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He is soon forgotten who never forgets himself.

## PROFESSIONAL.

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

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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Once more the Department of Justice has stirred up trouble and this time it is with the Fertilizer Trust. It has been known for some time that the Department was on the trail of the trust and that it probably would find enough evidence to warrant an indictment. But the results so far are rather beyond the expectations of even the most sanguine octopus hunters. The information has been laid before the United States Circuit court for the middle district of Tennessee and is against the Virginia Carolina Chemical Company et al. The others include 25 different companies with a combined capital of \$100,000,000. The charges are violations of the Sherman anti-trust law and for conspiracy. The penalty for the violation of the Sherman law is \$5,000 and one year in jail, while the penalty for conspiracy is as much as \$10,000 and two years in jail.

No one expects that a jail sentence will be involved in either case. It is not the fashion to send trust magnates to jail, and it is probable that the findings, as in the Santa Fe cases, will be that the individual officers of the companies are not guilty but that the corporations are the ones that have committed an offense. They therefore may be fined, but it would be rather difficult to put a corporation in jail. So beyond the moral effect that the prosecution may have, there is not much to be expected.

It seems, according to reports, that the combine operated in only eight states, namely, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Arkansas, Alabama and Tennessee. In the eight states named, it sold about 1,700,000 tons of fertilizer a year and by means of the combination, it was enabled to put up the price from \$2.50 to \$4 a ton more than it should have been.

An indication of the way the prosecution in this and other trust cases works, is that the price of fertilizer has dropped in the suffering districts from \$2 to \$4 a ton all ready. This is a confession that the prices charged were extortionate. It is the rule with government prosecutions that the moral effect they have is greater than the actual punishment inflicted on the corporations.

The investigation has certainly showed up a new and neat way for the corporations to at least temporarily get around the anti-trust law. They have made use of Canada as a clearing house. While the companies in the combine were nominally independent, they made use of a corporation in Canada, for a sort of holding company to keep matters straight between the members of the combine and to act practically as the trustees in the old trust idea first developed by the Standard Oil Com-

pany.

It looks as though meat legislation were actually blockaded for the session. There has been excitement at the Capitol all the last of the week over the letter the President sent to Chairman Wads worth of the Agricultural Committee, criticizing the proposed House substitute for the Beveridge Amendment to the Agricultural Appropriation bill. The President came out and said frankly that the substitute was almost as bad as nothing at all, that it was inferior to the Beveridge amendment wherever it differed from the latter, and that if he signed it at all it would be with a distinct memorandum of disapproval along with the signature.

This caused no end of a row in the committee. The majority of the members decided to stand pat on their report and let the thing be fought out between the House and Senate. The result of the whole trouble probably will be that no inspection legislation will be passed at this session and the next Congress will be left to deal with it. This is only what was to be expected. The majority of the committee that has been considering the Beveridge Amendment is given over body and soul to the packing interests and these same interests have enough staunch friends on the floor of the House and it is said in the speakers' chair to make a stubborn fight. The cry has been all along for a "sane and calm" consideration of the matter, knowing that time is always on the side of the trust. Speaker Cannon has echoed this sentiment whenever he has been interviewed, and when the Speaker is against a measure, it has very little show in the House.

The Commissioner of Patents has at last responded to the demands of inventors all over the country as expressed in their protest through C. A. Snow & Co., of Washington and has consented to hold summer hearings on cases in stead of taking his usual summer recess. This will give the office a little time to catch up with the mass of work that has accumulated ahead of it, but the work is still too far in arrears and complete improvement can be attained only by having the Patent Office force work over time and defer vacation to every man on the force until the work is up to date.

The Interstate Commerce Commission is reaching out for more information as to the coal and oil-carrying roads of the country and their relations with the producers. It has now issued a series of questions that are being sent to all of the railroads of the country covering seventeen points of inquiry as to the ownership of coal and oil lands by the roads, the ownership of coal and oil stocks by railroad officials, and a number of other things connected with the sensational industry that

the commission is now prosecuting. Of course only a small portion of the roads will be directly interested in the coal and oil lands as not all of them run through a coal and oil country.

## Scientia Cured After Twenty Years of Torture.

For more than twenty years Mr. J. B. Massey, of 3322 Clinton St., Minneapolis, Minn., was tortured by sciatica. The pain and suffering which he endured during this time is beyond comprehension. Nothing gave him any permanent relief until he used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. One application of that Pain Balm relieved the pain and made sleep and rest possible, and less than one bottle has effected a permanent cure. If trouble with sciatica or rheumatism why not try a 25 cent bottle of Pain Balm and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain. For sale by dealers in Boone and by Blowing Rock Drug Co.

The last vessel to bring a Cargo of Africans to this country according to Colonel William Youngblood of Alabama, reached the coast of Georgia in 1860.

It brought between 500 and 600 negroes and proceeded up the Savannah river to Augusta, when the auction was held. The slaves sold at prices varying from \$300 to \$800 each. Colonel Youngblood, was a school boy, remembers seeing some of the new negroes in the possession of his neighbors.--Ex.

## It is Dangerous to Neglect a Cold.

How often do we hear it remarked: "It's only a cold," and a few days later learn that the man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common occurrence that a cold, however slight, should not be disregarded. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and has gained its great popularity and extensive sale by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It always cures and is pleasant to take. For sale by dealers in Boone and by Blowing Rock Drug Co.

A woman is awfully clever to make her husband want her to buy lots of clothes because she fools him in believing he has such good taste that he appreciates them.

## Not as Rich as Rockefeller.

If you had all the wealth of Rockefeller, the Standard Oil magnate, you could not buy a better medicine for bowel complaints than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The most eminent physician cannot prescribe a better preparation for colic or diarrhoea, both for children and adults. The uniform success of this remedy has shown it to be superior to all others. It never fails, and when reduced with water and sweetened, is pleasant to take. Every family should be supplied with it. For sale by dealers in Boone and by Blowing Rock Drug Co.

Don't think the Beef Trust barons have no friends as the Republican members of the committee on agriculture of the House of Representatives headed by chairman Wads worth are evidently trying to modify harsh legislation.

## Postmaster Robbed.

G. W. Fouts, postmaster at Riverton, La., nearly lost his life and was robbed of all comfort, according to his letter, which says: "For twenty years I had chronic liver complaint, which led to such a severe case of jaundice that even my finger nails turned yellow; when my doctor prescribed Electric Bitters, which cured me and have kept me well for eleven years." "Sure cure for biliousness, neuralgia, weakness and stomach, liver, kidney and bladder derangements. A wonderful tonic. At all druggists, 50 cts.

He has no force with men who has no faith in men.

## Turning To Bryan.

Strange things come to pass in the realm of politics as well as elsewhere. The rejected leader to today may become the popular idol of tomorrow. There is nothing more fickle than public opinion. It strews palm branches in the pathway of its hero one day and joins in the cry of the politicians that he is dangerous the next. It has always been so.

There is nothing for the statesman who knows he is right to do but take his stand for principle and trust to time and the sober second thought of the people to work out results. This has been the course pursued by Mr. Bryan. The country is turning to him. It misjudged him in 1896 and 1900. It thought him impractical and dangerous. He now looms up as the biggest man in any party. Nothing more clearly indicates the revolution in public sentiment than the action of ex Governor Francis Pickens of Missouri who was Secretary of the Interior in President Cleveland's Cabinet, in eulogizing Bryan at the State Convention the other day and nominating him for President in 1908. He said: the conservatives, of whom he was one, had their way in 1904, and everybody knew the result; and now he was willing to follow the great Nebraskan, believing him a sincere lover of humanity and a good man.

Can Mr. Bryan be elected? It is too early to prophesy. Sam Jones says there is only one man who can defeat him and that is Roosevelt, who declares that he will not run again. The corruptionists will find it a harder job than it was in 1896 and 1900. The scandalous revelations of the past year have disgusted the country.

Mr. Bryan, like Clay, Calhoun and Webster, does not need the presidency to establish his primacy. He over tops the leaders of the period in ability and character, and there is no stain on his record, either personal or political. He is brave, manly and consistent. Whether he makes another race for the White House will depend entirely upon whether the situation demands it. If a more available man is found, Mr. Bryan will cheerfully support the nominee, as he did two years ago.--Webster's Weekly.

## Fortunate Missourians.

"When I was a druggist at Liana, Mo.," writes T. J. Dwyer, now of Grayville, Mo., "three of my customers were cured of consumption by Dr. King's New Discovery, and are well and strong today. One was trying to sell his property and move to Arizona, but after using Discovery a short time he found it unnecessary to do so. I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as the most wonderful medicine in existence. The worst cough and cold cure and lung healer. Guaranteed by all druggists, 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free.

Democrats are right in supposing that Bryan can get more votes than any other man in the Democratic and Populist parties combined. That fact has been proven twice.--Burlington Expositor.

## Is It Your Own Hair?

Do you pin your hat to your own hair? Can't do it? Haven't enough hair? It must be you do not know Ayer's Hair Vigor! Here's an introduction! May the acquaintance result in a heavy growth of rich, thick, glossy hair! And we know you'll never be gray.

I think that Ayer's Hair Vigor is the most wonderful hair grower that was ever made. I have used it for some time and I can truthfully say that I am greatly pleased with it. I cheerfully recommend it as a splendid preparation. --Miss V. Brock, Watland, Mich.

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## BANK STATEMENT.

Following is the report of the condition of the Watauga County Bank at Boone, N. C., in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business April 6, 1906:

### RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$27,040.00
Overdrafts unsecured	35.47
Banking house	800.00
Furniture and fixtures	400.00
Due from banks and bankers	7,840.06
Cash items	86.05
Gold coin	20.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	787.73
National bank notes and other U. S. Notes	4,629.00
Total	\$41,638.31

### LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	\$10,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	1,109.25
Bills payable	2,490.00
Deposits subject to check	27,669.06
Cashier's cks. outstanding	370.00
Total	\$41,638.31

State of North Carolina, Watauga county, ss: J. E. S. Coffey, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. S. Coffey, Cashier.  
Correct--Attest: W. C. Coffey, W. L. Bryan, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 6th day of April, 1906.  
Thos. Blagham, C. S. C.

It would be nice thought on the part of the Douma, when visited by Mr. Bryan to draft that gentleman into membership -- Philadelphia Ledger.

People are always regretting to delay the things they did yesterday. Therefore the lazy man has the few regrets.

## Thousands Have Kidney

### Trouble and Never Suspect It.

How To Find Out. Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble, too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

### What To Do.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, cures every ailment in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes.

You may have a sample bottle and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention this paper and don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y.