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BILL ARP'S LETTER.

Atlanta Constitution.

I've been watching these women—these club women. For a long time I did not like the name, but I am reconciled. I never visited a man's club but once. It was a gathering of very nice, well behaved social gentlemen with eatables and drinkables in the background, but no body partook to excess while I was there. The excess came afterwards, if it came at all. But a woman's club has neither eatables nor drinkables nor cigars. Of course it is a very social gathering but they mean business and they do it. Only a few years ago a few ladies of this town determined to do something for the town and they formed "The Cherokee Club," and soon had more members and went to work. All the members had passed their teens and the married ones had laid by their crop. They secured a charter and then got a lease from the city and the state for fifty years control of the ground between the hotel block and the railroad and adorned it with grass and gravel walks and enclosed it with a chain fence and placed handsome iron seats by the shade trees and planted a beautiful fountain in the center and peopled it with gold fish. This beautiful park is the frolicing ground for the children and a cheerful resting place for their tired mothers and a trysting place for young men and maidens. Near by the trains are passing at all hours, and our new beautiful passenger depot is near at hand, where our people congregate to receive their friends or bid them goodby. And the club did it all, for the old depot would still be there if the women had not stirred up the men to demand another. Then these women began to plant flowers and shrubbery in the school house grounds, and next they started a small library in a small room, and circulated good books among our people and they kept on and on until they got a larger room and more books, and kept it open two days in a week and the demand for books soon widened to the country and every week they sent out four boxes of sixty volumes each along the mail routes, and so have established a rural circulating library that has proven a blessing to our country boys and girls, and the books always come back unhurt and are sent out on another mission. Next these good women started a sewing society among the poorer classes in our community and are taking turns in teaching the girls how to cut garments and make them and where they are very poor they give them aid and comfort. It is all charity. But last of all and best of all they have actually laid the foundation of a Club Library building that will hold thousands of books and where all the best magazines of the country will be taken. The city fathers gave them a beautiful lot and if the weather permits the building will be finished and paid for and occupied in three months. It will not only be a library for books but a place for rest for the traveling man as well as for our country friends and their wives and daughters when they come to town. Besides these uses it is intended to have literary and musical entertainments there that will be far more elevating and refining than the average shows that perform in our opera house. These same women organized a lyceum course for two winters and succeeded fairly well, but to send afar off for lecturers costs too much for a town of this size and so they are going to secure home talent and talent from Atlanta and Rome and Dalton and have entertainments at popular prices, say at 10 cents admission, as Professor Proctor, the great astronomer did up north. He told me he never charged more in a manufacturing town and always gave the working people the preference of seats and always had a crowded house. It was a cheap and delightful school to them. What these club women will do next I do not know, but they mean business. They mean to elevate their own sex first and if the men and boys come in they will find a welcome. I suppose that this library building will be the first that any club has erected in the state, and what I wish to remark and emphasize is that there is not a respectable town or village in the state but can do something on this same line.

Now I hear you ask, where did you get the money to do all this? "Heaven helps those who help themselves." Our women began with very little. The railroad gave them $50 to start on and gave them part of the seats in the park. Then the club gave an oyster supper and made a good little sum. Later on they held a bazaar, and latter on a concert, and after awhile another supper, and all along at intervals they smiled at the merchants and others and got some money and when they run clear down they assess themselves and we husbands and fathers have to shell out. No, you don't need a Carnegie, but if you have one great big hearted man and his wife in your community like we have you will not become bankrupt. Where there is a will there is a way. And my observation is that women can do any good thing they combine on.

A thoughtful man who witnessed the laying of the corner stone said to me, "This is the best work that has ever been started in this town and is doing more to uplift and encourage our young people than everything else. God bless the women."

Lord Bacon said, "Knowledge is power." It is force. It is money. A good library is better than a university. Dr. Johnson said, "Knowledge is the wing with which we fly to heaven." One of my boys (Frank) is a civil engineer and built two plants of water works in Ohio for Mr. Huntington. One day the pump at London got out of order and he went down in the deep well to fix it but failed. A second time he tried it, but it would not work and the water in the reservoir was getting low. He telegraphed to a neighboring town for an expert to come by the train. He came and fixed it in half an hour. Frank felt relieved and thanked him and asked him for his bill. "Ten dollars," he said; "two dollars for railroad fare, $3 for fixing the pump and $5 dollars for knowing how." That's it, knowledge is money.

Some time ago I advertised for a copy of General Henry R. Jackson's famous speech on the "Wanderer" and also for a copy of Daniel Webster's last and greatest speach made at Capon Springs in June 1851, in which he qualified all his previous declarations about the right of a state to withdraw from the union under certain contingencies. That speech was suppressed at the north and is not found in his published works.

Well I have been favored with both. Senator Mangum, of North Carolina, heard the speech delivered and he with other southern members of congress had it printed in pamplet form and his grandson, Wiley Mangum Turner, of Greensboro, N. C., has found it among his grandfather's papers and sent it to me. My friend, Mr. Ed. Holland, of Atlanta, Ga., has had both speeches neatly printed in one pamphet, together with a brief biography of General Jackson by his friend, Joseph M. Brown, and this invaluable pamphlet will be mailed to any address on receipt of 25 cents.

It will be sent to students of colleges at the cost of publication. Address Ed Holland, Atlanta, Ga.

And now here is a letter from an old federal soldier living at Live Oak, Fla. His name is F. W. Angus, and he belonged to General Sickles' brigade, and two days after a battle in Virginia in 1862 he found in the woods the dead body of a confederate soldier and he and a comrade dug a grave and buried him. In his pocket was found a pass from Colonel John S. Reid, colonel commanding Third Georgia regiment, and the name of the soldier was D. P. Williams. Also another pass from Captain D. B. Langston, commanding company K.

I find in General Avery's roster the names of both these officers and if private Williams has any surviving relatives and would like to have these passes I will send them.

I wrote in a former letter that the bears of Mississippi had held a convention and resolved not to come out of their dens to be shot at by any president who slandered Mr. Davis. I am pleased to read that Governor Longino did not invite him there and that the veterans of Memphis will not attend the ovation that Memphis has promised him. After denouncing Mr. Davis (who was dead) as the arch traitor and repudiator, it seems to me to be the most unblushing impudence for him to put his feet on that hallowed ground. He says in his so-called history that when Mr. Davis was governor he vetoed the bill that was passed to pay the repudiated debts, when the truth is Mr. Davis never was governor, nor did he ever advocate repudiation. Teddy, old boy, when are you going to retract and send an apology to Mrs. Davis, who still lives? You say in your book that we were all traitors and anarchists. How about your Uncle Captain Bulloch, who served with Admiral Semmes in our navy, of whom you wrote so gushingly to Mr. Cunningham, saying he was a most admirable man and very like the Colonel Newcome of Thackeray? Was he a traitor, too? But Cunningham says Teddy is all right and showers editorial praise upon him in "The Veteran." I wonder what the veterans of Mississippi think of that.

Teddy said: "I'm going to Mississippi to hunt for bear," and the bears said, "Forbear!" BILL ARP.

Reflections of a Bachelor.

New York Press.

Innocence is as innocence doesn't.

Widows are a rich diet, highly seasoned.

Guess the serpent in the Garden of Eden was a garter snake.

After a women works up her shape it is called her figure.

There is no way to make sour milk sweet, nor an old maid either.

The pleasantest surprise is the slim girl who is not slim in spots.

Spread her hair over a thousand generations and it won't get lost.

A fat man never seems to take up as much room as a fat woman.

The more women understand a man the less he understands them.

Great men are great indeed until you get acquainted with them.

Men blow their own horns because nobody else will blow them for them.

There is nothing that will season up old maids to make them palatable.

What women like about a sad play is that they can cry in plenty of company.

It seems funny to think that great men were once spanked just like the rest of us.

You can't tell anything about a woman's real dimensions by the size of her corset.

A girl's appetite for steak and fried potatoes is a sign that she has no secret love affairs.

The woman who knows how to manage a man also knows how to keep him from knowing she does it.

A man can always tell how much a woman likes him by the way she makes it plain that she doesn't.

The less a man has to say in his own house the more some women will let him know he ought not to say it.

Good Times Down in Lee.

The Lee County Ga., News man gives this luminous picture of plenty and hallelula times in that settlement:

"We folks don't give a continental darning egg for all the strikes the coal miners can get up. Wood is as easy to get as salvation at a nigger revival. 'Taters raise from one hundred to seven hundred bushels to the acre, and half acre of cane will make all the sirup the biggest family in the good country of Lee can use. We don't have any money to speak of; but you can't starve us out, especially during blackberry times, and Marse Jim still knows how to play 'Sally Sifting Sand' and 'Old Mollie Hare' on his fiddle!"

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Consistency is said to be a jewel; yet paste diamonds are not jewels, although paste is noted for its consistency.

SAM JONES' LETTER.

Atlanta Journal.

Since writing from Meridian, Miss., last week I've passed through Mississippi, northern Louisiana, Arkansas and southeastern Missouri, and I've seen evidences of great prosperity in all these sections. Crops of both corn and cotton are much better than was expected even a month ago. Farmers of these sections are rushing their cotton to market. They could have sold a month ago at 8 cents, now they are selling for 7. They seem somewhat stampeded and they will sell when you get them rattled. The lumber industry is immense and the railroads are crowded and glutted with freight. The like was never seen by the oldest inhabitant. Trains, trains in both directions until it makes one dizzy to look at them, and every passenger train crowded, frequently the people standing in the aisles of the cars. Yes sir, the end of the boom is not in sight, and it looks like it's good for at least another year. So mote it be. If the good people of Georgia, who worry over belated trains, would travel west now, they would think our Georgia trains run pretty well on time. I never saw trains so far off of time everywhere and on every road. I don't think I've been on a train in ten days when it was on time. So be patient with the Georgia railroads, gentlemen, for they are doing much better than their neighbors do. I've been out ten days or more and I have not seen a Georgia paper. Our papers don't cross the Mississippi river much. I have lost sight of the Georgia legislature. It's strange that none of the dailies of the west notice that august body. They surely must not be doing much or they would be noticed by the Associated Press reports. I hope the boys are doing nicely this term. Their trip to Valdosta was not marked this year by any drunks, pistols, or members put off for repairs.

I am frequently asked and receive letters inquiring where is a good section of this great country to locate. It seems to me that if I were a farmer seeking fertile soil that I would buy land in southeast Missouri, rich as the delta of Mississippi and less malaria to contend with. Corn and cotton grows in great yields there. The new railroads and drainage canals which are now being built and cut in southeast Missouri are doing wonders for that section and these splendid lands in virgin timber can be bought, I am told, for ten and fifteen dollars per acre, and the timber will pay for the land, they say. I never saw finer corn or cotton or wheat than grows in southeast Missouri and northwest Arkansas. I find through this section, as I find all over the west, a lot of Georgians, and they are doing well out here.

I find the lecture audiences splendid in the territory through which I have passed. Many of the towns have large lecture courses.

The lyceum courses have grown throughout the country immensely in the past few years; the people take to them more and more. General Gordon, Colonel Ham, Charlie Lane, John Temple Graves, etc., are busy most of their time in the lyceum courses, and they all please and hold their places in this growing field.

I wind up my tour next week at Peoria and Mendota, Ill., and come home for Thanksgiving, and this will be the first Thanksgiving day I've spent at home in ten years. I suppose a fellow can be thankful on the road, but I suppose he will feel more thankful at home with his wife and children eating turkey and cranberry sauce, with the other good things God permits us to have.

I shall have thanks to render unto the Lord then as I do at all times. I am so glad I am alive; so glad the devil ain't got me; so glad I've been sober thirty years; so glad I'm not a whiskey soaked Democrat or Republican; so glad that I was never a Pop., or a free silver loon; so glad that nothing has happened to me but what is common to man; so glad my wife has such a good husband and me a better wife; glad I've got the best saddle horse in Georgia, and that he is as good in harness as ever tightened a trace.

I am sorry for a man who has not a thousand things to be thankful for to where he has one to kick and growl about. I hope America will have the greatest Thanksgiving day in her history.

Let everybody get up the morning of November 27th, wash their faces, put on their best bib and tucker, and go out to the church and hear a good Thanksgiving sermon; come home and eat turkey and spend the afternoon with loved ones, recounting the blessings and mercies of the past year, and my word for it, you will be a better man for the next twelve months. This "going the pace that kills," without time to think of God's goodness.

Yankee Doodle always makes more over Thanksgiving day and July 4th than we southerners do; but we win it back on Christmas. In crowds and crackers, drunks and devilry, an old-fashioned Irish wake and a southern Christmas day are much alike and I could never understand or explain them.

I'll be at home three days, and then for a tour through Pennsylvania.

Yours, SAM P. JONES.

Jonesboro, Ark., Nov. 20, 1902.

A Frightened Horse,

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles, disappear quickly under it's soothing effect. 25c, at Fetzer's Drug Store.

In Winston the other day a young man applied for license to marry a girl 12 years old. The register refused the license and the would-be bride-groom went out and returned with the girl's mother, who said her daughter was 14 and insisted on the license being issued. When asked the year of her daughter's birth she said 1890, and the register again refused to issue the license, whereat the prospective mother-in-law got very wroth.

CLEVER LITTLE STORIES.

Chicago News.

A British soldier tells the following experience in the Transvaal: "One night I went to the door of our tent rather late and was at once attracted by an unusual object straight before me. I went up to it and found it to be the figure of a man turned upside down and apparently fixed so in an everlasting station. I turned the figure over and found it to be a friend of mine in the regiment endearingly known as the dube' (the Dublin fusiliers, that is). 'Why, what's wrong with you, Mike?' I asked. 'Ugh,' he replied, 'doctor, he sez "Ye're not loking yerself today, Mike," so I sez, "Neither am I feeling it, docthor," sez I. "So what is the matter wid ye, then?" says he. "Ugh, sorr," sez I, "I thinks it's the monothony that's preying on me vitals." "Why, sez he, "go and stand on yer head, man," sez he, "that's all you're needing." So I thried it, and I felt such an improvement in me gineral health that I'm just conthinuing the motion."

In making a tour of the Transvaal to acquaint himself with its people Lord Milner is following the example which Sir George Grey set in South Africa many years ago. It was a red-leetter day in the history of a houshold on the veldt when Grey called and took coffee and spent half an hour in talk. The chair he sat on was sure to be preserved as a memento. But this regard for him had a very amusing contrast in an experience of his at a little up-country hotel. When the bill was being paid one of Grey's companions drew attention to a rather excessive charge which the landlord put against the eggs he had served to the party at breakfast. Grey, who liked his little joke, said in taking leave of the landlord: "By the way, eggs seems to be rather scarce up here." "No," said the landlord, "it's governors that are scarce."

A story relating to British war office geography is now being told in London. An officer went for a holiday to Kolossvar, the of Transylvania, in Hungary, and duly reported the fact to his colonel. Later he had occasion to write the war office and headed his letter Grand Hotel, Klausenburg this being the German name of the town. Almost by return of post came a letter from the authorities asking why he dared go from Kolozsvar to Kiausenburg without having previously obtained permission.

When he went to France recently the shah of Persia suffered with toothache and so a dentist was summoned to remove the offending tooth. But, like less exalted mortals, the shah, when he found himself face to face with the dentist, discovered that his toothache had disappeared and so absolutely refused to be operated on. However, his majesty declared that he did not wish the dentist to lose his time, and so commanded that a tooth should be extracted from each of his suite. He said this with his eyes fixed on the ground, and then, suddenly looking up, found, to his intense amusement that all his ministers and staff had quietly slipped away except the grand vizier, whom he complimented upon being the only one faithful enough to undergo a little discomfort for his soverign's sake. Then he dismissed the dentist with a present.

Made Love In Church.

MOUNT GILEAD, Ohio, Nov. 30.—Rev. Henry C. Brown, of the Congregational Church, at Bethel, Ohio, has brought down upon his head a torrent of indignant denial from the young members of the congregation, whom he accuses of kissing in sanctuary. At the weekly prayer meeting the clergyman announced that there must be no more love-making in the church, and said that time after time the services had been interrupted by smacks of kisses.

Mr. Brown says that for the last six months he has known that it was the habit of young men and women to attend church, which is lighted by kerosene lamps, simply that they might sit together in the semi-darkness and make love. During the week of prayer he declared, he was annoyed nightly by loud smacks, heared at frequent intervals from various parts of the church.

He asked the trustees to furnish more lamps, but the request was ignored, and he was determined to check the practice or resign.

"The house of prayer shall not be desecrated in this manner," he said. "The woman who accepts the kisses of a dozen men is brazen and unwomanly, but when she attempts to indulge in promiscuous kissing and hugging at services held for the purpose of divine worship, she is guilty of a grievous sin."

Mr. Brown, who is a widower, criticised the young men even more severely.

Pointed Paragraphs.

When a man gets full it is a good time to get his bust measure.

Truth lies at the bottom of a well, but the angler never goes there to fish.

Many a man's downfall can be traced to the loss of his balance in a bank.

Cars are often loaded, but the engine sticks to water and does all the work.

If a man amounts to anything he doesn't have to boast of his ancestors.

It makes a woman heartsick every time she has to cut a valuable piece of lace.

When a locomotive goes off on toot the engineer is generally carried home in a cab.

State Labor Commissioner Varner announces that he will in his annual report specially reccommend that the Legislature enact a strict law regulating labor of children in factories and will urge that the employment of children under 12 years of age be forbidden. It is expected that the mills will antagonize any labor legilation.

"I don't think very much of your reference."

"I don't wonder, ma'am. My mistress was too busy to write it, ma'am, an' so I got her maid to write it for her, ma'am, an' she's only been to night school one winter, ma'am, an' the pen was a bad one."

CONVICTS AND ROAD BUILDING.

The October Bulletin of the North Carolina State Board of Agriculture came from the presses of the State printers yesterday. It contains an excellent article from Mr. Gerald McCarthy, table of close seasons for game in North Carolina, the legislature and the convicts and other valuable matter. In regard to the legislature and convicts the Bulletin says among other things:

"The General Assembly of North Carolina, which will convene at Raleigh in January, will consider the ways and means of bettering the State's social, industrial and educational condition. One subject that will occupy the minds of some of its most progressive members will be the disposition of the State's convicts in such manner as will effect our section most beneficially. There is a strong sentiment in favor of putting all of the convicts to work upon our public roads, and in preparing stone and other road material in order that the counties of the State that are so anxious to progress along this line may have some encouragement from the Commonwealth. This will be an investment yielding a handsome return both to the present race and to prosperity:

Under the caption, "The Wilkesboro-Jefferson Turnpike an Object Lesin Mountain Road Building," the Bulletin says:

"The State is aiding with a gang of convicts to build a turnpine road from Wilkesboro, N. C., up Reddles River and over the Blue Ridge Mountains to Jefferson, N. C. The road has been surveyed by S. T. Kelsey, who reports the length of the line thirty-nine miles; maximum grade, one foot rise in thirty; no up-grade going south from the top of the Blue Ridge—thirty miles—to North Wilkesboro, and no up-grade going north from the top of Blue Ridge Mountains to New River. It is an expensive line to build, owing to steep bluffs and rock cliffs along Reddies River, and also as to the necessity for a high line and the making of high bridges, culverts and fills to avoid damage from floods and washouts.

"The intention is to put the road where it will stay and be in condition for travel at least 365 days in the year. Most of the way there is plenty of rock, gravel and sand convenient for the making of a fine roadbed.

"The most expensive part of the road is now being built at a cost of about $1,500 per mile, and the estimated cost of the entire line, thirty-nine miles, is $40,000.

"We believe that no wagon road has ever before been built in the mountain sections of the state with such light and regular grades for so long a distance—thirty miles—in direction of heaviest hauling. Such a road will surely be worth to the State, as an object lesson in road making, many times the amount that is being furnished in the way of convict labor aid in its construction."

Registrars to be Indicted.

Charlotte Observer.

The sensational information is conveyed to this morning's paper by Mr. W. A. Hildebrand, its Washington correspondent, that some of the registrars for the recent election in this State are to be indicted in the United States District Court for refusing to register persons who were entitled to vote. District Attorney Holton, in an interview with an Observer representative last evening, confirmed this news and gave the names of three registrars for whom subpoenas have already issued. Precepts will issue in other cases and the number of prosecutions which will be inaugurated cannot be foretold. It is safe now to say, only, that there is at least a good deal of worry and expense ahead of a number of people—the number indefinite.

Auction Sale of Negroes in Kentucky.

LANCASTER, Ky., Nov. 28.—Sheriff Lawson attracted a large crowd before the court house door to-day by the sale of three negroes, two women and a man. The bids were lively, but small. The man, Charles Anderson, sold for 12 months, brought $7, and the women, Belle Griffin and Emma Reed, sold for one and three years, respectively, and brought $15 each. They were convicted for vagrancy and ordered to be sold.

Revolution Liniment.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble, in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness, or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and Bowels, stimulate the Liver, and clarify the blood. Run-down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by Fetzer's Drug Store.

The effort to raise a fund for a monument to Senator Vance, to be erected in Charlotte has been revived. The Charlotte News, which is receiving subscription to the fund says: "There is a Vance statute at Raleigh, and a Vance monument at Asheville, and Charlotte his home should not lag behind in this movement. It has been decided to erect a marble statute to his memory in the Carnegie Library, and to this aim subscriptions are asked."—Asheville Citizen.

Mecklenburg county is to have a complete rural free delivery service. This is the first county in the State to have a complete service and when it is remembered that Mecklenburg has more miles of good road than any other county in the State the matter is easily explained. In this matter good roads are a two-fold blessing.—Durham Herald.

A sentimental editor out in Kansas asks: "Are there any sweeter words in the English language than these, 'I love you?'" Perhaps not; but the words, "Here's that dollar I owe you on subscription," are not lacking in delightful enunciation to the ear of a newspaper man.

RURAL MAIL SERVICE.

Atlanta Journal.

Southern representatives in congress are mainly responsible for the rural mail service which is growing so rapidly in favor and is already so well established in the regard of the country.

This great provision for the convenience and benefit of the people who reside in the rural regions was urged by southern men when it had hardly any support from others.

The rural mail service has come to be a big business and there is a strong demand for its extension.

About 13,000 carriers are now employed and the superintendent estimates that 40,000 will be needed to make the service practically complete. The gross cost of rural free delivery throughout the country is estimated at $24,000,000. A deficit of from eight to ten million dollars in this service for two or three years may be expected that is to say, a deficiency of from four to six millions in excess of last year. But it is practically certain that when the system is completed it will pay for itself.

The government should not hesitate to extend the benefits of the free mail delivery and collection to the people in rural districts, because the service will not at once pay its expenses.

It has been the policy for many years to keep the postal service up to a grade of efficiency beyond its income, but it has been found that a rapid growth of revenue invariably results from this liability, so that a continuous improvement of the service is possible.

The quality of the service is kept up to such a very high standard that nobody objects to an annual postal appropriation. No tax is paid more cheerfully than this.

There is a just general complaint about the abuse of the second class rate privilege which has caused the deficit for the last few years. If this rate were restricted to the classes of matter to which it was intended to apply the postoffice department would require no appropriation and would be able to extend its rural mail service and make other improvements without cost to the government.

The rural delivery has proved thoroughly successful. It is no longer an experiment. Its advantages to the farmer are evident. It is a great convenience and it keeps him in much closer touch with the outside world than it was possible for him to be without it. The initial cost of the system is small compared with the benefits it will afford.

McLaurin Says His State is Flourishing.

New York Tribune.

Senator John L. McLaurin, of South Carolina, says the Palmetto State shares in the general prosperity of the country. At the Park Avenue the other day he declared: "South Carolina is experiencing a boom and a solid one at that. Cotton and crops in general are good and the mills are running at full capacity. Farmers are prosperous and have money in bank and for the last several years have been able to get along without relying on our lien law. This law is one peculiar to our State. It permits farmers to borrow on their crop prospects. A bad year or two will handicap them badly and mortgage their future for several years.

"As to child labor in mills, the stories are grossly exaggerated. There is no truth that children of tender years are compelled to labor. Many mill owners maintain schools, recreation places and even churches for employees and parents work with their children of maturer age in the mills so as to get these advantages.

"The stories of cutting down representation in the South have been afloat since the early seventies and come up every now and then in revised form."

Decline of Salt Lake.

The decline in the waters of Great Salt Lake, Utah, which has been in progress for the last sixteen or seventeen years, has become a matter of concern to local property owners and of much interest to scientists. In the fifteen years ending with 1900 the lake had fallen 9.9 feet, a decline more serious than at first realized, as the lake is very shallow, averaging less than twenty feet, and as the eastern and western shores slope so gradually a fall of a foot in the level exposes many square miles of bottom. Business interests centering around the lake have so suffered from the decline that within the last twelve months a petition signed by a number of the prominent officials of Utah was sent to the United States Geological Survey, requesting an investigation of the phenomenon.

Her Little Error.

"Is she gentle?" asked the city chap, who thought he wanted to buy a steed.

"Gentle?" ejaculated the country chap, who had one to sell. "Why, she's as gentle as a suckin' dove. Hain't got a fault or failin' in the world—aussir. She don't kick, or strike, or bite"—

At that instant the equine paragon swung her head viciously around and snapped off a piece of the rural robber's southwest ear.

"That is, not with the deliberate intention of doin' any harm. The mare is sorter absent minded at times, an' I kinder guess she must 'a' mistook my ear for a cabbage leaf."

Doing Better.

A very plain man in Glasgow has a very pretty daughter. One day she was sitting on his knee right before a looking glass. She contemplated the reflection of their two faces and then asked:

"Papa, did God make me?"

"Yes, dear," he replied.

"And did He make you?"

"Yes."

Looking again in the mirror she drew a long breath and rejoined. "He must be turning out better work lately; isn't He?"

All men may be born equal, but the average man imagines he was born a little more so.

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