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MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1911.

THE INHUMANITY OF MAN.

J. E. Hampton, an alleged prominent insurance and business man, of North Carolina, was tried and convicted, at Bristol, last week and sentenced to the Virginia penitentiary for ten years. This charge against him was the betrayal of Lizzie Palmer, an orphan girl. The Virginia papers have given the case considerable publicity.

Hampton is well known in the north western section of this state and the people of that section will hold out little sympathy for him. He married an honest working girl in that section, near Elkin, a few years ago, who is now living and has four children. He afterwards deserted her, leaving her without means of supporting herself or her children.

There is too much of this thing going on, and the only means of curbing the evil is to give the limit of punishment provided by law for trifling renegades who leave their families to suffer.

Another story, even more pathetic in its dramatic finale, came in from Greensboro Saturday. If the facts in the case as first told are true, there should be some means of bringing to the bar of justice the young fellow who left his bride of a few days to perish before the flames of all consuming remorse.

According to the story a young girl, wedded only a month, deserted only shortly after the vows were said by her husband, driven to desperation in her fruitless search for him, attempted to end a life which was torment.

Mrs. Royter languishes in a Greensboro hospital and her young cavalier no doubt goes along his way, callous to the misery he has caused a poor soul, free to enter society unmarked by the stain of cowardice and guilt, undeterred by the fact that his heartlessness caused an attempted suicide.

The prison is a soft berth for creatures of this type.

WHISKEY ADVERTISING.

Not with any desire to play the role of the Pharisee, nor yet to put itself up as an arc light of superior moral stamina, so it says, but merely in the effort to observe the law which a majority has written the Greensboro News has just divorced itself from all of its whiskey advertisements.

The attitude of our Greensboro contemporary is that of every man who believes in respecting and observing existing laws, whether they be to his liking or no. The Greensboro News simply states that the majority have sanctioned the prohibition law, and being a quasi public institution, it does not feel that it can consistently encourage agencies which have for their object the thwarting of that law.

In letting its whiskey advertisements go the Greensboro News will lose a great deal of money. However, in the long run, standing as a defender of written law, it will gain in influence. Such is the tendency today among the press. The great majority of papers of the state have decided to cut out whiskey advertisements. The great majority of the magazines have

taken a like course. In other states, too, many of the leading newspapers have quit advertising whiskey concerns.

The people read advertisements to-day more than they ever did before, and publishers are gradually coming to weed out any form of advertising matter which they consider offensive to their reading patrons.

We congratulate the Greensboro News upon the stand it has taken. Many a man sincerely disbelieves in prohibition, and yet conscientiously supports prohibition laws when they are written by the majority. This is the mission of good citizenship, and in lending its influence to the thorough support of the state prohibition law our contemporary puts itself in a position which can only strengthen it with men who respect law. We quote its comment on the subject, which runs as follows:

"The Daily News wishes to announce that it will not in the future publish whiskey advertisements. Some weeks since all advertising matter of this character was taken from the paper and no formal announcement of our intentions in this respect would have been made had it not been for the circumstance that a number of people have evinced an interest in knowing whether this was to be the settled policy of the paper.

"We have not made the withdrawal of this class of advertising a subject of comment for the reason that we did not care to assume an attitude that might, to some people, suggest the Pharisaical on the one hand, nor did we have any disposition to turn a definitely announced change of policy to possible pecuniary advantage or profit. Moreover, the Daily News does not wish to appear to criticize by inference those papers that are pursuing a different course. It is a matter that we are willing to leave to every publisher to settle for himself in the light of the laws of the land and his own conscience.

"Having gone this far, we may be permitted to observe that, in leaving whiskey advertising out of its columns, the Daily News lays no claim to having been influenced by deep-seated or profoundly inherent moral promptings, such as have led hundreds of people in the state, our betters no doubt, to great and salutary activity in the cause of prohibition, an activity inspired by the feeling that these good people are, in more or less degree, their brother's keeper. Still again, we can not assume the role of the seeker after an absolving conscience. Contrariwise, we have been moved by the broad, if less creditable view (a view consistently held at Asheville as well as in Greensboro), that, since the people of the state have recorded their verdict at the ballot box against the liquor traffic in all its several forms, the known wishes of the generality of people should be respected by a newspaper, a quasi-public institution.

"Without the least desire to invite controversy, or to question contrary views that may be held by others, it is not clear to us how we, as a newspaper, can show that deference to the popular judgment which the situation demands, the while disclosing a proper regard for the law which in our news and editorial columns we profess to revere, and then, contemporaneously, publish in our advertising columns a class of matter whose tendency is inevitably in the direction of a circumvention of that law. With the conscientious conviction that it is the duty of every citizen to live in respect and obedience to the law our course is planned in this as well as all other matters.

"The lamented Thomas B. Reed once asked his friends to think what we should be, who are unlearned and brutish, if the wise, the learned and the good, should separate themselves from us? In a moral question, such as this, the wise, the learned and the good, it is always safe to assume, will be found to have a majority, and it is equally safe, in casting about for guidance in the direction of what is right and proper, to respect the definitely recorded verdict of that majority."

Editor Way, who for years has successfully edited the Waxhaw Enterprise now takes charge of the Henderson Gold Leaf, to succeed Editor Manning. Ill health forced Mr. Manning to quit his life work—a work which he had conducted with such signal success. We wish Editor Way a continuation of his excellent record of efficient service.

The Sunday Richmond Times-Dispatch prints a page of editorial matter, and one of the editorials contained is entitled "Long Winded."

A LEGEND

I have heard that all the tears That we never cry All are saved throughout the years Until some time by and by. When they're changed to jewels gay, Gems that fall far away, Catch and fling upon the grass. We can see them as we pass. And they make the morning bright With their gleaming, happy light. Think! The drops of dew you see Might belong to you or me! —From the Youth's Companion.

Blobs—"I can always tell by looking at a man what his profession is." Slobbs—"That's easy enough; for instance, lots of young doctors look like perfect pills."

—TRY— HOSTETTER'S Stomach Bitters

when the stomach is "out of order." It will quickly tone and strengthen it, also prevent Dyspepsia & Colds.

From Other Sanctums

Too Many Pardons.

The governor is to be commended for ordering the arrest of Ed Catton, to whom he gave a conditional pardon, because since he was released Catton has been living in adultery, unlawfully selling whiskey, and engaging in chicken fighting on the Sabbath day. The governor was not aware of Catton's past record and the fact that he was an escaped convict, having been away from the gang several days, when he granted the pardon.

The trouble is that the governor of the state and other chief executives run the pardon mill overtime. The pardoning power was conferred only to meet extreme cases and not to make the executive an appellate court to hear the evidence and set aside verdicts and judgments because he thinks they are wrong or the punishment excessive. There are occasions—very few—when executive clemency ought to be exercised, but in most of the cases in which pardons are granted the ends of justice would be served by letting the verdicts of juries and the sentences of courts stand.—News and Observer.

TO MARY.

(Written for The News.)

Nourished by the warm sunshine Caressed by the gentle summer's breeze, Millions of flowers may shyly peep At the foot of the giant trees. And there in the loveliness of their bloom With their faint and delicate perfume Dispel the lonely forest's gloom. But these, dear, will surely fade away, Before bleak winter's blast, And monarchs of the forest that have battled the wind Will bow their heads and fall at last. But my love is so embedded In the deepest recess of my soul That there's nothing but death can alter, And serving thee shall be my goal, 'Till the Dark Shades of Death Have called me from this life. And I have finished my earthly course Have ended this earthly strife. Then dear in that grand new birth In that mysterious realm above, 'Till I grow from this earthly affection Into a grander, nobler love. —Joseph C. Williams. Wake Forest, N. C.

Government Owns Rich Coal Lands

By Associated Press.

Washington, March 20.—Hundreds of billions of tons of coal contained in the vast area of coal lands in the West, consisting of more than seventy million acres are owned by the United States government, according to announcement of the United States geological survey today. Some tracts are of immense value, containing beds of the highest grade coal in veins from thirty to eighty feet in thickness.

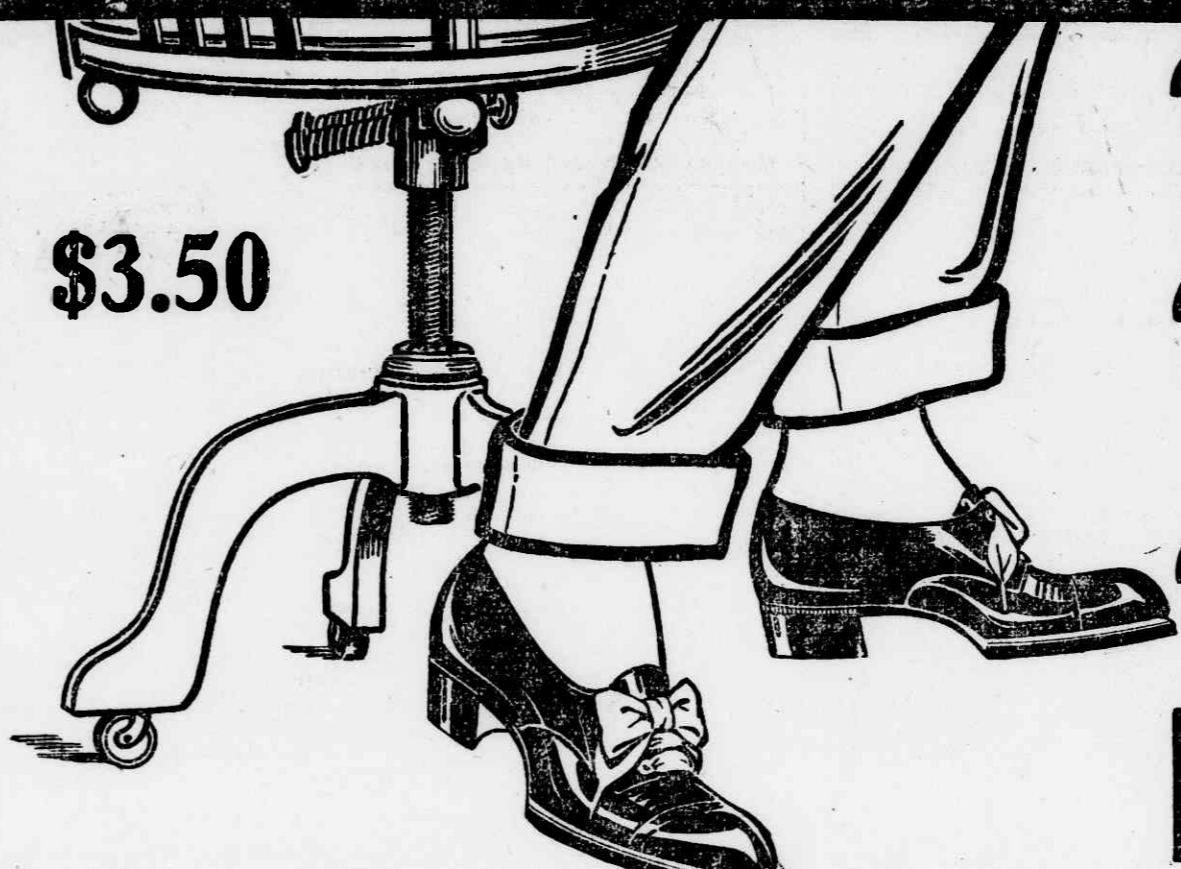
By a new method of selling this coal land the government will gain an enormous amount of money. The old way was to sell the coal lands regardless of value at \$10 an acre if more than 15 miles from a railroad, or at \$20 if within that limit. Now the geological survey measures the coal in an acre and the land is sold on a coal tonnage basis. As a result coal lands have been priced as high as \$400 an acre and in one tract at even \$600.

During the last year the geological survey classified by individual forty acre tracts \$527,166 acres with a value of \$560,815,081. This added to the results of former work gives a total of 12,480,538 acres classified as coal lands with a valuation of \$637,619,418. By the old method these lands would have a valuation of \$218,289,942, which shows a net gain to the government of nearly \$420,000,000.

All proceeds of coal lands are deposited to the credit of the irrigation "reclamation fund."



MR. BALLINGER'S SUCCESSOR W. L. FISHER, who was recently appointed by President Taft, to succeed Richard A. Ballinger, who resigned.



\$3.50

Make It Your Business To-day To Buy a Pair of Craddock Shoes

This town is going crazy about the Craddock Shoe. It is not surprising. The entire South is going crazy over the Craddock Shoe. It is the shoe sensation of years. There isn't a shoe made to-day that compares with the Craddock for value, dollar for dollar, detail for detail.

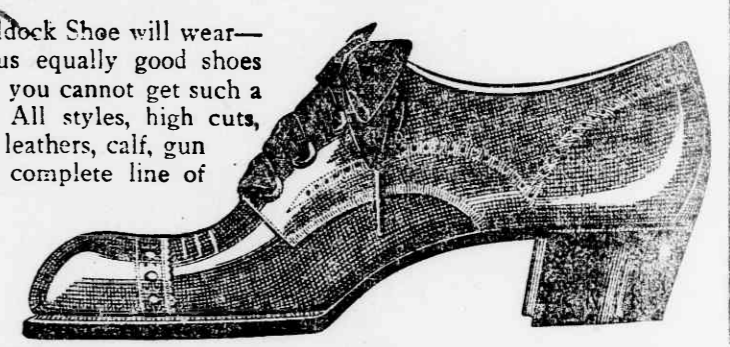
Why is this shoe such a sensation? Come and see. We can tell you in five minutes. We can't put it all in this space.

The finest leathers, the best workmanship. The most comfortable fitting shoes in this city to-day. Don't be bashful about coming in and asking to see the Craddock Shoe. You don't have to buy if you don't want to. Come in and let your fingers tell you the comfort in which your feet will live. Let them tell you of the texture of the leather. Let your eye tell you the making is perfect and the styles excellent.

You never wore an Oxford like The Craddock Oxford. Snug at ankle and heel but without pinching or binding. You never saw an Oxford like the Craddock at the price.

\$3.50 No More—No Less \$3.50

You never owned a shoe at the price that wore as well as the Craddock Shoe will wear—thirty days longer than any other shoe at the price. People tell us equally good shoes cost \$5.00 elsewhere. We know it. And we know, too, that you cannot get such a complete line of shoes to choose from anywhere else at the price. All styles, high cuts, bluchers, bals, buttons, oxfords, all good lasts and patterns. All leathers, calf, gun metal, patent leather, Russia calf, willow calf, kid, and the only complete line of flexible soled stylish shoes for men ever made.



DeLANE SHOE CO. 36 East Trade Street

Trial of A. A. Truskett. Independence, Kas., March 20.—The trial of A. A. Truskett, aged seventy, a wealthy business man of Caney, Kas., who shot and killed J. D. S. Nealey, 65 years old, a banker and oil man of Lima, O., was called here today. The shooting occurred in a hotel at Caney on January 7. Truskett declares he shot in self-defense. There were no witnesses. The men had previously disagreed over an oil lease.

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TONE The essence of piano quality is tone. The goal of all piano makers should be tone. That property without which the most elaborately constructed piano is valueless is tone. Without tone durability is a mockery. Without tone a piano is a "thumb box." Tone in a broad sense means character. Synonym for tone is STIEFF SOUTHERN WAREROOM 5 West Trade Street CHARLOTTE, N. C. C. H. WILMOTH, Manager.

One Foot One Yard One foot with a CORN on it will make some people's face a yard long, and there's no wonder. A corn is not a pleasant companion to travel with. In spite of the fact that WOODALL & SHEPPARD'S Corn Remedy will positively cure corns, there are people who put up with corns rather than spend 15c for positive relief. Don't let it be you. Use Woodall & Sheppard's Corn Remedy and smile. Delivered to any part of the city by quick messenger, or by mail 17c. WOODALL & SHEPPARD DRUGGISTS In the Skyscraper Building Phone 69 and 166.

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