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Huerta, the Mexican brigand, has about gotten off his high horse, and now seems disposed to treat with Uncle Sam in some sort of fair way. It is to be hoped that this fellow may find a better successor.

If all signs and indications do not fail, there is going to be an immense tobacco crop housed this fall. The yield is plentiful, the quality is good, and it is thought that the price will be very satisfactory.

The complaint of high priced beef will hardly be answered as long as there is a continual slaughter of calves. There is profit in the sale of calves, but it seems a crime to slaughter them, for the little there is in it.

There are some Editors that are keenly alive to newspaper amenities, there are others that have a blunted sense of what propriety is. Just built that way and don't know any better. That is all there is to it.

Senator Simmons seems to be of the opinion that a vote will be reached on the tariff bill before many days more. It is to be hoped that the Senators opinion will be prophetic. The tariff has hung fire much too long causing much uncertainty in business, but should it reach an early adjustment much will be forgiven.

The escape of Harry Thaw from Mattewan prison of New York State but tends to bring that very undesirable character in the spot light again. Harry Thaw is unquestionable a murderer, and should have been electrocuted seven years ago, and would have been if it had not been for the Thaw millions. His case illustrates how money may be used to defeat the ends of justice. Money not only saved Thaw from the electric chair, but it has given him a fighting chance to win his freedom from the asylum. The public have not had sympathy with Thaw, it only feels that he has enjoyed certain privileges entirely due to the fact of his enormous wealth.

We copy an item from the Greensboro News which appears in this weeks Leader which is headed "The Record to Date." The article begins, This is the 24 of August. Every other day since the beginning of this month some human being has been hurled into eternity, by violence in the State of North Carolina. In fact to be more explicit some one has been murdered. But what makes human life cheap in North Carolina, it is because the State encourages the pistol toting habit, it is because dollars can purchase exemption from the penalty of committing murder.

The Arkansas traveler did not need a roof on his house when the weather was fair, and he did not care to build one when it was raining.

The streets of Mebane are fairly good for travel when the weather is fair, and when it is raining and mud is knee deep, it is then impossible to build them.

The Leader has been urging all this summer that something be done to permanently improve this condition, it is important

and should have attention. Building down two sides of the Leder Square would be such a help. Either coal cinders, or sand would be much value as a top dressing. Something should be done, wont the leading citizens push the matter.

Fame's but a hollow echo; gold, pure clay;
Honor, the darling of but one short day;
Beauty, the eye's idol, but a damask of skin;
Hate, but a golden prison to live in.
And torture free-born minds; embroider'd trains
Merely but pageants for proud, swelling veins;
And blood allied to greatness is alone inherited, not purchas'd, not our own.
Fame, honor, beauty, state, train, blood and birth
Are but the fading blossoms of the earth.

—Sir Henry Wotton.

A Bad Record.

The escape of Harry K. Thaw from Mattewan is another disgraceful chapter in that story of disrepute. Since the slayer of Stanford White escaped the electric chair on a defense of insanity, he has done more to bring the administration of justice in New York into bad odor than any other one individual. Within recent months something of his campaign of corruption at Mattewan has come to light.—Asheville Gazette-News.

He is a Sticker,

President Wilson is even willing to stick to his post till the snow flies in order to give relief to the people. Those who keep congress in Washington will have to answer to the people for not revising the tariff in accordance with the wishes of the people.—Wilmington Star.

Nothing is to be compared for value with goodness; riches, honor, power, pleasure, learning, the whole world and all in it are not worth having in comparison with being good; and the utterly best thing for a man is to be good, even though he were never rewarded for it; and the utterly worst thing for a man is to be bad, even though he were never punished for it.—Charles Kingsley.

You'd scarce expect one of my age is merchandising to engage and hope to get a paying trade without the local paper's aid. And yet I did that very thing. I opened up a store last spring this month the sheriff took the stock. Don't view me with a scornful eye but simply say as I pass by, "There goes a man who seemed to think he had no use for printer's ink." There is a truth as broad as earth, and business men should know its worth; it is simply this—the public buys the goods of those who advertise.—Rutherford Register.

Henry Lane Wilson's Finish

(New York World.)
Henry Lane Wilson, late ambassador to Mexico, would have been separated from the public service long ago if it had not been for the fact that no successor could be appointed without recognition of the Huerta usurpation.
Many sins are properly chargeable to the account of American diplomacy, but in all the category of blunders and boorishness there is nothing that equals the attack of this discredited ambassador upon the foreign policy of Great Britain and that of the United States as well. What interest, personal or political, can move a man in such a station to insult a friendly power, to heap embarrassments upon his own country and to close his official career in ignominy?

Not Gullible.

The little girl came running in to her mother with a woeful countenance and a hopeless story, relates the National Weekly.
"My dolly is sick," she said, "and I don't know what to do about it, I gave her water and she can't swallow that; sister gave her a pill and she can't swallow that."
"Well," said her mother, who leaned a little that way herself, "don't you think you had better try Christian Science for her?"
"We have tried it," said she, "and she can't swallow that"

True happiness (if understood)
Consists alone in doing good.
—Somerville.

The world was sad the garden was a wild!
And man, the hermit, sigh'd till woman smiled.
—Campbell.

Mary had a new style skirt,
All split up to the knee,
And everywhere that Mary went
The rubber necks could see.

—Hopkinsville Kentuckian.
But you don't tell us, brother,
What the rubber necks could see—
Was it only the slit skirt,
Or was it Mary's knee?

—Cadiz Record.
And everywhere that Mary went
The gazers grinned and chuckled,
For between Mary and the slit
There weren't a single ruffle.
—Athens Athenian

Civilized Men 5,000 Years Ago

(From the Philadelphia Inquirer.)
We are apt to feel so proud over the achievements of modern science that we acquire a contempt for people who lived in the distant past. Those with some education will admit that the Egyptians built pyramids which are useless; that the Greeks were strong on statuary and oratory, and that the Romans were good civil administrators, but these few exceptions seem of little importance compared with our own immense superiority. It is this feeling which has prompted many persons to deny archeology as a dry and useless stirring up of ancient dust to no purpose. To the average person nothing is less delectable than wandering through a museum crowded with relics of the past.
One of the new sciences which has been created of recent years is that of archeology, which deals with the history, development and functions of the human race. Institutions no longer send expeditions to Egypt to dig up mummies; to Babylonia for cuneiform inscribed bricks, or to Perse for relics of the Incas simply to secure a lot of curiosities. These things are sought, to add to our knowledge of mankind, to complete his history not by the old method of poring over books which contained to a large extent mere opinions of unscientific men, but to make the past speak for itself.

Napoleon has many crimes to his credit, but one of the most constructive things he did was to found the science of Egyptology from which archeology in general and anthropology have been derived. Egypt, Babylonia, India, Persia, Crete and Central America are only a few of the ancient countries which have been explored in an orderly manner and they have revealed to us that human nature has changed little in historic times and that the ancient civilizations were in many respects the equal of our own.

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'Tis not the fairest form that holds
The mildest, purest soul within;
'Tis not the richest plant that holds
The sweetest fragrance in.
—Dawes.

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He who has no mind to trade with the devil should be so wise as to keep away from his shop.—South

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