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Again, we remind our people that no panic is on. Southern banks have as much money as usual, but much of it is in Northern banks which have refused to ship back the currency. This condition cannot last long. Let no one be alarmed.

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The Bureau of the Census has just published its cotton report for the year ending August 31, 1907. The supply for the year was 15,025,720 bales. Of this, 200,728 bales were contributed from the 1907 crop. Of the total supply, 4,984,-936 bales were consumed by manufacturers; 22,-552 were consumed by fire; 8,503,265 were exported.

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All men make their mistakes. President Winston made his when he suggested a free fight between the Sophs and Fresh as the right method of stopping hazing. After President Winston made his mistake, he acknowledged it, and says that the free fight will not occur again. Is it not a strange thing, however, that a few newspapers in the State are still recommending the discarded plan as a good thing?

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were examined during the month. Some of these had been mailed without any address, others had a defective address, and on others the addresses were illegible. The letters were opened, and in all cases in which the writers had written their address, the letters were returned to them. Of the 1, 005,990 letters thus handled, the experts were able to return 235,961 to the senders. It is a singular fact that a large number of these letters contained money. No less a sum than \$5,251 was found in them, of which \$4,371 was returned to the senders. Carelessness in sending money through the mail is very common. The other day we received a check for \$70. The sender intended to enclose only \$10. The greatest trouble we have is in getting an average common-sense response to our letters. We lately wrote to sixteen college presidents-a regular hand-written letter. We heard from only four. We distribute yearly hundreds of stamps to our quasi correspondents.

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The following from the speech of one of the officers of the Ohio State Liquor League is both a text and a sermon: "It will appear from these facts, gentlemen, that the success of our business is dependent largely upon the creation of an appetite for drink. Men who drink liquor, like others, will die, and if there is no new appetite created our counters will be empty as will be our moneydrawers. Our children must go hungry or we must change our business to something more remunerative. The open field for the creation of this appetite is among the boys. After men are grown and their appetites are formed, they rarely change in this regard. It will be needful, therefore, that missionary work be done among the boys, and I make the suggestion, gentlemen, that nickels expended in treats to the boys now will return in dollars to your tills after the appetites have been formed. Above all things, create appetites."

ing-up-track" and "shot-'em-on-the-spot" pastimes should they seriously contemplate the following facts taken from fresh statistics; "The report shows that 989 new industries, with a capital of \$54,726,000 were completed and put into operation in the territory tributary to the South ern Railway and Mobile & Ohio Railroad during the twelve months ending June 30th, a gain of many millions of capital over the previous year. In addition, 220 industries made important additions to their plants materially increasing their facilities, at an investment of \$11,331,300, and ninety industries, with a capital of \$7,129,500. were reported as under construction. These figures show the investment during the year of the great sum of \$73,286,800 in industries. In addition to this, there was expended for general investments in cities and towns, such as buildings, street improvements, street railways, water and light plants, \$58,430,885. This shows a grand total of \$135,268,785 invested in industries and improvements along the line of the Southern Railway and Mobile and Ohio Railroad for the year ending June 30th last, outside of the p invested in lands and farms and farm im ments. Of the total investments in new inde tries, \$4,084,000 went into the textile industry. The cotton and oil mills called for investments or \$1,117,000, iron and iron products \$4,155,000. lumber mills \$5,179,300, miscellaneous woodworking plants \$1,900,500, furniture factories \$1,375,100, and fertilizer factories \$618,000."

Mr. R. D. W. Connor, Secretary of the North Carolina Historical Commission, is reported as conceding to South Carolina the honor of furnishing the birth-place of Andrew Jackson. We do not know anything about this matter, and care less. We are more interested in Mr. Connor's reported declaration that he is devoting more attention to the effort of inducing the Legislature to provide a fire-proof historical library.

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If we were in mind to criticise adversely some of the people of our own State, we would say that often before they get in a position to look at both sides of a question, they look and look at one side until they get into a hysterical frame of mind. This thing of looking at both sides before leaping would rob the press of a great deal of sensational news, but would undoubtedly prevent many penitential backward journeys at whose hostelries only "crow" is served.

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To show the outside world what North Carolina is doing in the way of material development, we would mention the fact that a tract in the Eastern part of the State containing 180,000 acres was lately sold for \$3,000,000. The mill to be erected will cut 200,000 feet in ten hours, and will be run by electricity. This is the bright side. There is a dark side. All this cutting down of timber simply hastens the day when we shall have a forestless State. The question of forestry is one which is growing more serious every year.

The Postal Department at Washington, D. C. makes an astonishing report for the month of September. In its dead-letter office, to which all letters are sent that for any reason cannot be delivered, over one million pieces of mail matter

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There is much talk now (Thursday, November 7th) about an extra session of the Legislature. It seems to be the impression that the same will be called by Governor Glenn. The only purpose in calling an extra session would be to deal with the railroad question. The agitation is undoubtedly hurting the State in many ways, and wise minds see that it should come to an end as soon as possible. The Legislature can effect its purpose in only two ways as we se it: (1) by forcing the railroads to cease their litigation under threat of the passage of a two-cent rate; or (2) by compromising with the railroads on a passenger rate higher than 24 cents. The State cannot use the former method without the loss of dignity and character. The latter method, the called Legislature would hardly be allowed to use, if it be true that several men in politics control legislation. The only grievance against the railroads that can be urged is, that they are fighting the State in the courts. The rate laws are being obeyed. Going to law can hardly be considered a crime. It is the general impression that the Supreme Court has decided against Judge Long in the case in which the Southern Railway/was fined \$30,000.

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Those who are affected with railroadphobia (an incorrect but expressive term in these days) would be less disposed to the exercise of the "tear-

IF I WERE A YOUNG PREACHER.

I would remain in one of our schools until I was ready to preach, if it took half my life.

I would not think my school days ended until I had finished my course in the theological department.

I would make elocution one of the important studies of my course, so I could express well what I knew in preaching.

I would hear the best evangelistic preachers preach I could possibly hear, if it cost time and money to do so.

I would look after my health, so that I could work hard for my church and live long while I was doing it.

I would learn how to do personal work for souls, if I had to be crucified to attain my purpose.

I would study to draw young men to my min istry, and would think my ministry a failure if I did not accomplish my end.

I would make myself a house-to-house pastor of my people, or know the reason why.

I would be true to Methodism in all its departments-doctrines, polity, mission, and life or would leave it in a hurry for some other field of labor.

I would read the great up-to-date books written by good, sound-minded and true-hearted men about Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

I would study the missionary department of Methodism, so I could take the collections for the benevolences and have my people shouting happy while I did it.

I would seek, find, and experience all that was in Christ Jesus for my poor soul.

I would appear among my people as their friend and helper, and they should see in me a man who is a preacher with a brother's heart for them.---Northwestern Christian Advocate.