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### The Editor Not Blameworthy.

Of course, there was no scandal of extension for the killing of ex-Senator Carmack by the Coopers, but the editor-statesman was undoubtedly too vitriolic with his pen. It is easy to say sharp, cutting things. The courageous thing is to leave them unsaid and stick to cold logic.—Greensboro Telegram.

The Landmark wants to go on record before the trial is ended. It has never said that the shouting of Carmack was unprovoked. The editor incited the difficulty. He doubtless had abundant reason for attacking Cooper, but one who makes attacks need not expect that the other man will always be silent or inactive. There was nothing in the editorial which appeared in Carmack's paper on the day of the shooting to provoke blood-shed. So far as the Landmark knows, Cooper's character was not attacked at any time, although according to the evidence produced at the trial, his character is vulnerable. But day after day Carmack in his paper made sharp, cutting, irritating, sarcastic references to Cooper—references that annoyed, humiliated and irritated Cooper and destroyed his peace of mind. One who puts himself in the other fellow's place can easily realize how such things become unbearable. Cooper protested and Carmack knew the old man was writhing. The editor doubtless enjoyed the writhing that was the effect he intended. But when he was advised, as he was, that serious consequences would ensue if he persisted, he should have stopped unless he wanted to provoke the personal difficulty. If he wanted to provoke a fight he was thus far responsible for his own undoing. Whenever an editor feels that right and justice and the public well require him to cry aloud and spare not, he should do it, though all hell should oppose, though his life pay the forfeit and whenever he feels it proper in the interest of right and truth to uncover hypocrites and scoundrels, and hold them up to public scorn, he should do it in the face of all the earth. But there is a difference. A newspaper is a power and when an editor uses it to humiliate his enemies, for whatever reason, unless he can justify his course as a public matter, he is using his power for personal and private reasons. This may be—note the qualification—justifiable at times but if the enemy is disposed to turn and the editor keeps on he has his share of blame for whatever happens. Don't fail however to draw the distinction. This is not to be confounded with public duty. In the discussion of public matters, so often and so intricately interwoven with personal interests it is more than often necessary to criticize men as well as men as well as measures. And after the objects of criticism will claim that attacks are personal, purely to muddy the waters and shift the issue. This claim is often set up to escape newspaper criticism. But no editor worthy the name will allow himself to be stopped from speaking what he believes necessary for the cause of right and justice—and speaking it plainly, no matter who is hit—either by threats or entreaties.

But this is going far afield. Believing that Carmack's constant and irritating references to Cooper were not necessary for the public good—although he may have thought so—we think he should have stopped when he realized that trouble would result, unless he was purposely trying to

provoke trouble. In a hot moment he was not blameless. But the Coopers were not justified. Their story of self-defense is absurd. They went out to kill their man and they took advantage of him and killed him. Under the circumstances, while there was provocation there is nothing creditable to them and they should be punished accordingly.—Statesville Landmark.

### Soldier Bats Death Plot.

It seemed to J. A. Stone, a civil war veteran, of Kemp, Texas, that a plot existed between a desperate lung trouble and the grave to cause his death. "I contracted a stubborn cold," he writes, "that developed a cough that stuck to me, in spite of all remedies, for years. My weight ran down to 70 pounds. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery, which restored my health completely. I now weigh 150 pounds." For Severe colds, obstinate Coughs, Hemorrhoids, Asthma, and to prevent Pneumonia, it's universal. 50 cents and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

### A Great Chestnut.

There is probably no man engaged in the newspaper business in this state, who is not acquainted with a man whose excuse for discontinuing his subscription is that he already "has more papers than he can read." It is only an excuse offered to ameliorate the presumed lacerated condition of the editors' feelings. It has no such effect, for in the first place an editor never worries over the loss of a subscriber except when he leaves the country without paying up arrears. But why not be truthful and say to the honest newspaper man just what you feel in your heart. Go into his den, ask him how much you owe, pay the delinquency and tell him frankly that you don't want his disreputable blackboard sheet any longer. Say to him in a sorrowful tone of voice that you deeply regret his inability to publish a newspaper worthy the name and advise him to sell his plant to some man with a thimble full of brains and seek some occupation which does not require much wear or mind. Do this and then you can go away with the comforting assurance that the editor respects you for your candor and will cherish no hard feelings because you choose to borrow his paper instead of buying it.—Ex.

### The Secret Of Long Life.

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Talking about running the American Tobacco Company out of North Carolina. It couldn't be done with all the steam engines in the State. It has too good a thing and it could not be induced to turn loose. Let the Legislature pass any law it pleases and if the Octopus finds that it has "teeth" the orders will come down from headquarters, "go ahead boys, and obey the law, we can't afford to continue our former methods.—The Louisville Times.

### Brushing the Pension List.

There must be a limit somewhere to the scope of the pension system. Congress laid down such a limit in the law of 1890, and affirmed it in the law of 1908. Why should it be removed now? The trouble with extensions of this sort is that one kneels another, and if the widow who married a veteran forty-eight or forty-nine years after his discharge from the service of the United States is entitled to a pension, it may be urged next that the oldest surviving son or daughter of every veteran is likewise entitled to life support from the government. Under existing laws the nation has provided most generously for the veterans of the civil war and those legitimately dependent upon them and affected by their disabilities. But the line must be drawn somewhere, and Congress, having rounded out our pension system in the legislation of the last four years, ought to set its face against further extensions.

Last year's expenditure on account of military pensions was \$175,831,044. The total has been exceeded only once—in the fiscal year 1892-'93, when the back payments authorized by the law of 1890 reached their maximum—and is about \$12,000,000 greater than the average expenditure between 1893 and 1907. It is apparent that Congress has been most open handed in meeting the claims of the civil war pensioners, since but for the increases in rates and the numerous inclusions authorized in the last four years, the annual expenditure would now have fallen to less than \$120,000,000. It is time to consider the pension system as adequate and complete.—Ex.

### Washington Once Gaye Up.

to three doctors was kept in bed for five weeks. Blood poison from a spider's bite caused large, deep sores to cover his leg. The doctors failed, then Bucklen's Arnica Salve completely cured me," writes John Washington, of Rosqueville, Tex. For eczema, boils, burns and piles its supreme. 25c. at all druggists.

### Who Was Jack Robinson?

Jack Robinson has long been a favorite synonym for rapidity of speech or action, but possibly few people who use the phrase are aware that Jack Robinson was a real live person. "As a politician," says Lady Dorothy Nevill in her "Reminiscences," "John Robinson was a great favorite with George III. His political career was long, for he was a member for Harwich during twenty-six years, being on one occasion bitterly attacked by Sheridan, who, denouncing bribery and its instigators, replied to the cries of 'Name! Name!' by pointing to Robinson on the treasury bench exclaiming at the same time, 'Yes, I could name him as soon as I could say Jack Robinson,' and thus originated the saying still current at the present day."

Col. Bullet Head Cooper now on trial at Nashville with the others for the murder of ex-Senator Carmack, will not, of course, be convicted by the jury of fee but illiterate peers who are nodding along in the jury box while the lawyers are fighting, but since they have showed up the old man's financial record, he may lose some of his peacock feathers.—Monroe Journal.

### Man And His Shoes

How much man-like shoes should For instance both a sole may lose; Both have been tanned; both are made tight. By colds; both get left and right; Both need a mate to be complete. And both are made to go with feet. With shoes, the last is first; with men, The first shall be the last; and when The shoes wear out they're mended new; When men wear out they're mended, too. They both need heading, of course, are sold. And both in time turn all to mould. They both are trod upon, and both Will tread on others, nothing both. Both have their ties, and both incline. When polished, in the world to shine. They both peg out. Now would you choose? To be a man or be his shoes? —Selected

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### NOTICE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by Geo. M. McQuire and wife Jesse P. McQuire on the 25th day of March 1907, to W. F. Parker and Co., all parties of the state of North Carolina and County of Watauga said mortgage being to secure the payment of the sum of \$500, upon which has been paid the sum of \$250. Now therefore by virtue of said power I will proceed to sell at the court house door in the town of Boone in Watauga county, N. C. between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. on the 31st day of April, 1909 at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said debt, interest and costs. Beginning on a stake E. J. Smith's 27/100 acre of the public road to an apple tree then N. 5 poles to a stake in M. M. McQuire's line then E. 2 poles to a stake in W. F. Parker and Co.'s line then S. 2 poles to a stake in E. J. Smith's line then with said line to the beginning by taking 7 acres more or less, and subject to all liens and encumbrances of \$75. 2nd tract. Adjoining lot No. 1. Beginning on a stake four feet above an apple tree on the side of the road, and runs W. 12 poles to a stake in George Hayes' line then N. with said line 10 p. to a hick, at the point of a ridge then E. 21 poles with the said Hayes' line to a chestnut tree then S. 10 p. to the beginning containing 3.12 acres more or less. Said lands situated in the county of Watauga and State of North Carolina, near Silverstone P. O. Said mortgage being recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Watauga county in Book L, pages 63 to which reference is hereby made. This Feb. 1st, 1908. W. F. PARKER & Co., Mortgagee.

### NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga County. By virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage deed executed on the 11th day of November, 1904, by J. R. Harmon and Bettle Harmon to the undersigned to secure a debt in the sum of \$800.00 interest and costs, I will on the 31st day of April, 1909, at 10 o'clock, P. M., sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, at the court house door in Boone, N. C. the following described tract of land lying and being in Watauga County, Laurel Creek Township and beginning on a hickory and sourswood J. W. Harmon's corner, and runs S. with said Harmon's line 154 poles to a white pine in M. G. Sherman's line; then W. with said line, 40 poles to a pine and maple; then N. 150 poles to a small spruce pine; then E. 10 poles to a stake in the bed of the branch; then down and with said branch 64 poles to a stake where said branch crosses the road; thence down said branch 23 poles to a stake; then E. 8 poles to a stake at road; then up said road 8 40 W. 12 poles to Harmon's stake corner; then S. 27 W. with said Harmon's line 97 poles to the beginning, containing 47 acres more or less. Said sale is made to satisfy said debt, interest and costs. This 27th day of Feb. 1909. M. G. SHEARER, Mortgagee. P. A. LINNEY, Atty.

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