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BILL ARP'S LETTER.

Atlanta Constitution.

It is now many weeks since the good St. Valentine told the birds to mate and the girls and boys to go wooing. St. Patrick has been out and shook his shelalah at the snakes, but still gentle spring keeps on flirting and fooling with old man winter and makes him believe she is in love with him. But she isent. May and December never mate, nor March and November. It is against the order of nature. We old people can look and linger and admire, but that is all. We have sailed down the river and encountered the perils, its reefs and rocks and shoals and quicksands, but, strange to we give no warning. Maybe it is because we know that warning will do no good; maybe, because misery loves company; maybe, because it is the order of nature, the flat of the Almighty. Verily the young people would mate and marry and launch their boat and sail down that river if they knew there was a Scylia and Charybodis at every bend and leviathans and maelstroms and cataracts all the way down. Poor, trusting, suffering woman. What perils, what trials, what afflictions does the maternal instinct bring upon you! Close up by us, while I write, is a beautiful young mother lingering in the grasp of death—dying that her first born child may live. There is nothing more touching, more pitiful, more heroic in nature. There is nothing that a man is called upon to endure that compares with the death of a mother in childbirth.

But there is a brighter side—more charming, comforting picture of life—married life, domestic life—when the good mother is a matron, and looks with pride upon her children and grandchildren as they come and go lovingly before her. What calm serenity hovers over her matronly face. What sweet content, what grateful rest—rest from her labors, her pains, her care and anxiety. Well may she exclaim with Paul: "I have fought a good fight; I have kept the faith; I have finished my course. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."

To every lad and lassie there is a period of life not always thrilling or tragical, but highly emotional and sensational. Of course, I mean the period of love—young love—or love's young dream, which sometimes runs smooth and sometimes don't. What a luxury it would be to look behind the curtain and see just what love has felt and suffered and enjoyed. Such a kaleidoscope would have a world of eager lookers, for the old are as fascinated with stories of love and courtship as the middle-aged and young. In looking over the daily or weekly papers we may skip the displayed headings of war in Servia or riots in London or cyclones in Oregon, but any little paragraph that has love in it arrests the eye and demands attention. Children go to school to study books, but by the time they are in their teens they begin to mix a little timid, cautious love with their other studies. A sweetheart is a blessed thing for a boy. It straightens him up and washes his face and greases his hair and brushes his teeth and stimulates his ambition to excel and be somebody. Jerusalem! How I did luxurate and palpitate and concentrate toward the first little school girl I ever loved. She was as pretty as a pink and as sweet as a daisy, and one day at recess, when nobody was looking I caught her on the stairs and kissed her. She was dreadfully frightened, but not mad. Oh, no; not mad. She ran away with blushes on her cheek, and more than once that evening I saw her glance at me from behind her book and wondering if I would ever be so rash again.

And now, Mr. Editor, if a thousand of your patrons peruse these random memories, nine hundred of them can finish up the chapter from their own unwritten brook. Who has not loved, who has not stolen a kiss, who has not caught its palpitating thrill and felt like Jacob when he lifted up his voice and wept? Oh, Rachel, beautiful and well favored, no wonder that Jacob watered thy sheep and then kissed thee, for there was no one to molest or make thee afraid. That memorable kiss is now four thousand years old, and passed into history as classic and pure, but I have had them, and so have you, dear reader, just as sweet and soul-inspiring, and never said anything about it to anybody. Ours was a mixed school, and every Friday the larger boys and girls had to stand up in line and spell and define. My sweetheart stood head most generally, and so I was stimulated to get next to her, and I did, and my right hand slyly found her left, and we both were happy. But time and circumstances separated us, and we both found new loves—she married another feller and was content, and so did I, but neither of us have forgotten the stolen kiss or that tender childish love that made our school days happy. But love becomes more earnest after awhile—more intense, more frantic—the young man means business and so does the maiden. Like the turtle-doves in the spring of the year, they are looking around for a mate. This is nature, and it is right. God said, "It is not good for man to be alone; I will make a helpmeet for him." And so he made Eve to help meet the expenses, and that is what a wife ought to do now, but a good many of them don't. They help make them, but they don't help meet them, and that is why the young men have almost quit marrying. The rich girls won't have them, and the poor girls are trying to keep up with the rich, and so the turtle-doves mate more slowly nowadays. Folks need to love and court and marry with more alacrity than they do now. It is not vanity to say that I could have married half a dozen nice girls, and my wife could have had choice of a dozen clever prosperous youths as likely as myself. Cupid just roosted around those woods and shot his arrows right and left. Some times he shoots a young man and then waits days and weeks before he shoots the girl he is after. This keeps the poor fellow on the warpath, and frantic and rampant, and Cupid laughs. But he was clever to me for as near as I can judge he let fly both arrows at once and plugged my girl and me simultaneously, and with a center shot. My wife denies this, but I have told it so often I believe it. There was no skirmishing on my part. I never did shoot with a scattering gun. Marrying was cheap in those days. My recollection is that it cost me only about $45—twenty-five for clothes, ten for a ring and ten more to the preacher. It didn't cost anything else to speak of, for there were no wedding presents. That tomfoolery was't invented. We didn't go to Niagara, or anywhere right away, but we went to work. A month or so later we did take a trip to Taliulah Falls and looked at the water tumble over the rocks, but that did didn't cost but a few dollars and made no sensation outside the family. My thoughtful wife had enough nice clothes to last her two years when I married her, and they were long afterwards cut up and cut down for the children, and there are some precious fragments hid away in the old trunk now. The old trunk and of common size, was sufficient then for a traveling wardrobe for a lady of the land. My father and mother and two children made a journey by sea to Boston with one trunk and a valise, and came back to Georgia by land, in a carriage: but not long since I saw a delicate female traveling with two trunks four times as large, and ribbed with iron, and fastened with three massive locks and still she was not happy. Oh, my country! That girl was too much in love with her clothes to love a man, and nobody but a fortune-hunter would dare to marry her. Young man, beware of trunks! BILL ARP.

W. C. T. U. to Fight Smoot.

The crusade against Apostle Reed Smoot to prevent him from taking his seat as Senator from Utah in the Fifty-eighth Congress is about to be inaugurated. Mrs. Lillian M. Stevens, of Maine, president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and vice-president of the World's Woman Christian Temperance Union, arrived to-day from London on the Atlantic transport Minnehaha. Mrs. Stevens was accompanied by Miss Anna A. Gordon, of Portland, Maine, vice-president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Both went abroad some weeks ago, to attend the world's convention of the union in Geneva, June 9-11. They are interested with the interdenominational council of women in formulating plans for the campaign which the women are to conduct against Apostle Smoot.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union is leading in the movement and is striving to get a constitutional amendment enacted prohibiting polygamy. Mrs. Stevens' return is looked upon by the union as the beginning of a ceaseless warfare which the women are going to wage against Smoot. She said that she expected to be very busy from this time on, and that the women would unite and hoped for success in their efforts to crush out polygamy.

"The fight is going on, and we are confident of success," she said. "Our reason for proceeding against Apostle Reed Smoot have been stated time and again, and a committee of three, of which Mrs. John C. Martin is a member, has been appointed to conduct the campaign against polygamy."

Mrs. Stevens said also that the trip abroad had been a most pleasant one, and that she had come back strengthened for the fight, and with many plans for the approaching campaign.

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CUCUMBERS BY THE 100 ACRES.

Farmers Raising the Vegetable Under Contract for the Heinz Company—They are Sure of a Profit of $100 an Acre on a Quickly Growing Crop.

Charlotte Observer.

A local item in The Observer two weeks ago stated that in the vicinity of Maxton, on the Seaboard Air Line Railroad, 400 acres have been planted in cucumbers for the Heinz Pickle Company, of Pittsburg. It develops on inquiry that this is only a partial statement of the facts. It is only one item in the great development of the trucking interests in Richmond, Scotland and Robeson counties, where the land owners along the Seaboard Air Line Railroad have made a new departure, and, it appears, a very profitable one. The lands in that section are known to be the finest cotton lands in this section of the South, but they have been found to be still better adapted to the growing of truck.

The center of the new cucumber industry is in the vicinity of Clarkton, where 400 acres are planted in cucumbers under a purchase guarantee by Heinz. It is said that these farmers are sure of $100 an acre on their cucumbers. The Maxton farm is the individual enterprise of Mr. H. J. McKinnon, who cultivated his cucumbers independently of any contract with Heinz, and who has already netted $100 an acre on his venture.

The farmers around Clarkton were slow to take hold of the Heinz project, but under the encouragement and personal backing of Messrs. Neill Curry and O. L. Clarke, two big merchants of that place, they planted their lands in cucumbers. The Heinz Company has built pickling tanks at Clarkton of sufficient capacity to take care of all the cucumbers raised. All the farmers have to do is to deliver their product and get their money. Then, the season for the planting and maturing of the cucumbers being short, they can plant their lands in a second crop. Less labor is required for the cultivation of this vegetable than is necessary for a cotton crop, and the net profit is much larger.

The raising of cucumbers is not the only new departure of the farmers in that section. Much of the land heretofore cultivated in cotton is now planted in watermelons. In the vicinity of Laurinburg, Mr. Matthews has a watermelon farm covering 900 acres. Other farmers are raising watermelons on a smaller scale.

Still another new departure is the cultivation of tobacco. Morven, in Anson county, is the centre of this new industry. The farmers of that section have planted their lands extensively in tobacco, and the result is said to be encouraging. A tobacco warehouse will be built at Morven for the marketing of the crop. The soil around Morven is said to have the same characteristics as the famous tobacco-growing soil of Wilson county, and the quality of the crop grown by Anson county farmers this season is pronounced by experts to be equal to the Wilson county leaf. These three new crops along the Seaboard—cucumbers, watermelons and tobacco—are expected to bring the growers larger bank accounts than they have known in many years, and in a short while put them on a solid basis of prosperity. In the meantime, they have not overlooked their opportunities as cotton growers. Land not heretofore cultivated has been planted in that staple, and their cotton crop will be about as large as usual. They are simply making money on cucumbers and watermelons while the cotton crop is maturing.

North Carolina's Temperance Forces.

The North Carolina Temperance Convention, which convened in Raleigh Wednesday at the call of Manager J. W. Bailey of the State Anti-Saloon League, organized by the election of Hon. H. A. London, of Pittsboro, president, and Mr. J. A. Oates, of Fayetteville, secretary. Ten vice presidents were chosen, one for each congressional district.

A movement was set on foot to raise a fund of $5,000 with which to prosecute the work of the Anti-Saloon League, and it was determined to put two men in the field to do active organization and agitation work under the direction of the executive and central committees.

Senator Simmons appeared before the convention and made a ringing speech which was enthusiastically received by the convention.

The promoters of the movement declare that the convention was a great success in every detail, and are gratified at the results.

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"Johnny," said a father to his small son, who had been fishing all afternoon, "did you catch any fish?"

"No, sir," replied truthful Johnny, "but I drowned a lot of worms."

THE BOOKER WASHINGTON WAY

Atlanta Constitution.

In the Louisville negro convention the industrial and educational wing won a distinct victory over the political wing in the actions taken on Thursday. Booker Washington and his work appeared to be the storm-center during the day's proceedings, but when the bluster of the battle ended the Washingtonians were the victors. If they maintain their supremacy they will have accomplished more good for their race than lay observers had hoped from the convention.

It can be not only said, but proven incontestably, that the political agitators in the negro ranks have done the real and humane interests of the colored people in the south more harm than any other class of persons that has sought to lead and guide them. The negro is emotional and can be easily excited; is imaginative and can be easily misled. The politicians knowing these traits of their race play upon their credulity and passions and gain a power over them that good men might try for in vain.

These politicians in their ranks know perfectly that they cannot better the conditions of their race by political methods, but they know equally well that so long as the negro vote in half a dozen northern states is necessary to the republican party they can themselves use the shoulders of their brethren as perches from which to grab off provender from the party's pie-counter.

But it is from the men like Washington, Council, Bowen and others of the educational and industrial leadership that the negroes in general must look for the real betterment of their physical, mental and monetary conditions. These men are the apostles of industry, honesty and achievement by the men and women of their race and if they can attain and maintain an unquestioned leadership of their people they will show them a better and more comfortable way to Caanan than by the road that leads through the caucus and congress.

In the conditions that environ the negro in the south the question of politics is the least important to his welfare. The Washington [illegible] wages and manly independence. Any other way leads to a Jack-o'-lantern journey through a wilderness of delusions and defeats, and worse than that, it handicaps those of the whites who are doing what they can to help the negro to fields of honest endeavor.

Bars the American Hog.

LONDON, July 10.—An order of the Board of Agriculture was gazetted today prohibiting the landing in Great Britain of any hogs from the United States, besides prohibiting the importation of cattle from New England. The order goes into effect August 1.

Misunderstanding is ascribed by the officials of the Agriculture Department as the reason for Great Britain's action in barring the importation of hogs and New England cattle. When the attention of Dr. D. E. Salmon, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, was called to this, he said:

"I can't see how this action on the part of Great Britain can change existing conditions. The action may be due to the development of the foot and mouth diseases in two bulls shipped from this country to Argentina several weeks ago. The American Government has already officially announced the wiping out of the foot and mouth diseases from all New England, and our explanation for the case of the two bulls which were sent by ex-Minister Buchanan to the President of the Argentine Republic is that the disease was contracted on the ship after they left American ports. It is known positively that the bulls were in sound condition when shipped.

"America is not now shipping any live cattle to the United Kingdom and has shipped no live hogs from New England ports for seven months. So far as this country is concerned, therefore, the action of the British Government is of little practical effect. Its occasion, however, we fail to appreciate."

Hicks' Forecasts for July.

Hicks in his forecasts for July says that the first ten days will give us some cloudy weather with rain and drizzling days in many parts of the country. A cool wave will move west to east the 4th to 7th. Decided storm areas will press eastward 8 to 11. Thunderstorms in many places. Clearing weather 14 to 15. A regular storm period will be central the 20th. High temperature may be expected 24 to 27th with active electrical storms. As to the general outlook, there will not be a superabundance of rain. The autumn will be favorable to late planted crops.

No Pity Shown.

"For years fate was after me continously," writes F. A. Gulledge, Verbena, Ala. "I had a terrible case of Piles causing 24 tumors. When all failed Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me. Equally good for Burns and all aches and pains. Only 25c at Fetzer's Drug Store.

AYCOCK FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

The Washington Times, in Noting the Suggestion That Edward M. Shepherd and the North Carolina Governor be the Democratic Nominees, Pays a Tribute to the Latter.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The Washington Times this afternoon discusses at length the possibility of Shepherd and Aycock as nominees of the Democratic party next year, saying: "A new Democratic banner has been flung to the breeze. It bears the names of Shepherd and Aycock. For President, Edward M. Shepherd, a prominent citizen of Brooklyn borough, N. Y., and former candidate for mayor; for Vice President, Charles B. Aycock, Governor of North Carolina. This is the suggestion for the renewal of the old alliance of the solid South and New York, which ought to cause Democrats to stop and consider.

"Of Shepherd, the general public knows much. It knows of his opposition to the regular Democratic ticket in 1896 because of the silver plank in the platform, of his return to the fold four years later, and his support of Bryan on the issues of anti-imperialism, of his successful canvass for mayor two years ago on the Tammany ticket, and of his recent efforts to harmonize the divided factions of Democracy, and withal there is a suspicion that Mr. Shepherd, who has never avowed himself one way or the other, is willing to be considered a candidate for the presidency.

"Of Governor Aycock probably not so much is known, although he is certainly entitled to careful consideration. He is regarded by those who know him and his record as one of the ablest men in public office in the South to-day. He is brilliant and an orator of ability, and has given North Carolina a clean administration. The old objection of a candidate from a secession State should not hold against him, for he is so young as scarce to remember even in a vague sort of way any of the stirring events of the early 60s. He is greatly beloved by people of his State, is scholarly, conservative, earnest and conscientious, and if a Southern man is chosen by the Democracy, he is entitled to first consideration."

A Serious Fire at Graham.

GRAHAM, July 9.—Fire was discovered this morning at 4 o'clock in the Hotel Vestal, and the building was burned down to the ground. There were 25 guests in it at the time and all of these got out in good time. All the furniture was saved except in the dining room and kitchen. In the same building were the postoffice, the drug store of A. J. Thompson and the dry goods store of B. B. Holt & Co. and their losses are serious.

The burned hotel was a new structure and was under the management of Mr. W. H. Foushee.

The Vestal building is estimated to have cost $11,000, and it carried an insurance of $4,900.

The stock of B. B. Holt & Co. was about $4,000 with $1,500 insurance; Thompson's stock $3,000, insurance $1,500; hotel furniture $1,200 to $1,500 insurance $400. The postoffice fixtures and mail were about all saved.

The damage to the Goley & Hadley building will be $500.

The fire originated in the kitchen adjoining the hotel and was discovered about 3:30 a. m. The Greensboro fire company was called for and got as far as Burlington when the fire was got under control and they turned back.

No Social Equality in Wisconsin.

MARINETTE, Wis., July 10.—A negro named "Deb" Flynn, bruised and cut from wounds inflicted by an excited crowd yesterday, was spirited out of town to-day. Flynn was walking with a white girl and got into a quarrel with some Southerners, who resented it. A crowd quickly collected, as a street carnival was being held, and clubs, stones and hammers were used on the negro. He was rescued by a company of militia which was attending the carnival in a body. He was kept in hiding over night.

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Methodist Bishops Confer.

A commission of fourteen bishops and delegates of the Methodist Episcopal church, north, and the Methodist Episcopal church, south, is holding sessions at Ocean Grove, N. J., to revise the catechism and ritual of the two churches, so that they will conform to each other.

The northern delegates are headed by Bishop S. M. Merrill, of Chicago, and I. W. Boyce, of Minneapolis. The Rev. W. V. Kelley, of New York, and Frank L. Brown, of Brooklyn, are members of the commission. The southern bishops present are W. W. Duncan, of Spartanburg, S. C., and A. Coke Smith, of Norfolk, Va. The sessions are secret, and will be continued several days.

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