

The Question

The following is submitted in answer to Mrs. A. P. S. whose query was printed in last Sunday's issue...

The author of "The White Doe" is Mrs. R. P. Cotton, of Falkland, Pitt Co., N. C. The poem was originally published by A. N. Lippincott Company, of Philadelphia...

R. D. W. CONNOR. (The Observer's thanks are due Mrs. Lucy E. Robertson, of Greensboro, and Mr. J. C. Wagon, of High Point, for kindly answers to the same query.)

Tyler—Are the services of Thomas Paine, the ardent advocate of human rights and liberties, promoted by the American people because his theological works are regarded as false, or are the arguments he sets forth in these regarded as unanswerable?

A.—It is difficult to gauge a writer on economics, and even more so to assert that his influence would have been greater or less but for the opinions he may have held on other matters...

C. M. B.—What two chapters in the New Testament read exactly alike?

A. There are none. The nineteenth chapter of Second Kings and the thirty-seventh chapter of Isaiah are alike.

J. M. V.—Where can I procure the works of Herbert Spencer?

A. From any bookseller. The publishers are Appleton & Co., New York.

S. E. S.—I have some Confederate bills and would like to know if they are of any value—some \$500, one \$100, one \$5, and several \$10 and \$20 bills, all made in Richmond?

A.—A stray newspaper paragraph tells me that the \$500 Richmond bill, if dated 1864, is worth from five to ten cents...

J. J. F.—Is Ridpath's History of the World the best that can be obtained? Where can it be bought, and what should the eight volumes cost? To what church did Dr. Ridpath belong?

A. Probably it is. My set was published by the Jones Brothers Publishing Co., of Cincinnati, and cost about thirty dollars...

A. A.—Consult a veterinary.

H. G. D.—What is the best simple remedy to make the muskrat grow and how should it be used?

A.—Any hair tonic will serve. Vasoline, well rubbed into the lip several times a day, will promote the growth of hair...

L. M. M.—Persons born Aug. 3d can readily adapt themselves to almost any condition in life...

M. E. G.—Please tell me what kind of oil is used in tempering fine steel tools; we often hear them advertised as oil-tempered...

A.—Steel is tempered by heating and suddenly cooling, repeating the process and regulating the heat by the temper desired...

N. B. S.—Is there any public land in Old Mexico, which may be taken up as homesteads?

A.—It is likely that other than citizens of Mexico could homestead land there. Write Senor Don Ramon Corral, secretary of the Interior, City of Mexico, Mex., for information.

A. B. D.—What is a madstone, and where found?

A.—A stone more or less popularly supposed to cure hydrophobia, or to prevent it when threatened...

S. A. W.—What is the weight of a sheet of steel ten feet long, nine feet wide and half an inch thick?

A.—About 1827 pounds. (2) You will need to find a buyer before the value can be ascertained...

N. C.—I have an English shilling with Queen Elizabeth's profile on it, coined in 1555. It is considerably worn, but the date and profile can be distinguished...

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Mooreville, Oct. 8.—The stockholders of the Merchants & Farmers' Bank met Tuesday afternoon and effected an organization and elected the following board of directors: E. W. Brawley, B. W. Pressly, W. C. Johnson, W. Cole, B. G. Truman, James W. Brown, E. H. Miller, A. B. Culp, and J. F. Brawley.

TILLMAN DRANK WITH HIM. And That, Too, After an Uncomplimentary Remark. Portland, Ore., Dispatch to Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Seneca Fouts, a young Portland lawyer, was sitting in the lobby of the Oregon Hotel when a friend called his attention to Senator Tillman engaged in conversation at the opposite end of the lobby...

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