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SIGNS OF SPRING. When froless agents greet me with smiles from ear to ear, and do their best to heat me, just as they did last year, by selling fruit trees fruitless, or cornets that are toothless, or other junk that's bootless, I know that spring is here. When I am tired and bilious, and feeling stale and queer and doze supercilious about my door, when I see the neighbor's dog yelping, and rub me down with lotions that stir up strange emotions, I know that spring is here. When to its pasture fragrant proceeds the loving steer; when from his lair the vagrant comes forth, intent on beer; when I see neighbors slush about their gardens, thrashing an idiotic fashion; I know that spring is here. When I see truant schoolboys, naughty, go fishing all at the weir; and when all grow dotty, as in the yesterday, and tear the house to pieces, to scrub where dust or grease, is, just like so many guess, I know that spring is here. When flies begin to tickle the victim's nose and ear; when skimmers prod and prick; when, with small but pungent spear; when birds come back and bring us the songs they used to sing us, and bees come up and sing us, I know that spring is here.

WALT MASON. (Copyright, 1911, by George Matthews Adams.)

The sporting editor of the Congressional Record resumes his duties tomorrow. The Tar Heel delegation was assigned to some very fancy committee berths. Congress meets tomorrow, but a matter of far greater importance is the Charlotte primary to be held on the same date.

Since Howard Banks got off that marvelous pipe-organ yarn he has earned the title of leader of the Mandacous. The editors are all going up in the air in June. That trip to Lenox and Blowing Rock is something to dream about at night.

Well, Miss April, here you are, smiling to cheer, and showers to mar. —Baltimore Sun.

Cerms and flies, the Easter hat! Now, Miss April, think of that! An editorial in the Durham Sun has caused a fight. An editorial in the Raleigh Times is guaranteed to put one to sleep. You pay your money and take your choice.

The Greensboro News is coming along. Editor-in-chief Hildebrand is to represent it in Washington. Mr. Jeffries has been assigned to the Raleigh field, and Post Phillips is to keep the Greensboro muse corralled.

A Durham citizen was asked if he "favored reciprocity as a remedy for some of the ills we now bear," replied that he never did "take to these patent medicine decoctions, nohow."

We think the Indians have arrived at the correct solution of the problem. "What big figures they do talk in around Charlotte. A firm in that city has been awarded the contract to do two million dollars worth of electric railroad building throughout the western part of the state.—Daily Reflector.

They are getting so up here, neighbor, that if a fellow talks to you in two figures he is hauled up for vagrancy.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT.

Those interested in the subject of civic improvement may get a valuable pointer from a plan adopted by a ward in Atlanta. The Journal says: Citizens of the Fourth ward have become deeply interested in plans to establish, by means of co-operation among themselves a public park in their particular section.

It is understood that one of their number will donate a tract of land for this purpose, if residents at large will do their part toward supporting the project. This is an interesting and suggestive movement of which every ward in the city will do well to take notice.

Citizens should not depend entirely upon the municipal government for civic improvements of this character. Whenever it is possible or feasible, to be sure, the city should lead in this work; but in many instances the people of a particular ward or neighborhood, by getting together in their capacity as neighbors and as citizens with interests in common, could secure improvements more easily and far more quickly than council could provide them.

It is in this very spirit that any of Atlanta's most notable enterprises have been accomplished. It was thus that the auditorium was built. Whenever the residents of a ward have the opportunity of securing a park or a playground by co-operation among the city has a part to play but not a more important part than that of devoting upon each citizen.

We take off our hat to Raleigh. Many times we have feared the capital for its natural tendency to sleep away existence. But the scales have dropped from its eyes; lethargy has been shaken from its system, and the old town presents an entirely rejuvenated appearance. The campaign for \$65,000 for a new Y. M. C. A. building may only be described as heroic. The fever spread like wild fire and almost in a jiffy the bulk of the sum was subscribed. No longer will Raleigh bear the odium of being the only state capital in the Union without a Y. M. C. A. building. The old town raised the sum as if it were a habit to do big things, and we offer hearty congratulations.

Even yet Mr. Diaz may find it necessary to resign on account of ill health. Charlotte Boosted By A Stranger "That there was a reason for curialment I knew, said Mr. S. B. Tanner to The News this morning, but I didn't know exactly what it was until I read this story, which I think the textile world in general will be glad to get the benefit of. It was given me by a mill man. Said he:

"I hope you will discourage the use of the 'bobble-skirt.' We advise the Chinese to add one inch more and we leave off a full garment. The dry goods journals say that these new fashions cause the ladies to wear less cotton underwear than they did formerly and that this is one of the main reasons for the smaller demand for cotton goods.

"A merchant told me a few days ago that he saw a demonstration and verification of the above claim when a lady with a real bobble-skirt attempted to get into a vehicle which she failed to do after several heroic efforts until finally she elevated the skirt to the knee joint and then she landed safely.

"Do not countenance the 'Harem skirt' at all, for while they would be more convenient for stepping into a vehicle or possibly for riding on horseback, they would ruin the cotton petticoat business entirely, and as the Southern women especially have a world wide reputation for modesty it would be a pity for them to go backward to the extent of adopting these old Turkish-Chinese costumes thereby encouraging the cross-eyed men who hang around such places as the Realty building, in Charlotte and the Flat Iron in New York on windy days, in addition to making every husband have the humiliating impression, which some have already, that his wife is actually in the pants."

MAN FELL DEAD ACROSS HIS BED By Associated Press. Asheville, N. C., April 3.—Walking toward his bed to lie down, Rev. S. C. Owen, of Candler, Saturday fell outstretched across the bed read. He had complained of feeling unwell and had remained in his room while other members of the family went to the dinner. Hearing the noise of a fall, his wife rushed into the room to find her husband dead. He was a prominent Baptist minister of this county and secretary of the County Farmers' Co-Operative and Educational Union. Surviving are his wife and several children. Death is said to have been due to an attack of apoplexy.

Many a doctor's specialty is reducing the obesity of his parents' pocket-book. Would you say that the manufacturer of glass eyes is an eye-deal business? A stove for camp cooking that a Colorado man has invented folds into a compact bundle of rods when not in use.

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Who Will Attend the Meeting --Local Post Will be Host-- Prominent Men at The Helm of Office--No. Ca. T. P. A.

The visiting members of The Travelers' Protective Association who are expected to be with the local post, will be National President W. O. Hudson, of New Orleans, and National Director E. J. Wachter, of St. Louis, C. F. Tomlinson, of High Point, George Diehl, of Fort Worth, Texas, J. J. Norman, Winston-Salem, and State Secretary C. C. McLean, of Greensboro. Mr. Hudson is a prominent business man in the Crescent City, and was very active in the work for the Panama Exposition. He is a typical Traveler, strictly business like and with the "milk of human kindness" overflowing in his heart.

Mr. Wachter is a young man, who by his ability has advanced to high places in the business life of his native city, as well as in T. P. A. He makes friends for himself and the T. P. A. Mr. Tomlinson hardly needs an introduction to this people. His prominent position as a manufacturer, as an Elk and as a T. P. A. has made his general personality familiar to a large circle.

Mr. Diehl comes from the section most prominent in military circles, but he desires it to be understood that he is not running away from the war. Only his appreciation of the Old North State from which so many of his fellow-citizens hail brings him away just now.

Mr. Norman is one of the Twin City's most striking personalities, as well as an active worker in business life. Mr. Norman has been very influential in securing favorable freight rates, having made special study of the rail road situation in this state. State Secretary McLean, of Greensboro, is also well known in Charlotte. It is doubtful whether he comes here often on business, or for the Knights of Pythian or for the T. P. A. He is always welcome. His presence at this gathering will no doubt result in many additions to the wearers of the "Blue Trenches."

T. P. A. speaks to the business men as a most favorable body, both from its remarkably well conducted insurance feature, and from the efforts made and results obtained in improving the status of the traveling man. Charlotte bids the visitors welcome, and hope they will come often to "Watch Charlotte Grow." No. Ca. T. P. A. The officers of the North Carolina division of the T. P. A. are: President—H. O. Miller. First Vice President—W. J. Stultz. Second Vice President—Zeb M. Moore. Third Vice President—W. S. Darr. Fourth Vice President—V. J. Guthery. Fifth Vice President—J. Herbert Foy. Secretary and Treasurer—J. Frank Wilkes. Directors: J. C. McNeely, chairman; P. P. Zimmerman, H. W. Eddy, A. H. Washburn, T. W. Wade. Chairman of committee: Railroad—T. W. Andrews; Press—W. S. Dorr; Hotel—A. M. Spens; Legislature—John M. Scott; Employment—W. S. Dorr; Sick and Relief—P. P. Zimmerman; Good Roads—J. P. Hackney. Chaplain: Rev. Wm. M. Kincaid. Physician and surgeon: Dr. C. H. C. Mills.

FIRE DESTROYS KENTUCKY TOWN --LOSS \$100,000 By Associated Press. Memphis, Tenn., April 3.—A special from Clinton, Ky., says the business section caught fire at 3 o'clock this morning. At 4 o'clock one side of the public square had burned and the fire was still unchecked. Loss at 4 o'clock estimated at \$100,000.

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