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SALISBURY, N. C., MAR. 30, 1909.

So "Boss" Somers came to grief in Statesville. He has been arrested and charged with doing the blind tiger act in our sister city. THE WATCHMAN does not know if Somers is guilty, as charged, but if he is, he should have known better. The blind tiger business is a precarious one to engage in now, in North Carolina, though some towns may be easier than others in which to operate.

Carnegie and Schwab ought not to "go back" on the tariff as they have done. It is the basest sort of ingratitude. The same tariff they now speak of as unnecessary and unjust has enabled them to build up large fortunes. But having been strong adherents of the tariff until these fortunes were secure, they now say, "The old thing is no good, cut it out." We know the Republican high tariff scheme is good but for only two things, to make rich men richer and make poor men poorer, but these objections from men like Carnegie and Schwab come at too late a date. Beside this Mr. Carnegie contributed liberally to Mr. Taft's campaign fund, knew what to expect from that source and should take his medicine without complaining.

THE RESULT OF BOSSISM.

The result of the so-called non-partisan primary in Spencer is a vindication of certain statements made by the writer during several elections held in the last few years in Salisbury and Rowan county. Those statements were inspired by the bossism, tyranny, injustice, un-democratic and despotic conduct of the chairmen of the town and county executive committees of the dominant party. We called attention to the possible results, to the final disruption of the party in the county, and the fact that these self-seeking demagogues were more interested in themselves and certain schemes than they were in Democracy, and that it was a matter of rule or ruin with them, in fact it looked to us like their intention was to rule and ruin. The point was reached where a decent man need not apply for recognition at the hands of the party unless he was a member of a certain gang, but, worse yet, the said gang did not seem to want a decent man to be a party to their schemes, they wanted men they could handle. Such a thing as a square deal before the primaries was an impossibility. A legalized primary was demanded, and a worthless substitute was given, bonds have been issued fraudulently, the towns finances have been wasted, debt has been needlessly incurred, proper and lawful reports, both of the town and county, have not been made, and the rights of the people have been deliberately ignored, set upon, and the right of popular suffrage has practically been taken away by three county commissioners. Talk about a free people sitting idle and permitting the continuance of such wanton outrages? Talk about a free, liberty-loving, right-thinking people continuing to affectionately embrace, love and respect a party of such criminal features and characteristics? But lo, we hear a wail, a Sampson wriggling under the stones of the temple that he has pulled down upon himself. The people who have gone into these non-partisan affairs are appealing for justice, that justice and fairness, that was their rightful due as citizens, if not as Democrats. There is no wail of distress from them. They find this course necessary. The good people of the town and county who believe in law and the enforcement of it, are daily reminded of the gang's duplicity and deliberate refusal to enforce the laws of the land, if they are not really siding in their violation. The city authorities at the present time have all reason to know and to believe that there are at least a dozen saloons in Salisbury to-day, and

not the least effort, regardless of their oath to enforce the law, is being made to apprehend or bring to justice any of them. The county commissioners only recently granted a license for a so-called drug store to sell whiskey in East Spencer, notwithstanding such an act was in violation of the State prohibition law, the charter of East Spencer, the incorporation of Christ church, and that they are indictable on each of these several counts for so doing. And there are dozens and dozens of similar things that can be enumerated, but what is the use? Everybody knows that so long as the present gang controls just so long will these things continue. Is it any wonder then that the so-called Democracy is on the wane? It is not a matter of surprise that it has a dozen members. Many of the men going into these non-partisan affairs are true-blue Democrats, and they regret the necessity of their course, but to obtain the enforcement of law and a square deal they are willing to make the effort by such a method. And why not? If their plans fail to carry, because a few Republicans get into office, they can hardly be treated with less consideration than they have been receiving at the hands of the now bewailing and so-called Democracy.

Baracas Elect Officers.

Sunday morning the Baraca class of the First Methodist church elected the following officers: J. K. Link, president; O. W. Spencer, vice president; A. L. Smoot, teacher; W. B. Smoot, assistant teacher; Roy Beaver, secretary; E. R. Fonda, treasurer; D. V. J. Peeler, press reporter. A meeting will be held this week at which the usual committees will be appointed.

"PE-RU-NA DID WONDERS FOR ME."



MRS. ROSA BOYER, 1421 Sherman Ave., Evanston, Ill., writes: "If any one has reason to praise Peruna it is surely myself."

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The City Campaign.

It is now an assured fact that there will be a much larger vote cast at the primary election this week than has been anticipated so long as A. L. Smoot had no opposition in his race for mayor, many voters had not intended going to the polls. But the situation has changed by the advent of W. B. Strachan in the contest. There is every indication now of a quite lively race.

Judge Brown Cannot Accept.

Mention was made in our last issue of the fact that Rev. M. M. Kinard had extended an invitation to Judge J. H. Brown, of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, to deliver an address in this city in the near future. Judge Brown has notified Dr. Kinard that owing to other pressing engagements he will be unable to accept the invitation at this time.

Peculiar Case of Desertion.

An interesting case of desertion has come to the attention of the police of the city. The deserted is a baby girl two or three weeks old and the victim of the evident plot at desertion is an old negro woman named Lillie Jackson. According to the woman's statement a tall, well-dressed, handsome man with a black mustache appeared at her door on Brick street yesterday one week ago, bearing in his arms an infant. It was just dusk and the man, having every appearance of a highbred gentleman, told the old negro that he and his wife had been suddenly called away for a few days giving other plausible

excuses requested that the woman keep the child until their return. The woman was easily duped. She believed the man sincere and agreed to take good care of the little one. The man gave the woman \$8 in money, a quantity of clothing for the babe and also some prepared baby food. He left and since that time has never been heard from. The woman kept the child, taking good care of it, and confidently expecting the visitor to return. After three or four days wait she became uneasy and appeared to claim his ward, the black woman notified the police. A newspaper man, who went to the woman's house to make investigations, found the infant there and well cared for. The babe bears evidence of gentle birth, is well developed and apparently strong and healthy. Lillie Jackson has become attached to the wee one but realizing that it is not right to raise a white child, has informed the police and request will be made that one of the charitable institutions of the town take the deserted babe and find for it a home. The woman named the child Alberta.—Asheville Gazette News.

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