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Everybody says that times are better, yet everybody denies having any money. How is it?

Connecticut democrats are endorsing Cleveland for a third term. It is gratifying to know that he is endorsed somewhere.

With tobacco higher than it has been in ten years, and cotton likely to go up to ten cents a pound, it really seems that the farmer's turn at good times was coming at last.

Recent statistics showing that \$96,277,900 worth of property in this country was destroyed by fire during the past twelve months, should suggest to those who are not yet protected that now is the time to insure.

How is it that thirty-two years after the war has ended, the pension roll continues to increase? An addition of 1,000 new names to the already appalling list, is the record, according to the Washington Post, of democratic administration and democratic reform.

At the risk of being accused of "malicious gossamer," the Recorder condemns unqualifiedly the poisonous cigarette and the man who manufactures it. The Recorder goes further and says, that, in its opinion, no really good man and no true follower of Christ can with consistency engage in its manufacture. But then, religion is not what it was in the old days, and Money, it would seem, no matter how obtained, had superseded the blood of Christ in its almighty power to wipe out stains and save the lucky sinner.

No matter about the slates which may or may not be made, it is generally understood that Major W. A. Guthrie, of Durham, will be the successful candidate for governor on the third party ticket next year. From all that the Recorder can gather, he is, by all odds, the choice of the people, and will make the best run of any man they could place in the field. Major Guthrie is an honest man and a gentleman with a clean record. We want an honest man and a gentleman with a clean record for the next governor of North Carolina.

Several of the state papers are wanting to know what has become of that fine printing press which Colonel J. S. Carr promised last year to the editor writing the best article on the state fair. As it was understood that this was to be a personal gift and therefore a certainty, columns of gratuitous advertising was cheerfully given by the hard working but appreciative newspaper men. As far as we can learn the press is still at the type foundry—or at least not in any newspaper office in North Carolina, and the contestants are wanting to know why Mr. Carr was not as good as his word.

AS TO THE CIRCUS.

The coming of Sells Bros. circus to Durham has called forth a good deal of discussion on the circus question—some of our people claiming, not without reason, that anything which carried money out of a town was necessarily a disadvantage, while others have contended that, regarded from a strictly business standpoint, it would be worth more to the city than it cost.

The Recorder is not of that school which would allow a mere matter of dollars and cents to figure in a proposition involving, what it considered, a moral principle. But being, apart from all other considerations, an earnest advocate of anything which can afford an hour's innocent recreation to the toiling masses, in whose barren lives there is too little opportunity to get out of themselves and the narrow groove in which circumstance has placed them, this paper sees many reasons why the circus is a great institution and why it should be supported.

To people who are able to visit the large cities, to attend theatres, lecture halls and museums, and have a speaking acquaintance with genius, the trappings of a circus tent and the jokes of the clown may not inspire any particularly wild hilarity or enthusiastic admiration. But to the thousands of children and young people, and many who are past the high noon and some nearing the sunset of life, who, by the cruel hand of poverty, have always been held down and have never been beyond the limits of their own state or county, the circus, with its gilded chariots, its gaily attired performers and yet more marvelous exploits, is a revelation—a dream of wonderland, giving rise to new sensations, new ideas and hopes, and new aspirations. It is to them the world in miniature, the first view of which leaves an impression which has its influence upon all their after life. The value of the circus as an educator is hard to estimate, since but for it the average American citizen would have about as much idea of natural history as he has of the currency question. The feats of the acrobat, as illustrating the possibilities of physical culture, are no less valuable and instructive, impressing more than anything else the hard-learned lesson of patience and perseverance if we hope to excel in any art.

The Recorder believes that a first-class circus, such as we know Sells Bros. to be, helps any community in which it exhibits. It takes people out of the sordid channel of greed and gain for a few brief hours; the old folks are amused—even though they only see the parade—the children are happy, and there is a general feeling of jollity and good will which manifests itself so clearly on no other occasion. The country people who have money to spend, make it convenient to come to town and do their shopping on that day. The customer is easier to please for having enjoyed a hearty laugh, the merchant is more liberal because he too is pleased with himself and the world, and the fellow who has been wondering if life was worth living, will conclude to hold on until after the next circus.

The Recorder says, long live the circus, and may it continue to grow better with the years.

The estimate is that electric railways have already thrown 275,000 horses "out of employment" in this country, which accounts in a measure for the low price of hay and other farm products. It will not be long until the horse, like the buffalo and the North American Indian, will have become practically extinct—starved and driven out by a progressive civilization and the improved appliances of modern science.

A HOPEFUL SIGN.

The Recorder is gratified to see that elsewhere in North Carolina people are beginning to realize the enormity and appreciate the danger arising from the rapid growth of the cigarette vice. It has finally dawned upon those who are in any way interested in the welfare—either morally, physically or intellectually—of the coming generation, that it is time to call a halt on this legalized method of youth poisoning, which is every day growing more alarming and harder to put down.

The Charlotte News says: "It is well known that cigarettes are more injurious to the system than tobacco alone. But many will be surprised at Prof. Lafin's recent statement concerning the vice. He says: 'In 1879 there were 900,000 cigarettes manufactured, and last year there were 1,200,000, or 1,333 times as many. Tobacco in any form is bad but in a cigarette there are five poisons. There are the oil in the paper, the oil of nicotine, saltpetre to preserve the tobacco, opium to make it mild and the oil in the flavoring. The trouble with the cigarette is in the inhaling of the smoke. If you blow a mouthful of smoke through a handkerchief, it will leave the brown stain. Inhale the smoke and blow it through the nostrils, and no stain will appear. The oil and poison remain in the head or body. Cigarettes create a thirst for strong drink, and there should be no cigarette societies, as there are temperance societies.'"

The Recorder wants to see the christian ministers and church people take up this question and fight it as they fight the whiskey habit and as they should fight everything that debauches, demoralizes and corrupts the human race. That the fight is being made, even in North Carolina, outside of Durham, is something to inspire hope, and the Recorder believes it will not be long until this vile traffic will be, by common consent of decency and morality, wiped out, and those who engage in their manufacture, rated at their true value. When the money they have put in churches and colleges and hospitals is placed alongside what they have cost the honest, virtuous youth of this and other lands, then will the Devil, who is a hard task master, say with an approving smile: "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

WILL SHE MARRY.

The announcement that Melie Rives has obtained a divorce from the hero of her erotic novel, The Quick or the Dead, would seem to confirm the belief entertained by many at the time of the appearance of this story, that the brilliant young authoress was not in her right mind—that she was the victim, in fact, of a morbid sentimentality of which there could be no explanation except that of personal experience beyond her years and apparent surroundings—of a volcanic passion which refused to slumber in the grave of a dead love. As was then predicted, the particular order of her literary genius was not such as to win any lasting fame, but would pass away with the youthful charms which lent to it more than half its interest. The expectations of many of the papers which are wondering if the gifted writer will marry again, should be forever silenced by her own words, or rather those of Barbara: "I was his—I was his first—I was his wife. I couldn't be your wife too. I couldn't forget."

The Reidsville Review, in its unnecessarily harsh criticism of Rev. C. Durham, says in substance what Dr. Cy. Thompson is accused of saying, and about which the democratic papers have raised such a howl, that the church tolerates bigots and tyrants who abuse their office. While exulting farmer Joe Daniels as a rebukist, the Review should really be more careful, there being such a thing as consistency, or at least apparent consistency, even in politics.

If there is any christian minister in North Carolina or elsewhere who is willing to proclaim in his pulpit or to go on record as saying, that the cigarette is a good thing and the use of it should be encouraged, the Recorder would like to hear from him. Will any one attempt to defend it?

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