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SOLDIERS CONDEMN GEN. OTIS.
They Say the Philippine Commander is Utterly Incompetent.

San Francisco Special to Baltimore Sun.
The officers of the South Dakota and Minnesota Regiments one and all condemn the manner in which Major General Otis is handling affairs in the Philippines, but none of them will speak for publication. "They will express their opinions, but only with the provision that under no consideration shall their names be used."
They are still in the service and dare not criticize a superior officer. Three of their number are under arrest for having been guilty of this breach of army rules and regulations. While in Manila Lieutenant Colonel Stover, Surgeon Major Warner and First Lieutenant Bates wrote letters to their friends in Dakota criticizing General Otis. These letters were given to the newspapers and published and their arrest followed.
A group of seven officers stood on the barricade of the Sheridan this afternoon, and one of the captives voiced the sentiment of the others as follows:
"Otis is all right in his place—a chimney corner, with three knitting needles and a ball of yarn. He does not know his own mind for three consecutive hours at a time, and the result is that the volunteers were tossed about from pillar to post until they were completely worn out and whole companies were in the hospitals."
"Take the San Fernando incident for instance. That is an important town, an important town. Yet we were forced to fight a battle around it, with instructions to do so if a shot with a great probability. The matter had been drawn into the mountains, but as soon as they saw we were doing nothing they returned and surrounded us."
"If General Otis is to manage the next campaign, we will not make an impression on the insurgents with 160,000 men. President McKinley had better keep the regiments at home and abandon the Philippines."

Death of Mrs. Mary Sherrill.
For The Lenoir Topic.
Mrs. Mary Sherrill (Maiden name Coffey) was born Sept. 1848 and died Aug. 30, 1899, aged 51 years. She united with Lower Creek Baptist church, Oct. 1865 of which she was a member at the time of her death. Mrs. Sherrill was not sick a great while, but bore her sickness with patience, meekness and resignation. She was a good wife, a good neighbor and good to the worthy poor. She was a devoted, consistent and upright member of the church.
She will be greatly missed as a neighbor, a friend and member of the church, but by none so sorely as by her dear husband (A. C. Sherrill). His many friends extend to him their warmest sympathy in his sad bereavement. Mrs. Sherrill wanted to live but was willing to die. She had no fear as to her future. She was laid to rest in the family burying ground near S. J. Sherrill's in the presence of a large concourse of people. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. I. W. Thomas. A FRIEND.

Robbed The Grave
A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying Electric Bitters, and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed at Todd & Shell's Drug Store.

PERSONAL
Mr. W. D. Jones, jr., of Roanoke Rapid his parents a flym.
Deputy sheriff, Oscar Jones, of Blackstone, was here Saturday.
Capt. W. D. Jones and his daughter, Miss Lillie, of Paterson, were here Saturday.
Mr. W. C. Newland went to Raleigh Saturday to attend a meeting of the Executive Board of the Penitentiary.
Attorney J. B. Connelly, of Satesville, passed through Lenoir Saturday en route home from Ashe county.

A Wonderful Cure of Diarrhoea.
A Prominent Virginia Editor Had Almost Given Up, but Was Brought Back to Perfect Health by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. READ HIS EDITORIAL.
From the Times, Hillsville, Va.
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Will the Torpedo Boat Shubrick Be Christened.
Raleigh Post.
The difficulties which have presented themselves to those having the matter in charge at Richmond, Va., about the selection of a proper sponsor for the new government torpedo boat Shubrick, built by the Trig Company of Richmond, appear to be settled at last, by the selection of a North Carolina miss—Carrie S. Shubrick of Rocky Mount aged ten years, a lineal descendant of the illustrious old "sea-dog" for whom the vessel is named.
The following facts, taken from the Richmond Dispatch, in this connection will prove of interest to all North Carolinians.
"From private information received here, there seems to be no doubt that the torpedo-boat Shubrick will be launched with Miss Carrie S. Shubrick of Rocky Mount N. C., as its sponsor.
"The Shubrick family have practically decided upon her, and it is understood that Judge Advocate-General Lemly, of the Navy Department, is willing to accept her as the representative of the Shubrick family. By virtue of her descent from the old naval officer for whom the torpedo-boat is named, it is considered eminently appropriate that she should break the bottle of wine over the ship's prow."

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BY A TAR HEEL GIRL.

ARP ON DIVORCES
Says the Increase from Year to Year in Them is Alarming.

WAS DIFFERENT YEARS AGO.
Bill Says He Does Not Know What the Poor Girls Will Do if Mat- ters Do Not Mend.

Who are the marriageable girls going to marry? This generation cannot judge the future by the past, for the past does not interest them. The present is their chief concern. Only the old people who married half a century ago can appreciate the contrast between now and then and the change for the worse is alarming. The marriage relation has lost much of its seriousness, its solemnity, its dignity, and consequently separations and divorces increased far more rapidly than population. During the past twenty years population has increased 60 per cent, while divorces have increased 157 per cent. What a record of broken vows and conjugal misery Dr. Landrum, the eminent Baptist preacher of Atlanta, said in a recent sermon, "Our homes are in peril. The foundations of society are threatened. Marriage is too often a mockery. Divorces are rapidly multiplying in our courts and domestic depravity grows apace."
But legal divorces are but a small proportion of the number of separations and a still smaller proportion of unhappy married people who suffer and endure their conjugal misery rather than mortify their children or excite a public scandal. A notable lady of our town declared recently that she knew of but two happy married couples in our whole community. Only two who are as loving and devoted as when they stood at the marriage altar. We all know many who if not as happy as when first married, are as loving and kind to each other, and their happiness is only marred by the anxiety incident to married life.
St. Paul said, "The love of money is the root of all evil," and Ben Franklin said, "The lack of it is the cause of all misery." Neither of these assertions are altogether true, but they approximate the truth. I was ruminating about these things so much of late that like the City of Szechuan, I have become perplexed and don't know what is going to be the end of it. In The Saturday Review of September 21 and 29th, which is a ladies' journal of great repute, published in Atlanta, there are two articles on trusts, written by Dr. Alfred E. Seddon; an Englishman, I believe, but now a citizen of Atlanta, which for cogent and classic though it is both admiration and alarm. After setting forth the many evils that will follow these great combinations of capital, he asks, "What is pushing on this mighty movement—this great iceberg that is going counter to powerful currents and billows? Popular denunciation, the press, the enactments of congress and legislation are like so many waves spending their impotent wrath in vain upon the monster. Trusts will continue to move on. They will grow in power and will in time corral all the wealth, the transportation, the produce of our mines and fields. They will enlist in their service a vast army of toilers whose dependence on them will be soul-crushing and absolute, and they will bar out another army of would-be toilers, who will have no visible means of support—and then what? To what goal are we hastening? Congress might as well try to prevent the sun from setting on the west, or to stop the down rushing of Niagara, as to attempt by law to arrest this universal trend of modern commerce towards trust."
Then Dr. Seddon writes of the new factor in American society—the factor of poverty—and says that its presence and its power is not yet realized. He quotes from the address of welcome by the Chicago Federation of Labor to the trades assembly: "We bid you welcome in the names of a hundred monop-

olists and fifty thousand tramps. Here mammon holds her carnival in palaces, while mothers are heart-broken and children are starving and men look in vain for work. We welcome you in the name of a hundred thousand idle men tonight we will show you hundreds of strong men lying on the rough stones in the corridors of this very building—no home, no food—men able and willing to work, but for whom there is no work."
In New York city there were over 30,000 families turned out last year for unpaid rent. There were 250 suicides and one person in every ten who dies is buried in the potter's field. Oh, the pity of it—the pity of it! When will the millennium come? Dr. Seddon believes it because he knows that God is good and will not suffer such misery to be prolonged, and because He has promised that all the families of the earth shall be blessed.
I am almost afraid to read such things now. Such pictures of human misery bring sadness and a feeling of despair. Long, long ago I went over the "Lay of the Laborer," by Tom Hood, when it first appeared in London. That same sad song has gotten over here on this side of the water and now our own strong men are singing:
"Wherever nature needs,
Wherever labor calls,
No job I'll shirk of the hardest work
To shun the workhouse walls;
No alms I ask, give me my task—
Here are the arm, the leg,
The strength, the sinews of a man,
To work and not to beg."
BILL ARP.

DEAL IN SIX FIGURES
Cigarette Machine Company Closes a Large Transaction.
Winston Special to Raleigh Post.
A big deal, which has been pending for some time, was closed here to day. The Winston Cigarette Machine Company has disposed of all foreign territory to a wealthy English company for about \$150,000. The Winston company reserves the United States and Canada, and machines for their trade in this territory will continue to be manufactured in this city. The deal was consummated in London some time ago by the president of the Winston company, Mr. J. L. Williams, of Fayetteville. Representatives of the London company were in Winston to day and met the directors of the Winston company, when the finishing touches were put upon the big deal.

Take Care of Your Tools.
Economize and save needless expense is the watchword of the hour. Farmers are generally very careless in regard to their farm implements. Often the plow is left in the field or hung up on the fence. The reaper and mower we have often seen standing in the field, where they were left when last used. The wagon, unsheltered, is left to withstand the sun's storm. It is a fact known to all farmers that exposure is more injurious than constant use. By the next spring the element will have done their work, he rust will have eaten deeply into the steel, and much unpleasant work will be made, and patience almost exhausted before the plow will scour, when a little timely work would have saved all trouble. The bright moldboards, when the fall work is done, should be rubbed dry and coated with linseed oil, and next spring the plow will glide smoothly into the rich soil, turning it over without any trouble. Give shelter to your implements, and for the painted woodwork a good coating of crude petroleum will be found very beneficial. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are annually lost to the farmers by their failing to provide shelter and give the proper attention to their implements. Let us save the pennies, and the dollars will take care of themselves.

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