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HENRY H. ROGERS,

Charlotte News.
It is human nature's proneness to belittle and malign those occupying higher stations in life than ourselves. Too often we are ready with slurring and caustic criticisms of men who have outdistanced us, for no better reason than we were outstripped. Rich men are and ever have been the target of criticism. Many there be who consider all possessors of wealth crooks and knaves. Criticism tempered with a grain of charity, is far too rare. After all, "there's lots of good in the worst of us, and lots of bad in the best of us," and we know of no better illustration of this time-honored quotation than the life of Henry H. Rogers.

Perhaps Rogers was hard hearted in his business dealings. His faults were many, without question. All men have more or less excess baggage of this class, and the fact that some of them seem over-laden is oftentimes because their prominence attracts closer attention to their shortcomings. Be his faults many or few, it is not of them that we wish to speak now, for Rogers is dead.

To begin a business career as a vendor of newspapers and mount to the most enviable position in the world of high finance is an achievement which could not be wrought by a knave or a numbscull.

Rogers loved his mother, one of the best ear-marks of a real man. Beset by a thousand business cares, bearing the weight of heavy responsibilities, a man of affairs of such magnitude as to demand the greater part of his time, a man who did things hourly. Rogers never became too enamored of business ambition, nor too married to his material affairs, to remember the great heart that first taught him love.

Here is what the aged Dr. Coyer, long-time friend of Rogers, said of the deceased at the funeral ceremonies:

"I think I am most sensitive to uncouth speech, but I have searched my memory in vain for one coarse or profane word ever passed his lips.

He said to me once: 'I think the memory of my mother waiting for me when I come home is the sweetest memory of my life.' I had noticed that he had absented himself from services on certain Sundays of each month and I asked him once why he remained away and he replied: 'I went to Fair Haven to see my mother. I never let a month pass without visiting her.'

Perhaps Rogers was hard and cold. He was a winner in a hard and cold world, and one usually loses many of the softer and gentler attributes when daily paired for battle where the Almighty Dollar is the goal.

His shortcomings were many. No doubt he may deserve the bitterest excoriations for some of his characteristics and deeds, but somewhere in the makeup of the great magnate there was a spark of humanity unlike divinity. There was good in the man, and we call for no further proof than the manner in which he remembered her who brought him into the world.

"I'd Rather Die, Doctor," than have my feet cut off," said M. L. Bingham, of Pineville, Ill., "but you'd die from gangrene (which had eaten away ten toes) if you don't," said all doctors. Instead, he used Bucklen's Arnica Salve till, wholly cured, its cures of Eczema, Fever Sores, Boils, Burns and Piles astounded the world, 25c. at all druggists.

Important Notice as to School-Tax Levy.

The attention of the people of the county, the county board of education and the county commissioners are called to the fact that the counties heretofore receiving aid from the second hundred thousand dollars for a four months school term cannot hereafter receive any part of the State appropriation unless the county commissioners on the first Monday in June levy a special tax on all taxable property and polls of the county, in addition to the regular school tax, sufficient to raise one half of the additional amount needed to provide a full four months term in every school district; and no county will receive from the second hundred thousand dollars for this purpose more than it raises by this special tax, except the counties that levy the maximum special tax of five cents on the hundred dollars valuation of property and fifteen cents on the poll. The counties levying this maximum special tax will then receive from the second hundred thousand dollars all the balance needed for a full four months term in every district, even though the special tax does not provide one half of the amount needed.

The law, as amended by the General Assembly of 1909, requires the county board of education to submit to the county commissioners on the first Monday in June a carefully itemized statement of the expenses of a four-months school in every school district of the county, and a carefully itemized estimate of the receipts from the regular school tax of eighteen cents on the hundred dollars valuation of property from fines, forfeitures, penalties, and all other sources, showing the deficit needed to provide a full four months term in every school district; and the commissioners are required to levy a sufficient tax on all property and polls of the county to provide one half of this deficit, up to the maximum of five cents on the hundred dollars valuation of property and fifteen cents on the poll, the other part of the deficit to be supplied out of the State appropriation known as the second hundred thousand dollars.

The new law encourages self-help and economy, and absolutely guarantees a full four months term in every school district, without any scaling, as has been necessary heretofore on account of the excess of the demands over the appropriation for a four months school. This guarantees the people of these counties a better school and a longer term than they have ever had before. We are calling attention to the matter now, that the county board of education and the county commissioners may not overlook it on the first Monday in June. The county that fails to conform to the law and secure the State appropriation by levying this small necessary special tax for better schools and longer terms will hear from the people.

A State exchange says that Rev. Oscar Hawood, pastor of the Collegiate Church of the Covenant, of New York City, was in Raleigh a few days ago and gave it out that he owns 1,000 acres of land in Montgomery county, on the Aberdeen & Ashboro rail way, which he is going to convert into a school of farming for destitute boys from New York City. He will not take criminal boys but those of good character from his church and Sunday School.

Remember Roosevelt and Don't Slop Over.

Asheville Gazette-News.
Says the Charleston News and Courier: "If President Taft had enjoyed the right kind of early training, he would have been a Democrat, and we do not for a moment believe that his evolution is now complete."

Current events lend pertinence to this remark, but our Democratic friends had best have a care, lest they have a rude awakening, such as they experienced under the Roosevelt administration. At one time Mr. Roosevelt seemed to be training with the Democrats, and Democrats had the run of the White House, much as did Messrs Lodge and Pinchot and Garfield, and other members of the kitchen and tennis cabinets. He even counseled with Democrats regarding legislative matters, and appealed to members of that party for aid when dealing with refractory Republicans while the rate bill was under consideration. And then, one bright morning, when the blow was least expected, and Mr. Roosevelt had used these Democrats as long as there was any need for their services, he threw them all overboard, and resumed business with the Senate leadership. The country will have little difficulty in recalling that former Senator Chandler, of New Hampshire, told of the Roosevelt-Democratic pact, and got himself made a charter member of the Ananias club for his pains. And so, while Democrats in a extract a great deal of encouragement from the situation as at present shaped up, they would just as well make haste slowly. One of these days Mr. Taft will begin to think about 1912, and whenever he does he will give Democrats a jolt that will make Mr. Roosevelt's treatment of those buncoed Senate Democrats look like a caress.

Words To Freeze The Soul.

"Your son has consumption. His case is hopeless." These appalling words were spoken to George E. Blevins, a leading merchant at Springfield, N. C., by two expert doctors—one a lung specialist. Then was shown the wonderful power of Dr. King's New Discovery. "After three weeks use," writes Mr. Blevins, "he was as well as ever. I would not take all the money in the world for what it did for my boy." Infallible for coughs and colds, its the safest, surest cure of desperate lung diseases on earth, 50c. and \$1.00. Guarantee satisfaction. Trial bottles free at all druggists.

Let no boy think the clothes he wears, the horse he rides, the stick he carries, the dog that trots after him, the house he lives in or the money he spends can make him a gentleman. Not one or all of these can do it; and yet, every boy may be a gentleman. He may wear an old hat, cheap clothes, live in a poor house and spend but little money, but by being true, manly, honorable, by keeping himself neat and respectable, by being civil and courteous, and above all, by fearing God and keeping His Commandments, he can be a gentleman.—Union Times.

Wilkesboro Chronicle: Mr. Jo. Crisp, who lived near Moravian Falls, sold his place last week to Mr. Henkel, of the Henkel Live Stock Co., of Lenoir. Mr. Crisp will locate near Richmond, Va., where he has bought property. Mr. Henkel's object in buying the property is to prepare more extensively for the cattle business.

Keith Pritchard Captured.

Lenoir Topic 26th.
Sheriff Smith and Messrs. H. B. Lingle, P. B. Bush and Bill Garland captured Keith Pritchard at 8 o'clock yesterday morning at his home seven miles above Mortimer.

Before day light the Sheriff and party secreted themselves near the house and awaited developments. A few minutes before the arrest, Pritchard was seen with a Winchester in his hand going toward the house from the barn where he had slept during the night. As soon as he entered the house the officers closed in and surprised Pritchard—he had laid his gun down and stepped out into the yard when the officers covered him with their guns. Keith had a pistol on his person and showed signs of wanting to use it, but under the circumstances thought it safer to hold up his hands, which he promptly did.

The prisoner was taken to Mortimer yesterday, kept there last night, brought to Lenoir this morning on an early train, and landed in jail for safe keeping.

It will be remembered that Keith Pritchard and his brother engaged in a pitched battle with W. E. Garland and Samuel Smith some months ago near Mortimer, resulting in the killing of Honeycutt and seriously wounding Garland in the face and shoulder. Since that time it is thought the Pritchards have been lying out in the mountains above Mortimer and in eastern Tennessee. Keith confessed to the shooting of Garland, but says his brother killed Honeycutt.

Pritchard is about 30 years of age and is a rough character. A reward of \$200 was offered for his capture.

Stand By Your Town.

More towns die for want of confidence on the part of business men and lack of public spirit, than any other cause, says a floating editorial. When a man in search of a home or business location goes into a town and finds everything full of hope and enthusiasm for the prospects of the place and all earnestly at work to build it up, he soon becomes imbued with the same spirit, and, as a result, he drives down stakes and goes to work with the same interest. When however, he goes to a town where the people express doubt and apprehension for the future prosperity of the place, moping about and indulging in mournful complaints, he naturally feels that it is no place for him, and at once shakes the dust from his feet while he pulls out with all possible speed for some other place. Consequently, try to make a live, enterprising town out of the town in which you live. When you are working for your town you are accomplishing all the more for yourself.—Lexington Advertiser.

Abdul Hamid has surrendered \$5,000,000 to the new Turkish government. The ex-sultan might prolong his existence considerably by entering into an agreement with the Young Turks to turn over each year \$5,000,000 of the \$100,000,000 he is supposed to have hidden away, says the Herald-Courier.

A Philadelphia man bet that he could drink two quarts of whiskey in two hours. He did, but he is dead. A Chicago girl bet she could waltz one hour without stopping. She did, but she is dead. These things have the fool-killer trouble, however.

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