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Beginning of the Reign of Law.

It is no secret that for many years the internal revenue laws of the United States have been flagrantly violated in the western district of North Carolina and that in a great many cases the violators have compromised with the government by the payment of fines which were often much less in amount than the profits that had been realized from the illicit traffic in liquor. The reference is, of course, to the larger offenders, for the smaller ones, unable to pay fines in considerable amounts, have made atonement by undergoing sentences to county jails or Federal prisons. This proceeding gradually grew into a system, and under it the blockading of liquor has not, of course, decreased. It is no reflection upon Judge Boyd to say that he was, without doubt, aware of the custom, and it is altogether a credit to his conception of his duties as a judicial officer and to his humanity that he determined to break it up, but to give ample notice of the method he should employ. He has therefore uttered full warning of his purpose to resort to imprisonment for violations of the law, seeing that fines inflicted no punishment at all, the offenders making, easily, out of the very offences for which they were fined, the money with which to pay up and resume the business. After announcing publicly and often that these violations had to stop, he began to sentence to penitentiaries and jails the rich and the "respectable" distillers and dealers who would not be warned, and if he persists in the policy, as he undoubtedly will, the offences will stop. The payment of fine and costs are nothing; the discomfort and humiliation of a prison is another matter.

Judge Boyd needs no commendation for the vigorous policy upon which he has entered. It is right: he knows it is; and it is the only policy which prove effective. It has been too long felt that to defraud the government by defeating it of the tax to which it is entitled on liquor is no moral wrong. It is as wrong as it can be and it leads to all kinds of demoralization. Permit the people to become convinced that offence against one law is venial, and they soon learn to believe that there is no wrong in the violation of another, and another. It is difficult to say whether the influence of the illicit traffic in liquor reaches up and down—whether from the little blockade still in mountains up to the wholesale dealer or down from him to the little still. But both are faithful fountains of demoralization and both deserve to be dealt with with a mailed hand. All honor to Judge Boyd!—Charlotte Observer

Mrs. Sallie Brown Gets \$4,000.

Mrs. Sallie Brown, who sued the Southern Railway some time ago for \$80,000 because of the killing of her son, Charles R. Brown, while in the employ of said company here about two years ago. Mr. Brown was coupling cars when his head was caught between the bumpers and crushed. This case had gone up to the United States District court at Charlotte which yesterday found a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$4,000.



MORAN.—Dr. George H. Moran, of Morganton, died at the sanatorium Friday morning. Dr. Moran was resident physician of the Morganton deaf, dumb, blind school and Southern railway. He came here for treatment, but too late to obtain relief.

ROSS.—J. O. Ross, of Albemarle, father of T. L. Ross, of China Grove, died Thursday morning. He was 88 years old and was buried with Masonic honors.

MARRIAGES.

DUNHAM-SIFFORD.—Cards announcing the marriage of Miss Sadie Dunham, daughter of Mrs. W. E. Dunham, and William C. Sifford, a popular salesman at Belk-Harry Co.'s, have been sent out. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride this morning at 7:30 o'clock.

ATWELL-SANE.—Mrs. Lula Atwell and W. H. Sane were married last Wednesday night.

COVINGTON-CRAVEN.—The scene of this marriage was at Broadacre, the country home of Mrs. D. A. Covington, near Monroe in Union county, the participants were Miss Kate Covington and Rev. J. B. Craven pastor of East Salisbury Methodist church. Rev. W. R. Ware officiated.

Judge Boyd is everlastingly right in his contention that there should be equality before the law. In his remarks on the Arey case, an account of which appears in the supplement to this paper, he pointed out that because a man is considered a gentleman, because he has a good reputation and is possessed of wealth, is no reason why he should be allowed to continue violating the law and be permitted to go on the mere payment of money, while the less fortunate criminal must go to prison. This is unjust and Judge Boyd shows a proper conception of his duties when he insists that this shall no longer be permitted in his court. Of course we all feel sorry for a "good fellow" who faces a term in prison, but no matter how much can be said in the man's favor, the fact remains that he has willingly and knowingly violated the law and continues to violate it for the purpose of gain, purely with the expectation that he can pay his way out. If all men who violate the law knew that the violation meant a term on the roads or in the penitentiary, or even in jail, there would be a wonderful decrease in the number of criminal cases on the court dockets. The Landmark stands for law enforcement, and for the effort he is making to enforce the law, and especially for his effort to show that there is yet some equality before the law. Judge Boyd deserves all commendation.—Statesville Landmark.

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 Corn, per bushel, 70 to 80.
 Cotton, per lb, 7 to 8.
 Ducks, 20 to 30.
 Eggs, per doz, 14 to 15.
 Flour, straight, per sack, \$2.80 to \$3.00.
 " pat, \$3.25 to \$3.50.
 Guineas, 15 to 20.
 Hay, per hundred lbs, 40 to 50.
 Hides, dry, per lb, 7 to 10.
 Honey, per lb, 12 1/2 to 15.
 Lard, N. C., per lb, 10 to 12.
 Meal, bolted, per bu, 70 to 80.
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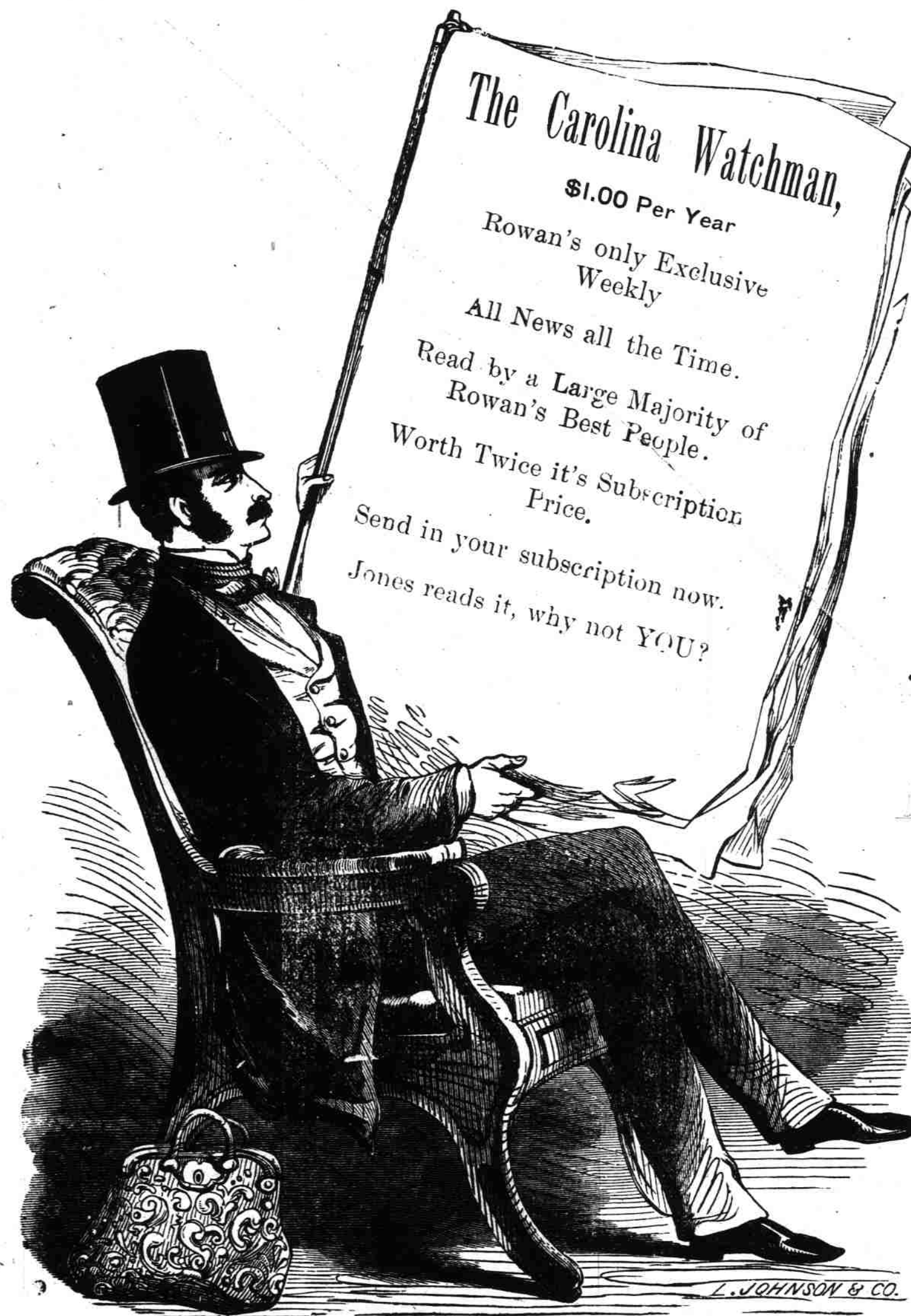
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