or so in the downtown offices, as things are today. Let us get down to work at 7 a. m. and quit for the day at noon or 1 p. m.

Let us have theaters and concerts and parties in the afternoon instead of at night.

When dark comes let us go to bed. This is entirely impractical, impossible. Hence most to be desired. The impossible is always more fascinating than the possible.

How did we come to sleep all morning and sit up all night? Why have we reversed nature and artificialized our whole social structure? And why is it considered common, bourgeois and undistinguished to get up with the sun, the upper-tens and hilarious to get up with the moon?

Think also of economy! How many oodles of dollars we squander in electricity, gas and kerosene, so that we roay poke around in the dark, when the Creator gives us for nothing an infinitely better light by day!

What a twisted old world it is! Let us, you and me, sit it right.

It is the simplest thing imaginable. We will call a meeting. At the meeting we will draft resolutions. Then we will appoint a committee. Then we will secure the names of prominent people as honorary vice presidents and as an advisory board. Then we will take up a collection. That's all. Then we can go home and think how easy reform is, after all.

A NATIONAL IMPRESSION.

Rosemary—A French actress who is turing this country says all men are prevaricators.

Thornton—She probably judges the entire male sex by her own press agents.—Judge.

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After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Ca tron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

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- Got the Florist

MRS. PRESCOTT had just heard of the illness of a dear friend. She was about to leave town that morning for an extended trip. There was no time to call. Turning to the telephone, she got the florist and ordered a choice selection of roses sent with her card to the address of the invalid.

Without the telephone she would have been unable to do this little act of kindness.

When you telephone—smile SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY



**THE SORT OF A NEIGHBOR WHO WILL MAKE FARM LIFE WHAT IT SHOULD BE.**

As a matter of fact, the up-to-date farmer's social and business life are so interwoven that they can't be separated. In any thoroughly worked-up farming neighborhood, the sort of comradeship, enthusiasm, and generous rivalry that a white man wants can only be found in a white neighbor—and there must be enough of those white neighbors to give this comradeship and friendly rivalry in abundant measure.

It's not enough to have the distant, limited and non-social relations we can have with negroes. I want a neighbor who will go with me to my farmers' meeting and get inspiration with me and talk with me about the things we heard discussed. I want a neighbor who can light a lightwood torch of nights and come over with his wife or boy or girl and sit with me and mine while we plan for better things. I want a neighbor whose boy will be in the corn club with my boy and will go to the meetings with him and spur up my boy to do his best. I want a neighbor whose wife will go to the meeting of the United Farm Women with my wife and come over and help entertain when my wife has the United Farm Women meeting with her. I want a neighbor whose girl will be with my girls in canning club work, and who can be my girl's roommate when she goes off to college. I want a neighbor who will support the school and Church and Sunday school of my race and help keep them strong. I want a neighbor who shares all the aspirations of my race and can cooperate with me as a citizen and voter in bringing better things to pass. I want a neighbor who can join me as a full equal in starting any sort of co-operative enterprise. I want a neighbor who will join me in a rural credit society. I want a neighbor with whom I can sit down and laugh and talk at my fireside as we talk over plans for marketing our crops or doing our work. I want a neighbor for whom my boy can work whenever he needs help, and not mind earning an honest dollar by working for him in his field. I want a neighbor who can go with me, comrade-like to the State Farmers' Meeting, or join me in some request I have to make of the county commissioners, or comfort me as a brother when death or sorrow comes to my home. I want a neighbor whose fine sturdy sons and daughters I can watch growing up and see in their beautiful friendship with my own boys and girls a promise of yet closer ties between my neighbor and me—a promise of new home-nests when he and I have passed away.

The following two topics have been officially selected for discussion in local unions in February: "What is the effect of the merchant's crop lien law on the working farmer?" "To what extent should we increase or decrease acreage of various crops this year, so as to secure greater profits and make our farmers self-supporting?" It is hoped that every local will discuss these subjects. The State Council of the North Carolina Farmers' Union in Raleigh last week decided to center attention upon four big issues now before the General Assembly, as follows: Rural Credits, Land Segregation between the Races, Repeal of the Crop Lien Law, and a statute governing Co-operative Societies. The Union will also urge Congress to adopt the Hollis-Bulkley bill, and urges farmers to demand a Torrens title every time they get a deed from a lawyer. The Union fertilizer contracts this year are handled by Capt. W. B. Gibson, Statesville, to whom all inquiries should be sent.

Farmers and other North Carolinians should not overlook the meeting of the North Carolina Conference for Social Service in Raleigh, January 28-30. William J. Bryan, T. M. Osborne and others will speak. If you have to come to Raleigh this winter make these dates for coming, and while here go out and take a look at the wide-awake bunch of farmers, young and old, who are absorbing information and inspiration at the A. and M. College. It will make you wish you were with them.—Progressive Farmer.

"Buy It Now," is the new motto, and it is a good one. The quicker money gets into circulation, the more of it, the better times will be. No farmer ought, of course, to buy anything that he does not positively need, but if he has decided that he needs anything in his farm work this year—anything from a traction plow to a package of garden seeds—he can help business by buying it now. And certainly any man who owes a debt and has the money to pay the debt and doesn't do it, is pitting against the prosperity of the nation, and that of all his fellow citizens. Business is being stalled all over the country because men who are able to pay will not pay, and this keeps others from paying. If A will pay B, B then will pay C, and C will pay D, and so on.

**SCHOOL NEWS.**

Spring School had a Box Party Friday night, Jan. 22nd. A very enjoyable social evening was spent. The Domestic Science class sold candy and \$18.00 was raised for additions to the Library and to the Domestic Science equipment.

The Friendship folks are planning to have a great time at their Masquerade Party and Oyster Supper, Saturday night, January 30th. The public is cordially invited to come and enjoy the music, songs and refreshments.

Now is the time for all schools to make and lay aside exhibits for the county commencement. At this season every school ought to be doing some of its best work. Save a few of your best products for the exhibition at the county commencement. The following list is suggestive of what you may prepare: Writing, Drawing, Composition, History and samples of whatever Industrial work you have done, Sewing, Baskets, Rugs, Mats, etc.

Mr. John M. Glenn, principal of the Saxapahaw School, has organized an excellent night school for grown people who have not enjoyed school advantages. He has already enrolled about thirty pupils and much interest in the work is being shown. A more detailed account of the working of the school will be given at an early date. This is a commendable line of work and should be encouraged. Many of our good people were robbed of school advantages by the civil war or some other misfortune; and it is as little as we can do who are more fortunate to make good as far as we can their loss. Many of these brave men and women have wrought well and created and made possible much that we have and enjoy. We will be indeed ungrateful and unkind if we do not try to share with them what they have given to us. Every village and every hamlet in Alamance should have a night school for grown people who have not the elements of an education, till every blot of illiteracy has been wiped from our good county.

The next teachers' meeting will be Saturday, February 6. Two main lines of work for consideration will be Community Service and County Commencement.

Editor State Dispatch,  
Burlington, N. C.

Sir:— I saw in The Burlington News a statement that the salary system of Alamance County showed a profit of \$4,000 for 1914, and a loss of about \$1,000 in 1913. As I haven't a copy by me, I can't give you the figures, but as I recall it, the sheriff's office only collected about \$145 in fees in 1913 as per report and over \$3,600 in fees in 1914. As this salary law was in effect in 1913 as well as 1914, I fail to understand this. I wish you would publish this statement and any explanation that you can obtain, for the benefit of us Tax Payers, who are so dense that we can't understand how this difference could be. Let's cut off the Treasurer's job as the banks will handle this for nothing, and put this money on the roads.

Yours truly,  
A Land Owner and Tax payer.

Graham No. 2, 1-19-15.  
Editor of State Dispatch,  
Burlington, N. C.

Dear Sir:— In regard to a publication I saw in your valuable paper asking the peo-

ple to say what they think in regard to our county affairs. I heartily reckoned your ideas which you have published in the issue of 1-9-15. I want the public road system changed and quick too. I think a township road system would be a good thing. Say we should elect three township trustees every two years to see after the road in each township, and one of the number should be secretary and treasurer, and one chairman and he should collect the road tax in his township and he should be under bond for twice the value of the tax and those three trustees should receive \$1 per day for each day of the time while collecting tax and seeing after the road and hire the labor done say at \$1 per day and pay for teams to do labor on the road say as cheap as they could be hired, for this secretary and treasurer could take the valuation off the general tax list and be empowered by law to collect just the same as the high sheriff and then each township would get its part as it is, it don't. And no one should be allowed to vote for the three trustees only a freeholder as others don't have any land to put into roads. By doing something like this we will have more roads and better roads.

**TAXPAYER.**

**LOOKING FORWARD.**

We are wiser today than we were a year ago. We have encountered new problems and learned how to meet them. We believe the new year will be a prosperous one. We are going to push for every dollar's worth of business there is. We are going to advertise as we never did before. At the end of 1915 we are going to be able to say "it's the best business year we have ever known." These are the sentiments of the people all over this great United States the people are looking forward to a Big Business Year and they are going to get it, principally because they are starting right. The newspapers are doing all they can to help the cause, and the progressive merchants are advertising as they never did before. All of this will bring opportunity to your door and

it's up to you to seize it. Tell the public through the newspapers what you have to offer. They are looking for good propositions and will welcome your announcement with open arms.

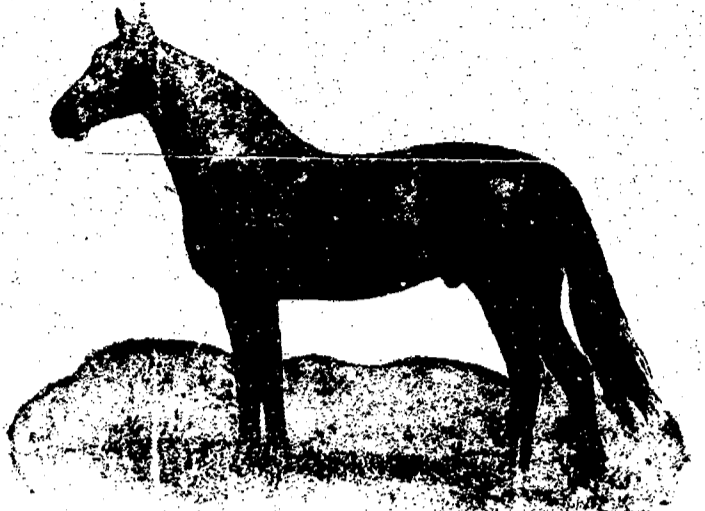
**LOOK FORWARD, NOT BEHIND YOU.** Get Busy and Advertise. **THE DISPATCH IS AT YOUR SERVICE!**

**HARD ON THE YOUNG FOLKS.** "So you want four incandescent lights install in the front parlor?" said the electric light man. "Yes," replied Mr. Grouch, who objects to his daughter's calling, "and I want you to remove those little bumps so they can't be turned off."

Some men have brains but never know when to use them.

There has been some talk of turning part of a prisoner's earnings over to his family, but we do not expect to see anything come of it. As a rule there is small sympathy for the man who cannot keep out of prison. We hope this law will be made applicable to Alamance County.—Ed.

A real heroine is a woman who can suffer in silence.



**FOGLEMAN BROS.**  
The Big Horse & Mule Dealers

Of Burlington, are on the market this week buying two car loads. We'll unload one car at Roxboro February 1st., and one at Burlington same date. We'll have some Extra Good Mules and Mares. Come and see our stock and prices before buying.

**FOGLEMAN BROS.**

This is Absolutely the LAST CHANCE to Get an

**ALLEN'S PRINCESS**  
COPPER BEARING IRON RANGE

On Allen's Princess "Pay For Itself Plan."

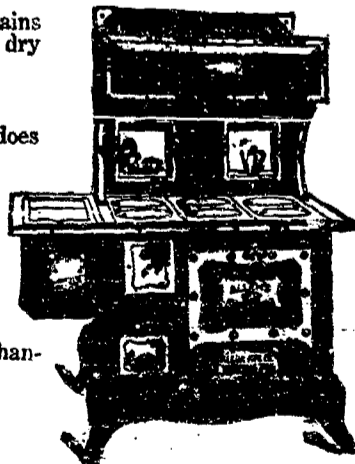
In order to place the finest range made with some of our most capable and energetic housekeepers, that haven't one already, the manufacturers have allotted us a limited number to sell on Allen's Princess "Pay For Itself Plan." The demand has been so unexpectedly large, that we have only a very few left.

Food in warming closet retains moisture and freshness. No dry heat.

Plenty of hot water and does not interfere with baking.

Heavy, durable, sectional, hot blast fire box.

Elevated ash pan. Outside handle. No heat. Easily cleaned.



Pipe behind closet. Easily cleaned. No heat in cook's face.

Two large cabinets provide convenient receptacle and dish warmer.

Heavy, asbestos lined triple walls, hold heat, save fuel.

Heavy, rigid level even bottom. Bakes evenly.

This offer will positively end SATURDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 30. From now on the Allen's Princess Range will only be sold on regular terms, but we have a few left for the women who will take advantage of this epoch-making offer TODAY!

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