

### And Matthew Proved Equal To The Task

Spring Branch, (Dunn R. No. 1), Dec. 10.—The colored people of this community are indebted to the efforts of Matthew Williams for a school building to which they may send their young. Matthew lives and farms, really farms, on Mrs. Marcelle Tew's place and on Sunday's lashed old king split-hoof for the edification of his race. Now Mat has 10 children of school age, besides of course, several younger ones; he lives five miles from the public school and did not want to move from where he lives, although he found it very inconvenient to carry the kids to and from school. Mahomet, in this case, brought the mountain to himself. The county would give him a teacher if he could find a house and twenty-five pupils. Mat looked 'round for a site and for help to build a house. Mrs. Tew gave the site and neighbors of both colors gave money to the amount of about \$200, which Matthew added to as need arose until he had built a house costing about six hundred dollars. This building grew from naked ground to completion in three weeks and now houses a teacher and about 45 pupils. Good work, so the neighbors say.

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### Two Women Lay Claim To Body Of Dead Man

New Bern, Dec. 7.—The case of Oscar B. Barton, traveling man who died suddenly in a local hotel yesterday morning, took a new turn today when a telegram was received by Mayor Edward Clark from a woman in Colesmees who signed herself "Mrs. Oscar B. Barton," requesting that the remains of Barton be held here.

A woman who was with Barton at the time of his death and who said she was his wife left New Bern last night carrying the remains to Liberty Hill, Texas, which she gave as her original home. Dan Shaw, local undertaker who handled the case, wired the Colesmees woman to that effect, but tonight had heard nothing more from her. The woman who was with Barton gave the appearance of being comfortably wealthy. A few hours after his death she communicated with her home in Texas for funds. Her father, presumably, wired her \$500 to defray the expenses of sending the remains to Texas.

She told a newspaper man before leaving here that her husband had been drinking for the past few days. A physician said heart trouble which resulted from this was responsible for his death.

"Is your husband a good stepper, Dun?"  
"Yesum, he's a good providah all right, but I see allus skeered dat nigger's gwine or git caught at it!"

### Conserve Time And Energy of Coolidge

Washington, Dec. 8.—Another measure to conserve the time and the energy of the President will be introduced in the White House this week by limiting the engagements of the Executive on Tuesday and Friday—the Cabinet days—to those persons having official business to transact.

The new plan has been worked out by C. Bascom Slemp, secretary to the President, to supplement an arrangement he put into effect several weeks ago whereby no set engagements are scheduled for the afternoons and which has allowed Mr. Coolidge his afternoons free to the work of his office and to call in Cabinet members for conferences. The afternoon arrangement is held by Secretary Slemp to have had much to do in allowing Mr. Coolidge to get his message to Congress completed more than a week in advance of delivery.

Under the new plan no callers wishing merely to pay their respects will be permitted on Tuesdays and Fridays.

### Big Growth Is Shown By Wilmington Harbor

Wilmington, Dec. 7.—That the number of ships making the port of Wilmington is steadily increasing is indicated by the customs house records. During the past month the tonnage of the ships entering and clearing from Wilmington totaled 76,047, as against 58,780 for November, 1922, a gain of 19,917 tons in favor of the past month over the same month last year.

The tonnage of the vessels entering last month from foreign and domestic ports amounted to 34,546; the tonnage of those clearing for foreign and domestic ports was 42,191. In November, 1922, the figures were: Vessels clearing for foreign and domestic ports, 28,374; vessels arriving from foreign and domestic ports, 39,456.

A most substantial gain was shown in the tonnage of vessels clearing foreign this year over those of No-

vember, 1922. Last month the tonnage of the foreign clearances were 42,191 as against but 28,374 for the same month last year. The net gain was 13,917 tons.

"One million pean trees for eastern Carolina in the next four years may sound like an ambitious program, but it is worthy of fulfillment. A good start has been made by agricultural extension workers this fall.

### Initiative Or Drudgery

To run in the same old rut and grind in the same old way, is all right for the iron horse in a power propelling way, or for the shuttle in a mechanical way, but the day for the teacher without initiative is "gone forever."

To quote Henry Ford: "Repetitive labor—the doing of one thing over and over again and always in the same old way—is a terrifying prospect to the mind of a certain class of human beings." Although to one class of the human mind thought is beyond imagination. To sit down, think through and solve out never dawns on this class of mind, yet you see them every day.

It is very pathetic that the average person wants the "job" with little physical exertion and above all he does not want to have to think in any form of the work. To the initiative mind, drag and drudgery and rut driving is mind straining and nerve wrecking. The teacher as well as all other types of laboring people—and even more so—is fifty per cent handicapped who cannot meet and solve daily situations as they are confronted in the class room. There is a class of public workers (some teachers even) who have the initiative or creative types of mind and who thoroughly abhor monotony. These are very apt to imagine that all other minds are likewise restless, problem solving, help seeking, progressive, planning, and therefore have no sympathy for the man or woman who day by day performs the same old task in the same old way.

Can you sit down and be perfectly content while the work is increasing on your daily task? Can you ignore the jobs to be done and say that tomorrow is plenty of time in which to

do them? Do you ever feel that you are just bound to move on or move out? Does your mind ever throbb or your pulse ever move toward a task that is to be done, when it seems that some people have forgotten their task and each day just slips on as the sun rolls by? If not, you need to get a new grip on yourself and your task. Let your work be made lighter by finding a better way to live each day that comes. The hope of tomorrow is based on the thoughts of today carried out as tomorrow's task.

Some people think and nothing more. Some work and think at the same time is the one who moves up and out of the old drudgery of life and makes life worth living. Make each day's work a new task. Put into it a new thought and you will get out of it renewed energy and zeal for your work. It is impossible to make or find two objects exactly alike. Neither can you do two days' work exactly alike. No who tries it has failed before he begins. Mix a little energy with a few sparks of enthusiasm, pour in a little active thinking and you will find yourself full of the initiative to meet any task within the bounds of your position. Try to do the task a little better by putting some of your own personality with it, then seeing the task in your own likeness you will learn to love it as something of your own.

Here is the position of one without initiative:  
I wish I was a little rock, A-stittin' on the hill, I wouldn't do a single thing, But keep a-stittin' still, I wouldn't eat, I wouldn't sleep, I wouldn't even wash, I wouldn't do a bloomin' thing But rest myself, b'gosh.

Who wants to be the rock a-stittin' on the hill? You see them every day. It is often said it will take a big man (mentally) to hold down such and such a job. But I say a

small man or woman (one without a creative mind) can hold down a very big job, sometimes, and impede its progress for life. It takes some one with creativeness and personality to hold up a "job" in order to keep it moving at a noticeable speed. Work News.

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| Ferns            | REAL DOLL CHESTS            | Console Tables                          |
| Candlesticks     | RED RIDERS                  | Console Mirrors                         |
| Candles          | REAL IRON BEDS FOR THE DOLL | Tilt Top Tables                         |
| Smoking Stands   |                             | Spinet Desks                            |
| Smoking Cabinets |                             | Gate-leg Tables                         |
| Budoir Lamps     |                             | Fruit and Nut Trays—                    |
| Odd Lamp Shades  |                             | All Sizes—Rugs, in all                  |
| Table Lamps      |                             | Sizes and Prices. China,                |
| Reading Lamps    |                             | from the Cheapest to the                |
| Floor Lamps      |                             | Best.                                   |
| Dinner Wagons    |                             | Chiffonobes Make wonderful              |
|                  |                             | Gifts, for Father or Mother—Living Room |
|                  |                             | Suits, both Caneback and                |
|                  |                             | Overstuffed.                            |

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