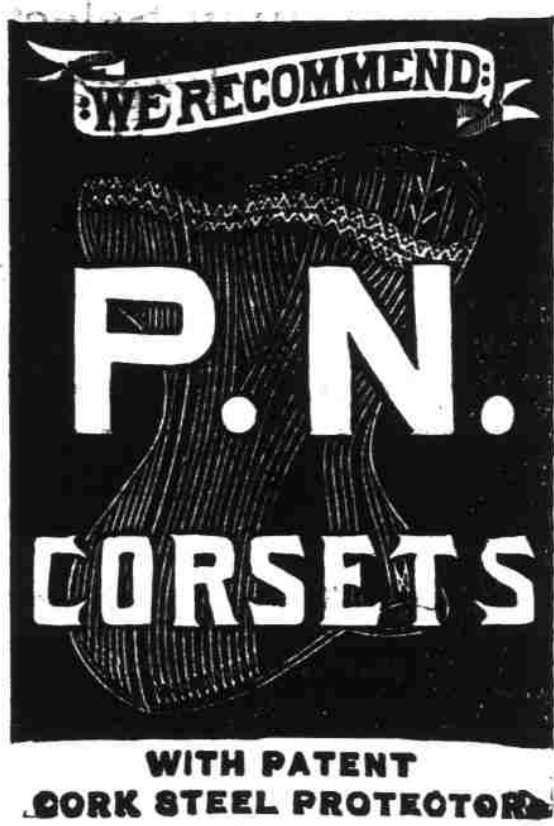
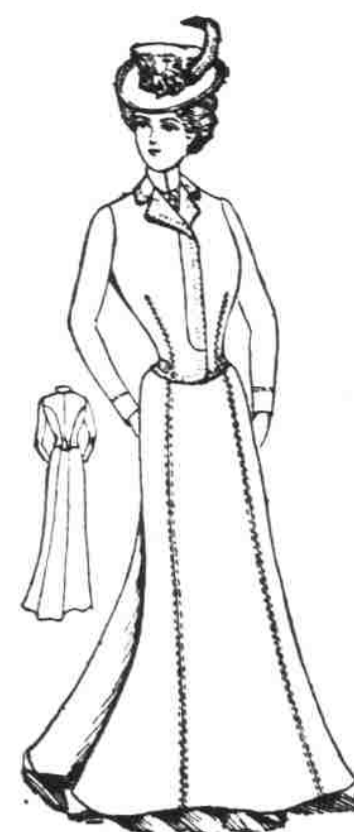


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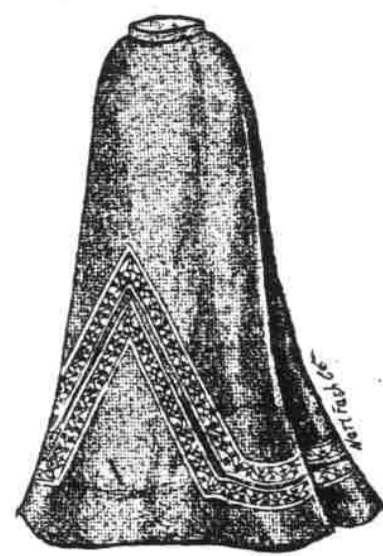
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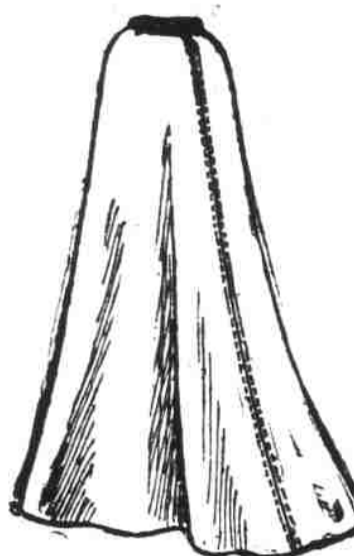


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TOPICS OF INTEREST AT WASHINGTON

Party 'Supremacy' vs. Honest Elections - The Dockery Bellamy Contest.

Gazette Bureau, Washington, Feb. 23.

The democratic press of North Carolina continues to dismally bemoan the fact that the Washington Post has withheld its endorsement of the Simmons disfranchising scheme. The Post has thrown a great deal of sop towards southern democrats, especially during late years, and they miss beyond expression the air of respectability which the moral support of the Post has given to their little queer ways. But despite the fact that the Post has recognized in some of the southern states a fertile field for expansion in the way of subscription list the editorial management of that paper could not contemplate with favor the wholesale disfranchising proposition of the Simmons ring, and has emphatically made this fact known. The Greensboro Evening Telegram was the last to take up the sad refrain directed towards the Post. The Post heard the wall, and in reply said this morning:

"We shall not argue the question of the Post's alleged errors of opinion further than to insist that, if they be errors, they are at least honest ones. The point of view is everything in such a case. The Evening Telegram, like its Newberne contemporary, feels and speaks as a party organ. It realizes at its full value the danger of the ignorant and vicious vote controlled by the political adversary. The Post, on the other hand, speaks and feels as a sincere friend of the south, and believes that the section's best and highest interests would be promoted by limiting the franchise to the intelligent and responsible classes, no matter by what party name they may call themselves. It does not seem to us that any great or enduring advantage will be secured by eliminating the dangerous demoralizing element in one party and retaining it in the other. The question is not - or should not be - the success of this or that political organization. It should be the purification of the ballot box - of the source and fountain head of government. The Greensboro Telegram is quite right in assuming that the Post is devoted to the welfare of the south. The Post, however, is not a party organ. It considers only the public good and the integrity of our political institutions."

It will be noted that the Post, while favoring the restriction of suffrage in some ways, believes in doing it in decency and in order, and realizes that the democratic press of the state, in advocating the proposed constitutional amendment, is doing so merely by way of serving party ends.

The hearing of the Dockery-Bellamy contest has been postponed to March 2. Colonel Dockery is still here, and expects to remain until after the contest is decided. It is thought likely that two or three election contests will be decided next week, after the Porto Rican tariff bill shall have been disposed of, and that the Pearson-Crawford case will be among the number. However, it is by no means certain just when the cases will be reached. Up to this time all

efforts to secure an agreement on a time for taking a vote on the Porto Rican bill have failed, and there is much uncertainty regarding the passage of the measure. This uncertainty has increased since the delivery this afternoon of the speech by Littlefield of Maine, against the bill. It will be remembered that when the contest was instituted in the Dockery Bellamy case, the attorneys for the former merely alleged that there had been no election, and did not claim that Colonel Dockery was entitled to the seat. It has been determined by the attorneys for Mr. Dockery to ask that the present complaint be so amended as to give the seat to Colonel Dockery. This point will be determined by the committee, and it is confidently believed that the decision will be favorable to Colonel Dockery.

GREAT PHOSPHATE INDUSTRY.

How the Extensive Fields in Tennessee Have Been Developed.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 24. - Tennessee has become the leading phosphate producer of America. There are at present 248 valuable mines in this state and over 21,000 men are employed in the business. New mines are being opened daily. The industry has sprung to remarkable proportions since phosphate was first discovered eight years ago. Mount Pleasant is the center of activity and 9,000 phosphate miners are at work there. From a cross roads village Mount Pleasant leaped to a population of 11,000 people within two years.

Last month - January - 51,000 tons were shipped from Mount Pleasant. Orders came from every portion of the world, though the largest part goes to Europe. A train of forty cars was shipped to Japan last week. The sales of phosphate lands have been very heavy recently. One of the largest deals was that by which Swift & Co., of Chicago, acquired a large tract, paying \$100,000 for the same. Armour & Co. invested in Tennessee phosphate lands two years ago and the big meat packers use it in the manufacture of fertilizers. The increased activity has come within the past year and branch railroads have been built to those mines where business justified them. Considerable phosphate is shipped by the Tennessee river boats. In loading phosphate the cars are run directly to the hill and the miners load it.

It is estimated that there are 2,800 square miles of territory in Tennessee covered with phosphate beds, extending over twenty-seven counties. The four largest beds are the Mount Pleasant, Swan creek, Duck river and Tennessee river fields. The amount of phosphate in sight is inexhaustible. The cost of mining and loading it on cars average \$1 per ton. An average miner can secure three tons per day.

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AT THE CHURCHES.

First Baptist Church - Rev. Mr. Reynolds of Elmira, N. Y., will preach both morning and evening.

West End Baptist Church - There will be services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. J. F. Vines, pastor.

French Broad Baptist church, Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor - Services at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

First Presbyterian Church - Preaching by the pastor, Rev. R. F. Campbell, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:45 p. m.

Central M. E. Church, South - Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching by Dr. D. Atkins, presiding elder at 11 a. m. Tonight the pastor, Rev. J. H. Weaver, will preach at 8 p. m. All cordially invited.

Haywood Street Methodist Church, South - Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. N. Huggins at 11 a. m. Dr. D. Atkins presiding elder, will preach tonight at 7:30.

North Asheville M. E. Church, South, Rev. E. K. McLarty, pastor - Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Rev. E. L. Bain will preach this morning.

Bethel M. E. Church, South, Rev. J. J. Gray, pastor - Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

St. Paul's Lutheran Mission - Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Services in Y. M. C. A. parlors. Rev. C. Brown Cox pastor.

Christian Church - There will be services in the old Library building on Church street this morning at 11 o'clock. Sunday school, 10 a. m.

PEOPLES' MEETING - In Hilliard Hall, South Main street, this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mr. J. E. Howe will speak on "The Religious Basis of the Social and Labor Problem."

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Pythian hall, Nos. 35 and 37 South Main street - Services at 11 a. m. The public are cordially invited. Seats free.

QUINGUAGESIMA.

St. Lawrence's Catholic Church - Father Marion, pastor. Mass at 8:30 a. m. and 11 a. m. Sunday school at 4 p. m.

Trinity Church, Rev. McNeely DuBose, rector - Holy communion, 8 a. m.; morning prayer 11 a. m.; Sunday school, 3:15 p. m.; evening prayer, 4:30 p. m.

All Souls' Church, Biltmore Rev. R. R. Swope, D. D., rector - Services at 11 a. m. and 5 p. m. All seats in the church are free, and the public is cordially invited to attend the services.

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