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CURSE OF CHEAP LABOR

North Carolina's Brilliant Young Editor one of the Speakers Before Southern Educational Conference at Memphis.

Cheap untrained labor is the greatest curse of the South. This was the burden of an earnest address by Mr. Clarence H. Poe, editor of The Raleigh Progressive Farmer, at Friday's session of the Southern Educational Conference at Memphis, Tenn. The greatest trouble with Southern thought, Mr. Poe declared is that we have not yet come to see the prosperity of the average man.

"Every man whose earning power is above normal is an asset to the community, a wealth-maker for every man; but every man whose earning power is below par is a burden on the community. His poverty makes every other man poorer. Suppose you are his fellow citizen. Then because of his inefficiency his poverty as a taxpayer and as a citizen, you will have poorer schools a shabbier church, lower priced lands, your teacher, your preacher, your doctor will be more poorly paid (or give way to someone less efficient), your newspaper will have smaller circulation, your town a poorer market, your merchant smaller trade, your bank smaller deposit your manufacturer diminished patronage, and so forth.

Inevitably and universally the prosperity of every trade, art and industry in a community is measured by the prosperity of its average man, its common man.

Mr. Poe declared that the South's greatest fallacy has been the belief that the farmer, the common laborer of every sort, needs no training; educate him and you spoil him; the poorer you keep him the richer will be the upper classes.

Hugging these vampire delusions, he continued, the Southern plantation owner has seen his land abandoned to broomsage and gullies, in spite of the fact that intelligent handling would have kept it productive a thousand years. Preaching this fatal doctrine, the merchant has sold Western meat and scoters and tobacco, when with prosperous patrons he might have quadrupled his profits by selling sulky plows and harvesters and carriages and pianos. Still arguing education and training would spoil the common laborer, our manufacturer has struggled with a small business when a prosperous average man would give us the great industries of the North and West.

And so with men of every other vocation. Even men of talent—artist, sculptor, orator, poet—flee to other sections unshackled by these errors, or else dit with vision unfulfilled among people untrained to appreciate their genius—when but for these things you might see statues of Southern leaders in every city, the work of Southern artists in the world's great galleries the thought of the Southern poet the common heritage of mankind. It is not that we have had no mighty dreamers it is that they sleep in neglected graves, victims of war and waste and error.

Now war and waste, thank God, are behind us. Let us also put error behind us.

Of all errors our greatest has been the doctrine that having cheap, ignorant, untrained labor is a help instead of the curse that it is. And our second greatest error has been the belief that even if education does help the common man, we are too poor to furnish it. The truth is we are too poor not to furnish it. The fullest and freest training of the average man is the one and only substantial guarantee of Southern prosperity.

The Wets Are Active.

The Anti-Saloon League of North Carolina may think that because they do not see any activity on the part of its opponents that there is very little opposition. Such is not the case. To give an idea of the aggressiveness of those opposed to State prohibition it can be stated that their State headquarters, in a suit of offices in the people's National Bank building, in this city is at present probably the busiest place in the State. A force of clerks, stenographers, mailers etc., are busy day and night, and great cart loads of mail sacks, loaded down with campaign documents, are sent to the postoffice every day. So great is this end of the business that an additional clerk has been put on at the postoffice to handle this work. Then, too, lobbyists are covering territory throughout the State, and it is safe to say that every hamlet in North Carolina will be visited by agents sent out by those in charge of the campaign. These headquarters are in touch with every sympathizer of any influence in the State, and special articles are being run in a number of the State papers under the guise of news matter, when in reality they are paid advertisements. Then too, the aid of the National Liquor Dealers' Association has been invoked and its press agents have been furnished with names of thousands of voters throughout the State, with the result that a constant stream of whiskey literature is floating into North Carolina from Chicago, New York, Milwaukee and other cities. A little pamphlet called "Farm Home," which is sent out as a farmers' periodical, is going into the rural districts. It contains much good farm news, but also contains an abundance of liquor articles.

There is no doubt but that the closing weeks of the campaign will find the anti-prohibition people redoubling their efforts and waging a campaign such as was never before known in the interest of licensed saloons and distilleries. There will be no lack of funds to carry on the work, and for the next thirty days their headquarters here will know no rest, and it is understood that branches are to be operated in Raleigh and possibly at other points in the State.—Salisbury Dispatch.

"ONE TOUCH OF NATURE MAKES THE WHOLE WORLD KIN."

When a rooster finds a big fat worm he calls all the hens in the farm yard to come and share it. A similar trait of human nature is to be observed when a man discovers something exceptionally good—he wants all his friends and neighbors to share the benefits of his discovery. This is the touch of nature that makes the whole world kin. This explains why people who have been cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy write letters to the manufacturers for publication, that others similarly ailing may also use it and obtain relief. Behind every one of these letters is a warm hearted wish of the writer to be of use to someone else. This remedy is for sale by W. S. Martin and Co.

Get Rid of Your Quarters

Those who believe that thirteen is an unlucky number should fight shy of silver quarters. A startling discovery has been made by a writer in the current Harper's Weekly which should give the typical United States quarter, it appears, has thirteen stars, thirteen letters in the scroll held in the eagle's beak, thirteen marginal feathers on each wing, thirteen lines in the shield, thirteen horizontal bars, thirteen arrow-heads, and thirteen letters in its name. Who would keep a quarter?

Stop itching instantly. Cures piles, eczema, salt rheum, tetter, itch, hives, herpes, scabies—Doan's Ointment. At any drug store.

DELIGHTS OF SEABREEZE, FLA.

A Place Where One May Rest From the Trials of Life
Seabreeze, Fla.
March 31, 1908.

Editor:
Just 125 miles south of Jacksonville is Seabreeze, Fla., where my friend and I are recuperating from a terrible spell of gripe. Twelve hours ride brought us from sleet and ice in Salisbury to a land of palmettos, tropical fruits, birds and sunshine. Seabreeze is a most delightful resort on the peninsula which extends from St. Augustine to the southern part of the state.

Seabreeze is bounded by the Atlantic on the east and the Halifax river on the west, it is connected with the mainland by a number of bridges. The Halifax river is one of the numerous semi-salt lagoons, that separates the peninsula from the mainland. These rivers are nearly a mile wide, and they abound in the most delicious fish, crabs, shrimp oysters, etc. Numbers of amateur fishermen are seen on the bridges every day, crabbing, trolling for trout, or throwing their lines farther out for bigger fish. Schools of porpoises sometimes come tumbling down the river but nobody cares for them. Sharks and porpoises are often washed ashore on the ocean beach. These are killed and buried as the tide will not carry them out again. The sharks here are harmless.

Orange, grape fruit, pumquats, guava and other tropical fruits thrive here. There are many private groves in Seabreeze and so strict are the laws in regard to trespassing that no one dares to even pick up the fruit that falls under the trees.

The birds too, are protected by law, mocking birds, jays, wrens, woodpeckers, cardinals and others too numerous to mention, are within a stones throw of us. Seabirds are plentiful and wild ducks dip and dive, or float unmolested on the river.

The beach is one of the most beautiful in the world. For thirty-five miles north and south of here it is as smooth as a floor. On the beach are held great international automobile races.

The hotels and boarding houses have been full all winter. The town is opening up new streets and boulevards and many handsome homes and hotels will be built here before the next season.

The peninsula is formed by numerous sand deposits from the ocean, so that it is twenty feet higher than the mainland and ten degrees warmer in winter. The gulf stream and the breezes from the ocean and river make it delightful in summer. The people from the interior of the state make this their summer home.

Gulf bathing is possible from January to January, but in February the crowds begin to go in. Some claim that the bathing cures rheumatism and other ailments, makes thin people fat, and fat people thin and some old people declare that it renews their youth every time they take a dip in the ocean. Be this as it may, the bathers seem to get a world of fun out of it.

The crowds are coming up from Miami, Palm Beach, and other points lower down to escape the heat. When these people are gone, the people from the interior will fill their places so that Seabreeze is full of health and happiness seekers all the year around.

S. C. B.

"Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil is the best remedy for that often fatal disease—croup. Has been used with success in our family for eight years."—Mrs. L. Whiteacre, Buffalo, N. Y.

The Soft Answer, Etc.

It is hard for us to see why any sensible man, unbiased by selfish motive, can vote against the prohibition bill; but there are precisely that kind of men all about us, and we must not be bigots and refuse to them what we claim for ourselves—perfect freedom of conscience. We cannot see why everybody fails to see certain questions of public policy like we do, and we are tempted to say harsh things about them, but that will never do. It is harder still when some man gets red in the face and accuses us of the very things we are thinking of him, and we are greatly tempted to return him the compliment of the season in the same terms, but this is to weaken our cause and destroy our power over him.

A soft answer turneth away wrath, but a hard and bitter retort always turns it on. Here we are overwhelmed with issues of all sorts—moral, political and every other kind. Happy the man who, in the midst of the wild clamor about him, holds his temper and his tongue; for the man who is conquered by himself need not go out with the hope of conquering others.—Charity and Children.

Bryan and the Negro.

The following is from a speech delivered by Mr. Bryan in New York some days ago:

Under the laws of franchising the negro by demanding educational requirements in the South the negro has an opportunity to get within the law by coming within the qualification. But I want to say to the Republicans; in the North that under the laws which they have fastened upon the Filipinos, not one of them can vote under any qualification. The negro in the South has the protection of living under the laws made for the black man and the white man alike, but the Filipinos are kept under laws made for them and not for us.

The white man in the South has disfranchised the negro in self protection; and there is not a Republican in the North who would not have done the same circumstance. Those Republicans in the North who dispute this or say that they are different from the South either are not frank with themselves or are assuming what is not true. The white men in the South will not allow a few men to use the solid black vote to further their own financial and political interests. And that is what was being done.

I want to say right now that the white men in the South are giving the negroes better laws than the negroes would give to the white men if they were making the laws. Why, right in Washington they disfranchised every negro even if they had to disfranchise some white men to

do it. The white men of the South are determined that the negro will and shall be disfranchised everywhere it is necessary to prevent the recurrence of the horrors of carpet-bag rule.

The Limit.

A certain well-known minister of the gospel here has been receiving whiskey price lists until it has become a nuisance. He gets letters telling him that our fine old private stock brand So and So, for 89 cents a qt. is the stuff, and they also tell him that if he will send in so many names of drinking people, they will do things for him. He thinks somebody sent in his, in a list to get the bonus. And he thought the limit had been reached, but Monday morning he pulled out a letter from his box, opened it and found it a letter from Keeley, urging him to try the treatment, telling him what it had done for others. He knows this is the limit.—Lexington Dispatch.

RHEUMATISM.

More than nine out of every ten cases of rheumatism are simply rheumatism of the muscles due to cold or damp weather or chronic rheumatism. In such cases no internal treatment is required. The free application of Chamberlain's Liniment is all that is needed, and it is certain to give quick relief. Give it a trial and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain and soreness. Price, 25 cents; large size, 50 cents. Sold by W. S. Martin and Co.

Some one advises women to shampoo their hair with gasoline. We presume this illuminating suggestion is put forth in order to relieve the monotony of the celluloid comb peril.

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Harry Thaw begs to report that he thinks he has been crazy quite long enough now; besides, he wants to get out of that lunatic asylum before the base-ball season is too far advanced.

Even In Wyoming.

—A small dog belonging to A. E. Case, of Eayton, Wyoming was dragged into Tonku river by a trout and drowned. The dog accompanied Case's little son on a fishing trip. The boy hooked a fish large enough to jerk the fishing rod into the water.

The boy sent the dog after it but the trout hauled the dog and pole about until the dog was carried down the rapids and drowned in sight of his master.

The boy recovered the pole and, after a hard struggle, landed the trout, which weighed four pounds.

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