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## Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

A VERY proper and commendable disposition has been manifested by the newspapers to rest the discussion about the proposed extra session of Congress until the Republican Senate can have time to show its hand. If it manifests a disposition to heed the voice of the people, as expressed at the poles on the 8th of last month, and shall pass the relief measures sent over to it by the Democratic House during the first session of the Fifty Second Congress there will be no necessity for an extra session. On the other hand, if they fail to grant the relief prayed for, we can surely trust to Mr. Cleveland's good sense and patriotism to take such action as the circumstances seem to warrant.

The proposition to choose the President by the direct votes of the people, always a popular one with Democrats, promises to meet with more than usual consideration by the committee on the election of President and Vice President and representatives in Congress, to which is referred bills and resolutions proposing amendments to the Constitution with this end in view. Representative Belthover of Pennsylvania is the author of a resolution introduced in the House the other day which has for its object the election of the President and Vice President by the direct vote of the people, and this has been referred to a sub-committee consisting of Representatives Crain, Gantz and Johnson. A sub-committee went into the discussion of this matter very thoroughly last year, and as a result of its deliberations a joint resolution on the subject was prepared and introduced in the House by Representative De Armond. It is favorably indorsed by some of the members of the committee.

The House Committee on Military Affairs is entitled to the honor of first getting a regular annual appropriation bill into the House at this season. The Committee went energetically to work and Friday completed the preparation of the annual bill for the maintenance of the Army and will report it to the House so that it can be taken up this week. The bill makes a total appropriation of \$24,202,739, or \$66,790 less than the bill for the current fiscal year. For the pay of the Army \$13,256,889 is appropriated, being \$42,260 less than the amount carried by the bill for the current fiscal year. The appropriation for general expenses of the Army amounts to \$10,945,850, being \$44,500 less than the current law. The estimates submitted this year aggregated \$25,922,955, so that the bill reported is \$1,720,216 below the estimates.

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### TWINKLINGS.

Pithy Excerpts Taken from the Wilmington Star. There is hope for the bald-headed man, unless Dr. John Edge, of Reading, Pa., is a visionary or a base prevaricator. He claims to have successfully grafted hairy skin on bald heads.

The colored preacher who is upbraiding Gov. Hogg, of Texas, for failure to reimburse him for the money he invested in buying votes at the late election, wasn't bulling the vote market much when he bought them at from 75 cents to \$1.50 a vote.

A man died in New York who was worth \$4,000,000 about the same time that Jay Gould died, but his death was hardly noticed. A man must be worth more than that these days to attract much attention, even as a corpse.

A Poughkeepsie, N. Y., woman wants to receive \$20,000 damages from a railroad for running over and killing the man to whom she was engaged. If she should recover there will be a beam in engagements in that State.

There are lots of lawyers in Congress, but there isn't enough of them to make laws that other lawyers can't punch holes into. An illustration of this is furnished in the Inter-State Commerce act, which is made practically worthless by the late decision of Judge Gresham.

A Republican contemporary thinks it isn't wonderful that the country went Democratic this year when there were 32,000 people who dropped letters in the postoffices without writing any address on them. If these absent-minded letter writers had a hand in the Democratic sweep they were evidently not absent-minded enough to forget to vote right.

They have some original guesses down in Texas. It was one of these who conceived the idea of mounting a 700-pound hog on a wagon at the head of a procession which was celebrating the election of Gov. Hogg. There were probably two disgusted individuals in Texas about that time, one the Governor of Texas, the other his extemporized 700-pound representative.

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### Their Great Grandfathers.

During Adlai Stevenson's second year in Congress, Representative R. H. M. Davidson, from Florida, was assigned a desk at his side. They struck up an acquaintance, and such soon found that the ancestors of the other hailed from North Carolina.

"I have the honor," said Mr. Davidson, to be a great grandson of Ephraim Brevard, the author of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

"And my great grandfather," added Mr. Stevenson, "was Ephraim Brevard, the author of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence."

Near by sat another member, Jim McKenzie, of Kentucky. "Did you say you were of North Carolina stock?" "Yes," said they. "So am I."

"And who was your great grandfather?" "Ephraim Brevard, the author of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence."

"Shake, Cousin Jim." "Shake, Cousin Bob." "Shake, Cousin d."

Some time afterwards a Tennesseean applied to Mr. Stevenson for a pest office for a friend. North Carolina was mentioned. "My people were North Carolinians," said the applicant. Mr. Davidson was present.

"And who," asked he, "was your great-grandfather?" "My great-grandfather," quoted the Tennesseean proudly, "was Ephraim Brevard, author of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence."—Wash. Post.

Was your home ever invaded by a tattler? Is the inquiry of a valued exchange, and were you not glad when the time had finally come to close the door and lock firmly against the dreadful creature? Did you not fondly hope that they would never return again? If there is any one class of persons that the world does not need it is that class known as tattlers. They are worthless; they are hateful; they are contemptible; they are the meanest people on the face of the earth, and are unworthy of any degree of respect. They are a perfect nuisance to the community, and therefore ought to be ostracised. They should be spurned and scorned from every home that they enter. We despise them; we abhor their presence; we grow sick at their coming, and feel like rejoicing evermore at their departure. The tattler, fully described in a word, is the essence of contemptibility.

Our exchanges are full of big hog stories. The hogs are said to weigh from 200 to 700 pounds each. This is fresh evidence of what is already known—that as large hogs can be raised in North Carolina as anywhere in the world.

Very few of our farmers can make any money under present conditions, and the best thing in the world to do is to raise something to eat and wear. Meat can be bought at low prices for cash at any time, but there is no cash to pay for it. Hence the wisest thing to do is to raise it yourself. If you can raise one good hog, it will prove a good thing for your family. You know whether the hog was sick or well when killed. You know the advantage of having backbones, ribs and sausage. Begin now buying pig, if you have none, and raise your own meat. This would be a good topic for discussion in your Alliance, and is "strictly non-partisan."—Progressive Farmer.

Safe Blowers Get \$2,000. CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 16.—Safe blowers got in some successful work at King's Mountain, N. C., last night. They blew a safe open with dynamite and got away with \$2,000 in cash. Carpenter Brothers' conduct quite an extensive business in general merchandise. Shortly after midnight a man who slept in a building adjoining Carpenter Brothers' store was awakened by an explosion that fairly shook the building. He located the explosion at Carpenter's store. He spent some time in getting a light and when he got into the store the safe blowers had secured the money and vanished. The store room was filled with smoke and smelled strongly of dynamite. A large hole had been drilled

in the door just above the combination knob and dynamite was poured through into the interior of the door in liberal quantities. The burglars affected an entrance to the store by boring a hole in the door and removing a bolt. The town was alarmed and on the move within ten minutes after the explosion, but no trace of the burglars could be found. They carried off a lot of valuable papers, including land deeds.

The persecuted Jews, even of the favored upper class, can no longer resort to an enforced deception in the matter of a profession of the orthodox faith in Russia, for the reason that they must now go out and live three years in an ancient monastic village, an hour's distance from Moscow, to submit their piety to the daily inspection of the resident monks, before they can continue their residence in the former capital of the Moscovite Empire. It is said that the latest ukase, subjecting the unhappy Jew to immediate expulsion from Russia unless he becomes baptized in the Orthodox Church, affects about 1,500 people, mostly wealthy and all educated and refined, and reduces them to comparative beggary.

The press of Chili is giving itself much unnecessary worry about the return of Egan to that country as minister from the United States. Although he is to them evidently "persona non grata," certainly they should be able to put up with him for the little while that will elapse before the Democratic Minister succeeds him.

The embezzlement of lightning is not an indictable offence in St. Louis, where a court has failed to find any way of punishing a person who tapped an electric wire to surreptitiously light his store.

The tendency in gun construction now is for medium bore, greater weight, and better material.

The Boston Transcript records the fact that women have again this year outdone in examinations any previous record of men at the English Universities.

The Wilmington Review is sixteen years old—an interesting age, especially in the newspaper world. The Review is the oldest afternoon paper in the State and we wish it continued prosperity.

The women of Cincinnati are in a state of mind owing to dissatisfaction over the selection of commissioners, and have ceased to take any active interest in the World's Fair. They object to having their work passed on by Mrs. Candace Wheeler, of New York.

The most notable thing in the book world this month, according to the Bookman, has been the immense demand for Lord Tennyson's poems. It was so great at one time that the printers had twenty-six machines working upon them. The sale of the new volume, "The Death of Enone," has been almost unprecedentedly large.

A VERY remarkable coincidence is recorded by the Staunton (Va.) Indicator. It says that J. D. Watson, J. D. McIntyre and J. D. Peyton were all born near Charlottesville on the 29th of February of the same year. They entered different branches of the Confederate service in the war of the rebellion and were in the battle of Gettysburg. They were each wounded in the left arm, between the elbow and shoulder, on the same day, and afterwards met in the rear and discussed these most singular coincidences.

In 1814 the rates of letter postage in this country were as follows: For every single letter for 40 miles, 8 cents; 80 miles, 10 cents; 150 miles, 12 cents; 300 miles, 17 cents; 500 miles, 20 cents, and for more than 500 miles 25 cents. At this time a single letter can be forwarded thousands of miles for 2 cents and the Postmaster General thinks the rate can be reduced to 1 cent before very long.

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BEHEADED IN PUBLIC. A Blood-Curdling Execution Yesterday in Paris. PARIS, Dec. 16.—Eugene Crampon, the murderer of two men, this morning paid the penalty for his crimes, and the canaille that gathered to see his execution greatly enjoyed the spectacle afforded by the miserable, cowardly wretch as he was literally carried to the guillotine. It was generally known that the execution would occur in the Place de La Roquette this morning, and long before daylight the crowd began to gather. Rude jests were bandied about and the usual scenes that make disgraceful the carrying out of the death sentence in Paris were enacted.

Grim and awful the red guillotine looked up ahead of the little party. Walking afoot Crampon raised his eyes and saw it. With a terrible shriek he threw himself backwards and fell to the ground. All efforts to induce him to rise were fruitless and he groveled on the flagstones, begging most piteously for his life. It became necessary to lift Crampon to his feet, but even then he hung limp in their arms, and they were compelled to carry him to the guillotine. While some of the assistants supported him others quickly bound him and threw him against the buscule. Even then he did not cease his struggles. His contortions were terrible but they did not last long. The buscule was dropped into place and the assistants shoved it forward until Crampon's neck rested in position under the knife. Silently and like a streak of light, the bright blade fell and Crampon's head dropped into the open basket awaiting it. The execution was the most horrible one that has been witnessed in Paris in many years.

ALMOST a sensation was created in the House, when the army appropriation bill, which was passed last week, was taken up for consideration, by an amendment proposed by Representative Anthony, of Texas, providing that no payment of salary should be made from the appropriation to any person receiving a pension or allowance from the Government. THE credit business is the millstone around the neck of storekeepers. It has been the cause of the downfall of many

and it will continue to be so. If a man can't secure business any other way than by giving credit to people who are not responsible, he would be better without it.

THE Presidential electors will meet the second Monday in January next.

FOR the first time in the history of the country, the whole nation appears to be roused upon the immigration question. It will occupy much attention from Congress this winter.

A CONTEMPORARY thinks that if the law against carrying concealed weapons was literally enforced some people would have to carry their tongues out of their mouths.

YOUNG man, aim at a high standard of moral and intellectual excellence, remembering that the right alone is bold and strong and will always knock compromise juries and technicalities higher than a kite.

WINSTON, N. C., Dec. 15.—[Special to News and Observer.]—D. M. Furches, late Republican candidate for Governor, comes out in a card in the Winston Republican to-day, giving his views as to the cause of the Republican defeat at the last election in North Carolina. Among other things he says: "The true theory of the Republican defeat was fraud. There was no limit to this in the large negro counties. I have a letter from the postmaster at Halifax since the election, saying if the election had been fair and fairly counted I would have gotten 2,500 majority in that county. I hardly have a doubt but what we were cheated out of at least 4,000 votes in that county alone, and it was just as bad in Edgecombe, Johnston, New Hanover and other counties. There is nothing that can beat a count."

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Miss S. Tomlinson, Atlanta, Ga., says: "For many years I have been afflicted with RHEUMATISM combined with severe kidney trouble, indigestion and nervous prostration. Several physicians were employed and numerous patent medicines resorted to without benefit. At last I began the use of B. B. B., and its effect was like magic. Rheumatic pains ceased, my kidneys were relieved, and my constitution improved to such an extent."

Z. T. Hallerton, Macon, Ga., writes: "Three years ago I contracted a blood poison, I applied to a physician at once, and his treatment came near killing me. I employed an old physician and then went to Kentucky. I then went to Hot Springs and remained two months, but nothing seemed to cure me permanently, although temporary relief was given me. I returned home a ruined man physically, with but little prospect of ever getting well. I was persuaded to try B. B. B., and to my utter astonishment it quickly healed every ailment."

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