

THE NORTH CAROLINA ARGUS.

WADESBORO, N.C.

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cross mark, only a dot, and he is always writing what that ain't to be. That's no good to his penman, but he never comes to town again. Such handwriting is disgraceable. He's an artist, but his taste and skill are gone. I don't believe he can

speak with only words that don't help the eye. You can see thru him, and you can't see to him. I hate a fil. Darn a fil.

The Counterpane—Under the Line.

A new Constitution for North Carolina for North Carolinians.

2nd. A homestead in fee-simple.

3rd. A Governor elected every two years, with limited powers.

4th. Let every officer now appointed here be elected by the people through the Legislature.

5th. Promote the payment of more for general tax bonds than was received.

6th. Let no man be eligible to office who has collected money from the people and failed to pay it over.

7th. Bribe takers to be denied the right to hold office.

8th. A liberal system of free schools.

9th. Township system to be abolished—thus doing away with four offices in every township costing two dollars each, a day for each day's attendance on the board.

10th. Abolish boards of county Commissioners. This will get rid of five officers costing a sum of four hundred and fifty in the State.

11th. Abolish appellate Judges. This will save five times more of the Convention in one year.

12th. Let no man vote who is convicted of being a common thief that is making a living by stealing.

13th. Make the Judges ride dimly in circuits and not confine them to the same circuit. By so doing we will add to the purity of the bench.

14th. Require all money collected from the people to be paid over to the Treasurer 20 days after it is collected.

15th. Require county debts to be paid in the order in which they are contracted.

16th. Prohibit special Legislation.

17th. Provide for a call of a Convention by a majority of the people.

18th. Prohibit the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus. This will prevent another Kirk war; and we will have no

A Variable Secret.
If the anecdote is old, the lesson is new. It bears can never grow old, nor can man ever learn the divine lesson of reversion on the mount.

It is related of Franklin that from the time of his office he noticed a mechanic among a number of others at work on a house which was being erected close by, who always appeared to be in a merry humor, and who had a kind and cheerful smile for every one he met. But that day he was ever so cold, gloomy or sunless, the happy smile danced like aубсен on his cheerful countenance. Meeting him one day, a woman requested to know the secret of his constant joy and glee or spirit.

"It's no secret, doctor," the man replied. "I've got one of the best of wives, and when I go to work she always gives me a kind word of encouragement and a blessing with her parting kiss; and when I go home she is sure to meet me with a smile and a kiss of welcome; and then too is sure to be ready; and as we go to chat in the evening I find she has been doing so many little things through the day to please me that I cannot find it in my heart to say an unkind word, or give an unkind look to anybody."

And Franklin adds:

"What an influence then hath woman over the heart of man, to soften it, and make it the fountain of cheerful and pure emotion. Speak gently then. A happy smile and a kind word of greeting after the toil of the day are over, cost nothing, and go far toward making a happy family and peace."

Mighty and Beautiful.

Labor is mighty and beautiful. Activity is the ruling element of life, and its highest relish. Luxuries are the results of labor; we can live without it. The noblest man is he who puts his hands cheerfully and honestly to honest labor. Labor is a business and ordinance of God. suspend labor, and where is the glory and pomp of earth—the fruit, the palaces, and the fashioning of art, for which men strive and war? Let the laborer look to him, and learn what are the trophies. From the top of his head to the sole of his foot, he is debtor and slave of toil. The laborer which has picked him up into the shape of a man. Where gets he courage? Let the laborer make music in the bow, and the man who never bread. Labor pities you to scorn, to dust, forgotten; but forever, glorious in its implements.

HIM THERE.—Satur-

ating outside the corporate a great row going on a man whose name for reasons we shall not r localizing instincts we scene. We found three ragging a fat, jolly-looking man along the road, by the jug full, because he could get it cheaper, but his wife went into the ink stand one morning and brought ink full.

A veteran observer says: "I never place much reliance on a man who is always telling what he would have done had he been there. I have noticed that somehow this kind of people never get there."

"Well, Sambo, what's yer up to now-a-days?" "O, I is a carp'ner, an' jiner." "He is a lazy good-for-nothing; we are dragging you to make him reg-

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gunning groups.

A spirited youth—One dead drunk.

The minute to the interior—the mouth.

A wifed woman—her opinion of her husband's new dress and the Hinson's.

Correct—An ass who imagines himself to be an elephant.

The home circle—walking around with the baby at night.

How to make a good speech—give him a good washing.

The name of Caswell would be as well without the C.

Truth is simple—so simple that the foolish often mistake it for weakness.

At what season did Eve eat the apple?

Early in the fall.

Matchless maid—the kitchen girl out of Lucifer.

It takes only one letter to make Mary marry.

A Franklin girl says she would rather be a dozen widows than one old maid.

The duty of the hour—to take care of the minutes and make up the day.

What kind of a robbery is not dangerous? A safe robbery of course.

Question for actors—can an actor be said to work when he plays?

Buy gentleman under all circumstances and towards all persons.

It is mighty unkind what a lazy boy, or a young shark, will amount to.

Live business men generally advertise more in dull times. That is the way to stir up the stagnant pool of trade.

An Irish doctor lately sent in his bill to a lady: "To cure your husband till he died."

It is well enough for a fisherman to take a lunch before going a fishing, for he may not get a bite while away from home.

What a loss is a loaf of bread to a steam engine when a team engine is an invention of necessity; therefore necessity is the mother of invention.

It is reported that his race was in the Bible. He said he heard about how Negroes run.

No man goes against a lion and says a lion is tame. "Faith," said Jesus, "we went to prison according to his will; faith he did."

Love's Lane—Yankee.

Any day during October an old married man, enraged and disgusted.

An Irishman was once standing before a looking glass with his eyes shut, and being asked why he stood there, replied: "I'm rather seeing how I look when I'm asleep."

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