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HARD TIMES FOR NEWSPAPERS.

The Greenville, E. C., Evening Sun has discontinued publication after a brief but bright career. We regret its demise, but do not wonder. The causes operative in a number of such cases occurring of late are well stated by The Greenville News.

A FUGITIVE EDITOR.

Not content with having previously taken forcible possession of his newspaper and changed its politics from Democratic to Republican, a vigilance committee has now chased Editor Smith, of The Mitchell County Record, out of Mitchell county altogether.

THE ASHEVILLE GAZETTE-NEWS

contributes to the "reverend" whiskey discussion. "Several weeks ago," says our Asheville contemporary, "a man said: 'Fellow gave me a drink of blockade liquor yesterday. I s'pose it was blockade; he said it was fresh from the still, and that it was the reverend stuff.'"

IT HAS BEEN A RECOGNIZED FACT

for some time that one of Charlotte's Presbyterian churches ranks among the Southern Presbyterian Church's two or three largest in membership. A few days ago, when the elders and deacons of the First Associate Reformed Presbyterian church raised the pastor's salary by \$100, Charlotte gained another distinguished place in the ranks of Calvinism.

THE CITY SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

have recommended changes from a fire safety standpoint in the school building and the city board of health has declared the old rock quarry a nuisance and a menace.

IF THE YOUNG ELKINS-ABRUZZI

couple are depending upon Grandpa Gassaway Davis to loosen up they should take the experience of the 1904 Democratic campaign committee with this venerable tight-wad into serious consideration.

AMONG THE THINGS TO BE SAID

for the Populist party is that it alone has not regarded the South as a hopeless outpost but has this second time nominated a Southern man for the presidency.

DON'T ASK US.

Columbia State. "Colonel Graves," says The Charlotte Observer, "is one of the acknowledged geniuses of the South. But would the South gain if she swapped a thousand plain, commonplace builders for an equal number of geniuses like Colonel Graves?"

ONLY THEY HAVE LESS AS STATE.

Greenville, E. C., News. Thomas E. Watson is back at his old post as nominee of the Populist. The Populists are like some Democrats. They believe in changing the date and not the form of the programme.

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