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We are glad to learn that the cases against the City have been compromised. This is as it should be and ought to have been done sometime ago. No good can come from such suits and we rejoice they are settled.

CASE SETTLED.

Mr. John H. Vernon, City Attorney, authorizes us to say that jurors and witnesses in the case wherein certain parties are plaintiffs and the City of Burlington is defendant need not attend court next week as the cases have been compromised. That is the case known as the Sewer case.

WASTING MONEY ON NEWS-PAPER.

You will smile at the "cheek" and "gall" displayed in the following letter, but the shame and pity of it is that it is not exceptional and rare. The editor of a Kentucky weekly some time ago received this letter: "Please send me a few copies of the paper containing the obituary of my aunt. Also publish the enclosed clipping of the marriage of my niece, who lives in Lebanon. And if it does not cost anything, that I have two calves for sale. As my subscription is out, please stop paper. Times are too bad to waste money on newspapers."

MR. STEELE PASSES.

Mr. H. W. Steele, a highly respected citizen of Gibsonville, died Thursday morning about 2 o'clock. He had been a sufferer for a long time, having been confined to his bed for several years caused by a stroke of paralysis from which he never recovered. His wife preceded him and he now goes to join her. Mr. Steele was beloved by all who knew him, and was the old fashioned rugged type who would rather be right than be President. Before declining years he was an active business man engaged in mercantile pursuits. At one time he was superintendent and general manager of the Belmont Cotton Mills of this county and later moved to Gibsonville. Mr. Steele was 71 years of age and is survived by two sons, Ralph and Garland. The funeral will be conducted by some well known Lutheran divine at Macedonia Lutheran Church of which he has been a constant member for a number of years. The funeral and burial will take place Friday at 11 o'clock. It is said that no man is so important that the world cannot do without him, but when men of the type of Mr. Steele passes, they will be missed. Peace to his ashes and love and sympathy to the bereaved ones.

REPUBLICAN VOTES FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE.

President Wilson will need to rely on Republican votes in Congress to carry through whatever plans for improving the national defense may be submitted at the next session. This condition is indicated in the attitude assumed by Senator Kern, the Democratic leader in the Senate, and Representative Kitchin, the Democratic leader in the House.

Senator Kern declares he has not found in his rock-bound State of Indiana any popular demand for an enlarged navy. His Hoosier constituents are apparently convinced that no

more warships are needed to protect their ocean washed shores from a foreign invader. Should the many harbors that indent the long coast line of Indiana tempt some enemy to send a hostile fleet, charged with the capture of Lafayette, Terre Haute and Tom Taggart, the coast defenses on the banks of the Wabash are so formidable that their 42-centimeter guns, aided by a few submarines, would quickly send the invading fleets to Davy Jones' locker.

Similarly the ingenious Mr. Claude Kitchin feels convinced that the sea coast of North Carolina is as strongly fortified as the Bardenelles, and that no insolent foreigner need ever hope to pilot his gigantic super-dreadnoughts and battle cruisers into Raleigh or Charlotte. As for army reorganization why sir, North Carolina and her sister State of Kentucky can furnish Colonels for all the "skeleton regiments" that can be raised in the United States.

Now it would seem that the Hoosier statesman and his younger colleague from the Turpentine State are taking a rather short-sighted view of the situation. They overlook the fact that New York and Philadelphia, for instance, to say nothing of Boston, New Orleans, Baltimore, and some other parts of the Atlantic seaboard, are not so strongly fortified against naval aggression as Indiana and North Carolina. Consequently these weaker places are timorously concerned in approving the suggested naval program. As already pointed out in "The Press" the recommendation of four super-dreadnoughts and two battle cruisers is by no means extravagant or unprecedented. Even the "little navy" advocates favor spending as much as \$20,000,000 on submarines. Consequently they cannot object to the recommendation of the General Naval Board for sixty or seventy submersible craft.

Under the circumstances such tenacious advocates and upholders of the "pork barrel" as Senator Kern and Representative Kitchin might well surrender a little of the appropriations for alleged "rivers and harbors" toward enlarging the navy for the better defenses of those places that are not so fortunately situated as Indiana and North Carolina. No doubt a similar plea would be made on behalf of San Francisco, Seattle and other Pacific coast cities. Yet it is to be feared that the "pork barrel" habit is a hard one to shake off. Senator Kern and Representative Kitchin are expected to have so large a following of other proponents of the "pork barrel" and "little navy" men as to amount to fully one-half the strength of the Democratic party in Congress.

In that case whatever legislation is enacted to insure an adequate condition of national preparedness for defense will be carried with the aid of Republican votes. As against 231 Democrats there are 193 Republicans in the House of Representatives. So the Administration program should fare pretty well if it corresponds to the expectation of the country.

MARKETING.

Edgecombe Cotton Exchange First Cotton Marketing Association in the South Formed at Tarboro.

In a meeting held at Tarboro on August 28, the cotton growers of Edgecombe county decided to incorporate an organization to be known as the Edgecombe Cotton Exchange. The form of by-laws submitted by the Division of Markets of the North Carolina Experiment Station was adopted with a few slight changes. Mr. C. F. Bassett, Organizer, and Mr. O. J. McConnell, Cotton Grader, both from the United States Bureau of Markets, assisted Mr. Wm. R. Camp in the work of organization.

The purpose of the exchange is stated as follows:

- 1. To co-operate with the Bureau of Plant Industry, U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Division of Agronomy of the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station in order that our members may select, grow and maintain the variety of cotton best adapted to our soil and to the demands of the trade, that we may facilitate the sale of cotton in large

lots of one kind, staple and grade.

2. To develop a reputation and demand for Edgecombe County cotton; to find out the needs of the mills of the State and to furnish them the cotton which will meet their demands.

3. To co-operate with the Office of Markets, U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Division of Markets, North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station to secure a proper grading of cotton so we may know what we are selling and be in a position to sell in the best markets. Dependence upon one market is contrary to all business practice.

4. To work in co-operation with the departments named in section 3 in order to find and keep in touch with the best markets in this and other states and countries.

5. To distribute our cotton in such markets as will recognize our grades and pay us prices according to general market conditions.

6. To provide warehouse facilities for storing our cotton that we may be able to assemble it in large lots of a given staple and grade and furnish the banks with the proper form of warehouse receipts.

A complete set of the by-laws adopted at the Tarboro meeting will be mailed to communities interested in this form of organization upon application to the Division of Markets.

RUB-MY-TISM

Will cure Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headaches, Cramps, Colic Sprains, Bruises, Cuts, Burns, Old Sores, Tetter, Ring-Worm, Eczema, etc. Antiseptic Anodyne, used internally or externally. 25c

HOW TO RUN A PAPER.

The stockholders of the Newport Times, having been unexpectedly left in charge of the paper, are not laying claims just now, to knowing all there is to know about the newspaper business. Perhaps we know better how not to run a paper than how to run one. If we were asked to lay down a few rules on "how not to run a country paper," we would include the following:

"Do not abuse every man who differs with you about politics. The other fellow may be right part of the time, and even if he is wrong all of the time, abusing will not help him.

"If you have occasion to criticize a man, it will rarely be necessary to denounce him as the most infamous scoundrel unhung. On looking around a little you may observe several bigger rascals than he is and some of them may be close home.

"If you are criticizing the record of a political opponent, a public man or business rival, you will not strengthen your cause by dealing in petty personalities.

"In dealing with the faults and shortcomings of your fellowman confine yourself within the reasonable limits of the truth. There is usually enough unfavorable truth to tell about a man without bemirching him with lies and befouling him with slander. Remember that a printed lie is the blackest of all lies.

"If your own public record and private life are covered with hideous deformities, concealed by nothing more than transparency of a glass house, throwing rocks would not be considered safe and sane exercise for you.

"The operation of a country newspaper does not entitle a man to set himself up as judge and censor of the remainder of the human family.

"Don't do too much knocking. Any fool can do that. See the good in your town, its people, and its possibilities.

"Don't expect to have your way all the time. Comfort yourself with the thought that no man ever had everything just as he wanted it every day.

"Don't consider competition a curse. This is a big world, full of folks and ideas. There is room for you and your little idea if you have one. Your personality and plans will hardly loom so large as to cause you to be crowded for lack of room.—Newport Times.

We don't see how Cole Blaise can hope to be elected governor again while all the convicts he pardoned are again in prison.

A NEW BOOK BY MEMBER OF EXPERIMENT STATION STAFF.

"The Fundamentals of Live Stock Judging and Selection" is the title given by Professor R. S. Curtis of the Animal Industry Division, North Carolina Experiment Station, to a book which he has just had issued by Lea & Febiger of New York. The work of Professor Curtis as a judge of live stock is familiar to all North Carolinians, who have had animals competing for prizes within the show pens of the fairs of the state and he needs no introduction along this line of work.

As a reason for his publication Professor Curtis says: "The recent progress of the teaching of Animal Husbandry, especially live stock judging and selection, commends this division of the subject to a full modern treatise dealing with all domestic animals. Rapid advancement in special fields of production and selection, and the addition of new phases of animal judging, have furnished much new material for the work."

The volume is nicely illustrated with one hundred and eighty engravings which make a complete and convenient reference to breed characteristics. It is intended primarily for students, farmers and stockmen who wish to become familiar with the methods and practices in judging the pure breeds and the market and show classes of live stock.

26 ARE LOST IN SINKING OF HESPERIAN.

12 Passengers and 13 of Crew on Torpedoed Liner Missing; Woman's Body Found—Captain is Silent—Efforts to Tow Vessel Fail; Goes Down Near Scene of Attack.

Queenstown, Sept. 6.—Six second cabin passengers, six third cabin passengers and thirteen of the crew of the steamer Hesperian, torpedoed 150 miles off Queenstown Saturday evening, were unaccounted for tonight, according to the revised official figures issued by the Allan Line. This brings the probable death list, including Miss Carberry, of St. Johns, Newfoundland, whose body is here, up to twenty-six.

The captain of the stricken liner remained by his ship until it sank. He declined to comment on the disaster for publication; hence the official statement as to whether he believes his ship was a victim of a torpedo or a mine must come from the Admiralty, although the captain is quoted as having told an Allan Line official today that the Hesperian was torpedoed.

WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST.

Issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C., for the Week Beginning Wednesday, September 8, 1915.

For South Atlantic and East Gulf States: The week will be one of generally fair weather and normal temperatures.

INVITATIONS ARE OUT.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Bernice Corene Bright, of Mebane to Mr. James Henry Brown, of Greensboro.

The invitations issued read as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Bright request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Bernice Corene

to Mr. James Henry Brown Tuesday afternoon, September 14th at 3:30 o'clock First Baptist Church Mebane, North Carolina.

FIND CONSPIRACY IN BORDER FIGHT.

State and Federal Agents Get Evidence of Plot to Overthrow U. S. Forces.

Brownsville, Texas, Sept. 7.—More evidence of a widespread conspiracy among Mexicans on both sides of the Rio Grande to overthrow American authority along the border was dis-

IMPORTANT!

Our tailor from Baltimore will be here on

Next Monday and Tuesday, 13 & 14

with an unusually large and attractive line of Fall and Winter Samples. COME and see them is all we ask. Also

BIG REDUCTION

on all Clothing, Shoes and Gent's Furnishings this week. LOOK OUT for our big fall opening which will take place soon, as our buyer is busy all the while selecting a most beautiful and attracting line of Clothing, Shoes and Gent's Furnishings. A line that will please you in every respect and at prices lower than the lowest.

Yours respectfully,

J. B. Jones Clo. Co. Burlington, N. C. The Corner Store.

covered today by State and Federal authorities investigating the recent border outbreak.

One circular, dated October 1, 1914, which was said to have been widely distributed in Texas and Mexico, appealed to Mexicans to "rise in favor of Carranza and independence because at the rate we are going, we soon will be slaves of the Americans."

The names of the Mexicans who signed the call were not made public.

Letters from points in Lower California indicate that plans for uprising along the border were in process of formation for more than a year, also were found today. Buttons enclosed in the letters were inscribed "Land and Liberty."

The situation along the border today was quiet. All important towns and railroad bridges now are under guard of United States troops.

FRENCH AIRMEN DROP BOMBS ON SIX TOWNS.

Paris, Sept. 7. (10:30 P. M.)—An official communication issued tonight says:

"Our artillery in the region of Nieuport has co-operated in the bombardment of German coast batteries at Westende by the British fleet.

"A violent cannonade has occurred to the north and south of Arras. At several points our batteries have inflicted grave damage on the enemy's organization.

"A French air squadron has dropped bombs on the station and military establishments at Freiburg (Buden). Fire broke out in the town.

"Our aeroplanes likewise bombarded the stations at Saarburg, Pont-Faverger, Warnerville, Tergnier and Lens."

A Memphis woman is suing for divorce because her husband has bought her only one hat in a year. Possibly he didn't have the money, but of course, that wouldn't make him any the less a stingy brute deserving to have to spend his life in single cussedness.

Why should we worry? Potato pieces are ripe.

THE CONDUCTOR'S HOPE.

"I hope," said the car conductor, pensively, after taking the names of the people who saw the lady lose her balance, "that women will vote, and that they'll have a political party of their own and a convention and a platform."

"And then what?"

"And that they'll advocate capital punishment for anybody who gets off the platform backward."—Washington Star.

"Well, Bobby," said the minister to the small son of one of his deacons, "what is the news?"

"Popper's got a new set of teeth."

"Indeed!" said the minister, restraining a desire to laugh. "And what will he do with the old set?"

"Oh, I suppose," replied Bobby, "they'll cut 'em down and make me wear 'em."

Two men were standing outside a show window where a vacuum cleaner was being demonstrated. Suddenly one of them burst out with enthusiasm:

"These inventions are the things that clean up the money! Just think of the million that fellow vacuum must have made out of that thing."—Everybody's Magazine.

Tom, the country six-year-old, presenting himself one day in even more than his usual state of dust and disorder, was asked by his mother if he would not like to be a little city boy, and always be nice and clean in white suits and shoes and stockings. Tom answered scornfully: "They are not children; they're pets.—Happer's Monthly.

Little Elizabeth and her mother were having luncheon together, and the mother, who always tried to impress facts upon her young daughter, said:

"These little sardines, Elizabeth, are sometimes eaten by the larger fish."

Elizabeth gazed at the sardines in wonder, and then asked:

"But, mother, how do the large fish get the cans open?"

EXCURSION

Hillsboro to Graham SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

Championship game of the Alamance Base Ball League MEBANE Vs SWEPSONVILLE Double Header Scheduled

Leave Hillsboro 12:45 P. M. Round Trip..... .65c Leave Efland 1:00 P. M. Round Trip..... .50c Leave Mebane 1:15 P. M. Round Trip..... .50c Returning, leave Graham immediately after game.

Come and go With Us

MEBANE BASEBALL ASSOCIATION.

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