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WASHINGTON LETTER. Republicans Trying to Deceive the People - Congress to Adjourn - Other Matters of Interest.

Washington, April 25.—The republicans are doing their level best to deceive the people as to the real conditions existing in the business world. They are pouring speeches into Congress for use in the coming campaign.

They will then begin to circulate their "stand pat" and "prosperity" speeches, hoping to lull to sleep the great mass of voters and to keep them ignorant of the real facts as to the industrial depression which is on still and which cannot be vanquished, even by republican rhetoric.

At the War Department, the other day, I learn that Quartermaster General Humphrey and other officers of the Quartermaster's department of the army, have arranged a most interesting exhibit of that great military supply department for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

I also learned from Mr. P. V. De Graw, the Eastern Press Agent of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, that thousands of World's Fair passes, good for ten admissions to the Exposition, are being mailed to editors of daily and weekly newspapers throughout the United States.

If there is any one thing that the Democratic party is prouder of than all other things, that one thing is its efforts to better the schools of this country. The schools are not what they should be. There are many people who still oppose any thing that looks like reform or improvement.

DAVIDSON COUNTY NEWS. A Narrow Escape from Fire - S. V. V. five Cases of Measles at Thomasville Orphanage - Other News.

Mr. Julius Darr, who lives about a mile from town, came very near losing his barn by fire Monday morning. His little son got hold of a match, fired a straw stack and they had a very hard time to keep his barn from burning.

Mr. Archibald Johnson, the able editor of Charity and Children, informs The Dispatch that there are more than seventy-five cases of measles at the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. This is a big crowd of sick children and The Dispatch hopes they will soon be bright and well again.

Real estate in Thomasville is selling at a high price these days. A bit of land owned by Mr. G. M. Griffith, 25 feet front by 150 feet back, facing Main street, was sold one day last week for a good deal more than \$1,000.

Mr. Geo. Hebrick, of Snider, has a bee gum which is about 25 years old. The gum was made by E. J. Abnam Cross, who is now living in Ellis, Kansas.

Mr. Editor—According to promise our sketch this week will be concluding thoughts on last week's subject in regard to the Shepherd's agencies of salvation. Next to the life and gospel of Jesus, the divinity of Christ proclaimed by Peter, on which the church of all religious professions were founded—not on Peter—but on Peter's confession of the divinity—"Thou art the Christ."

How the Seed of a Plum or Apricot Tree Germinates. The method by which a plum or apricot tree makes its entrance upon the stage of life is interesting.

Mr. Olivet Items. We are still having cool weather for the time of year, especially the nights are cool and frosty.

The central truth of the Bible is, "There is a God whose nature is love." And it is in the light of this truth that all Scriptures must be interpreted. The law of interpretation requires that individual passages be conforming to the nature of God, rather than that the nature of God be transformed to fit a passage.

MONTGOMERY NEWS. Child Burned to Death - Break in Dam Cured Electric Light Plant to Shut Down - Other Items.

A sad accident occurred in the family of Mr. H. C. Morris near Montgomery postoffice last Thursday. A little girl just four years and four days old was burned to death. Friends who knew her say that she was a bright, lovely and affectionate child, very obedient and the idol of the family.

A break in the electric plant dam has thrown Troy into darkness this week. But the dam is being repaired, and it will be only a short time before the lights will be in operation as before.

The phone system is partially in operation, the town and main lines having been connected. The country lines are not yet completed. Miss Mamie Heasne has been placed in charge of the central office which is located in the U. S. War Office.

Mr. W. G. Freeman and Miss Mary Yarborn, of Caplesville, were married at Ovil on the 23rd inst. Rev. W. M. Bestick performed the ceremony.

Mr. John Harrington, of the Indian Territory, Miss Cattie Harrington, of Carthage, and Mrs. Capps, of Aberdeen, visited at the home of Mr. J. E. Parker last week.

Mr. Bailey Owen is suffering from injuries received from a horse running away with a wagon, not serious but painful.

Mr. J. M. Matthews, a well known Greensboro hotelier, will be resident manager of the Harris Lithia Springs hotel, in South Carolina, this year for Mr. C. E. Hooper, proprietor of the Central hotel at Charlotte, who has leased the property.

People here are much interested in a forthcoming book by James W. Albright, of Asheville, which will shortly be issued from a Greensboro publishing house. It will be a volume of 150 pages, bound in cloth, and will have this title, "Greensboro from 1850 to 1904; Being Facts, Figures, Traditions and Personal Reminiscences Collected by James W. Albright, who was born in Greensboro in 1835, when it was a village, and has seen it grow to its present size."

WHY IT SHOULD BE TURNER. The Iredell Man is the Most Fit in All Respects.

Many writers in the State press have from time to time paid high tribute to the merits and high character of Hon. W. D. Turner, of Iredell, in connection with the governorship. A writer in Sunday's Charlotte Observer, signing himself J. A. P., from Winston, in eastern North Carolina, states the matter as fittingly. Speaking kindly of all the candidates, the writer referred to says: "At this convention personal popularity will not be so highly considered as a combination of attributes, and especially his fitness to successfully cope with the many issues to be confronted, political and financial. There will be weighed his natural bent—his capacity to meet emergencies, his tact and intuitive knowledge in the encouragement, the energizing of home industries, his firmness and oversight in dealing with the incomes and expenses of the State. In a word, the man who is believed to represent most aptly State progress and State economy will be, and should be, the coming nominee of the Democratic party."

The opposition, of course, will be ready to attack the record of the nominee, both private and public. Now, whose strong arm can best stand and withstand? There is an old adage of things, "W. D. Turner's private life is stainless. He is a faithful husband and a devoted father, a sincere friend, a generous neighbor and a magnanimous foe. His record as a legislator and his presidency of the Senate evoked praise and commendation. He has been a constant defender, a sturdy upholder of the principles of Democracy. He is in the very fullness and ripeness of glorious manhood. There is an evenness of balance in the general make-up of Mr. Turner that wins the confidence of the agricultural, mechanical and business people of the State—that bespeaks him as a safe, experienced and impartial State officer. There is a genuine honesty of thought and an openness of purpose that impresses one at once. In him you readily recognize the trained lawyer, vigorous thinker, broad-minded and watchful. He is tall and erect in stature, plain in manner, and in his eyes he has the look of a leader that will be vindicated in sunshine, undimmed in storm. There is no man in North Carolina that has superior equipment, natural and legal, than he, for the faithful fulfillment of the many arduous duties that will rest upon the occupant of the chair of the Chief Magistracy of our conservative Commonwealth. In a word, W. D. Turner has preeminently the four fundamentals demanded of a great campaigner—capacity and honesty, courage and economy. No invective comparison can be made of the deservedly popular candidate for each and every one are good and true men, vouched for and well qualified."

But this time there will be marching and counter-marching, and many tents will be pitched around about the historic city. Panoplic knights of tested valor will be there, armed for battle—each sans peur and sans reproach. But there is a divine light that shapes our ends, and surely, unmistakably, the hour-hand of destiny distinctly points—Turnerward.

To Tired Teachers. Dear Teachers—Perhaps most of you who taught in Rural districts have closed your schools. No doubt at this time many of you are feeling tired and discouraged. You are tired, because the efforts you have put forth to make your school a success, are unappreciated by parents and pupils.

For your weariness, forget for a season the school room, enjoy the beauties of nature, which are seen on every hand, and read interesting literature. Don't do this to gather thoughts for your next year's work, but to entertain yourself. You have been entertaining the students, (for no teaching is without its charm,) so now take this recreation. If you are discouraged you are not alone. Even Paul said "rest down," but he also said not forsaken.

In every walk of life there are discouragements. This world has no room for the man or woman who is always hunting the easy place. You need not seek some other employment simply to avoid unpleasantness, but continue your work with a determination to conquer.

The work in which you are engaged is one of the noblest of all works. Oh, it is a great trust, the future of the home, church, and state. Therefore go on, gather courage to do even better work than you have done in the past, and help place North Carolina's sons and daughters on a plane of mental development equal to that of any other state in the Union. D. B. B.

The impression has prevailed for generations that a note dated on Sunday or other legal contracts made on Sunday are void under the law. But the North Carolina Supreme Court has decided to the contrary in the case of Rodman vs. Robinson from the bench. This involved a contract made for the sale of land on Sunday. Chief Justice Clark writes the opinion of the North Carolina statutory law prohibits any labor, work or business on Sunday in one's "ordinary calling," and if a deed or other purchase of one's ordinary calling, then such contract is not in violation of the statute and is valid.—Stateville Landmark.

A GIANT FRAUD. The Government Cheated Out of Thirty Thousand Dollars by a Storekeeper and Gauger at Milton, N. C.

A most gigantic scheme of robbery was unearthed in the federal court at Greensboro recently in the trial of a case against one Davis, a storekeeper and gauger for a whisky concern at Milton, N. C.

It seems that this rectifying plant was enabled to purchase in some western town a barrel of proof spirits of its own, sixty-five gallons, bring it to its establishment and secure from the office in Raleigh revenue stamps sufficient for over eight thousand gallons of blackberry whisky. The enormity of the fraud can be imagined from the fact that in three or four months time the concern has been able to cheat the government out of thirty thousand dollars and that by the purchase of stamps for sixty-five gallons of proof spirits it could secure from the office in Raleigh stamps enough to cover eight thousand gallons of marketable liquor.

Following is the story of the crime: The crime is one of the boldest and most successful in the history of internal revenue swindling. There has been much petty larceny by the distillers, but the gigantic swindle upon which it was carried on at Milton, is something that will startle the State. It has already been published in these columns that A. J. Davis has been convicted, and W. N. Bouldin indicted, the latter to be tried at special term of court, but the full details of the successful swindle have not hitherto been printed.

The following is from Mr. B. B. Bouldin who formerly lived in Raleigh and is well known in this State, Virginia and other States. He has held in Washington City and elsewhere a responsible position in the Internal Revenue Department, and is well versed in the law and the execution of the laws regulating the Internal Revenue service. His statement shows a condition that calls for severe condemnation to say the least. Here is what Mr. Bouldin states as published in the News and Observer:

"So many of our fellow citizens having expressed an interest in the revenue case that has occupied the time in Judge Bowd's court for several days past, and which yesterday resulted in the conviction of a United States Gauger upon the charge of complicity in the most gigantic fraud against the government ever practiced in this district in the history of the State; and several having come to me for a statement of the facts connected with the case, knowing that I had witnessed the trial, I beg to state my impressions for the benefit of those who were not in court, and who desire that I take this method of informing them.

"Without giving names, I will state that it appeared from the evidence, that certain persons at Milton, N. C., established a rectifying and wholesale liquor establishment, a year or two since, and at once began to handle large quantities of illicit whiskey.

"The question immediately arose, 'How may we dispose of this illicit whiskey with the least risk of detection?'

"To attain this object one of the most ingenious plans ever conceived in this part of the moral vineyard was entered into, and, if the patient reader will follow me closely and carefully, I will endeavor, in as short a space as possible, to give an idea of the working of the scheme.

packages, they mail them to the rectifier at Milton, N. C. "This rectifier then makes application to the collector at Raleigh to have gauger come and dump for rectification the spirits described in said stamps. Now the gauger being in collusion with the distiller reports the packages as actually in the rectifying house at Milton, N. C., and as gauged by him, when in fact they are not there. But more—instead of reporting the spirits as 10 per cent. goods he reports it to the collector as 190 per cent. goods or 19 times as much as the stamps call for, thus procuring stamps for 19 times as much spirits as the rectifier is entitled to. The collector issues the stamps then for 8,550 gallons, all upon the basis of the one 45 gallon means of fraudulent representations of this one package of 45 gallons which started in the West, appears in North Carolina as 8,550 gallons all tax paid. Now this was carried on for four months, and the Government has been defrauded of not less than \$30,000 at this one little house at Milton.

"The question now is how was the collector at Raleigh deceived, if indeed he was? "The law requires that the collector shall issue the stamps to rectifiers upon their application; after having sent a gauger to examine and gauge the packages in the rectifying house to be dumped for rectification.

"The gauger is required to cut out the part of the stamp showing the number of proof gallons contained in the package.

"The collector's report, and shows the collector the number of proof gallons to be placed on the stamp being given to cover the actual proof gallons in the packages dumped for rectification and no more.

"Well, to make a long story short the gauger did not cut out the part showing the proof gallons, but simply reported the proof 190 per cent. when it was in fact only 10 per cent. thus asking for credit for 19 times the quantity to which the rectifier was entitled. The collector did not demand this evidence as the law expressly required him to do, this being the only check the collector had upon the gauger, but issued stamps without reference to the proper basis of credit and we find him in the position of issuing stamps for 8,550 gallons upon one little measly credit of 45 proof gallons, and this defrauding the government out of as much as \$3,000 in one day. Does any one think this was ignominiously done?"

"The counsel for the defense in the trial of the gauger argued that if the gauger is guilty, the collector is equally so, and I think that no one can question the justice of this assertion. The gauger has been convicted, and the judge has repeatedly said he would make an example of officers who were in collusion with distillers to defraud the Government. He has postponed sentence until others connected with the case shall be tried. Who are they? What will be done with reference to the collector?"

"Hello, Mr. President! How are your little investigations of postal frauds coming on?" "We can afford the Government of more in a few months in this revenue district alone than Machen and his crowd could in a whole administration."

Quite a Disappointment. Mr. C. B. Smith, wishing to attend the school commencement at Providence on April 15 to hear Gov. Aycock speak as was announced, and employed Mr. J. M. Brewer, our town marshal, to convey him. The distance being so far, arrangements were made to leave town at 5 a. m., and as Mr. B. is a very successful sleeper at that hour, Mr. S. in order to have everything on schedule time, took the pains to send his alarm clock over to Mr. B.'s house so he would be sure to wake up in time. Mr. Brewer's mind became entirely on the alarm clock, so he lay awake all night until 3:30 a. m. in the clock made the desired alarm, when he awfully went off to sleep, leaving Mr. S. to make other arrangements. We have always understood that an alarm clock was intended to wake up a person instead of giving notice that the time had arrived to go to sleep.

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