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LET US HAVE GOOD ROADS.

In no one thing do the people lack progressiveness so much as in that of Good Roads. Mechanics, arts, sciences, and nearly every other conceivable study or project forge ahead and gain acceleration for further progress from the teeming brain and industry of a working humanity; but our highways with the exception of a few sporadic cases which ought to become contagious in the Union, are left for the elements to redrestory after every yearly patch-up. Already for the "fixing and patching" of roads there has been appropriated sufficient money which, had it been expended to their intelligent improvement, would have made the States of this Union a fairland. And what is so evident of the States collectively is the truth about each and every separate one.

It is only in recent years that Good Roads has become a subject which most eventually obtain from the people full and free recognition of its merits. They are, in fact, an absolute necessity. Previously, even an apology for an Appian Way in this country was not noted for being frequently found; but where the people have been so fortunate as to have foreseen the advantages of good roads they have made their section a busy point of trade and a garden spot of agriculture. To verify this it is only necessary to name some sections which have made it a business to have highways of an approved type—the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, extending from Staunton, Va., to Martinsburg, W. Va., 125 miles of macadam intersected east and west by other pikes; the pikes of Washington, Frederick, and Carroll counties, Md.; those of the Cumberland Valley and of York, Lancaster, and Chester counties Pa.; throughout the Blue Grass Region, Kentucky, "the land that seems to talk;" Southern Ohio, reaching for 100 miles in several directions from Cincinnati; Chippewa county, Mich., 160 miles, the banner county of the States for roads; and New Jersey with 283 miles of macadamized roadways built since 1893 at an expense of \$466,595.

While the amount expended in New Jersey seems enormous, it is stated that considerable more than that sum had been spent in years previous on crazy quilt patchwork which lasted only the season. In North Carolina we have a shining example of what good roads will do for a place—Charlotte, with all the progressiveness of its energetic citizens could not have made such rapid strides had it not been for the good highways leading to it, and that very one thing has made it better known in distant sections than any other city of the State. It is known in the North as "the only hustling town in North Carolina."

McDowell needs good roads. They would add to the value of every farm; they would reduce the cost of transportation to this market one-half; they would beautify the country and act as an inducement for people to settle here, and would bring trade to Marion, that now goes elsewhere. As it now is there are times when the farmer's family is practically isolated from the world, the condition of the roads being such that they cannot be traveled.

The fees for marriage licenses in Rhode Island are higher in that State than in those adjoining, and the ministers have petitioned the Rhode Island Legislature to reduce them and so keep marriage candidates within its borders. This is only another instance wherein high tariff does not protect home industry.

"It is better to open the mills than the silver mines," said President McKinley. But we reckon if both were wide open and running on full time and wages it would be still better.

It begins to look as though McKinley's "wave of prosperity" will run up against the people's "wave of indignation" about next

CONGRESS is carefully maintaining its reputation for doing nothing of any special interest, the consideration of the appropriation bills being the only business of importance that is allowed by Dictator Reed. The failure of the Dingley bill to raise the needed revenue by an estimate of \$100,000,000 is worrying the leaders of the Republican party and they are eagerly scanning the commercial horizon for the dawn of prosperity to help them out of their predicament. They shut off the motive power and still expect the machinery to run. All they can do now is to wait, Micawber-like, for something to turn up. This will happen next November.

The prohibitive duties of the Dingley tariff bill are causing trouble in our commercial relations with Germany. Under the guise of protection, this measure has built a barrier against foreign importations, and now Germany retaliates by issuing a decree, on various flimsy pretexts, excluding American products from admission into the empire. Germany's action is no more than natural, and we can see no ground for just protest, as this country took the initiative in the exclusion game when Congress passed the Dingley trust-fostering bill.

The presence of Mormon missionaries in North Carolina is an affront to the intelligence of her people. Their history as a church is besmeared with crime and bloodshed and darkened by ignorance, and their whole scheme is to play upon the susceptibility of the less intelligent people, of which 250,000 white people may be found in North Carolina who can neither read nor write. The presence of Mormon missionaries is a strong argument for a compulsory education law.

TALK about the United States silver dollar having depreciated! Mr. James Ten Eyck, of Albany, N. Y., has one of the date of 1804, which is valued at \$6,000. There are said to be but seven of this date in existence.

GOVERNOR RUSSELL has been vaccinated, but we fear it will not prove efficacious. What he needs is a preventive of further insanity in his conduct.

ACCORDING to Republicanism and its subsidized president, the open sesame to "rational honor" is to pay bondholders in gold.

The Wire Trust was but recently established, but already wire and nails have advanced \$1 per ton.

A DESPERADO CAPTURED. The Yancey County Outlaw, Geo. W. McCurry, Finally Landed in Jail.

BURNSVILLE, N. C., Feb. 7, 1898.—Preston H. Feltz, deputy sheriff of Yancey county, succeeded, after a desperate effort, in capturing and safely lodging in jail the noted desperado, George W. McCurry, who has for a long time bid defiance to the officers of the law.

The number of indictments against McCurry are many and embrace most all the offenses in the criminal code—from house burning, injury to property, selling liquor, down to simple assault. It will be remembered that in the late Peterson and McCurry killing, in Yancey county, that the dwelling of S. S. Peterson was burned at night after the killing. George McCurry is now indicted for that burning.

George has long been a terror, not only to Yancey county, but to many counties in western North Carolina and adjacent parts of Tennessee, having lately given "Uncle Sam's" officers a scare they have not yet entirely recovered from.

Deputy Sheriff Feltz deserves the gratitude of all good citizens, and no doubt he will receive it. One must be very sly to escape his vigilance.

CITIZEN OF YANCEY CO. BRYAN THE CANDIDATE.

That is the Decision of the Silver Men in Congress.

The numerous conferences held recently by the silver men in Congress have culminated in an agreement on a plan for co-operation with respect to the elections to the next Congress, both House and Senate.

The silver Republicans and Populists held a conference last week in the committee room of Senator Allen, of Nebraska, and agreed upon a plan. Every silver Republican and every Populist, Senator and Representative, was present, and the conference was entirely harmonious and was unanimously in favor of co-operation with the Democrats in elections next fall, looking to a general co-operation in the presidential election of 1900.

There was also a unanimous expression of opinion during the informal discussion that Mr. Bryan was the logical candidate for the presidency of the co-operation silver forces. Co-operation will be encouraged in all sections.

Honor Roll at Marion Institute for January, 1898.

Requirements: 90 on recitations and no demerits. Arthur McCall, Roscoe Cline, Harry Cline, Millard Kirby, Olena McNeely, Myrtle McNeely, Ben Poteat, Kate Finley, Mary Logan Gilkey, Ila Frazer, Kate Hyams, Seagle Halliburton, Lottie Miller, Carson Sinclair, Leon Neal, Anna Laura Blanton, Lucile Blanton, Charlie May Blanton, Mary McDonald, Alice Proctor, Sam Proctor, Gene Carter, Sallie Finley, Willie Pollard, Essie Morgan, Mills Biddix, Agnes White, Edwin Guy, Emmell Guy, Julia Chase, Ben Sisk, Charles Ellis, Maude Greenlee, Annie Greenlee, Mabel Greenlee, Ad. Gilkey, Mollie Dy-sart, Fanny Crawford, Freda Hyams, Josie Gruber.

The Greatest Discovery Yet. W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., Chief, says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for coughs, colds, whooping cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at White & Yancey's, Marion, and W. H. Disoway's, Old Fort.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy cathartic cure constipation forever. If c. c. c. fail, druggists refund money.

J. C. Howenstein's Photo Gallery will be ready for business next week.

The Entertainment. A full house heard the program rendered Friday night. The weather was auspicious, and there was much local interest. The singing was excellent, and the Japanese fan drill beautifully acted by young ladies in flowing costumes of cream, blue and red. The comedy at the close was acted with interest and spirit.

In the hall after the program, refreshments of cream and cake were served, netting about \$11. At the door \$83 was received.

The music was furnished by mandolin and piano.

A GOOD LETTER. From the Clerk of the Circuit Court, FERNANDINA, Fla., Feb. 28, '96.

MR. J. GEORGE SUHRER, Druggist, City: Dear George:—Please send me a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I would not feel easy if I knew there was none of this valuable Remedy in the house. I have given it a fair test and consider it one of the very best remedies for cough that I have ever found. One dose has always been sufficient, although I use it freely. Any cold my children contract yields very readily to this medicine. I can conscientiously recommend it for cough and colds in children.

Yours respectfully, GEO. E. WOLFF. Sold by M. F. Morphew.

—THE MESSENGER and the Silver Knight-Watchman one year for \$1.50. This is a 16 page weekly paper, with Senator Stewart as editor. Hons. William Jennings Bryan, H. M. Teller, John W. Daniel, Jos. W. Bailey, J. T. Morgan, John McLaurin, Benton McMillin, S. M. White, F. T. DuBois, J. C. S. Blackburn and A. O. Boies are among the contributors.

Mr. Ward L. Smith, of Fredericktown, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhoea for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America, but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him, and its continued use cured him. For sale by M. F. Morphew.

Everybody Says So. Cascarets candy cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, acts gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispels colic, cures headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of c. c. c. today; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and quarantined to curb by all druggists.

A further hearing in the railway lease case will be held before Special Master Craig at Salisbury Friday. Judge Avery, of counsel for the defendants, Governor Russell et al, desires to have certain books of the Southern Railway produced by its officers and an effort will be made at this time to obtain them. A similar request at a former hearing was refused.

From every where come words of praise for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. "Allow me to congratulate you on the merits of your Remedy. It cured me of chronic bronchitis when the doctor could do nothing for me."—CHAS. F. HEMEL, Toledo, O. For sale by M. F. Morphew.

Mayor Chas. E. Way, a well-known resident of Buncombe county, died at Grace on Saturday, aged 68 years.

A Sure Thing for You. A transaction in which you cannot lose is a sure thing. Biliousness, sick headache, neuralgic, fever, piles and a thousand other ailments are caused by constipation and sluggish liver. Cascarets candy cathartic, the wonderful liver stimulant and intestinal tonic are by all druggists guaranteed to cure or money refunded. c. c. c. are a sure thing. Try a box today; 10, 25, 50c. Sample and booklet free at all druggists.

List of Jurors. The following is the list of jurors for McDowell Superior Court to convene Monday, March 7th: FIRST WEEK.

S. A. Hensley, S. A. Laresey, Jesse Hollifield, T. Y. Hemphill, W. A. Golorth, J. T. Durham, J. B. Coxe, Noah Turner, J. F. Patton, T. L. Tate, J. L. Burgess, N. R. McCoy, W. C. Hogan, A. E. Rowe, L. L. Walker, C. L. Carr, Geo. L. Poteat, W. A. Cutlibertson.

SECOND WEEK. A. D. Erwin, G. R. Morris, W. C. Elliott, Emmel Louis, J. D. Laughridge, J. A. Anrood, J. M. Neal, M. H. Bird, J. L. Laughridge, J. S. Wilson, E. L. Greenlee, J. Luther Elliott, J. Z. Page, B. E. Watkins, G. C. Ellington, John Rich.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure 25 cents.

Robert Hancock has been given until the 23d inst. to resign as president of Atlantic & North Carolina railroad.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by G. L. White, Marion, and W. H. Disoway, Old Fort.

Sunday fire in Savannah, Ga., caused a loss of \$125,000. Among the buildings burned is the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. On Monday the Highland hotel at Aiken, S. C., was burned, causing a loss of \$70,000, and the same day a fire at Atlantic City, N. J., damaged buildings to the amount of \$65,000.

A few months ago, Mr. Byron Every, of Woodstock, Mich., was badly afflicted with rheumatism. His right leg was swollen the full length, causing him great suffering. He was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The first bottle of it helped him considerably and the second bottle effected a cure. The 25 and 50 cent sizes are for sale by M. F. Morphew.

Sale of Valuable Mining Lands.

BY VIRTUE of sundry executions in my hands issued against the Marion Bullion Company and the Marion Improvement Company, well set at the court house in Marion, on

Wednesday 9th of March, 1898, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described property: What is known as the Buckworth, or Mackay, quarry, containing about 1,075 acres. Fully described in a deed from H. C. Demming and wife to the Marion Bullion Company, so-called, and registered in Book 14, page 436, and following, in the office of the Register of Deeds, in Marion, McDowell county.

Also the interest of the Marion Bullion Company in eleven other tracts described in the above deed from H. C. Demming and wife to the said company. All located in Brackeown, in said county.

Also the following tracts of land in Old Fort township, one of 640 acres and one of 599 acres, conveyed by Eugene Trissom and wife and Mrs. Mary A. Lawrence to the Marion Improvement Company; recorded in Book 15, page 201, in said Register's office.

Also one tract of 35 acres, conveyed by Virginia C. Upton to said company, and recorded in Book 16, page 409.

Also tract of 50 acres, conveyed by A. Higgins and wife and Henrietta Higgins, and recorded in Book 15, page 479.

Also one tract of 50 acres, conveyed by James Upton and wife to said company, and recorded in Book 15, page 482.

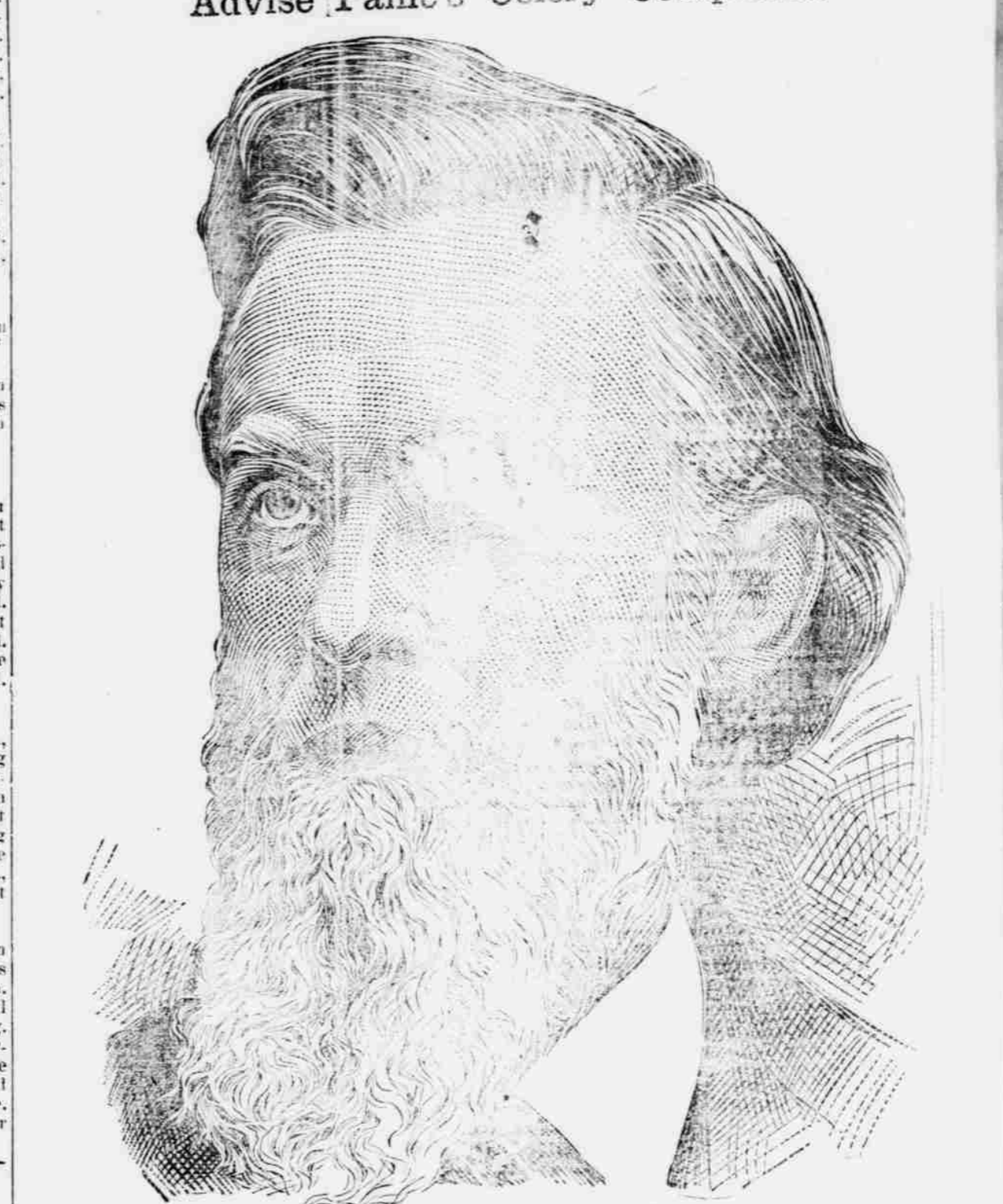
Also one Huntington gold mine, the property of said improvement company. This February the 7th, 1898.

B. L. NICHOLS, Sheriff of McDowell County.

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great preachers throughout the country have been the most untiring and earnest in telling the truth about Paine's celery compound, in urging sick people to use it, and at the same time they themselves have employed the great remedy in their own homes with results that have steadily kept up their faith in its health giving powers.

It is significant that Paine's celery compound stands alone as the one remedy that is freely used in the homes, not only of clergymen, but of all liberally as well as professionally educated men: physicians, lawyers, school teachers and others, while every other remedy purporting to accomplish equal results is promptly shown the door.

No class of men have the public good so disinterestedly at heart as clergymen; none others see so intimately the affairs of so many homes. It is their business to know all such disordered conditions of the stomach, and to restore a healthy, hearty tone that will enable it to meet every demand made upon it by hard worked brain, heart and nerves.

And clergymen recommend Paine's celery compound wherever they enter a home where some member needs a general building up of the body, a purifying of the blood and a strengthening of tired nerves.

Another great preacher, the Rev. S. Domer, pastor of St. Paul's English Lutheran church, Washington, D. C., says: WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15, 1897.

Gentlemen—Have taken Paine's celery compound as a tonic, and am pleased to certify that so far as I have been able to test it I have found it quite satisfactory.

Yours very truly, S. DOMER, St. Paul's Eng. Luth. Church.

It cannot be repeated too often that the stomach is the fountain which supplies every part of the body. If the stomach is sick, the brain, heart, liver, bowels and kidneys are all sick. The trouble may all be felt in one spot; it may be in the stomach itself, or it may be in the brain, or in a rheumatic muscle. It will be felt in the weakest place. Paine's celery compound is fully competent to correct all such disordered conditions of the stomach, and to restore a healthy, hearty tone that will enable it to meet every demand made upon it by hard worked brain, heart and nerves.

A dyspeptic stomach cannot furnish sweet, healthy chyme, as the digested food is called, but acids and poisonous gases, and the brain and nerves thus get pot-

son instead of food. It is not food well digested that produces flesh and blood. Paine's celery compound disposes the body to take on flesh. It makes the breath sweeter, the strength more enduring, the body plumper and the spirits better.

Dyspeptics and nervous, sickly persons, whose whole lives are a failure, both as to enjoyment and usefulness, ought to learn how closely their debility, aches and pains depend on their general run-down condition, and that the sensible lasting cure can only come from building up their general health and constitution. This is the grand mission of Paine's celery compound. It cures neuralgia, rheumatism, stomach troubles, blood diseases and headaches by this enlightened, broad treatment. Pure blood and plenty of it, quiet, satisfactorily fed nerves and a condition of the brain that makes sound, sweet sleep a safeguard against all nervous troubles come when Paine's celery compound is used.

If you are "played out," to use a forcible street phrase, can't digest, can't work and have lost courage, Paine's celery compound will show itself to be the best friend you ever had. It will enable you to forget your stomach, and will do for you what it has done for so many others—make you again a healthy, active man or woman.

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