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MISSING.

Our children they number well, seven! There's Hester the lawyer, you see, And Asker, the doctor, while Ezra, The scholar, has taken his degree.

But still I kept watching and waiting, And can't believe Edgar is dead.

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Some Views in regard to the Interest of the Alliance—Suggestions as to How to Protect Alliance and Defend Democracy.

I have been approached by a great many men from almost every section of the State since I arrived in the city of Raleigh the 1st of January.

Take the first declaration of principles, which reads as follows: 1. To labor for the education of the agricultural classes in the science of economical government in a strictly non-partisan spirit.

One word in regard to those agricultural or non-partisan newspapers. How can you construe those so-called organs to be non-partisan?

Why, almost every day you see resolutions published that have been passed with closed doors endorsing the course of their leaders, and contributing of their funds to further the third party movement.

The Sherman Silver Act Secure WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The Republican members of the Senate, under direction of Senator Sherman, have just completed a poll of the Senate on the proposed repeal of the Sherman Silver Act of 1890.

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Interest.

There was an interesting discussion in the Senate last week upon the proposition to strike out of the present usury law the provision that allows contracting parties to agree to a rate of interest so great as eight per cent.

The General Assembly of North Carolina to Enact. SECTION 1. That any citizen of this State desiring to borrow money shall file his petition before the Clerk of the Superior Court of the county in which he resides.

SECTION 2. Thereupon the clerk shall summon the person having the money, to appear before him at a certain day or show cause why he should not loan the money to the petitioner, and shall also appoint a committee of three disinterested persons to examine and report upon the value of the security offered for the loan.

SECTION 3. If the person so summoned before the clerk shall admit that he has the money as alleged and the committee shall report that the security offered for the loan is in all respects sufficient, then the clerk shall duly enforce judgment that the loan be made on the execution and delivery of proper rate and mortgage.

SECTION 4. That the said judgment shall be enforced by proceedings in contempt, in the event the defendant refuses to make the loan as adjudged.

SECTION 5. The foregoing bill of Senator Tucker's did not pass, and the law fixing the rate interest at six per cent. and no more, was repealed at the next session of the General Assembly.

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A Famous War Song.

"This man, Lamr Fontaine," continued the General, "is famous through the South for two things. It was he who, in May, 1863, undertook the seemingly foolhardy but nevertheless successful exploit of carrying a supply of percussion caps from the Confederate General Loring's headquarters at Jackson, Mississippi, to the beleaguered General Pemberton, in Vicksburg, when that commander was entirely out of caps, and consequently could not fire a gun.

Fontaine—who then, as now, was a Mississippian, had horses shot under him, and any quantity of bullets fired at him, making numerous holes in his clothes and equipment, besides other frightful dangers in that terrible experience. He is the hero of twenty-seven hard-fought battles, and came out of the war minus a leg and bearing other evidences of his war experiences.

"The other thing for which he is celebrated is as the real author of the popular war song, 'All Quiet Along the Potomac To-night.' To be sure, that fact is disputed, but I notice in a book of war songs recently published he is given the credit which to him rightfully belongs.

The following is a copy from the original poem: "All quiet along the Potomac," they say, "Except here and there a stray picket, is shot as he walks on his beat to and fro."

There is only the sound of the lone sentry's tread, As he tramps from the rock to the fountain, And thinks of the two on the low trundled bed.

His footsteps are lagging and weary Yet onward he goes through the broad belt of light, Toward the shade of the forest so dreary.

That picket's off duty forever! To the question. Which is your favorite poem? There may be a great variety of answers; but when asked, which is your favorite blood purifier? there can be only one reply—Ayer's Sarsaparilla, because it is the purest, safest, and most economical.

Plain Words from Grover. A Baltimore Sun reporter recently met Mr. Cleveland and propounded a few interrogatories to which he received prompt replies. This is what the Sun's New York correspondent writes: "Do you think the repeal of the Sherman silver purchase law of sufficient immediate importance to make the question of an extra session, in case a repeal bill is not passed this session, a matter to be taken under consideration in view of the additional consideration of the tariff revision?"

"I don't know," was the reply. "Do you believe a repeal will be passed?" "I hope so." "Have you anything to offer the public on the tariff? Will the McKinley tariff law be re-passed?" "I'd like to know what else we are in power for."

A Very Distressing Casualty. News was received by the Observer from Asheville, at 12 o'clock last night, that Mr. Lloyd Smith, the night clerk at Battery Park Hotel, whose family reside in this city, and who is well-known here, killed himself by the accidental discharge of a pistol which he was handling.

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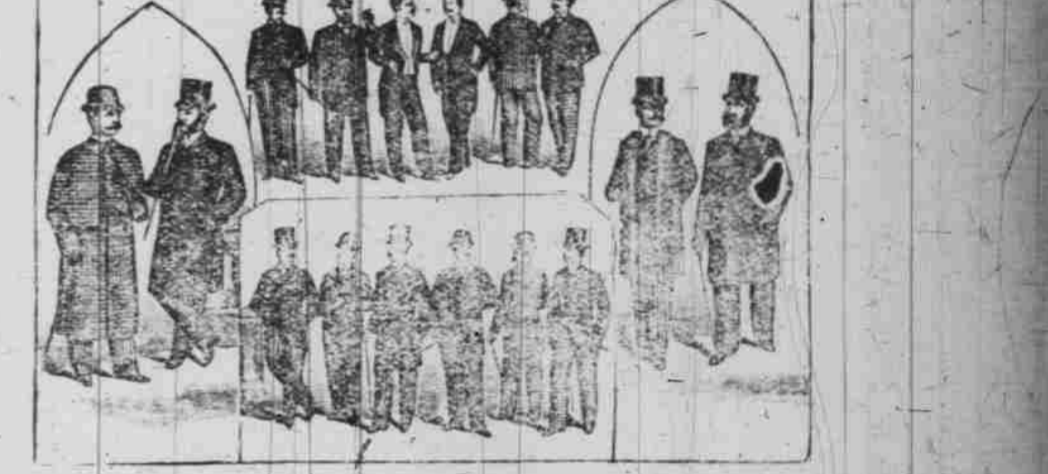
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