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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.**

**WORK GO ON.**

Thinks Discussion of Subjects Will Result in More Healthful Sentiment.

pleased to note the improvement in your paper and the interest in all parts of the county, and some in the adjoining States. I see our people are coming better acquainted with each other and more united in trying to build up our section in every way. This is praiseworthy and encouraging.

If our people will continue to study and write upon the various subjects, am quite sure a sentiment will be formed upon various matters that will be healthful. Take the subject of strong drink for instance. Many of our young men, and perhaps older men, have ever given the subject but little thought. As soon as they think a little they will see the cause of their demoralization. Leads and the way is to give up the use of alcohol.

propose all our people need no legislation on this subject, but every one would be himself and the drink would be forever abandoned any trouble or expense to every one, male and female and young, try first of all, an example and then in every law way to make sentiment in opposition to intemperance. By a united effort by all our good and law abiding people, much more can be done in a short time than can be accomplished by law in quite a while.

As to the goddess of fashion, it is manifest that our people are gone wild. It does seem that in this age, in this country, it should be otherwise. Where this writer lives, if the weather and air are favorable, not less than twelve church bells might be heard each Sunday morning, and he is not down. These twelve churches represent five denominations. It seems that under such influence that pride and vanity should be exposed to that extent that our people would worship idols, in automobiles, in vehicles, in we must be like the like that be our and ex- and common women! What pastor could continue one year? We must remember that the people are hard to please nowadays, and want the preacher to be like themselves; and that the preachers are dependent upon their congregations for bread. I say this not to justify the preachers in neglect or failure to rebuke sin in every shape and form, but to lead others to hear with their weakness. It is true that pure religion does not consist in dress, but abides in the heart, and is manifest in the life of its possessor. I think every Christian should dress neat, plain and simple, without regard to how others dress. No one should weary or strain him or herself to appear like another. Neatness and com- fort should be considered and not fashion or vain show.

If our minds and hearts are fixed as they should be, on God the worshiper. His requ- get to church.

not be able when we go away to report how the people were dressed. If such could be the condition in any congregation for a few months, there would be a wonderful change for the good of souls and the glory of God.

P. O.

**SANDY RIDGE.**

Sandy Ridge, Feb. 8.

Mr. R. A. Deshazo visited his brother at Spencer, Va., yesterday.

Mr. R. B. Ellington spent Sunday with his family here. He is traveling salesman for the Greensboro Grocery Co.

Miss Mollie Joyce closed her school last Friday and is now at home.

Messrs. H. L. Wilson and Grover Shelton went to Ridgeway, returning Saturday.

Mr. Jesse Pratt visited his brother R. L. Pratt, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. J. O. King went to Spencer Friday to spend a few days with relatives.

TOPSY.

**Letter From a Stokes Citizen Living in the West.**

Montezuma, Ind, Feb. 9 '04.

Editor of Danbury Reporter:

My brother sent me an issue of your paper some weeks ago. I thought I would write you a few lines if you should have space in your paper.

It has been many years since I was in Danbury. I would be glad to visit my friends once more. I was a soldier, Company G, 21st regiment, and enlisting in your town, served four years. Since that I have been in Indiana and the west. I now live on Wabash river, at Montezuma. This town takes its name after the Montezuma tribe of Indians. This section of the country is notable for its valuable coal, fire clay and shale. There are about two thousand inhabitants inside the incorporation. There are about seven hundred men employed within five miles of this place, in manufacturing of brick, tile and sewer pipe. We have a large hominy mill, consumes about 3,500 bushels of corn daily. This valley is very rich. It raises fine corn, wheat and oats. Corn averages about 75 bushels per acre, wheat from 15 to 40 bushels per acre, oats 50 to 75 bushels per acre.

This is all I will write at this time. Wishing to hear from as many of my old friends as possible through your paper.

Respectfully yours,  
B. F. KIGER.

**GIDEON.**

Gideon, Feb. 10.

It seems that our teacher at Dillard has taken French leave and returned to her former home.

"Bachelor" took exception last fall when "Trimble" claimed that some of the boys around Dillard were rather bad. He at once jumped on the defensive, side claiming never to have heard of such an accusation made against our boys.

Now "Bachelor" we would kindly ask why the teacher left so unceremoniously without one word of adieu to those good(?) children! There must have been some cause for a teacher to desert her school. However the case may be, we are of "Trimble" was a goodly man.

**PINE HALL.**

Pine Hall, Feb. 8.

Mr. Issac Neal, who has been confined to his room for a week is improving slowly, hope to see him out soon.

What has become of our Jewell Blue Bird? Guess he has been sleeping on the cover and has froze to death. Come again, Blue Bird, for you are a good bird.

You see what "Mc" said would become of you if you did not report to the supervisors the 1st Saturday in February. Wonder what will be done with the supervisors for not meeting so the overseers can report? The writer was at their place of meeting Saturday 7th, and stayed there until 3 o'clock and no supervisors had come yet, and a lot of overseers there and no one to report to and had been there some 3 or 4 hours. It seems that "Mc" has turned over a new leaf in regard to the enforcement of our road law. He wants to force the overseers to work six days in the year, which means twelve days for the overseer, for it takes a day to warn in the hands on lots of roads each time you work. It used to take me a day when I was overseer. Besides he wants to force you to report to the supervisors the 1st Saturday in February and the 1st Saturday in August as a day set by the road law, and the supervisors don't say what time to meet, neither at 9 o'clock A. M., or 12 or 3 o'clock P. M., so that means two more days for the overseers, for he don't know whether to go in the morning or evening. Still "Mc" says if you don't report you shall be indicted. Think about it overseers and see that the supervisors set a time to meet on the days set, so you won't have to stay all day when you go to report. I want it understood that I don't say the supervisors didn't meet Saturday 6th inst, but if they did it was late when some of the overseers got home. Some had to go farther than I had to and it was dark when I got home. I am in favor of good roads and write this in favor of the overseers, for I know what it is to go to a place to report and have to wait 3 or 4 hours for the supervisors. So keep the supervisors reminded of this, overseers.

D.

**STONEVILLE.**

Stoneville, Feb. 12.

Tobacco is selling very well. Breaks small.

Ward & Son are arranging a smith business at Stoneville. They will do shoeing, wagon repairing, buggy, wood and iron work.

Old man Francis Stone is getting quite feeble. He has been a favorite citizen of this town.

The N. & W. Railway is moving much coal south now.

Died on the 3rd inst., two of one family, Mr. and Mrs. Lemons. Both buried in one grave.

Wheat is looking sorry in this section.

W.

**SUICIDE PREVENTED.**

The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system, or despair, invariably precedes suicide, and something has been found that will prevent that condition, likely.

**PRESTONVILLE.**

Prestonville, Feb. 8.

We were glad to see such a nice little snow last week.

Mr. Frank Hawkins and wife are visiting Frank's father this week.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. A. B. Steele who has been critically ill for some time, is not much better.

Old Mrs. L. A. Hawkins visited her son, Mr. G. W. Hawkins last Sunday.

Wonder what was drawing Mr. Henry's attention at Mr. Vernon's last Sunday? Oh, it was Miss Minnie.

Mr. Willie was wearing a broad smile on his way home last Sunday from Mr. E. K. V.

Mr. Jimmie Hawkins returned home last week from Philadelphia. Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Mr. Clint Davis.

Two young men of Max made a flying trip near this place one night last week to play finch. Hurrah boys come again.

A hustling old farmer of this place got up the other morning and didn't have any fire, got on his horse and went to Stoneville to get a box of matches.

Hoping the editor and the writers a happy new year.

BLUE AND GRAY.

**SANDY RIDGE.**

Sandy Ridge, N. C.

I have not come in some time but will make a feeble effort this time, as the subject of dancing has become quite monotonous, I will not write on that, though I'm sorry Faith and Bachelor cannot attend all the dances and see how they are carried on. I know its bad when one gets too old to partake of these things. I sympathize with old maids and bachelors. However that is not my subject, I wish to write on "criticism and tattling."

We should never criticise others unless we are perfect ourselves. Most of us are apt to talk about others in a way that is sure to cause ill-feelings. It does no good and only harms us when we gab and criticise those we dislike. If we cannot acquire friends in any other way than running after folks and telling them some great tale on some one they dislike, then we had better be friendless.

One who is always talking about people bears the ugly name of being a "tattler" wherever they go. If we desire to speak of others we should first find their good qualities and praise them and if by chance we meet a person who has nothing in his character worth praising then say nothing of his faults. More good can be accomplished by trying to win to better lives, those who are not Christians than to run them down. The poor down trodden sinner has the finger of scorn pointed at him so often and is so often slighted by those who pretend to be Christians that it is no wonder he calls the church "an institution of hypocrites."

It seems as if there isn't an issue of our paper that hasn't something in it to wound others' feelings. Now is that Christian like? Christians had you better not go to the poor sinners and talk to them? You that are as pure as a "Snow drop." I know who you are and I have never seen one of you speak to a sinner yet. You just stand still and look at them and think.

Well I have something more I want to tell on so and so, and the very first chance you get, it goes. I tell you everyone and so do the sinners, so you can blame them. You expect sinners to speak with no one to speak for to do one act before they are concerned.

MAY.

**HARTMAN.**

Hartman, Feb. 9.

Mr. Bob Coleman and daughter, Dovie, of Dellar, spent last night at Mr. J. D. Young's.

Miss Pensie Ayers, one of Virginia's popular and charming young ladies, who has been visiting at this place, returned to her home last Thursday.

Misses Ada and Jettie Young were among the guests at Mr. J. Wesley Morefield's Saturday and Sunday. They report a jolly time.

We are sorry to state the infant of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martin is very ill, hope it will soon recover.

The well of Mr. H. H. Young's will soon be completed.

The Ayer from Va. was seen enroute to Meadows last Wednesday. Hurrah! Willie you must be in a hurry and have the small-pox or the Hawk will get your bird. It just went flying that way last Sunday.

We were sorry to hear of the death of our friend, Mr. Frank Davis. He will be missed in our locality.

Wishing the Reporter much success.

"BUSTERS."

**MOUNTAIN VIEW.**

Mr. Morton Voss returned from the market recently. He's got money and new clothes to beat the band. Girls he's expecting a call every day. It's leap year.

Mr. Joe Meadows is the hustling salesman of W. G. Meadows & Son of Mountain View.

Mr. Bud Kiser, of this place, and Mr. F. S. Tuttle, of Hill Top, are doing an immense business on phosphate, &c.

Messrs. J. W. and Frank Voss seem to be into the music business near Dalton. Much success to the boys in their business.

Hoping The Reporter much success in 1904, as I am a subscriber, I want to see the good work go on and if these items don't get into the waste basket perhaps I will come again.

**CHOCK TAU.**

DELK.

Delk, Feb. 10.

Mr. Thos. Martin, of Campbell, visited his sister-in-law, Mrs. Geo. F. Martin recently.

Miss Paulina Essic has returned from a visit at Pine Hall.

Mr. Charlie is looking sad this week. Because it snowed last week and he didn't get to call just below the p. o. Just ask Miss Copra. Ha ha!

Mr. Geo. Venable, of Hartman, visited his parents last week. Mr. and Mrs. Squire Venable.

Mr. S. L. Venable went to Winston last week with tobacco.

I think the Reporter is one among the best papers in the State.

I will close with best wishes to the Reporter and its many readers.

BLUE EYED GIRL.

**WHEN YOU HAVE A COLD**

The first action when you have a cold should be to relieve the lungs. This is best accomplished by the free use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This Remedy liquefies the tough mucus and cause its expulsion from the air cells of the lungs, produces a free expectoration, and opens the secretions. A complete cure soon follows. This remedy will cure a severe cold in less time than any other treatment and it leaves the system in a natural and healthy condition. It counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by all Druggists & Dealers.

**PATRICK.**

Palmetto, Va., Feb. 10.

I never see any thing from Patrick in the Reporter, so will give you a few items.

Smallpox is about all we can hear in our neighborhood of late, there is quite a number of cases near here. It is thought that Mr. R. D. Sheppard and Ladrum Foddrill brought it from West Va. This is one of the good things we always get from W. Va. Mr. Foddrill lives near Lawsonville and Mr. Sheppard near Russel Creek. Dr. R. S. Martin was around several days of this week vaccinating.

Miss Ida Tatum, teacher of the Ayers school, was exposed to small-pox so has closed her school and gone to N. C. to one of her aunts, whose family has already had it. The school at Palmetto has not been exposed so far and is going on very nicely.

Our R. F. D. carrier Mr. G. T. Boaz says he will be glad if the weather ever gets warmer, as he is getting quite tired of the snow and ice. He was vaccinated the other day and is rather uneasy for fear he won't be able to go to "Dillard, N. C." as soon as he would like. But I think it will have to "take right deep" to stop him.

Three cheers for "Wild Boy." If some of the old Bachelors will let it be known that they wish to dance I suppose some of our rude girls, as they call them, will offer to be their partner for one set at least this year as it's Leap year. And surely some of the young men would be as kind to the old maidens. I don't think it hardly reasonable to think that any young lady would encourage a young man to be wild. I know that some of the most refined, dignified ladies in Va. dance and they do not encourage boys to be wild either. I think dancing would be keeping them from doing wrong. While they are at that they don't care for rude things. Dancing when carried on nicely I think could not be considered any thing but innocent pleasure. But we must not say rough things on the subject for we all have a right to our own opinion.

"NAPPER."

**GIDEON.**

Gideon, Feb. 9.

Mr. J. H. Mitchell, the prominent constable of Dillard, called to see us last week.

Mr. Ras Gann's wife is seriously ill with blood poison, we are sorry to learn.

Mr. J. Frank Dunlap has sold out his stock and tools and says he is going to quit the farm and will engage himself with the Western Tobacco Co., of Bedford City Va., to act as traveling salesman.

"T."

**PERFECT CONFIDENCE.**

Where there used to be a feeling of uneasiness and worry in the household when a child showed symptoms of croup, there is now perfect confidence. This is owing to the uniform success of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the treatment of that disease. Mrs. M. I. Basford, of Poolesville, Md., in speaking of her experience in the use of that remedy says: "I have a world of confidence in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for I have used it with perfect success. My child Garland is subject to severe attacks of croup and it always gives him prompt relief." For sale by all Druggists & Dealers.