

Faith the Corner Stone.

The Christian religion is based upon Faith. No less truly is human society dependent upon belief and trust.

The money famine that has reached all sections of the country had its birth when the whole world was shocked by the revelations of the dishonesty of trusted insurance officials.

Confidence is being gradually restored. In fact the South has not been touched at all by lack of confidence in its financial institutions.

A farmer from across the country came into town the other day and went to one of our banks and pulled out a roll of musty bills and said to the cashier that he wanted to deposit the bills in the bank.

Some people think there are many thousand dollars—running up to hundreds of thousands of dollars—in hiding in North Carolina.

North Carolina banks enjoy the confidence of all who know their management and their conditions.

While Gov. Glenn still refuses to talk in regard to calling of a special session of Legislature to take up the passenger rate question it can be stated on the highest authority that Gov. Glenn will, within the next two or three days, issue an order calling a special session.

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The New York Tribune believes that while an elastic currency would help bankers to guide the country through this difficult period it would be no cure for existing financial ills.

The Japanese embassy at Washington has been advised that the national exposition of 1912 at Tokio will be held between April 1 October 31, thus covering both the chrysanthemum and cherry blossom seasons.

The national budget includes an appropriation of \$5,000,000 for the purpose, and with the appropriation expected to be made in the local Tokio and other budgets the aggregate appropriation probably will reach \$10,000,000.

In a hospital at Trinidad, Col., on the 11th inst., there died a woman 83 years old who, for 60 years had passed for a man. Her name was Catharine Vasbaugh.

Recently Miss Rose Johnson, a London rescuer, charged at a mass meeting held in Chicago, that that city had a white slave syndicate that was doing a considerable business.

The medals awarded North Carolina at Jamestown were as follows: The Cochrane Show case Co., of Charlotte, a silver medal; the Hickory Seed Co., of Hickory, a silver medal for cleaned grain and seeds; the Kincaid Veneer and Lumber Co., of Salisbury, a silver medal for quartered oak and sycamore veneering; and the Elkin Woollen Mills, of Elkin, a gold medal for the best blankets in the world.

Rev. C. A. Jenkins, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Statesville, preached recently on the treatment of dumb animals. None of us are considerate enough, and it would be well if the ministers of the gospel would often remind their flocks of their duty to the dumb animals that are unable to plead for themselves.

Some time ago the People's National Bank, of Portsmouth, Va., suspended payment, saying the financial stringency was the cause. Later the bank was placed in the hands of a receiver, it having been made insolvent through the defalcations of the absconded cashier.

Too Much Sadness.

It is possible that off in a tone of melancholy may creep into church or Sunday school services quite depressing to the young. Healthy children do not like minor chords.

A South Bend, Ind., lad, seven years old, attended church for the first time in his life one Sunday last February. He went alone. He had been gone scarcely half an hour when he returned home.

His mother exclaimed: "Why, Frank, why did you leave church so early?" "I'll tell you mamma," was the prompt response, "I couldn't stand the sad songs they were singing about Jesus."—Sel.

There has recently been a letter of Criticism of the Pope written by Father Ferrell, an English Jesuit, and it is probable he will be ex-communicated. It is said that since Luther, this is the first instance of the Pope being scorned by a member of the Catholic clergy.

It is inevitable that temptations come, but every one of us has it largely within his will to say what his temptations shall be; to determine by his conduct of today what form the temptations of tomorrow shall assume.

The well-known Canadian divine, Rev. Dr. John Potts, recently died. He was eminent in Methodist circles, a leading educator, a member of the International Sunday School Lesson Committee and a great Christian Endeavor worker.

Since the Annual Conference of the Methodist Church which met last week in Salisbury last week, adjourned in Mt. Airy last November, seven of the members have died.

A very old lady on her death-bed in a penitential mood said "I have been a great sinner for more than eighty years and did not know it."

An old colored woman who had lived with her a long time exclaimed Lord! I knew it all the time.—Acheson Globe.

Your anxiety does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow; but all it empties today of its strength. It does not make you escape the evil; it makes you unfit to cope with it if it comes.—Ian McLaren.

C. H. Small, a drug clerk in Thomasville, recently received news that his uncle had died in Oklahoma and left him from \$50,000 to \$75,000. He went at once to see about it.

Nearly every man you meet boasts of having been raised on a farm but not one of them would be willing to go back to it and perform the old tasks again. Marshall Gazette.

O. B. Mastin, State Superintendent of South Carolina, has announced his candidacy for the United States Senate to succeed Senator Martin.

It is estimated that 13,000 acres are devoted to onion culture in the United States, and this year's crop is estimated at 2,626,259 bushels.

The State of Washington had the largest apple crop in its history this year.

He who has a good nest finds good friends.—Portugese.

The better the fruit the more wasp do eat it.—German.

A true gentleman will respect a woman even in her weakness.—French.

What you give is written in sand; what you take, with an iron hand.—German.

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Exhume of the Presidents

First stands the lofty Washington, The noble, great, immortal one. The elder Adams next we see, And Jefferson makes the number three.

Then Madison is f. ur. you know. The fifth one on the list Monroe. The sixth and Adams comes again, With Jackson seventh in the train.

Van Buren eighth falls into line Vnd Harrison makes the number nine. The tenth is Tyler in his turn. And Polk eleventh, so we learn.

The twelfth is Tyler in rotation Eilmore thirteenth in succession. Fourteenth Pierce, has been selected. Buchanan fifteenth is elected. And sixteenth Lincoln rules the nation.

And Johnson seventeenth fills his station. The eighteenth then is Grant, you know. And nineteenth Hayes from Ohio. Then comes another Buckeye son, Garfield, the loved and martyred one, Whose term was filled by Arthur through.

When Cleveland comes as twenty two. Then Harrison as twenty-three, When Cleveland once again is heard.

As twenty-fifth, McKinley great, Who, too, has shared the martyr's fate, And, though the deepest grief is felt.

We hail the gallant Roosevelt.—Sup't Shawan Columbus Schools.

[It occurs to us that a more useful lesson than this could hardly be taught to our public school pupils, and we hope our teachers will require the smaller ones, at least, to commit it to memory.]

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Always on hand. The best grades of Bacon, Lard, Flour, Sugar, Coffee, Rice; a good supply of canned goods, etc., etc. MY PRICES ARE RIGHT.

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Very Respectfully, L. L. CRITCHER, (Near School Campus.)

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 Aug. 22, 1907:

Table with columns: RESOURCES, Loans and discounts, Overdrafts secured, Overdrafts unsecured, Banking house, Furniture and fixtures, Due from banks and bankers, Cash items, Gold coin, Silver coin, National bank notes and other U. S. Notes.

Table with columns: LIABILITIES, Capital stock, Undivided profits, less current expenses and tax paid, Bills payable, Time certificates of deposit included in bills payable, Deposits subject to check, Cashier's ck's outstanding.

Total \$45,710.47. State of North Carolina, Watauga county, ss: I, 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: N. L. Mast: W. C. Coffey, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of Sept. 1907. J. M. May, Register of Deeds

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