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THE CIRCULATION OF THE MORNING STAR IS LARGER THAN THAT OF ANY OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN NORTH CAROLINA.

THE OCTOBER ELECTIONS. There are but three weeks now intervening before the October elections. Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska, Ohio and Pennsylvania hold their elections on the second Tuesday, the 12th of that month. In Indiana the republican majority for Grant was 9,572, and the republican majority on joint ballot in the last Legislature was 30. Governor Baker was elected by 961 majority. In Iowa, Grant's majority was 46,350, and the republican majority in the Legislature was 107. Grant's majority in Nebraska was 4,299, and Governor Butler's 2,481. The Legislature was strongly republican. In Ohio Grant's majority was 41,428, and the republicans elected Sherwood Secretary of State last year by 17,383 majority. The Legislature had 10 democratic majority on joint ballot. In Pennsylvania Grant's majority was 28,808, and General Hartranft's 9,677. The republican majority in the Legislature was 27 on joint ballot.

WE ARE REJOICED. Yes, hope, we are rejoiced, as you suggest, to learn the Horse Railway Company of Norfolk C. H. has commenced operations. But we shall rejoice still more to hear that our brother of the Virginian is beyond all danger of perishing for want of a sufficiency of water. One of the great recommendations of Norfolk C. H. is the fact that while she has a sufficiency of water to float the maves of the world, her people are not expected to drink that insipid fluid except by prescription of the village physician who distributes it, in very small doses, from the hallowed precincts of "the old Herald building."

It appears from the accounts in the Newbern papers (published in the STAR yesterday) that there are some Ku-Kluxers in the Republican party of Lennox county. We hope the Newbern correspondent of the Chicago Tribune will not forget to regale the readers of that journal with another letter—this time based on the murderous acts of Republican Ku-Kluxers.

A correspondent of the Norfolk Journal thus mournfully closes a communication on the water question that has so long and so fearfully agitated his town: "Water we must have, ere we can hope to become anything more than we now are—a way station." We trust the water may be forthcoming.

The name of the Gold Room in Wall-street should be hereafter called the Gould Room.

The Stowe-Byron scandal is becoming a nuisance. We wish old Byron was dead!

A Singular Case. On yesterday afternoon, about 4 o'clock, a German, name unknown, dressed in jeans pants, gray coat, and black and white speckled vest, and wearing blue boots, entered the second-hand variety store of Mr. George Leicht, No. 412 1/2 Second Street. At the time, Mr. Leicht was in the back-yard, but on being apprised that a customer was awaiting him, he immediately went into his place of business. The German asked to see a shot gun. Mr. L. opened the show-case, and took therefrom a double-barreled gun, which he exhibited. The stranger told him to load it, but Mr. Leicht declined, on the ground that the weapon had not been purchased. The German asked the price, and on being told that it was \$15, instantly paid the money. He then requested the purchaser to have it loaded, saying, in addition, that he was a traveler and probably would not have time himself to load it. Reluctantly Mr. Leicht complied, putting in an ordinary quantity of powder, and a small load of shot. When he had completed the job, he handed to the purchaser two cups, telling him at the same time to put them in his vest pocket, as it was dangerous to carry a loaded and capped gun through the city. The German persisted, however, and Leicht put on the caps. The former then went out of the store, and stood for a few moments on the sidewalk. Deliberately he cocked the gun, placed

butt end of it on the pavement, and leaned the muzzle against his left side, as if with and about four inches below the heart. He then stooped over an extended his arm, pulled the trigger, discharging one barrel of the gun, the entire charge lodging in his side. The gun dropped, the man staggered for awhile and then fell. Sergeant Koenig and Officer Sullivan, who happened to be near the time, had the wounded man conveyed to the Health Office, at which place he died after being there twenty minutes.

Deceased is a man about five feet eight or nine inches high, has sharp features, and dark brown hair. As no one nor anything has yet appeared to identify the body, the cause which superinduced his most deplorable action remains a mystery. Conjecture only can furnish a foundation.

In his pockets were found a common leather pocket book, containing \$15.99, a double-cased silver watch, numbered 158,389, of the American Watch Company's chain; a four-ounce bottle, half filled with castor oil; and a small piece of plug tobacco. The Coroner will hold an inquest at 10 o'clock this morning—*Missouri Republican, Sept. 25.*

Palmetto Leaves. The police made a raid on a negro gambling saloon in Charleston on Sunday morning last, capturing a number of the parties.

A steamboat line between Charleston and Boston is to be established.

A cripple on two crutches was arrested in Charleston for stealing money from a little girl whom he had requested to tie a bow tie for him.

On Sunday night three colored prisoners, escaped from the penitentiary at Columbia by cutting through the brick wall from one cell into an unoccupied one adjacent which was unfastened; the guard was passed without discovery.

Gen. Jos. E. Johnston is in Columbia, and many of his old friends and army associates have paid their respects to him.

A meeting of journeymen tailors was held in Charleston—object to increase their pay.

Nothing definite has been ascertained in regard to the number of the negro found floating off the Battery at Charleston Sunday afternoon.

The Barwell Journal publishes a long list of the prizes offered by the Barwell Agricultural and Mechanical Society for the Annual Fair to be held at Barwell, November 17th and 18th.

THE GOLD RING. Gambling Made Easy. The New York Gold Exchange Bank acts as a clearing house for the gold of the Gold Exchange, or "Gold Room" as it is usually called, and seems to have been started for the laudable purpose of making money, and the less laudable one of affording extraordinary facilities to men without means for operating largely in the Gold Room and appearing before the public as capitalists.

It is at least one thing that we have been months past doing a large business as bulls in gold substantially without capital. As a matter of course the concern has been swallowed by the whirlpool. The Regular dealer in gold makes every day a statement to the Gold Exchange Bank of his purchases and sales of gold, according to the following form:

Statement of John Smith & Co. to New York Gold Exchange Bank.	
Receive from	Gold. Rate. Currency.
Herman Brady, \$30,000.00	145 443,500.00
Smith & James	74,500.00
John Freely & Co.	250,000.00 150 375,000.00
James Goody & Son	100,000.00 155 155,000.00
R. Adams & Co.	80,000.00 100 80,000.00
Brown, Gundry & Co.	300,000.00 140 420,000.00
Johns, Fisk & Bull	100,000.00 165 165,000.00
Gold & Stone	50,000.00 149 74,500.00
	\$920,000.00 \$1,372,075.00
Deliver to	
Hiram Gold	Gold. Rate. Currency.
Co. \$20,000.00	157 314,000.00
Sto. & Co.	80,000.00 150 120,000.00
Goldstein & Moss	200,000.00 160 320,000.00
Bance & Wood	150,000.00 155 232,500.00
Warren & Bodie	50,000.00 144 72,000.00
Gobbell, Fiske & Co.	310,000.00 138 427,800.00
Doyle, Jones & Co.	50,000.00 148 74,500.00
Barrow, Dean & Co.	80,000.00 164 131,200.00
Balloe check for	400.00
	\$920,000.00 \$1,373,075.00

New York, Sept. 25, 1893.

Above are the purchases made the day before by John Smith & Co., and below them the sales. All the persons named in the statement are supposed to be members of the Gold Board, and to keep their deposits of gold and currency in the Gold Bank. In this case it happens that Smith & Co. have purchased of various parties sums of gold amounting in the aggregate to \$920,000, and have sold to divers other parties exactly the same aggregate, and the difference against Smith & Co. is \$450 in currency.

The rule requires that each member of the Gold Board shall present his statement to the bank of the transactions of the previous day at 12 P. M., and if the difference between the sums total of his purchases and sales be against him he must give his check for the amount of such difference. As soon as the statements are presented to the bank the clerks set about adjusting the accounts by debiting each party with his purchases and crediting each with his sales. If no one named in the statement has defaulted, the bank is required to settle after 2 o'clock. In case of default the amount is added to or deducted from the appropriate statement.

By this simple process John Smith & Co., being members of the Gold Board and dealing with the Gold Exchange Bank, are enabled to buy and sell in a single day nearly a million dollars of gold on a capital of \$450 in currency. If there were no bank, Smith & Co. would be compelled either to reduce the amount of their capital, or to deposit the amount of their capital. Thus they would have to receive from John Freely & Co., named in the foregoing statement, \$250,000 gold, and pay them \$375,000 in currency or its equivalent. This a business that may now be, and we believe often is, transacted on a capital of a single thousand dollars, and on a capital of a single thousand dollars would, if the Gold Exchange Bank were broken up, require at least a quarter of a million.

The bank charges a commission upon these transactions, and is said to be making about \$150,000 per annum on a capital of half a million. Its stock commands a high premium; its success is a disaster to the street, and its existence is the perpetual offer of a premium for gambling.

Westward the Star of Empire.

The Chicago Tribune gives the following figures with an air of quiet satisfaction which a consciousness of power imparts. The figures tell their own tale. But it is noticeable that the Tribune omits to work out the result of combinations between the West and South, or the South and North. Its silence, however, does not conceal the fact that in any possible or probable contingencies, the South may hold the balance of power between the Northwest and the Northeast:

THE TRANSFER OF POWER.—In the re-appointment of representation in Congress, on the basis of the census of 1870, the centre of political power will swing westward from somewhere in the neighborhood of Columbus, Ohio, to a point at, or near Lafayette, Indiana. The six New England States which, in 1840, had 38 Representatives, will, in 1870, have only 22, as follows:

1840.	1870.
Maine.....8	Maine.....4
New Hampshire 5	New Hampshire 3
Vermont.....5	Vermont.....3
Massachusetts 13	Massachusetts 9
Connecticut 12	Connecticut 7
Rhode Island..4	Rhode Island..2
Total.....38	Total.....22

The Northwestern States, which, in 1840, had 32, in 1870 will have 83, as follows:

1840.	1870.
Ohio.....19	Ohio.....19
Indiana.....13	Indiana.....13
Illinois.....3	Illinois.....13
Michigan.....1	Michigan.....11
Missouri.....2	Missouri.....16
Louisiana.....1	Louisiana.....7
Iowa.....8	Iowa.....8
Wisconsin.....3	Wisconsin.....7
Minnesota.....3	Minnesota.....3
Kansas.....2	Kansas.....2
Nebraska.....1	Nebraska.....8
Total.....32	Total.....83

In estimating the increased political power of the West, we must add to these the Pacific States, which in 1840 were not, which now have only five members of Congress, but which, after 1870, will probably have seven or eight, making in all 92 or 93 members west of Pittsburgh, Tennessee, north of Cairo. The change between the period named in the representative strength of New England and the other Eastern or Atlantic States combined will be substantially as follows:

1840.	1870.
New York.....40	New York.....29
New Jersey.....6	New Jersey.....5
Pennsylvania.....28	Pennsylvania.....25
Delaware.....1	Delaware.....1
Maryland.....6	Maryland.....4
Total.....81	Total.....64
Add New England.....38	Add New England.....22
Total.....119	Total.....86

In any issue, therefore, in which the entire New England and Middle States, including Delaware and Maryland, might be arrayed on one side, and the Western and Pacific States on the other, the latter would prevail by a majority of seven votes. In any issue wherein Kentucky, Tennessee and the Southwestern States are arrayed with the Western and Pacific, as for instance in the removal of the capital, the improvement of the Mississippi, the development of mining resources, the equitable national adjustment of taxation, and the like, the majority would be larger.

Happy Rejoinder. At Oxford, some twenty years ago, a tutor of one of the colleges limped in his walk. Stopping one day last summer at a railway station, he was accosted by a well known politician, who recognized him, and asked him if he was not the chaplain of the college at such a time and place.

The Doctor replied that he was there, said the interrogator, and knew you by your limp." "Well," said the doctor, "it seems my limping made a deeper impression than my preaching." "Ah, doctor," was the reply with ready wit, "it is the highest compliment we can pay a minister, to say that he is known by his walk rather than by his conversation."

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Recovery from the latest stage of consumption is therefore possible. The following outline of the course of life to pursue is given:

Live in the open air and sunshine; avoid dampness and darkness in your dwelling; if possible, choose a dry, mountainous region; develop by vigorous exercise every muscle in the body to its fullest capacity; select nourishing and easily-digested food; and be sure that it is not overcooked; dress in coarse woollen clothing; bathe for cleanliness and comfort; never forcibly cleanse the lungs, but increase their capacity by exercise; take the best medicines except as a doctor or additions to the course of life recommended.

The Tobacco Question.

BY OLIVER WENDEL HOLMES, M. D. This question is one of the hardest to deal with. When the Arctic traveller describes his little party voyaging over the icebergs, and pictures them as they rest at evening, when their freezing days journey is over, you can hardly then see the pipe of tobacco they take with such calm enjoyment as they would if they were at Wat-robbed Napoleon of the small box at Waterloo? It would deny the sailor on his midnight watch, or the sentry on his round, the solace which he finds in his acrid pipe? The plain truth about tobacco is that it is not a strong poison enough to produce any very palpable effect on the health when used in small quantities by people of average constitutions. Yet I remember seeing a famous athlete decline a cigar offered him, on the ground that it would be enough to unfit him for his performance, which required perfectly steady nerves and muscles. A danger to which smokers are exposed is injury to the temper, through the increased irritability which the practice is apt to produce, and to the will which it is powerful to subjugate. This habit introduces into the conduct of life one of the most imperious forms of self-indulgence known to human experience. Our State prison convicts are said to pine for their tobacco more than for any other luxury of freedom. The amount of duty on tobacco is the accommodation of obedience to the craving for the narcotic stimulant must form a large item in the list of the many things left undone that ought to have been done.

Carry the use of the strange herb a little further, and the partial palsy of the will extends to other functions. The sense of vision is one of the first points which the further encroachment of the drug shows itself. Many cases of amaurosis, or loss of power in the nerve of the eye, are traced to the free use of tobacco. Some hard smokers are great workers, as we all know, but few who have watched the effects of intoxication on will and character would deny that it has a heavy, and not very pretty heavily, in the race for distinction. It encourages rovery—the contemplation of the possible, which is a clarifying but unwholesome substitute for the performance of the duty next at hand. If we divide our friends into the "if things were so" and "the things are so" sections, the nicotineizers will be found in the former. But it must be remembered that all habits of this kind, like insanity, are more apt to fasten themselves on natures originally defective and ill-balanced than on those in which the poise of all the faculties is well adjusted, and the self-determining power too vigorous to be controlled.

If one comes to the conclusion that he will be better for leaving off the use of tobacco he must expect to find that it costs him a hard struggle. It is a second weaning, almost as trying as the first, but a few days will put an end to the conflict.

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