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There are sixty two miles of tunnels well stocked with arms, ammunition and provisions, in the rock of Gibraltar.

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BANNER ELK, N. C.
Will practice in the courts of Watauga, Mitchell and adjoining counties. 7-6-'04

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Will practice in all the courts. Special attention given to collection. 1-6-'04.

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—LAWYER—
—LENOIR, N. C.—
Will Practice Regularly in the Courts of Watauga, 6-1-'03.

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—BOONE, N. C.—
Careful attention given to collections.

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Nothing but the best material used and all work done under a positive guarantee. Persons at a distance should notify me a few days in advance when they want work done. After March the 1st, I have arranged to be at the Blackburn House in Boone on each first Monday. Call on me. 1-28.

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No Knife, No Burning Out.
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WASHINGTON LETTER

From our Regular Correspondent.

The agitation for an extra session in the Spring has measurably subsided, but the tariff revisionists are still insistent and the proposition now at the front is that an extra session for its settlement shall be held next Fall—say, from September 1st to the regular time of meeting in December. This suggestion seems likely to take the form of a determination shortly, for it solves the problem to the satisfaction of all members of the majority party. It is also pretty certain that there will be very little legislation at this session except the regular appropriation bills. This conclusion is concurred in by the men who make the program by Messrs. Allison, Aldrich, Fairbanks, Lodge and others in the Senate, and Cannon, Payne, Hemenway, Grosvenor and Dillard and others in the House. Bills alleged to be for the benefit of the Philippine Islands have already passed the House and will probably become laws during this session. The bill providing for two new states may also pass. The appropriation committees of both houses are decidedly against a general river and harbor bill and a large public buildings bill, though an incessant clamor for both is kept up by those whose constituents helped elect the present administration and demand some more barrels of "pork." In the House, Speaker Cannon has with much candor sounded the alarm of "A big deficit in the Treasury," and he will use his great influence against tapping it for a hundred-million-dollar appropriations. In the Speaker's chair and out of it, with gavel in hand or only with potent forefinger upraised he calls attention to the fact that there has been an election which decided against "the meddlers" and revisionists and the latter think he calls attention to it with "damable iteration." Their cries for immediate nourishment will probably be temporarily quieted by the promise of a chance to tap Uncle Sam's Paetolian reservoir next autumn, "when the corn is full of kernels and the colonels full of corn."

The President's annual sermon has now been thoroughly digested. Indeed a large part of it has been predigested by something like a score of members of Congress. It is felt to be so chock-full of beautiful moral sentiment and maxima concerning correct conduct that it might have been dictated by Marcus Aurelius and Chesterfield. It shows that real goodness is preferable to real badness and will convince almost any body that right doing is more creditable than wrong doing. In these respects it could not be improved. The people of this District are much pleased that he gave a whole column to its needs and elaborated plans for its elevation to become a

working model for the whole country. His compulsory education law here is not well timed; partly because we have compulsory education law now, and partly because no compulsory attendance can possibly be enforced here while the high schools are so paupered and receive so large a proportion of the funds that there is no shelter for the primary grades and six or eight thousand youngsters who ought to be receiving elementary training are running wild in our streets and alleys. What is needed here is a reduction of the high school curriculum until all the children below the fifth grade are sheltered under a roof and marshaled under a teacher. Spelling.

If all the recommendations of the message crystallize into law, there will be much stronger central government in Washington than was ever contemplated by the framers of the Constitution. For a time the drift has been towards centralization.—The Executive in the White House controlling nearly all the great enterprises in which the people are engaged. Mr. Roosevelt would add to the existing list the control of railroads, banks, trust companies, insurance companies, factory conditions, hours of labor on railways &c. He would have Federal commissioners to inspect all rolling stock; to decide on all through rates of freight; to hold inquest on railroad accidents to enforce the block signal system and regulate airbrakes; to enforce sanitary conditions wherever laboring men are assembled. As there are over a million and a half of cars and engines, (1,573,000) and several times that number of wheels to be hammered on and brakes to be tested, it would obviously require a good many men and a good deal of money for their adequate inspection. And how much more complete it would be than the General Sloem inspection. The 11,000 accidents which occur in the United States yearly involving 8,000 deaths and 60,000 persons injured, would require a large army of copers and a vast multitude of inquests. This would be building up a bureaucracy of tremendous proportions which might end in nominal socialism and actual imperialism.

Above his colleague's cry for economy Senator Hale has made his voice heard demanding \$100,000 for a statue of Benjamin Franklin in this city. As we have already a superb marble statue of Poor Richard of heroic size on Pennsylvania Avenue, presented to the city by Mr. Stilson Hutchins, and as there is not yet in our streets or parks any statue of Robert Morris, Jefferson, Adams, Hamilton, and a multitude of others this proposed duplication of Franklin seems quite superfluous. It is certain that the almanac-maker himself would not approve of it. The introduction of the bill to

reduce the number of Southern Congressmen because of alleged disfranchisement of negroes will be followed by a most unhealthy excitement during the remainder of this session. Messrs. Platt and Crumpacker may attempt in vain to reimprison the Afrite which they have released. John Sharp Williams has met the proposition with defiance and Carmack with a joint resolution to investigate and expose the amount of money collected from trusts and others to effect presidential elections. Platt's bill would reduce the total number of Southern Congressmen nineteen, but the Senator with an exhibition of pretended generosity a legislator that if the Constitution were strictly and rigidly enforced the reduction would be not less than thirty. In the end down proposed by Platt's bill Georgia would lose more than any other state, being reduced from eleven to eight. It is safe to anticipate that the controversy thus stupidly begun will end in a tumult surpassing the Force Bill dispute as a hurricane surpasses a zephyr. Heated conferences were held yesterday on both sides showing a lack of unanimity on the part of both the friends of the measure and its opponents. But the storm gathers and the end cannot be foreseen at the present.

GRIP QUICKLY KNOCKED OUT.

Some weeks ago during the severe weather both my wife and myself contracted severe colds which speedily developed into the worst kind of a gripe with all its miserable symptoms," says Mr. J. S. Egleston of Maple Landing Iowa, "Knees and joints aching, muscles sore, head stopped up, eyes and nose running, with alternate spells of chills and fever. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and in the same with a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and by its liberal use soon completely knocked out the grip." These Tablets promote a healthy action of the bowels liver and kidneys which is always beneficial when the system is congested by a cold or attack of the grip. For sale by I. M. Moretz.

We understand that Congressman E. Spencer Blackburn has appointed Earnest Hardwick as his private secretary and stenographer. Earnest has been connected with the U. S. Marshal's office at Greensboro for some time.—Madison County Record.

FIGHT WILL BE BITTER.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beall Miss, has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after every thing else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by M. B. Blackburn, Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

About \$10,000 worth of game cocks are shipped into Mexico annually from the United States.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Groves' signature is on each box. 25c.

Memorial.

W. M. Blackburn, son of G. C. and Jane Blackburn, was born in North Carolina Aug. 11th, 1875, and died of typhoid fever at his home near Teaklan, Idaho, Nov. 14, 1904. He left a widow, three little girls, father, mother, two sisters, two brothers and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

He was unconscious of the approach of death, so he did not leave us any evidence of his future state, except his life, which is the best of evidence. "As a man liveth so shall he die."

Brother Minyard gave his heart to God about seven years ago and joined the Baptist church. When he left his native home and cast his lot in a new country, he did not do as so many have done, leave their religion behind. He obtained his letter of removal when he located here, and there being no Baptist church near him he attached himself to the M. E. church of which he remained a faithful member until the Master said it is enough, come up higher. He was a model father, and husband, kind and affectionate son, brother and friend.

I can only say to the bereaved family, connection and friends, weep not as those who have no hope. But be ye also ready, for we know not the day nor the hour when we will be called upon to cross the turbid waters.

At 2, p. m., on the 16th ult. after a short but impressive talk in the M. E. church at Southwick, by our pastor, from the text "If a man dies shall he live again? we repaired to the cemetery where the burial service was read. We deposited the remains of our dear brother in the full realization that if a man dies he shall live again in that great day when the dead in Christ shall rise. They shall come from the east and from the west. It doesn't matter whether we are buried in the lone prairie or in the North Carolina hills, if we live the life of the righteous we shall meet in that bright, celestial city where there is no more parting, sorrow, pain, sickness or death.

J. M. MCGUIRE,
Teaklan, Idaho.

Beware of Counterfeits.

"DeWitt's is the only genuine Witch Hazel Salve," writes J. L. Tucker of Centre Ala. "I have used it in my family for piles, cuts and burns for years and can recommend it to be the best salve on the market. Every family should keep it as it is an invaluable for household remedy, and should be kept on hand for immediate use." Mrs. Samuel Gage of North Bush N. Y. says: "I had a fever sore on my ankle for 12 years that the doctors could not cure. All salves and blood remedies proved worthless. I could not walk for over two years. Finally I was persuaded to try DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve which has completely cured me. It is a wonderful relief." DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures without leaving a scar. Sold by M. B. Blackburn.

The man who is waiting for something to turn up may hurry things a little by stepping upon a banana peel.

BILIOUSNESS AND CONSTIPATION CURED BY THE DRAUGHT

THE DRAUGHT'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

Because the liver is neglected, people suffer with constipation, biliousness, headaches and fevers. Colds attack the lungs and contagious diseases take hold of the system. It is safe to say that if the liver were always kept in proper working order, illness would be almost unknown.

The Draught's Black-Draught is so successful in curing such sickness because it is without a rival as a liver regulator. This great family medicine is not a strong and drastic drug, but a mild and healthful laxative that cures constipation and may be taken by a mere child without possible harm.

The healthful action on the liver cures biliousness. It has an invigorating effect on the kidneys. Because the liver and kidneys do not work regularly, the poisonous acids along with the waste from the bowels get back into the blood and virulent contagion results.

Timely treatment with The Draught's Black-Draught removes the dangers which lurk in constipation, liver and kidney troubles, and will positively forestall the inroads of Bright's disease, for which disease in advanced stages there is no cure. Ask your dealer for a 25c. package of The Draught's Black-Draught.

Twenty years hence the boys of today will be men. They will be the doctors and drunkards, lawyers and liars, Senators and sneaks, editors and idiots, ministers and murderers, democrats and Republicans and so on down the line. It is impossible to tell to a certainty in what class your boy will be. It is possible for the boy to be put into such influences that will steer him in the right direction. Follow the boy of twelve, and in twenty years some of them will be in Congress while others will be in the penitentiary. Which class is your boy training for?—Ex.

A FRIGHTENED HORSE.

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents are every day occurrences. It behooves every body to have a reliable salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, cuts, sores, eczema and piles, disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c at M. B. Blackburn's.

Some men are so proud of what they do as others are of what they can avoid doing.

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this paper as offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Birmingham, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.