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THE INAUGURAL ADDRESS. The President Says we have Cause as a People to be Grateful-Perils May be Ahead, But we Have no teason For Fear.

My Fellow Citizens:

No people on earth have more cause to be grateful than ours, and this is said reverently, in no spirit of boastfulness in our own strength, but with gratitude to the Girag of Good who has been atrength, but with gratitude to the Giver of Good who has blessed us with the conditions which have enabled us to achieve so large a measure of well-being and of hap-piness. To us as a people it has been granted to lay the founda-tions of our national life in a new continent. We are heirs of the acce and yet we have had to determination to show that under free government a mighty people can thrive best, alike as regards things of the body and the inngs of the soul.

Mach has been given to us, and much will rightfully be expected from us. We have duties to others and duties to our-selves; and we can shirk neither. We have become a great nation, forced by the fact of its greatness into relations with the nations of the earth; and we must behave as beseems a people with such re-sponsibilities. Toward all other Lincola. nations, large and small, our at-titule must be one of cordial and sincere friendship. We must show <text> ever have cause to fear us, and no strong power should ever

industrial centers. Upon the suc-cess of our experiment much de-pends: not only as regards our own welfare, but as regards the welfare of mankind. If we fail, the cause of free self-government throughout the world will rock to its foundations; and therefore our responsibility is heavy, to ourselves, to the world as it is to-day, and to the generations yet unborn. There is no good reason why we should fear the future, but there is every reason why we should face it seriously, industrial centers. Upon the suc-

Yet, after all, though the prob-lems are new, though the tasks set before our fatners who found-ed and preserved this Republic, the spirit in which these tasks must be undertaken and these problems faced, if our duty is to be well done remains essentially continent. We are heirs of the ages, and yet we have had to pay few of the penalties which in old countries are exacted by the dead hand of a bygone civiliza-tion. We have not been obliged to tight for our existence against any alien race; and yet our life has called for the vigor and ef-fort without which the maniler and hardier virtues wither away. Under such conditions it would be cur own fault if we failed; and the success whith we have had in Under such conditions it would be our own fault if we failed; and the success which we have had in the past, the success which we condently believe the future will bring, should cause in us no feel-integrate and post it. But we have faith that we shall not prove false to the memories of the men of the mighty integrate and post it. But we have faith that we shall not prove false to the memories of the men of the mighty integrate and post it. But we have faith that of Mukden, burning such of his supplies as he could not carry with him. The Japanese artillery is the additional the provention of the mighty is the past. They did their work, they bring, should cause in us no leer-ing of vainglory, but rather a deep and abiding realization of all which life has offered us; a full now enjoy. We in our turn have an assured confidence that we hall be able to leave this heritage unwasted and enlarged to our children and our children's children. To do so we must show, not merely in great crises, but in the every-day affairs of life, the qualities of practical intelligence, of courage, of hardihood and en-durance, and above all the power of devotion to a lofty ideal, which made great the men who founded this Republic in the days of Washington, which made great the men who preserved this Re-public in the days of Abraham

THE NEW VICE PRESIDENT.

In the presence of as many of his fellow citizens a could be crowded sincere friendship. We must show notionly in our words but in our deeds that we are earnestly de-sircus of securing their good will by acting toward them in a spirit of jut and generous recognition of al their rights. But justice and generous recognition of al their rights. But justice shown not by the weak but by the strong. While ever careful to refran from wronging others, we refrain from wronging others, we must be no less insistent that we membership of the Senate. All inst membership of the S atraid. No weak nation that the more important event. The acts manfully and justly should installation of the new vice-president was severely simple, and as brief as simple. It consisted of a promise, solemnly made with up-lifted hand and bowed head, to perform the duties of the office and to support and defend the constitution of the United States.

Kuropatkin Has Staked All in the Battle of Mukden and Unless He Can Check the Victorious

GREAT BATTLE RAGING.

Japanese His Defeat Will Be Complete.

Mukden Each day has seen the victorious Japanese defeating the Russians and drawing nearer and nearer to Mukden. The losses

is thundering at the very gates of Mukden, which position the Russians still hold, but which they are admittedly preparing to evacuate, changing their base to Tie Pass, which is forty miles north of Mukden. So far as the retreat has progressed it has been orderly. What the Japanese may have in store for the defeated army on the retirement north-ward now remains to be dis-closed. There are reports that General Remenkampfi the fore-most cavalry general of the Rus-sian army in Manchuria, has gratify every son of old John-been cut off on the east from the ston—the ladies are all proud of main force and Japanese troops it. in considerable numbers are said

to be already in the vicinity of Those counties defeated by us Tie Pass. The retirement unquestionably cost the Russians dear in the matter of supplies and heavy guns. Neither com-

lature the dispensary question at Wilson is to be left to the vote of the people there in April of next year.

STATE NEWS ITEMS.

For about ten days a great battle has been raging around ional Editorial Association to bold the mention and the sector of the s hold its meeting next year at Asheville. The meeting this year will be held in Guthrie, Oklahoma,

The survey of the Raleigh and Cape Fear Railway, from Lilling. ton southward has been complet-ed to Fayetteville. The directors of the road have been asked to consider propositions looking to extension of the line in other di-

rections.

The safe in the McAden Cotton Mills Company, at McAdenville, was opened and robbed of between \$1,800 and \$2,000 and a number of valuable papers some time between the closing hour Saturday night and Monday morning.

Last fall, only a few days before the date for the State Fair to open, a few of us began working to get together exhibits for the fair. The result was, we won the grand prize of \$100.00, be-

We must do better this year. last year will strive harder, hence the necessity for us to do more and do it better.

I ask, I urge, every one who possibly can, to meet in the Court House in Smithfield Tuesday, the the number killed or wounded in the eleven days of fighting. The Russian casualities in the fight Tuesday on the, left flank are said to have been fully 7000 Tuesday on the left flank are said to have been fully 7,000. Tokio, March 9th.-It is of-field in any and the Busians

After a long fight in the Legis. Representative Pou Gratified That Measure is Now A Law.

PRESIDENT SIGNS BILL.

We regret to note that M rs C. H. Ellis is quite sick.

The President signed yester-day afternoon the Pou bill requiring the street railway com-panies of the District to vestibule all their cars by next No-vember, for the protection of the motormen.

The campaign which The Times,

future, but there is even, why we should face it seriously, neither hiding from ourselves the gravity of the problems before us nor fearing to approach these problems with the unbending, unflinching purpose to solve them aright. Yet, after all, though the probparalysis by freezing weather. To the quick exercise of strength will be added the resourcefulness

of wits unharassed by physical suffering. The history of the enactment of the Pou bill into law by the Congress of the United States bis eyes examined. Mr. White, an insurance man of Concord, is doing business in our town for a short spell.

shows the justice on which the campaign for the reform was based. Only a few weeks ago The Times began its fight for protection for the motormen, and Representative Pou pushed his bill for passage.

He obtained a favorable report on it from the House Committee on the District of Columbia. Soon thereafter it passed the House.

Mr. Pou then secured the help of Senators Gallinger and Simmons and had the measure passed by the Senate. The President signed the bill yesterday. It is now the law of the District. Not only this, but it is an act

having the best county exhibit by those interested in the matter, will go a long way toward in-fluencing the Legislatures of many States to pass laws of a similar character.

On all sides, in and out of Congress, it has been lauded and other orders here are in a most praised. Mr Pou and The Times prosperous condition. have been congratulated for their good work in the matter by the citizens of the District and by

members of Congress. The bill passed Congress and was signed by the President without a discenting vote raised against it. This, in itself, was a record of unusual unanimity for a reform bill.

Mr. Pou, in speaking of the bill merchants are looking for a good to a Times reporter, said to-day: Spring business. By the num-"Of course I am gratified that ber of cotton planters we see be-

Mr. C. W. Richardson, of Selma, spent Sunday here. Miss Martha Pool is visiting relatives and friends here. Mr. R. B. Whitley is nere to-

day (Wednesday) on business. Mrs. John D. Phillips is visit-ing Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Phillips.

The board of town aldermen met in regular session Monday night.

Messrs. J. J. Ellis, J. J. Ellis, and Q. F. Pool spent Wednesday bird hunting.

Mr. D. H. Williams' new house is completed and is a very handsome structure.

Mr. Charles Carroll went to Raleigh last Thursday to have

Mr. Mahlon Creech, who is in the employ of the Blades Lum-ber Co., of Newbern, is visiting his parente.

Mr. Jesse Hillard made a busiress trip to Smithfield Monday to take the oath of office as Notary Public.

Miss Katie Bailey, who was in school here last session, has re-entered and will remain the rest of this session.

Messrs. J. T. Talton and L. H. Champion spent Sunday at Coats' station in Harnett county visiting Mr. Talton's parents. Mrs. C. H. Belvin spent part of

last week with her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Horne. Mrs. Horne has been visiting in Raleigh this

The Odd Fellows have recently ecured applications from several who wish to become members of the order. This and all the

Miss Mary A. Timberlake, of Youngsville, and Miss Lillian Timberlake, of Franklinton, who are attending the Baptist Uni-versity at Raleigh, spent several days with the Misses Blanchard recently.

Spring time is very near now. The weather has been as fine as can be asked for lately, and our

The third county convention of the farmers was held here in the court house last Saturday. Reports were heard from the different townships and it was ascertained that some work had been done in amost all the townships and that several of them had been well worked. way.

A resolution was passed a sing the farmers of each township to meet at their voting places on Saturday, March 18th, for better township organization and to appoint a committee of appoint appoint a committee of one in each school district and encoureach school district and encour-age them to reduce acreage and fertilizers and to ascertain as far as possible the number of acres each farmer will plant this year. Let the farmers take due notice of this resolution. It is to be hoped that good meetings will be held in every township.

Strikes Hidden Rocks.

Strikes Hidden Rocks. When your ship of health of strikes the hidden rocks of Con-termetric on Presumonia, etc., you are lost, if you don't get help from Dr. King's New Discovery, for Consumption. J. W. McKin, mon, of Talladeges Springs, Ala., writes: "I had been very ill with Pheumonia, under the care of two doctors, but was getting no better when I began to take Dr. King's New Discovery. The first dose gave relief, and one bottle cured me." Sure cure for sore, throat, bronchitis, coughs and colds. Guaranteed at Hood Bros., druggists. The Specific of Dr. Howard's where street car companies are toring their men to operate their care in open platforms unpro-tatity, from appendicitis and peritonitis. To prevent and cur-these awful diseases, there is just on reliable remedy, Dr. King's , drug store, price 50c. and \$1.000. Trial bottle free.

Last week Joseph Hill, a farmer of Portsville, Delaware, and Sallie Satchell eloped and were married. The groom is eighty and the bride fourteen. Hill took his bride home and his children, grand-children, and great-grand children greated her in a most friendly greeted her in a most friendly

A Surprise Marriage.

On Sunday morning March 5th 1905, Mr. E. B. McCabe and Miss Mattie Love were happily mar-ried at the residence of Mr. J. R.

ried at the residence of Mr. J. R. Coates. The ceremony was im-pressively performed by E. S. Coates, J. P. The attendants were: Mr. Early Love with Miss Carrie Wiggins, Mr. Amos Love with Miss Lucile Coates, Mr. Lawrence Stephenson with Miss Dovie Johnson, Mr. Everett Wiggins with Miss Mary Love. They then returned to the home of the groom in Elevation township. We wish for them a long and happy life.

ing rains and the cutting winds. "I wish to acknowledge the as sistance of Chairman Babcock and Mr. Sims, of the House District Committee, and Senators Gallinger and Simmons, of the Senate District Committee.

"The motorman occupies the most important position in the entire street car service, and he should be made as comfortable as possible in the performance of his difficult duties.

"I am informed that the pass age of my bill may have a favor-able effect upon legislation of this character pending before the Legislatures of some of the States. I shall feel that I am fortunate, indeed, if in any degree my bill is instrumental in in-

fluencing legislation of the same character outside of the District of Columbia.

"I cannot understand how anyone can dispute the necessity for this legislation in States where street car companies are forcing their men to operate their

teaching at the Durnam Conser-vatory of Music, is visiting her parents. We are glad to note the enviable position which Miss Barnes bas attained as music teacher. Clayton is glad to lay claim to one so gifted in this the most appreciable art. March 8th. "YELIR."

Challenge From Hood Bros.

Hood Bros. are seeking the the worst case of dyspepsia or constipation in Smithfield or vi-cinity to test Dr. Howard's new specific for the cure of those dis-

So confident are they that this remarkable medicine will effect a lasting cure in a short time, that they offer to refund the money should it not be successful. In order to secure the quickest possible introduction Hood Bros.

will sell a regular fifty cent pack-age of this medicine at half price, 25 cents.

This specific of Dr. Howard's will cure sick headache, dizzy